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One student describes her experiences as the deaf minority among UCSB's hearing masses.



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The UCSB men's and women's swim teams finished their regular seasons with wins and are primed for the Big West Championships.



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## Corporate Involvement Provokes Controversy

By JEFF LUPO  
Staff Writer

Over 100 members of local environmental groups congregated on Santa Barbara's waterfront Monday in protest of a three-day conference sponsored by the World Environmental Center.

The two-hour protest at the Doubletree Hotel and Resort included a drum circle, a candlelight vigil and speakers who voiced their concerns over the attendance of several large corporations at the conference. According to UCSB Environmental Affairs Board member Sumi Crimmel, many of the corporations attending the conference titled "Global Environmental Harmonization



Courtesy of Environmental Affairs Board

All day Monday, activists assembled outside of the Doubletree Hotel and Resort protesting the participation of big companies in this week's local conference titled "Global Environmental Harmonization in the Third Millennium."

in the Third Millennium" are known for being environmentally unfriendly.

"[Some] sponsors of the conference are Occidental Petroleum, Edison Mission Energy and Seagate Technology, who are known for working with genetically engineered foods,"

she said. "They're going to have a bunch of bullshit panels about further corporate development in third-world countries."

One of the major issues surrounding the protest is Occidental's involvement with oil drilling in Colombia. According to Amazon Watch

member Hillary Hosta, Occidental has been responsible for the forced removal of the U'wa Indian tribe in order to drill oil on its native lands.

"The U'wa are a traditional people who have a very strong

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## Campus Music Festival Leads Santa Barbara Black History Celebration

By JAMIE FRANCISCO  
Staff Writer

If music is a universal language, then February is the time to celebrate the contributions of African American heritage to this medium of expression.

In recognition of Black History Month, the Education Program for Cultural Awareness has organized a month-long celebration called "Unity in the Community: Why Black Music Heals." According to

EPCA Director Joan Walker Scott, the program will feature different musical genres each week during the month — from doo wop to reggae — in an effort to recognize the contributions of African heritage to American culture.

"We're just thrilled that collective energies have been able to come together to address [African-American] history, including the wounds and the racial divides, and at the same time to recognize the potential for humanity to come together and be healed," she said. "I believe that healing is within our reach and it is contingent on individual and

collective choices."

Don Porter of The Spaniels, the artists who penned the classic, "Good Night, Sweetheart, Good Night," will kick off the celebration with a free doo wop performance tonight at 8 in the MCC. Other scheduled performers include reggae artist Luciano, jazz flautist Kent Jordan and Unity Mass Choir — a gospel group comprised of vocalists from UCSB as well as the Santa Barbara community.

According to Black Student Union Co-

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## Speaker Addresses Economic Biases, Poverty Issues

By SARAH TILLINGHAST  
Reporter

A former homeless mother gave the testimony of her struggle to end poverty to a small audience of UCSB students Monday evening at the Women's Center.

Cheri Honkala, current director of Kensington Welfare Rights Union — a national union based in Kensington, Pennsylvania — shared stories of her experiences as a homeless teenage mother. She also spoke about her recent efforts to obtain equal human rights for homeless citizens, particularly women, and encouraged her audience to spread awareness of poverty issues.

"Poverty exists in America because we don't have the right priorities in this country," Honkala said.

Honkala said students are an asset in aiding the fight against poverty, but noted that the issue is seldom addressed on college campuses.

"In college education, there's very little talk, if any talk, about people's economic situations," Honkala said.

According to psychology graduate student Keith Rozendal, supporters of Honkala's Welfare Rights Union claim that human rights are denied by the current poverty situation. "[The group] believes there should be an income below which no

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JASON SCHOCK / DAILY NEXUS

Kensington Welfare Rights Union Director Cheri Honkala describes her former life on the streets.

## Rescuers Search for Flight 261 Survivors

OXNARD, Calif. (AP) — An Alaska Airlines jet carrying 88 people plummeted into the Pacific Ocean on Monday after its pilot reported mechanical problems and was diverted to Los Angeles for an emergency landing. Several bodies were recovered from the chilly water, but there were no signs of survivors hours after the crash.

Flight 261, heading from Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, to San Francisco and later to Seattle, went down at 4:36 p.m. PST, the airline said. A large field of debris rolled in big swells about eight miles offshore as aircraft and small boats converged on the site just before sunset.

Hours later, the high-power lights of commercial squid boats illuminated the darkness as a cutter and small boats continued the search. Several bodies were found, Coast Guard Lt. Chuck Diorio said, but he could not give a specific number.

"Every resource is out there to find people," said Coast Guard Capt. George Wright. "We're actively searching for survivors. ... In 58-degree water temperature people can survive. We're not going to quit until we're positive there's absolutely no chance."

Alaska Airlines spokesman Jack Evans said the plane was carrying 80 passengers and five crew members. The plane was an MD-83, part of the MD-80 series of aircraft built by McDonnell Douglas, now part of Boeing, said John Thom, a spokesperson for Boeing's Douglas aircraft unit. The plane that crashed had been delivered to Alaska Airlines in 1992, Thom said.

The airline said the pilot reported having problems with the "stabilizer trim" and asked to be diverted shortly before the plane crashed. "Radar indicates it fell from 17,000 feet and then was lost

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# Top of the News

## Governor Puts Death Penalty on Pause

CHICAGO (AP) — Gov. George Ryan took the unprecedented step Monday of putting all executions on hold in Illinois, where more inmates — 13 — have been freed from death row over the past two decades than have been put to death.

"There is no margin for error when it comes to putting a person to death," the Republican governor said. "Until I can be sure that everyone sentenced to death in Illinois is truly guilty — until I can be sure with moral certainty that no innocent man or woman is facing a lethal injection — no one will meet that fate."

Ryan called the death penalty system "fraught with error," and said he will appoint a committee to help revamp it.

This makes Illinois the first of the 38 states with the death penalty to issue a moratorium on executions while the system is examined.

Thirteen inmates have



been released from Illinois' death row since 1987, exposing what critics say are serious flaws in the criminal justice system, and leading to calls for a moratorium.

In most of those cases, prosecutors acknowledged they had the wrong man

the use of jailhouse informants. He also pointed out that unqualified defense attorneys have handled some death row cases; some were eventually disbarred.

Illinois has executed 12 people since the death penalty was reinstated in

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— George Ryan  
Illinois governor

after they were confronted with DNA evidence, new witnesses or confessions from others. In other cases, the inmates' convictions were thrown out on appeal and prosecutors have yet to pursue a retrial.

Ryan, who insisted he remains a supporter of capital punishment, said the committee will review

1977, and even critics of the system have not suggested any of them were innocent.

Death penalty foes — including lawyers who represent the nearly 160 death row inmates in Illinois — applauded the governor's decision. Most of those on Illinois' death

row are black and Hispanic.

"It's clear that racism is rampant in the system, and I don't know what they're going to do to cure that," said Tim Gabrielsen, a public defender who handles death penalty cases.

One of the people Gabrielsen has defended is Rolando Cruz, who was twice convicted of the 1983 rape and murder of a 10-year-old girl in the Chicago suburb of Naperville. Cruz spent nearly a decade on death row before he was acquitted. Seven prosecutors and law officers were later charged with lying and fabricating evidence against Cruz; all seven were cleared.

Within the past month, prosecutors dropped charges against a former Chicago police officer who was convicted and sentenced to die based on the word of a jailhouse informant.

## EU Threatens Austria With Economic Severance

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — The European Union warned Monday it would sever most political contacts with any Austrian government that includes a far-right party whose leader has praised aspects of Adolph Hitler's regime.

The warning followed a series of verbal attacks by Joerg Haider on the leaders of France and Belgium for opposing any role for his party in the Austrian government. The center-right Austrian People's Party has been holding talks with Haider's populist anti-immigration Freedom Party, which finished second in inconclusive elections in October.

Haider shrugged off the EU's warning, saying it was his critics — and not himself — who were antidemocratic.

"I am somewhat horrified how lightly one takes democracy in a country such as Austria," Haider said Monday, describing the warnings as "an attempt to take influence from the outside" on Austria's internal affairs.

If the Freedom Party becomes part of a governing coalition, the 14 other European Union members would curtail bilateral contacts with Vienna, oppose Austrian appointments to international organizations and keep contacts with Austrian ambassadors to a minimum, said an EU statement issued in Lisbon, Portugal.



The threat signaled EU determination not only to combat what it feels are undemocratic developments in a member country, but also to send a message to other right-wing groups that they would not be tolerated in a politically leading role.

Haider won international notoriety a decade ago after praising Hitler's "orderly employment policy," and later for lauding veterans of the Waffen SS as "decent people of good character." Since then, he has apologized for those statements.

After the EU's warning, Austria's top diplomat to the European Union, Gregor Woschnagg, left Brussels, Belgium, the EU capital, for Vienna. His representatives denied the move was in response to the threat, saying the trip had been planned in advance.

Just hours earlier, Haider expressed regret over his sharp criticism of French and Belgian leaders but said they must respect the outcome of elections that propelled his party to national prominence.

Prior to a meeting with Austrian President Thomas Klestil, Haider said he wanted "no conflict with Belgium and France," although he had called the Belgian government "corrupt" and said French President Jacques Chirac was ignorant of Austrian politics.

## Nation Celebrates Record-Setting 107-Month Economic Boom

WASHINGTON (AP) — Break out the champagne, cut the cake and strike up the band — it's time to celebrate the U.S. economy.

Today, the current expansion that began in March 1991 becomes the longest in American history at 107 months, beating the old mark of 106 months set during the 1960s.

The eight-year, 11-month time period since the last recession is quite a feat considering the average expansion before 1982 did not last long enough to see its third birthday, let



alone its ninth. "If you are not cheering for this accomplishment, then you have awfully high standards," said David Wyss, chief economist at Standard & Poor's DRI. "This is an unprecedented economy."

And it is not just length that makes the current period remarkable.

By almost any measure, these are good economic times. Unemployment is at its lowest level in 30 years — 4.1 percent — con-

sumer confidence is at record highs and Wall Street has just wrapped up an unparalleled five straight years of returns of 20 percent or more in the S&P 500 stock list.

Long past the time that most expansions are showing their age, this one seems to be getting stronger, with 1999 marking the third straight year with growth at 4 percent or more.

Normally, economic growth at those levels,

combined with a dwindling supply of workers, would translate into rapidly rising wages, leading to higher inflation. But not this time. Last year, the so-called core rate of inflation, which takes out volatile energy and food products, was up just 1.9 percent, the best performance in 34 years.

President Clinton takes every opportunity to cite the soundness of the Clinton-Gore deficit-reduction program as a key building block for the good economy, hoping voters will reward Democrats this fall.

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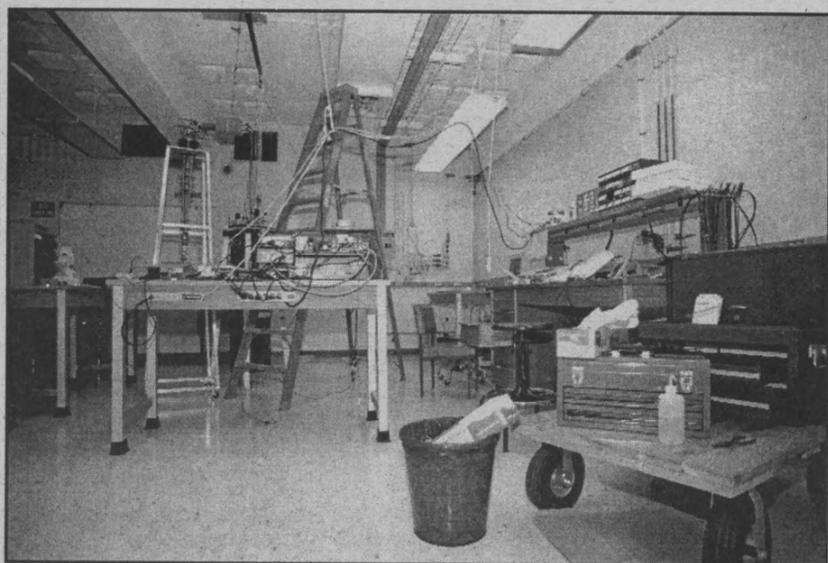
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This abandoned physics lab is being cleaned out in anticipation of construction. Broida Hall is currently undergoing seismic retrofitting, displacing professors' offices and undergraduate labs.

## Renovations Scheduled for Campus Structure

By CAITLYN MCTAGGART  
Reporter

Broida Hall will soon be the site of construction activity with efforts aimed at improving the building's safety.

In an attempt to comply with state safety regulations, a two-part renovation project is expected to begin within the next few weeks. The Seismic Renovations Project, one part of the venture, is designed to help make Broida earthquake-safe, according to Physical and Environmental Planning Director Tye Simpson. The objective of the second phase, the Broida Renewal Project, is to

improve the building's infrastructure to comply with standards set by the state, Director of Capital Development Martie Levy said.

"This project is designed to upgrade the building's safety assessment from poor to acceptable," she said.

According to Levy, construction is scheduled to begin by the end of the quarter. The state of California will pay \$16.3 million for the entire project, she added.

"The proposal for the project has gone out to bid. As long as it comes within the budget, the construction is expected to

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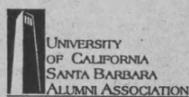
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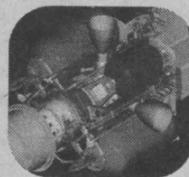
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### BROIDA

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begin later this winter," she said.

Engineering Design Director Ron Strahl said some of Broida's offices will be temporarily relocated to trailers near Davidson Library due to construction. The entire project will take approximately 26 months to complete because parts of the building will be in use during the job, he added.

Office shuffling began prior to Winter Break. Associate Physics Professor Omer Blaes, whose office was moved to Phelps Hall, said, "The move was unexpectedly painless and went very smoothly. I spent one day packing up my books and materials, and then left for the vacation. When I returned, everything had been moved and set up in my new office for me."

"The project is done in phases. In order for the renovations to run as smoothly as possible, we are only able to work on certain areas of the building at one time," he said. "Since we cannot move everyone out at once, the [construction] process can be quite lengthy."

### HONKALA

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one should fall in America," he said.

Honkala is also the national spokesperson for the Economic Human Rights Campaign, a coalition of international anti-poverty groups. In October, she participated in March of the Americas, which began at the White House and ended 31 days later at the United Nations in New York.

"We see ourselves as human rights monitors in the United States," Honkala said.

In high school, Honkala was arrested in the middle of her social studies class for receiving unlawful assistance and food stamps, sparking her interest in educating others about poverty. Honkala said she

went to college as a teen mother, where she realized that little education was offered concerning poor women in the United States. "The number-one issue affecting the majority of women in America is poverty," she said.

Junior sociology major Ebony Frazier said people should take action to make fighting poverty a priority in the U.S.

"I think that people have to start getting organized and getting outraged at [poverty in America]," she said. "I think it's a disgrace that people don't have adequate housing and don't have enough money to feed themselves or their kids."

Sociology graduate student Anna Sandoval said she agreed. "I don't think that we acknowledge poverty," she said. "I think that we make a lot of assumptions about UCSB students being rich."

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# CRASH

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from radar," San Francisco airport spokesperson Ron Wilson told KRON-TV.

On the MD-80 series airplanes, the horizontal stabilizer looks like a small wing mounted on top of the tail. The stabilizer, which includes panels that pitch the nose up and down, is brought into balance, or "trimmed," from the cockpit. If a plane lost its horizontal stabilizer, it would have no means to keep the nose pointed at the proper angle up or down, and the plane would begin an uncontrollable dive.

A source with close knowledge of the investigation, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the flight was normal and stable until the crew reported control problems. Radar showed the plane plunging toward the ocean shortly afterward. Evans said the plane had no previous stabilizer problems, and FAA spokesperson John Clabes said it had never been in an accident.

Evans also said the plane was serviced on Sunday, went through a low-level maintenance check Jan. 11 and had a more thorough routine check last January. It was unclear what Sunday's service entailed. Alaska Airlines, which has a distinctive image of an Eskimo painted on the tails of its planes, has an excellent safety record. It serves more than 40 cities in Alaska, Canada, Mexico and five Western states.

The National Transportation Safety Board was assembling a team of investi-

gators in Washington, D.C., and planned to send them to the crash site, spokesperson Pat Cariseo said. Gov. Gray Davis said he had ordered the California National Guard to offer whatever help is needed. The weather was clear at the crash site, where the water is between 300 and 750 feet deep, said Coast Guard Cmdr. Jim McPherson.

The most recent fatal crash in the United States involving an MD-80 series jet was last summer's American Airlines accident in Little Rock, Ark. Eleven people were killed and 110 injured when an MD-82 landed in high wind and heavy rain, ran off the runway, broke apart and caught fire.

The MD-80 is a twin-jet version of the more widely known DC-9, with a single aisle and an engine on each side of the tail. It went into service in 1980 and has had at least five variations that offer different ranges and seating capacities. Alaska Airlines, based in Seattle, operates several flights from Puerto Vallarta, a resort on Mexico's Pacific coast, to the U.S. The airline had two fatal accidents in the 1970s, both in Alaska, according to Airsafe.com, a Web site that tracks plane crashes.

San Francisco airport officials offered to help friends and families of the victims Monday night, Wilson said.

"Whatever they want us to do," he said. "We'll put them up for the night. We'll feed them. We'll console them. We'll bring to them whatever they desire."

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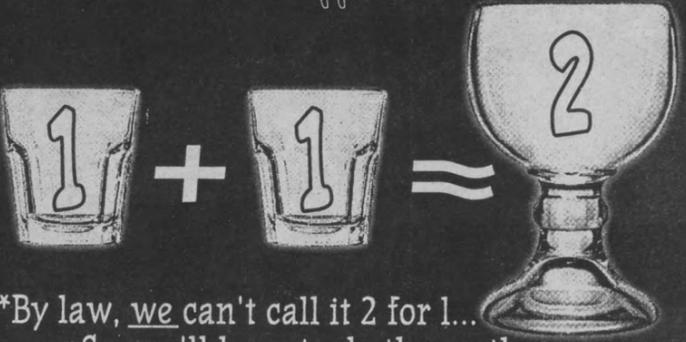
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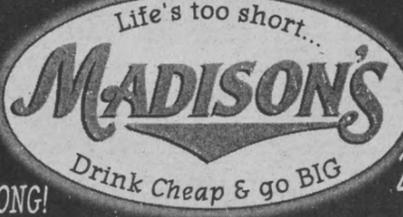


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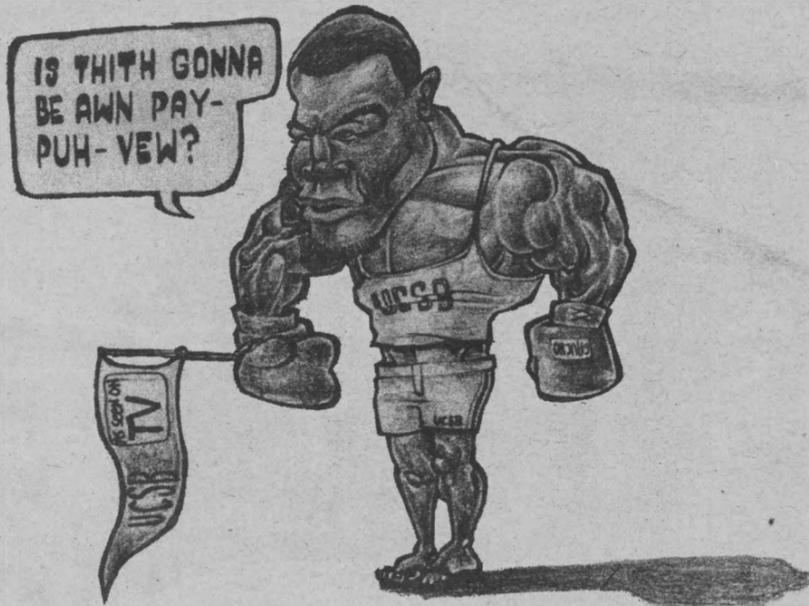
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Staff Editorial

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CORY OSBORN / DAILY NEXUS

## UC-TV Has Potential

*UC Television Network Could Be Beneficial; Could End Up Wasting Taxpayers' Money*

The University of California system often prides itself on being at the forefront of 21st century information technology, such as the Internet. The UC, however, is just now beginning to utilize the information technology of the 20th century: Television.

This year the University has begun producing UC-TV, a public service network currently broadcast only on EchoStar's Dish Network. On an annual operating budget of only \$1 million, the network aims to broadcast everything the University has to offer, including faculty and guest lectures, art, music and conferences. This network has the potential to become a valuable service for current and potential students as well as California taxpayers, but the UC must ensure that the channel is reflective of the University's nearly 200,000 students.

At first glance, UC-TV's programming schedule looks remarkably familiar in content to UCSB's Arts & Lectures series, along with a number of strictly academic programs. While this type of programming certainly deserves a place on UC-TV, here at UCSB Arts & Lectures events are generally frequented by nonstudents or by students who must attend for a class requirement. In addition to such highbrow entertainment, airtime on UC-TV should be given to students at all UC campuses. Many students aspire to a career in TV journalism or entertainment, yet most campuses do not have the resources for a student-run TV station — at this campus, KCSB has difficulty funding itself as a student-run radio station. UC-TV should offer a large percentage of its airtime to material made for and by real students. This would serve two purposes: Students could learn about the television industry while creating their own programming, and the viewing public could get a sense of what life at a UC is really like.

There is always the danger that the channel may become a PR outlet, offering only programming that makes the University

look good, in an attempt to impress potential students and their parents. Using the channel for propaganda would be a betrayal of the University's purpose as an institution of higher learning, which is to encourage people to think for themselves. For example, UC-TV would be a bad source for news about happenings in the UC system, as such news reports would bring us the University administration's "official" view of events. Once again, providing airtime to students is an easy solution. Student-run independent news broadcasts would be the only way to keep the University accountable to viewers.

Another potential pitfall UC-TV must avoid is the haunting specter of commercialism. Advertisers already litter our campus; imagine how they would salivate if UC-TV expands into a majority of California's cable markets, providing a potential audience of nearly 200,000 of their most desired targets: college students. The UC must ignore the potential advertising dollars and keep UC-TV a public service channel. The University can certainly afford \$1 million out of its \$3-billion annual budget to keep the channel afloat.

UC-TV remains a fantasy for most students and cable viewers. Those with fast Internet access can view the channel's streaming media at [www.uctvonline.org](http://www.uctvonline.org). The channel currently airs only from 3-11 p.m., though there are plans to expand to 24-hour programming. UC-TV's directors also plan to join other cable providers nationwide. This is easily the most important step in bringing UC-TV to the students; if a station is not available on Cox Cable, UCSB students have virtually no opportunities to watch it.

Students deserve more than just an opportunity to watch UC-TV; they deserve a hand in producing it. Students should be at the heart of everything the UC does, so UC-TV's programming should be student-directed and student-run as much as possible.

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## A Deaf Student

*From Bikepaths to the UCen, This*

STACY ABRAMS

This is my first year at UCSB as a graduate student. I like it here; however, I would like to take this opportunity to create some awareness on campus. I know everybody feels at one time or another that it's not easy to be a student here, but sometimes it's even harder for me as a deaf person.

I chose to come to UCSB, and I had an idea of what the situation might be like when I could not easily communicate with my peers. I know the university has had much exposure to deaf culture or had many students who are deaf. I wish people at UCSB were more disabled-friendly and sensitive, not only to deaf people but to all kinds of disabled people. I am speaking for myself because I know that my deafness is an invisible disability. By looking at me, you would not know that I am deaf until you literally bump into me or talk to me.

I want to share some of my experiences at UCSB that I wish were a bit different. On several occasions when I have dined at the UCen I get to the ordering counter with my paper and pen to write down my order sign, cannot speak, and the person behind me has moved forward. The person working asked for their order which I am writing mine. It doesn't take me that long to order.

**The first and the last I learned at UCSB I have learned to be more patient than people all my life**

## The Reader's Voice

### DISACKNOWLEDGEMENTS: A WASTE OF MONEY AND MIND

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Thank you for publishing John Bitterolf's piece in Nexus, "Injustice Greatly Exaggerated," (Jan. 24). He last we hear of the Chris Brown "case." I am sick and whining. He needs to grow up, take his disacknowledgment of his master's thesis and get the fuck on with life. His piece took too much space in the Nexus that could have been used to affect more than one person's quest to suck money out of the university in a prolonged legal battle. "I'd rather see you graduate with your disacknowledgment. Hell!

### HOT GIRLS WEAR WARM CLOTHING

Editor, Daily Nexus:

While sitting here at work I found myself reading "Survival of the Least Dressed" by Keith Peters (Daily Nexus, Jan. 21).

First off, let me tell you that as a girl I find nothing wrong with being scantily clad when it's warm out. But when it's cold out I find it completely inappropriate. Many nights this winter I have refused to leave my apartment without my fleeced-lined jeans, a long-sleeved shirt, a sweater, a jacket and a pair of mittens which come up to my elbows. None of this clothing has ever discouraged guys from hitting on me. On the contrary, many guys have complimented me on wearing a hooded sweatshirt out on DP. I find I get hit on more when I wear "normal" clothes and little or no makeup. The *not-flaunting-your-body* look shows confidence that, for many guys I know, can be sexier than lots of bare skin.

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# Deaf Student's UCSB Experience

## In This Invisible Disability Is Often Overlooked

probably less than 10 seconds, yet I am being passed over. I, too, am a customer, and yes, I may take a bit longer than the other customers, but please be patient with me. This has not happened only at the UCen, but at other places on campus as well.

Another challenge I have had is being nearly run over by people on bikes. I am sure others have encountered this too, but my chances are probably higher. I have gotten many ugly looks (you know who you are) when we almost collide. After I gesture that I am deaf and cannot hear, people get a surprised look on their face and go on their way. Don't assume that the person in front is ignoring you — they may not be able to hear. There may be people all around you with an invisible disability.

I was born deaf and graduated from a residential school for the deaf. Before coming to UCSB, I obtained a B.A. at Gallaudet University in Washington, D.C., which is a liberal arts university for deaf students. The biggest adjustment I have ever faced in the shortest time period was using interpreters and other support services here at UCSB. I chose to come to UCSB, and I do not regret it, but at times, it's very frustrating. I feel I have lost some of my independence. I love going to women's basketball games, but I can't hear the announcers making a big deal of our team so I just grin and bear it.

**And the biggest thing that I have learned at UCSB so far has been PATIENCE. I have learned to be patient with hearing people, but at UCSB, I am being more patient than usual ...**

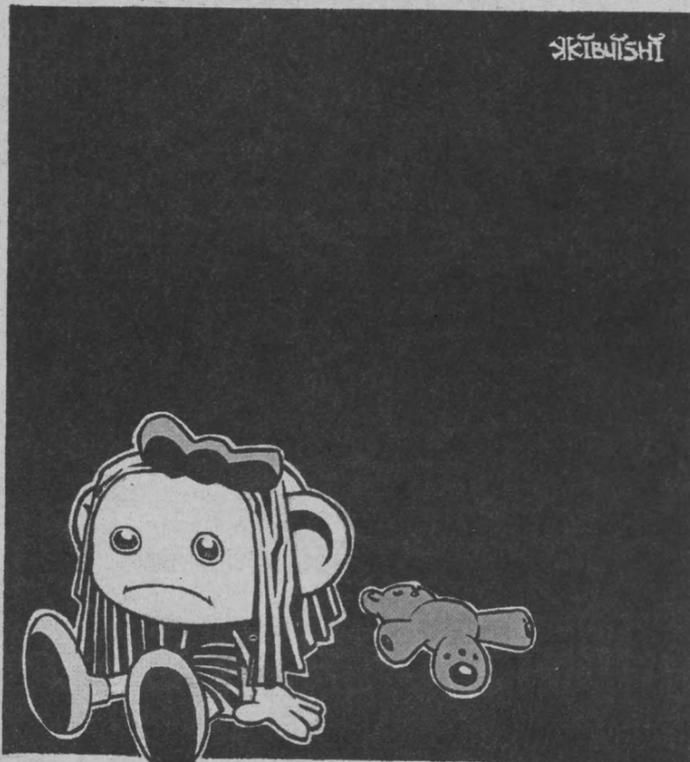
I've also noticed that people are afraid to approach me or talk to me once they find out about my disability. I'm deaf, but I don't bite! If you are scared of me, think of how I feel about all the hearing people I have to communicate with. There are not a lot of deaf people at UCSB, but I have tried to make some friends. It is not easy because sometimes the other person is not willing. Some people ignore me and walk away as I try to write something to let them know that I am deaf. The first and the biggest thing that I have learned at UCSB so far has been PATIENCE. I have learned to be patient with hearing people all my life, but at UCSB, I am being more patient than usual because I want to do well here. Please be patient with me, and we can work together. Don't be afraid to

come up to me and ask me questions. Not all deaf people are the same. Some may have a cochlear implant, some use speech and some use sign language. Others may use interpreters in classrooms and may not have

gone to a deaf school like I did. No two people are the same, whether we are deaf or can hear.

If there is anybody who is interested in learning sign language, feel free to contact me. I am curious to see how many people at UCSB have a hearing loss. If you do, please e-mail me, as I would like to set up a group where we can get together once in a while to share our experiences. I miss being with my peers, and would like to add some new ones. I hope I have given some food for thought to make people aware of things here at UCSB and to give them a reason to be patient. Thank you for your time in reading this.

Stacy Abrams can be reached at <sabrams@education.ucsb.edu>.



KAZUHIRO KIBUISHI / DAILY NEXUS

# ITS DEBATE IS AND NEWSPRINT

piece in Monday's paper (Daily Nexus, Feb. 24). Hopefully this will be the end of his incessant acknowledgment section out of our lives. His pathetic story has wasted our time and money. We should have been filled with editorials that would have taken a hot stick in the back of his head rather than take a hot stick in the back of our heads. Go to

JARAD BERNSTEIN

stands out. Besides, if a girl doesn't want to go home alone she doesn't have to be the least dressed, sexiest or prettiest girl at the party; only the drunkest.

See you out on DP ... (I'll be the one wearing a sweatshirt and elbow-length striped mittens).

MAJA MARIE SMITH

# REQUEST TO REMOVE PELICAN POOP FROM CAMPUS LAGOON DOCK

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Now that the reflecting pools have been somewhat restored, it's time to address another problem.

Walked by the lagoon lately? It's really quite beautiful down there, the light reflecting on the water, the birds gliding through the air, the, uh ... rancid smell of pelican shit? Ok, I know it's a small issue, but something has to

be done. Every time I walk on the path leading past the lagoon I see scores of people holding back the instinct to turkey-neck as they catch a waft of the avian legacy. See, the pelicans and seagulls eat fish all day, and then they crap it out while sunning themselves on the dock. What this means is we are left with a concoction of digested fish, stomach juices and other fermenting matter.

I like the birds being there. They're fun to watch and I have no desire to chase them off or anything, but for God's sake, can someone go down there with a high-pressure hose and wash that crud off once a week? It would make the entire lagoon area more pleasant and I'm sure the birds won't mind not stepping in their own doo-doo.

GORDON SILLIKER

# CELEBRATE BLACK HISTORY MONTH WITH DOO-WOP, GOSPEL AND MORE

Editor, Daily Nexus:

"Unity in the Community: Why Black Music Heals," is a collaboration of the UCSB Educational Program of Cultural Awareness, students, student organizations and departments, to offer our campus a gift of black heritage through musical expression that has brought restoration, love and community to a nation in search of healing. Artists from around the world and our own campus will celebrate this quest of self-renewal through four mediums of the Black Expression that throughout our ancestry and recent history have woven a powerful tapestry reflecting the rich heritage and contributions of the Afro-American tradition.

Our month begins with the musical style of doo-wop, a form of rhythm and blues that crystallized in the late 1940s. Our second week is distinguished by the jazz age, and the advent of contemporary jazz dubbed neo-classicism of jazz eclecticism. Our third week reflects the African American gospel tradition, with the sounds of black spirituals from slavery to the blues-influenced religious style that developed in the first quarter of the 20th century. Our final week culminates with the politically and spiritually powerful poetry of reggae.

Black History Month 2000 will be a time for the whole campus to join as one to celebrate the influence of black music and culture in our lives, and all are invited in its role as being a *Balm for the Soul* of all American folk, continuing to educate, stimulate, connect and reflect.

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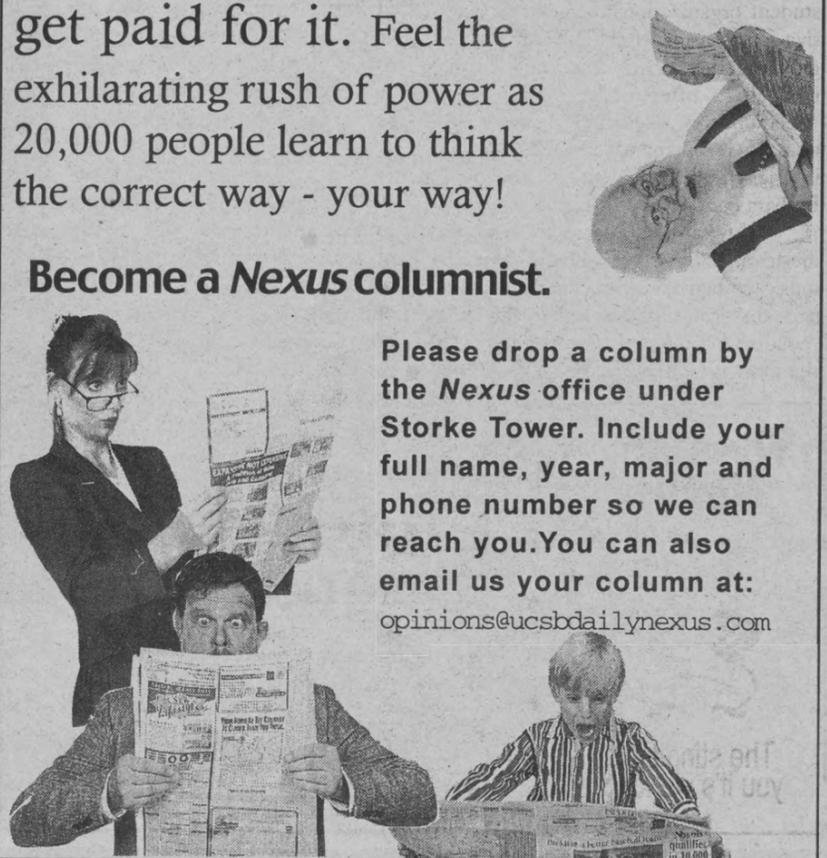
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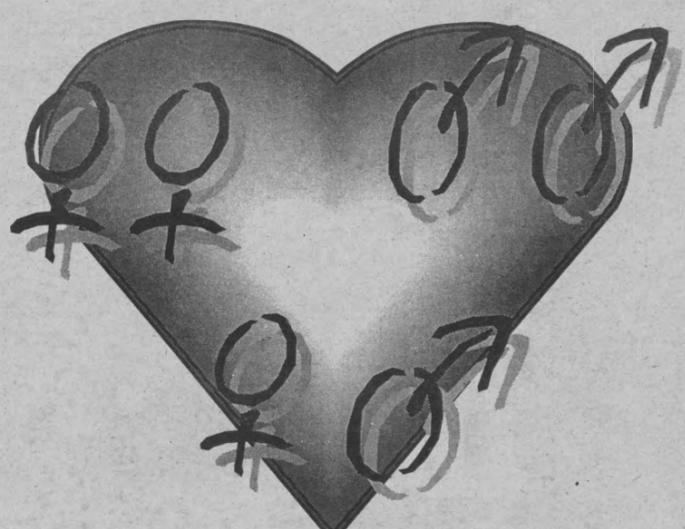
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chair Niesha Louis, the total expenses for the month-long celebration are approximately \$30,000, the majority of which was raised through fund-raising efforts by students. BSU Treasurer Ira Munn said each artist has agreed to perform free of charge, and student groups, faculty and administration have made a collaborative effort to raise funds for this month's events.

"It's a celebration of progress and an enlightenment of what we need to do in order to get where we want to be," Munn said. "In order to get to the level of healing we need to get to as a country."

Louis said this year's theme inspired student organizations to make an extensive fund-raising effort to bring the program together. While other programming is being offered — such as a "Relationships workshop" being hosted by BSU — this month-long concert series is the highlight event of the Santa Barbara community at large.

"What can be considered as black music can now be considered American music. When you listen to music, there isn't that color barrier," she said. "[We thought] how great it would be to bring the most prominent music styles to cam-

pus, to perform for us ... there's no better way to unify the community that I see."

However, Black Studies Lecturer Shirley Kennedy said the issues addressed during Black History Month — such as pervasive racism, the economic gap between the rich and poor and inequities in the justice system — should always be kept in mind.

"There's a great deal of interest in black people in our history in January and February, but the issues that we are here to address are ongoing and all year round," she said. "They are issues that the whole country should be concerned with because these are issues of inequities in society that reflect on American society and institutions."

Walker Scott said observing Black History Month is a step towards a higher collective consciousness, although it tends to set African contributions to popular culture apart rather than recognize them as "woven into American history."

"We believe that this is a significant step for the black community, as it relates to the internal healing that must take place in a community that has been systematically divided," she said. "It is an opportunity for the community to take a quantum leap in reconciliation. After all, we are one people."

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**Aries** (March 21-April 19) — Today is a 6 — The general is coming to inspect the troops! She's not in the mood to be hassled, contradicted or messed with in any way. Even if you're totally respectful, you could be in big trouble if there's a smirk on your face. Look sharp, and you'll pass the test.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20) — Today is a 7 — Your career is important to you now. You're thinking of new things to do — ways to stretch your talents and your mind. You might even feel like taking a class. If you do, choose one you can use to improve your earnings. That way, it may be tax deductible.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21) — Today is a 6 — You'd probably love to travel if you could afford to go. Well, maybe you could. If you can keep your mate from spending all your money on something else, maybe the two of you could take a vacation together. Better talk about it and set priorities.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22) — Today is a 6 — You may want to let a partner take the lead. An older woman would be the best one to make your next decision for you. Well, your input's important, too, of course. It's her wisdom that really gives you the advantage, however.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22) — Today is a 6 — You're a hard worker, especially now. You can't do everything all by yourself, however. If you can, you haven't taken on enough of a challenge. If you have to rely on a strong partner, you're in the right place at the right time. So, do it.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) — Today is an 8 — You are one of the lucky ones. You're cute as a button, too. Oh, sure, you have a lot to do, but that's OK. You have a talent for organization, remember? Fit in a special date for tomorrow early — or late tonight. Or, both.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) — Today is a 6 — Focus on home and family this week, especially today and tomorrow. Clean up your environment. Toss the stuff that doesn't work for you any more and put in something that does. You're the one with the talent in this area, so put it to good use.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) — Today is a 7 — You should be able to learn pretty easily now. The best thing to do when this condition is in effect is to get yourself close to a wise older person. Watch what he or she does and do the same. Imitation is the sincerest form of flattery, and it's how you learn best.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) — Today is a 6 — You may be in the mood to go back to school. You'd also like to make more money. These two concepts are linked, but not directly. It's more like you have to work at one thing in order to pay for your training in another. Hmmm. Worth a try!

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) — Today is a 7 — This should be a good week for wheeling and dealing. You're exceptionally sharp right now, in fact. Knowing that, what sort of challenge do you want to take on? You're creative, persistent and assertive. The sky's the limit!

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) — Today is a 7 — You can accomplish just about anything you can imagine. Words mean things, as you undoubtedly know. Well, ideas mean things, too. When you put those ideas into words and explain them to people, miracles can happen. Go for it, again.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20) — Today is an 8 — You've got a few little worries, but you can plow right past them. Get your friends to help you with those, too, and you could stumble onto a wonderful experience. You could suddenly realize you don't have a thing to worry about!

**Today's Birthday** (Feb. 1). A secret passion could become public this year. Your vision could be hazy in February. You should have the problem solved by March and should be ready to move by April. Reality rears its ugly head in May, but the impossible comes within reach again by August. A startling revelation is to your advantage in December, and the happy ending comes around next January.

# PROTEST

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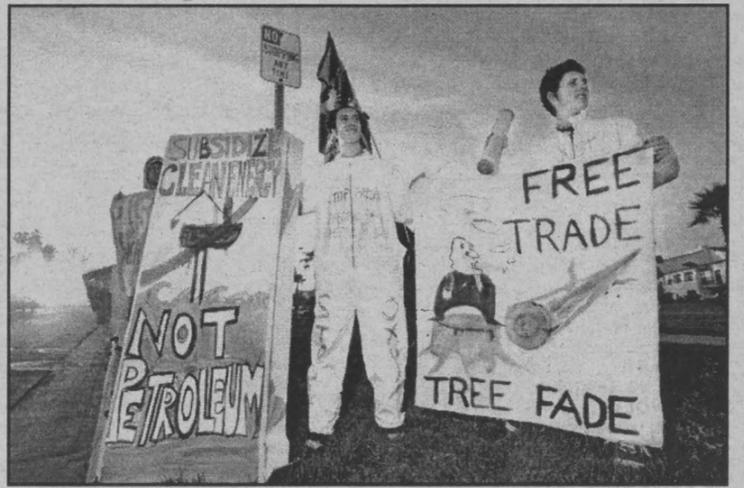
belief that the Earth is our mother and that oil is the blood of the mother. They feel they were put on the Earth in order to protect and serve the mother, and they are willing to put their bodies in front of Occidental in order to stop this drilling," she said. "They would rather face genocide — an entire tribe of people — than to see the blood of our mother drilled from their territory."

Hosta said the fight against Occidental should be taken to the government, citing a powerful politician that has a personal interest in the company.

"Al Gore owns half a million dollars' worth of Occidental stock. We need to get him to wake up and be the environmental power that we all know he could be," she said.

Protestor Bryce "the Mohawk" Bugby walked down from northern California and attended the protest on his way to Washington, D.C., as part of a peace walk.

"I've met so many people who know absolutely nothing about this; this is just wrong in this day and age. Don't they watch the news? Oh wait,



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Monday, protesters participated in candlelight vigils and drum circles. Workshops and teach-ins are scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. all week in front of the Doubletree.

it's not on the news," he said. "This stuff should not be happening in this day and age to our mother because she is sacred. She's more sacred than me, she's more sacred than you, she's more sacred than everything because she is everything."

According to Santa Barbara resident Jill Frandsen, being a conscientious consumer can help stop corporate abuse of the environment.

"Everybody has a choice they

make every day in what they do and what products they use. You've got to use your conscience and keep it on all the time," she said. "There's a gap in the minds of these corporations between the physical and the spiritual and we have the power to change that."

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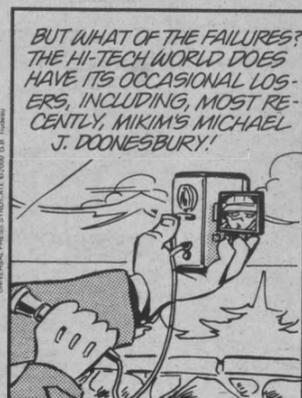
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# Sports

## No Lifeguard on Duty for CSUN at Campus Pool

BY ZACK O'NEILL  
Staff Writer

They must have left their floaties on the bus.

In their final home meets of the season, the UCSB men's and women's swim teams cruised to easy victories over Cal State Northridge at Campus Pool last Saturday. With the men winning 108-50 and the women 112-81, the Gauchos left the Matadors seeing red in what was the last taste of competition for both teams before they head to the Big West Championships in mid-February.

"It was a pretty easy meet," UCSB Assistant Head Coach Andy Bashor said. "Northridge is not up to our level, so it was a relaxing meet for our seniors."

Being the final home match of the year for UCSB, the teams



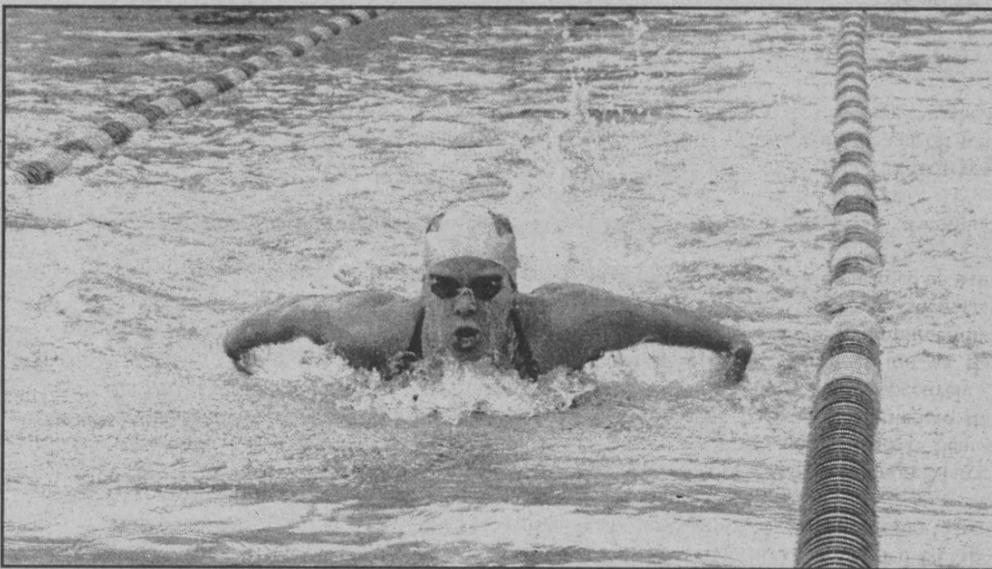
Ryan Laurance

paid tribute to the four Gaucho seniors — Britt Howard, Ryan Laurance, Mike Scarcelli and Amanda Rose — before the meet. Santa Barbara then proceeded to run the table against an inferior Northridge squad.

On the women's end of the pool, five different Gauchos finished first in what was clearly a one-sided meet. Among the winners was Rose, who commemorated her Senior Day by winning the 1,000 free with a time of 10:29.13, beating out fellow senior Howard by almost 25 seconds. Other Gaucho winners included freshman Danielle Steadman in the 200 free (1:55.23), sophomore Suzy Bagg in the 50 free (0:24.39), freshman Tammy Pratummas in the 200 fly (2:12.40), and freshman Julia King in the 100 free (0:54.25).

"It was an event that I don't usually swim," Pratummas said of the 200 fly. "It was the first time I swam it this year, [but] I felt really confident."

For the men, several Gauchos swam their way to winning times in a meet more lopsided than the women's contest. In the 200 free, freshman Karim Varela won with a time of 1:47.27. Junior Chris Wood took the 50 free in 0:21.40 — an event where the top



JASON SCHOCK / DAILY NEXUS

**I COME FROM THE DEEP:** The UCSB men's and women's swim teams pummeled the Matadors of Cal State Northridge last Saturday, and now prepare to compete in the Big West Championships in Long Beach on Feb. 17.

four finishers were Gauchos.

But the highlights of the day were the performances of UCSB's two seniors, Scarcelli and Laurance. In their final meets ever at Campus Pool, each won his respective event, ending their careers at UCSB on a winning note. In the 200 individual medley, Scarcelli won with a time of 1:55.27, and Laurance took the 200 fly by over two seconds, finishing at 1:56.60.

"It was like every other time I've won a race," Laurance said of his victory. "Our Senior Day [being] against Northridge, the only guy I was swimming against was a guy on our team [UCSB junior Ben Lucchese, who finished second]."

The UCSB men's rout of Northridge was much more comfortable for the Gauchos than the meet of the previous Saturday, when they just edged out a victory over the Runnin' Rebels of UNLV, 133-128. In what Santa Barbara considers to be its biggest rivalry, UCSB entered its annual meet with the Rebels as losers of the previous two contests against them.

"UNLV is our biggest meet of the year," Bashor said. "It goes back to when they were in the Big West, and we were always rivals with each other. That rivalry has carried over into today."

The meet went back and forth over the course of the day, and came down to the 400 indi-

vidual medley. Needing a big victory to seal the win, UCSB finished in the top three spots, locking up the victory. The event was won by freshman Matt Wheeler, who finished in 4:03.78. Placing second was Koch (4:04.75), and Lucchese finished third (4:05.70).

"When we went one, two and three in the meet, that put it away," Bashor said. "No matter what they did in the final race [the 200 free relay], they couldn't have beat us."

Next up for the Gauchos is the Big West Championships. UCSB will travel to Long Beach on Feb. 17 where the men will compete for their 22nd-consecutive Big West crown.

## Weekend Tennis Results

### Santa Barbara Rallies, Notches Second Win

BY BROOKE ROBERTS  
Staff Writer

At Campus Courts this past Friday, the UCSB women's tennis team had a chance to sample some island cuisine, when they chewed up and spit out the Wahine of Hawai'i.

The Gauchos (2-1) took on Hawai'i in their second home match of the season and earned their second victory, although it didn't come easily. U of H kicked and screamed before finally going down, winning four of nine game points from Santa Barbara. However, the Gauchos dominated the doubles competition after splitting the singles match-ups with the Wahine, and won by a nail-biting score of 5-4.

"We didn't play our best match, but we came through with a victory," UCSB Head Coach Pete Kirkwood said. "As a team, we weren't as sharp or fired up. We didn't think they'd be as tough as they were."

Sophomore Cindy Ammann began the day's action as the #1 singles player for UCSB, but she dropped her match in straight sets to UH's Nina Wenger, 6-1 and 6-4. The Gauchos' #2 singles player, junior Shannon Wilkins, didn't fare much better than Ammann, as she lost a close match to Hawai'i's Suzie Saunders, 7-6, 6-7 and 6-4.

"[Wenger's] game was really difficult to play [against]," Ammann said of her loss. "In the future, I want to try to be more aggressive and control the points."

With Hawai'i up 2-0 after the first two matches, the scoreboard alone was an indicator that UCSB needed to step things up. Sophomore Deb



Deb Pepkowitz

Pepkowitz did just that, getting things going for Santa Barbara by trouncing her opponent Lynn Novachek, 6-1 and 6-4 in the #3 singles match.

Senior Jill Katzenberger helped keep the momentum in the Gauchos' favor, rolling over Hawai'i's Georgina Sesto, 6-1 and 6-3. When the score was evened out at two games apiece, junior Gaby Andrade notched another win for the Gauchos in a close match against the Wahine's Petra Holma. Andrade's 7-5, 6-4 victory enabled UCSB to take a 3-2 lead, but Hawai'i didn't stay down for long.

The last singles match pitted senior Melissa Dillard against UH's Stacey Hakikawa. Dillard lost a close-scoring bout in the first contest, 6-4, and came out on bottom 6-1 in the second, penciling a loss in for Santa Barbara in the #6 singles position. At the end of the singles, the Gauchos were tied with Hawai'i at 3-3.

Doubles competition started out with UCSB's Ammann and Wilkins facing UH's Wenger and Hakikawa. Wilkins and Ammann ultimately dropped the match, 9-7, but Santa Barbara

turned the tide in the second doubles match. In the next match, Pepkowitz and Dillard pulled out an 8-6 victory, tying the overall score at 4-4.

In the day's final match, Katzenberger and Andrade came through with a tie-breaking win of 8-4 over Hawai'i's Holma and Jennifer Oshita. The overall score against UH was 5-4, landing the Gauchos their second win at home.

"I think the victory was stronger because it forced us to play harder," Pepkowitz said. "We are working on doing as well as we did last year, but really earning it and understanding it."

### UCSB Netters Show Hawai'i Mainland Is No Place for Them

BY JUSTIN LANDAU  
Reporter

The UCSB men's tennis team showed it is ready to leave last year's losing ways in the dust, which is just how it left Hawai'i last Friday as it won 6-1 in its home opener at Campus Courts.

Santa Barbara (1-0) held Hawai'i in check for most of the match, handling the Rainbows in both singles and doubles competition. Senior Simon Shen, Santa Barbara's #1 singles player, led UCSB's charge past the visiting U of H, defeating Hawai'i's Antonio Garcia in three sets, 7-5, 3-6 and 7-6.

UCSB was also strong at the #2 singles spot as sophomore Marcin Kosakowski swept Hawai'i's Amandeep Singh, 6-4, 6-1. Senior Mike Ortiz and freshman David Angert also contributed to the Gauchos' victory, winning 6-2, 5-7, 6-4 and 6-2, 7-6, respectively.

UCSB also controlled Friday's doubles competition as the Gauchos took two out of three doubles matches, complimenting their superiority over Hawai'i in the singles category. Shen and Kosakowski took their doubles match 8-4, and Ortiz teamed up with senior Sandy Gentile to win 8-6.

After the game, UCSB Head Coach Marty Davis had nothing but compliments for the Gauchos' performances.

"We're going to surprise some people this year," the first-year coach from Cal Berkeley said. "We're really pleased to get off to a good start this year and there's a lot of positive energy out there everyday on the court."

Davis has already made an impression on both first-year players and veterans of the program, giving the Gauchos confidence.

"Marty sets the tone as a good guy," Ortiz said. "He doesn't really talk down to you but makes you feel like we're on the same level."

UCSB couldn't have asked for a better start to their season, after ending 1999 with a 4-17 record. With a new head coach and Simon Shen's wicked forehand, UCSB looks to turn some heads this season.

"Simon didn't play one of his best matches, but he kept his head high, and won," Kosakowski said. "[Also], our coach stresses never giving up, and we did just that."