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HOMECOMING '89: EVENT SUMMARY

One Big Ball of Hype and Party

What? You say you don't know what's going on this week. Well, read on for a complete event summary of where to go and how to be a true blue-and-gold Gaucho.

Spirit Week Stuff

Homecoming Week will officially commence today, when the lovely and talented UCSB Cheerleaders will perform in Storke Plaza at 12:00. Later a band called Will and the Bushmen will sing and do the band "thing". Never heard of Will and his Bushmen? Sounds like it's time to give 'em a shot — with a name like "Bushmen" they have to be good. Thursday, there's more fun stuff planned for all good Gaucho boys and girls in the form of "Gaucho Games." The Games will consist of basic pep-rallyish stuff like food eating, tug-o-war and a dunking booth. Informed sources say there is no truth to the rumor that Gaucho Head Coach Jerry Pimm is going to do a stint in the dunk booth. But the old coach may do something crazy at Friday's noon time rally to fire-up fans of the Runnin' Gauchos for the 7:30 p.m. Blue-and-Gold scrimmage. (A side note: High sources in the athletic department promise it'll be better than last month's midnight practice, which sent chills up the spine of many UCSB faithfuls.) Also at the pep-rally will be the women hoopsters who will take on the English National Team at 5 p.m. in the ECen. The UCSB men's water polo team will be there too and could certainly use some pumping up for its 4 p.m. game at Campus Pool, considering it has lost eight of its last nine games.

The Bonfire

After Friday's hoops game, there'll be an all-the-hype-you-can-handle rally/bonfire at the Lagoon. Big time folks like Chancellor Uehling and new Athletic Director John Kasser will be on hand to help fire up the football team to take care of some serious business against Azusa Pacific (in case you didn't know, that's who the Gauchos will play on Saturday). Anyway, they've got this thing planned down to every detail. For example, at 10:01 p.m. Pacific Standard Time, Jack Kinney will introduce Uehling. At 10:02, the Chancellor will "make her remarks" and at 10:04 she'll wind it up. Of course, you'll have to stay at least until 10:48 because that's when the bonfire's going to be flamin' and smokin'.

The Parade

But don't stay up too late at the bonfire 'cause next it's the Homecoming Parade. This is the first time in 20 years they're going to do the parade "thing", so get out on Ocean Road by San Rafael dorm at 10:00 a.m. sharp and check out these giant works of art. (Another side note: There's no truth to the rumor that a float in the form of a giant pink cake that says "Eat Me" on it has been entered, but you'll never know unless you're out there.)

The Game

But don't be a weasel this year and come out to Storke Field just for the pre-party tailgating and when everybody leaves for the game, start doing tap and keg counts. Go on into Harder and check out the game, after all that's what all this hype is all about, anyway. Isn't it? (Side note three: In case you haven't been to a game all season, it's free with the flash of reg card so there's truly no excuse for letting all the hype go to waste). Get out there and make this the best homecoming ever, and one more thing — Go Gauchos!
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Armstrong: The 'Quiet Leader' at the Quarterback Spot...

By Scott Lawrence, Staff Writer

With four games remaining on UCSB's 1989 slate, a 4-2 record and three straight wins already in the bank, a pumped up bunch of Gaucho players gathered on the 50-yard line of an empty and hushed Harder Stadium after a quiet Sunday practice.

"FOUR IN A ROW! FOUR TO GO!" broke the stillness, echoing off the cement bleachers and back to a squad serious about finishing its season with seven straight victories.

An exuberant throng materialized, along with a mad rush for its center, where high-fives were swapped and intensity fueled. But quarterback Steve Armstrong, who had led a 27-21 win over St. Mary's the day before with three touchdowns and 184 yards, was content to stay on the perimeter of the mass, keeping to himself while his teammates held back no emotion.

"I guess I am kind of quiet," he said this past Monday, after leading a 59-0 weekend shelling of Menlo College — UCSB's sixth consecutive win and one away from their prophecy of a month ago. "Maybe it's because I'm different on the field than I am off. When I'm out in a game, I'm tense or real fired up and off the field, I'm just the opposite. I don't really say much when we have team meetings, or in the locker room before a game when everyone's getting all fired up; I don't jump up and down, and get all fired up, I just have to go out and think a little bit — keep my cool, keep everybody else's cool."

And so far, it's worked. After seeing sporadic playing time his first two blue-and-gold seasons, the 6-1, 205-pound senior is again the Gauchos' starter after a preseason shoulder injury kept him out of the top spot until the team's fourth game.

Since then, he has been the hub of the current win streak, averaging 264 yards and nearly three touchdown passes in each of the last six games, while giving away just three interceptions.

So it must be asked how a guy so quiet off the field manages such effective leadership at the position which attracts the most attention.

"I don't think he's that quiet off the field," tight

end Khaled Shahbo says. "He's just not as vocal as most people, so when he says something, it means a lot more. And I definitely think he's a good leader — that's probably the one thing that sets him apart from the rest."

"We always tease him about how slow he is. (Head Coach Rick) Candaele once said whenever we want to run out the clock, we let Steve scramble. He doesn't look like an athlete, but he's a competitive athlete inside, and that's more important than being able to run fast. He's confident and he's smart — one of the smartest we have."

ARMSTRONG'S NUMBERS

Opponent	PA	PC	TD	Int.	Yds.
Humboldt	Did not play				
Chico St.	Did not play				
SFSU	18	7	0	2	95
Cal-Lutheran	29	16	3	0	184
Sonoma	25	14	2	1	152
St. Mary's	40	23	1	1	296
Hayward	38	17	3	1	214
San Diego	34	23	3	0	312
Menlo	39	29	5	0	425
Azusa Pacific	?	?	?	?	?
Totals	223	129	17	5	1678

"No, he's not exactly the fastest player on the team," says Quarterback Coach Jim Sterbick, "I mean, you could time him with a sun dial, and that's probably the only thing that hurts him right now. But he's a natural athlete as far as his emotions — he's a natural quarterback. He's not going to talk with a lot of words, he's going to talk with a lot of action — that's the kind of guy he is."

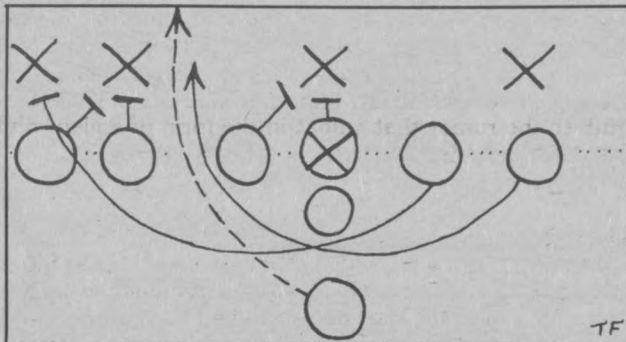
A graduate of Agoura High School, where he earned all San Fernando Valley and All-CIF honors his senior year in leading his team to a CIF Championship, Armstrong was recruited by Army, but was cut. He returned to California and went to

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RICHARD O'ROURKE/Daily Nexus

AIRIN' IT OUT — Gaucho QB Steve Armstrong has racked up some very impressive stats this year, including a 425-yard, five touchdown day against Menlo last week.



THE O-LINE'S DREAM PLAY — This simple counter is one of the offensive line's favorites. Among the reason given for their fondness of the play is "because we get to hit some people."

... And the Men in Charge of His Protection

By Melissa Lalum, Staff Writer

"It's a dirty job..." said Greg Dathe.

"But somebody's gotta do it!" interrupted Lance Comes.

"You get beat up every week and nobody cares," Dathe continued. "We're like the Rodney Dangerfield of football, we get no respect."

John Madden once referred to the offensive line as his favorite players on

any football team. The guys that live in the mud-soaked trenches — hitting, blocking and dominating on every play. They wear bloody, tattered jerseys. They play with taped hands, missing teeth and bandaged knees, swollen from last Saturday's game.

The foundation of UCSB's offense is the "O-

Line", the guys who typically get glanced over week in and week out. They respectively refer to themselves as the "We get nothing and like it" Crew: senior left guard Dathe, freshman center Comes, senior left tackle David Trinidad, senior right guard Pete Corsa and freshman right tackle Greg

Hirschler. Without them Steve Armstrong wouldn't have the time to complete a pass to his receiving corps, Khaled Shahbo couldn't finish his route to make a TD reception and Chuy Ornales wouldn't find the holes to cut up field for a 14-yard gain.

"O-Line is a different breed," said Hirschler.

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As difficult as it is to grow weary of the regular culinary fare of the typical student, the time always comes when a person has to lengthen his or her own horizons to include not just burgers and pizza and Chinese food, but also some good old-fashioned grub. And the food you'll find at Woody's at 5112 Hollister Avenue isn't just ordinary grub, it's authentic bar-becue-style eats!

Barbequed beef and pork ribs and chicken dripping with Woody's own special sauce is enough to turn any well-travelled palate back to the essentials of eating. The look of the restaurant itself reflects the basic essentials of comfort and relaxation, molded to fit their own personal style and flair.

After a day of driving through the streets of Santa Barbara, my companion and I had only our stomachs in mind. The first refreshing sight we found was Woody's bottomless soft drink bar. The menu offered was full of different tantalizations, including three different-sized racks of ribs, combination plates of ribs and

chicken, 1/3 pound burgers and a host of similar combinations. All sandwiches and dinners are accompanied by a large, thick batch of french fries and a choice of cole slaw or BBQ beans.

The sandwich my companion had, the "Comstock Load," included 1/3 pounds of lean hamburger meat, tomato, lettuce and pickles, and I settled for the 1/2 chicken with the BBQ sauce.

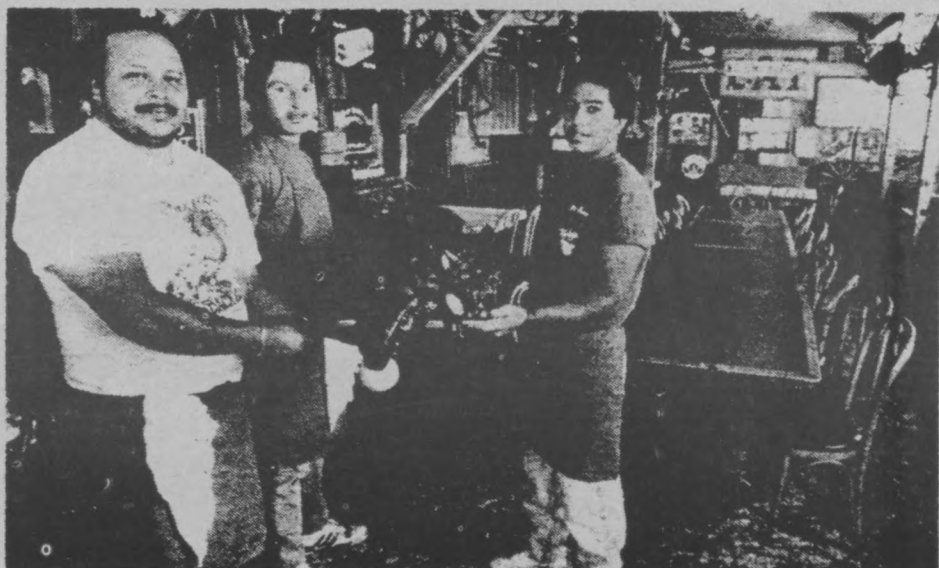
Woody's, we learned, was generous with their helpings, and even our appetites couldn't go the distance with all the food before us. In addition, I made the effort of trying out their special onion rings that have a sweet, spicy taste that is incomparable.

Woody's is of special notice for those who are planning large parties, because they'll also come out to your party and cook up

a mess of ribs and chicken right in front of you, a perfect way to make a picnic or get-together.

We finally had to fill our doggie bags on our way out, ensuring that we would not waste any of Woody's excellence. And I found that though this restaurant was a little out of the way for hardcore Isla Vistans, it's worth the effort to get some real good grub.

— Garrett H. Omata



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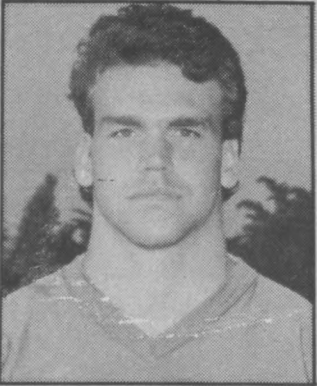
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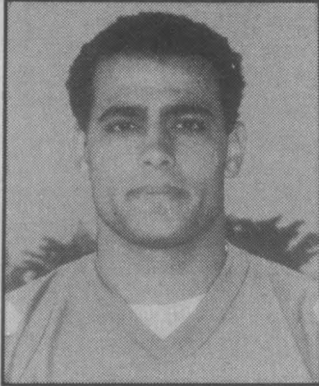


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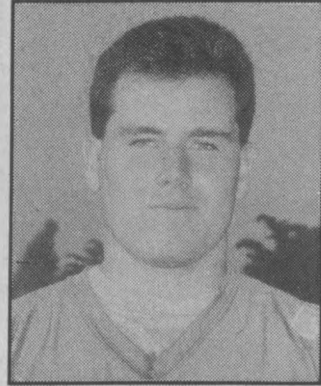
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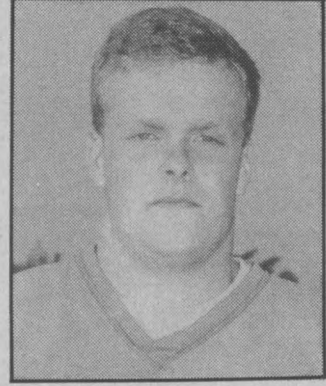
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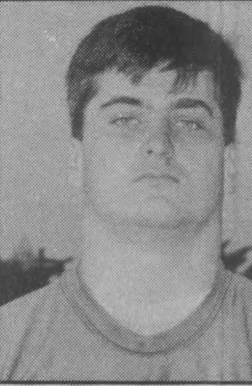
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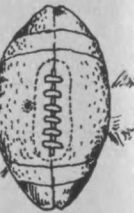


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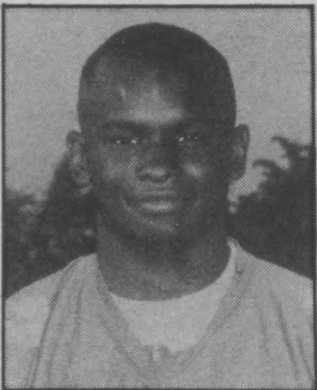
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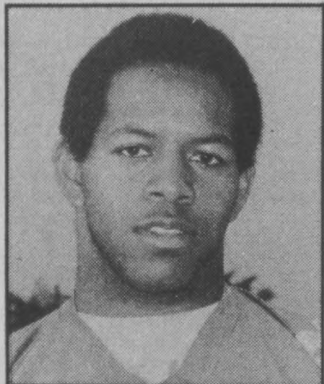


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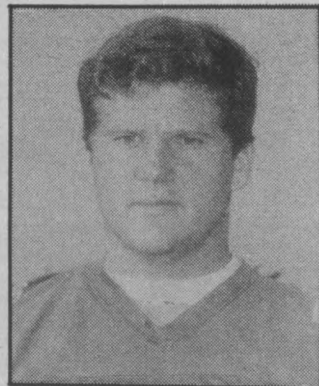
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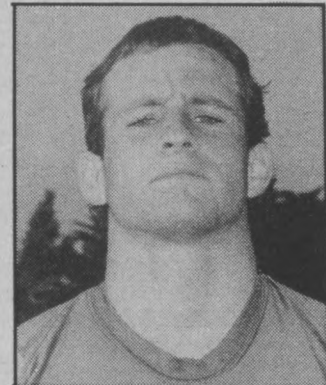
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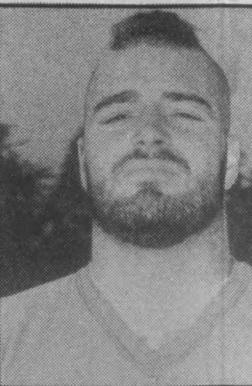
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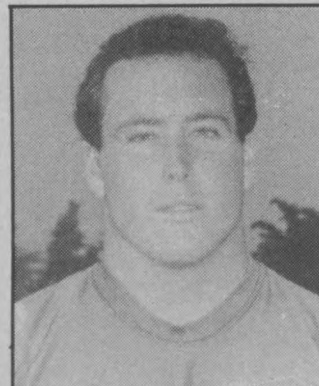
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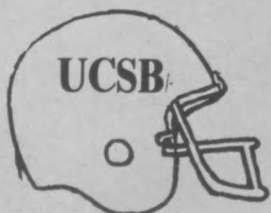
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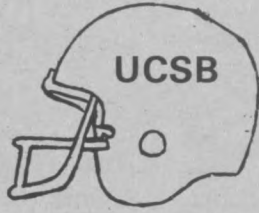
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1	9/9	*Humboldt State	24-17 W	1,227	H	1-0-0	0-0-0
2	9/16	*at Chico State	22-27 L	1,000	A	1-1-0	0-0-0
3	9/23	*at San Francisco St.	14-32 L	500	A	1-2-0	0-0-0
4	9/30	*Cal Lutheran Univ.	24-21 W	1,814	H	2-2-0	0-0-0
5	10/7	*at Sonoma State	24-3 W	793	A	3-2-0	0-0-0
6	10/14	*at St. Mary's Col.	27-21 W	3,050	A	4-2-0	0-0-0
7	10/21	*Cal State Hayward	30-12 W	653	H	5-2-0	0-0-0
8	10/28	XUniv. of San Diego	51-3 W	1,200	H	6-2-0	1-0-0
9	11/4	XMenlo College	59-0 W	1,012	H	7-2-0	2-0-0

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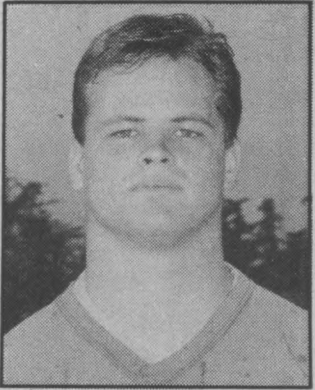
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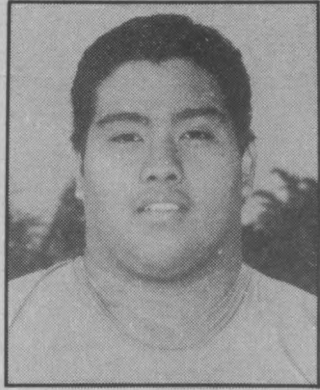
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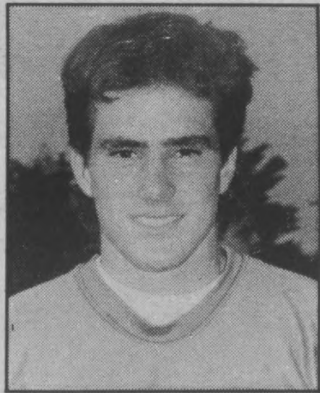
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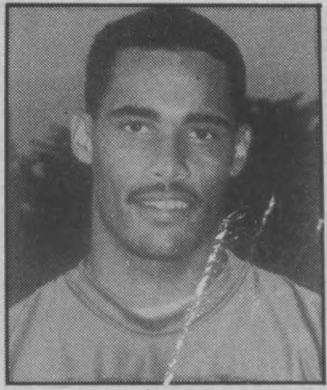
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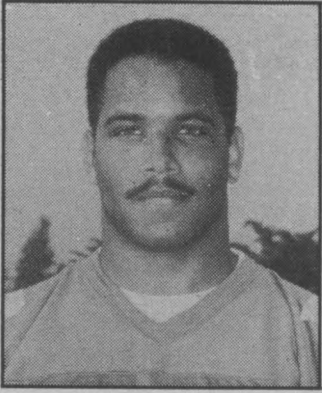
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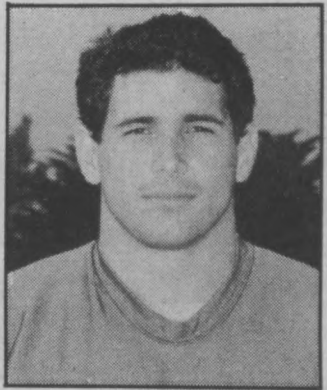
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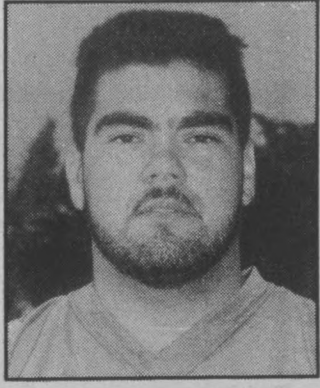
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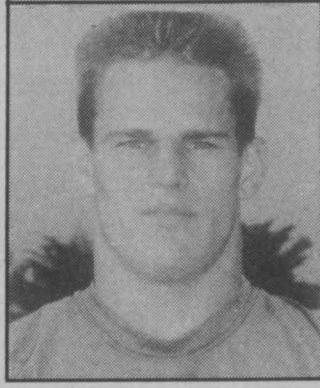
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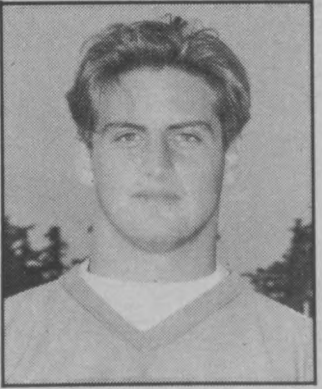
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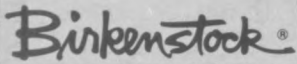
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Take a Homecoming Stroll Down Memory Lane

By Richard Sturtridge
Reporter

In 1987, it was a 27-yard field goal by John Corrigan with five seconds to play that gave UCSB a thrilling 16-15 win over Cal Lutheran.

In 1988, it was a miraculous defensive play by senior cornerback Mike Leonard to stop Western New Mexico's two-point conversion attempt inside the one yard line with 11 seconds left to preserve a 22-21 victory and a winning season for the Gauchos.

What's in store for 1989? Ah, Homecoming. A time of tradition; a time of great football. It all began inauspiciously back in 1986, when UCSB resumed playing football at the intercollegiate level for the first time in decades. In '86, Santa Barbara lost the Homecoming game against Sonoma State Santa Barbara 47-28. The Gauchos were coming

off a huge win over Azusa Pacific and according to then defensive coordinator Rick Candaele, the Gauchos were drained.

"We simply came up against a better football team. We were just out-gunned," he said. Not to mention Sonoma State was also in top form.

Little did Candaele or anyone else know then that the game, thoroughly dominated by Sonoma, would start a Homecoming tradition of great games at UCSB.

1987 was a different story. Corrigan's field goal, combined with a superb defensive performance and an amazing touchdown catch by Sean Russell, gave the Gauchos a stunning upset that Candaele, now head coach, recalls as one of the proudest moments in the modern history of the program.

"In that game, we were going up against Tommy

"(1987's Homecoming game) was just a tremendous win. It gave our program great credibility. It was a great game for the defense."

Rick Candaele
Gaucha head coach

Bonds (the Cal Lutheran quarterback), and he was probably the best player the best player we'd faced all year," Candaele said. "That was just a tremendous win. It gave our program great credibility. It was a great game for the defense. Bonds was just explosive. To hold them to only 15 points, that was a great performance."

Then came last year's thriller over Western New Mexico.

"That game went back and forth," Candaele said. "Their wishbone offense

was very effective. That final play was incredible. Mike stopped that guy about six inches short of the goal line."

Can we look forward to another great battle this year? Candaele certainly thinks so.

"Homecoming is always exciting," he said. "It draws a big crowd."

The Gauchos have multiple reasons for winning this one in addition to impressing the Harder Stadium crowd and keeping their Homecoming streak alive. With a victory, they would finish 8-2, tying their best record in the modern era (they also went 8-2 in 1987).

Standing in UCSB's way is Azusa Pacific, the team that wore out the Gauchos before the Homecoming loss in '86 to Sonoma.

"They're a very physical team," Candaele said. "They have a great defensive line and a big pass rush. For us, the offensive line is the key.

They have to give Steve (Armstrong, the Gauchos' quarterback) time to throw the football. Our defense has played great for six straight weeks, so I don't expect any problems there."

A win would give UCSB a victory over every team that beat it last year, which Candaele said was one of the team's primary goals at the outset of the season. It would also make the Gauchos an undefeated 6-0

at home.

"I don't know if anyone's ever won six home games. I don't know if anyone's ever had six home games to win," said Candaele in reference to Santa Barbara's unusual schedule, which granted the Gauchos six home contests and just four on the road.

In 1987, it was "The Kick." In 1988, it was "The Stop." 1989? How about "The Pass?" Armstrong to Shahbo in the back of the end zone with :03 left? Who knows?

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QB: UCSB's Armstrong Leading With His Arm

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Moorpark Junior College for a year and a half before coming to UCSB.

Although a reserve his first two years here, he never had doubts about his ability, or that his time would come.

"At the beginning of this year, when I got moved up to number one, I felt like I deserved it," he says. "But then I got hurt and Mike (Curtius) started playing and had a lot of success and I started thinking I deserved to be number two. But I always knew I could do the job — I think you should feel that way."

And heading into his final collegiate game, this Saturday at 1:30 p.m. against Azusa Pacific, he needs just 12 completions to surpass the current Gaucha record for completions in a season (140), and is two touchdown tosses away from passing the current school mark for TDs in a career (25). But despite astronomical numbers — numbers that have already propelled him to the top of UCSB's completions per game, touchdowns per season and yards earned per game lists — criticism that it's all be-



"... I don't jump up and down, and get all fired up, I have to go out and think a little bit — keep my cool, keep everyone else's cool."

Steve Armstrong
UCSB QB

cause of a weak Gaucha slate persists.

"I don't think they're real valid," he says. "But there might be something to it. I don't think the difference is all that much. I think we've just been playing better against teams as the season has progressed.... I think our offense is pretty suited to my ability — take a short drop, three steps back and look for a receiver; the receivers are definitely a part of it. But after playing football this long, I just feel like I can read the defenses better, find the open spots — and I have a lot more confidence this year."

But even Armstrong will

admit surprise at the success the Gauchos have been able to attain this season.

"After we lost to San Francisco State, I was looking at the schedule I had up on the refrigerator and I was saying, 'Wow, we just lost to two teams that we beat last year and we've got a lot more tough games. I wonder what kind of season it's going to turn out to be.' I didn't really expect it to turn out this way — I knew it could, but I didn't expect it to."

And despite being an integral part of the turnaround, as well as the new offense, Armstrong says he's happy whether he's throwing downfield, or handing it

off to his running backs, who echo the confidence the rest of the squad has in its QB.

"Steve has so much poise back there it's unbelievable," Ross Bauer says. "He loves the pocket and he feels comfortable; you can just see it in the way he moves and the balls he throws. God, I love catching Steve's balls, they're just sweet — sweet passes. You look at him and he doesn't look like a leader — I guess you could call him a 'quiet leader.' But when you get a quarterback that will take you down 80 yards on 10 plays and then do it again, it's like: 'this guy's it, he's the one.' He doesn't look like an athlete, but he's a pure athlete inside."

After graduating next month, Armstrong says he'll try and play in Italy, following in the footsteps of current Gaucha Coaches Steve Marks and Paul Wright. And as far as regrets about choosing to go the Division III route after tasting the Division I experience?

"Regrets? Uh uh, none. Especially not after this season."

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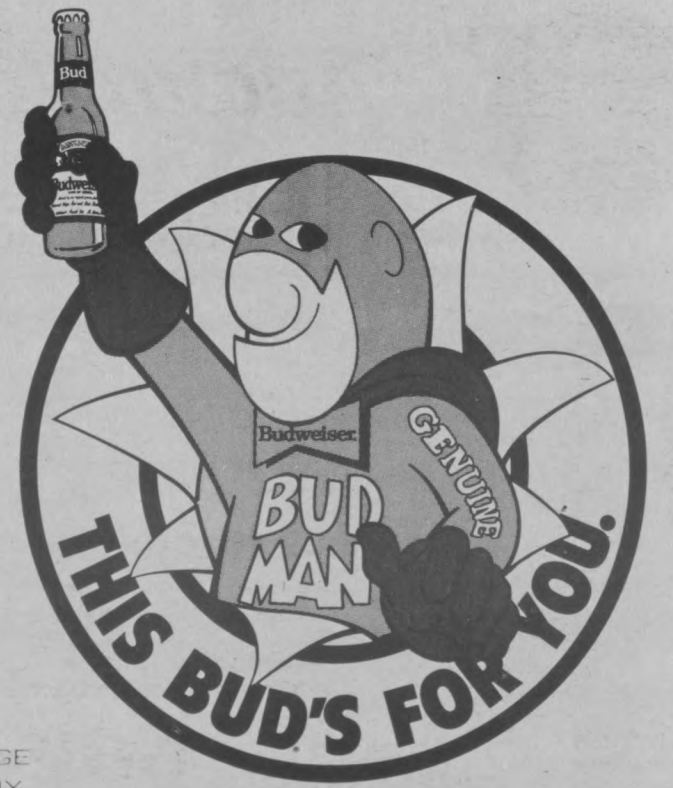
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NOT SO LEAN, BUT OH-SO MEAN FIGHTING MACHINES — The self-described "Rodney Dangerfield's" of the UCSB football team: the O-Line. From left to right — Greg Hirshler, Pete Corsa, Lance Comes, Geoff Staff (kneeling), Greg Dathe and David Trinidad.

O-LINE

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"We're the kind of people who don't need a lot of credit, we enjoy playing, just playing — we don't do it for the publicity or to be in the limelight."

Actually whenever the offensive line is mentioned it is usually because a holding penalty has been called or they've just given up a sack. But credit is given where credit is due, especially by their coaches and teammates.

"If I fall down they're right there to pick me up," said Steve Armstrong, Gaucho quarterback. "I probably should (buy them steaks), I think I will, that's a good idea. They definitely deserve it, I don't have much money, though, so maybe I'll just buy them all 12 packs."

"First play of the game last week we snapped the ball and there's a big crunch of people and the ball is thrown downfield to Johnny Ace and he makes a great catch and everybody talks about that great pass and catch," Offensive Coordinator/Offensive Line Coach Tom Melvin said. "The reason Armstrong had 10 seconds to

throw the ball was because of the O-Line and the average fan won't see that. But when we watch the films and the team sees Steve standing back there, and Johnny running his route they know why and they give the O-Line credit and realize what a good job they are doing — you have to have a different personality to take this job."

Playing on the O-Line is not the bonehead job most people associate it with. An offensive lineman must be aggressive and yet passive, it is his job to accept the defense's charge and keep the opponents of the QB as well as block in order to open holes for the running back.

"Another thing about the O-Line that Coach Melly (Melvin) told us at the beginning of the year was that blocking is a different part of the game," Hirschler said. "When you're a little kid you didn't go out with your friends and say 'let's go block,' it's really unnatural because you want to tackle — it took us a while to learn that."

They do find time to hit, though. In fact, they keep defensive players off guard with "sleeze blocks" named for Gaucho safety Charlie Bostic.

"Bostic is our inspiration on the defensive side," explained Trinidad. "He's one of the few defensive players that hangs out with the O-Line, whenever he gets a hit he signals to us, we're his cheering section because he's very sleezy."

"Sleeze blocks are away from the play," Dathe said. "They're perfectly legal hits, we just seek out guys who are walking around. It makes them play whistle to whistle and not say this play is over."

While the O-Line has physically dominated their opponents this season allowing just 11 sacks all year with an average blocking percentage in the nineties, they've also learned to have a little fun in the trenches.

"Half our calls on the O-Line are inside jokes and we try to throw off the other team with them," Corsa said. "An example is that we find out the name of one of the defensive lineman's girlfriends, like Ingrid. Right when we're getting ready to get the play off we yell her name, it's fun for us and it catches them off guard."

"On Fridays I get to stand in front of the line and listen to their calls," Melvin said. "The calls I put in there at the beginning of the season are gone, they've been modified.... All five starters were here last year and they've gotten to the point where they know one another so

well that they can say just one word and the others will understand it. They are very bright kids and allow me to do a lot more as a coach."

The O-Line's verbal taunting of their opponents did, at times, get pushed to an extreme this season. At San Francisco State the Gauchos were nearing a score after being down by 20 points while playing against the Gators' second and third-string defenders.

"Pete and I were double teamed on a guy," Hirschler said. "We pushed him five yards back and 20 yards sideways, we were punishing him when Pete decided to take verbal assault on his character."

"He had a few choice words for me," Corsa continued. "So I told him, 'You're horrible, you are the worst guy I've ever played against my whole life, and then he left the game four plays later. Later, Coach Melvin told me I made him cry. I had nothing personal against him, really, I was just trying to mentally and physically topple the opponent and not lose (the line's) intensity."

Which proves the O-Line may have a good sense of humor, but come game time they can bring tears to your eyes.

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