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## Flames Sweep Island, Jump Water

■ Two Youths Rescued, Then Detained After Allegedly Starting Blaze

By Rachel Howard and Tim Molloy Staff Writers

A fire allegedly caused by juveniles playing with matches blazed across the Campus Lagoon island Wednesday and apparently jumped the water, spreading to a patch of grass below San Nicolas Residence Hall.

low San Nicolas Residence Hall. Students and faculty watched billows of smoke turn the sky dark gray as the fire burned across the island. The Santa Barbara County Fire Dept. first received reports of the blaze on the island's west side at 12:53 p.m. Fire engines arrived within 10

Fire engines arrived within 10 minutes to contain the island fire. But by 1:05, embers had blown across the lagoon to ignite a small area near San Nicolas.

Surrounding buildings were immediately cleared, according to Campus Police Sgt. Mike

"We're trying to keep the stu-

dents off the cliffs by San Rafael, San Nicholas and at least back to the UCen and out of the marine laboratory," he said. "We evacuated San Nicolas, San Miguel, [De La Guerra dining commons], Santa Cruz, the University House, the Centennial House and the marine science lab within five minutes."

No injuries were reported in the fire.

At about 1:15, crews received

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Firefighters responded shortly before 1 p.m. to calls of smoke and fire on the lagoon island Wednesday, apparently caused by juveniles playing with matches. The blaze spread quickly through underbrush and dry trees, leaving scorched earth in its wake. Photos by Larry Mills and Erin Derby.

# **Groups Reject Outline for Increasing Resource Space**

By Brian Norton Reporter

In a show of solidarity, several student groups have joined together in opposing an administrative proposal to redesign a student services complex.

Student Affairs has outlined a plan to redesign Building 434 to allow increased resource space for five student groups—the Asian American Student Coalition, Black Student Union, American Indian Student Association, Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual Alliance and Transfer/Re-entry/Nontraditional Student Association. But many group representatives question the proposal and are promoting their own plan.

Under the Student Affairs plan, the Visitor Center would move from Building 434, while Campus Learning Assistance Services, LGBA and TRNSA would move in. An architect would then be brought in to redesign Building 434 to increase resource space for every organization, according to acting Dean of Students Yonie Harris.

"We have been working over the years to answer everyone's needs, but we are working on a campus that is space-poor," she said. "At this moment, this is the resource we have available, so we hope to get a good architect in there who can redesign the building to maxim-

ize the available space."

The proposal is an answer to eight years of pleas spearheaded by the AASC Resource Center Task Force, according

"Over the years we have gotten requests for more resource space from [several different groups] — space where they could have some sense of identity, where meetings could take place and where they could house books and literature," she said.

But the proposal does not adequately address the space crunch and treats the organizations as a homogeneous unit instead of addressing each group's unique cultural background and needs, according to Sudarat Musikawong, a member of the task force. It also does not provide money

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## **Process Initiates Disagreement Over Roles**

By James Fagen Staff Writer

Controversy marked the last Associated Students Legislative Council meeting of the year Wednesday when new A.S. President Russell Bartholow overruled some students' selections to head their campus groups.

Wednesday's meeting was the last one for the members of the 1995-96 Leg Council. Partway

through the meeting, they gave up their offices to the students elected to fill them for the next year. The new council's first order of business was approving A.S. committee chairs for next year.

Some objected to Bartholow's decision to involve himself in the chair selection process of A.S. organizations that have traditionally selected their own leaders, and for making different selections than the groups. Bartholow worked with the A.S.

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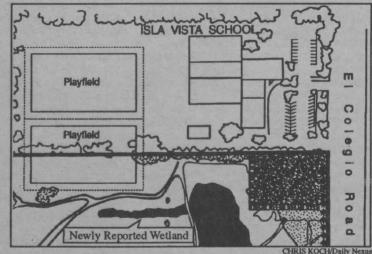
## Reported Vernal Pool Could Require Change in Plan

By Jeff Brax Staff Writer

The discovery by a campus biologist of a possible 200-by-15-foot stretch of environmentally sensitive wetland could force a change in the development plan for Isla Vista's largest open space.

Roughly 20 students and community members met Tuesday night to discuss a Santa Barbara County environmental review document for the 24-acre Camino Corto open space adjacent to Isla Vista Elementary School. In addition, Wayne Ferren, executive director of the campus Museum of Systematics and Ecology, has sent a letter to

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Original plans for the installation of playfields at I.V. Elementary School and Camino Corto open space may be put on hold following the potential discovery of new wetlands near the proposed

## FIRE: Smoke Results in Evacuation of Buildings

Continued from p.1 reports of people trapped on the island and dispatched a boat from the marine science laboratory to rescue them, said fire department public infor-mation officer Charlie Johnson.

The boat rescued two juveniles who are suspected of playing with matches and have been arrested, Johnson said. Fire department officials are investigating the case.

Senior art studio major Chris Mays said he was kayaking across the lagoon when he saw the two suspects on the island.

"On my way to the dock, I saw two, I would say, 13-year-old kids starting a little fire," he said. "I was only like 20 feet away from them. I was yelling at them, 'What the fuck are you doing?' They got up and fled."

Senior business/ economics major Brian Janney watched the rescue along with hundreds of students, faculty and staff gathered on the south side of the UCen.

"The kids came running down the hill," he said. "They were trapped. There was a line of fire and they were screaming, 'Help!'
They scaled half the island and wouldn't jump in the water.'

Firefighters contained the fire at 2:47, and hall residents were allowed to return to their rooms roughly 30 minutes later. The blaze consumed 51/4 acres of the lagoon island and a quarter-acre near San Nicolas, according to Johnson.

University police and residence hall resident assistants worked to evacuate students and contain the blaze.

"I just came off class and found this," said San Ni-colas RA Nathaniel Summer. "I came over and grabbed a fire extinguisher and got people out of the way. We've kind of just been watching the fire and trying to keep it under

The fire also broke up the daily routines of students forced to evacuate their rooms to avoid smoke. San Miguel resident Mimi Wang said she and her roommate were in their room when the island blaze began.

"We just heard sirens and then saw tons of smoke," said the undeclared freshman. "We could see the island was burning. We heard San Nic's alarm go off, and then we were told to close our windows. Our alarm went off like 15 minutes later. I grabbed my blanket and my laptop and took off."

Some observers complained firefighters arrived too late. "I saw it starting up, and they were pretty slow on getting here," said freshman pharmacology major Mary Frontanez.

While the fire tore through the island's vegetation and devoured trees, ecologists said it only destroyed plant life that likely would have been removed eventually in a controlled burn.

Wayne Ferren, executive director of the Museum of Systematics and Ecology, said the campus Restoration Ecology Club has been planning to replace the island's plants

with native vegetation.

"The fire perhaps is not a bad thing at all," he said. "It clears out a lot of the exotic plants and a lot of the dead vegetation, and allows us to develop a landscape plan with native

"It's just that no one would wish it on a windy day with the campus full of people," Ferren added.
While firefighters

worked to stop the blaze, spectators enjoyed lunch as they watched from a safe distance.

"It's been kind of a recreational thing," said freshman environmental studies major Chris Hill. "But we were worried, you



LARRY MILLS/Daily Nexus

Fire crews monitored the flames ravaging the island, allowing the blaze to burn itself out at the water's edge. No injuries were reported.

Continued from p.1 for needed equipment and

staff workers, she said. "The space that the groups currently have is inadequate, because no funding goes into the space," she said. "There are no phones, just offices and a larger type of meeting room outside, and there is no staffing for the space, so it goes unsupervised."

Student Affairs' proposal would essentially add two more groups but not make the building any larger, according to Musikawong.

"The space allocation proposed by Student Affairs will include more student groups, but will mean much less space," she said.

The current office for Asian-interest student organizations also lacks sufficient resource space, according to Musikawong.

"There is no way that these space experts can have any idea of the students' needs," she said. "This particular office alone is supposed to house 25 different Asian groups."

Joe Villegas, another member of the task force, said he is frustrated with the plan.

"We could potentially be a resource for thousands of students and the space they're proposing is totally inadequate," he said. "It's been eight years now, and that's all they can offer us."

All five student groups have joined together to support the Asian coalition and let the administration know that they are united on the issue. El Congreso has also dec-

lared their support.
The task force has drawn their own proposal for reconfiguring space in a way that would be better for all groups involved, according to Musikawong.

"The student organizations came up with a different proposal that would give students more space and establish some kind of loose governance board and provide jobs for students to do the staffing,"

Task force member Erin O'Brien said it is important that different groups are able to talk to each other about their problems.

"We've tried to create a communication network between different student groups to talk about our different needs," she said.

Continued from p.1 Committee on Committees to help select next year's committee chairs for the Student Commission on Racial Equality, Women's Commission, Academic Affairs Board and A.S. Lobby.

1995-96 Internal Vice President Bo Thoreen, who chaired his last Leg Council meeting Wednesday, said Bartholow was not following tradition or the A.S. Legal Code by making the appointments. Thoreen said only the A.S. president and not the president-elect could make appointments, noting that Bartholow was not president when he made the decisions.

"If you go with tradition, yeah, somebody's out of line," Thoreen said. "If you go by the legal code, appointments are made by the president, not the

resident-elect "

But A.S. Committees Coordinator Robyn Libitsky said Bartholow and the group took the proper and necessary action. Three A.S. organizations handed the appointment powers to the Committee on Committees by failing to submit chair recommendations on time, Libitsky said.

"Committee chair selection was done as it should have been," said the junior history and sociology major. "What happened was, we have a timeline, and we didn't get the recommen-dations we needed in time from the specific boards."

"Because we did not get these recommendations in time, we had to take the next step and go ahead with the appointments," Libitsky added. But 1995-96 outgoing

Rep-at-Large Nicole Meyer-Morse said individual committees did not receive a proper say in the selection process.

"The committee fiasco was rather far-reaching in the fact that groups that should have been included were excluded from committee chair selection, and thus, we ended up with fucked-up ap-pointments," said Meyer-Morse, a senior microbiology major.
The controversy over

the appointments boiled over before the meeting Wednesday afternoon in an argument between Bartholow and 1995-96 External Vice President for Statewide Affairs Kris

While Kohler declined to comment on the incident, Bartholow alleged that the EVPSA pushed him during a disagreement about the president-elect's choices

"Kris did not like the nominations for jobs," Bartholow said. "He felt that physical violence was the answer, and unfortunately for him, that's illegal."

Bartholow filed a complaint with Campus Police and an officer attended the Leg Council meeting Wednesday because of the incident.

Leg Council opted Wednesday night to put off approving the chairs Bartholow selected for the four committees. But the appointment debate was not the night's only controversy.

While responsible for inaugurating the reps under the A.S. Legal Code, Thoreen said he did not want to do so because he believed some newly elected officials were incompetent.

"[The decision not to participate] was calculated weeks in advance. I can't mesh the dictates of my conscience with ... socalled duty," he said.

While Thoreen passed

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## Weather

I'll admit that when I first heard about the fire, my immediate thought was something along the lines of "Dammit! Clumsy stoners!" Having cruised my way around the Lagoon in just about every brain state I've ever been in, I understand the appeal of stopping under a convenient conifer and lighting up. Ask me about Spring Quarter '94 sometime. Anyway, it's still a tragedy.

The biggest problem here at Nexus was trying to figure out what to call that overgrown sandbarthat makes the Lagoon a lagoon and not just a beachfront food court. Is it best described as a mesa? It's certainly flatter on top than that glorified hill downtown. Many people know it as "the Helicopter Pad" due to the asphalt clearing in its middle (scene of inspired creativity from time to time). True fans will always consider it "The Zone" (as in "Go to the..."), although I imagine most people (except "disco" Ross French) won't remember this reference.

Early reports had this land mass identified as an island, but some folks around here resisted that idea at first. An island, they said, was entirely surrounded by water. Lagoon lore lover that I am, I pointed out that the Lagoon is connected to the ocean by underground pipes and that the space in question was certainly more of an island than, say, Rhode Island. Rhode Island's state bird, by the way, is the Rhode Island red. That's a chicken.

I'm getting kind of tired of this cloud cover thing. Fortunately, it should be letting up soon. I

like the wind, though.

## Discussions to Center on Service and Cost of Local Shuttle Buses

An Associated Students committee 1996-97 EVP Jeff Provenzano. will gather opinion on a proposed Isla Vista electric shuttle service in two public forums today.

The meetings are designed to gather student and faculty input on the feasibility of a shuttle system that would run from I.V. to campus. The agenda will include discussion of possible service routes, schedules and fare prices.

Derek Cole, meeting coordinator and

1995-96 external vice president, said the forums will be conducted in a casual manner to encourage community input and provide the committee with a pool

"We'll throw questions at the audience, and they'll throw questions back at us," he said. "We're at a discussion stage analyzing every possible thing anyone can think of. If we get off on a tangent, we'll go with that tangent. We want every avenue exhausted before we proceed on.'

The shuttle system could help alleviate the campus traffic situation, said

"We hope a lot of students come out for [these meetings], because this could be a very effective system in the future," he said. "Hopefully we'll be able to re-duce the number of cars that freshmen bring to campus because they will know there are alternative forms of transportation."

There is no definite timetable for the proposal process, according to Provenzano.

"Right now, we're just in the beginning stages," he said. "We're hoping to get this thing going in the fall of 1997."

Funding for the shuttle system is available from a \$250,000 state grant acquired for the university by 35th District Assemblyman Brooks Firestone (R-Los Olivos), Cole said.

The first meeting is at 11:30 a.m. in the UCen State Street Room, and the second is at 2:30 p.m. in the UCen Harbor Room.

-Brian Langston

## Week Seeks to Increase Cultural Awareness

By Julia Bernstein Reporter

Traditional ceremonies, prayers and political edu-cation highlight the Native American Culture Week that began Tuesday.

The American Indian Student Association and American Indian Educational Opportunity Program are sponsoring a week of events to increase cultural awareness and celebrate the traditions of Native Americans on campus and in the Santa Barbara

Events include a video presentation in the Educational Student Activity Center, which ran Wednesday, Mistoyo Dancers in the MultiCultural Center today, singers and storytellers in Storke Plaza Friday and a weeklong art exhibit in the MCC

One of the purposes of the celebration is to inform the community about the American Indian movement and the services it can offer.

"We are out to protect different aspects of Native American life, whether it be religious freedom, land issues, civil rights or anything else that affects the Native community," said Rosemary Lopez, director of the Santa Barbara chapter of the American Indian Movement of California.

AISA Co-Chair Tiona Bostick also believes the week's events are significant in teaching the campus community.

"I think for one, just knowing we're on Chum-ash land is important, because a lot of people may not know that," Bostick said. "If they do, I really commend them."

The week's organizers also aim to break stereotypes, according to AISA Co-Chair Luis Ramirez.

"It would be nice if everybody showed up to become more aware of different cultures within Native America, rather than what is portrayed on television with cowboys and Indians," he said.

The week began Tues-day when Chumash elder Pilula blessed the Tree of Peace in a ceremony in front of Storke Tower. The Storke Eagle drum group also performed in front of a crowd of roughly 30

people.
"Before we as Indians begin anything, we always offer a prayer to the creator," Lopez said.

Junior religious studies major Justin Davis participated in the blessing.

"I enjoyed it very much," Davis said. "It was

Continued from p.1 county staff indicating the site has a vernal wetland not mapped in the property's development Draft Master Plan.

"I would suggest that there's more wetland than what's on the map," Ferren said. "It's a fairly narrow trough. I didn't walk it out and map it, but it could extend 200 feet or longer, maybe 10 or 15 feet wide.'

County mappers could have overlooked the wetland because it might not have been obvious until last year's heavy rainfall, Ferren added.

The trough could impact the county's preferred development plan for the site, which includes a soccer field half on county property and half on land owned by I.V. Elementary School. The field must have a 100-foot buffer zone between it and any environmentally sensitive habitats, and so might be too close to the newly discovered wetland, accord-

ing to Ferren.
"If it is within the 100-foot setback, and that setback is for wetlands and not just vernal pools, they would have to come up with some setback [or mitigation]," he said. "There may be some reconsideration of the site or setbacks comply with Local Coastal

Plan policies."
But county planner Elihu Gevirtz, who visited the site last week and again Monday, said he is not sure the trough is either a vernal wetland or an environmentally sensitive habitat.

"I'm not convinced that that trough is really a wetland," he said. "Is that environmentally sensitive habitat, or is it not, and certainly vernal pools are, but is a trough? I don't know."

Gevirtz said he planned to call Ferren in the next few days to examine the site together. County planner Kathy Kefauver, who prepared the environmental negative declaration for the property, said Ferren's concerns will be considered in future environmental documents.

"His comments will be taken and we will address

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## OPINION

"To take notes is to play the scales of lit-

-Jules Renard



## The Joker's Wild

Gov. Wilson Should Allow American Indian Reservations the Right to Own Casinos

### **Editorial**

The government giveth, and the government taketh away.

Within this nation's history, the U.S. government has arguably railroaded the interests of the minority or the less powerful for the national benefit, or more accurately, the benefit of the powerful. The treatment of American Indians over the course of European settlement and western expansion is one of the clearest examples of governmental destructiveness in the guise of manifest destiny.

In recent decades, the California Legislature has attempted to remedy the historical exploitation of American Indians by allowing reservations to have their own laws. The separation between California law and reservation law has also allowed them to preserve their culture as much as possible.

But in order to create revenue for povertystricken reservations, American Indians have founded casinos on their holdings across California. Although many forms of gambling are outlawed in the rest of the state, the reservations have continued running their casinos. However, some have complained about the practice, most notably Gov. Pete Wilson.

The cloud of dubious legality over reservation gambling was addressed Tuesday in the state Senate, when senators passed a Democrat-sponsored bill erasing any possibility of state impingement on such gambling, validating it by a healthy margin. A similar bill has been proposed by Republicans in the state Assembly, demonstrating the bipartisan support for casino protection.

Mutual agreement on the gaming laws must exist between the state and reservations under federal law, and thus the bill would force Wilson to negotiate with the Indian tribes regarding specific types of gambling, including card games, slot machines and video poker.

In light of the fact that this is American Indian Culture Week, we need to think about the connection between Wilson's authority to decide when a state law may apply to a traditionally oppressed

Yet Wilson vehemently opposes adopting any sort of compromise with the tribes on the issue. He

is expected to veto the bill, citing the all-

encompassing nature of California prohibition on

sanctioning state "gambling" and unfairly denying

Indian casinos the same sort of sorely needed revenue would be hypocritical. In addition, Wilson

would be reneging on the state's promise to permit

legal autonomy on the reservations and self-

determination of laws governing tribal

tribes' right to make their own laws will be stepped

on once again, continuing our regrettable national

record on treatment of American Indians. This ac-

tion would also deny the tribes the revenue source

that even the state has resorted to in generating

to a basic lack of respect for California's pledge to

an end of encroachment on American Indian cul-

ture. The state government needs to stand firm on

its commitment to allow the American Indians in-

dependence. Wilson must look to the wiser judg-

ment of the state Legislature and recognize the need

for compromise between the governor and the

Wilson's waffling on the issue of gambling points

With the expected veto of the Senate bill, the

Casino supporters argue that slot machine gambling is similar to gambling in state lotteries; thus

gambling laws, without exception.

group like the California tribes, and who chooses when it may not.

communities.

Wilson's misuse of power in negating a state law regarding tribal autonomy and the desires of the representatives to protect this autonomy is a frightening possibility in this land of milk and honey.

BY GARRY TRUDEAU





#### **Nick Robertson**

The fire began right after lunchtime in the dead, dry weeds next to the lagoon. Passing joggers noticed the spreading blaze and thought about calling 911, but figured someone else would do it, or that it was controlled

But it wasn't long before the fire obviously wasn't controlled and was beginning to rage toward the San Rafael clusters. By this time the few fire trucks stationed at UCSB were on the scene, but not before the flames had spread to the eucalyptus patch next to the Faculty Club. The oily leaves burned quickly, and the fire shot down to the roots, which burnt to a cinder underground within two minutes. The flaming trees fell across the access road and onto the roof of San Rafael Hall. The chaos that would become the Great Isla Vista Fire

Dorm residents ran screaming out of every door as the building was rapidly engulfed in flames. Some students were severely injured as they attempted to collect their precious CD collections and clothes, while one frantic man screamed to the bustling firefighters about his roommate, who was taking a nap and still hadn't emerged 20 minutes after the building was evacuated. Meanwhile, the brush fire had spread through the fields south of the hall to the parking lot, where the first line of cars began to combust. Some residents tried to drive away, but an accident at the single outlet blocked all other cars. The air reeked of gasoline fumes as tanks blew up, igniting each adjacent vehicle.

By now, the county fire department had brought out more trucks, but San Rafael was already reduced to a steel and cement inferno. Black smoke filled the air to the point where the campus was receiving little sunlight, as the winds blew sporadi-

cally on what had been a beautiful day.

It wasn't long before a few sparks crossed Ocean Road and ignited the row of eucalyptus trees separating the campus from Isla Vista. The trees burned quickly and in succession, and once the roots were gone in the largest tree across from the smoldering remains of San Rafael, the flaming timber tipped over into the large apartment complex at the end of Sabado Tarde. The blaze shot through the balcony windows, and the dilapidated building was even quicker to burn than the residence hall. Soon the

## The Reader's Voice

## False Remarks

Editor, Daily Nexus:

This letter is in response to Javier Delgadillo's article "See Both Sides Clearly" (Daily Nexus, The Reader's Voice, May 28).

The only time I find myself sitting in front of my computer at this point in the quarter is to finish working on

papers for my classes. However, the nature of Mr. Delgadillo's letter left me no alternative but to respond to his hateful, anti-Semitic remarks.

For one thing, don't give me that bullshit about your letter bringing me and the other organizers of Holocaust Remembrance Week a measure of joy. You know damn well that the purpose of your letter was to inspire hate and to cause the Jewish community pain.

I'm not going to waste my time with a long sermon about the atrocities of the Nazis against the Jews and other groups that the Nazis felt had no place on Earth. What I will do is address the false remarks that you

First, the exact numbers of Jews killed in each concentration camp is obviously disputable. WE are talking about hundreds of thousands of men, women and children who perished, and tracking each individual

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next door to that. As the substandard apartments combusted like kindling, more chaos ensued in the streets. Students ran screaming from their homes as the flames jumped from hovel to hovel. Some tried to load up their cars with their belongings but soon had to abandon the scene, either by order of the passing police and fire crews or by the scorching heat that

over with no discretion as to what lay below. I.V. residents ran through the community with their

The Great Isla Vista Fire Might Have Occurred If Only the Wind Had Changed

fire spread to the house next door. And the house



clothes burning, screaming frantically and forgetting to stop, drop and roll.

Those who tried to evacuate the town, according to the official police orders, found themselves trapped on El Colegio Road. Because there are only three one-lane exit routes from Isla Vista, the streets were completely jammed and the accidents compounded upon themselves. Some students were wise enough to take only what could fit in a backpack and walk or bike into the safety of Goleta, but many others who would never consider riding that far stayed in town to panic, disrupting the exhausted emergency crews as the firestorm

When the county realized the severity of the Isla Vista hellfire, they had little choice but to take drastic measures. Planes loaded with seawater swooped into the smoldering ruins, drenching any remaining tinder. Choppers hovered above the community,

spreading noxious chemicals across the land in an attempt to end the damage at the 6700 block. Television news teams from across the state swarmed the small town, further adding to the confusion. The body count was estimated at 47, with thousands of students and residents still unaccounted for. The sun began to set over the Santa Ynez

At any rate, yesterday's brush fire was fortunately confined to the lagoon island. But the dry conditions there that made it possible for the fire to burn and spread within minutes are exactly the same as the field across the lagoon, laden with dead weeds and dry chaparral. The Great Isla Vista Fire has not happened, but it sure as hell could. Are we ready for

Nick Robertson is the incoming Nexus editor

Think for Yourself, Don't Toe the Line

Bo Thoreen

I submit this column to the Associated Students. It is in an effort to hold

Last night, I refused to inaugurate the executive officers for 1996-97. Instead, I chose to pass the chair to my first pro tempore. Far from the spiteful jabs of a disappointed candidate, my actions reflect an inner commitment to work for the collective interests of students.

Without speaking negatively, I cannot reconcile my commitment to the advancement of students with the act of inauguration left to the internal

Since I have no opportunity to inaugurate portions of these individuals, and being unable to mesh the so-called duties of my office with the demands of my conscience, I chose to act according to the premise on which I have acted in our struggle for student empowerment: my considered judgement, rather than the supposed dictates of structure. My conscience would not allow me to write this chapter of UCSB history suggested by my job.

With the specific incident behind us, I want to suggest that we re-examine our methods of evaluation. We have allowed ourselves to be the

"Since I have no opportunity to inaugurate portions of these individuals, and being unable to mesh the so-called duties of my office with the demands of my conscience, I chose to act according to the premise on which I have acted in our struggle for student empowerment ..."

nice

any camp on German soil." So what. No one has ever claimed that the Germans used gas chambers in Germany; all the death camps were on foreign soil, mostly in Poland. However, the meticulous nature of the Nazis has provided us with documents that list precise numbers of Jews killed in each camp. If you're skeptical, you can go and see these documents at the Holocaust mu-



seums in Los Angeles, Washington, D.C., and Israel. Furthermore, these numbers were supported by the testimony of Nazis at the Nuremberg trias at the end of the war.

Second, I'd like to address your clain that only 3 million Jews were killed and not the 6 million that has been the accepted figure. In 1939, at the outbreak of the war, there were 18 million Jews in the world, according to a very accurate census. In 1945, there were only 12 million. You, and other Holocaust disclaimers, may offer some alternative hypotheses to account for these "exra" missing 3 million Jews. Perhaps they perished in the Russian army? Or maybe the birth rate disappeared entirely? Was there some mysterious disease that wiped out these lews? All these ideas are a mockery of society's intelligence. We all know what happened; however, some of us refuse to face the truth.

Third, in regard to your point that Israel should return part of the \$50 billion in reparations that certain in-

dividuals have received: For argument's sake, let's suppose that only 3 million Jews were murdered. Divide that into \$50 billion and you get \$16,600 for each Jew who was murdered. I don't know what value you place on human life, but to Jews, a life is priceless. Millions of dollars were stolen by the Nazis, as well as countless businesses and homes; this is what the reparations are for. Could a new car replace your mother?

Finally, what's this bullshit about the atrocities committed by the "Judeo-communist" government to which you refer? How many Jews were part of this government aside from the infamous Trotsky? Anyone who was known to be Jewish was entirely excluded from serving as a member of that government. The Lenin-Stalin regime killed Jews in pogroms as indiscriminately as they killed farmers and political prisoners. And besides, what does this have to do with what the Nazis

In the future, Mr. Delgadillo, don't use lies and irrelevant facts to try and convince people that Jews are lying, cheating, self-righteous murderers (an inevitable conclusion one reaches upon reading your article). At least be honest about what it is about Jews that makes you despise them so much.

ZOLLY KRYGER

## "Hire" Wage?

Editor, Daily Nexus:

In a recent column, Aneesh Lele indicated support for raising the minimum wage (Daily Nexus, "A Living Minimum Wage Will Benefit Our Country," May 20).

In Lele's opinion, the minimum wage should be raised to maintain what is termed a living wage. While Lele undoubtedly has noble intentions, his focus is wrong. Rather than focusing upon the minimum wage, Lele would do better to think of good, sound ways to create economic growth.

This summer and fall, much of the better rhetoric surrounding the minimum wage will center on a controversial study by two Princeton economists. In essence, their study found that an increase in the minimum wage did not seem to reduce employment. In fact, they argue it may have increased employment.

However, more recent work by other notable economists has placed the conclusion of that study in doubt. In short, these economists pointed out numerous flaws with the Princeton empirical study. After correcting for these errors, these researchers found that an increase in the minimum wage decreased employment.

But rather than go into the details and failings of both of these studies (as all studies have them), think positively as opposed to normatively. Think of yourself as a businessperson. Ask yourself, would I hire more people at \$6 or \$5 an hour? If you are unsure, change the \$6 to \$100 and see if the result isn't affected. Remember you are a businessperson concerned solely with profit.

Undoubtedly you answered that you would hire more at the lower wage. Lele seems to feel that this is truly tragic. But I put it to you, would you rather be employed earn-

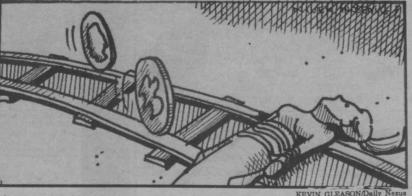
paid instruments of institutions. Many people in the University of California are struggling to balance their conscience and the mandate of SP-1 and SP-2. Many of us have buckled under the pressure of job security and personal distaste for conflict. This is exactly what Mr. Wilson requires of us: complacency. And we have performed well. Only if we adhere to our considered principles can we hope to lead a life that we can live with.

We need to open a dialogue with reality, to see through the veil of human activity that we call "duty." Our duty ought to be nothing other than our considered value, but our duty has become the whim of our "superiors." My example by action will no doubt be cast down by our capitalist pseudomorality that decries all but complacency, complicity and capitulation. We, all of us, need to step back and review our allegiances. We are not obliged to do the bidding of our so-called superiors. All of this talk about responsibility, duty and one's job is merely a manifestation of capitalist morality that condemns those who will not "toe the line" or be a "team player."

This coming year is a year of choices. Our state will decide the direction of our own social policy when the California Civil Rights Initiative comes up in November, and the nation will decide the course of the next four years when we select a president. All I can ask for is a critical examination of our collective behavior, that each of us educate ourselves and our families, and that we vote with our conscience. Think about the history you are writing with your action and inaction. Is it a history that you can be proud

Nothing has to be done. None of us have to do anything. We have more than we can lathom if we have the courage to make them. Bo Thoreen is the outgoing Associated Students internal vice

sinessperson would hire people just like themselves and just like you (undoubtedly intelligent and with similar physical characteristics), then you're on the right track. Eco-



ing \$5 an hour or unemployed? Secondly, under what would undoubtedly be excess supply (would you supply more labor at \$5 or \$10 an hour?), how would hiring decisions be made? If you answered that a bunomists have traditionally felt that price floors such as the minimum wage only increase undesirable activities such as discrimination.

Lele also seems to think that an increase in the minimum wage will generate income for all citizens. Lele reasons that "workers with more income would consume more." But if that's the case, then obviously all of our wages should be \$100,000 or even more. However, you and I both know now that this would only create a disaster.

Indeed, when such laws are passed, the system under such restrictions is poorer by the amount of the newly unemployed, increased crime rates (increases in unemployment are correlated with increased crime) and general depression of people who want to work but can't

Lastly, please remember that Republicans (at least most of them) are not anti-poor to the benefit of business. It's just that they simply have a different solution to a chronic

KENNETH DANGER

Responsible,

## HARDER

Continued from p.8 complaining. You have to make money to keep the department open."

Additionally, current scheduling is constantly being debated.

Most recently, with the closing of the stadium's main field for renovations in the spring, the soccer teams were forced to the north side of the field to practice for their 10-game spring season.

Club teams were also banned from using the field while it received the new turf. Meanwhile, the modifications that were to have taken place due to the rugby tournament have been left undone.

"The field renovations were a Band-Aid approach to a larger problem," said Arya.

Extravaganza, however, nearly nullified those renovations.

"The areas in front of the stages, the grass got

completely worn away to bare soil, plus there was damage to the entrance," said Ralph Mize, grounds supervisor for Facilities Management.

As Spaventa points out, there is a sort of Catch-22: "To say to the students, 'You can't use the stadium' - that would be an inappropriate response. The only way you can prevent damage to the field is to prevent people from using it," he said.

The field's reconstruction in the wake of recent damage affects club teams as well.

The ultimate Frisbee team had planned on hosting a 24-team tournament in the stadium the weekend after Extravaganza, but because of the field damage, it was prohibited from using the stadium. The tournament was then forced to move to Rob Field.

"Rob is in really bad shape. They [Facilities Management] repair holes with sand. You can't run

on it. It's like quicksand," said Davina Roche, cocaptain of the women's ultimate team.

Club teams are much more limited in terms of where they are allowed to play. Unlike the ICA teams, they are not accorded absolute priority when it comes to game scheduling.

"Not knowing is really hard. It's hard to organize. You have to get the OKs. Things are always subject

to change," Roche said. The issues can best be summed up by the department heads.

"Given all the conflicting interests that there were, I don't think we can do any better," said Spaventa.

However, his counterpart in the Intercollegiate Athletics Dept. sees room for compromise.

"There have been conflicts, but hopefully people can sit down and work them out," said UCSB Athletic Director Gary Cunningham.

## SEASON

Continued from p.8 ting average by a Gaucho.

Junior Collin Weitzman also became a new fixture in the UCSB outfield, batting .344, while junior Brooks Morris (.275) supplied a solid bat and stellar defense at first base. Freshman catcher Justin Lehr's glove work fit in nicely behind the plate, while his .281 average was impressive for a collegiate rookie.

While UCSB's hitting exceeded expectations, its pitching continued to be an Achilles' heel for the

The team finished the year with a staff ERA of 5.63 and an opponents' batting average of .301. While individual pitchers

were able to give outstanding performances on numerous occasions, the

squad lacked consistency. Seth Bean got the job done the most, earning nine wins against just four losses. However, his ERA was 5.94 and opponents batted .329 against the sophomore right-hander.

Junior Bryan Noyes, the team's strongest pitcher over the season's final weeks, had just five wins despite having an ERA of 4.78 — good by college baseball's standards. Freshman David Uris, who claimed the third spot in the rotation, also had a high ERA (6.09), but a complete-game victory by Uris over Cal State Fullerton toward the end of the year showed signs of promise for seasons to

Junior John Minton, who anchored the team's bullpen as its closer, was unhittable in the first twothirds of the season, ringing up eight saves to break a team record. Down the stretch, however, Minton faltered as his ERA rose to 3.97, leaving Brontsema without a great deal of confidence in his bullpen.

With an 18-6 mark at the friendly confines of Caesar Uyesaka Stadium and a 14-14 record away from Santa Barbara, perhaps the team's lack of postseason success can be attributed to homesickness. More likely, however, is that the squad simply ran up against four teams that were stronger and — more importantly had better pitching.

Continued from p.3 them in the final draft of the negative declaration,' she said. "If there is additional wetland, we can move the development

Ferren said his letter was not intended to politicize the county's planning process.

"I'm not in the position of making it more difficult, I just want all the information to be out there and come up with the best master plan we can," he

Ferren's letter was only one of several concerns discussed at Tuesday's meeting. Audubon Society Conservation Chair David Wass said the soccer field would force the removal of several trees and destroy the site's feeling of tranquility and quiet.

"The presence of those trees cements that feeling," he said. "By taking those trees down, you would totally destroy that feeling of solitude that exists there."

Others in attendance

questioned the use of reclaimed water for irrigation and the removal of native grasses to put in the soccer field. Several speakers argued that the

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> **David Wass** conservation chair **Audubon Society**

plan merits a more indepth and thorough environmental impact report rather than simply a negative declaration.

But Gevirtz, who did not attend the meeting, said native plant restoration across the entire property should compensate for the removal of a few grasses to put in the

"Most of the site is dominated by non-native grasses, and I think that we

"I think it's just another form of grandstanding and desire to get in one final statement, when there are no more statements to make for him," Treyzon said. "His time is up, and I think he just wanted to go out with a bang."

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Meyer-Morse also said her action was based on personal ethics.

"Understand that I do this not as a puppet, but because of my conscience, I cannot read this," Meyer-Morse said.

Outgoing A.S. President Leo Treyzon called Thoreen's gesture a vain

in the field, but we are going to restore much more grassland than we're going to lose," he said. "We're going to end up with a net gain in native grasses." But senior ecology and

would lose a little bit to put

evolutionary biology ma-jor Cyndy Shafer said the field will limit the foraging area available for predat-

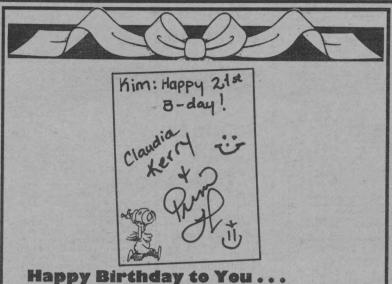
ory birds. "The soccer field will narrow what's already a narrow strip of land, and it doesn't matter how many native grasses are planted in an area that can't attract birds like the white-tailed

hawk," she said. Tuesday's meeting was continued to 9:30 a.m. June 7 at the county Planning and Development Dept. hearing room, 123 E. Anapamu St.

In other Camino Corto business, Associated Students Legislative Council voted unanimously Wednesday to endorse a second Master Plan alternative in which the controversial soccer field would be moved completely onto I.V. Elementary School

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# SPORTS

## Field of Nightmares

By Sam Garchik

In spite of recent renovations, Harder Stadium remains shrouded in controversy.

controversy.
Ironically, the field emerged from a \$40,000 face-lift two weeks ago, only to be closed indefinitely due to damage sustained during Extravaganza.

This uncertain future seems typical of the stadium's recent history.

The stadium is governed by the Scheduling Committee, which auspiciously makes policy decisions on the use of all university facilities.

All final scheduling decisions are made by the Physical Activities Dept., which must reconcile the needs of the department, club sports and intercollegiate athletics teams.

"All of our facilities are multi-use. They don't belong to any one group, they belong to all the students at UCSB," said Jon Spaventa, director of the Physical Activities Dept.

The Intercollegiate Athletics Dept., however, is awarded primary use of the field, with secondary priority going to classes and club sports. Intramural teams receive third priority.

Instead of being a mollifying compromise, this unique system of governance seems to create difficulty.

"Any place I've ever been, athletics has been in charge of the stadiums used by athletic teams," said UCSB women's soccer Head Coach John Cossaboon. "In the short time that I've been here, the number of problems that I've seen arise—that I deal with day in and day out—point to that exact fact. We hear that we have priority, and then we see the things that occur."

Club sports Cocoordinator Nancy Clayton, who is responsible for the scheduling of the field, disagrees with Cossaboon. "We tend to be able to

work out our schedule around athletics," she said. In addition to the Extravaganza damages, four

vaganza damages, four main points of contention have arisen among those most involved with the usage and scheduling of Harder Stadium.

Several years ago, the field was rented out to the USC marching band, which had signed a contract to film a television commercial. The band brought horses that damaged the field, preventing the soccer teams from using it that week.

"With the USC marching band coming in, it disrupted our training, our whole sequence of what was going to be accomplished for that season," said UCSB men's soccer Head Coach Mark Arya.

More recently, a plan to bring the Rugby World Cup to UCSB failed. Twelve teams from around



**HOME SWEET HOME:** After months of repairs, Harder Stadium is once again closed indefinitely due to severe turf damage suffered during Extravaganza.

the world were to be included in the tournament to be held over Memorial Day weekend. In exchange, the cup planners would have renovated the stadium lighting, repainted the facility and resurfaced the field.

"The sole purpose for pursuing that event was the upgrades the stadium would have received," Spaventa said.

"At the last minute, the UC regents wanted more insurance, a \$24 million policy for three years after the tournament was over," said Max Goldstein, captain of the UCSB rugby team.

Spaventa maintains

that the insurance was necessary, and that the event was something the Physical Activities Dept. wanted.

"Our legal people were trying to protect the interests of the people at UCSB," Spaventa said.
The debate over Harder

The debate over Harder Stadium extends into the future as well.

future as well.

"Physical Activities has rented out our facilities for soccer to approximately eight or nine summer weeks of other, off-campus soccer camps," said Cossaboon.

During the week of Aug. 16-23, he charges, the Physical Activities Dept. has scheduled a soccer

camp for the stadium.

"They're renting things out, they're renting programs that in other universities' structures are in direct conflict with programs that the athletic program itself would be running. Inherently, there is a lot of scheduling problems and other problems that arise from that."

Clayton disagrees, insisting that the soccer camps are necessary for the Physical Activities Dept.

"The soccer team would have practice every day if they could," Clayton said. "I don't know why he's

See HARDER, p.6

## **UCSB Baseball Season in Review**

## Despite Dismal Conclusion, Gaucho Sluggers Enjoy Surprising Season

By Curtis Kaiser Staff Writer

Despite a four-game postseason losing streak that resulted in quick exits from both the Big West Tournament and the NCAA Regionals, and left a bittersweet taste in the players' mouths, the UCSB baseball team's 1996 campaign was a success by all other measures.

Coming off three consecutive losing campaigns, most observers predicted that the Gauchos would show little more than mild

improvement and become a .500 ball club.

By finishing with a 32-20 overall record and a 14-7 Big West mark, good for a second-place tie with UNLV, Santa Barbara exceeded all expectations in becoming one of the West Coast's top teams and earning a #4 seed at the NCAA West Regional. UCSB Head Coach Bob Brontsema was recognized for his efforts in turning the Gauchos' fortunes around by being named the Big West Co-Coach of the Year along with Long Beach State's

Dave Snow.

The primary reason for the team's success this year was definitely its offense. Led by first-team all-Big West selection Dave Willis, the UCSB lineup averaged over eight runs per game and batted .325 as a team. Willis, a junior catcher/first baseman, emerged as a bona fide slugger with a .353 average, 15 doubles, 16 HR and 66 RBI. His home run and RBI marks were the second-highest singleseason Gaucho totals ever. Although he had some

struggles defensively,

shortstop Mike Young's bat was a pleasant surprise this season as well. The sophomore became a potent force at the bottom of the Santa Barbara lineup, lighting up opposing pitchers to the tune of a .373 average, with five homers and 38 RBI. Making the transition from right field to shortstop, Young made a number of dazzling plays but had some trouble with the more routine ones, committing 25 errors on the season.

Junior outfielder Brett Hardy, an all-conference choice, established himself in the lineup's #3 spot and batted .344 with eight longballs and 43 RBI. He also made a number of excellent catches in the field, including a game-saving diving grab against USC with two outs in the ninth inning.

Junior second baseman Clark Parker battled a nagging hamstring injury all season and fielded just .880, but still hit .298 and tied the team lead with eight stolen bases.

Seniors outfielder Wynter Phoenix (.322, 8 HR, 52 RBI) and third baseman Lou Tapia (.328, 41 RBI), both all-conference selections, overcame slow starts to finish their UCSB careers with excellent stats.

Newcomers to the squad were also responsible for the tremendous offensive output. Senior outfielder Ryan Kritscher, another all-conference choice, nearly reached the .400 mark after transferring from Southern Mississippi, falling just one hit short at .397 — the fifthhighest single-season bat-

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# Daily Nexus & Athlete of the Year Honorable Mention

## Jean Okada

SPORT: Tennis
YEAR: Senior
ACCOMPLISHMENT:
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consecutive Big West
championship and a
berth in the NCAA
regionals. She was
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after reaching the final
16 at the national
individaul finals.

STATS:

Made the all-Big West team for the third consecutive season. Her two victories at the nationals were the most in UCSB history.



QUOTABLE: "This was probably my best year. I improved a little each year and there was never any digression."

# Pimm, UCSB Opt Not to Extend Contract of Longtime Assistant

By Michael Cadilli Staff Writer

After seven years of work as an assistant coach for the UCSB men's basketball team, Bobby Castagna's contract — which runs out June 30 — will not be renewed, at the recommendation of Head Coach Jerry Pimm.

Castagna has served as Santa Barbara's head assistant coach the past two seasons and was the program's recruiting and scheduling coordinator, in addition to duties that included defensive instruction, scouting and game coaching.

The decision by the Intercollegiate Athletics Dept. and Pimm seemed sudden and unfair to some alumni, players and close friends, as well as Castagna himself.

as Castagna himself.
"All [Pimm] told me

was he wanted to make a change. I asked him why and he had no answer," Castagna said. "I am very disappointed and in my opinion did not deserve this in any way, shape or



Bobby Castagna

form."

Although Pimm declined to give reasons for the shake-up, he feels he is making the right move.

"I thought about this for a long time, and I felt it was best for me and the program for his contract not to be renewed,"

Pimm explained. "We will be looking for a full-time assistant coach to hire by July 1."

The other two Gaucho assistant coaches, John Wade and Chris Carlson, will be returning for the 1996-97 season. Some feel Castagna will be hard to replace, however, because he was so involved in the recruiting process.

"I think a lot of people are upset because he's the kind of coach you show respect for. He's a good coach and he knows his stuff," said sophomore forward Kealon Wallace. "When you lose a coach like Bobby Castagna, people are going to be upset.

ing to be upset.

"We felt it was a little cruel, because it's going to be hard for him to find a job on such short notice, and there doesn't seem to be a reason why [he was fired]."