Minors Allowed

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Some students decided to dispose of Christmas trees this weekend in their own special way, setting them ablaze in the middle of Isla Vista streets.

Dangerous Christmas Tree Fires Ring in New Quarter

By Davia Gray Staff Writer

Endangering local firefighters, property and their fellow local residents, a couple of stu-dents ended vacation by lighting Christmas trees ablaze on Isla Vista streets.

Both the Santa Barbara Fire Dept Foot Patrol are regularly forced to deal with burning objects in the streets, according to IVFP officer John Valeri. With the end of the holiday season, new fuel in the form of old Christmas trees was added to the fire last weekend, he said.

"There were only two trees. It wasn't a big deal because they burnt out quickly, but the flames went up about 20 feet," Valeri said.

The extremely flammable nature of Christmas trees makes them particularly dangerous, especially when set ablaze in unprotected conditions such as on the street, according to Fire Dept. captain Charlie Johnson.

"A dry Christmas tree can be

See FIRE, p.8

Local Developers to Propose New Location for Onshore Gas Project

By Michael Ball Staff Writer

Responding to concerns over possible county policy changes and an upcoming voter initiative, developers of a Gaviota gas project plan to move the development to an alternate site.

The Molino Energy Co.'s gas project, utilizing onshore slantdrilling technology to tap coastal reserves, is slated for a new location roughly one mile west of the original site.

The relocation brings the project into conformity with Santa Barbara County's consolidation policy, which requires oil and gas processing to take place at two designated sites in Gaviota

and Las Flores Canyon, according to Luis Perez, Energy Division planner.

"What it entails is doing the same project but doing it with the identified parcel within a consolidated site," he said.

The Molino Project's original site was on the Brinkman Ranch, approximately 20 miles west of Santa Barbara. The new location is on property designated for future expansion of the Chevron Gaviota Processing

The possibility of the Molino Project falling under the jurisdiction of Measure A, the Voter Approval Initiative on the March ballot, played a central

See MOLINO, p.9

Decision Allows Increased Lobbying

By Peter Sansom Staff Writer

In a move that could radically change student representation, the UC is changing its interpretation of the 1993 California Supreme Court ruling Smith v. Regents in response to a United States Supreme Court decision.

While the UC once implemented Smith to limit the ways groups could use mandatory student fees — barring them from supporting ideological, religious or political causes — the June 29, 1995, Rosenberger v. Rector decision has transformed their interpretation.

"The decision has entirely changed and reopened the landscape of what [Associated Students] can fund for student lobbying," said Michael Young, vice chancellor for Student Affairs.

A.S. can now address issues Smith once closed to them, according to Internal Vice President Bo Thoreen.

"Previously we could only lobby under educational issues,

■ U.S. Supreme Court Ruling Spurs Change in Reading Smith

but now we can go to the state Legislature and talk about gun control, abortion and all kinds of crazy stuff," he said.

The Smith suit was brought by a UC Berkeley student against the UC for the refund of a portion of his A.S. fees. The state Supreme Court's ruling in favor of Smith spurred the University to strictly regulate what student groups could do with their

In the Rosenberger decision, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled the University of Virginia could not deny a group funding out of student fees because of its religious nature.

The UC believes the ruling is thus in direct conflict with Smith, according to University General Counsel Gary

"Smith indicates that student fees shouldn't be spent on politi-

cal or religious groups," he said. "In effect, Rosenberger neutralizes Smith."

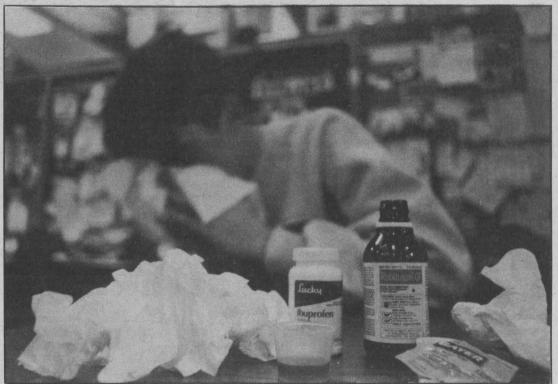
Before Rosenberger, student groups had to be careful to limit the causes they financially supported, according to UC Student Association Executive Director Kimi Lee. Under the new ruling, they simply refund money to any student who objects to the nature of funding, she added.

"Now the first step is removed from the process and we only deal with issuing refunds to students dissatisfied with the use of their money," she said. Last year, around \$15 was refunded throughout the entire UC system, she added.

The greatest significance of the new interpretation of Smith is that it allows students to address Sacramento lawmakers, according to Kris Kohler, A.S. external vice president for statewide affairs.

"Most importantly, this frees up student groups to lobby the state Legislature for the benefit

See SMITH, p.5



Cough syrup, tissues and pills are big sellers this time of year with some students in the grim grip of flu season. Many will head to the Student Health Services seeking extra relief in time for

egm, Fever and Snot Mark the Season

By Mia Sulpor Reporter

Characterized by coughs, aches and sniffles, flu season has descended on campus to dole out misery on an unwitting student populace.

Sophomore business eco-nomics major Todd Garrun is one of the many students who has recently fallen victim to sickness.

"When I had the flu a few weeks ago I couldn't move. I laid in bed all day and missed my classes. I just slept and ate a lot of chicken soup," he said.

Freshman psychology major

Kristy Witzman was also recently forced to miss class because the dreaded illness.

"My cough is what lasted forever. My other flu symptoms were gone within a few days but my cough has been lingering for weeks," she said.

The coming of flu season is evinced by the number of students seeking treatment in the last few months at Student Health Services, according to Monica Mattice, an SHS nurse practitioner. And this year, it hit campus earlier than usual, she

"This year the flu season has started even earlier than usual and we began seeing students at

the beginning of November," she said.

While several types of flu exist, the respiratory strain that marks this season is the most common, according to Jamie Rens, Goleta Valley Community Hospital residential nurse. The main symptoms of the respiratory flu include fever, cough, running nose and aches, she said.

Rens offered advice on how to alleviate discomfort brought on by the flu.

"The best thing to do for the flu is to treat it symptomatically," she said. "This can be done by taking cough syrup, Tylenol,

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HEADLINERS

Former French Leader Dead of Cancer

cois Mitterrand, who turned away from his vision of a socialist France to champion European unity, died of prostate cancer Monday at 79.

Mitterrand, president of France from 1981 to 1995, was his country's most influential modern leader after his archrival Charles de

Judging that France would remain a world power only within a strong Europe, Mitterrand aligned French policy with the concept of European unity. His vision of a unified Europe and a nagging recession led him to cast off dreams of nationalizing broad sectors of French industry, and to push instead for European economic integration and a single currency.

He also sought to project a strong French presence on the international

Mitterrand "wrote an important page in the history of our country," said conservative rival Jacques

Chirac, who succeeded him as president.

His reputation, like his health, declined swiftly in the last year of his presidency as unflattering dis-closures tarnished his

Books and articles chronicled his work with Nazi sympathizers in World War II, confirmed he fathered an illegitimate Ambassador Pamela tist policies disillusioned Harriman.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany, the other main force behind the push for European union, said, "Europe has lost a great statesman. I am mourning for a good friend."

Toward the end of his 50-year political career, Mitterrand pursued sevmany of his supporters.

and I regret it bitterly," Claude Chabalier said at creased their power.'

Although an eloquent advocate of human rights and a veteran of the ment in later years was plagued by scandals.

Insisting he maintained his Socialist convictions despite abandoning leftist politics, Mitterrand expressed regret shortly before leaving office that "I didn't modify society as much as I would have liked."

An international eco-



France has lost a great leader. America has lost a good

> Pamela Harriman United States ambassador

daughter and depicted him as a schemer with few abiding political values beyond a thirst for power.

However, the world leaders who shared the international stage with him hailed him as a great statesman.

"France has lost a great leader. America has lost a good friend," said U.S. abandonment of many lef-

"Grand Projects" - including the glass pyramid at the Louvre Museum, a new, high-tech opera and national library — that changed Paris and secured him a place in history books.

eral multibillion-dollar

But his international acclaim came at a price: His "I voted for Mitterrand,

his sidewalk newsstand Monday. "We thought we had made a turn to the left, but the capitalists only in-

French Resistance, Mitterrand was criticized for working with Nazi collaborators during World War II, and his govern-

nomic downturn constrained his choices, he said: "Economic power is becoming a real danger to political power. I had to live with that."

Extreme Weather Closes Down Nation's Capital

WASHINGTON (AP) - Of the three branches of government, the Supreme Court proved itself the little engine that could. Blizzard or not, eight of



the nine justices got to work Monday, donned robes, heard arguments, issued orders and handed down a ruling involving the working hours of railroad crews.

At the White House, budget talks resumed. The Senate sat briefly, but passed no bills.

But elsewhere, the blizzard of paperwork that accumulated on government and tackled her accumu-

desks during three weeks of political storms had to wait yet again: Snow-bound Washington couldn't get to work.

"I feel a little jerked around," said government manager Anne Ostberg from her home.

During the partial gov-ernment shutdown caused by a budget standoff between President Clinton and the Republican Congress, she, along with tens of thousands of federal workers, had been under orders not to show up.

But Ostberg was so eager to get back to her responsibilities at the Corporation for National Service, which supports hundreds of thousands of volunteers, that she sneaked back to work five times during the shutdown

Then, just when the manmade crisis ended, the natural crisis took over.

Over the weekend, Clinton laid out a plan to balance the budget within seven years. That step met the terms of Republican legislation that allowed the government to reopen.

Then came the storm, the worst in at least a decade. And officials closed the government yet again, at least for a day.

Macro-economist Peter Doyle joined a handful of colleagues at the International Monetary Fund. But too few were there to accomplish anything. He grabbed a laptop computer and left.

"I'm just kicking myself that I didn't take my computer home on Friday," he said. Then he looked around and cheered up.

"It's actually quite fun."
A snowplow cleared a path in front of the White House, where budget talks between Clinton and Republican leaders resumed after having been blown away by the storm Sunday.

Briefings at the State Dept., on Mideast peace talks, at the Defense Dept., on Bosnian peacekeeping, and at the White House, on the budget situation, were all canceled.

Nongovernmental Washington was likewise closed. Robin Dean, 39, a marketer for a business development firm, glided three miles to work on cross-country skis. But her office was locked.

"Before it was Congress, now it's Mother Nature,' she said, skiing off.

Brown Sworn In as Mayor in San Francisco Ceremony

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Willie Brown, the flamboyant Texas-born son of a maid and a railroad porter, took the oath of office on Monday to become mayor of a city beset



by problems and expecting him to solve them.

Brown became the city's 41st mayor, and the first black to hold the office, shortly after noon as most of the city's former mayors looked on.

'Ladies and gentlemen, da mayor," said Superior Court Judge John Dearman after reading the oath, bringing a laugh from Brown, who had worn a hat reading "Da Mayor"

after the election. Then Brown got

"The election is over," he said. "The differences are no longer there. They must be blurred and we must unite. We must do what many of our forefathers have done.

"Dreamers put San Francisco in place. We are the heirs to that legacy."

Just as the San Francisco Symphony Youth Orchestra began playing "Fanfare for the Common Man" to open the swearing-in ceremony, the sun struggled briefly through the thick, chilling fog which blanketed the

Then Brown, standing at the podium with a phone, got a call from the White House. He shared a joke with President Clinton, telling him: "You should be here with us today. There's no snow and no Republicans."

Hundreds Feared Dead in Fiery Zaire Plane Disaster

KINSHASA, Zaire (AP) - A cargo plane plunged onto a busy street just after takeoff Monday and tore through a crowded downtown market, mowing down



cars, shacks and people in a fiery skid that left more than 200 dead.

Black smoke billowed from the wreckage as soldiers covered victims' bodies with white sheets.

As evening fell over Kinshasa, a chaotic, crumbling city of 6 million, calls went out for people to donate blood to help survivors. The dead filled the city's four main hospital morgues.

No official casualty count was released, but hospital workers and news reports said more than 200 people died. A U.S. Embassy official said he had unconfirmed reports of 300 dead.

The largest state-run hospital in Kinshasa, Mama Yemo, had to turn away victims for lack of equipment and medical

"Bring your blood to save the injured. They need us to survive," Dr. Maholo Pelagie of the Kinshasa blood bank begged over state radio.

The Russian-made Antonov 32, a twinturboprop, had just taken off from Ndolo airport in Kinshasa when it plummeted to the ground. The plane skidded 600 feet across the street, screeching to a stop.

"The plane just piled into the market," said John Escodi, the public affairs officer at the U.S. Embassy in Kinshasa.

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Weather

Some of you out there may have noticed those picnic tables parked in Storke Plaza's reflecting pool. No one I've asked so far has been able to tell me who put them there or why, but I've come up with a theory of my own that's sublime but instructive.

You see, it all goes back to Jesus. There's this story about how he performed a miracle by feeding the masses. According to Matthew (15) and Mark (8), he feeds 4,000 people with seven loaves of bread and a few fish. According to Luke (9) and John (6) it was 5,000 with five loaves and two fish. This apparent discrepancy isn't what's important — the important thing is the miracle (I'll assume the numbers are exaggerated). How was Jesus able to make the bread and fish go so far? He invented the sandwich! Rather than give everyone the expected whole fish and hand-sized chunk of bread, Jesus slipped a few flakes into some crust with some edible leaves, pickles, secret sauce and viola — a snack to tide the masses over!

According to some accounts, around about the same time Jesus walked on water. What better way to celebrate these events than to eat a sandwich on water! Now the UCen people might have you believe that a poker-playing, wench-groping English peer gave us the morsel that bears his name, but here's a handy reminder

of the wholesome alternative. Today will be a perfect day to dine outdoors. High: 70. Low: why should you care? With any luck you'll be warm in bed when we hit the low

Measure's Fiscal Analysis Faces Court Challenge

By Michael Ball Staff Writer

A supporter of an initiative on the spring primary ballot filed court papers Friday to delete portions of a financial analysis of the measure from election pamphlets.

Santa Barbara County Auditor-Controller Robert Geis' fiscal impact statement, to be included on the March ballot, contains misleading information that could unfairly sway voters against the Voter Approval Initiative -Measure A - according to Linda Krop, Environmental Defense Center senior staff attorney, representing plaintiff Sandra

Krop's motions ask that all but three sentences of

We feel that it's misleading to the voters in that it says Measure A will cause all sorts of lost revenue.

Linda Krop senior staff attorney **Environmental Defense Center**

The fiscal impact state-

ment lists a number of cur-

rent oil-related revenue

sources which Geis be-

lieves will be affected by

Measure A-mandated

votes, including property taxes and oil royalties.

Krop, however, said the

measure's only predictable

cost is the price of placing

any projects on the ballot.

statement correctly out-

lines the possible impacts

that could result from pas-

sage of Measure A and

But Geis believes his

the 500-word statement be withheld from the voter information guide.

"We feel that it's misleading to the voters in that it says Measure A will cause all sorts of lost revenue," she said.

The initiative, if passed, would require new oil and gas projects approved by the board of supervisors and located outside the county's two consolidated processing sites to be put on the ballot for voter approval.

provides voters with the necessary information to make an educated

"I believe that our statement is fair and accurate. It will be interesting to see what the court has to say, he said. "We wouldn't have issued the statement if we didn't think it was

Nine other California counties have similar voter approval laws on the books, but Krop said none of the statutes were subjected to a fiscal impact analysis because of the difficulty in predicting revenue gains or losses.

Although Geis admitted it is difficult to project the fiscal consequences of the measure, he said voters need to know what re-

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Stats Show Slightly Fewer Campus Harassments

By James Fagen Reporter

Although reported incidents of sexual harassment at UCSB have steadily decreased since 1993, officials believe the decline may not reflect the issue's continued

Allegations of sexual harassment brought against then-Supreme Court Justice nominee Clarence Thomas by law professor Anita Hill in 1991 made the issue one of the nation's major concerns.

But recent statistics indicate a reduction in the number of sexual harassment cases on campus, as the total of reported incidents hit a three-year low in 1994-95, according to campus Sexual Harassment Officer Paula Rudolph.

Forty-two cases of sexual harassment were reported between July 1, 1994, and June 30, 1995. By comparison, 65 cases were reported in 1992-93 and another 43 inci-

dents in 1993-94, according to Rudolph.

While the current case total is not as high as the num-

ber reported on the heels of the Thomas-Hill incident, sexual harassment remains an important issue on campus, believes Farfalla Borah, coordinator of the Sexual Harassment Prevention Education Program.

"They may not be getting as many cases as right after the Hill-Thomas hearings, but I bet there are more than the 25 per year that were reported before," said Borah, who leads educational programs about sexual harassment for many campus groups.

Borah said the continued interest in her sexual harassment prevention programs demonstrates the continued significance of the issue.

"I am a standard part of many organizations," she said. "We have a big program that's going on annually."

While official numbers of complaints are not available for Fall Quarter, Rape Prevention Education Program Coordinator Carol Mosely said many came forward to discuss incidents

"I would say that it is a fairly prevalent topic," she said. "I have talked to a number of students in Fall Quarter,

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Writing Program, Newest Minor to Be Added, Provides Valuable Skills

By Sonya Hamasaki Reporter

Offering students a chance to expand their studies beyond the their major academic focus, four newly approved academic minors are now available.

While the writing program began offering a minor this quarter, Jewish studies, anthropology and Russian studies began offering minors in fall.

Minors provide students opportunities to supplement their college studies with work on another subject, according to Phyllis Gibson, management services officer of undergraduate studies in the College of Letters and Sciences.

"Each student has a major. If they want to focus on other subjects as well, they can do a minor," she said.

While students are required to officially declare a major, a minor only needs students to seek approval from the department to pursue the program, according to Gibson.

"The student basically has to fill out some paperwork, start working on their minor, notify the department and then that department will have it approved," she said.

Completing a minor will not hinder a student's possibility of graduating within four years, as long To the department itself, it helps us bring other interests and viewpoints into the class-

Ann Wainwright undergraduate adviser Anthropology Dept.

as that student starts in the program early, according to Muriel Zimmerman, writing program director.

writing program director.

"Ideally, we want people to start by their junior year," she said. "If a student were to wait until their senior year, or even later, it may take longer."

The writing program expects students to complete two upper-division classes, an elective course, an internship at a local business and several courses on the work of professional writers, according to Zimmerman.

A minor in writing can reap important benefits for a student's future career and life, she added.

"We're very happy to have the minor," she said. "Students will learn how to become a good communicator. The most important people are those who can communicate in the workplace and throughout the community, they'll

become very valuable to the world."

Some companies have already acknowledged the importance of such people, as dozens of high-tech businesses have taken interest in hiring students involved in the program as company interns, Zimmerman added.

Ann Wainwright, Anthropology Dept. undergraduate adviser, believes minoring can help students improve their academic backgrounds.

"There's a lot of flexibility," she said. "To students, it gives them the opportunity to combine anthro with another major. With what their interests are, it can give them a cross-cultural background."

In addition to taking introductory classes in physical, cultural and archaeological anthropology, the minor expects students to take 18 units of upperdivision courses, according to Wainwright.

The addition of a minor can also attract students who would normally not major in a subject but are still interested in it, she said.

"And to the department itself, it helps us bring other interests and viewpoints into the classroom" Wainwright said.

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The Music and Art Studio Depts. are currently working towards implementing a minor program, according to Gibson.



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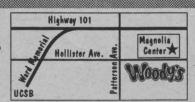
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SMITH

Continued from p.1 of the school," said Kohler, also UCSA chair. Individual campuses are now planning to send student

representatives to lobby the Legislature, he said.

Thoreen said the new interpretation will be valuable because of what it means for student involvement in state government.

"We are strapped and

need more student input in state government," he said.

Young believes that stu-

dents did well operating

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plies, and we definitely

within Smith's previous framework.

"Smith was a bad decision because the government shouldn't be involved with what the students want to spend their money on," he said.

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Aries (March 21-April 19). Play by the rules today and don't bother to fight authority. If you act like you're working hard, you'll make points. You may have to do that anyway, just to keep up. A friend with similar political interests is your best dinner companion tonight.

Taurus (April 20-May 20). This morning is an excellent time to get a few tips regarding your career, or planning your future. An older person can help you out in that regard. Later tonight, go over a problem that you and your sweetheart have postponed discussing.

Gemini (May 21-June 21). Clean up a mess from yesterday, first. Memories will be keen, so it's a great time to hear all the stories. The oldest member of the family should be particularly entertaining tonight, so put that one in the spotlight. Then, take notes.

Cancer (June 22-July 22). Take time to pat yourself on the back for a

job well done! Even though a lot of your work was behind the scenes, you made the past weeks successful. A problem concerning a loved one is starting to clear up naturally. Help it along tonight, with cookies.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22). You love to be pampered, fussed over, and applicated So do other people. Here on the price and start a mutual admin

plauded. So do other people. Heap on the praise and start a mutual admiration society! If you go shopping tonight, get a little gift for a quiet friend, as a surprise. Something edible would be nice.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'd better go ahead and make that decision you've been avoiding. The window of opportunity may slam shut soon. A sense of humor is indispensable in romance. Even a disagreement can make you closer friends, if you don't take yourselves too seriously.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Today, dive into those holiday bills and figure out which ones you can afford to pay. The older generation may not understand you just now, and may not appreciate your criticism. In other words, an argument will get you nowhere, so forget it!

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Business and travel should both go well, and you'll absorb new skills easily. If there's something you want to learn, ask an older person to show you how. In romance, something's changed. Be willing to adapt if you want to keep what you have.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). This morning will be good for setting long-term goals. Somebody you know might be trying to get you to do just that, so go along with the idea. Your ability to concentrate has just increased. Use your new powers to find the answer to a romantic question.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Somebody said that perseverance is the one quality that leads to success. If that's true, you have nothing to worry about. You never give up! Today, relax at whatever level you've achieved so far. Love and learning are linked for you tonight.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). This is a good day for making lists. Set your goals and then draw up a blueprint to get there. Don't be surprised if an old idea seems brand new. Also, give your best friend more attention tonight. You'll have fun at the same time.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20). If your goals have all seemed to be out of reach lately, maybe you've been overlooking something you could stand on. Tonight, get together with your sweetheart and figure out how to make the most out of what you have. An old friend can help, too.

Today's Birthday (Jan. 9). You should be able to expand your area of influence this year. Make commitments in February, concerning romance and machinery. Study in March to improve your skills. April's good for domestic projects or a move. Save time for love and/or children in May. Save all year so you can travel in August. You could see a dream come true next December. Drop a bad habit forever and the life you wish for its training the proper.

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"A man who has blown all his options can't afford the luxury of changing his ways."

-Hunter S. Thompson



Make the Effort

Professors and Teaching Assistants Need to Reach Out to Students

Editorial

Sometimes, especially in education, all it takes to reach someone is a little personal interaction. Anybody who demonstrates that they possess the desire and ability to teach will do so well and effectively.

Too often at UCSB students are neglected by teaching assistants and upper-division course instructors and professors. Even though many encourage their students to visit during office hours or hold review sections, what happens when those instructors don't share enthusiasm with their pupils? Don't ask questions? Don't have a thorough knowledge of the subject being taught? Don't know their students' names by the end of six weeks?

The student doesn't feel involved in the class and

his or her education suffers for it.

This unfortunate situation occurs every quarter on campus and is completely avoidable. We, as students, have come here and paid our ever-increasing fees to learn from our instructors, and the more direct contact we have with them, the better. But it is hard to feel close enough to learn from an instructor when they are unapproachable, seeming or even admitting to have little interest in students or even subject matter.

While every department has a tough time managing their small number of qualified teaching assistants, often a TA will be assigned to a course in which he or she has little or no experience, such as an English TA expert of the Restoration Period as-

signed to teach science fiction. With many large lecture classes, it is truly the TA who ends up teaching the majority of the material to

students, and this leaves them with great responsibility. If they do not make an effort to reach out to their students, then the impact of the class as a

Uninvolved teachers are thankfully not the norm on campus, and many instructors make great efforts to connect with members of their classes — learning their names, getting as many students to talk in class as possible and being open for contact. These instructors make a big difference in the progression of students' academic life and are appreciated, but as with all things, it only takes a few rotten eggs to stink up the whole carton.

Of course, the student-teacher connection must be established by both parties. An instructor could be the most involved and open person on campus, and if a student doesn't respond there is nothing he or she can do. Most professors and TAs alike encourage attendance at their office hours and end up whiling away the time leafing through boring field journals or catching up on homework. These are plainly established on syllabi campuswide and provide one extra effort the student can take upon himself or herself.

However, as there can be only one instructor to at least several students, the duty of establishing a connection rests most squarely upon the shoulders of the teacher. If he or she remains open and involved with the class and students do not make use of it, then it is the students' loss.

Professors, please make an effort this quarter to know as many of the people in your class as you possibly can. It makes a difference to your students, and will make the class more interesting for everybody.

Mental Illn

Joe Kinney

I am a seriously mentally ill man. I wish to inform co students of general information concerning mental ill Today, roughly one in four families have a mental

person as at least a relative. But this fact is not realize the general public largely due to the fact that people de talk about their problems related to mental illness Mental illness is the hidden health malady of Ame

Although quite prevalent, NOBODY WISHES TO T ABOUT IT. Consequently, the general population is la ignorant of issues related to mental illness.

There are, generally speaking, three varieties of m illness. There are depressive illnesses, psychosis-relate nesses and obsessive-compulsive illness.

Depressive illnesses affect a person's mood and co quently affect every facet of a person's life. A depressed son sees life much as being a hopeless endeaver off little avenues for meaningful reward. The dep come lacking in motivation, have trouble con entr and sometimes become suicidal.

Psychosis-related mental illness is one that causes a son to no longer see the same reality everyone else sees psychotic experiences departure from reality. He or sh periences hallucinations, including hearing voices in mind that they have no control of. Speaking to an untro psychotic can be much the same as speaking to a nons cal person. Because the psychotic has departed from re he or she may make little sense.

Obsessive-compulsive illness is one where a perso-comes obsessed with something to the degree he or sh think about nothing else. Such people may insist on w ing their hands repeatedly, all day long, or mopping floor over and over again constantly.

Young people in college today are vulnerable to all varieties of mental illness described. Mental illness st many college-age people.

The Reader's Voice

Davidson Reich

Editor, Daily Nexus:
On Dec. 4, in the midst of Dead Week, I spent the evening inking maps from a geology field trip I returned from earlier in the day, at Davidson Library, when a disturbing

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event took place.

A security officer and his co-worker approached the table where my ladyfriend and I were busy doing our schoolwork. He told my ladyfriend to put her water bottle, which was closed, in her backpack. I chuckled. The security officer then asked me, "Do you have a problem?"

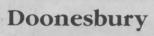
I replied, "Do you have a problem with me laughing?"

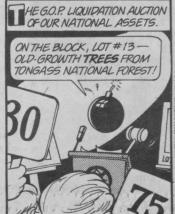
He said yes and walked away. Within a few minutes he returned with pieces of paper explaining the rules and regulations of the library. I handed my slip back to him, to save paper, and explained that I had already read and know the rules of the library.

At that point he told me to close my bag because he saw part of an orange. The orange was sitting in a clear plastic bag along with the rest of a dinner my ladyfriend had prepared for me to eat when I went home. She met me at the library to give me this dinner and to study with me. A sliver of the orange in the bag was exposed due to my backpack being unzipped. I zipped my backpack closed and asked this security officer his name. He told me it was on his shirt. It read Mr. Edell.

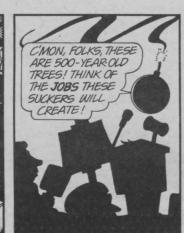
I did not have the time to tell him I had my backpack open to retrieve materials as I need them before he asked me to see my reg card. I asked him why he wanted to see it. Mr. Edell said he would not tell me his reason and again ordered me to give him my reg card. With no reason to need my reg card, I refused to give it to him. I asked Mr. Edell to identify his supervisor to me. He would not and then told me to leave the library. With grinning faces, he and another security officer escorted me to the door.

On the way out I stopped at the front desk to ask who is the supervisor of the security officers. Before the desk attendant could respond, Mr. Edell interjected and











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Perhaps the most widely heard-of mental illness is schizophrenia.

This is a psychosis-related illness. Its most common trait is that a person becomes overtaken by hallucinations. One out of 100 people are stricken by schizophrenia. Furthermore, schizophrenia strikes without warning to people gen-

erally between the ages of 17 and 30 years old.

When a person is beginning to become psychotic, he or she will notice everything around them taking on new meaning. The television and radio may become meaningful in bizarre ways. Also, the person will likely experience audible, uncontrollable voices in his or her mind.

Today, unlike in the past, there are very effective medications available for mentally ill people. Many seriously mentally ill people can recover to a degree that allows them to function adequately in mainstream society. The mentally ill are no longer people requiring quarantine from society.

Mentally ill people, with the benefit of medication, can be indistinguishable from normal, mentally healthy people. It is this understanding that I wish for college students to appreciate. The mentally ill can no longer be humanly justi-

fied to be ostracized from the population.

Hollywood, in its drive to make shocking, profitable movies, has described mentally ill people in a manner that causes the population to have unjustified fear of mentally ill people. Generally speaking, MENTALLY ILL PEOPLE ARE NOT DANGEROUS! Even the vast majority of medically treated psychotics pose absolutely no danger to

With these facts appreciated, perhaps college students should pay visit to the mentally ill and learn more about this

Joe Kinney is an Indiana resident.



said I was asked to see my reg card and because I refused, then asked to leave. At this the desk attendant would not give me the name of the supervisor and said I needed to

give Mr. Edell my reg card.
Upset because I felt I was being thrown out of the library for unjust reasons, I then asked Mr. Edell, "Are you throwing me out

because I stepped on the insecurity of a sec-WELCOME TO THE LIBRARY.

urity officer?" I then turned my back and began to walk to the door. Mr. Edell then said "spoiled brat" to my back. I turned around and asked him what he said. He said he was talking to his friend, the other security officer. I turned around and went

I am ashamed and appalled by this incident. I had done nothing wrong, yet this man kicked me out of the library. I feel this is a case of abuse of power and should not go by "unnoticed."

Is it extreme to draw a parallel between Jews in WWII carrying Stars of David and students carrying reg cards? Both groups need to show their pieces of identification

whenever they are told to do so.

I would like to ask the students of UCSB who may have similar experiences to mine to step forward and let others know. This behavior will only be tolerated so long as we ROBERT J. URBAN

Indy Wheeler

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I would like to thank Michael Ball for his fair and objective article concerning my campaign as an independent for Congress in the 22nd District against Andrea Seastrand and Walter Capps (Daily Nexus, "Local Accountant Hopes to Capture Congressional Seat," Jan. 5).

I do disagree with the quotes attributed to Jameson Halpern, the College Republicans chair, concerning Republican and Democratic party loyalty. I've spent the past several months preparing to launch my campaign, and the main reason that I decided to get into this race had to do with the tremendous discontent I have heard from both Republicans and Democrats, many of them insiders, and a few of whom were heavily involved with both Seastrand's and Capps' '94 campaigns.

A huge majority of Republicans that I've talked to are extremely unhappy with Seastrand, but don't dislike her as much as Capps. Many Democratic insiders are less than thrilled with Capps, but don't want Seastrand re-elected.

My task at hand is clear. I hope to con-

vince both groups that I have the vision and skills to deal with the issues before us, and to get them to show some courage and vote

for the best candidate.

If there are any students interested in interning on my campaign, please call me at 963-7979. I have state-of-the-art equipment and a highly organized program. The field of dreams is built, I'm just hoping for some

STEVE WHEELER INDEPENDENT CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATE

Dodo Dudes

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Just as it seems such issues like Affirmative Action have gone the way of the dodo bird, according to the Nexus (Daily Nexus,

body has gone in the same direction.

They have created two polar regions our esteemed A.S. president Leo Treyzon in one region, and the mighty Kris Kohler (unofficial Affirmative Action spokesperson)

Isn't it obvious to other students beside myself that these guys are missing the point? Or is "scare tactics," "counterrecalls," "you broke this promise" and "I made this claim" the real issue here? Let's not forget spring 1995, when each one of these gentlemen broke the UCSB campaign rules. These two or three - or even four political warriors are fighting some battle that we (the voters) did not elect them to

Next to Kris' name on the ballot it did not say, "I will create A.S. turmoil, fight for irrational causes, spend your \$3,000 to \$5,000 on recall projects that amount to nothing more than bags of manure." Isn't this petty fighting within the ranks opposite to the function of our student body? Maybe that's why no one votes on this campus. Even if you do, these "dodo birds" spend all their time and effort (and don't forget, our money) acting like the federal government.

What of the issues? Besides political propaganda and jaw slapping, nothing has actually been accomplished, regardless of Leo's, Kris' or any of the A.S. officers' stances. After all, this entire conflict formed because of differences of opinion on Affirmative Action.

Equal opportunity in some form has to exist. Maybe none of the officers agree on how or to what extent equal opportunity should be reached, yet its necessity is a fact. This is a starting point. But instead of thinking beyond the UC Regents' decision, or better yet, beyond "politics as usual," our so-called student reps pander their versions of what they think life should be. Do we care? Yes, but obviously opposite of what A.S. cares about. This is not representation, my friends.

Secondly, as unfortunate as it may be, these guys really are not contributing to the betterment of our campus. Their records supposedly speak of elected experience, with student government backgrounds, but "dodoism" must have been their major.

Speaking directly, A.S.' concentration should rest solely on us, the campus, on our wants and our needs, and not each other's backs. Spend that \$3,000-plus on a campus barbecue, or better yet, in an underrepresented student's TUITION. That sounds better than trying another asinine recall election to replace Leo with Bo - what a joke. (Produce something positive.) But I guess when your tuition is paid for, \$3,000 to \$4,000 doesn't really mean that much.

Hey, A.S., if you're having problems solving your internal issues and are confused,



"Back From the Dead: The Exhumation of the Presidential Recall Is Just Bad Politics," Dec. 1), so it also seems our elected A.S.

have a student forum. I'm sure a lot of students can lend some FREE advice. RUSSELL TAJ LEE BARTHOLOW

Wendy D. Henderson

This is a gorgeous place! I'm sitting in the beautiful new UCen, drinking a steaming hot cup of vanilla nut coffee from Nicoletti's and looking out of a magnificent wall of windows onto a scenic display of coastal tranquility. Birds, flying free, are silhouetted against a setting sun. Soft music is playing. People are lounging on the couches, some asleep, others studying their hearts out. This is the life!

I graduated from here a few years ago, but never did I appreciate it as much as I do today. UCSB is a world unto itself. Although I continue to live and work in this town, I love to escape from the "real world" and occasionally visit this campus. UCSB offers so

When I come here, this is what I find: people who smile and say,

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"Hi"; people who say "thank you" when I buy something; people who go out of their way to help; a clean area to sit, read or eat; good music, and a powerful sense of in-

telligence, of things happening, of things being learned and discovered, of people opening their minds and hearts and becoming more will be with the will be a second to the second to th

Sure, I know there are problems. I'm sure these pages of the Nexus are packed with controversial issues. That's great. I hope that if you've read this far, however, that you'll stop, put the paper down and look around right now. If you're in the middle of a lecture in Campbell Hall, studying in the library, eating fast food in the Hub or catching some rays on a grassy hill, look around and realize this is the best.

After graduation, you'll find those times to feed your brain are few and far between. Issues that might stir you to action today will be back-burner stuff tomorrow. Those precious moments you have to simply think will be relegated to your daily commute, and these wide open spaces will turn into four very close walls.
So, get all you can from this

great place. Your years here will slip by faster than you can imagine. Take advantage of what you have at your fingertips and don't waste a moment of your precious

Wendy D. Henderson is a class of '92 alumna.

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FIRE: I.V. Home to Frequently Blazing Couches

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consumed in less than 30 seconds — it is almost a solid form of gasoline," he said. "We don't recommend people trying to burn these trees ... they are asking for disaster."

The intense heat generated by burning trees is enough to cause holes in the asphalt of streets, creating large potholes the county must pay to have fixed, according to Valeri. It also creates a hazard for people who are in the area, he said.

"The main thing is that someone could get burned," Valeri said. "With all the intoxicated people on the street, it wouldn't take much for

someone to stumble and get severely burned."

In addition to the intense heat, other dangers are faced by anyone near the fire, Johnson said. The sparks and burning embers can pop out of the wood and fly into the air, causing considerable damage to surrounding property and cars, he said.

The Fire Dept. recommends recycling the trees instead. Ben Brown, county solid waste supervisor, said trees can be left on the curbs for pickup on certain days or brought directly to the transfer station for recycling.

"We grind them up and use them for mulch, and the chips are free to the public," he said.

A more common I.V. danger and nuisance is burning couches, which account for as many as 16 fires on some weekends,

according to Valeri.
"There's couch burning all the time, almost every week," he said. "Minimally there is one a week, sometimes two or three on a normal weekend. The numbers have been pretty consistent over the years."

Anyone caught starting one of these fires will be charged with arson, fined up to \$1,000 and/or ordered to serve six months in jail, according to Valeri. It is also a misdemeanor to add fuel to the fire. and anyone seen throwing anything into a fire will be

Johnson believes the blazes are more than a nuisance — they can needlessly endanger the lives of others, including firefighters. One of the main risks arises when a fire is reported improperly and fighters are put on Code Three — which has them racing to the blaze with lights and sirens, putting them at risk of causing a public disaster, he said.

"They cause us to divert our attention from medical emergencies, or from a fire in someone's home. It puts firefighters and others in danger," Johnson said.

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"There are potentially some effects on county expenditures and revenues

and we tried to articulate that fairly in the statement," he said.

But the effects on revenue, either positive or negative, should only be considered on a case-bycase basis as projects come up for a vote, according to Nash. Geis' analysis incorrectly assumes that most new development will have to be put to a vote and will then be rejected, she

"I feel like this is not project specific," Nash said. "That's what they're trying to make this out to

be - a specific project." A hearing to consider

the matter will be held in Santa Barbara County Superior Court at 9 a.m. Friday. Any changes ordered by the court will need to be completed by Jan. 17, when the voter's guide is scheduled to go to



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MOLINO

Continued from p.1 role in moving the development's site, according to John Stahl, Molino spokesperson. Concerns raised at public hearings also swayed the company, he added.

'The basic reason was ... the issue of the initiative coming up," he said. "We thought we'd move down there, in response to public comment to the [Environmental Impact Report]."

Measure A, if passed, would require certain new oil and gas development located outside the two consolidated sites to be put up for voter approval if supported by the county Board of Supervisors.

Molino's site swap illustrates the initiative's importance, according to Linda Krop, Environmental Defense Center senior staff attorney. Failure of

the measure may entice the developers to revert to their original proposal, she added.

"We need to make sure Measure A passes in March or they'll move back to the old location," Krop said.

Opponents of Molino's original proposal were concerned the change in county policy needed to approve the project outside a consolidated site would set a dangerous precedent, according to Krop.

"This is what we asked for.... Basically they've acceded to our demands," she said. "The main thing was we didn't want industrial sites dotted up and down the coast. ... This is significant, because not only does it fit our concern that industrial sites on the coast are limited, but it shows that compliance with existing policy is possible."

Molino also believes the new site will offer greater access to offshore gas

leases than the previous location, according to Stahl. The move will allow the project to tap three coastal leases as opposed to the sole reserve under the original proposal, he

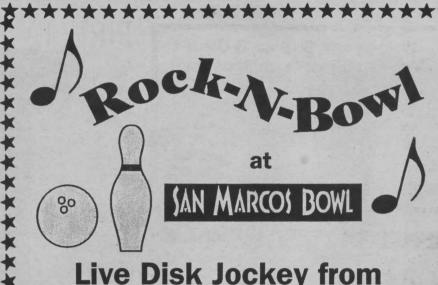
The alternative site proposal, which Stahl hopes to officially submit to the county Friday, resulted in the cancellation of two Planning Commission hearings on the project this month, according to Perez.

Once the plan is submitted, Energy Division planners will create a new draft Environmental Impact Report and then collect public input on the document before submitting a final EIR to the Planning Commission. The work will likely cause the project's commission hearing to take place in the spring, according to Perez.

"It means it probably won't go before the commission until April or May," he said.

because of contact with sick roommates or friends can take precautions by visiting SHS, where a prescription medication called Flumadine is available, according to Mattice. Flumadine helps prevent flu symptoms and can be taken within 48 hours of the illness' first indications, she added.

If the flu persists for a week or so it is important to see a doctor because complications such as bronchitis, pneumonia or sinusitis could arise, according to Mattice. These complications can be treated by antibiotics, she added.



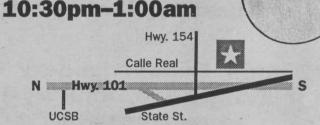
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Continued from p.1 drinking a lot of fluids and

getting plenty of rest."
In addition to its oftcruel symptoms, the flu's winter timetable can force students to miss valuable vacation days, according to Mattice. Freshman microbiology major Rus-sell Webb is among the students afflicted with a virus over the holidays.

"When I got sick it was really terrible because it happened over winter break," he said. "I was really tired and didn't want to leave my bed."

Opinions vary on when the flu is most contagious. While Rens said the high risk period occurs right before any symptoms arise, Mattice believes it is most infectious when symptoms first begin showing.

The flu is most easily passed through the hands, which is why it is impor-tant to frequently wash them, according to Rens.

"People are always coughing or sneezing into their hands and then the next minute shaking someone else's hand," she

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HARASS

and we definitely had a high number of people coming in."

Many cases of sexual harassment are never reported, making it difficult to determine the actual number of incidents, and reducing credibility of the data in general, according to Rudolph.

"The national statistic before the Clarence Thomas-Anita Hill incident was that 90 percent of incidents are not reported," she said.

More people are now coming forward when they feel they have been harassed, but others never discuss their feelings if

they have been victimized, Rudolph added.

"A lot of people don't want to feel like troublemakers, or students who have a complaint against a faculty member feel that the university won't take action," she said.

Students who believe they have been sexually harassed can call Rudolph at 893-2546.

Fullerton two free throws and the ball.

"Thank goodness they only made one of the two free throws. I'd just assume they filled the stands and didn't throw them, but we'd rather have the students here them in the building," Pimm said of the technical foul on the UCSB crowd.

"I was a little disappointed, we had just scored and made a threepoint play and they were going to get two of them back. They only got one back, so maybe we lucked out there."



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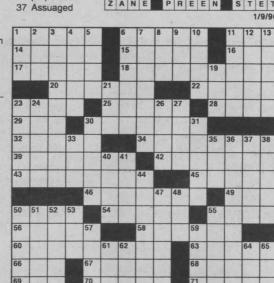
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Basketball Wins in Thrilling Fashion Over the Titans in Conference Play UCSB Snaps a Three-Game Losing Streak on a Last-Second Shot

By Michael Cadilli Staff Writer

With the score knotted at 62 with 34 seconds left against the visiting Titans - UCSB had no

Gaucho men's basketball Head Coach Jerry Pimm called for a pick and roll on both sides for senior point guard Phillip Turner to either dish or drive, but Cal State Fullerton over-

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played the pick to disrupt the play. That left senior guard Danee Prince open on the right side and he made CSUF pay by burying a 23-foot three-pointer with four seconds left to give Santa Barbara a 65-62 win in front of 3,722 Thunderdome fans.

"Danee is a good shooter and he works at it. He's over here at 7:30 in the morning to shoot. He puts the time in," said Pimm.

The conference homeopening victory breaks a three-game UCSB losing streak and gives the Gauchos (4-6 overall, 1-1 in the Big West) a much-needed confidence boost, especially without injured top scorer senior Lelan McDougal (postconcussion symptoms) and his 18.7 points per game. The loss pushes the Titans (2-9, 1-2) further down the Big West ladder.

"It was a good game for us in terms of getting back into the win column - that's the main thing," said senior forward Mark Flick. "We all realized we had to step it up a little bit with Lelan out. We just let the shots come and they did. The game should not have been that close, but Danee came through for us and he has been doing that all year."

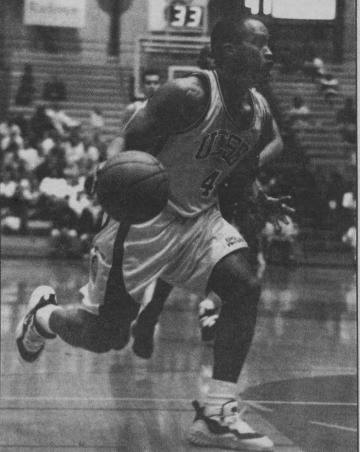
Flick came through in his own way by putting down key baskets all night to finish with a gamehigh 24 points. Down 22-19 with 6:49 left in the opening period, Flick nailed two treys and put in two layups to pace Santa Barbara to a 33-28 halftime lead. Flick had only 15 points total in the two prior games.

"I've been doing extra work after practice with the coaches and corrected a couple of things, which is what shooters need to do. I had confidence after I hit a couple of shots," he added.

Also putting on a show was Turner, who not only handed out 11 assists, but did it with style. After the Gauchos blocked a shot at the 3:42 mark in the first half, Turner ran the floor and dished a spectacular behind-theback bounce pass to sophomore forward Kealon Wallace, who promptly slammed the ball

home and ignited the crowd.
"That play woke me up. Before that I wasn't even playing well. I was, like, in another world," said Wallace, who had 13 points, 10 rebounds and two nice dunks on the night. "Right now I feel nobody can really stop me, and I'm just taking it to the hole strong.

"I was just trying to dish the ball off and get everyone open for shots," Turner added. "We wanted to get a win because



CLUTCH SHOT: Senior guard Danee Prince sank a game winning three-point basket to help the Gauchos past Fullerton.

we've been on a losing streak for hurt the Gauchos' chance to win a little bit. To get a win, especially in conference, felt real

body actually made the game closer than it was and almost

the game. After Wallace opened up the second half with a bucket and a foul, the crowd unleashed The Santa Barbara student the traditional tortillas to give

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Men's and Women's Gymnastics Begin the Year on a Positive Note With Mixed Meet

By Chris Oyama Staff Writer

Looking to just have fun, the UCSB men's and women's gymnastic teams opened up their season last Saturday, competing in the first-ever Gaucho Gymnastic Mixed Pairs Competition.

In front of a packed crowd in Rob Gym, the exhibition meet featured teams of one male and one female gymnast from UCSB. The pairing was done by a random draw and each gymnast performed in only two

Placing first with a total score of 38.8 was the team of sophomores Paul Mendoza and Kim Weigle. Mendoza received a score of 9.8 on both the pommel horse and parallel Head Coach Randy Lane was cold.

bars, while Weigle received a 9.6 on both the uneven bars and the floor exercise.

The highest mark of the competition came for senior Britten Murchison, whose duo placed second overall. Murchison received the score of 9.9 on perhaps the most difficult women's event, the balance beam.

While the meet did not have significance in terms of a win or a loss, UCSB men's Head Coach Mircea Badulescu was nonetheless satisfied by the

"Overall I was very pleased with the way the team performed," Badulescu said. "This was our cold-shower meet in terms of waking us up for the upcoming season, and I was glad to see no one was injured."

Similarly, UCSB women's

also pleased with his team's performance.

"I thought the team performed phenomenally well," he said. "They did much better than I had anticipated, from the freshmen on to the seniors. I only hope these performances will carry over into our first

Senior all-around performer David Cassie felt the competition was just what the team needed to get ready for the upcoming season.

"I thought this meet went great since it allowed us the practice environment that we will need once the season gets started," he said. "Last year we didn't have this and we went straight into the season kind of



Red-Hot Gauchos Travel South to Avenge Last Year's Shocking First **Round Tourney Loss to Fullerton**

By Brian Berger Staff Writer

Dio Aguinaldo

Last March, Cal State Fullerton closed out the UCSB women's basketball season in sudden fashion with a 97-86 victory at the Big West Tournament. Tonight the Gauchos (6-4 overall, 2-0 in the Big West) will look to avenge the loss as they travel to Fullerton to face the Titans in a conference matchup.

While the contest may look intriguing on paper, Santa Barbara will face a very young Fullerton (3-9 overall, 0-3 in the Big West) squad that has struggled this season. Gone are the scoring threats of center Koko Lahanas and forward Autumn Hollyfield, as well as the playmaking ability of guard Marissa Frial.

With the absence of the three, the leadership of the Titan squad falls to guard Shayla Bradshaw. The senior currently leads the squad

with 14.5 points per game while also claiming a team-high 29

steals. "[Bradshaw] is a very good player," said UCSB Head Coach Mark French. "She is one of the

top guards in the league and has hurt us badly." The Titan front line is secured by juniors Kim Cram and Julia

Allen. Cram is second on the squad in scoring and rebounding, averaging 8.8 points and 5.5 boards per game. Allen is a ju-nior college transfer who has dominated the glass for Fullerton. In six out of the 12 games

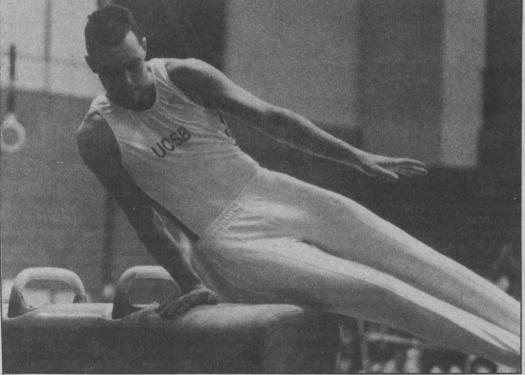
played, Allen has led the squad in rebounding, averaging 6.7 bpg. The Gauchos enter the contest with a four-game win streak but have not won at Fullerton since the 1991-92 season. Junior guard Erin Alexander continues to lead the squad in scoring with 19.6 ppg,

followed by senior center Amy Hughlett (10.5 ppg).

One question mark for Santa Barbara will be the playing ability of starting point guard Dio Aguinaldo. The senior did not practice Monday because of a sore knee and is uncertain for tonight's contest. If Aguinaldo does not compete, freshman Sheila Frial (the sister of Marissa) will inherit the position.

Although the Titans do not appear to be as menacing as in seasons past, UCSB is not taking them lightly.

"We want to use this game to get better," French commented. "We want to be so confident that when it comes to the Big West Tournament we can shut down anybody. We are really trying to focus on us and not who we're playing."



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