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Exploring the Music "I Am: From Cuban Son to Salsa," a documentary about the dance music of Cuba, plays in Campbell Hall tonight at 7. Students \$5, general \$6.

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Opinion



Depressed? A doctoral student relates her experience with deep emotional despair in order to help others.

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Exclusive Interview Artsweek sits down and has a little chat with Jack Dangers of Meat Beat Manifesto.

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the letter of the law.

during the March meeting.

Sports



Decision on Seawall Is

Postponed Until Spring

Slipping in just before the deadline, local proponents of the Isla Vista seawall delayed the California Coastal Commission's ruling on the

The Geological Hazard Abatement District received an extension from the CCC on Wednesday morning that postponed the commission's ruling, which was scheduled for Thursday. A.S. Environmental Affairs Board Chair Meghan Conklin said the GHAD operated within

"As it turns out, any proponent of a project put in front of the CCC can request a one-time extension before a ruling can be made," she said. The item before the CCC is an appeal of the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors' decision to install a seawall along the I.V. beach. Intended to protect the cliff from erosion, the proposed 2,200-foot wooden wall below Del Playa Drive has met with considerable opposition from groups concerned about its possible impacts on beach erosion. The seawall is no longer on Thursday's agenda, and it will be addressed at either the March or April CCC meeting. Conklin hopes

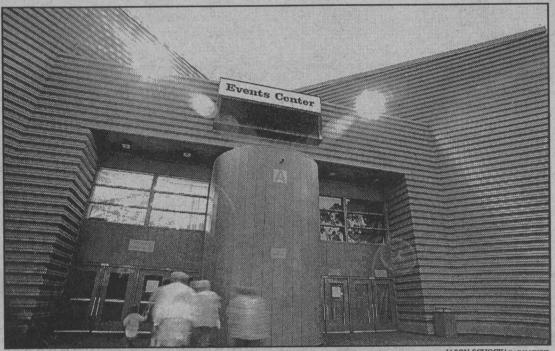
the CCC decides in April, because students will be on Spring Break

"From our perspective, we would advocate the meeting be held in April at Long Beach. It would give us time to write letters and rally sup-

port. We're hoping to get a seawall position paper through Leg Coun-

Soft - Not Hard - Ball The UCSB softball team is gearing up for the regular season, which begins Saturday vs. Santa Clara.

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The Events Center Governance Board recently voted to support a lock-in fee in the Associated Students spring election that will request \$4 per quarter from students. The funds would help pay for the estimated \$750,000 of maintenance work and repairs needed for the Thunderdome (pictured).

Governance Board Requests Student Help in Paying for Events Center Maintenance

BY TED ANDERSEN Staff Writer

With the spring election just around the corner, students may soon find themselves presented with campaign slogans asking them to "Save the Thunderdome."

After gathering the required 15 percent of undergraduate signatures by Tuesday, the Events Center Governance Board voted 6-0-1 Wednesday night to support a \$4 per student, per quarter fee referendum to help combat facility expenditures in the Thunderdome. If passed in the spring campus building, and there was never any

election, the initiative would tack on \$4 to students' BARC accounts for four years, pooling over \$150,000 per school year (not including summer) to help fix some of the estimated \$750,000 worth of maintenance work needed by the Events Center, according to Director Alan Kirby.

Kirby explained that the need for money comes out of the structure's flawed financial plan, which didn't account for aging damage, or the day-to-day student use the Thunderdome is subjected to.

"It's been underfunded for a long time — it's a 20-year-old money put aside to help with maintenance," he said. "The roof, the floor, the bleachers, heating and cooling and lighting systems are in need of additional work."

The fiscal pinch on students for maintenance is a concern university administrators need to examine thoroughly when building new structures, according to Associated Students Vice President for

Statewide Affairs Haady Lashkari. "I think what's happening on this campus is that students are beginning to have to pay for deferred maintenance for buildings," he

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Next A.S. Ballot To Include Plans for Proposed Facility

BY ETHAN CHILDRESS Staff Writer

This week signatures were collected from more than 15 percent of the UCSB population to allow students to vote on the construction of a new student center on

The proposed building would house student groups, day care and a 24-hour-computer lab. The petition, which received the required amount of signatures, will give students the opportunity to vote on a lock-in fee in the Associated Students election in April. Though the \$15 million project would end up costing students between \$26 and \$34 per quarter, according to A.S. External Vice President for Statewide Affairs Haady Lashkari, the building would be an important addition to the campus.

"This building would provide a safe space for students. It would be an area for historically underrepresented groups on campus. It would be a place to get information about different campus groups and for holding meetings," he said.

Lashkari explained that the space and its potential benefits are sorely needed.

"There is so much that we want to do with it. Day care, CLAS, and new computer lab, etc. This building may not be enough for all

of it," he said.

Director of Capital Development Martha Levy outlined the progress of the building plans.

- David Downs

"Everything is in the rough stage right now. Currently, the building is supposed to have between 38,000 and 40,000 usable feet," she said. "Once it is voted on, it will go for [UC Board of Regents'] approval, then to schematic design. If everything went according to plan we might be able to start as early as Fall 2000. It would probably take between 18 months and two years to build."

According to Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Michael Young, the proposed project is moving according to schedule.

"There are a number of concerns, of course, about what will be going on in the building," he said. "At this point the specifics are still way up in the air as far as design and such. But these are the kind of normal problems that all projects go through."

Joan Walker-Scott, coordinator for the Education Program for Culture Awareness, said that the process of planning the building has been a model of student involvement.

"So far there has been a lot of participation," she said. "I think that symbolizes the energy that the students have been putting into this project."

Leg Council Debates Changes to Election Supplement

BY NATHAN BAYS Staff Writer

Like a well-oiled machine, Associated Students Legislative Council proceeded swiftly through the issues presented to it at Wednesday night's meeting.

One of the major issues examined by Leg Council members was a new bill proposing the exclusion of candidate photographs from the A.S. Election supplement. Finance Board Chair Christina Costley presented several points in support of withdrawing the photographs.

"One of the most expensive parts of the election supplement, and the most difficult part to coordinate, would have to be the candidate pictures," she said. "And another problem with the pictures is that you get people making snap judgements on the way someone looks, as opposed to judgements on their qualifications and their platform as a candidate."

Off-Campus Representative Judith Liao expressed concern that the inclusion of campaign photographs

within the election supplement detracts attention from the candidates' statements.

When I was running for office, I was worried about whether or not people would know who I was, and I actually had someone come up to me and say, 'Don't worry, your picture is cute.' That was really disheartening," she said. "It shouldn't matter what you look like, it should be what you wrote down and what you came here to do."

Several Leg Council members, including Off-Campus Rep Jen Matthews, felt that photographs of candidates are a valuable tool in promoting recogni-

"There's a lot of other factors besides just that picture that go into why a person wins," she said. "It sounds like you could reach a compromise here, whether you make pictures optional or you offer candidates a choice of either a picture or a graphic."

Rep-at-Large Sara Azadi argued against a compromise, maintaining that all candidates must be

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Parties Might Brawl Over Wrongdoing Measure



WASHINGTON (AP)
— Senate Democrats
threatened on Wednesday
to turn President Clinton's
impeachment trial into a
party battle if the Republicans go through with plans
to vote on a declaration of
wrongdoing before deciding

his fate.

As House GOP prosecutors questioned the third of three witnesses in the case, Democratic leader Tom Daschle said his party's rank-and-file lawmakers were solidly opposed to any live trial testimony on the Senate floor. He also raised objections to the immediate public release of Monica Lewinsky's videotaped deposition.

But what sparked the Democrats' sharpest criticism was a GOP proposal for a formal finding of wrongdoing, a measure that would require a simple majority for passage rather than the two-thirds needed for conviction on impeachment.

"If Republicans persist in demanding live witnesses and demanding more depositions, and demanding extra legal devices like findings of fact, the more it becomes a Republican trial," Daschle told reporters.

The White House also renewed its objections to the proposal, at the same time spokesperson Joe Lockhart pledged a restrained re-

Senate in person. But GOP aides conceded it would be difficult to secure enough votes to prevail on that issue, particularly with public opinion in favor of a swift end to the proceedings.

Republicans have been working on a "finding of fact" that would formally de-

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— Tom Daschle Democratic leader

sponse if — as expected — Clinton is acquitted on the two articles of impeachment.

Republican senators met privately late in the day, pondering their next moves in the trial, which is scheduled to resume on Thursday.

John Czwartacki, a spokesperson for Majority Leader Trent Lott, told reporters he expected a vote at that time on a proposal to release the depositions of Lewinsky and two other witnesses, both the written transcripts and the videotapes. He suggested they could remain under seal for a limited period of time.

House prosecutors said an attempt would be made to have witnesses testify in the

clare that Clinton had "will-fully provided false and mis-leading testimony" to Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's grand jury. The draft document also alleges Clinton engaged in a course of conduct to "alter, delay, impede, cover up and conceal the existence of evidence and testimony" in the sexual harassment lawsuit that Paula Jones filed against

The document does not allege he committed perjury or obstructed justice, but Democrats attacked it sharply during the day as an unconstitutional move designed to inflict damage on Clinton.

Several Democrats cited an argument advanced in a New York Times op-ed article by Sen. Robert C. Byrd of West Virginia, who also argued forcefully at a closeddoor caucus during the day.

Senators must answer two questions, Byrd wrote: whether the president is guilty of high crimes and misdemeanors and, if so, whether he should be removed from office.

"To lift this burden from the shoulders of senators by offering them a way to convict the president without having to accept responsibility for removing him from office would, in effect, bastardize the impeachment process," he wrote.

In comments to reporters, Daschle said opposition to the plan would be aggressive. The strategy, he said, "will be, of course, to offer an array of amendments. And we will do that as long as it appears that a finding of fact resolution could pass."

Sen. Tom Harkin (D-Iowa) suggested an amendment could be placed before the Senate to declare that Starr had been guilty of prosecutorial misconduct.

Public release of the deposition videotapes could set off a fresh round of public fascination with the case, since the woman at the center of the scandal has not yet told her story in public.

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Weather

Do you remember when I had a contest on who could submit the most positive-sounding weather column?

Well, I think I have a winner. Actually, this was the only reply. But at least this submission comes all the way from merry old Scotland—the land of pubs, skirts (oops, I mean kilts), and lead-pipe-wielding soccer fanatics. Here it goes:

"Within the safe haven of Goleta we can sit back, relax and be ourselves. So if you want to know what someone is really like deep down inside, there's no better way to find out than by living with them for two weeks.

"Adored interests we occupy much of our time concentrating for long periods, effortlessly in conversation and laughter together.

"I am sure you can understand how positive and exciting this year begins. Personally I have to adjust to living with love. Feeling raindrops! Bright bubbles! Joy!"

Wow! Pretty positive isn't it? And just in time for ye olde Valentine's Day. Today's weather: no rain, only clear, beautiful skies. Perfect weather for blowing bubbles.

Hillary Clinton Might Throw Hat Into New York Senate Race



ALBANY, N.Y. (AP) — The leader of the state Democratic Party said Wednesday there is a 50-50 chance Hillary Rodham Clinton will enter New York's Senate race next year.

Just weeks ago, state party Chair Judith Hope was saying she did not believe Clinton would run for the seat being vacated by Democrat Daniel Patrick Moynihan, and that the first lady had asked her several months ago not to encourage such speculation.

"Now you hear me saying something different," Hope said Wednesday.

The party leader said that after spending time with the first lady at a \$10,000-a-person Democratic fund-raising event in New York City on Tuesday night, "it's my very strong impression that she has not ruled this out ... I'm shar-

ing with you my impressions that she left with me and I think with others."

"My best guess is that it's 50-50," Hope said.

Hope refused to say if she had spoken directly to Clinton or close aides to the first lady in recent days about the situation.

Meanwhile, a recent poll had Clinton leading New York City Mayor Rudolph Giuliani in a theoretical Senate matchup.

The poll conducted by Quinnipiac College's Polling Institute had Clinton favored by 51 percent of registered voters to 42 percent for the Republican mayor with 6 percent undecided.

Giuliani has said he is considering a run.

Much of Clinton's support came from women, who favored her over Giuliani 58 percent to 36 percent. Male voters preferred Giuliani 49 percent to 44 percent.

Quinnipiac's telephone poll of 1,191 registered New York voters was conducted Jan. 26-Feb. 1.

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said. "We need more longterm planning when we are building on campus. We need to ask ourselves before we build it ... where's the money going to come from?"

Student wallets are the last resource left for T-Dome repairs, according to Kirby, who asserted that the results of other fund-raising attempts were "minuscule."

"We don't have any other source of money for this building," Kirby said. "There is no magical pot of money."

The Events Center will be less dependent on outside revenue sources if the initiative passes in spring, Kirby said. If voted down, the 'Dome will continue to operate; however, a projected increase in concerts and lectures that are not campusaffiliated would reduce existing student services.

"We would have two choices — either cut back one service, or we increase revenue," Kirby said. "Primarily it's intramural tournaments that would be the biggest benefactor [of the lock-in fee], along with Program Board concerts."

The necessity of the \$4 student fee initiative comes from facility unit failure, including a leaky roof, an \$80,000 air conditioning replacement, and a demand for more restrooms, according to Events Center Facility Manager Director Gary Lawrence.

"There are a lot of different items, and some of them are major items," he said. "If there is a concert in the building, we have to bring in port-a-potties because we don't have enough bathrooms to accommodate

"Every individual has a place to fill in the world and is important

in some respect whether he chooses to be so or not."

everyone."

A.S. Program Board Commissioner Anders Bergstrom said that due to technical disrepair, Program Board encounters significant difficulties when planning a Thunderdome event.

"The electrical concert panel blew out. Now we have to bring in a generator to have shows in there, and that's like \$700 every time,"

Undergraduate Governance Board member Roberta Gehlke said she believes a strong push from collegiate and intramural athletics volunteers could be the key to gaining student support come election time.

"If we get all our athletes out there to talk to the student body, I don't think it's going to be that hard to get people to vote on this," she

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Aries (March 21-April 19)—Today is a 7—Everybody seems to want to tell you what to do today, and you ought to listen. It looks like they have excellent ideas. They can also support you with a plan you've already got going. Go ahead and pass the ball to the others around you who can help. They'll be glad to do that, and it'll make your life a lot easier.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)—Today is a 5—The work that's been piling up can't be put off any longer. Look at the bright side. Something you're doing today could be like money in the bank. It might actually be money in the bank. You don't get to spend it now, but it's nice to know it's there and growing.

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Gemini (May 21 -June 21)—Today is a 6—Somebody you thought you knew very well could surprise you today, and this surprise is a good one. Perhaps you could set up a little surprise of your own. What does your sweetheart really like? Dinner and a show? On a Thursday night? Why not? Life can be a daring adventure, but it's up to you to make it happen.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)—Today is a 5—If you can scrape the money to gether, you could make a good deal on a household item. Somebody else's dilemma could be your lucky break. If you're there with cash in hand, you could get it for pennies on the dollar. A little sleuthing is required. Start by letting people know all the things on your wish list.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)—Today is a 7—People may not think of you as the intellectual type, but sometimes you are, and this is one of those days. By doing a little reading on your own, you could finally understand what an expert is talking about. If you just get to where you can carry on a conversation with folks in the know, your own expertise will grow much more quickly. Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Today is a 5—You love to be of service to other people. You live your life so that other people can be happy, wealthy, healthy and even wise, but it wouldn't really be too wise of you to do that today—not if you still have to keep body and soul together. Go ahead and let yourself be generally rewarded for your efforts.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Today is an 8—Today, you'll be able to talk people into doing just about whatever you want. But take care. The same is true the other way around, too. In other words, the person you love and admire will be able to talk you into just about anything. Set a private place so you can follow through on those ideas.

Scorplo (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)—Today is a 5—People will be in the mood to talk today. With a few leading questions, you should be abl

to happen, show a little caution. Somebody out there might be ratting on you.

Sagitarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Today is a 7—Your friends are coming up with great ideas today, and they'd love to help with whatever projects you've got going. So let them in on your predicaments, as well as your joys and successes. One of them will come up with just the idea you've been looking for. It's always easier to figure out somebody else's dilemma.

Capricora (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)—Today is a 5—Looks like people are yammering at you to produce results quickly. Take care not to get recidess. Now that you've put the safety precautions in, go ahead and race full speed ahead to accomplish your goals. If you're smart, you can actually generate more profits with less work, but to do it, you'll have to use your secret weapon. Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)—Today is a 7—You're always looking for ways to stretch your imagination, and you're always seeking new horizons to conquer, especially intellectual horizons. You wouldn't mind traveling a little today, either. You just want to stretch your legs and your mind, and everything else. Don't go too far today, unless you can get tomorrow off as well.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)—Today is a 5—Looks like your love and maybe a little of your money could bring out the best in others. Do it in a way that encourages them to be strong and not dependent on you. A contribution you make could multiply exponentially. Don't make an investment that makes you feel good. Make an investment that produces results.

Today's Birthday (Feb. 4). Travel is important for you this year, as is higher education. It's going to be fun and easy, and you'll know just where you want to go by the end of Rebrusry. In March, you'll figure out how, and put money down on the trip if you're wise. In April, finish off the payment so it's a done deal, then wait until about August, at which point you'll get the purpose for this whole adventure. It could come to you in a dream. In September or October, launch. You'll be doing exactly what you've always manded if the purpose the bigs are the second of the second o wanted, if you set this thing up right. There is a test in November. You'll pass it by being more aggressive. In December, tell the truth. It'll set you free.

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"I need a fix 'cus I'm going down ..." — John Lennon

... tell me about it Mr. Lennon. I could sure use one. I think I'm catching a stupid cold from the rain on Saturday. Then again, I wouldn't be complaining if I.V. wasn't such a bust this last weekend. Maybe it's the weather, or maybe people are actually realizing how far behind they are with midterms looming ... Either way, this weekend had me yearning for those innocent first weeks in September when we all danced in debaucherous rhythm to the throbbing pulse of a new school year.

There are three main reasons why people go to I.V.: to get drunk, to get laid or to have fun with the friends who are trying to.

And so I sit once again — contemplating this wet Sunday morning from the climatecontrolled comfort of my vast dorm mansion. Sniffling and dehydrated, odd tickle in the back of my throat - I think I might have pneumonia. It's a well-known fact that Shakespeare died of pneumonia. He caught it during a night of heavy drinking, after passing out in a snow drift. Am I next? Well, until my lungs fill with liquid, I'm going to try to write this column. The alternative would be Student Health Services, and of course, certain death. So I'll take my

There are three main reasons why people go to I.V. (the careful research that led to these findings was done by absolutely no one): to get drunk, to get laid or to have fun with the friends who are trying to. These categories are in no way mutually exclusive, and many people participate in all three activities in one night. Also, I am not denouncing these activities; in fact, I consider them very noble ...

Aside from the "drunk/laid/fun with friends" theory, the study proved one more

thing: The methods by which we pursue our beer, our sex and our fun with friends are totally inefficient.

Now come on people, we can't have inefficiency. For the love of econ majors! This is America, the most beautiful testament to capitalism ever created. And as nature abhors a vacuum, capitalism abhors inefficiency. Every night we waste both time and energy for often fruitless ventures, desperately hoping somehow we'll go home satisfied. And in whose hands lie our fate? Let's take the bull by the nuts, and make sure every one gets some lovin'.

As my first proposal to streamline the party scene in I.V. — making it as efficient as possible - I propose a party ranking system of some form. How many times have you wandered into some massive group of people milling about on the front lawn of someone's house, only to find out that the 15 minutes you spent scouring for the keg was wasted since the tap went dry an hour ago? Have you ever moseyed into a party and realized 20 minutes later that you and your friends were the only people who didn't know anybody? How often have you fought desperately for the kegmaster's attention, only to be passed up for the girl in the tight black pants and undersized "Buffy the Cleavage Slayer" top?

Not that I have anything against tight shirts, I'm a big fan. But when it means the difference between my inebriation and a night of cursing, lethargic sobriety, the bitch better get back at the end of the line.

Every house on DP should come with a little scoreboeard that lists important things like the number of kegs left and whether or not the party is private or open.

So let's put a stop to all this nonsense with a nice, practical system. Every house on DP should come with a little scoreboard that lists important things like the number of kegs left and whether or not the party is private or open. It would eliminate so many

mishaps when unwanted randoms show up and start killing the keg faster than Chris Farley at Oktoberfest.

Imagine walking down DP and knowing exactly where the parties are! All houses equipped with and using "The Scoreboard" would receive discounts on their beer from the local liquor stores, who in turn would profit from a more efficient turnover of

> The urge to copulate supersedes most rational, coherent thought and is not to be trifled with.

Sure, it's fun to walk around, see your friends and watch stupid outsiders get busted for holding their cups right-side up. (And they deserve it, never tell a tourist the proper way to hold their cup!) Granted, there is a certain pleasure in finding a pristine keg hiding out in the corner of a party, surrounded by very few people, but the instances of that are so rare, they are worth sacrificing for a sure shot at inebriation. The world would marvel at our ingenuity, and we would be a testament to drinkers

Next up on the list of things to fix in I.V.: trying to get laid. Now, we are dealing with an ancient biological imperative, and we must be careful. The urge to copulate supersedes most rational, coherent thought, and it is not to be trifled with. But I think that maybe, just maybe, we can retool the whole system.

Give everyone a patch, or tag of some sort. I know it sounds really creepy and Orwellian, but just hold on 'til I'm done.

First, let's acknowledge the obvious. Guys like sex. A lot of it. As much as humanly possible. When we go out, we are either trying to hook up, or hoping our girlfriend back home will be as drunk as we are when we get back. Either way, sex is an ever-present concern.

Girls, on the other hand, speak volumes about their intentions using body language. The only problem is that it's in Arabic or some foreign dialect that guys never pick up on'til they are staring down the nostrils of a pissed off, drunk boyfriend. So let's clean up the game a little, rewrite the rules.

Give everyone a patch, or a tag of some sort. I know it sounds really creepy and Orwellian, but just hold on 'til I'm done. First of all, the patch would distinguish between

"committed" and "single." Couples would agree to wear their respective patch, and we could save bucket loads of blood and tears resulting from cheating boy/girlfriends and fights between unknowing suitors and angry boyfriends. You are free to still try and hook up with someone who has a "committed" patch, but there'll be no excuses when Tiny, captain of the rugby team, comes to pound you for freaking his girl.

Next, the patches would be color coded in relation to promiscuity: green for mild; yellow for medium; red for hornier than Austin Powers on Yohimbe. This is the riskiest part of the "patch plan" simply because many people, especially women, would be compelled to lie about their actual post-party activities, and not wear the proper patch. All it would take is a little bit of honesty, and some acceptance of the perpetually expanding rubber bands we call our

... a convenient rapid transit system could move two freaking freshmen from the dance floor to the dorm floor in less than 10 minutes flat ...

Lastly, the final and most drastic measure of the "get laid faster" plan would be the introduction of a monorail between De La Guerra Dining Commons and the 6600 block of DP. All too often the long trek back to the dorm room — involving flights of steps, considerable physical effort, and that pointless small talk — sobers freshmen to the point where they start reconsidering the person they're actually going home with. This is bad. Second thoughts should be avoided at all times, and a convenient rapid transit system could move two freaking freshmen from the dance floor to the dorm

have to stop here. There're more good ideas, but the groundwork has been laid. All I'm asking is for a little bit of efficiency in this backward-ass system.

real hospital ...

David Downs is a freshman communication and philosophy major and the Daily

floor in less than 10 minutes flat OK, the coughing is getting worse. I

In a world where all you do is wait in line (freeways, financial aid, bathrooms, DMV), don't you think it's time for a little pragmatic reform? Ah well, I tried ... I am now going to Student Health, to wait in a line to see people who couldn't get hired at a

Nexus assistant county editor.

The Reader's Voice

OPEN SPACES ARE BEING DESTROYED

Editor, Daily Nexus:

The Camino Real development on the corner of Hollister and Storke roads will not only hurt local businesses and increase traffic, but it will also change the face of the small-town atmosphere of Goleta that most people are attracted to. In light of the crazy congestion of Los Angeles, the Santa Barbara and Goleta area seems like a paradise.

The Camino Real has effectively destroyed a refreshing open space parcel that allowed for unrestricted views of the mountains and ocean. Try catching a glimpse of our beautiful mountain range through the enormous Costco complex ... it is impossible.

Never mind the views, what about the traffic? What about the thousands of people who are going to swarm to Goleta to shop? Isn't that what downtown Santa Barbara is for? What about all the construction of houses and new roads that are underway to cater to this insane development? What about all the future development that will be proposed for the pristine areas of Gaviota, just a few miles north? What about the small "mom and pop" stores of Old Town Goleta that are going to go under because they can't compete at corporate

The poor business owners in downtown Goleta have been struggling to do business in an area that suffers from visual blight and can't get the county to act swiftly to help them. Why then, would the

county approve development that will hurt them more? Money, money, money, and I am sick of money making our world go round.

I think that a Big Box shopping complex with an enormous parking lot in the middle of it will eliminate Goleta's chances for maintaining a pedestrian-friendly atmosphere, and it will be depressing to look at so much concrete where an open field used to be.

The most ironic part about the Daily Nexus' article concerning this development was the section regarding the relocated baseball diamonds for the Little League. Did anyone bother to report that the baseball diamonds will be completely phased out in a few years to give way to more housing?

All sides of this issue need to be considered when reporting a story. There was much controversy regarding the proposal of development, including the fact that it lies smack dab in the middle of the Santa Barbara Airport approachway. Nothing like watching a movie just before a commuter airplane crashes through the screen.

ARIANA KATOVICH

MEAN ATTACKS ARE IN BAD TASTE

Editor, Daily Nexus:

In the Jan. 28 Reader's Voice, I came across Jody Ecklund's letter "CSOs Should Not Be Friendly." In that letter I was referred to as "fat, corpulent, whale-like." I have a weight problem. This is no big surprise; there is no stunning revelation here. Yet Jody Ecklund, who very obviously has issues with

CSOs, chose to attack me person-

ally - not because of the job I do, but because of how I look doing it.

What Jody Ecklund did to me was not only hateful; it was prejudiced. It was prejudice of a physical nature, and I have to question the judgment of the people who allowed their paper to be used as a weapon in a vicious attack of one individual. Sure Ecklund attacks the CSOs (this is a common occurrence on this campus), but the attack should have been on the organization as a whole.

The goal of the Nexus is to represent the student's voice. Ecklund is a student with a voice, but I have to wonder, would the entire letter have been printed in its entirety if Ecklund had called me a nigger instead of "fat and ugly"? Ecklund depicts me as a fat ogre looking on as my partner does the grunt work.

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It took a los cide to reply Professionally doing so bec CSO policy. e all submissions, but please include your name and phone number. For columns, th is three pages, typed and double-spaced; for letters, one page. All submissions erty of the Daily Nexus upon being turned in and are edited for length and clarity.

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Many People Are Suffering From Depression; Some Don't Know It

A Doctoral Student Shares Her Fight With Despair and Fear: Emotions That Are Everyday Battles for Those With Depression

JUDY KESSLER

Paraphrased from and inspired by the prologue of On The Edge of Darkness, by Kathy

I'm afraid the attack dog has really got me. This image of despair suits me better than "the black hole." A black hole just swallows you up. If only it were that easy, to sink down into larkness, as if sleeping. But this dog, this dog! It crouches in the corner of the room, waits or me to make a move. Or sits menacingly at the entrance to Lot 16. Or at the foot of the ouch, which has become my bed, like a shadow, until I try to get up.

Growls, and dares me to get up. I have to get up, I'm alone, no one to get me up but me. The dog snaps at my legs.

I go nowhere alone; that dog is at my side. It stands between me and any other, while I'm

ooking good, trying to stay calm, smiling to disarm his ferocity.

Little things overwhelm me: I can't remember my office phone. I can't find the missing ages to a journal article. I lose the notes I took at the meeting with my chair. The phone ings while I'm trying to write, I forget to pay a bill, my check is returned, I am so ashamed nd frustrated I can no longer write — I give up and go to sleep. I can't cope with the little hings while that dog is there.

I have a meeting on campus.

I cannot see how to shower and get dressed for it.

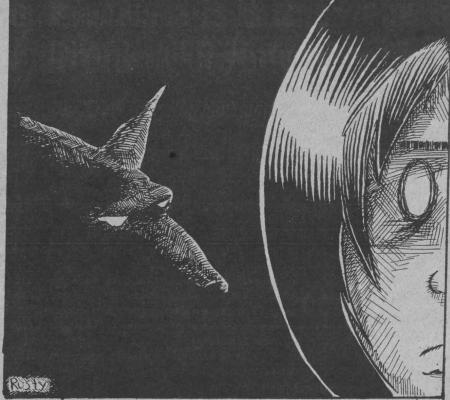
That dog stands in the way.

I promised to work with my research assistant. My stomach burns, my head pounds, I'll have to let her down again.

I can't remember where I left my glasses, I am late, I can't see anything without my glases, I can't find my glasses so I can't find my keys. I run around my apartment — the size of a arge closet — I crush my glasses under my feet. The frame is bent, the lenses pop out. How vill I fix this! I have to fix it, I'm late! Finally I manage to pop the lenses back in, grab my eys, run out the door, run back for my purse, run out the door, run back for my book bag, in out the door, run back for the mail to post, run out the door. Oh, God, I am so disorganzed, so incompetent. I get to the car and I can't remember where I am to go first ... or after nat. I have a list, I keep a list so I won't forget. I can't find the damned list ...! I can't rememer what to do with my travel receipts, where do the pesos go? the dollars? ... what did they ay about the corporate card? I am a terrible researcher because I have been told over and ver how to fill out this travel worksheet, but I can't remember, I can't remember ...

I walk outside, it's a Santa Barbara, blue-sky, sweet-air, beautiful day — so what? The novie I want to see is playing just three blocks away, I have a free pass — so what? One of ny best friends calls from Los Angeles, wants to know how I am, tells me she loves me — so hat? I receive notice after notice, we are pleased to inform you ... I have been awarded nousands of dollars in grant money — so what? I'm one beat off, one step removed from all

I don't shower, brush my hair, or make the bed. I wear the same clothes, night and day. I on't answer the phone — it's just too much work to put on the cheerful face and sound normal" — although I am quite good at it, up to a point. Sometimes I actually feel ill, somemes I am ill, the acid churns in my stomach, the migraines unrelenting. I lie on the couch, arely able to open my eyes. My computer is only 10 feet away, but it might as well be on nother continent, Sometimes I manage to travel that 10 feet, but not often.



Curling up on the couch, covered with comforters — it doesn't help. I am so cold, so cold. My feet never warm up ...

There are things that should be important, things I need to do — pay bills, work on my dissertation, work on my next grant proposal, prepare for the next trip to Mexico - but I can't. The simplest decisions are overwhelming and reduce me to tears ...

And when I drive, wherever I go, that dog rides along, and I think, "If I leave my seat belt unfastened, maybe I'd be hit on the freeway and it would be all over."

The dog and I stand a moment too long in front of the cabinet in the kitchen with all my medications; staring and thinking, I wonder, "What would happen if I took them all?"

Although I am no longer suicidal, as I write this the weight is still on my shoulders, the pain inside is like a stone sitting in my stomach, and my face wears a perpetual mask so tight it hurts. I don't give in to it. I keep myself moving, I keep myself writing, even if only for a few minutes a few days a week — the battle is invisible even to those closest to me. Selfisolation is my second worst enemy; my worst enemy is the isolation imposed on me by

But at least I know what's dogging me. I know this will not last. I am not going to die. I am not going to feel this way forever. The world is not crumbling. I am learning to believe in myself, I am not crazy, or dangerous, or bad, or lacking in faith or in discipline. I am a sociologist and a person of worth. Just like Kathy Cronkite, Rod Steiger, Mike Wallace, Art Buchwald, John Kenneth Galbraith, Norman Jewison, Kitty Dukakis, Jules Feiffer, Joan Rivers and many others. I have a disease. It's called depression.

To the university community — students, faculty, staff: If you suffer from depression, don't be afraid, you are not alone, and you won't feel this way forever. "Coming out of the closet" invites ostracization and prejudice. But it also is empowering and the only way to battle the stigma attached to mental illness. If you are fortunate enough to be depression-free, educate yourselves. Depression is not synonymous with "insanity," it is a disabling biochemical imbalance that is treatable - just like diabetes or high blood pressure - and, in many cases, curable. As Rod Steiger says, "Stigma is prejudice." And prejudice leads to isolation, which nourishes the attack dog. Educate yourselves, please!

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Letters to the editor MUST include the author's FULL name, phone number, year and major.



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took a long time for me to deto reply to Ecklund's letter. essionally, I take great risk in g so because it goes against policy. Despite Jody Eck-

lund's accusations, I love my job and take great pride in doing it, but the risk of disciplinary action is worth the salvation of my pride.

Jody, I could attack you as viciously as you attacked me. However, since (to my knowledge) we have never met, I will refrain from unleashing the verbal barrage I planned when I first sat down to write this letter. What the hell ... I may be fat; but it is you, Jody Ecklund, who is the ugly one. And let's be honest ... I can always lose

T.Q. GASKINS

POLICE ARE JUST DOING THEIR JOB

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I am responding to Derek Rampone's letter, "Police Need Better Ways to Spend Time" (Reader's Voice, Feb. 1). I think that he would be better served to get a front license plate than to complain about police doing their job. In his own words: "I have gotten a ticket for not having a front license plate before, and now my girlfriend has one to match mine.'

It would seem that Derek's girlfriend has little or no sense of pattern recognition, otherwise she would learn from Derek's unfortunate mistake and properly install her license plates.

This was not a random act of police brutality. This was a case of some guy who didn't put his license plates on properly. It's a simple matter of pattern recognition. Break law, get ticket.

Patient: Doctor, it hurts when I

eat glass.

Doctor: Then don't do it!

The point I am alluding to is not that Derek is dumb. He is probably a very intelligent guy who got some tickets for breaking the rules. It is much easier to call the police 'pathetic" than to admit to yourself that you did something you knew you weren't supposed to. Calling people you don't like "assholes" does not change the law, or anyone's opinion for that matter. All it does is portray you as an arrogant child who is annoyed at getting caught doing something wrong.

Derek accuses police of hiding "behind trees on campus to give unsuspecting bikers who are late to their class because they were out catching a wave \$55 tickets." There are a few things wrong with his

1) The police don't hide behind trees. They stand right out in the open. If you aren't riding so fast, they are easy to spot in time.

2) Unsuspecting bikers. Everyone here can read. Try reading the large blue and yellow signs at the ends of most bikepaths. Can anyone on campus honestly say that they weren't aware that it is illegal to ride your bikes on the sidewalk? Be honest.

If you have a problem with the California regulation that requires a license plate to be visible on the front of your car, then say so. Otherwise wait until you have something of substance to write about before you bitch about being accountable for your own actions.

DAVID HOGG

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Into: Keep this in mind next time you think that you might get lucky: Put on a live whenever you are getting it on. At times, it feels like the audience is appleuding YOU. Embrace taboo like you would embrace your underage cousin.

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portrayed equally. "There's not going to be any compromise. If one person decides to put their picture in, everyone is going to

want to put their picture in to be fair," she said. The bill was tabled until next week's meeting, when council members will have the opportunity to discuss the logistics of the bill with

Committee.

the A.S. Elections

Matthews was also a

proponent of a bill intended to restructure the constitutional By-Laws in order to accommodate and continue funding for Campus Point. Matthews said approval of the bill was essential because the publication has grown beyond its constitutional limitations.

"They're operating outside of the By-Laws because they don't have this restruc-

turing. They deserve this money, though, because they have been working their butts off over there and taking the publication in the direction we asked them to," she said. "We asked them to be more self-sufficient, and they went from making nothing to making 30 percent of their own revenues in just one year."

The bill was approved by a vote of 13-2, with two abstentions and two abstentions from voting.

Costley presented Leg Council with a tentative plan to use money from the General Reserve Fund to acquire legal representation for Isla Vista residents in disputes with landlords.

"I'm looking into a proposal to hire a full-time lawyer to help students at UCSB combat the problems posed by overcrowding, such as huge rent hikes and unjust evictions," she said.

"There are three great questions which in life we have over and over again to answer: Is it right or wrong? Is it true or false? Is it beautiful or ugly? Our education ought to help us to answer these questions."

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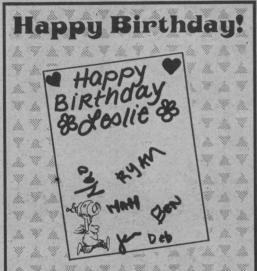
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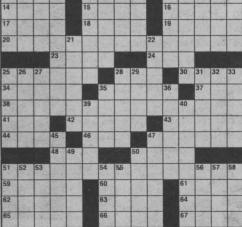
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Sports

View From the Sidelines

So, the NBA is about to start back up again. What this means is that there will be a bunch of children running around complaining about all kinds of crap. And, no, I'm not talking about Shawn Kemp's illegitimate kids.

The Super Bowl was a waste of time and money. The only cool thing about it was one commercial. It was the one where the two college dudes are in line buying beer and toilet paper but can't afford both, so they buy the beer and put the sixer in a paper sack. You know you've been in that situation before too

What's up with rapper Master P trying out for the Charlotte Hornets? He is already on the CBA's Fort Wayne Fury and is averaging less than two points per game. P is really making 'e m say, "Uggghhhh," but this time it's about how ugly his game is.

Laker star Kobe Bryant isn't really growing an afro hairdo. It's just that his head and ego are so big; he maybe has less than an inch of hair

on top.

Did you hear a gunman was stalking Tiger Woods? It kind of reminds me of that guy in "Happy Gilmore" that keeps yelling "Jackass" at Adam Sandler, then drives a VW Bug to run him over. The only thing I don't understand is how Happy couldn't hear a VW Bug coming at him. Those things are louder than the Kingdome when the Mariners or the Seahawks were winning.

I heard that Pete Rose was involved in the IOC bribery thing. That's the real reason he's not being voted into the Hall of Fame.

Lawrence Taylor is hilarious to me. In Sandler's "The Waterboy" he tells kids not to do crack. But, the outtake scene showed him offering a youngster a hit off of his concealed pipe.

What's the deal with the NHL's World vs. North America All-Stars? You had people playing against each other from the same team. The NHL is screwy.

Dennis Rodman might be headed to the Lakers. Wonderful. All of Rodeo Drive is putting out its finest dresses, and all the cameramen are wearing cups.

John Elway should retire. What else does he have to do? I think he's a greedy s.o.b. for wanting to win another Super Bowl. But hey, if I had lost three previous ones, I probably would have come back, too. While he's at it, he should call Jim Kelly out of the booth as his backup.

Walter Payton is dying of a diseased liver. He wouldn't want a transplant coming out of I.V. though. All of those livers are probably worse than his.

— Matt Hurst is the Daily Nexus sports editor and had more to write, but it was stupider than what you just read.

UCSB Softball Ready to Turn Things Around

Season Preview

By ZACK O'NEILL
Reporter

On March 24, 1998, the UCSB softball team defeated New Mexico State in the back end of a doubleheader on the road 6-2, to improve their record to 20-9. Ranked 26th in the national coaches' poll, the Gauchos were in prime position to make a strong run at a post-season bid to the NCAA tournament.

But a funny thing happened to the Gauchos on their way to the playoffs. A monster known as the Big West Conference reared its ugly, disgusting head, and the Gauchos finished the season as a 500 team.

Though the 25-25 finish was Santa Barbara's best in 11 years, UCSB Head Coach Liz Kelly spent the offseason determined to lead the Gauchos to success. Hoping to prepare the Gauchos for league competition, Kelly sees a tougher early season schedule as an early season edge.

"Other than the Pac 10, our division may be the toughest in the nation, top to bottom," Kelly said. "So the idea [in the '99 season] is to schedule tougher nonleague games to prepare us for the difficulty of league play."

It won't get much tougher than on Feb. 13, when UCSB will face the defending national champion Fresno State Bulldogs in the Gauchos' home opener. Among the benefits of this strong early-season matchup is a chance for the team to find out how well they match up against the best in the nation.

"It's an excellent chance for us to gauge ourselves," Kelly said. "Fresno State is considered an ex-

cellent team year-in and year-out, and by playing them we can really measure where our team is at."

Right now the Gauchos are in a good spot, having lost no players to graduation over the offseason. Their two most powerful offensive weapons, juniors Tonya Dias and Kendra Wood, are back and healthy. And — perhaps most importantly — the core of the pitching staff has remained intact.

Heading up the staff is junior Jennifer Tolton, who led the Gauchos last season in wins (with 10) and innings pitched (compiling 149). In addition to shouldering much of the pitching load, Tolton also turned in a solid offensive effort, with a .291 on-base percentage, five doubles and 16 RBIs.

"We're all much more mature now," said Tolton of the Gaucho staff. "We should be better than

Completing the staff are sophomores Abby Murphy and Teresa Tolson. Murphy emerged as an effective pitcher for the Gauchos down the stretch after limited experience in the first half of the season, finishing with an ERA of 1.73. Tolson ended the year with a team-best 1.56 ERA and an 8-5 record, but both expect to have stronger seasons this year, benefiting from a '98 season in which they both saw heavy action.

"I feel so much better this year than last year," Murphy said. "The level of competition is so much better and it scared me at first, but I think we're a lot stronger now."

Behind the plate is junior Kendra Wood, who battled poor health last season and had a subpar year by her own standards. As a freshman, Wood led the team in several offensive categories, including home runs and runs batted



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TOTAL TOLTON: Junior Jennifer Tolton is ready to pitch the Gauchos to victory this season. UCSB will face Santa Clara this Saturday.

in. She expects to return to her freshman form, as her health and outlook have improved greatly.

"Last year, I barely had enough energy to play at all," Wood said. "I feel like I need to make up for what I've lost. I'm at full strength now, and I've been tearing it up in the preseason."

One player who tore it up last season was junior Tonya Dias, who is one of the most dominant offensive players ever to wear a Gaucho uniform. Last season Dias led UCSB in 10 offensive categories, including average (.366) and home runs (7), and also set the Gaucho single season softball record for

"Tonya is a phenomenal player," Coach Kelly said of the player who already holds the all-time Gaucho softball home run record after two years. "And she can't be pitched around because she also has speed on the bases."

Dias was named to the All-Big West first team last year, and she trusts in her teammates to help produce runs when she is unable "A lot of times I don't get pitches to hit, and [other teams] walk me," Dias said. "But I know when I get on, Wood will knock me in. I have confidence in her."

The Gaucho lineup as a whole has seen relatively few roster changes. New faces include four freshmen and Jessica Ziese, a junior transfer from Utah who will start at first base. Despite changes in the strength of the Gaucho schedule and some slight position modification, the team as a whole is unchanged, and so is the formula for their success.

"We have to score runs and capitalize on our offensive opportunities," Kelly said. "We have six players that can change the game with one swing. We will be counting them, but we need to execute, manufacture runs and make plays in the field if we're going to win games."

The Gauchos take on Santa Clara and St. Mary's over the weekend, and play defending national champions Fresno State in their home opener at 1 p.m., Feb. 13, at Campus Diamond.

Hoopsters Look to Extend Lead

Coming off of a two-game homestand sweep, the UCSB men's basketball team is flying high and in first place in the Big West's Western Division.

However, tonight they will be facing the team they unseated from first place, Long Beach State (8-11 overall, 5-4 in the Big West) in the Pyramid. The 49ers held a halfgame lead over the Gauchos before losing to Boise State last Thursday and Pacific last Saturday.

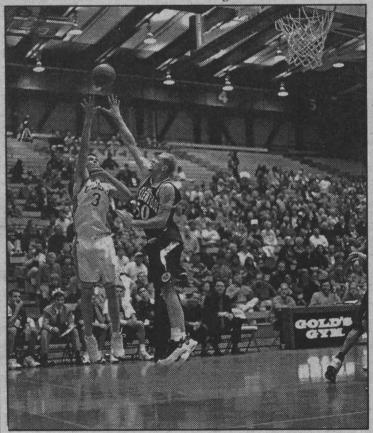
UCSB (8-10, 6-2) swept Cal State Fullerton and UC Irvine in the Thunderdome last week and hold a one-game lead on Pacific and a one-and-a-half-game lead over LBSU. The Gauchos have won eight of their last 10 games, and they will go on a two-game road swing through Long Beach and Pacific before coming home for a four-game stretch.

Long Beach State is not a highscoring offensive machine — only averaging 63.1 ppg, which is last in the Big West. However, two of its players rank in the Big West top ten in scoring. Sophomore Ramel Lloyd is averaging 17.5 points per game, while junior Mate Milisa is dumping in an average of 13.7 ppg

and grabbing 5.5 rpg. Santa Barbara's tenacious defense has shut down most every high-scoring player on every Big West team, holding them below their season point averages. Boise State senior Roberto Bergersen, averaging 23.8 ppg — fourth in the nation - was held to 17. Cal Poly's sophomore Mike Wozniak and junior Chris Bjorkland, averaging 17.5 and 18.5 ppg respectively, were held to 15 and 14 points. Fullerton's senior forward Ike Harmon, dumping in an average of 14.7 ppg, was held to a meager six points, while UCI freshman Jerry Green was held 11 points under his

After Thursday's action, UCSB will head to Stockton to face the Pacific Tigers.

- Matt Hurst



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YOU CAN'T GUARD ME: Senior Josh Merrill and the Gauchos will look to extend their Big West lead over LBSU and Pacific.