

# **Letter for Just Cause Eviction Policy Denied**

#### BY SARAH KENT Reporter

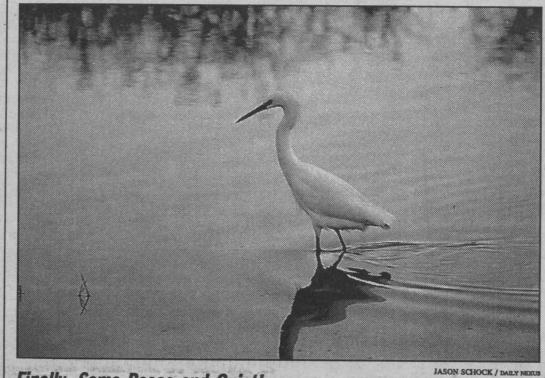
A controversial decision regarding one of Isla Vista's hot-button issues has been sent back to the local advisory committee for further community debate.

The Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors recently returned a letter recommending the implementation of a Just Cause Eviction Ordinance from the Isla Vista Community Advisory Committee. The letter was rejected on the grounds that the committee failed to follow proper procedure, according to 3rd District Executive Assistant Mark Chaconas. In a letter sent to the CAC on Nov. 24, 3rd District Supervisor Gail Mar-

shall cited the reasons for the return of the recommendation.

"The agenda did not properly notice the adoption of the just cause eviction letter," the letter stated. "This is a very important issue that should be thoroughly debated and discussed both at the subcommittee and general meetings. ... From what I understand of Thursday [Nov. 19]'s meeting, the housing subcommittee never voted to forward this issue, the agenda did not adequately notice the formal acceptance of a letter, and not enough time was allocated to this issue to have a full community debate on the issue."

According Chaconas, the CAC is subject to certain bylaws, and there are guidelines that the com-See REJECT, p.5



## Finally, Some Peace and Quiet!

This lonely snowy egret avoids the hustle and bustle of the beginning of the quarter by enjoying a wade through Campus Lagoon. He doesn't seem to mind the smell.

# **Accident Leaves Popular Professor Injured**

**BY ERIC SIMONS** Reporter

Students and teaching assistants expecting to see the familiar face of a colorful professor at the helm of this quarter's science fiction class were disappointed, due to an accident during Winter Break.

English Professor Frank McConnell sustained a concussion and a separated shoulder in a recent fall and will not teach his English 192 course this quarter. According to his wife, Celeste, complications stemming from the fall have left him hospitalized in Lompoc. McConnell is scheduled for sabbatical in the spring, and will not be returning this year. "He always said they'd have to drag him kicking and screaming from the podium," Celeste said. "I guess this is a step in that direction."

tion author and Professor Emeritus Kimberley Snow, has taught at UCSB in the past. Snow has instituted some changes in the class syllabus, adding a midterm and abolishing McConnell's generous grading curve. Snow said she is excited about the opportunity to teach again after two years off, although she regrets the unfortunate circumstances surrounding the opening.

"We're very distressed about his condition and we hope he will be back as soon as possible. His spirit will be with us in the class," she said. "I don't think I could teach it the way he does. It feels great to be back though. I had forgotten the particular energy that comes with teaching."

The extra workload dealt to teaching assistants be-

cause of the accident turned the first two lectures into a

test for graduate students, according to TA Ted Yang,

"It's very difficult because I'm expected to take on

a friend of McConnell's.

## Newsletter From Small I.V. Group Draws Attention to Current Issues **BY ETHAN CHILDRESS**

Staff Writer

A new, loosely-knit organization dedicated to promoting community awareness and involvement has recently made its presence known in Isla Vista.

The I.V. Community Coalition is the force behind Vista, a newsletter designed to keep local residents up to date on important issues, according to Vista Editor Bryan Harrison.

"We can run things pretty much as we want to," he said. "There are no special interests represented here, due to the fact that we don't even have a treasurer. The group never becomes so structured that the individual never gets heard."

The fact that Vista is financed with personal funds is a testament to the group's dedication, Harrison said.

"Because there is no treasury in the coalition, we just sort of pay for

McConnell's replacement for the class, science fic-

# Washington Gets Ready for Clinton Trial

President Clinton sent the Senate papers strongly denying "each and every" allegation in the Housepassed articles of impeachment Monday. He also asked the senators who will judge him to reject the charges on grounds they fall short of high crimes and misdemeanors.

At the same time, Clinton's lawyers decided to forgo filing a motion seeking to dismiss the case at its very inception, although officials suggested they would make that motion after both sides had finished opening arguments.

As Clinton's attorneys filed formal papers with the Senate, key now.

WASHINGTON (AP) - House lawmakers met privately to plan the formal presentation of their case beginning Thursday. "We will do a very good job and then when we reach the point of asking for witnesses, we think the senators will be in a more generous mood having heard our case," said Rep. Henry Hyde (R-Ill.) point man in the impeachment effort.

The impeachment trial — the first of a president since Andrew Johnson in 1868 — will resume this week with senators having deferred a decision on whether to call witnesses despite the urging of House members and some conservatives that they give the go-ahead

White House spokesperson Joe Lockhart, when asked whether the president will personally answer questions at his Senate trial, told reporters, "I have no reason to believe that he will testify." The 13-page filing from Clinton's lawyers — a joint effort by six private attorneys and five members of the White House counsel's office was submitted in a sealed envelope received by Senate Secretary Gary Sisco at 11:48 a.m. — 12 minutes before the deadline.

Inside was a two-pronged rebut-

"We are a group that started shortly after the school year. There really isn't a chairman or a board of any kind," he said. "The Isla Vista Community Coalition is just a group of people that get together and discuss things that affect our community. We are more information-oriented than actionoriented. We try to keep people up on all the local committees and activities."

According to Vista Associate Editor Gean Affleck, the aim of IVCC's bimonthly meetings is primarily to disseminate information.

"We are just a coalition of interested people. We aren't adversarial, we just try to talk things out," she said. "After people finish filtering in and out there are usually about 30 people per meeting. It's pretty informal, but that is the idea."

Harrison said there are advantages to having such a decentralized group.

the publishing out of pocket," he said. "I payed for the last run, and the run before that someone else payed."

I.V. Community Advisory Committee Chair Jasmine Vatter said that despite some initial misunderstandings between her group and the IVCC, the two committees hold each other in high regard.

"Small community groups like Bryan's are fantastic," she said. "They really help to get people involved in local affairs."

Harrison stressed that both the CAC and IVCC have a place in the community.

"We need organized committees to get things done. We aren't set up to do the kind of job that the CAC does. But they aren't really able to get the kind of interaction like we do," he said.

Vista, is published monthly and available at I.V. Market, Student Health Services, Java Jones and the UCen. Information concerning future IVCC meetings, which are open to the public, will be featured in upcoming issues.

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tal to the charges.

First, that the allegations of perjury and obstruction of justice "do not constitute high crimes or misdemeanors," and thus are insufficient to warrant the "conviction and removal from office of a duly elected president." Secondly, that Clinton is innocent of the charges lodged.

Specifically, that the charges of perjurious and misleading statements to Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr's grand jury about his relationship with Monica Lewinsky are them-selves false. In addition, Clinton denied committing perjury when he answered questions before the grand jury about earlier testimony in the Paula Jones sexual harassment lawsuit, in statements he permitted his attorney to make in the case, and in connection with questions he himself answered about alleged efforts

to influence others' testimony in the case.

In response to the second article, which alleged obstruction of justice, Clinton denied that he encouraged Ms. Lewinsky to file a false affidavit in the Jones case, encouraged her to testify falsely if called to testify in the Jones case or sought to conceal evidence in the Jones case.

He also denied obstructing justice by trying to help Ms. Lewinsky obtain a job, by allowing his attorney to make allegedly false statements, by relating false statements to a potential witness, his secretary, Betty Currie, and by relaying false statements to his aides.

White House officials said it was likely that the president's lawyers, or a Senate Democratic ally, would the detailed presentation. make a motion to dismiss the charges after the open-

ing presentations. "We respect the prerogative of the Senate to set the rules, and we will wait until signated to deal with any motions we might file," said spokesperson Joe Lockhart.

Hyde and several other House trial managers met privately during the day to map their strategy.

In his comments, Hyde left little doubt of his lingering unhappiness over the trial ground rules established by the Senate last week. The effort to present the case "has been rendered difficult. At the same time, I am very satisfied we've been given adequate time," he told reporters.

He said he will make brief comments to the Senate on Thursday, to be followed by an opening argument by Rep. James Sensenbrenner (R-Wis.) who will talk for an hour or less. Then, other House members will begin

As the president's lawyers made their case on paper Monday, Vice President Al Gore predicted the Senate would not remove Clinton from office. "What the presthe time that they have de- ident did was wrong," Gore

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told The Associated Press in an interview. "He's acknowledged that, asked for forgiveness. But what he did falls far short" of misbehavior warranting removal from office.

Clinton's lawyers outlined numerous grounds for dismissing the case.

Rather than attempting to conceal his relationship with Ms. Lewinsky in his grand jury testimony, the president acknowledged having had "inappropriate intimate contact," the papers said.

In addition, the lawyers contended the first article of impeachment was flawed because it lumped multiple allegations of perjury together. Thus, 17 senators could believe Clinton guilty of one allegation and a different 17 find him guilty of each of the others. The total would be enough to remove him from office, "even though he would have been acquitted if separate votes were taken on each" allegation, the papers said.

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• MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) --- A woman started a battle for custody of her 3-year-old granddaughter after the girl's mother went on MTV and admitted she has two "husbands" and is thinking of making it a sexual foursome.

April Divilbiss, who is married to one of the men she lives with and has sex with both, is expected in court Tuesday in a case she says is an attempt to deny her freedom of religion. She described herself as a pagan.

"The government feels they have the right to impose their own morality on us," the 21-year-old mother said. "We practice Wicca and within our religion this is a very moral situation. It's a highly thought of way to raise children."

The case wound up in court after Mrs. Divilbiss appeared on the MTV show "Sex in the '90s: It's a Group Thing" in November. On the show, Mrs. Divilbiss said she was thinking about bringing another woman into the relationship because having sex with two men was tiring her

That was enough for Donna Olswing, whose son fathered Mrs. Divilbiss' 3-year-old daughter. Mrs. Olswing and her husband filed for emergency custody and were granted it while the state investigates.

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) - A crusader against spanking children goes before the City Council Jan. 26 with his plan to turn Oakland into a "No Spanking Zone "Physical punishment teaches violence," said Jordan Riak, 64, of Alamo. "It undermines self-esteem, drives out trust

and replaces it with fear, resentment and hostility." He isn't asking for an ordinance against spanking. For now, he's seeking a symbolic gesture.

Riak has proposed a resolution that denounces spanking and declares Oakland an official "No spanking zone." He also has designed a "No Spanking Zone" poster.

Riak sees a day when "no spanking" signs are as common as those warning "no smoking."

SANTA ROSA, Calif. (AP) - Dozens of robins that dropped to their deaths onto sidewalks and lawns probably died from alcohol poisoning after eating fermented berries, a bird expert said.

More than 100 robins were found Sunday under large maple trees near Proctor Terrace Elementary School.

Martha Bentley at the Bird Rescue Center noticed that the birds all had purple stains on their beaks and theorized that they drunk themselves to death.

Cold weather the past few weeks allowed privet berries, a favorite food of robins, to remain on trees longer than normal, Bentley said. That allowed the berry juice to ferment and become quite potent. The tiny, deep purple berries grow in clusters; the robins probably ate them Saturday

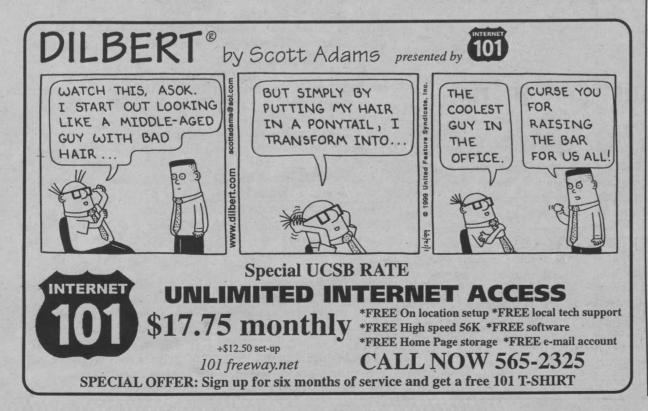
They went on a toot with the berries, so to speak, and then went home to roost in those beautiful trees near the

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school Bentley said.



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## Weather

Has anyone out there ever eaten at Montagu's in the University Center?

I've never tried it. In fact, I've been at UCSB since 1993 (gasp!) and have never eaten there, seen anyone eat there, or even heard of anyone eating there. They never seem to be open.

This makes me wonder: hmmmm, what's going on? How do they pay the rent? Is this a possible X-File?

Let's just speculate for a moment:

1) It's a ficticious business front for laundering dirty money which the UC gets from selling nerve gases from their national laboratories at Livermore and Los Alamos.

2) Another Santa Barbara coed "Burlesque" house (better avoid any sandwich with mayo).

3) A backroom poker joint (which explains the poker card on the wall).

4) It's part of the UCSB administration. That would explain why it's never open.

Today's weather: Cloudy again. Hmmmmm, what a coincidence.

## **Finance Board Begins New Quarter**

BY BRAD GOODWIN Staff Writer

Associated Students Finance Board continued the holiday spirit of giving Monday, making a series of massive allocations during their first meeting of the calendar year.

The board distributed nearly half their allotted Winter Quarter budget, a fact that this quarter. With this \$4,500 [requested for board member Myesha Jones mentioned as a possible area of concern.

"I just wanted to point out to the board we've spent \$10,605, which is 46 percent, in one evening," she said.

The campus chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People requested \$1,250 for their annual unity dance. After extensive debate they were allocated \$1,050. Jones spoke out against cutting the NAACP's budget.

"We should fund this event," she said. "This event is going to benefit the campus as a whole."

The Korean Cultural Awareness Group, who requested money to purchase new instruments and fund upcoming events, was granted \$2,155. Board member David Klein advocated tabling the request in order to obtain more complete information.

"Due to a lack of printed information I would like to table this for a week to give them time to get some information printed up," he said. "They don't have information about specific events here."

Finance Board Chair Christina Costley pointed out that when the request had first been tabled, the board had decided to form a committee to study the request. Failure to follow through on the committee may have resulted in the board making an inappropriate allocation, she said.

"We shirked our responsibility and cost the students money," Costley said. "When

we vote to form an ad hoc committee we need to really do it."

The Women's Commission asked for money to produce Herstory, an annual free publication to be distributed near the end of Spring Quarter. Board Vice Chair K.C. Mmeje expressed concern over providing full funding for the project.

"We've spent more than \$4,000 already Herstory] that would be nearly \$10,000 on the first night," he said. "We'd be doing right to put off \$2,000 until next quarter. I think that if we fund this now a lot of groups will be getting screwed."

After discussion, the board allocated \$4,500 for the production of Herstory. Board member Emily Dunn spoke in defense of the Herstory budget, stating that the board may not be able to accommodate the Women's Commission's future requests.

"This is a publication that affects so many people. Anyone that wants to see a copy can," she said. "They need this money and we will not have the \$2,000 in Spring Quarter to grant them."

El Congreso received \$2,000 for Raza College Day, an outreach program, which Mmeje said was an appropriate use of funds.

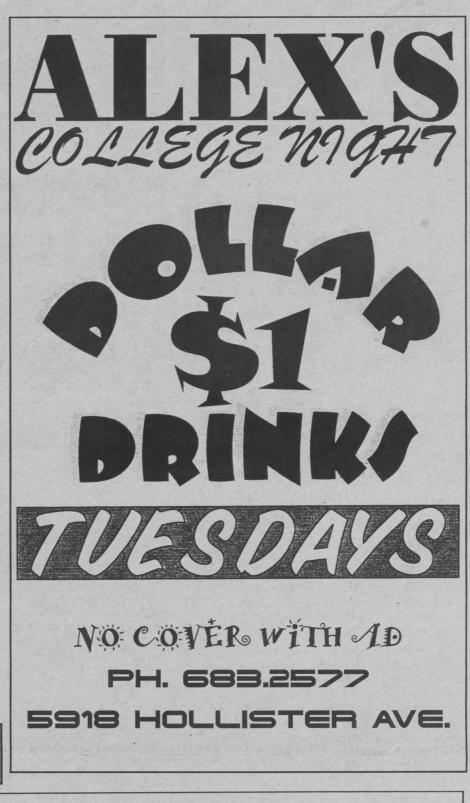
"This is a phenomenal program. We have always supported them before," he said. "I think it would be sad if we couldn't help them, so let's fulfill their request."

El Congreso also received \$450 for their Valentine dance, an action supported by board member Dajuan Cowan.

"They went to a lot of other financial resources first," he said. "We asked them to do that, they have. So let's give them the \$450."

Yumi Matsui of the Women's Commission was refused money for a conference a second time. Jones justified the denial by saying that the board does not fund travel outside of one's job description.

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# Nathan Woodside

Internet stalkers, smokers and drunken drivers are among those whose vices are now under increased regulation, due to the advent of over 1.000 new laws that took effect Ian. 1.

The California Legislature passed 1,431 laws in 1998, although Gov. Pete Wilson vetoed 351 of the laws. The remaining 1,080 laws, along with eight voter-approved ballot initiatives, took effect New Year's day.

Many of the new laws will go unnoticed by the UCSB community and the general public. It is unlikely UCSB students will put aside their textbooks and pick up a copy of the California Vehicular Code, in which over 400 changes have been made. Other laws, however, will have a direct impact on the way UCSB students function on a daily basis.

The approval of Prop 10, which adds a 50-cent per pack tax on cigarettes, is already affecting local smoking culture. Six-Pak Shop clerk Damien Marken has noticed discouragement among customers. According to Marken, a number of people purchasing cigarettes have changed their minds at the cash register when they are reminded of the new tax.

Reactions to Prop 10 at Student Health Service have been positive. "Anything that could dissuade students from picking up smoking would be good measure," said health educator Judy Hearsum. According to Hearsum, "Cigarettes are among the worst drugs we have."

Fifteen percent of UCSB students smoked three or more times per week according to a 1996 study by SHS.

adjust to the added value of cigarettes. For junior business-economics major Marcus Barrett, the new tax is certainly a question of economy. "When someone asks me for a cigarette, I ask them for a quarter," he said. The total state tax on cigarettes is now 87 cents per pack.

Those of you who support the alcohol habits of minors should be aware of increased penalties. Any adult who is caught buying alcohol for a minor could spend at least six months in jail and pay a \$1,000 fine.

Internet abusers will have to reconsider making those late-night e-mail threats this year as cyberstalkers will be subject to the same harassment laws as traditional stalkers. Senate Bill 1796 states, "threats or annoying communications made by electronic communication, such as through the Internet, [will fall under] existing laws prohibiting an-

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> **Judy Hearson Health Educator**

noying communication by other means." The effectiveness of this new law and the perseverance of internet stalkers was questioned by junior computer science major Robert Swenson: "If cyberstalking is outlawed only outlaws will cyberstalk.

Changes to the vehicle code include the Some local smokers have been quick to penalty for a second drunken driving conviction being raised from the prior 18-month license suspension to a two-year suspension. A first drunken driving conviction results in a six-month suspension.

Additionally, under new law, the use, sale, possession, manufacture, purchase or distribution of radar-jamming devices is illegal. Radar-detecting devices, however, remain legal.

Although the stakes are higher for buying minors alcohol and driving under the influence, rates are down for vehicle licensing. California vehicle owners will enjoy a 25-percent decrease in their Vehicle License Fee. The reduction of fees will apply to all vehicles with fees due on or after Jan. 1. According to the DMV, the average reduction will be \$45 per vehicle.

Laws prohibiting parked vehicles from blocking sidewalks has been expanded to parked vehicles that extend into the sidewalk. Cars, even those parked in a driveway, are not permitted to interfere with pedestrian traffic. The fine for this infraction is \$30.

When asked if this new law will be strictly enforced in Isla Vista, where parked vehicles often extend over the sidewalk, Isla Vista Foot Patrol Sgt. H. Harling said, "All infractions will be subject to tickets and we will answer to all complaints. Isla Vista is a small place, so find a space."

The sale of fireworks will be legal in the state from Nov. 26, 1999, to Jan. 1, 2000, in order to celebrate the millennium. The new law, however, varies by county and city. Fireworks will be permitted in Santa Barbara county but not Isla Vista. Santa Maria is the only city in the county that will allow fireworks. Santa Barbara County Fire Marshal Don Oaks warns about the dangers of fireworks, "Fireworks can cause definite injury. They make it patriotic to play with matches."

Guzman is relieved fireworks will not be al- vehicle codes, www.dmv.ca.gov.

lowed in I.V. "I think the whole town would burn down."

Many of the new laws are less likely to impact the UCSB community. The selling of bear parts is now illegal and carries a penalty of \$250 per part. When asked how this new law will affect her, senior anthropology ma-

Fireworks can cause definite injury. They make it patriotic to play with matches.

> — Don Oaks Santa Barbara County **Fire Marshall**

jor Janet Pao answered, "I guess I'll stop eating bear."

Under new law, the circus is required to notify the local humane society 14 days prior to performing in town.

According to the Santa Barbara Humane Society, the circus visits Santa Barbara about once a year. Although similar, this law is unrelated to I.V. landlords requesting that tenants notify them in advance about any outof-town guests that will be staying over the Halloween weekend.

For more information on the new state Junior biological sciences major Debbie laws check out www.sen.ca.gov or, for the

## Major Consequences

.. for a minor problem. Buying alcohol for those underage can now cost you \$1,000 and more than six months in jail.



## Money to Burn

The cigarette tax has increased by 50 cents per pack this year.

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mittee must follow when acting on a given issue. Among these is the Brown Act, which regulates meetings of public boards and committees, according to Chaconas.

The Brown Act in this case has basically three parts," he said. "First, items to be taken action on must be noticed on the agenda. Secondly, the action has to be [advertised to] the public with advance notice - usually 72 hours. Finally, the majority of the elected body can't discuss and decide over the issues in secret. ... When an elected body takes action,

the public needs to know about it."

Both CAC Chair Yasmine Vatter and committee member Alonzo Gonzalez, the A.S. external vice president for local affairs, acknowledged the error in forwarding the letter outside of the proper channels. Vatter stressed that the recommendation was rejected because of procedure, and not because of content.

"The letter was just rejected in the way it was produced to the community," Vatter said. "We need to go and backtrack a little, learn the rules, what the procedures are, so when we have something like this we've done it in a way they can

recognize."

Gonzalez said he feels certain that the recommendation will pass, once it has gone through the prescribed avenues.

"I think it is obvious that the ordinance has popular support," he said. "So I think we should get it to the attention of the board of supervisors as soon as we possibly can."

Chaconas said the letter has a fair chance of winning the supervisors' approval, although the board's hands were tied in this instance.

"It can come back, but being under regulation by the Brown Act, you can't vote [0]on things not on the agenda;

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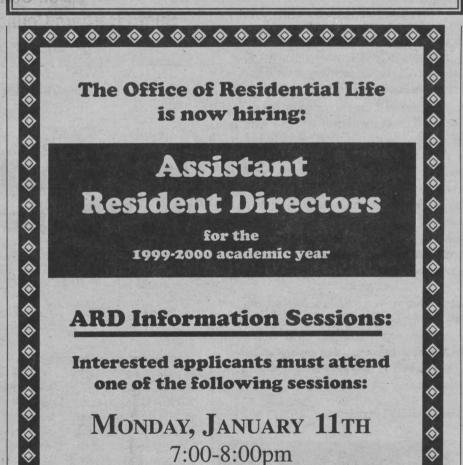


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# **Enough With the Hype Already**

## The New Millennium Is Approaching, but There Is No Need to Prepare for the Apocalypse Now

With the dawn of the new year, hype regarding the onset of this seemingly enigmatic millennium is rising to astronomical proportions. Everyone seems to have their own predictions and fears of what may or may not come at that crucial moment when the clocks actually change to 01-01-00.

But really, is all this commotion warranted? Is there even a remote chance the world will be annihilated into an amorphous ball of, well, nothing? Perhaps there is a chance, and perhaps it is greater than even a small chance; however, the same chance exists that the world could be annihilated tomorrow or 10 years from tomorrow.

What this all boils down to is that too big a deal is being made about what may or may not happen. While the press is one of the perpetrators of this annoying phenomenon, other guilty parties include the company that began the clothing line 01-01-00. Come on, who really needs to own a shirt that bears that logo? A shirt designating some unique experience is one thing, but it is not as if we are not all going to experience the dawn of '00 together.

In regards to this coming millennium, a few important facts also seem to have escaped the attention of many hype-builders: 1. The new millennium does not actually begin until 2001, and 2. The actual calender system is completely arbitrary; if humans have been around about 4,000 years, then technically this should be the beginning of the 5th millennium.

However, the hype is already spiralling so far out of control that there is no chance of reigning it in now. Therefore, we must hope that people will not get carried away and, for example, lured into a cult-like organization that has predicted the end of the world. However, with the increased visibility of doomsday prophets and their ilk, it is very possible that incidents similar to the mass suicide by the Heaven's Gate cult will occur. Innocent or scared people could be reeled in and either hurt or killed. Let's

not allow the millennium be the end of anything or anybody.

Also, the aloof Y2K bug already brings the threat of crashing computers and other undiscovered traumas. However, most private companies are well on their way toward preparing their computers, if they haven't done so already. The government is really one of the only institutions that may not be prepared; but that is not much of a shock. Any problems that are incurred as a result of the bug are more likely to have an effect on a personal PC than cause bombs to begin exploding.

Additionally, much of the hype is furthered by that damn Prince song. Yes, there are going to be lots and lots of major shindigs on the night of December 31, 1999, and everyone will be partying like rock stars, but there is no need for a song that tells us how and when to party. And while it may be a decent song, it experienced its heyday in the '80s and will only need round-theclock rotation near the actual year change, not 12 months before.

Unfortunately, the song will probably remain an annoying microcosm for and reminder of all the hype that exists around us today. Each time that song is played, the hype grows a little more. Let us keep in mind, then, that all we are really looking at is just another year with a lot of zeros following it.

So really, the Year 2000 hype is annoying, unnecessary and beginning to take on a pungent odor. The commotion should be put on hold until the new year is actually tangible on the last page of the calendar.

Once it is somewhere in that vicinity, then the hubbub can begin and party plans can develop. Only at that time will one be able to begin to imagine how when everyone wakes up at some point on January 1, 2000, the only real difference that anyone will likely notice is the splitting headache and how they have no idea what happened the night before. It Still Means The of UCSB Drinks David Downs Delves Deep to Analy

Thereof, Regarding Whether UCSB

## **DAVID DOWNS**

Ah, Santa Barbara — land of milk and honeys. the middle of January and we're all wearing T-sh and jeans. Isn't that cool?

People are digging out of their living rooms v snow shovels and eating their household pets for dir just 2,000 miles east, while here we are, partying ur the stars in some drunken frathouse orgy, which br me to the issue at hand.

All across America kids will once again be apply to colleges. They will be asking such pertinent q

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tions as, "What's the chances of me getting laid th and "How far will I have to move before my parent refrain from visiting?" Undoubtedly, they'll hear of gerated details of life in I.V. — our modern little dom — and wonder whether such a place could a exist.

Is Santa Barbara really a party school? The off say one thing and the students say something quit ferent. Who should one believe?

In my hazy recollection of summer orientation one distinct message I recall was how "Santa Barb not a party school. That's all a myth." The orient people spent so much time denying UCSB's reput in front of the parents, I had to question why.

Also, the whole class on how much you should and how to put on a condom was, interestingly ensomething my friends at other UC schools we offered.

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A Local Resident Explores Why People Can Live Locally in Less Noisy Places

TED ANDERSEN	mind. Thus I would hear what I wanted
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(By the way, there are exactly 352 days left until the big night.)



Someone once said, "You only hear what you a want to hear." c

There is some definite truth to this statement. If I didn't want to hear what I thought would be bad news coming from a friend, a family member or even the grade option of RBT Nighttime, I could cup my hands over my ears to severely scramble the message, or just make a conscious effort to tune it out in my

However, as alm any Isla Vista resid could attest, many tin the sounds of drunk meatheads directing calls toward hoards skirts on DP or the co motion from an overy pulated frat party so into our unsuspecti eardrums on a Friday Saturday night with our consent. This is a unusual, it's just all p of living in a (and I do care what the administ

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So here I sit, recovering from the first weekend of Winter Quarter - my room trashed, my electrolytes shot, missing important chunks of memory in a situation strikingly similar to last quarter - and I ask myself, "Is this normal? Do other schools party as hard as we do? Where did all these bruises come from?"

The RAs proudly spout the statistic that 23 percent of the school does not drink. Granted, I'm too lazy to actually compare those statistics to another school. But come on, a whole 23 out of 100 people - I've met more teetotallers at Octoberfest.

So fine, let them have their 23; past experience leads me to believe the other 77 are doing keg stands and reenacting the best parts of "Animal House."

Besides, it's not like we don't appreciate those nondrinkers. After all, who else will escort us home and make sure the bed we land in is our own? Who else will check on us in the bathroom, and call the ambulance

when we stop breathing?

It's a very symbiotic relationship: We need them to clean up the mess we create, and they need us to feel self-righteous. But I'm getting off point: Are we a party

For one thing we have the ideal location for the kind of madness every weekend holds. The average yearly

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temperature is somewhere in the 70s, and not a day goes by where you don't see the beach at least once. There's also that little business of more than 15,000 college students virtually living on top of each other in the most depraved sociology experiment ever conceived of on this earth.

So sure, conditions are conducive to partying, but renewing the stock of die-hard partiers.

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why the excess? Why this bizarre sort of fatalism with which most students view the weekend? It's as if there's no alternative to these gross displays of debauchery we

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get ourselves into. There must be some squeaky clean underbelly of UCSB filled with wholesome activities we all neglected; or the reality of it could be even more frightening: Seventy-seven percent of the school is a raving horde of drunken lechers.

One theory is that the party phenomenon is directly linked to Isla Vista. Some say that it's just a matter of proximity - that we have the same number of parties as any other school, we just happen to have all of them on one street. A valid point, but it doesn't explain such freak situations as Halloween and other various social disturbances Isla Vista's so prone to.

Another not-so-popular theory says the phenomenon is due to a secret Indian burial ground underneath Isla Vista, which helps explain the demonic raccoons.

Regardless of theory, the myth of UCSB has an arcane way of perpetuating itself. Some students apply deliberately because of our school's reputation, thereby

many others end up here by accident. Many of the Puritanical momma's boys and daddy's girls have received the magic kiss of inebriation and have turned to the dark side for good. Is this just the typical case of college rebellion, or a symptom of something deeper?

In the end our behavior could be just a logical effect of the expectations we bring to the school. We come carrying stories and myths, and seek out proof of them, inadvertently creating the reality for ourselves. And perhaps we're all just partiers deep within our soul, and

> We come carrying stories and myths, and seek out proof of them, inadvertently creating the reality for ourselves.

I.V. is our excuse to dance with the demon inside us. The more apparent answer is that all this psycho babble is a bunch of crap, and hung over freshmen should cease all philosophical musings on large social

I'm deliberately leaving this open-ended. Think about it for yourself and respond with scathing criticism. Just try not to suck.

David Downs is a freshman communications and philosophy major and a frequent contributor to the Daily Nexus.

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tion would have you believe) party town. My beef centers arwere held (arguing), and finally we came to a compromise that I would not play my guitar (electric or acoustic) after 10 o'clock on the weekdays or midnight on the weekends.

Several negotiations

Now I hate compromises just because I always have to give something up, but after close consideration, I felt it was better to comply just because I was tired of dealing with his troll ass. So, for the most part, I held myself to the treaty. But as with all stories such as this, some shit got tossed into the fan. The trollster decided to send a message up around 7:30 p.m. one evening as I was playing my electric guitar (in retrospect, not with as much volume or distordark silence, a conflict tion as I would have liked) that he was going

he could hear the music. Furthermore, it was said that he was looking into a lawsuit, accusing me of invading his peaceful living.

Come to think of it, I don't like the fact that I can hear car tires squealing outside my window, or that I had to hear my other neighbor give up the ghost to our apartment complex's potted plants on his 21st birthday (and we're talking

to call the cops because all part of the screening process. We live in America, land of rush hour traffic, construction work, screaming children in restaurants, and yes, college party towns. I don't care how much you people who are sensitive to noise want to put a governor on the world's volume, it doesn't revolve around you. No one can walk down the street telling everybody they have to shut up because they don't want to have to hear multiple conversations all at once. If this was accepted behavior, then our world would be in complete chaos; that or those obnoxious people voicing their unwanted opinion would just get the #&\*! beat out of them. Actually, I kind of like that solution, but the cleanup

would be a bearcat.

I wonder though, don't I have the right to my definition of peaceful living? As long as I am not hurting anybody or causing severe financial public-property defacement using illegal explosives or livestock (sometimes equally as damaging), can't I enjoy ality of the situation is we are the most densely populated square mile west of the Mississippi. You can't escape people and you can't escape noise.

If you want a quiet life, move out of Isla Vista, because we already have too many people living here anyway. I guarantee week one. It is going to bealong quarter. The human brain uses the same

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ound those individuals who live in this noisy student ghetto and attempt to somehow force their neighbors into partaking in a silent lifestyle. An example of this is the troll I encountered below my apartment's bedroom just this year. Now to be quite honest, I like to play guitar-often and loud. But because the troll lives in

loud, long yaks). But I don't go outside whenever I hear the world passing by and scream, "Shut up or I am going tell on you." You know why? - because I only listen to what I want to hear.

Everybody hears things, but choosing which battles to fight is

contributing to culture of I.V.?

Or will I one sunny day find myself strumming my guitar when, suddenly, the authorities rush through my door, confiscate my instrument, and haul me far away from doing further audible damage to this quiet town?

I have a question for all you students who feel that everybody needs to be quiet to accommodate your needs ... Why the hell do you live in I.V.? Don't you get it? Yes, students at this university study to try and make good grades, but there's more to going to a fouryear institution than just going to class.

There's a whole new world out there for you shelter folk who don't believe in hobbies. The re-

a house in Goleta would be much more soothing.

Existing noise ordinances already dictate quiet hours in I.V. That's the point of them; if you can hear music from the street after hours, then it should be turned down.

But don't play Joe Policeman and start making citizen's arrests on neighbors like me just because we play an instrument; you'll only make bad blood. If there is a serious noise violation, there will be more than one person complaining and the police will take care of it.

Ted Andersen is the Daily Nexus assistant campus editor and likes to play with his guitar.

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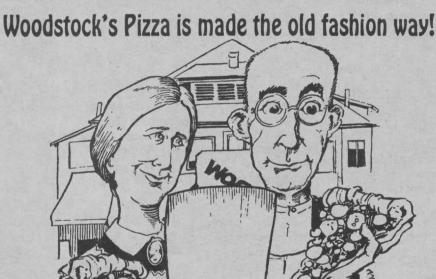
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added work for adding and dropping students, as well as reworking the syllabus and running the lecture," he said.

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it's not fair to the public or

the community," he said. The CAC hopes to learn from this experience so that it may act with greater efficiency in the future, Vatter said.

"I hope they understand that there are procedures to

Senior law and society major Michael Dutra was disappointed at McConnell's absence, but remains optimistic.

"I admit I was taking the class for him. He's supposed

be followed, and that everyone will understand that that is what needs to be done for us to be considered a legitimate community group," she said.

According to Gonzalez, strong sentiments among community members concerning the just cause issue make it imperative for the committee to pass their re-

to be really fun and interesting.

Students are asked not to call, visit the hospital, or send flowers. Cards and notes are welcome at the English Dept, office in South Hall.

commendation to the board of supervisors as quickly as possible.

"People can rally behind this and try to get more rights for tenants in the community, especially for the students and lowincome households that, right now, aren't being legally protected," he said.

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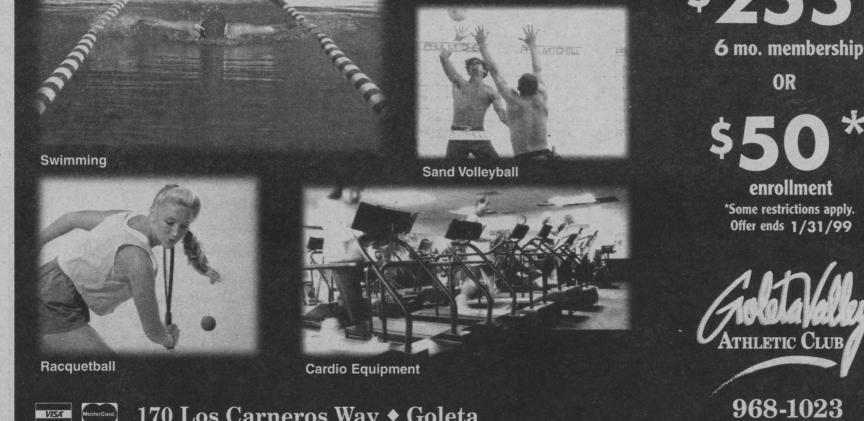


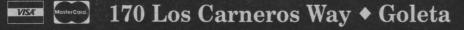
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- and you might find yourself right in the middle of it. You're a good negotia tor, but somebody else is even more shrewd than you are, and that's how you can learn. Just pay attention, and don't say much. Cancer (June 22.July 22)—Today is a 6—You'll get a pretty strong urge today, and you probably ought to follow it. The time for consideration is just about over, and we're coming up on the time for action. You'll know when this happens. It'll be like the tide is pulling you out to sea. Better have your boat securely undemeath you, with plenty of provisions on board. Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)—Today is a 5—You'll probably wish you could sleep in today. The foggy feeling should clear up later, so don't despair. It's just that you have some decisions to make, and you'd rather not. If you don't make the decisions, somebody else will, and things could turn out a little different than what you had in mind. Stay involved. Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Today is a 7—A problem at home needs your attention. Maybe the decorations need to come down so you can whip your place into shape, but you don't necessarily want to go back to the way it was. Instead, you'd like to try something new. But what' Something that takes a little work, but not much money, is your best option. Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Today is a 6—Houry the some-body else to tell you how it's supposed to be done. Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)—Today is a 6—You're still powerful today, but you don't have a moment to lose. Everything is transitory, even your cha-tisma. Get all your plans firmly in place so everyone thinks it's a done deal. Work out the whole scheme so it can't fail, and you won't have trouble getting financial backing. You re the expert at making things happen, and this is how you do it. Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Today is a 6—Hurry and make the decisive. That way somebody else gets to make your choices for you. That's not such a good idea. Make your opinions known, or things could go in quite a different direction than the one you'd intended. GRE ILVER
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\* \* want to accomplish. Don't be put off by the fact that it's impossible. Some people say the impossible just takes longer, but that's not even true for you. If you're like most Capricoms, somebody else's "impossible" is your "ho hum." × ×

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)—Today is a 5—Hold firm to your position and you'll win out. The opposition you've been encountering is growing weaker. Don't just shrug off criticism of your work or your actions. Instead, put in the corrections as quickly as you can. That will turn a person who was argu-× (0) O,

the corrections as quicky as you can. That will turn a person who was argu-ing against you into a firm supporter. Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)—Today is a 6—Somebody you've been thinking about for ages is thinking about you, too. If there's someone you haven't been speaking to, why don't you just bury the hatchet? Whatever you were angry about can't really matter anymore. If it's easier, make contact through a mutual friend. Somebody nearby has been waiting for the opportunity to do just thet 0 -170 Ĩ do just that.

Today's Birthday (Jan. 12). You could really shake up the status quo this year, from the inside out. You and your friends have some excellent ideas in January. Get them down on paper in February. You'll attract supporters as well as money. Emotional support is what you need in March, and a close relative helps out there. Get tid of an old anxiety in April, as you fix some-thing at your home. Set financial goals now and you could have them by during the raise or promotion you're after could come through by Octo-× \* \* × × August. The raise or promotion you're after could come through by Octo-ber. A private setting's your best place for a getaway in November or De-× cembe  $\star \star \star \star \star$  SILVER GREENS  $\star \star \star \star \star$ 

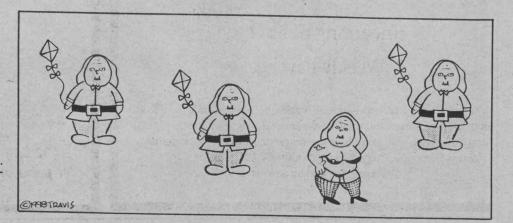
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# NBA + Wrestling = **More Fans**

BY MARVIN GAPULTOS Staff Writer

Yes, as all of you angry fans know, the NBA will conduct a shortened season beginning in February. And yes, as David Stern and the NBA knows, none of you angry fans really care.

What's a commissioner to do? How can Stern bring back, if at all possible, the fan base of profes-sional basketball? The answer is simple, my friends. The answer is wrestling.

What's that you ask? What does wrestling have to do with basketball? Plenty.

If David Stern wants people to start watching his league again, all he has to do is combine wrestling with basketball. Soon, fans across the globe will have forgotten about the whole lockout debacle, and will watch in awe the ever evolving circus that is the NBA. Fanaticism of professional basketball will soon match that of the WWF and WCW. Of course, a few rules will have to be changed.

The court will be encircled by red, white and blue ropes, and have steel turnbuckles at each corner. Now teams like the Miami Heat

can legally clothesline opponents. Bald white players will have to bulk up and grow goatees. Center Matt Geiger is already halfway there. He should start calling himself "Stone Cold" Matt Geiger.

Instead of yelling "Suck It," like wrestling fans do, NBA fans can yell "Smoke It!" What better chant for professional basketball?

Instead of waving those balloon thingies and foam fingers to distract players at the free throw line, fans can wave foam bongs, pipes and joints. Along with sweating at the line, Chris Webber will now also be salivating at the site of good

# **UCSB Gymnasts Place** in Top 5 in New York

BY ZACK O'NEIL Reporter

The UCSB men's gymnastics team traveled to New York last weekend to compete in the West Point Invitational. The meet not only marked the beginning of the season, but also gave the Gauchos a Nelson and sophomore Cody Cachance to match up against national competition and measure the floor exercise, UCSB earned themselves against some of the 206.5 points in the meet and a country's most powerful gymnastics programs.

Before the meet, veteran coach Mircea Badulescu expressed great



**Mircea Badulescu** 

confidence in his team's ability to compete, especially in opponents' gymnasiums.

"We will be a much better team on the road this year than last year," he said.

However, uncertainty remains over how this relatively young team which features more freshmen than seniors — would perform in with a score of 9.45. His effort was front of thousands of spectators.

By the end of the meet on Saturday, any reservations about the team's performance were laid to rest. The results of the competition made it clear that all of the Gaucho gymnasts had given an impressive showing.

Bolstered by strong individual performances from senior Josh sey and a dominant team effort in fifth-place finish, an improvement from last year's ninth-place overall finish in the same invitational. Perennial gymnastics powerhouse Penn State dominated the meet,

winning with 222.3 overall points. In an intensely competitive meet where only 7.15 points separated second place Massachusetts from Santa Barbara, Badulescu felt his team could have placed higher than fifth, pointing to key injuries that hampered the performances of both Nelson (shoulder) and Casey (knee).

"We could have easily finished second," Badulescu said. Although Badulescu admits he is "never completely satisfied with [his] team's performance," he can always the Gauchos to finish second overfind ways in which they can improve.

But Badulescu could hardly have 36.9. been disappointed in Casey's peras "one to watch." Casey was ranked third overall going into the complemented by that of sopho- round of competition.



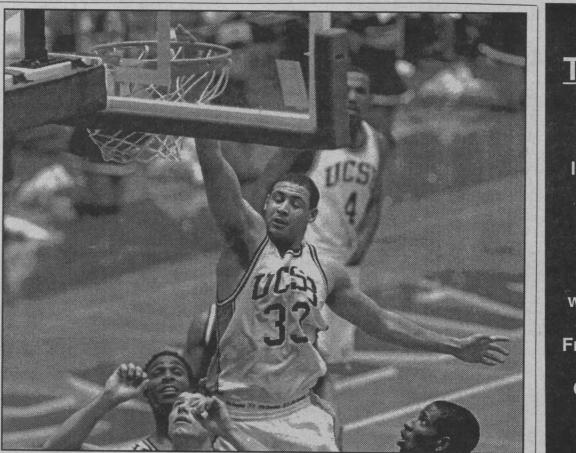
LOOK OUT BELOW: The UCSB men's gymnastics team performed well this weekend against other top gymnastics schools.

more Ramon Moore, who posted a 9.3 in the same event. This enabled all in the floor exercise with a score of 36.6, bested only by Penn State's

Another highlight of the meet formance, a gymnast he describes for the Gauchos was the performance of Nelson in the high bar event. His 9.25 score was fourth final round of the floor exercise, best overall before his shoulder injury forced him out of the final

"This early in the year, performance is not as important as the well-being of our athletes," said Badulescu, who is in his 15th year coaching at UCSB.

"We looked great, we impressed people," he said. "I am very happy with the team's performance, and we will go from here. It was a great competition."





NBA Players can be escorted to the "ring" by scantily-clad WNBA players. Just imagine Los Angeles Sparks center Haixia Zheng in a tight little black dress. Yikes.

Camera crews can venture into locker room and parking lot brawls between team mascots.

Head coaches can beat each other over the head with steel chairs.

"Special guest referees" can be appointed to officiate steel cage games. Evil agent David Falk can be a guest ref and get his clients what they want on the court as well as off.

Players can start to wear tights, bandanas and feather boas, and can become governors of their home states. You might hear Dennis Rodman say something like, "I am no longer Dennis 'The Worm.' I am now Dennis "The Mind.""

Marvin Gapultos is assistant sports editor and has a secret crush on 6'8" WNBA center Haixia Zheng.

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## See B.J. Shoot. See B.J. Score.

See tomorrow's sports section for a feature article on UCSB senior forward B.J. Bunton. So far this season, Bunton is averaging 17.3 points and 7.7 rebounds per game, and has four double-doubles in 12 games.

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