

Wednesday

February 17, 1999



We Can Dance

Tonight and Thursday Philadanco will perform the work of black choreographers in Campbell Hall at 8 p.m.

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Women in the California Senate wear jeans in solidarity against the Italian rape verdict.

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The Clinton trial ends with the right decision. Read to find out why.

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The UCSB baseball team won three of its last four games, including a win over UCLA on Tuesday.

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Low Turnout at Hearings Makes A.S. Finance Bored

BY BRAD GOODWIN
Staff Writer

The first round of budget hearings was marked by a nearly empty schedule and a relaxed atmosphere, as Associated Students Finance Board members were left with nothing to do but eat dinner and chat.

The Finance Board hearings, which began Tuesday, are an opportunity for student groups and A.S. entities to be included in the yearly A.S. budget, according to board Chair Christina Costley. If student groups want more than \$150, or A.S. entities want any budget money, they are required to make a presentation at the hearings, which will continue through Monday.

"What happens is, we put 16 hours out there for student groups that want more than \$150 and A.S. entities that want money," Costley said.

Costley explained that holding the hearings was mandatory, despite the poor turnout. Future meetings should include more presentations, since many student groups have not yet signed up for an appointment, she added.

"There are always more hours than are used. Board members are required to attend all the hearings. [Legislative Council members] are required to attend two-fifths," Costley said. "We expect more people to sign up as the week goes on so we won't have people sitting around throwing pizza at each other."

Only 11 Finance Board members were at the hearing. Mariah Hoskins, who sits on both Finance Board and Leg Council, said that many board members had schedule conflicts, and that she would

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IVCRC Advocates Honest Statistics, Stresses Demand for Safer Lighting

BY CHRISTINE PUTMAN
Reporter

Safety was the issue Tuesday night when the Isla Vista Community Relations Committee hosted a semiannual open forum.

Organized by Associated Students, the forum gathered I.V. property owners, students, faculty and a representative from the I.V. Foot Patrol at the University Religious Center. According to IVCRC Chair Alonso Gonzalez, the forum was meant as a service to the community.

"The IVCRC is required to hold a safety forum twice a year, so we are fulfilling our obligation," he said. "However, the interest in safety-related issues has grown in the community as well."

One of the issues discussed at the forum was the possibility of extending the university's disciplinary jurisdiction into I.V. Targeted at making UCSB students responsible to both the law and the university for their actions, the plan would punish those who commit violent crimes, even if they do so off-campus.

A.S. Off-Campus Rep Kami Leonard explained some of the positive outcomes that extending jur-

isdiction could bring.

"Maybe students would think twice before committing assault if it threatened their enrollment in the university," she said.

However, Vice Chancellor Michael Young is concerned that by extending jurisdiction into Isla Vista, the university may be intruding into the private lives of UCSB students.

"There are some definite philosophical issues that accompany extending jurisdiction," he said. "Apart from being students, Isla Vista residents are adults living private lives."

Dean of Students Yonic Harris said one problem in adding I.V. to UCSB's jurisdiction involves reporting to prospective students.

"Per federal law, each UC must report to the government the statistics of criminal activity on campus. This, however, does not include Isla Vista, just as the report from Berkeley does not include criminal activity on Telegraph. By including Isla Vista's statistics, we further educate prospective students and parents, but we don't compare favorably with the rest of the campuses in our system."

Other concerns, such as the lack

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Opportunities Still Remain to Find Living Space for Next School Year

BY IAN BARKER
Staff Writer

In this, the first of a two-part series to help you find the best possible housing in Isla Vista's limited space, we inform you of your role in finding a roof to put over your head. Part two, in Thursday's Nexus, will detail renters' rights and responsibilities, should your housing situation prove substandard.

In the musical chairs of student housing, the music has stopped and it's time to scramble for a place to sit.

The peak of the housing crunch has come and gone, with the majority of the larger companies having filled most of their vacancies. According to Community Housing Office Assistant Manager Amy Van Meter, students should look for alternatives to I.V.'s largest property management companies.

"We know that lots of the smaller renters have not been part of the large crunch. Most of what's available now are roommates," she said. "These listings are on our board right now."

Van Meter said an often-overlooked option for student housing is a rented room in an occupied residence. These leases are mostly month-to-month, which has its own complications, she added.

"Most from Goleta and Santa

First in a Two-Part Series

Barbara are rented rooms," Van Meter said. "If you're paying rent and abiding by the lease, it's unlikely you will get the 30-day notice [to vacate]. It is helpful to students who want to change their situation, because they can cancel with a 30-day notice. [But it is also] easier for the landlord to raise the rent."

The Community Housing Office, located upstairs in the UCen, is a good place for bewildered students to begin their search, Van Meter said.

"People should come to the office. We can answer any questions. They can look at the bulletin board; we have leases for rooms in occupied homes. There are extra vacant units," she said. "We keep the Sunday News-Press classifieds on our board. It does primarily downtown and Goleta. They can also pick up the Housing Survival Guide."

I.V. Housing Inspector Steve Fairly recommends that students deal with the larger management companies if possible, because they offer greater efficiency and services than smaller landlords.

"They should talk to the larger management companies. Those are the big players. The big five owners out here are the Eckert family, Bartlein Company, Ron

Wolfe, Kamap and Sierra Property Management," he said. "From my personal point of view, it comes down to the larger companies having the maintenance division. They have well-oiled machinery. The smaller 'mom and pop' organizations have those tools, but some of them are still on a learning curve."

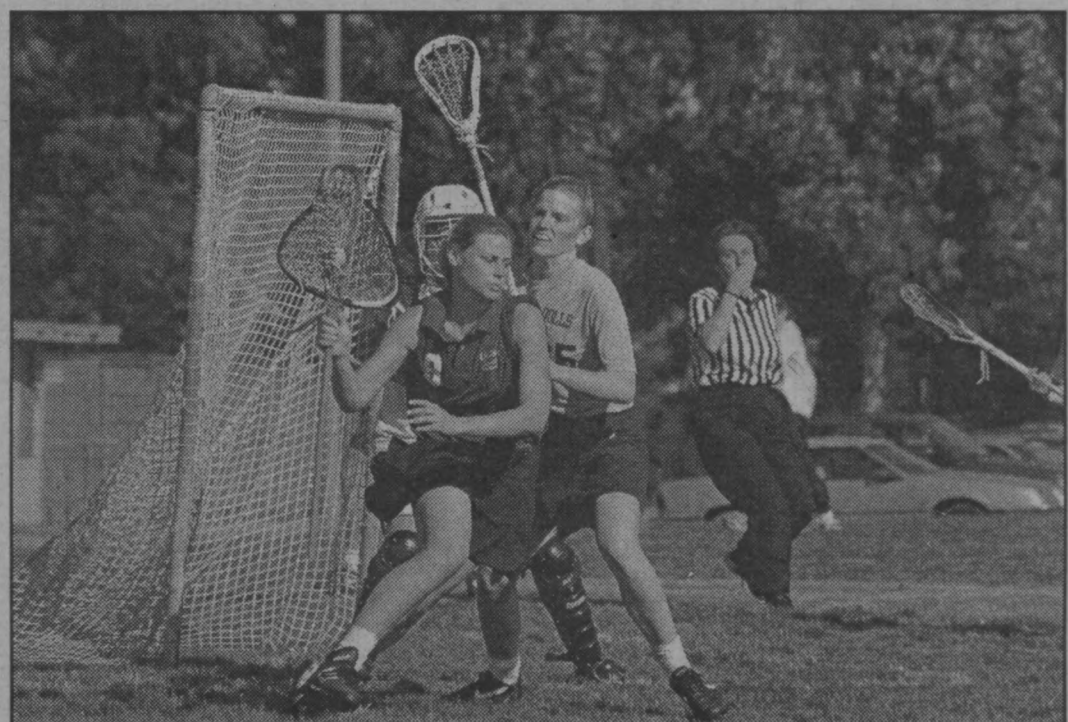
Fairly warned students to be on the lookout for signs of a bad living situation.

"Make sure the condition of property is clean. Is trash picked up? Is it well kept, well painted? Are the grounds manicured? I don't want to see the screens torn. Next, I want to see who lives there, who the neighbors are," he said. "Inside, make sure the heater works and the drapery and carpets are clean."

Fairly also pointed out the importance of checking the safety of household appliances.

"Look for stains in the sink — you can tell if the faucet has been dripping. Next, I'd look at the water heaters and make sure they are bolted to the wall," he said. "Check the wall heater. When was the last time it was used, when was it serviced? Natural gas is the second most dangerous thing in the house. Electricity is the most dangerous. One percent of one amp can stop your heart. A wall outlet is 15 amps."

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Stick It to 'Em

Gwen Allen, a member of the UCSB women's lacrosse team, rolls toward the goal against the Davis "Dolls." The Gauchos won the 11th Annual Santa Barbara Shootout Tournament on Sunday.



Top of the News

U.S. Gives Yugoslavia Ultimatum



RAMBOUILLET, France (AP) — The U.S. mediator at the Kosovo peace talks flew to Serbia on Tuesday with an ultimatum for Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic: Agree to a U.S.-backed deal or else.

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright telephoned Milosevic from Washington on Tuesday and told him that the ethnic Albanians appear ready to sign an agreement, according to spokesperson James P. Rubin.

He said Albright expects Milosevic to sign off on the deal as well.

Christopher Hill, the U.S. ambassador to Macedonia, met with Milosevic on Tuesday night. Western sources at the talks in France said Hill was expected to tell Milosevic that if he doesn't accept an agreement by noon Saturday, he will suffer

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Sources close to the talks, speaking on condition of anonymity, say there is little actual negotiating going on. Delegates, rather, are only making minor changes to a

largely take-it-or-leave-it American deal.

Serbian President Milan Milutinovic, the leader of the Serbian delegation at the talks, said Monday that everything in the proposed peace agreement was negotiable except the question of

foreign troops. The Serbs were counting on Russia to back up their position, but on Tuesday, Russian officials did not block the plan to send NATO-led troops as expected.

A NATO source, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the Russians have told the 16-nation military alliance they are willing to go along with a NATO de-

ployment as part of a three-year interim peace deal in Kosovo, where 90 percent of the 2 million inhabitants are ethnic Albanian.

The source also said Russians may eventually participate in a peacekeeping operation, as they do in the NATO-led force in Bosnia.

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Canada To Pass Magazine Bill Targeting U.S.



TORONTO (AP) — Describing the United States as a bully, Canadian officials say they are ready to risk a trade war rather than abandon a bill aimed at restricting U.S. magazine operations in Canada.

Trade Minister Sergio Marchi, in an interview Feb. 15 with several American journalists, said the United States was out of line in threatening to retaliate against Canadian steel and textile exports if the magazine bill is passed.

Marchi characterized the U.S. attitude as "I don't like this. Let me push you around."

"That's simply not good enough," he said. "You're the only superpower left in the world, but you're not the leader of the world."

The bill would penalize foreign publishers that sell space to Canadian advertisers in special Canadian editions of their magazines. Canadian officials and publishers say these so-

called split-run magazines would take ad revenue away from Canadian magazines, offering much cheaper ad rates because their editorial costs are covered by their home-country operations.

Because of its proximity to the United States, Canada has a constant struggle trying to keep its cultural sectors vibrant in the face of massive competition from south of the border. Canadian films account for less than 5 percent of the national box office, and most of the top-rated prime time TV programs are American.

Canadian officials say Canada already has one of the most open magazine markets anywhere, with U.S. and other foreign magazines accounting for about 80 percent of newsstand sales.

The pending bill would not prevent such magazines from circulating in Canada. It would simply bar Canadian companies from advertising in them.

While Canadian publishers strongly support the bill, the Association of Canadian Advertisers opposes it as an unwarranted restriction of free enterprise.

AP WIRE SHORTS

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Ten truckloads of confiscated counterfeit designer shampoo were incinerated and authorities warned that phony suds can pose a health risk.

Investigators confiscated nearly \$1 million in contraband and made three arrests after tracking bogus Paul Mitchell shampoo to a Los Angeles bottler in February 1997.

The bogus product was burned in a New York incinerator earlier this month because the substandard product could have marred the integrity of the designer brand.

Hygiene products manufactured by counterfeiters are not only substandard, but in some cases could be dangerous, said Santa Ana investigator Ian Sitren, who was hired by Beverly Hills-based John Paul Mitchell Systems to help search for the counterfeiters.

"We're not talking a T-shirt here," he said, holding up a bottle containing a cloudy yellow substance and marked with the logo of a famous baby shampoo brand. "What makes this cloudy is bacteria. The lab said it has a higher bacteria count than human feces. You don't want to put this on your head."

The alleged ringleader of the Paul Mitchell counterfeiting operation, Joseph F. Thompson of Newport Beach, remained at large.

SHALIMAR, Fla. (AP) — A man accused of hitting another motorist in the head with a golf club during a traffic dispute was sentenced to four years in prison. The

victim died six weeks after the beating.

David Adams, 20, was sentenced Monday for striking Dale McElheny with a 5-iron in 1997. McElheny, 42, died after mixing alcohol with a drug he had been taking to control seizures during his recovery.

The two had argued in the parking lot of a convenience store after Adams made a U-turn in front of McElheny's car.

Adams pleaded no contest to second-degree murder last month. He could have gotten five years in prison.

Prosecutors said McElheny wouldn't have been taking the drug if not for the beating.

SACRAMENTO (AP) — California's women lawmakers wore jeans to the Capitol on Tuesday to protest an Italian judge's ruling that it is impossible to rape a woman wearing jeans.

More than 20 of the Legislature's 30 women and a few men wore blue or black denim jeans to the Assembly floor session Tuesday.

An Italian appeals court last week threw out a rape conviction because jeans are too difficult to take off without a woman's cooperation. Women in the Chamber of Deputies of the Italian Parliament wore jeans last Thursday to protest the ruling and urged other Italian women to do so, too.

The California legislators called on other lawmakers throughout the world to join in the protest.

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"Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent, a new nation, conceived in Liberty, and dedicated to the proposition that all men are created equal.

"Now we are engaged in a great civil war, testing whether that nation, or any nation so conceived and so dedicated, can long endure. We are met on a great battlefield of that war. We have come to dedicate a portion of that field, as a final resting place for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. It is altogether fitting and proper that we should do this.

"But, in a larger sense, we can not dedicate — we can not consecrate — we can not hallow — this ground. The brave men, living and dead, who struggled here, have consecrated it, far above our poor power to add or detract. The world will little note, nor long remember what we say here, but it can never forget what they did here. It is for us the living, rather, to be dedicated here to the unfinished work which they who fought here have thus far so nobly advanced. It is rather for us to be here dedicated to the great task remaining before us — that from these honored dead we take increased devotion to that cause for which they gave the last full measure of devotion — that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom — and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

— Abraham Lincoln

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The housing application itself can offer valuable information about the landlord, according to Fairly.

"You want to deal with a company that has a decent intake form," he said. "You want to go to a company like Ron Wolfe who charges \$15 to apply because you know he's going to weed out bad tenants."

Students with legal questions can make an appointment to speak with an attorney free of charge through Associated Students Legal Counsel, according to Assistant Director Nativida Martinez.

"The lawyer will call the student at that appointment time," she said. "She gives students a half hour of telephone advice."

Once they find a suitable option, prospective tenants should be wary of unfair clauses in the lease, according to Associated Students Legal Counsel Attorney Sherie Taylor.

"A lot of leases are 'form leases.' There are some things to watch out for. What they need to look out for is anything that attempts to waive [the tenant's] rights under Califor-

nia statute," she said. "There is a statutory limit of the security deposit. The security deposit by its nature must be 100 percent refundable."

"Look out for excessive late charges," she added. "Generally, landlords can only charge late up to the amount of a reasonable loss of value. That's provided for in case law. Anything that allows landlords entry and inspection is void [because it is illegal]. The landlord may only enter without permission for an emergency."

Taylor said because of the high demand for I.V. housing, students often have little leverage in negotiating with landlords.

"What they should be able to do is make sure to do a walk-through inspection to document the state of the place," she said.

Taylor stressed the importance of a thorough documentation of the property's condition upon move-in.

"It's good to document as close as you can. Take pictures, have a walk-through. Community Housing will videotape it for you," she said. "If you take pictures, take them to someone to develop them who will put a date

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7 p.m. / Campbell Hall

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SPECIAL EVENT

Best of the 23rd Annual Banff Mountain Film Festival



Eight exciting new films about the tiny Himalayan kingdom of Bhutan, polar bears, snowboarding, extreme kayaking in Iceland and rock climbing in Vietnam.

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According to Taylor, gender discrimination has recently come to the forefront of housing issues.

"Most of discrimination is more gender related than racial. It usually adds up to the general conception, or misconception, that males are going to be more damaging — like every guy who rents an apartment makes it into a frat," she said. "If girls and guys both apply for a

property, the girl may get it before the guy gets it."

Junior philosophy major Aaron Ehloser expressed his frustration with the housing crunch.

"The greed and corruption is sickening. They're here to shamelessly exploit the students," he said.

SAFETY

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of sufficient lighting throughout Isla Vista, were touched on at the forum as well. County coordinators are working with Edison Electric on a plan that will increase the replacement wattage of burned-out light bulbs throughout I.V. The county's plan will also put in new lamp posts on streets such as Camino Corto, where lighting is sparse. The largest problem with lighting is the expense, since new posts can cost up to \$10,000 each.

Harris said she believes safety in a community centers around the residents' views and actions, not only in physical improvements.

"Safety is about reinventing community and reinventing what safety means," she said.

Some ideas contributed by students included self-defense classes for incoming freshmen, more safety-related issues discussed at orientation, and signs distributed throughout I.V. to remind people not to walk alone at night and to be aware at all times.

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CORY OSBORN / DAILY NEXUS

It's Finally Over ...

Clinton Was Not Removed From Office, the Inevitable Has Occurred and We Can Finally Move On

Well, well, well ... it is finally over. After a long, arduous process, our good friend President Clinton has been acquitted of the crimes that led to his impeachment and subsequent trial. He has gotten off again, hasn't he?

The acquittal, however, was a good thing — it means that the trial, the media, and most of the dinner party conversations have finally come to a conclusion. Thank goodness. It is over, and not a moment too soon.

In this trial, morals were the topic at stake. Yet, it was, in fact, more moral to acquit Clinton than to find him guilty. For it is not moral to inquire into a person's personal life or sexual affairs, of any sort. Not to mention continually prying and asking for explicit details for no apparent reason. Furthermore, it is not appropriate to institute a faux-puritanical society in the '90s, which is exactly what this trial has turned into — a pseudo-moralistic investigation into the life of the president of the United States. Really, is anyone not guilty of having given or received a blow job? Probably not — so why should the president suffer a loss of office for such a menial crime?

This trial has put oral sex on the news. Yes, the President of the United States received a blow job. OK, this has to be dealt with, and it is being dealt with. Children are learning of the intimacies of the office, but honestly, we were all dirty little children, trying not to laugh at the jokes our parents made. At least now, everyone can attempt to be more out in the open about what they are doing

behind their bedroom doors.

This whole damn trial has been blown out of the water. Bill Clinton has been responsible for the removal of the American public's thumbs up their asses and fingers in their ears. Because of what this trial has brought to light, the American public is no longer a disillusioned mass of people. They are now present and accounted for, so to speak; so the wool will be pulled over their eyes no longer.

President Clinton's charisma allows him to get away with anything. He is a likeable guy, and the public has adhered to that since the election in 1992. He was elected under the premise that he had been a party to some less-than-noble activities. Remember Gennifer Flowers?

People just want to hear shit on others. Think about it: Everyone would rather hear about who has done what or been with whom than about a new policy or piece of legislation that has been instituted. Bad word sells more than good word, and since everyone is most likely guilty of the exact same thing as President Clinton — that is, lying and a blow job — no one can take his office away from him.

While a CEO may be stripped of his position for doing the down and dirty with an intern, the president is subject, and accountable to different standards. It is only fair that he was not removed from office, and anyone who subjects his or her own personal life to the same scrutiny as that delivered to the president will realize the same thing.

Top Ten Signs of Impending Apocalypse

DAVID DOWNS

OK, OK. The millennium is nearing. Big deal. We all know the Y2K bug is going to eat us all alive, and the heavens are going to fall, and the seas will boil and Fran Drescher will cut a record deal.

But where's the proof? How do we really know our calendar isn't all messed up? Maybe we all missed the comet and those Heaven's Gate guys are up there laughing their asses off. Well, all great seers talk of signs that will signify the beginning of the end. And here are this week's **Top Ten Signs of the Impending Apocalypse**. Carefully researched by no one in particular.

10. Dan Quayle announces he will run for president of the United States. It's like some sick joke that no one is letting him in on.
9. David Duchovny and Tea Leoni have conceived a child. A genetically perfect antichrist in the making? Let's hope it has Tea's legs.
8. Carson Daily is *still* making an actual living as the most boring person in the history of the world (behind Al Gore, of course).
7. Rev. Jerry Falwell has revealed the secret, worldwide homosexual conversion conspiracy, and it is being led by a Teletubby.
6. Christopher Reeves has actually endorsed a line of Polo shirts bearing the infamous horse jumping over the fence.
5. Adam Sandler is currently making a living doing what every stoned-out idiot does every day.
4. Some Las Vegas developer is trying to get approval for a Beverly Hillbillies Resort and Casino. That's right folks, swimming pools, movie stars ... ARMAGEDDON.
3. Monica Lewinsky is currently planning to write a book. A whole book. Can she even conjugate the verb "to write"?
2. Every Mentos commercial ever created.

And now the number one sign of the impending apocalypse — Furbie dolls. That's right, those butt-ugly Gremlin lookin' things that talk to each other in "jibberish." Tape them talking, play it backwards after filtering it through a wah-wah pedal, and you can intercept dispatches between Satan and his minions.

David Downs is assistant county editor and columnist for the Daily Nexus.

Your opinion must matter to someone, so write in and find out to whom ... you may be surprised.

The Reader's Voice

MORE THAN A MAJORITY

OPINION HAS VALUE

Editor, Daily Nexus:

In a recent opinion article in the *Nexus* ("Religion Is for Those Who See Too Much Light," Feb. 8), Michael Jabbara claims that religious people are irrationally using their faith as a crutch when science holds the truth. He concludes, "we should outlaw [religion]" because of a lack of empirical evidence. There are two faulty assumptions made in his argument that need to be addressed, and an overall trend that needs to be examined.

First the trend. In a nation that has boasted for hundreds of years about the great freedoms guaranteed to all, perhaps none are so precious as speech and religion. Both of these are challenged by those like Jabbara. Freedom of speech should grant us all the right to state what we believe in an appropriate manner. The scope of this freedom should certainly include one's search for the true origins of the universe. Freedom of speech garnered toward a public good will give rise to debate. However, true debate cannot exist if "political correctness" invades our language so much that it inhibits our ability to "rationally" debate issues.

In the case of science, this is certainly the case. In schools it is justifiably wrong to discuss religion. However, this assessment should not give free reign for today's pseudoscience doctrines to dominate the debate. Evolutionists have monopolized the debate to such a degree that it is now a monologue.

Why is this debate not raging on this campus? How can we see "science" as it is taught today as anything but propaganda if its basic assumptions, along with its subplots, go unchallenged in learning institutions? After all, what good is freedom of speech if it only exists in the parameters of "popular opinion?"

Now to Michael's assumptions, his first being that science holds the key to truth and is paradoxically opposed to the idea of religion and a creator. Scientific laws do fit this description. Great intellects like Blaise Pascal, Kepler, Francis Bacon and Gregor Mendel all shared the belief in a common creator. Perhaps the greatest scientist of the century, Albert Einstein, came to the conclusion that "God did not create by chance, but rather that he worked according to planned, mathematical, teleologic and therefore-to-him-rational guidelines" (Wilder Smith, *He Who Thinks Has to Believe*).

These men were all committed to reason and empirical science — empirical science being those laws that no rational human, religious or not, would question. However, these laws all tend to lead us to conclusions antithetical to those postulated by the "science" to which Michael refers.

The first law of thermodynamics, that of energy conservation, states that nothing comes from nothing; every action that we observe in the universe can be explained in terms of something else that caused it. When this cause-and-effect phenomenon is applied to the universe itself, there is nothing in the universe to explain it — no *natural* explanation. Logic must lead us to question a theory that states that the universe came from nothing at some point and became the ordered system that it is today.

This also contradicts the second law of thermodynamics, namely that things are always in a state of decay, going from more complex to less complex. This law does not go well with a theory that states that atoms allegedly self-produce amino acids, amino acids auto-organize amoebas, amoebas turn into chimps, and chimps turn into astronauts.

Now your favorite "science" teacher will tell you that this is an oversimplification; I won't deny this. But once you cut through all the unfounded assumptions and theoretical fantasies, you end up with this simple conclusion: Evolution is not supported by scientific laws or the fossil record. In fact, Colin Patterson, senior paleontologist at the prestigious British Museum of Natural History, which houses the world's largest fossil collection — 60 million specimens — confessed, "If I knew of any evolutionary transitions, fossil or living, I would certainly have included them in my book [Evolution]."

There is simply no hard evidence for macroevolution, the current theory that undergirds "science" as it is taught today. What there is, however, is a lot of faith in the scientific community. Faith that a fossil that

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HOT LINE

When Profs Miss Class

There is nothing better than heading to a class only to find out that your professor is taking a ditch day; actually, a professor is probably sick as opposed to ditching. Anyway, it is such a nice treat to get to cruise home a little earlier or take a comfortable catnap on a UCen couch. But even better than having a professor miss a class is you missing a class the day a professor misses a class. Then you have saved yourself the effort of getting to campus and you do not have to get any notes ... bonus.

Thesaurus Fun

How many ways can you say drunk? Tipsy, intoxicated, inebrious, fuddled, boozed, befuddled, sozzled, plastered, elevated, and last, but certainly not least, in one's cups. Try these new words out at a party and no one will probably ever talk to you again; but use them on your parents and they will think you are learning so much in school!

Music

Isn't it great when you are flipping through your music collection and you come across an album that you never liked much before, but now has captured your full attention? It is almost better than actually running out and buying a new CD since you have already dropped the dough for your oldie-but-goodie album. Cheers!

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shows transition from one species to another will turn up, even though after millions of fossils, one has not. They have faith that we have gone from nothing to spontaneous chaos to this beautiful planet, this wonderfully complex and ordered earth. This faith, this fiction taught as fact, goes unchallenged in our schools and our great learning institutions. Sure, scientists argue over the subplot, but not over the basic assumptions of evolution.

There are those out there that disagree. There is ample evidence contrary to evolution, and much reasonable empirical data that points to a creator. You will not be shown that on campus, under the guise of separation of church and state. Something about that just doesn't seem right when one sees that what is at stake is the truth of the origins of the universe, a truth that dramatically affects the way our society functions.

Science is not a group of laws that fly in the face of the notion of God, but is rather just another example of the order and complexity of a world that must have been created. Michael has accepted the science he has been taught without question. Ironically, Michael, it is you, never questioning the tenets of evolution, and not I, that have faith that is blind and untested. May you question what you have been told, and seek out the truths to what you believe, and may evidence, logic and true science guide our search, and not sentimentality and political correctness.

CHRISTOPHER WATERS

RACIAL AND SEXIST SLURS

ARE IN NO WAY SEXY

Editor, Daily Nexus:

A true story for all to ponder ... I was walking home alone fairly late Friday night. Walking, because I had lost my keys and couldn't unlock my bike. I know walking alone isn't the smartest thing in the world, but hey, you gotta do what you gotta do, right?

I left my friend's house bundled in jeans, a sweat-shirt and a beanie. Halfway down the block, I was approached by a large group of males. Needless to say I was a bit annoyed, but at the same time also a bit nervous. One of the guys grabbed me by the arms and asked me, "Can you believe what they wa ... " He didn't finish his question.

He started to stare blankly at me. He was overly intoxicated and reeked of alcohol. He still had a hold of my arms and my hands were in the pocket of my sweatshirt. I was waiting for him to finish the question so that I could answer it and proceed on my way home. Yet, I was also observing his friends to see what they were going to do. I was looking at them all with a look that said, "Are you gonna let this guy harass me?"

Then his friends started saying, "Hey man, she's gonna kick your ass. ... She looks pissed. ... She's gonna kick your ass!" Most of his friends kept walking. The guy let go of me to show off his karate kid jump-kick stance. I was pretty much amused at this point. I was trying to keep my eyes on all of them, but I couldn't, so I tried to proceed walking. I turned my head just in time to see the karate kid reaching to grab my face and kiss me. Finally my hand came out of the pocket to block him, and I side-stepped him and kept walking. His friends gave him the traditional "Ohhh ... too bad." End of story.

Or, I should say that *should* be the end of the story. But no. These drunkards had to show me that they were not only fools for trying to pick up on the first chick that walks by, but that they were complete assholes, too. They then yelled at me, "We didn't want you anyway," and a few other derogatory comments as they were walking away. "Go back to Mexico" was one in particular that stuck out in my mind. Or "Great, of all the girls around here, we get the lesbian in the beanie."

How high is the pedestal that you have placed yourselves on? Just because a lady doesn't want *you* doesn't mean she is a lesbian. It simply means she doesn't want *you*! Maybe you should take it personally, and straighten the hell up. By the way, I have never been to Mexico.

I find it rather sad that grown men still use the line that I have heard since the third grade: "I didn't want you anyway." Of course you don't want me, *now*, after you found out that you're not wanted. My question to

you guys is, can *you* deal with it a little bit better? Is it completely necessary to be such assholes about it? What would you have said about me had I taken the karate kid up on his offer?

Here's some food for thought: Maybe the girls around here are looking for a sober effort, not a drunken slur.

CRYSTAL BARRON

RELIGIOUS AND SCIENCE AREN'T MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE

Editor, Daily Nexus:

This letter is in response to Michael Jabbar's opinion on religion relating to science ("Religion Is for Those Who See Too Much Light," Feb. 8). For those readers that did not read his article, Jabbar believes that "we should outlaw [religion]" (reminds me of somebody by the name of Hitler). He also believes that people follow religion because of their "lack of education."

Relating to Jabbar's statement about people following religion because of their "lack of education," in his ignorance he interestingly mentions Newton. Jabbar tries to back up his lousy argument against religion by mentioning Newton's First Law of Motion, but in doing so, Jabbar exposes himself as a dope.

Sir Isaac Newton was, first and foremost, one of the greatest scientists of all time. Newton also placed Christianity not only with, but also above, science. Newton claimed that his discoveries, in science, were communicated to him by the Holy Spirit. Newton was so fascinated by the Bible that he wanted to harmonize science with religion. He also believed that man's dominant aim was to understand the Bible and God's purposes. Due to Newton's scientific discoveries, he was made more certain that a divine creator still watched over the world. Newton wrote that "No sciences are better attested than the religion of the Bible."

Now I suppose, Jabbar, you might say that Newton really didn't know what he was talking about relating to religion; but considering the guy invented calculus, I think he had a pretty good idea of what was going on in his awesome brain.

Jabbar, to answer your question, "Why then do people bother with religion?" I can think of a couple of main reasons. Speaking from a Christian perspective of religion, we follow religion to learn how to be good under God, and to gain the knowledge of God, thus being filled with the Holy Spirit. Gaining the knowledge of God is done through educating. Education is an important virtue with religion. Jabbar, you obviously haven't been educated in religion because if you were, you would be educated enough to know that some of the greatest learning institutions in the world have religious foundations. To name a few: Yale, Notre Dame, Cambridge, etc.

Ultimately, religion is followed as a means of guidance for believers of the Lord. When times get low in life for a believer, one can recite or remember a Bible verse and be lifted by the Holy Spirit. To put it simply, Jabbar, believers follow God because they don't want to be in your ignorant and intolerant world: your "world of bullshit."

DAVID HUGHES

PUSHING RELIGION IS NOT REALLY ACCEPTING OTHERS

Editor, Daily Nexus:

On Nov. 11, 1998, I wrote a letter expressing my grievances with some Christianity pushers. Since that time, I have received some interesting feedback in person and through the Opinion section of the *Nexus*. I received some negative and mostly positive comments, and I certainly expected as much. Robyn Reid had some informed comments against what I was saying, and I appreciate her respect and opinion.

An even more educated response was voiced by Alex Gerard who incorporated some factual evidence and historical references demonstrating other severe cases in which evangelists have pushed too far.

What really surprised me, however, was an insanely naive, senile, closed-minded, hypocritical and judgmental view of a self-proclaimed Christian evangelist

(*Daily Nexus*, "Christianity is Cool ... Not Bad," Jan. 7).

I'm not exactly sure if Nicole S. Dillard read my article or someone else's. Obviously she managed to miss the whole point, and decided to wage her own religious war against me, personally. In the first place, Nicole, you need to take two breaths and relax. If you'll go back to those "critical reading" days of fifth grade, you may notice that nowhere in my letter did I say I "avoided 'believers.'" I appreciate you putting the words in my mouth, but you missed the entire point of what I was saying. I was not avoiding the evangelists: *They came on my property and harassed me.* I hardly call sitting in my house reading a book "avoiding" someone.

Nicole went on to say I have no "real knowledge of Christian beliefs." Oh really Nicole? You *would* know that because we grew up together and you know my entire past ... no, wait a minute, actually we didn't, and you have no clue! You don't know where I come from, what I've experienced or how much of a religious experience I have, do you?!

Nicole said Christianity was something I know little to nothing about. Again, thank you for telling me my background and what I know. This "having no clue" thing seemed to permeate the entire letter.

While I do respect your hypothesis, Nicole, you have no idea who I am, and I'd prefer if you didn't try and tell me.

Nicole stated that my comments on how the 'born-again' population hates everyone who is not like them, shows my lack of intelligence. Actually, Nicole, that is what we call an o-p-i-n-i-o-n, and it in no way reflects my intelligence. I suggest you review your vocabulary. Furthermore, do you know where you found that letter I wrote? In the *Opinion* section — go figure.

Nicole further stated she showed sympathy to anyone who invests time, love and trust in me. Oh really?! Well, thank you for bringing my family and friends into your little rant-and-rave. Actually being associated with someone who has a different opinion or outlook on a topic can be quite exciting and invigorating, as well as very educating. I suggest you try it sometime, and leave my loved-ones out of your tyranny toward my opinion.

Dillard herself, claimed no one can push you into something you don't want. To this I say, exactly! That was my whole goddamn point! Don't try and push me! Don't come into my house and throw Jesus in my face!! You have the right notion, Nicole, now go with it!! Let others believe what they want without guilt-tripping them into what you think is right. Is that so hard?

I would stop, but I must bring up the most comical part of Nicole's letter: She states we believe you shouldn't criticize others. Are you fucking kidding me? You called me ignorant, told me my past and insulted my family and friends! Gee, Nicole, thanks for not criticizing me; you really stuck to your good-faithed "Christian" morals on that one.

You know what, Nicole? I'm going to forgive you. Not in the name of Christianity, but in the name of humanity. If this world is going to get anywhere, we must all be more accepting of others and their *opinions*! Differences in ideas is what makes the world go 'round. I respect your beliefs and encourage you to read my letter again. I was not attacking you, I was simply asking for evangelists to respect my beliefs and my boundaries, if that doesn't seem like too much to ask!

THOMAS MOSEMAN

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YOUR DAILY HOROSCOPE
BY LINDA C. BLACK

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

Aries (March 21-April 19)-Today is a 6-Looks like you're building a ladder to climb to the top, but the most important thing about today happens later, when you get in touch with the reason you're going to all this trouble. Love is what's really important, and if there's not quite enough of it in your life, maybe it's because you've been climbing too fast.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)-Today is a 6-Things appear to be going very well again today, and then a breakdown in communication occurs. You don't have to be nervously waiting for it. All you have to do is watch out for it. Pay attention to what's going on. The overall results for the day are likely to be positive, especially if you keep your eyes open.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)-Today is a 5-Someone is trying to teach you something today - not by words alone, but primarily by example. A person you admire a great deal may take on something extremely difficult. If you see something like that happening, pay attention. You can mimic what the other person does, even if you can't quite explain it.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)-Today is a 6-Today it looks like the hassles are over relatively early, leaving clear sailing for you and the one you love. Plan something special for this evening. Taking off for Tahiti may be what you have in mind, but dinner at a Tahitian restaurant might be the best you can do.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)-Today is a 5-Today, take a moment or two to reflect on what you have and what you're going to leave to future generations. If you start saving money now, by the time you're old enough to retire, you'll be fabulously wealthy. If you aren't already doing this, today is a marvelous day to begin.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)-Today is a 5-Looks like things will go well today, but not quite the way you expected. Your conversation with a partner has got its ups and downs, but don't worry. The disagreements won't last long. Go ahead and hash out all the details, confident that by the time you go to sleep, everything will be hunky-dory.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)-Today is a 6-You could be mistake-prone today, so watch out. You haven't quite mastered something you thought you'd learned by now, and everything you don't know will probably be pointed out to you. Don't be too hard on yourself. Just put in the correction and keep going. Actually, you're doing fine. This is all part of the learning process.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)-Today is a 6-There's some sort of problem concerning money again, and it looks like it also involves love. Perhaps you and your sweetheart want to do something you really can't afford yet. Well, if the love is strong, you'll find a way. Don't worry about that. Celebrate the love and you'll find a way to make enough money.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)-Today is a 6-No matter what's going on today, don't worry. There's a happy ending, and a couple of adventures in between here and there won't hurt a bit. One of those might be a misunderstanding with a person you like a lot. Don't just assume you know what was meant by his or her words, especially if they hurt your feelings. Ask.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)-Today is a 5-You could become quite wealthy, but right now it looks like someone else is getting most of your money. Is that because you're putting it in a safe place, investing for your own future? Either that, or you're paying off bills, another noble gesture. You need to put up a structure, and stashing something away for the future might be part of it.


Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)-Today is a 7-Looks like you have no problem getting the money to come in today. The problem is figuring out how to disperse it. You should be thinking about all your options, but be slow to act. If you can wait until this weekend, you'll probably save quite a bit. By then, you'll have seen what's important and what's not.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)-Today is a 6-What the other person said and what you heard were two different things, so be careful if you're thinking about spreading gossip. You could send things off in a whole different direction than was originally intended. You're getting stronger and more confident all the time, but you need to be responsible, too.

Today's Birthday (Feb. 17). Money is the topic this year. You'll gather up lots of it, so make sure you save it wisely, providing for your future. Communication is the key to wealth in March. In April, it's education, with some lessons learned the hard way. Team up with a person who can build what you imagine in the middle of the summer to early fall. By November, you could have generated a whole new source of income by catering to a demanding person's whims. You could suffer setbacks in December if you're not careful, but everything turns out well.

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went two for three and scored twice in the first game. "But we know the season is a long battle, and we need to get some wins under our belt to get ready for our conference games."

In the nightcap, a clutch hit by UCSB freshman Kim Sawyer triggered the Gauchos' strongest offensive rally of the season. Down 5-2 in the third inning, Santa Barbara loaded the bases for Sawyer. The 5-foot-8-inch infielder promptly hit a double to clear the bases, igniting an eight-run inning that led to a 10-7 UCSB victory.

"It was definitely the biggest hit of the year for me so far," Sawyer said. "I wasn't really looking for a big hit, I just wanted to put the ball in play. After striking out against Fresno State I was down, and I wanted to do well."

Junior Jennifer Tolton went the distance in the second game, striking out three and notching her second win of the season.

"If our two losses are against Fresno State, that's not too bad," McAulay said. "We just need to make sure to beat the teams that we're supposed to."


VOLLEY
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15-13, 15-17, 13-15. Junior outside hitter Gabe Gardner had 31 kills and 13 digs to lead the Cardinal attack. Senior outside hitter Patrick Klein also posted a double-double in kills and digs, recording 32 and 11, respectively.

"We played a lot better against Stanford," Preston said. "We blocked a lot better and we dug the ball well."

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BUDGET

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miss around half the meetings, which would disqualify her from voting on Finance Board's budget proposal.

"I will not be able to vote as a Finance Board member but I will be able to vote as a [Leg Council] member," she said.

A.S. controller Steve Lonn, who made his presentation at Tuesday's hearing, said the budget hearing process gives the board an opportunity to inquire about

what the requested money will be used for.

"I think it is a fair and equitable process," he said. "They had very thorough questions as to what controllers do."

According to Costley, few A.S. entities have signed up for the hearings, which could cause problems later.

"There has been a very poor showing of A.S. entities at these hearings," she said. "Unless they show up at some of the hearings later this week, we will be unable to fund them."

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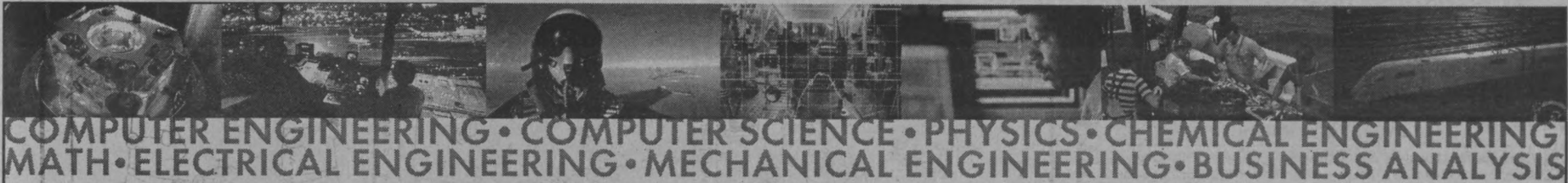
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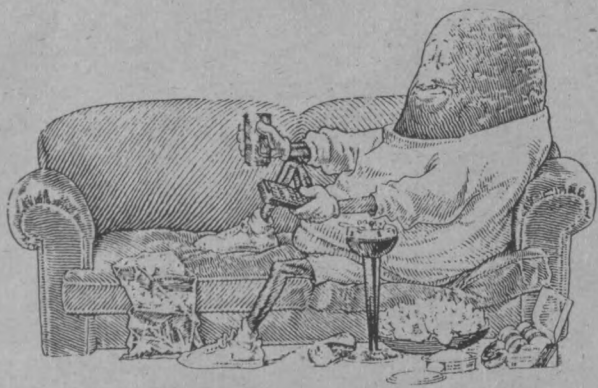
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Sports

UCSB Baseball Bears Down on UCLA for Win

BY MARVIN GAPULTOS
Staff Writer

The UCSB baseball team showed its power from the plate and from the mound in a 12-9 victory over the UCLA Bruins on Tuesday afternoon at Caesar Uyesaka stadium.

"We're playing defense first and foremost," UCSB Head Coach Bob Brontsema said of the victory. "On top of that we pitched well today."

The Bruins (6-8 overall) would score first for a short-lived 1-0 lead in the second inning. But the Gauchos (5-5) would quickly respond in their half of the second. Freshman third baseman Chris Willmer stepped to the plate with the bases loaded and emptied the

bases with a double to the right-center gap, moving UCSB ahead 3-1.

Junior southpaw Matt Dailey got his first start of the season for the Gauchos and was rudely welcomed by the Bruins. With the bases loaded in the fourth, UCLA's Aldo Pinto doubled down the left field line to score two runs. Another run would score on the ensuing play after a Matt Pearl single. Pinto scored after Chase Utley popped up to left field. After being down 5-1 heading into the fourth, the Bruins tied the game at 5-5 and eventually took the lead in the fifth at 6-5.

Dailey allowed six earned runs on seven hits in 4.1 innings of work. With Santa Barbara down a run in the fifth, freshman righty Chris Quiroz entered the game to settle things down and had an immediate impact.

"I have this mindset that the hitters are subordinate to me," Quiroz said. "So it gives me this mental edge over the hitters, and I go out and pitch my game. I got a lot of ground ball outs, and that's what I like to do."

UCSB turned things around in their half of the fifth. Bruin freshman pitcher Brian Strelitz uncorked a wild pitch, allowing se-

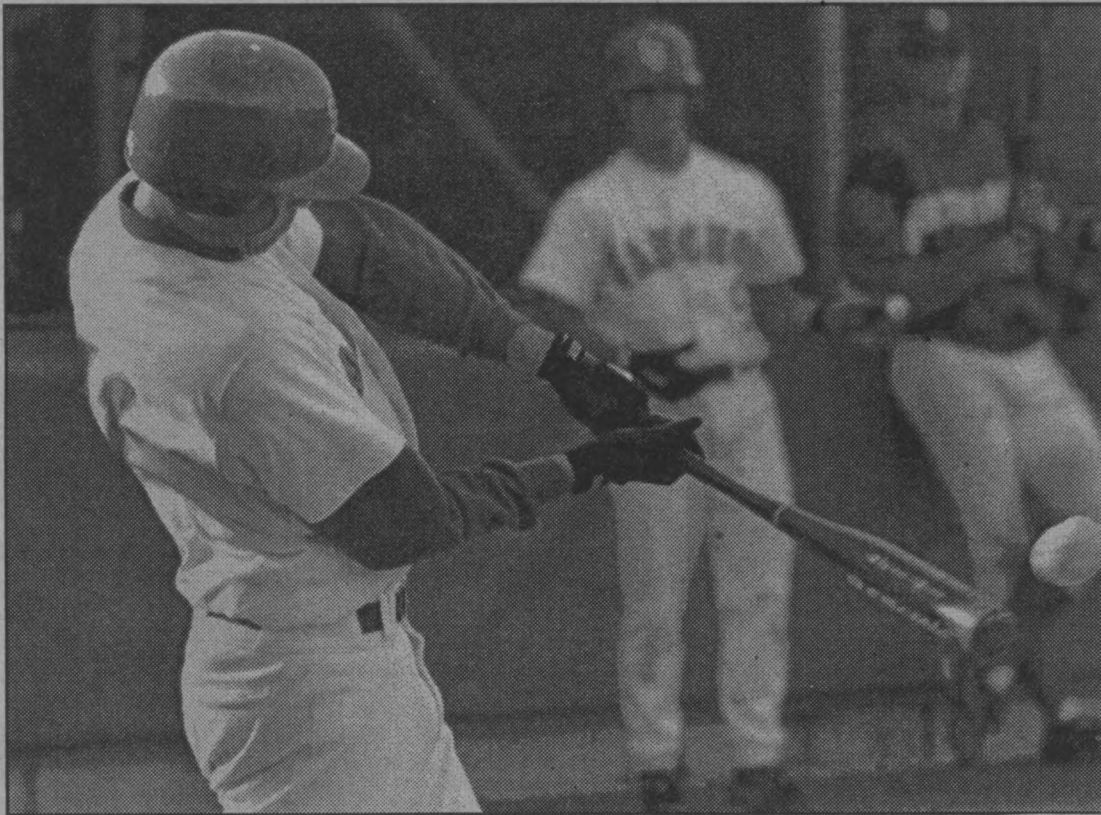


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HANDFUL OF HEAT: Sophomore Abby Murphy helped pitch the Gaucho softball team to victory over SDSU.



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SWING BATTER BATTER SWING: The UCSB baseball team connected on 11 hits in its 12-9 victory over UCLA. The Gauchos are now 5-5 on the season and will face the Bruins again today at 2:30.

nior Bryan LaCour to score tying the game at 6-6. With runners on first and second, senior catcher Bill Duplissea put Santa Barbara up for good with a three-run blast to right-center field.

"I thought we played real well today," Duplissea said. "Defense has been our big problem this year, and today we only had one error. Our offense and pitching has been sound all year, and it all comes

down to our defense."

Duplissea was not finished yet, as he batted in two ducks on the pond with a triple in the eighth inning. The College of San Mateo transfer nearly hit for the cycle, finishing with a single, a triple, a home run, and four RBIs. Two more Gaucho runs would score in the eighth for a 12-7 lead.

In the ninth inning, junior Peter

Dyball replaced Quiroz on the mound. UCLA would be able to muster only two more runs for the final tally. Quiroz picked up his first win of the season after four innings of work, allowing only two hits and two earned runs.

"I just came in there and did my job," Quiroz said. "To just come in there with the game on the line and shove it and shut them down."

Gauchos Bitten by Bulldogs, Defeat Aztecs

BY ZACK O'NEILL
Reporter

The UCSB softball team began its new season last Saturday at Campus Diamond with what could be termed its stiffest competition of the year.

Opening up against defending national champion Fresno State, the Gauchos (3-2 overall) were not intimidated by the #1 Bulldogs.

The first game of the day was an offensive showcase, in which both teams combined for 24 hits and 17 runs. Santa Barbara held its ground for much of the game, but in the end was bitten by the Bulldogs' offense and found itself on the short end of a 12-5 decision.

"We wasted some opportunities in the first game, but basically they just hit the ball really well," junior left fielder Kiki McAulay said. "When the ball's going over the fence, you can't really defend it."

The second game had the look of a defensive battle until the defending national champions wore the Gaucho pitchers down in the late innings. UCSB sophomore Teresa Tolson allowed only one run through the first five innings, but Fresno State's bats could be

held in check for only so long. The Bulldogs exploded for 12 runs in the last two innings, and a 1-0 game was soon a 13-2 rout.

"We weren't intimidated, and we played with good intensity," UCSB Head Coach Liz Kelly said. "Fresno State is just that good. We made some mistake pitches, and they took full advantage of it."

On Sunday, Santa Barbara found itself a new challenge in San Diego State. In the wake of their two losses to Fresno, the Gauchos fell behind quickly 1-0 after half an inning, and it appeared as if the team might have been suffering from a letdown. However, the Gauchos knew they needed a win to get back on track, and wasted no time in taking the lead away from the Aztecs.

UCSB scored two runs in its half of the first inning and two in the second, jumping out to a 4-1 lead it would never relinquish. Tolson and sophomore Abby Murphy combined to stifle San Diego State's offense, allowing only one earned run over seven innings in a 4-3 Gaucho win.

"There was a bit of a letdown after the games against Fresno State," said senior Katie Ziegler, who

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V'Ball Falls Prey to Tigers and The Cardinal

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The #15 UCSB men's volleyball team hit the road last weekend to face a pair of conference foes in #13 Pacific and #11 Stanford. However, this road trip was about as kind to the Gauchos, who have lost four of five on the road, as any match away from Santa Barbara has been.

This past Thursday, Santa Barbara (3-5 overall, 2-5 in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation) was thoroughly outplayed by the Tigers (3-3, 1-3) at the Spanos Center in Stockton, losing in three games,

12-15, 10-15, 8-15. Pacific dominated the Gauchos in hitting percentage (.401-.252), digs (53-41) and blocks (11-6).

"We played very poorly," UCSB Head Coach Ken Preston said. "We didn't block well, and when you don't block, you won't win the match. [Junior] Rick Rauth played well and some other guys played well defensively, but I was disappointed."

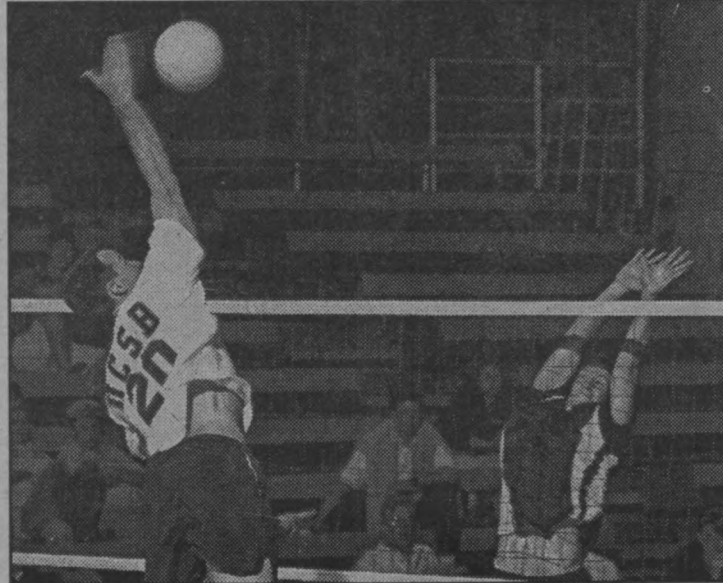
Sophomore outside hitter Vladimir Andric fueled the Pacific offense, registering 23 kills, eight digs and a hitting percentage of .512. UOP junior outside hitter Dylan Herrick also turned in an impressive performance, notching

17 kills and 10 digs. As a team, the Tigers had five players record 10 or more kills.

The Gauchos were led by junior outside hitters Rauth and Kevin Collins. Rauth tallied a team-high 18 digs, along with 15 kills and a .333 hitting percentage. Collins chipped in 26 kills and two solo blocks, but hurt the team with six service errors.

Last Saturday, Santa Barbara played better against Stanford (4-4, 3-4), but lost a close match that could have gone to either school. UCSB was edged by the Cardinal in four games, 13-15,

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GET UP: Junior Kevin Collins and the UCSB men's volleyball team lost two games to UOP and Stanford this past weekend.