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Environmental Report Questioned at Hearing

By Michael Ball
Staff Writer

With opponents raising fears over possible ordinance changes and inadequate public input, approximately 200 people attended a Santa Barbara County meeting Tuesday to collect comments on a proposed slant-drilling project.

The Energy Division hearing was called to collect public input on the adequacy of the Draft Environmental Impact Report on a Molino Energy Co. slant-drilling gas project. Many in attendance felt a 30-day extension of the comment period is necessary because of a lack of access to the document.

"We've had people calling on a daily basis asking for help in getting the report," said Linda Krop, Environmental Defense Center senior staff attorney. "To give these people a chance to comment, I would request an extension."

The public currently has until Nov. 20 to submit written comments to the Energy Division for consideration in the final EIR to be released Dec. 15, according to planner Kevin Drude.

A decision on extending the public comment period will be made after Energy Division staff take the matter up with Molino, according to Drude.

"It's a concern that has to be discussed with the applicant who has to concede to the extension," he said. "So right now it's up in the air."

The report also fails to consider a wide range of options, according to Krop. The only alternatives to the plan considered by the DEIR were no project at all, and handling both drilling and production at the applicant's site.

"This EIR uses a novel approach. It takes alternatives and then rejects them upfront," she said. "When this goes to the board of supervisors they're going to have no choice because they'll have no information."

Molino has proposed constructing a 180-foot onshore slant-drilling tower on the Brinkman Ranch, two miles east of Chevron's Gaviota facility, one of two county-designated consolidation sites where oil and gas processing is allowed.

Drilling at the Gaviota pro-

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Nexus Poll

Poll Reveals Hostility to Clearview Project

By Michael Ball
Staff Writer

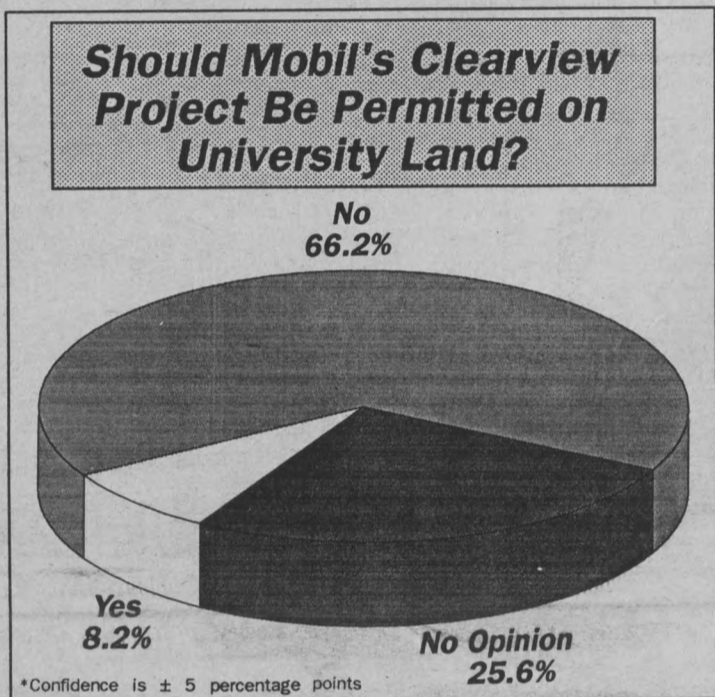
Rejecting a proposed onshore slant-drilling project by a 58-point margin, respondents of a *Daily Nexus* anonymous student opinion poll voiced widespread support for the campus administration's decision to reject the development.

Only 8.2 percent of students surveyed supported Mobil Oil Corp.'s original location for its Clearview Project on University-owned land, with 66.2 percent in opposition. An additional 25.6 percent had no opinion.

The poll demonstrates a solid repudiation of Clearview, and should send a message to Mobil and Santa Barbara County decision makers that this is an unwanted project, according to Mark Chaconas, aide to 3rd District Supervisor Bill Wallace.

"It only reinforces the idea that this is a project the community doesn't want and the community doesn't favor," he said. "That's probably two-thirds of the people right off the bat saying they don't want the project."

Clearview is a slant-drilling project originally proposed for Mobil's Ellwood Marine Terminal facility on University land. The plan would utilize a 175-foot-tall onshore tower to



extend an underground pipeline up to three miles offshore to tap oil reserves.

Responding to student concerns and a Jan. 26 Academic Senate vote declaring the project incompatible with university plans for new north campus faculty and student housing, the administration informed Mobil in June that it would not modify the company's lease with the school to allow for Clearview.

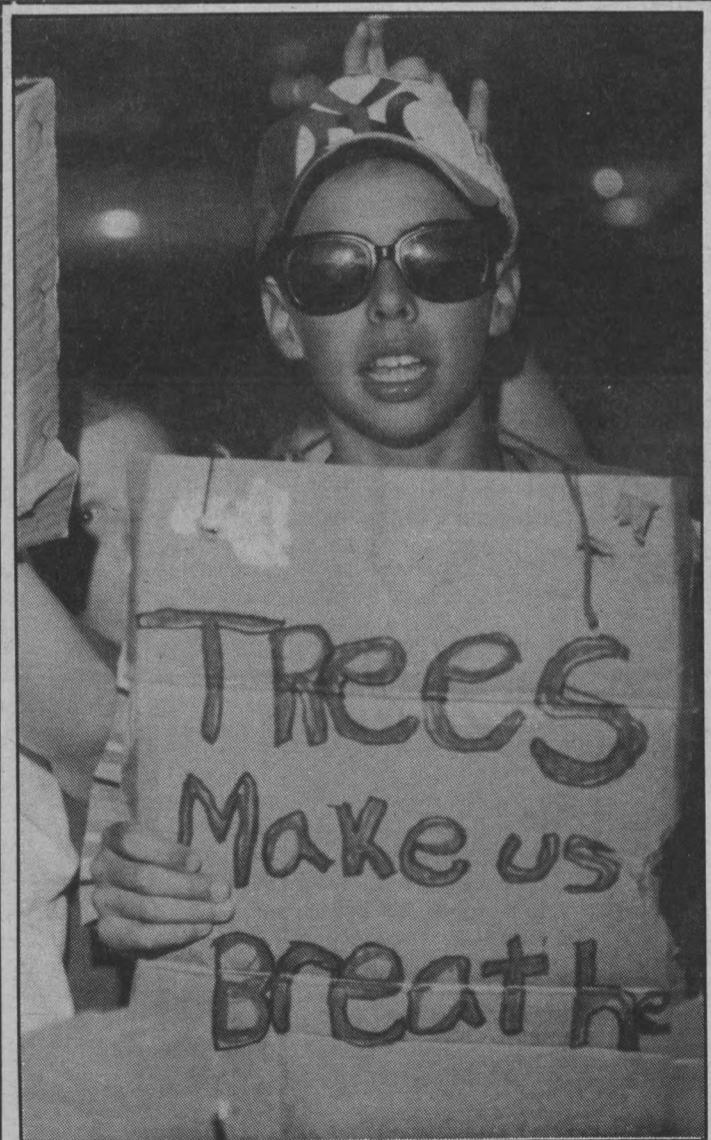
Joining upperclassmen in opposition, campus freshmen objected to the project on University land by a 46.3 to 4.9 percent margin.

Though 44.4 percent of freshmen had no opinion, Clearview has ironically helped raise awareness on environmental issues, contributing to higher student turnout at development-related hearings or protests, according to Paige Leven, campus organizer for the California Public Interest Research Group.

"I would consider that half the freshman knew about it and responded a positive sign," she said. "Mobil's Clearview Project has done a lot for students' opportunity to mobilize. Mobil has brought the issue [of development] here to the students."

The poll also revealed a 51.3 percent majority of students opposes Mobil locating its development anywhere in the county, with only 17.9 percent in

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Angiosperm Advocacy

Klark Smith leads a group of local youths protesting the proposed removal of two sycamores from a Family Student Housing parking lot Wednesday. See related story, p. 3.

WHO WAS SURVEYED

Women: 53.1%
Men: 46.9%

random sample of 441 undergrads

Liberals: 37.7%
Moderates: 46.8%
Conservatives: 14.9%
Decline to State: .6%

Caucasian: 67.8%
Chicano/Latino: 10.9%
Asian/Pacific Islander/
Filipino: 13.4%*
African American: 3.1%
Native American: .7%*
East Indian/Pakistani: .9%*
Other: 3.1%

*Wednesday's table of students surveyed contained misprints in these categories

Vigil to Remember Chicano Student Activist

By Michiko Takeda
Staff Writer

A candlelight vigil tonight will remember a UC Davis student whose family and friends believe police should investigate his death in Santa Barbara last year as a murder.

Oscar Gomez Jr., a Chicano studies and applied behavioral sciences major, died last year during a visit to this campus to take part in a rally against Proposition 187.

"I want him to be remembered for all the things that he did," said his father, Oscar Gomez Sr. "He was trying to educate our Chicano community of the value

of their culture and value of their history."

The vigil will include a procession from the Educational Opportunity Program Building 406 to the area where Gomez' body was found. The event's prayers and speeches will honor his son and address questions about his death, Gomez Sr. said.

"One of the reasons we're going to have it is to remember my son and to tell his friends and the ones who have been with us the truth," he said.

Gomez' body washed ashore on the beach below Anacapa Residence Hall Nov. 17, 1994. A forensic autopsy concluded the cause of death was trauma to the head.

Gomez said Santa Barbara County authorities told him his son's high blood-alcohol content suggested he died after an accidental fall off of a Del Playa cliff.

But friends and family of Gomez believe he was murdered because of his strong support of Chicano rights.

"As far as I'm concerned, his spirit is not really free. It's not at rest," said Adaljiza Sosa-Raddell, interim director of UC Davis' Chicano Studies Program.

Gomez Sr. doubts the explanation he said he received for his son's death.

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POLL

Continued from p.1 support. A total of 30.8 percent had no opinion.

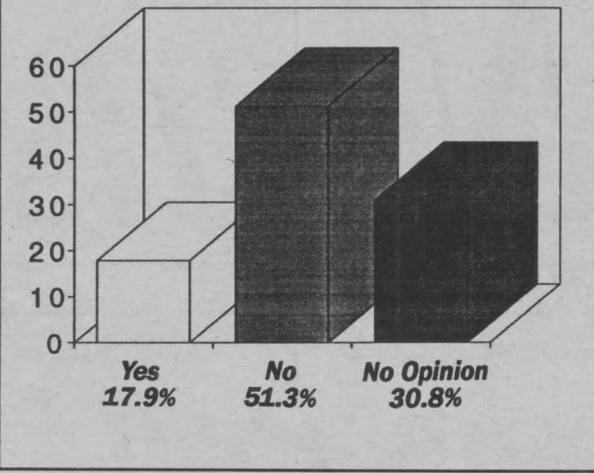
The project's increased support if located elsewhere in the county, combined with the larger proportion of students voicing no opinion, indicates there is not necessarily overwhelming opposition to Clearview on non-campus land, according to Shauna Clarke, Mobil Public Affairs adviser.

"To me it looks like the university has the biggest problem with our proximity to the new housing, and not that they hate the project necessarily, but maybe have some reservations," she said.

The results demonstrate the need for the Voter Approval Initiative, which, if passed in March, would require a majority of the electorate to endorse any new oil and gas development outside the county's two designated processing facilities to be greenlighted by the five-member Board of Supervisors, according to Cathy Duvall, campaign coordinator for the Coalition for Voter Approval.

"When there are projects that make sense, we

Should Mobil's Clearview Project Be Permitted in the County?



should go ahead with those," she said. "Clearview does not make sense but they stand a good chance of convincing only three people."

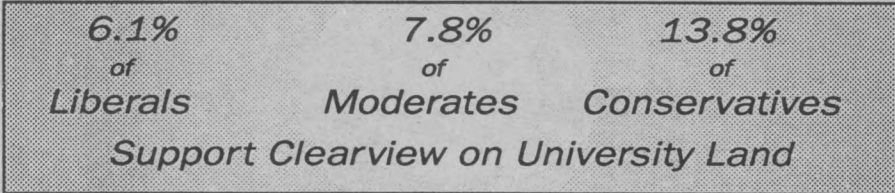
The poll revealed solid opposition across the political spectrum, with 50.8 percent of respondents who described themselves as conservative coming out against Clearview on University land.

"I think everyone understands the conflicts," said Linda Krop, an

Environmental Defense Center senior staff attorney. "No one would go to a school with a large oil derrick there."

Though Mobil can appeal the administration's decision to the UC Board of Regents, the company does not intend to pursue this direction, Clarke said.

"The day after the university told us they did not want to modify our lease we began searching for a new site," she said.



Correction

A graphic appeared in Wednesday's Daily Nexus attached to the story "Campus Split on Affirmative Action" with mixed-up percentages. An accurate table is printed below.

Of Those Who Disagreed With 'The Regents' Decision:

- 54.4% Considered themselves liberal
- 39.9% Considered themselves moderate
- 5.2% Considered themselves conservative
- .01% Decline to state

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Efforts Fail to Cease Meeting on Tankering

By Michael Ball
Staff Writer

A Federal Court judge denied an Exxon Corp. request Wednesday to stave off a hearing today on the company's coastal tankering practices.

The company filed papers in Los Angeles Tuesday, arguing that a morning Santa Barbara County Planning Commission meeting should be canceled because the county lacks jurisdiction over Exxon's tankering and the hearing could damage the firm's reputation.

But the judge denied Exxon's request and said the company must wait for the county's administrative process to run its course before a lawsuit may be filed against whatever decision is made, according to Linda Krop, senior staff attorney with the Environmental Defense Center.

Exxon representatives could not be reached for comment.

The firm's effort to shut down the Planning Commission meeting will only damage Exxon's already weak reputation in the county, according to Mark Chaconas, aide to 3rd District Supervisor Bill Wallace.

"For Exxon to think they can bully Santa Barbara County into not holding a public meeting is ludicrous," he said. "I think Exxon's reputation is tarnished enough."

This morning's commission hearing will review Exxon's Santa Ynez Unit permit to determine if the company's current tankering operations violate the agreement. Since October 1994 Exxon has pipelined crude oil from the unit north to Martinez and then tankered it to Los Angeles, according to Chaconas.

But this is in clear violation of the county permit for the Santa Ynez Unit, which stipulates the site's crude oil be transported via pipeline to the Los Angeles sites, he said.

The Planning Commission hearing starts at 9:30 a.m. in the commission hearing room on the first floor of the county Administration Building at 105 East Anapamu St.

HEADLINERS

GOP Scales Back Its Budget Demands

WASHINGTON (AP) — With a partial shutdown stretching through a second, disruptive day, Republicans crafted legislation Wednesday to reopen government on condition President Clinton agrees to balance the budget in seven years.

With no face-to-face talks scheduled to end the impasse, the two sides scrambled for political



position on an issue that has divided them all year.

"It's time for him to put up or shut up" on balancing the budget, Miss. Rep. Mike Parker, who switched from Democrat to Republican last week, said of Clinton.

"This is Newt's night-

mare," Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle (D-S.D.), said of House Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.). "He wants chaos. He wants collapse of the government, and now he's got it."

Gingrich began the day by telling reporters the standoff "could well last 90 days." But after meeting with Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole (R-Kan.), he was conferring with colleagues on a stop-gap measure to reopen the government if Clinton would bow to GOP budget legislation, including a hike in Medicare premiums that Clinton cited in vetoing an earlier bill.

Earlier, Gingrich had said lawmakers would begin work on legislation to reopen targeted agencies, such as Social Security and passport offices. Officials said that approach was being sidetracked, however, while Republi-

cans awaited Clinton's reaction to the other measure.

The Treasury resorted to unusual financial footwork to head off default. With the government's borrowing authority curtailed, Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin executed a bookkeeping maneuver that gives the government greater flexibility. In effect, he replaced securities in two trust funds with \$61.3 billion in IOUs that do not count against the debt limit.

"This is no way for a great nation to manage its financial affairs," said Rubin, a former Wall Street financier, underscoring that Social Security trust funds were not involved.

Democrats decried the disruption caused by the government's partial closure. An estimated 800,000 federal workers

deemed "nonessential" were off the job for the second day, from agencies as diverse as the Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, which monitors nuclear arms proliferation, to the National Endowment for the Arts.

The party's whip, Rep. David Bonior of Michigan, displayed an oversized chart on the House floor that said more than one million people were "hurt by the Republican government shutdown" on its first day.

After a closed-door party caucus at midafternoon, House Republicans said they would push through a measure — stripped of the Medicare provision — that would reopen the government through Dec. 5 on condition Clinton agreed to a seven-year balanced budget.

Case Points to E-Mail as Means of Stalking

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The expulsion of a promising doctoral candidate for alleged sexual harassment of another student via electronic mail has raised concerns in cyberspace: Is e-mail reliable evidence?

Jinsong Hu, 26, jailed six months before being



acquitted by a Superior Court jury of stalking, insisted he didn't send some of the e-mail in question and that parts of the mail he sent were doctored.

After a disciplinary hearing at the California Institute of Technology where he was a student,

Hu was expelled, based in large part on e-mail transmissions sent to his former girlfriend, Jiajun Wen.

"Nobody should be convicted or expelled based on unencrypted e-mail," said Hu's attorney, Anita Brenner.

Complaints of e-mail harassment at many universities has risen sharply over the last 18 months with increased access to electronic communications.

Due to the ease and relative anonymity of e-mail, it's an especially potent tool for harassment. But it's possible for e-mail to be "spoofed" — made to look as though it has been sent by someone else.

"Forging e-mail is notoriously easy," said Gary Jackson, director of academic computing at MIT.

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Weather

Driving down Hollister, I happen to spy a business establishment I hadn't noticed before: the Water Store. I had a rendezvous with two and an ill-gotten half tall pilsners of Anchor Steam, so I didn't stop to check it out. From what I gathered from the window displays, however, makes me a bit curious. Get this, they have "Gourmet Ice."

What the hell is this? I realize that the tap water we get around here isn't exactly for gulping, and this reminds me as I write this to cancel my bottled water subscription before my introductory offer ends and they start charging me money. Nevertheless, "Gourmet Ice?" Do they use a special recipe? Is there something I'm missing when I'm filling my trays? Do they import it from Canada? Siberia? Antarctica? Who's keeping these people in business? Is it a diamond smuggling front?

High 70, low 48 (yeah, right — feels cold enough to make ice). Sun sets at 4:55 p.m.

Youthful Eco-Posse Befriends Pair of Sycamores Scheduled for Demise

By Dan Nazzareta
Reporter

Although most are only about halfway to voting age, 10 children at Family Student Housing on Mesa Road took a stand Wednesday with a protest that loudly announced their environmentalist beliefs.

The eco-conscious youths took to their bikes and skateboards, donned handmade signs and chanted, "Save the trees!" to express their disagreement with a plan to remove two sycamores from the complex's Parking Lot 36.

Protest organizer Klark Smith, a 13-year-old Goleta Valley Junior High School student, said the trees were important to the environment.

"They help people

“*Birds live in the trees, and if the trees weren't here, the birds would have no house.*”

**Klark Smith
student
Goleta Valley Jr. High**

breathe 'cause they give oxygen," he said. "Birds live in the trees, and if the trees weren't here, the birds would have no house."

The kids started their crusade when they learned about the trees' planned removal at about 6 p.m. Tuesday.

"Last night, we were riding our bikes and we saw the signs that said, 'Tree

Removal Wednesday," said Mikeal Mulholland, an 8-year-old home-schooled by his mother.

"We didn't want them to cut down the trees, so we took all the signs down and removed the cones and the caution tape" that cordoned off the area where the trees were to be removed, he added.

According to a Nov. 13 letter Family Student Housing officials distributed to residents, the complex planned to remove the trees before beginning upgrades on the lot during the week of Nov. 27.

The reason for the removal was bird feces, according to the letter.

"The two sycamore trees will be removed in the parking lot as the nega-

See TREES, p.6

Day Aims at Reducing Buttsucking

By Kristie Castellini
Reporter

Organizers hope a life-sized checkers game in Storke Plaza and smoker's survival kits will help students shake nicotine addictions today as the campus observes the national Great American Smokeout.

Student Health Services will also promote an "Adopt-a-Smoker" program and encourage stu-

dents in need of help to pursue programs to help them quit as part of the campus' sixth annual observance of the day.

"We want everyone to understand that smoking is not cool," said Deana McMillion, Santa Barbara and Goleta area unit director for the American Cancer Society. "All the Joe Camel ads try to say how cool it is, but it's not cool to die."

The ACS believes that if someone can go 24 hours

without cigarettes, they will be closer to halting the habit forever, McMillion added.

Rob Schreiber, clinical coordinator of the Alcohol/Drug Awareness Program at Student Health Services, said the day tries to provide smokers an impetus to stop.

"Motivation is everything," he said. "If you're not motivated, you can't do jack. Which is what the

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Just the Fact\$*

Over 12,000 of UCSB students indicated they would prefer not to have drugs available at parties they attend.

*You could win cash for knowing this fact

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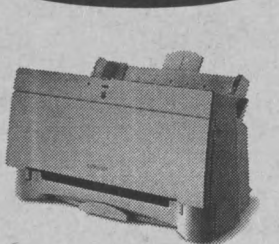
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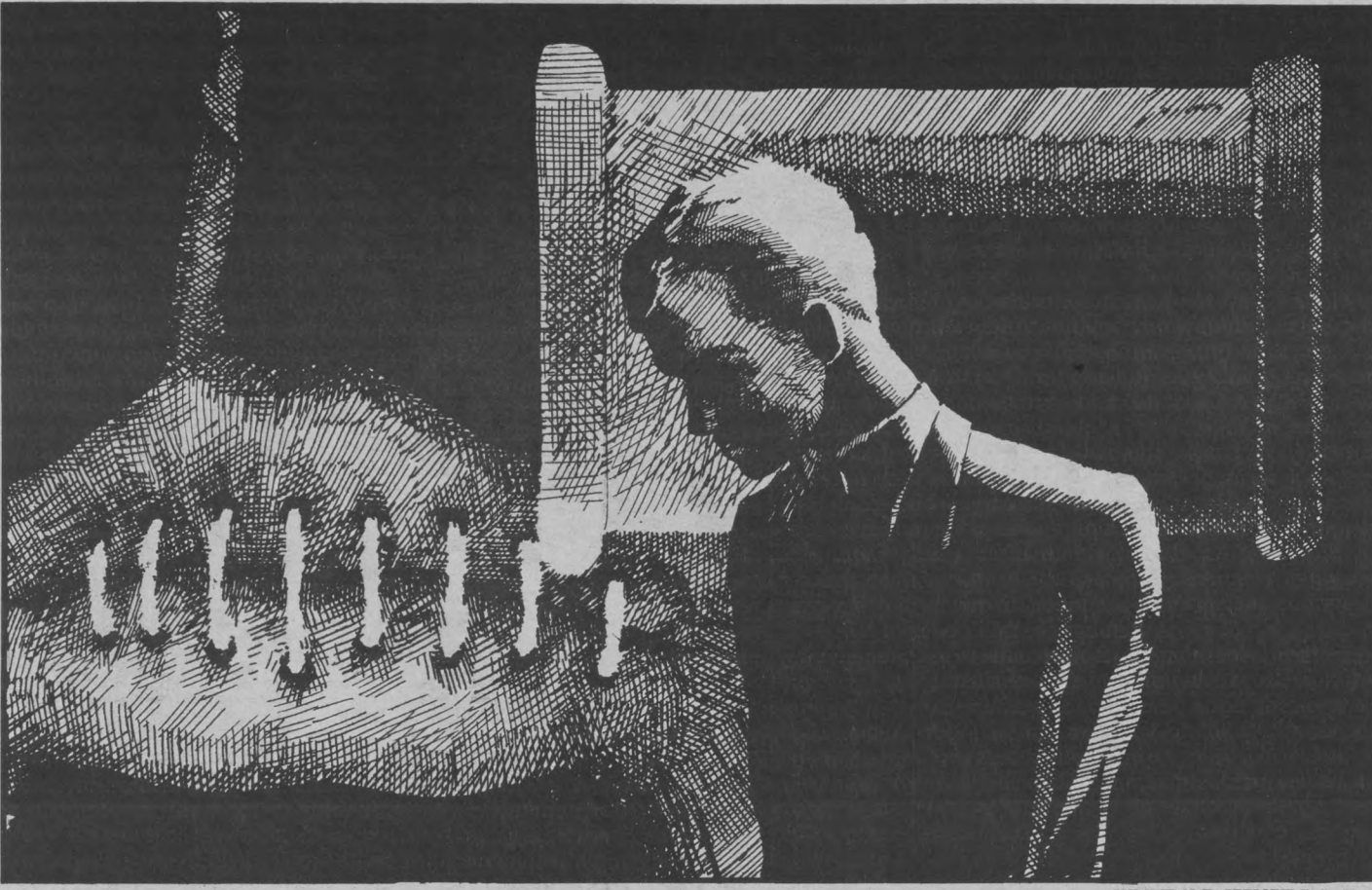
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OPINION

"The tyranny of legislators is at present, and will be for many years, our most formidable danger."

—Thomas Jefferson



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Pipe Up Against Tankering

Loophole Should Not Allow Exxon to Put Santa Barbara Shores at Risk

Editorial

Santa Barbara residents concerned about the oil industry's imposition on the local environment are breathing a collective sigh of relief today.

At the same time, they can also shout together with happy zeal, "What the hell were you thinking, Exxon?"

As of four o'clock yesterday afternoon, a federal judge in Los Angeles ruled that Exxon Oil Co. had no legal right to bar the Santa Barbara County Planning Commission from having a public meeting this Thursday morning. The forum will be held to discuss what position the commission should take on the crude conglomerate's shipping its product along the county's coastline, southbound for Los Angeles.

Exxon tried to obtain a restraining order to prevent the Planning Commission from discussing with the public how oil obtained from Santa Barbara is eventually shipped to a refinery. The company claimed that to do so might hurt its reputation and would be a waste of time. Fortunately, the judge disagreed.

It breaks down like this: Exxon currently holds a permit which allows it to drill for oil in the county. But they are not allowed to move the Texas tea by means of seagoing tankers and instead must send it through pipelines out of the county. This is to reduce the possibility of a flashback to 1969, when a tankering accident off our coast blackened the Santa Barbara Channel for days.

Exxon found a loophole in this legislation, and has been making use of it since October of last year. The company has been piping the crude oil north to their Martinez processing plant, near San Francisco. Then, when out of Santa Barbara jurisdiction, it loads up the refined oil onto tankers and

ships it down the coast, past Santa Barbara, to Los Angeles.

The Commission caught wind of this and decided to discuss the subject, but then before the meeting, Exxon tried to block the whole process.

The company has claimed that the county has no right to hold a gathering to examine the issue because it has no jurisdiction over a shipment outside its borders.

However, Santa Barbara does factor into the equation because the oil in question is derived from here originally and is transported along our coastline. Exxon tried to assert that the county has no say in its shipping because the tankers take a path 50 miles off the coast. The problem is that shipments still pass within 20 to 30 miles of the Channel Islands, which would be devastated by a spill.

Despite the original agreement to remove all the oil by pipeline, Exxon says that their line to Los Angeles cannot handle the load of what they want to ship, and that has forced them to use this new system.

But Exxon is forgetting that its permit to drill is conditional to its use of a pipeline for transporting — an order that should not apply exclusively to their transporting out of the county, but to all conveyance throughout Santa Barbara's jurisdiction.

By claiming that its barging from Northern California to Los Angeles is none of Santa Barbara's business, Exxon is attempting to manipulate its agreement with the county. When the Planning Commission scheduled its meeting to discuss the tankers, it was their prerogative to do so. While Exxon may take issue with some views expressed at an open forum, it has no right to try to invalidate Santa Barbarans' stake in their local coast by stifling their voices.

The Reader's Voice

We're on Drugs?

Editor, Daily Nexus:

To the ex-editor of the Nexus who didn't have fun on Halloween (Daily Nexus "What Did You Let Happen to Halloween?", Nov. 8):

Hello — your article was just a little rude and ridiculous. You act as if the German Nazi troops took over on campus and we just watched them. I'm sorry, but that is the case.

Instead of cussing at the entire student body for not raging on Halloween, maybe you should realize that you need to move on with your life and not worry about the parties that take place at your old school. Obviously you were not doing anything too exciting on Halloween if you were back in I.V. for one more drunken night.

You then had the nerve to accuse us of being on drugs. Are you on drugs? What drugs have to do with *not* partying on Halloween? Were you disappointed that you couldn't find any drugs or that not enough people got busted for drugs?

I think you have lost the entire concept of Halloween and college. First, people do not pay an incredibly high tuition and then not even study for midterms. It has been about two years since you graduated, so I guess you forgot that studying is part of college life.

Hello ... Halloween was smack in the middle of midterms for a lot of students. Sorry we didn't rebel and burn down Woodstock's or something just to outlive those radicals who set fire to the bank. Maybe we don't have the money to bail ourselves out of jail.

We also don't need to get a police record just to have fun on Halloween. Parties didn't stop and I'm sorry if you couldn't find one to go to. But I'm not really surprised your article reflects even the slightest bit of your personality!



CYNTHIA CHAN/Daily Nexus

Also, most of your other college buddies probably weren't around to hang out and get hammered in I.V. Wake up — you graduated. Halloween is a holiday — that's true. But life goes on and some of us had work.

The world still goes on and *not* everyone has the time to blare their radios and party for "A Right to Party." I might also remind you that Halloween is not the only time I rage. In fact, try every weekend. So, if one weekend our town has a couple dozen extra police, who really cares? We can wear our costumes and drink beer.

Hey, at the same time things can be a little sober and a little more low key, I forgot it's not your house and car that will get thrashed by all the randoms who travel miles to get into I.V. for Halloween.

I almost forgot to remind you that not everyone needs to get intoxicated to have fun and some people were probably preparing to celebrate "All Souls Day." I bet you didn't know that Halloween is the "Day of the Dead" and it is traditionally a religious holiday.

So next time you decide to call us "Spineless Pieces of Shit" take a step back and evaluate the scene. Then look at yourself and realize that you really need to do something better with your time than yell at the residents of I.V. for not knowing how to party.

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Sickening Cigs

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Is anybody home over there?? Were you kidding when you claimed that "... smokers are a vanishing breed in California" (Daily Nexus, "Cornering the Market," Nov. 14)?

I simply can't believe this without some supporting data, and I believe that this statement misrepresents the facts. Therefore, if you wish to maintain your credibility as one of the nation's best student newspapers you must cite your sources!

Sadly, anybody who has been around UCSB for a while would have noticed an alarming INCREASE in the number of student smokers on this campus (and also at City College, I'm told).

Regarding the issue of cigarette vending machines, this is a worthy cause for the county supervisors to pursue. However, it's only a drop in the bucket. If a minor can purchase a pack of cigarettes from "... more than 20 percent ..." of local business establishments, then the availability of cigarettes from vending machines seems rather trivial.

As far as I know, there are not any vending machines on campus, which temporarily prevents visiting high school students and underage college students from buying cigarettes on campus. But how many high school kids or underage students are carded at the Corner Store or The Arbor when asking for their pack?

For that matter, why the hell does the Corner Store/Arbor sell cigarettes in the first place? (I know, it's legal ... and the university can use the extra bucks). The least the university could do is lead by example and quit selling cigarettes here, thereby demonstrating that most educated people on campus pay attention to the vast amount of information on smoking-related health problems.

Furthermore, forcing smokers to walk or ride to I.V. would provide a little bit of exercise and may temporarily improve their general health before they shave off a couple years with each successive pack.

In light of the impending "Great American Smokeout," the Daily Nexus should challenge the smoking public on this campus to examine the issue by listing all the positive and negative ramifications of their habit (e.g., personal, environmental, economic, etc.). I would predict that the negatives far outweigh the positives.

Finally, the Nexus should publish some information on the number of deaths and other health-related problems caused by cigarette smoking in America each year. Such a synopsis should include the number of TAXPAYER dollars spent on attempts to keep smokers "healthy" while they defiantly march, cigarette in hand, toward an early grave.

THERESA STEVENS

Print Mine, Not His

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I have two questions. Firstly, do you read the articles that are published on the editorial page? Secondly, have you any understanding of what it means to support an opinion?

To be honest, I am somewhat disappointed with the Nexus as a newspaper. Personally I feel that it does not hit the "target reader" (I.V. college students), but

CCS: Hideaway of Genius Minds

Bucky Jones

I've got a friend here at UCSB, and for now I'll call him Owen (to protect the innocent or not so innocent). For the first two years he attended this school, he was an economics major with an emphasis in accounting.

Yet, at the end of his sophomore year, he decided to switch into the College of Creative Studies. Here's how this sudden change happened.

As an economics major, Owen was always the type of student who would sit in the back row, feet propped up on top of the chair in front of him, notebook lacking even a word about what the professor had mentioned.

Owen was not a bad student, in fact, he almost had a 4.0 gpa, it's just that he was always creating different concepts of economic systems, thinking of problems with the textbook, and above all questioning every word of his professor's lecture.

One day, Owen's frustration with his professor's theory on free market economics was just too much for him to handle, so he decided to raise a rather critical question. After hearing the question, the prof quickly responded, "That is a very good question, but because it's not part of today's topic and there's a midterm next week, please come by and see me during my office hours so we can

discuss this further." A few days later, Owen went to the professor's office hours, and before Owen could even say a word, he began, "You have a very unique and critical mind. I think that you should check out the College of Creative Studies. It's right up your alley!" And the rest is history.

Here's how I think this anecdote is significant. In my opinion, there is something seriously wrong when a University has to construct a College of Creative Studies. We've got one at UCSB, and it's marginalized both literally (geographically) and figuratively (politically).

In response to this, I then ask, WHY IN THE HELL DOES UCSB HAVE A COLLEGE OF CREATIVE STUDIES IN THE FIRST PLACE, IF IT IS CONSIDERED SO DAMNED SUBVERSIVE?

I think that UCSB has this marginalized college in order to create a space (or an in-house prison) for those potentially disruptive students (like Owen) to go and become inmates of. In other words, that bored economics major who sits in the back row of the lecture hall questioning every word the professor speaks now has a place he or she can go to, away from that economics class. Thus, by marginalizing the potentially subversive students, the University dramatically limits any chances of critical questions and the important discussions that would inevitably ensue.

The point I'm trying to make is that there seems something rather peculiar in that UCSB would create a place which more than likely promotes the criticizing and questioning of mainstream universities like UCSB, and its abundance of stifling classes, repetitive and closed-minded teachers, and overall true educational stagnancy ... and I think I've found the answer.

We're going to take every student whose got a creative mind, every student who's going to question that narrow-mindedly complacent economics professor on tenure, every student who's gonna say something original, something creative, and put 'em all into another place. A place which is like that of a prison, confined and excluded from the "normal" university.

Yet, the most insane thing is that CCS students (before they're incarcerated) themselves must voluntarily submit to arduous and highly competitive application processes. Who would have thought people would be banging down the doors just to get into prison? It's like Pete Wilson's wet dream come true!

It seems to me that situations of self-marginalization, or self-ostracization, take place in the sense that these creative students who've become absolutely bored out of their minds because of the awful rote of memorization, regurgitation and tremendous emphasis on little letters called grades, willingly go through applications and interviews with CCS professors who scrutinize the shit out of every applicant, just to get into that college.

There is a certain irony to it all, or maybe tragedy. When that student jumps for joy after getting into CCS, what's really happening is something quite sad. A free-flowing mind, a potentially subversive individual has just taken his/herself out of the "normal" university, thus disallowing the questioning all of us at the College of Memorization & Regurgitation (or the College of M & R) so desperately need.

I say, "To hell with the College of Creative Studies!" I've got a better freaking idea — let's make the University of California, Santa Barbara a college of creative studies!

But wait, oh my God, if we did that it would mean that we'd all have to start think-

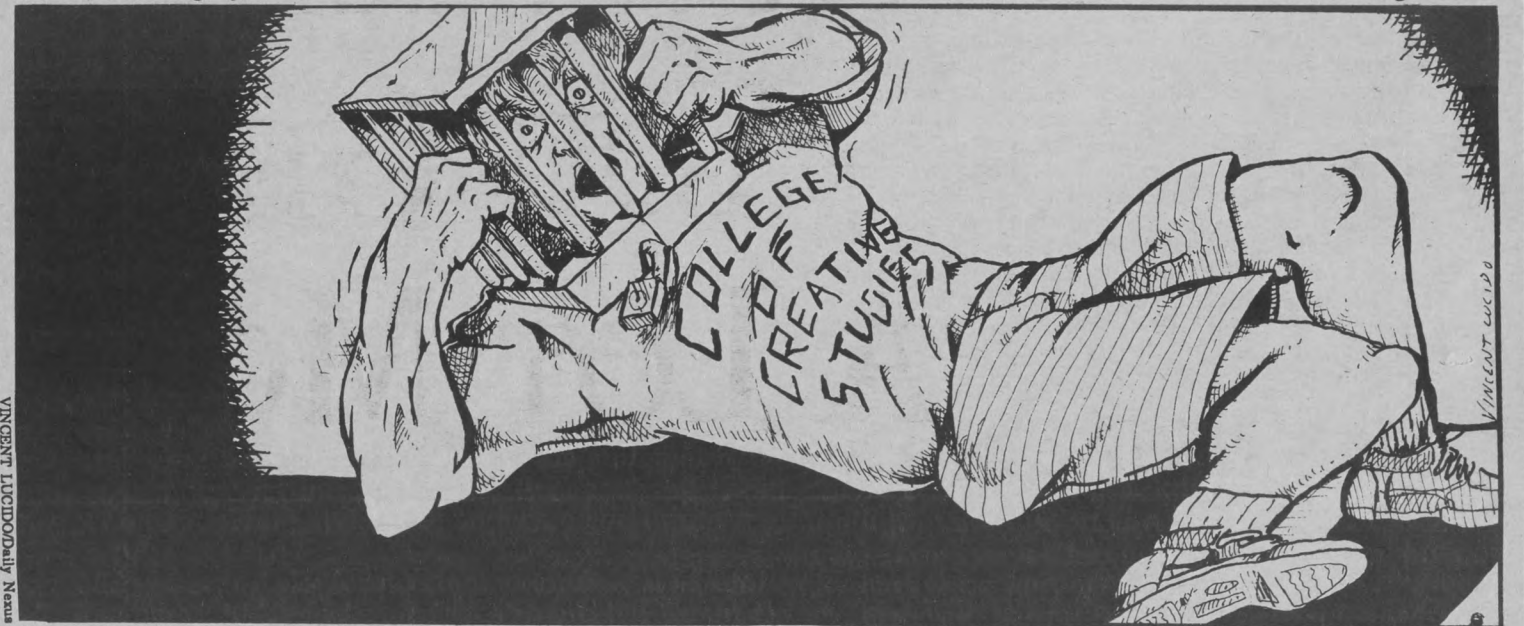
ing for ourselves! As the infamous Col. Kurtz exclaimed in *Apocalypse Now*, "The horror, the horror..."

Yes, what a frightening thought, the "horror" of students having to come up with their own analyses of situations, texts, theories, etc. We might even see economics students at UCSB creating economic theories of their own, English students questioning their professors, engineering students becoming more inventive!

If someone were to paint a painting about it, it'd be more appalling than Edvard Munch's *The Scream*. What an awful sight it would be! My God, UCSB might even turn out a Poet Laureate, or even worse, a Nobel Prize winner! That's all way too frightening, so I'll stop there.

Ultimately, I ask once again, why not make the University of California, Santa Barbara a college of creative studies? Why the fuck do we have to be such mindless robots, taking each and every word our profs say to us as the gospel truth, each and every word in our textbooks as similar absolutes? Why do we have to be such androids repeating the same shit that our predecessors did, and above all, why oh why must we have a College of Creative Studies?

The next time someone asks me what school it is that I go to, I will respond, "UCSB. ... But I attend the College of Me-



VINCENT LUCID/Daily Nexus

morization and Regurgitation." After all, I'm not in the College of Creative Studies, therefore I wouldn't want that person to get the wrong impression that I have an imagination, or that I'm able to think critically, or something.

Anyway, if they found out that I was creative, they'd just send me over to CCS, lock me up and throw away the key (into the laagoon, I presume).

The point of this column is not to alienate or criticize the students, faculty or administrative staff of the College of Creative Studies. My intention is merely to call into question the entire concept of a College of Creative Studies. For what it's worth, I have only respect and admiration for the participants of CCS, I only wish that they wouldn't perform acts of self-marginalization. The Colleges of M & R — uh, I mean L & S and Engineering — need them more than they might think.

Bucky Jones is an accounting and art studio major.

Let me begin by saying, "Fuck You." I, as a "user" of drugs do not fit into the over-generalized stereotype that Mr. Johnson was so kind to create. I mean seriously, he sounds like he's regurgitating a sixth-

cal one). It is true that these people cost our government a lot of money, but what about the billions of dollars spent on the facade called the War on Drugs? I don't even wish to dis-

What a blatant display of ignorance he



MARK ALPHONSO/Daily Nexus

displayed in his article that you published. I don't know who to be more upset with.

The basis of his article is the legality of drugs and/or highly addictive narcotics. The only problem is that he doesn't do anything to support his claim. Instead, he begins a tongue-lashing of the "emotional weaklings" in our society, the drug addicts.

grade D.A.R.E. assembly. I am not even an addict. I would call it experimentation, but once again that is merely my opinion.

But back to the point ... our esteemed author only selected a minute percentage of the drug-using population, the so-called "burnouts," the people within the grips of a devastating addiction (most often a physi-

cuss this any further because I feel that Mr. Johnson as well as this pathetic excuse for a newspaper have enough of an open mind to realize things for how they really are. Besides, if we drug addicts are so mindless, why not just legalize all of it and let us all kill ourselves, thus eliminating the problem?

GREGORY S. DOLL

MOLINO

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cessing facility, one of the alternatives rejected by the DEIR, should be reconsidered, according to concerned county resident Christopher Chatto.

Despite the document's contention that current slant-drilling technology would only allow partial development of the gas field, other similar projects have been able to expand beyond the report's implied technological limits, he added.

"I believe the Chevron/Gaviota alternative is far more feasible than the EIR implies," he said.

Additionally, technological advances during the lifetime of the project may open the door to fully tapping the field from the Chevron site, according to Harry Nelson, associate professor of physics.

"It may well be that given this is a 10-year project, it may be feasible in five years to develop the field from the Chevron/Gaviota site," he said.

Because current county ordinances make no mention of slant drilling from onshore sites and the Brinkman Ranch is outside the county consolidated sites, proposed zoning amendments could lead to additional development, according to Dave Fortson, Associated Students Environmental Affairs Board co-chair.

The DEIR fails to adequately address the effect of Molino's development on industrialization in urban areas, such as Mobil Oil Corp.'s slant-drilling Clearview Project, proposed near the campus, he said.

"I bet they're just chomping at the bit for this project," Fortson said. "If you are going to relax those laws ... take into account the impact in other [areas]."

Nelson also believes the report fails to address fiscal questions surrounding the Molino plan, such as the project's royalties and economic stability. The report's dismissal of the Chevron site as not economically feasible may imply the project is financially risky because the two sites are only marginally different in cost, he added.

"There's a lack of depth of qualitative analysis in the report," Nelson said.

Also left out of the draft document is an examination of the impact the project and its facilities may have on Native American land, according to Larry Garnica, Chumash Indian cultural resource manager. The pipeline associated with the Molino development may disturb a Chumash site, he added.

"That site lies within the preferred pipeline route," he said. "We are also concerned with our marine resources which we are still involved with."

GOMEZ

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"For them to keep saying that he had fallen ... why couldn't they say the truth — which is that they don't know," he said.

Gomez Jr.'s strong support for Chicano rights often led him to visit El Congreso rallies at this campus, according to group chair Lupe Montano.

"El Congreso could always count on him," she said. "He would come down and support us. He's been a loyal supporter as far [back] as some of the members can remember."

TREES

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tive impact on cars has proven their incompatibility in the parking lot," it reads. "There continues to be excessive bird droppings covering cars that are parked there for any length of time."

FSH representatives de-

SMOKE

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Great American Smoke-out aims to do — motivate."

A 1993 survey revealed that 87 percent of UCSB students do not use tobacco on a regular basis, defined as three to five times a week or more, according to Cristina Heinz, an SHS special project coordinator.

bered Gomez' participation and activism at UC Davis.

"We considered him our warrior. He was willing to fight ... for our Chicano struggles," she said.

Gomez hosted a show on UCD's radio station featuring a blend of Chicano music and political information.

"He used his deejay show as means of putting his knowledge of music in a social/historical context," Sosa-Raddell said.

Gomez Sr. plans to present his son's death certificate at the vigil, he said. The document does not include the manner of death because the investigation could not explain it, he

clined to comment on the protest or the plan for the trees.

While their parents also hesitated to go on the record about the protest, participants eagerly spoke out. Many in the pro-angiosperm brigade felt destruction of the trees was unnecessary and would take away from the

But Heinz said the number on campus who are regular tobacco puffers is still problematic.

"What concerns me is the remaining 13 percent of students who do use tobacco regularly and are addicted," she said.

And while students who smoke irregularly may not yet be addicted, they could be moving toward future problems, Schreiber said.

"Nicotine is more addictive than crack cocaine," he said, citing a re-

said. Gomez Sr. also raised concern over police handling of the case. While authorities found his son's body around noon, the family was not notified until 2 a.m., he said.

"One of the things that really bothered us is that the coroner didn't notify us until 14 hours after [knowledge of] his death," Gomez Sr. said. "That's one of the things we can't understand."

Gomez Sr. filed a complaint against the county May 16, but police did not reopen their investigation.

"We still want the case reopened, but I don't think it's going to happen," he said. "Why did

environment.

"It provides shade and makes Family Housing better," said Kyle Tapia, a 9-year-old Santa Barbara Charter School student.

Eight-year-old Kellogg School student Jenna Mertz echoed such sentiments. "Because they help us and we should help them sometime," she said.

cent survey. "It's the most addictive drug ever discovered."

More than 400,000 Americans die prematurely every year from tobacco-related diseases, according to the Center for Disease Control. But smokers can make gradual and still effective efforts now to avoid an early death, according to Heinz.

"By quitting for one day, carbon monoxide levels in the blood drop to normal, oxygen increases and the

they shut the case so soon?"

The vigil may be difficult not only because it will address the issues that surrounded the death, but also because it will include recordings from the younger Gomez' radio show, according to his father. This will be the first time the family will hear the student's voice since his death.

"It's going to be real hard for us ... to hear him talk," Gomez Sr. said. "But that was his life. We have to let them do that."

The vigil will begin at 6 p.m. tonight at EOP Building 406.

Environmental Affairs Board co-chair Dave Fortson attended the protest and praised participants.

"Their activism shows a good example of how even little kids can make a difference," he said. "It's excellent that kids have knowledge about the important role trees play in our ecosystem."

chance of heart attack decreases," she said.




McMillion believes smokers trying to quit can use several strategies to ease the transition into a cigarette-free lifestyle.

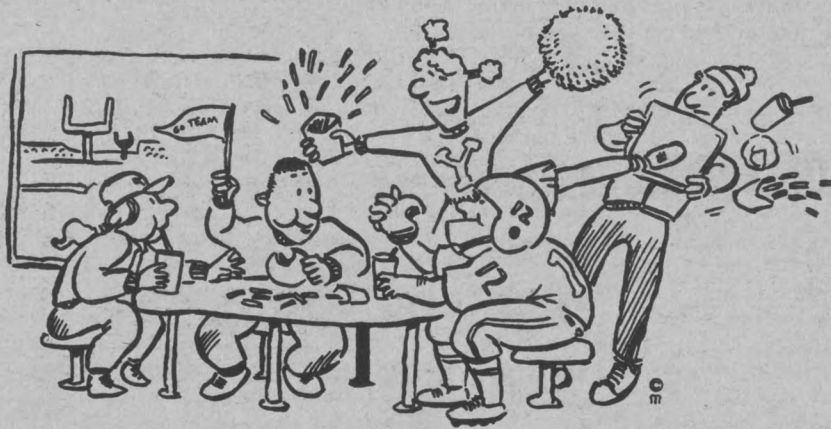
"Drink fruit juice, throw out all cigarettes and lighters and hold a pen in your hand when you want to smoke," McMillion said. "Quit smoking with the Great American Smoke-out and don't start again."

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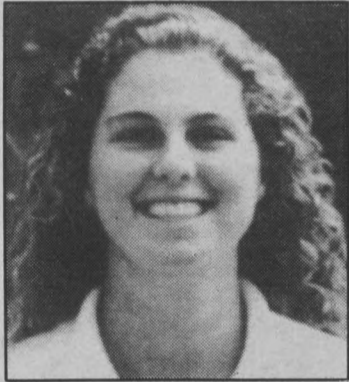
#11 UCSB Goes to Reno to Hunt the Wolf Pack

■ Santa Barbara Hopes to Break Losing Streak

By Jenny Kok
and Michael Cadilli
Staff Writers

The #11 UCSB women's volleyball team is currently in a slump, having dropped four consecutive matches — its worst streak since 1991.

However, the Gauchos (20-8 overall, 13-3 in the Big West) head to the University of Nevada, Reno tonight to take on the Wolf Pack (14-13, 8-8), which, on paper, is a team Santa



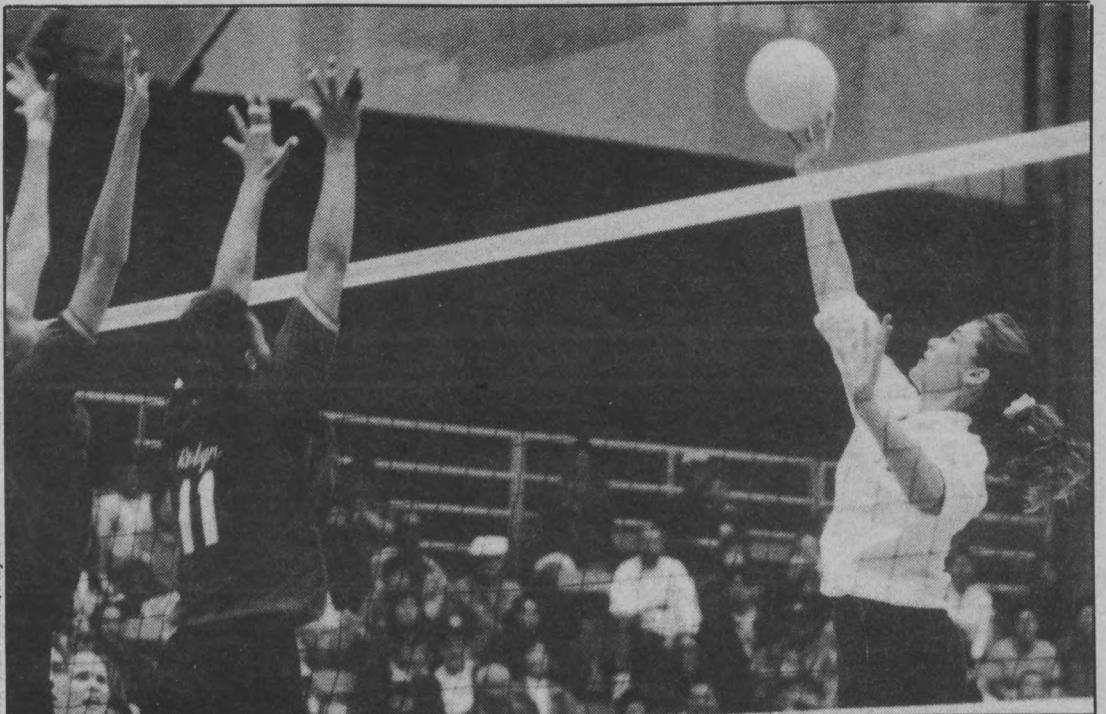
Kim Keys

Barbara should defeat. If UCSB downs UNR and New Mexico State on Saturday, the Gauchos will lock up second place in the Big West behind first-place lock #2 Hawai'i and in front of #12 University of the Pacific and #15 Long Beach State — both of whom are one game behind UCSB in the third and fourth spots.

"We are going to try to win our next two matches and finish second in league," said UCSB Head Coach Kathy Gregory. "That would be an accomplishment for us because we were picked fourth in the coaches' poll at the beginning of the season."

However, the Wolf Pack will not be a pushover — the team has posted a .500 conference record so far and an 8-4 record at home. With its current record, Nevada has posted its most successful season since moving into the Big West in 1992.

UNR is largely led by its 6'0" middle blocker Erin Hewko, who is the Wolf Pack's all-time leader in block assists (186) and needs only 15 solo blocks for her



DINK: 6'3" freshman middle blocker Katie Crawford showed her touch against #2 Hawai'i last weekend and will need to step up in Reno tonight to help UCSB beat the Wolf Pack.

second school record. Although Nevada is not as big as the Gaucho squad, Gregory feels her opponent has the skills to be quite competitive.

"[UNR] is small but quick. They have a very good jump serve, good ball control," she said. "They're also trying to finish fifth in the Big West, which would be their highest finish

ever.

"Against Nevada, our block will be important. If we can key on their hitters early, we should do well," Gregory added.

Santa Barbara is led on the court by its three seniors, 6'1" outside hitter Kim Keys and middle blockers 6'2" Tammy Stiner and 6'1" Jennifer Kaylor. Keys has recently become the

first player in UCSB history to rank in career top 10 in kills (third place all-time with 1,341), digs (eighth place, 886) and blocks (second place, 427). Stiner with her 143 total blocks so far this year has the third-best single-season mark in school history. Kaylor is second only to Stiner in 1995 with her 108 blocks for the Gauchos.

Gaucha Coaches Go Hog Wild in Early Signing Season, Land Top Talent

By Curtis Kaiser
Staff Writer

In a busy week for the UCSB Athletic Dept., four Gaucha teams announced player signings for the 1996-97 school year.

Men's basketball, softball, men's volleyball and women's

gymnastics all inked players who have committed to attend UCSB.

Men's Basketball

The men's basketball team signed sophomore junior college player Dwayne Williams, a 6'7", 190-pound forward from Northwest College in Powell, Wyo.

Williams averaged 17.3 points and 6.1 rebounds per game as a freshman, shooting 53% from the field, 73% from the free-throw line and 38% from three-point land. Through four games this season, he is averaging 22.4 points and 6 rebounds per game.

"We're very pleased that Dwayne has decided to finish his education and basketball career at UC Santa Barbara," said UCSB Head Coach Jerry Pimm. "He is an outstanding athlete with very good skills and he should move in and make an immediate impact on the 1996-97 team."



Jerry Pimm

Softball

The UCSB softball team landed two high school players during the early signing period: pitcher Jennifer Tolton and



Liz Kelly

middle infielder Mandy Edwards.

Tolton, a right-handed senior

pitcher from Centennial High School in Corona, Calif., has been named First Team All-Mountain View League, First Team All-CIF and a Scholar-Athlete in each of the last three years. She has also been named to the First Team All-County and All-State teams in each of the last two seasons. Besides being an outstanding pitcher, Tolton is also her team's cleanup hitter.

"Jennifer is going to add much-needed strength to our pitching staff," said UCSB Head Coach Liz Kelly. "She is a versatile athlete overall, and can play first base when she isn't pitching."

Edwards, a right-handed hitter from R.A. Millikan High School in Long Beach, has earned two All-Moore League First Team selections and one Second Team selection.

Men's Volleyball

Kevin Collins, a 6'5" middle blocker from Mira Costa High School in Manhattan Beach, Calif., has signed a letter of intent to play for UCSB.

Gaucha Head Coach Ken Preston describes Collins as a vocal player. "We like him because he can play a lot of positions. He has a quick arm swing and is a good blocker. Also, he is a fiery competitor," he said.

Women's Gymnastics

The women's gymnastics program has signed Triandie Wold of Bishop Montgomery High School in Torrance, Calif.

"She is a good all-around gymnast," said UCSB Head Coach Randy Lane. "I look forward to working with her."

Look for more student-athletes giving their letters of intent to come to Santa Barbara in the early signing period in the next couple of weeks.

Gaucha Club Sports Roundup: Surfing and Fencing

Surfing

By Matt Gambee
Staff Writer

In small, wind-blown wave conditions, the UCSB Surfing Team splashed into its first National Scholastic Surfing Association event of the season held in Huntington Beach Nov. 5.

The Gauchos split into three separate teams, but none were able to qualify for the finals.

For Santa Barbara, the "vector" team surfed well enough to place second among all teams, while the "vector" team placed fourth and the "Gauchos" team finished 11th. Thirteen teams, which consist of six men, one woman and one bodyboarder, representing eight different schools competed in the contest. UC San Diego's "A" squad won the event.

"We didn't have Jason Harcharic, who is consistent in small waves at Huntington," said UCSB's team captain Seth Doherty. "We look forward to the next meeting and hopefully outsurf them then."

For the men, senior Parker McNaughton and junior Doherty had the best days for the Gauchos — tying for fifth individually. For the women, freshman Amy Williamson placed second and junior Michelle Trester took fifth. In the bodyboarding competition, Santa Barbara City College student Douglass Davidson placed third overall.

"As we were coming from behind, I was lagging for

set waves," Williamson said. "I got a little cover-up and did a snap on a backside wave that gave me a good score. Michelle and I thought it would only be between us, but there were a lot of good women."

Conditions for the event were less than ideal. The waves were anywhere from one to three feet and finished up right on the sand.

"The waves broke so close to shore that surfers were actually face-planting on the sand, trying to maximize their score," Doherty said.

Santa Barbara surfers Doherty and McNaughton placed third in their respective semifinals, but couldn't get to the finals since only the top two competitors advanced.

Other UCSB surfers who performed solidly were juniors Dustin Curtis, Donald Day and Chris Keets, while seniors Chad Holcomb, Larry Lowman and Nick Viscount all helped out the Gauchos' cause.

"Our team did well for our first contest, but fell apart toward later heats," Keets said. "Hopefully we'll win the season."

Fencing

By Kelly Buschmeyer
Reporter

UCSB's fencing team competed in its first competition of the fall season Nov. 4 at Cal State Long Beach.

The Santa Barbara men's foil team, ranked #1 in California, defeated Cal State Fullerton, 6-3, UC San

Diego, 6-3, and Long Beach State, 5-4, to take the event. The match against LBSU was tied 4-4 until senior foil captain Kevin Sparkman won his bout to give UCSB the victory.

The Gauchos fenced in four different events: men's foil, men's epee, men's saber and women's foil.

The men's epee squad did not fare as well as the foil team. They lost to Fullerton, 0-9, UCSD, 1-8, and Long Beach, 2-7. One bright spot for the team was the performance of rookie Phil Cravitz, who defeated Max Anavedder, one of the top-ranked fencers in the United States Fencing Association, 5-1.

"Epee has a good shot this year," said senior captain Phil Chandler. "We have some very good skill level."

Though the men's saber squad was short a man and had to forfeit three bouts, the fencers nevertheless competed. Santa Barbara beat the 49ers 5-4 and lost to both the Titans and the Tritons, 2-7.

"We have a lot of potential to do well," said saber squad captain Jon Terrantino. "We are all working with a great bunch of people."

The women's foil squad competed against the same schools, beating CSUF, 14-2, and UCSD, 9-7, but lost to LBSU, 14-2.

"Long Beach is known for having a very strong women's foil team," Cate said.

Santa Barbara will compete in its second event of the fall on Saturday, taking on CalTech, UCLA and USC at the RecCen from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Anyone who is interested in fencing should drop by one of the practices, which are held in Rob Gym 2120, Monday, 2 to 5 p.m. and Friday, 3 to 7 p.m.