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Riding the Rails Can Cause Injury, Damage, Say Police

By Christine Kwon
Reporter

Hoping to combat property damage and injuries caused by skateboarding, campus police are working with other university and community organizations to crack down on freestyle maneuvering in their jurisdiction.

UCSB police have observed a recent surge in the number of skaters taking advantage of the campus' vast stretches of asphalt to use their foot-powered platforms as a source of fun rather than mere transportation, according to John MacPherson, Campus Police Dept. chief.

Recreational skating, in addition to the risky stunts it involves, is a threat not only to skaters but also to areas of campus

they can errantly damage in their innocent attempts at fun.

"The skateboarders actually have no perception of the amount of damage that has been done. If we had any idea that these folks were doing it only to vandalize, then we would arrest them for vandalism, but they are not like that," said Sgt. Suzanne Timmons.

The skaters' often-unintentional damage is sometimes costly to the campus, said Eric Ruse, paint shop supervisor at Facilities Management.

"Skateboarders cause fairly minimal damage compared to the graffiti we have on campus," he said. "However, there are redwood benches all over campus and the front rows of those get damaged quickly."

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Group Uses Grant to Better Representation

■ Diversity a Concern in Nation's Math Classes

By Peter Sansom
Staff Writer

A new campus organization is launching a nationwide program this month to take some of the division out of math classes.

Propelled by a \$3 million grant from the National Science Foundation and an alarming underrepresentation of certain groups in most math and science careers, the Equity In Mathematics Education Leadership Institute program began a four-year program Jan.

1 to support equity in mathematics education.

"In most cities the mathematics classroom is the most segregated institution in America," said Julian Weissglass, mathematics professor and EMELI director.

"One of the major problems facing math education in the country is that certain groups are underrepresented in mathematics and scientific careers — primarily women and certain ethnic subgroups of people of color," he added.

While previous programs the university has been involved with dealt directly with teachers, EMELI is for administrators who work with instructors, according to Nancy Terman, EMELI associate director.

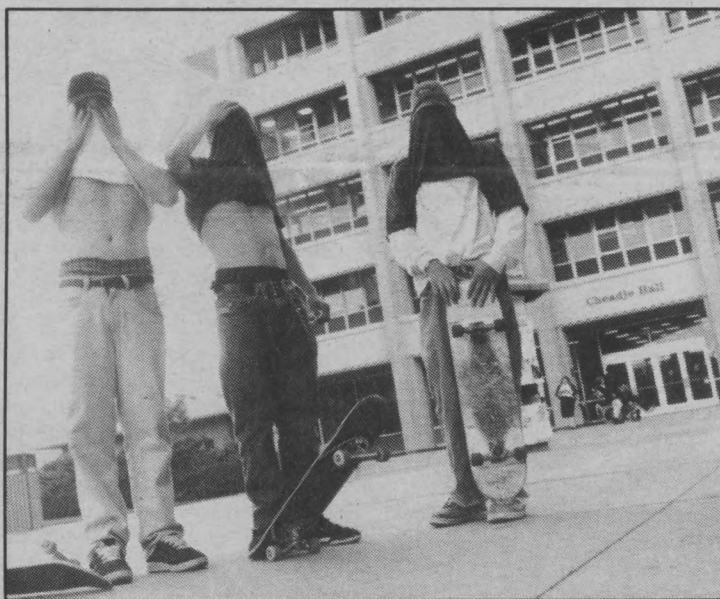
"Our goal is to work with all levels and teachers in math, and really put a lot into supporting leadership in teachers and administrators in math," she said. "Then those people can take these leadership roles back to the teachers at their school."

EMELI participants from across the country will attend a series of four-day sessions over the course of a two-year period, according to Weissglass.

A large part of the grant will be used to subsidize travel and lodging expenses for program participants, he added.

One intention of the program is to spur younger students to get excited about math and to counteract their negative past experiences, according to

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Authorities report an increase in campus skateboarding. Increased concern from campus police over potentially dangerous and property-damaging stunts have some recreational skaters ready to embrace outlaw status. Photos by D. Ramoul.

Kwanzaa Ceremony to Celebrate Unity, Other Themes of Holiday

By Linda Apeles
Reporter

Recognizing a holiday created as an alternative to more widely commemorated holidays, students will gather tonight to participate in a unique celebration of diversity and unity called the Kwanzaa Ceremony.

Members of the Black Student Union will sponsor tonight's 7 p.m. event in the Santa Rosa Formal Lounge in recognition of the holiday, founded by Cal State University Long Beach Professor Milana Karenga in 1952.

"Kwanzaa focuses on looking at the past, the struggles of the past in order for one to know where the future is going," said coordinator and junior political science major Kellie Germany.

Beyond this, the event "is a celebration of African-

American heritage," said coordinator Jamie Bender, a sophomore pharmacology major.

Observation of Kwanzaa traditionally lasts seven days, from Dec. 26 to Jan. 1. Each of the days is dedicated to one of the seven principles of Kwanzaa, called "Nguzo Sba," according to Germany.

The seven principles of Kwanzaa are "umoj" (unity), "kujichajulia" (self-determination), "ujema" (collective work and responsibility), "ujaama" (collective economics), "nia" (purpose), "kwumba" (creativity) and "imani" (faith).

This is not the first time the campus has seen Kwanzaa. "We had it last year, and it was a great success," said Bender, who expects this year's ceremony to attract 150 to 200 people.

Bender said last year many people had the misconception

December a Strong Month for Donations

By Kristie Castellini
Reporter

The Office of Development finished last year with one of its most successful months ever in private donations, a December that saw nearly as much in gifts toward the campus as the entire previous year.

A \$5.8 million software gift from Hewlett-Packard to the engineering school contributed greatly to December's success, according to Cheryl Brown, as-

stant vice chancellor for development.

"This was one of the largest donations in UCSB history," she said. "December is our busiest month every fiscal year for private donations and with the Hewlett-Packard donation, last month was no exception."

"Our preliminary figures indicate that we're in excess of \$10 million as of Dec. 31, which is significantly higher than last [fiscal] year, which totaled \$10.9 million for the entire year," she added. "We're having a very good year."

Other large donations included \$650,000 for an interdisciplinary marine ecology project, according to Janet Manzi, deputy director for development.

The university aims to raise money from three types of donors, according to Brown: individuals, businesses and foundations. Most businesses and large foundations dictate restricted uses for the gifts, she added.

"The Office for Development tries to match the interests of the

donors with the needs of UCSB," Manzi said.

To entice individual donations, the annual fund exists as a large telefund program targeting alumni, according to Brown. Alumni usually make unrestricted gifts to the university, meaning the UCSB Foundation's board of directors determines their use, Brown said.

The foundation is a corporation separate from the university which exists to benefit UCSB and is made up of volunteer donors and fundraisers.

"Our job is to seek private philanthropic support to create a real margin of excellence at UCSB," said Brown, who is also the foundation's executive director.

Of roughly 18,000 donations in the last fiscal year, some 12,000 came through the annual fund and were thus unrestricted, Brown said.

The upcoming state budget proposal for education will likely take some financial pres-

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HEADLINERS

First Lady Implicated in Terminations

WASHINGTON (AP) — In the days before White House travel office workers were fired, Hillary Rodham Clinton pressed top presidential aides, including the chief of staff, to get the employees "out of there," FBI interviews and White House documents say.

"May 16 — HRC pressure," then-chief of staff Mack McLarty scribbled on a chronology of events the White House prepared a few days after the firings created a public uproar in May 1993. May 16 was three days before the firings.

Notes from a White House interview of Fan Dozier, an employee of the Arkansas company that took over part of the travel office business after the firings, suggest Dozier also believed Mrs. Clinton wanted the workers fired.

"Said HRC very upset re misa[ppropriation] of funds and wanted them out of there," say the notes of Dozier's interview, conducted as part of a subse-

quent internal review.

In the days before the firings, Dozier talked to the key advisers who were involved in the decision

The documents show that David Watkins, the former White House director of administration whose memo first impli-

called in the FBI to investigate what it said was possible misuse of funds. The office arranged travel for reporters accompanying the president on trips.

Those allegations, which the White House used to justify the firings, turned out to be mostly unfounded. The White House later reversed the firings, returning six of the workers to new jobs. Billy Dale, the head of the office, was acquitted of charges he stole money.

McLarty acknowledged in a statement he talked to Mrs. Clinton and that she told him concerns about possible financial irregularities in the travel office "required prompt attention." But he said: "She did not, however, direct me to terminate anyone."

Watkins told the FBI that in an earlier meeting, McLarty and Foster had also made it clear Mrs. Clinton was interested in the travel office.

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**Hillary Rodham Clinton
first lady**

that led to the dismissals, the notes suggest.

The documents obtained by The Associated Press provide additional evidence to support a memo by a White House aide released last week that portrays Mrs. Clinton as the prime mover behind the purge — a suggestion the first lady steadfastly denies.

The White House has said Mrs. Clinton "had no role in the decision to terminate" the travel office workers. The first lady added last week: "I just don't have any memory of that."

Russian Troops Encircle Rebel Hostage Convoy

PERVOMAYSKAYA, Russia (AP) — Russian troops allowed a convoy of Chechen rebels and 160 hostages to head for Chechnya on Wednesday,



then surrounded them as terrified hostages begged the Russians not to shoot. The guerrillas issued an ultimatum: Guaranteed safe passage or dead hostages.

Earlier in the day, the rebels had released up to 3,000 hostages seized in a surprise attack Tuesday on the southern city of Kizlyar. The rebels had holed up in a hospital with the hostages and demanded

Russian troops withdraw from Chechnya.

Russian officials allowed about 250 rebels to leave Kizlyar under heavy military escort, but helicopters fired on the convoy of 11 buses and two trucks as it approached the border, and Russian troops later surrounded it.

The hostage crisis was the latest embarrassment for the Kremlin, which has been unable to suppress the Chechen insurgency in 13 months of fighting.

At least 33 people were killed in the raid on Kizlyar, which is in the Russian republic of Dagestan, bordering Chechnya. Dozens were reported injured. Three babies were born in the hospital during the hostage ordeal.

When the convoy pulled into Pervomay-

skaya, a village six miles from the Chechen border, rebels wearing green Islamic headbands emerged from the 11 buses and two trucks. Hoisting grenade launchers onto their shoulders, they took up positions along the column of vehicles.

The 160 hostages remained inside. Children peeked out from the buses' shattered windows, while their mothers and other women vigorously waved pieces of white bed sheets, shouting at the Russian soldiers not to shoot.

Two helicopters buzzed the column and several armored vehicles stood nearby.

Once they reached Pervomayskaya, the rebels released eight Dagestani officials who had accompanied them to guarantee safe

passage, news reports said.

Transport helicopters swooped down just south of Pervomayskaya to drop off Russian troops. As the sun set, the soldiers began digging in while icy winds whipped.

By nightfall, the situation was not resolved. Russian officials were negotiating with the Chechens.

Russian officials claimed the Chechen convoy was held up by Dagestani civilians blocking the road with 20 cars to demand the release of the hostages. Villagers, however, said a bridge along the road to Chechnya was blown up earlier in the day by a Russian helicopter.

In Moscow, the Russian government indicated it would deal with the rebels decisively.

Issue of Minors' Abortion Divides State's High Court

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The state Supreme Court appeared closely divided Wednesday over a never-enforced 1987 law requiring unmarried minors to get a parent's con-



sent or a judge's approval for an abortion.

Lower courts have ruled that the law violates young women's privacy rights under the state Constitution. A San Francisco Superior Court judge, after testimony from experts on similar laws in other states, concluded that the law would not serve its stated purposes of protecting minors' health and promoting family harmony.

That view had its advocates among the seven jus-

tices, as did the opposite view — that the law was a reasonable attempt to give adult guidance to immature youngsters.

Under California law, a minor "can't even get a permanent tattoo ... can't even use a tanning facility ... without parental consent," said Justice Armand Arabian.

"Does the parent have a right, or can the minor make an end run and go down to an abortion mill?" asked Justice Marvin Baxter.

But other justices noted that the 1987 law would require pregnant minors to get parental consent only for an abortion, and not for prenatal care and delivery services if they decided to bear the child.

"You can become pregnant and bear a child that impacts your life more than any abortion," said Justice Kathryn Mickle Werdegar.

Middle East Leaders Unite to Discuss Peace Prospects

TIBERIAS, Israel (AP) — The leaders of Israel and Jordan, joining in a new demonstration of their peace accord, symbolically beckoned to Syria Wednesday to seize what



Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres called "the galloping prospect of peace."

The occasion was a presentation of prizes to the chief Israeli and Jordanian negotiators, and the symbolism was evident. With Secretary of State Warren Christopher sharing the platform, King Hussein and Peres extolled the benefits of peace between the Jewish state and its Arab neighbors — and the risks involved.

"We know how heavy responsibility bears on

us," Hussein said to an audience of Israelis and Jordanians, some of the Arabs wearing red-and-white checkered headaddresses. Among them were 12 members of the Jordanian parliament, making a first visit to Israel.

Peres, obviously with an eye on Damascus, which so far has not provided Israel with peace terms the prime minister considers satisfactory, said Israel and Jordan introduced "a model peace, a warm peace," and there is an unprecedented opportunity to spread it through the region.

"We still face all kinds of challenges; the greatest of them is not to let the galloping prospect of peace pass us by," Peres said. Behind him was a huge color photograph of Yitzhak Rabin, the Israeli prime minister who oversaw the peace with Jordan and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

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Weather

I was mouthing off again about the *Star Wars* trilogy and someone called my bluff. You see, I've always had this pet peeve about the third movie. It's those damn ewoks — I just couldn't accept the idea that they were anything other than a cynical marketing gimmick mistakenly given plot-relevant status. If I had been in command there, I would have called in a TIE airstrike of Nixonian dimensions to end that threat.

So somebody asks me, "What movie would you have made?" I confess I hadn't thought of this, which is kind of embarrassing. Then I came up with the answer! The new Death Star is being constructed by slave labor on the wookie world. Luke uses the force to telepathically convince the workers to revolt. Think about it — seven-foot wookies tossing stormtroopers around is a lot more believable (an satisfying) than what was actually produced.

The rebels take control of the Death Star, and Han, Chewie and Lando pilot it on a hellbent mission to threaten the Imperial capital with the entire fleet in its way. Imagine a mad Death Star speeding along, blasting star destroyers out of existence. Leia urges the apathetic locals to action and a world is wracked with chaos. Darth sees what's up and wastes the Emperor, dies in the process and is redeemed. The arrival of the Death Star calms the populace and celebrations break out while Luke ponders the significance of the fact that, even when freed, most people responded only to an awesome power from the sky.

Hey, it's no more ridiculous than what happened! Breezy, but gorgeous today. Enjoy

Deadline for Monument Committee Approaches With Few Applications

Friday marks the application deadline for the Perfect Park Monument Implementation Committee's 10 at-large seats, but so far only six forms have been submitted.

The committee, created by the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District board Nov. 16, will determine how to fund a Perfect Park monument to Vietnam War protests in I.V., and exactly what such a memorial should look like.

IVRPD board chair Geoff Green said he hopes for many more applications, to provide the committee with a broader base of viewpoints.

"The fewer people you have giving input, the less reflective it's going to be, and in Isla Vista, as contentious as this issue has been, the more input the better," he said.

The park board is scheduled to select the committee's 10 community members and one board representative Jan. 18. Director Pegeen Soutar has publicly said she is not interested in serving, and board members Brad Hufschmid and Bruce Murdock also do not appear interested,

according to Green — leaving only himself or Director Mitch Stockton to fill the slot.

Junior environmental studies major Dave Fortson, one of the six who have applied, encouraged other students to get involved.

"It's extremely necessary we get students on the committee," he said. "Perfect Park is a huge part of Isla Vista and most students live in Isla Vista, and if they have any ideas of Vietnam or what should go there they should apply."

Those interested in applying should turn in a letter explaining why they wish to serve to the IVRPD office at 961 Embarcadero del Mar by noon Friday.

Green invited anyone interested — students, newcomers and old-time residents, veterans and war protestors — to apply.

"Above all, I'd like people with an open mind and who are dedicated to coming up with a plan that is all-encompassing, that reflects the views of all Isla Vistas," he said.

—Jeff Brax

KWANZAA

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fully] one day people will stop thinking as individu-

als and think of themselves as united and one people," said Latrice Cline, a freshman biology major who will present a skit about the origin of the Negro National Anthem.

Although Kwanzaa is a celebration, it should be treated with dignity, Germany said. "We ask that people be respectful and come in with an open frame of mind," she said.

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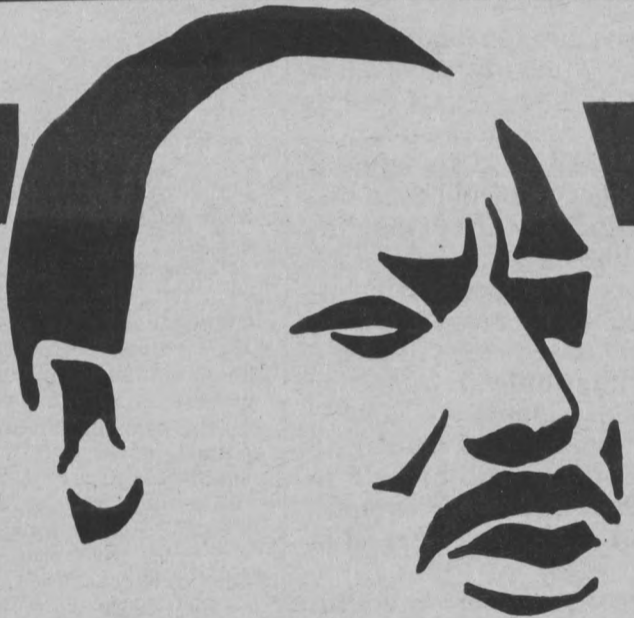
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sure off the campus, according to Eric Sonquist, director of institutional advancement, finance and administration.

the governor tries to alleviate some of the pressures placed on the back of students with appropriate response in the budget," he said.

Manzi said monetary support from the state had declined to only 37 percent of UCSB's total

budget last year, down from roughly 50 percent 10 years ago.

"State support for UC campuses has been steadily declining and with this deficit, much more private donation has been needed," she said.



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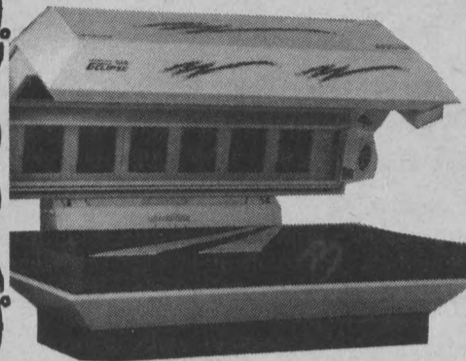
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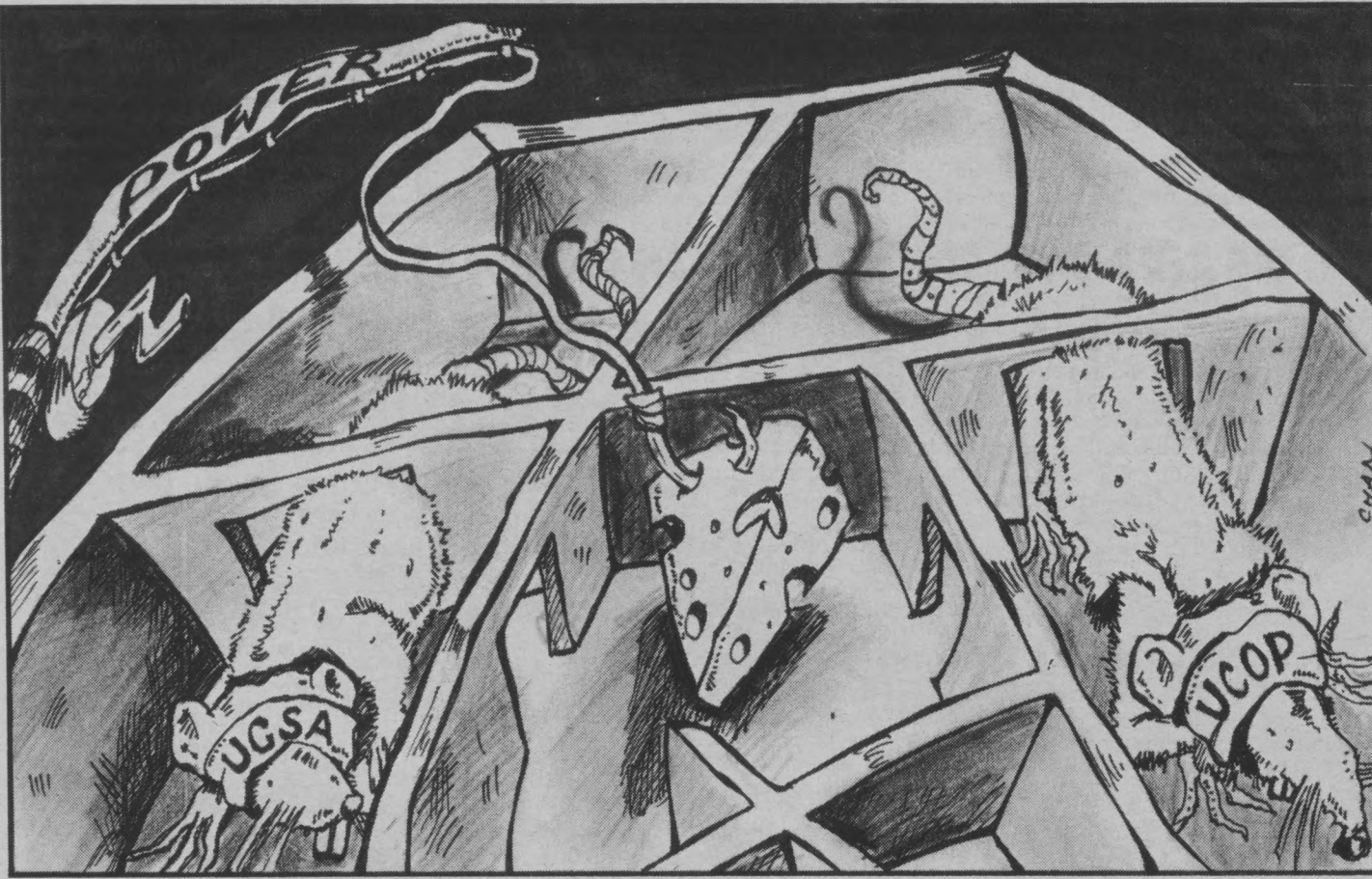
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OPINION

"No matter how strong my hold on reality, somehow I always lose it whenever I fall asleep."
—Ashleigh Brilliant



A Careful Balance

UC Student Association Should Be Autonomous From Administration, not Us

Editorial

The UC Student Association, which represents students on a systemwide level, is in the process of an aggressive bid for more leverage among University decision makers — a move that, in principle, could achieve greater power for students.

Despite the obvious advantages of autonomy, students at the nine campuses must remain wary that UCSA — whose agenda has not proven to be all-inclusive of students' interests — does not become the only recognized student-advocacy organization within the system.

In an effort to gain independence from University administration, UCSA has introduced a measure to be discussed at the regents' Jan. 18 meeting which would limit the UC Office of the President's jurisdiction over the group.

As the system is currently organized, whenever UCSA votes on an item or makes a decision, UCOP maintains veto power over each action.

The issue rose to the surface last year when a breakdown of relations occurred between UCSA and UC Berkeley. When Cal's student government decided to stop paying UCSA dues, the statewide organization responded by denying the university of its vote in the student-regent election. The issue was then brought before the UCOP, which asserted that Berkeley did maintain the right to vote.

While UCOP was right in this case, having the administration second-guess student-governance decisions does create a conflict of interest, as recognized by UCSA in its newly introduced measure.

At first glance, this measure seems like an excellent idea. After all, it makes no sense to have UCSA making decisions regarding the students if the UC administration can simply nullify them later.

On the other hand, UCSA should not operate unchecked. UCSA not only wants to be separate from UCOP but it wants to function as the exclusive voice of students on all nine campuses — answering to none of the other elected officers. This means, in essence, that they would not be directly answerable to students, either.

Officially, UCSA has a direct link to the students' wishes, as the leaders are students themselves drawn from our ranks. Frankly, however, UCSA has very little, if any, contact with each of the nine UC campuses and little accountability to students. If UCSA does become autonomous, it will be making decisions on behalf of the students without their input — decisions that cannot be repealed.

To keep UCSA in check while increasing its power, perhaps it is necessary to remove the body from UCOP's influence and instead make them answerable to elected student body officials from each campus, such as the A.S. presidents.

This way, UCSA would maintain its clout with the University administration, but still be held in check by the elected officials from each campus, avoiding a ruling that is not in the best interest of the overall student body.

Of course, whatever results appear from this issue remain to be seen. Some regents are already reluctant to give more power to students, expressing the sentiment that they are disruptive at board meetings. This, though, is exactly the freedom students *should* be allowed to exercise encumbered by the stronghold of University officials.

It is not right for UC officials to lord over student-governing activities — even if they do claim to act in the best interest of all students. But UCSA should not be permitted to reestablish itself as the exclusive mouthpiece for all students.

The Reader's Voice

Dino on Dick

Editor, Daily Nexus:
When I attended UCSB a couple years back, it was commonplace for the Nexus to exhort readers to, "Think, then write." I'm not sure if that phrase still appears in the opinions section, but I do feel that it does not apply to at least one of your columnists.

I must preface by stating that I am neither a conservative nor do I support the U.S. involvement in Vietnam in the 1960s and '70s. However, after reading some of the drivel offered by Travis Moon (Daily Nexus, "Movies Misrepresent the Reality of an Era," Jan. 8), I feel the need to respond to some of the asinine points raised in his column.

Moon begins by saying he has not seen Oliver Stone's latest film, *Nixon*, but proceeds to lament the conservative establishment for promoting its agenda in motion pictures and sees some sort of comeuppance in the fact that several individuals portrayed in *Nixon* are complaining that they have been unfairly represented.

Moon finds this "humorous, if not pathetic," yet he himself could not possibly know what reason these individuals might have to complain. It's enough for him to know that because they are "convicted felons," they obviously have no gripes.

Of course, it doesn't end there. Moon proceeds to fault Vietnam-topical motion pictures for not showing American soldiers shooting up heroin. He then proceeds to say that many hippies were "intellectuals," not just "stoners and blind followers." Apparently, Mr. Moon was not only part of the big hippie movement of the '60s and '70s, he was also fighting the war in Vietnam and getting an inside look at the Nixon administration, blunders and all.

Of course, I may be wrong about that, seeing as Mr. Moon had not yet been conceived at the time when most of these events were taking place, but given the factual air with which he makes his grandiose statements, it would be hard to believe that he wasn't actually there at the time.

My biggest beef with Mr. Moon's sometimes-senseless tirade is his complaint about the movie *Apollo 13*. Apparently, Mr. Moon is highly annoyed that Ron Howard's fine movie did not include any mention of the war in Vietnam or the scandal-laden administration of Richard Nixon.

Ground Control to Major Moon: *Apollo 13* was a movie about the U.S. space program and an aborted attempt to reach the moon. It had nothing to do with Vietnam, and therefore Vietnam wasn't mentioned. Your anger at this fact is ridiculous. Should any movie set in the early 1990s necessarily include at least some mention of the Gulf War?

Given that my interest in the space program may be as great as your interest in Vietnam, should I be pissed that there was no mention of the Apollo missions in the movies *Platoon* and *Full Metal*

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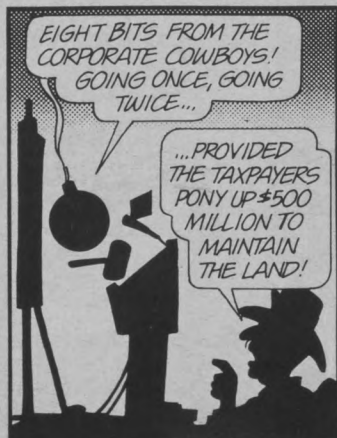
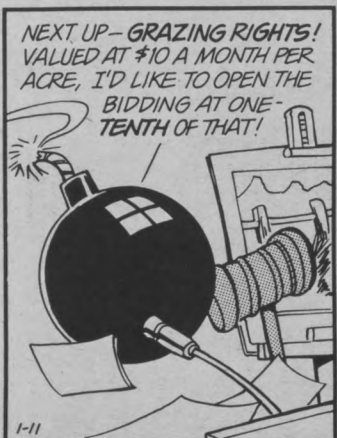
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The Monument and You

Geoff Green

bers and worked until it was dissolved on Nov. 16. During this time, the committee was charged with determining whether or not a monument of any kind would be financially and politically feasible.

Many of you may have read and/or heard bits and pieces of information regarding a proposal for a monument in Perfect Park (at the bottom of the Embarcadero Loop) in Isla Vista. The idea for a monument for the events that occurred on that spot, and in Isla Vista in general, during the Vietnam War era has been spoken of for years.

Last spring, however, a proposal was presented to the Board of Directors of the Isla Vista Recreation and Parks District (IVRPD). Since that time, the issue has become contentious, to say the least.

I believe this to be primarily a result of misunderstandings between some of the individuals involved in the debate, as well as longstanding resentments between a small group of longtime Isla Vista residents. For the majority of Isla Vistans, however, this project could be an excellent opportunity to come together, to learn about the area's history and to find a way to commemorate it.

On July 20, 1995, the IVRPD created a committee to look into the feasibility of creating such a monument. On Aug. 3, the committee was expanded to include 12 mem-

On Oct. 16, 1995, a public hearing was held in Isla Vista Theater in order to gauge local public opinion on the matter. Of those people who presented their view, only one was unconditionally opposed to a monument of any kind. Several spoke in favor of the general idea of creating a monument, while the majority outlined what type of monument they favored and opposed. In the end, it was enough for a Santa Barbara News-Press article the next day to declare that "nearly unanimous support" for the monument had been expressed.

On the other side of the coin, one committee member had been soliciting letters from veterans opposing the monument idea. Most of these were form letters which characterized the monument prematurely, since no design or specific focus for the monument has yet been determined. That will be a job for the upcoming committee.

From these letters, however, we learned that a good number of war veterans would be opposed to a monument which celebrated certain aspects of this era (for example, the burning of the Bank of America and of draft cards). At the Nov. 16 meeting, when the committee presented its report, there were nearly two hours of public comment. During this we learned that many citizens, veterans and non-veterans alike are opposed to spending public funds on the project.

It is my belief that we can come up with a plan which will honor these requests, help us remember the rich history of this area, help beautify Perfect Park and be sensitive to the various views and opinions of the vast array of people who call Isla Vista home. This will only work, however, if a wide variety of people participate in the process.

In order to achieve this, the IVRPD has allowed for the creation of a new committee to decide on a number of issues including just what a monument should look like. Specifically, what it should be a monument to and how it will be funded.

If you are interested in being a member of this committee, please submit an application to the IVRPD office at 961 Embarcadero del Mar in Isla Vista by 12 noon Friday, Jan. 12, 1996. There is no pre-printed application form. Instead, the application should take the form of a letter and should include your name, address, phone number, why you are interested in the committee and whatever personal background you feel is relevant.

The Board of Directors shall choose committee members from the applicant pool at our second regular meeting in January. The meeting will be held Thursday, Jan. 18 at 6:30 p.m. at the above-mentioned IVRPD office. All applicants are encouraged to attend.

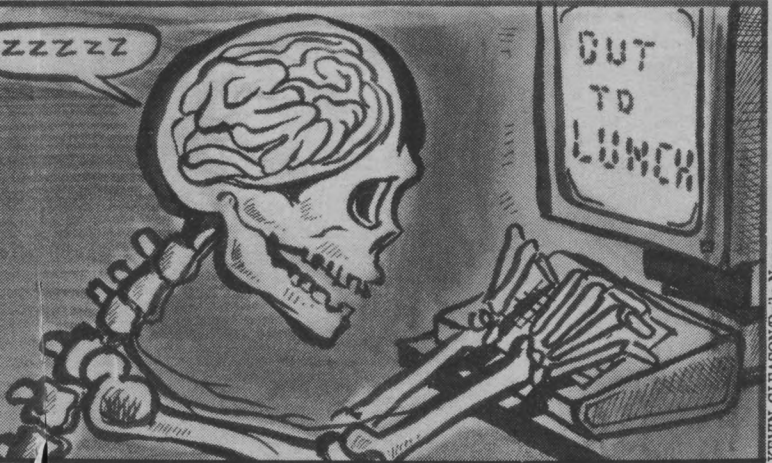
In closing, I would simply like to encourage anyone who is interested to apply, whether you have been here for two weeks or 20 years. This will only truly be a community project if we have a wide variety of viewpoints.

Geoff Green is the IVRPD Board of Directors chair.

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cket? Did those movies have a narrow angle" because they didn't show the joy of our first moon landing?

gry that Republicans supposedly are trying to downplay or even historically alter this "important era" in American history. One side note: while it is intriguing



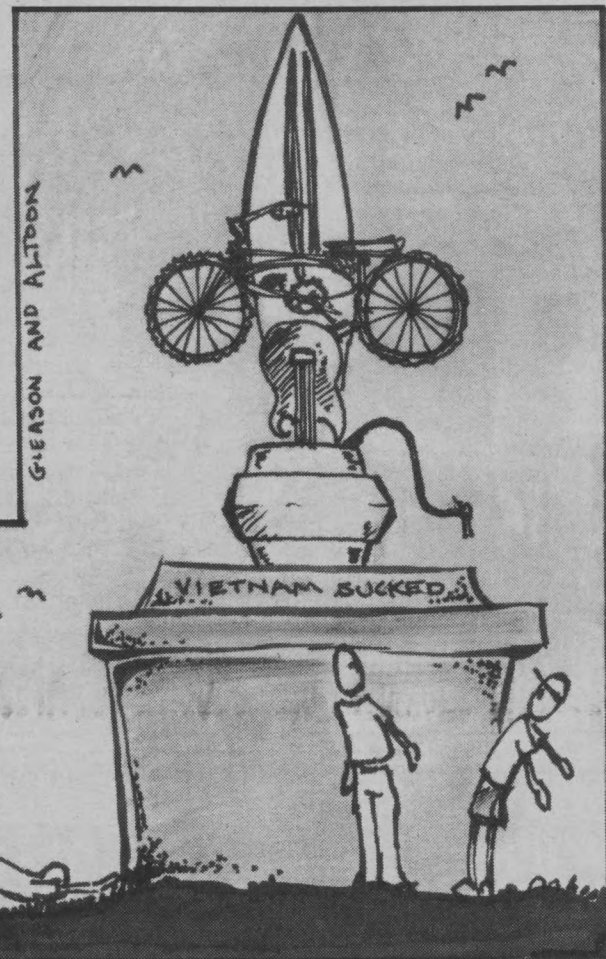
Granted, Travis, the Vietnam debacle was more horrible than can be put into words, and the Nixon administration was rife with "evil and immorality" as you suggest. However, assuming that you were not let a glint in your father's eye at the time Richard Nixon assumed the presidency, your generalized assessment of this complex man as just "a liar and a thief" is irresponsible. Those traits certainly appeared to be part of his persona, but they weren't the whole story, and I don't believe that you have the whole story.

ing to think about shipping Ehrlichmann, Haldeman and Liddy to "seclusion" somewhere so we don't have to worry about them, in order to do so, you would have to exhume Haldeman's body from its current state of rest, seeing as H.R. Haldeman passed away not too long ago. Make sure to check your facts.

It sounds to me like you are a little bitter that you weren't around to experience the drug-induced hippie intellectualism of the '60s and '70s, and you are even more an-

Travis, you seem to be on the right course, and should probably continue chipping away because I believe there are some good points in there waiting to come out. However, you might want to work through some of your arguments and statements before you decide to put pen to paper once again. Basically, think, then write.

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Abortion Robs Mothers, Children and Fathers of Life

Peggy Semingson

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Bunny. Why women feel this euphoric bliss mid-cycle. Life is sweet. A child is the most wonderful thing a woman can co-create and bring into this world.

Not everyone thinks so. Babies are conceived constantly, but not all babies are born. Certain liberal persons would like to abort every "accident" that comes along. But no baby is an accident. And abortion is not birth control.

It needs to be acknowledged that abortion is a violent act that permanently separates baby from mother. I am not arguing from a religious standpoint; I prefer common sense. Who knows what would have come of this most sacred union had the baby been allowed to live?

What we search for all our lives, whether we are male or female, is that lost intimate connection between our mother and ourself. Our first love will never be forgotten. Mothers always love their children. If they don't, then I

would think something is really wrong.

It is so natural, so innate to want a child — and that's why it is so unnatural to have an abortion. Our children will care for us when we grow old. I read in the book *Our Kind* by the anthropologist Marvin Harris that the main reason we have children is because they will love us, being love-starved as we all are.

Gays call straights like me "breeders." I'm speechless. What can I say? They're exactly right. The way they're doing it, homosexuals cannot reproduce themselves. Maybe there's a message in that from nature.

And I'm certainly not alone in my urgent heterosexuality and desire to one day be a mother. I used to work for housekeeping in the San Miguel dorm. The most popular poster in most women's rooms I saw was the one with the good-looking young man holding a tiny baby close to his naked chest. Every woman wants to have a healthy baby who has a loving father. Babies are too precious to think that abortion is not ending a life.

Have you seen newborns at a hospital? Their small, writhing bodies are so helpless, so needy and so dependent on us for living. One time, I saw a young father holding his day-old baby close to his chest. I caught his eye. He was so proud. This is the ultimate meaning in life, his toothy grin and sparkling eyes seemed to say.

When women have an abortion, it hurts the father of the baby also. He may or may not have had any input in the decision to end the life of what was partly his child. People joke about the man doing his few minutes of business and then leaving, but having a daddy is important to every child. He provides love, compassion and support for his mate and to their child.

OK, so life isn't Beaver Cleaver or Ozzie and Harriet. But women and children really do need men, good men, to take care of them and the children. The man should be econom-

ically responsible for the family. Double incomes shouldn't be necessary to live a middle-class life. Someone has to take care of the kids.

These views are not politically correct. We liberal-minded university students are trained to think that women are here to be men. But



we are not men and we have to stop pretending to be men. We need to get out of men's military schools and out of the trenches. But most importantly, and what I must urgently argue for, we need to take off that paper smock, take our feet out of the stirrups, and climb down from the abortionist's table before any more damage is done.

Peggy Semingson is a Nexus columnist.

BY GLEASON



DANEE

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Prince has never had problems scoring. While at Antelope Valley College, he once poured in 43 points. Overall, Prince has seen a great increase in his contributing role to UCSB, averaging 20.9 minutes and 7.5 points per game as compared to last season when he only aver-

aged 15.3 minutes and 4.9 per contest.
While it is still early in the Big West season, the UCSB basketball team will need key individuals to step up their play if they hope to come out victors in the jungle that is the Big West Tournament. Dancee Prince should be one of these people.
After all, the name is spelled Dancee with *ee* as in *three*.

GRANT

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Terman.
"If you look at the front of *USA Today*, you see lots of graphs, charts and statistics," she said. "All around us more and more people are being bombarded with data, and I think it is important for people to look at data and question what it means."
Weissglass hopes the program will help give students an impetus to be interested in math.

"How is the curriculum being made relevant to children who have to go through almost a war zone to get to school every day?" he said. "How can we make them see math as

something other than a burden, and something they can succeed in and use in their lives?"
The program is not an attempt to quickly resolve the problems at hand, according to Weissglass, but rather, a long-reaching effort.
"This is a very deep, complex problem and it is not something that is going to go away with a quick fix," he said. "There are very complex ... factors that enter this."
Many of the educational techniques used by EMELI have been used in the past by the university's Tri-County Math Program, which has helped local teachers for 13 years, Weissglass added.
Terman, Tri-County

Math Program director, was first introduced to it as a teacher at Oxnard Union High School.
"I thought it was a great experience," she said. "At the time I was wondering if what I was doing was all there was, but the program reaffirmed a lot of important beliefs I have about education."
Ana Becerra, EMELI associate director, has spent four years with the tri-county program and seen the positive results.
"Many of the teachers of color don't see themselves as leaders in education," she said. "Once they realized what was important to them, they could take responsibility for what matters to them."
One of the features of

the workshops is a personal experience panel where participants speak freely about sensitive subjects, Weissglass said.
"A Chicana teacher who had been teaching for 20 years in her district said that this was the first time that she had ever had a discussion about racism with people other than her own race," he said.
Many times, sensitive issues can make for unproductive topics because people can become defensive and feel blamed, he added.
Because of this, discussions are planned around personal experiences that math pupils and teachers have shared, he said.

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SKATERS

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Campus police are now attempting to discourage the activity for reasons other than transportation, according to MacPherson.
"The complaints are either recreational skating or the kind of behavior that is threatening to the individual's safety," he said.
The campaign may include an increase in prohibition signs on campus, according to Julie Dixon, Community Service Organization coordinator. The effort will also include calling on groups like the CSO, Public Safety Committee and Associated Students to help discourage potentially dangerous and

Skaters say the crack-down is not necessary and that they should have the right to use a campus they financially support.
"People who pay tuition here should be able to skate. I admit it does chip away at the cement, but as students, we pay for tennis courts and soccer fields also," said Ryan Hopper, a junior environmental studies and economics major.
Koji Kobashigawa, a sophomore Asian American studies major, said a negative image of skaters may be a bigger factor in efforts to remove them than any damage they may cause.
"I understand that our skating can cause damage, but the police can be quick to judge just because you have a skateboard and by

Campus police and CSOs often opt to give only warnings to recreational skaters, according to Timmons. But the campus is mandated to regulate skating by state law, Dixon said.
Because many of the university's 10-year-old skateboarding policies are outdated, police are working to update them to meet their needs in dealing with today's skaters, according to MacPherson.
"The behavior of the skateboarders back then is far different from what we see today," he said.
Because many of the skaters are juveniles and not university students, local elementary, middle and high schools will be involved in this campaign,

according to MacPherson. The effort will include contacting local Parent Teacher Associations and the Santa Barbara County courts to help in keeping skaters from coming to campus to recreate, MacPherson said.
MacPherson does not want an adversarial relationship with the skateboarders. Instead, he wants to educate skaters about their hobby's problems.
"Our goal is to try and solicit voluntary compliance," MacPherson said. "I think, clearly, the majority of the people comply, but I think it's time for us and others to change some strategies."



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UCSB Makes Anteaters Yell Uncle at T-Dome

■ Wallace, Prince and Flick Lead Squad to Win

By Michael Cadilli
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The Anteaters were supposed to be a tough team inside. They were supposed to be a team on the rise, and they were supposed to have one of the best point guards in the nation. They were also supposed to beat UCSB Wednesday night — but they didn't.

Right off the opening tip, the UCSB men's basketball team came out firing in the Thunderdome, starting off the contest with a 21-3 run that almost knocked UC Irvine right out of the building. Santa Barbara (5-6 overall, 2-1 in the Big West) held off a second-half Anteater (5-5, 2-1) threat to ink a 84-66 victory, and move into at least a tie for second place in the Big West. The Gauchos extended their home-winning streak over UCI to six games.

"You can't say, 'Hey, guys in yellow [UCSB], don't score until we get back in it,'" said UCI Head Coach Rod Baker of his squad's poor start. "This is just one of those places. There might be only one or two arenas that make a difference, and this is one of them. When [the crowd]

smells blood, they can finish it off."

In the first eight minutes of play for the Gauchos, senior forward Mark Flick (16 points, 14 rebounds) nailed a trio of three-point baskets, sophomore forward Kealon Wallace (career-high 25 points, 12 boards) had three layups inside, while senior guards Danee Prince (20 points, including 4-6 from three) and Phillip Turner (12 points, six assists) each had three points of their own. These four players accounted for 73 of Santa Barbara's 84 points on the night.

"Our first 10 possessions or so, I thought we got great shots, moved the ball well, kept good spreads, we were unselfish and we didn't force things," said UCSB Head Coach Jerry Pimm. "Then we started to think, 'Well, hey, this is easy, we are going to knock these guys right out of here,' and we started to force things. We stopped playing intelligently and we gave them some life."

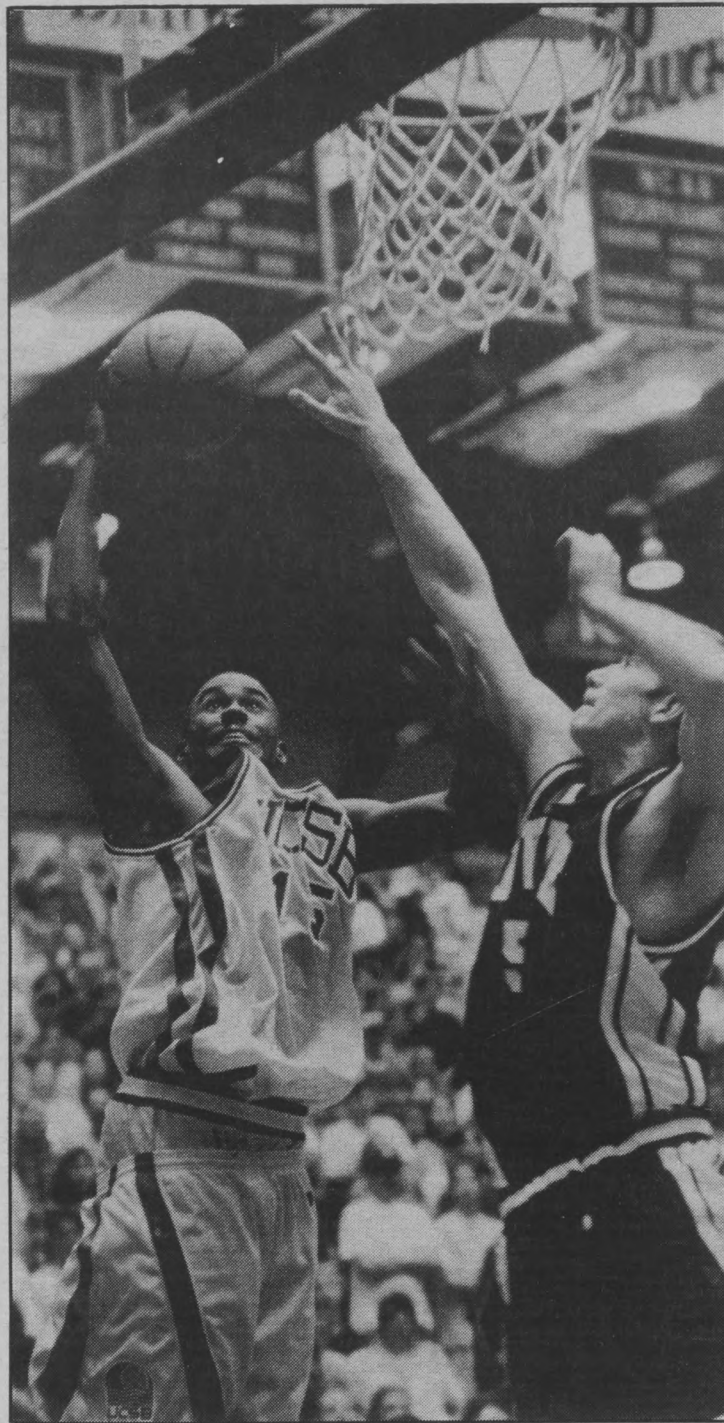
After shooting a dismal 1-11 in those first eight minutes of the first half, Irvine mounted a comeback — going on a 12-2 run behind the strong play of guard Brian Keefe, who had a team-high 18 points. No other Anteater scored in double figures in the game.

"The only disappointing thing in the first half was too many turnovers and bad reads. If we get better at that, we'll get a lot of good shots, and this is a good shooting team," Pimm added.

Halfway through the opening period, Santa Barbara was shooting at a .687 clip and finished up with a very strong .580 field-goal percentage.

But the man of the hour was Wallace, whose slam-dunk with 13 minutes left in the game gave UCSB a 51-40 advantage. Wallace also netted six important points down the stretch to put UCI away for good.

"Hopefully when Lelan comes back, he can take the



ALL SMILES: UCSB senior point guard Phillip Turner seems to be laughing at his UCI defender as he takes it to the hoop during Wednesday night's 84-66 Gaucho victory.

spotlight away from me, that way I can keep doing my thing," Wallace said. "[Coach Pimm] has more confidence in me now, I believe. And as long as he has confidence in me, I'm gonna try not to let him down."

Santa Barbara was supposed to get beat up and banged around inside by Irvine, but that

didn't happen. UCSB out-rebounded the Anteaters 42-29 and got good looks on offense in the paint.

"Our outside guys are doing a good job of getting the ball to our inside guys, especially to Kealon, B.J. [Bunton] and Mark [Flick] when he posts up," Pimm said.

PRINCELY PERFORMANCE BY DANEE LIFTS GAUCHOS TO WIN

By Chris Oyama

Just by the spelling of his first name, one can see that senior guard Danee Prince is not your ordinary basketball player.

Although Prince is listed as 6'1", he is far from that height in real life. However, what he lacks in physical stature, he more than makes up for in a game that is often reserved for towering giants who practically look down on the basket.

In last night's 84-66 Gaucho victory over Big West nemesis UC Irvine, Prince unveiled his deadly perimeter shooting. His precision bombs forced the Anteater defense to play up on him, leaving the middle open for UCSB's big men, senior forward Mark Flick (16 points) and sophomore center Kealon Wallace (25 points). Prince poured in 20 points, going seven-for-10 from the field, nailing four three-point shots and making a spectacular double-clutch lay-up in the closing minutes of the game.

With senior shooting guard Lelan McDougal still out nursing a concussion, Prince will need to continue to elevate his game with performances similar to last night's if UCSB hopes to stay in contention for the Big West title during the season's stretch run.

Although the abundance of Gaucho injuries has forced Prince to accept increased ball-handling responsibilities, this does not mean his specialty of putting the ball in the hoop should be overlooked. Being matched up against opponents that often tower over him, he still finds ways to score — especially from beyond the three-point arc. Prince is ranked second in three-point shooting percentage in the Big West at .456, behind teammate McDougal, who is first at .500.

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Irvine						
	min	fg	at	ft	r	a
Miglieniks	35	3	14	2	2	1
Keele	32	8	16	2	4	4
Simmons	32	1	9	3	4	2
Tate	26	3	5	2	4	7
Battle	25	3	8	1	2	7
McKnight	19	2	3	0	0	0
Foster	15	2	5	1	2	0
Parker	14	3	3	0	4	1
Fernandez	1	0	2	0	0	0
Augulis	1	1	1	0	0	1
Totals	200	26	67	11	22	29
UC SANTA BARBARA						
	min	fg	at	ft	r	a
Prince	37	7	10	2	2	2
Wallace	35	7	12	7	11	12
Flick	32	5	13	2	3	14
Turner	32	4	5	4	5	4
Allen	29	1	4	2	2	4
Miller	16	0	2	0	1	1
Bunton	16	2	3	0	0	1
Chavez	1	1	1	0	0	1
Jefferson	1	0	0	0	0	0
Johnson	1	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	200	29	50	17	24	42

Halftime: UCSB 36, Irvine 26.
Three-point goals: Irvine 3-16 (Clay McKnight 2-3, Raimonds Miglieniks 1-9), UCSB 9-16 (Prince 4-6, Flick 4-9, Bakir Allen 1-1).
Blocked Shots: Irvine 3, UCSB 4.
Steals: Irvine 12, UCSB 4.

SB Sails to Success at Rose & Sugar Bowls

By Curtis Kaiser
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Riding the winds of good fortune at two recent competitions, the UCSB sailing team enjoyed top finishes at two prestigious races, moving it closer to a coveted top-20 national ranking.

Last weekend at the Rose Bowl Intersectional, the Gauchos sailed their way to a fifth-place finish in the 22-team competition. One week earlier, Dec. 27-29, Santa Barbara took third place at the Sugar Bowl Coed Intersectional.

The Rose Bowl Intersectional, which was hosted by USC at the Alamitos Bay Yacht Club in Long Beach, saw UCSB post strong times behind its A team of senior skipper Jeff Grange and sophomore crew Joanna Adamczak, who finished in third place, as well as its two B teams: sophomore skipper Patrick Bingham and senior crew Kyra Goldsmith, who sailed on the first day of competition, and freshman skipper Chad Turner and senior crew Cathy Lee, who sailed the second day. Turner and Lee were able to help the Gauchos rebound from a slow start to move to sixth place overall in the B division.

"At the end of the first day, we were in 13th and not feeling too good about our performance, but then the second day in four races we got either first or second," said UCSB Head Coach Jay Allen. "We had a miracle comeback."

Seven teams in the top 20 were in attendance at the event: #1 Tufts University, #5 UC Berkeley, #6 Stanford University, #8 Georgetown University, #10 USC, #12 St. Mary's and #20 Tulane. The Gauchos were able to finish ahead of Tufts,

Georgetown and Tulane in the competition.

Lee, who is in her first season on the team, credited her teammates' encouragement for her strong performance.

"It was exciting for the team because we had six of us sailing for the team this weekend, but we had four more teammates there to support us," she said. "It was great to have your whole team supporting you and telling you how you were doing."

Allen feels that his squad's performance at the Rose Bowl event, as well as the Sugar Bowl, will vault his team into the national rankings.

"All rankings in sailing are based solely on intersectionals. When you go back-to-back intersectionals in off-season, it's really important," Allen said. "Between the Sugar Bowl and Rose Bowl, we've beaten nine out of the top 20 teams. With that performance we deserve to be ranked."

At the Sugar Bowl, UCSB took on some unfavorable conditions as it visited Lake Pontchartrain near New Orleans, where the squad battled large swells and 40-degree weather.

Behind strong performances from both its A and B teams, the Gauchos took home the third-place trophy in addition to free tickets to the Sugar Bowl football game on New Year's Eve.

The Gauchos' A team of Bingham and Goldsmith finished in fourth place in the A division, while the UCSB B team of Grange and Adamczak took second in its division.

"The stars were definitely Grange and Adamczak," Allen said. "They really came out on fire and won five of the first seven races. That put us in sweet position for the rest of the regatta."

Men's Gymnastics Season Preview

By Chris Oyama
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Competing in perhaps the toughest region of the country, this year's UCSB men's gymnastics team is looking for respect as it heads into the 1996 season.

Coming off a year in which several of its members qualified for the individual regional finals, the squad hopes to build on its accomplishments when it takes to the road for the Spartan Open, its first meet of the year. With a team consisting of mostly seniors and sophomores, the goal of this year's group is to qualify as an entire team for the Western Regional Finals.

Despite losing three members and not drawing any new recruits, UCSB Head Coach Mircea Badulescu still believes the team has the ability to achieve its goals.

"Realistically our goal is to qualify as a whole team for regionals. If this happens, our year will be a success," he said. "I feel we have the talent — I think all we lack is the depth, especially on the events rings and high bar."

One advantage that should greatly bolster the team's hopes of advancing to regionals is the

schedule, which Badulescu referred to as "the greatest ever."

"With five home meets, two invitationals and the fact we get to host the conference championship, we should be in a very good position to accomplish our mission," he added.

The events that are the Gauchos' strongest will be the pommel horse and floor exercise, according to senior co-captain Reid Holbrook. "I see those being our best events," he said. "The only area I think we really need to improve is in our strength. We need to get physically stronger as a team."

Sophomore all-around performer Paul Mendoza is also optimistic heading into the 1996 season.

"Last year everything was new to me," he said. "This year I know what to expect and have a better knowledge and understanding of what it takes to win."

Similarly, senior all-arounder David Cassie feels this year's team has what it takes to achieve its objective.

"If we can stay healthy, there's no telling how far we can go," he said. "This year's team is a lot more mature and I think it will show once the season gets going."