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Advisory Group Gives Views on Parking, Mobil Oil's Clearview

By Molly Meade
Staff Writer

The Isla Vista Community Advisory Council met Tuesday evening to discuss the town's parking situation, tenant/landlord relations, the Clearview Mobil Oil Project and the prospect of bringing in a local farmer's market.

Santa Barbara County officials are currently considering the institution of a resident parking permit program for I.V. To minimize the impact on commuters, it has been proposed that the Metropolitan Transit District create new lines to provide an alternative transportation for students.

The proposed buses will be more compact in size to enable more maneuverability around tight turns, officials said.

Mark Milstein, Associated Students external vice president, was on hand at the meeting and brought out some figures concerning parking on campus and commuters' dilemmas.

According to his records, the university provides 5,852 parking spaces, but 379 of those spaces are found off-campus. Of those spaces, 2,900 are exclusively for faculty and staff, 623 are for students living in on-campus residence halls, and only 1,987 are spaces provided for "C" lots, the only lots

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Following her positive and reminiscent final report to the campus, Chancellor Barbara Uehling mingles with audience members at the Music Bowl.

Small Audience Hears Uehling's Final Report

By Lara Karpenko
Reporter

Tuesday, for the last time, Chancellor Barbara Uehling stood before a small but enthusiastic audience of faculty, staff and students to make her annual report to the campus.

The address, given in Lotte Lehman Concert Hall, focused on private gifts, student accomplishments and the minority composition of staff and students.

The chancellor began her speech by announcing the university's donations figures, specifically recognizing Maggie Mosher, whose donation of \$1.1 million makes her the largest contributor in UCSB history.

Monetary gifts to UCSB increased by 16% last year, setting a record for the second year in a row. Uehling credited this expansion to the people who work

at UCSB.

"All this is possible because we have good faculty and staff," she said.

Uehling also praised the triumphs of some former UCSB students, including opera singer Reveka Mavrotovis, who recently signed a contract with the New York City Opera. Mavrotovis received a bachelor's degree in 1986 and a master's in 1988 from UCSB.

"Students are the real measure of our success," the chancellor said.

According to Uehling, the minority composition of new faculty and the freshman class also increased this year. Forty-five percent of incoming faculty were women and/or minorities, she said.

While the specific figures for the freshman class are not in yet, it was projected that 35% of the

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Landsat VI to Provide UCSB Departments With New Info

By Chris George
Staff Writer

A \$220 million geological mapping satellite blasted into space from Vandenberg Air Force Base Tuesday after a six-day delay, promising UCSB scientists more accurate data about the Earth.

A Titan II rocket put the Martin-Marrietta Astrospace Landsat-6 satellite into orbit at approximately 11 a.m. Tuesday morning, according to Martin-

Marrietta representative Pat Vites.

Santa Barbara Research, a Goleta aerospace firm, built the sensing equipment the satellite will use to map the planet as part of the ongoing Landsat program. According to SBR staff, the satellite will orbit some 438 miles above the Earth.

Geography Assistant Professor Leal Mertes said that the UCSB Geological Sciences and Geography departments will make extensive use of the satellite's data. She added that not only is the data from the ob-

server used in research, she also uses it in teaching.

Mertes had cancelled an earlier class to take graduate students who use Landsat data to the launch, but when the blastoff was cancelled last week, she was uncertain whether the students would make it to Vandenberg for the real thing.

Nevertheless, members of Mertes' department were eager to see the satellite make it into space. "Somebody came up with the idea of a launch party," Mertes said.

According to SBRC spokes-

man Jack Weber, the satellite is able to take pictures of the Earth in squares as small as 15x15 meters. "The satellite can identify something like a school bus," he said.

The Landsat mission has been operating since the early 1970s when the first, second and third satellites in the program, since shut down, were used to report on ecological damage caused by such infamous natural disasters as the eruption of Mount St. Helens in Washington, a SBRC official said.

Medical Profession Introduced to Robot Surgeon Thanks to Alumni

By Rebecca Eggeman
Staff Writer

A robot invented by a local company employing UCSB graduates assisted a Santa Barbara surgeon in the removal of a gall bladder from a patient last Monday, furthering the system's progress toward widespread use.

Goleta-based Computer Motion, Inc., a robotics firm made up primarily of UCSB alumni, created the Automated Endoscopic System for Optimal Positioning in order to control a tiny surgical camera lens, usually held by a human assistant, with a more steady robotic computer.

The AESOP was developed at the suggestion of Dr. Ronald Latimer, a surgeon at Santa Barbara's Cottage Hospital.

Latimer, who has used the robot twice in surgery, said that Yulun Wang, president of CMI and inventor of the AESOP,

asked him if he could think of a use for robotics in surgery. The surgeon said a robot should be combined with a laparoscope, a video camera with a miniature lens inserted into the body during surgery, to make the procedure more fine-tuned.

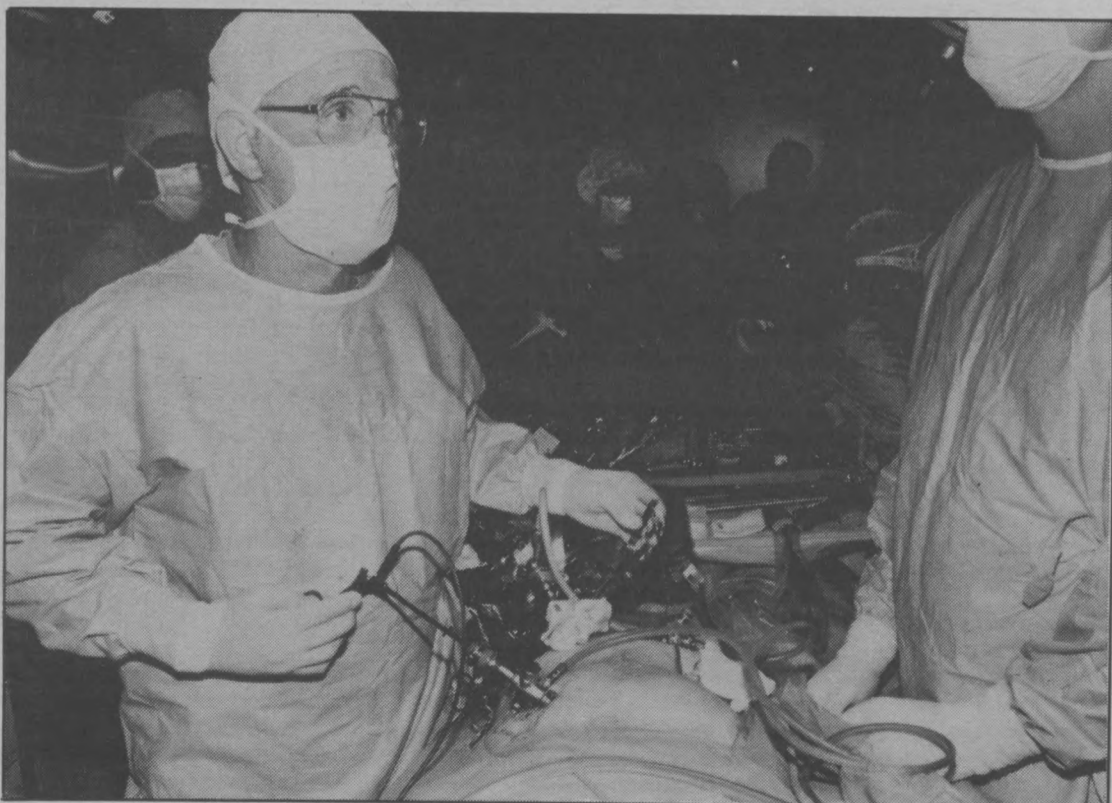
"[The AESOP] does not move or wiggle the way a person tends to," Latimer said. "It's nice not to have a jumpy picture while operating."

Laparoscopes were introduced to mainstream surgical procedures in 1989, Wang said. "There is a huge shift coming in the adoption of laparoscopes by surgeons," he said. "It is becoming a fast-moving, evolutionary field."

In addition, laparoscopic surgery is safer and causes less discomfort for the patient, Wang said.

Traditional gall bladder re-

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GERRY MELLENDEZ/Daily Nexus

Computer Motion Inc., a Goleta-based robotics firm made up of UCSB alumni, created a robot used during surgery to insert and hold a mini-camera inside a patient. These surgeons used the machine during a gall bladder operation on Monday.

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Weather

The best place to have been a fly on the wall Tuesday night was in any newspaper sports room when the report about Michael Jordan's alleged retirement announcement hit the airwaves. You never would have seen such scurrying about, so many writers going off to confirm information, checking the A.P. wire, editors relaying out pages. It would have been a site to see. Something that only happens once in a long while.

As for Jordan? He'll be back in six months to a year. No doubt. You heard it here first.

Wednesday's High: 70, Low 55
 Outlook: Little sunshine. Rather, clouds and patchy drizzle.
 High tide: 2:13 am (3.1), 12:44 pm (4.9)
 Low tide: 5:57 am (2.7), 8:49 pm (1.1)
 Surf: One foot swell at Santa Barbara.
 Sunset: 6:46 pm, Thu. Sunrise: 7:08 am.

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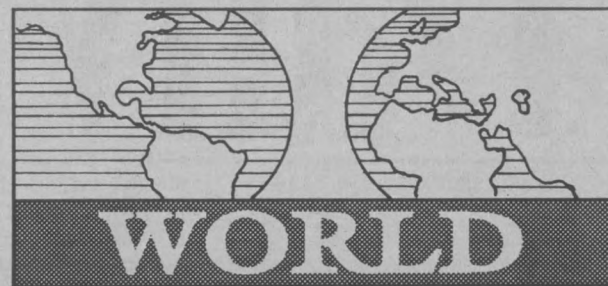
Yeltsin Keeps Up Pressure, Fires Three

MOSCOW (AP) — President Boris Yeltsin strengthened his victory over hardline enemies Tuesday, sacking three officials even as tanks rolled back from Russia's smoldering Parliament and soldiers searched for more dead.

Sniper fire from the blackened parliament building died down during the day Tuesday. Russian television said authorities suspected some 10 gunmen remained in the 19-story building, known as the White House.

The government assigned lawyers to the leaders of the rebellion, former Vice President Aleander Rutskoi and parliament speaker Ruslan Khasbulatov. Officials were considering what charges would be filed against them, as they sat behind bars with their followers.

Yeltsin on Tuesday dis-



missed Russia's chief prosecutor Valentin Stepankov, as well as two provincial leaders who had opposed him during the crisis.

The Cabinet, led by Defense Minister Pavel Grachev, formally thanked some 1,300 soldiers and commandos who had pummeled the marble parliament building for 10 hours Monday, igniting fires that blackened the top third of the so-called White House.

"A wave of hatred and death was stopped in Moscow. The bloody rebellion

was suppressed," the Cabinet said in a statement. "The seeds of a political split in Russia have been uprooted. Now, creative work is needed."

Yeltsin's "creative work" could include living up to promises to improve the economy, holding elections and convincing the parliament leaders who defied him and sought for more than a year to hinder him.

Yeltsin is beholden to those who helped him, notably the military and Russia's 89 regions and republics, most of which

backed him in the crisis. Hundreds rallied in St. Petersburg to support a Russian nationalist TV commentator whose program was canceled Tuesday.

"Yeltsin is a murderer!" the crowd chanted.

The violence grew out of Yeltsin's effort to halt parliamentary intransigence by dissolving the body on Sept. 21. Hardliners barricaded themselves inside for nearly two weeks, until their supporters' riots prompted Yeltsin to attack the parliament building.

The rebels may be charged with inciting mass disorder, murder and hostage-taking, said Genrik Resnik, a former defense lawyer in the treason case against leaders of the 1991 Soviet coup attempt.

Tax Would Raise Money, Cut Smokers

WASHINGTON (AP) — The cigarette-tax increase that would finance a big share of Clinton's health-reform plan could produce a major side-effect: fewer smokers.

In turn, 925,000 members of the current population would not die as a result of smoking, estimates an anti-smoking health coalition. And, according to Congress' Office of Technology Assessment, the nation would save a good chunk of the \$68 million that is lost each year in lower worker productivity and higher health-care costs for smokers.

The tobacco industry offers another projection: a major increase in the 24-cent-a-pack tax would kill 288,000 jobs nationwide, from tobacco farms to the neighborhood convenience stores whose



biggest-selling item often is cigarettes.

The industry seems destined to lose this battle. The question is whether Clinton and Congress will agree next year on the 75-cent increase usually mentioned or go even higher, as the health lobby urges.

"It will be a lost opportunity" if the increase is held to 75 cents, says John Bloom of the Coalition on Smoking OR Health. The group, a joint effort of the

American Heart Assn., American Lung Assn., and American Cancer Society, estimates the difference between 75 cents and \$2 is an extra one million lives saved.

Clinton's recommendation will be known when he formally submits his health plan to Congress within the next several days. Congress could raise or lower the figure when it votes next year.

Sen. Lauch Faircloth (R-N.C.) initiated a letter

to Clinton promising opposition to any increase. Democrats, who make up most of the state delegation, refused to sign, said Faircloth aide John Pryor.

Rep. Martin Lancaster (D-N.C.), writing in *The Washington Post*, avoided the no-new-tax stance but argued that many southern Democrats will oppose a health plan "as long as tobacco stands alone as the only product taxed for health care."

"Does the fact that more Americans drink than smoke explain this lack of rationality and fairness?" Lancaster asked.

As various health groups have done, Lancaster argued that alcohol is a large contributor to the nation's health problems and should be taxed accordingly.

Committee Clears Wilderness Area Bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Legislation setting aside nearly 4 million acres of California desert lands as federally protected wilderness cleared a key Senate Committee Tuesday.

The Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee voted 13-7 in support of the bill and sent it to the Senate floor for action later this year. The California desert bill would create three new National Parks.

The bill would designate some 3.9 million acres of land administered by the Bureau of Land Management in California as part of the National Wilderness Preservation System.

The bill also would add some 234,000 acres to the Joshua Tree National Monument and about 1.3 million acres to the Death



Valley National Monument, and would set aside both sites as new national parks. It would also create a 1.4 million-acre Mojave National Park and make a number of other changes, including releasing 2.8 million acres for multiple uses.

Opponents of the bill, including California Gov. Pete Wilson, have argued it is unnecessary because the desert has adequate protection by the Bureau of Land Management.

The panel acted after

defeating an amendment that would have given owners of private property, inside the boundaries of the desert wilderness area, special rights to receive compensation.

Sen. Frank Murkowski (R-Alaska) said his amendment amounted to simple fairness and would establish the principle that "we should simply pay for what we take."

But committee chairman Sen. J. Bennett Johnston (D-La.) said its inclusion in the bill would violate

the Federal Budget Act, increase the government's budget deficit and cause the wilderness legislation to be defeated.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-Calif.), the principal author of the desert protection legislation, said she believed the committee endorsed the measure by a larger vote than expected because she and other supporters were willing to compromise and accommodate competing interests.

"I think the chances are good on final passage," she told reporters.

Environmentalists have argued that the largest federal land protection act in decades is needed to safeguard the area from the ravages of mining, grazing, development and off-road vehicle use.

Drive Aims at Saving Forests

By Daniela Matson
Staff Writer

Organizers of a massive national postcard campaign are hoping their efforts will motivate President Bill Clinton to halt the destruction of the ancient forests of the Pacific Northwest.

The California Public Interest Research Group, a collegiate organization involved in environmental and consumer issues, launched the campaign along with a coalition of other groups in over 35 states. They hope to gather 15,000 postcards with personal comments from opponents to deforestation.

Juliette Harding, CALPIRG's staff campus organizer, said the group aims to get 1,000 postcards on the UCSB campus.

"We're encouraging UC Santa Barbara students to get involved in the national campaign," she said. "The only glitch right now is that we ran out of postcards."

The ancient forests of Washington, Oregon and California are home to 1,000-year-old, 300-foot-high trees found nowhere else on Earth.

According to the Fall 1993 *Save America's Forests Forever* Campus Project Packet, "By failing

to preserve our ancient forests we lose not only their recreational and spiritual value, but we also lose critical sources of clean water, the most productive spawning grounds

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We're encouraging UC Santa Barbara students to get involved.

Juliette Harding,
CALPIRG

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for salmon, and habitat for more than 300 plant and animal species ... many of which we are continuing to discover."

Environmentalists were able to obtain an injunction temporarily halting logging operations by filing a lawsuit charging that the federal government's management plans violated laws designed to ensure wildlife protection.

The court gave the Clinton administration until August 1993 to come up with a new plan. This new plan, titled "Option 9," was presented in a package by the president.

Option 9 portions off parcels of land as reserves and provides \$1.2 billion

in economic aid to the region. According to Harding, the plan is unfavorable because it only sets aside portions of land and allows road building and continued logging under the guise of salvaging and thinning.

Before a final plan is submitted, a 90-day comment period on the proposal is being held. This comment period ends on Oct. 28.

CALPIRG's immediate goal is "to overwhelm the comment process with a loud and clear message from individual citizens and groups throughout the country so that the final plan includes permanent protection," said Michelle Schmidt, CALPIRG state board chair.

Since the remaining forests are almost exclusively federal lands, the Clinton administration, the National Forest Service and the United States Congress are the key players who can act to save those forests by prohibiting logging and road building in all remaining ancient forests, and by protecting all endangered species forest habitats, Schmidt said.

When available, postcards can be acquired at a CALPIRG table in front of the UCen until the end of the month.



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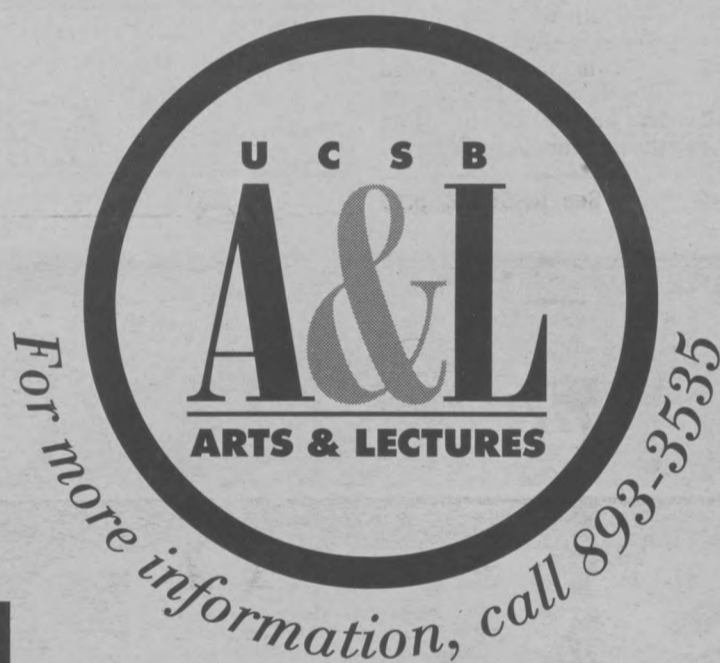
Plous Lecture Courting Equality

Randolph Bergstrom will discuss the tenacious New Yorkers who fought racism in the courts decades before the NAACP legal campaign.

Winner of the 35th Annual Harold J. Plous Award, Bergstrom is an assistant professor in UCSB's Department of History.

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Rescue Team Keeps Sea Safe

By Brett Chapman
Staff Writer

For the past year and a half, a dedicated group of volunteers have worked to make sure people enjoying the ocean off Goleta and Isla Vista have quick emergency service in the event of an accident.

Although the U.S. Coast Guard operates a cutter from Santa Barbara Harbor, response times to Goleta Beach can be as high as two hours, Abramson said. "We can get to a call in about 20 minutes," he said.

The all-volunteer squad looks for strong swimmers as prospective members.

maintained a crew of eight volunteers on call via pager 24 hours a day.

"Trainings amount to about six hours a week," Abramson said. In all, members receive about \$1,000 worth of training, including first aid and CPR education, as well as the chance to participate in helicopter rescue train-



RACHEL WEILL/Daily Nexus

Volunteers with the Ocean Rescue Squad practice maneuvers at Campus Point over the weekend.

The Santa Barbara Ocean Rescue Team, with a core group of 25 volunteers led by Paul Abramson, came together when the Santa Barbara Police Dept. decided it could no longer afford to operate its own emergency boat.

People who join receive extensive training and can dedicate as much or as little of their time as they wish.

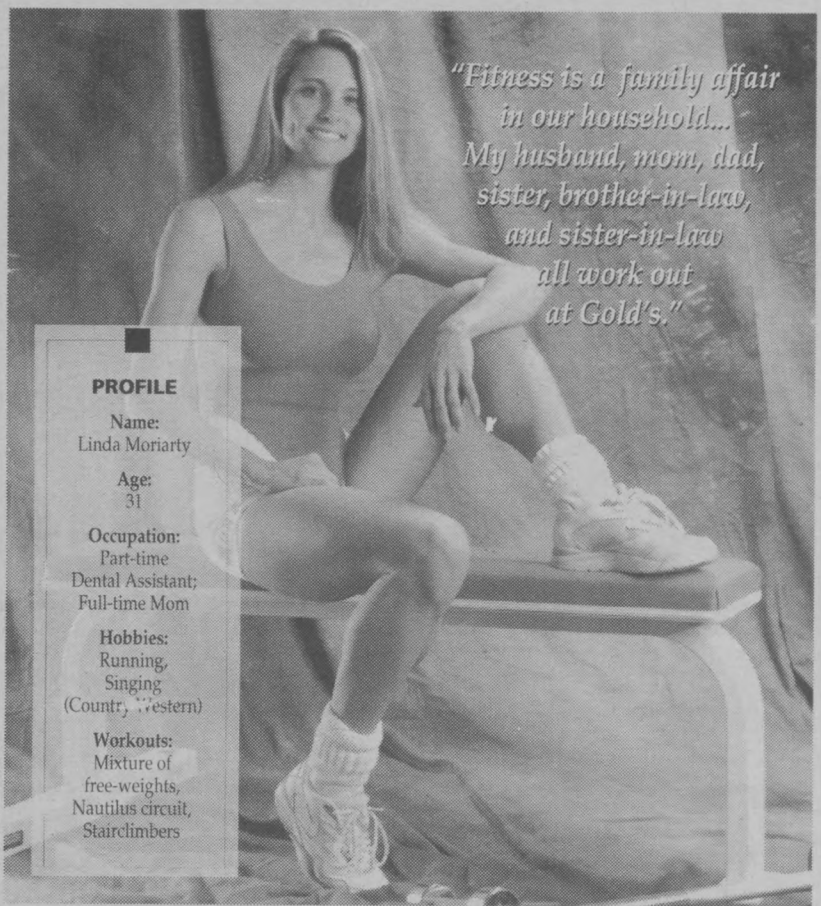
"I've just been a beach lifeguard all my life," Abramson said. Since its formation, the team has

ing and operations in conjunction with the Coast Guard, he added.

Team member Todd Bodell, a UCSB graduate, has been a member from the program's start. "I tried

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PEOPLE ARE TALKING...



PROFILE

Name: Linda Moriarty
Age: 31
Occupation: Part-time Dental Assistant; Full-time Mom
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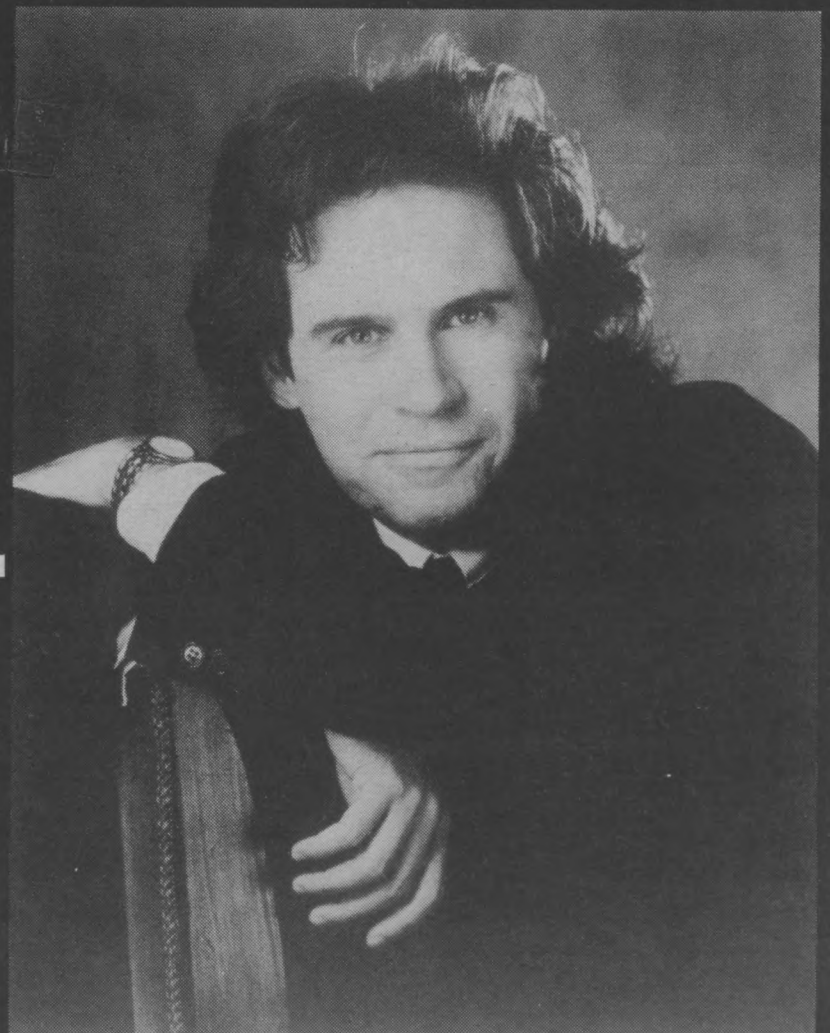


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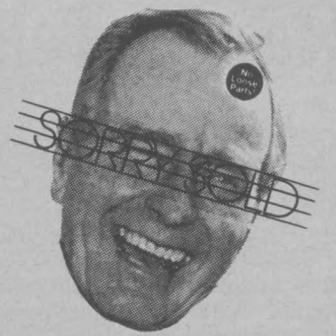
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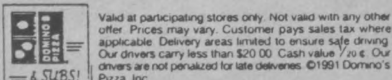
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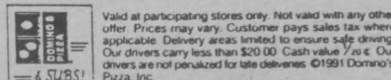
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Sole A.S. Bill Backs Hemp

The only bill prepared for action in tonight's Associated Students Legislative Council meeting, which supports the legalization of hemp, has received mixed reactions from student leaders and the campus community.

The bill's author, Off-Campus Rep Miriam Rabin, has produced several additions to the bill tabled last week. It now stipulates that Leg Council take no position on the use of hemp as a drug, supporting instead its use for environmental benefits.

"People have been really supportive," Rabin said. "However they've been hesitant because they were afraid it won't be taken seriously."

The hemp bill's solo appearance has some wondering why council members have produced no new bills this week.

"Right now it's just the beginning of the year, and a lot of people haven't written a bill before," said Rep-at-Large Deirdre Howard. "I've seen people working on different things."

Tonight's meeting is open to the public and scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. in Phelps 1412.

—Brian Quisling

IVCAC: Grand Jury Visits Council

Continued from p.1 accessible with student parking permits, Milstein said.

"The C lots are for students, and everyone else as well," Milstein said. "This is the most blatant and eloquent example of discrimination against students that I've seen."

Council members also spoke out about Mobil Oil's Clearview project. If enacted, the project will remove Platform Holly from I.V.'s coast in return for drilling rights to land near the Coal Oil Point sanctuary adjacent to Devereaux Slough west of campus.

IVCAC member Lee Bailey also serves on an advisory council to aid in negotiations with Mobil. He said that public safety and noise were the #1 concern with drilling so close to a residential area.

"They claim that they'll be able to 100% mitigate the noise," Bailey said. He compared the 200-foot-tall proposed drilling

structure to Storke Tower's 110-foot height when illustrating the project's effect.

The opening of the plant would also be contingent upon the reopening of two marine preserves, according to Bailey.

Although located near a fragile ecosystem, the plant would bring in an estimated profit of \$50 million to the state of California, and \$10 million to Santa Barbara County.

Several members of the Santa Barbara Grand Jury

visited the meeting to share some of their concerns about the reputation I.V. has around the county.

"It has come to the attention of the Grand Jury that there are a lot of problems in I.V. and on campus," said member Lili Shief. "We are interested in the crime here, and specifically the crimes against women. ... So we are very interested in finding out what you're doing here."

Third District Supervisor Willy Chamberlin formed the IVCAC over the summer to give Isla Vistas a direct line of input to his office in devising solutions for many of I.V.'s ongoing problems.

The committee holds meetings, which are open to the public, on the first and third Tuesdays of every month in the I.V./UCSB Community Relations Center at 970 Embarcadero Del Mar.

Lili Shief, Grand Jury

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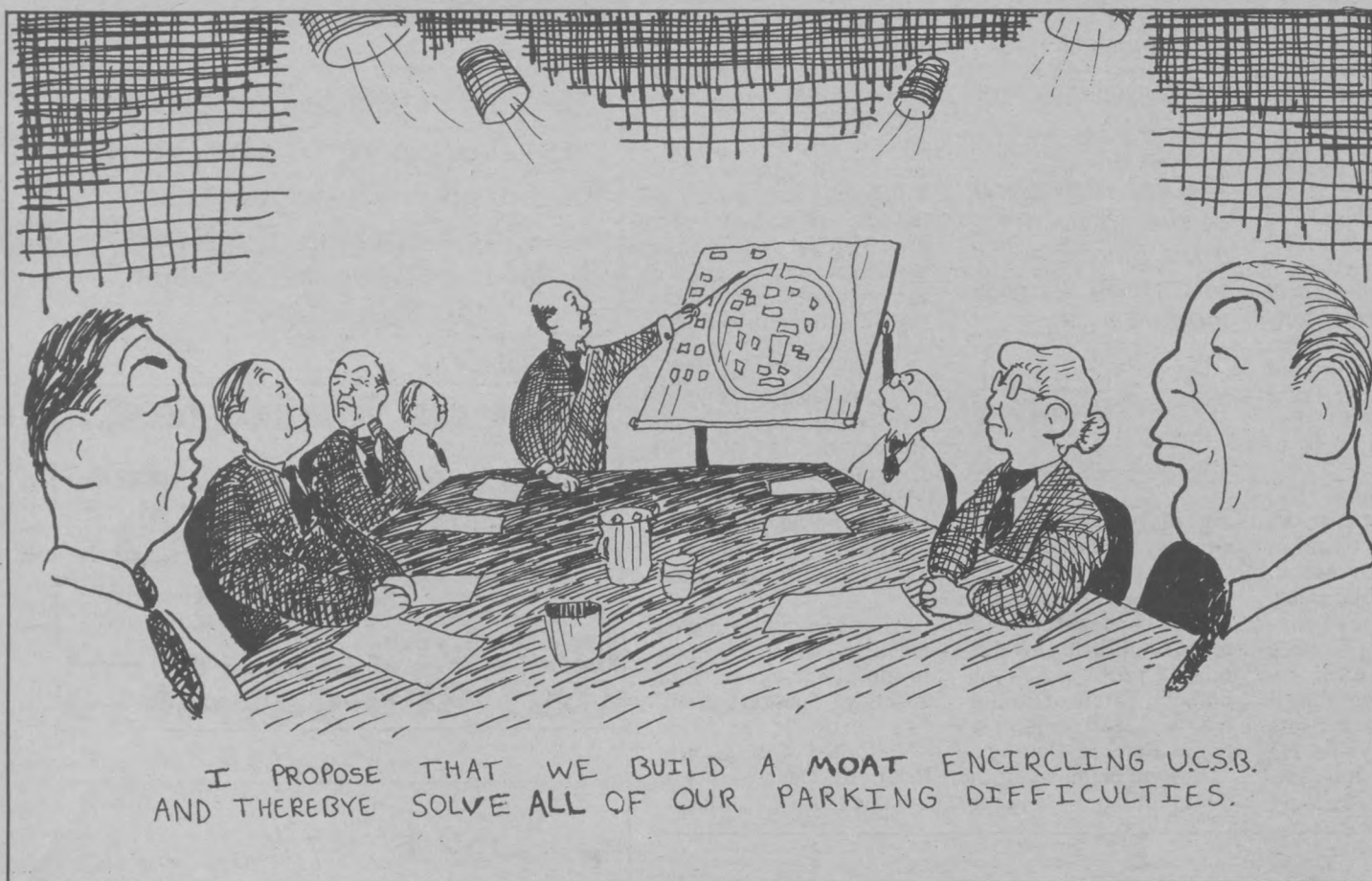
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OPINION

"The philosophers have only interpreted the world. The point, however, is to change it."
—Karl Marx



ANDRE FAIRON/Daily Nexus

Parking Prohibited

I.V. residents may soon need to acquire parking permits to alleviate parking problems in I.V.

Editorial

Parking in Isla Vista is a mess, it doesn't take prescription lenses to see that. Population density and demographics make for a small space with a whole lotta cars. Add to this the congestion caused by commuters who park in I.V. to avoid the high UCSB rates or can't find a place for their car because of inadequate space on campus.

The result is students commuting to UCSB from Santa Barbara and Goleta take up space Isla Vistas should have a right to, forcing many residents to park two or three blocks from their house to find the nearest place to leave their car. Further, street sweeping to keep I.V. clean will continue to be impossible as long as the curbs are shielded by a steel curtain of sedentary Saabs, Subarus and Sentras.

County officials have proposed a solution, calling to limit parking in I.V. to residents only through an enforced permit plan.

Why not? Maybe this plan will force university officials to take action on the problem and finally provide the much needed additional parking on campus. And though they can be sympathized with, commuters may start taking advantage of the free bus rides on the Metropolitan Transit District if they have nowhere to park off-campus.

Yes, it seems like a good idea. But as with many things that seem like good ideas, scratching below the surface brings a rash rather than relief.

For one thing, what would be done with visitors and guests. Obviously, businesses in downtown I.V. will need parking around them for shoppers and diners who don't live in I.V. And for residents who would like their friends, or, in students' case parents, to visit frequently or at all, a stringent "permit only" plan would be a tremendous hassle to say the least.

Visitor's permits would not be a solution; loners would sell them to commuters and nothing would be solved. Exempting weekends from the permit enforcement may sound like an arrangement people could agree on, but we can all think of an occasion

during the week when somebody from out of town might want to park.

The preliminary plans have the permitting process going through I.V. property owners. This brings up another problem — the landlords. Fears that permit fees assessed to landlords will be passed along to renters with a sizable profit added on may be a bit prejudicial, but past history has shown them to be warranted.

In addition to this, many owners of rental units may be a little hesitant to go to the county and ask for one permit for each of the 10 people living in his or her three-bedroom apartment. With a plethora of illegal garage conversions and backyard trailers in the town, renters could find themselves slapped with an extra "rental expense" — daily parking tickets.

A better idea would be to have renters deal directly with the county through the I.V. liaison office. Residents with cars could provide county officials with the name of their landlord, their license plate number and their address in exchange for a permit. The county could pass the cost of this on to the property owners, who would be forced to be a little more honest.

The biggest problem, however, is this: Permit-only parking might not even work. Commuters go home after 5 or 6 p.m., but many of I.V.'s streets, driveways and lawns remain clogged with parked cars. A real solution would be to lower the number of cars legitimately in I.V., which doesn't seem to be a reality, or providing more parking spaces. One idea being discussed is making I.V. streets one-way, with diagonal parking along one curb, which would double the number of spaces on a street.

In any case, the permit proposal is as yet just that — a proposal. Anybody living in I.V. with a car has a stake in what happens, as do commuters, business and property owners, guests and visitors. Before any final decisions are made, these people should have their say, which involves making the effort to speak as well as demanding the effort to listen.

Tuesday's Nexus mistakenly did not include art credits for the illustrations on the Opinion pages. The artwork was done by Nexus staffers Andre Fairon, Zak Grossman and Brent Meeske. The Nexus regrets this omission.

Doonesbury will return, fans, let me assure you. It will appear daily in this space as soon as we receive our shipment from some organization calling itself "The Syndicate." We thank you for your patience.

The Daily Nexus. On our way to the end of the World with a smile.

Obesity: To b

Jennifer Adams

When a 305-pound woman was denied a job in a Santa Cruz health food store in 1987, she was told "there was some concern about [her] weight."

When the woman, Toni Cassita, unanimously lost her discrimination suit against Community Foods in the California Supreme Court last month, Justice Armand Arabian wrote that people may be legally denied jobs because of their weight, unless they can prove a "physiological condition affecting one or more of the basic bodily systems."

In essence, this ruling gave business the go-ahead to discriminate against a job applicant because of his or her size. If the applicant can prove that his/her weight is the result of something like diabetes or an overactive thyroid, that person might have a case.

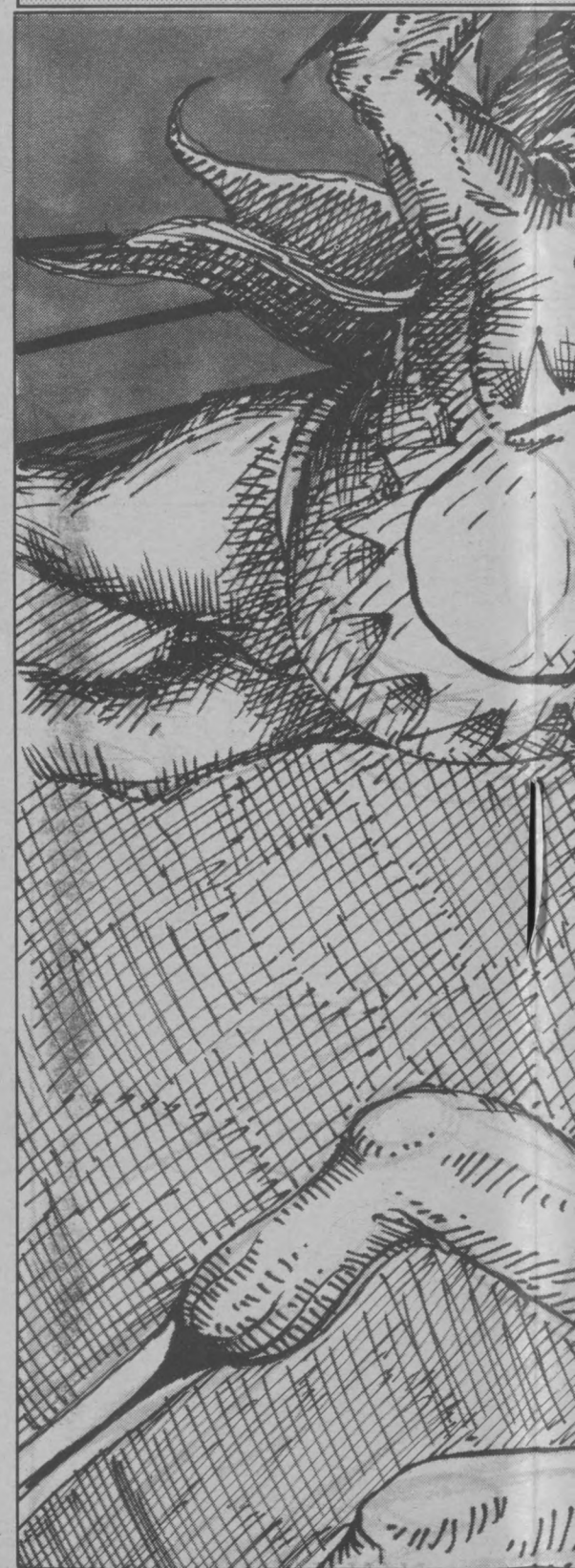
But if the person's weight is due to intangible psychological problems (which can also have a biological basis), private reasons or, say, personal choice, that person has no legal protection in court from employers who simply don't like a certain body type.

Although this ruling applies to the job market's entirety, that an obese woman was denied a position in a health food store is — unfortunately — not surprising. Perhaps images in that line of business are — unfortunately — of greater importance than in other businesses.

The bottom line is that individuals' basic beliefs will diverge greatly on the images an organization should portray. To me, however, saying a fat woman presents a poor image for a health food store is in the same vein as arguing against having gays in the military

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In this week's column, Duke honest entertainment is a far cry greater sense of reality. Well, D quite a lot already.



Not to be Denied a Job Because You're too Fat

or Blacks in all-white neighborhoods. Many will also argue that it isn't economically wise to hire employees of higher weights because they will supposedly take more sick days, perform poorly on the job, etc. Realize, however, that this issue of systematically approved weight discrimination is not a ques-

tion of job applicants' health or capabilities. On the contrary, doctors and nutritionists generally agree that it is healthier to remain at a stable weight than to diet excessively. Either due to a genetic predisposition to a certain weight, physiological or psychological factors, approximately 90% of dieters re-

turn to their initial weight. All too often, this leads to a cycle of 'yo-yo dieting,' and the battle of the bulge becomes more damaging than not. What appears to make obesity, or even a little excess body fat, a health risk is not the weight itself, but the tremendous lengths

people go to take it off. But the high court has insidiously encouraged this risk by not only sanctioning the need for so-called fitness, but by practically requiring it to obtain legal protection.

And fat-bias, or whatever you want to call it, does not surface in isolated incidents. Just last week the *New England Journal of Medicine* published a study which found that overweight women are 10% more apt to live in poverty and their household incomes will average \$6,710 lower than women of "normal" weight. (The women in the study ranged from age 16 to 24 and averaged 200 pounds.) And there is nothing they can do about it — except, of course, to tone up.

How sad that the need to be slim has transcended from personal insecurities (which are difficult enough to deal with), to a basis for maintaining equality.

I suppose I am getting in a huff over nothing, seeing as how I will not be directly affected by the ruling. When I go into a job interview, no employer will ever guess that I've already shaved some time off my life because of the years I spent starving myself, binging and purging, and exhausting a weak body with excessive exercise. They won't know that even though I've "recovered," the disorder will never leave me entirely — not in behavior, but in thought.

So, because I appear healthy, I'm safe from weight discrimination in the job market. For my own sake, I hope never to fit into my size 1 skirt again. But I suppose I'd better not "let myself go," either, for fear of losing basic rights that the Supreme Court is charged with protecting. Who's the sick one here?

Jennifer Adams is a senior majoring in English and an occasional writer with the Nexus.



MATT RAGLAND/Daily Nexus

Duke Conover and his son discover that they can cry above "good enough" and gain a little weight. Well, Duke does, Aaron seems to know

WWF: Pro Wrestling is Real

Duke Conover

This last weekend my son and I took a trip to the L.A. Sports Arena to see the wrestlers of the World Wrestling Federation. In August, when we saw them for the first time, my boy grabbed my arm and said, "Now Dad, I'm going to show you once and for all that wrestling is not fake. It's real." With that much pent-up enthusiasm, I had to give it a chance.

Well, I'm still not convinced that the antics in the ring are impromptu. But I do know, on several levels, that wrestling is real.

Starting with the fans of professional wrestling to the pulling out of the parking lot at the end of the evening, the WWF provides a level of enjoyment I had not previously gained from the more traditional "real" sporting events.

First the fans. This surprised the hell out of me. I'm a big guy who always felt out of place at baseball games where the fans are usually slender beer-guzzling loudmouths who drag their kids kicking and screaming so they can swelter in the hot sun for nine innings and be force-fed a thin slice of Americana.

Many of the fans of the WWF are well over 300 pounds and make me feel svelte. The kids are all excited about being there, and in my two visits I've failed to see anyone walk away without a smile.

Commercialism runs rampant at all events; the WWF is just more open and honest about it. They know their \$4 cups of cola are not a bargain, and that a person's money could be more wisely spent on something other than the \$20 foam replicas of their Herculean style "World Wrestling Federation Championship" belts — one of which my son proudly sported around his waist for the entire evening.

In contrast to the ostentatious attitude of teams who push "Dodger Dogs," "Ram Slam" value meals at 12 bucks a

throw, and the ever popular "Raider's Galleon" — a frothy 40 ounce mini-pitcher of suds for the truly unassuming, knuckle-busting drunk on the prowl for fans of the opposing team, the offerings of the WWF are a pleasant escape.

The well-animated wrestlers, albeit a little more show than go, are incredible athletes on any scale. The moves they perform in the ring would be difficult for anyone from the National Football League to the U.S. Olympic Gymnastics Team to replicate. When I saw a wrestler who sports the tag "The 1-2-3 Kid" leap from the mat without the benefit of a springboard into a back somersault and land on the shoulders of his opponent — one "Doink the Clown" — I was sure that the guys in the ring were far superior athletically to guys on the field.

After the evening was over, with fewer people consuming mass quantities of liquid hops, getting out of the parking lot was much smoother. Even in the infamous three exit, left turn only lot of the L.A. Sports Arena, getting out was as easy as getting in.

So my son was right: Wrestling is real. Going to a match is as real as anything else in life. Everyday we hope that life can be simple and free of the traps that are laid by some to snare unsuspecting others. We are forced to put up fronts; play roles if you will, in order to be accepted by our peers. And at the end of the day we can only hope to slip into the next morning with the same ease in which we will surely fall into unconscious slumber that night.

If someone had told me a few years ago that wrestling is a metaphor for life, I would have certainly laughed. It took the vision of my 7-year-old son to make me realize that the winners in life aren't the obnoxious or those who have it all. They're the ones who settle for several small but rewarding victories in two out of three falls.

Duke Conover, a senior political science major, is a convert.



BRENT MEESKE/Daily Nexus

OPINION

Joyce on Sex

Answering your questions weekly, not weakly

Dear Ms. Joyce,

What is the best way to dispose of a condom? Are you supposed to tie a knot in it? Do you flush it? What do you do with it?

Dear Reader,

Ahh, condoms. How invaluable they are to us all. Since condoms are now *de rigueur*, and can even be mentioned on television before 11 p.m., we frisky college students especially are awash in safe sex and condom use information: don't leave home without it, place it on the fully erect penis, don't use it twice, etc., etc., which hopefully you all should have already heard. But one piece of information so often missed from the instructional literature is what do you do with the little devils once they have gone from a valuable barrier method of protection to rubbery wad of refuse?

First let us begin by discussing how *not* to dispose of condoms. Don't leave them on the beach, even if buried under some sand. I realize that it may be easy to get carelessly caught up in the romance of your activity, which some clever bartender even thought so charming as to name a drink after, but the residue is a great deal less appealing. If there was a drink called Sand Covered Used Condom on the Beach, you probably wouldn't order it, so don't make someone else encounter it either.

Don't throw it on the floor for your roommate to find the next day when he or she returns from a weekend in L.A. (this actually happened to me once). There are better ways of letting your roommates know that you're "getting some."

Even more important than the above two precautions, which are more guided by common sense and civility than by matters of practicality, I need to clear up a common misconception that flushing condoms down the toilet is an acceptable method of disposal. In fact, this is a no-no. I spoke with Mr. Steve Strassburg, of Santa Barbara Wastewater Management, who informed me that waste treatment facilities are designed to handle organic

and biodegradable waste only, and that other materials such as plastics and latex cause problems with plant machinery, as well as ruining the composting material which the plant produces. And besides, think of what an unpleasant task it would be to have to clear jams in the machines. So don't flush your condoms.

The best method for disposing of condoms is simply throwing them in the wastebasket, and of course remembering to take out the trash at the soonest appropriate opportunity. You want to avoid a lot of contact with the fluids involved, not only because of the "icky" factor, but for the same reasons that you used a condom in the first place, so it's wise to wrap the condom in a tissue before disposing of it. Tying a knot in the end serves a similar purpose, but do whichever of the two you find most convenient — a trash receptacle and a box of tissues placed near your bed might speed the procedure and will help you get on more quickly to the next item on the agenda, be it snuggling, going to class, getting something to eat or falling asleep.

Ms. Joyce is not a doctor but she got 'As' in Soc 152A and B and reads everything she can get her hands on that has anything to do with sex.

Green Fields

Geoff Green

THINGS EVERY STUDENT SHOULD KNOW

- 1) Your name
- 2) Your perm number
- 3) Your class schedule
- 4) On Monday, Oct. 4, the United States Supreme Court decided NOT to hear the appeal to the *Smith vs. Regents* case. This means that the California Supreme Court ruling stands and is enforceable as of Monday.

No matter what you may have heard about the case, I will assure you of one thing: It affects us all. Although the details of "just what it all means" must still be worked out between the UC Office of the President and the UC Student Assn., this decision has the potential to seriously undermine the autonomy of student government as well

as the free exchange of ideas on this campus. The precedent it sets is in my opinion extremely dangerous.

5) It is entirely possible that in the next couple of years the bikepaths currently on campus will be reduced to a "peripheral system," meaning that there will be essentially a single loop encircling campus. All other bikepaths may be eliminated. (I don't even need to tell you that that would affect student life on campus.)

6) UCSB is one of the only UC campuses without an academic minors program.

7) Tomorrow (Thursday, Oct. 7) the Chancellors Search Committee convenes for the first time at 10:45 a.m. in the Centennial House. Last Wednesday, I attempted to explain the process and solicit input from students. However, Marisela Marquez and myself (the two students who sit on the committee) received very little response. So I will simply say this: THE SELECTION OF A NEW CHANCELLOR IS ARGUABLY THE MOST IMPORTANT DECISION THAT WILL BE MADE THIS YEAR. Let's take advantage of the fact that we, as students, can influence this decision.

Obviously this is an incomplete list. My point, however, is that there are an immense number of issues being discussed in countless committees, academic departments, governance boards and administrators' offices right now. We, as students, must educate ourselves on these issues and use our knowledge and insight to affect the outcomes of these discussions.

Time and time again, I find that the problem is not a lack of concern, but a lack of awareness on our part as students. It is my job, along with all other elected student representatives to assure that students' concerns are addressed. I take this very seriously. HOWEVER, this function of student government is only as effective as the student body is educated.

Don't let anyone keep you in the dark or tell you, "It will work itself out." Educate yourself and take a stand. For, with knowledge comes the responsibility to act on it.

If you wish to explore any of this further, please come up to A.S. Main Office on the third floor of the University Center, or call me at 893-2566 (office) or 562-6491 (home). In addition, all students are invited to UCSB's first TOWN HALL MEETING on THURSDAY, OCT. 21 AT 5:30 P.M. in Isla Vista Theater. All of these issues and more will be discussed.

Geoff Green is Associated Students president for 1993-94.

The Reader's Voice

Rose of Compassion

Editor, Daily Nexus:

In a gulf of irrationality and barbaric tyranny, a voice of reason and compassion rolled through the German Fatherland. As the German military machine crushed much of Europe, a small group of morally convicted college students organized the grassroots resistance movement The White Rose. Their goal being to educate the German people of the horrors and atrocities that the Nazi Party was inflicting on millions of scores of innocent people.

Their heroic effort is being commemorated on campus during the months of September through December, with exhibitions in the UCSB Art Museum and Library as well as plays, movies and lectures. It is a wonderful thing that the faculty of UCSB and various other members of the Santa Barbara community have put in the time, effort and resources to make this tribute possible. In the example of these heroic individuals there is an example for us all.

However, as we commemorate the efforts of the past, we all seem to have lost sight of the present. 1991-93 has been witness to the genocide revisited. War and untold atrocities have wreaked havoc on former Yugoslavia. The embattled Muslim people of Bosnia have suffered no less than the Jews, Slavs and Russians of 50 years before.

As before, the international community would rather appease than do what is morally right and just. Can we truly commemorate the efforts of The White Rose in good faith while doing nothing to prevent the same type of human deprivation? While we honor the strength of character and resolve of The White Rose, tens of thousands of women are brutally raped, hundreds of thousands are killed and millions displaced. If we are to truly appreciate the efforts of White Rose, we must carry on their struggle for human freedom and right of existence.

George Wittenstein, Santa Barbara resident and one of the remaining White Rose members, stated it best in his re-

cent interview for *The Santa Barbara Independent* magazine when asked, "What do you hope people will learn from The White Rose project?"

He replied, "How important it is for people to be true to themselves, their ethical and moral convictions, and to stand up for them regardless of the consequences? That is true now as it was 50 years ago and 10,000 years ago."

In order to bring about change to a seemingly hopeless situation, everyone of us must do what we can in order to stop the senseless slaughter of Bosnia. Indeed, we must honor those before us that stood up for justice and we must also follow in their example: Please remember the Bosnians and do what is necessary to help them.

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Plea to the Sheriff

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Sheriff Jim (Daily Nexus, Reader's Voice, Oct. 3) what *ever* will we do? There seems to be miscommunication and animosity between much of the student population and your organization, now doesn't there?

I don't think that the cartoon that you have objection to has *jack* to do with the cartoonist's "compassion" for the victims of Halloween predators. It has a lot more to do with law enforcement devising a ridiculous and unrelated "solution" to the already stated problem.

As you said yourself, the majority (84%) of the offenders in I.V. over Halloween have to do with out-of-towners. If that's the problem, the solution seems to be to make it more difficult for out-of-towners to be here. Outlawing live music is a ridiculous mockery of making sense. Bends in I.V. are the only thing that keep a focus on the crowds, without that focus they switch about aimlessly through I.V. in much the predatory manner you described.

Does it not occur to you that with absolutely nothing to do on D.P., the revellers aren't going to begin amusing

themselves by fucking shit up even more? Or do you think people will say, "Oh damn, no music, well, let's all go to sleep now."

People listening to music are being entertained and, if there's a good pit, exhausted. Granted, it is these pits that seem to piss you all off — dangerous, violent, blah blah blah. Nobody gets into a pit without knowing they might get a boot to the head — it's par for the course. And it's easy to listen to music without a pit or from the sidelines if there is one. The only excessive pit-related violence I know of is when your boys jumped in to stop it. They didn't like that too much, did they?

I don't think they're going to like it too much at all that you've shut down music all together — and who do you think is going to pay? You and all those women you talk about, and all those property owners you mentioned; that's who.

KELLY DOUGLASS

Pervert Advice

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Anita Miralle's editorial (Daily Nexus, "Meinhold Case Just a Start ...," Oct. 3) raises the question as to whether the same respect and recognition being recommended to be afforded to "queers" also be afforded to child molesters.

If not, as I would strongly suspect, the question arises as to at what age a victim ceases to be a victim and becomes "fair game" for various sorts of sex perverts. The question also arises as to whether any person has sufficient knowledge of sex and their own psychological functioning to give what is known as "informed consent" when questions such as these are dealt with by legal systems.

One thing that is clearly true is that if behaviors claimed to be protected by rights of privacy were in fact private, they would not be subject to attack by the disapproving, since the existence of these behaviors would be unknown other than to those practicing them. A public statement brings a matter out of the protections of rights to privacy and

subjects it to public scrutiny. Perhaps risk-taking with drug or sexual behavior will benefit the practitioner, or perhaps it will inflict damage. This probably depends on the individual. But to give blanket approval of any and all sorts of such behavior is to do a severe disservice to those potential victims.

JOE ALEKS

Hunter's Explanation

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Now let me make this quite clear to even the most literal-minded of us that in my recent article I was *not* seriously suggesting gunning down skateboarders on campus or any other such nonsense. To be honest, their presence is usually merely tangential, though they are an irritation at times. It's just the thought of pairing them off with the far more reprehensible activity of hunting and demonstrating the folly of weapons that tweaked my sense of the bizarre.

I should have known some people would take it the wrong way, but at least it got them thinking — something of a subversive act here at UCSB.

MARTIN KNIGHT

Doonesbury, Please!

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Why does "Doonesbury" not appear anymore and why would you do something so catastrophic? Please, I beg you, bring Doonesbury daily. If not, the repercussions may be disastrous.

I do appreciate the new horoscope feature.

JEREMY BALL

Editor's note: What? You don't like Klondike's Return? Alvin Hutchins may be weird, but he's like family! Seriously, Doonesbury fans can relax; it will be back before too long. Due to technical difficulties beyond our control, we haven't been receiving it, but we want to run it. Hutchins can find a real job.

Marré Fire May Lead to Federal Indictment

By Duke Conover
Staff Writer

The careless hunter who said his cigarette caused the Marré fire is now facing a possible one-year sentence in federal prison and a \$10,000 fine for his negligence.

Santa Ynez resident Scott Jouett, 22, confessed last week to starting the blaze and signed a letter of responsibility for the fire that may cost as much as \$30 million by the time mop-up operations are completed, U.S. Forest Service officials said.

The U.S. Attorney's office in Santa Barbara announced Tuesday that they have decided to press charges against Jouett. He is scheduled to face magistrate Willard McEwen Jr. Oct. 15 in federal court.

The Marré fire continues to evade firefighters, charring the rugged terrain of the Santa Ynez wilderness.

After a successful weekend that saw firefighters battle back flames that had blown past firelines to 75% containment, there still exists a worrisome patch that troubles fire officials.

"We've now got 90% containment," said Ron

Bassett with the U.S. Forest Service. "But that last 10% has us feeling uncomfortable."

The final patch of uncontrolled fire is burning in the Zaca Lake section of the wilderness, just northwest of Figueroa Mountain. Both Figueroa Mountain and Happy Canyon roads have been opened because those accesses are now cool and safe, Bassett said.

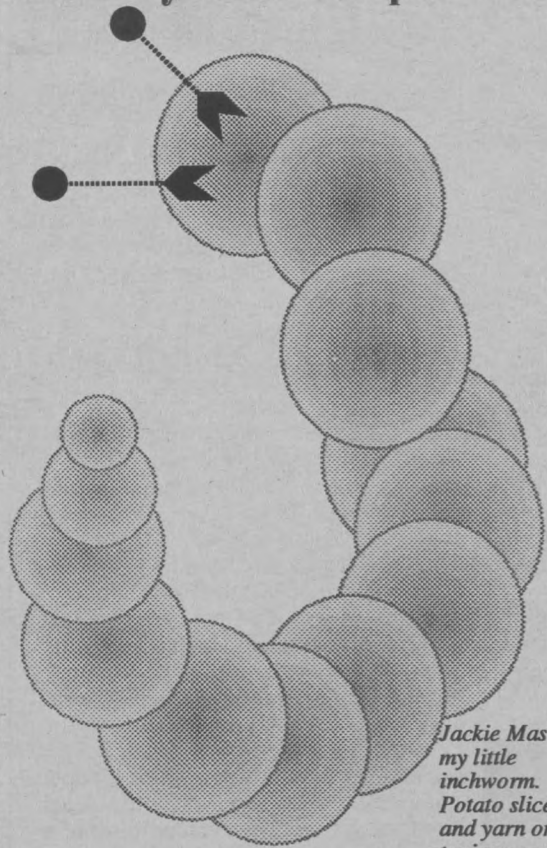
"Zaca Lake is a critical area," the official said. "The marine layer that came in [early Tuesday] didn't allow us to do the firing out we wanted, but the added humidity has helped to keep the flames down."

Firefighters "fire out" to remove fuels from the path of an oncoming blaze. Since they were unable to better protect the Zaca Lake area, the date of containment was moved to Friday with full control one week later.

The Marré has blackened more than 40,000 acres and has run up a bill of over \$16 million in suppression costs to date.

"We're saving some money because we're not having to make as many water drops as before," said Bassett. "But it still continues to cost a lot."

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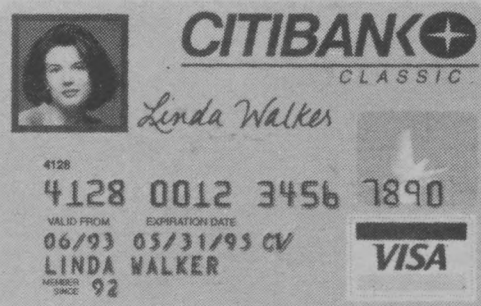
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freshman class is made up of minority students, Uehling added.

However, Jenn Cahil, a member of the Asian Student Coalition who attended the annual report presentation, was cautious about praising the estimated figures and wanted

to withhold judgment until further information was available.

"I would like to hear the breakdown of the figures about diversity," she said.

Although Uehling focused on the accomplishments of UCSB, she also recognized that the UC system was going through difficult financial times. The chancellor acknowledged the pain that every-

one was going through and praised the faculty for enduring necessary pay cuts.

Gladys De Necochea, dean of students, was pleased that the speech focused on moving forward and noted that people often forget the accomplishments of UCSB.

"We neglect to look at growth and other things that are doing well," De

Necochea said.

After the speech, Uehling was congratulated by various members of the audience who gathered for a reception in the Music Building courtyard. When asked how she felt about Tuesday's speech being her last campus report, Uehling remarked that she was, "A little saddened but pleased and happy to have been a part of UCSB."

RESCUE

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out for the ambulance and I didn't make the cut," the former psychology student said. "Due to budget cuts they said Paul Abramson was buying the boat, so I called him."

In addition to the 25 core members rotating on the on-call squads, there is a fluctuating membership of around 60 people who participate in training but do not have the time to stay on call, Bodell said.

Sophomore biochemistry student Jeremy Shaw joined the team last winter. "I heard about it from one of the people that was on it," he said. "I've had two calls, but they weren't too life-threatening."

Most of the calls involve windsurfers who have either been injured by their rigs or broken down, Abramson said. "With the currents here, they get pulled out into the ocean," he said. The group's most

serious call came when a man caught his arm in his boat's propeller.

With the opening of lobster season last weekend, Abramson said he expects to receive an increased

“*I've had two calls, but they weren't too life-threatening.*

Jeremy Shaw,
sophomore,
biochemistry

number of calls. Some inexperienced scuba divers may not mark their location with a flag, leaving them susceptible to collisions with jet skiers.

With hard work and community generosity, the crew has managed to keep itself well-equipped enough to have responded to 42 calls, 18 of which were life-threatening emergencies, since August 1992.

"Everything is a matter

of doing fund raising," Abramson said.

"Everybody's personal gear, wetsuits and fins; people have to buy that for themselves," he said. "We get some good prices [on

wetsuits] from Body Glove."

In addition, the team operates a waverunner donated by Santa Barbara Yamaha, and they have a 14-foot inflatable boat on loan from the Canadian Coast Guard.

Despite limited resources, the group has made a definite impact on rescue operations and receives high praise from U.S. Coast Guard officials.

Lt. Kevin Ramer, the

commanding officer of the Coast Guard's Point Camden Cutter in S.B. Harbor, took his post two months ago. Due to the Ocean Rescue Team's strong reputation, he said he intends to continue joint training operations.


"It sounds like a really good program, and I'm looking forward to working with them," Ramer said.

Abramson hopes to step-up the group's funding with a grant from the county board of supervisors. "It's money from the oil industry that the county is supposed to be giving out," he said. "Of course they want to keep it in the county."

Members will appear before the board on Nov. 15 to find out if they will get the grant. In the meantime, the Ocean Rescue Team meets tonight at 7 p.m. at the swim and dive trailer next to the campus pool for interested students to find out more about joining the squad.

TODAY

Electronics Expo



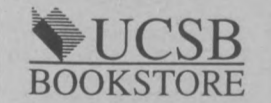
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SURGERY

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moval surgery requires a six-inch incision across the abdomen. By using a laparoscopic procedure, however, only three one-inch cuts are made, one for the camera lens and two for surgical instruments. The surgeon views the operation on a television monitor.

"The laparoscopic procedure is minimally invasive. The patient will probably be able to go home the next day and recover in a week," Wang said. "With

the old procedure, where the patient would be opened up, they had to stay in the hospital for four to five days and spend six weeks recovering."

"There have been over 1.2 million laparoscopic procedures performed in the U.S. in 1992," Wang said.

The robot is controlled by a pedal at the surgeon's feet, eliminating the possibility of miscommunication between a doctor and an assistant operating the laparoscope.

"The significance of AESOP is it improves the quality of the procedure by

transferring the control [of the laparoscope] to the surgeon," Wang said. "A recurring theme among surgeons is that they say they want more control."

According to Wang, who received his bachelor's, master's and Ph.D. degrees from UCSB, 13 of the 17 employees at CMI attended the university. Most of the CMI engineers were involved with UCSB's robotics center. In addition, three UCSB engineering professors have served as advisors on CMI projects, he said.

Wang said the use of robotic technology in the

medical field is rapidly growing. "A lot of different applications can be found for robotics in the operating room such as retraction [holding tissue back with instruments]," Wang said.

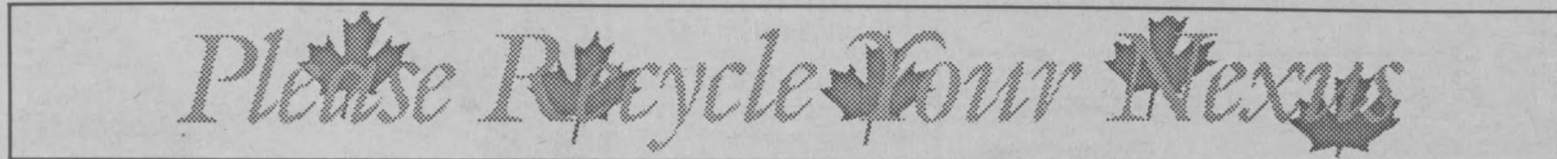
CMI is looking into improving AESOP with the implementation of voice control, eye tracking and instrument following, where the lens would stay focused on an instrument being used, Wang said.

Robert Duggan, CMI chairman of the board, said the robotic technology of the AESOP gives a surgeon an edge over trad-

itional procedures.

"AESOP combines the precision of robotics with the memory of a computer, which interacts with the intelligence of the doctor to enhance the physician's performance," he said.

AESOP is still pending FDA approval, which Duggan estimated would come early next year. Sixteen field test operations at hospitals across the country have been performed with the AESOP so far. Last Monday's surgery was the second robot-assisted laparoscopic procedure performed at Cottage Hospital.



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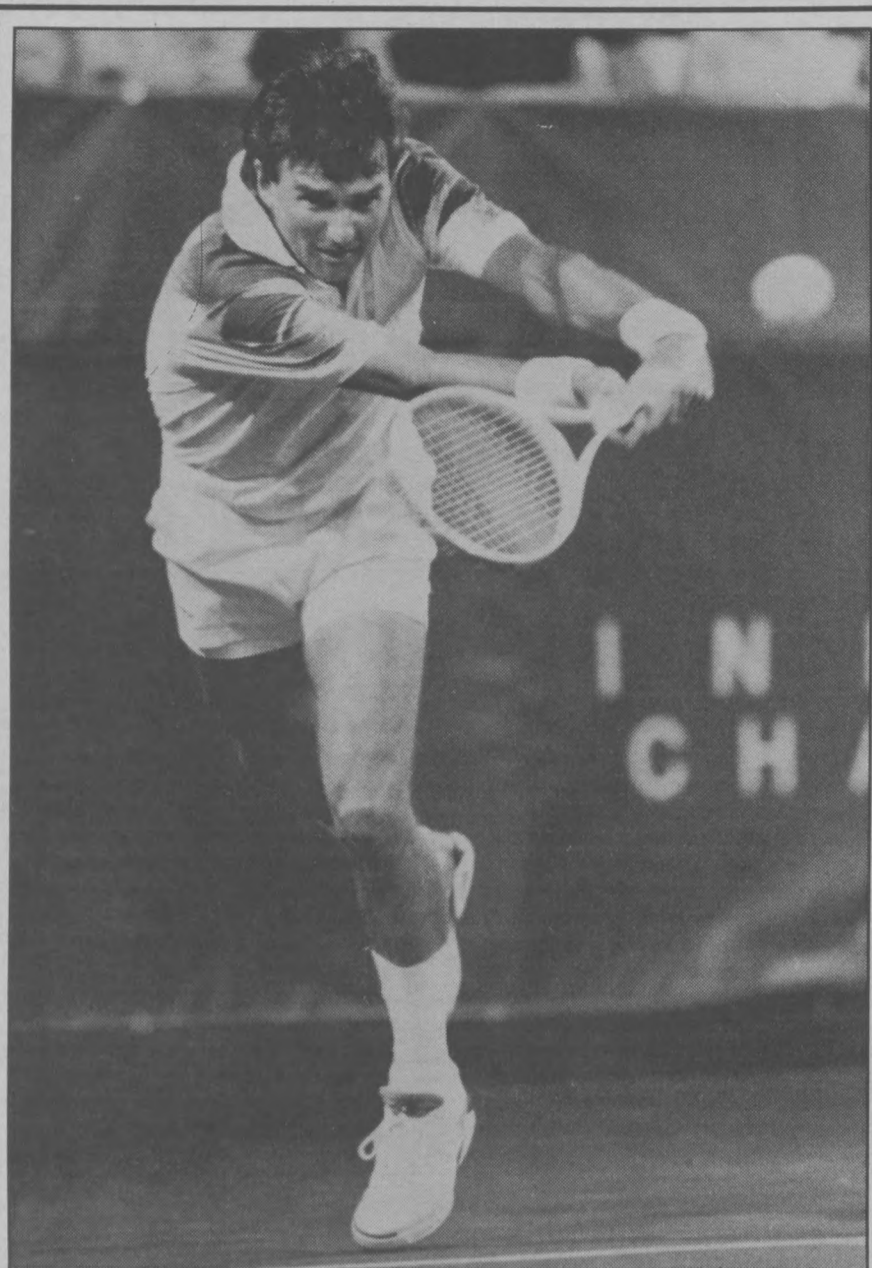
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Tennis badboy Jimmy Connors returns a shot with his signature two-fisted strokes last week at the Infinity Challenge seniors event at Westlake Village.

NBA Star Jordan to Announce Retirement From Basketball

Game's Greatest Player Decides 'It's Time for Me to Move on to Something Else'; Father's Murder Expected Reason

CHICAGO (AP)—Michael Jordan, the world's most famous athlete and basketball's greatest player, will announce his retirement Wednesday, according to NBC and published reports.

"Dateline NBC," the *Denver Post* and the *Chicago Sun-Times* reported the news almost simultaneously Tuesday night.

Jordan, the NBA scoring champion the last seven years, leader of the three-time champion Chicago Bulls and two-time Olympic gold-medal winner, is expected to cite his father's slaying this summer as the reason for his retirement at age 30.

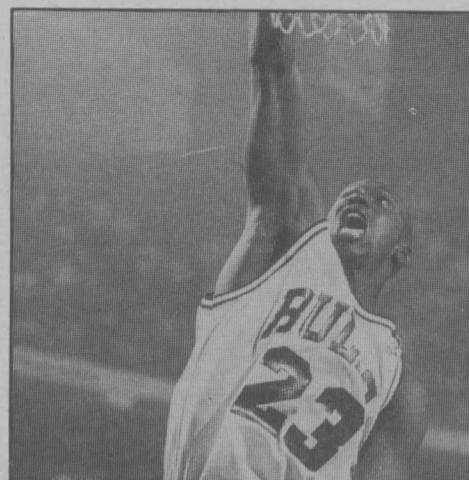
"It's time for me to move on to something else," the *Sun-Times* quoted Jordan as saying. "I know a lot of people are going to be shocked by this decision and probably won't understand. But I've talked it over with my family and friends, and most of all I'm at peace with myself over the decision."

His father's death apparently robbed Jordan of his desire to play, the *Post* said.

"Dateline NBC" producer Neil Shapiro said the show learned of Jordan's plans from "authoritative sources in the NBA."

The Bulls have scheduled a news conference at 11 a.m. E.D.T. Wednesday to make what they called a "major announcement."

Jordan threw out the ceremonial first



Sports Illustrated

pitch at Tuesday night's playoff opener between the Chicago White Sox and the Toronto Blue Jays at Comiskey Park in Chicago. He left after the seventh inning, got behind the wheel of a black Mercedes-Benz and drove off.

Jerry Reinsdorf, owner of the White Sox and Bulls, said from the ballpark; "I have nothing to say tonight. We'll have something to say tomorrow."

The NBA refused comment, deflecting queries to the Bulls.



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CREWZ-ING: Former gold medalist Brad Lewis will take over from Mike Bailey as the new head coach for the UCSB men's crew program.

Former Olympian Brad Lewis Gets Position as SB Crew Team Coach

The UCSB men's crew team has hired former Olympic rower Brad Lewis to replace coach Mike Bailey, who left in August citing personal reasons.

"This is an exciting challenge for me," Lewis said of his reasons for taking the job at UCSB. "Rowing is basically rowing. We don't do anything differently. It's the same excitement even though the arena changes."

Lewis was most recently a coach for the U.S. National Team, which was competing at the World Rowing Championships in the Czech Republic. Lewis also took part in the 1984 Olympic Games in Los Angeles, where he and his partner won a gold medal in the double scull event.

"Getting a coach of Lewis's calibre is really a feather in the cap for the school," UCSB Club Sports Director Judith Dale said. "I think he'll be a very valuable asset."

Lewis, a graduate of UC Irvine, finds a si-

milar situation at UCSB to what he experienced in college.

"It was basically just a bunch of guys who didn't mind working hard. It looks quite good here right now. We've got about 22 people who are really enthusiastic and seem anxious to work hard. Crew is really one of the few sports where performance responds directly to how much work you put in."

"It's a little too early to set any goals for myself or the team. We've started our practices and they've been going well and the guys are hard workers."

The squad has their first regatta Saturday morning at 7 a.m. The race format will be the Henley style, in which two boats will race in single scull competition.

—Brian Pillsbury

Daily Nexus Scoreboard

UCSB Women's Volleyball Leaders

	Kills	Digs
Ana Elisa Franca	236	133
Heather Collins	177	239
Kim Keys	112	90
Jill Haas	91	96
Tammy Stiner	71	27
Beth Kohs	24	19

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Marty Asplund	19	11
Mike Strohecker	16	6