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**Like Movies?**

Arts & Lectures will present "Fireworks," a Japanese action movie at 7 p.m. in Campbell Hall. The cost is \$5 for students.

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I.V. Park To Host Future Celebrations

BY JAMES BRAMLETT
Reporter

Community leaders are planning a number of events to continue the six-year transformation of Isla Vista Halloween from a nationally infamous weekend of hell-



raising to a fun-filled local festival.

The Halloween and Dia de los Muertos celebrations at Anisq' Oyo' Park are aimed to promote community spirit in I.V., according to Pegeen Soutar, chair of the I.V. Recreation and Park District's Halloween Committee. She added that the Halloween festivity this year will run all Saturday and have activities for every age group.

"From 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. we are planning to have children's events, a 25-foot Ferris wheel and a dunk tank," Soutar said. "After five, there will be a variety of bands and a costume contest, with great prizes from local businesses."

The Dia de los Muertos celebration will also include a variety of activities on Sunday, Nov. 1, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m., according to Richard Jenkins, activities adviser of the Office of Student Affairs.

"There will be entertainment from local bands and a traditional altar," he said.

The large police presence in I.V. over the Halloween weekend in recent years might be a cause for concern for some residents, but Soutar assured Isla Vistans that the major emphasis of the celebration is on the community.

"I have a nice feeling about the event," she said. "We're creating a community event. Be responsible."

Sophomore mechanical engineering major Sylvia Bachrach said she is not sure that this celebration will avert the chaos of Halloween.

"I don't think it really is going to matter much," she said. "I think people do stupid things, and the people who do stupid things don't care much about consequences."

The success of this year's Halloween celebration hinges on the responsibility of the residents, according to Jenkins.

"People can have fun and not just wreak havoc with anybody," he said.

West Campus Facility Is Place for Child's Play

BY COLLEEN BREEN
Reporter

While most students worry about getting to class on time or writing their next papers, some must deal with the responsibilities of being parents as well.

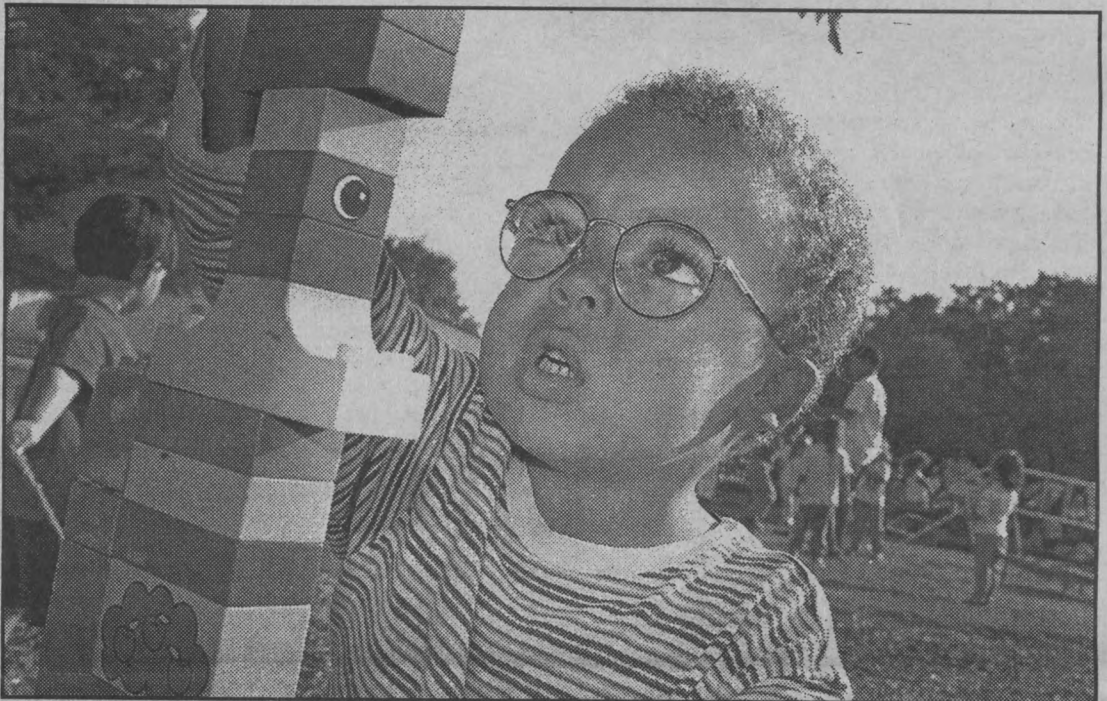
The UCSB Children's Center, located on West Campus, is the only source of child care in the UCSB vicinity. The facility caters to children of UCSB students and faculty, but it does not provide sufficient help, according to student advocate Rodney Clara.

"There is a problem with child care on campus," he said. "Infants have a waiting list and they lack child care after 5 p.m. — this is especially important during finals."

Women's Center Director Deidre Acker explained the difficulties students with children face.

"A lot of students who have child-care needs often miss class," she said. "Some professors are great and allow students to bring children to class, others do not."

Children's Center Director Mary Ray said the circumstances



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Brenden Douglas-Holmes builds a tower Wednesday at the UCSB Children's Center. Located on West Campus, the center provides care for children of UCSB students and faculty.

are better now than they have been in the past.

"I think the university has become more child-friendly in the last ten years. About 60 student-families get free child care because of a recent grant from the State Dept. of Education for \$318,000," she said.

According to Ray, there are still families on waiting lists or that

have schedules the Children's Center cannot accommodate.

"We have a waiting list of approximately 150 names, although we have openings for preschool-age children — ages 3 to 5 — and after-school kindergarten children," she said.

Clara is currently working with the UCSB Women's Center to de-

velop a program that is more sensitive to the needs of student parents.

The Children's Center's costs for care range from \$100 to \$570 per month, depending on the age of the child and the hours of care needed per week, Ray said. There are no drop-in services.

For more information, call the UCSB Children's Center at 893-3665.

Festival To Add a Twist of Lemon to Weekend Activities

BY LAUREN GIARDIA
Reporter

Citrus aficionados will have a chance to pucker up and indulge themselves in a wide variety of zesty treats this weekend.

The sixth annual Goleta Lemon Festival will be held Saturday and Sunday at the Historic Stow House, 340 N. Los Carneros Rd. The celebration is put on each year by the Greater Goleta Valley Chamber of Commerce to celebrate local agricultural history.

Festival attendance has increased over the past six years, with an expected turnout of 20,000 for this year's event, according to Merle Forrester, a member of the festival arts and crafts committee.

"I think that this is a great community event," he said. "It's getting bigger and bigger and has steadily grown."

The Chamber of Commerce is organizing the event, along with 20 corporate sponsors, who will provide financial support so that non-profit organizations can fund-raise at the festival. Groups such as the Boys and Girls Club, Goleta Teen of the Year and the UCSB basketball team will be there to raise money by selling food and arts and crafts, according to Maria

Raso, co-chair and organizer of the Lemon Festival.

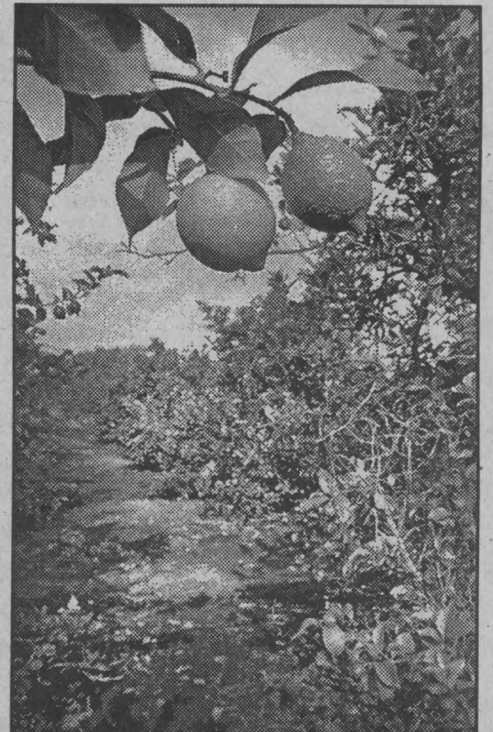
Lemons are chosen as the theme for the festival because of the rich history that Goleta shares with the lemon industry, Raso said. The lemon crop took off during the Great Depression, and soon a group of 60 farmers pooled together to form the Goleta Lemon Association. This organization employed over 350 workers and was selling up to 900 train-car loads of lemons a year across the nation and overseas, she added.

"This was a big employment provider of the 1930s when the depression was in full swing and people needed a job," Raso said. "It was a very influential business."

A number of attractions for people of all ages — including hay rides, pony rides and live music — will also help to draw people to the festival. This year's featured musical acts will be Tom Ball & Kenny Sultan, Clan Na Gael (traditional ancient Celtic music), the Twanging Iguanas and Elvis and the Rhythm Rockers, according to Raso.

"Everyone should come out and enjoy the fun," she said. "I encourage everyone to come out and visit. It's a real down home event and there's something for everyone to enjoy."

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Lemons played a big role in Goleta's agricultural beginnings. This history will be celebrated at the Stow House on Saturday and Sunday during the sixth annual Goleta Lemon Festival.

Top of the News

Strohmeyer Apologizes, Blames Cash



LAS VEGAS (AP) — A former honor student who murdered a little girl in a Nevada casino was sentenced to life in prison Wednesday after appealing to her family for forgiveness and lashing out at a friend who failed to stop the crime.

Jeremy Strohmeyer, 20, received multiple life terms without parole for sexually assaulting and killing Sherrice Iverson, 7, in a women's restroom at the Primm Valley hotel-casino on May 25, 1997.

Strohmeyer read a 22-page typed statement that expressed remorse, told of efforts to commit suicide in the days after the killing, and blamed drugs, alcohol and society for his problems.

The parents of the Los Angeles girl lashed out at Strohmeyer in court, calling him a demon and a devil.

In his statement, Strohmeyer sought to appease them.

"I am sorry," he said. "I do not know if any apology from me will ever have any worth for Sherrice's family, but whether they will be able to accept it or not, I must apologize. I am truly sorry." Strohmeyer spoke of meeting the girl in a video arcade and chasing her into the restroom. He said he was in a drunken stupor and could recall only two of the 22 minutes he was in the restroom with the girl.

"Can you imagine what it would be like to open your eyes, not knowing where you were or how you got there?" Strohmeyer said. "To find

yourself looking down on a half-naked, dying little girl? I wanted to get out of there as soon as I could, but in my drunken and drugged-out panic, I crazily felt that I couldn't leave the child in her suffering state. In this panic, I tried to stop her pain." Strohmeyer told police he snapped the girl's

"He may be proud of what he did that morning, but he makes me sick."

— Jeremy Strohmeyer, convicted murderer, about friend David Cash

neck.

Strohmeyer lashed out at his friend, David Cash Jr., 19, who was with him that night.

Cash has said he entered the restroom, saw the assault in progress, tapped Strohmeyer on the head, and then left when the assault continued.

Strohmeyer said he was intent on protecting Cash when he was questioned by police in Long Beach, Calif., his hometown.

"I felt a misplaced loyalty towards David Cash and, as we had discussed and planned, I protected him by making sure that I took the blame for everything whether I knew that I was really to blame or not," Strohmeyer said. "I did this because he was my best friend, and he had begged me to leave him out of it."

Strohmeyer said he was "stricken with guilt and sick with remorse" after the kill-

ing, but Cash "was repeatedly showering me and himself with accolades for what we had supposedly gotten away with."

"He may be proud of what he did that morning, but he makes me sick," Strohmeyer said. "Even that day I knew full well the evil of what I had done, yet there Dave was offering me praise for the part I had in what had happened."

"While we were still in Nevada, Dave talked about how we should hide the facts of what had happened,"

Strohmeyer said. "He told me that he had been in the women's restroom with me and Sherrice, although I have never remembered him being there with us." The two had stopped at the Primm, Nev., casino on a trip to Las Vegas with David Cash Sr.

The younger Cash has drawn the wrath of the victim's family and friends for not acting to save the girl. He is now a student at the University of California, Berkeley, where he has been the subject of a protest and one attack by a man who spit in his face. The student government has twice voted to recommend his ouster, but school officials say he has a right to study there. He has plainclothes officers provid-

ing him protection.

Family members have called for Cash's prosecution. But Clark County District Attorney Stewart Bell has said there is no evidence Cash was involved in the crime, and no Nevada law forcing someone to halt a crime in progress.

After the sentencing, Bell repeated that his office would reconsider charges against Cash if anyone provided "credible evidence" he took part in the crime.

Strohmeyer blamed his problems on a number of factors: Los Angeles County officials for not telling his adoptive parents about his birth mother's schizophrenia and substance abuse; a former girlfriend for driving him to use methamphetamines; Nevada casinos for allowing children to play at arcades; and a therapist for failing to recognize and treat his emotional problems.

State District Court Judge Myron Leavitt sentenced Strohmeyer to three life prison terms without possibility of parole — one each for first-degree murder, first-degree kidnapping and sexual assault on a minor with substantial bodily harm. Those three terms are to be served consecutively.

Strohmeyer was also given life in prison with the possibility of parole after 20 years for a fourth count of sexual assault on a minor.

The girl's brother, Harold Jordan, 15, also spoke, saying his sister was a straight-A student who won citizenship awards.

"She was my little shadow," Harold said. "We had a bond."

Report Shows Violent Behavior Common in Teens



BOSTON (AP) — The fatal school shootings that have shocked the country over the last year may be indicative of an undercurrent of teenage rage, researchers at Harvard University found.

A national poll of 1,558 middle and high school students yielded some frightening responses to questions about school violence and teenage anger.

One-third, for example, said they agreed with the statement: "When I am really angry, there is no way I can control myself." And 41 percent said if they are challenged, they will fight.

"These kids are volcanos waiting to erupt," said Jay Winsten, director of Harvard's Center for Health Communication. "A simple provocation can set them off."

The students who said they had trouble controlling their anger were at least 50 percent more likely to get into fights than their peers. The findings held true for students of all races and in urban, suburban and rural settings.

The research comes on the heels of six highly publicized school shootings during the 1997-98 school year. Twelve students and two teachers were killed — and 50 others were injured — in shootings in Pearl, Miss.; West Paducah, Ky.; Jonesboro, Ark.; Edinboro, Penn.; Fayetteville, Tenn.; and Springfield, Ore.

The Harvard report, done in collaboration with pollster Louis Harris Associates and with funding from the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, was released Wednesday to coincide with a White House conference Thursday on school safety.

Sixty-six percent of students, who answered the survey in

classrooms in 80 schools around the nation between April and June 1997, reported participating in or witnessing fights in the previous year.

The teenagers said 68 percent of those resulted in injury, including 12 percent in which the injury was serious, and 1 percent in which someone was killed.

Nearly three-quarters of those fights occurred on or around school property — including on school buses — and 33 percent resulted in suspension or expulsion.

Overall, 32 percent of respondents — 43 percent of boys and 21 percent of girls — said they had participated in fights in the last year.

Anger and rebellion are normal elements of any teenager's life, said Dr. Alvin Poussaint, a Harvard psychiatrist who specializes in children with behavioral problems. But for so many to say they lose control is especially troubling, he said Wednesday.

"A fight can easily escalate into something more serious with weapons, where kids end up killing each other," said Poussaint, who was not involved in producing the study.

The students cited verbal insults, disrespect and ongoing disagreements as the prime motivators for violence.

"If you add to that access to guns, you get the potential for much more lethal outcomes," said Penelope Green, the study's lead author and Harvard researcher.

Only 5 percent of students said illegal drugs or alcohol contributed to fights.

Fourteen percent said they had been threatened with a weapon in the last year, and 6 percent said they had actually been attacked with one. The study did not specify the kind of weapons.

The fact that so many kids are reporting their own anger "is almost a cry for help," Winsten said.

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Weather

Guess what? The "I'm-too-negative" lady called back! People are gonna think we're in love.

This self-described stalker, I have to admit, was very enjoyable to listen to on the Hotline. Her point is actually well taken — for those of you clueless about her (that includes me) she went off about how I need to take some "happy-camper pills."

Now, I've tried to be positive, but I lack the flexibility to cram my head that far up my ass (just kidding). I propose this, however: you join the dark side with me and we become the weather duo. I'll be Cher, you be Sonny (I recommend you give up skiing). Together, we can rule the world! Well, we may not make the world more positive, but together "we can make a lot of love before the sun comes down! Skyrockets in flight, afternoon delight ..." Call back soon (and talk dirty to me).

Today's weather: If she calls me, it'll be sunny and warm. If not, cold and bleak.

Leggies Approve Upcoming Walkout

By **NATHANIEL BAYS**
and **ZACHARY MUSA**
Staff Writers

Student representatives rumbled through their first legislation of the quarter Wednesday night in addition to planning upcoming Halloween festivities.

Associated Students Legislative Council unanimously passed a position paper supporting a student walkout scheduled for Oct. 21 and 22. The goal of the protest is to bring attention to what many students perceive as a decline in diversity in the University of California and to support the continuation of gender and ethnic studies on campus, according to walkout supporter and bill sponsor Devin Molina, a junior anthropology and women's studies major.

"[This walkout] will tell [the UC Board of Regents] why gender and ethnic studies classes and departments are so crucially important to the environment on this campus — the academic as well as cultural environment," he said. "I do not want to see a white campus. I do not want to be blind to what really goes on out there — the real history of

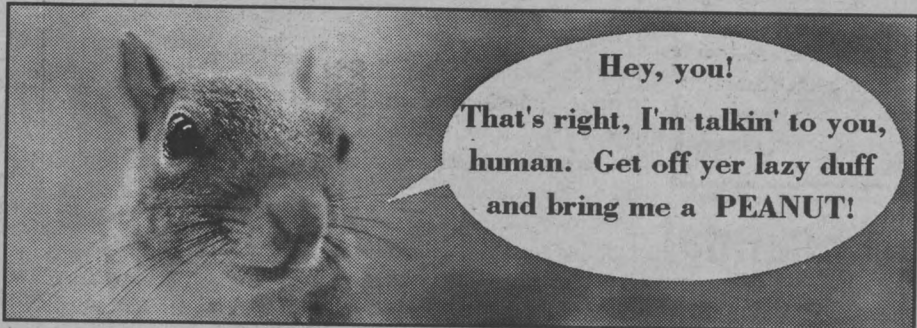
this country — I want to know what is happening and what will happen, so I call on [Leg Council] to endorse the 1998-99 walkout."

In other business, reps withdrew a bill that was tabled at last week's meeting. The bill would have changed the A.S. By-Laws to allow reps to use A.S. funds to obtain personalized business cards. Instead of tapping into A.S. funds, reps resolved to use their own money to purchase cards, according to A.S. President Erin O'Donnell.

In preparation for Halloween, External Vice President for Local Affairs Alonso Gonzalez briefed the council on some of the events planned.

"Starting off the day, there's going to be a children's fair from 2 to 5 p.m. with arts and crafts, game booths, face painting, pumpkin carving and two clowns and a clown dog," he said.

In addition to the children's fair in Anisq' Oyo' Park, there will be live bands playing until midnight, a costume contest and various circus attractions such as a 25-foot Ferris wheel and a dunk tank, Gonzales said.



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Our Focus Should Be on Legislature, Not Sex Scandal

Clinton Administration is Passing Education Legislation; Gossip is Not All That is Going on in Washington, D.C.

JENNIFER KATHLEEN TOBKIN

Despite all the proceedings in Washington, D.C., at the moment, it is important that we remember that there is still business to be taken care of and issues to be addressed that have nothing to do with Monica, but unfortunately, too many issues have been completely glossed over. Last week, President Clinton signed into law five major new initiatives that he had originally proposed, along with other important provisions extending the Higher Education Act. Altogether, the new initiatives will: slash the student loan interest rate, help disadvantaged children prepare for college, improve teacher preparation and recruitment, promote high-quality distance education, and create a new model for efficient government.

The Higher Education Act, originally enacted in 1965, authorizes many of the federal government's programs to increase access to college, as well as programs to improve teacher training and promote innovation. This year, the reauthorization will accomplish a number of new objectives.

First, it **SLASHES THE STUDENT LOAN INTEREST RATE**. Vice President Gore stated, "We are proposing improvements in the student loan program that will lower the cost of college for millions of students and their families while preserving their access to the loans they need." The result of the plan proposed by the president and vice president will be an extension of the legislation for five years. The typical student borrower at a 4-year college, who graduates with \$13,000 in debt, will save about \$700 over a ten-year repay-

ment period. Borrowers have four months to refinance their outstanding loans at this new rate.

Secondly, it **HELPS DISADVANTAGED CHILDREN PREPARE FOR COLLEGE**. In this year's State of the Union Address, President Clinton asked Congress "to support our efforts to enlist colleges and universities to reach out to disadvantaged children, starting in the sixth grade, so that they can get the guidance and hope they need so they can know that they, too, will be able to go on to college." Consequently, this legislation launches a new national effort, incorporating the President's High Hopes for College initiative, to help disadvantaged students prepare for college. Called **GEAR UP**, this program provides competitive grants to colleges that partner with high-poverty middle schools and the community to tell families early about the financial aid that is available for college and other long-term assistance.

Third, the act **IMPROVES TEACHER PREPARATION AND RECRUITMENT**. Clinton said, "I will forward to the Congress a proposal for a new national effort to attract quality teachers to high-poverty communities by offering scholarships for those who will commit to teach in those communities for at least three years. Our proposal also includes funds to strengthen teacher preparation programs so that those who go into teaching are better prepared to teach their students." As a result, the new legislation improves teacher preparation through grants and partnerships to produce teachers who have strong teaching skills, are highly competent in their academic areas, and know how to use technology as a tool for teaching and learning. It also recruits additional teachers for high-need areas through the administration's proposed grants to partnerships between

high-quality teacher education programs and local schools to offer scholarships, support and services to recruit and prepare teachers to serve for at least three years in high-need schools.

It supports state-level efforts to improve teacher quality through grants to strengthen state teacher certification standards, create alternative pathways into teaching, hold higher education institutions accountable for the quality of teachers they prepare, and recruit high-quality teachers. It also strengthens accountability in teacher education by requiring that states and teacher education institutions report on teacher preparation. Finally, it forgives up to \$5,000 in loans for those who teach for five years in a low-income community.

Fourth, the act **PROMOTES HIGH-QUALITY DISTANCE EDUCATION**. Clinton's Secretary of Education noted that "valuable technologies also are important for providing opportunities in higher education at a time when college is becoming ever more crucial. ... This is why [we] proposed a number of changes to the Higher Education Act that will broaden learning opportunities." Accordingly, the bill includes the administration's Learning Anytime Anywhere Partnership (LAAP) initiative and expands student aid eligibility for distance learners. LAAP awards competitive grants to partnerships between school and other entities to create new distance learning models, explore the efficiencies and cost reductions possible through institutional partnerships, and develop innovative measures of student achievement in distance education. The legislation also expands student aid eligibility for distance learners through demonstration programs that waive some student aid restrictions to allow more nontraditional students to obtain higher education.

Finally, the act **TAKES A HISTORIC STEP TOWARD A NEW MODEL OF GOVERNMENT**. In 1996, Gore addressed the National Press Club with the idea that "we're going to dramatically change the way many agencies provide their services. Today, I'm proposing to create within existing departments something we call performance-based organizations ... These PBOs would be run by chief executives who sign contracts and will be personally accountable for delivering results ... Their pay and job security will be tied directly to performance." The act creates the federal government's first-ever PBO, a concept promoted by the Reinventing Government effort spearheaded by the vice president. The delivery of federal student aid will be led by an executive with expertise in information technology and experience with financial systems, who reports directly to the Secretary of Education and has new administrative flexibility in exchange for increased accountability for results.

The revised Higher Education Act represents a major accomplishment in the Clinton administration's constant drive to make quality higher education a more affordable reality for more Americans, a goal that each and every one of us knows personally. The act was made possible only through the tireless efforts of the Clinton administration and congressional democrats. As students we should applaud their efforts, whatever our own personal politics may be.

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The Reader's Voice

MEASURE O IS FOOLING PEOPLE, VOTE FOR K

Editor, Daily Nexus:

So how many of you recently received a sunny, multicolored, four-page, 8 1/2 x 11 advertisement regarding oak tree protection in the mail? Probably a good number of you. By the looks and sounds of it, it seems as if this thing really seeks to protect our county's oaks, right? Wrong!

Although it will be extremely difficult, please do not be fooled by these types of advertisements and commercials which will be coming to you in increasing numbers. They are a ploy to confuse voters away from voting for Measure K, the original citizen-sponsored oak initiative which 20,000 people signed for.

The supporters of a competing measure,

Measure O, care nothing about protecting oaks, have money to spend and corporations that support them in their efforts.

Once again, it's those with the dough (\$\$\$) against those with the people-power. Stay informed, ask questions and make the right choice on election day. Yay on K, No on O!

CHRIS OMER

ADVENTURE PASS STILL DISPUTED FOR FAIRNESS

Editor, Daily Nexus:

This is in response to the recent letters regarding the Adventure Pass. I strongly believe that the Adventure Pass goes against the notion that "The best things in life are free!"

As I was growing up, I quickly realized that there is no more priceless, valuable,

beautiful, breathtaking gift that can be given to us as humankind than what Mother Nature herself can offer us. She is the basis for our existence and I don't find that reason enough to tax her.

Sure, this is America, and America is a capitalist society, but I don't believe in getting charged for things that were given to all people to enjoy by a higher order that we can, in no justification, dispute. I don't see why in order to drive up to the mountains to enjoy a sunrise, sunset, or a relaxing walk in the woods or lunch on a lush, beautiful God-given running riverbed, I have to pay hard cash for it.

I find it absurd that humankind cannot responsibly take any credit for what Mother Nature has given us, yet they can feel responsible for reaping the profits. At least make it tax-deductible or, if nothing else, a lifetime pass. My point is, after this, we can no longer

say "The best things in life are free!"

Only after every tree has been cut down,
Only after every fish has been caught,
Only after every drop of water has been used,
Will we realize money cannot be eaten.

TONY MUKLASHY

NEW GOLD SYSTEM NO LONGER FREE AND EASY

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Here's the situation: I'm at my hole-in-the-wall I.V. apartment. It's 2 a.m., my rent is due in a few days and I don't know the status of my loan check. Have they mailed it? Is it missing? Will I be evicted?

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"If olive oil comes from olives, where does baby oil come from?"
-Matt Harst
The Birthday Boy

"Can't We All
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"I'd like to say that the meteorologist is doing a fine job. We need someone to make people laugh. Keep up the good work of pointing out society's ills, whether they are padlock bras to gay bashing. Oh by the way, the '60s weren't all happy and peaceful. Remember Vietnam? That's what Woodstock was a reaction to. We have a great History Dept. here - take advantage of it."
-April Dunlap

Prank Phone
Calls ...

The *Nexus* received a phone call under someone else's name today, so we thought we would print it anyway.

"Sometimes I just want to dance, dance, dance."

"Oh Come On! We all get that urge now and again ..."

Advice to
Those Who
Steal Bikes:

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Away With the Hate

DANNY COSTA

Here I am, sitting in the Associated Students office at a little past midnight on Monday night. I should be studying for my midterm on Friday, but I'm still deeply bothered by an action that occurred hours ago. Typically, I'm the type of person who doesn't take things personally and is quite optimistic about life in general. However, tonight I feel confused and disillusioned.

How can one man's murder over 1,000 miles away in another state and time zone affect me? Matthew Shepard was a college student at the University of Wyoming until Monday morning, Oct. 12. He should have risen from bed and gone to class. He should have gone to the gym or studied in the library, and maybe he would have met his buddies later on that day to relax over dinner.

Instead, Matthew took his last breath from a respirator in the early hours of Monday. Even more tragic was the fact that he had symbolically died days before as his brutally beaten body rotted in the prairie sun.

I have never met Matthew Shepard, and probably never would have. However, my point is that someone did know and love this man. He surely had, at the very least, his parents, who loved him as their own flesh and blood.

What would Matthew have gone on to become in this vast world of ours? We will never know. For he was snatched from our grasp before he even had a chance to completely open his eyes and fully expand his wings.

Matthew was different than I am. Although he was white and a college student, he was gay. And that apparently made a world of difference to the two college students who tortured and beat his brains in with a blunt object for being who he truly was. Tonight I am deeply concerned about our country. Hate still exists in 1998 just as it did one or two hundred years ago.

While this hate crime of rage took place in Laramie, Wyoming, it might as well have happened here in Santa Barbara. While no one has been tacked up like a scarecrow next to El Colegio because he or she is gay, people are being attacked because of who they are and what they believe in.

's Voice

pretty easily. But not anymore.

So GOLD isn't gone exactly — if you have an Internet service provider and a pocket full of spare change you can see the brand new gaudy GOLD online. But I don't use an Internet service provider and a part-time job doesn't pay ISP bills. The cheapest ISP I can get is \$15.45 a month.

I don't care if you want to do your fancy, online, aesthetically pleasing Gauchonet. That's great. But what about accessibility? I'm a student, and it's students who use GOLD. Are you going to offer students free Internet access? No. There isn't funding. And yes, I've actually used the new Gauchonet. I can't use the back buttons on my browser. I have to keep hitting reload — if it takes me on at all, it takes three times as long to access my records, and the printing unofficial transcripts option is a joke.

I'm not asking to get rid of the online

Women are being accosted nightly in Isla Vista as drunken revelers feel less inhibited and in their mind more rationalized when they verbally assault or touch women. This needs to stop now.

As of today, Oct. 12, 1998, there have been 21 reported sexual assault cases here in our UCSB community this year. The key word here is "reported." The question arises as to why most women who are assaulted decide not to report, and part of the answer lies in the fact that they feel hated. Whether that hate comes from within, from society or from what is said on television, hate drives and shuns even the most outspoken critics.

This hate often is derived from the brief instances after the attack, when the perpetrator offers solitude and a warm smile. According to Tracy Tolbert, a guest speaker of the Women's Center here at UCSB, this example is labeled as the Stockholm Syndrome. The Stockholm Syndrome refers to the situation in which women are lured in by a seemingly kind man, assaulted, and then finally offered kindness as the perpetrator attempts to refute the concerns of the assaulted woman.

Tolbert also points out that in cases of assault and battery, women are often lumped into a vicious cycle of punishment, fear and conditional love by way of their male counterparts. The cycle adds further guilt and depression to the assaulted woman's psyche, as she further suppresses the original assault situation.

After having spoken with the UC Police Department last spring, officers told me that they estimate the number of sexual assaults in Isla Vista per year to be at or above 150 cases, which includes both reported and nonreported situations. Is it me, or is this number frightening to anyone else?

Monday night a rally was held in Storke Plaza to commemorate Shepard's passing. Candles were lit as a somber mood swept through the air. Matthew died, but does that mean that someone has to die here at UCSB before action is taken to change things for the better?

This is my fourth year here in Santa Barbara, and I have seen a great escalation in sexual and hate crimes, both on our campus



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and in surrounding communities. Who knows just how far off the reported 21 cases of sexual assault really are? Just this past weekend, as I was walking down Del Playa, three women were verbally attacked as some drunk students on the mountainside of the street began yelling, "Hey, princess! Come party with us!" What the hell?!

In a similar instance last year, I was walking down the same street with two of my female friends who happened to be Korean. We passed by a small house party as two guys came outside and yelled, "Hey, we love Japanese girls. Sucky, sucky!" My jaw almost hit the ground as my two friends angrily dismissed the inappropriate comments as a drunken mistake.

As a start, men need to realize that these types of actions will no longer be permitted. Respect your sisters. Do not taunt, yell, scream, grab or even insinuate anything that could be considered a sexual assault. Do not even attempt using the beer that is flowing through your veins on Friday night as an excuse for your stupidity, because frankly, I couldn't give a flying fuck about it. By no means am I the only one who feels this way. Also, do not use your environment as an excuse.

Secondly, our university officials need to step up to the plate and offer the students some concrete support beyond the words that hail down from the fifth floor of Cheadle Hall.

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

— including myself — success is a never-ending battle in I.V.

Whether it be the keg across the street or the local liquor store calling your name, discipline and studying can easily fade away. But if you're not careful, so can your life. I should know. Recently I had to attend my boyfriend's funeral.

He had partied to the extreme one night and took it way too far. People tend to think that they are invincible to the world and nothing like that would ever happen to them. That's what I used to think. I used to party with the best of them and had a rock-star attitude, but it took something like that to make me realize that I wasn't made out of steel. No one is.

I am writing this to tell people in I.V. just to be careful. I would never want that to happen to anyone or anyone to go through the pain I did. This town can get out of control

sometimes, and if you're not careful, sooner than you think you'll be wrapped up in it.

Whether it be alcohol, cocaine, speed or GHB, they all can take your life in a matter of minutes. Personally I think GHB is the worst. Not only is it highly addictive and deadly, but probably one of the most dangerous drugs. When you take too much you're unconscious to the world, and who knows what could happen to you when you're out.

People used to tell me that GHB couldn't hurt you, but that's bullshit because my boyfriend died from it. I know partying in college almost seems mandatory and living in I.V. it's pretty much inevitable, but a good friend told me once after telling her I was going to live here: Never forget who you really are and never forget where you want to go.

SARA SCHELIN

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SCHOOL FOCUS IN I.V.

SEEMS NONEXISTENT

Editor, Daily Nexus:

As another year approaches, we all try to start out with the same intention to succeed. For some this may come easy, but for others

SBCC Paper Given Highest Honors

BY RYAN GRAFF
Reporter

In a statewide competition hosted by the California Newspaper Publisher's Association, Santa Barbara City College's student newspaper took first place in the field of general excellence.

The newspaper, a 22-issue-a-year weekly called *The Channels*, was given highest honors and maximum points in all categories. Judges praised the paper for its well-organized layout and solid writing.

The ceremony, which took place in San Diego on Aug. 26, marks *The Channels'* second first-place win — the other was awarded during the 1993-94 school year. The paper has also placed second twice in the

competition and received a number of other awards, according to Editor in Chief Rob Grant.

"We've gotten other awards. They're all over the wall," he said. "We've done a good job. Every paper's getting better."

Competition has often been intense, according to adviser Linda Mears, as competitors for the CNPA awards include perennial contenders like Contra Costa College's *The Advocate*. Mears commended the student staff for its endless work and dedication, despite the fact that most students stay only two years, causing a constant fluctuation in the level of experience and talent at the paper.

"You're always going to have your stars, the ones who hit the boards running ... and then there're the ones

who have other interests," she said. "But every semester I get at least one who comes out shining."

While the school administration is not directly involved with either the operation or the funding of the paper, Mears thanked the school for the respect and encouragement given to the paper and its staff.

"We're fortunate," she said. "We have a very enlightened administration."

SBCC President Peter MacDougal said the newspaper staff has a history of high performance.

"The newspaper has always had an excellent reputation and has always done a very good job," he said. "They're extremely fortunate to have talented student editors and wonderful advisers to work with. I think very positively about it."

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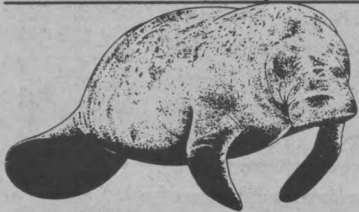
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For those mainly interested in consumables, theme-oriented fare like lemon chicken, lemon cakes and lemon beer will be among the main attractions, and there will be lemon meringue pie-eating contests both days at noon. Foods sold by groups throughout the county will also be available, and

there will be barbecues, said Raso.

Goleta resident and freshman biology major Cherie Kalisher said she has enjoyed the event in the past.

"The festival is something that draws together all aspects of Goleta, from the farmers, to the consumers, to the members of the community," she said. "It's a really great way for people of all ages to get together and have fun."



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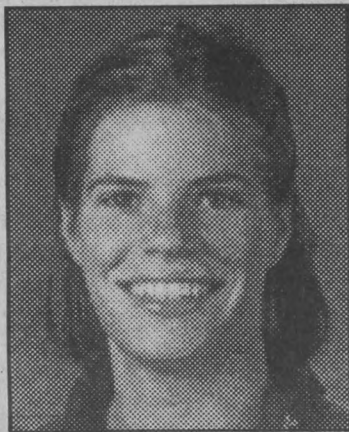
UCSB Loses Two-Game Lead, Match

■ Conley Has Career-high in Kills but UCLA Dishes Out Upset

BY STEVE WENDT
Staff Writer

After a match that looked like a cakewalk in the first two games, the #4 UCSB women's volleyball team left Pauley Pavilion with a sour taste in its mouth.

The Gauchos led 2-0 but proceeded to lose the next three games and the match to UCLA in West-



Charlene Conley

wood on Wednesday night. The 13-15, 9-15, 15-10, 15-3, 15-11 decision was only Santa Barbara's second blemish of the season. UCSB fell to 16-2 while the Bruins

raised their mark to 5-9.

On an evening in which outside hitters dominated the action, no player stood taller than UCLA freshman outside hitter Kristee Porter. The 5'11" Porter seemed to be everywhere on the court; besides her 24 digs, she posted an amazing 38 kills and .412 hitting percentage.

Another Bruin freshman outside hitter, Ashley Bowles, turned in a productive match. Bowles finished with 25 kills of her own as well as 14 digs.

"It was a very hard-fought match," UCSB Head Coach Kathy Gregory said. "But the bottom line was their hitters were better tonight."

It took amazing numbers in order for the Bruin hitters to be better. A pair of UCSB junior outside hitters also had impressive outings. Roberta Gehlke had 26 kills and 17 digs while still suffering the effects of a lingering cold that forced her to sit out from practice Tuesday.

Fellow junior Charlene Conley had a career match. The outside hitter had a personal best 29 kills. Conley also finished the evening with .347 hitting clip and 12 digs.

The gaudy numbers posted by UCLA may be indicative of one Gaucho who didn't even suit up in Los Angeles ... senior middle blocker Katie Crawford. The 6'3" Crawford missed yet another match with a fractured hand.

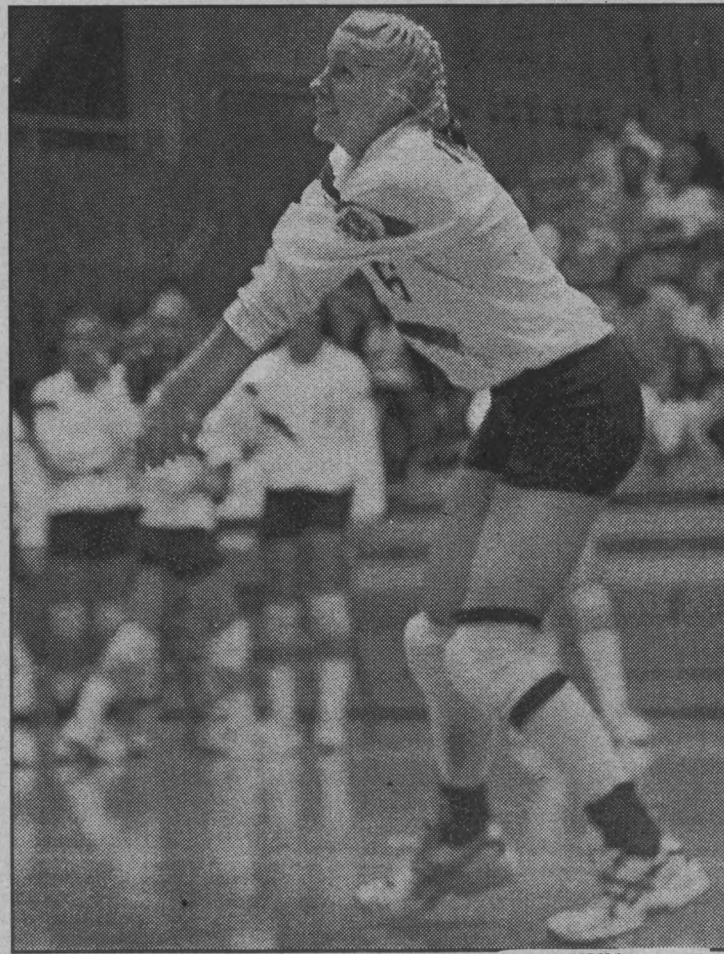
"Not having Katie in the middle was a big factor," Gregory said. "She is a great force on the court and we missed her. We really needed her blocking tonight."

Crawford is expected to see a specialist today to see what can be done with the hard cast on her hand.

Without the dominating presence of Crawford in the middle, UCLA middle blockers Elisabeth Bachman and Amy Nihipali controlled the net.

Bachman, a 6'3" sophomore, hammered home 24 kills and an astronomical .477 hitting percentage. She had a solo block and assisted on two others. Nihipali, also a sophomore, added 12 kills, three solo blocks and three block assists.

After hitting .381 and .333 as a team in games one and two, Santa Barbara's hitting percentage took a nose dive. UCSB hit .220 and .133 in games three and four and a mis-



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ILLIN': Junior Roberta Gehlke has been battling illness but still managed 26 kills in a heartbreaking five-game loss to UCLA.

erable .065 in the deciding game.

"We made too many errors tonight, especially in game five,"

Gregory said. "We couldn't come back from the mistakes. They just flat outplayed us."

Santa Barbara Men's Soccer Succumbs to CSUN at Harder Stadium

BY DENNIS JENKINS
Reporter

It was a tale of two halves for the UCSB men's soccer team, who went into the locker room at the end of the first period with a 1-0 lead and came out of it after the game with a 3-1 loss Wednesday night vs. Cal State Northridge.

The Gauchos took the lead on senior forward Aron Wellman's third goal of the season. The Matadors, however, rallied for three unanswered goals in the second half. The loss marked the third consecutive loss for the Gauchos and left them with a 1-11 record overall.

The first half had Gauchos written all over it as solid performances were turned in by junior right flank man Jeff Meisner and sophomore A.J. Albertalli, as well as Wellman. Meisner had several breakaways and created opportunities, but he unfortunately came up short. Albertalli played tough, winning several physical battles for loose balls. But Wellman's lone

score pinned on Northridge keeper Christian Perez was the only tangible offense for the Gauchos.

Santa Barbara Head Coach Mark Arya was pleased by some of his players' performances and gave credit to Albertalli and Meisner in particular.

"As far as players go, I thought A.J. Albertalli in the backfield did a good job for us winning battles in the air," Arya said. "Jeff Meisner did a great job for us beating some players one on one and getting some crosses on."

The second half was a different tale, a story that favored the visiting Matadors. Northridge came out with a vengeance, tying the game early. Two of the three goals in the second half were tallied by Matador senior forward Michael Pries. The third CSUN score came from defenseman Mark Fitzpatrick.

"We felt good coming into the second half," Arya said of his team's performance. "But unfortunately for us they had a few opportunities where they broke through, and #4 Mikey Preic got two balls and made the best of them."

Midnight Ramblings of Bitter Sports Editor Cover up for Broken Fax Machine, Dreams

BY STEVE WENDT
Staff Writer

I can't decide which I loathe more ... auto racing or the NBA (or the fax machine that broke and is forcing me to write this at 1 a.m. instead of printing a women's soccer story in this space).

I used to like the NBA as both of you who occasionally read my columns know. Magic and Larry were graceful, fiery and had only one illegitimate child between them that we know of. Teams played something vaguely resembling defense and when they passed the ball it wasn't off the backboard back to themselves.

Now the marketing machine of the NBA that was so smug when other sports had labor trouble has royally screwed itself over ... beautiful. No more \$70 nosebleed seats to watch no-defense sacks of dung this year. No more \$70 nosebleed seats to fill the silken pockets of NBA owners who have been idiots in their spending, get off the hook with a TV deal in the billions (yes, billions) and now won't share it

with the players.

The players want more, the owners want more. Well, people in hell want ice water, and I don't see the Alhambra man making friends down there.

Let's shift gears to the wonderful world of auto racing.

"Come on kids, pile in, we're heading to Talladega for family fun. Don't forget to switch the gun rack from the pickup to the RV."

The fact that thousands upon thousands of Spam-eating yokels go to these races doesn't really surprise me. But what did interest me is that incidents of bovine molestation and UFO sightings are actually 72 percent higher near NAS-

CAR ovals. That number jumps even higher when race day nears.

Let's sit in the sun for — oh, let's say — nine, 10 hours and get piss drunk. (Wait ... What was my point? I'm in college, that's what I

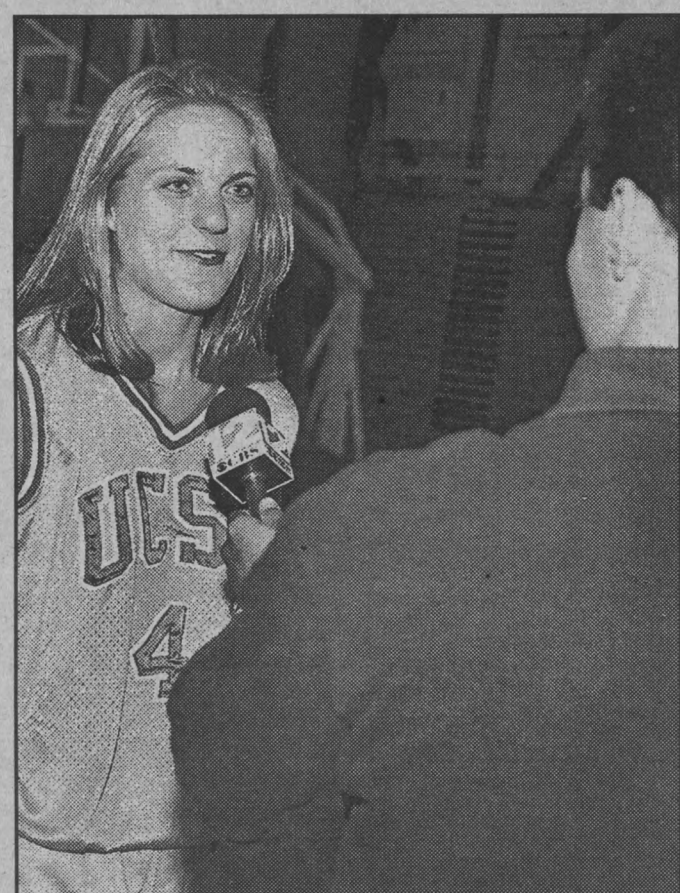
do.) Oh yes, let's do this, plus pay money, to watch cars drive in a circle. Why don't these people just sit in the sun, get piss drunk and then do what they used to do ... watch reruns of "Mama's Family"?

Well, maybe I'm generalizing a little here. And maybe 72 percent is a little high, but come on, folks. This problem must be remedied.

Therefore, I contend we should simply fuse these two cancerous entities. Simply have pro basketball teams play on auto tracks. Work with me. Each NBA team suits up and plays some blacktop ball (except the Warriors, their whole last season was a car wreck). You get the picture. No more NBA, and then all the drivers go to the brickhouse instead of the brickyard.

By the way, the women's soccer team lost 2-0.

Steve Wendt is the Daily Nexus sports editor and is probably sleeping through his first class.



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Rohrin' To Go

Junior forward Kristi Rohr was not camera shy at Wednesday's UCSB Basketball Media Day. Both the men's and women's programs partook. You can see them on Friday night at Midnight Madness in the Thuderdome.