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"East Side Story"

Go see this movie about Soviet-Bloc communist musicals, called "jaw-droppingly fascinating and downright fun" by *Variety*. It plays tonight at 7 in Campbell Hall. Students \$5, general \$6.

INSIDE:

Lights On, Lights Off

For six days now the city—the entire city—of Auckland, New Zealand, has been without power after the cables supplying it failed. What's more is that they expect it to be fully repaired on March 9. That's a long time.

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Drink Up!

Rafael Moscatel, with his recent criticism of the Veritas Forum, has bought another round of public comment and response.

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One Last Stand

The UCSB men's basketball team begins its last home-stand of the year tonight at 7 vs. UC Irvine. The Gauchos are battling to get into the Big West Tournament next week.



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Enjoy the Taco Shop Poets, tonight at 8 in the Multicultural Center Theater. Admission is free, so there's no excuse to miss it.



The issues of freedom of the press and college newspaper theft were analyzed Wednesday afternoon by a panel in Corwin Pavilion that included daily Friday editor Nick Robertson, executive editor of the *Santa Barbara News-Press*, Allen Parsons, and Colin McCarthy, former A.S. External Vice President, from left to right.

Forum Studies Rights of the College Press

BY SCOTT LYON
Reporter

Interpretations of the First Amendment were debated by students, journalists and lawyers Wednesday in a freedom of speech symposium.

The discussion, "When Values Collide," featured lawyer and Student Press Law Center executive director Mark Goodman, who asserted the principles inherent in college newspapers.

"I would suggest ... that newspaper theft runs counter not only to a really fundamental value of higher education that we learn best by being exposed to a wide range of viewpoints so that we can learn what is right, but also to a really key value of the American notion of democracy [which is] that all ideas have a right to be heard, that [the people who] approve of what the majority [is] will never set the standard for acceptable expression," he said. "The answer to speech with which we disagree is more speech, not less."

The discussion of free press was sparked by a con-

flict between the *Daily Nexus* and Associated Students last year when hundreds of papers were returned to the *Daily Nexus* office by A.S. representatives, according to Roman Baratiak, films and lectures manager for Arts & Lectures.

"The thing that's often difficult is that very often we take freedom of speech and expression for granted, and the incident which happened last year with the *Daily Nexus* really brought the issues we usually read about ... home for us."

Goodman's lecture was followed by a discussion from a panel including sociology Professor Richard Flacks, former A.S. External Vice-President Colin McCarthy and representatives from the *Santa Barbara Independent*, *Daily Nexus* and *Santa Barbara News-Press*.

During the discussion, various audience members expressed reservations about Goodman's views regarding newspaper theft and supported the actions of the A.S. reps, according to junior philosophy and political science major Ricardo Juarez.

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I.V. Events Will Honor '70 Protest

BY ALEXIS FILIPPINI
Staff Writer

The Isla Vista community will gather tonight to remember its history with a peaceful demonstration, films and music.

Tonight's activities were organized to commemorate the spirit of political activism shown by I.V. residents in 1970, said I.V. Recreation and Park District Director Diane Conn.

"The purpose of the evening is to recognize peaceful protest and the good things that can come out of it," she said. "We will be celebrating our past and future and understanding them."

February 25 marks the anniversary of the I.V. Bank of America burning, which demonstrated student protest against the bank's involvement with the funding and construction of overcrowded housing in the I.V. area and with the Vietnam War.

Associated Students External Vice President Leila Salazar outlined the evening's events, which will begin at sunset in Perfect Park.

"People should bring their voices to be heard, their signs, their instruments," she said. "It's a gathering for peace, so people can relate it however they want. We're going to get an alcohol permit, so if people want to bring it they won't get in trouble."

After the peace gathering, two documentaries will be shown at I.V. Theater, followed by a discussion panel consisting of people who were in I.V. at the time of the

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Campus Club Rallies to Raise Aid for Famine Victims in North Korea

BY MEGAN SOLOW
Reporter

The Korean Cultural Awareness Group is sponsoring a Cafe Night tonight in an attempt to raise money and awareness about the troubles facing North Korea.

KCAG President Jung Choi hopes the event will bring more publicity to the problems plaguing Korea, which is currently suffering from widespread famine.

"Our main goal is not to raise money, but to inform people about the situation," he said.

Their fund-raising efforts will be used to help North Korean children by channeling funds through the United Nations World Food Program, which is responsible for distributing the aid, according to KCAG member Woon Kyung.

"We will be selling food, and there will be performances," she

said. "That's how the money is raised; we assume we'll make \$200 to \$300."

Cultural music performances will highlight Cafe Night, according to KCAG member Grace Ahn.

"As well as selling food, the KCAG singing group will be performing," she said.

Choi stressed the importance of supporting the disaster-stricken country.

The fall of Communism and natural disasters have been some of the culprits behind North Korea's despondency, Choi said.

"The main cause of the famine has been the collapse of the Soviet Union and other Soviet countries, [also] since 1993 or so they've had major weather-related natural disasters, such as floods," he said.

Cafe Night will be held in the Multicultural Center lounge tonight at 6. Although admission is free, traditional Korean foods will be sold to raise money.

Environmental Groups Give Support to Local Candidate

BY CLAIRE SMITH
Staff Writer

Sunny skies and a sparkling blue ocean greeted the Sierra Club as they announced their endorsement for the 22nd District Congressional Election.

Wednesday's press conference, which took place in Dog Shit Park on Del Playa Drive, featured speakers from the Sierra Club and other local environmental groups who explained their reasons for their endorsement of Lois Capps in her race against Assemblyman Tom Bordonaro (R-Paso Robles) in the March 10 Congressional special election.

The location for the conference, with its view of the oil derrick "Platform Holly," was chosen to highlight Bordonaro's past environmental record and illustrate why he was not endorsed by the organization, according to the Los Padres Sierra Club Chapter Chair Rick Zillen.

"At this location right here we have 'Platform Holly,' where the Clearview project was proposed. Mr. Bordonaro, though he claims he's going to save the coast, supported the Clearview project," he said. "All the people working on this campaign live in this district, and we

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Top of the News

Power Loss Reaches Day 6 in Auckland



AUCKLAND, New Zealand (AP) — The only hum and throb in downtown Auckland these days is the sound of diesel generators battling the blackout. The only bustle is fuel trucks refilling them.

Otherwise the streets of New Zealand's largest city are nearly deserted, its shops and offices shuttered by a power failure now into Day Six — and counting.

Indoors, New Zealanders fumble in the dark, drag themselves up the stairs of high-rises whose elevators are idled, turn up their noses at heat-soured milk — and

blame the city officials who let growth outstrip the over-worked electric company's ability to keep up.

Downtown Auckland is almost a ghost town ... all four underground power cables supplying electricity to downtown ... have been out of order since Friday.

Downtown Auckland is almost a ghost town, the victim of a self-inflicted disaster — all four underground power cables supplying electricity to downtown from a hydroelectric plant south of the city have been out of order since Friday.

This city of one million people has grown for years, but growth has outstripped infrastructure. When the strained cables started failing, power company Mercury Energy had no backup

said.

The government has ordered an investigation.

Residents and businesses are struggling in the meantime.

In harborside office buildings — where generators are providing partial power — barefoot employees in short sleeves swelter as the sun blasts through windows that don't open.

"We're lucky. At least we've got jobs," said Kate, a worker at Alan Smythe Special Events, in a harbor-front office building. "My friend who works at a bar in Queen Street just lost her job. The beer is warm and the ice has melted."

Rabbis Say Israeli Couple Must Split After Wife's Rape



JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel's largest women's group condemned Wednesday a rabbinical ruling that an ultra-Orthodox man must divorce his wife, a rape victim, even though the couple wants to stay together.

"Instead of supporting the rape victim who underwent deep trauma, the rabbis are adding insult to injury," said the Naamat women's group head, Ofra Friedman.

The *Yediot Achronot* newspaper said the woman, a mother of nine who lives in the religious Tel Aviv suburb of Bnei Brak, was raped three weeks ago by three men as she left a Jewish ritual bath. The woman did not report the attack to police.

She did tell her husband, whose last name is Cohen, meaning he is a descendant of the Jewish Temple priests. Under Jewish law, a Cohen must divorce his wife if she has been raped. The only way to get around the rule is for the husband to tell his wife he doesn't believe her.

In the Bnei Brak case, the husband failed to intone the necessary words: "I don't believe you." Instead, he asked several well-known rabbis for advice, *Yediot* stated.

After several days, the rabbis returned with the answer: The couple must divorce despite their desire to stay together.

The couple is still looking for a rabbi who will find a loophole and allow them to stay married, the newspaper said. Their names have not been released.

Castro Addresses Parliament After Presidential Election



MEXICO CITY (AP) — Elected to a fifth term as president, Fidel Castro vowed socialism in Cuba will outlive him and denounced a U.S. aid proposal for the island.

The 601-member parliament, elected in January, opened its five-year term Tuesday by re-electing Castro and other top members of the Council of State, or Cabinet. Castro was the only presidential candidate, and all the deputies were elected unchallenged.

In his wide-ranging speech, Castro, 71, declared Cuba's single-party communist system "untouchable" and said those who predict a "post-Castro transformation" are wrong.

"To suppose that the death of one individual could liquidate the work of a people ... is really ridiculous," Castro said.

Castro also denounced a proposal before the U.S. Congress to distribute limited aid through U.S. charitable organization as "humiliating."

"We accept with dignity that any country wants to help us," he said. "But we are not disposed to play the role of beggars."

He ridiculed those who believe that easing the U.S. embargo of Cuba would help topple socialism by bringing greater contact with Americans.

"We accept the challenge," he said. "Let them (Americans) come. We will treat them excellently."

AP WIRE SHORTS

• **WASHINGTON (AP)** — A silver coin commemorating the 5,000 black Americans who fought in the Revolutionary War was offered for sale Wednesday to help finance a new memorial to black patriots at the National Mall.

The dollar coin features escaped slave Crispus Attucks on one side and a black colonial family on the other. A total 500,000 coins will be minted and offered for sale through by the U.S. Mint at prices beginning at \$30 each.

In a ceremony at the National Archives, Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin said that it is fitting that the coin honors Attucks, who was the first person killed by British soldiers during the Boston Massacre on March 5, 1770. The event is credited as one of the flash points that led to the revolution.

If sufficient money is raised, the memorial would be built near the artificial lake between the Lincoln Memorial and the Washington Monument. As planned, the memorial would feature a curving, 90-foot-long bronze sculpture by artist Ed Dwight depicting the role of black soldiers and families in the Revolutionary War.

• **BEIJING (AP)** — Chinese police have arrested five people suspected of killing giant pandas and golden monkeys, rare animals whose killers can face the death penalty.

Police in southern China's Hunan province confiscated five golden monkey pelts from two men from northern Gansu province who were arrested Feb. 6, the state-run Xinhua news agency said Wednesday.

The police contacted their counterparts in Gansu, who found another five golden monkey pelts and two panda pelts in a farmer's home. Members of the farmer's family confessed to killing 10 golden monkeys and two pandas, Xinhua said.

China has no more than 1,000 pandas left in the wild and only several thousand golden monkeys, Xinhua said.

• **NEUZELLE, Germany (AP)** — Can't afford a champagne bath? Tired of floral-scented bubbles? A German brewer has the answer: bathing beer.

The Kloster brewery in Neuzelle, 60 miles southeast of Berlin, plans to begin selling three-quart bottles of dark beer concentrate next month. Mixed with water, four bottles, at \$22 each, are enough to fill the average 32-gallon tub.

The only difference between the beer concentrate and the normal drinking suds is that the yeast, normally filtered out, is left in, brewery owner Helmut Fritsche said Wednesday.

That makes the bath soothing to the skin and also a great treatment for eczema, he said.

"The usual foam baths are made of synthetic ingredients, while our beer is a purely natural product," he said. "You can bathe in it, or drink it. Whoever wants to can do both."

• **MALIBU, Calif. (AP)** — Tommy Lee has been arrested again, this time for investigation of assaulting wife Pamela Anderson Lee, who complained of a back injury and a broken nail.

The Motley Crue drummer was ordered held in lieu of \$1 million bail, higher than usual because Lee was already on probation for beating a photographer.

His wife called authorities Tuesday night, reporting that her husband attacked her at their home after they argued, sheriff's Deputy Angie Prewett said.

Lee was arrested without difficulty and had not been arraigned by Wednesday afternoon.

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Even though tax day's still over a month and a half away, I decided to get the dreaded paperwork done early this year, so as to avoid the midnight run and general chaos at the post office, and to possibly cash in on the expected return sooner.

Oh, how wrong I was.

To make a painfully long story short, the dust cleared and I found out that I owed the federal government \$235, and the Golden State \$38. Apparently, I had "made too much" last year, and the usual amount of exemptions and deductions weren't applicable this time around. I checked it over a few times, expecting a gross clerical oversight, but none was to be found.

None except the fact that if you're a college student largely supporting yourself, you aren't allowed to work too hard. So today, please slack, on my behalf. Thank you my fellow Americans.

Current Art Exhibit Nourishes Female Creativity

By JILL ST. JOHN
Staff Writer

The Women's Center continues to express the female voice by hosting an art exhibit that will be on display from now until the end of Winter Quarter.

Art works by female students, faculty, staff and members of the Santa Barbara community are currently being showcased in an exhibition titled "Nourishing the Soul: A Sense of Center & Spiritual Diversity." The collection illustrates a range of emotions and beliefs through female perspective, said the show's curator Nancy Arnold.

"The show represents how women keep themselves centered and grounded [and] also women's diverse spiritual beliefs," she said "[The exhibition] shows a little bit of everything."

The exhibition gives female artists a chance to share their works with the public, said Women's Center Director Deidre Acker.

"I think it's really important to have a venue for women artists — especially students — so they're able to show their works," she said.

Among the artists featured in the show are A.J. Ford, Jenna Gold, Marilyn Romine, Sonya Williams, Julie Koppel,

Marilyn Makepeace, Susan Lakin, Carol Petersen and Chicano Studies Professor Ana Ines Heras, according to a statement released to the *Daily Nexus*.

Curators had to take into consideration many factors in order to select the exhibit's artistic contributors, said Assistant Curator Sonya Williams.

"We put out a call for works, the artists see the signs and submit their works," she said. "We interview the artists, look at their work and see if it fits in with the show, and we look at the quality."

The Women's Center provides a convenient location for students to view art, according to Acker.

"Students have a chance to view the works and [those] who may not have the chance to go to a museum can come here," she said.

Undeclared sophomore Azizi Stephens said that the wide range of artistic styles created a nice ambience in the Women's Center.

"The pictures are very melancholy and expressive and the paintings are very vibrant and soothing, it gives the room a peaceful atmosphere," she said.

"Nourishing the Soul: A Sense of Center & Spiritual Diversity" is located in the Women's Center library gallery and art gallery until March 13.

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want to cherish what we have here."

Zillen claimed that Bordonaro used his professional position to pressure UCSB to accept a deal with Mobil Oil to lease university land for offshore oil drilling, a proposal that the university eventually rejected.

"At the time Mr. Bordonaro was on the [State] Assembly's Higher Education Committee, and essentially he threatened UCSB to support this. He said 'When

they come to us moaning and groaning about needing more funds, I'm going to say, 'You remember Clearview?'" This is using his post in an outrageous way to further his political career," Zillen said.

Bordonaro's press secretary Todd Harris denied these charges.

"Tom never signed on to the Clearview project," he said. "He simply wrote a letter to UCSB asking what their rationale was for turning down the project, and asking if they are aware that it will net the university over

\$50 million."

Santa Barbara Surfrider Chapter Chair Keith Zandona believes that Capps' personal involvement with Santa Barbara is a reason to support her.

"I'm a second generation Santa Barbara native, who is a 45-year user of this beautiful coast, and I'm supporting Lois Capps because of Walter [Capps'] environmental record. We have an opportunity to vote for a Santa Barbara citizen who is not a career politician, so we should use it," he said.

Senior environmental

studies major Eric Cardenas urged students to support Capps and to vote in the election.

"To counter Bordonaro's record, Lois Capps received 100 percent support from the California League of Conservation voters [a non-partisan organization that scores state lawmakers on their votes on key environmental legislation] for her environmental record," he said. "In the primary election we only had a nine percent turnout in I.V. and UCSB, so let's bump that up on March 10."

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— G.K. Chesterton

U.S. Reaction to Weapons Threat Is Misguided

➤ Iraq Is Not the Sole Offender, But Is Only Country To Be Attacked by U.S./U.N.

HENRY SARRIA

Well, here we go again, one more time with Saddam Hussein, U.N. weapons inspectors, weapons of mass destruction and the gamut of other terms that have been thrown to the American public lately.

And once again, the usual game of "cheat and retreat" has been played by Saddam Hussein.

With all the facts presented and all the figures compiled, I tend to wonder if the only enemy is Saddam Hussein? I'll explain.

True, Iraq does possess biological and chemical weapons, but lacks any effective means to deliver said weapons since most of its missile capability has been squelched from the Gulf War. All it would have, if it came down to it, is a potential army of foot soldiers that would deliver and spread these weapons, but this is not very effective in practice, since ground delivery doesn't cover a large area with biological or chemical agents. The only method of airborne delivery Iraq has at its disposal is by airplane, and this isn't really very feasible.

This leads me to point out such countries as North Korea, Iran, Pakistan, Syria and a host of others that possess not only biological and chemical arsenals, but the key component to achieving a maximum effect with these kinds of weapons.

Remember a couple of years ago when the big concern was the possibility of North Korea's possession of a nuclear device as well as the missile capability to effectively deliver it?

As tensions in that region rose, a deal was struck to provide North Korea with non-weapons-material-producing nuclear reactors in exchange for international nuclear inspectors to have more access to their present nuclear facilities and arsenals.

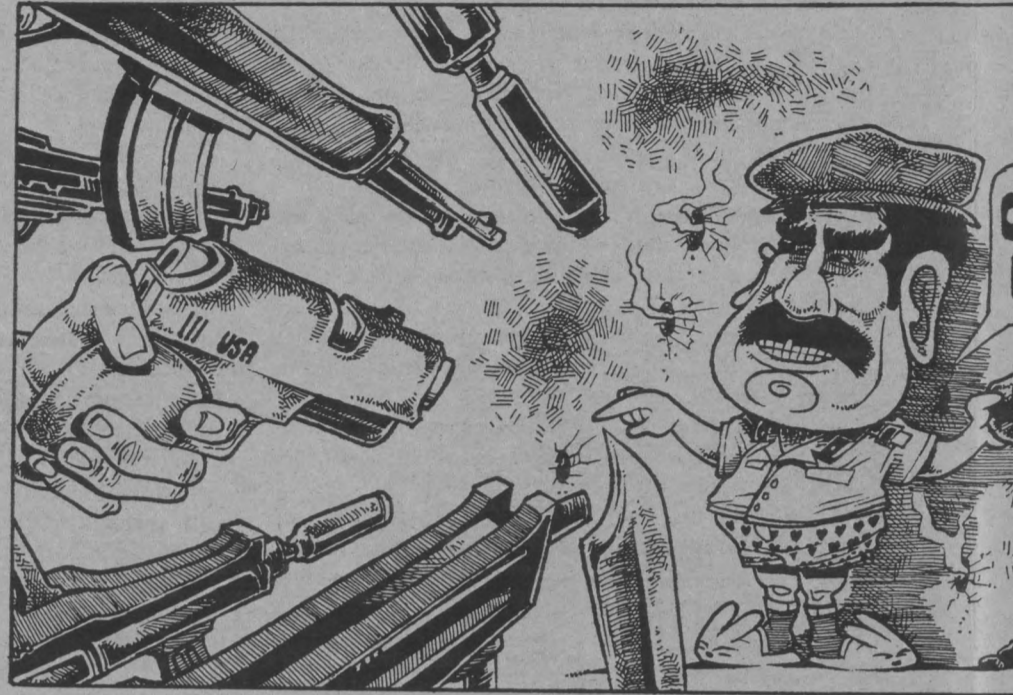
The problem was fixed diplomatically, but the fact that North Korea possesses biological and chemical weapons never entered the picture since the main concern was a nuclear device. But these agents should be of as much concern to anyone — as they're easier to produce, conceal and deliver due to a lower payload-to-booster ratio, so the range of these systems increases drastically.

Iran has purchased missile technology from North Korea and also possesses biological and chemical weapons capability.

Pakistan has also been extensively working on chemical and biological weapons as well as delivery systems. You might also add Syria to this list while you're at it.

It doesn't matter which of the biological agents are produced (anthrax, ricine, botulin, aflatoxin or bubonic) or the types of chemical agents (VX, sarin, tabun or mustard gas).

Then there's the delivery system such as missiles or artillery shells. Weapons of mass destruction are everywhere in



many forms. When it comes right down to it, each one of the countries mentioned here has the ability to launch a preemptive strike on rival neighboring countries quite effectively.

In the case of Pakistan, India is high on the list; for North Korea, it's either South Korea or Japan. Syria can strike Israel, Jordan, Egypt or Turkey; for Iran, it could be Iraq or Turkey. The fact is that Iraq isn't the only country that can strike neighboring countries, but the countries Iraq can strike just happen to be oil-producing nations like Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, United Arab Emirates and Bahrain, all of which the world depend upon. So if the real issue is weapons of mass destruction, then why stop at Iraq and Saddam Hussein when there's just as many other potential culprits with the same weapons systems and volatile governments prone to hostility beyond their borders?

The proliferation of these weapons is at an all-time high due to their simplicity. Even the missile systems (mostly Scuds, Frog 7s or Silkworms) have been improved while made simpler to use due to improvements in fuel and materials technology. The problem doesn't just go away if we take out Saddam Hussein because the system will remain in place in other countries, and, as it usually goes, the U.S. will have to get involved in dealing with these countries since no other U.N. member will.

Better yet, let's get the leaders of countries that sit on the U.N. Security Council, yet still supply "rogue states" with

these weapons (mainly France, Russia, etc.) to stop the madness by cutting the weapons supply. The U.S. support they provide to these desperate regimes is a direct support to Saddam Hussein. Executive Order 12849, put into effect by Ronald Reagan on Dec. 1, 1992, banning the assassination of the head of state of a foreign country, is a military action isn't.

The problem here is with Saddam Hussein, not the average Iraqi citizen, and the U.S. faces quite the challenge.

How do you get to Saddam and cut off his weapons without innocent life and property and at the same time avoid doing a half-assed job as was done in the Gulf War?

Saddam Hussein only understands force. He is ready to inflict, but unfortunately that means death to civilian casualties, even if caution is taken.

Meanwhile, a diplomatic solution is being sought. How long until the next round of "cheat and retreat" by Saddam Hussein? If the diplomatic solution fails, action must be taken, we can only hope for a decisive measure to eliminate the need for a future. We can only hope, but let's remember the fact that war is hell.

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The Reader's Voice

ATHEIST'S ARGUMENTS WITTY, BUT WEAK

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I would like to thank Rafael Moscatel for his witty article "Veritas Forum Pretends To Arrive at the Truth." (Daily Nexus, Feb. 23) This type of atheistic argument makes the job of proving God's existence much easier. Rafael's initial claim that the truth is relative undermines his own opinion.

In accepting relative truth, we leave the atheists with almost no arguments. What is an argument if there is not truth behind it? Atheists seem to rely on name-dropping and theories that have yet to be established as fact. This is known as a "materialistic promissory" argument where we are told to accept things as fact today and wait for the proof indefinitely. This is also known as "blind faith." There is also something called "blind doubt" that is just as fallacious as "blind faith." Intelligent people would probably settle for "reasonable faith" or "reasonable doubt." For example, Rafael drops Darwin's name as if he had disproved God's existence, when in reality he has only "discovered" natural selection, which by itself explains nothing. In fact, natural selection implies that some intelligence (likely to be greater than ours) is behind the selection process itself, and only hurts the atheistic argument.

Rafael's notion of relative truth extends at least as far back as Protagoras, who claimed that, "What is true for you is true, and what is true for me is true." To which Socrates adds humorously, "If knowledge is sense-perception, and as I am the best judge of my own senses, I must know the truth." In the *Theaetetus*, Plato sets himself the task of challenging the theory of Protagoras that knowledge is perception, that what appears to an individual to be true is true for that individual. Plato assumes that knowledge is (i) infallible, and (ii) of what is. Sense-perception is neither one nor the other.

Since an object may appear different at different times, like a stick that appears to "break" in a glass of water, railroad tracks that "meet" in the distance, or clouds that "block" the sun (although the sun is millions of times bigger), perception is always changing or becoming.

Socrates raises the point that if knowledge and perception are the same thing, if there is no difference between seeing and knowing, it follows that a person who has come to know (see) a thing in the past and still remembers it, does not know it — although he remembers it — since he no longer sees it. Conversely, because we can know things that we are no longer seeing, then knowledge and perception cannot be equated (even if perception were a type of knowledge).

It would appear that Rafael's harsh lan-

guage is typical of a person who can only "win" an argument by yelling over the voices of others. He begins his "debate" with a masterful display of the fallacy of poisoning the well. This fallacy works best when you call your opponent a racist, etc., so that the audience is unnecessarily biased against his or her side of the argument. It also works when you call a religious convention "bullnanny and crap-a-

"Since an object may appear different at different times, like a stick that appears to 'break' in a glass of water ... perception is always changing or becoming."

"doodle-doo." This is an ancient practice of mudslinging — a real classic. However, it works best in philosophical kindergarten and not as well at the university level.

Rafael also shows us a major reason for the atheistic debate — the imaginary setup between materialistic science and fanatical Christians, as if every living person fell in these narrow categories. I do not fit in either, so what am I to do? I believe in God and logic, as do many millions of other people. But let's be fair and give Rafael the

benefit of the doubt; this is an article, not the writer.

In order to prove or disprove a particular field, one must somehow in that field so as to make a claim of some value. Truth of a mathematical statement, $2+2=4$, for example, one must have adequate knowledge of mathematics within the field of mathematics in such a way that his or her claim is capable of being disproved by circular reasoning or other fallacies. In order for one to claim that $2+2=4$, one must know on that subject is.

Similarly, in the field of natural science, in order to prove or disprove a claim, one must be an authority in that field.

physics. If someone claims that the existence of a God is false, then we know the truth. If we say that God exists, without knowing even a little about our ignorance is augmented by our ignorance. If we actually know enough to say that there is no God, we are out of our own supreme position of all that be. And to come further, by stating that there is no truth, we are pronouncing a statement that contradicts itself. In regards to Rafael's proposal to be "freethinkers" and make truth, we must first check our own biases as authorities. All of us are

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More Reader's Voice

VERITAS FORUM WAS BIASED, BUT NOT FATALLY FLAWED

Editor, Daily Nexus:
Dear Bitter Friend,

I found your article on the Veritas Forum very entertaining (Daily Nexus, "Veritas Forum Pretends To Arrive at the Truth," Feb. 23). Your wit coupled with profane language brought me some humor on that cold and rainy Monday. I am writing this letter with regard to your reflection on the Forum and your verbal abuse against such a "subjective and biased" gathering. I attended Veritas in early February, knowing that it was sponsored and run by fellow Christians. I, too, was disappointed at the bias of the Forum in some specific circumstances, particularly of the debate held at Campbell Hall, between Professor William Lane Craig and our own Professor Garrett Hardin. The creationist was obviously a renowned debater that travels extensively to partake in similar events, while the elder Hardin was getting on in age and purely speaking from the heart. I personally preferred our professor's character who opposed the arguably dull and structured Craig.

I am afraid I am a bit confused on who is shoving what down whose throat, my friend. You said, and I quote, "Atheists are the spiritual gurus of the world." To me this proclaims that not only do the biased intellectuals of the theology conference have it all wrong, but that you, being a "spiritual guru" have it all in order.

Atheism, I believe, is not disbelief in God but rather a denial of God. John Maisel wrote a piece of

"I am talking about the creator of those feelings that can be created as simply as listening to that song you love that feels almost like a drug."

literature on the subject of questioning theism which he lectured on while in Moscow at the university. He wrote that for a person to say there is no God, that person violates a basic philosophical principle. "He is a person with a finite understanding making an absolute statement about the nature of infinity." Albert Einstein has said that mankind grasps less than one percent of total knowledge. Maisel then records a conversation between a professor and a student:

Professor: How can you say you are an atheist (absolutely no God), when you agree that you have less than one percent of total knowledge?

Man: I guess I need to say I am an agnostic — I

don't know if there is a God.

Professor: Are you a hard agnostic or a soft agnostic?

Man: What do you mean?

Professor: A hard agnostic says, 'You can't know if there is a God,' and a soft agnostic says, 'I don't think there is a God.'

Man: I guess you would say I'm a hard agnostic.

Professor: Can you ever be sure that you can be sure that there is no God? Or do you know for sure that you can't know anything for sure?

Man: No, I can't say for sure that I can be sure there is no God.

Professor: So you are really a soft agnostic?

Man: Yes, I guess that is true — I don't know if there is a God.

Professor: You sound to me like a man who is saying, I have never seen any evidence that there is a God, so I don't know if there is.

I believe God reveals himself to all who walk the earth. You talk about seeing a young couple in their little VW bug feeling young and free, and I am talking about the creator of those feelings that can be created as simply as listening to that song you love that feels almost like a drug. That love you feel is true but temporary, confined to the mere 80 years you breathe oxygen and walk the earth. Isn't there something more? I believe you are still searching for the truth yourself and that is what the Veritas (meaning truth) Forum was merely giving an interpretation of. If anything, you should be thankful for the Forum for giving you more options of what can be truth. Now you don't have to go down that road. I am just saying that you are promoting this freeness of mind and spirituality — all the while condemning others for seeking their own.

I would appreciate feedback from anyone, my e-mail address is <uspeef00@mcl.ucsb.edu>.

FRANK SPEES

TRANSLATING JERRY AND GARY INTO PLAIN ENGLISH

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I didn't know whether I should laugh or cry after reading Robyn Norwood's article on Gaucho basketball (L.A. Times, Feb. 19). I've never seen so many excuses trying to cover up an inept coach's miserable season. I thought there should be some clarification of what Jerry Pimm and Gary Cunningham really meant to say ... let's take a look.

Gary: The program is not what it was in the late '80s and early '90s. Translation: Five-year contract? What were we thinking?

Gary: If I'd had a crystal ball, I would have thought we would have won 17 or 18 games. Translation: Maybe I should have referred to my crystal ball three

years ago.

Gary: Not to make excuses, but Raymond Tutt was out injured early, and the team never jelled. Translation: Since I have to make excuses for Jerry, I guess I could blame Tutt!

Gary: We'll evaluate (the coaching staff) after the season. Translation: How are we going to buy Pimm out?

Jerry: You've got to have the players. Translation: Why don't any of the players stick around? IT'S YOU, JERRY! IT'S YOU!!! In fact, this season we already have the players that can do the job, but you're holding them back!

Jerry: I guess I haven't done a very good job recruiting. Translation: Maybe there's a reason no one wants to be a Gaucho? IT'S YOU, JERRY! IT'S YOU!!!

Jerry on his contract: ... I still have a lot of desire to coach. Translation: It's easy street from here baby, show me the money!

Jerry on the players' strike: ... [The players] thought the coach was the problem. The next day they realized the coach was not missing shots and not rebounding. Translation: Those stupid players of mine actually thought they could get rid of me. I'll show them who's the boss (after I cry in the huddle).

Jerry on the players' strike, again: Some kids don't stand up and take responsibility. They look to place it on other people. Translation: The nerve of my players to actually look to me for advice, who do they think I am? Or: Stand up? Nah, I'll keep them on the bench for a while.

Jerry: [The crowds are] down. Crowds want to see wins. Translation: It's not my fault the Thunder Meter only goes off when they chant 'Pimm must go! Pimm must go!'

"Maybe we don't have any more ESPN-televised games because the Phantom puts on a better show than Jerry's offense."

Now let me make some excuses of my own. Maybe we don't have any more ESPN-televised games because the Phantom puts on a better show than Jerry's offense. Maybe the reason the fans throw tortillas is an attempt to get Jerry ejected — allowing the players some freedom to play. Maybe we could buy out Jerry's contract by selling those trams? The bottom line — we need to bring some kind of respect back to Gaucho Basketball. It's embarrassing to see our coach and athletic director passing blame. Let's finally get a real "win" for all of us by getting rid of Jerry Pimm!!

BILL NAVICKAS

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DISBELIEF DOES NOT EQUAL SUPERIORITY

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Rafael Moscatel: I'm not the least surprised to learn that you are an undeclared junior, for how could anyone who wrote such an aimless column (Daily Nexus, "Veritas Forum Pretends To Arrive at the

"You try to blame all of the world's problems and wars on organized religion and claim that if we are all to overcome our differences we must all see from the same perspective ... atheism."

Truth," Feb. 23) have any aim in life? From your title and opening paragraphs, I was led to believe that your article would discuss the "Veritas Forum" and then go on to constructively criticize it, or in your words, tell why it was all "crap-a-doodle-doo." However, after simply saying that all those who took part in the forum were closed-minded, you changed the point of your paper to stating that you are more intelligent than the 97 percent of human beings around the world who do believe in a god, simply because you don't.

ADAM MARSH

You try to blame all of the world's problems and wars on organized religion and claim that if we are all to overcome our differences we must all see from the same perspective ... atheism. Well, Rafael, that way of thought is precisely why religious wars are fought; fanatics become convinced that we all must see in the same light. For the same reason I disagree with them, I too disagree with you. Rather than everyone looking through Christian eyes, Muslim eyes, or even atheistic eyes, we instead need to see with eyes of tolerance, understanding and respect.

I, personally, am a Christian, and your blatant attacks on Christianity pissed me off. Just because you're an atheist or an evolutionist doesn't make you superior to me. I'm not weak-minded or lacking free thought in any way. In fact, I consider myself to be a more open-minded person than yourself because I have not only read the Bible but also Darwin's theories of evolution and natural selection. With the knowledge I acquired from them, I can agree with you in saying that "... when Darwin came out with his treatise, the world changed forever." My challenge now to you and all the other open-minded atheists out there is to go read the Bible or any other religious book. Not in hopes that afterward you'll see the light or think like I do, but instead, so that you can properly understand where I and most of the human race are coming from the way we know where you're coming from. Perhaps

once you've finished we will both be able to agree that when Jesus (plug in the name of whomever you follow) came out with his teachings, the world changed forever.

Wars and hate do not stem from religion, they stem from ignorance. If you want us to see your point of view, be willing to see ours, too. Atheism isn't the way of the future, religion and society have always gone hand in hand, it's tolerance that will lead us into the millennium.

MATT KEASLING

BRAVO FOR RAFAEL'S WIT AND WISDOM

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Bravo to Rafael Moscatel for his hilarious, ballsy, "right-on-the-money" article on theology and atheism (Daily Nexus, Veritas Forum Pretends To Arrive at the Truth," Feb. 23.)

It's refreshing to know there are people out there who can think for themselves, and don't just take in everything that is "spoon-fed" to us by mainstream society.

CINDY GARY

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EVENTS

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protests, Salazar said.

"At 7:30, there will be a showing of *Don't Bank on Amerika*, and then *Beyond the Barricades*," she said. "A panel discussion will follow."

Sociology Professor Richard Flacks, who was a faculty member at the time of the bank burning, and also co-authored the book *Beyond the Barricades*, on which the documentary is based, sheds some light on the contents of the movies.

"Don't Bank on Amerika

was a film made right at the time of [these] events," he said. "It's a student film ... directed by Peter Biskind. It shows in a rare way what was going on at that time. *Beyond the Barricades*, directed by Alex Berks, tells about what happened to the people who were here then, and what happened in their lives."

Live entertainment will follow the films and discussion, said Salazar.

"At 9:30, the Animal Liberation Orchestra and Free Range Horns will be playing at IVBC," she said. "The concert is going to cost two dollars at the door, one dol-

lar if you attended the films first, which are free. The money is going to the Perfect Park Peace Monument."

Dramatic Arts Professor Bob Potter stressed the importance of learning from the past.

"Inevitably a lot of people have forgotten what happened there or have a garbled notion of it," he said. "It's important for all communities to remember their history. This event of commemoration is partly about those times and also about nowadays and things that can be done today."

PANEL

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"When the integrity of the content of a publication is morally questionable, then perhaps the 'theft' of such newspapers cancels out the first act of printing," he said.

According to Goodman, the disappearance of college newspapers five years ago at the University of Pennsylvania spurred the use of newspaper theft as a common tactic in campus protests.

"That incident at the University of Pennsylvania in the spring of 1993 began what we have at the Student Press Law Center have regarded as a modern trend: the act of destroying or depriving others of a free distribution of newspapers on a college campus as a method

of protesting the content of that publication or preventing others from reading it," he said.

Goodman's visit to the university was the second part of a three-part series by Project Crossroads, an attempt by two separate departments to provide students with opportunities for presentations addressing unity and diversity, according to Baratiak.

"Project Crossroads is actually an initiative between the Office of Student Affairs and the College of Letters and Science," he said.

The final presentation of Project Crossroads will be on Feb. 28 at 4 p.m. and will feature Robert O'Neil, who will address the role of freedom of speech on the Internet.

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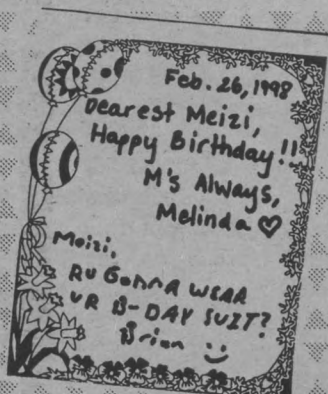


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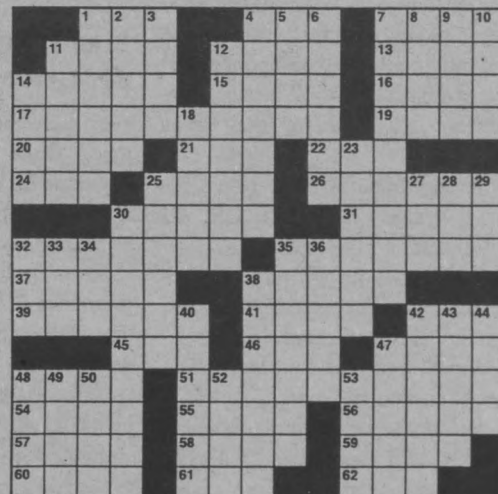
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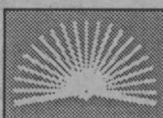
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Sports

Gauchos Battle Irvine; Playoffs Still Possible

■ It Comes Down to Final Two Home Games

BY SCOTT HENNESSEE
Staff Writer

With a 4-10 conference record, it's hard to believe that the UCSB men's basketball team still has a chance to make the Big West Tournament next week in Reno, Nev. What's even harder to fathom is that Santa Barbara could be the #2 seed in the Western Division if it wins its last two games and Long Beach State loses theirs.

The Gauchos, who are 7-17 overall, control their own playoff destiny heading into their final two games of the season beginning tonight at 7 when UC Irvine visits the Thunderdome. If UCSB can knock off the Anteaters (8-16 overall, 5-9 in the Big West) and then handle Cal State Fullerton (10-14, 5-9) at home on Saturday, it will be assured a trip to the post-season. If Santa Barbara loses one of the games, it will need some help to sneak into the tournament.

"We've got our destiny in our own hands," Gaucho Head Coach

Jerry Pimm said. "It's all up to us."

UCSB has lost six consecutive games, which is the most losses in a row Pimm has suffered since his first season in Santa Barbara 15 years ago. Fortunately for the Gauchos, everyone else in the West has struggled as well with the exception of University of the Pacific, who has run away with the division title. Four teams are tied for second place with five wins, while UCSB remains one game behind.

Santa Barbara senior guard Raymond Tutt said he is not worried about the losing streak and is focused on the task at hand.

"We know what we have to do in order to make it to Reno," Tutt said. "We've got to come out and win these next two games. That's got to be our main focus. Forget about everything else for the time being."

Tutt has found his groove of late, averaging 26 points over the last three games to lift his per game average to 18.1. The Gauchos' second-leading scorer, B.J. Bunton (11.5 ppg), is hopeful for tonight's



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BRICK: Senior forward Kealon Wallace has had a hard time putting the ball in the hoop of late, scoring three points or less in three of the Gauchos' last four games.

game after missing five of the last six with back problems. He has practiced this week and a decision will be made before the game as to whether he is able to play.

Ironically, Irvine is the last team UCSB defeated over three weeks ago on the road, 74-66. The An-

teaters are coming off of a 66-43 defeat against UOP and have lost six of their last seven. Sophomore forward Adam Stetson paces the UCI attack with 12.0 ppg.

Despite his team's recent struggles, Tutt and his team aren't ready to pack it in.

"I won't allow that. Coach won't allow that," Tutt said. "The guys all

want to win. We all want to make it to Reno and do the best that we

could. There's none of that in the Gauchos at all."

Volleyball Wins Fifth-Game Thriller, 22-20

BY SHANE CULBERTSON
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All that can be said to those who departed early from the UCSB men's volleyball match against Loyola Marymount University last night is, "sorry."

The Gauchos pulled out all the stops and then some to edge LMU 22-20 in the fifth and deciding game of what very well could stand as a defining match for UCSB's season.

In accordance with their recent trend, Santa Barbara began the match with lackluster play, losing the first game 15-8. UCSB had 10 errors in the set and hit for a measly .061 average.

There must have been something in the water that the Gauchos gulped down between games, however, because they were a completely different team in the second set. UCSB rallied behind the strength of a .632 hitting percentage to obliterate the Lions 15-4.

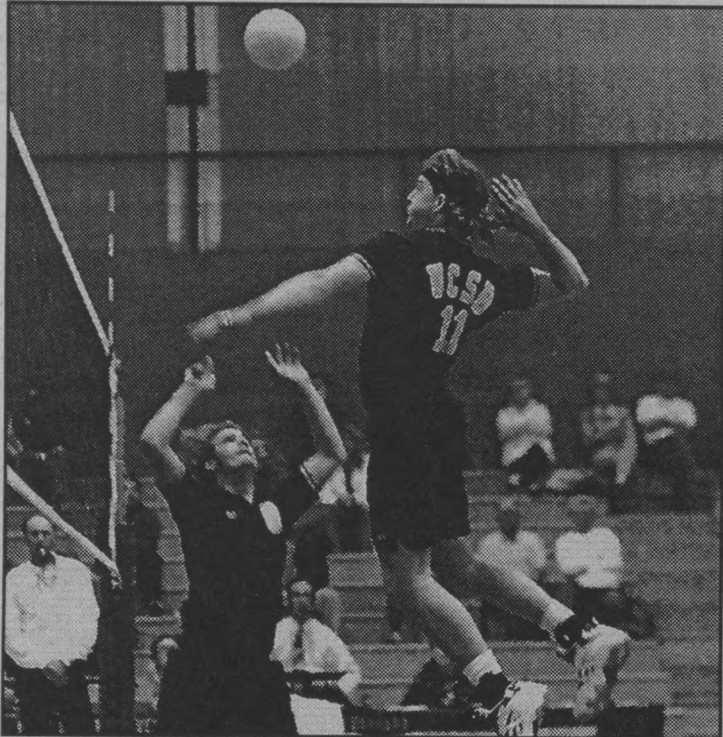
UCSB Head Coach Ken Preston praised his team for its resiliency.

"We came out with a lot of determination after losing that first game," Preston said. "We responded well and fought hard to get back into the match."

Senior setter Adam Renfree, who had 73 assists and 15 digs in the match, elaborated on Santa Barbara's determination.

"We knew we had to start playing harder," Renfree said. "We had a real sense of urgency. The season's on the balance right now, so everybody focused knowing that we had to win."

Outside hitter Mitch McCoy drove home five of his total 20 kills



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SLAM IT HOME!: Bob Hefty was instrumental in the Gaucho's five-game win over LMU last night, posting 12 kills and 10 blocks.

to lead UCSB to a 15-8 victory in game three. The Gauchos continued to hit well in the set, posting a .474 average.

"Mitch really played well," Renfree said of the 6'3" senior's performance. "His game is really coming around and that is going to help us down the stretch."

Santa Barbara was overpowered by LMU sophomore outside hitter Reid Priddy (29 kills) in game four as the Lions prevailed 15-9, setting the stage for the epic fifth game.

"Priddy had a great game," Preston said. "He wasn't our main focus going into the match, but he was unstoppable tonight."

Santa Barbara pulled out to an 11-7 lead in game five due largely to the solid play of sophomore Kevin Collins, who finished the

match with 20 kills. Loyola refused to go down easily though, clawing its way back to tie the game at 13 points.

From that point, a seesaw battle ensued, with both teams vying to attain the two-point advantage necessary for victory. LMU served for the match four times before the Gauchos were able to turn the tables by taking a 21-20 lead.

Moments later, Lion sophomore middle blocker Jason Lee spiked a ball wide, giving UCSB the win and sending its bench into a frenzy.

"This feels great," McCoy said of the victory. "They always play us tough, and we knew it was going to be a battle going into the match. This was a huge win."

Softball Barely Squeaks By Eagles in Two-Game Sweep

BY MATT HURST
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Coming off of a two-game sweep in its Big West Conference opener last weekend, the UCSB softball team faced a visiting non-conference foe, Eastern Michigan, yesterday at Campus Diamond. Although the Gauchos didn't exactly rip apart the winless Eagles, the squad relied on their strong pitching staff and a little bit of luck to complete a two-game sweep of the Eagles.

The first game was a pitching duel lasting 11 innings that saw Santa Barbara come out on top, 3-2. Sophomore right-hander Jennifer Tolton battled EMU's Aimee Hamilton for 6 innings, each pitcher allowing only two runs. Tolton gave up both of her runs, which were unearned, in the second inning. The Eagles were quiet from then on, threatening only once.

Freshman Teresa Tolson came in to relieve Tolton in the seventh, and pitched 5.2 innings of three-hit ball to earn her fourth victory. Junior Kiki McAulay knocked in the game-winning run in the 11th on an infield hit that scored Tolton.

Tolton and Tolson combined to give up only six hits while ringing up six strikeouts.

"The pitchers did real well," said junior Dayna McCall. "The relievers got some key outs."

The second game looked to be another nail-biter as the two teams were tied going into the bottom of the sixth at two runs apiece. Then the Gauchos got a lucky break. UCSB (9-3 overall, 2-0 in the Big West) scored three runs in the inning, all with two outs, thanks in part to four errors committed by the Eagles.

Tolton pitched the last 2.2 innings to record her fourth win. The Corona, Calif., native shut out the Eagles (0-7), allowing only two hits while striking out one.

Offensively, the Gauchos got major production from four players: Tolton, sophomore outfielder Tonya Dias, junior outfielder Kiki McAulay, and sophomore catcher Kendra Wood all had good days at the plate. The quartet produced nine of the team's 13 hits, five of the team's six RBIs, and scored six of the squad's eight runs in the two-game set.

Despite the victories, co-captain Wood was none too happy with the play of the Gauchos, as she knows her team must perform better in order to win in the Big West.

"We didn't play well at all," Wood said. "We got lucky and if we play like that in conference play, we would get laughed right off the field. The pitching was fine, it's just that the bats were sluggish."

Up next for Santa Barbara is the UCSB Invitational, Feb. 27 to March 1. The Gauchos will play host to Arkansas, Mississippi State, Cal Poly San Luis Obispo, and Evansville.