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**Aaachooooo!**

Today is World Health Day, so all of you sniffing, sneezing students better get to the Student Health Center.

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## Foot Patrol To Increase Traffic Law Enforcement

BY CHRISTINE PUTMAN  
Reporter

Bicycles are now fair game for local law enforcement agencies, which have declared open season on stop-sign and speed-limit violators in Isla Vista.

The 30-day conditioning period for the California Highway Patrol's new stricter enforcement of speed limits for motorists and stop signs for bicycles is scheduled to end around April 15. This new program, enforced in conjunction with the I.V. Foot Patrol, is intended to give leniency to first-time violators of the existing — but until now, loosely — enforced traffic laws.

According to CHP Officer Todd Johnson, radar tickets have yet to be issued since the new plan has been in effect.

"We aren't out to give tickets.



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Senior history major Chris Hoffee runs a Trigo stop sign Tuesday afternoon. The I.V. Foot Patrol is currently cracking down on traffic violations such as this one, especially by bikers.

Traffic commissioners look at priors, and the person's willingness to correct the behavior," he said. "Our goal is safety. We don't have a quota that encourages us to write tickets like the majority believes we do. However, in some cases we feel that a ticket is the only way to enforce the rules."

According to Johnson, I.V. is a high speeding area, and the IVFP wants to re-establish a safe reputation for the town. Speeds of up to 50 miles per hour have been clocked on Trigo and Sabado Tarde roads, Johnson said.

"Most of the problems are bike

collisions or close calls that make Isla Vista unsafe for everyone," he said. "If bikers and motorists can follow the rules, they won't have problems with the police."

Some of the traffic concerns in I.V. result from blind spots caused by oversized vehicles parked near intersections. According to Johnson, the local authorities want some curbs painted red in order to prevent hazardous accidents.

"We realize that parking in I.V. is difficult for students and we sympathize with that," he said.

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## UCSB Student Arrested in Sexual Assault Case

After nearly a monthlong investigation, the UCSB Police Dept. has made an arrest following a reported on-campus sexual assault.

Campus Police arrested freshman Daniel P. Venable on March 30 after connecting him to an alleged sexual assault at 1 a.m. on Friday, March 5, in San Miguel Residence Hall. According to public information officer Cathy Farley, the victim, an 18-year-old female UCSB student, was an acquaintance of the 19-year-old Venable.

"[Venable] is a UCSB student and a San Miguel resident," she said. "We arrested him on a warrant March 30, in connection with a sexual assault in San Miguel March 5."

According to Farley, Venable, who allegedly entered the victim's room without using force, was arrested on a number of charges.

"He was booked in the Santa Barbara County Jail on charges of attempted rape, oral copulation and penetration with a foreign object," she said.

Venable was released from the county jail the same day as his formal arrest. According to the District Attorney's office, the case, which is scheduled to go to court April 20, is currently under review by DA Eric Hanson.

Rape Prevention Center Director Carol Mosely said many sexual assaults go unreported by the victim. Rape and assault victims need to know that there are places at UCSB such as the Women's Center where students can go if they have problems or have questions about reporting an assault, she said.

"It's important to realize that these assaults do happen on our campus. I think we should support those who attempt to take action," Mosely said. "There are many resources on our campus for help and questions."

The UCSB Women's Center, which houses the Rape Prevention Education and Sexual Harassment Prevention programs, is located in Building 434, Room 141, and can be reached at 893-3778.

— Ted Andersen

## IVRPD Acquires Land to Preserve Endangered Resources

BY JERRY BEERS  
Reporter

Local residents feeling cramped can breathe a sigh of relief due to a recent Isla Vista Recreation and Park District purchase that will ensure more open space along I.V.'s coastline.

After extended negotiations, the IVRPD completed a deal for \$450,000 with the Chase family to purchase the blufftop properties located near the end of the 6800 block of Del Playa Drive. The IVRPD has shown interest in the property since 1977, but its previous purchase attempts were unsuccessful. According to IVRPD Director Dave Fortson, the deal was made in order to protect one of the few remaining undeveloped areas in I.V. and to preserve the rare vernal pools located on the property.

Fortson said the two sides reached an agreement out of court March 10 for three parcels of land at \$150,000 each. The transaction suffered a few setbacks because of the location and the scarcity of land in I.V., he added.

"Open space is one of the most essential things in Isla Vista. From the park district's standpoint, we feel we need more parks instead of houses and parking lots," Fortson



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A student enjoys the view from the blufftops at the beginning of Del Playa's 6800 block. The IVRPD recently purchased this property in order to preserve one of I.V.'s few undeveloped areas.

said. "Any open space left in I.V. is prime real estate, and people want to build on every open space they can find."

According to IVRPD General Manager Derek Johnson, the IVRPD first identified the blufftop properties as part of its land acquisition plan in 1977. The park district attempted to negotiate de-

als for the land in 1977 and 1986 but was unsuccessful in both attempts. Since 1991, the board has been negotiating with the current owners of the property, the Chase family.

According to Johnson, the presence of vernal pools — home to many rare plants and animals — was one reason the land had not yet

been developed.

"Vernal pools are a rare and endangered threatened resource," he said. "True vernal pools are found only in Mediterranean climates and contain native endemic vegetation and animal life that is found nowhere else in the world."

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## Alcohol Abuse Screening Can Aid Participants

BY RENEE HEYMING  
Staff Writer

If you or someone you know regularly wakes up in a strange place after a night of heavy drinking, an event this week could help put things in perspective.

The first National Alcohol Screening Day will include an on-campus screening Thursday at Counseling & Career Services in an attempt to reach people who think they or someone they know has difficulty managing alcohol consumption. Judy Hearsom, director of the Alcohol and Other Drug Program at UCSB Student Health Services, said the free, anonymous screening can help students recognize some of the red flags for problem drinking.

"Having frequent blackouts when you drink, having a high tolerance for alcohol, having negative consequences when you drink but continuing to drink anyway in the same way, a family history of alcohol or other drug problems —

See TESTING, p.10

# Top of the News

## U.S. Goes Bananas Over Import Tariffs



**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The United States was given the go-ahead Tuesday to begin imposing punitive tariffs on \$191.4 million of European imports in a nasty trade war over bananas.

The Clinton administration initially targeted a list of \$520 million in European imports for punitive tariffs. U.S. officials said the smaller amount still represents the largest trade sanctions ever authorized by the World Trade Organization.

The final list of targeted products will be published in a few days, officials said. They will be selected from the original target list, which covered products ranging from Scottish cashmere sweaters and Italian cheese to French handbags and German coffee makers.

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— **Charlene Barshefsky**  
U.S. trade representative

Representative Charlene Barshefsky said in a statement.

EU officials were still studying the complicated WTO ruling, which totaled more than 150 pages, and had no immediate comment, according to Ella Krucoff, an EU spokesperson in Washington.

During the six-year

battle, the United States has contended that EU rules unfairly discriminate against bananas grown by Chiquita Brands International Inc. and Dole Food Co. in order to favor bananas grown by former European colonies in the Caribbean. The U.S.

charged that the United States was acting in an "unacceptable and unlawful" manner in requiring importers to post bonds before the WTO arbitration decision was made.

Europeans have contended that politics was driving the U.S. effort. Carl Lindner, the head of Chiquita, is a major campaign contributor to both Democrats and Republicans.

The United States is also engaged in a trade battle over the European Union's ban against American beef raised with growth hormones.

Last month, the United States published a separate list of more than \$900 million of European imports and said it will impose 100 percent punitive tariffs on them beginning in May unless the EU drops its ban.

## State Senate Reconsiders Three-Strikes, Handgun Laws



**SACRAMENTO (AP)** — Sue Reams doesn't believe her son should be serving 25 years to life in prison for merely being a lookout for a drug deal.

Her son, Shane, was sentenced under three-strikes guidelines, which Reams says are too broad. The co-defendant in her son's case — the one who sold the drugs to an undercover officer — only got two years in prison, she said.

Reams described how her son's first two felony convictions were residential robberies, of her home and two neighbors' homes.

Reams was one of about 100 members of FACTS — Families to Amend California's Three Strikes — who came by bus from Southern California to support a bill by Sen. Tom Hayden (D-Los Angeles) that would alter three-strikes sentencing requirements.

The three-strikes law was passed by the Legislature in 1994, signed by former Gov. Pete Wilson and ratified by 72 percent of the state's voters. It mandates a prison sentence of 25 years to life for convicts with three or more felonies, if the first two crimes are considered serious or violent.

Hayden's bill, approved 4-2 Tuesday by the Senate Public Safety Committee, also would require the third strike to be a serious or violent felony.

Other measures passed by the committee Tuesday included a bill by Sen. Richard Polanco (D-Los Angeles) to prohibit the manufacture, import or sale of any "unsafe handgun." The penalty would be up to a year in county jail.

An unsafe handgun is defined as a weapon capable of being concealed that does not have a reliable safety or meet a specified drop safety requirement. The ban would include small, cheaply made revolvers known as Saturday Night Specials.

Hayden and Sen. Richard Rainey (R-Walnut Creek) won committee approval for joint "Good Samaritan" legislation stemming from the death of Sharrice Iverson, a 7-year-old murdered in the bathroom of a Nevada casino.

David Cash, a friend of convicted murderer Jeremy Strohmeyer, was criticized because he failed to report the crime.

The measure would make it a misdemeanor to fail to promptly report the killing, rape or sexual assault of a minor who is 14 or under.

All the bills now go to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

## AP WIRE SHORTS

• **SAN DIEGO (AP)** — A cancer treatment developed by a San Diego biotech firm has won government approval after being turned down less than a year ago.

DepoTech's anti-cancer agent DepoCyt was approved by the Food and Drug Administration on Monday. The product is a sustained-release version of the chemotherapy drug cytarabine and will be marketed for patients with a rare condition known as lymphomatous meningitis, which can be a serious complication of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. There are an estimated 10,000 people in the United States with the condition.

An FDA advisory panel in 1997 indicated it didn't see "any evidence of a clinical benefit" from the drug. But a new trial with 33 patients conducted by DepoTech apparently helped to change the FDA's mind. In the study, 41 percent of patients who received DepoCyt showed no cancer cells in their cerebral spinal fluid.

Still, the FDA panel that looked at the new DepoCyt study recommended approval with reservations. Panel members said they were concerned about the small size of the study and said they only want the drug available to patients who currently have few options.

After the initial FDA setback, company shares plummeted from \$22.25 to just \$1.76 a share. DepoTech has since reduced its work force and agreed to be acquired for \$31 million by a British rival, SkyePharma, which will now market DepoCyt along with DepoTech's marketing partner, Emeryville-based biotech Chiron.

• **RANCHO BERNARDO, Calif. (AP)** — A methamphetamine lab was found in a motel room and seven people were arrested, police said.

Officers checking the area spotted a car reported stolen last month in Escondido. The officers learned that a man seen driving the car was staying at the motel.

After smelling fumes and interviewing a person who had left the room, the officers concluded that drugs were being made there, spokesperson Bill Robinson said.

• **SAN DIEGO (AP)** — A freight rail line that cuts through part of northern Mexico just south of California is back on the auction block.

The Mexican government, which has sold off nearly all its state-owned freight rail lines in recent years, is trying again to privatize the 44-mile stretch of track that connects the Baja California Norte cities of Tecate and Tijuana.

A previous attempt to privatize the line failed when the winning bidder failed to obtain financing.

Bids for the 30-year operating concession are to be submitted by June 10, with a winner selected by the end of that month, said Jorge Silberstein, the Mexican official in charge of rail privatizations.

The revival of the Tijuana-Tecate line has been an ongoing pet project for Rep. Bob Filner (D-San Diego), a member of the House Transportation Committee. He has said the railway would promote economical growth on both sides of the border.

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## Weather

All this nonsense in Kosovo is absolutely egregious. Here we are, on the dawn of the new millennium, and we are still unable to reconcile our own primordial hatred of each other.

Nevertheless, I found it easier to pay my taxes this year because we were bombing someone. So how about giving us poor taxpayers a little more say in how our "donations" are used.

I propose that the government start an interactive pay-per-view channel where the average Joe/Jane can vote for a certain target to bomb each night (and day, too). It'll be like a Choose Your Own Adventure book, only better because this is for real! Afterward, everyone who voted for, shall we say, the most dynamite of a target will receive a Cracker Jack Medal of Honor and a little portfolio complete with photos of their adopted target — kind of like one of those Save the Children biographies you get when you sponsor a child for only pennies a day.

And another thing, I don't think we really have to worry about them shooting down any more of our planes. After all, this is the country that invented the Yugo.

Today's weather: mo' rain, mo' clouds, mo' bombs.

## A.S. Fills Pockets of Student Groups

BY BRAD GOODWIN  
Staff Writer

Several student groups came seeking money during the first Associated Students Finance Board meeting of Spring Quarter on Monday, and most received it in abundance.

The literary magazine *Catalyst* took home the largest allocation, receiving \$2,596. Board member John Kelleher praised the group for raising nearly \$2,000 from other sources.

"They went to all the residence halls and got nearly \$1,000," he said. "They have done a great job, so I think you should give them all of it."

Student Lobby was given \$1,530 to bring several speakers to UCSB on April 15 to inform students about sweatshop labor issues. Devin Molina, speaking for Student Lobby, said the group is fighting to end sweatshop labor.

"We are part of the vanguard of the movement to eliminate sweatshop labor all over the globe," he said.

Board member Mariah Hoskins voiced support of Student Lobby's efforts to stop the sale of alleged sweatshop-produced goods by the university.

"I was totally inspired, and have been all year with the sweatshop movement on campus," she said. "I would love to see this become a sweatshop-free campus."

There is a chance of increasing the money in the unallocated account, according to Board Chair Christina Costley, who explained that some groups have been given money they did not spend. The money would normally be returned at the end of the year, but Finance Board might be able to attain the funds now, thereby increasing the money available for Spring Quarter.

"We need to contact the groups before we seize anything," Costley said. "I don't think we can just walk in like the big A.S. tyrant and seize the funds."

The Student Alumni Association came before the board to find funds for its Etiquette Seminar, an annual event where students can learn proper etiquette for a business lunch. Board member DaJuan Cowan cited the group's comprehensive budget as evidence it deserves the requested funds.

"[The SAA representative] has gone over everything that the money will be used for, this event has been successful in the past, and we should support it this time," he said.

Alternative graduation received the least amount of money. Environmental Affairs Board, which runs the event, received \$400 out of its requested budget of \$1,000. Hoskins said she voted against the full amount because Finance Board should be used as a last resort.

"Based on that they have not gone to other sources yet, I do not feel comfortable giving them the full amount," she said.

## VOLLEY

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the match. They are a very good team."

Even though Santa Barbara has won five out of its last six matches, its playoff hopes are dim. Currently,

UCSB is sixth in the Mountain Division of the MPSF, behind BYU, Pepperdine, UCLA, UCI and LMU. Even if Santa Barbara wins the next three games, it may not be enough to get into the MPSF Tournament at the conclusion of the regular season.

"I don't think 8-11 [in the MPSF] is going to cut it this year," Preston said. "I don't think that winning three of the last four matches will be good enough to get into the playoffs. Last year we made the playoffs with an 8-11 record, but I don't think it would happen this year."



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## Reps To Vote on Base Fee, Lock-in Proposal

By ERIC SIMONS  
Staff Writer

Impending spring elections will force Associated Students Legislative Council to deal with a stack of 14 old business items in its first meeting of the new quarter.

After several months of discussion, the leggies will vote on an increase to the \$9.10 A.S. base fee to be placed on the ballot. Two proposals are being considered: a \$5 increase incorporating lock-ins for three organizations with \$3.51 for the base fee, and a \$3 addition to the base fee without additional lock-ins. Because the two bills deal with the base fee, they cannot both be passed.

The second bill was created and tabled late in the last meeting of Winter Quarter, with the final details to be hammered out at a meeting Wednesday prior to Leg Council, according to Off-Campus Rep Kami Leonard.

"What we were looking for is agreement from all three [groups being considered for lock-ins] to go through with the proposal," she said. "Since there were issues raised about the fairness we decided to take

those out and have the [revised] bill deal solely with the base fee. Obviously, they can't both be passed."

Should the revised proposal pass, the three lock-ins — increases for the Student Commission on Racial Equality, Community Affairs Board and Santa Barbara Tenants — will be voted on separately instead of as one combined piece of legislation, said Rep-at-Large Olyvia Rodriguez, the author of the proposals.

"The board thought that it would be unfair to have to choose from them all, as one conglomeration," she said. "They thought it would be better to separate the bills and let people vote on them individually."

Passage of either bill will put it on the spring ballot for students to choose, Leonard said.

"Some people have expressed the view that it's not fair to even propose to raise fees, but I think that it's best to let students vote on the issue," she said.

Also on the agenda is a plebiscite authored by Off-Campus Rep Jessica Naponelli that would poll student opinion about sweatshops.

"The goal is to ban apparel sold in the [UCSB]

Bookstore that has the UCSB logo and is made in sweatshops. We want to amend the current code of conduct to ensure that merchandise is made by workers with safe working conditions," Naponelli said. "We don't have control over GAP or Nike, but we have control over the bookstore. There's a lot of action nationwide, so we're just trying to spark UC action."

Another proposed lock-in would ensure the financial security of the electric shuttle, according to On-Campus Rep Mel Fabi.

"Funding for the electric shuttle is going away quickly, and we want to present a lock-in to ensure that students in Isla Vista have a way to get to campus and back," he said.

In addition to the electric shuttle, Fabi authored a plebiscite to gauge student support for Safety 2000, a recently passed program that deals with a number of safety issues.

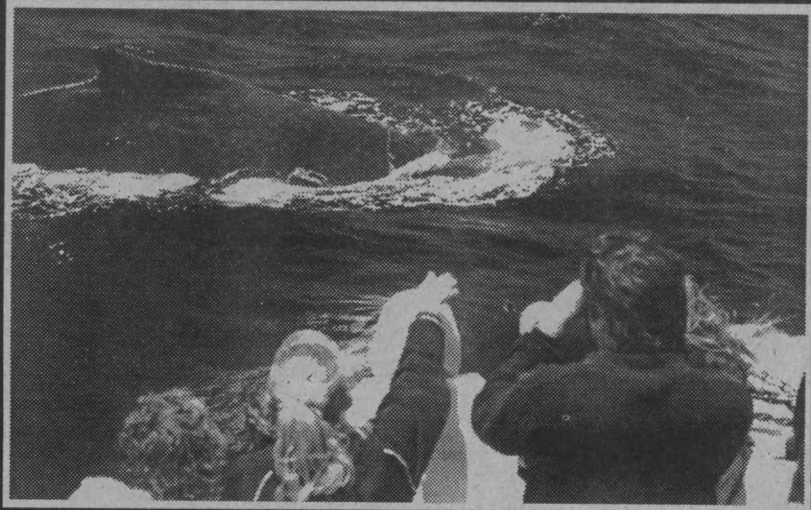
"We're just asking for student support. I think as a representative, that's important," Fabi said.

The meeting will be held Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the UCen State Street Room.

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### FILM

## Saving Private Ryan

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Academy Award-winner Steven Spielberg's unflinching depiction of a World War II mission to save the last living son of a family bereft by war. Stars Tom Hanks, Edward Burns, Matt Damon and Tom Sizemore. (1998, 170 min.)

Sunday, April 11

7 p.m. / Campbell Hall

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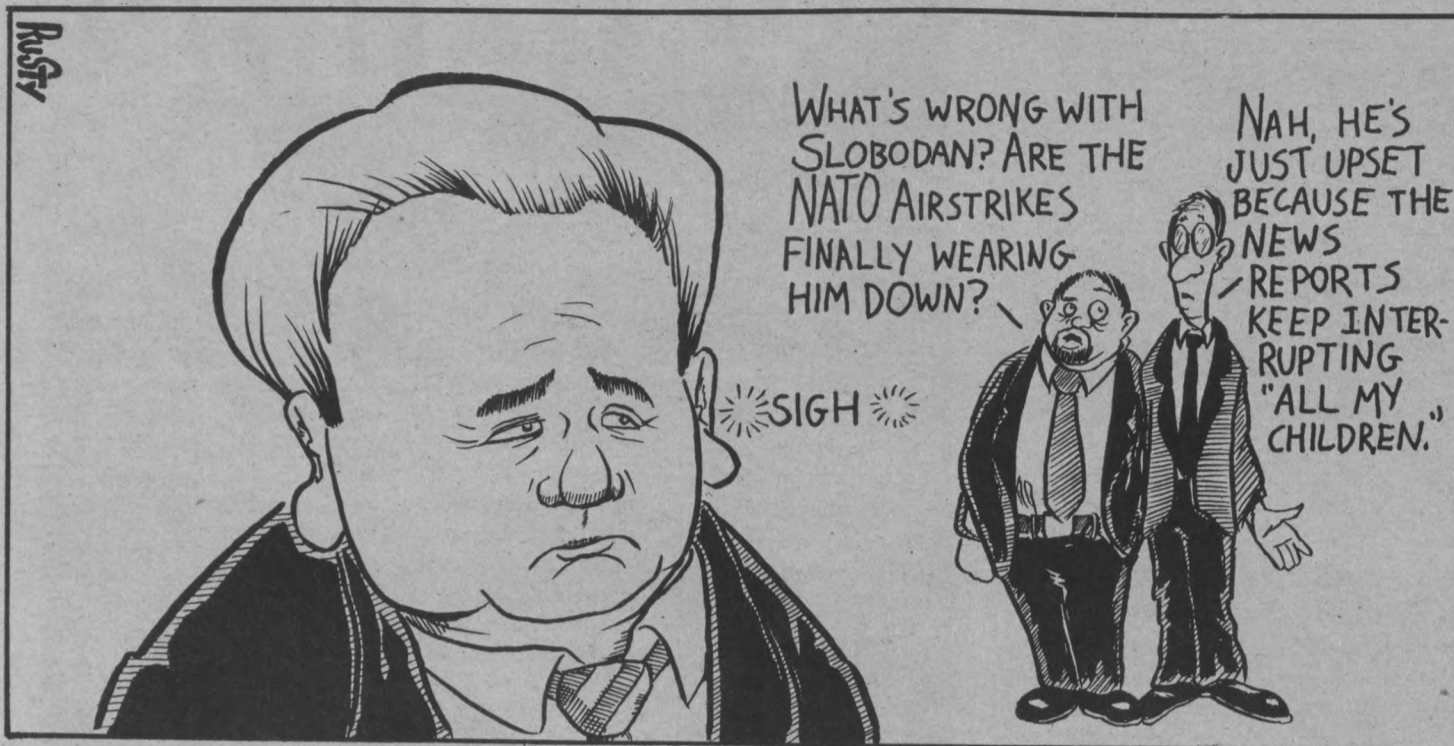
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RUSTY YATES / DAILY NEXUS

## Step Up

### NATO Forces Need to Accelerate Their Efforts in Order to Make an Impact in Kosovo

Democrats and Republicans, Jerry Falwell and Tinky Winky, the Nexus and A.S. government: What do these pairs have in common? They do not get along and probably never will. The same case exists in the Balkans: Serbians and Albanians will likely never get along.

This geographical area has been rife with conflict for thousands of years. And now, the strife has reached high enough levels that leaders of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization forces have intervened, headed by the United States. However, the air strikes and bombing of the last two weeks may not be enough. NATO needs to step up its efforts in defending the Albanians from the ethnic cleansing that is being employed to remove them from Kosovo.

First, a brief history: In 1389, Serbian forces were defeated by Turks and driven out of Kosovo. The factions of Yugoslavia united in 1929, bringing Kosovo into their communist republic. But in 1974, Kosovo gained autonomy through a new constitution, only to have that independence stripped away in 1989 by Yugoslavian President Slobodan Milosevic through an appeal to the region's Serbian ethnic minority. The Albanian majority in 1992 then voted to secede from Yugoslavia along with other non-Serbian regions, but Milosevic blocked their efforts.

Enter NATO. The U.S.-led forces began dropping bombs last month in order to cease the Serbian-imposed genocide of ethnic Albanians. However, these bombing missions' effectiveness doesn't seem to live up to the promises, and — when the 500- and 2,000-pound bombs fall on Kosovo itself — can't be looked at appreciatively by Albanians already beset by Serbian troops.

So what are NATO forces trying to do? Why are they bombing

such a sensitive area — the same area, mind you, in which World War I broke out? Genocide and ethnic cleansing aren't minor reasons. Albanians are being wiped out and human rights laws are being broken left and right. But other areas, including Rwanda, are experiencing genocide and the U.S. is not stepping in with as much force there. So why here, why now, in Kosovo?

The details seem a little shady. Might it be due to the fact there is an underground oil pipeline in the area, which could help lessen the OPEC tension? Also, Kosovo is near Russia, which has since withdrawn from NATO and is joined by China in its disapproval of NATO's activity in Kosovo. Not surprisingly, these issues are not being addressed by the Clinton administration.

Despite the sketchy motivations, putting a halt to the ethnic cleansing is obviously the morally laudable course. NATO forces, though, need to step up their efforts in order to actually accomplish their mission, which is to get Milosevic's forces out of Kosovo and return the state to its autonomous origins. Milosevic incited the Serbs to lay claim to the land and keep it under his stronghold, so it seems that Milosevic's removal could be the most efficient and effective way of stopping the slaughter. Whether NATO should target Milosevic himself remains uncertain; if we make a martyr out of him, we risk encouraging Yugoslavian nationalism against NATO.

The time is now for NATO to take a hard look at its mission. The lives and liberties of over 400,000 ethnic Albanians are at stake. The bottom line: NATO is irreversibly committed to putting an end to this madness, and should thus meet force with force to finish the job it set out to do.

## Alcoholism vs. H

### A Recovering Substance Abus

### Other Students Who May Hav

RODNEY CLARA

I have read numerous articles in the past two weeks addressing both sides of whether a problem exists with alcohol and drugs within our campus community. Some say that the students are drinking in excess, some say that it is just a part of campus life and that the problem is over-exaggerated. Well, both of these cases are the case.

I live in Isla Vista and see the partying that goes on every night; I occasionally participate myself. But when I do participate, I do it in a sober state. I am six years in recovery from drugs and alcohol. Now wait — don't turn away from this article. I am not one of those avowed recovering alcoholics who thinks that everyone that drinks or does drugs has a problem. I am just a concerned student. I am concerned that students that may have a problem may not even be aware that drug addiction and alcoholism are considered diseases.

I believe that if you can go out and get lit every night and still be a productive student, not to mention member of our society, then more power to you. My problem lies with the students that party through the cracks and never realize that they have a problem with either substance until they have been kicked out of school or arrested for doing something stupid like drinking and driving. There are 16,000 undergraduate students (not all of who drink, mind you) — what if 100 of these students had a problem with drugs or alcohol?

We all know someone who has dropped out of school for some reason or who has been arrested for some in-

## The Reader's Voice

### THE CORPORATE COOL MACHINE IS WATCHING

Editor, Daily Nexus:

David Downs has provided another woe-fully cynical column (Daily Nexus, "Actively Inactive: The Inactivist," March 11) with the inactivist manifesto published toward the end of last quarter. While I think David could care less about anything I'd say in response, I'm hoping to reach those who haven't yet completely lost their human spirit. Besides, not to respond would be to fall prey to the very same instinct David embraces.

Please don't mentally evolve as rapidly as David has — because in 10 to 15 years, when you're out of school and working for The Man, and maybe have a family to support, you won't care either. Life will still be fucked up, you might have your corporate day job to hump, you'll take your narcotics to avoid dealing with life and if the condom never broke, you'll have time to play the

Nintendo-512 to squander what's left of your brain.

You'll have happily succumbed to the Corporate Cool Machine, just as David has. Many people are already there, having branded themselves like cattle, from choice of clothes to cigarettes to alcohol. The Corporate Cool Machine doesn't care if you drink Coke or Pepsi, just so long as you shell out the bucks. It doesn't care what TV shows you watch, so long as you see the ads. All it really cares about is if you've been seduced, if it's captured your spirit.

Just because the Boomers sold out and bought Beemers doesn't mean we have to. Just as their hopeful optimism was bought and sold, our cynicism is being turned back on us — witness Sprite's self-criticizing "our product won't make you beautiful" ad campaign. The Corporate Cool Machine has learned how to speak cynically, so that we too can be seduced.

Our last hope is to simply refuse to hear their message. The last battle worth fighting for and winning is the People vs. the Corpo-

rate Cool Machine. The next fight doesn't even require much effort. Live without dead time and participate in TV Turnoff Week, April 22-28. You don't even have to push a button, just don't turn the damn thing on. Visit <http://www.tvfa.org/turnoff.html> for more information.

Otherwise, you can join David, and like one of the citizens of *Brave New World*, happily take your soma, score another one for the Corporate Cool Machine and stick another nail in the coffin of the human spirit, perhaps finally burying that annoying fucker. Your call.

MATT LYON

### CHURCH IN SUMMERLAND IS WORTH THE DRIVE

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I feel the need to inform the community about a wonderful church in Summerland. I know many students and faculty members

don't want to drive out of town on a Sunday morning to go to church, but this particular church is well worth the drive.

It's the First Presbyterian Church in Summerland near the Big Yellow House and it is only a 15-minute drive, just take the freeway and get off at the Summerland exit. Turn left under the freeway and then right at the first stop sign. It is on the left-hand side only a block or two from there. The minister's name is Rich.

There is a great service that I go to on Saturday nights at 6 and another on Sunday morning at 10. This church is very small and has only eight pews on each side. It is a small gathering and everyone is made to feel welcome and at home. The Saturday night service is a lot of fun. It lasts for an hour and the first half hour is celebrated with songs that are upbeat, enjoyable and will keep you humming all day long. These "prayer" songs are followed by a reading from the Bible and real-life applications of its meaning.

Rich is energetic and entertaining with a sense of how to relate things to our real and

practical lives. I've had a great time with another service in my life, Presbyterian ones, joyful service I don't too many people that they have a service, but I'm here out there and it's on this chance and fun way.

MARY

### PICKETING OF PEACE

Editor, Daily Nexus: Recently I returned from California in Turlock for a year. I had a college degree regarding the country's degree.

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tion related to drugs and alcohol. I think it is also safe to say we all know someone who always seems to make a complete fool out of him or herself when they get wasted, but they simply chalk it up as a good night out. Has any one of us asked that person if maybe the problem is due to drinking and/or doing drugs? What about that person who we see at parties that is always wasted? Is this because he or she just likes to have a good time, or could it be that they have a problem with drugs or alcohol. All

trained to deal with issues like eating disorders, learning disabilities, general stress counseling and drug and alcohol abuse.

For example, a student overwhelmed with stress because they are failing their classes would be able to drop in and discuss their problems with this counselor. The counselor would then help the student examine whether the problem was based on lack of studying, learning disabilities and/or abuse of drugs and/or alcohol.

Some would say that's what Student Health Service is for. Well, I don't know about you, but going in to Student Health Service is like pulling teeth: I don't look forward to going there (no offense to the folks in Student Health; I love you all). This person would be available in the comfort of one's own home whether that be a dorm or a greek house, and would be reaching out to the community rather than waiting for the problem to get so bad that the student stumbles or is forced by disciplinary services into the Student Health Center.

The great thing about this initiative is that if it passes, the chancellor of our university has agreed to match the funds 50/50! I think it is time that — as a community — we create a system that addresses the problem before any student is forced to leave this institution because no one ever told them they may have a disease like alcoholism, or for that matter, a learning disorder.

We owe it to the people whom we all have partied with that always seem to go a little too far. These people are our friends. I am glad a friend

pulled me aside and made me aware that "maybe I had a problem." If it were not for that friend, I would not be here writing this letter to you all right now.

All right, you can move on to the next article now; thanks for your attention. And hey, if you go out and party tonight or this weekend, be safe, avoid the guys in uniforms (unless you're into that) and have a good time.

*Rodney Clara is the Associated Students student advocate and a senior environmental studies major.*



MICHAEL VELASQUEZ / DAILY NEXUS

ents that fall right, I'm not saying everyone that falls down in the street and vomits on him or herself is an alcoholic, but what I am saying is that if it is happening routinely, then maybe there is a problem, and it's not the untied shoe laces and upset stomach.

I have worked hard to put an issue on the ballot that would create a clinical outreach counselor that would visit each and every dorm three to four hours per week. This person would also be available to the sororities and fraternities if they so wished. This person would be

cal lives. Then we finish off the service another song. I've been to a few church in my life, including Catholic and Presbyterian ones, and this is by far the most enjoyable service I have encountered. There are so many people out there who can say they have fun at church during the service. I'm here to tell you that there is one here and it is very close. Don't miss out on your chance to praise God in an exciting way.

MARY THERESA RODRIGUES

**MARKETING IS NOT A FORM OF PEACEFUL PROTEST**

er, Daily Nexus:  
Recently I was expelled and banished from California State University Stanislaus for peacefully picketing on campus. I had a contract with the university regarding the completion of my second master's degree. The university unilaterally

changed the contract, making it impossible for me to complete the degree. After months of letter writing and contacting the university's attorneys, I protested by picketing.

While we all know picketing is a form of free speech and we all have the right to address the government over our grievances, at Stanislaus State, the constitution is nothing more than toilet paper. So how does this affect students at the University of California? The state now has legal precedent to stop student complaints against any university administration.

In banning me from campus, the university was able to get a workplace restraining order against me, which prohibits me from finishing classes, criticizing university employees, printing fliers about the situation, or being within 1,500 feet of the campus. You see, opposing the university president has now been classified as harassment, and peaceful picketing has now been called disturbing the campus community. Though it is illegal to get a workplace restraining order against picketing and nonviolent protest, the

state government has now thwarted the U.S. Constitution.

If the state gets away with these actions, fascism and the gas chambers are not far behind. Support me in writing Gov. Gray Davis at the State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814. Protect all students' rights to free speech and peaceful protests against the atrocities of the state government.

RUSSELL K. HUNT

**Share your thoughts with UCSB ... write a letter.**

**Be on Alert!**

**Safety Tips From an Expert on How To Be Safe in I.V.**

**WILL WOOD**

With the disappearances of three college students in San Luis Obispo, it is time to reflect on what will keep you safe at UCSB.

Be aware of your own abilities: What can you honestly do to stop an attacker? Be aware of the area and surroundings: Where is the closest place to go to be safe? Be aware of the people around you: Is someone following or stalking you? Or making you uncomfortable? Define your personal space ahead of time and don't let anyone violate it! Be alert! Trust your senses — eyes, ears, smell, touch — and be able to know or feel when you are being followed! I have talked with crime



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victims who said they felt uncomfortable before an attack, but didn't act on their sense of intuition.

Have an escape plan and be able to act quickly when something happens. Show that you are confident and aware when walking. Look ahead, not down, and walk with a purpose. Think ahead of where open businesses or friends' homes are located. Remember, the attacker can be anybody. Most victims know their attackers, especially in sexual assaults. And don't judge a book by its cover — attackers can wear suits.

Avoid trouble by not walking alone. If you cannot get someone to walk with you, try and call a friend for a ride. If you must walk alone, stay alert and NEVER hitchhike. Remember, 911 is free from any pay phone and is automatically traced to your location. At night, avoid shortcuts through dark or unpopulated areas. Avoid hiding places such as abandoned buildings and walking close to buildings, doorways, bushes or poorly lit areas. Walk next to the curb, away from doorways where someone could hide. If you're being followed on foot, walk to a busy area.

And most importantly, don't let ALCOHOL IMPAIR YOUR SAFETY OR JUDGMENT! For more safety information or to schedule a free Personal Safety presentation, call Will at 893-7777.

*Will Wood is a retired Santa Barbara police officer who teaches public safety. He is currently the AP technical manager at the UCSB Bookstore.*

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### TICKETS

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"Places here charge \$300 for parking on the property, and that just doesn't happen anywhere else. But to make I.V. safe for everyone, we need to take action and reduce the number of cars parked on the streets."

IVFP Deputy Steve Philbrook said there has not been an increase in tickets given in I.V. since the increased enforcement began. "The Foot Patrol has been giving out warnings because of the new program, but as for the actual number of tickets, they haven't increased," he said.

Philbrook said the tickets for speeding and stop sign violations will range in price. "The tickets really depend on the judge,

but I have seen stop-sign violations range from \$100 to \$130," he said. "Speeding tickets are anywhere from around \$52 to \$100."

Cars will not be the only vehicles under the radar gun, Johnson said — bicycles will also be targeted. According to Johnson, most accidents involving bicycles and motor vehicles are due to a lack of adherence to stop signs and speed limits.

Junior business economics major and I.V. resident Keith Bagwell said he thinks bicyclists should simply use common sense to stay safe at intersections.

"[The Foot Patrol] can kiss my ass. I think that people on their bicycles should use their own discretion," he said. "It's ridiculous that you should have to stop and get off your bike at every stop sign."

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# PROPERTY

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We have plants out there that have yet to really be identified," Johnson said.

Director Pegeen Soutar said the negotiations were prolonged because of the disagreements between the IVRPD and the Chase family over the land's market value.

"The Chase family tried to get building permits recently and were denied by the County Planning Office. Then they appealed to the county Board of Supervisors and were again denied," she said. "The Chase family thought that the market value was much higher, and I think they were hoping that one of the board members would overlook the problems and grant them a building permit."

Fortson said he would like to see the IVRPD preserve

the land in its natural state while possibly utilizing its educational potential.

"I think we will do a complete restoration of the vernal pools and remove the exotic plants that are currently there," he said. "Also, I would like to see some signs posted that explain the function of the vernal pools."

Soutar explained that while the board is pleased with the outcome of the negotiations, there are still two parcels of privately owned land on the blufftop that are potential purchases.

"There are seven lots out there; the county owns two and we declared condemnation on three," she said. "I would love for the park district to acquire the other two, but right now we don't have the money. We aren't really in a hurry because there is no immediate danger to the other two lots because they can't be built on."

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**Aries** (March 21-April 19)—Today is a 5—Old skills could be quite useful today, and even profitable. It's good to learn new ones, of course, and you should be launching into that kind of project soon. Don't forget what you already know, however. That'll come in very hand today, when it comes to making money.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20)—Today is an 8—You may be a little stressed about money initially, but you're about to get over it. You'll be coming up with a lot of good ideas soon, which will divert your attention and maybe increase your abundance — eventually. Instead of finding a way to get rich quick, you'll learn how to get rich slowly, so you can build a legacy.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21)—Today is a 5—Commiserate with a friend who's having financial difficulties, but don't try to bail him or her out. This person could spend more in a day than you make in a week, and with a lot less effort. Keep what you earn to yourself. You may need it.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22)—Today is a 6—Pay close attention to what's going on around you today. Very quick action may be required, and you might have to let go of your ideas about how things are supposed to be. If you're agile, you might wind up with something better than you thought you could have. A good partner will be helpful too.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22)—Today is a 5—Looks like there's plenty of work to keep you busy today, more than you want, in fact. You'd just as soon be out running through the green fields, in search of love and adventure. Well, the adventure might be out there, but the love is more likely nearby. Instead of looking elsewhere, look up.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Today is a 7—Your hard work is starting to pay off, and you're making a very good impression on a person you like a lot. This person is not just attracted to your good looks and pleasant demeanor, but also to your ingenuity. Use that to make a little time together.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Today is a 5—There's a controversy brewing, and you might play a major part in how it all works out. The conflict isn't necessarily between you and someone else, but it does involve people close by. You get to be the moderator again, much to your delight. You're great at that job.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)—Today is a 6—There's a difficult problem at work today that could cause tempers to be short. Don't get upset yourself. That'll just make things worse. Instead, practice skills you've been recently learning. You'll come out looking like the champ, and you love it when that happens.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Today is a 5—You're not usually the best person in the world for setting up routines. That's often left to someone else. Sagittarians are better known for bending the rules than making them, but today, if you play by the book, your success is assured.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)—Today is an 8—It'll be hard to stay in hiding today. People are starting to clamor for your opinion. They need your advice so they can decide how to proceed, and you've probably got a few choice things to tell them. Be nice.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)—Today is a 5—Looks like something you've been avoiding is about to come due. You hate to be behind schedule, but if you're not careful, that could happen. Avoid it by planning ahead. What do you need to have finished by Friday, and how much of it can you get done right now? The more the better.

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## TESTING

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these are all warning signs that someone has a drinking problem and could develop alcoholism," she said.

Though the screening day focuses on the community at large, special attention is being given to college campuses nationwide, according to Santa Barbara Cottage Hospital Public Affairs Director Janet O'Neill. Cottage Hospital will be one of the main screening sites.

"There is a particular emphasis on college-age students, as they tend to be developing their drinking habits at that age," O'Neill said. "The screening, which should take less than an hour, is a public service to increase awareness about alcohol abuse. ... There's also a problem with [senior citizens], and we're focusing on that here, too."

C&CS psychologist Jeanne Stanford related many UCSB students' misconceptions about alcohol.

"All the students I talk to say, 'I don't drink more than my friends,' but their friends drink a lot," she said. "They think that if they binge drink Friday, Saturday and Sunday but not weekdays then they don't have a problem. People think alcoholism is drinking every day, but having only one drink a day doesn't mean someone is an alcoholic — it can actually be healthful."

Screenings will be held at C&CS and will include a questionnaire, a short film and a one-on-one discussion with a counselor, according to Hearsom.

"If the counselor sees a problem, they will refer the person to someone who can help them; either that or they will tell them they are OK," she said. "Also, if someone is coming in about a family member or friend

that they believe has a problem, the counselor will help them deal with that."

According to Hearsom, a 1994 survey stated that 44 percent of college students binge drink — defined as consuming more than five drinks in one sitting in the last two weeks. UCSB also shows a 44 percent binge-drinking population, Hearsom said.

"I'm happy that we're not higher than the national average, but I'm also concerned that college drinkers are the heaviest drinkers of any age group," she said. "My main concern is not that [college students] are alcoholics, but that when they drink heavily, they tend to have problematic experiences."

Junior business economics major Jacob Tedesco said he felt that the definition of binge drinking was a little off the mark.

"That's a pretty weak definition. By that definition I do it all the time," he said. "I'm sure there's a lot of people who drink way more than they should."

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# Sports

## There's One in Every Crowd

MARVIN GAPULTOS

So I go over to the RecCen the other night to run a couple games of basketball and surprise, surprise — I didn't get to play 'cause there were too many damn people waiting. That ain't the worst part either — the dudes that did get to play exhibited zero game.

Despite the fact that I couldn't get into the game, I didn't go home. I figured that if I couldn't get a run in, I could at least stay and watch. While sitting on the baseline, I noticed something — no matter what, in every pick-up game going on across the planet, there are *always* the same type of characters playing on the court. I don't mean it's always the same cats playing, I mean it's always the same *type* of cats playing. For example:

There is always that guy who is dipped in Nike from head to toe. When you look at him, you think he's a baller. But when he actually plays, the logo on his Air Jordan's would probably do better.

This next kid is probably the most confusing of all b-ball players to me: The guy that plays in jeans. What the hell is wrong with this guy? What in Dikembe Mutombo's name is going on in this dude's head? It's hard enough to ball in knee-length mesh shorts, but to do it in a pair of tight-ass jeans?

Then there is the guy who just straight smells bad, the guy that smells like Vlade Divac looks. I always like having Smelly Guy on my team because he plays the best D. He can make anyone miss a jumper if he is within whiffing distance. Now that's an impact player.

There also always seems to be at least one female on the court at all times. The sad thing is, no matter how much skills she may have, she will rarely get passed to. This girl is open throughout the whole game because even her defender ignores her. Just once I want to see her throw down a nasty two-hander and show the fellas what's up. I'd pass to you, girl.

What pick-up game would be complete without the scorekeeper? This is the person who has absolutely no basketball talent and makes up for his shortcomings by keeping track of the count. However, this player can be the most important one on the team; if he's smart, he'll mess with the numbers and make sure his team is always ahead.

And finally, another regular on the court is the Daisy Dukes wearing, knee-length striped socks sporting, old-school Converse sneaker having, Steve Urkel-looking guy. The funny thing is, this one's got game.

Marvin Gapultos is the Daily Nexus assistant sports editor and, if given the chance to play, would take Urkel boy to the hole.

## Five Straight Wins Over Break Might Not Cut It

■ Playoff Hopes Dim After Tuesday Night's Loss

By JUSTIN MAUCH  
Staff Writer

After suffering a midseason six-match losing streak, the UCSB men's volleyball team has caught fire and won five of its last six contests to up its record to 9-12 overall, 5-11 in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation. Over the past two weeks, the Gauchos have defeated Ball State, Rutgers, UC Santa Cruz, Loyola Marymount and San Diego State.

Tuesday night, the #2 Long Beach State 49ers halted the Gauchos' five-game winning streak in four games (11-15, 7-15, 15-13, 10-15) at the Thunderdome. Santa Barbara still has a mathematical chance of making the MPSF Tournament, but with only three matches remaining, it must beat #1 BYU twice and Cal State Northridge once to advance to the postseason.

The streaking Gauchos easily handled Eastern foes Ball State and Rutgers in three games apiece

match in five games, thereby extending their winning streak to five matches. UCSB Head Coach Ken Preston noted that Ball State and Rutgers are not marquee teams, but the wins increased the confidence of the slumping Gauchos.

"Ball State could be a good team, but they didn't play well against us that night," he said. "I thought they were a good opponent for us, they were not a bad team. Rutgers was OK, but they are not a Long Beach State or a BYU."

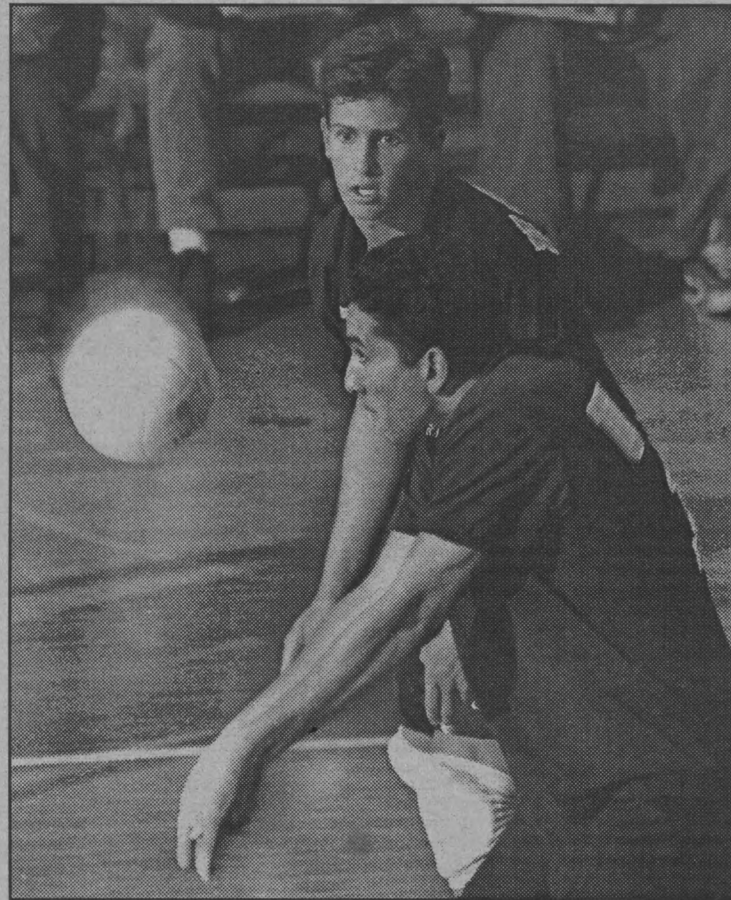
UC Santa Cruz was simply out-matched by the surging Gauchos. UCSC hit an embarrassing .043, against Santa Barbara, while UCSB hit a scorching .451 at the net. The Gauchos dispatched the Banana Slugs in one hour behind 19 kills from Collins and nine kills from Tomkinson.

The road has not been kind to the Gauchos this year, manifest in their 3-7 away record, but Santa Barbara closed out its road schedule with two consecutive victories. It was the first time this year UCSB has won two straight road games. Preston was pleased with the way his team responded in close matches against LMU and San Diego State.

"I thought the wins were very satisfying," the 21-year coach said. "Against Loyola, we played a good match and fought hard. They dig the ball well and transition well. We beat them on their home court, which was huge. It gave us the belief that we could win. In the game against San Diego State, we didn't play well in the first two games. To be able to come back from 8-0 and 12-3 in the third game and win the match was tremendously satisfying."

Freshman outside hitter Joaquin Acosta, who posted 24 kills and a .475 hitting percentage against LMU, said he believes the Gauchos have been more cohesive since the team hit rock bottom against USC on March 11, their sixth straight loss.

"We've been playing more relaxed recently," he said. "The win against LMU was big. Everything



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**A RIVERA RUNS THROUGH IT:** Freshman outside hitter Andy Rivera gets one of his four digs vs. Long Beach State on Tuesday night.

is real positive and we are playing better as a group. After we were down against San Diego State we came back and showed a lot of character."

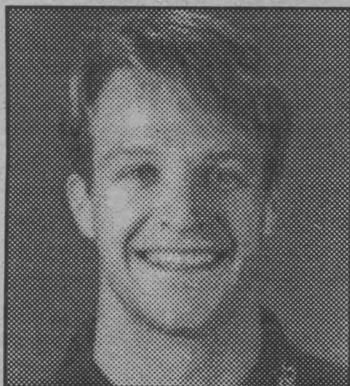
The Gauchos hoped to ride the wave of success back home against rival Long Beach State on Tuesday night. However, the 49ers played good defense to win the match. Offensively, the 49ers hit .365 in the contest, led by junior outside hitter Scott Faber's .607 efficiency. Sophomore outside hitter David McKenzie put down 36 kills to lead the Long Beach attack, and also led the team with 13 digs. UCSB was led by the outstanding play of Collins, who had a game-high 37 kills in 72 attempts. Tomkinson added 14 kills and freshman outside hitter David Kohl chipped in 10. Long Beach's solid defense led in digs (55-49) and blocks (17-14). Collins said this disparity is the difference between a great team and a mediocre

team. "We're doing everything right to win except dig balls," Collins said. "If we could just dig balls we would have a record twice as good as it is now. The thing about Long Beach is that they believe they can win. We are starting to learn that and we will get better."

Preston was happy with Santa Barbara's effort but noted that the offense struggled early in the match.

"I thought we played an outstanding match, but our outside hitting wasn't that good in the first two games," he said. "Kohl and Joaquin Acosta were not very effective on the left side, which put a lot of pressure on Collins. If our passing was a little better, we could have set the middle a little more than we did. Long Beach has really good ball control and play good defense, which was the difference in

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Kevin Collins

and sent the Banana Slugs crawling back to Santa Cruz after a three-game defeat. Santa Barbara went on the road to face #9 LMU and went the distance, defeating the Lions in five games behind junior outside hitter Kevin Collins' 35 kills and junior middle blocker Andy Tomkinson's 28.

In San Diego, the Gauchos dropped the first two games and were down 0-8 in the third game against the Aztecs, but mounted a resilient comeback to win the

## Williams Is Best in West

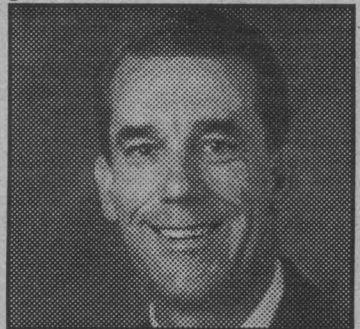
UCSB men's basketball Head Coach Bob Williams has another coach of the year plaque to add to his growing collection after winning the National Association of Basketball Coaches NCAA District 15 Coach of the Year award.

Santa Barbara's first year coach was already named the Big West Coach of the Year after turning an 0-8 record at the outset of the year into a 15-13 finish, a Big West Western Division first place finish and a 12-4 overall mark in the Big West. Williams guided the Gauchos to the second round of this year's Big West Tournament and its first-ever Division title. For Williams, it was his second NABC award in a row.

Last year, while coaching at UC Davis, Williams won the award for Division II. He also was named the Division II Coach of the Year for

1998 after leading UC Davis to a national championship.

District 15 comprises California, Washington, Nevada, Oregon, Hawaii and Alaska.



Bob Williams

"It's always an honor to be recognized by my peers," Williams said. "My team shares in this honor because it is recognition of their hard work as well."

— Matt Hurst

## UCSB Gymnasts Head to Regionals

The UCSB men's gymnastics team hasn't had any help from its schedule recently: The Gauchos had to compete in four different meets over Dead Week, Finals Week and Spring Break.

In the first meet, held March 12, the Gauchos finished with 209.925 total points, losing to first-place Air Force (216.05) and second-place New Mexico, which had 218.075.

Two days later, UCSB faced off against Air Force again and against a new foe, Army. However, the result was the same — Santa Barbara finished third, this time with 214.05 points. Air Force won the event again with a score of 219.95, while Army was nipping at Air Force's heels with a 219.35.

March 18 brought #1 Illinois and Army to UCSB to face the Gauchos. The Fighting Illini showed why they are #1 by scoring 225.3 total points to Army's 217.3 and Santa Barbara's 215.2.

On the weekend of March 26-27, UCSB went to the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Tournament, finishing in eighth place with a score of 211. This weekend UCSB will travel to Salt Lake City to take part in the NCAA Regionals.

"[Sophomore] Cody Casey is a national title contender for the floor event and maybe on vault," UCSB Head Coach Mircea Badulescu said. "[Sophomore] Gidon [Moshkovitz] is a very good all-arounder if he hits his weakest events — parallel and high bars. The conference is a very bad schedule for us. Exactly that week of the final exams, we have to go to the conference and we are messed up mentally and physically."

— Matt Hurst