

Friday

April 11, 1997



### Spanish Style

Don't miss out on "DUENDE! Flamenco," an evening of dancing and musical performance at the MultiCultural Center Theater today at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$6 for students, \$12 for general admission, and are available at the A.S. Ticket Office.

### Inside ...

#### Sidewalks?

New sidewalks and speed humps are in the forecast for the Isla Vista community.

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### Get Movin', Already

The administration needs to stop "waiting and seeing" about important issues like Proposition 209 and start "making actual plans."

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### Another Day in A.S.

Leggies disputed over hypocritical procedures, rejected an appointee, and revisited the Mitsubishi Corp. question at Wednesday's Associated Students Legislative Council meeting.

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### Upset-Minded

The #6 UCSB men's volleyball team will look to take down #1 UCLA for the second time this season when the two squads lock horns Saturday at 7:05 p.m. in Rob Gym.

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### Yesterday

It's not Thursday, it's not an open sore, it just may be the first Friday of the rest of your life. Make sense — we dare ya!



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Just a Reminder:  
Your taxes are due in

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days! That's right, baby, April 15 is right around the corner. You don't want to disappoint the IRS.

# Daily Nexus

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## Faculty Member Is Commended

By Rabia Shirazi  
Staff Writer

A university professor and distinguished author was recently honored by a cultural foundation for her contributions to Latin literature.

Spanish Professor Sara G. Poot-Herrera was named Woman of the Year by the Los Angeles-based Mexican-American Opportunity Foundation for her extensive study of the Latin feminist author Sor Juana Inés de la Cruz.

Poot-Herrera has published over 30 works, including two books recounting the life and beliefs of de la Cruz, a Spanish nun and women's rights activist, she said.

"They feel I am an authority based on these writings; *Y diversa de mí misma entre vuestras plumas ando* and *Sor Juana y su mundo*," she said.

Due to her intense interest in the field, Poot-Herrera was asked to organize a project in commemoration of de la Cruz's death in 1695.

"In 1995 we commemorated Sor Juana's death of 300 years. The University of the Convent invited me to do this project with



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other specialists and students, Pablo Brescia and Josu Bijuesca," she said.

Colleagues and students of Poot-Herrera were excited for and proud of her accomplishments, said Spanish teaching assistant Pablo A.J. Brescia, who also worked on the commemoration project.

"We are all proud. They were looking for a woman who would be an authority on La-

tin literature. She's very dedicated to teaching and research," he said.

Spanish and Portuguese graduate student Josu Bijuesca, who works with Poot-Herrera, is very happy with the foundation's choice.

"I'm not surprised at all. She deserves it."

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## Residents Aid in Lengthening Duration of Plan Discussion

By Kristy Dolan  
Staff Writer

An extension for the public comment period on the proposed North and West Campus Housing Project has been granted due to heightened concern by community members.

The request for a continuation was approved in response to numerous letters addressing the March 31 public hearing on the project, said Budget and Planning Assistant Chancellor Robert Kuntz.

"The law requires us to circulate the document for 45 days. After we received requests for additional time to study the documents, we extended the deadline from April 4 to April 21," he said.

Community concerns such as traffic, biological impact and number of additional units deserve careful consideration, ac-

cording to Administrative and Auxiliary Services Associate Vice Chancellor Everett Kirkelie.

"The main groups concerned about the extension are the Audubon Society, the League of Women Voters, and Goleta residents. We want to make sure we do a good job by not impacting the environment negatively. This period will give us an idea of what we need to do to accomplish that," he said.

Groups such as the Audubon Society needed more time to address the impact the housing may have on the environment, according to Santa Barbara Audubon Society member Ron Hurst.

"I would say we appreciate the two-week extension period because it gives the board a time to meet and come up with a policy which we'll be sending in. Be-

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## Day-Long Colloquium Will Focus on V-chip, TV Study

By Sonja Williams  
Reporter

In an effort to educate people on the harmful effects of certain types of television programming, an all-day conference focusing on violence on the tube will be held on campus today.

Coordinated by the UCSB-based National Television Violence Study, the forum will discuss current controversies and issues surrounding the heated subject. The topics will include the effects of television violence on children, the effectiveness of ratings and the usefulness of the V-chip.

The colloquium will serve as an educational event, said Edward Donnerstein, co-director of the Center for Communication and Social Policy, which administers the NTVS.

"[We want] to make students and faculty and people of the

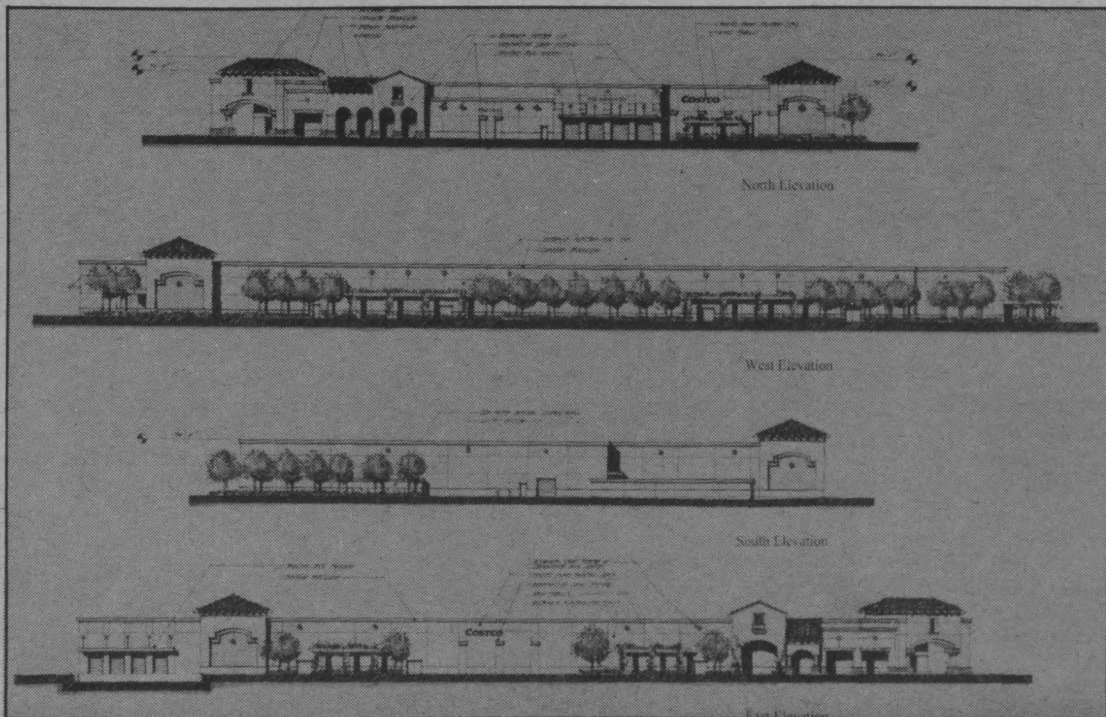
community aware of the new rating system and issues regarding the V-chip," he said. "It's designed to be informative. We're not there to decide which system is best."

The conference features keynote speaker former Senator Paul Simon, and will include perspectives from the television industry, research findings from NTVS, and some of the current debates over the V-chip. It will end with an open forum.

The university has been administering and coordinating research efforts since 1994, when the NTVS first came into existence.

The project is a three-year scientific study on the effects television violence has on viewers, and includes the efforts of three other institutions — the University of Texas at Austin, the University of Wisconsin and the

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Courtesy of Mulvaney Partnership Architects

Costco Wholesale, one of the many big-box stores planned for the new Camino Real Marketplace on the corner of Storke Road and Hollister Avenue.

## Board To Assess Aspects of New Shopping Center

By Brittany Burden-Leslie  
Reporter

With the planning process of a local big-box mall moving forward, the possibility of tough competition for Old Town Goleta merchants is becoming more of a reality.

The Camino Real Marketplace, a proposed Wynmark Corp. development to be built on land at the corner of Storke Road and Hollister Avenue, is going through the approval stages as officials and citizens ponder the necessity and potential effects of the center.

Though the plan is still going

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# HEADLINERS

## Clinton Loses Line-Item Veto in Court



**WASHINGTON (AP)** — In a decision affecting federal spending and the balance of governmental power, a judge on Thursday struck down as unconstitutional a law that lets the president veto specific items out of bills passed by Congress.

The 37-page ruling by U.S. District Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson overturns the Line-Item Veto Act. The law was passed by Congress a year ago and became effective Jan. 1, but President Clinton had never exercised it.

The law allowed the president, for the first time, to veto particular items in spending bills and certain limited tax provisions passed by Congress. Previously, the president could only veto entire bills.

Jackson said the law flatly contradicts basic tenets of the Constitution.

"Where the president

signs a bill but then purports to cancel parts of it, he exceeds his constitutional authority and prevents both Houses of Congress from participating in the exercise of lawmaking authority," Jackson wrote.

**"I am very pleased with the court's decision, which I believe to be a great victory for the American people and our Constitution."**

**Sen. Robert C. Byrd (D-W.Va.)**

"Never before has Congress attempted to give away the power to shape the content of a statute of the United States, as the act purports to do. ... The formalities of the constitutional framework must be respected," Jackson stated.

The Clinton administration has asked the court to throw out the challenge by six members of Congress.

The lawmakers, led by the senior Senate Democrat Robert C. Byrd (D-W.Va.), argued the law was an unconstitutional encroachment of Congress' legislative power.

"I am very pleased with the court's decision, which I believe to be a great victory for the American people and our Con-

course, but we won't have any further comment until the Justice Dept. has an opportunity to read the decision," said White House spokesperson Barry Toiv.

But supporters of the law were quick to urge Clinton to appeal Jackson's ruling, predicting the issue will eventually be decided by the Supreme Court. Jackson, himself, agreed it "undoubtedly" will.

"While no other branch of government can usurp Congress' authority, the Congress itself can delegate that authority," Republican Sens. John McCain of Arizona and Dan Coats of Indiana said in a joint statement. "There are clear precedents in tax and tariff law."

The law allowed the president to sign a bill and within five days still reject a specific spending item in it. Congress could then pass a separate bill to reinstate the specific item and the president would have the power to veto that bill.

stitution," Byrd said in a statement.

The administration had contended that the lawmakers lacked standing to sue "because they have not alleged personal injury in fact, which has been or necessarily will be inflicted on them ... and which is redressable by judicial decree."

"We're disappointed, of

## Wilson Violated Species Act After 1995 Floods



**SAN FRANCISCO (AP)** — Gov. Pete Wilson acted illegally when he ordered a suspension of the state's Endangered Species Act during floods and other emergencies, a state appeals court ruled Thursday.

The 1st District Court of Appeals upheld a lower-court ruling in favor of environmental groups that challenged Wilson's order, issued in March 1995 during extensive flooding.

The California Endangered Species Act applies to about 30 animals and

more than 120 plants not covered by the federal Endangered Species Act, whose protections are more stringent than the state law.

Wilson's decree, in effect through 2000, would let local officials grant exemptions from the law for measures to repair damage caused by floods, fires, earthquakes, riots and other disasters, and to prevent future damage. The exemptions would allow the killing of otherwise protected species.

The governor con-

tended the order would help landowners recover from the floods and prepare for future disasters. The state said such emergency-related activities as filling a hole in a dike, removing debris from river beds and fields, and rebuilding washed-out roads would be speeded by the decree.

But environmental groups said the range of activities was much broader, including the alteration of stream beds and the construction of roads, levees and dams, and that the potential effects on endangered species could be devastating.

Emphasizing that it was not judging the wisdom of Wilson's policy, the appeals court agreed with San Francisco Superior Court Judge William Cahill's ruling that the governor's order was unauthorized by state law.

The Endangered Species Act allows the state to authorize the killing of protected species under limited circumstances for "scientific, educational or management purposes." The court rejected the state's argument that the suspension of the law in emergencies was for "management purposes."

## Cabinet Member Foretells Collapse of North Korea



**PANMUNJOM, South Korea (AP)** — Defense Secretary William Cohen peered across the Demilitarized Zone on Thursday and predicted the demise of "decaying and dying" communist North Korea. Less than an hour earlier, North Korean soldiers had crossed into the South's sector, retreating only after guards fired warning shots.

The incident, which involved no American troops, was about 65 miles east of where Cohen and his entourage were, said Cmdr. Jeff Gradeck, a Cohen spokesperson.

Later, over lunch with U.S. troops, Cohen suggested the long and costly struggle between the North and the U.S.-backed capitalist South soon will be over.

"We're very close to the finishing line, seeing a united and free Korea," Cohen told soldiers of the 2nd Infantry Division, among 37,000 U.S. troops in Korea.

Interviewed later by American reporters, Cohen said he feels certain North Korea, whose economy is in shambles and whose people reportedly are starving, could not hold on much longer. He warned the collapse could be painful.

"It's inevitable that the North cannot sustain itself, that the regime will collapse in one form or another — hopefully peacefully, perhaps violently," he said. "The end is in sight in terms of that regime."

## AP WIRE SHORTS

• **SACRAMENTO (AP)** — California drivers paid an average of \$73 more for auto insurance in 1995 than they did in 1994, a consumer group reported Thursday. The Proposition 103 Enforcement Project blamed state Insurance Commissioner Chuck Quackenbush for the 8.3 percent increase in premiums in 1995, the year he took office.

But Quackenbush's press office said revised figures showed the premium increase to be only 1.6 percent, far lower than the increase claimed by the project.

The Enforcement Project, a non-profit consumer group based in Santa Monica, cited figures compiled by the National Association of Insurance Companies. The 8.3 percent increase was for the combined average of liability, collision and comprehensive premiums.

• **NARRAGANSETT, R.I. (AP)** — New findings indicate an iceberg sank the Titanic with six relatively small punctures — not the popularly held theory of a 300-foot gash.

Shipwreck investigator Paul Matthias used high-tech sonar equipment to create images of the wreck. The total damage was less than 15 square feet — about the size of a refrigerator — but the pressure was tremendous and shot water into the ship so fast the crew was helpless, he said.

"It's disturbing that these small openings were spaced in such a way, a very unlucky way, to cause it to sink," said Matthias, president and founder of Polaris Imaging Inc.

The Titanic struck an iceberg during its maiden voyage on April 14, 1912, and sank in 2½ miles of water off the coast of Newfoundland, killing 1,523 passengers.

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## Weather

As the coming of the second millennium slowly creeps toward us, so do the number of predictions and premonitions regarding the turning of time's odometer.

I figured that since many so-called psychics and clairvoyants seem to be redeeming their 15 minutes of fame, I may as well throw my futuristic visions into the passing bandwagon, too.

But I have an advantage. I'll use the same scientific methodology utilized daily for the weather, which includes (but is not limited to) looking outside and observing atmospheric variants and top-grade thermometers, as well as mastering the ancient art of randomized chaos star-pattern analysis. (As for the temperatures, it's usually just the decade from the music I'm listening to while writing.)

So how will all this help me foretell the unfolding events of the next few years? I'll let you know when the time is right.

Forecast: Continued sunshine throughout the weekend, with hella more wind. As if you didn't know.



## Leggies Debate Nomination Process

By Diane Reid  
Staff Writer

The controversial appointment of a new council member and the addition of a new polling place for the upcoming Associated Students election were the main topics discussed at Wednesday night's Legislative Council meeting.

While sophomore political science major Erin O'Donnell — who had been appointed off-campus rep by A.S. President Russell Bartholow — awaited approval from the board, members voiced concerns that O'Donnell's appointment did not follow normal procedure.

"Our main concern was there wasn't a concrete process. ... We agreed that the person who was nominated was qualified, but the process was what we disagreed with," said A.S. Committees Coordinator Robyn Libitsky.

Libitsky read a letter by off-campus rep applicant Matt Barrall, who wrote to the

board to protest the process that was used for O'Donnell's appointment.

"It is not the intention of this notice to question Erin's qualifications in any way. I feel, however, that I am equally qualified, and I am extremely angered that after receiving so much runaround and after so many assurances by Russell that every prospective applicant had to be given an interview that this happens," he wrote.

After a long, emotional debate, Bartholow withdrew his appointment at O'Donnell's request, and it was agreed that all applicants would undergo equal interviews to ensure a fair contest.

"I asked Russell to take back his nomination because I'm confident of my capabilities. I feel that the best people for the job will be forwarded to Russell by the committee," O'Donnell said.

Another major issue was the addition of another polling place on campus to increase voter turnout in the upcoming A.S.

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## New I.V. Sidewalks, Speed Humps Planned

By Ethan Childress  
Reporter

Plans to add pedestrian walkways and increase roadway safety in Isla Vista are nearing the completion phase.

The project to complete missing segments of sidewalk and the placement of new speed humps is almost ready for contractor bidding and implementation as it undergoes review by the Santa Barbara County Public Works Dept.

No specific start date has been set, but summer construction seems most likely, said Mark Chaconas, executive assistant to 3rd District Supervisor Gail Marshall.

"It means that there

won't be much inconvenience for residents of I.V., and it would be a nice thing for the students to come back to," he said.

Areas proposed for

**"This project will have no effect on the amount of parking in I.V."**

**Mark Chaconas**  
3rd District executive assistant

sidewalk enhancements include Camino Pescadero, Camino Del Sur, Embarcadero Del Mar and Embarcadero Del Norte,

while speed hump locations have not yet been determined, Chaconas said.

Although some logistics problems remain to be addressed before the project is implemented, county Public Works Roads/Transportation Deputy Director Mark Schleich does not foresee any unusual delays.

"There are still questions dealing with the acquisition of the swath of land by the streets from the owners of the property," he said. "Other than that, there should be no real problems."

Chaconas said the project should have few negative impacts on I.V.'s parking situation.

"This project will have

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Office of the Chancellor  
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April 9, 1997

Dear Campus Community:

On Tuesday, a three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the ninth circuit reversed the lower court's injunction on Proposition 209. The court's decision is scheduled to become effective in twenty-one days. Shortly after the ruling, the Office of the President released the following statement:

Today's federal appellate court ruling upholding Proposition 209 will have no effect on University of California undergraduate admission decisions for Fall 1997. The UC Board of Regents' resolution eliminating the use of race, gender and ethnicity in admissions is consistent with Proposition 209. Any future university decisions regarding admissions or other programs that may be affected by Proposition 209 will be taken in accordance with the law.

Regarding the ongoing litigation, it is likely that Proposition 209 will be appealed further. These appeals may delay or even enjoin its implementation once again, and the case may ultimately go to the U.S. Supreme Court. In short, we have yet to hear the last word on Proposition 209.

Tuesday's ruling has no effect on UCSB's 1997 admissions decisions; our admissions process is complete. The result is the most diverse class admitted in the history of our campus. We are very grateful to our students, faculty, staff, and alums for their devoted outreach efforts, and to the Chancellor's Advisory Task Force, formed last November to address both the future of diversity at UCSB and the challenges posed by Proposition 209. I have asked Drs. Sarah Fenstermaker and Michael Young, the Co-chairs of the Task Force, to update you on its progress to date.

Let me once again assure you of UCSB's deep commitment to the successful fulfillment of our twin goals of diversity and excellence.

Sincerely,

*Henry T. Yang*

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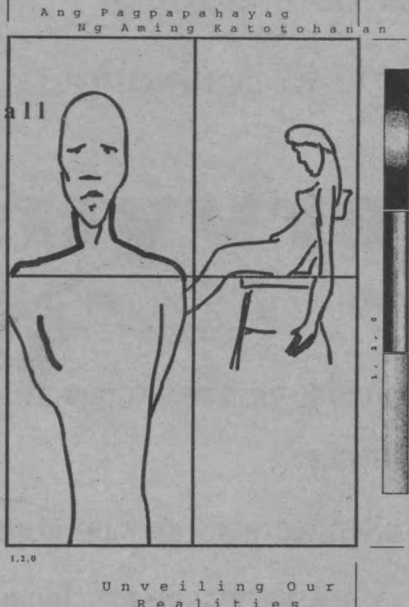
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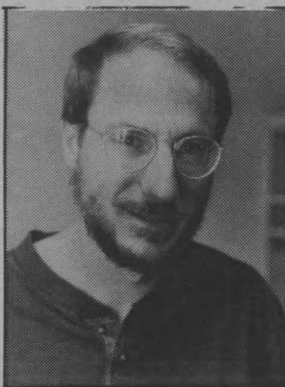
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## Professor Awarded For Achievement

By Rabia Shirazi  
Staff Writer

A university physicist has been honored by a prestigious science academy for excellence in his field of expertise.

The National Academy



Matthew Fisher

of Sciences awarded physics Professor Matthew Fisher a cash prize of \$15,000 for his contributions to the study of condensed-matter physics.

The award is given annually for achievements in various areas of science, Fisher said.

"The award was established in 1980 by AT&T-Bell labs in honor of William Baker. It is given yearly by the NAS in a different field of the technical sciences each year. This year, [it] was in condensed-matter physics, my area of specialty," he said.

Fisher was one of 18 recipients recognized for his achievements based on standards set forth by the academy, said NAS press officer Kim Seaton.

"The award is geared toward young scientists, not established scientists. The field for the award changes every year. The council determines the field and decides how innovative the scientists are," she said.

Fisher was noted for his contributions in materials and superconductors within condensed-matter physics, he said.

"My contributions have been in helping understand and predict the properties of new materials, particularly the so-called high-temperature superconductors discovered in 1986 and their behavior in strong magnetic fields," Fisher said. "[I also researched] quantum wires which ... carry electrical current despite being extremely narrow. Such extremely narrow wires are predicted to behave very differently from familiar copper wires due to new quantum effects."

In recognition of the honor, the recipients will gather in Washington, D.C., for a formal dinner and ceremony, Seaton said.

"There's an evening that honors the recipients on April 28 during the 134th annual meeting [of the

NAS], so the members are present," she said.

Fisher said he has already determined a use for the \$15,000 awarded.

"I'm going to use the money for my older daughter's orthodontia," he said.

Fisher has been recognized as an outstanding scientist by another organization as well, and has proved to be a significant asset, said Physics Dept. Chair Bob Sugar.

"In 1995 he was awarded the L&T Waterman Award by the National Science Foundation. And now, the NAS award for initiatives in research for his vortex-glass phase," he said. "He has won two very singular awards, given by two of the most prestigious organizations."

Reception of this award could not have been possible without the help of his colleagues, and it is ultimately the department that benefits from the achievement, Fisher said.

"My research has relied on numerous collaborations with talented colleagues both here at UCSB and others scattered around the country," he said. "Although it is of course an honor for me individually, the most important aspect of prizes such as this one are the positive attention that they bring to the Physics Dept. here on campus."

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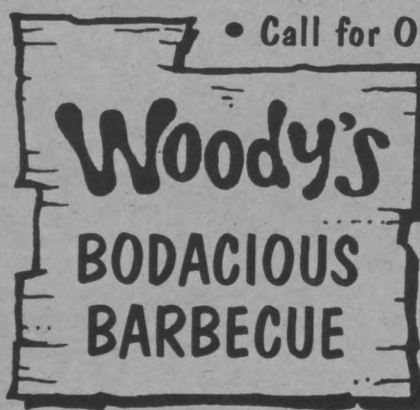
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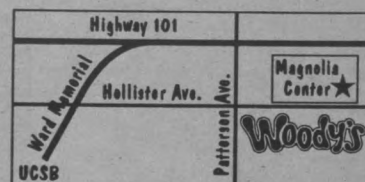
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## REVIEW

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cause there are as many as 80 concerns, we'll be focusing on the top-10 major problems," he said.

The extension is legally justified because the comment period will affect the overall decision about campus land use, Kuntz said.

"Once we have all the comments, we will examine and formally respond to all of them. The responses will be included in the final Environmental Impact Report. We will look at them and make our final decision after we have thoroughly reviewed and studied all the issues of concern," he said.

At the March Environmental Impact Report hearing, some concerned community members questioned the university's need to increase the number of units for the project from 351, as originally proposed in the campus' 1990 Long Range Development Plan, to 513.

Kuntz said the increase in units was in response to concerns about the number of homes originally proposed on West Campus, which has been reduced to 100 units of faculty housing.

"Now that we own 100 units on the West Campus we are going to increase the density in the North [Campus] by adding homes. Some of it dates back to the 1990 concerns about not wanting faculty homes on the West Campus bluffs area," he said. "People expressed concern, so we moved 50 of them closer to the child care center. Part of the thinking is since we agreed to cut the unit number to 100, we can increase the number on the North Campus."

## I.V.

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no effect on the amount of parking in I.V. The sidewalks aren't in the way, and the speed humps can be parked over," he said. "The only thing that might change this is if there are any trees too near the road, and then we might have to bump the sidewalk out in order to get around it, but that is about it."

Funding for the \$90,000 project was raised through property taxes and a community development block grant, but Chaconas believes the benefits provided will far outweigh the costs.

"The entire community will benefit from the added safety," he said. "The slower traffic will allow greater safety for bikers and pedestrians."

The project's impact on the safety of the local youth population is important for Isla Vista Recreation and Park District Board Chair Pegeen Soutar.

"The sidewalks are mainly being put in to keep people, especially schoolchildren, from walking in the streets," she said. "As a parent, that is important to me."

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Please explain.

## World-Renowned Scholar Teaches Small Seminar on Society

By Arnold Feher  
Reporter

A distinguished sociologist is visiting the university as a guest professor in the Sociology Dept. this spring.

Howard Becker, a professor at the University of Washington, is currently teaching a sociology seminar of 20 students entitled "Telling About Society."

Becker is among the most renowned sociologists in the world, said Sociology Dept. Chair William Bielby.

"He's probably one of the world's best-known sociologists and is the

leading ethnographer of our field," he said.

The entire department is thrilled with his visit and feels his influential presence, said sociology Professor Harvey Molotch.

"It's very rare that anyone can combine this kind of breadth and experience that can be so concretely useful. He has stimulated more field work than any other sociologist, inspiring research in sociology, music, anthropology, communications and other fields," he said.

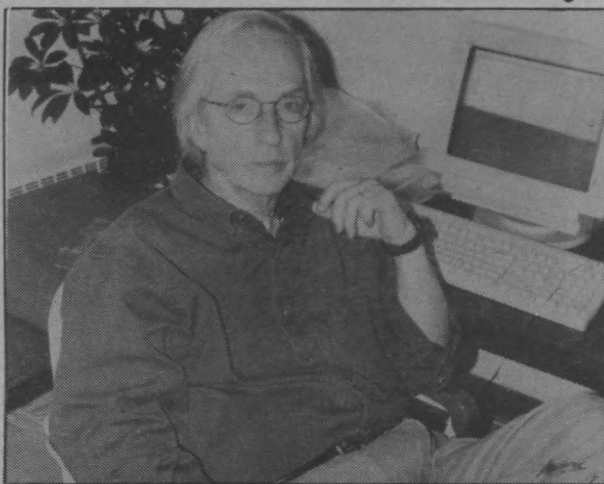
The objective of the class is to explore various kinds of narratives in society and how society is reflected in movies, litera-

ture and mathematics, Bielby said, adding Becker is hoping to stay with the university.

"He is seeking long-term relationships with students and faculty here. This seminar is seen as an interim looking into possible permanent employment," he said.

Although he has been on campus only two weeks, Becker is pleased with his class and the university as a whole.

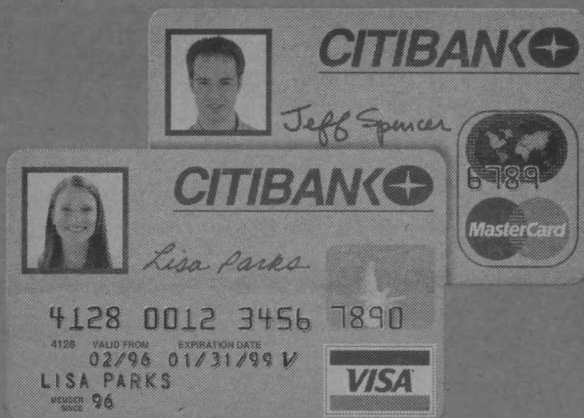
"Students talk more [at UCSB]. It is a lot of fun," he said. "I do better in small classes. Teaching is a part of research."



ALAN JACOBY/Daily Nexus

Visiting sociologist/ethnographer Howard Becker teaches a seminar titled "Telling About Society."

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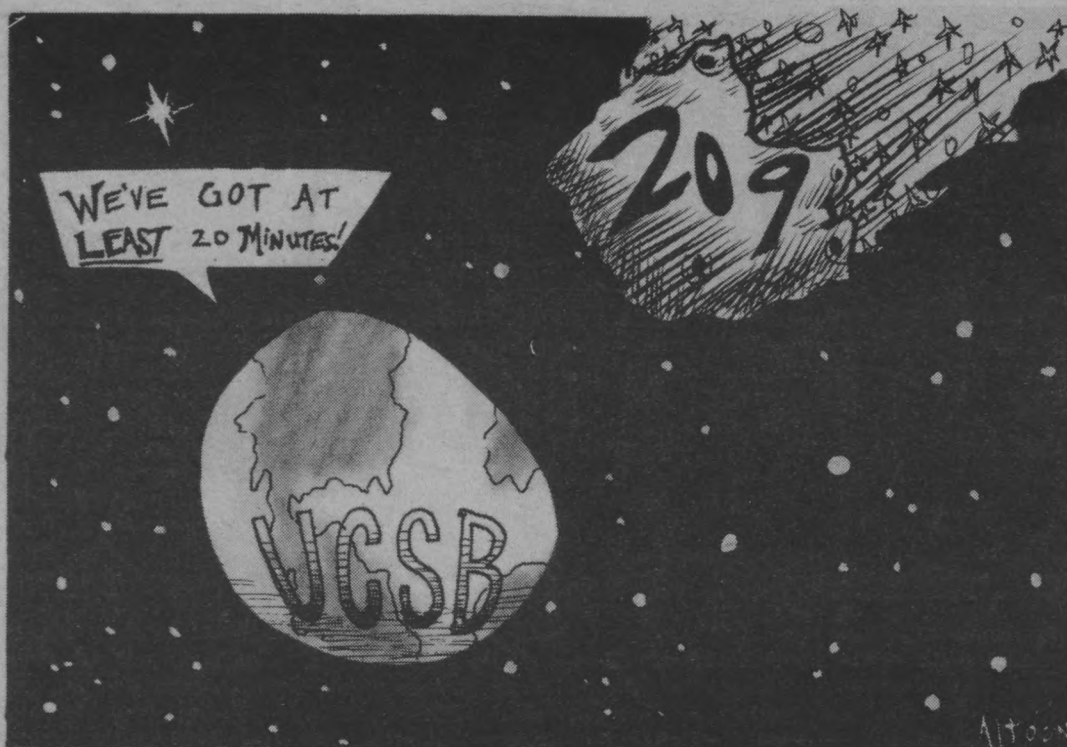
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— Bill the Cat

## Editorial Policy

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## STAFF EDITORIAL



## Don't Just Wait and See

Administration Needs to Start Taking Action When It Comes to Prop 209

On Tuesday, a three-member panel of the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals overturned a lower-court judge's injunction against the controversial Prop 209. On Wednesday, Chancellor Yang issued a statement to the *Daily Nexus* that reiterated UCSB's commitment to diversity and outreach programs while stressing that the battle over Prop 209 was far from over.

Should the UCSB administration be commended for the speed of its response to this latest crisis in how University students are admitted? Hardly. Since 209's passage in November, UCSB has had half a year to prepare an alternate system that excludes race- or gender-based preferences but still aims to promote diversity.

But now the fit's hit the shan, and all the administration has to offer is a speedy press release chock-full of prefab slogans and a defense of current policy. Touting the great irony of UCSB enrollment — that our campus diversity has risen while the UC system's as a whole has fallen — isn't anything near an adequate response to the threat 209 poses to campus diversity. Nor is relying on existing outreach programs to prevent further bleaching.

While the numbers at Cheadle may not yet reflect the cloud 209 has cast on some students' hopes of UC admission, ample anecdotal evidence and the testimony of recruiting agents from colleges nationwide point toward a dangerous rise in the number of minority students turning away from the UC because they don't feel welcome.

Simply patching up the holes 209 has blown in the admissions process isn't going to change that sentiment. We don't need an administration that will do its

best to make up for 209's wet-blanket effect on minority enrollment, nor even an administration content with increasing diversity here at home.

What the students of the University of California at Santa Barbara need — indeed, what all UC students need — is a new flagship campus that will lead the charge to increase systemwide diversity above pre-209 levels.

And students need such a campus TODAY, not when Prop 209 is appealed one last time to the 9th Circuit, not when the case is taken before the Supreme Court, not when those justices lay down their ruling, but now. Immediately. Yesterday.

And what better campus to do so than our own? If UCSB is really bucking systemwide enrollment trends, now is not the time to stick our heads in the sand. Now is the time for our campus to stop lulling everyone to sleep with this "wait and see" approach.

Students, faculty, staff and especially administrators need to get informed, formulate contingency plans, seize a leadership role in the UC system, and push for diversity as Priority One. Because even if 209 is baptized as constitutional, it's not over yet.

Prop 209's vague language, already a death sentence for Affirmative Action, could be expanded through legislative and judicial action to jeopardize a host of campus services such as the Women's and MultiCultural centers — services that, while not specifically attacked by 209, could yet fall prey to it.

All it takes is time — and time ran out last November. Let's not wait for the clock to rust and fall to pieces before we take action. Let's get moving, already.

## The Reader's Voice

### ATTACKS ON GORECKI WAY OFF BASE

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Since the start of this election campaign, I have been shocked by the pervasive character attacks on various candidates. In particular, one of my close friends, Mark Gorecki, has seen his good name dragged through the mud. I refuse to repeat the groundless insults, let alone the name of the opponent who made them. Doing so would only give those remarks, as well as the opponent, legitimacy that has not been earned.

I'm not writing this letter as part of some plan. I merely want the voters to know what kind of person Mark really is, not what his shameful opponent would have you believe. Mark is the kind of guy who would help a new student find a place to live when Isla Vista ran out of housing early this summer for

the 1996-97 school year. A student was looking at Mark's previous apartment during the summer and was distressed by the lack of available apartments she had encountered following her acceptance to UCSB.

I happened to pay him a visit at this time. We could both empathize with this young woman's desperate position. We dropped what we were going to do on a beautiful Santa Barbara summer day and drove her around town until we were able to find her a very nice studio in Isla Vista by the end of the day. Her search was ended far earlier than it might otherwise have been, thanks to the help of responsible people like myself and Mark Gorecki.

You might ask why this happy little story is relevant to Mark's bid for office. I'll tell you why. It shows that he gets things done. A total stranger can drop a problem that really is not even his concern. Nothing would have hurt Mark or

myself if this young woman did not find a place. People like us look beyond our own interests and see how we can help others.

Most importantly, this story shows that Mark has character. Character isn't about doing what might get you elected. I heard that Congressman J.C. Watts defines character as "doing what is right when no one is looking." I can't stress enough how much this applies to Mark. The student body could not be better served by any other candidate. You have my word that Mark will do what is right.

I hope that this letter sees print and allows this attack on my friend's character to stop. He's a good man and doesn't deserve such abuse. However, if it does not stop, I hope that now, being better informed, the voters will see just how groundless these attacks are.

LAWRENCE MCDONALD

## Justice at La

> Prop 209's Delay Unwarranted

Dennis Bent

I urge you to read the following passage carefully. "The state shall not discriminate against, on the basis of race, sex, color, ethnicity, or national origin in the provision of public employment, public education, contracting."

The preceding passage is the exact language of the California Constitution, which was passed in November 1996 by 54 percent of our voters. However, Judge Thelton Henderson issued an injunction against the measure because he believed the proposition was unconstitutional.

On Tuesday, Judge Henderson's injunction was overturned by the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals, and it's about damn time. We can rid ourselves of a practice which, instead of promoting equality, actually promotes discrimination.

Affirmative Action was the practice of promoting diversity in society because of race, sex, color and ethnicity. The problem with this is that when you promote one group of people, another you are committing reverse discrimination. I have personally felt, along with other white males, the effects of Affirmative Action when applying to college.

It always seemed odd to me that Affirmative Action was supposed to promote equality when it did just the opposite. In college admissions, I had many Latino friends who had lower SAT scores but lower GPAs who were admitted. Now be objective: Is that fair? Is it fair that minorities are taken before better-qualified white men? Remember, the basis of Affirmative Action is equality.

Some people will argue that it is fair because the enrollment at universities is lower than the white enrollment. This is a fair argument? I submit to you that it is not.

Is it a white man's fault that minorities are a lower

## LAST

## Given Your Tour Guide

Shannon Dorgan  
and Erin Vosti

"Dammit, Mom, don't follow so closely. And put away the campus map."  
— Prospective Gaucho to the woman who gave him life.

Did you hear similar plaintive strains swirling about the university of late? Why, of course you did. Spring Insight has come and gone — a time to welcome potential UCSB students to our hallowed halls of learning.

But who, you might ask, actually welcomed them — who held their hands and pacified their fears? Who shepherded these little lambs across the green pastures of collegiate matriculation? Why, the Gaucho Guides did, and we have the utmost respect for them. No, really. We can actually be nice if the spirit moves us. Stop gasping — it's rare, but it happens.

What kind of people could actually fill us with love and adoration? Unique individuals, that's for sure. What makes them unique? They volunteer. This is defined by doing nice things without monetary reward. We had to look it up. But we wanted to learn more about this new and novel concept, so we went straight to the source.

Arriving at the Tour Tent set up outside of Corwin Pavilion, we ran into our friend Reza Garajedaghi, who, it turns out (surprise!), is the UCSB tour coordinator. Looking for insight — spring insight that is — we asked him

## REC SPORTS

Editor, Daily Nexus:

For the last year and a half, I have been employed by Recreation Services working in the Intramural Department. During this time I have had the opportunity to watch many students enjoy the fun and excitement of intramural sports offered to UCSB students.

If the fee initiative is passed in the spring elections, not only will we have a job for my last year, but students may not be able to participate in intramural sports. The fee initiative will also affect students who will be able to participate in club sports and Adventure Sports, which are all part of the recreational programs at UCSB.

I sincerely believe in the importance of these programs and think that all students enjoy participating



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the university population? Why should I, a white male, be penalized because there are not enough qualified minorities? Is that fair to me? Is it fair that I may have studied my ass off in high school, only to be told that I cannot get into a college based on my race?

I would like someone to explain that to me. Why was I discriminated against because of my race? Because, after all, the aim of Affirmative Action is to promote equality. But, as I have shown, all it really promotes is reverse discrimination.

Instead, wouldn't it be beneficial to look at possible applicants — whether for college spaces or jobs — as people? Not only would that lead to increased competition, but it would also be the only way to reach true equality.

It insults my intelligence to see someone state that the abolition of Affirmative Action is unconstitutional. The fact is, the basis of Affirmative Action itself is unconstitutional. It is stated in the Constitution that I am not to be discriminated against based on my sex, gender or religion. However, I have been subject to discrimination.

I would love for someone to sit down with me and explain in a logical way how the abolition of Affirmative Action is unconstitutional. Taking away preference from one group is hardly unconstitutional — instead, it is mandated under the Constitution.

Moreover, I get extremely offended when I am called a racist because I believe that Affirmative Action is wrong. By that same logic, everyone who believes in Affirmative Action is racist against white people.

The will of the people as it pertains to the affirmative vote on Prop 209 has finally been recognized. The voices of Californians are finally obeyed. But wait — the fight is not over yet.

Unfortunately, it looks as if this may eventually go to the Supreme Court. Whether they will choose to hear the case is another story, but this will continue to be fought. Affirmative Action advocates will exhaust all avenues necessary to promote their kind of "equality." This begs one last question: Is it right for the courts to be able to issue injunctions on measures that the public has voted on?

With his signature, Judge Henderson kept Prop 209 from being enforced. Is this fair? If everything that society votes on can be held to judicial review, why vote? Why not let our justice system decide what is best for us?

It is like a slap in the face. In other words, they are telling us that we do not know what we are doing to ourselves. Instead,



they know what is best for us. It is sad to me that even though I am a registered voter, college student and legal adult, the courts look upon me as someone who cannot make decisions for himself.

On Tuesday, we finally won an important battle. We have finally said that we will not stand for discrimination of any kind, be it against minorities or against whites. This should be viewed as a landmark day in California. We are finally putting the past behind us and moving into the 21st century.

The abolition of Affirmative Action was way overdue, and it looks as if we are getting closer to the goal of Martin Luther King Jr.: "a nation where one day ... [people] will be judged not by the color of their skin, but by the content of their character." That is all that I ask for, and that is the world I hope my children grow up in. With the abolition of Affirmative Action, we are one step closer.

Dennis Bent is a sophomore business economics major.

## T CALL

### Guide a Hug Lately?

to indoctrinate us into the world of altruism. He promptly sent us over to a tour ready to embark. But not before he yelled at the top of his lungs, "Nexus spies! Tell them nothing!"

But our tour guide did not heed this warning, because he was free, open and honest. His

what a quality paper it is. We blushed, knowing it was God's honest truth.

Throughout the tour, Tim astonished us with his obscure university factoids. Did you know that there are seven miles of bikepath around the campus? Or that there are 2.2 million land-sight images in the maps section of the library?

Once the tour was over, we could tell by the cheers and applause that Tim had created many future Gauchos in that brief 60 minutes.

though that "self" is already stretched fairly thin — he is a business economics and communications double major, he has an internship, plays soccer and always makes time to watch *Seinfeld* each Thursday.

Sure, many people love UCSB. But Gaucha Guides looove UCSB. Tour Guru Reza says, "Their love for the campus is oozing. They're the kind of people who always get involved. Volunteering comes naturally." He goes on to add that they are the best marketers for the campus because they are living UCSB.

The tour can make or break the university — so the tour guide has a copious amount of responsibility. But these men and women handle it well, since Reza is quick to point out that in his opinion at least half of the people who take the tour end up enrolling. These future Gauchos can't wait to turn in their Statement of Intent to the registrar. Reza feels that UCSB already has a lot going for it (location, community base, social activities, prestige) but the volunteers' enthusiasm and energy completes the package.

By talking to Reza and getting to know Tim, we've come to understand the true spirit of giving — and it's not even Christmas. They've spent a lot of time learning about the campus and can answer any question you might have about our school. Well, that might not be quite true — we did learn that Tim's roommate Tom stumped him on the workings of the irrigation system on campus, but we're sure Tim is busy researching it now. So next time you see a Gaucha Guide, give a little wave and a wink — they deserve a pat on the back.

Nexus columnists Shannon Dorgan and Erin Vosti are busy developing merchandising tie-ins for the Gaucha Guides.



name was Tim. Tim Branley — Gaucha Guide extraordinaire. The group of parents and potential students instantly took to Tim like moths to a flame.

The hour-long tour was filled with witty anecdotes and Tim's personal wisdom. This wisdom was very apparent when he pointed out the *Daily Nexus* offices and remarked

But why does he devote his time to such an endeavor? Is it to meet cute girls? Well, sure, he met us, didn't he?

Of course, Tim's touring activities enhance his résumé — he says it helps him develop people skills and shows he has powers of communication. But for Tim, it goes deeper. He finds the time to give of himself, even

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### SPORTS — YES!

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to participate in UCSB intramural sports is considerably lower than many other UC schools, and I feel it should remain that way. Our Recreational Sports program makes it possible for all students to get involved.

LEAH CYR

### No LOCAL COVERAGE MAKES ARTSWEAK

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Would it kill you people to pay more attention to local music? There are plenty of killer bands in the area, many of whom have signed with major labels (or even minor ones, or are independently producing CDs), but none seem to receive coverage. Snot is preparing for a May release with Geffen Records, but I don't think I've ever seen their name in *Artsweek*, unless it was back when you used to run club calendars. I

realize that metal is not as hot as "alternative" or techno music, but Machine Head and Manhole played an excellent set at Emerald City on Tuesday night. No coverage?

The truly sad part is that the record reviews I see are obviously chosen according to arcane and bizarre personal tastes, not in relation to anything that might appeal to your readers. I realize that part of your mandate as a "college" newspaper is identical to that of a "college" radio station — trying to stay away from the mainstream. This I applaud.

But taking an interest in local music (no matter the style, be it Harvey Kirshner or Spank, Snot or Magnum Family) is hardly mainstream. Taking an interest in local shows, regardless of who's playing, would do a lot to boost student interest in bands that play outside of I.V., or even outside of the Central Coast area.

OWEN S. PIKE

## This Week in Politics

Michael Ball

If you're looking for a good lawyer, Bob Dole's now available (he joined a friend's law firm), but if you're looking for a good television show, the CBS College Tour might not be the place.

So, for a week in which the IRS was accused of mishandling 6,400 data tapes — which doesn't bother me unless it results in a bigger refund — life wasn't all that taxing.

### Close encounters of the Clinton kind

In a radio interview Thursday, first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton commented on critics of herself and husband Bill and the many ethical and legal accusations lodged against them.

In particular, Clinton dismissed the Whitewater controversy as a "never-ending fictional conspiracy that honest-to-goodness reminds me of some people's obsession with UFOs and the Hale-Bopp comet some days."

Unfortunately for the first lady, her Republican accusers are not considered cult members (at least not yet), and shouldn't be expected to don their black uniforms and drink tainted vodka anytime soon.

### Let's get ready to rumble!

Yep, it's finally happened. Something I feared most — the first visible crack in the facade of bipartisanship Capitol Hill leaders had been promising since last November's election.

After years of being entertained by fights in the lawmaking houses of places such as Russia and Hong Kong, the need to administer a beat-down has hit our nation's capitol.

Last Wednesday a House argument between Republican Whip Tom DeLay of Texas and senior Democrat David Obey of Wisconsin over efforts to consider campaign finance reform escalated a wee bit beyond verbal exchanges.

Obey wandered over to the Republican side of the House chamber and thrust a two-year-old newspaper article in his face. DeLay then apparently offered his own greeting — a two-handed shove. Aides then intervened to separate the pair.

Ironically, this Thrilla on the Hilla comes just a month after legislators from both sides of the aisle trekked to Hershey, Pa., for a "get-to-know-you" retreat aimed at making the House a more friendly place.

### Drug policy in action

If you thought taking money from Asian entrepreneurs was a bad business move for the Democratic party, check out this one.

The *New York Times* reported over the weekend that a prominent fund-raiser for the Democrats sought campaign contributions from a convicted drug smuggler.

A Cuban-American businesswoman from Miami headed out to Havana in 1995 to meet with Cuban Jorge Cabrera, promising him an invitation to a dinner honoring Al Gore in exchange for a contribution.

When Cabrera, who is now in prison in Miami for drug smuggling, returned to the U.S., he wrote out a check for \$20,000 to the Democratic National Committee, using funds from an account that included cocaine-smuggling proceeds, the *Times* reported, citing congressional investigators who wished to remain anonymous.

The money was eventually returned after the DNC discovered the nature of Cabrera's work.

Michael Ball is the news editor for the *Daily Nexus*.

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# Campus Comment

Interviews by Rabia Shirazi  
Photos by Alan Jacoby

If you were stranded on an island with your family, and they all died, who would you eat first?



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I'd eat my dad probably. My mom has too much fat on her, so my dad.”

Willie Hall  
sophomore  
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My mom because I don't like her.”

Tiffany  
Arroyo-Tabin  
freshman  
law and society



“  
I would probably eat a second cousin — but he would have to be cute.”

Sergio Morales  
sophomore  
sociology/Chicano studies



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Whoever died last because they'd be freshest.”

Luana  
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My little brother. He's got these little arms that look like chicken wings.”

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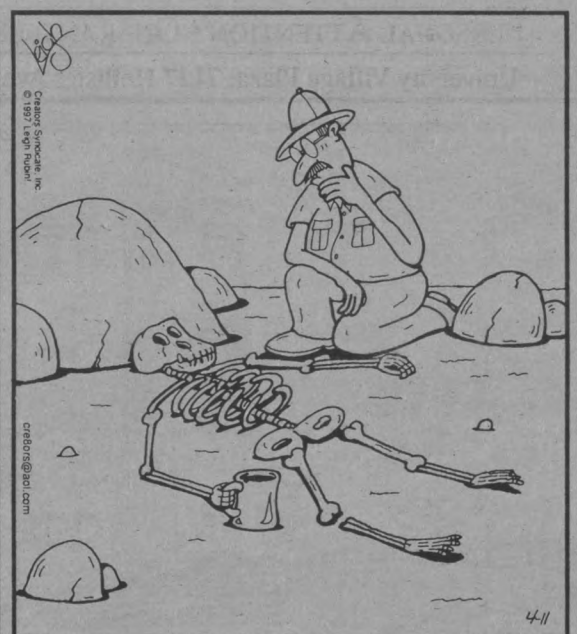
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Toss well.  
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## COUNCIL

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elections.

The issue at hand should concern the students first and election politics second, said Rep-at-Large Trinity Eyre.

"It's very hard because a lot of people are running on this board. We noticed that there isn't [a polling place] on the back half of the campus," she said. "The whole [idea] is we want to increase the voter

turnout. We feel it's an emergency situation. It's very important that we do it now not only so we can get it done this election but so we can be courteous to Elections [Committee]."

The allocation of A.S. funds to student groups was also debated. On-Campus Rep Eric Shapiro felt that A.S. was being contradictory in allotting more money to some student groups than to others.

"If people want to be hypocritical, I'm going to

fight every step of the way. If we're going to do this, let's do it right. Let's do it consistently," he said.

However, Off-Campus Rep Amy Richter felt that giving each group the same amount would ignore their individual needs.

"Saying that we should be consistent is a good thing ... but I also agree that we should look at everything individually," she said.

In other business, funding was allocated to the Asian Sisters, the Program

Board and the Campaign Issues Account. Also discussed were illegal election sign posting, plans to re-landscape the area around I.V. Theater, and plans to build a fountain between the Arbor and Davidson Library.

Also, the bill to rename the campus organizing director the state affairs organizing director was held until next week, and the funding request from Students Against Football was denied.



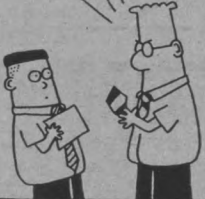
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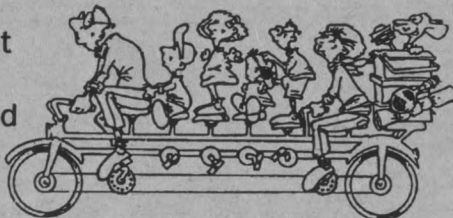
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## HONOR

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She's a wonderful scholar and I would not be exaggerating to say she's the most beloved faculty member in our department," he said.

Despite all the praise, Poot-Herrera remains modest about her achievement.

"It's just an honor. To someone who says, 'How do you feel about it,' I just say 'the same,' and do my work," she said.

As part of the award, Poot-Herrera received a plaque from the foundation on Friday at the Los Angeles Convention Center before a large audience.

"More than 1,500 people were there. I told them about Sor Juana because she's for all people. She once said 'intelligence has no sex,'" Poot-Herrera said.

Administration, faculty and students of Poot-Herrera expressed their pride and support in a reception held at the university Monday, Brescia said.

"We had a reception on Monday for the award here. Everyone was very pleased," he said.

Poot-Herrera is a valuable asset to the Spanish and Portuguese Dept., said department Chair Giorgio Perissinotto.

"The department feels absolutely honored and thrilled of the recognition of the excellence of one of its members. This will certainly attract students to a department which caters to all students: women, Hispanics, minorities and anyone interested," he said. "At the reception, the plaque she received at the L.A. official ceremony was shown to the faculty, staff and administration. There were many abrazos [hugs] without reservation."

## MALL

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through county approval processes, project coordinator Mark Linehan is optimistic about the eventual arrival of the shopping center.

"The project is moving along. At the last hearing, we went over the Environmental Impact Report and the conceptual layout of the property," he said. "The project will face the ... [Santa Barbara County] Board of Supervisors in the first week of June."

Linehan believes the mall's many stores and features will be beneficial to the community.

"There are many uses to the property, including retail, recreational, commercial recreation such as ice rinks [and] baseball fields, future residential and hotel sites, and an MTD transfer station," he said.

Despite Linehan's advocacy for the project, county planner Joy Hufschmid said the mall could threaten the economic vitality of smaller Goleta businesses.

"It won't be competing with all the types of businesses in Old Town Goleta, but it may have some effect on small businesses because of competition — how drastic remains to be seen. The community can only support so many businesses," she said.

Community backing for the Camino Real project has been widespread, Linehan said.

"The support has been outstanding. We hope it continues. We are happy that after two years working with the community and county of Santa Barbara, we are now in the beginning stages of construction," he said.

The shopping center could affect the local area both positively and negatively, said Mark Chaconas, executive assistant to 3rd District Supervisor Gail Marshall.

"People will have more places to shop, and there are many recreational advantages, such as an ice rink, soccer fields and baseball fields," he said. "Old Town Goleta will have to find a niche of its own. It will need more movie theaters and restaurants to bring people there."

Linehan conservatively estimates production and development of the site will begin in September. Stores are scheduled to open between March and July of 1998.

The next Camino Real Marketplace project hearing is scheduled for April 23 at 9 p.m. in the Santa Barbara County Administration Building.

## VCHIP

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University of North Carolina — each focusing on different components of the issue, said communication doctoral candidate Stacie L. Smith, who has been involved with the project since its inception.

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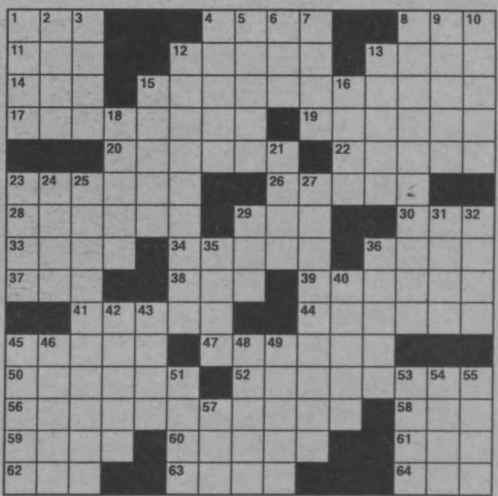
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## Volleyball Squad To Host #1 Bruins; Gauchos Looking for Season Sweep

■ McCoy, Crone Expected to Return From Injury in Key MPSF Match

By Steven Large  
Staff Writer

The UCLA volleyball team will come into Rob Gym on Saturday night with the #1 ranking in the nation.

But don't call the #6 Gauchos underdogs when they take the court opposite the Bruins.

Santa Barbara (15-7 overall, 12-5 in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation) has beaten UCLA (18-3, 14-2 in the MPSF) in three of its last four matches, including a five-game victory

earlier this season in Los Angeles.

"We're definitely confident," UCSB senior outside hitter Jason Crone said. "We're on a roll. It's definitely in our favor that we're playing at home since we've only lost one match at home all season. That alone gives us a mental edge right there."

Santa Barbara's lone loss in Rob Gym came against Long Beach State on March 14. And that was without Crone, who will be back in action Saturday after missing the last two

matches with a knee injury. Whether or not he starts will depend on how his knee feels at match time.

"His knee's not very well," Head Coach Ken Preston said. "I'd like to start him because he's a senior — but we'll have to take it from there."

"I practiced a little [Thursday]," Crone said. "It felt all right — the swelling's going down."

UCSB has been without junior outside hitter Mitch McCoy for the past three matches. He will return and play in the starting lineup against UCLA.

Freshman outside hitter Rick Rauth and junior outside hitter Jeremy Darnier have been playing in McCoy's and Crone's spots, respectively. The two helped guide Santa Barbara to a sweep of #3 BYU in a two-match homestand, part of the Gauchos' current six-match winning streak.

But having the regulars back on the court should add to UCSB's recent dominance.

"I think having the original guys in the lineup is good for us," junior setter Adam Renfree said. "It will give us even more chemistry."

Of course, the Bruins have a few things going for them as well. Aside from UCLA's top spot in the rankings, they have the not-so-distant memory of a loss to the Gauchos on their home turf — more than enough incentive to come out hard against Santa Barbara.

"They don't want to lose all of the last four league matches to us," Preston said. "They're peaking for us."

The Bruins only win over UCSB in the last two years came in last year's MPSF finals.

UCLA is led by outside hitter Paul Nihipali, a 6'7" senior who averages 6.4 kills per game, tallying 482 for the season.

"He's one of the better ones," Renfree said. "Donny [Harris] and him are pretty comparable."

The Bruin's strength lies in their blocking ability. With a tall UCLA front line, Santa Barbara will need a strong transition game.

"We need to pass and then we need to block," Preston said. "If we don't pass then you're relying on your outside swings. We need to run the middle."

The match will begin at 7:05 p.m. in Rob Gym.

## Another Freshman Signed; Recruiting Season Complete

By Yier Shi  
Staff Writer

The UCSB men's basketball team completed its offseason recruiting process Thursday by signing its fourth recruit for next year.

The team announced that Chris Lynch — a 6'5" small forward from Lakeview Centennial High School in Garland, Texas — has signed a National Letter of Intent to play at Santa Barbara.

"We are very pleased that Chris Lynch has decided to continue his education and his basketball career at UC Santa Barbara," said UCSB Head Coach Jerry Pimm. "Chris is an outstanding athlete that will be a very fine wing player for the Gauchos."

Lynch will complement three other high-school recruits that committed to the Gauchos in the early signing period. The list includes point guard Brandon Payton from De La Salle High School in Concord, guard Tory Woodward of Santa Clara High, and forward Mike Vukovich from Mater Dei High School in Santa Ana.

"With Payton, Woodward, Lynch and Vukovich, this completes our recruiting for next year's freshman class," Pimm said. "We are very pleased with this group of four players."

Lynch averaged 17.5 points and 7.4 rebounds per game during his senior season. He shot 47 percent from the field and 82 percent from the free throw line.

"Chris is a people person," said Maurice Dorsey, Lynch's high school coach. "He is very intelligent. As a player, Chris is very athletic, runs the floor well, jumps extremely well and he shoots well from the perimeter. He also slashes to the basket and loves to dunk. He is really an all-around outstanding young man and player."

In another team announcement, the Gauchos have decided to embark on a European tour in the summer of this year with their returning players.

The team, led by junior Raymond Tutt, is tentatively scheduled to play seven games over a 13-day stretch in Italy and Switzerland. Although none of the four recruits coming in will be eligible to go on the trip, Pimm still believes it will be a great opportunity to improve his club for next season.

"I think taking this trip helps the returning players become even more familiar with each other," Pimm said. "The games will be against good competition — mostly club teams of national-team and professional-caliber players. This will be a great experience for our returning players."

The Gauchos will have 10 days to practice before their trip, which is scheduled to last from Aug. 27 through Sept. 9.

Extra practice is likely needed before a much tougher non-conference schedule for Santa Barbara in the upcoming season. The team will play home games against St. Mary's, Santa Clara, Pepperdine and Portland. Road games will feature Stanford, USC, University of San Francisco and Loyola Marymount University.

The UCSB softball team dropped a pair of games at Cal State Northridge on Thursday. The Gauchos were shut out 8-0 in the first game before losing a pitchers' duel 2-1 in game two. The squad will try to revive its offense in a doubleheader at New Mexico State on Saturday.



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**SAFE AT THIRD:** The UCSB baseball team will need to forget its abysmal performance against Northridge when it hosts Cal Poly SLO this weekend at Caesar Uyesaka Stadium.

## Consistency Is Key for Series vs. Cal Poly

By Yier Shi  
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After a strange series of high-scoring games in the past week, the UCSB baseball team will look to regroup this weekend when it begins a crucial three-game set with Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.

Today's game starts at 2:30 p.m., while both Saturday and Sunday's contests will begin at 1 p.m. All games will be played at Caesar Uyesaka Stadium.

The Gauchos (16-19 overall, 6-9 in the Big West) are coming off an embarrassing 31-9 loss at the hands of Cal State Northridge on Tuesday, but claim they have put the defeat behind them.

"We basically won't do too much different this game," said UCSB Head Coach Bob Brontsema. "We are a team that is capable of winning all three

games. But we can also win one or two. We're just not consistent yet. The players need to believe they're a good team."

After the loss to the Matadors, the pitching staff's ERA climbed to a towering 7.71 for the season. The Gauchos have so far been involved in 13 games in which 20 or more runs were scored by the two clubs.

The news doesn't get any better for Gaucho hurlers. Junior Seth Bean, scheduled to start Sunday's game, was hit in the face by a flying bat during practice Wednesday. He received stitches afterward and is questionable for Sunday's game.

"We might have to use [sophomore] David Uris Sunday depending on Seth's status," Brontsema said. "The bat just slipped from a player's hand. That's just a tough break."

Santa Barbara will put se-

nior Brian Noyes on the mound today and go with freshman Barry Zito — who tied a school record in his last start with 16 strikeouts — for Saturday's contest.

Cal Poly enters the series tied for third place in the Southern Division of the Big West. The Mustangs (26-11, 6-9) received votes for the nation's Top 25 earlier in the season, but a recent slump in conference play has hurt their standings.

Cal Poly is led by Scott Kidd, who is batting a hearty .422 with seven home runs and 35 RBIs. The Mustangs top starting pitcher is Mike Zirelli, who has posted a 7-2 record and a 4.01 ERA. He will face Gaucho batters today, with Chad Snowden (3-3) and Jason Novi (0-0) getting the nods Saturday and Sunday, respectively.

The games will be broadcast live on KCSB, 91.9 FM.

## Santa Barbara Plays Host to MPSF Women's Water Polo Tournament; Santos, Watkins and Seto Lead Charge for Conference Championship

By Morgan G. Williams  
Reporter

This weekend the UC Santa Barbara women's water polo team will play host to the second annual Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Tournament. The tourney, which begins for the Gauchos today at 12:30 p.m., will be held at Campus Pool through Sunday. Santa Barbara will compete with the six other conference teams — Stanford, San Diego State, University of the Pacific, USC, UCLA, and California — for the title of conference champion.

UCSB will look to improve upon last year's seventh-place showing in the inaugural MPSF tournament, which was won by UCLA. Aside from the luxury of being the host school, the Gauchos have three starters — seniors Kerri Santos and Suzanne Eskilson, and sophomore Wendy Jensen — who saw action a year ago.

Santa Barbara enters the tournament with a respectable 12-9

overall record and a 2-4 showing in the MPSF, earning a #7 ranking in the National Collegiate Water Polo Poll. Santa Barbara is led by Santos, who has tallied 25 goals this season. Freshman Kara Watkins is not far behind with 22 goals, and four other Gauchos have scored in double digits this season. Sophomore Angie Seto has played in the cage for most of the year, recording 114 saves.

According to Head Coach Joe O'Brien, the biggest deciding factor in the squad's performance will be its pre-game mental preparation.

"The biggest thing is whether we come to compete or not," O'Brien said. "If we do, the other teams will have to play very well to beat us."

UCSB will first take on UCLA, the top-ranked team in the country, before doing battle with #3 Cal at 5:30 p.m. The Gauchos' opponents in later rounds will be determined by their performance in today's matches. Information on game times throughout the weekend will be posted at Campus Pool.