## Thursday



**Indian Myths** American-Indian artist James Luna critiques the mythology of being "Indian" in contemporary American society tonight at 7 in the MCC Theater.

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What do a hip hop rant, a fashion interview and Dr. Dre and Fiona Apple reviews have in common? They're all part of another illin' issue. Hit it!



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Sports

The UCSB women's basketball team is on its way to the Final Four of the WNIT after beating TCU 86-61 Wednesday night.



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# **Travel Congestion Likely Next Week**

■ Buy Tickets Before Prices Go Up

BY DAN TAYLOR Reporter

Students venturing home via plane, train or automobile for Thanksgiving are being urged to plan ahead, as higher fares and increased traffic await-last-minute travelers.

Across the county, transit officials are gearing up for the onslaught of travelers over the Thanksgiving holiday. According to Amtrak spokesman Domanick Alabano, Wednesday will be the busiest travel day of the year. People going home for the holiday will raise ticket sales on the West Coast by 32 to 50 percent.

"On a normal day we can expect about 70,000 passengers, this time of year it can be as many as 90,000, or even more," he said. He added that although no new trains are added, all stations and trains will be fully staffed.

To make sure that all trains are on time and that loading goes smoothly, Alabano suggested arriving at least an hour early and getting dropped off or taking a bus because parking will go quickly.

"It's important for people to use common sense, arrive early, follow directions, check baggage and be cautious," he said. "Most of the time trains are late because people are arriving late or forget to check baggage, not because of problems with the train."

According to Santa Barbara Amtrak ticket clerk Dan Kuperus, a ticket from Santa Barbara to L.A. is \$22 each way; from Santa Barbara to San Diego is \$42. Prices are slightly higher during this season and tickets are still available. Trains from Santa Barbara to San Francisco are nearly sold out and prices for these can be as high as \$65, depending on reservation. To get the best prices for the upcoming winter holidays, Kuperus advised reserving tickets one month in advance.

Santa Barbara Airport will have its busiest travel week of the year next week, and most flights are already booked, according to employee Terri Gibson. She advised people to arrive at least an hour and a half early.

Parking lots at the terminal will reach capacity by Sunday and there will be an overflow parking lot with a free shuttle to the airport. Rates for parking in the longterm lots will be \$5 per day or \$25 per week. To avoid the parking hassle, Gibson also suggested getting a ride from a friend or family member, or taking a taxi, bus or shuttle. Information on the MTD bus system can be found at 683-3702 or on the web at www.sbmtd.gov; and on SuperRide shuttle vans at 683-9636.

During the holiday season, regular flights to San Francisco will cost approximately \$225, and everyone who hasn't already done so should get their tickets early.

"Prices are always more expensive during blackout season; not long ago it was \$116," she said. "To get the best price on tickets, reserve seats 21 days in advance. Travel over the Christmas holiday will be unpredictable; due to Y2K, people may be a little reticent."

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#### Virtual Virtuoso

Jaron Lanier, leading scientist of the Tele-Immersion Initiative, lectures Wednesday in Campbell Hall to approximately 700 people about pioneering the virtual reality industry and his current Internet 2 project.

# **Leg Council Supports** Mumia, Gay Marriage

BY BRENDAN BUHLER Reporter

Associated Students Legislative Council adopted two position papers on politically charged issues in Wednesday's three-hour meeting.

Much of the evening's debate centered on a position paper demanding an evidentiary hearing for death-row inmate Mumia Abu-Jamal. Student co-sponsor for the bill Judy Liao spoke in favor of giving Abu-Jamal a new trial.

"There is reasonable doubt that Mumia was not given a [fair] trial," she said. "What we always talk about with Mumia is challenging the system."

Internal Vice President Yumi Matsui described the position paper as an opportunity for A.S. "to educate [students] on the issues involved."

Student Advocate Steve Aoki dubbed Abu-Jamal's previous trial "biased." Aoki said Albert Sabo, the presiding judge in the trial, is a member of the Fraternal Order of Police, which, he said, "is itself a racist and classist organization."

The position paper passed unopposed with three abstentions.

The council also approved a position paper opposing the Knight Initiative, a measure on the year 2000 ballot that would define marriage exclusively as the union between a man and a woman. Finance Board Chair Mariah Hoskins spoke in favor of A.S. adopting a stance against the initia-

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# Lambda Theta Nu Members Tutor Youngsters at I.V. Teen Center

BY ELISE DABBY Reporter

Homework is providing an unlikely common ground between Isla Vista's college students and its junior high and high schoolers.

Lambda Theta Nu sorority has spent the past year volunteering biweekly at the I.V. Teen Center, where students grades six through 12 come to get help with their homework. With Lambda Theta Nu and UCSB students volunteering at the center, I.V. Teen Center Director Richard Ramos said younger students are getting more than help — they are getting role models.

"Our main goal is to provide academic enrichment with the ultimate goal of college preparation and graduation," Ramos said.

All members of the Latina-interest Lambda Theta Nu volunteered at the Teen Center before they became a sorority, according to Lambda Theta Nu member Esabel Cervantes, a junior sociology major. Returning to the center every week gives the young students familiar faces to count on, she



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Senior sociology and Chicano studies major Jessica Lopez tutors a student at the I.V. Teen Center. Volunteers hope to bridge the gap between UCSB and the local Latino community.

target groups is Latinos in the I.V. community.

"The advantage we have is that we share the same language, experiences and we have a lot of things they can relate to," she said. "It's easier for them to open up to us since we're both Latino."

The volunteers work mainly with homework, and some also volunteer at

Cervantes said one of the sorority's other Teen Center activities, according to senior sociology and Chicano studies major Jessica Lopez, a Lambda Theta Nu member.

"It's satisfying to know that they are gaining things from us knowing we have shared experiences," she said. "I hope that we are good role models for them."

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# **Military Leaders Arrest Corrupted Rich**



ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — The military government rounded up hundreds of Pakistan's most powerful and wealthy people Wednesday, making good on its promise to try and rid the country's political ranks of rampant corruption.

The raids — which brought in landowners, industrialists, athletes and politicians from all parties - began hours after a deadline expired for debtors to repay loans or face criminal charges.

According to Pakistani television, \$138 million had been recovered when the deadline expired just 3 percent of the estimated \$4 billion in outstanding debts.

Soldiers in green army jeeps roared up to the palatial home of Nawaz Kokhar, a member of for-Prime Minister mer Benazir Bhutto's party, on the outskirts of Islamabad, to arrest him.

"We hope we will get justice. We are not going

in a bloodless coup.

There were conflicting reports on the exact number of arrests, but police and intelligence officials said the nationwide raids brought in as many as 450 people. An official statement named 21 people who were arrested.

Deposed Prime

They have committed crimes against this nation. ... We have to be tough.

> - Moinuddin Haider interior minister

to run," said Kokhar, who reportedly owes about \$2

He was just one of hundreds taken in during army Gen. Pervez Musharraf's crackdown on corruption, which he promised to carry out last month after seizing power Minister Nawaz Sharif and his brother, Shahbaz Sharif, were among those charged, though the family reportedly repaid nearly \$6 million in loans by the Tuesday deadline.

The former prime minister, who has been in army custody since his Oct. 12

ousting, had earlier been accused of treason and hijacking. He was handed over to police late Wednesday, and within 24 hours was due in court to be formally charged. If convicted of either charge, he would face the death penalty or life in prison.

On Wednesday, the army interrupted television programming to name some of those arrested, including Manzoor Wattoo, a former chief minister of Punjab; Akhtar Rasool, former captain of Pakistan's national field hockey team; retired Air Marshal Waqar Azim; and Anwar Saifullah, a leading politician and industrialist.

"They have committed crimes against this nation," Minister Interior Moinuddin Haider said on state television. "We have

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# **Recorder Reveals Evidence of Possible Sabotage**



WASHINGTON (AP) - A relief co-pilot alone in the EgyptAir cockpit said, "I made my decision now. I put my faith in God's hands," just before the jetliner began its fatal plunge, officials close to the investigation said Wednesday. Moments after the plane began to dive, the pilot returned to struggle — futilely — to pull up.

Wednesday, a federal law enforcement official and other sources close to the investigation described the evidence on the cockpit voice recorder tape as a potential criminal matter, leading the United States to the verge of putting the FBI in charge of the inquiry. Egyptian officials are preparing to send their own experts to begin a review of the tape.

The current theory of the fate of EgyptAir 990, the Boeing 767 that plunged into the Atlantic Ocean off Massachusetts killing 217 people, is both tentative and incomplete, the law enforcement official stressed. Further electronic enhancement of the tape recording and input from the Egyptian experts could alter the sketchy understanding of what went on.

With no sign of any mechanical malfunction or explosion, investigators have been drawn to actions of the crew as captured on the cockpit voice recorder and synchronized with the plane's movements preserved in the flight data recorder.

The law enforcement official, commenting only on

condition of anonymity, and other sources close to the case gave this account of what those recorders show:

Relief co-pilot Capt. Gameel el-Batouty, scheduled to take over much later in the 11-hour New York-to-Cairo flight, enters the cockpit and asks to fly. His request is

The cockpit door is opened later, after which there is no conversation, leading investigators to conclude el-Batouty is alone.

He says in Arabic: "I made my decision now. I put my faith in God's hands."

Shortly thereafter, the autopilot is turned off and the jet begins to descend steeply from 33,000 feet.

After unsuccessful attempts by co-Capt. Ahmed Mahmoud el-Habashy to right the plane, the jet's two engines are shut off. The plane regains some altitude, stalls and drops into the sea.

In Egypt, relatives angrily rejected any notion el-Batouty planned to commit suicide, described him as a loving father of five and denied the family had financial

The Egyptian government sent its senior aviation official to Washington to take part in the crash investigation after Egypt balked at the idea of the inquiry being turned over to the FBI.

National Transportation Safety Board Chair James Hall agreed to allow additional Egyptian experts more time to analyze the recorded words of the pilots so they might contribute more understanding to what was said.

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# Weather

Does anyone ever look at the meat in one of the local grocery stores and just say to themselves, "Yikes"?

Forecast: What am I ... a meteorologist?

# Russians Refuse Offer of Foreign Aid for Chechen Refugees



MOSCOW (AP) -Russian officials insisted Thursday that no humanitarian catastrophe is looming for Chechen civilians, after the top U.N. refugee U.N. official, High Commissioner Refugees Sadako Ogata, urged Russia to protect the tens of thousands of people who have fled fighting in the breakaway republic.

Ogata told Russian leaders of growing international concern for the

Chechens forced to leave their homes because of Moscow's military offen-

After meeting with Foreign Minister Igor Ivanov, Ogata said she had tried "to convey the secretary-general's concern and understanding, his appreciation of the difficulty in controlling and tackling terrorism, the importance of caring for the civilian population."

Despite widespread refugee complaints and growing Western concern, Russia's Minister for Emergency Situations Sergei Shoigu told Ogata that "there is no humanitarian catastrophe here."

Russia has repeatedly said it is capable of meeting the refugees' needs on its own, but says it will consider international aid

More than 211,000 people have Chechnya, thousands of them ending up in refugee camps where they live in old railroad cars or in

crowded tents in frozen fields, complaining of food shortages and poor medical care.

Ogata is to visit refugees Thursday in northern Chechnya, which is under firm Russian control, and in neighboring Ingushetia. She would be the most prominent international official to travel to Chechnya since Russia began its assault in early September, saying it aimed to wipe out Islamic rebels who had twice invaded neighboring Dagestan.

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# Opinion

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# **Safety Legislation**

Protecting the Innocent From Danger

ANDREW SYWAK

Should the U.S. **Institute Tougher Gun Control Laws?**  **Column Right** 

# "Big Brother" Law

Government Should Not Be Proactive

**NICK FARRAH** 

In 1999, America found itself besieged by the Lone Gunmen. Not the affable geeks who helped Mulder and Scully navigate the scientific intangibles on "The X-Files," but the disenfranchised individual who seeks to settle a general grudge against society with the indiscriminate aid of pistol, shotgun or assault rifle. Mark Barton. Bryan Uyesugi. Simon Gonzalez. Benjamin Smith. These are the once-anonymous names of the mentally unstable individuals who unleashed their fury by killing innocent people. Some obtained their weapons legally and others illegally; all committed heinous crimes that made America shudder. And so the question arises: What can we do to stop these madmen?

Currently, there is a set of amendments to the juvenile justice bill before Congress that would place some very mild restrictions on gun access: expanding the background checks on gun purchases to gun shows, requiring child safety locks on all new handguns (isn't it eerie how we have child safety devices on Tylenol bottles and cigarette lighters but not handguns?) and, God forbid, barring juveniles from possessing assault weapons. Sound sensible? Not to the leaders in the Republican Party who denounce the legislation, as they do almost all commonsense gun laws, under the misleading, bureaucratic jargon of "protecting gun rights."

Much of the Republican argument against gun control is based on that party's belief in "personal responsibility" — that gun control laws only end up punishing law-abiding gun owners and that a more measured response to gun violence is to institute harsher prison terms for gun criminals. However, being that nearly every Lone Gunman this year committed suicide after ending his shooting spree, these individuals would be exempt from such penal-

The mentality implicit in this solution is dangerously naïve to the nature of the shootings this year that these gunmen, or any gunman for that matter, will somehow be scared off from unleashing their rage because of the threat of 10 more years in a federal prison. This is insane.

The real problem is there are just too many guns (192 million privately owned firearms in the U.S.) and too many unstable people, and it seems almost

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certain that gross inaction in curbing the flow of guns will only result in more Seattles, Honolulus and Atlantas in the coming years. Everybody seemed to think that the unprecedented bloodletting in Littleton would be the rude wake-up call for tougher gun laws, yet the Republicans in Congress have consistently resisted even these no-brainer gun restrictions. What will it take?

Let's play the statistics game: Since its passage five and a half years ago, the background checks put into law by the Brady Bill have prohibited 400,000 felons, juveniles and convicted domestic abusers from obtaining guns. Does gun ownership reduce crime? According to the FBI, there were only 251 justifiable handgun homicides in 1993 compared with a total of 14,204 handgun murders in our country.

In fact, guns kept in the home for self-protection are 22 times more likely to kill a family member or friend than to kill an intruder in self-defense. In Orange County in 1993, the mortality rate from firearms was higher than that of motor vehicles. That is truly disturbing.

Though the gun restrictions before Congress right now are a start, they hardly go far enough. Both Democratic presidential candidates, Al Gore and Bill Bradley, propose that all handgun owners be required to pass a safety test and obtain an owner's license, and Bradley goes further in suggesting that all guns be registered, just like cars. This is a responsible reaction to the

disgusting levels of gun violence in America. It is time that we recognize the fact that guns are a public health risk and not be complacent about the \$2 billion a year we spend on treating gunshot victims.

Someday in the middle of the 21st century, a UCSB student will be sitting in a lecture hall learning about the tribulations Americans faced at the end of the 20th century. Much as we shake our heads in disbelief that the insanity of the Prohibition era ever existed in America, so too will they shake their head in amazement at the frightening and absurd levels of gun violence we tolerated in our time, and indeed accepted as nor-

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Al Gore and Janet Reno recently renewed their request to Congress to pass new gun restrictions. Many view this as a necessary step in reducing gun violence. If the Republican-controlled Congress passed even more gun laws, they say, gun violence would be significantly reduced. This call to Congress came just after the two most recent gun-related tragedies in Honolulu and Seattle. This attitude of creating more laws and restrictions on all Americans is the wrong way of solving this problem.

The correct solution is to punish those who break the laws. It is not our government's duty to be proactive in stopping crime. Our government's duty is to be reactive in punishing those who commit crimes. While it is true that the federal government could step in and stop a lot of the horrible tragedies that occur because of gun violence, that action only results in more restrictions on law-abiding citi-

zens, and infringes on our freedoms as Americans. A "reactive" government is one that punishes criminals after they have committed a crime. I advocate a government that harshly punishes anyone who is found guilty of committing a gunrelated crime. The 10-20-Life schedule, currently in effect in California, is an excellent way of implementing this. (Have a gun in a crime, go to jail for 10 years. Use a gun in a crime, go to jail for 20 years. Kill someone with a gun in a crime, go

> to jail for life.) Due to the deterrent of harsher penalties on individuals who do not deserve to be part of society due to their gun record, the number of gun misuses has decreased greatly.

While it is true that the federal government could step in and stop a lot of the horrible tragedies that occur because of gun violence, that action only ... infringes on our freedoms as Americans.

We trust people to drive cars. However, we do not allow people to drive if they have been convicted of reckless abuses of that privilege. If a person gets caught driving drunk, their license is suspended. Why can't we treat gun owners this way? If a person is convicted of abusing their right to own a firearm, the right should be taken away. We don't ban the Dodge Viper because of the increased killing ability a fast vehicle carries. We trust people to use responsibility when operating their vehicles.

We should also trust people to be responsible when using a gun. It is not right to ban a certain kind of firearm because it can be more deadly if misused (with the exception of private ownership of purely offensive mili-

tary weapons such as hand grenades and nuclear arms). It is right to restrict the use of firearms to just those that have no record of misuse. However, if a weapon is ever intentionally misused, the rights of that person to ever own a gun should be restricted, for that person does not deserve

[T]he fact that a citizen owns a gun does not mean that it will be used to commit a crime.

to use a firearm, even in self-defense.

If there is significant evidence that a crime is about to be committed, I would urge government to prevent it. However, the fact that a citizen owns a gun does not mean that it will be used to commit a crime. It is none of the government's business how the gun is used as long as it is not used to harm another person, property or endangered species. If the gun is intentionally misused, the criminal should be punished harshly, not just to take the criminal off of the streets, but as a signal to other people who might consider misusing a gun that society will not tolerate gun crime. Criminals will be pun-

ished to the letter of the law. Gun crimes committed against innocent people will be dealt with in the strictest possible way.

In conclusion, I would like to commend President Clinton on his new policy of making sure that kids who commit gun crime will never legally touch a gun again. This is the kind of policy we need. We do not need the policy of common political opinion, which is to restrict the rights and freedoms of innocent people. That policy sends the impression that members of society cannot trust each other, which leads to an attitude of government necessity instead of personal responsibility. We need to be responsible citizens. Those who cannot abide by the rules of responsible citizenship should not. have the rights and privileges to which the responsible population is entitled.

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Santa Barbara Greyhound Station Assistant Manager Ben Palato is also feeling the holiday pressure.

"I've worked here for over 10 years and it is always more busy this time of year. We want everyone to be here early; most people don't realize that seats come on a first-come, first-serve basis," he said.

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Cervantes agreed that there are rewarding results of volunteering time with the students.

"It's great to know that we help them out. A lot of students wouldn't do their homework otherwise. It's also important that they are seeing and interacting with university students, she said.

Giving the students good role models has been important to the Teen ninth grader at Dos

Center, according to Ramos, who has a group of over 25 university student volunteers.

"The Teen Center has made a difference in the Hispanic community in I.V. Hopefully it will be a bridge between UCSB and the people who live here," he said. "There is definitely a gap between the Spanish-speaking people here and the students at UCSB. We hope to bridge that gap."

Ernesto Rodriguez, a

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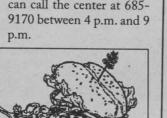
Pueblos High School, has been attending the Teen Center for three years.

"I don't like it when I don't have any homework, because then I can't come here; I like coming here," he said.

Volunteering at the I.V. Teen Center is not limited; all volunteers are welcome to spend time with students. Those interested can call the center at 685-

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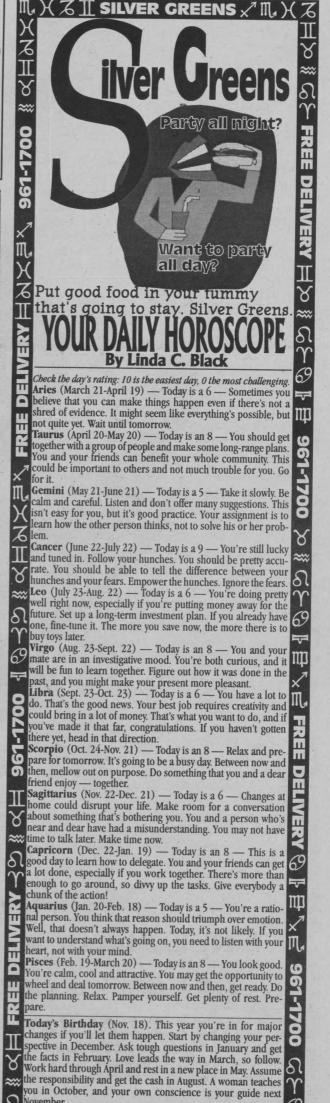
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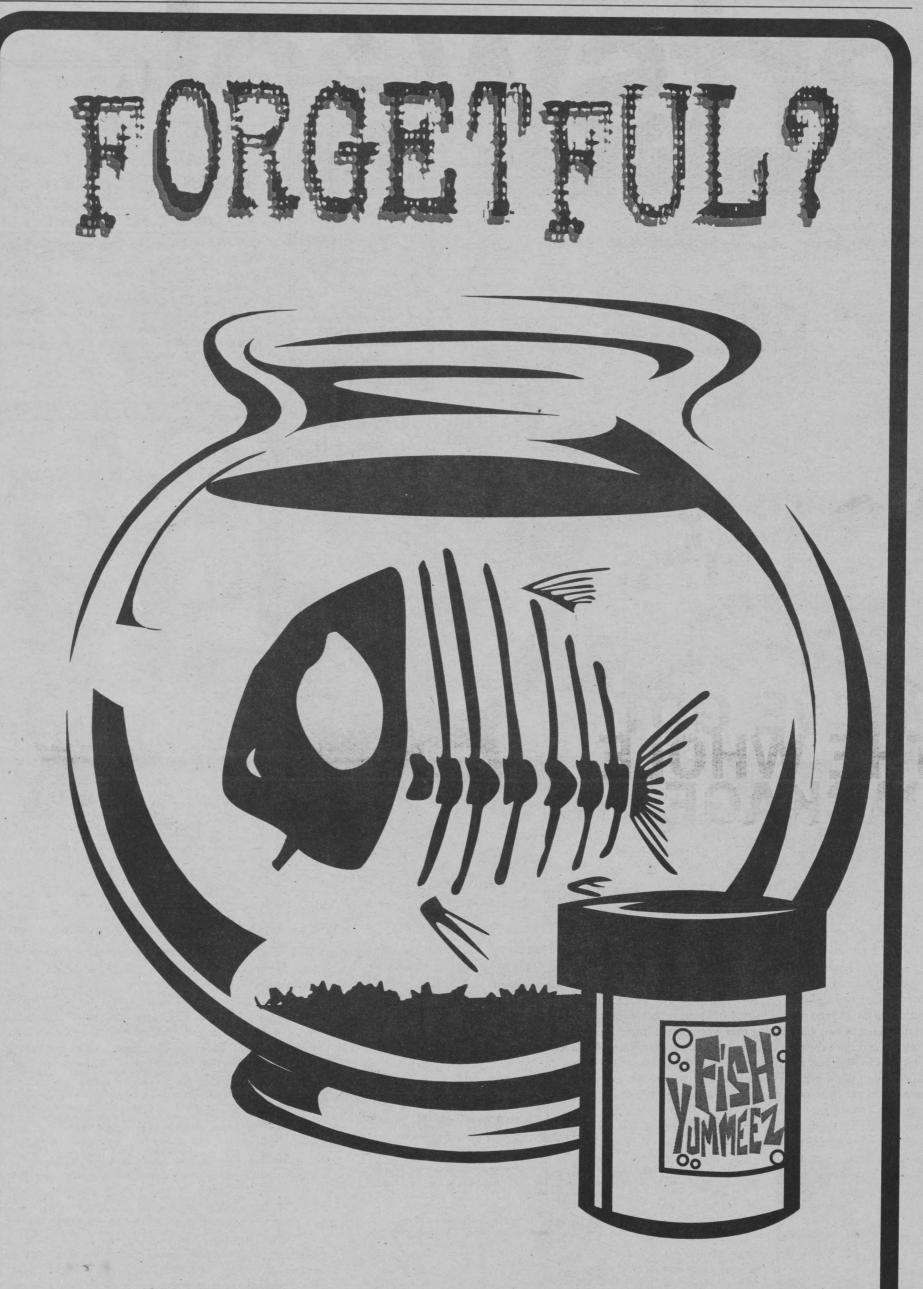
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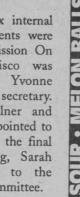
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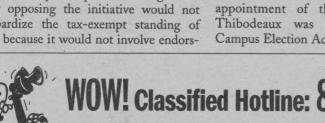
"We need to educate people on this, because right off the bat, most people don't understand what this means about the gay marriage issue," she said.

University-Owned Housing Rep Mel Fabi added, "Government shouldn't intrude into the private lives of its citizens."

Off-Campus Rep Sora Chung noted that opposing the initiative would not jeopardize the tax-exempt standing of A.S because it would not involve endorsing any particular candidate and is a nonprofit undertaking.

The council also made six internal appointments. Two appointments were made to the Student Commission On Racial Equality: Claire Fisco was appointed treasurer and Yvonne Velazquez was appointed secretary. Shaina Walter, Christy Fellner and Tiffany Arroyo Tabin were appointed to the Honoraria Committee. In the final appointment of the evening, Sarah Thibodeaux was appointed to the Campus Election Advisory Committee.





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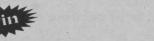
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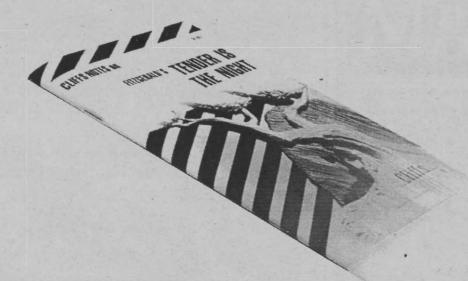






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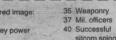
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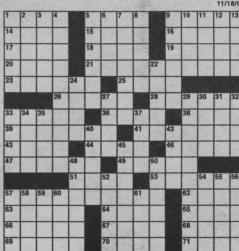
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# Sports

## Feast on Failure

#### **ERIC SIMONS**

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Like turkey and mashed potatoes, the San Francisco 49ers' failures this year have been deeply satisfying.

There is plenty to give thanks for as media and fans flee the burning wreckage of the bandwagon. First on my list is the smoldering remains of the career of running back Lawrence Phillips

Phillips was a gifted athlete at the University of Nebraska, amassing thousands of rushing yards and climbing a window to drag his girlfriend down a flight of stairs. The St. Louis Rams rewarded his prowess by selecting him sixth overall in the 1996 NFL draft. He responded like a champion, spending 23 days in jail in his 19 months with the team.

A convicted drunken driver, Phillips bounced to Miami, where a battery misdemeanor stemming from a bar fight led to NFL exile. He moved to NFL Europe, where he impressed everybody by gaining over 1000 yards and not getting arrested.

Enter the 49ers. The team with "class." An organization that prides itself on work ethic and character, as Steve Mariucci said in a press conference Monday.

This is what made their signing of Phillips in the off-season so puzzling. Sure, their reputation is unfounded. But this thug?

Wait. Suddenly, Phillips had turned over a new leaf. The media praised Phillips' new maturity, praised the 49ers for giving him a chance. Of course. The 49ers are always classy.

The ever-pandering media can remove their lips from the Niners' backsides now, before they really look bad. Phillips is gone. Refused to practice.

Funny how the Niners will come out of this the classy organization. Phillips will be demonized, and go play somewhere else. Mariucci will probably be canonized.

Neither should happen. People like Phillips should be out of the game. The 49er hype machine should stop whining about class. Signing Phillips made it abundantly clear that they have no more integrity than any other professional sports team.

For confirmation, see the file on Eddie Debartalo, a guy who's got class like the Godfather. Bet that when he fired George Seifert he left a dead fish on his doorstep the day before.

It's delightful to see this team down, to see their reputation trashed like three-day-old leftovers.

Thanks Lawrence.

Eric Simons is the Daily Nexus assistant campus editor, and his 16 units this quarter represent more class than the 49ers will ever have.

# **Homed Frogs Croak from Gauchos' Steady Attack**

By MATT HURS'
Staff Writer

It would be hard to say that, after their 86-61 drubbing of Texas Christian University, the thoughts of the #13 UCSB women's basketball team were on the game they just completed.

It would be more appropriate to say that their minds were on the game that lay ahead: a quarter-final match-up with #12 Illinois in the Preseason Women's National Invitation Tournament on Sunday afternoon.

In case you don't remember what happened between the Gauchos and the Fightin' Illini the last time the two schools met up, here's a quick reminder: Illinois beat UCSB 69-65 in the second round of the NCAA Tournament two years ago in Champaign, Ill. — the same place the two teams will meet on Sunday.

"As soon as we got off the court two years ago, we wanted to be right back out there and play them again," senior guard Stacy Clinesmith said about facing Illinois in the Final Four of the WNIT.

"I remember after the game [two years ago] just being so annoyed, ready to go, ready to play again," senior forward Kristi Rohr said. "It took two years, but it's the revenge. We're getting

As for Wednesday night's match-up in the Thunderdome,

match-up in the Thunderdome, TCU came to Santa Barbara after coming off a 62-51 victory over St. Mary's Monday night, and was just overpowered and overplayed by the Gauchos, to say the least.

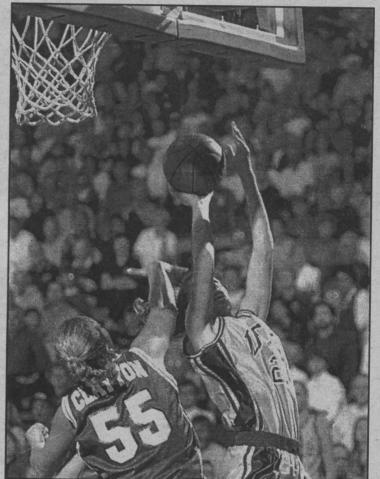
The Horned Frogs dug themselves a six-foot-deep hole early, allowing UCSB to jump out to a 19-5 lead, and the coffin was

19-5 lead, and the coffin was being fitted for them by half-time, as UCSB held a 40-26 advantage after the first 20 minutes.

The second half was worse than the first for TCU, as UCSB took a 20-point advantage early on and then ran away with the game, leading by as many as 27 at one time.

"They took us out of everything that we wanted to do," TCU Head Coach Jeff Mittie said. "They've got a mature basketball team ... We felt like we could not allow Rohr and [junior guard Erin] Buescher to get inside. In the second half they just pounded us."

Rohr picked up two early fouls in the first half and had to sit for most of the first 20 minutes, scoring only two points. But round two was a different story, as the Santa Ynez native finished with 16 points. Buescher, who was limited to 10 points in Monday's victory over UNLV, had a game-high of 25



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SHE'S TALL: Sophomore forward Kayte Christensen goes for two of her nine points in Wednesday night's second-round WNIT victory over TCU.

to go along with 10 rebounds, while Clinesmith finished with 11 points and 12 assists.

Amy Sutton led TCU with 12 points and five boards, while Diamond Jackson, who lit up St. Mary's for 17 points, was held to only five. Only one other Horned Frog scored in double formers.

Despite the blowout, the Gauchos feel that Sunday's game is more important than a revenge factor.

"This might be a great thing for us," UCSB Head Coach Mark French said about travelling to Illinois. "But, to really go where we want to go, then we need to go out on the road and win against really good teams. This is a great preparation for us ... playing on a hostile court and having to win. And, this will be a great way for us to gauge where we are in terms of becoming the best Gaucho team that we can be."

# **UCSB Finishes Season at NCAA Region 8 Championships**

BY BECKY FREEMAN

Reporter

The UCSB men's and women's cross country teams capped off their seasons with great finishes at the NCAA Region 8 Championships this past weekend in Portland — with the men finishing 11th out of 23 teams and the women 13th out of 28 teams.

The men stepped up to run a longer distance (10K instead of the usual 8K) against some of the best teams in the nation; Region 8 took six teams to Nationals, more than any other region in the country. Redshirt sophomore Josh Horton, who placed 33rd with a time of 31:49 (the fastest 10K he's ever run), led the Gauchos.

"We ended on a positive note, better than last year," Horton said. "We are a young team and to have an inexperienced team and still do better than the year before is great."

Horton was followed by junior Dan Gaston (68th in 33:11), sophomore Noah Lidman (80th in 33:34), freshman J.T. Service (81st in 33:36), junior Kent Roberts (87th in 33:47), senior Pat Longhini (94th in 33:56) and freshman Booker Tynes (99th in 34:13).

"They had the best team performance of the year," UCSB Head Coach Pete Dolan said. "Considering all the trials we had this year [such as redshirting, injuries and sicknesses] and personal changes in our top seven, it was tempting to look towards next year. But this team overcame adversity and finished great in Conference and at Regionals. If I learned anything from this year, it was to stay with the present and the future will take care of itself."

With Longhini being the only senior graduating, Dolan has rea-

son to look positively towards the years to come. But according to Dolan, Longhini will be missed immensely.

"We learned a lot from Pat," Dolan said. "He persevered all the years and he became a team favorite. They saw him as a silent warrior and he was a huge positive influence on the team."

UCSB's women also finished their season on a high note, and though the Gauchos' number-one runner, senior Jessica Lunt, came up short in qualifying individually for the National meet, she was very excited about how the team did.

"We ran the best race of the year as a team," Lunt said. "It was a good redemption from [the Big West] Conference."

Lunt finished the 5K race in 18:24 to take 46th place. Sophomore Katie Appenrodt wasn't far behind, as she stuck with Lunt throughout the race and finished 57th in 18:32. Rounding out the top five were sophomore Lisa Dunn (90th, who ran a personal best in 19:02), junior Ali Pearson (92nd in 19:07) and freshman Tiffany DeJesus (104th in 19:16). UCSB's sixth and seventh runners were sophomore Emily Naughton and freshman Desiree DeJesus, who finished 133rd and 150th, respectively.

"We did very well," Appenrodt said. "We were strong at 3, 4 and 5, and we haven't had that all year. The race gave us a lot of goals and we have a lot of improvement to make. Now we have track and the summer to train."

Coach Dolan is also looking forward to seeing next year's team, though filling Lunt's spot will be tough.

"Of our top seven next year, only one will be a senior and everything looks good towards next season," he said. "We have to fill Jessica's shoes and do our work recruiting."

## **Attention Gauchos:**

Tickets for Saturday night's 7 o'clock game between the UCSB men's basketball team and #9 Stanford will be distributed on Friday in Storke Plaza from noon to 1:30 p.m. Students with valid UCSB I.D.s can pick up two tickets for the game. If there are any left over tickets, they will be made available at the T-dome starting at 6:30 the night of the game. Get your tickets and support your team. Go Gauchos!