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A.S. Run-Off Starts Today for Opposing Two Finalists

The two contenders left vying for the top Associated Students position are preparing today for the last hurdle in the A.S. elections.

Both Brittany Oates and Chuck Darrow remain confident that they can achieve the majority of votes needed to clinch the post of A.S. president in the run-off election taking



place today and Wednesday. "I'm just happy to be in the run-offs," Darrow said. "I didn't enter the race if I didn't expect to win and I'm not into tilting at windmills."

Oates expressed her surprise at receiving the highest percentage of votes in the first round of elections. "I was very surprised and very pleased," she said. "I'm very excited because I know my chances are good."

The two finalists are eager to make concrete the plans and ideas about the campus they promised in the initial campaigning process.

"If I win, I hope to execute the

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UCSB Professor Aids in Process to Develop New Form of Glass

By R. Jason Zakocs
Reporter

A UCSB professor has joined forces with a fellow chemist to develop a new form of reactive glass that possesses the ability to detect certain chemicals and chemical combinations in the atmosphere.

Helmut Eckert, a leader in nuclear magnetic resonance spectrometry, accompanied Al Stieglman, a scientist at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, California Institute of Technology, in analyzing the glass, which changes colors upon sensing the presence of specific gases.

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These Eucalyptus trees in Ellwood Shores, home to the Monarch butterfly, are in danger of destruction, as beetles have already wiped out a quarter of their population.

Beetle Infestation May Hurt Local Butterflies

Insects Threatening Ellwood Eucalyptus Trees

By Cisco Cuerva
Reporter

A team of entomologists from UC Riverside is investigating a local beetle infestation that might destroy trees that provide a roosting site for the Monarch butterfly.

According to the UCR researchers, the groves of blue gum Eucalyptus in the Ellwood Shores area north of West Campus are in jeopardy due to the eucalyptus longhorn borer beetle. The butterflies that breed at the site could also lose their mating habitat, reportedly the largest of its kind in California, as the trees provide the high roosting area that butterflies seek out.

Santa Barbara's recent droughts have put the trees at an even greater risk. "Anytime there is a drought, trees become stressed, making them more susceptible to the beetle," UCR entomologist Dr. Lawrence Hanks said.

The beetles lay their eggs in the loose bark. After hatching, the larva eat through the trees to the core. The team estimated that the beetles have killed about a quarter of the Eucalyptus trees

in the Ellwood Shores area so far.

The insect is native to Australia, but can migrate to other places where Eucalyptus trees are cultivated. "The beetle arrived in Southern California near El Toro Military Base, so it probably came in on a military ship," Hanks said.

According to Hanks, the beetle has no natural enemies here, which allows it to spread unchecked, further endangering the trees and butterflies. He cited a similar incident in Portugal in which the beetle destroyed blue gum plantations estimated to be worth \$5 million.

The UCR team urged local officials to take immediate action to save the Eucalyptus and the Monarchs. They suggest importing a species of wasp, one of the beetle's natural enemies, from Australia. This technique, known as biological control, will help mitigate the loss of Eucalyptus, according to Hanks.

"This specialized wasp is also from Australia and will not disrupt the existing environment," Hanks said. "They only prey upon the borer beetle." The

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New Parking Site May Be Built for Campus Commuters

By Dan Warren
Staff Writer

An 800-space parking structure will be built on campus in an attempt to alleviate the scarcity of allotted spaces currently available to campus commuters.

Instigated by the Long Range Development Plan, which outlines construction on campus into the 21st century, the problem of decreased parking lots has resulted in a recommendation by the Parking Structure Planning Group last week. The body decided to erect the structure in place of the tennis courts presently occupying the space on University Road across from Cheadle Hall.

If the campus decides to pursue this project, it will not be completed for a number of years, said Melba Ortiz, PSPG chair.

"The campus hasn't committed to building it," Ortiz said. "If the campus decides to build a parking structure ... it will take us a year to two years to get it built."

According to Ortiz, the estimated total cost of the recommended parking structure is \$12.1 million. Parking Services, which must foot the construction bill, is only funded by parking permit sales and re-



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Not a space to be found in Lot 21 — a problem that University Parking Services hopes to alleviate with the erection of a new parking structure on campus.

lated fees such as day passes and fines.

The remaining cost of construction will be funded by the consumers — those who park on campus. This will result in a raise in parking permit prices, from the current \$11 per month to approximately \$20 per month at the garage's opening, Ortiz said.

"If we build a structure, it

has to be self-supporting, as we have to pay for it through parking rates and related parking fees," she said.

Members of PSPG said the present cost of \$11 per month is far below the average for parking on a UC campus, and they believe students, staff and faculty will be receptive and understanding of the need for a rate increase.

According to Mark Milstein, Associated Students external vice president and PSPG member, the campus has no option but to accept the increase in parking charges.

"This campus is paying so much less than everybody else," Milstein said. "It's clear that rates are going to have to

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Weather

The rain hung around a bit longer than expected, but went away long enough to leave a beautiful day, capped off with an incredibly howl-at-able full moon. And in the spirit of the weirdness that a full moon invariably brings, the *L.A. Times* threw all its readers for a loop by re-vamping its View and Calendar sections. And the reviews? A sample of the Nexus weather staff returned the following:

"An assault to the senses!"

"Why do we need big red lines to point us to things."

"It sucks. The *Times* shouldn't have to worry how it looks to it's public. The *N.Y. Times* stayed black and white and it still kicks ass."

"Vomitous."

Well, thumbs down in general.

Tuesday's High: 66, Low: 44

Outlook: Partly cloudy, chance of showers early.

High tide: 11:13 am (4.3), 10:43 pm (6.3)

Low tide: 4:53 am (-1.5), 4:30 pm (1.0)

Sunset: 7:39 pm, tomorrow's Sunrise: 6:14 am.

Correction

In the April 25 edition of the Nexus, the article "Peers Focus on Assault Prevention" indicated that a rally would be held at noon on Thursday for Rape Awareness Week. The rally will be held at noon today. The Nexus regrets this error.

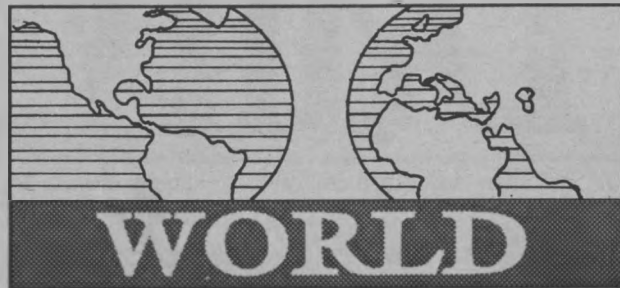
HEADLINERS

Police, Army Troops to Guard Voters

GERMISTON, South Africa (AP) — As a wave of terrorist bombs cut a swath of death in South Africa, the government ordered out more than 100,000 police to guard voters in the election beginning Tuesday that will bring Blacks to power in this country.

A bomb hidden in a trailer ripped through a taxi stand Monday in the eastern suburb of Germiston, striking the mostly Black commuters in a fire-storm of glass and twisted metal. Ten people died and 41 were wounded a day after a similar car bomb in downtown Johannesburg killed nine.

Late Monday, police reported an explosion in a tavern in a Pretoria suburb used as a transit point by Black commuters. Police said there were two deaths and about 30 people injured.



"A group of desperate people has ... declared war on the rest of this society," President F.W. de Klerk said. "We will not rest until they have been tracked down, convicted and punished, as they deserve."

In the attacks in the Johannesburg area, up to 220 pounds of explosives were used. Authorities believed the bombings were linked and announced they had taken one person in for questioning.

Survivors said they saw whites fleeing the vehicles before they exploded, ad-

ding to suspicions that the bombings were the work of right-wingers bent on disrupting the election that will see the sunset of white rule in Africa.

There were at least 10 smaller bombings Sunday and Monday that caused no casualties but escalated the tension. Electric pylons, polling stations and Black taxi stands were targeted.

Debris was scattered over a four-block area of Germiston, a satellite city of Johannesburg, after the blast. Pieces of exploded

vehicles hung from tree limbs; body parts and twisted metal lay on the ground. A building with stores and offices collapsed, and one minivan was thrown up on top of another.

The explosions sparked the biggest peacetime military call-up in the country's history, Deputy Law and Order Minister Gert Myburgh said. He refused to give numbers but said in addition to army troops, more than 100,000 police would be deployed at polling stations.

Polls opened at 7 a.m. today for "special voting" for invalids, hospital patients, pregnant women and the elderly. General voting is to take place Wednesday and Thursday. The three-day election will be the first time members of South Africa's Black majority will be able to elect their leaders.

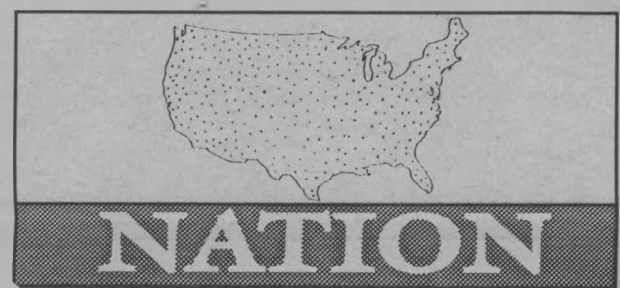
NATO Agrees With Clinton's Proposal

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton's new tough line on Bosnia suggests that 15 months of caution may be giving way to a new confidence abroad, as the NATO allies, with some reluctance, sign on.

Last year, the president was in a different fix. He wanted to provide weapons to the Muslim-led government and have NATO bomb some Serbian artillery sites. But only Germany and the Netherlands were willing to go along when Clinton sent Secretary of State Warren Christopher to Europe seeking the allies' endorsement.

The "lift and strike" strategy was shelved, and the Serbs went ahead with their assault on Muslim enclaves, defying appeals that they agree to a cease-fire and negotiate a settlement.

Clinton hardly came across as a swashbuckler



Friday. He said it would be "arrogant" for the United States to assume it could take care of all the world's problems.

Indeed, Rwanda, where tens of thousands of Africans have been killed in bloody conflict between rival clans, is off the board as far as the United States is concerned.

And Clinton pulled remaining U.S. troops out of Somalia. He has shown no interest, either, in intervening in Haiti to try to remove the ruling military junta.

But he is willing to take a stand in Bosnia. On the

grounds that U.S. interests are involved, the United States proposed bombing the Serbs if they did not withdraw their heavy weapons from battered Gorazde. And this time, NATO said all right.

No American ground troops are going to Bosnia, the president said, at least until there is a settlement of the two-year war. But U.S. warplanes will enter the conflict if the Serbs defy the ultimatum.

The interests Clinton and Christopher said were at stake include preventing a spillover to other Balkan countries and up-

holding NATO's functions in the post-Cold War era.

The United States itself is not threatened. And yet Clinton is prepared to use force.

Sen. Sam Nunn (D-Ga.), the chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, would have the United States show more force — having NATO bomb Serbia, if need be, to compel the Serbs to quit their siege.

Other members of Congress prefer that the United States unilaterally lift the arms embargo against Bosnia.

Bombing Serbia, Christopher said last week, is not under consideration now, though it may be in the future. Clinton, without providing any details, said he would weigh "other options" if the ultimatum does not succeed.

'Three Strikes' Case Meets Controversy

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — It was billed as San Francisco's first "Three Strikes, You're Out" case, but a victim cried foul and wouldn't testify about a crime that could have sent a car burglar to prison for life.

"You ever heard of Mothers Against Drunk Driving? Well, how about victims against 'Three Strikes'?" Joan Miller, 71, told a reporter.

Miller risked being sent to jail for contempt of court by refusing to testify against Donald Rae Brown, who was charged with breaking into her car last month.

But the case was resolved, without her being called to the stand, when Brown agreed with prosecutors last Friday on a guilty plea and a four-year prison sentence, twice the



usual term for second-degree burglary.

Brown, 45, has numerous criminal convictions, most of them more than 20 years old, said Assistant District Attorney Richard Hechler. If the prosecutor had been able to prove that two prior convictions were for residential burglary, any felony — including the burglary of Miller's car — would have been a third "strike" requiring a prison sentence of 25 years to life.

Since records have been

obtained so far on only one residential burglary conviction, Hechler said, his office agreed to accept the guilty plea to a second "strike" when the victim refused to testify.

The sentencing law, signed March 7 by Gov. Pete Wilson, classifies a variety of violent or serious felonies, including residential burglary, as "strikes." A second conviction requires a doubling of the usual sentence. For someone with two "strikes," any new felony

conviction requires a sentence of 25 years to life unless prosecutors decide not to seek such a sentence.

The new law, which will also be on the November state ballot, has strong public support, according to opinion polls. But Hechler said Monday that he would not be surprised if other participants in the criminal justice system, such as crime victims, sometimes refused to cooperate.

The prospect that others will follow Miller's example seems "very likely, especially in light of the fact that this third strike was a nonviolent offense," the prosecutor said. He said victims who refuse to testify could wind up behind bars.

Conservatives Convene

Congressional Candidates Face Off

By Michael Ball
Reporter

Republican candidates from Santa Barbara County faced off Friday to air the conservative views they hope will propel them to an elected office.

The meetings, held last Friday at the Santa Maria Airport Hilton, highlighted Bill Thomas (R-Bakersfield) speaking on behalf of congressional hopeful Mike Stoker.

"[Mike Stoker] is not the kind of person who will be content with just voting 'no,' but will pursue alternatives to take the place of that 'no,'" said Thomas.

As a 16-year congressional veteran, Thomas is the ranking Republican on the House Subcommittee on Health. He railed the Clinton Health Plan as the "mother of all entitlements paid for by business."

"The more the people understand the president's plan, the more they don't want it," he said. "The president's plan is dead."

Offering up a solution, Thomas proposes looking for market-oriented alternatives. He contends that the 80% of health care coverage footed by employers under the Clinton plan will actually come from reduced employee wages and higher prices for the consumer.

Later, a forum sponsored by the Santa Maria Valley Republicans brought together candidates running for federal, state and local offices to voice their opinions on issues important to the GOP.

Although the function was scheduled as a forum, an air of unity was noticeable.

Walt Rosebrock, president of the Santa Maria Valley Republicans, said, "I want you all to remember, we are in this together, and come June 8, we have to all stand behind whoever the Republican nominees are."

The evening seemed to revolve around

the issues of crime, immigration and business regulation.

All of the candidates voiced support for reforms that would eliminate social, health and educational benefits for illegal immigrants. Rosebrock urged those in attendance to help get the "S.O.S." or Save Our State, initiative onto the November ballot. This initiative would put such welfare reforms to a vote by the people.

Dewayne Cargill, speaking on behalf of Senate hopeful William Dannemeyer, urged even more drastic measures, including a restriction on legal immigration.

"Bill believes that legal immigration is also doing a lot to destroy our economy," Cargill said. "Bill will call for a moratorium... a total stop of all immigration until we sort out this problem, and allow immigrants who are here to assimilate and to finally become Americans."

Candidates also expressed support for tough measures against crime. Some proposed measures that go beyond the current "three strikes, you're out" law.

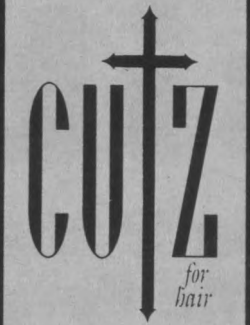
"One strike and you're out for rapists and child molesters, three strikes and we're going to throw the key out for those violent criminals," said Assemblywoman Andrea Seastrand, a candidate for the 22nd district congressional seat being vacated by Michael Huffington.

Business issues were also at the top of the Republican agenda. Candidates expressed support for a reduction in "red tape" and fees that they say are strangling growth and slowing economic recovery.

Tom Bordanaro Jr., a local businessman and state Assembly hopeful, said that regulations were making it difficult to do business on the Central Coast.

"I don't want to have to leave the Central Coast and move my business to Nevada or Arizona or someplace where it's more conducive to doing business," he said.

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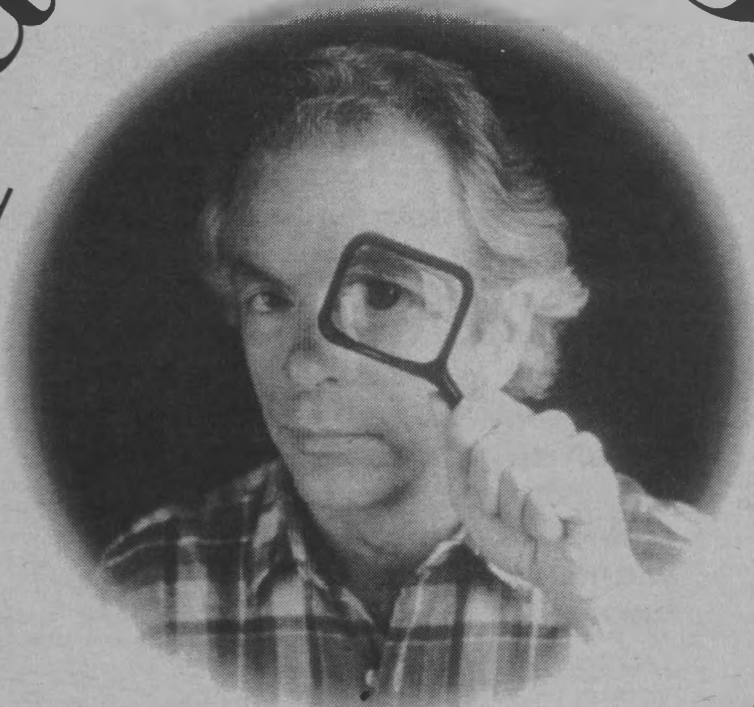
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He performs on the country's most prestigious stages. He stars in his own one-man movies and he's coming to UCSB. The star of *Swimming to Cambodia* and *Monster in a Box* will make you laugh... at him, at yourself, and at life! In his latest hilarious monologue, he talks about his unusual eye ailment and his wacky experiences with alternative healers.



Courtesy of the UCSB Bookstore, copies of *Gray's Anatomy* (Random House, \$9) and other titles by Gray will be available for purchase and signing at both performances.

Discovering Possibilities

From an Introduction to the Political Arena to a Renewed Sense of Faith in the Potential of His Generation, One UCSB Senior Gets More Than He Hoped for Out of a Washington, D.C., Internship

By Ed Acevedo

As I entered my senior year at UCSB, questions about my future and the society around me weighed heavily on my shoulders. With graduation around the corner, I left the familiar surroundings of California and was fortunate enough to gain some insight — some enlightenment — in a place I never thought I would, our Capitol.

Ironically, in one of the most violent cities in the nation, I witnessed cooperation that restored my faith in working for change. Interning in Washington, D.C., Fall Quarter through a UCSB program changed my perspective on how government and people, especially young people, work.

At the onset, my perceptions of my generation were far from positive. Pessimistic, cynical, apathetic, impatient and greedy — words often used to describe our generation — were in the back of my mind.

Born between 1960 and 1980 and consisting of 80 million young people, the Generation X, as labelled by author Doug Coupland, is the biggest, the most ethnically, culturally, economically diverse in American history, according to Neil Howe and Bill Stauss, authors of the book *13th Gen*.

As jobs are harder to come by, status is a hazier term to define and finding a purpose seems an endless search. Many "Xers" seem to be lacking a sense of identity.

Are we, the "Beavis and Butt-head/90210" generation, geared to take on the issues that face our world? For many of us the future lurks gloomily ahead.

As students, most of us have learned about the failures caused by abuses of power, elitism and corruption. Many of those born earlier in our generation received a first political lesson watching the late President Nixon resign from office, and those born later learned from the Iran-Contra scandal.

Not only has our generation been witness to the shattering of many political ideals that our predecessors held faith in, but it has also felt the ramifications of more violence, more drugs, HIV, guns brought to school by us or our friends, deadbeat parents, disease-ridden sex, changing social roles, date-rape trials and hate crimes. It's fair to say our generation is no longer shocked by anything.

Yet despite my initial skepticism toward the workings of Washington, D.C., I discovered a world of progressive energy — people working together in concert.

When I boarded the plane to Washington, I joined 108 UCSB, UCLA and UCD students in the UC/DC program to catch a glimpse of what the place was all about. After all, this was Washington, D.C. — the city that breathes, eats, drinks (and drinks a lot) of politics. I soon learned that no book in the entire stock of the political science section of the campus bookstore could have prepared me for this grand political hub of American Politics.

When I first landed at National Airport and stepped off into the still summertime muggy air from my red-eye flight, I really didn't know what to expect from this city or my internship. Questions and illusions raced through my mind. Would I get to see the president jogging to McDonald's shielded by his 30-man motorcade? Would I get to work on a story that would put some lousy politician in jail? And more importantly, could I, and would I, make any difference?

Those of us who ventured 3,000 miles away from Isla Vista into this town saw a fast-paced working environment filled with people who looked as if they were carrying the entire weight of the world on their shoulders. It was different from the "activism" I knew of, which was sipping on a beer in a park, listening to music. Some kind of culture shock was inevitable here, even for the most politically minded person. News and politics seemed to run through every vein.

"Politics is their life. They know everybody, they know everything. Did you read this article, did you see so-and-so," said UCSB senior Kate Brown, who landed an internship with the White House Media Office.

There we were, reaffirming the education we received for the past several years. Like many others, I took with me pessimism about our society, and returned as if from my first Mecca trip — inspired, and once again possessing faith in you and I.

I interned for CBS News, specifically the Sunday morning news show *Face the Nation*. I also worked



Ed Acevedo, a senior majoring in political science with an emphasis in international relations, attends a bicentennial celebration of the nation's capital with CBS News as part of his internship last fall.

So too is theirs the generation charged with showing others how, in this millennial era, Americans can still enjoy life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness' without letting the world fly to pieces, without bankrupting the nation, and without squandering our national resources. History is calling on the 13th Generation to provide the youthful entrepreneurship, midlife investments, and elder generosity that will enable future generations once again to define the American Dream in economic terms, if that is what they wish to do.

**—Neil Howe and Bill Stauss
13th Gen**

alongside the Supreme Court correspondent, Eric Engberg, a true professional in the business. There I was, working for this organization in Washington, D.C., watching the stories unfold into national news.

At first, I was intimidated to find myself immersed in all the professionals at CBS. I was now working with people that for so long I had seen on TV, those who brought my family the nightly news as we sat down for dinner.

Using the Freedom of Information Act, I began in-

vestigating all the department secretaries' use of travel expenses, and whether they had splurged during their trips — phone calls, dinners, taxi rides, plane trips, hotel expenditures were all tallied. I also assisted Engberg by looking into campaign fraud and government misuse of funds. I had become a part of the process — a contributor to society in the way I deemed fit for myself.

Everyone in the program seemed to gain immeasurably from their varied working experiences. Most of us had so much to tell we couldn't finish, and we were all eager to see the other parts of D.C., through each others' eyes. Some of us were working for the State Dept. writing up NAFTA reports to the Mexican Embassy, for congressmen, the White House, the United Nations Development Projects, the American Bar Assn., NBC, CBS, CNN. Others were working for Amnesty International, The National Youth Leadership Forum and the Organization of American States, the list goes on.

"Here you live politics 24 hours a day," said Mirna Aceituno, a UCSB senior who interned for the National Hispanic Caucus.

"What is really interesting is that everyone has a different perspective on what national government is like. Coming from California, I've had the advantage of experiencing firsthand what the federal government is like," said UCSB senior Jared Ficker, who worked for the National Park Service, where he convened a national wilderness conference to set policy goals to protect millions of acres of American wilderness.

"We learn about these political concepts in class, but learning them from a book and experiencing them firsthand are totally different things. For students in general, it would be fair to say that students are on the pessimistic side of government. It could definitely be the downfall of our generation. It's easy to be critical of something you don't understand," Ficker said.

True activism caught our attention for the first time on a grand scale as we saw an intense and informed mass of young people like ourselves making and working on policies such as health-care reform, NAFTA and the National Service Act. Working together we instantly became a part of this whole fervor of activity.

"Interning gave me a sense of real activism, participation, and contribution to government and our society," said UCSB senior Jason Skoboloff, who interned with the American Israel Public Affairs Committee and the OAS. "This experience can be attributed to the dedication and enthusiasm of our generation that will someday drive American society," he said.

To their surprise, many found a glimmer of hope in what had previously been a disheartened picture of American youth. "I was pretty much the same way when I first came out [to D.C.] — cynical that nothing gets done, time is wasted. But I saw a lot of good people working. I've learned that the system doesn't always change at a fast pace, and it's designed that way," said Eric Medina, who interned for Congressman David Dreier of the 28th Congressional District.

"Sociologists have said that our generation has no activism, and has no 'real' identity, but in D.C., there were a lot of people in our generation that were very involved, and it was refreshing to go and see something like that," added Medina, whose biggest success was working on NAFTA.

While my experience in Washington, D.C., benefited me greatly, not only from what I learned at CBS News and working on a professional level, but also because my attitude changed due to what I witnessed around me. If there is one thing I grew to understand, it was that many of the people I met and worked with were not any different from you and I — they put in their time and worked hard, and many of them started from the bottom.

Maria Spicer-Brooks, executive producer of "Face the Nation," told me something that I'll never forget: "You can do whatever you want, you just have to have the confidence, and be determined to do it." Sounds clichéd enough, but it's true.

The UCSB Washington Center internship program is currently in its fourth year as an academic-based, College of Letters and Science program, available to students from any major or college. Applications for winter of 1995 are being accepted until May 18 to allow suitable time for each student to find his or her internship.



RACHEL WEILL/Daily Nexus

Political science Professor Kathleen Bruhn shares her insights in a lecture Monday about recent events and their implications in Mexican politics.

Professor Speaks About Mexico's Political Scene

By Matthew Nelson
Reporter

The chaotic political scene in Mexico and its looming presidential elections were topics of discussion yesterday in a lecture provided by a UCSB professor who has spent a considerable amount of time observing current events in our neighboring country.

Kathleen Bruhn of the Political Science Dept. described the unprecedented state of crisis facing the Mexican political arena in a lecture hosted by the Spanish and Portuguese departments titled "Time of Trials: The 1994 Presidential Election in Mexico."

Bruhn proposed to shed light upon a complicated series of events ranging from recent rebel attacks

by the Zapatista movement to the assassination of the Revolutionary Institution Party's presidential candidate, Luis Donaldo Colosio, in Tijuana. She also focused on the overall problems faced by the current president, Carlos Salinas.

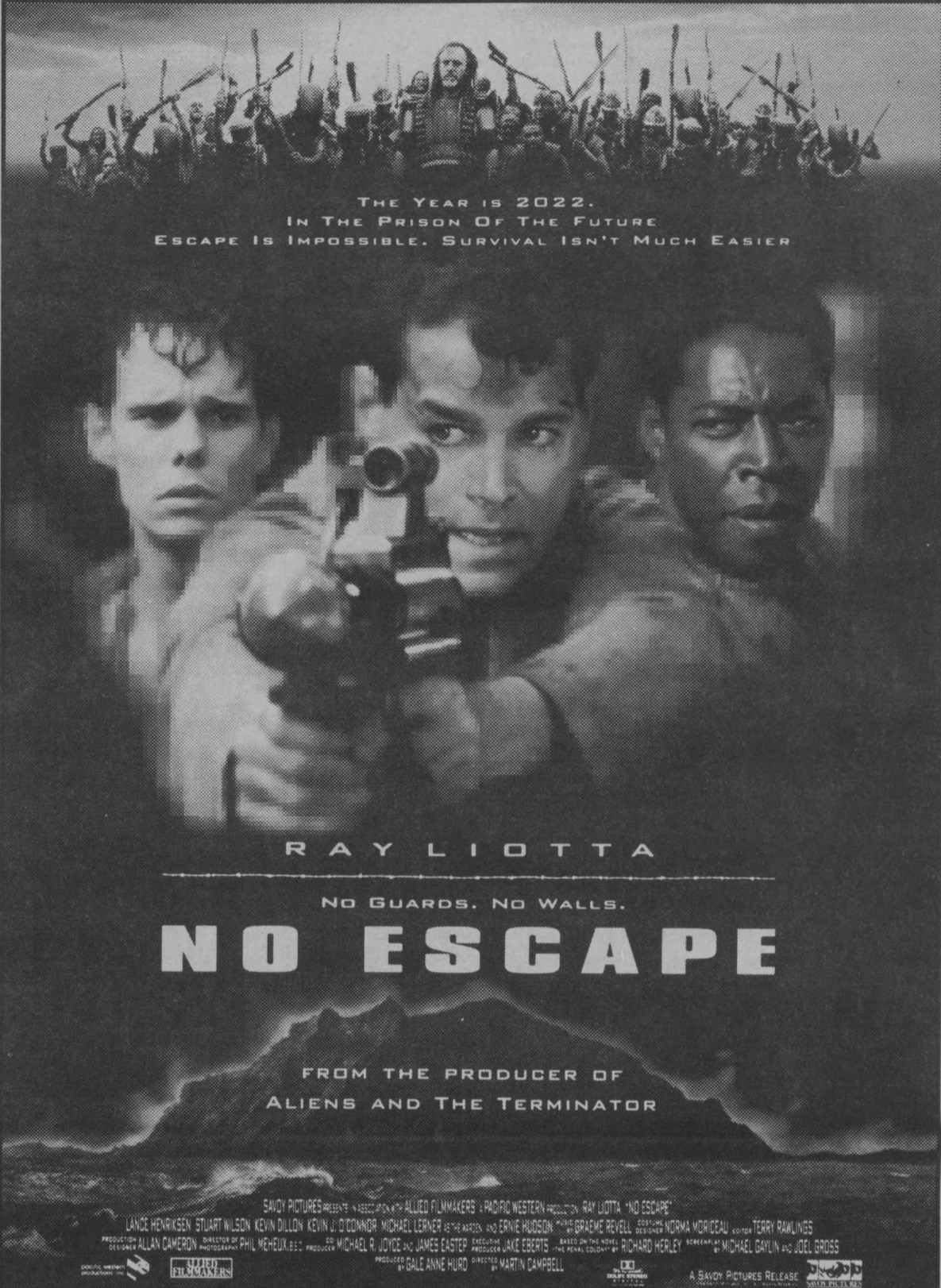
"Mexico has an exciting future," she said. "I think that eventually it will become a democratic nation, but people have been saying that would happen to Mexico for the last 50 years."

According to Bruhn, the major problem in Mexico regarding the elections lies in the difficulties the party is having in electing its presidential nominee.

The lecture described the recent uprising of the Zapatista rebels in southern Mexico and Salinas' inability to effectively ne-

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Business Fundraiser Aids Youth Project

By Jennifer Scarlett Reporter

“We had a lot of fun and probably will be doing it again in the fall.”

Catherine Boyer
 I.V./UCSB community liaison

The Isla Vista community fundraiser "Building Business, Building Community" ended last Friday, leaving organizers and participants with varied opinions of its success.

Eleven businesses participated in the event by pledging to contribute either 5% of their week's profits from April 18-24 or a flat financial donation. The goal of the fundraiser was to encourage people who lunch on campus to venture into I.V. and patronize its local eating establishments.

"Businesswise, it was not the best fundraiser, but from a conceptual point of

view, it was a very good idea," said Andy Harrison, general manager of the Isla Vista Billiards Club.

The total amount of money raised will not be determined until all of the businesses donate their contributions, but it is estimated that the event raised enough money to help fund a Spring Soccer League for Isla Vista Youth Projects.

"Many people I talked

to knew about the event. However, I think last week's participation is not an accurate indicator of what the future will bring," said Mark Milstein, Associated Students external vice president and event coordinator.

Some of the businesses offer a daytime delivery service for those who cannot leave campus. Richard Davidson, owner of Giovanni's Italian Restaurant,

did not notice an increase in business. "There were not many more deliveries on campus than usual," he said.

With the possibility of this becoming a biannual event, businesses are optimistic it will eventually be a major fundraiser and an economic stimulator for the community, though they believe additional advertising and promotion would be helpful.

"We are planning to conduct a survey with all of the participating businesses to get some feedback," said I.V./UCSB Community Liaison Catherine Boyer. "We had a lot of fun and probably will be doing it again in the fall."

BEETLE: \$10,000 Estimate to Preserve Butterfly

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 wasp should not pose a problem to mountain bikers, hikers or the area's ecosystem.

Local environmentalist Wanda Michalenko, one of the first researchers to identify the problem, believes officials must act quickly to save the habitat.

"Something needs to be done because the beetles will begin colonization in June," she said. "The problem could be much worse because we had a warm

winter."

Chris Lange, president of Save Ellwood Shores, called for citizens to act in defense of natural recreational areas. "All we can do is call the board of supervisors and impress upon them the need to take action. We know that it's up to the board," Lange said.

Though Santa Barbara County Agricultural Commissioner Bill Gillette was cautious concerning the method of biological con-

trol, he acknowledged the need for action and a reasonable solution based on findings in the UCR team's forthcoming report.

"We do not know of a biological program that works fast," he said. "I personally plan to recommend the plan to the board of supervisors."

Gillette estimated that the operation to save the Monarch will cost about \$10,000. According to the UCR team, such an expense would be trivial


compared to the cost of the cleanup and replanting that will be required if no action is taken. Gillette also hopes to spread the program to other infested areas in Santa Barbara County.

There is concern that the beetles will infest new areas as well. "These beetles are strong flyers and very good at colonizing," Hanks said, noting that the Eucalyptus trees on campus may soon feel the boring beetles' effects.

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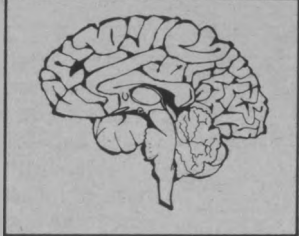
Are Vitamin Supplements a Help?

By Brian Pillsbury
Staff Writer

It's been said by the detractors of vitamin supplements that Americans have the most expensive urine in the world. Millions of people take them and the vitamin industry has become a multimillion-dollar-a-year business that continues to grow.

Recently a series of medical studies has been completed and indicates that several vitamins directly protect against many types of cancer. Broccoli, for example, has been found to contain a chemical that starts a process enabling carcinogens to be removed from cells. Several other fruits and vegetables, from hot chili peppers to soybeans, have also proven to be loaded with cancer-fighting

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chemicals.

With such exciting findings making headlines, the vitamin supplement debate is again put in the spotlight. Supplements look to be an expedient way to get the necessary vitamins the body needs.

"Sometimes if someone comes in who is sick or not eating right, and obviously not getting enough vitamins, I'll prescribe a multivitamin supplement," Student Health Service Director Cynthia Bowers said. "But you're better off get-

ting your nutrients by eating a balanced diet."

In a recent study released by the *New England Journal of Medicine*, 29,000 male Finnish smokers were given supplements of beta carotene (an A vitamin) and vitamin E over a period of five to eight years. The researchers found that the vitamins had no beneficial effect, and in fact may have had negative effects, such as an even higher risk of lung cancer.

However, various other studies have shown that under the right circumstances and dosages, vitamin supplements may have a positive effect on one's health. But until more studies are completed to say otherwise, there is no conclusive proof that vitamin supplements are the answer.

BRUHN

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gotiate with them during an election year. According to Bruhn, the rebels' movement has received support from other areas of the country and has succeeded in using the press to promote its existence to the world.

The politically precarious subject of the recent assassination of Colosio by a gunman supposedly acting on his own was also

approached by Bruhn.

According to Bruhn, one day after the murder, most of the country polled did not believe that the assassination was the work of one man. Instead, practically every political party was accused of the act, including the candidate's own party and the current president.

Bruhn, who joined the Political Science Dept. last quarter after receiving a fellowship from UC San Diego, is held in high regard by her colleagues.

"I think that, from what I've seen on campus, Professor Bruhn is the most knowledgeable person that I've spoken to about contemporary Mexican politics," said Mark Hjerpe, a graduate student in Latin American & Iberian studies.

Julie Garfinkle, a senior Latin American & Iberian studies major, was also impressed by the lecture. "My own impressions were reaffirmed about a lot of different points," she said.

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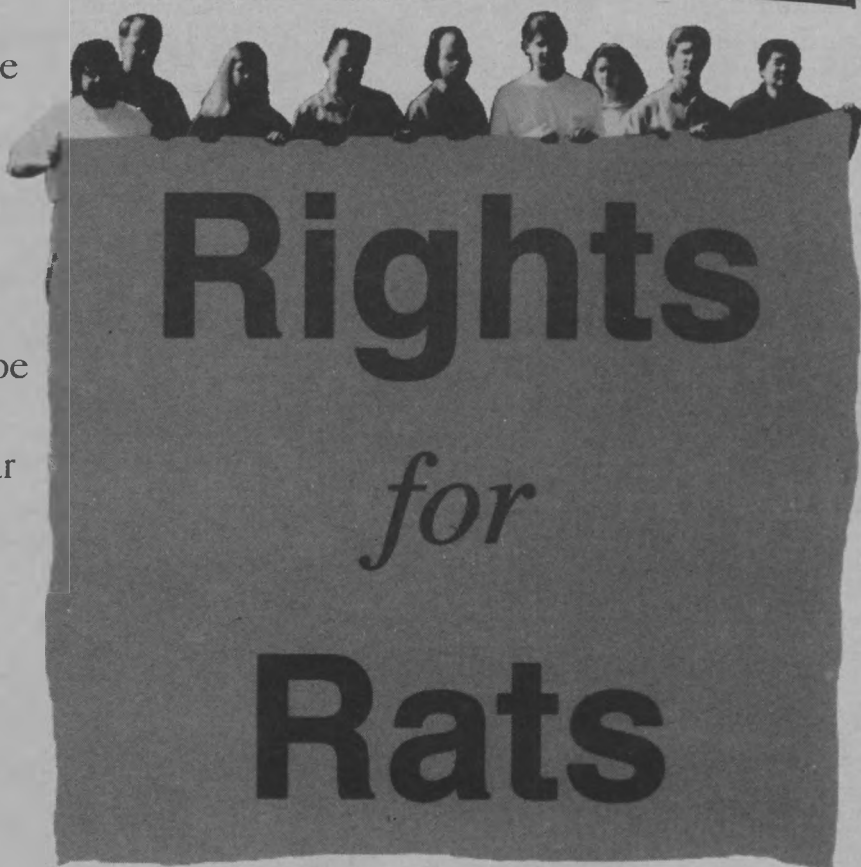
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REDUCED TO WORDS

Jason Sattler

Attn.: Whomever Shall Assume My Position
Re: The Duties of the Position and How I Assumed It.

As of the date I sit to write this letter, no successor has been found for me. So, as of Sept. 19, 1993, Joshua Belkin will be released from protective custody. That is the day I resign from my position to attend school at the University of California, Santa Barbara. I do fully presuppose and hope that my position will be filled.

The subject, Joshua Belkin, hereafter referred to only as the subject, and myself met by chance in the fall of 1991. His nose bloodied and his eyes crying, I followed him home. Expecting to find him engaged in either an argument or consolation at his home, I was shocked completely by his conduct. Further inspection through his home's several windows, which would soon become familiar to me, led me to believe that I had no choice but to assume protective custody. He entered the home, went directly to his quarters and remained there for several hours. He wandered into his kitchen at 7:45 p.m., prepared himself dinner and took it into his room. He fell asleep at 1:30 a.m.

While in the solitude of his room the subject participated in no typical post-fight retrogressions. He did not toil, his tears dried and he refrained from crying again, and most noticeably, he did not take out his aggressions on his pillow or fish tank.

Returning home in the wee hours of morning, I prepared my initial report, which this next passage is taken directly from:

"In my two years at this high school I have never seen a student so desperately in need of guardianship. As patterned he will ini-

tially refuse, but my need for his safety is stronger than his will. My investigation will initiate tomorrow, full-time protection will start one week from today. Note: Speak to Mr. Davis, guidance counselor, find out subject's class schedule, transfer into all classes. Order psychological profile."

The next day I found the boys who had harmed the subject. Further violent action upon Joshua Belkin, I told them, is completely frowned upon. Their unwillingness to comprehend my simple request resulted in physical aggression toward them on my part.

I spent the rest of that week studying the subject's schedule. I attempted to speak with his mother and father, but they refused all contact, even when I posed as Mr. Davis, the guidance counselor. The profile that my friend Kevin prepared was not positive. He volunteered to serve as an adviser on the case. I gratefully accepted. Two days before my first watch was to begin I attempted for the first time to speak to the subject.

He was immediately scared by my presence. In fact, he seemed entirely uncomfortable with himself. I assured him I was no threat. After the situation settled I informed him that I had deemed it my obligation to take responsibility for his security. He nervously laughed. "You don't have an older brother?" I asked. No. I continued to question him about personal things. Things that someone who wanted to hurt him might want to know. The more I pressed the more he became uneasy. Eventually he told me he was done. We both flushed and washed our hands. He told me that he appreciated my interest, but that he didn't need my help, he was thinking of transferring.

I found out later from my friend the guidance counselor that the subject did indeed plan to transfer, but his parents hadn't finalized the action yet. I informed Mr. Davis that Joshua Belkin would not be transferring. The next day my service began.

It's the crazy eyes you have to look out for, I reminded myself. I was wearing my same old suit (A note to my successor: always wear dark suits, nothing flashy) and my sunglasses hid my scanning eyes. I stood directly behind the subject until the teacher asked me to sit. Any movement by a classmate of the subject was met by my uneasy unspecified stare. The raising of hands always drove me crazy. I sat through every class the subject ever attended. I sat home sick with him, too. But, I'm proud to report that during my time with the subject, no attempt was ever made on him while in class.

I dealt with the subject's incipient rejection very handily, I thought. I don't need a bodyguard! You're making me look like a freak! he used to scream. But eventually, when he saw my dedication, he began to accept me. His parents weren't as easy. They never truly accepted me. The problems between us really climaxed when earlier this year I forced the subject to take up a temporary residence after his father had committed several attacks on his emotional well-being. Sir, I told him, the subject, your son, is not "no good" and not "a poor excuse for a man." Until you learn his value and the danger of your words, he will not be allowed in this habitation.

When the police came to my door I informed them that their help wasn't needed and the subject's safety was insured. I could tell they trusted my judgment, but they could not trust his parents, so they demanded to see him. I complied. They took him into custody that day. I was forced to suspend my service by the courts. They told me that I could not be in the same room with the subject or I had to be at least 50 feet away. I did not comply with that hogwash. I hate it when the local authorities get involved with my activities.

During the end of this last school year, senior year for both the subject and myself, the situation became very tense. With the release of several movies about the protection of private citizens there was a heightened awareness of my ministrations. Students began to place death threats concerning the subject in my locker. I disregarded the messy handwritten notes, but certain notes reeked of professionalism. Students began to tease me and warn me not to fall in love with my subject. I was forced to discipline those asinine students. I even began to receive crank phone calls to my unlisted number. In the midst of all of their youthful foolishness I could still see that there was a threat surfacing.

Now, I retire my post. The subject is not safe. Unfortunately, he was always just as safe as my short-lived protection. All of this reminiscing reminds me of something the subject's mother asked me one day. "You bastard, when are you going to leave me and my family alone?" she asked. Well, ma'am, I'll leave you alone. I'll leave you alone when this world allows me to, and though my time is up for now, the world is still bothering me.

Jason Sattler is a Nexus columnist.



PHILLIP ETTING/Daily News

The election for our Congress and Senate is coming. The one who will be elected will be in charge of the most important decision, especially the most important for the survival of American society. The most important debate is the so-called "health care crisis."

First of all, I would like to say that there is no crisis with a need for some specific reforms, but there is no crisis with a need for radical overhaul. The health care of the United States is a world. People from all over the world come to this country. Even doctors from the "famed" Canadian health care system border to take advantage of the quality and the swift service.

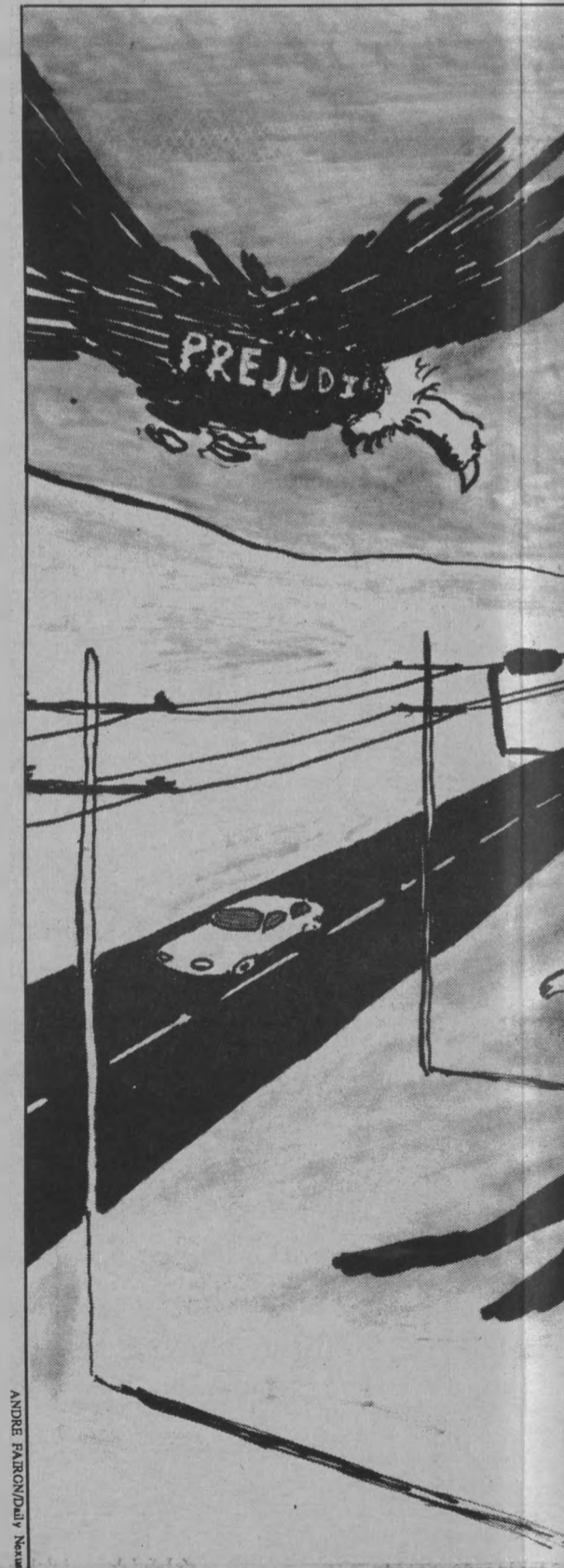
Why have our elected representatives, both Democrats and Republicans, capsized on one fundamental issue of the debate about health care? The fundamental issue is whether it is constitutional for the government to take charge of the consumer's preferences for health care, which it is not. Nothing in the Constitution requires that the government must take charge of the consumer's preferences.

Related to the fundamental issue, I must say explicitly that the government has constitutional rights to have health care. Having health care as having a car or home, it is a privilege, not a right. You do not have your privilege to have the best health care you want to have. You work to get a Ferrari over the '78 Bug you currently have. The Founding Fathers worked so hard for and even died for the right to pursue happiness as opposed to the right to have health care. I know that in order to pursue happiness, one has to have the freedom to work hard to gain that privilege.

The health care proposal put forward by President Clinton is 100% pure socialism. No question about that. Socialism is a system whereby the government owns and controls production. If the confiscation of one-seventh of our economy to health care control is not called socialism, I don't know what it is.

Elitism is a small privileged cadre of well-educated and wealthy people who implement whimsical ideas and theories, while the rest of the population is left behind. The elitists ran the Politburo and were in charge of the economy. Now we have our version of the Politburo in our Congress and Supreme Courts. These elitists want to take over our health care and overhaul it. While they have some noble, utopian ideas, they include criminal charges against people who want to have health care (nongovernmental) care?

I realize that our health care is a network made up of many different divisions, each relating to its own specific treatments and procedures. Then why is Clinton's proposal based on controlling health care rather than the quality and quantity? The goal is to reduce the costs of care down instead of pushing the quality of care up in order to be capable of controlling the costs, there needs to be a...



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BY GARRY TRUDEAU



Doesn't Need Hillary's Socialist Health Proposal

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is coming up soon. Those that want to debate in America, especially American freedom. This is important.

crisis whatsoever. Yes, there is a crisis that constitutes a need for the United States is the best in the world to use our care. The health care system come across the world the swiftness of our health care. Democrats and Republicans, what about health care? The function of the government to take over the Constitution says that the government's preference in health care. Explicitly, Americans do not want. Having health care is the same right. You must work and earn what you want to have, just as you must currently have. That is what our country died for. They fought for the right to have happiness. They want to have and needs the freedom.

President Clinton and her husband. Socialism is a political system that controls production and distribution of the economy under government control.

Who are entitled to have health care while the rest of us do as we are in charge of the former Soviet Union in our Congress, White House and over our entire health care to the ideas, why did they have to have alternative (read: restrictions and rationings on the number of heart surgeries, hip replacements, eye surgeries, to name a few.

made up of complex and numerous treatments and insurance policies controlling the costs of our health care? The Clintons want to keep the quality of care up. They believe there need to be restrictions —

restrictions and rationings on the number of heart surgeries, hip replacements, eye surgeries, to name a few.

The medical decisions, especially critical lifemaking decisions, will be under the control and power of accountants, lawyers and bureaucrats rather than the physicians. To have a surgery, you must not ask a physician, but appeal to your health care alliance surgical dispenser authorizer somewhere deep in the bureaucracy for permission. Canada, Great Britain and Germany are already rationing care to control the costs at the cost of quality affecting their people. Do we want that?

The controlling of costs for health care also calls for controlling the costs of drugs made by pharmaceutical companies. Already, due to the attacks made by Hillary, the companies are cutting and gutting their research and production of new drugs. The production of new drugs is extremely expensive, but it is necessary to help save lives. The cost of a drug to control gallstones is nearly \$300, but without that drug, the cost of surgery to remove those stones is upward of \$3,000. Now tell me, which one do you prefer? Already, over 80% of pharmaceutical companies are discontinuing research for new drugs for an AIDS vaccine, cancer inhibitors and other life-threatening diseases. Is this the cost we have to pay for having a universal health plan?

Under Clinton's plan, enormous powers will be created to be reserved under the Dept. of Health and Human Services. The financing for the socialized health care system will be under the control of the secretary of HHS. This plan will also create, at a minimum, 195 different bureaucratic departments. If you think the Veterans Administration hospital is efficient, wait until you get your health care when it is under their control. If your child needs lifesaving surgery, do you want some unnamed person a thousand miles away to make the decision whether or not the child gets care?

Last time I checked, America was the land of the free. By what rights does the government have to force onto us "employer mandates" and "patient mandates"? Employer mandates will force the companies to pay at least 80% of the health care costs. That will effectively eliminate nearly all small businesses, which constitute at least 70% of our economy. And when those other businesses see how much it will cost them to employ "you," don't come crying when you lose your job.

The patient mandates are restrictions on the patient's choice for their personal doctors and choice for alternative insurance. If the patient can find alternative care that not only is cheaper, but also is a higher quality of care, why does Clinton's plan make it a crime for those patients to exercise this option? Doctors are required to give all medical information to one of the would-be created bureaucrats in their alliances. If the doctors refuse to, they will be fined \$10,000 for each violation. What happened to the doctor-patient privileged information?

They claim there are about "37 million uninsured" in America at any one time. The problem with this unreliable number is that at least 70% of these people gain insurance within two years. The remainder are under 30 years old. It is by choice not to have health insurance because they are young and

healthy, thus it is financially unwise to have insurance for heart attacks and the like.

Eighty percent of Americans are more than satisfied with the quality of our health care. By what rights does the government have to overhaul the entire health care system just to please the remaining 20%? As I mentioned above, we do need to have some reforms to make it more efficient, but there is not justification for completely overhauling the entire health care system. If the tail-pipe of your car is loose, would you buy a whole new car or fix one small piece?

The Clintons claimed that their plan will reduce the deficit. I have no idea who does their accounting, but I am sure he did not even graduate from elementary school mathematics. Unless it is the same guy who advised Hillary on cattle future commodities? When they first started out, the costs of Medicare and Medicaid were predicted to grow slowly and gradually. Now, it is at least 20 times their predicted costs this year! Do they expect us to believe that controlling one-seventh of our economy will reduce the deficit? They must take us for idiots. What a condescending they have for us. As P.J. O'Rourke said, "If you think the health care is expensive now, wait until it is free."

There is no health care crisis. There is no need to overhaul our health care. There are no justifications or rights for the government to take over our entire health care system. There are no constitutional rights for us to have health care. The election is coming up. The choice is up to you. Do you want more power or less power to the Politburo of USA? Choose wisely, because your decision will affect not only America, but her future children and their freedom to make decisions.

Andrius Babysis is a classical civilizations major.



MATT RAGLAND/Daily Nexus

Words and Their Meanings

Damon Uriarte

It seemed that Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual Celebration Week was going to pass without any word from me. A subject like this was bound to irk some people and highlight much of the prevailing ignorance that caused the need for such a week in the first place. I don't need that heat. But then something happened. It always does.

A few weeks ago, when driving back to Santa Barbara from San Francisco, I must have been in a daze. Anyone who has made that drive knows that it renders anyone senseless to a near state of delirium.

Battling this haze between fiction and Freudian sleep, you reach the point in the trip where you hate your tapes and lose FM reception simultaneously. After scanning through all the Spanish stations simply because they are Spanish stations, you are forced to listen to the only station with good reception. Sometimes you can get lucky, like when I picked up a television transmission of "Star Trek: The Next Generation," or when you somehow manage to miss the weekly spoutings of Rush Limbaugh (who must lack the stamina to make it through the mountains).

Having settled on some noise, which is only slightly less monotonous than the endless artichoke farms and cow pastures, I gathered it was some sort of sports talk show from Vegas. Admittedly, I was searching for the NCAA championship game. It makes sense that I'd be hearing this out-of-state talk show when the biggest event in college sports is taking place.

So this guy begins rattling off odds, like a "CNN Business Minute" reporting the stock market. And he happened to be giving second-to-second updates of the game. Joy. I was first struck by a sports call-in show that would air during a pinnacle of sport. Wouldn't the only fan opinionated enough to call in be hanging out with a twelver in front of a TV? Sort of like Cox Cable airing evangelists on every channel on Sunday morning.

In keeping with this astute observation the first caller wanted to speak about the fascinating spectator sport golf. The Masters was like a month away. Next, after a couple of brief comments on tennis, one of which must have been from that guy who stabbed Monica Seles, it hit. Like Buster Douglas on Tyson. Something finally wanted to talk hoops.

"I want to talk about Magic Johnson," proclaimed the speaker on the right side of my car.

"Finally," the left side replied. "What about him?" the left continued after a long pause, obviously trying to focus on the marketing advantage Magic presents.

"Uh, well, I don't think he should be coaching," the tremendously informed right side bellowed definitively, in a North Carolinian Southern scrawl, vintage Tennessee Williams.

"Why's that?" said the openly irritated left, disgruntled with the right's C—student mannerisms. The left was not as impressed with the elocution of the right as I was. Of course, I was still in a Cobainian trance.

"Well, because he has AIDS."

... It might have been the tone of voice that suggested the host was the idiot for not knowing this clearly blatant reason. Maybe it was because I was jarred from my daze knowing I was forced to analyze fierce ignorance the rest of my ride home. Anyway, some-

thing pissed me off.

When I finally got home and Duke was still in contention, I did what most people do when confronted by ignorance and homophobia: ignore it and watch the game.

Ignored, that is, until the other day, when I saw what set me into this diatribe to begin with. The mural of Dr. King and all he stood and fought for was replaced by a new, rather enlightened slogan. (It has since been covered). The symbolism was so rich a good writer could not help but revel in it. I just stood there, in amazement, a deer on the freeway in dusk.

"AIDS CURES FAGS"

There it was. As shocking as a toaster in cold water.

About 10 minutes later, after regaining my senses, I began thinking of all the ways they cured ignorance in the Middle Ages. Initially, I had hoped some radical group had placed that there for us to ponder as a violent form of satire. The Howard Stern technique.

However, the obvious raging hate that is exuding seems only to harken genocidal paranoia. This is a rapturing attack. Nothing less. *Nigger. Spick. Jew. Jap. Bitch.* This is Jews in a gas chamber. Coloreds under the whip. Indians being spiritually saved.

I think it was the word "fag." Like so many in the English language, it has been perverted, just as "gay" has. Society has placed these signifiers on a group of people to the point where the word itself has replaced the group. "Fag" has become "nigger."

Now admittedly, I am not Derrida; I am not skilled enough to decode the etiology of these terms, or explore much of the semiology. But it seems obvious where the term "fag" has come to represent the ignorance and hatred that is labelling the homosexual community. People would rather not know about the behaviors of the homosexual community, so they create this stigma to justify their own ignorance.

Another way to look at it is like this: There is a school of thought that offers biblical "proof" OK'ing the chastisement of homosexuals. This ideology also seems to ignore its basic tenet, which provides love for all man. It does this by demanding a blind, undying faith in the word "god." Everything not "god" now elicits opposition. All the people, then, who blindly conform to one set of values have by definition excluded all the rest.

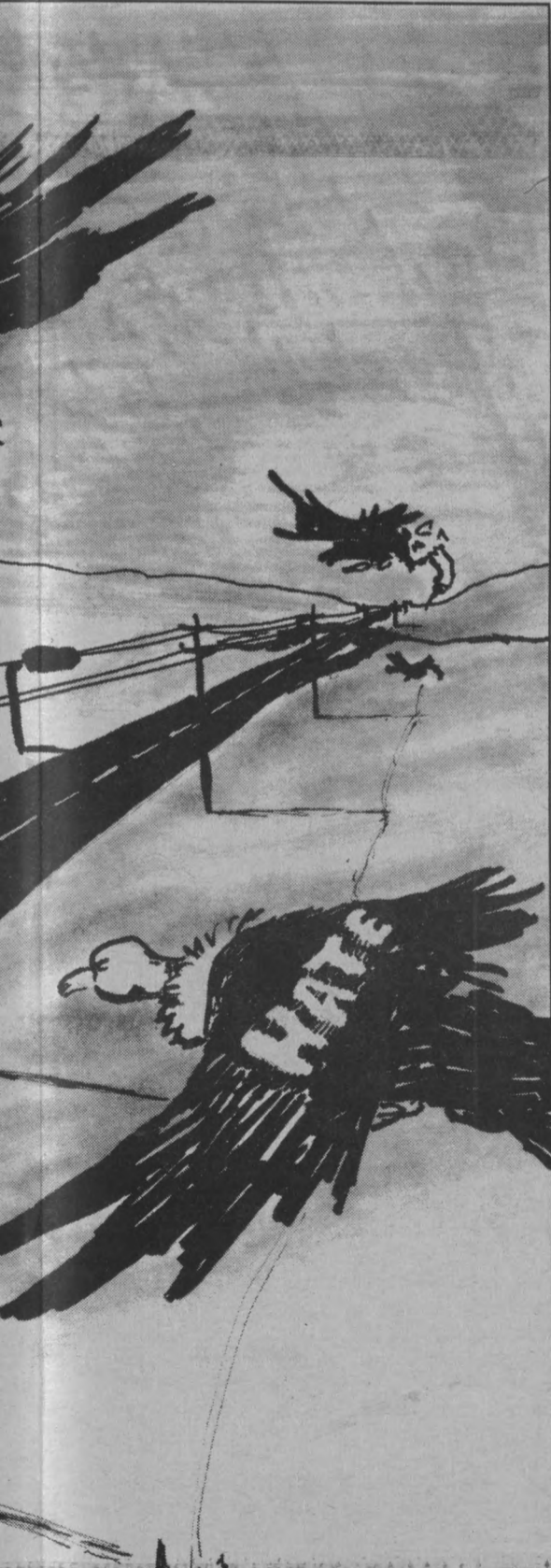
Words, then, have power. Sort of like the minister with a Bible in one hand and a whip in the other. But what does "god" mean in a synagogue? Or even "Allah" to a Buddhist? Vague representations and explanations to be sure.

When reading Dickens or Faulkner or Wright, regardless of historical perspective, "nigger" means "nigger." But these authors' use of the term may have been dictated by context and vernacular of the characters. It is hard to argue that these authors were willfully attacking African-Americans, no matter what the term signifies in modern thinking.

There is, however, only one way to interpret how AIDS CURES FAGS. It must be quite like what happens to some hick son-of-a-cousin who catches syphilis or herpes, and then is beaten by all the women he ever offended, John Bobbitt-style.

Let's hope the scholar who wrote this epithet does not attend UCSB. If he does (and it has to be a male), quickly give him his money back. The only thing he has been prepared for is a job creating campaign slogans for David Duke or Jesse Helms.

Damon Uriarte is a Nexus columnist.



The Reader's Voice

Beach News

Editor, Daily Nexus:

The Associated Students Environmental Affairs Board is happy to announce the date of the first beach cleanup of this quarter. We will be meeting by the Marine Science Institute (next to the Marine Biotechnology Laboratory) on Saturday, April 30, at 9 a.m. All members of this community are welcome and encour-



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aged to attend. If you give a damn about the beach and are upset by the way it is abused rather than used, this is your chance to come out and make a positive difference. We will be providing burlap bags that have been reused many times, so all you need to do is show up with a pair of old shoes and you will be able to do something great for UCSB.

Another program I would like to tell you about briefly is the bonfire permit process that we have on campus. Yes, that's right, you can have a *legal* bonfire on the beach at the pits by Campus Point and the Lagoon. The process is very simple: all you have to do is go to the third floor of the UCen to the A.S. Ticket Office and tell them that you are interested in getting a bonfire permit. The permit costs \$15 (not too bad when split up among 20 people) and there is a refundable \$40 deposit that you will get back as long as you follow the simple rules. It's fun, it's easy, and it's a great way to get your group or club together. The program will run for the rest of Spring Quarter.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who cared enough to get out and vote last week, especially those who voted yes for the recycling lock-in. You have reason to be proud in that this issue received more votes than any other single candidate or issue. Now we can finally have a significant recycling program on this campus. Thank you! If you have any questions about A.S. EAB or any of our programs, feel free to call us at 893-2139.

CHUCK CARTER

Tricky Rick

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I have been approached by several people asking me how Earth Day went and why the group I represent, the A.S. Environmental Affairs Board, was absent from the festivities. I have also been informed that our absence was attributed to our lack of organization or commitment to Earth Day. I take offense to this on two levels: First, the respect that I have for myself does not allow me to allow these lies to go without comment. Second, I do not wish to see the credibility of my organization tarnished in any way.

To state things briefly, EAB withdrew from the event that morning because we were led to believe that there would be no PA system, no concert and no way to fund the PA system even if it did arrive. The reasons behind my decision stem from my growing distrust of the organizational and financial skills of the organizers, Rick Foote and Jeff Cohn. Just *two days* before the event, Rick contacted me and asked me to get "\$750 from somewhere in Associated Students" in order to pay for a PA system. Since I had promised, and had available to me, \$200, I was understandably upset. When one puts on a concert, the very first thing you nail down is a PA system!

My other reason for leaving the event was my basic lack of confidence in the organizers' words and ac-

tions. More than once, I was told contradictory statements regarding the PA system, level of preparedness, funds needed and the like.

Although the concert in the park did eventually occur, the turnout of environmental groups was pitiful. Rick had stated time and again that there would be 30 environmental groups; there were two. The event was simply a concert with guest speakers; no groups were there to educate the public.

Earth Day should be more than a concert. The concert is the attraction, but the real power of change comes from the groups that attend and distribute information and literature in such a way that it can be remembered. Speakers are useful for general information, but memory retention, when you're sober, is less than 10%. I think the opportunity for improvement for the world this weekend was substantially reduced due to the lack of communication and organization of the promoters of the event.

If you would like to attend a concert with an educational approach, this Sunday, May 1, the Residence Hall Administration will be putting on an Earth Day Concert on campus, in front of San Miguel Residence Hall. EAB will be there with over 50 activities you can do to be a little "greener." Call 893-2139 if you have any questions or comments.

GIANCARLO CETRULO
CHUCK CARTER

co-chairs for A.S. Environmental Affairs Board

Educating Us

Editor, Daily Nexus:

This year the American people were asked in a nationwide survey, "What is this country's worst problem?" The poll results showed that crime was the primary concern of U.S. citizens. "OK," the politicians and lawmakers said, "looks like we've got to beef up law enforcement, build more prisons, increase the number of death penalties. ... 'Three strikes, you're out' ... yeah, that's got a ring to it — that's something the American people will love!"

President Clinton jumped at the chance to give Americans what they wanted, especially at a time when his approval ratings were declining. He promised a "tough and smart" crime bill in his State of the Union address.

Presently, Congress is fast at work, devising a "tough" but not very "smart" \$28 billion crime bill. Last Thursday the House passed one version of the bill that called for more police, more death penalties and more prisons. If the Senate has its version of the bill passed, \$9 billion would be spent to add 100,000 police officers to the nation's streets in the next five years.

How about spending that \$9 billion on increasing the number of quality public school teachers? I'd rather see more educators and positive role models on the street than 100,000 additional gunslingers.

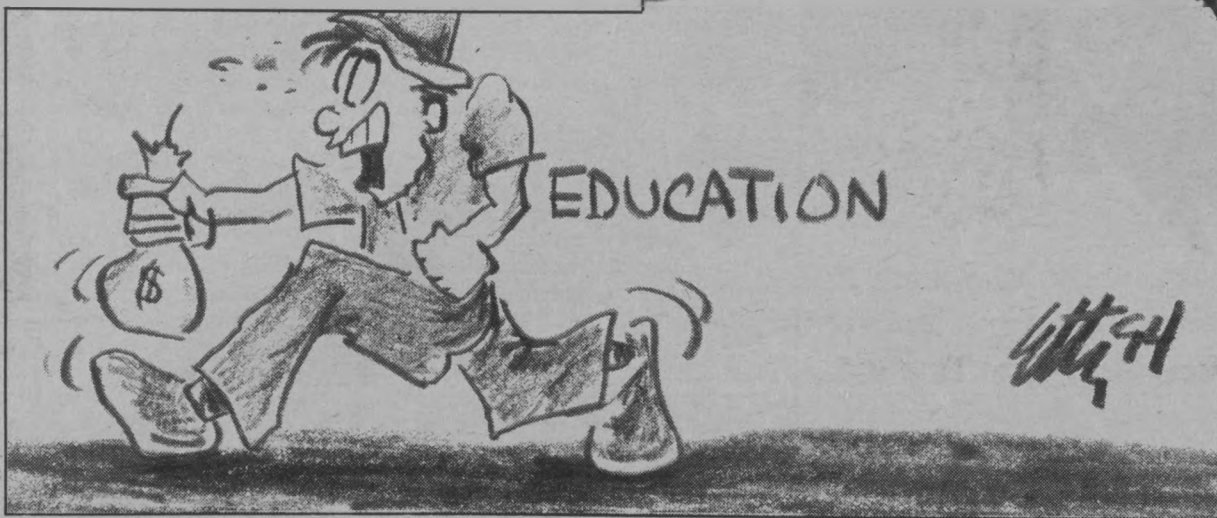
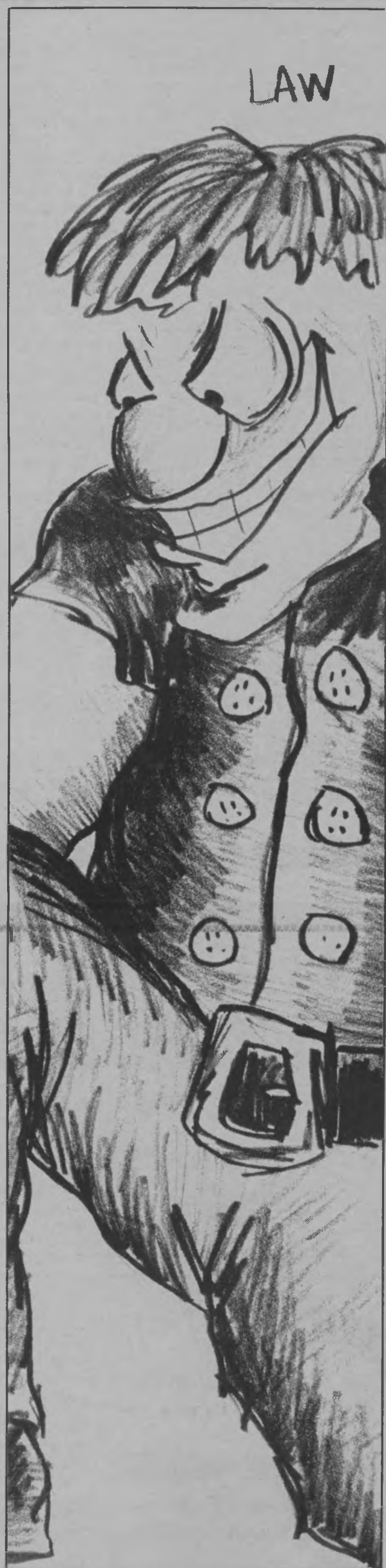
What shocked me even more than the federal government's solution to the crime problem was Los Angeles Mayor Richard Riordan's absurd budget proposal for 1994-95, revealed last Wednesday. His plan places "increasing the force" as the city's top priority, taking a 35% share of the budget. Meanwhile, education, culture and recreation total a mere 4.6% of the budget. His plan is senseless; \$83.4 million to expand the police force while L.A. public schools and teachers continue to suffer due to limited funds.

You want to fight crime? Let education hold the top priority in this country. Let's stop the crime problem at its root, with today's children. Clinton, Congress and Riordan are trying to make quick, short-term fixes. Their efforts to punish and lock up more people will not solve the problem of crime. The only way to deter people from committing violent crimes is to teach them proper values at an early age.

The government is spending too much, which is a problem in itself; but if we must spend, let us at least target the right areas. We have policemen, we have prisons, but we do not have enough quality educational opportunities for America's youth. Why can't we fight today's criminals by our current means, while we build for the future, investing \$20 billion into our nation's schools? It's time to start thinking of tomorrow, about the long-term welfare of our nation.

Five percent of the budget reserved for education? Sorry, that just won't cut it.

BILL WATKINS



ECKERT: NASA Looking at Glass

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 "I was on sabbatical last quarter and went to JPL to assist him on the project," Eckert said.

The unexpected sensory properties of the glass, xerogel, were serendipitously stumbled upon by Stiegman late last summer. The glass was created with a compound called vanadium oxide as part of his study on electromechanical materials.

According to Stiegman, a clear piece of glass was pulled from the oven and left overnight on a counter to cool and dry. Upon his return the following day, the glass had turned orange.

"I couldn't figure out why it had changed color, so I heated it again and let it cool again, but watched it this time," he said. "I watched it turn orange again, right before my eyes."

An unknown substance was reacting with the vanadium oxide in the glass, instigating the color change, Stiegman said.

It was discovered that water molecules in the gaseous state had penetrated the porous glass and bonded with the vanadium oxide, causing the color change, Eckert said.

An article in the November 1993 edition of

“ [NASA] is interested in the technology for many reasons.

**Al Stiegman
 scientist
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Chemistry of Material, "Vanadia/Silica Xerogels and Nanocomposites," written by Stiegman, Eckert, and Gary Plett, Soon Sam Kim, Mark Anderson and Andre Yavrouian of the JPL, continues to describe the observed effects of the scientists' research.

"[Figures of vanadium-silica xerogel after sorption of hydrogen sulfide and after sorption of formic acid] show the deep amber and dark green materials that are formed by the association of hydrogen sulfide and formic acid, respectively," the article writes.

The article also makes reference to other reactions with corresponding color, including the reaction with hydrogen gas, which turns the glass a deep sapphire blue.

According to Stiegman, the National Aeronautics

and Space Administration has been funding the research and foresees many possible uses for the glass.

"[NASA] is interested in the technology for many reasons. One possibility is to create a fiber optic cable with many individual lines for monitoring the environment of a space station, for example," he said.

Many optic lines could be bundled and coated with the xerogel or a more specialized glass for detecting specific pollutants in the atmosphere. This cable could be present in each room of the station and, through optical computer analysis, alert the crew of any potentially dangerous atmospheric changes, Stiegman said.

Another possible use for the cable is on unmanned space flights to other planets or environments. A ship orbiting or passing an object could lower a cable sensor and transmit atmospheric data back to Earth, he said.

The most important contributions this discovery is likely to make will concern the Earth's atmosphere, as it can be used to monitor problem areas, assist in locating pollutants and facilitate many other aspects of environmentalist work, Stiegman said.

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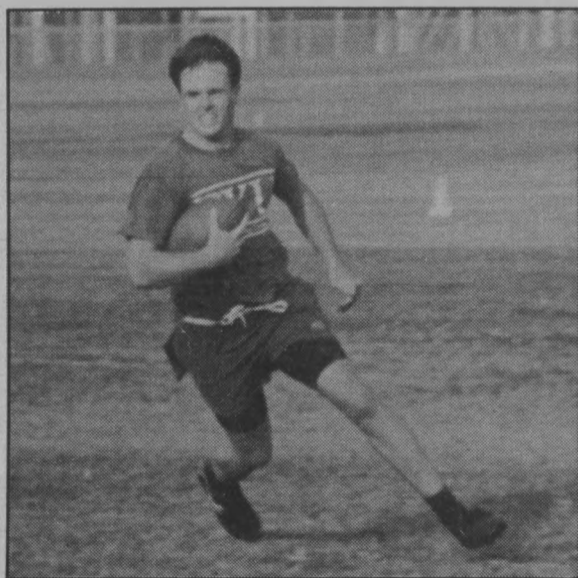
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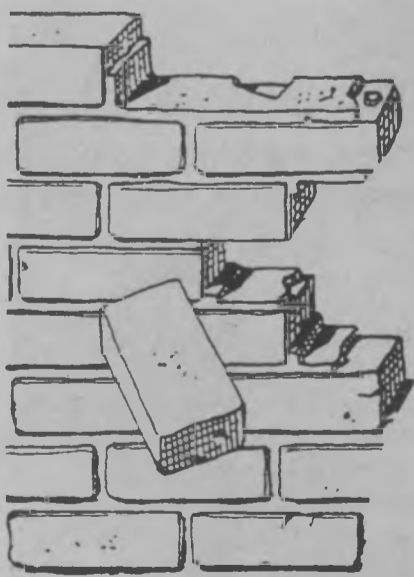
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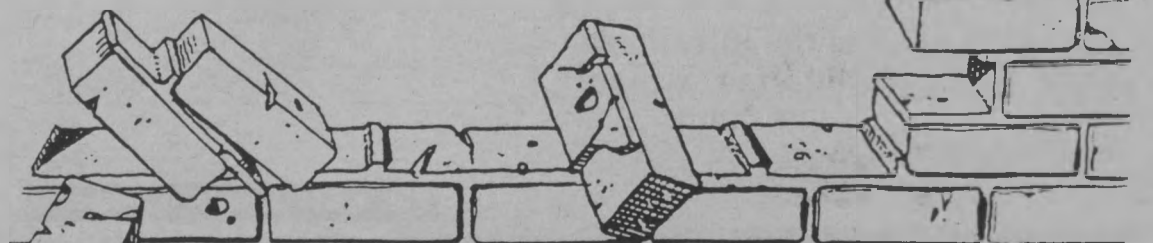
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RUN-OFFS

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plans I made public," Darrow said. "I've got a lot of good questions from all the groups I've visited on campus. They've all been very receptive."

Oates voiced her relief that only a majority result is needed to win the run-off election, since a voter turnout percentage figure

is not required for the second round of the election procedure.

"I was very disappointed at how low the voter turnout was the first time around and how we nearly didn't get it," she said. "It's very easy to get people to vote once but very difficult to get them to vote twice, especially if it's raining."

Oates suggested some methods that she will in-

stall if elected to A.S. president in an attempt to dispel student apathy on campus.

"I will implement some kind of program where a representative from each group on campus will act as a liaison with A.S. and will meet once a week with them," she said. "They can help inform and educate them about what's going on, politically at least."

—Louise Tutt

PARKING

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increase."

Timothy Coppola, a member of the Architects Collaborative, believes users of the parking services understand and desire the need for new parking structures and are willing to pay the price for them.

"[At the neighborhood meetings], I saw support for variable rates and

structures as they are needed," Coppola said.

The PSPG's decision for a location was made primarily on the basis of cost per space, the ability of the structure to meet present needs and the potential loss of parking spaces during construction.

Other proposed sites include Lot 3, between the Music and Psychology buildings; Lots 22 and 23, in front of the Events Center; and Lot 11, by the Che-

mistry building and Phelps Hall, Ortiz said.

According to Ortiz, all possible sites for construction will eventually have to be built upon, as the facilitation of the LRDP will result in a more substantial loss in parking slots, unable to be compensated for by the new structure alone.

"If everything gets built [as planned], we will lose 3,000 spaces ... probably by the year 2001," she said.

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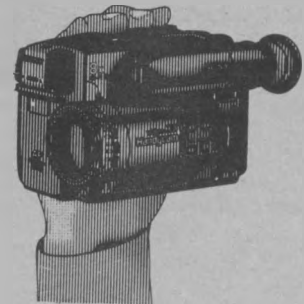
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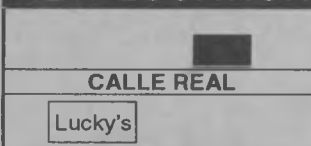
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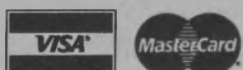
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Gauchos On Their 'Guard' Again

With the Gauchos signing their second recruit in as many weeks, it's looking like it's going to be a dogfight to get playing time in next year's backcourt. After last week's signing of guard Danny Prince, UCSB has added another.

Lelan McDougal, a 6-foot-2 wing player from Alta Loma, has signed a National Letter of Intent to play at UCSB, Head Coach Jerry Pimm announced Monday. McDougal attended Chaffey College, where he earned All-Conference honors in his freshman and sophomore seasons. He averaged 25 points per game as a sophomore, with many of them coming from three-point range.

This past season, McDougal was recuperating from a ruptured disk in his back. He will have two years of eligibility

remaining at UCSB. McDougal attended Etiwanda High School, where he averaged 18 points and 6.5 rebounds per game as a senior. He shot 81% from the free-throw line and was named All-Hacienda League after the 1990-91 season.

"We are very pleased that Lelan has decided to continue his education and his basketball career at UCSB," Pimm said. "He brings maturity and experience to the Gaucho program. Lelan is a very fine outside shooter and scorer and has excellent athletic ability.

"With Danny Prince, we feel we've added two very solid student athletes who have a winning background in both high school and junior college."

—Brian Pillsbury

WAVES

Cont. from back page can go into the UNLV series on a high note."

In contrast to the beginning of the season, pitching has been a strong point for the Gauchos of late. Their having allowed only four runs in three games against Long Beach State proves that UCSB pitchers are on a hot streak.

"It's tough when you're pitching and the offense isn't scoring," Janke added. "It's good for the pitchers to know that they've been throwing well."

"Last weekend was a setback," Brontsema said. "We need to make up ground and get a lot of wins in the last part of the season."

"If we have any kind of wish at a regional shot, we

need to win the midweek games against quality teams."

"Earlier in the year, if we played well but still lost, we were satisfied. Now, we're in a situation where we just flat out have to win games," shortstop Matt Bokemeier said.

Today's game is set to begin at 2:30 p.m. at UCSB's Caesar Uyesaka Stadium.

REVIEW

Cont. from back page all-arounders]," Rivera said. "But our all-arounders are only as good as the gymnasts below them."

McDonald agreed with her coach that not getting to participate is hard on the athletes.

"I'm always right on the edge of competing," McDonald said. "You have to go through practice preparing to compete, and then be ready when you don't."

UCSB will be losing a few gymnasts next season. Jones will not be back due to graduation, while May and Troutman will retire from the sport for personal

reasons. The Gauchos hope to offset this loss with the arrival of freshman Kim Weigle from New Hampshire, who is expected to give them help in several events.

In the off-season, UCSB will be concentrating on starting out next season ready to face powerhouse UCLA in the first meet.

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Sluggers Dive Into Waves at Uyesaka

UCSB Needs Win for Playoff Hopes

By Curtis Kaiser
Staff Writer

In college baseball's version of the Freeway Series, the Pepperdine Waves will arrive in Santa Barbara today to take on the Gauchos in the Pacific Coast Highway Series.

After being swept by #8-ranked Long Beach State last weekend, the UCSB baseball team (17-25 overall, 5-7 Big West) is hoping to exact some revenge on the Pepperdine Waves (26-17, 14-8 WCC) for last month's 5-0 shut-out loss at Pepperdine.

"Midweek games are tough at this point in the year," UCSB Head Coach Bob Brontsema said. "It's a game that we've got to use to play well and get back on track for the weekend."

UCSB has seen a lot of good pitching in the last few weeks, facing some of the top staffs in the nation. In their last three-weekend series, the Gauchos have had to face San Jose State, Cal State Fullerton and Long Beach State. Santa Barbara will have another test this weekend, as Pepperdine's pitching staff maintains a 3.32 earned run average and limits opposition hitters to a .228 batting average.

The Waves' staff is led by relievers Mauricio Estavil and Josh Schulz. Estavil has 10 saves and an ERA of 1.73, while Schulz is 4-0, with two saves and an 2.42 ERA. Top starters include Jason Dietrich (3-1, 2.03), Cade Gaspar (4-1, 2.66) and Greg Gregory (4-4, 3.17).

"We want to get our offense back on track," UCSB catcher Matt Bazzani said. "In our last three series, we haven't been scoring many runs."

GaUCHo outfielder Wynter Phoenix is the only



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GaUCHo shortstop Matt Bokemeier will be needed to help with the resurgence of offensive production.

GaUCHo who raised his average over the Long Beach series, going four for 11. He leads the Big West in triples with six, and is currently batting at a .304 clip.

Tomorrow's likely starting pitcher for UCSB will be freshman lefty Steve Cain. Cain is currently fourth in the Big West in appearances with 19, and 14th in ERA with a 4.28 mark.

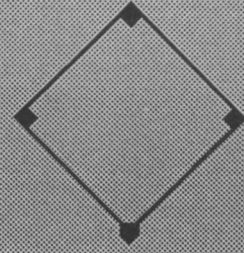
"Cain has been a pleasant surprise for us," Brontsema said. "We didn't think he'd get this many innings, but he's earned them."

Santa Barbara first baseman/pitcher Jared Janke indicated his concern about the importance of today's game.

"It will be a game to get us back on track," Janke said. "It would be nice to get a win and build some confidence. We need to go out there and swing the bats, so that we

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AROUND THE HORN



By Daniel Solomon
Staff Writer

As we enter the fourth week of the MLB season, it should not be a secret to anyone that baseballs being used this year are "juiced," or wound tighter, for you baseball illiterates. While smaller ballparks and baseball expansion have also helped slightly in pumping up home run figures, it must be realized that most of the home runs are still being hit in ballparks that are the same dimensions as previous years. In addition, expansion can really only account for roughly 22 (two teams with 11-man pitching staffs) additional pitchers in the major leagues.

Although I would like to think that the balls being "juiced" is due solely to chance, that little Oliver Stone voice inside of me is saying that a conspiracy is in effect against the fans of the game. In addition, like Stone, I am confident in accusing the MLB owners as the guilty party without any real substantial evidence.

As mentioned, the victims of this dastardly plot are not pitchers, who try to adjust themselves as they continually watch hitters circle the bases, but the fans. You see, it all comes down to the economics of the game.

With the exception of Padre fans at the Murph, more long balls means more fans in the seats. More fans means more dead presidents in the pockets of the owners, with the exception again of Padre owner Tom Werner. More cash in the owners' pockets combined with inflated home run totals means larger player contracts. Larger player contracts means more money out of the fans' pockets, with the exception, once again, of Padre fans who are smart enough not to show up to begin with.

However, this season is not the first nor last time that the "juiced" ball conspiracy has been an issue in baseball. The most recent example was in 1987 when A's first baseman Mark McGwire and Cubs right fielder Andre Dawson led their respective leagues with 49 home runs each. McGwire beat out Toronto's George Bell's home run total of 48 by ... you can figure that ONE out. Since then, only McGwire has hit over 40 home runs again.

However, examples that best illustrate the 1987 "juiced" ball are Juan Samuel, Lenny Dykstra and Wade Boggs. Samuel hit 28 home runs for the Phillies that year and then went on to sign a hefty contract with the Dodgers, who actually thought that he might be able to put up that total again. (You would have thought that Dodger owner Peter O'Malley would have learned his lesson from Samuel before signing "The Straw" a year later.) Dykstra, while an excellent player, also hit 28 in 1987, but has since come only as close as the 19 home runs he

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As far as Boggs is concerned, it pains me deeply to criticize my favorite player, who is also the greatest singles hitter and greatest "Cheers" guest star of all time. But let's face reality. Throughout the remaining years of his career, Boggs will be lucky to total half of the 27 home runs that he hit in 1987.

While many hitters will most likely put up career years this season with the "juiced" ball, there are a few select hitters who are going to benefit the most. In fact, this presents an opportune time to make some predictions about who is going to lead some of the MLB offensive categories this season.

In the American League, the one hitter who should benefit most is Chicago White Sox first baseman Frank Thomas, who is already the league's best hitter. Despite what his 41 home runs from last season would indicate, Thomas does not swing for the fences as much as Texas' Juan Gonzalez or Seattle's Ken Griffey Jr. He is a much more disciplined hitter and he more or less hits most of his home runs off of mistake pitches. Look for Thomas to win his second straight MVP Award as he goes deep about 55 times. Throw in about 150 RBIs and a .340 batting average as well for the Big Hurt.

In the senior circuit, despite playing in pitcher-friendly Chavez Ravine, Mike Piazza should benefit most from the new ball. Like Thomas, Piazza doesn't swing for the fences, he just swings. And with his power, you can expect the sophomore to go yard about 48 times this season. Barry Bonds should give Piazza a run for his money when he's not being intentionally walked or pitched around.

Along with these players, Tony Gwynn, who hit a career-high .370 in 1987, has a good chance to hit .400 this season, as the "juiced" ball should allow him to hit more balls harder off outfield walls. In addition, with the possibility of hitting 20 home runs this year, Gwynn, who is unquestionably the smartest hitter in baseball, will also be able to drop in countless hits in front of outfielders who are playing him deep.

Women Gymnasts Fall Despite a Good Routine

By Steven Large
Staff Writer

Doing it better doesn't always leave you better off. It's a sad fact in the world of sports.

Last year the UCSB women's gymnastics team made it to regionals for the second time in history, but this season it didn't even qualify, despite finishing the season with a higher average score per meet (189) than last year (188.5).

One reason for the tough break was that the Gauchos are in the toughest of the four gymnastics regions. UCSB was good enough to qualify for reg-

ionals in every region but its own.

"The western region is the only region that sent three teams to the nationals," GaUCHo Head Coach Tim Rivera said. "The other regions either sent one or two."

Politics may be another reason for the team's inability to break into the regionals this past season.

"We aren't one of the huge names in gymnastics, but we're getting there," Rivera said. "That's gymnastics. You can't get mad at it, you just have to get in there."

During the course of the season, Santa Barbara had a number of impressive showings, beating four

teams that went on to regional qualifiers. Among those was New Hampshire University, which went on to win the Northeastern Regionals after being beaten by UCSB early in March.

"We had a consistent year overall," GaUCHo gymnast Emily Tripliano said. "We beat a lot of teams that people didn't expect us to beat."

The GaUCHo's consistency was due in large part to their strong core of all-arounders, coupled with their depth.

UCSB is blessed with four all-arounders — Tripliano, Lauren Yee, Margie Hoeffler and Melody Jones. Tripliano, Yee and

Hoeffler all went to the regionals individually but were unable to advance to nationals.

The Gauchos' non-all-arounders also gave the team a boost this year. April Sargent, who competed in every event except for the beam, set a school record with a 9.9 on the vault. Carolyn McDonald, Julie May, Carol Troutman and Annie Bretado rounded out the GaUCHo attack.

Most teams only have one or two all-arounders, but with UCSB's four, some gymnasts saw limited competition.

"It's hard on [the non-

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GaUCHo postseason hopes were left lying on the floor as they were unable to make the regionals this season.