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The #22 UCSB women's basketball team will try to break its attendance record at its game against Cal Poly San Luis Obispo tonight at 7.

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Some birds in Santa Rosa live an I.V. lifestyle. Elsewhere in the world, someone's taking "petting" a little too far.

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Find out about the men's ultimate team, which just happens to be the best in the nation.

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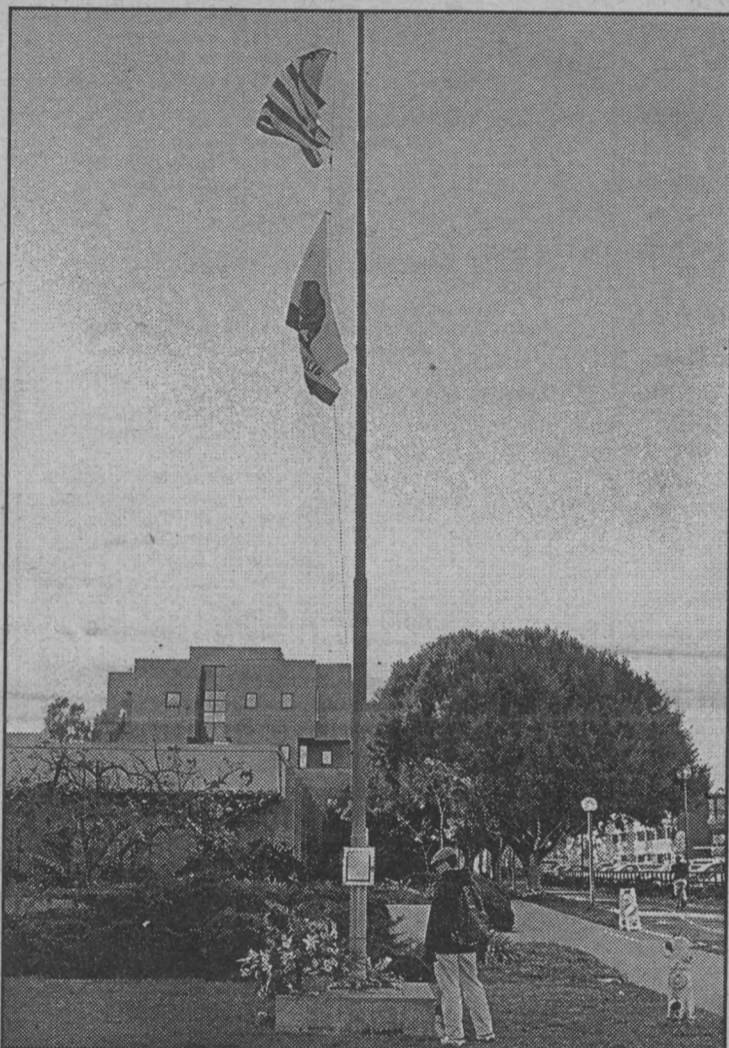
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Service Held to Honor the Life, Work of Frank McConnell

BY GRETCHEN MACCHIARELLA Staff Writer



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The flag in front of Cheadle Hall flew at half-mast Thursday in memory of Frank McConnell. Members of the campus community placed flowers around the base of the flagpole in tribute to the well-liked professor.

Family, friends and students gathered at Mission Santa Barbara to celebrate the life of Frank McConnell, as well as to mourn their loss.

Nearly 200 people came to the Mission chapel Thursday morning to pay their respects to the late English professor. Father Virgil Cordano spoke to those in attendance about the example McConnell set by knowing and accepting himself.

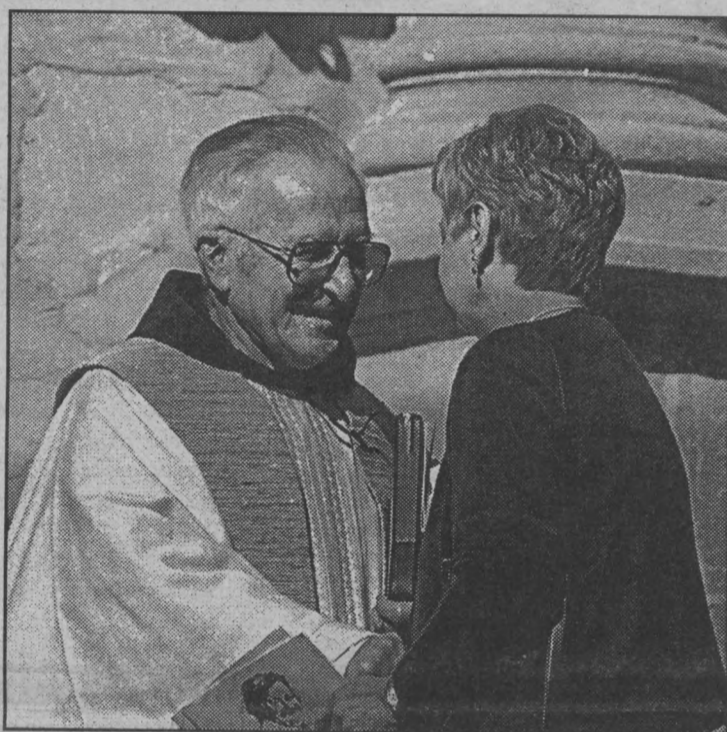
"The spiritual significance of a person like Frank McConnell is that he was his true self," he said.

McConnell's stepson Eric Friedman, 21, gave a eulogy relating several stories about McConnell's colorful life and personality. Friedman emphasized McConnell's impact as a father, as well as his total commitment to his students.

"A lot has changed in 16 years," he said. "I got taller, Frank got wider. But there was one thing that never changed: his love for his students."

Friedman read a letter from a student that he and his mother received the day before the funeral.

"I had [McConnell] in the spring, and I knew by the third week that I wanted to do what Frank does; I wanted to teach," the letter stated. "He was the most



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Celeste McConnell accepts condolences from Father Virgil Cordano after Thursday's funeral ceremony for her husband Frank at the Santa Barbara Mission.

brilliant man I've ever met or will ever meet, but he never made anyone feel stupid."

Ray Kelly, a close friend of McConnell's who also gave a speech recalling his favorite memories, said that the professor's death at 56 was a surprise.

"Being a year older, I thought I might give Frank a eulogy some-

day," he said. "But that was supposed to happen a generation from now, when we had white hair, a portfolio of bonds and politics of total reaction."

UCSB Chancellor Henry Yang attended the service and commented on the loss that the whole

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Conference Will Help Local Families Plan for College

BY ROBERTO SERRINI Reporter

Spanish-speaking sixth through eighth grade students will have an opportunity to get a foot in the door of their college careers this weekend.

The Early Academic Outreach Program's "College: Making It Happen" conference will feature community and student speakers presenting information about the mechanics of university life as well as advance requirements, financial aid and what parents can do to ensure student admission. Rosalba Gonzalez-Hill, EAOP counselor and event organizer, emphasized the importance of early college preparation.

"Parents need to start thinking now about their child's academic direction. You can never be too prepared or too informed about college," she said. "The fact that the conference will be in Spanish is key since many times it is the only chance this information gets to these families and starts them thinking about their child's future."

EAOP will provide child care and transportation to and from Cleveland and Franklin elementary schools in Goleta. There will be a wide range of activities and speakers present for the Latino community to take advantage of, according to Gonzalez-Hill.

"Attendees will hear about the benefit of a college education, courses their children should take in the future and financial planning," she said. "I'm working on

a regular basis with the parents and with these schools and can't stress enough the benefit of having these conferences geared toward young children and their parents."

In the four years since this government-subsidized program has been adopted by EAOP, attendance has increased from 60 to an expected 300 attendees, Gonzalez-Hill added.

"The reason for the increase is probably due to the organized transportation and the separation between solely Spanish-speaking conferences such as this Saturday, and the conference in English that will be presented during Spring Insight," she said. "We have also had a lot of help in publicity through the Spanish Radio Station KSPE and the Nota Diarios on TV."

Maria Alvarez, an Isla Vista resident and mother of four, explained the benefit of having such programs in Spanish.

"I'm the mother of four boys — the oldest, Henry, is 14 — and I went last year to the conference and plan to go again this Saturday. I heard about it on the radio and was very excited about it happening again. I only hope that they keep doing it so that when it's time we'll be ready," she said. "If they would have only had this for my mother, who knows where I might have ended up."

Senior Chicano studies major Sergio Morales said the program should help the participants and the

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I.V. Teen Center Reopens After Management Changes

BY SARAH KENT Reporter

The reins of Isla Vista's most prominent teen organization were handed off this month, and the group hopes to take off with its new leader.

The I.V. Teen Center kept its doors shut this month, after a change in management during Winter Break. The center will switch its source of funding from the I.V. Youth Project to Zona Seca, which will expand the range of services that can be provided, according to former Teen Center Director Ramon Miramontes.

"[Zona Seca is] the agency that does the drug and alcohol treatment; now that allows us to do drug and alcohol treatment and prevention in the community, which is totally needed in I.V.," he said. "So we're going to be offering more services with the merger, and more professional training to UCSB staff."

Miramontes said he felt that the closure was necessary in order to ensure a smooth transition.

"We made a move to change from one nonprofit to a new one," he said. "So most of our time was engulfed in that transition... [The Teen Center] was closed so we could really focus on this merger that we felt really needed to be done at the beginning of the year, to get it out of the way."

Program Coordinator Richard Ramos said using the relatively inactive period during Winter Break — when schools are closed and most

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Top of the News

Clinton Lawyers Finish Opening Presentations



WASHINGTON (AP) — Defending a longtime friend, former Sen. Dale Bumpers told the Senate impeachment trial of Bill Clinton on Thursday that the president was guilty of a "terrible moral lapse" with Monica Lewinsky but not of conduct warranting or even permitting his removal from office.

"You can censure Bill Clinton. You can hand him over to prosecutors. But you cannot convict," Bumpers said in an hourlong defense summation concluding six days of opening presentations by both sides.

"We are none of us perfect," said Bumpers, alternately the constitutional scholar and the bantering Southerner, as he addressed a hushed Senate on which he served until last year.

The president should have thought of the consequences of his marital infidelity beforehand, "just as Adam and Eve should have,

just as you and you and you and you and millions of other people who have been caught in similar circumstances," he said.

With each utterance of

"We are none of us perfect."
— former Sen. Dale Bumpers

the word "you," Bumpers nodded in the direction of senators listening carefully to his remarks — men and women he knows well.

Bumpers' remarks marked the end of one phase of the impeachment trial, for which senators sat silently through hour after hour of opening arguments.

Beginning Friday, they will be permitted to ask questions of House prosecutors and Clinton's legal team — through Chief Justice William Rehnquist, who is presiding.

After that, Clinton's allies

are expected to seek a dismissal of the charges, and Republicans are expected to seek permission to question witnesses.

Buoyed by the three-day defense presentation by the president's team, some Democrats said they were

renew the House' call for witnesses, Lewinsky among them.

After days of closely reasoned legal arguments and charts depicting evidence in the case — and lawyers speaking respectfully to "senators" — Bumpers addressed his remarks to "colleagues." He was a Democratic senator for 24 years and recalled that he and Clinton "fought so many battles back home in our beloved Arkansas."

He urged senators not to set a precedent — from which he said the nation might never recover — by expelling Clinton, whose term has only two years to run.

He said Clinton had been subjected to a relentless, endless series of investigations over the past several years. "After all those years, \$50 million, Whitewater, travelgate, filegate, you name it ... nothing. Nothing."

increasingly optimistic the trial could be brought to an end in the next several days.

"Continuation after this excellent summation ... would be an embarrassment to the U.S. Senate," Sen. Edward M. Kennedy of Massachusetts told reporters.

But Republican Rep. Henry Hyde of Illinois, the lead prosecutor, said, "I think a lot of people wish we would just go away. But we can't. We're going to see this thing through until they shut the door on us." He held a news conference to

who refused to give up her bus seat to a white man. That sparked a bus boycott that was a catalyst to the national civil rights movement.

"Rosa Parks was one woman," Connerly said. "She was one little woman who was forced to sit at the back of the bus. If we had to go out and marshal all of the evidence to document that what was being done to Rosa Parks was wrong, I wouldn't be standing here today."

Connerly cited a study that concludes blacks are far more likely than whites to be admitted to the state's law and medical schools. For instance, black students with a 3.5 grade point average and a 150 LSAT score would have a 93 percent chance of being accepted for a Florida law school, while white students with the same qualifications would have only a 17 percent chance, the study reported.

In a news release, the state university system responded that race is just one of many factors considered when reviewing applications.

Connerly Takes Aim at Florida Affirmative Action Laws



TALLAHASSEE, Fla. (AP) — A California university regent took aim Thursday at Florida's racial preference laws and promised to fight until they are gone.

Ward Connerly, who is black, helped lead a charge to get rid of Affirmative Action in California and Washington state.

But just as he did out West, Connerly, who is on the University of California Board of Regents, is encountering fierce opposition.

His stance is highly controversial among those who believe racial preference laws are necessary for members of minority groups to have equal job or educational opportunities.

Connerly said Florida's Affirmative Action laws are unjust and no way to reach a goal of equality.

He compared his battle to that of Parks, a black woman

Game reported on Thursday.

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HAYWARD, Calif. (AP) — Police searched Thursday for two additional suspects in an attack on animals at a petting zoo that killed a turkey and a chicken and left a pony and goat bleeding.

Another turkey with a broken wing had to be euthanized, Kennedy Park caretaker Keith Faber said.

"We have no idea why people do this," Faber said. "It's really shocking for me because I take care of all these animals."

Sonny Anderson, 18, of Oakland was arrested Wednesday for investigation of felony cruelty to animals after a security guard saw three people leaving the area.

Police were called after the security guard saw a bleeding goat wandering around a softball field near the Triple Pines Ranch Animal Farm.

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — Scores of birds found dead in a Santa Rosa neighborhood didn't die in a drunken stupor after all, the state Department of Fish and

Game reported on Thursday.

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Weather

Last night brought back a lot of memories for me. No, I didn't have a romantic interlude (ho-hum) or a high school reunion up at San Quentin. Au contraire, good ol' Mother Nature whipped up a little rain and wind, reminding me of this time last year. That's right, remember El Niño? This time last year kegs were rolling down DP like tumbleweeds (sweet, sweet, tumbleweeds), the blue Pacific Ocean was a boiling soup of mud and debris, the number of trees on campus fell from 3,000 to 2,000 (more space for parking, in my opinion) and people waddled around all day as their wet underwear became spot-welded to their butt cracks. And oh yes, school was canceled.

Now wouldn't you agree that the time is ripe for another disaster? Here's my wish list: another El Niño (what a surprise), a couple of nukes detonating up at Vandenberg AFB, a 10.0 earthquake with matching tsunami, a national coffee bean trade embargo, and how about a couple of riots (alcohol induced, of course)?

Today's weather: pretty stable.

Lashkari Steps Down in UC Group

BY TED ANDERSEN
Staff Writer

A UCSB executive officer has resigned his position as part of the University of California Student Association due to what he perceives is excessive red tape.

After being elected UCSA Vice Chair in August, External Vice President for Statewide Affairs Haady Lashkari gave up his post Jan. 9 because of conflicting goals with the graduate- and undergraduate-run organization. According to Lashkari, group concerns and too much time in meetings did not allow him time to pursue student concerns.

"The fact is, I've been going to these meetings the last few months and only bringing back internal issues," he said. "It was a lot of bureaucracy, so I decided to resign so I could spend more hours every week on student issues here."

UCSA, the voice of UC students to the UC Board of Regents, has yet to clamp down on problems of salience to students during this academic year, according to Lashkari.

"I think people are forgetting the 170,000 students," he said. "We are so focused on the internal structure of our organization that we

can't step back and see how this affects every student."

UCSA member Kirk Matsuzaki, the UC San Diego EVPSA, admitted that the organization has lost members this year due to differing goals.

"As far as I know, [Lashkari resigned his position] for personal reasons," he said. "We have a lot of turmoil within the staff—we've had some resignations in our staff."

Though Lashkari forfeited his executive board seat, he will still be a UCSB representative on the UCSA advisory board, according to Alex Ponce, undergraduate campus organizing director at UC Davis.

"We are still looking forward to working with Haady. He is still on the UCSA Board of Directors as a Santa Barbara rep," she said. "The time of his resignation just happened to be a time of transition."

Ponce, who took over for Lashkari after his departure, said that UCSA will face an important screening process next month in order to send three student regent recommendations to the board of regents.

"Upcoming in February, we have the student regent selection, which will be a big interview process. We will submit three names to the Governor's Committee," she said.

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students go home for the holidays—for the merger procedure was a wise decision.

"It was a transition period, we had to do some restructuring," he said. "During Christmas Break is when most UCSB student [volunteers] go home, so we were short of staff, which worked out."

According to Miramon-

tes, the merger is taking place in accordance with the wishes of the community.

"The staff, the teens and the parents thought we needed an agency so that we could grow. That would allow us to expand and provide more of a training for our staff," he said. "Also, so we could better deal with a heavy influence of Latino kids, we needed to find an agency that could help us with cultural and language

issues within the community."

I.V. Recreation and Park District Director Dave Fortson said the switch to Zona Seca will be beneficial to the internal workings of the Teen Center.

"It will deal with how the Teen Center works, and ensuring that it will be a lasting entity in Isla Vista," he said.

Ramos said he is satisfied with what he believes the merger will do for the Teen

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university. "It is important that the entire community is represented and gets together. The kids are more likely to identify with UC students, and by everyone getting involved we can make the community stronger," he said.

The conference will be Saturday in Buchanan Hall 1910 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Transportation will leave from Cleveland and Franklin elementary schools at 8 a.m. and return at 2:15 p.m. All are welcome to attend, and questions should be directed to Gonzalez at 893-7227.

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Feature

Frisbee Fanatics

ELIZABETH WERHANE

When UCSB's Black Tide takes to the field this weekend, you can expect to see more flying saucers than in a season of the "X-Files." Yet it doesn't take an FBI agent to discover that these guys are good. Three national titles in the past three years speak for themselves.

That's right. Although we may never have the joy of seeing a football team representing UCSB at the Rose Bowl, we can take some consolation in the fact that Black Tide is the best ultimate Frisbee team in the nation.

Of course, ultimate isn't an NCAA sport; it is a club sport. The athletes aren't on sports scholarships; in fact, they have to pay club dues and the cost of travel. They don't have a coach; they train themselves. They put in an average of 15 hours of practice a week. It's hard work. There are no cheerleaders, very few fans and little fame.

So why play ultimate? Why do the 40 or so men who make up the elite and "B" teams choose Frisbee? For senior captain Adam Glimme it's simple: "I've played every other sport. This one's just the best."

What makes Black Tide so good?



"We just don't plan on losing and other teams pick up on that."

- Adam Glimme



"We put in more time. I think we work harder than any other team."

- Tommy Burfeind



"There's a constant cycle of teachers and students."

- Jaime Houssian



"We're a close-knit group of people."

- Dan Schneider

Second-year player and graduate student Dan Schneider turned to ultimate "looking for release from school." He stayed with the team because "the guys on the team are such quality individuals. ... I'm staying in great shape ... and we're damn good."

Senior Jamie Houssian's story is different: "I learned the game through [my older brother]. It was a good level of competition and it was challenging, but at the same time it was laid back and fun."

Choosing ultimate was about more than fun for senior captain Tommy Burfeind. He decided to play ultimate because he saw "a chance here to play on the very best team in the nation and compete at the very highest level."

Individually the men may have different reasons for joining, but combined, the men of Black Tide make up a victorious force that is recognized nationwide. According to Ultimate Players Association College Director Kate Bergeron, the Black Tide "set the standard in terms of caliber of play and are a measuring stick by which other teams compare themselves. They contribute to the UPA in that they are a great team to watch and they increase the caliber of teams, which is always great to have."

"Great" is one way of explaining six first-place, two second-place and two third-place national standings in the last 10 years. According to Burfeind, there are about 212 college teams competing nationwide.

The Tide has no intention of going out now. In Burfeind's opinion, "anything less than a national championship is a failure."

Glimme recognizes the pressure to live up to expectations. "I don't want it to fall apart on my hands," he said. "Not on my watch."

Bergeron commented on the success of the team, explaining that "they know how to win. Their continuity over the past 10 years is impressive. They possess confidence and always go in feeling like they can win."

The Tide isn't the only California team with a winning record, however. Stanford, which took second to UCSB the past two years, UC Santa Cruz and UC San Diego are some of the other leading teams in the nation. Houssian explained that due to the quality of California teams, "a lot of the time regionals has been an even tougher tournament for us than nationals."

This may be changing. According to Houssian, the UPA "redid the regions this year. Last year [the region] was all the West Coast and then two teams from the West would go to nationals. They changed it around because the West Coast had about five of the top 10 teams in the country last year." Now, UCSB will not face Stanford or UC Santa Cruz in the regionals, which leaves UC San Diego and Colorado as the Tide's main



Fighting to dominate the disc, members of Black Tide collide.

JASON SCHOCK/DAILY NEXUS

competition for the two regional spots.

Bergeron estimates that the Black Tide stands in the top five entering the 1999 season. She recognizes more than a winning record. "Black Tide is confident, professional on the field, athletic, classy and maintain good sportsmanship," she said.

"I'd categorize it as football that doesn't stop and everybody's a wide receiver and everybody's a quarterback."

- Adam Glimme
senior captain
Black Tide

Playing the Game

Should you choose to check out the Black Tide at its tournament this weekend, or get together a pick-up game of ultimate with your friends to start training for next year, you may want to know how the game works.

Glimme describes ultimate for mainstream sports fans. "I'd categorize it as football that doesn't stop and everybody's a wide receiver and everybody's a quarterback."

Of course, you'll need to know a little more than that.

First of all, you need players. Fourteen players, seven from each team, are on the field at all times. Take those players and put them on a field that is 70 yds. by 40 yds. with endzones 25 yds. deep.

At the beginning of the game, and after each point, both teams line up at the inside edge of their endzone and the defense throws the disc (because Burfeind doesn't call it a Frisbee) to the other team.

Trying to get open for a pass and into position to block a pass requires a workout. "The game is basically windsprints up and down the field. ... It's nonstop running," Burfeind said.

When a team completes a pass in the defense's endzone, a point is scored. In between the initial throw and a point, play consists of passing the disc between players. When a player catches the disc, he cannot run with it. He can only pivot to look for another open player, and he has 10 seconds to throw the disc before it is considered a stall and turned over to the other team.

Turnovers also result from interceptions, drops and throwing the disc out of bounds.

Play continues until a team reaches the designated point total decided on for that game, which is usually 11 or 13 points in tournament and 15 or 17 in semifinals and finals.

Of course, no game is complete without uniforms, and the Black Tide's are "pretty snazzy" according to Glimme. Burfeind explained more.

"We start out the year just in these blacks — black shorts, shirts. Then for regionals and nationals, when it really starts to count, we don our yellows, which we only wear for those two tournaments. We come out wearing those, and we know it's time to start really playing. It kind of makes a statement to the other teams, too. As soon as they see us in those yellows, it's ready," he said.

If you think you're ready to wear the uniform, head out to Rob Field on a Tuesday or Thursday night at 6 and meet some of the guys. Although not everyone can play on the "A" team, anyone can play. "We don't cut anybody. We keep two teams," Burfeind said.

Students of UCSB and Santa Barbara Community College are eligible to play for five years.

"You've got to come out and see it for yourself. You've got to come out and play it, and you'll be hooked," Schneider said.

Check out Black Tide on Rob Field this Saturday in its feature game against UC Santa Cruz at 6:30 p.m.

Tournament play will begin around 9 a.m. Saturday and Sunday on Rob Field.

IVRPD Talks Cash, Immunization, Recent Rains

BY LAUREN GIARDINA
Reporter

The Isla Vista Recreation and Park District met Thursday night to discuss issues ranging from flu shots to reassessment plans.

The primary topic of the evening was the plan to refinance Assessment Districts #2 and #3. If the resolution, which was unanimously approved, works out, it will save the property owners up to \$500,000, according to IVRPD Director Dave Fortson.

"We're doing this for the property owners," he said. "Interest rates are better right now. By refinancing, we are lowering the interest rates on their property, which will save them money

on taxes."

The board also debated funding flu shots for staff members. IVRPD General Manager Derek Johnson pointed out that last year illnesses were a major problem, incapacitating sometimes three employees at a time.

"Last year our staff was crippled by the flu," he said.

Although the board agreed, after some debate, to fund the shots by a 3-2 vote, Director Diane Conn disagreed with the measure.

"I feel that we pay for their medical insurance, they should be able to pay for their flu shots," she said.

An overdraft protection policy for the petty cash fund was unanimously approved by the board. This policy will allow a credit line of \$1,000 for the

IVRPD to use in case of unforeseen employee termination, according to Johnson.

"This would allow us to pay for the remainder of the hours and vacation time in the rare and unfortunate circumstance that a person was immediately terminated," he said.

Johnson addressed the state of I.V.'s parks in the general manager's report. According to Johnson, the recent rainstorm was beneficial to the new Camino Corto open space.

"We were afraid that we would have to truck in 16,000 gallons of water for the site," he said.

The next meeting of the IVRPD Board of Directors will be on Feb. 4 at 6:30 p.m. in the IVRPD office at 961 Embarcadero del Mar.

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university feels.

"I am deeply sorrowed Senior film studies major that UCSB has lost such a Joy Kuraitis said she thought great presence," he said. Friedman came closest to

"His intellectual impact on our colleagues and students is vast and lasting."

capturing what McConnell was really like, though Friedman prefaced his remarks by saying that most of the best stories about McConnell were not fit to be repeated in a house of

God. "The eulogy that the [stepson] did was really great," she said. "It wouldn't have been truly Frank if someone hadn't sworn in church."

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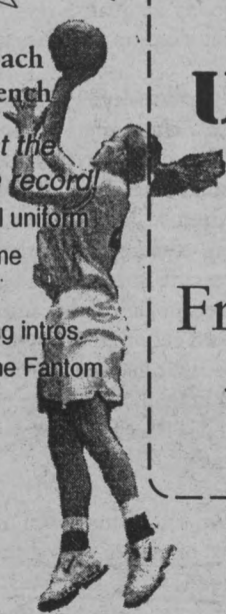
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"I'll do anything to break the attendance record!"

Head Coach
Mark Frenth

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- Breakdance at halftime of next game
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- Rappel off of Storke Tower



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LISA DOTY / DAILY NEXUS

Show 'em Your Love

The UCSB Women's Basketball Team Is Ranked #22, and It Is Time to Come Be a Fan

A challenge to you, the student body of the prestigious, esteemed and utterly apathetic University of California at Santa Barbara: Fill The 'Dome! Tonight at 7 the #22 team in the nation, AKA the UCSB women's basketball team, will be taking on Cal Poly, our quasi-rival, and your presence is requested.

While the women have been working hard all season to bring in more fans, students have been ... well, somewhere else. The Thunderdome has been conspicuously empty of cheering students.

Though the faithful community surrounding our "resort" by the sea continues to be present, filling the Thunderdome to about half capacity, student participation has been less than lackluster. It is time for the students to come out and show their pride for a team that is performing exceedingly well.

The ultimate goal for the evening is to break the previous attendance record of 4,760 people. This record was set two years ago when the team played #1 UConn and, incidentally, did not lose by much. So, if community members make up over half of that amount, students can come out and overwhelm the 'Dome. Standing-room-only attendance could make this game the (alcohol-free) party of the year.

The team has been kicking some solid ass in the Big West Conference for a while now. Its hard work deserves some reward, and that reward can — and should — come in the form of fan attendance and support. In fact, that reward seems to be what the team wants as well.

OK, so alcoholic beverages cannot be bought or consumed in the Thunderdome, but there still is a cup bubbling over with rea-

sons for students to come out and cheer on the team.

For instance, should the record be broken, students will be able to vote on a variety of activities for UCSB Head Coach Mark French to perform. Possible activities (which will likely leave Coach French with no dignity whatsoever) include, but are not limited to, breakdancing at halftime of the next game, riding a tricycle down State Street dressed as the Phantom, making a music video for the 6 p.m. news or rappelling off of Storke Tower. Go on down and have a hand in helping someone humiliate himself.

Coincidentally, DP is not raging anywhere near 7 p.m. and parties do not start until about 9 p.m. Since the game starts at 7, it should be concluded by 9, which perfectly meshes with the beginning of party time. Now that does, admittedly, cut into pre-party time. However, illustrious students will note that pre-partying could begin at 5 for the game, which would make for one long night of partying.

Furthermore, entrance is completely, and totally FREE with possession of an Access card. Not one penny needs to be parted with.

Let's be realistic. UCSB is not much of a sports school. Only a few teams each year even get ranked, and this year one of the teams that has been ranked happens to be the women's basketball team. It is time to show support for its efforts.

In past years when the men's team was a force to reckon with, the 'Dome was packed with students cheering the team on to victory. Now we've got to give the women's team the love it deserves. There is no excuse not to attend.

There Is

RAJA SESHADRI

After a brief respite, Affirmative Action, thank the frantic efforts of many militant liberals in A.S. on campus, has once again resurfaced in the form of a petition drive in support of the CASE initiative. The initiative nevertheless restores the very same program that voters struck down in 1996 by a fairly large percent vote.

I, for one, will never forget the A.S.-funded anti-209 campaign in 1996. One of my favorite films was the one showing a hooded KKK Klansman with a burning cross in the background, exclaiming: "KKK supports 209, do you?" I truly found it humorous that the opponents of 209 on this campus were so desperate to rally students against this state proposition that they were willing to classify proponents of proposition 209 in the same category as the KKK.

Well, let me be the first to tell you that as an ethnic Asian-Indian, that I, for one, would be the last person to want a KKK Klansman in my back yard burning a cross. I would, however, like a fair shot at getting into the college of my first choice, without being discriminated against by the very people who are supposed to be fighting for a racially equal society.

Let me tell you a true story that occurred during my senior year of high school. This story is about me, an Asian-Indian, and a friend who was an African-American. Both of us were from well-to-do upper-class families. I was the son of a doctor who immigrated from India; he was the son of a doctor who immigrated from Africa. Both of our parents gave us the advantages that a rich upper-class white kid would have had. Both of our parents hired tutors when we had trouble in a class, and both of our parents spent out \$700 for a Princeton Review class to help us raise our SAT scores. When all was said and done by our senior year, and we prepared to apply to college, I had earned a 3.84 GPA and a 1210 SAT score and my friend had earned a 3.00 GPA and a 1020 SAT score. In addition to this, I had built a huge list of extracurricular awards, whereas he had none. Both of us had dreams of attending one of our two first-choice colleges, UCLA or UC Berkeley, and after our parents hired a special counselor to help us fill out our applications, both of us felt that we could do it.

Yet when the big day came and we got our college admission letters in the mail, my African-American friend got accepted into both UCLA and UC Berkeley.

The Reader's Voice

DON'T FORGET ABOUT DP

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I read Amy Higby's letter (Reader's Voice, Jan. 20) Wednesday, and the earlier letter responding to Thomas Rhodes' (Reader's Voice, Jan. 13) about frat rock. I have lived in a fraternity house and on Del Playa and would say that his list was true to a small extent in regard to fraternities, but pretty accurate about DP.

I hate Dave Matthews, largely because it was inescapable in my time on DP. Wu Tang is common on DP also; I know this because not only did I hear it wailing up and down DP, but played it myself (I know, I'm a mindless drone).

Still though, regardless of the accuracy of Mr. Rhodes' com-

ments, I'm surprised by the venom of some of his respondents. Did Mr. Rhodes strike a nerve or did you just want someone to unload on? I was almost scared, and I'm now certain I'll never submit my thoughts on the prevalence of Volkswagen Jettas, Abercrombie & Fitch, and less serious things like campus alcohol abuse, to the *Nexus* for fear of reprisal.

JONATHAN GILMORE

ANIMALS ARE PEOPLE, TOO

Editor, Daily Nexus:

This letter is in response to Justin Ruhge's letter "The Taxpayers Are Endangered" (Reader's Voice, Jan. 20).

How dare you try to put a price on how much our Earth is worth?

There are values in this world other than purely monetary values.

The EPA doesn't rob the taxpayers. It gives the taxpayers the ability to know that their world is being protected from overzealous industrial fat cats. The idea of limiting this agency would severely diminish our ability to prevent atrocities to wildlife.

You may not care about birds' eggs being weak because of DDT, or an otter's fur being ruined by spilled oil, but if your kids are born with birth defects resulting from chemical runoff in a local stream that you played in, you're going to be pissed. You're going to ask why no one protected that stream and someone will answer you, "It was the EPA's jurisdiction but unfortunately, because of lack of funding, they were unable to be the

watchdog for that stream."

The idea of the public voting for which animals are to be included on the endangered species list is ludicrous. How would a member of the public know which animal is vital to the ecosystem and should have the priority of being protected? The only animals that would get on this list would be the ones that look cute on a postcard. All animals should be protected, not just the ones that we believe are pleasing to look at.

To sum things up, I'm sick and tired of people having the attitude of just using resources for their own benefit and then tossing them aside after the products are no longer useful for their purposes. Try taking the bus and not driving your V8 pickup with those ridiculous mud tires. Try recycling some

paper, yes, it is possible. And last of all, try thinking of something other than yourself; there is a whole world out there waiting for some attention.

DANIEL VERMILLION

Write A Letter!
Don't forget that the *Nexus* is here for you. Take advantage of this free-speech forum and write a letter to the editor. Give those outlandish views that only the *Nexus* would consider printing.

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all submissions, but please include your name and phone number. For columns, which is three pages, typed and double-spaced; for letters, one page. All submissions are the property of the *Daily Nexus* upon being turned in and are edited for length and clarity.

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No CASE

and was afforded a generous financial aid package (which he did not need) as well as several invitations to special minority and EOP programs. I was given nothing but two rejection letters, which were followed by two more when my appeals were rejected.

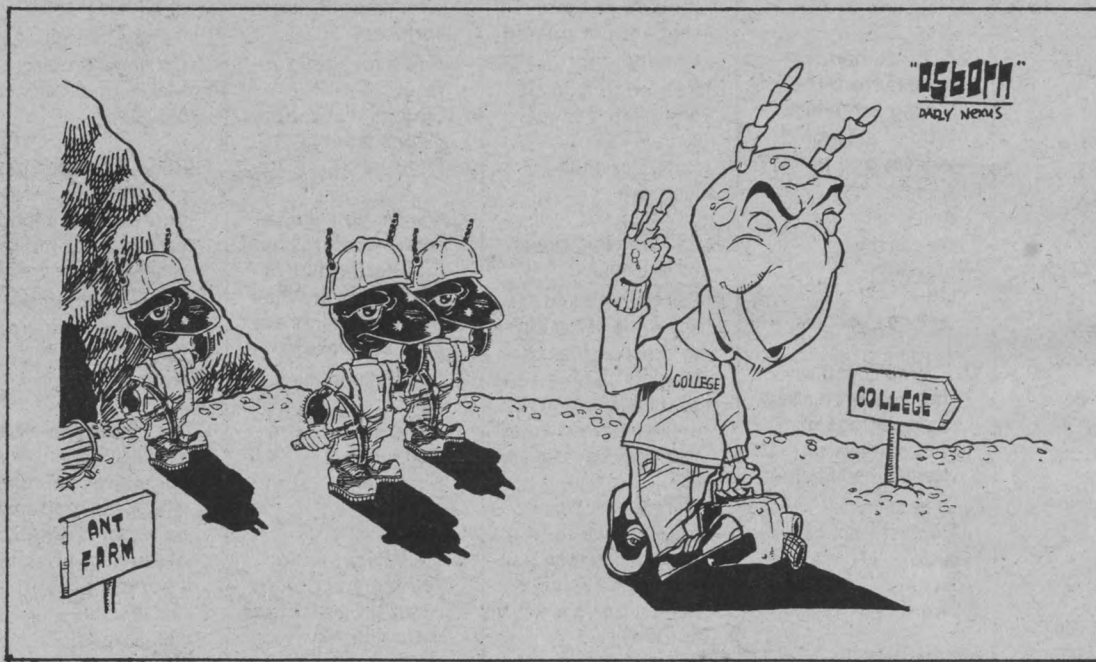
Had my African-American friend been a truly disadvantaged minority student, I might have been able to accept the fact that he was admitted with lower qualifications than mine, and happily attend my second-choice university. But the fact was that my African-American friend was the son of a doctor, and had every advantage that I had, and was admitted solely on the basis of race, rather than his qualifications or economic status.

I also remembered people abusing the University's Affirmative Action programs. Some of my Indian friends, in an attempt to improve their chances of admission into UCLA or UC Berkeley, simply passed themselves off as Latinos, and were promptly offered admission, despite having lower qualifications than me. Considering the University has no way of verifying an applicant's race, I feel that by simply checking a different race box, I could have virtually assured myself of admittance into any UC school.

Even though the University's official line was that they only admitted "qualified" applicants, race, as far as I could see, made a huge difference into whether or not a student was granted admission. Before 209, the average GPA for a student at UC Berkeley, according to statistics released by *Newsweek*, was a 3.8 for Asians, 3.7 whites, 3.6 for Latinos and 3.3 for African-Americans. With gaps this huge, I think it comes as no surprise that minorities admitted under Affirmative Action had the highest dropout rates of any group at the university.

While proponents of the CASE initiative give us pamphlets that scream in outrage at the drop in minority admissions at UC Berkeley and UCLA, what they conveniently overlook is the fact that minority admissions have actually increased at less competitive UCs like UCR and UCSC or remained the same at moderately competitive campuses like UCSB. Are minority students being denied access to higher education?

The fact is that a minority student who is UC-qualified will have a chance to go to a UC school. While it may not be his or her first-choice university, one (much like myself) will still have a chance to get a college degree at a UC.



CORY OSBORN / DAILY NEXUS

While Affirmative Action may have been necessary in 1954 after the famous Supreme Court decision *Brown vs. Board of Education* as part of an effort to integrate our schools after decades of Jim Crow laws, the fact remains that America 45 years after the decision is a different place.

Today there are no racial barriers, and almost anyone can go to college. For those who can't make it to the UC, there is always the Cal State option. For those of us who can't make that, there is always the community college option that accepts anyone. I think that despite America's long history of racism, we should all be glad that our country offers everyone a chance to go to college, regardless of social or economic status.

Does Proposition 209 mean that a poor inner-city minority applicant will not be admitted in favor of a rich white applicant from the suburbs? The answer again is no.

If one looks at the newly revised post-209 applications, one can see that economic factors can still be taken into consideration in admission decisions as part of the University's "supplementary criteria." So if an admission officer wants to, he can still admit poor inner-city minority students with lower qualifications in favor of the rich white students. What 209 does do, however, is allow poor inner-city Asians and white students, many of whom live in the same poor neighborhoods and attend the same crappy schools, to be considered in favor of a rich black or Latino student from a rich suburb.

My final point about the CASE initiative is that it brings back an issue that has already been argued and

decided upon. From the looks of it, there is not a lot of support for Affirmative Action at the local, state or national level. At UCSB I saw fewer than 15 people at the A.S. CASE initiative rally. During the walkout, A.S. was able to mobilize students, not because of the CASE initiative, but because of Ward Connerly's alleged threats to our gender and ethnic studies programs. On a statewide level, support for 209 still remains strong. Even if supporters of the CASE initiative were to get their initiative on the ballot, they would still have to convince California voters to change their decision and vote yes on their initiative.

In short, looking at public sentiment today, A.S. and CASE initiative supporters have a snowball's chance in hell of bringing back Affirmative Action, and their current campaign to do so is nothing more than a waste of their scarce funds.

Affirmative Action is an issue whose time has come and past. While Affirmative Action was necessary 45 years ago, we live in a different world today. In today's world Affirmative Action, by giving preferences to applicants on the basis of their race rather than their qualifications or economic status, has become the very thing that the civil rights movement of the 1960s was formed to oppose.

So I ask you to think about this the next time a supporter of the CASE initiative approaches you with a petition. Ask yourself one question: Am I preventing racism by bringing Affirmative Action back or am I merely supporting a myth of "implied inferiority" and perpetuating racism in our society?

Raja Seshadri is the press secretary for the College Republicans and a senior history and law and society major.

When You Label Me ...

Abortion Debate Still Not Over After 26 Years; a Student Wonders Why

RENEE HEYMING

I don't know what to think about this day.

Every year after I am confronted with the anniversary of *Roe vs. Wade* on Jan. 22, I reflect for weeks upon the social, ethical and philosophical ramifications of the case, which affected the lives of all the women in the United States. I have so many questions that no one can really answer without laying serious propaganda and rhetoric on me.

What does it really mean that women in America have the "right to choose" whether they will abort a fetus? Why has this "right" become so tied up in feminism and women's rights? How has our society become so callous and narrow-minded?

To be a strong woman today, it seems

that one must share the belief that it is right to have the right to abort a fetus. My beliefs on the subject of abortion might be rather strange to some, but if anything, I believe they indicate my desire to discuss controversial issues rather than fight about them.

I don't believe in abortion. I would not have one. That does not mean that I am a better person than anyone else; it just means that I know I would not do that to my body or to a fetus inside of me. I wish other women believed the way I do, and I don't think that any woman should have to go through an abortion. However, *I would never tell any woman that she should not have one.*

I, like most young women in the '90s, have my share of close friends who have had abortions. No matter what my personal beliefs about abortion may be, I would not turn away a friend who is in

trouble and comes to me for advice on what she should do. I would discuss with her the benefits and drawbacks of either having the abortion or keeping the child, and I would make sure she knew she had someone she could talk to in me. I do not look down upon my friends nor judge them on their decisions concerning abortion. Everyone has their own reasons for what they do.

Does this make me odd that I can feel so strongly against abortion for myself, but I can condone abortion for others if they feel it is necessary for them to do it? I profess that my fence-sitting is not an act of cowardice, but a means for me to express my views without automatically being labelled as pro-life, pro-death, anti-choice or pro-choice.

Labels make me laugh. They're used by the media and contending sides to portray whoever disagrees with someone else as a polar opposite. There is no more room for discussion anymore. You are either for or against (or apathetic about) issues, and that's final. And both sides obscure and distort facts to paint themselves in a better light. That's the nature of the beast.

But in the essence of fairness, perhaps I should state some of the issues I do take sides on: I am "pro" safe sex, responsibility, equality for women and freedom of expression. Does being in favor of these things mean that I can't also be personally against abortion for myself and society at large?

The abortion debate confuses me because it has become so polarized that positions like mine are tuned out. Are there others like me out there? I think abortion is barbaric and that it is a sign of our uncivilized times. I believe that someday when a birth control (other than abstinence) is invented that is foolproof, abortion will no longer be necessary and will fall into oblivion.

On this 26th anniversary of the Supreme Court decision in favor of abortion — the "removal" of an unwanted fetus from a woman's body — do you know what to think?

Renee Heyming, a senior Portuguese major, is the Nexus copy editor.

Hot Line

Do You Know?

Antoine

Durousseau

wants to know, "Why is it that so many people wait at the bus stop up to half an hour for a two-minute bus ride?"

Word on the Streets

Actually heard on campus yesterday. "For reals, I almost died, you guys."

Practice Equality

"I am free of all prejudices. I hate everyone equally."

W.C. Fields

Drink up!

A person can live for two weeks without food, but for only two days without water. Good thing there is some water content in alcohol.

Slow Down

People speak at the rate of about 120 words per minute. Multiply that by 50 minutes, and that is a lot of words to write down during a lecture. And what about those fast-talking profs ...?

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An Art in Democracy Project by Russian Émigré Artists Vitaly Komar and Alexander Melamid

Q.1. If you had to name one color as your favorite color, which color would it be?

- Beige/Tan
- Black
- Blue
- Brown
- Fuchsia
- Gold
- Gray
- Green
- Maroon/Burgundy
- Mauve
- Orange
- Peach/Coral
- Pink/Rose
- Purple/Lavender/Violet
- Red
- Teal/Turquoise
- White
- Yellow
- Other
- Not sure

Q.2. And what color would you say is your second favorite color?

- Beige/Tan
- Black
- Blue
- Brown
- Fuchsia
- Gold
- Gray
- Green
- Maroon/Burgundy
- Mauve
- Orange
- Peach/Coral
- Pink/Rose
- Purple/Lavender/Violet
- Red
- Teal/Turquoise
- White
- Yellow
- Other
- Not sure

Q.3. How often do you do the following: Draw or do graphic arts like etching?

- Frequently
- Occasionally
- Seldom
- Not at all

Q.4. How often do you do the following: Take photographs as a hobby?

- Frequently
- Occasionally
- Seldom
- Not at all

Q.5a. Do you have any works of art displayed in your home?

- Yes No

Q.5b (If yes) Do you have at least one item of the following kinds of art in your home:

- Photographs, other than family snapshots?
- Sculptures or small statues?
- Original paintings or drawings or prints?
- Prints or posters?
- Reproductions of original paintings?

Q.5c. (If yes) When you select pictures, photographs, or other pieces of art for your home, do you lean more toward modern or traditional styles?

- Modern
- Traditional
- Don't select
- Not sure

Q.6. If you had to choose from the following list, which type of art would you say you prefer?

- Asian
- American
- African
- European
- Other
- Not sure

Q.7. Would you say that you prefer seeing paintings of wild animals or domestic animals?

- Wild animals
- Domestic animals
- Both
- Neither
- Not sure

Q.8. Would you say that you like it best when the painting shows them in their natural setting, or when it looks like they are in a studio?

- Natural setting
- Portrait
- Both
- Not sure

Q.9a. Would you rather see paintings of outdoor scenes or indoor scenes?

- Outdoor scenes
- Indoor scenes
- Both
- Neither
- Not sure

Q.9b. (If Outdoor Scenes) Which one, if any, of the following types of outdoor scenes appeals to you?

- Paintings of forests
- Paintings of lakes, rivers, oceans, and seas
- Paintings of fields and rural scenes
- Paintings of the city
- Paintings of houses, buildings, or other structures
- None
- All equal/Depends

Q.9c. (If Outdoor Scenes) Which season would you most like to see depicted in these paintings?

- Winter
- Spring
- Summer
- Fall
- All equal/Depends
- Not sure

Q.9d. (If Outdoor Scenes) Which, if any, of the following types of indoor scenes appeals to you most?

- Still life paintings of fruit
- Still life paintings of flowers
- Still life paintings of household objects
- Domestic scenes with people
- Domestic scenes with animals
- None
- All equal/Depends
- Not sure

Q.10. Do you tend to prefer paintings that are related to religion or those that are not related to religion?

- Related to religion
- Not related to religion
- Both/Depends
- Not sure

Q.11. Which is closer to your view:

- Paintings should ideally serve some higher goal, such as challenging their viewers to think about art or life in a different way than they do normally.
- Paintings don't necessarily have to teach any lesson, but can just be something a person likes to look at.

- Both/Depends
- Not sure

Q.12a. Which is closer to your view:

- I prefer paintings that are realistic-looking; the more they resemble a photograph the better.
- I prefer paintings that are different-looking; if they are very realistic looking I might as well be looking at a photograph.

- Both/Depends
- Not sure

Q.12b. (If different-looking) Which do you prefer?

- Exaggerations of objects we know
- Imaginary objects
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.12c. (If different-looking) Which do you prefer?

- Bold, stark designs
- Playful, whimsical designs
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.12d. (If different-looking) Which do you prefer?

- Sharp angles
- Soft curves
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.12e. (If different-looking) Which patterns do you like better?

- Geometric patterns
- More random patterns
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.13. Do you like to see expressive brush-strokes on the canvas or do you prefer that the surface of the canvas be smooth, more like a photograph?

- Prefer seeing brush strokes
- Prefer that canvas looks smooth
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.14. Do you prefer paintings with thick, textured surfaces or with smooth, flat surfaces?

- Thick, textured surfaces
- Smooth, flat surfaces
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.15. Do you like to see the colors blend into each other or do you like it when different colors are kept separate?

- Prefer colors blended
- Prefer colors kept separate
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.16. Which would you say you prefer: when the artist uses more vibrant shades, paler shades, or darker shades of color?

- Prefer more vibrant shades
- Prefer paler shades
- Prefer darker shades
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.17. Do you enjoy paintings that have a more serious or a more festive mood?

- Serious
- Festive
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.18. How about the painting itself—do you like it to be busy and contain a lot of people or objects, or do you like it to be as simple as possible?

- Busy
- Simple
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.19a. How about the size of paintings: do you prefer larger paintings or smaller paintings?

- Larger
- Smaller
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.19b. (If larger) What size?

- Dishwasher
- Full-size refrigerator
- Full wall
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.19c. (If smaller) What size?

- Nineteen-inch television
- A magazine
- A paperback book
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.20a. Do you prefer paintings of famous people, or ones of

more ordinary people, or does it make no difference to you at all?

- Famous people
- Ordinary people
- Makes no difference
- Not sure

Q.20b. (If famous people) Do you prefer figures from a long time ago, or more recent figures?

- Historical figures
- More recent figures
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.20c. (If ordinary or no difference) Do you prefer paintings which are predominantly of children, of women, of men, or doesn't it matter?

- Children
- Women
- Men
- Doesn't matter
- Not sure

Q.21. Thinking of the paintings of people that you have liked, for the most part were the figures working, at leisure, or were they posed portraits?

- Working
- At leisure
- Portraits
- Not sure

Q.22. Which do you think you like better, a painting of one person or of a group of people?

- One person
- Group
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.23. Would you say that you prefer paintings in which the person or people are nude, partially clothed or fully clothed?

- Nude
- Partially clothed
- Fully clothed
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.24. I only like to look at art that

makes me happy.

- Agree Disagree

Q.25. Art can be beautiful even if it doesn't look like anything you see in the real world.

- Agree Disagree

Q.26. Art should be relaxing to look at, not all jumbled and confusing.

- Agree Disagree

Q.27. I generally prefer paintings and drawings that are predominantly black and white.

- Agree Disagree

Q.28. If you could pick one type of person you'd most enjoy having dinner with, who would you choose?

- Artist
- Television or movie actor
- Author
- Philosopher
- Sports star
- Other
- None
- Not sure

Q.29. Do you have children?

- Yes No

Q.30. (If yes) If one of your children wanted to be an artist, would you encourage your child, discourage your child, or wouldn't it matter to you?

- Encourage
- Discourage
- Would not matter
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.31. (If yes) If one of your children wanted to marry an artist, would you encourage your child, discourage your child, or wouldn't it matter to you?

- Encourage
- Discourage
- Would not matter
- Depends
- Not sure

Q.32. If you had unlimited resources and could commission your favorite artist to paint anything you wanted, what would it be?

- My family
- Sunsets/Sunsets in water/In trees
- Self-portrait/Myself
- Old farmhouse/Barn
- Mountain scene
- Parents/Mother/Father
- Wildlife/Wild animals
- Women/Ladies/Nude women
- Landscape
- Abstract art
- Nature/Nature scene
- Athlete/Sports hero
- Ocean scene view
- Christ/Crucifixion
- My children
- The sky/Sky with cloud
- Anything/Artist's choice
- Waterfall scene
- Outdoor scene
- Religious painting/Angels/Heaven
- Grandchildren
- Western scene
- Seascape
- Lake/River/Stream
- Garden flowers
- Wild flowers
- Norman Rockwell painting
- A garden
- Indian/Tribal art
- Forest scene
- Motorcycle/Harley
- Country scene
- Mona Lisa
- Everyday people
- Scene from a book I read
- An innocent child
- Homeless
- The city/Tall buildings
- A bar/Barroom
- My wife/Girlfriend/Fiancée
- Church/Chapel
- Winter scene
- Mother holding baby
- My house/The house I grew up in
- Elephant/Herd
- A deer/A doe or deer in the woods
- My dog/A dog
- Horses/Horses running
- Other
- Nothing/Wouldn't commission artist
- Don't know

For each of the following names, please indicate whether your impressions of that artist's work are:

	VERY FAVORABLE	FAVORABLE	UNFAVORABLE	VERY UNFAVORABLE	DON'T KNOW
Q.33. Pablo Picasso	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q.34. Norman Rockwell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q.35. Jackson Pollock	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q.36. Salvador Dali	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q.37. Leroy Neiman	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q.38. Claude Monet	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q.39. Rembrandt	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q.40. Andy Warhol	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Q.41. Georgia O'Keeffe	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

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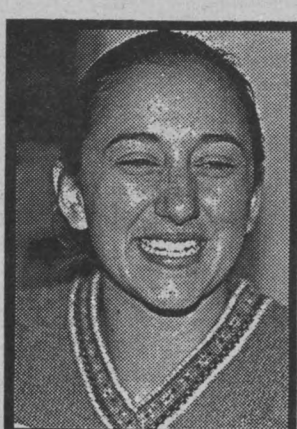
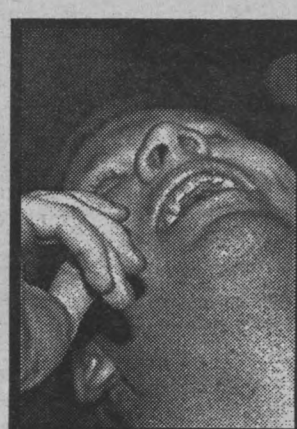
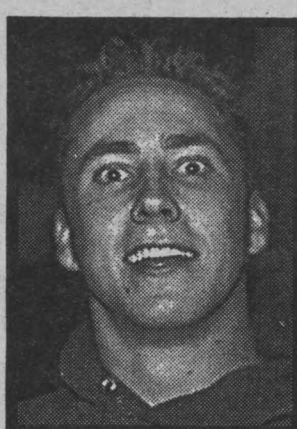


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Campus Comment

Interviews by Kerri Webb
Photos by Tennille Tracy

When you talk to yourself, what do you say?



“
What am I doing,
why am I here?”

Darren Lang
freshman
law and society

“
I'm not going to
say it if it's going
in the paper.

Christopher Mavros
senior
history

“
Why doesn't my
roommate come
out of the closet?

Jonathan Stein
freshman
communication

“
And I say to my-
self, 'Self, what the
hell did I do?'

Ira Flood
senior
sociology


“
I feel tall, boy, do
I feel tall.

Patty Hewitt
freshman
biology

“
Damn, I know I'm
supposed to be do-
ing something im-
portant right now!

Tracy Deihl
junior
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Check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

Aries (March 21-April 19)—Today is an 8—You have an inner certainty that everything's going to turn out right, even if you can't figure out how. That's OK. Having faith in your intended outcome is much more important. Go ahead and visualize yourself already successful. Encourage your team to do the same thing. These little mind tricks can be quite effective.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)—Today is a 5—You know what needs to be done, and you've probably been hard at work doing it. That's just the way you are. But somebody who's a little short of temper could be getting impatient. Tell that person, nicely, to cool it. You'll get the job done as fast as you can. Try to stay flexible, even under trying circumstances.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)—Today is a 7—You're amazing today. You're agile and quick, and an inspiration to others. You'd be the first choice for anybody's team. Continue to push hard on your career goals, but give yourself some time to party. You've worked hard this week, and you have plenty of reasons to celebrate. If not, you'll make some up by the time you and the gang get together.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)—Today is a 5—Looks like somebody's trying to browbeat you in some way, but it might just be the other person's brusque tone of voice. You don't like to be talked to with any sort of anger. The person who's upsetting you today is most likely just an angry individual at times, so don't take it personally.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)—Today is an 8—The moon's transit through Aries can get you a little agitated. It's going through your solar ninth house of travel, and it's going to come right up against Saturn, which is already there. Saturn represents history, so if you can go back to a familiar place this weekend, that would be perfect. If you can do it with an old friend, even better.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Today is a 5—You're a thrifty person normally, but right now you just don't feel like it. You'd rather go out and buy all those fabulous things on sale. If you can convince yourself that you're actually saving by doing that, you might be able to work a deal. It looks like there's something out there that does have your name written all over it.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Today is a 7—Somebody you admire thinks you're pretty cute. Truth is, you feel the same way back, although you'd never admit it. Anyway, this person may have an outrageous plan for you today. Sure it's crazy, but what the heck? You only live once, right? Well, you may not be too sure about that, but you do know when an offer is just too good to refuse.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)—Today is a 5—You're generally a calm, placid sort of person, at least on the exterior. Deep down inside, you're more like a tiger, and that tiger could come to the surface today. Somebody you work with is irritating you so much you can hardly stand it. Don't get into a pointless fight. Keep your cool, and your superiority will be obvious.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Today is an 8—You're in the mood for love, and taking a trip, not necessarily in that order. If the one you love has a practical streak, you'll get demerits for leaving work early, so don't even try it. Instead, make sure your check is in the bank before you pack up your picnic basket and head for the hills.

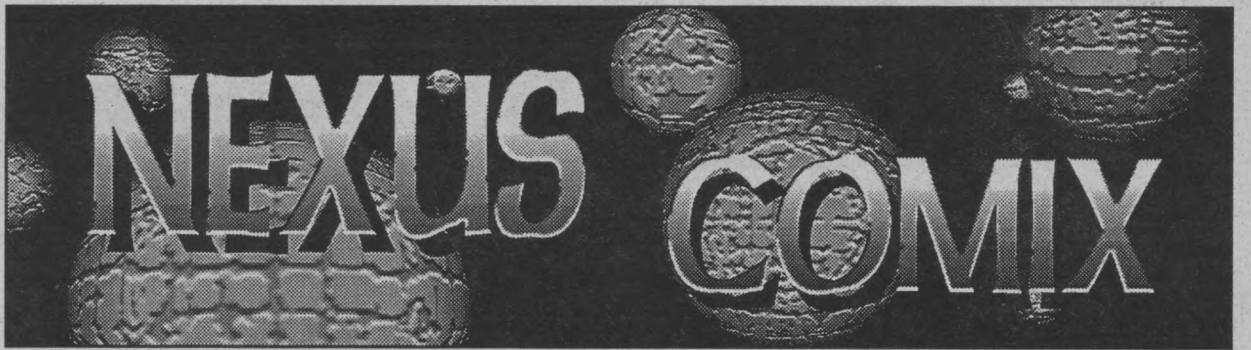
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)—Today is a 5—It looks like there's some sort of disruption today concerning home, family or real estate. Maybe a mess needs to be cleaned up at home. Maybe you need to have a discussion with a family member about a misunderstanding. If it's real estate, it's a fixer-upper that you'd find. Whatever it is, it'll be worth the effort.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)—Today is an 8—Today, you're on the path to a new discovery. Don't try to do it all by yourself. Just as you pass information along to one who needs it, so can someone else give information to you. From where you're standing, the answer is not obvious. From where the other person is standing, it is. All you need to change is your perspective.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)—Today is a 5—This looks like a good day to go for promotions. Someone in authority has new plans and wants to put them into action. If you can find a way to help, you'll be a valuable resource. You need to be creative, inventive and maybe even a little assertive. If the other person doesn't come to you with a plan, take one to him or her.

Today's Birthday (Jan. 22). You can learn how to make your dreams come true this year. As one fantasy materializes, another takes its place. You're looking very good in February. Finances prosper in March. In April you learn quickly, both mentally and physically. A partnership helps you succeed in August, and a Lone Ranger comes to your rescue in October. Heed a friend's wisdom in December and you'll advance to the next level.

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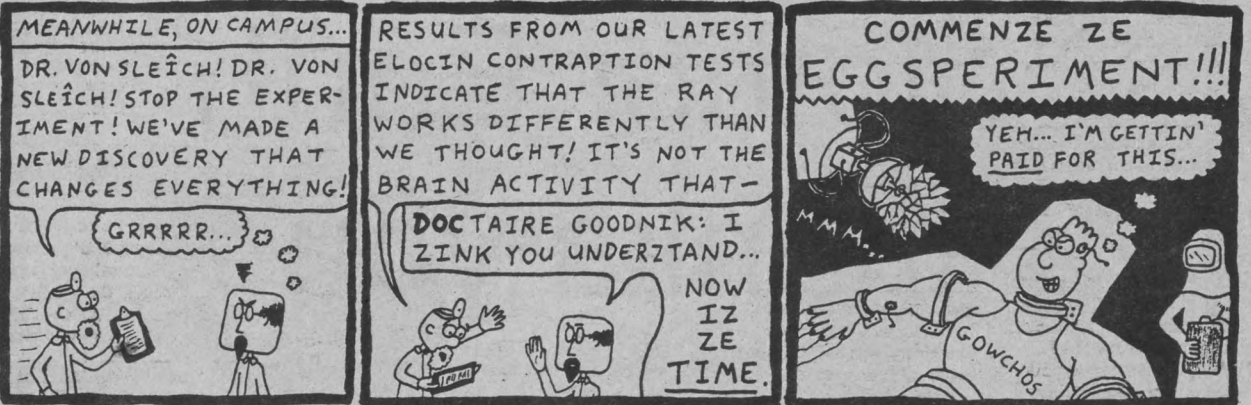


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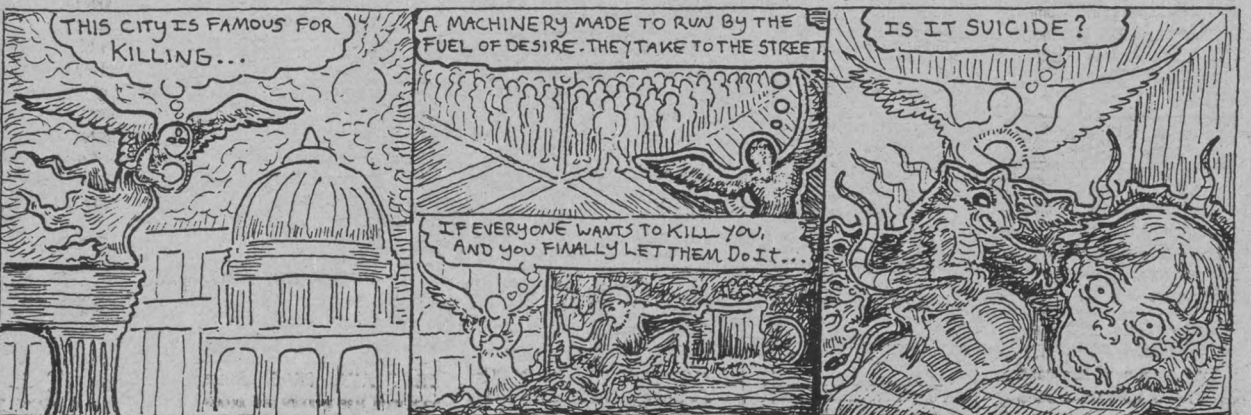


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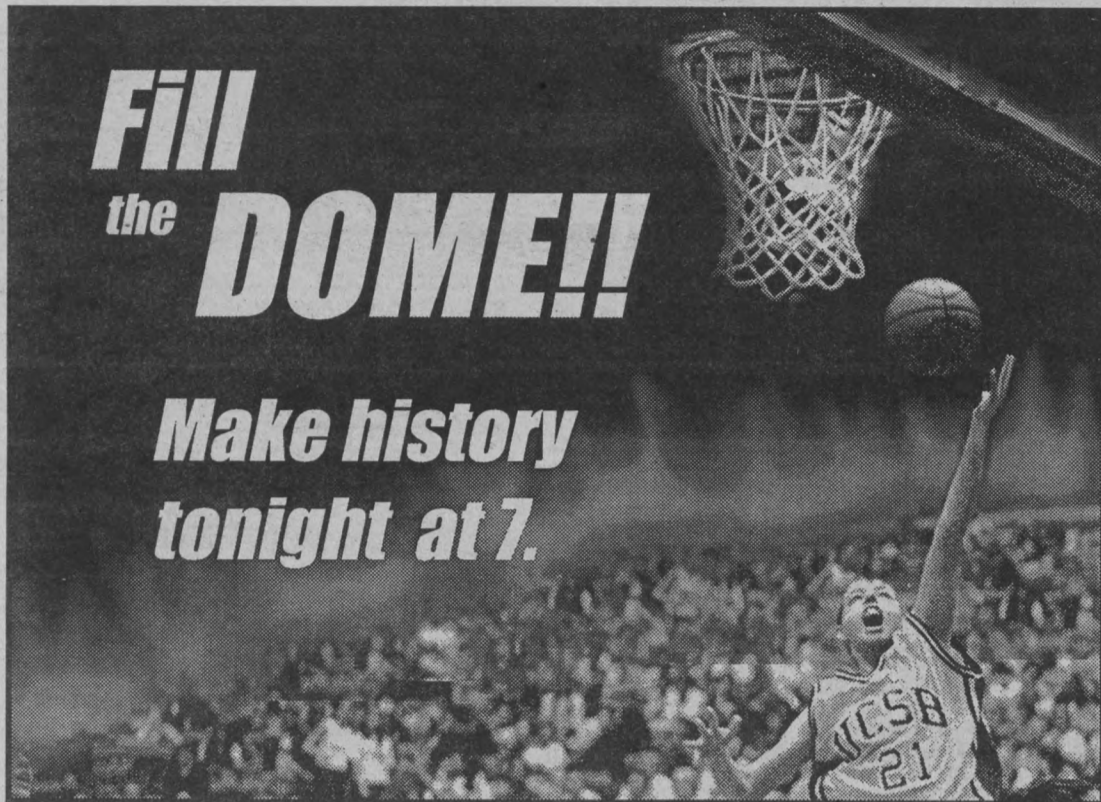
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Gauchos Hope to Humiliate Coach With Help of UCSB Student Body

BY STEVE WENDT
Staff Writer

The #22 UCSB women's basketball team is trying to make history and embarrass the Big West Coach of the Year tonight at 7 in the Thunderdome ... but the



Mark French

Gauchos will need the help of the student body of Santa Barbara to accomplish the goal.

Tonight's promotion, "Fill the 'Dome," is an effort to break the all-time UCSB women's hoops at-

tendance record of 4,760 set in 1996 and fill all 6,000 seats. If enough Gaucho fans cram into this evening's matchup vs. Cal Poly (7-7, 1-2), they will get to vote on suggestions regarding what humiliating endeavor UCSB Head Coach Mark French must endure.

If the mark falls, French must do one of eight activities that have been chosen. The list includes rappelling down Storke Tower, riding a tricycle down State Street dressed as the Fantom, singing the national anthem at the next game or ripping off a T-shirt a la Hulk Hogan.

"Basically, it's the kind of stuff I did while I was an undergrad at UCSB," the 6'8" French joked. "It's kind of a retro-Mark French thing going on here. It will have to be a big tricycle, but if we get 5,000 people in here I guarantee I'll do it."

The women's program is in a unique position on campus. It is well supported, but by the greater-Santa Barbara area rather than the people who attend UCSB.

"Our fans are great, but we don't have much student support," said sophomore center and Ventura product Nicole Greathouse. "These are our friends, and we need their support. Hopefully they'll come out and see what we're about and word of mouth will spread."

Sophomore guard/forward Ra-

chelle Rogers also feels that the fellow Gauchos in the crowd can be a great sixth player.

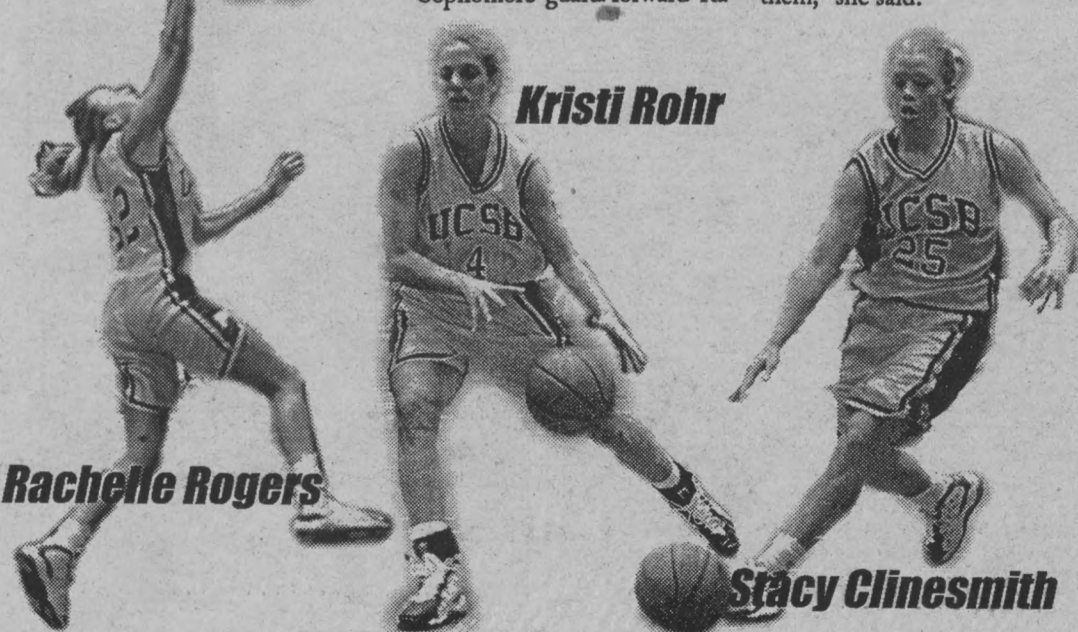
"The community does a great job, but students are more intimidating to another team," Rogers said. "A loud crowd is worth five to 10 points in a game."

The lack of support for the Gauchos among Isla Vistans is puzzling. The team is nationally ranked and is exciting to watch. UCSB is currently the seventh highest scoring team in the NCAA, averaging 84.7 points per game. It possesses an All-American candidate (sophomore Erin Buescher), returned every starter and key reserve from last season's group that narrowly missed the Sweet-16, and also has a strong recruiting class.

"I don't think the players would ever say anything about it, but all of us want peer support," French said. "It's important for our women to have someone on campus stop them and say, 'Hey, nice game last night.' We all would like recognition from the people close to us. And if we can get people out to this game, we might surprise them."

Greathouse thinks that Gaucho games and the I.V. party scene can coexist well.

"People should think of our games as a great pre-game for them," she said.



Rachelle Rogers

Kristi Rohr

Stacy Clinesmith

Surging SB Road Warriors Search for Win #4 in a Row

BY MATT HURST
Staff Writer

his 67 percent shooting from the floor.

"It feels good to be honored like that," Buntun said. "But, I don't want to dwell on that. We've got our eyes set on the Big West Tournament and hopefully the NCAA Tournament."

However, Wednesday's game saw Payton make the game-winner, and it was from the charity-stripe where he has excelled. Payton hit two clutch free-throws to solidify the UCSB victory and a share of first place.

All of a sudden, the UCSB men's basketball team is catching fire. The Gauchos, winners of six of their last seven, including Wednesday night's 78-75 victory at Cal Poly, will head to New Mexico State to take on the Aggies on Saturday night.

Santa Barbara has won its last three road contests, all Big West Conference games, and is now tied for first place in the Western Division with a 4-1 conference record (6-9 overall).

"We'll all be confident going in there," sophomore Brandon Payton said. "It feels good what we've done, and we're going to go in there and do what we've got to do."

Led by Payton Wednesday with 17 points, UCSB's first two games of the four-game road swing were ultimately won by senior B.J. Buntun. In Reno, Nev., last Thursday, Buntun made the winning basket, a tip-in off a pass from junior Derrick Allen, to give UCSB a 66-64 win.

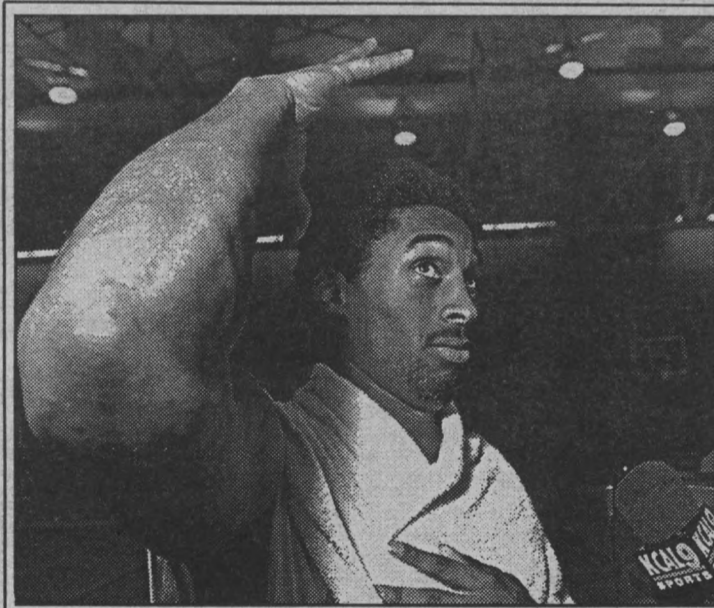
Two nights later in Logan, Utah, Buntun hit a three-pointer with 0.7 seconds left on the clock in overtime to give the Gauchos a 66-65 victory. For his efforts last week, Buntun was rewarded with the Big West Player of the Week award. In the two games, Buntun averaged 22.5 points and seven rebounds per game to complement



B.J. Buntun

"It's not going to be me every time to carry the team," Buntun said. "Other guys need to step up like Brandon did the other night."

Heading into Thursday night's game against the University of North Texas, the Aggies were 12-5 overall and held a 4-0 conference record.



JASON SCHOCK / DAILY NEXUS

Fro-be Bryant

The Los Angeles Lakers began training camp Thursday night in Rob Gym and Kobe Bryant commented on the team's future and how long he'll let his retro hairdo grow.

Shaq-Fu, Kobe & You in the Thunderdome

The Los Angeles Lakers will hold a free scrimmage Monday night in the Thunderdome from 5:30-7:30. You can get tickets at the RecCen today from 12-3 p.m. with a limit of one per student. Possession of a ticket is required for admission.