**Student Escapes Attack in Remote UCSB Parking Lot**

UCPD Discourages Students From Walking Alone at Night

A man assaulted a 19-year-old UCSB student with a knife early Wednesday morning in the parking lot near Harder Stadium, campus police said.

According to the University of California Police Dept., the student was leaving her car in Lot 38 at approximately 1:30 a.m. when the man grabbed her from behind and threatened to kill her. The student told police she was able to escape to her car after fighting off the suspect. She was not seriously injured and did not require medical treatment. Police said the suspect was described as a thin, light-skinned white male with wavy hair, a "shadow" beard and hairy arms. The suspect was wearing dark clothing and was approximately 5 feet 9 inches tall, police said.

Students with information should call UCPD Detective Sgt. Mark Vellekamp at 893-2587. The unpaved Lot 38 is the farthest lot from the campus, located between Harder Stadium and Storke Field. The UCPD encouraged students who park in Lot 38 after dark to walk to and from the lot with a friend.

Community Service Organization escorts can also be requested by calling 893-2000.

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**Leg Council Petitions for Student Representative Replacement, Use of Fair Trade Coffee on Campus**

**Leg Council This Week**

In its last meeting before Spring Elections, Associated Students Legislative Council condemned a campus committee's decision to postpone the Bronda Expressway.

Leg Council demanded the replacement of Sohail Saiedi, the one student representative on the committee. Saiedi did not attend last week's Design Review Committee meeting, when the final decision was made.

The long-delayed and off-proposed bikerack would connect Broida Hall and Engineering. The DRC voted to postpone further discussion of the Bronda Expressway until 2002.

DRC Chair Michael Arce said the committee needed to evaluate alternatives that would not interfere with construction of new parking lots or facilitate them.

Currently, students cannot ride their bikes between the two buildings. Instead, many choose to shorten their journey by cutting across the campus green, at the risk of getting a $77 ticket.

Off-Campus Rep Matt McMillan said almost every student is for the expansion of the existing bikerack, yet students have a weak voice on the DRC.

"Faculty, most of whom do not ride their bikes, have the overwhelming majority on this committee," McMillan said. "We're seeing more congestion, more accidents, and still nothing being done. Why is that?"

Leg Council recommended Public Safety Committee Chair Courtesy Ron Tse as Saiedi's replacement.

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**Student Resource Building Fee Faces Opposition**

**By Sarah Healy**

Staff Writer

An initiative asking students for $33.33 a quarter and $21.49 for summer sessions starting in 2004 is receiving an advantage because supporters of the proposal work for the Campus Elections Commission and Office of Student Life, the Graduate Student Association has charged.

If passed, the Student Resource Building fee would fund a building that would house student programs such as Campus Learning Assistance Services, Office of Student Life, Educational Opportunity Program and the Women's Center. Plans have not been drawn out, but square footage has already been allotted to each organization, said senior political science major Sylvia Lopez, who supports the measure.

The GSA, which wrote the con statement for the SRB measure, sees a conflict of interest in the initiative. Vice President of Academic Affairs Shawn Landriez said.

Associate Dean of Students Joe Navarro, who works in the Office of Student Life and is an adviser for the Campus Elections Commission, said he does not see a conflict of issues and said he could be impartial on the issue.

Three years ago, students staged a walkout to demand that the university provide a space specifically for student services. Students marched out of class and took over the chancellor's office on the fifth floor of Clapp Hall. An initiative went on the ballots in 1999 but was defeated by a slim majority. Lopez, a bargainer, said.

"It seems like we asked for a lot of things and never followed through with them," she said.

During the 1999 elections, Navarro was involved in the committee's decision to change the voter sliding scale after election results had been tallied. For an initiative to pass, it must have at least a 50-percent-plus-one vote if the percentage of vote turnout is equal to or greater than the average turnout of the previous five years. Chancellor

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**Coalition Seeks Approval of Housing Ordinances**

By Kim Sadler

Staff Writer

"Fairness and Security" may not be synonymous with the leasing experience in Santa Barbara for everyone, but if a collection of local renters' rights groups have their way next month, they may be closer.

The Santa Barbara Housing Roundtable, an organization composed of concerned residents and tenants' rights groups, including the Isla Vista Tenants Union, has proposed four housing ordinances — the "Rent Fairness and Security Package" — to theSanta Barbara County Board of Supervisors. The ordinances, which will be submitted to the board on May 22, would give renters in Santa Barbara County more rights than they currently have, including a longer notice of lease changes and interest on security deposits.

"For me, this is an outlet where I can go and have something to contribute," he said. "I think that's what everyone does. We keep it informal so everyone wants to come participate."

The proposed ordinances include a 60-day notice of any material change in the lease, interest on security deposits and enforcement of their return, tenant relocation assistance and registration of evictions, Perry said.

"If a tenant lives on a property for more than one year, then the landlord pays 3 percent interest on that deposit when you move. The tenant

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WASHINGTON (AP) — After a rocky first round, the United States is threatening to break off talks with China about U.S. surveillance flights unless the Chinese start discussing the return of the Navy reconnaissance plane detained for nearly three weeks. The United States hopes to gain from the talks in Beijing the return of the aircraft that made an emergency landing in southern China on April 1. The crew was held for 11 days and released only after pro-
testing with the Chinese.

"Nothing was settled. ... There was no progress on the issue of return of the airplane," State Dept. spokesperson Richard Boucher said after the opening two-and-a-half-hour session.

The U.S. ambassador, retired Adm. Joseph Prueher, who met with Chinese officials before the flight, will tell them it makes sense to continue to meet only if there's productive discussion about return of the aircraft," Mary Ellen Curfey, a White House spokesperson, said.

"We look to the Chinese to take a positive and con-
structive attitude at these meetings," Boucher said.

"We and the Chinese can talk from the basis of fact rather than from a base of rhetoric, we've got to be better off," Condelezza Rice Russian President Vladimir Putin's position on national security, said the State Dept.

Bush met with Rice and Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld at the White House, while Secretary of State Colin Powell was host at a State Dept. luncheon with Vice President Dick Cheney, Rumsfeld and Rice, on negotiations with China and other foreign policy issues.

The U.S. negotiating team in Beijing planned to return Friday to Washington, even if Pei goes talk on the plane restarted Thursday, the official said.

The EP-3E Aries II made an emergency landing in southern China and was captured by the Chinese fighters jet. From the outset, the Bush administration has insisted its surveillance operation was legal.

China, by contrast, has insisted the plane swerved, caused the collision, and that the surveillance was improper and must cease. The Chinese pilot was lost.

AP Wire Shorts

Penitentiary in Terre Haute.

AUSTIN, Texas (AP) — The Texas Legislature on Wednesday abruptly postponed a vote on hate crimes legislation after the governor prevailed key House Republicans to pull their support, a spokesman said.

"It is my understanding the governor has gotten involved and has discouraged members from voting to bring it up," said Democratic Sen. Rodney Ellis. "I do not yet see a reason to ask the governor.""The James Byrd Jr. Hate Crimes Act is named for a black man who was dragged to death behind a pickup truck in Texas in 1998. Separate bills in the House and Senate would make crimes motivated by the victim's race, ethnicity, sex, disability, religion or sexual preference.

Two years ago, former Gov. George W. Bush refused to support similar legislation, saying that all crimes are hate crimes. Perry has endorsed a similar position, though he is uncer-
taining that the law would create "new classes of citizens." But supporters say current law that punishes crimes motivated by bias or prejudice is not strong enough.

"We thought it was the right thing to do," said Andy Boulard, director of the Mississippi Gaming Association.

University of Mississippi historian James B. McPherson, whose 1992 book The Most Southern Place on Earth, explored social divides in the Mississippi Delta — said Mississippi's hold on the Rebel flag could put it at an advantage in eco-

"Mississippi will be the last Confederate state — that will be the rallying cry for some," Cobb said.

Faggert, of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, condemned the possibility of boycotts.

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Students Honor Holocaust Victims With Vigil, 24-Hour Name Reading

Alice Kraftova, Ida Kralova, Emil Kramer, Greta Kramerova, Hedvika Kramerova, Gizela Kramerova, Hugo Kramer.

These are the first-seven names, out of 72, on page 796 of a list of Holocaust victims.

People have been reading off this list, speaking name after name into a microphone in front of the UCen since noon Wednesday. They will continue until noon today. The list is only partial: a list of some of the victims from one of the camps.

With the constant name-readings in the background, 30 people held a candlelight vigil Wednesday at 8 p.m. to commemorate Holocaust Remembrance Day.

Senior biopsychology major Jérémie Braun, a fourth year member of Hillel who helped organize the name reading and the vigil, said the event helps bring the Holocaust to the community on a personal level.

Braun said he was most impressed by the diversity of people who came to read names and wear small stars to honor the week.

Sophomore global studies major Jarad Bernstein, who sat at the table from midnight to 5 a.m. with a large cup of coffee and several friends, said the event helps send a message.

"It only happened 55 years ago. That's not that long ago. One of the important things, there's other examples of this," Bernstein said. "Every today, with what's going on, what went on in Bosnia and in some African countries. By coming out with a strong voice about this, hopefully we can prevent other events from happening. I think this does contribute."

The 30 people who stood for the vigil were one of the largest groups to come, Braun said.

Some students sat on the ground, their hands cupped around their candles to protect the flames against the wind. Some of the candles blew out. Someone relit them.

— Eric Simons

The Daily Nexus.
We won't print it unless we're pretty sure it's true.
A.S. Election Indifference
Campus Politics Incite Apathy Among UCSB Students

NATHAN CLARKE

Recently, the Nexus polled six students on whether they cared about the Associated Students election. All six answered that they did not care about the elections. Traditionally, about two-thirds of the undergraduate electorate does not vote. The lack of attention A.S. elections receive is directly related to the perceived importance of A.S. and, more importantly, the campaigns and the candidates themselves. This indifference affects the popular mandate of A.S. and its ability to act effectively and is counterproductive to the purpose of A.S. While the effects of undergraduate voter indifference are all negative, the statement of apathy toward A.S. elections is profound.

Students’ indifference to the elections can easily be summed up — the elections are not about the electorate. In the majority of advertising that reaches students — the campaign signs — there is no mention of how the election will affect Joe Average student. Bill Clinton, who was a brilliant campaigner, said that elections are always about the voters, never the candidate. Clinton’s campaign philosophy does not seem to be possessed by any of the current A.S. candidates. Moreover, the methods and messages of the candidates encourage students to become indifferent.

Advertising, the press, debates and speeches traditionally are the means of educating voters on the stances of candidates. The advertising in the A.S. elections is done primarily through campaign signs. The onslaught of signs over the past two weeks illustrates the candidates’ campaign philosophy of admitting themselves, not their theories on the future of the student government. Each sign fails to address the electorate about why they should vote for that particular candidate. Just because we see a person’s name multiple times while going to class does not mean I am going to vote for them. The “Vote Marty” signs have a man, presumably the wonderful Marty, pointing out from the sign at the electorate. I assume his signs are a play on the Uncle Sam “We Want You” signs of the early 20th century; however, they do not tell me anything about himself or, more importantly, his stance on contemporary issues. The “CP” signs, which have gone into the realm of the T-shirt, seem to only illustrate the ability to mass produce handmade signs. One candidate does have more than just a name on the sign — it reads “Experience.” Thanks, now I know. But what kind of experience does that candidate possess? Overall, the techniques used by the candidates do not address the indifference of the undergraduate voter.

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Traditionally, elections with a high turnout contain one of two elements, an exceptional candidate or an important issue. Both of these are not found in the current A.S. campaign. Each of the candidates differs only slightly from one another on most topics. Of those topics, none stands out as a great change or evolution for A.S. at UCSB. As for the candidates, all I know is that they are good at making signs; their ability as leaders has not been demonstrated.

Finally, I want to vote. I want to care about the future of the A.S., but I cannot. Being a former A.S. president at another school I understand the importance and moreover the potential of A.S. The ability of A.S. is dependent upon the motivating factors of the people running the organization. Without a compelling motivation, besides a resume builders for the candidates, I see no reason to validate the election by voting. But I will be there until the last poll closes waiting for a reason to vote. If one candidate, who through literature or by speaking directly to me, tells me that they will kick ass, then I will run to vote.

Nathan J. Clarke is a senior law and soci­ety major.

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KATY PETERSON

I.V. Would Be a Cash Cow for the City of Goleta

Letters, Daily Nexus:

The numbers have just come out from the county, and they show that Goleta needs Isla Vista included in their boundaries to be a strong and healthy city. Isla Vista’s dense population brings lots of state money that is calculated by population. With I.V., Goleta will have a $35 million surplus after 10 years; without I.V., it will be only $6 million. And as the state and county head toward a recession, that added $27 million is very important. Isla Vista brings a lot to the table.

Goleta will support a city that includes Isla Vista once they realize that the finances of a city of Goleta, as defined by Goleta Now!, is marginal at best. Goleta will not be able to provide the urban services the people of Goleta need and deserve, without raising taxes.

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Henry Yang, in consulta­
tion with Vice Chancellor
for Student Affairs
Michael Young and the
elections committee,
decided to include gradu­
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lowering the necessary
percentage needed to pass
a campuswide measure.
For an initiative to go
on the ballot, petitioners
must gain signatures from
15 percent of enrolled stu­
dents including graduates
or undergraduate students.
A ballot can conceivably
gain the required percent­
age without any graduate
signatures and pass with­
out any graduate votes,
Internal President of GSA
Jessica Winston said.
"We feel concerned
that we were left out of the
process and that we don't
really have a voice in the
process," she said.
GSA is also worried
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have to pay fees for a
building largely beneficial
to undergraduate students.
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Relocation assistance happens when code-enforce-
ment people come from the county, cite a landlord
and people cannot live there," Perry said.
The landlord has three choices. Their first obliga-
tion is to put them in another unit, the second is
to put them up somewhere temporarily until the
repair are made, and the third is to pay to relocate
them," Perry said. "The amount isn't three times
whatever the rent is. The registration of evictions is
also called the data collection ordinance. This mea-
sure allows us to stay informed about what is
happening to tenants."
The ordinances, origi-
nally scheduled to go
before the Board of
Supervisors on April 17,
were pushed back to May
22 due to continuing
negotiations between the
roundtable and the
Association of Housing
Providers, Perry said.

Constance Brown, a prop-
erty owner and member of
the Association of
Housing Providers, said
she has mixed feelings
about the proposed ordi-
nances. "The security-deposit
process is quite compli-
cated, and I don't think that a
lot of tenants really under-
stand it. I have mixed feel-
ings about relocation assis-
tance. We've lived in L.V.
since '64, and we saw it
deteriorate into a shum
about 10 years ago," Brown said. "I worry about a
slummy building not being bought because the
new management would have to pay for the reloca-
tion of the tenants in the
building."

However, I think they
should be given more time
to find a place. I feel this
ordinance might keep a lot
of the slummy buildings
with no chance of
improvement," Brown
said. "I do not believe in
the registration of evic-
tions. We've had a few
really scary bad apples. It's
a scary process anyway and
then to have to register it
too makes it worse."

Perry said the round-
table chose to propose the
four ordinances because
they are less controversial
than previous ideas.

"We've been meeting
and negotiating with them.
We've tried to be
forthcoming with them
proposals and get feed-
back, and they've changed
over time," Perry said. "We
purposely decided on the four
we setded on to take
the board because they
are the law in other places.
We thought they'd be the
most palatable to land-
lords."

Brown said the eviction
ordinance was proposed as a
result of a few misman-
germed properties and should
not affect all property
managers.

"I think all of this start-
ed with the evictions of
some Latino families from
the Cortez and Bella
apartments," she said. "I
think they were dealt with
very unjustly and harshly
by that management, but I
think, overall, most evic-
tions aren't that."

Gail Marshall, Santa
Barbara County 3rd District
district supervisor, said
she introduced the ordi-
nances to the Board of
Supervisors because they
are necessary due to Santa
Barbara's housing short-
age.

"These are four very
simple suggestions that
will improve the quality
of housing," she said. "The
renters are in a more pre-
carious position than ever
before because of the lack
of housing in Santa
Barbara. These ordinances
would provide more secu-
rity for them."

Residents concerned with
these ordinances are
called to attend the Board
of Supervisors meeting on May 22 at the
County Administration
Building located at 105
East Anapamu, fourth
floor, in the Board
Hearing Room.

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□ I've tried to quit; I just can't do it.
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□ Smoking is a reward.
□ When I drink, I always light up.
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Committee Chair Courtney Ross-Tait as Suadi’s replacement. Ross-Tait said students need a voice on the committee.

"The committee has power in places you wouldn’t even believe," Ross-Tait said. "Just the fact that you can’t learn the names of the people on the committee is disturbing.

The resolution also called for the release of committee members’ names, e-mail addresses and access to the minutes from their meetings.

Leg Council also discussed a resolution to request that UCen Dining Services and the Faculty Club make Fair Trade coffee available to those interested. The retail price of Fair Trade products is paid directly to those who produce the product.

UC Davis, UC Berkley and UCSB Graduate Students Association have passed similar resolutions.

Rep-at-Large Eneri Rodriguez said students should have the option to support Fair Trade if they so choose.

"This is something our school invests in," she said. "If we step up and take a stance, we are directly affecting people in other countries."

While some council members were concerned about the cost of Fair Trade coffee compared to the coffee currently used by the university, Rodriguez said that money should be a nonissue.

"The university is a huge institution," Rodriguez said. "We can afford to spend a little more money to support Fair-Trade."

Off-Campus Rep Hagen Green said he agreed with the cause, but did not see how it affected UCSB students directly.

"I think this is a great cause, but I honestly don’t see how this affects UCSB students directly," Green said. "Let’s go ahead and pass this, but let’s try to stick to student issues from now on."

The resolution passed by a vote of 14-2-3.
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By KEITH BUSAN
Staff Writer

A "Double Dip." That is what they call a softball doubleheader. But don't tell that to the UCSB women's softball team because they think the phrase means it's time to scoop up a pair of shutouts.

Wednesday afternoon at the Campus Diamond, the Gauchos (17-26 overall) blanked UC Riverside, 1-0 and 3-0, in a pair of pitching gems from sophomore Sylvia Santos and freshman Katie Jung.

"I think that especially since [Riverside] is moving into our conference next year, they wanted to show us that they can compete," sophomore outfielder Ashley Groefsema said after the game. "They wanted to get a few wins under their belt against us." But just a little bit better.

In the day's first game, Santos showed why she has been Santa Barbara's ace on the mound all year long as she collected her seventh win of the season.

The Highlanders' (11-31-1) best chance to score came in the fourth inning when they landed runners on second and third behind a pair of singles. With ony one out, Santos found herself in a jam, but induced two groundouts to third that promptly ended the rally.

"I mostly throw my balls low, and I like to work the corners a lot," Santos said of her pitching. "So those are good places to put pitches when you are in a jam. But in that situation, I just pretend that there is no one on base and let my defense do the work. They played great all day, and I always have trust in them.

The game went all the way down to the win as UCSB went to bat in the bottom of the seventh inning looking to break the scoreless tie. Groefsema started the game-winning play with an incredible bust that beat the throw to first. Sophomore left fielder E.J. Lachland walked, setting up freshman outfielder Davis Beck's perfect sacrifice to move the runners to third and second.

Riverside pitcher Monique Bara then loaded the bases to set up the final dramatic sequence of the game.

Freshman third baseman Nicole Everrett stepped to the plate for Santa Barbara and hit a monstrous sacrifice fly to left to score Groefsema for the winning run. For Santos, it was her second victory of the year against the Highlanders.

In the first game of the doubleheader, Santos showed why she is the team's established go-to arm. But in the nightcap, freshman Katie Jung, who played at first base in the first game, received the call for her UCSB pitching debut and did not even blink an eye.

Junge pitched seven shutout innings, allowing only one Highlander runner to reach third base all game. Equally as impressive as Jung's debut in the circle was her performance at the plate.

In helping her own cause, Jung went two for three with one RBI. "She didn't look nervous at all out there," Groefsema said of Jung's performance. "She did an awesome job and was in control the entire game.

The afternoon, however, did not just belong to the underclassmen. Senior Teresa Tolson went one for two and drove in two runs in the second game to help put the icing on the cake.

"We have a very young team with mostly freshmen and sophomore pitcher Davis," Groefsema said. "We have been getting a lot better, and we are finally figuring out how to put a string of hits together."

Lions Roar Over UCSB in Final Home Match

The UCSB women's water polo team was able to fend off the Lions for one quarter, but Loyola Marymount's roar proved too much in the end.

Six Santa Barbara could not hold onto a 3-1 lead after the first quarter, eventually falling to #10 Loyola Marymount 5-3 in the final home match of the 2001 season Wednesday afternoon. The Gauchos jumped all over the Lions in the first two minutes of the contest, with senior driver Cathy Windes. But more importantly, Loyola Marymount had the Gauchos scoreless. The Lions then scored two goals in the third quarter to capture the lead on two goals from Jaime Koonce. Koonce propelled her team with the game's last three goals, padding the lead with her final goal at 5:36 left in the game.

The Gauchos started plugging away at UCSB with a superb display of defense. The Lions scored only one goal in the second quarter, an early burst from Lucy Woda. But more importantly, Loyola Marymount held the Gauchos scoreless. The Lions then scored two goals in the third quarter to capture the lead on two goals from Jaime Koonce. Koonce propelled her team with the game's last three goals, padding the lead with her final goal at 5:36 left in the game.

Lion goalkeeper Devon Courterey had a field day snuffing out any Gauchos comebacks, accumulating six saves after allowing two quick goals to get by. Gauchos goalie Yvonne Conard also had a fine day, earning five shots.

Santa Barbara currently stands at 12-13 and 4-4 in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation. Loyola Marymount upped its record to 18-6.

UCSB will challenge #1 Stanford at Palo Alto on April 20 at 7 p.m. The Gauchos will then battle at San Jose against #7 San Jose State on April 21 at noon to wrap up their season.

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The UCSB softball team knocked the Highlanders, next year's new member of the Big West Conference, around during a doubleheader.

Garcia Propels Gauchos With Hard Work, Clubhouse Attitude

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Sometimes a pitching staff is just one good arm away from reaching its full potential, and for the UCSB baseball team the missing link turned out to be junior starter James Garcia.

A transfer from El Camino Junior College, Garcia has added poise and a healthy dose of spunk to the Gauchos, something UCSB Head Coach Bob Bronseth said Santa Barbara had been lacking in the past.

"[Garcia] brings confidence and a little attitude to the club that we haven't had before," Bronseth said. "When we started in the fall our guys couldn't touch him, and that started the confidence that has made our team a lot better."

Garcia has backed up his self-assurance by excelling on the mound this season, leading UCSB in ERA (2.97), innings pitched (72.2), strikeouts (70) and by placing second in wins with six.

No start better demonstrated Garcia's dominance than his most recent outing. In the Gauchos' conference opener at Northridge, the hard-throwing righty went the distance, pitching the full nine innings and striking out a career-high 11 in the victory. For his troubles, Garcia was named Big West Pitcher of the Week.

"I was throwing a fastball and slider, the same as usual," Garcia said. "I was just hitting my spots [against Northridge]. I didn't even realize that I had 11 strikeouts until after the game someone told me.

Garcia's stellar year is only part of the story this season for the Santa Barbara pitching staff. Senior Kyle Ogle tops the club with eight wins, and sophomore Jim Ballard boasts a 6-2 record. But perhaps the biggest surprise of the season has been the emergence of freshman starter Matt Vaquer, who is third on the team with a 3.35 ERA. In fact, the team ERA is a miniscule 4.30, which can be attributed to all of the Gauchos hurlers feeding off each other.

"They see what their teammates are doing, and no one wants to be the so-called 'weak link,'" UCSB Pitching Coach Tom Meyers said. "Tom's confidence has grown, and Vaquer has plugged in very nicely. He really emerged in his last start versus USC; he showed the poise of a veteran.

Garcia's impact on the rest of the pitching staff shouldn't be underestimated, and the junior has turned into something of a team leader for UCSB.

"Jame's a hard worker," Meyers said. "He leads by his performance on the hill, but also by his example in practice. When he steps between the white lines there is no one tougher. He's a great addition to our pitching staff."