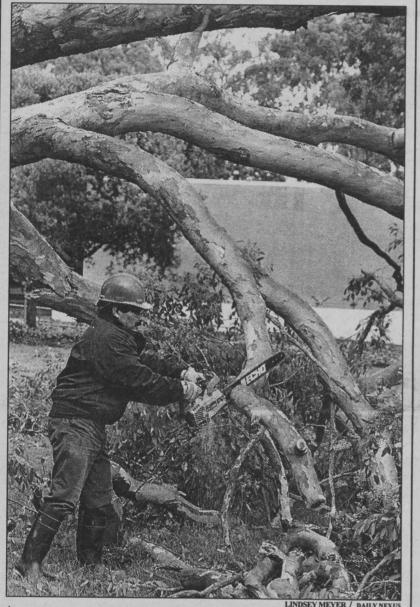


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If a Tree Falls on Campus Does It Make a Sound? A UCSB facilities management worker cuts apart a fallen tree for removal outside Student Health Service on Tuesday. The weekend storm and windy weather uprooted this tree, as well as some in I.V., and tore branches off others.

Attias Pleads Not Guilty to 15 Charges at Arraignment

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA BARBARA

County To Jail Defendant Without Bail Until Preliminary Hearing

UCSB freshman David Attias pleaded not guilty Tuesday morning to four counts of murder, four counts of vehicular manslaughter, five counts of felony driving under the influence with injuries and two counts of assault.

The 18-year-old Attias Robert was arraigned at the Santa Barbara Superior Courthouse for the Feb. 23 traffic accident, which occurred on Sabado Tarde Road in Isla Vista and left four people dead and one seriously injured. The defendant is accused of driving a 1991 Saab at approximately 50 mph after running a stop sign at the intersection of Sabado Tarde and Camino Pescadero and hitting Bourdakis, Nicholas Christopher Divis, Elie Israel, Albert Levy and Ruth Levy, according to California

Web Updates : Check out www.ucsbdailynexus.com for continuing coverage and information.

Highway Patrol Public Information Officer Mike Muell. Albert Levy is listed in serious condition at Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital.

Defense attorney Sanger entered the plea for Attias, who will be held without bail until his preliminary hearing on March 26

"For the first amended felony complaint we enter a plea of not guilty and deny the allegations," Sanger said.

A blood sample obtained from Attias the night of the accident is to be tested for a number of chemicals, but results will not be available until the end of the month, according to Santa Barbara Sheriff's Dept. Lt. Mike Burridge.

"The toxicity report will come back to the CHP station because they filed the



David Attias stands behind a partition at his arraignment in the SB Courthouse.

> report. It could take as long as two weeks depending on the lab used," he said.

Attias' preliminary hearing will be held at 8:30 a.m. on March 26 in department nine at Santa Barbara Superior Courthouse.

- Marisa Lagos

A.S. To Request Increase in Students' Fees

UC Berkeley Paper Apologizes

BY BRENDAN BUHLER Staff Writer

Money can't buy everything, but Associated Students Legislative Council is preparing to ask the campus for more financial flexibility tonight.

Student government cannot operate on its current budget, Off-Campus Rep Matt McMillan said, and needs a ballot measure to raise its base fee by \$5.90. A.S.' operating budget comes from a base fee of \$9.10 charged to undergraduates at the beginning of every quarter. The fee covers staff salaries, office supplies and paperwork. It has not been raised in 21 years.

"We need this to stay solvent," he said. "There's no way around the deficit unless we get this increase."

Currently, A.S. subsidizes its deficit by collectively charging

internal groups with lock-in fees between \$96,000 and \$98,000 a year. The recharge money is used to pay for paperwork and administrative salaries. McMillan said raising the base fee would allow A.S. to eliminate recharges and, someday, lock-in fees.

"We'll be able to eliminate all the lockins. The net cost effect to students will be nil," he said. "With this, all the internal lock-ins will have to go before

Finance Board instead of relying on just a pool of money they can do whatever they want with. ... It's more democratic."

Another ballot item on the evening's agenda would allow Leg Council to raise the base fee by up to \$1 a year with a threefourths vote as opposed to an election. McMillan said this would allow A.S. to keep pace with inflation.

Off-Campus Rep Vanessa Blau said council members should not oppose the ballot items.

"That should just be a simple vote," she said. "It's going straight to the ballot for students to vote on "

> In other news, the new election code will take effect, despite A.S. President Mahader Tesfai's veto. The new code eliminates run-off elections and substitutes

a new system, in which students would vote for their first and second choice for executive offices. If no candidate receives a majority of votes, the top two vote-getters will advance, and the second votes of those who did not vote for one of the top two candidates will be added to the original totals. Ballots cast for neither of

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for Running Controversial Ad

The UC Berkeley Daily Californian is under fire from student groups objecting to a recent full-page advertisement titled "Ten Reasons Why Reparations for Slavery is a Bad Idea -And Racist Too." The ad, which ran in the Feb. 28 issue, said slavery was self-inflicted and reparations should cease.

The Daily Cal issued a front-page apology in the March 1 issue, citing a lack of communication, not internal racism, as the source of the problem. The paper will also allow students a full page to argue against the ad's message.

'That we ran a front-page apology and complied with so many reader requests is telling of the fact that we all feel deeply sorry for what happened," Editor in Chief Daniel Hernandez said. "As I said in my apology, there is no institutional racism running rampant at the Daily Cal. We are ashamed and embarrassed, but will do all we can to rectify the situation."

David Horowitz, a conservative writer and former liberal activist, purchased the ad to promote his new book. He sent the ad to nearly 30 different college newspapers, including UC

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Davis' California Aggie, which published it.

Over 100 students protested the ad, which violates the California Aggie's policy, Editor in Chief Eleeza Agopian said.

Nexus Staff Report





Court Orders Napster to Screen Out Files



SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - A federal judge Tuesday laid down the law to Napster, saying that once the recording industry comes up with a list of copyright songs it wants removed from the musicswapping service, Napster will have 72 hours to comply.

The order effectively gives the recording industry control over the immediate fate of the Internet music service that lets computer users download popular songs for free.

Meanwhile, Napster was hit on another legal front Tuesday when the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences, the producers of the Grammy Awards, filed a copyright infringement suit.

stay online and retain its immediately after the Feb. cess in the last few days to popularity while promising to shift over to a subscription-based service that charges listeners and pays royalties to artists. For that, it needs the cooperation of the music labels that sued Napster for copyright infringement.

The academy's suit mirrors the ones filed by the recording industry. The academy is seeking to

21 broadcast. Academy president

Michael Greene said the academy and Universal Music Group, the parent company of Eminem's record label Interscope, now are debating whether to commercially release the broadcast of Eminem's duet of "Stan" with Elton John now that it is on Napster.

If Napster complies with what this injunction says, it will be to our satisfaction.

> - Howard King Metallica and Dr. Dre attorney

prohibit Napster from allowing its millions of users from downloading and sharing recordings of live performances aired at last month's 43rd annual awards show.

The academy said it owns the rights to the works and has applied to copyright the material. Some of the recordings

"We remixed that song, and were looking to put it out to the public with some of the proceeds going to the recording academy charities," he said.

Napster did not immediately return messages seeking comment on the academy's actions.

Napster, which has Napster is fighting to appeared on Napster struggled with little suc- sary steps to do it?"

"If Napster complies with what this injunction says, it will be to our satisfaction," said Howard King, an attorney for heavy metal band Metallica and rapper-producer Dr. Dre in their \$10 million lawsuits against Napster. "It's technologically doable.

screen out some songs

already identified by

record labels, faces a con-

tempt-of-court order if it

can't comply. Chief

Executive Officer Hank

Barry said Napster will

rejected the recording

industry's argument that

Napster is inherently ille-

gal," Barry said in a state-

ment. "As we receive

notice from copyright

holders as required by the

court, we will take every

step within the limits of

our system to exclude their

copyright material from

being shared."

"The district court

follow the court's order.

The question is, is Napster going to go to the neces-

Students Express Disbelief at School Shooting



SANTEE, Calif. - The 15- latest high school blood bath. year-old accused of killing two fellow high school students was an "angry young man," but apparently lashed out at no particular target, investigators said Tuesday.

Charles Andrew "Andy" Williams seemingly shot at random. He expressed no remorse for Monday's shootings at Santana High School, Lt. Jerry Lewis said.

We don't know if he was mad at the school, mad at students, mad at life, mad at home," Lewis said.

Williams was a new kid in a large school, a child of divorced parents living with his father, a skinny freshman whose skateboard had been stolen - twice.

Over the weekend, friends say, Williams talked so much about taking a gun to school that they frisked him before class Monday. But he was known for pranks, and friends wrote off his comments as one of his frequent jokes.

The father of one friend even called Williams at home over the weekend to ask if there was anything to his talk

The disbelief remained a day after the shooting, which left 13 others injured.

One victim, Barry Gibson, 18, said he was more perplexed than angry.

"I have no hatred because I don't know him," said Gibson, who was shot in the back of his left thigh when he ran back to help a friend. "I don't know what was in his mind."

Williams is expected to be arraigned Wednesday as an adult on charges that include murder and assault with a deadly weapon. Dressed in a baggy jail-issue jumpsuit that draped past his ankles, the teen stared at the ground as he was led into juvenile hall Monday by sheriff's deputies.

Bryan Zuckor, 14, and 17-year-old Randy Gordon were killed; 11 other students and two adults - a special education student teacher and a campus security worker were wounded. Several have been released from area hospitals.

School officials said Santana High would reopen Wednesday for students to discuss Monday's shooting.

The boy allegedly shot two people in a restroom, then



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of bringing a gun to school. He decided there was not.

No one seemed to believe the clean-cut kid, who was frequently teased, was about to perpetuate the nation's

walked into a quad and fired randomly, Lewis said. He stopped to reload as many as four times, getting off 30 or more shots, Lewis said.

Wire Shorts

ities.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - California's publicly funded libraries are not required to block minors' access to Internet pornography, an appeals court ruled late Tuesday.

A Livermore mother brought the case, saying her 12-year-old boy was traumatized by viewing Internet pornography at the city's main library. The woman, known in court papers as Kathleen R. to protect her son's identity, asked the 1st District Court of Appeal in San Francisco to block such access to minors.

The city of Livermore fought the challenge, which is the nation's first test of whether libraries must accommodate parental demands to limit Internet access. The court said libraries, like Internet-access providers such as AOL Time Warner, are immune from lawsuits arising from the content they host.

Had the appeals court sided with Kathleen R., parents in California could demand that courts order local libraries to curtail or reduce Internet access. The state's counties, civil libertarians and library associations opposed that route on grounds that it violates patrons'

rights to access free speech

ST. LOUIS (AP) - A 10-year-old boy was found mauled to death by dogs Tuesday morning in a neighborhood park, police said.

Authorities said the body of Rodney McAllister was discovered under a pine tree by a passerby. A coroner's autopsy showed that dog bites killed the boy.

"He was literally eaten by the dogs," Police Chief Ron Henderson said. "They fed off of him."

McAllister was last seen at about 5 p.m. Monday when his mother said he went to a park near his home to play basketball with friends, Henderson said.

When McAllister did not come home, his mother, Gladys Loman, thought her son had spent the night with a friend and did not report him missing to authorities, Henderson said.

Loman, 35, was jailed Tuesday on charges of child endangerment. No bond or hearing was immediately set. A 13-year-old son was placed in the care of author-

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In my next life, I want to be the voice in the box. The voice in the box exists in every lecture hall and is the guardian of classroom technology. Every time a professor needs to play a video clip, turn the mic up, or take the scheister porn off the screen, it must be cleared with the voice first.

The best thing about the voice is that it always pretends to be completely stupid. The voice provokes fights with professors and then creates a technology hostage crisis when professors cross them.

Wednesday's forecast: Umm, I'm not quite sure how to do that forecast thing. Tell you what ... I'll work on it and get back to you as soon as I can.

Correction

In Monday's issue of the Daily Nexus, firefighter Vidal M. Vega was misidentified as Capt. Wes Herman in the top photograph.

The Nexus regrets this error.



Officials Investigate Student Death UC Davis — The California Aggie

March 6 — Investigators are still trying to determine if UC Davis student Andrew V. Wieman was murdered or committed suicide.

Wieman was found at the Kappa Sigma fraternity house on Feb. 4. The official cause of death was due to multiple stab wounds to his chest, though he also sustained cuts on his neck and wrists.

UCD police, Yolo County investigators and the California Dept. of Justice working together have found Wieman's fingerprints on a knife and a note at the scene of the crime.

"It is important to note that the more investigators you bring in, the less you're going to miss," Yolo County Sheriff Ed Prieto stated in a release.

The Wieman family's hired forensic pathologist Dr. John Cooper believes suicide is not a possibility.

"This is not suicide, could not be suicide and is, in fact, a relatively vicious crime," he said.

Prieto said more than one investigation is needed to determine the cause of death.

"For a pathologist to come out and basically state that this has to be a homicide, or this was a homicide, just isn't appropriate," he said. "Especially from a pathologist who has not seen all the evidence in front of them."

"This particular death could fall in that 2 percent where we would be unable to determine the manner of death," UCD Police Chief Calvin Handy said.

UCSD Student Commemorated in Vigil UC San Diego — The Guardian March 5 — UC San Diego student Joshua Eber was found in his crashed car on March 1 after he had been missing since Feb. 26. Eber was driving home to visit his mother who was having surgery when his car went off the road and hit a tree.

Authorities are unsure why Eber's car crashed, but rainy conditions and medication problems might account for the crash.

Friends gathered on March 1 to commemorate Eber, a senior at Muir College and a member of Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity.

"He loved his college, and he loved having fun," Muir Dean Chips Dreilinger said. "He was a good kid. This is a bad quarter. This is the second student death in a month or so."

"Josh was a great person and a great friend," Eber's roommate Robert Bessler said. "We pray for him and wish his family the best of luck."

Ex-Tenants Receive Settlement

UC Los Angeles — The Daily Bruin March 2 — UCLA students and other former tenants of R.W. Selby & Co. apartments may finally be getting back money that was improperly withheld.

The office of California Attorney General Bill Lockyer announced Tuesday that R.W. Selby & Co. will have to pay back \$450,000 because of improper security deposit deductions.

The Los Angeles-based property management firm has apartments in Westwood and other parts of L.A. County, as well as Orange and Riverside counties.

Recently, the firm came to an L.A. County Superior Court-approved settlement with the attorney general, according to a statement released Tuesday.

- Compiled by Sarah Healy

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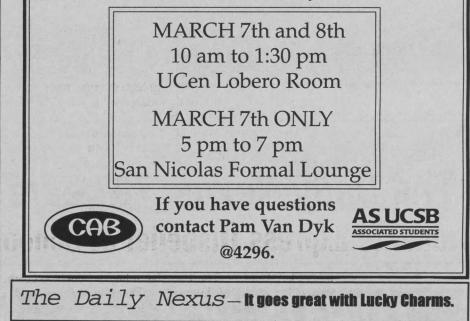
WHAT IS TAY-SACHS?

Tay-Sachs Disease is an inherited genetic disorder of infancy. The affected baby develops normally until about six months old. Then, destruction of the nervous system begins and death follows by the age of four or five.

AM I A CARRIER?

The carrier rate is 1 in 250 in the general population, and 1 in 27 in the Jewish, Cajun, and French Canadian populations. Carriers are normal and healthy. Most have no history of Tay-Sachs Disease in their families.

IS MY CHILD AT RISK? If both the father and mother carry the gene, there is a one in four chance that each pregnancy will result in a child doomed with Tay-Sachs Disease.



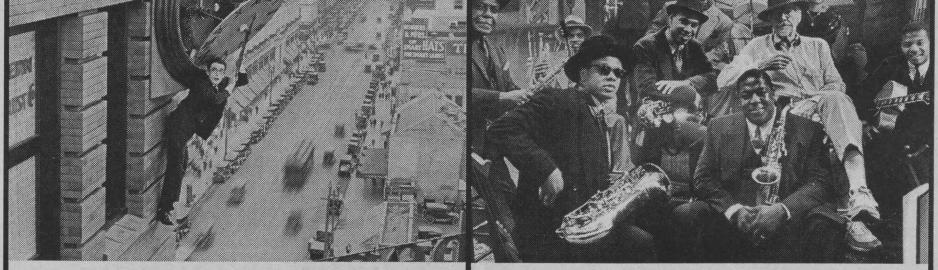
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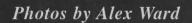
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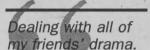
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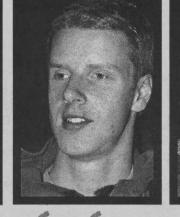


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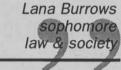


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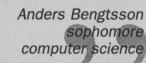
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Travis Felsinger freshman chemistry





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Ooops... It's my roommate's (friend's, boy/girl friend's) BIRTHDAY!!! Get a Nexus Birthday for them... more personal than a card, faster than the post office.

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Continued from p.1 the top two candidates will not be counted.

Tesfai vetoed the bill and wrote back to the council, "This new Elections Code is sending the message loud and clear to the UCSB student body that their vote does not count."

However, Tesfai turned in his veto at 5:10 p.m. on

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the last possible day, Feb. 26. Judicial Council ruled his veto was late and therefore invalid because it was not turned in before the A.S. office closed at 4 p.m.

"There was no real definition of what a business day is in the legal code," Judicial Council Chair Constatine Pastis said.

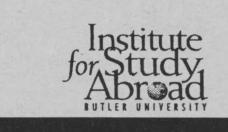
a.m. to 4 p.m., as listed in our standing policies, so we interpreted those as our business hours. On top of that, every single form we have to turn in, whether it's honoraria or a declaration of candidacy, is always turned in at 4. We should hold a veto to that same time standard."

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Pictsweet Workers Denounce A.S. Position on Boycott

PICTSWEET WORKERS OPPOSED TO UFW

ENGLISH TRANSLATION

A few days ago, in our workplace -PictSweet Mushroom Farms in Ventura -United Farm Workers agents distributed a document. This paper showed that the UCSB Associated Students Legislative Council, "endorsed" the UFW boycott of PictSweet products.

As workers of this company, we feel that this action is unfair because there is a majority that doesn't support UFW actions here. Besides, A.S. never took us as the majority into account when deciding its stance on this boycott; far from it, A.S. never explained the action's negative effects on our group of workers. It brought, as a consequence, job losses for more than 80 fellow workers — a number that increases every day. Also, we have 20 to 30 percent earning-losses for those still working here, and even worse, if the boycott continues, we may lose our jobs.

In view of all this, on Jan. 8, 2001, we presented before the Agricultural Labor Relations Board a decertification petition. The purpose of this was to permanently end all UFW actions here. This petition is supported by more than 50 percent of PictSweet workers. Later on, ALRB notified us that it had received and approved our petition, after fulfilling all legal requirements by sending a notice to all workers in preparation for a secret-ballot election process, where everyone would express whether or not they wished to be represented by UFW.

However, afraid of not having enough support during the election process, UFW sent a series of complaints to the ALRB aiming to block this process; these allegations mainly refer to the way we collected signatures to support the decertification petition, which according to the ALRB, was illegal.

On Jan. 17, 2001, in a general meeting at our workplace, an ALRB agent named Mauricio Nuño explained to all of us the actual current legal situation of our election process and the demands that the UFW presented. Firstly, ALRB recognized that ESPAÑOL

We believe that UFW may not have told A.S. the reality of our labor problem. That is why we send this information to you, since UFW, in its eagerness and self interest, has displayed a group of fellow workers before you and before the commu-

nity, claiming they are a majority. This action violates the rights

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of all those who are opposed to them. We request that A.S. review its position on the boycott endorsement matter, and we also look for your support in our efforts to get a free and democratic election - an election where everyone can choose and express aspirations and feelings. We look forward to improvements in work conditions our through an independent and direct representation with our employer. Thank you all. This column was written by the majority of PictSweet

workers who oppose the actions of UFW.

asegura que el Concilio Legislativo de la Asociación de Estudiantes (A.S) de la Universidad de California, Santa Barbara, endosó el boicot que la UFW está realizando en contra de los productos PictSweet.

Esto nos parece algo injusto para nosotros como trabajadores de esta compañía, ya

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Además, A.S. no nos

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de una vez por todas con las acciones de la UFW. Esta petición fue apoyada por más de 50 porciento de los trabajadores de PictSweet. ALRB nos notificó que habia recibido y aprovado de la petición, después de todos los arreglos legales que este proceso requiere, enviando un aviso a todos los trabajadores en preparación de un proceso de elecciónes atravez de voto secreto, donde cada quién manifestería su deseo de ser o no ser representado por la UFW.

Sin embargo, la UFW previendo y temiendo de no recibir suficiente apoyo de los trabajadores durante este proceso de elecciónes, se adelanto a los acontecimientos y envió una series de demandas al ALRB con la intención de parar el proceso. Estas demandas refieren principalmente a la manera en que los trabajadores colectamos las firmas, lo cual según a la UFW, fue de manera ilegal.

El 17 de enero, visitó a nuestro sitio de trabajo el Sr. Mauricio Muños, agente del ALRB. En asemblea general nos explicó la situación legal actual y las demandas que la UFW presentó. Pararon el proceso de elecciónes por lo cual Muños nos pidió tener paciencia y esperar al resultado en las aclaraciones de las demandas. Estas aclaraciones comenzarán el 21 de marzo, y no sabemos por cuanto tiempo duraran, pues la UFW sigue tratando de retardar o sino detener el proceso de elecciones.

Nosotros pensamos que ha ustedes no se les dió a conocer la realidad de nuestra problema laboral, razón por la cual, nosotros enviamos esta información, ya que la UFW en su esfuerzo de seguir con sus propios intereses, ha estado usando a un grupo de compañeros de trabajo, mostrándolos ante ustedes y la comunidad como una mayoria. Estas acciones violan los derechos de todos aquellos que nos oponemos a su forma de proceder.

Es por esto que solicitamos a ustedes que reconsideren su posición con respecto al endocimiento del boicot y les pedimos su el 8 de enero de comprensión y apoyo para conseguir unas elecciones libres y democraticas, donde cada

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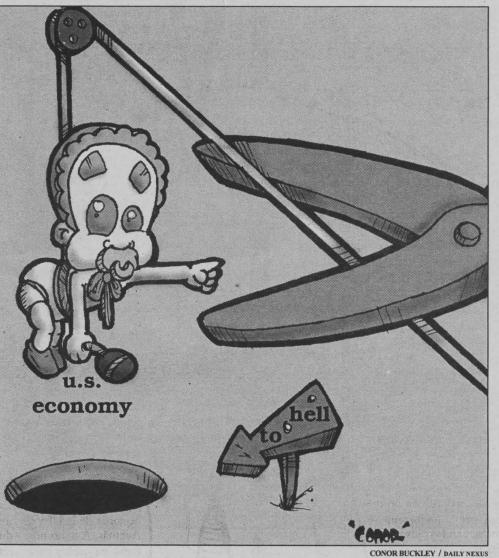
Bush's Proposed Tax Cut Will Line Pockets of the Wealthy

JOHN BENNETT

Fancying that he has a mandate, President George Bush is pushing for a tax cut that could jeopardize America's economic stability for years to come. I suppose I can understand the urgency Bush feels to pay back the millionaires who bought his campaign, but it wouldn't take much thought to propose a tax plan that at least looked more fair to all Americans, nonwealthy included. Instead, Bush is leering toward a tax cut with 43 percent of the cut going to the wealthiest 1 percent of our population, according to the nonprofit Citizens for Tax Justice.

Bush proposes a \$1.6 trillion tax cut over the next 10 years. He thinks this is safe because, according to his favorite budget forecasts, we'll have a \$5.7 trillion surplus over the next 10 years. History warns us to notice that Bush faced a similar decision as governor of Texas two years ago. Basing his Texas budget on overly optimistic forecasts, he signed a \$1.8 billion tax cut. The forecast turned out to be wrong, and now Texas has a budget shortage to go with its terrible smog and dismal healthcare. The predictions Bush relies on now are far too shaky to form a secure foundation for our nation's budget. First, because of administrative costs, the true cost of his tax cut may be higher. The Washington Post reports that some analysts put the price of Bush's tax cut at \$2.5 trillion. Second, we have no guarantee the surplus will actually exist in 10 years.

Bush's tax cut itself would reduce the marriage penalty, double the child credit, lower income-tax rates and repeal the estate tax. The costliest pieces of Bush's tax cut would be the income-tax rate reduction and the estate-tax repeal. Eliminating the estate tax is blatantly pro-aristocracy, so Bush disguises this by preening his bias, saying, "the people with the lowest incomes will get the highest



percentage of reductions." It is true that lowincome Americans will receive higher percentage reductions, but when you add the estate tax, the wealthiest Americans will receive a higher percentage of the total tax cut. In his shadiness, Bush never mentions that fact. Bush will also give the rich a disproportionately large volume of the tax cut. He admits that the wealthiest 1 percent will get 22 percent of the cut — a number that

ignores the estate tax.

Because the estate-tax repeal is a major part of Bush's tax cut, we should notice who benefits most and which segment of our country Bush favors. Every single employed American pays an income tax. But only 2 percent of us will ever pay the estate tax: nonmarried Americans who earn more than \$675,000 per year and couples who make more than \$1.3 million. Plus, current law will

eventually change the nonmarried minimum to \$1 million, meaning that soon only millionaires will pay the estate tax. Therefore, 98 percent of Americans will never pay the estate tax because they are, by law, completely exempt from it. This is the fairness problem Democrats are concerned with: only the wealthiest 2 percent of Americans pay an estate tax, yet eliminating this tax on idle wealth is central to Bush's tax plan.

Large estates, or inheritances, should be taxed. They furnish money that exists because of America's stability, and a proper share should go to preserving the health of the society that allowed that money to exist in the first place.

Even one of America's most powerful businessmen, Andrew Carnegie, was an estate-tax supporter. Carnegie knew as well as anyone that the estate tax was needed to tax those who hid their money in tax shelters. Speaking about this, Carnegie once wrote, "The man who dies thus rich dies disgraced." The estate tax is constructive and fair, and it is shaped by American values.

Democrats support the estate tax in principle and in practice. One unfortunate exception, however, is our own congresswoman. Our congressional representative, Lois Capps, voted to eliminate the estate tax, even though she is a Democrat. Thankfully we had a Democratic president to veto the estate-tax repeal. I strongly encourage concerned Nexus readers to contact Capps and share their views of Bush's tax cut, which will affect us all.

Congresswoman Lois Capps 1428 Chapala Street Santa Barbara, 93101 Phone: (805) 730-1710 Fax: (805) 730-9153

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tion to its council before it decides to adopt what may end up being a premature or ill-conceived position.

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Editor, Daily Nexus:

I am very disappointed with the Associated Students' recent decision to unequivocally support the expansion of the Chumash Indian gambling casino in the Santa Ynez Valley.

The resolution they recently approved simply states that A.S. endorses the Chumash's current expansion project proposal.

It is clear, even after my staff spoke at a previous Legislative Council meeting and supplied A.S. with letters from every local community in the valley asking the Chumash and the governor to work together on a mutually beneficial solution, that A.S. blindly adopted a resolution with little or no further research into this important community issue.

Had the A.S. resolution implied that they supported Indian self-reliance, encouraged the tribe and the community to work together, or even asked the county to reconsider its current position, it would have demonstrated that they not only had a grasp of the issue but were offering up a potential solution that could bring the parties together.

Unfortunately, this statement was made without recognition of the ultimate effects a 200,000-square-foot casino expansion coupled with a five-story parking lot will have on rural Santa Ynez.

I hope in the future A.S. will perform some degree of thoughtful research on the issues and present that informa-

RESTORE NATURE TO CAMPUS LAWN, REDUCE LAGOON ODOR

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Has the UCSB Campus Lagoon always been smelly? Yes, ever since the Campus Lawn has existed. Excess freshwater and fertilizer leach their way into the brackish conditions of the manmade lagoon. Why do the seniors have to go through their graduation ceremonies on this sacred lawn? Is it a right of passage for them, or is it a special promotion feature of our campus that screws over the student 6 masses which get to enjoy smelly algae plumes created by excess fertilizer on a daily basis? The one word answer to a proper graduation is simple. Harder-Stadium.

The truth of the matter is that we do not have to shit in a pool of water and pretend that it smells good. The impact of seven storm-drains spewing out contents into the lagoon can also become altered: sweep parking lots before rainfall.

As a senior, I feel that 2 cents of the 40-plus Gs I paid to

family at graduation time staring back at me from the bleachers of Harder Stadium. On second thought, I may not even have to devote my 2 cents to this cause.

A net is dragged through the entire lagoon to get rid of the putrid algae. We will not have to pay for this service if the algae does not exist. So get rid of the frickin' Campus Lawn. Expand the ecologically safe and sane lagoon park that is slowly weeding out all non-native invasive plant species, replacing them with native vegetation that attracts endan-

> gered wildlife. I think we will all appreciate the natural restoration of the Campus Lawn. It would be happily completed by interns and volunteers who were involved with this type of restoration ecology at the lagoon park for the past quarter, and who cannot wait to rip up that stupid lawn. It looks like a swampland/vernal pool anyway, and the replica of the Old English 40-oz. bottle (artwork?) looks as lovely as ever. "Hey, everybody, check out our replica of a giant cesspool/toilet, complete with a flooded lawn and a 40-oz." Ask the bums that study at the library what it all means. Advice: put in some of God's artwork, expand Lagoon Park Ecology Restoration and flush the toilet before you

leave! One more thing: recycle the 40, for the love of God! **RON SIMPSON**

Close Del Playa to Cars

NATHAN SPEED

This is another article addressing the horrendous tragedy that occurred in our community on the night of Feb. 23. I hope to bring a perspective slightly different from those currently circulating around the campus. Now, it's obvious to everyone that we have collectively experienced a horrible tragedy that is as shocking as could conceivably be, and it is bringing Isla Vista's image to the point of the surreal.

Every one of us has cursed and damned David Attias to hell, and many of us have written the incident off as a deranged druggie's rampage. Focusing on the individual in that manner denies the problems Isla Vista has and shirks responsibility that would interrupt our daily routines. Further, the drugs themselves, whether or not they caused Attias' actions, are a very real part of Isla Vista, not a fluke. So maybe it is time to look past the devilish bearer of our misfortune to the real difficulty, which is deeply embedded in Isla Vista's logistical mess. Gail Marshall's job is already in dire straits because of the previous disregard she has shown for Isla Vista's serious safety issues, so she should listen up.

Drugs are much too large a part of the I.V. lifestyle. Of course, there's almost nothing we can do about that, because taking drugs, not ideally, but practically, is ultimately a matter of individual choice. Someone who wants to take drugs can

almost always be clever enough to find a way to get and consume drugs, if they are determined. It's equally inevitable that drunken students will flock to DP and Sabado as if it were Jay Gatsby's house. The same applies to drivers - if a driver is hell-bent on killing someone on the street, they have an excellent chance of being able to do it. This is why it is stressed so often in driver's education classes that driving is a privilege, and not a right. Cars are only allowed on the roads on the assumption that the people driving them will do so with the utmost respect, and further, that they will take

responsibility for their actions behind the wheel. Whether Attias was on drugs or crazy, or whatever, is

not the point. It's far too easy to cast him aside as crazy and pass off the incident as a fluke. The real point is that I.V. drivers are given too many opportunities on party nights to create horrible tragedies.

We're given so many civil liberties in the United States. But, sometimes these civil liberties begin to overlap each other and cross wires. In this case, it's a driver's liberties versus a pedestrian's liberties. And there's an added splash of color to this match, a chair in the ring, so to speak. That chair is the aforementioned supply of drugs and alcohol available to both drivers and pedestrians. So, we've got a variety of drugs, hundreds of cars and thousands of pedestrians. That's a formula for disaster, and we have to take one of those factors out of the equation.

We certainly can't stop people from drive, and therefore, in this situation, dri-

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walking the streets on week-

end nights, and we can't go into people's

houses or cars to arrest them for possess-

ing drugs without probable cause. To do

those things would be to violate every-

one's fundamental rights as Americans.

it is in no sense necessary for life, liberty

and the pursuit of happiness, whereas

walking and privacy are. I've lived without

a car in I.V. for three and a half years, and

I'm just fine. That's my bias. But, given

the choice between those three liberties,

any rational person must take the rights of

walking and privacy over the right to

However, driving is merely a privilege -

vers must suffer.

And they must suffer as long as the carefree festivities continue, which may be forever.

So. I've come to the conclusion that it's time to limit access for vehicles on Del Playa and Sabado Tarde on Friday and Saturday nights. I don't have a solid plan about how to do it, and I know that some people would be angry at the inconvenience of not being able to get around as easily at those times. People need to feel safe walking the streets of Isla Vista.

My love to the grieving.

Nathan Speed is a senior philosophy major.

Environmentalists Hinder Resolution of Power Crisis

JUSTIN M. RUHGE

The government's solution to California's power crisis is to buy the power lines and to subsidize the cost of power at the expense of the taxpayers, and maybe buy the power plants. The state managed to ruin the power system, and now its solution is socialism and regulation with a vengeance.

The real solution can be found with the private power utilities. Let the utilities do what is

nuclear, gas, hydro, wind or solar?"

At the top of the good power sources is nuclear power. There are 434 nuclear plants operating in the world, and only one has failed. In California there are three nuclear plants, two of which are in use. California uses 45,000 megawatts an hour, so about 20 nuclear plants with the necessary transmission lines could supply all the power the state needs. Nuclear plants need to be big to be costeffective, and that is why there are so few. The

impact on the environment is minimal, but the forces of ignorance spread fear and

are usually located a long way from the users, so long transmissions lines are needed. However, they are reliable, clean and a great asset to the state.

Wind power is a great, clean, renewable source of power, but it only generates when there is some wind, and usually the generators are a long way from the users. Thousands of wind towers are needed to generate comparable power to the nuclear or gas plants. Environmentalists oppose them because of their danger to birds and their effect on the scenic views.

Solar has been touted by the environmentalist community as a clean and renewable source of power, but it too is limited by time of day and weather conditions. Even so, a photoelectric grid would have to cover about 15,000 acres to generate enough power to compete with the nuclear or gas plants. Solar-thermal converters are also good sources of power, and smaller in size, but they have the same problems as the photoelectric plants. Any practical power system needs to be a 24-hour-aday producer. We cannot shut down the grid when the sun goes down or the wind stops. Auxiliary systems like solar and wind can surely help in reducing the amount of fuel the major power plants must use during the day, but we must have a full-on robust system designed to take the peak loads reliability. Solar and wind cannot be relied on to do that.

required to provide the power to a growing state. Get the state bureaucracy out of the loop and stop the interference of the environmentalists. Better management is the answer, not bumbling state government.

We lack adequate power because the environmentalists have opposed good engineering with unfounded environmental impacts and fears, and the politicians kowtow to their demands. Because of environmentalists, the costs for power-line and power-plant development have risen to a point where no utilities want to operate in California. They find it easier to buy power from adjacent states where the politicians who hold environmental nonsense in ERICLISTER / DAILY NEXUS and dams will be built due to the lack of suit-

check are more reasonable than those in California.

By using good engineering design, realistic planning and good management we can avoid the problems of the past. Each power source has a shortcoming of one kind or another. The engineering question should be "which is the least offensive of the five major power sources: oppose nuclear power.

The gas-fired plants cause air pollution and use an irreplaceable source of energy that can vary in price. Yet the plants are easier to build in various sizes and can produce large quantities of power. Gas plants are located all over the state, but environmentalists oppose their development and expansion.

Hydroelectric power is the oldest form of electrical power generation, and it is nonpolluting and efficient. But, it is unlikely that any new reservoirs

able locations. The existing plants can be improved with new generators and more storage capacity. But environmentalists oppose all new projects for nonsensical reasons like restoring the original fish numbers that existed 100 years ago. Hydroelectric plants are not as flexible as gas-powered plants or as powerful as nuclear plants, and

In the long run the best approach is the powerful nuclear plants. The fuel uranium is much easier to control, can be recycled, and when depleted can be safely stored. There is no air exhaust and the price of material is closely controlled.

Good engineering and management must decide the best approach, not the environmentalists. Otherwise we can expect more brownouts and higher energy costs in the future.

Justin M. Rubge is a Goleta resident and president of Concerned Taxpayers, Inc.

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Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21) - Today is a 7 - You could be the lucky winner again. Your intuition is more accurate than the experts' opinions. Even a partner who's usually right could be wrong this time. Follow your hunch. Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 6 - A

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Today is a 6 - A I romantic adventure could be ill-timed and ill-financed. Plan now and save the spree for the weekend. It will be even more successful if the trip you've planned is for business.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Today is a 6 - If a loved one is having fits, be patient. Throwing money at the problem won't help. Settle for dinner out and save the big expenditure for later. Your first whim is too expensive.

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Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20) - Today is a 5 - Expect a foul-up on a job today. Nobody knows what's supposed to be done or in what order. Watch for mistakes, and prevent them if you can.

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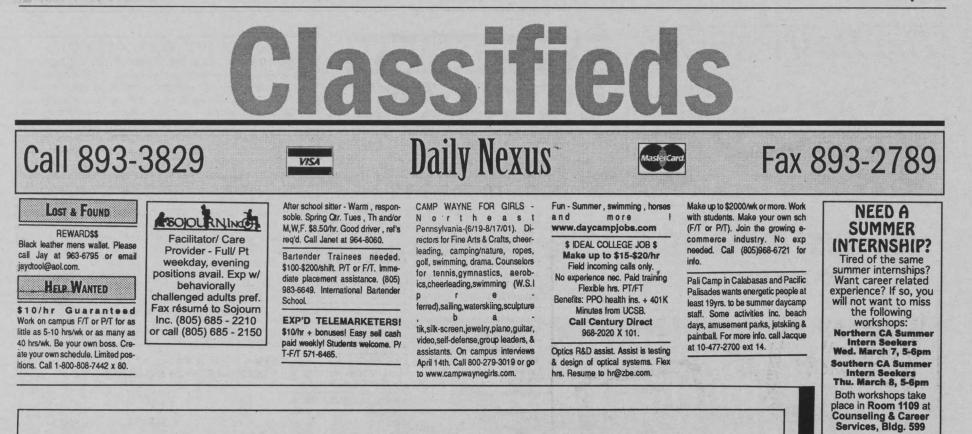
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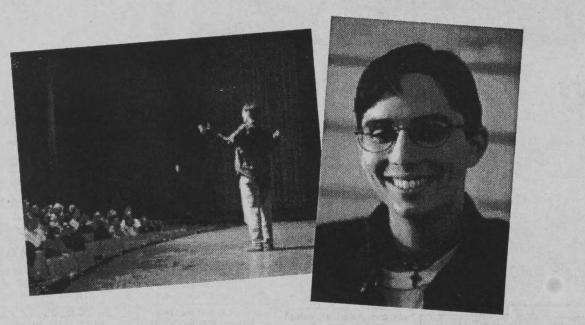
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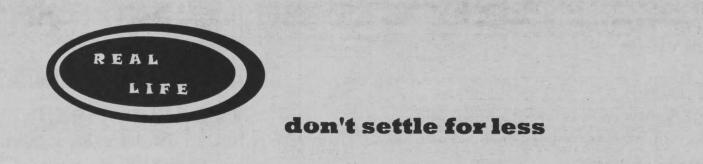
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UCSB Preps for Big West Tourney

BY MATT HEITNER Staff Writer

The UCSB women's basketball team begins play in the Big West Conference Tournament today, hoping to continue what has become somewhat of a tradition.

The Gauchos have won four consecutive post-season titles, and Santa Barbara, a #1 seed in the tournament after capturing the Big West regular season crown for the sixth straight year, hopes to retain its iron grip on its opponents.

The team's continued excellence has not gone unnoticed with many Gauchos garnering personal honors Tuesday.

UCSB Head Coach Mark French was named Big West Coach of the Year for the fifth time, after leading Santa Barbara to a 19-8 record, including 12-2 in the Big West.

The Big West also honored four Gaucho players. Junior forward Kayte Christensen, who averaged 14 points and 7.9 rebounds a game, was selected to the All-Big West First Team.

Freshman center Lindsay Taylor was named Big West Freshman of the Year and made the All-Big West Second Team. Taylor came on strong during the second half of the season, leading the Big West in blocks with 1.56 a game.

Senior guard Rachelle Rogers and sophomore guard Jess Hansen were also named Honorable Mention All-Big West, averaging 9.6 and 9.5 points a game, respectively.

Schedule for Today's Big West Tournament Quarterfinals: Women's Basketball Cal Poly us. UOP, @ 12:30 p.m. Idaho vs. LBSU, 3 p.m. UCSB vs. Fullerton, @ 6 p.m. **BSU us. Irvine** @ 8:30 p.m.

Despite all the personal and team success, the Gauchos know that they will have to come out ready. Every team will be shooting to knock the Gauchos off their pedestal, and this season, a few teams have a real shot to end UCSB's reign at the top.

Long Beach State (15-12 overall, 10-4 in the Big West) -LBSU heads into the tournament as the team with the best chance to oust UCSB. The 49ers are led by Big West Conference Player of the Year, senior forward Jackie Moore. Long Beach nearly upset the Gauchos last Saturday in the Thunderdome when Moore racked up 35 points and 14 boards.

Pacific (17-10, 10-4) — The Tigers enter as the #3 seed, despite having the same conference record as LBSU. UOP is led by All Big West First-Teamer, junior point guard Selena Ho, and poses another serious threat to UCSB.

Irvine (16-13, 7-7) — UCI ended the season strong, using a late surge to finish in fourth place. The Anteaters topped UCSB at the T-dome earlier this season and could be the conference sleeper.

Boise State (11-16, 5-9) -The Broncos head into the tournament as losers of five out of their last seven, including a 70-50 loss last Saturday to UCI, the team BSU will face in firstround action.

Cal Poly (11-16, 5-9) — The Mustangs are led by sophomore forward Caroline Rowles' 10.2 points and 6.7 rebounds a game. Cal Poly can brag of ending Santa Barbara's 49-game conference winning streak.

Idaho (7-20, 4-10) — Idaho enters the tournament as the #7 seed, and having to play Long Beach in round one could mean an early exit for the Vandals.

TRUC BUI /DAILY NEXUS FILE Senior guard Rachelle Rogers, who was named Honorable Mention All-Big West, will try to assist UCSB tonight in the Big West Tournament.

Cal State Fullerton (1-26, 1- Gauchos in round one. Expect a 13) — Former UCSB Assistant Coach Barbara Dee Ehardt leads the Titans into battle against the

repeat of Santa Barbara's 79-24 victory earlier this season at the Thunderdome.

Gauchos Fall While Trying to Hit Pay Dirt, Leave Red Desert With a Thud

BY CLANCY ROBERTS Reporter

The spark that lit the bats of the Santa Barbara softball team at UCSB's Easton Invitational did not make the trip to Utah

with the squad this past weekend.

The Gauchos finished the Red Desert Classic with a 2-3 record after sweeping the two Utah teams they faced, but were unable to come up on top in their games against Stanford, Missouri and Oklahoma State.

"We definitely could have won more games with a clutch hit from someone," freshman pitcher Ashley Carroll said. "We just couldn't get that one hit at the right time."

They started off the tourney in Gaucho winning fashion when they came away with a 2-1 victory over Southern Utah. Santa Barbara was only able to muster two hits in the game, but that was all it needed when sophomore catcher Jami Trinidad knocked a two-run single to give the Gauchos a lead they would hold on to through the end.

In the second half of the first-day doubleheader, Thornburg put in a tremendous performance against nationally ranked Stanford, allowing only two runs on three hits. But the two runs were enough for the Cardinals to pull out the win when UCSB failed to produce at the plate, leaving a goose egg on the scoreboard.

senior third baseman Teresa Tolson cracked a double into the outfield to score Santa Barbara's only run. UCSB would not hold the one-run lead for long, as the Tigers answered in the sixth with three runs to secure the game.

"Our defense did their job; we just couldn't produce runs," Carroll said.

Trinidad agreed that offensive production has been the downfall of this year's squad.

"We made some errors that really cost us," she said. "But the main reason that we lost is that we just didn't score that much."

In game two of the second day, the Gauchos continued their domination of the Utah schools with a win over Utah



The UCSB softball team struggled with its offense again over the weekend. Santa Barbara finished 2-3 against Southern Utah, Utah State, Stanford, Missouri and Oklahoma State.

"A lot of people are hitting well," Trinidad said. "We just can't seem to get those hits at the right time."

On day two of the tourney, the Gauchos faced Missouri in the first game of the doubleheader. The game remained scoreless until the fifth inning, when State. Santa Barbara took advantage of two Utah State errors for two unearned runs. Each team went on to score a run apiece, and the Gauchos walked away with the 3-1 victory.

The team wrapped up the tournament on the third day by going scoreless in a 2-0 loss to Oklahoma State before heading back to Santa Barbara.

"Overall, it was a pretty good tournament, but we were somewhat disappointed because we just couldn't get the hits that we needed," Santos said.

All-Cal, Almost All-Santa Barbara: Track Meet in Irvine Gets Team Going on Right Foot

BY BROOKE ROBERTS Staff Writer

The UCSB track and field team decided to flex its muscles at its first regular-season team meet of the year when it competed in the All-Cal Meet in Irvine this past weekend.

The women's team showcased impressive performances. After all was said and done, the UCSB squad had outperformed and outscored the competition, capturing first with a grand total of 253 points.

Sophomore Deb Samson smoked her opponents in the pole vault. She qualified for the Big West Championships and also notched first place in the event by vaulting her way to 12'00.75". Samson is looking forward to improving her technique.

"My goal to jump this year is 13'06" because I feel, that's an achievable goal for this year," Samson said. "With that height I should be able to compete in the NCAA:

Sophomore Amber Newsome was the first-place finisher in the 100-meter sprint. Sophomore Jasmine Washington came home with two victories in the 200 meters and the 400 meters.

"We really came together as a team for our first meet," Washington said. "We've been working really hard in preseason, doing a lot of intervals and lifting."

The men's team put forth a worthy effort and managed to place second in the meet behind a solid UCLA team

Sophomore Kevin Weaver came to his team's aid, taking first in the high jump with a mark of 6'08".

"I think we did pretty good, because UCLA is a good team," Weaver said. "We're looking to do better individually, and [because of that] we'll do better as a team."