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The controversy over California's Prop 227 has reached the ears of cabinet officials in Washington. The future of the state's schools hangs in the balance, so read up.

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Is the CSO the corrupt organization that these writers claim it is? Find out ...



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By the Skin of Their Teeth

A gutsy 3-1 overtime win against UC Davis in the Western Qualification Tournament made the UCSB women's water polo team the seventh and final squad to earn a berth in next month's national championships.



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Come watch the Academy Award Nominated film "L.A. Confidential" at 7:30 and 10. Students \$3/ general \$5.

Financial Troubles Hit A.S.

■ Too Many Requests for Finance Board in Spring Quarter

BY JILL ST. JOHN
Staff Writer

As the last remnants of El Niño evaporate from the pavement under the spring sun, the financial arm of Associated Students is finding itself thirsty for funds.

A.S. Finance Board, whose responsibilities under the A.S. Legal Code are the annual allocation of A.S. moneys and the enforcement of the A.S. Financial Policies and Procedures, has recently found itself without cash. According to A.S. Finance Board Chair Scott Tanaka, after the group's meeting April 27, the board's money has run out.

"Currently the unallocated [account] has been tapped out — it's zero," he said.

The unallocated account serves as Finance Board's budget and is used for funding different organizations' requests for money, according to A.S. Finance Board member Matt Barrall.

"Finance Board's budget is unallocated ... it's just there," he said. "There are certain policies that unfortunately we have to follow. [For example,] when

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Car Crash Cleanup

A Highway Patrol officer assists at the scene of a car accident Monday afternoon at the corner of El Colegio Road and Camino Pescadero. Four cars were involved and one minor injury was sustained.

Author To Lecture on Internet Censorship

BY ROBERT TZALL
Reporter

An accomplished author will speak of repaving the information superhighway to eradicate potholes of perceived indecency and pornography.

Director Robert O'Neil of the Thomas Jefferson Center for the Protection of Free Expression will deliver a lecture titled "Free Speech in Cyberspace: Beyond 'Indecency'" today at 4 p.m. in the McCune Conference Room of the Humanities and Social Sciences Building. Sponsored by Project Crossroads, a campuswide initiative funded by the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation grant and the Chancellor's Press Council, the event hopes to explore new governmental limits placed on the Internet, such as the Communications Indecency Act, according to Arts & Lectures/Films and Lectures Manager Roman Baratiak.

"Because the Internet is such a new communication system, Congress has not had a chance to legislate new rules like they have for broadcasting," he said.

According to UCSB Dean of Students Yonic Harris, the lecture will discuss the basic concepts and concerns of the Internet and its relevancy to the U.S. Constitution.

"I think [the Internet] is an intellectual and democratic challenge for students ... [students] are the heirs," she said.

Freshman philosophy major Allison Aliaga said that websites should not be censored, though cyberspace monitoring may be necessary.

"I think that everyone has their own right to put whatever on the Internet but it's the parents' job to protect the child," she said.

Students Join in Activities To 'Take Back the Night'

BY KERRI WEBB
Staff Writer

A weeklong series of events are now underway as organizers and supporters of Take Back the Night took part in a kickoff rally Monday.

Nearly 200 people gathered at high noon in Storke Plaza Monday as the performers from the UCSB Polynesian Dance troupe began the festivities. Also during the rally, junior political science major and Associated Students Off-Campus Representative-elect Alana Tillim explained the definition of rape and how it affects the campus community.

"Rape is a crime of power," she said. "Rape is [nonconsenting] intercourse that uses force, coercion or threats of future retaliation. Rape also occurs when the victim is impaired by alcohol or drugs or is unable to give consent."

According to Tillim, there have been seven cases of reported rape in Isla Vista since January, most of which were reported anonymously. She says that although the local authorities have now calculated anonymous reports into their rape statistics, 95 percent of all rapes go unreported.

"The Isla Vista Foot Patrol has changed the way they calculate rape statistics," she said. "In the past they only disclosed events of rape that were reported fully. Now they include anonymous reports from the Women's Center, Student Health [Services] and the Isla Vista Foot Patrol. Anonymously, your reports do count."

1997-98 Women's Studies Dissertation Scholar Barbara Schulman

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A dancer from the UCSB Polynesian Dance Group, which opened the activities for Take Back the Night, performs in Storke Plaza. Approximately 200 students turned out at noon to educate themselves about rape awareness.



Top of the News

Unz Amendment Attacked by Washington



WASHINGTON (AP) — Clinton administration officials, and perhaps the president himself, will travel to California to speak out against Proposition 227, a ballot measure that would dismantle the state's bilingual education programs.

Replacing a myriad of bilingual education programs with a one-year course of instruction taught mostly in English would leave schoolchildren without needed skills, including ones that will help them find jobs in the future, Marshall Smith, the Education Dept.'s acting deputy secretary, said Monday.

"The best data that we have, the best research that we have suggests that the one-year immersion structure ... is a major mistake," Smith said. "The movement underway in California is

not based in sound policy or research."

Instead, the administration is calling for an alternative strategy — setting the nationwide goal of limiting

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most children's participation in bilingual programs to three years.

In a written statement, Education Secretary Richard Riley said Proposition 227, also called the Unz Amendment, "is not the way to go. In my opinion, adoption of the Unz Amendment will lead to fewer children

learning English and many children falling further behind in their studies."

The three-year limitation would be a goal, not a requirement, Riley and Smith said.

"Individual differences and circumstances may

— Richard Riley
Education Secretary

cause some children to take longer, but a goal of learning English within three years is reasonable," Riley said.

Current law calls for, but does not require, non-English-speaking children to go through three to five years of bilingual education, Smith said.

Proposition 227, au-

thored by Silicon Valley millionaire and unsuccessful gubernatorial candidate Ron Unz, would require children with limited ability to speak English to be taught "overwhelmingly" in English for a year before being moved into regular classrooms. Supporters say the current system takes too long and produces children who never become proficient in English.

Residents of California, where 55 different languages are officially recognized in the schools, will vote on the proposition June 2. Statewide polls show about 60 percent of voters support it, including about half the Hispanic voters polled.

Of some 5 million California public school students in kindergarten through 12th grade, about 1.4 million have limited English proficiency.

Line-Item Veto Debate Reaches Supreme Court



WASHINGTON (AP) — The Clinton administration got a skeptical reaction from several Supreme Court justices Monday in seeking to restore the historic "line-item veto" law that let the president cancel specific items in tax and spending measures.

The president's use of a line-item veto does not repeal part of a law, and therefore the separation of powers between Congress and the president remains intact, Solicitor General Seth Waxman told the court.

Justice Anthony M. Kennedy responded that when the president exercises a line-item veto, "From a taxpayer's standpoint, this was a law that's been canceled" without a congressional vote.

"You can call it a different word," Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg said, "but it's the same thing — it's gone."

A federal judge ruled the line-item veto unconstitutional in February. But the government could win at least short-

term reinstatement of the law if the justices' ruling says those who challenged it lacked legal standing to sue.

Waxman argued that neither New York City nor an Idaho potato growers' group could sue because they were not directly affected by President Clinton's line-item vetoes.

The Supreme Court last year threw out a previous challenge to the law by six members of Congress, saying they lacked standing to bring the case.

"It's disappointing, you know," Justice Antonin Scalia said. "We went into a big windup last year without a pitch."

He called it "astounding" that the two new suits did not involve anyone directly affected by a veto.

Congress voted in 1996 to grant the president line-item veto authority, sought by nearly every president this century as a tool to control "pork barrel" spending.

The line-item veto law lets the president sign a bill and within five days go back to reject specific spending items or tax breaks in it.

Louis Cohen, a lawyer for the Idaho potato growers, said that when the president uses the line-item veto, he creates "a statute that was not passed by either house of Congress."

Chinese Officials Sentence 2 for 'Devulging State Secrets'



BEIJING (AP) — A rock singer and a businessman have been sentenced to three years in a Chinese labor camp for reporting on the detention of four dissident poets, a human rights group said Monday.

Wu Ruojie, a singer whose brother is one of the poets, and Li Yi, a businessman, recently were sentenced for allegedly having "divulged state secrets" and are being held near Guiyang in southwestern China, the Information Center of Human Rights and Democratic Movement in China said.

News of the sentences was published April 26 in the *Guiyang Evening News*, the Hong Kong-based group said.

The poets — Wu Ruohai,

Xiong Jinren, Ma Zhe and Ma Qiang — were detained Jan. 26 for organizing discussion groups and planning to publish an independent literary journal.

Wu Ruohai and Ma Qiang were released, but the other two poets were formally arrested and may face trial for allegedly trying to subvert the government, the rights group said.

Limits on arts and other forms of expression in China have eased recently, but authorities have tried to maintain tight controls on publications, which must be registered with the government.

Police in China can sentence detainees to labor camps for up to three years without a trial.

AP WIRE SHORTS

• **JAKARTA, Indonesia (AP)** — A volcano erupted in northern Indonesia, sending a plume of ash two miles into the sky, state media reported Monday.

The eruption of the 9,842-foot Mount Peut Sagoe, 1,130 miles northwest of Jakarta, was spotted Sunday morning by pilots flying over the volcano.

The official Antara news agency quoted Lt. Col. Sudjendro, chief of the local air force, as saying a Garuda Indonesia pilot first reported the eruption.

It was the second recent eruption of the mountain, he said, adding that the first eruption occurred April 19 but was not detected immediately because of thick smoke from the country's uncontrolled forest fires.

Mount Peut Sagoe is one of three active volcanoes in the region.

• **MIAMI (AP)** — A man walked into the lobby Monday of the Miami-Dade County Jail carrying a toothbrush and other items he would need for an extended stay, and told jailers he had killed his parents.

Police found two bodies at the suburban address the man provided but would not confirm whether he was related to the victims.

The man, who appeared to be in his early 30s, was not immediately identified. He was held at the jail.

"He just came in and gave himself up, basically," jail Lt. Armando Quinoa said.

"There wasn't really much to say."

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Weather

For the most part, you can't understand what you're going through while you're going through it simply because clarity comes only after the proverbial silt in the turtle tank settles. Sometimes nothing makes any sense while you're doing it, and half the time that's why you tell yourself you're doing it. (So, "Why am I really reading this?" you might be thinking right about now.)

Think of it as getting split into a million different pieces by the Wonka Vision machine and having your emotions, thoughts and knowledge floating high in the air, waiting to reassemble at the appropriate time, and with the perfect combination of insight and attitude with which to face life's next challenge ...

Correction

An article in Friday's *Nexus* titled "Ceremony Honors Accomplishments of Fraternity, Sorority Members" contained inaccurate and incomplete information regarding the winners of Fraternity and Sorority Council's President of the Year Award. The *Nexus* regrets this error. For the record, the two winners were Randall Gorman of Beta Theta Pi fraternity and Michelle Manning of Alpha Chi Omega sorority.

Residents Voice Disapproval of Plan

Community Views Road as Hazard to Butterfly Preserve

By JENNIFER ATKINSON
Staff Writer

Despite the temptations of glorious weather over the weekend, community residents gave up a Sunday afternoon to voice worries surrounding a proposed road through Ellwood Shores.

Several plans for an entrance road to the planned Ellwood Shores development project have proposed that it run through the Santa Barbara County Park or Santa Barbara Shores Road. The community meeting allowed residents to express concerns that the road and proposed housing development by Del Mar Santa Barbara Development Partnership, which includes 155 detached units of 2,500 to 3,600 square feet, would endanger the monarch butterfly preserve on the property.

Santa Barbara County 3rd District Supervisor Gail Marshall said that the California Coastal Commission's April 9 amendments to the proposed Monarch Point Access Roadway through Santa Barbara County Park made several improvements to the original plan.

"In [focusing] on the butterfly habitat at Ellwood, the CCC did a lot of things that excited me very much," she said. "They asked for a 100-foot average setback from the eucalyptus grove for the protection of the butterfly habitat ... which was something I had spoken for. They also said that since air flows through the grove, on behalf of the monarchs, they wanted single-story buildings by the grove and on the periphery."

The CCC also voted to ban fireplaces in the new homes and preserve public access to the area by not allowing the project to be a gated community, according to Marshall.

Several community members, including Santa Barbara Shores Homeowner's Associ-

ation President Cynthia Brook, did not find the amendments an acceptable alternative.

"There's an awful lot of opposition to the road through the park," she said. "This property was purchased for public use and preservation ... not for use by a private road. We also adamantly oppose a road through Santa Barbara Shores and the monarch preserve. It's not up to my organization to find an alternative road for the development. If the county can't find an alternative that's not environmentally damaging, then they should consider either a land swap [with the developer] or an acquisition as a passive-use nature preserve for the monarchs."

Marshall said that she had recently considered the possibility of such an acquisition.

"I never really considered that buying the property was a possibility until ... the CCC requested that we put the road through the park, which I have always been against," she said. "After they made that decision, I started thinking that the best thing to do would be to purchase the property. Now what that entails — where we start, if it's a possibility — I don't have those answers right now."

In addition to the development project, attendees also raised questions about county proposals to develop the park area as an "active use park." This would involve the construction of lighted baseball parks with concession stands, swimming pools, a pay-parking lot, an equestrian rink and after-hours security, according to Brock.

Rebecca Jahnke, representing The Coalition to Preserve Santa Barbara Shores as Natural Open Space, read aloud a statement on behalf of the coalition, which is made up of several local interest groups, including Urban Creeks Council, Save Ellwood Shores, Santa Barbara Shores Homeowners' Associ-

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TODAY!



Robert M. O'Neil is director of the Thomas Jefferson Center for the Protection of Free Expression and author of *Free Speech in the College Community* and *Classrooms in the Crossfire: The Rights and Interests of Students, Parents, Teachers, Administrators, Librarians, and the Community*. He is former president of the Universities of Virginia and Wisconsin. O'Neil will examine the U.S. Supreme Court judgment last summer striking down the "indecent" provisions of the Communications Decency Act.

He will explore current free speech issues arising on the Internet, which are now in the courts or likely soon to be there—encryption, obscenity, virtual child pornography, threats, on-line libel, advertising, and address future areas of potential controversy.

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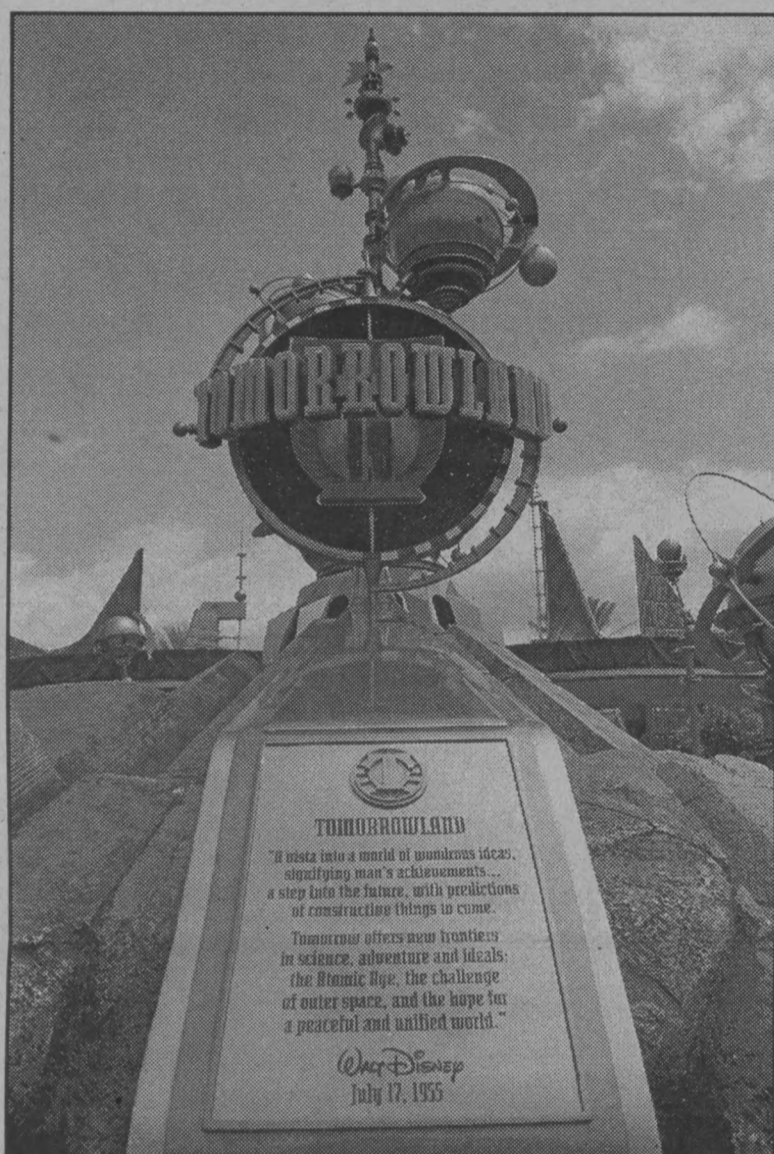


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Feature

The New Tomorrowland

► Claire Smith previews the newest addition to the happiest place on Earth ◄



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Golden orbs demonstrate Disney's revised concept of the future, visible from the entrance to Tomorrowland.

"Throughout the whole land we've tried to influence people's emotions, and to re-invent the way people think about the future." ◄

Question: Who said this quote?

- a) A Nazi leader in wartime Germany
- b) A member of the Inner Party of George Orwell's "1984"
- c) A group of scary villains in an episode of "The New Adventures of Superman"
- d) A Disney executive explaining the design of Disneyland to an audience of college students

The correct, and somewhat disturbing, answer, folks, is 'd.' The date: April 24, 1998. The speaker: Tony Baxter, senior vice president of creative development of Walt Disney Imagineering. The event: a preview of the newly renovated and re-designed Tomorrowland.

The Special Sneak Preview

When I received Disney's kind invitation to the preview — written on cute, future-themed paper — I was filled with warm and fuzzy feelings toward the land where everyone's a kid again. "Why are they being so kind?" I thought, as I looked with amazement at my complimentary parking pass. Upon arrival, I wondered whether my editor in chief's warnings about Disney propaganda really were simply the negative delusions of three days without leaving the *Nexus* office. Just then a perky Disney rep handed me a big stamped envelope addressed to her. "Just pop your article in the mail when it's written, OK?" she chirped. I realized that this was a strategy to gently persuade me, and all of the other specially invited college journalists, to give Disney some free positive publicity. The free park admission, \$19.50 lunch coupon, and press kits that the team of reps bestowed upon all of the reporters and photographers also worked toward the same end.

But impartiality is part of my job, and a free trip to Disneyland is not to be scoffed at, so I donned my big, round "Media Guest" sticker, pulled out my notebook, and followed the crowd to the new

Tomorrowland.

Disney's Revised Concept of the Future

After passing through a sign declaring "Entry restricted until May 22" and entering a theater, Alan, the *Nexus* photographer, commented that we were in the same place that Captain Eo used to be held in. After settling into what we were assured were completely revolutionized seats, Baxter began his inspirational overview of the new Tomorrowland concept.

"Disneyland is about reassurance, and we take you to places to dream," he began. He explained that he wanted to change the common perception of the future as a cold, sterile place, an aim that I saw as noble. His next comments, however, sent chills down my spine. "Throughout the whole land we've tried to influence people's emotions and to re-invent the way people think about the future," he said. Phrases such as "mind control" and "propaganda" popped into my head, but I attempted to stifle my uneasiness by donning my yellow 3-D glasses and concentrating on the demonstration of the new attraction, "Honey, I Shrank the Audience."

The effects of the film were excellent, with snakes that made the whole audience jump out of our seats, and little flying men appearing to hover around our heads. An innovative swooshing, twittering effect and some water spray made me really feel as if there were mice running around the theater and that a gigantic dog had sneezed on the audience. The story, however, was cheesy, and it starred Rick Moranis, who is probably the most irritating man in the world. As we left the theater, ready to peruse the new land, Alan turned to me and said, "It's just like Captain Eo, except the mice and dog spit."

After eating a homogenized, but mercifully free, lunch at the new Redd Rockett's Pizza Port, we set off to see for ourselves the new Tomorrowland, which is until May 22 only partially open to the public. Replacing the silver steel, straight lines and sharp corners of the old Tomorrowland, the new version is comprised of interconnected, organic, curved shapes in a warm gold hue. Baxter had explained that he and his team attempted a look of "past meets future," using "forms that look comfortable." Edible plants will elicit feelings of reassurance, and a central square with an interactive fountain area attempts to imitate the small town,

communal feel of European towns, he said.

Baxter and his team succeeded in "working with people's emotions," as the new land certainly does feel more comforting than its predecessor. Touches like astrological symbols on rides and brightly colored murals humanize what was previously a very impersonal design. The small-town concept, however, does not, and — despite being comforting — is inaccurate, failing to reflect international demographic trends. The world is expanding, moving toward a borderless, multicultural community, rather than contracting inside itself, as Disney is attempting to portray.

The word on the street about the new design is mixed. Many people I talked to neither noticed a difference nor knew what was going on, apart from a lot of construction. Some were more enthusiastic though, like Edison Breckenridge from Utah, who praised the new design while acknowledging its limitations.

"I was very, very impressed — I like it very much," he said. "It's fascinating but it's all about one person's imagination. In yours and my imagination maybe this is what the future will be like, but in reality in the past 50 years it hasn't changed very much."

Jeanette Arii, a mother of two from Riverside, appreciated the change and supported the futuristic theme of the land.

"I wish I could see more of it, but I think space is a popular thing for kids, and it will catch their attention," she said. "I think they needed to do something new, too. They should change things once in a while to make things interesting."

The noise of the Peoplemover's replacement, which is five times faster and is running but not yet open to the public, is an issue for Sharla Duffin, from Scotts Valley.

"I think the cars on the tracks are noisy," she said. "But when I walked in I noticed it looked a lot better, but I didn't know exactly what the changes were."

If you are interested in having your emotions worked on and your concept of the future re-invented (or are simply curious about those golden shapes), visit Tomorrowland after May 22. Disneyland is located off Highway 5 in Anaheim, on Harbor Boulevard.



ALAN JACOBY / DAILY NEXUS

An interactive fountain will form the centerpiece of the renovated area and is surrounded by a new restaurant, a technological center and the familiar favorite Space Mountain.

Locals Gather To Remember Armenian Genocide

By JAMIN MORENO
Reporter

The voices of Santa Barbara residents and UCSB students resonated with emotion as they sang the Armenian Lord's Prayer to conclude An Evening of Remembrance of the Armenian Genocide.

Over 200 locals gathered Saturday evening at the First United Methodist Church in downtown Santa Barbara to commemorate the 83rd anniversary of the Armenian Genocide. The evening was highlighted by guest speaker John Hughes, a writer for the Orange County Register, who spoke of his experiences traveling through Armenia with photographer Bruce Strong.

"People died unheeded and unmourned," he said. "Those who lived envied those that died."

The Evening of Remembrance was coordinated by the Armenian Association of Santa Barbara, the UCSB Armenian Student Association and a focus group from the First United Methodist Church, according to coordinator Julia Koobatian.

Hughes said that learning about the Armenian Genocide is an important element of a college education.

"It's amazing to me how few people in this country know that there was a such thing as Armenian genocide," he said. "I went through my entire college experience not knowing about the genocide."

According to ASA President Susan Jarakian, most of the ASA's 60-plus members attended the event. Jarakian said that she enjoyed the combination of media used in the presentation of Armenia's past and present.

"[John Hughes'] moving speech was enhanced by Bruce

Strong's slide presentation of the Armenian people," she said. "The speech was very articulate and poetic."

Sharing the personal experiences of those he met, Hughes spoke of the lives of children such as Armena, who lived for six months in a cellar playing with other children while bombs flew in the air above. Hughes described Armena today as a translator and university student studying international relations.

According to Jarakian, Armena lived in an area affected by the war between Armenia and Nagorno-Karabagh, now in a cease-fire. Nagorno-Karabagh is a small country bordering Armenia with a predominantly Armenian population, she added.

"In addition to mourning those that have passed, it's important to recognize the current situation, and that there's still hope for Armenia," she said.

Hughes later characterized Armenia's current problems as symptoms of their recent conversion from communism.

"[Armenia] is a nation that's pretty much a toddler in relation to democracy," he said. "The country is learning to be a democratic republic and there are problems inherent in that."

Naomi Avedikian, a teacher's assistant at Goleta Valley Junior High School, emphasized the need to remember the events of 1915 to 1918.

"Everyone knows about the Jewish Holocaust, but very few Americans know about the Armenian Genocide," she said. "If it's not admitted, then genocide will occur again and again."

— Staff Writer Tony Biasotti also contributed to this article.

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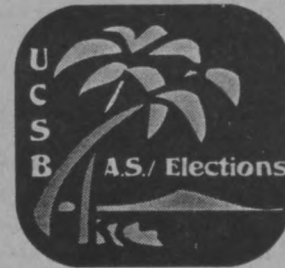
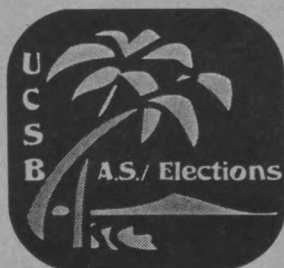
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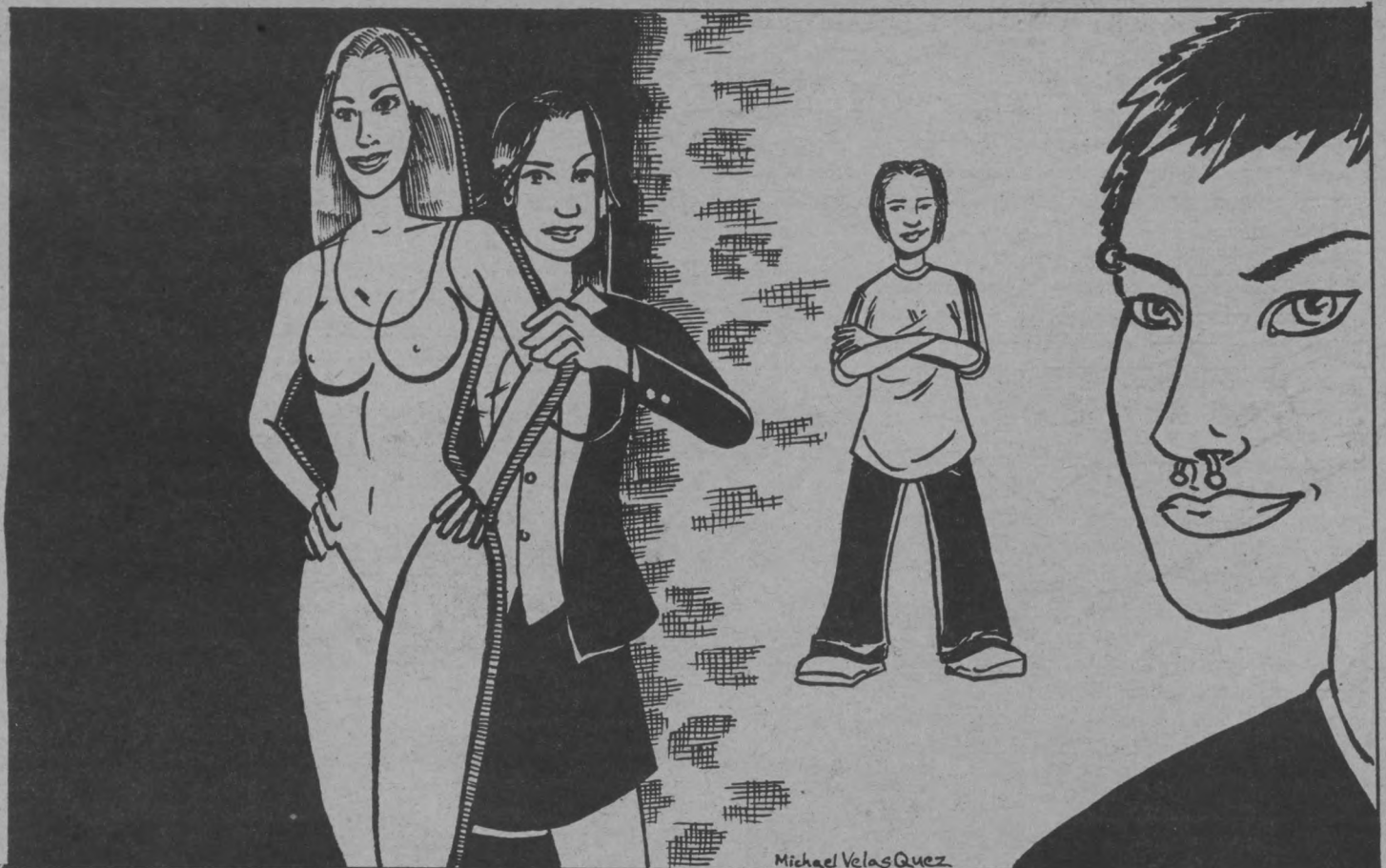
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Michael Velasquez

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Think About It

Take Back the Night Should Inspire Self-Searching

Monday's rally in Storke Plaza opened this year's Take Back the Night events — and, with any luck, king-sized cans of worms in the hearts and minds of its spectators.

The first step in women's reclamation of perhaps the most basic human right — to be and do as they wish, without fear — lies in society's understanding and acceptance that, in practice, women do not now have that right — it is denied to them by our society's own flaws. And before acceptance is possible, we must first recognize our own individual part in that denial.

The major stumbling block in that process, of course, is that none of us want to admit our part in this pervasive and persistent problem. It's much easier to shy away from that first touch of shame, saying instead that the responsibility for assault rests only with those who assault — or, even better, with those victims whose actions "bring it upon themselves."

In truth, however, this is cowardice. We all live in a culture conducive to sexual assault, and the very great majority of us contribute to it, consciously or not, when we allow ourselves to believe that some victims "ask for it," when we take in, without protest, a thousand dehumanized images of women every day. The fact of our complacency — our compliance — is inescapable.

Take the fullest possible advantage of this week. Ask yourself, "How do I feel about women? What are my own attitudes about sexual assault?" Even better, ask yourself, "When I see a sexualized image of a woman in a magazine/on TV/in a movie, why do I have trouble seeing her as myself/my sister/my daughter/my mother/my cousin/my friend/my lover/my wife? Why don't I see her as a whole person?" Best of all, ask yourself, "Why is it even possible for me to transfer this sort of image to a live, breathing human being I may meet on the street, at a party, or in a bar?"

The above questions, by the way, are not only for men. Women, too, espouse attitudes that, while perhaps making them feel safer or superior, deny full humanity to other women: "It's OK, she's a stripper." "She should have expected it, the way she was dressed." In essence: "It happened to her because she's not like me." Even worse, and harder to combat, are the attitudes of some survivors: "It happens to everyone." "What are you crying about? You should have known it would happen."

Our response: It never has to happen, and it is never right,

whatever the circumstances. Monday's speakers properly defined rape as sexual intercourse that occurs without consent. And they defined consent as a state of free choice, without threat, without coercion and without intoxication. This seems no more than just. Without true consent, the matter is one of rape.

That said, let us look at Take Back the Night's other aims. Perhaps the most important of these is to bring women together on Thursday in a march through Isla Vista, taking back the night en masse — though nocturnal safety is denied to them individually. Perhaps, then, the march is more symbolic than anything else, but it is a symbol of hope.

Beyond being a symbol, however, the march is designed to bring about a greater consciousness of the fact that sexual assault remains a serious problem in Isla Vista and on campus. As witnesses of last year's march can recall, the sight of one or two hundred women marching down Del Playa Drive chanting "Women unite! Take back the night!" is an inspiring sight — and raises enough ruckus to bring people out of their houses to watch the procession — to watch, and, perhaps, to reflect.

Will it make the local authorities reflect? We do not only refer here to the Isla Vista Foot Patrol (though we should note that Lt. Arnoldi's supportive attitude is a great improvement upon years past), but also — especially — to the university itself.

This is because the university attempts to attract students every year, with ever-increasing success. Then, having attracted them, the university enrolls the students and begins instructing them — but the university's responsibility to its students does not end there.

So we ask: Will the university take upon itself the responsibility it owes to its students? Will the university turn its serious attention to matters of student safety, even in Isla Vista? Will the university put more funding into better lighting, emergency phones and awareness/education programs? Will the university make crime statistics — including I.V. figures, and especially sexual assault cases — available to incoming freshmen?

We should all be inspired this week — students and university alike — to do some hard thinking about the problem of sexual assault, the roles we play in that problem, and what we can do to help women take back the night.

Your opinion counts!

If you have something to say, share it with the world.

Don't be shy. Write us a letter!

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And the Little, Little Man Said ... "I DON'T CARE"

The Writer's Account of Her Descent into the Hellish World of the Community Service Organization

JOANNA ROGERS

... upon a time, in a warped universe right down the street, my bike was stolen. Stolen, not by the lazy drunk too belligerent to walk, nor by the tweaker clucking for money, nor by the standard thief. No, no, no my friends, it was stolen by someone far more evil and heartless — the CSO.

My bicycle had been stolen once before, perhaps by the drunk, or the weaker, or the thief. I don't condone their reasons for stealing, but I can understand them — these people are fucked up and selfish. And then came the CSO ...

... before I discuss these Nazi errand boys, let me clue you in on the main events leading to my ultimate showdown with the CSO.

DAY 9:53 a.m. — finished class at I.V. theater. 9:55 — located bike, hopped on and began journey to campus for 10:00 class. 9:56 — rain falls off. 9:59 — took this long to get it back on. 10:02 — 10:03 — shit, bike racks are too far from classroom. 10:04 — a, there's a pole looking nice and ready to accommodate my bike. 10:05 — bike locked, and heading into class. 10:50 — I'M OUT OF CLASS! IT'S FRIDAY! YEAH! ... I'M ... wait ... where's my bike? WHAT THE HELL?! WHERE'S MY BIKE? @#%\$&@#%*&*&?&????!!!!

... us, I began walking home, ranting and raving to myself about the state of society. While on my journey, I was stopped by a friend, who told him what happened. He, in turn, shed some bright and annoying light on the subject, "I bet CSO took it." He then went on to explain how CSO has begun taking peoples' bikes if they are not parked in the appropriate spaces. Maybe I am behind on the scene, but I haven't seen any signs around marked BIKE TOW ZONE lately.

... always knew that it was encouraged to park bikes in the racks, because of our campus's obvious lack of racks, I never knew it was okay to destroy students' locks and take our bikes, our vitally important means of transportation, away from us. I can understand if I was blocking an entrance, or causing bike and pedestrian traffic, BUT I WASN'T! My bike was parked on the side of class, HSSB 1174, OUT OF TRAFFIC.

... After this realization, I called the CSO and asked them if they had my bike.

... "Yes, we do," that uptight little man told me, "But you can't get it until you pay us a \$14 impound fee, and a \$6 bike registration fee."

... chimed in, "And \$20 for that lock that you broke." The little man laughed, "That's right. That's what happens when you break the law."



I then asked, "What if I have absolutely no way to pay it?" And the little man said, AND I QUOTE, "I DON'T CARE."

I then asked, "What about the lock? You destroyed my property." Again, the little, little man said, AND I QUOTE, "I DON'T CARE."

That is when I really began to have Timothy McVeigh-like and Unabomberesque thoughts of bombing the CSO office, but my parents taught me well, so I refrained. I work my ass off here, and pump all the money I have into this school, and now because I truly don't have \$40 to spare to throw away to bogus charges — like the other people who attend this University — I have to pay for it with my vitally important means of transportation?

I understand now that I "broke the law," and I am even willing to scrounge up the \$14 impound fee. But what I refuse to pay is the registration fee, which is just another way for our university to squeeze money out of us, and keep tabs on me. I also refuse to pay the \$10 for a new lock because CSO destroyed it. I compare that to this scenario: Let's say a policeman saw a car parked in a no parking area, where NO tow away zone sign was posted. If they used the CSO method, they would break the window, hotwire the car, and drive it away.

After all this drama, I did what any person who lives in a democratic society can do. I began to file a complaint and look for help. I called the Office of Student Life, somehow thinking they could help me. Alas, I was wrong. After two days of phone calls, one nice woman came up with a solution that I could tell she thought was pure genius, "Well, honey, you are just going to have to do without your bike for a while until you have enough money to pay it." The lady went on to ask, "Young lady, do you have a job?" My immature side took over, and I hung up on her, not because I didn't appreciate everything she "did" for me, but because I already have a job, and I knew she could do nothing to help me.

I next did what any person might be forced to do in this Babylon system of bureaucratic BS and hypocrisy, I got ready to give in. But alas, I called Bank of America, and that nice little woman told me, "Your checking account balance is \$54.42."

I then began to balance my budget. Let's see, it's April 12 — \$40 to my bike incident and \$13.42 for food for the rest of the month. OK, if I ate my notebook paper, and bought a big bottle of ketchup, I just might be able to do it.

Forty dollars. To me, it means food for a week. To this university it is an economy-size box of hand lotion for the CSO.

—Joanna Rogers is a sophomore art history major.

The Reader's Voice

CONSPIRACY THEORY:

THE CSOS AT UCSB

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I was sitting on the couch thinking to myself, "There's something disturbing about this little theory. It may be a little outlandish, but please read it through. In my mind as you read the argument: I'm just using an interesting theory, not accusing anyone. How does this strike you?"

Insufficient CSO funds, or what I perceive as insufficient funds, are forcing the CSO to extort money from the students of UCSB through bike

insufficient funds force the CSO to levy fines and confiscate bikes (only to resell them to the students) in order to maintain their operations on campus."

...ns and unfair fines.

...Money that the school should be providing to CSO (so they don't unjustly rip off the student to survive) is being spent on "other projects." ...y doing so, the school is indirectly financing "other projects" through student wallets in the form of bike confiscations and fines.

...his indirect student extortion is probably a good sidestep the student body when it comes to important decisions at the school.

...his sidestepping of the student body further reduces student power at our expense.

...ou find these statements semi-reasonable, it would be feasible to say the following:

...ufficient funds force the CSO to levy fines and confiscate bikes (only to resell them back to students) in order to maintain their operations on campus. This money should come from the school. Rather, money that should be spent on financing the CSO is being spent on "other affairs." ...se "other affairs," the student body at UCSB has much less involvement and political clout than

...in another issue directly affecting it, like, let's say, CSO funding. This makes the power of the student body void when dealing with the really important issues on this campus. I don't know if that's even necessarily a bad thing — given what I've heard about the effectiveness of the student government — but feel free to prove this argument wrong. It only took 15 minutes to come up with so please feel free to rip it to shreds, I only ask that you do it kindly and coolly.

Bonus topic: This lack of student power is recognized by the student body, causing a pathetically low voter turnout and poor candidates running for office during school elections (except "this year's" government, of course). But hey, at least we don't pay for our president's and VP's tuition, right! Oh wait, we do ...

MICHAEL NUTILE

CREATOR NEED NOT BE BLAMED FOR HOLOCAUST

Editor, Daily Nexus:

This is in response to Jason Prystowsky's poem "The Forgotten Heroes, the Remembered Heroes" (Daily Nexus, April 21). I was thoroughly enjoying Jason Prystowsky's poem about the heroes of the Holocaust until I got to the second to last paragraph in which G-d is blamed for the Holocaust.

The Holocaust is a difficult event to understand, even for those who lived through it, and I don't think there are any explanations for it. That includes blaming G-d. I don't presume to understand G-d and I would like to speak to any who claim they do. People ask where G-d was when all of this was happening, or more generally where is G-d when anything bad is happening. My only answer is that G-d is there, G-d was there, and G-d will always be there, but it still hurts. If we blame G-d for every death, then we must thank G-d for every life. How often do we get up in the morning and thank G-d that we are still alive, still

...able to be with those we love, and do what we want? It is very difficult to not blame anyone, especially when the pain is so great, but I think we must go beyond the blame and look to the lessons of the Holocaust.

Jason pointed out in his poem just a few of the recent cases where the world has watched as innocent people were slaughtered for no reason other than that they were of a different race or religion. How can we as Americans be proud of our freedom when so many lack it? That is why I feel that we cannot even blame our leaders of the past for their roles because the ultimate question is "Where were YOU when all of this was happening?" In our own short lifetimes we have seen the tragedies of genocide, and what have we done? Before we can blame someone else we must examine our own lives and actions and see how far we will go to safeguard those values we believe in.

I believe in G-d, and I believe in life, and I believe in death. Life makes us feel happy and death makes us feel sad, but both are a part of our existence and I accept that. There is a Hasidic story that says that when a baby is born everyone around is happy because we are welcoming this soul into our world, but the baby is crying because the soul is upset for having been taken away from G-d. And when a person dies, everyone around is crying because we miss the soul that has left us, but the soul is happy because it is reunited with G-d.

AHUD SELA

REMEMBER OUR EXISTENCE, REMEMBER OUR TRAGEDY

Editor, Daily Nexus:

The presence of Armenians here at UCSB has really made me realize the value of one's culture/race. I hear people say "I am [race], I'm half this, quarter that," and so on. I never really thought of what it meant to be from another culture/country. Having been born in Santa Monica and raised in the valley, I began to grow up in a world where I

...wasn't exposed to many Armenians. Living in

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America, we often become engulfed by the American ways and styles ... sometimes seeming to forget what we really stand for. Not all people are so forgetful, but I, for one, seem to sometimes overlook the fact that I am of a unique race, like many others.

The issue at hand in my letter is the remembrance of the Armenian Genocide, which took place April 24, 1915. My grandparents told me stories and I heard about it through relatives, but I never really understood it. My goal today is to educate other students that there is such a race as the Armenians and to point out the historical fact that approximately 1.5 million Armenians were massacred in 1915 by the Turkish army.

For those who read this, I just hope that five years from now if you ever come upon the word "Armenian," you will remember this little bit of history about us and will remember that there does exist a group of people called the Armenians.

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Aries (March 21-April 19)—Today is a 6—You shouldn't really be expressing yourself very fully right now. There are too many interesting little tidbits that could get into the wrong hands. You don't want to tip your hand before the time is right. Thus, although you're in the mood to be talkative, discretion is definitely advised.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)—Today is a 7—There are changes going on, and you are one of the people helping direct them. It's easy for you to make decisions, whereas for some it's practically impossible. Pay attention to make sure the other decision-makers are headed in the right direction.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)—Today is a 6—You're beginning to look at the tough assignments as a challenge instead of a terrible burden. Your enthusiasm and sense of humor have come bouncing back, or they will soon. Don't worry about a thing. You're doing fine, and you'll do fine today and tomorrow, too.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)—Today is a 6—Remember that stack of papers you're avoiding? All those phone calls to return and letters to write? You'd rather do just about anything else, and that's why the stack keeps growing. Well, there's a treasure in that stack. There's money coming back to you. Better get busy.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)—Today is a 6—A meeting with friends should go well this morning, once you get over the initial differences of opinion. A couple of them could be in a fierce argument. Since they're both your friends, maybe you can help them work out a compromise. And that could propel you into a management position.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Today is a 6—Confusion reigns as the boss changes his or her mind every few minutes. Just when you think you've got things scheduled, the itinerary gets revised again. You're a well-organized person, and that helps. You may even be helping several others stay on track.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Today is a 6—You're trying to be two places at once this morning. That could cause a problem. For example, don't attempt to do errands on the way to work. It would be easy to forget the time, making you late for your next appointment. That would not be a good idea right now.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)—Today is a 6—There are changes going on and some of them could work to your advantage, if you're in the right place at the right time. There are some goods being offered, or work being assigned. Be sure to let the people doing the assigning know which opportunities you'd like for your own.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Today is a 6—You'll run into competition today. Actually, this person is someone you love to hate. You keep each other on your toes, and that's good. The bad news is that you sometimes get into arguments that actually hurt. Try not to do that now. The objective of this game is for both of you to win.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)—Today is a 6—There are letters to write, phone calls to answer, forms to fill out, and that's just before lunch. After that, your communications are more apt to bring money in. And you've thought of ways to spend it on your home. Focus on the end result to give yourself the courage to continue.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)—Today is a 6—How long has it been since you got your sweetheart something romantic, something he or she could keep as an heirloom? Maybe you need to bring along something made out of chocolate, too, just for fun. If it's been a while, take this as a gentle reminder.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)—Today is a 6—A conversation with a roommate may have you rattled this morning. You're not sure which way to go. Don't worry. By later today, the best route should become obvious. You do have to take other people's wants and needs into consideration, but that's not difficult. You do that naturally.

Today's Birthday (April 28). Money is never a problem again once you learn how to draw it in. That's your lesson for this year. A task that looks too hard in May could prove lucrative by June. Don't turn it down. Just get more stubborn. Your focus stays strong through September, though you're on a strict budget. You're saving for something you both want together. Keep at it through the fall and you can buy it in December. A loved one is under pressure in February, so be extra attentive. Friends provide everything you need in March. You'll learn a lot through the grapevine the first part of next April. Use it to succeed.

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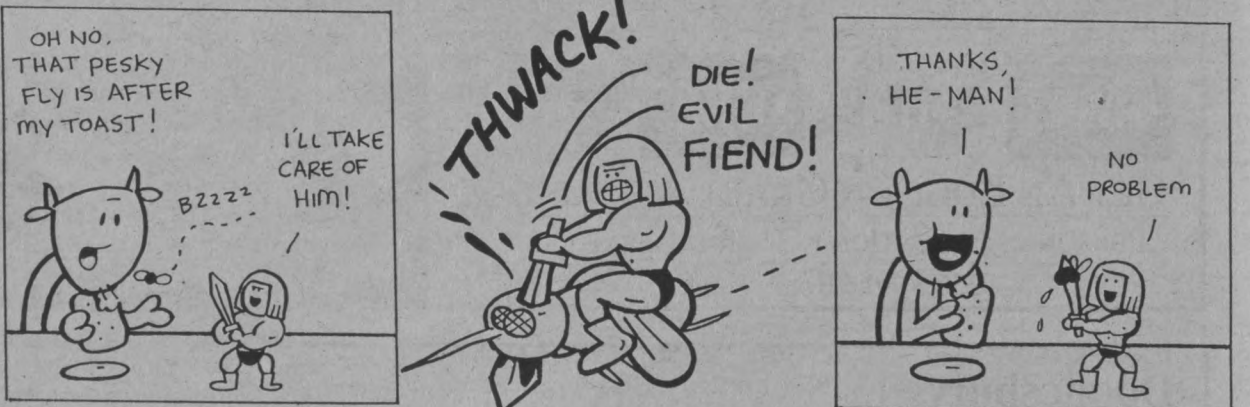
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explained to the audience that the significance of the events taking place this week is not just to raise rape awareness but also to create a solidarity among women.

"The purpose of Take Back the Night is to provide a space for women to be able to talk about how violence affects their lives, how violence has affected the lives of women they know, and what the implications of those effects are in those lives," she said.

Although rape awareness is a relatively recent development, rape and other sexual assaults have a much older history in the United States, according to Schulman. At the rally, she explained that the Spanish colonization of the Americas contributed to many cases of brutality toward Native American women by the conquistadors.

"We need to re-educate ourselves on the history of the U.S.," she said. "The history of genocide started here. Genocidal acts by Spanish colonization actually have been documented. There are literally thousands of cases when Spanish colonists captured, kidnapped and raped Native American women."

According to 1997-98 Chicano Studies Dissertation Scholar Amelia M. de la Luz Montes, the week's events do not solely address crimes that take place at night.

"Take Back the Night can be just as meaningful in the daytime," she said. "Violence does not only occur under evening cover. It occurs at anytime."

The next scheduled event for Take Back the Night is a Women's Cultural Dance today at noon in Storke Plaza, as well as a "Pro-Women Movie Night" at 7 p.m. in the Multicultural Center.

FUNDS

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administration comes to us with funding issues we have to give them money — that's written in our financial policies. So sometimes money that normally would go to student groups goes to paying for computers, and that's unfortunate."

According to Tanaka, the low funds in the account are a problem that Finance Board is familiar with.

"There's just not enough money in the A.S. unallocated account. It happens every year — it just so happened this year it happened earlier in Spring Quarter," he said.

Nevertheless, Finance Board's recurring fiscal dilemmas aren't usually seen so early in Spring Quarter,

according to Barrall.

"It's typical every year for A.S. to run out of funds," he said. "What's atypical is for us to do it in the fourth week of Spring Quarter. Usually it happens the seventh or eighth week. It's highly unusual that we run out of money so quickly."

Barrall attributes the low funds to an overwhelming amount of monetary requests from student organizations.

"If you look at the average of student groups coming to ask for money, there's an average of 17 student groups coming to ask for money at every meeting for the past month. If you look at their budgets, they're asking for like \$3,000 a pop," he said.

To remedy the low funds, Finance Board has looked toward unused accounts

within the A.S. budget, according to Tanaka.

"What is going on right now is we are going through the A.S. accounts of boards and committees ... within Associated Students to scrape together any money that is not being used," he said.

To that end, at the beginning of Monday's meeting, money from the A.S. honoraria account, which is currently unused, was transferred to the unallocated account, according to Finance Board member Danny Costa. Honoraria are stipends that A.S. members receive for their elected or appointed positions.

"At the beginning of the meeting there was \$1,415.54 after the money was rolled over from honoraria," Costa said.

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ation, Environmental Defense Center and Surfrider Foundation.

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thetic, social, economic, educational and environmental benefits that a passive recreation area and natural preserve would help to sustain and perpetuate in our community."

According to Marshall, the CCC staff report on the development is still unavailable for evaluation by the county Board of Supervisors.

"In terms of the Coastal

Commission's schedule, the clock is ticking... we have six months to respond," she said. "None of us have had the opportunity to see what the final staff report looks like so that we can nail down the specifics."

Marshall and her staff plan to work closely with the community to keep abreast of their needs and concerns, according to Santa Barbara

County Director of Parks Jennifer Briggs.

"Now the county can either accept or reject those suggested modifications [by the CCC]," she said. "So we're sort of taking the temperature of the community. But what I'm hearing today is whether there's a park there or not, they don't want a road through that property."

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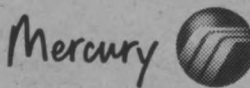
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GaUCHO Poloists Earn National Tourney Spot

■ Edge UC Davis 3-1 in OT To Advance

BY DAMON DAMELE
Staff Writer

And the team played on.

The UCSB women's water polo team (15-16 overall) moved on to the United States Water Polo Collegiate Nationals after a tough Western Qualification tournament last weekend at Stanford. The Gauchos snuck into the national tourney with seventh and final automatic berth after a 3-1 overtime thriller against UC Davis on Sunday.

"We were pretty excited," said sophomore co-captain Katie Hill, who scored the game winner against the Aggies. "It was a good game, a fun game. Davis was pretty upset ... but it gives us another opportunity to play and fight [for the championship]."

Things started out tough for Santa Barbara on Friday with a 7-1 loss to Cal. UCSB kept the game close for the first two periods, going into the locker room down 2-1 at intermission. In the second half, the Bears broke the game open with three goals in the third and

two in the fourth. The lone GaUCHO score came from sophomore Nicole Comacho.

Saturday started off much better for UCSB, recording a 9-3 victory over San Jose State. Although the Spartans got off to a fast start, outscoring the Gauchos 2-1 in the first period of play, they were quickly overpowered by Santa Barbara's aggressive defensive style. Sophomore Danelle Little led UCSB with three goals, followed by senior Suzanne Eskilson and sophomore Kara Watkins with two, and one apiece from Hill and senior Kristen Slater.

In the Saturday afternoon game, the Gauchos faced the rival Aztecs of San Diego State. Going into the meeting, Santa Barbara boasted an impressive 3-1 season record against SDSU, but went down in defeat 7-4 after a very close game. At the half, the teams were tied 3-3. Hill scored twice, with each goal bringing the Gauchos back from a deficit (1-0 and 2-1). The Aztecs went ahead for good behind senior Shae Philpott's goal at the 5:06 mark of the third. Santa Barbara received late scores from



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SPLISH-SPLASH: Junior goalie Angie Seto came up huge in Sunday's do-or-die game against the Aggies in the Western Qualification tournament, tallying five saves.

Watkins and Eskilson.

"The tournament definitely had its ups and downs," Hill said. "San Diego State was a close game. We just didn't take advantage of the opportunities they gave us."

The loss to San Diego State put UCSB's spot in the Nationals in jeopardy. The squad matched up against UC Davis on Sunday, with the winner going to further post-season play and the loser going home. Each team scored in the first period, and the score would remain

knotted at 1-1 until the overtime period, when Hill would score what proved to be the game-winner at the 2:06 mark of the first half of OT. Watkins added an insurance score in the second half. The goal was augmented by tough defensive play and the hard-nosed goaltending of Santa Barbara junior Angie Seto, who recorded five saves.

"The team played really well," said Slater, Santa Barbara's other co-captain. "We really came

together. ... We played much better at the end of the tournament than at the beginning."

The Gauchos are ecstatic that they snuck into Nationals, and they will spend the next two weeks preparing for the May 8-10 tournament, held at a still undetermined site.

"It means a lot," Slater said.

"Everyone wants to play at the elite level. ... It's very flattering to play at that level."

Female Distance Runners Are Only Bright Spots in Weekend Track Meet

BY NATHAN ELSTON
Reporter

Fresno, Calif., proved to be an unfriendly place for the UCSB men's and women's track and field teams with the Gauchos suffering through one of their worst outings of the year at the California-Nevada State Meet last weekend.

The frustration from the meet was heightened due to the fact that it came on the heels of the team's impressive performance at the Pomona-Pitzer and Mt. San Antonio College Invitationals the previous week.

"The biggest disappointment came in the men's and women's sprint relays," Head Coach Pete Dolan said. "After such a great weekend at Pomona, we thought they would do extremely well."

In their first year of direction under sprints coach Geoff Bradshaw, the men's 4x100- and 4x400-meter relays had al-

ready produced the fastest school times in recent years, but they failed to advance to the finals.

The women's squad fared better than the men, with the distance team scoring in every event from the 800 to the 5,000.

Junior Sabrina Caplis paced the GaUCHO women's effort by placing second in the 800 meters with a time of 2 minutes, 7.3 seconds, which demolished a fifteen year-old school record by 1.5 seconds. Caplis' time was two-tenths of a second under the provisional qualifying time for nationals.

The middle-distance runner credited the lift that her teammates provided as a major factor for her success.

"With about 200 meters to go, I was starting to zone out," Caplis said. "Then I heard the whole team cheering, and I got a big spurt of energy."

Caplis will join senior Trent Bryson this weekend in Eugene as both athletes try to solidify their positions in the

National Championships in Buffalo, NY.

Senior Eliza Alexander placed a strong third in the 3,000 with a time of 9:54.2. Continuing her comeback from injury, senior Heather Bray ran 17:48 in the 5,000, placing fifth. Rounding out the solid distance showing were sophomore Jessica Lunt and senior Julie Marshall in the 1,500. Lunt ran 4:37.7 for sixth place, and Marshall was right behind in seventh place with a time of 4:38.4.

Another bright spot was a three-foot personal record by sophomore Mary Kailihiwa in the discus. Her toss of 142-3 placed her 14th out of 28 competitors.

"Things are looking good for a throw of 150 feet or more by conference," Kailihiwa said. "That would probably be about top five at conference."

"Hopefully the team can build on this meet," Dolan said. "I think we'll get redemption at conference."

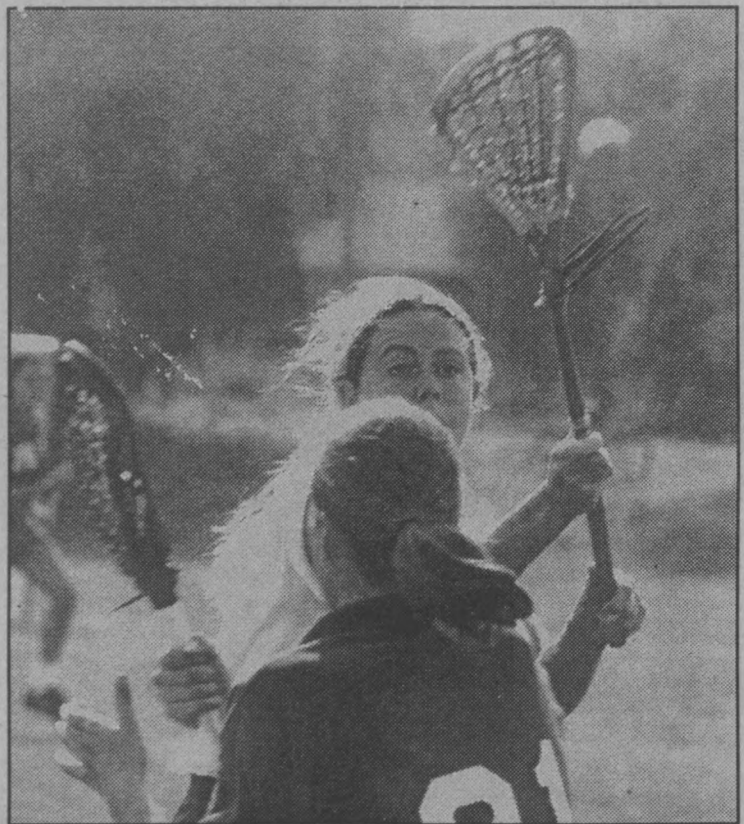


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GIRL POWER!: A triumphant 14-9 win over UC San Diego on Sunday put Santa Barbara in the WWLL Final Four.

Women's Lacrosse Team Eyes League Title

BY NICK SOBOLESKI
Staff Writer

UCSB has yet another group of unsung Sport Club heroes valiantly fighting to force recognition of their game.

Well, heroines, actually.

The GaUCHO women's lacrosse team has already made waves within the sport by advancing to the Western Women's Lacrosse League Final Four. Santa Barbara earned its championship berth via a first-round playoff bye and a convincing 14-9 win over UC San Diego last Sunday.

Senior team captain Megan Burroughs contends the win was a collaborative effort.

"The game was close until the half," she said. "At halftime our team agreed we weren't going to give this up. We were too nervous in the first half. We stepped it up a notch under the leadership of [sophomore Gwen Allen and junior Amy Bush]."

Stanford, University of Arizona and Cal Berkeley will accompany UCSB this weekend at the WWLL finals in San Diego for the culmination of a long season. The Gauchos have been pitted against the Cardinal in Saturday's semifinal.

Burroughs looks forward to the matchup between

Santa Barbara and the Cardinal.

"I think we have a great chance," she said. "We're a very cohesive team."

Allen, who lit up UCSB's goaltender for eight scores last Sunday, is not intimidated by the aura of prestige Stanford brings to the field.

"They're in NCAA, which means they get funding," Allen said. "We've played them in tournaments [previously], and I think we can do real well if we can get past the name."

Burroughs also contends that UCSB is in a first-pressure-free situation, which may have its advantages.

"We're coming in as the underdog," she said. "No one expected us to go this far."

The Gauchos' only reason for concern may be the absence of Head Coach Tim Pendergast, who might be called to a more pressing event — his wife is due to have a baby at any time.

Bush voiced concern about the possible absence of Santa Barbara's off-the-field leader.

"A lot of us know it comes down to us playing the game," she said. "If we hit a slump or if someone is kind of down and out, [Pendergast] may not be there to set them straight. A lot of people ... may have to drive themselves to win."