Ballot To Include Base Fee Increase Initiative

Associated Students is proposing to increase the student fee for the first time in 30 years.

Currently, students are charged $9.10 per quarter in Student Services and Activities (SSA) base fees. To meet the demands of the next fiscal year, A.S. is proposing a $5.90 increase, for a total of $15 per quarter, which, if passed, would go into effect Fall Quarter of 2001. The SSA base fee is a part of the quarterly $45 over­all base fee students currently pay.

“The short-term benefits are that student organizations will have the resources to expand their services,” A.S. acting Executive Director Paige Anderson said.

The SSA base fee was originally established in 1947 to fund the operating costs of student government and student services. In 1947 the fee was $15 in 1954. The fee was later reduced in 1972 to its current amount and has not changed since. The SSA Base Fee Initiative will appear on the April 24th and 25th ballot and will require a two-thirds majority, or 66 percent, vote to pass. Anderson said the current SSA base fee is not sufficient for the needs of A.S. While inflation has risen since 1972, Anderson said the base fee has not climbed in sync with inflation. The initiative alone might help A.S. fund expenses for the next five to eight years, Rep-at-Large Shaina Walter said.

In 1998, A.S. tried to pass a similar proposal, an increase of $5 in the base fee, but did not get student approval. Inadequate campaigning may have led to the failed proposal, Walter said.

“There are almost 18,000 students on this campus and I don’t know if we really have an accurate idea of how many people are going to vote,” Walter said.

“If Finance Board is not able to allocate money to the Student Services and Activities fund for the next five years,” Anderson said, “then we are going to have to increase the fee by $3 each quarter.”

The increase for the first time in 30 years, will support student services and alcohol use. Panel members included a representative from UCSB’s Rape Prevention Education Program coordinator, a UC Police Department sergeant, and three representatives from the Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center. The panel was originally scheduled in the Multicultural Center, but due to low student turnout, it was moved to the UCen Hub from noon to 1 p.m. in order to reach more students.

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Center To Offer Landlord Critiques Online

UCSB students and faculty can rate their landlords online this year on the Associated Students Legal Resource Center website.

LRC Attorney Dallas Atkins said the majority of complaints the center handles are landlord-tenant problems.

“I think students, as tenants, should have a voice to speak up about what their experience was in any particular rental,” she said.

Students can rate their landlords with online evaluation forms. Atkins said open-ended comment sessions would not be allowed because of concerns about libel lawsuits. Still, she said, the evaluation will be an improvement over older forms that simply averaged ratings by providing individual data on each landlord.

“It's a way to find the really great landlords in the really great places,” she said. “If someone goes online and has great things to say about a landlord, that's going to be noticed.”

Sometimes [apartments] are in good condition, and the landlord is very responsive to requests for repairs. At the same time, many of the students I see are not telling that story to me,” she said.

The LRC came up with the idea for landlord critiques after seeing it at a Take Back the Night rally, which included an open mic.barbaras and the band, Sandwich, will perform Thursday night in Anisq' Oyo' Park for the culminating rally and march.

Panel Points to Intoxication as Major Factor in Sexual Assault

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SBRCC Raises Flags for Awareness

The flag is a symbol against sexual assault and in support of the survivors of sexual assault,” she said.

“The statement we want to make is that sexual assault should not be tolerated; it’s a community issue and that’s why it’s important to have the flags on State Street.”

— Ivonne Zarate

SBRCC community education coordinator

The UCSB men’s tennis team finished the regular season with a disappointing 6-1 loss to Cal Poly.

I.V. History

Today marks the 31st anniversary of Kevin Moran’s shooting at the Bank of America burning in 1970.
Jackson, Miss. (AP) — With the Confederate emblem of 13 white stars play the emblem on its precincts scattered across the state, favored replacing it.

The poll, commissioned by The Associated Press and other news organizations, was conducted across the Delta.

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Israeli forces withdraw from seceded territories.

Gaza City, Gaza Strip (AP) — Israel pulled its forces out of a strip of Palestinian territory in Gaza on Tuesday after holding it less than a day, the military said. The withdrawal followed sharp Israeli criticism over the occupation.

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organization can ask students directly for funding through ballot measures. If approved, the organization’s fee is added onto the total base fee per quarter. Once approved, A.S. is asked to administer the allocation of the lock-in fees to their respective groups.

In a presentation Anderson made in the Hub on Tuesday, he said the current base fee is not enough to pay for administrative services, such as bookkeeping.

The long-term reason to raise the base fee would be to eliminate lock-in fees altogether, Anderson said.

"I think that it’s just a better system."

"The number of organizations with lock-in fees is creating a problem," Judicial Council Chair Constantine Pastis said. "Our school has more lock-in fees than any other [UC]," he said.

"The goal of the Student Services and Activities Base Fee Initiative is to eliminate the recharge fees on student organizations," Walter said.

However, some students are cautious of this increase.

Junior political science major Matt Phair said, "It seems that there needs to be someone to oversee A.S. and hold them accountable."

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Cyberspace Is the Battleground for Social Reform

David Downs

Pep quits, brains: How many miles of chain-link fence does it take to protect the World Trade Organization from 10,000 angry activists?

The answer: Three miles, and if that doesn’t hold them, the 6,000 extra cops Quebec City has hired will.

This week, protesters will stay on their side of the fence during the Free Trade Americas Conference, and a thorough beating awaits all willing to challenge the mandate.

I’ve personally smelled the underarms of the anti-
globalization/anti-corporation/worker rights/socialist/anti-Tibetan/Free Maimia/wre-
fling/SlimTree-hugging/protest crowd. The Democratic National Convention of 2000 was a futile and doomed event for I.V. If ever one seen, and I suspect Quebec City, with its longer fences and greater number of police, will be more of the same.

Even though thousands of young protesters rattled the glass canyons of downtown L.A., their Cause was still a picture of organized chaos. The fence around the Staples Center went unchallenged and the protesters changed little more than the weekly doses and coffee sales at Winchell’s.

I fear for the days when it actually meant something for a mob to take over a street or a government building, or to assassinate somebody. If you didn’t like your government, you chopped the king’s head off. New people, new government.

You could parade a city by holding a few key streets and you could cripple a government by igniting a single building filled with the proper official documents.

Today those halls of power have evaporated into electronic data banks — similar to cockroaches. All those protesters outside the

FTAA (Free Trade Area of the Americas) meetings this weekend won’t stop a single third-world child from making me a pair of Nikes. Don’t get me wrong. It’s important to fight the good fight against governments, corporations and other nefarious organizations seeking to enslave or enchain humanity, but the technique of fighting is paramount.

Modern protesters need to look up at the sky and realize that trillions of electronic signals are transmitting fortunes and orders above their heads every moment. Currency is meaningless; the blood of corporations is incarnate, and it courses through the Internet.

We live in the most complex and specialized economy in the history of the Earth. Nothing can be made or shipped or paid for without a massive network to support and coordinate it.

It’s time that modern protesters get organized and get wired. The "Hackers" without the bad technos. Think "Fight Club" with style. Start with the rule that information is power and go from there. Hacker activism + pop-culture terrorism = Corporations scared into listening.

Don’t like Nike’s sweatshop policy in South America? Infect its shipping programs and let Nike know who did it. See how far a WTO meeting gets when skilled techni-
cians have infiltrated key buildings and disabled the bathroom plumbing or rerouted the phone lines to Burbank.

Everyone always whines and complains about how the Internet has destroyed the privacy of the common American, but this charge also applies to the financial elite who will attend the FTAA meeting. A group of wired protesters could make it its permanent mission to make life hard for the fat cats. Not anything like assault, just enough daily annoyance to drive the fat cats crazy.

"I’m sorry Mr. CEO of Monsanto, our hotel comput-
er is expired."

Of course any coordinated, information-warfare activism will be met with extreme retaliation by the FBI, the CIA, the NSA and a host of other agencies who are terriﬁ ed of hackers with general political goals. The rigor with which governments hunt down hackers is proof of a wired activits potential. Put away your marches and banners and chants and drums. Wake up and smell the silicon.

The fat cats are wide open and they know it, now you do too.

Although hesitant to admit it, Daily Nexus editor David Downs utilizes Brad Pitt and Starbucks Coffee. His column appears every Wednesday.
ALEX WARD / DAILY NEXUS

SB RCC Crisis Intervention Coordinator Yamisette Westerland speaks in the Hub on a Take Back the Night panel Tuesday focusing on the link between alcohol use and sexual assault.

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assault, and asked the audience for their input on the issue.

Carol Mosely, UCSB Rape Prevention Education Program coordinator, said the majority of rape instances in I.V. occur when the victim and perpetrator know one another, and this familiarity contributes to the use of alcohol.

"[Most I.V. rapes] happen when people are with an acquaintance, and that's why we're linking sexual assault and alcohol," Mosely said. "Stranger assaults are very rare in I.V. It's usually an acquaintance — a friend of a friend, someone they met at a party. There's a lot of trust in a university community. In the U.S., 80 to 90 percent of sexual assaults that occur are acquaintances."

A woman who is under the influence of alcohol or any other drug cannot legally give consent for sex, UCPD Sgt. Suzanne Malloy said. However, many rapes go unreported because women often feel guilty if alcohol was involved, according to SB RCC advocate Silvia Urive.

"In a lot of cases females do not report sexual assaults because they were drunk, and they think, 'What are [the police] going to say?' There's a lot of guilt attached to sexual assault," Urive said. "When a woman is drunk, or on drugs, it doesn't count against her — it counts against the person who committed the act."

TBTN co-Coordinator Tara Goddard said a community's attitude toward intoxicated females plays a large role in the occurrences of rape.

"One of the major fallacies is that if a woman is drunk, she's somehow less worthy of respect. Why is there that dividing line?" she said. "You see a drunk female..."

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TBTN Week will continue today at 3:30 p.m. when the Rape Crisis Education Group will reenact a mock rape trial at the MultiCultural Center.

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"We started working on a flag in 1992, and when we saw the logo at the rally we really liked it so we adopted it," she said. "We actually made the flag in 1997."

Replicas of the flags are being sold to the public at the SBRCC for $25 and flagpoles are $15.00.

"We're selling smaller copies of the flags for people to fly in houses and at work. We're inviting the community to fly their flags in support of being against sexual assault and in support of survivors of sexual assault," Zarate said. "The proceeds from the flags benefit the Rape Crisis Center."

April officially became Sexual Assault Awareness Month in 1997. "Take Back the Night is an international movement and different universities or areas used to choose different months to hold their events," she said. "A lot of Take Back the Night's were held in October, which is now Domestic Violence Awareness Month, but in 1997 it was agreed April would be designated Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Both include a lot of information about the same issues."

The flags are one of many activities sponsored by the SBRCC this month. Zarate said purple ribbons are another symbol people are using, which signifies opposition to sexual assault and support of survivors of sexual assault.

The next SBRCC self-defense class will be held April 28. The 24-hour hotline can be reached at 564-3696.

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Pro statements for the fee include:
- Improvements also carry a large aesthetic value. We would be beginning to compete with the field by the recreation center without having to worry about spraining your legs or putting yourself at risk for injury.
- The proposed fee is not related to the Recreation Center.
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- This fee increases the cost of goods and services, many students have expressed their desire to reduce fees.
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Recreational Sports and Student Resource Building Fee Initiatives

Athletics, Recreational Sports and Student Resource Building Fee Initiatives

First, the Fee Initiatives Committee has expressed its disapproval of the proposed fee increase, arguing that the existing fee of $7.00 per quarter is an unacceptably exorbitant amount for students to pay, even at $19.00 per quarter for the RecCen, UCen Expansion, and, surprise, surprise: an Aquatics Complex! Before we have paid off the old complex the Student Athlete Advisory Board, supposedly responding to our desires, wants a new one. What we are really voting on, however, is the Student Athletics Fee Initiative is slated to handle through its fee. It seems the $940,000.00 increase breakdown does not include Intramurals which, according to the Fee Schedule, would cost graduate students an additional $200.00 per quarter. Thus, the total cost of the proposed fee increase would be $102.00 per quarter. The proposed fee increase also includes $39.56 per quarter for the RecCen and UCen Expansion, and, again, surprise, surprise: an Aquatics Complex! The proposal as written does not offer any evidence that the existing fee is insufficient, nor does it offer any evidence justifying such a radical increase.

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- Rufina Cortez
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- Britt Andreatta
- Carolyn Buford
- Sharon Hoshida
- Steve Ino
- Phillip Lawson

1999-2000
- Linda Crayle
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UCSB Ends Season With Defeat

BY JOHN LU
Reporter

A tough season for the UCSB men’s tennis team ended with a disappointing 6-1 loss Tuesday to Cal Poly in the season finale.

On the year, the Gauchos finished with a 5-15 team record. Though the regular season was somewhat of a disappointment for Santa Barbara, the team remains positive in its hopes of capturing a Big West title by playing well in the conference tournament next week. UCSB will likely face the Mustangs again in the first round of tournament play, and if so, the Gauchos will be looking for revenge and redemption.

“It’s been a hard year,” senior David Angert said. “We’ve had lots of tough matches. The bunch of losses did bring us down, but I think they also motivated us to work hard. I think it’s made us better as a team.”

The highlight of the match for Santa Barbara on Tuesday was the strong singles play of junior co-captain Marcio Pepe.

In a dominating performance, Pepe soundly defeated Cal Poly junior Erin Carroll in straight sets, 6-1, 6-2.

“I was very pumped up and focused,” Pepe said. “I played very aggressively. I used my serve and my forehand really well.”

Junior co-captain Marcin Kosakowski and sophomore J.J. Stewart continued their excellent play in doubles action. The duo defeated Carroll and senior Brandon Fallon in a tight match 9-8, in the fourth tiebreaker.

“We served really well,” Kosakowski said. “We had some really nice returns, too.”

In other doubles action, Pepe and freshman Alex Yaffali lost to Mustang freshmen Mike Marques and Nick Carless, 8-6. Sophomore Mike Faust and freshman Jerome Chan came up short, losing to Cal Poly sophomore Brian Kent and freshman Nick Tracy.

In singles play, Kosakowski lost a close match to Fallon in straight sets, 7-5, 7-5. Stewart was defeated by Kent in two sets, 6-3, 6-1. Yaffali played a good match against Carless, but came up short, losing in three sets, 6-4, 5-7, 7-6. Angert fought hard against Tracy, but lost the matchup in three sets, 6-4, 2-6, 7-6. Chan started strong against Marques, but ended up losing, 3-6, 6-3, 6-1.

“We’re very angry about [Cal Poly],” Pepe said. “But at the same time we’re getting pumped up to play them again in the [Big West Tournament]. We’ll fit what went wrong and next time we’ll come out with more spirit and more energy.”

Despite their recent setback against Cal Poly, the Gauchos remain confident in their ability to play good tennis. The difficult schedule UCSB played this season should prove to be an advantage for the team as it heads into the Big West Tournament.

Tuesday was also marked the last home match for David Angert, the lone senior on this year’s team. Though Angert is sad to leave, he will remember his years at UCSB fondly.

“It’s really different to play four years and then play your last home match,” Angert said. “It hits pretty hard. I couldn’t have asked for any better though. It’s been so much fun for me, the guys on the team and my friends. The traveling and the games were great; that’s what I love to do.”

Gauchos Tame the Competition

The UCSB women’s water polo team enjoyed a successful Easter weekend playing in the Long Beach Invitational. In the first day of action, Santa Barbara topped Cal Baptist, 8-4, and Santa Cruz, 21-4, but came up short against San Diego State, losing 8-7. On day two, the Gauchos came out on fire, trouncing Irvine, 9-5. After playing four games in under 48 hours, a tired UCSB squad then fell to USC, 16-5, and San Diego, 7-6. After going 2-2 in the two-day tournament, Santa Barbara carries an overall record of 12-12, including 4-4 in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation. The Gauchos head back into action Wednesday afternoon against Loyola Marymount. Check out Thursday’s Sports section to see how Santa Barbara handles the Lions.

NBA: Another Capitalistic Casualty

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