

Friday

March 5, 1999



### Bueller? Bueller?

Blast to the past with '80s movie night in I.V. Theater. The free movie fest, featuring "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" and "Sixteen Candles," starts at 8 p.m.

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The UCSB men's basketball team defeated Utah State in a 75-74 nailbiter Thursday.

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## Will Isla Vista See Wall? Beach Lovers Hope Not

A group of earth-friendly students will be traveling to Northern California on Tuesday to voice their opinions on a proposed local beach project.

The California Coastal Commission will hear an appeal from the Surfrider Foundation on the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors' decision to approve a seawall for the Isla Vista beach. The proposed seawall would be a 2,200-foot timber wall that is in four segments along the cliffs from 6567 to 6779 Del Playa Drive. It is intended to slow cliff erosion, but the seawall's opponents contend that it will result in erosion of the beach.

According to Environmental Affairs Board Chair Meghan Conklin, EAB will gather Tuesday at 8 a.m. in front of Bagel Cafe to carpool to the hearing in Carmel.

"Right now we have three or four cars," she said. "There is plenty of room for anyone who's interested, and we will be back by Tuesday evening."

If the Coastal Commission approves the project, the road will be cleared for construction of the seawall. If they reject the proposal, it will be sent back to the board of supervisors. Student participants will play an important part in the public hearing on the matter, Conklin said.

"We're going to testify in front of the Coastal Commission," she said. "The board is really receptive to students."

For more information about the carpool or the CCC meeting, EAB can be reached at 893-2490.

— Gretchen Macchiarella

## SAE Loses National Charter, Hopes to Be Back in 4 Years

BY ETHAN CHILDRESS  
Staff Writer

Isla Vista's greek community has recently become one fraternity short.

On Feb. 19, Sigma Alpha Epsilon had its local charter revoked by the SAE national organization for four years for probation violations. This decision was made after UCSB's Greek Conduct Board found SAE guilty of two hazing incidents in the last two years.

SAE national spokesperson Frank Ginocchio explained that the organization's reaction was to the fraternity breaking not only national rules, but California law.

"The fraternity went against our law and we felt that it would be in their best interest to shut them down, and hopefully when this class graduates their charter can be reactivated in four years," he said.

Ginocchio explained that although the punishment might seem harsh, it really could have been worse.

"Fraternities and sororities have this sort of thing happen all the time. It isn't an uncommon incident," he said. "Our fraternity in Northwestern closed, and they will never have their charter reactivated."

UCSB greek advisor Mitch Joslin said the incidents that led to the revocation of SAE's charter are also common.

"I think hazing has always been a problem and will remain a problem," he said. "It seems to be cyclical. For a while there won't be any problems, then there will be a lack of good common sense about initiation. We are only trying to look out for the health and dignity of the initiates."

According to Joslin, the process of expulsion from the university was a long and thorough one.

"First of all, the Greek Conduct Board decided to recommend removal of their charter. [Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs] Michael Young agreed and passed it on to a two-person committee, who agreed," he said. "At this point the campus no longer recognized them. Our recommendation went on to their national organization, who decided to uphold our decision."

According to SAE President Morgan Lutes, despite the loss of charter, the former fraternity members will not have to leave their house, which is owned by a landlord unaffiliated with SAE or its national.

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### What the Fork?

JASON SCHOCK / DAILY NEXUS

Using plastic eating utensils, Art Studio 3D students turn a grassy roundabout by Storke Tower into campus art. Now you know why you had to eat your spaghetti with your hands.

## I.V. Housing Inspector Moves Out and On

BY SARAH KENT  
Staff Writer

In an unexpected turn of events, the responsibilities of housing inspection in Isla Vista will trade hands this month.

As of March 19, Isla Vista Housing Inspector Steven Fairly will be relieved of his duties with the Isla Vista Housing Inspection Project. Senior Inspector for County Building and Safety Ken

Forman will temporarily take over for Fairly until a more permanent replacement can be found, according to Fairly.

The reassigning of the position will be accomplished within the next six months, said County Building and Safety Inspector Frank Breckenridge.

"We're going to keep [the I.V. Housing Inspection Project] fully staffed for quite a while," he said. "We have no plans to reduce the effort of the program or the focus

... We're recruiting now for several openings."

Fairly, hired for the project in April 1998, said he felt disheartened by his termination, considering all the hard work he said has gone into the job.

"I'm a pretty humble guy that worked hard to protect the families out in I.V.," he said. "You have to ensure people's safety, and when you're dealing in a captive market

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## Weekend Conference Features Asian Religion, Culture

BY ROBERTO SERRINI  
Reporter

Asian American and religious studies scholars have made a pilgrimage to UCSB for the start of a three-day discourse on the two disciplines.

The Asian and Pacific American Religious Studies Conference began Thursday afternoon in the Humanities and Social Sciences Building with a lecture by Stanford Professor Rudy Busto. The free conference will continue today from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Besides Busto, 35 key scholars from around the world are attending the event. Asian American Studies Dept. Chair Paul Spickard said the conference seeks to bridge the two disciplines and explore the subdivisions of the fields.

"It is surprising that there doesn't exist a lot of research of religion in the study of racial minorities, such as Asian and Pacific Americans, since it is such a large part of their culture," he said. "It's very important, be the religion Buddhism, Catholicism, Tao, Zen, Muslim, Jewish — it is a very substantial part of their culture, and only seemed like a very natural and beneficial event to hold this conference of great minds."

Wade Clark Roof, director of the UCSB Center for



TOM MAHER / DAILY NEXUS

Rudy Busto, a Stanford University professor of religion, addresses the Asian and Pacific American Religious Studies Conference on Thursday.

the Study of Religion, said the event is a logical step in the advancement of Asian/Pacific American and religious studies.

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# Top of the News

## Judge Decreases Manuel Noriega's Sentence



MIAMI (AP) — A federal judge reduced Manuel Noriega's prison sentence from 40 years to 30 on Thursday, meaning the former Panamanian dictator could be eligible for release by 2007.

Noriega, 62, won the reduction from U.S. District Judge William M. Hoeveler after arguing that he deserves credit for helping the United States pursue its interests in Latin America while he was in power.

Noriega was captured after the United States invaded Panama in 1989 and was sent to prison for money laundering and drug trafficking. He has spent nearly nine years by himself in a two-cell suite at a federal

prison near Miami since Hoeveler granted him special status as a prisoner of war.

Hoeveler said he shortened Noriega's sentence after considering the nature of

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— U.S. District Judge William M. Hoeveler

his confinement and the "disparity between the defendant's sentence and the sentences served by his co-conspirators" — some of whom are out of prison.

"What the defendant may have done to the citizens of Panama or to his political opponents are not factors

that I can properly consider," the judge said.

There is no parole in the federal system, but prisoners can earn time off for good behavior or other considerations.

Noriega took control of the Panamanian government in 1983, and U.S. officials often praised him for

his role in fighting drug traffic, and paid him hundreds of thousands of dollars. But relations began to sour in the late 1980s, amid reports of Noriega's involvement in drug trafficking and corruption, and his increasingly independent political stand.

In December, Noriega had asked the judge to reduce his sentence to no more than 15 years.

"We would like him to consider looking at his good acts and reduce his original sentence for the good things he had done," defense attorney Frank Rubino said. Former U.S. officials bolstered that argument by testifying that Noriega's assistance was crucial to U.S. foreign policy objectives in South America in the 1980s.

Donald Winters, chief of CIA operations in Panama, said Noriega brokered deals with South American leaders, acted as a liaison to Cuba's Fidel Castro, provided details on guerrilla and terrorist activities and even gave the former shah of Iran a safe haven.

## Gay Man Beaten, Slain Over Alleged Sexual Advances



SYLACAUGA, Ala. (AP) — Two men who claimed to be angry over a sexual advance by a gay acquaintance plotted his murder for two weeks, then beat him to death with an ax handle and burned the body on a pyre of old tires, police said Thursday.

Steven Eric Mullins, 25, and Charles Monroe Butler, Jr., 21, were charged with murder in the slaying of Billy Jack Gaither, 39. They were jailed on \$500,000 each.

The charges brought by police carry a maximum of life in prison, but a grand jury could indict the men on charges punishable by death.

The Feb. 19 slaying outraged Gaither's friends in this central Alabama town, along with civic leaders and gay rights organizations that kept the motive for the slaying quiet for days to help police catch the killers.

Butler confessed Monday after saying he couldn't sleep, and Mullins admitted his involvement two days later while in jail on an unrelated charge, sheriff's Deputy Al Bradley said.

Mullins and Butler, who apparently knew Gaither from going to the same bars around town, claimed that Gaither made a pass at them. The two then decided on a murder plan, the deputy said.

Mullins and Gaither went to pick up Butler at a nightclub, at which he was participating in a pool tournament. The three men went to a secluded boat ramp, where Gaither was beaten and thrown in the trunk of his own car, and was then taken to the trash-strewn banks of Peckerwood Creek.

"They took him out of the trunk, took an ax handle and beat him to death. Then they put the body on the fire," the deputy said.

Friends, most of whom knew Gaither was gay, said they did not believe he would make a sexual advance on the men. "He didn't ever put anybody in [an awkward] position," said Marian Hammonds, who owns The Tavern, a nightclub Gaither visited the night of his slaying.

The Gay and Lesbian Alliance of Alabama learned of the killing through a contact in the area and notified authorities, complying with a request to keep the killing quiet so as not to interfere in the investigation.

Tracey Conaty of the National Gay and Lesbian Task Force in Washington said Alabama is one of 19 states with hate-crime laws that don't cover offenses related to sexual orientation.

"The message it is sending is that some hate crimes are wrong and others are not," she said.

State Rep. Alvin Holmes has filed a bill that would extend Alabama's law to cover gays. Holmes said he was moved to file the bill by the slaying of 21-year-old Matthew Shepard.

## AP WIRE SHORTS

• **DETROIT (AP)** — A French woman who was wooed on the Internet, and then traveled to suburban Detroit to meet her cybersuitor, was found dead of an apparent suicide after the man used her for sex and kicked her out, police said.

Police in Farmington Hills found 28-year-old Julie Yasa dead after her lover called on Wednesday and reported a body lying in the woods across from his apartment.

The man, whose name was not released, was questioned by police and released.

"It's an extremely sad story," Police Chief William Dwyer said. "This woman comes all the way from Paris, is unstable and suicidal, is used for sex and thrown out the following day and gets no help whatsoever." Dwyer said police found sleeping pills under Yasa's body and a few around the sidewalk leading to the man's apartment.

"We're thinking she started taking the pills when she was refused entry into the apartment by the 24-year-old acquaintance or lover, or whatever you want to call him here," the police chief said.

Dwyer said the two had been in touch over the Internet for several weeks before Yasa flew from Paris to New York on Feb. 5. She was stopped by immigration officials at Kennedy Airport and ordered to return to France.

Dwyer said Yasa then flew from Paris to Toronto on Valentine's Day, and paid someone to smuggle her across the Canadian border into Detroit.

Yasa showed up on the man's doorstep Saturday, and the two had sex, Dwyer said. But the woman spent the next

two nights at a motel. Yasa showed up on his doorstep again Tuesday, threatening to kill herself, Dwyer said.

"He now takes a very cold, inhumane, low position, denying her access," Dwyer said. "He doesn't in any way attempt to assist her. He drives her to the end of the driveway, she threatens to go into the woods and kill herself and he leaves her there." The man told police she was wearing just a white blouse and pants; the temperature that day was in the 30s, so he gave her a sheet for warmth.

• **TUCSON, Ariz. (AP)** — Two Tucson men were arrested and charged with killing a California male who allegedly came to Tucson to buy marijuana.

Erik S. Maloney, 20, and Daniel P. Cordasco, 21, were in Pima County Jail on Thursday for first-degree murder charges. Bail was set at \$1 million for each.

Sheriff's spokesperson Deputy James Ogden said the men were arrested in connection with the death of Dietrich M. Bay, 24, of Ventura, Calif. His body was found in a shallow grave in May when railroad workers reported a blood trail and cartridge casings in the area.

Sources in California told investigators that Bay was supposed to return from Tucson on May 21 after meeting with Cordasco and Maloney, Ogden said.

A couple of days before the body was discovered, Bay arrived in Tucson with up to \$100,000, Ogden said.

"Evidently, he had made a couple trips to Tucson prior to that for the purpose of buying marijuana," he said.

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## Weather

Hey, what college town is known for its wide, white beaches and massive quantities of beer?

That's right — Milwaukee! Nestled on the pristine shores of Lake Michigan, this rockin' town is home to the highest number of breweries in the country (yes, home to the frugal "Milwaukee's Best" brand of beer). And guess what else? That's where I am *right now!* After all, why go to Cabo San Lucas or New Orleans for the weekend when you can go to beautiful Milwaukee? Ooooooo, the excitement ... I'm about to burst (I love sarcasm).

Well, sorry for the short, half-assed weather column today, but I do hope this weekend in Santa Barbara is as warm and nice as the last. By the way, if "Milwaukee's Best" beer is truly *Milwaukee's best*, I think I'm going to be in for a rough weekend.

Today's weather: I couldn't tell you, I'm in Wisconsin. Dammit, haven't you been paying attention?



## Musical Free-For-All Will Follow Soul Food

By JEFF LUPO  
Staff Writer

A free, interactive jazz odyssey will roll into the MultiCultural Center this evening, transforming the lounge into a virtual juke joint.

The jazz jam, co-sponsored by the black women's support group Akanke, will feature the UCSB Jazz Combo and a spicy soul-food dinner to be served before and during the concert. Though the Jazz Combo will be featured, MCC Office Manager Gladys Chan said the event will be open to all musicians who wish to perform with the band.

"This is not just a regular concert. It is a very small and intimate setting, and any musicians who want to can

bring their instruments and jam with the combo," she said.

Chan said the MCC Lounge will be decorated to provide a setting both informal and educational.

"We're going to decorate the lounge like an old juke joint. This is going to be the theme for the evening, and we will have a program following [on] the history of juke joints," she said. "We're also trying to make the setting as informal and comfortable as possible. We're going to bring in tables and couches so people can eat or have a few drinks while watching the show."

Proceeds from the \$6 dinner will go to local outreach programs through the Akanke group, according to Akanke Student Assistant Tifara Monroe. The menu for the supper will consist of

various types of soul food, she added.

"We're going to be serving fried chicken, cornbread, dirty rice, creamed corn, and macaroni and cheese. For dessert, we'll be having peach cobbler and ice cream," she said.

Akanke Program Committee Chair Tammarin Spearman said the event will be a good opportunity to socialize while hearing music.

"We're hoping that people of different cultures and ethnicities will attend the event," she said. "It will be a great chance to meet and talk to many different types of people."

Dinner is \$6 and will begin at 6:30 p.m., while the music is free and starts at 8 p.m. It will continue as long as people remain in the lounge.

## FAIRLY

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where property is sometimes not respected by the occupants, you have to work pretty severely sometimes with the occupants to make them understand they have to respect the property."

I.V. Property Owners Association Chair Chuck Eckert, who has worked with Fairly several times, was also saddened by the community's loss of Fairly as an inspector.

"I believe that Steve Fairly approached his job in a generally fair and evenhanded way," he said. "He was not afraid to take a stand on the tough issues. He may have stepped too hard on some people's toes. The [housing inspector] position is somewhat unique and it may be difficult to find someone to fill [Fairly's] shoes."

According to property owner Ed St. George, Fairly was hired as a consultant, and put on the county payroll because of the number of hours that he put in with the

project.

"He was out there doing the best job he could do, but I think they want someone with a little more experience," St. George said.

Fairly said he is mainly concerned with who his eventual replacement will be, and how committed he or she will turn out to be.

"I hope when I'm replaced that it's not just a puppet out there that's for show," he said. "Sometimes it's hard to put principles before a paycheck."

Fairly said he will be able to move on confidently, and has other plans lined up.

"I'll be passing my caseload over to my successor, taking a deep breath and then I'll have to move on," he said. "I'll be going back to being a building contract consultant, which is what I was before being hired by the county. I have a lot of respect for Mr. Breckenridge and [Building and Safety's Nick] Andrate. The most important thing is that they don't pull the plug on this program ... It's a much-needed program."

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## Sex, drugs, or rock 'n' roll, and why?



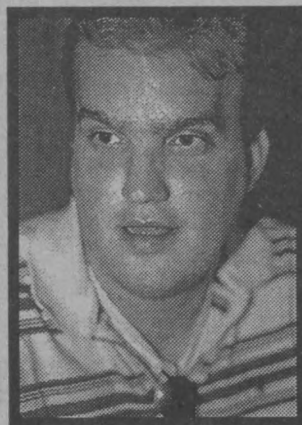
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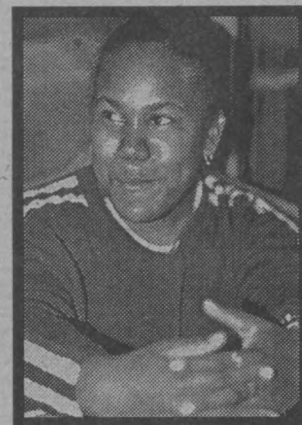
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*All three, because when you put them together, it's a real good time.*

Emmy Lloyd  
freshman  
religious studies

## Park or Parking Lot? Church's Land in Question

By DEBBIE LAZO  
Staff Writer

The issues of accidents and of the relative merits of grass vs. asphalt were raised at Thursday night's Isla Vista Recreation and Park District meeting.

The IVRPD listened to a request to extend the St. Athanasius Orthodox Church's lease on park district land, which the church currently uses as a parking lot. Also discussed were the hazards of biking in I.V. and the need to reduce driving accidents on the 6500 block of Del Playa Drive.

I.V. Foot Patrol Lt. Butch Arnoldi reported that law enforcement is working to regulate Del Playa's increasingly high amounts of car accidents.

"The 6500 block of Del Playa has the highest rates of accidents in the

entire county of Santa Barbara," he said. "It is unacceptable to have that many accidents on that one block."

The request to extend the lease of the church parking lot was met with opposition. IVRPD Director David Fortson, along with other members of the board, expressed a strong opinion on the fate of the church parking lot.

"I think as far as park land, we should expand it," he said. "The fact is that we need parks in I.V. We need park space a lot more than we need parking space."

In a letter to the board, the church requested a 15-year extension because it has just begun the permitting process for a new facility in Goleta and believes "15 years is a conservative estimate of the time it will take to secure all necessary permits and build the planned structures required to move in."

Director Ariana Katovich added that although the needs of the community will have to be taken into account, the board cannot accommodate everyone.

"The board should explore other opinions the community has on that space. Extending the church's lease for 15 years will be too long of a time. I'd like to look at other options and look at the goal of the park before we make a decision," she said. "I think it's impossible to make everyone happy. No matter what the board says, we will alienate part of the community."

General Manager Derek Johnson agreed that the situation will have to be presented to the community and that the board will take its input into account before anything is finalized.

"It would be important to hear from the public to hear what they have to say," he said.

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"It is very important since the Asian American/Pacific American constituency is rapidly growing demographically, especially in California," he said. "Along with this, students are becoming more and more interested in these disciplines and the relation between them."

Roof explained that due

to a shortage of minority religion courses, the conference will be a great opportunity to expand knowledge on the subject. This problem, Spickard said, will be remedied beginning Spring Quarter, with the addition of classes in this area.

"Already Tara Koda is teaching an Asian American religions course this spring, and more classes like these are planned to be offered by

both departments Fall [Quarter]," he said. "The reason the conference is being held at UCSB is because we have a really strong program in Asian American and religious studies, and both disciplines are interested in the other's works."

In addition to the department heads and scholars, students, including sophomore religious studies major Kerri Fishborne, are looking

forward to hearing the leading minds in the field share their opinions and knowledge.

"I can't wait. For me this is a real great opportunity, I mean, in the field I'm in it's not everyday I get to hear the author of the books I read speak their minds," she said. "And besides, it's free — who wouldn't want to come?"

## SAE

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"We're going to try to fill the house next year and hopefully in four years get our charter back," he said.

On Feb. 18, there was an incident in which an I.V. Foot Patrol report was taken accusing SAE members of vandalism that used the term

"Renegade Frat." Lutes said it was a false claim.

"It doesn't matter what we felt after we heard the news. What happened, happened. There isn't anything that we can do about it right now. So we are just going to stay together and wait till we get the charter back," he said.

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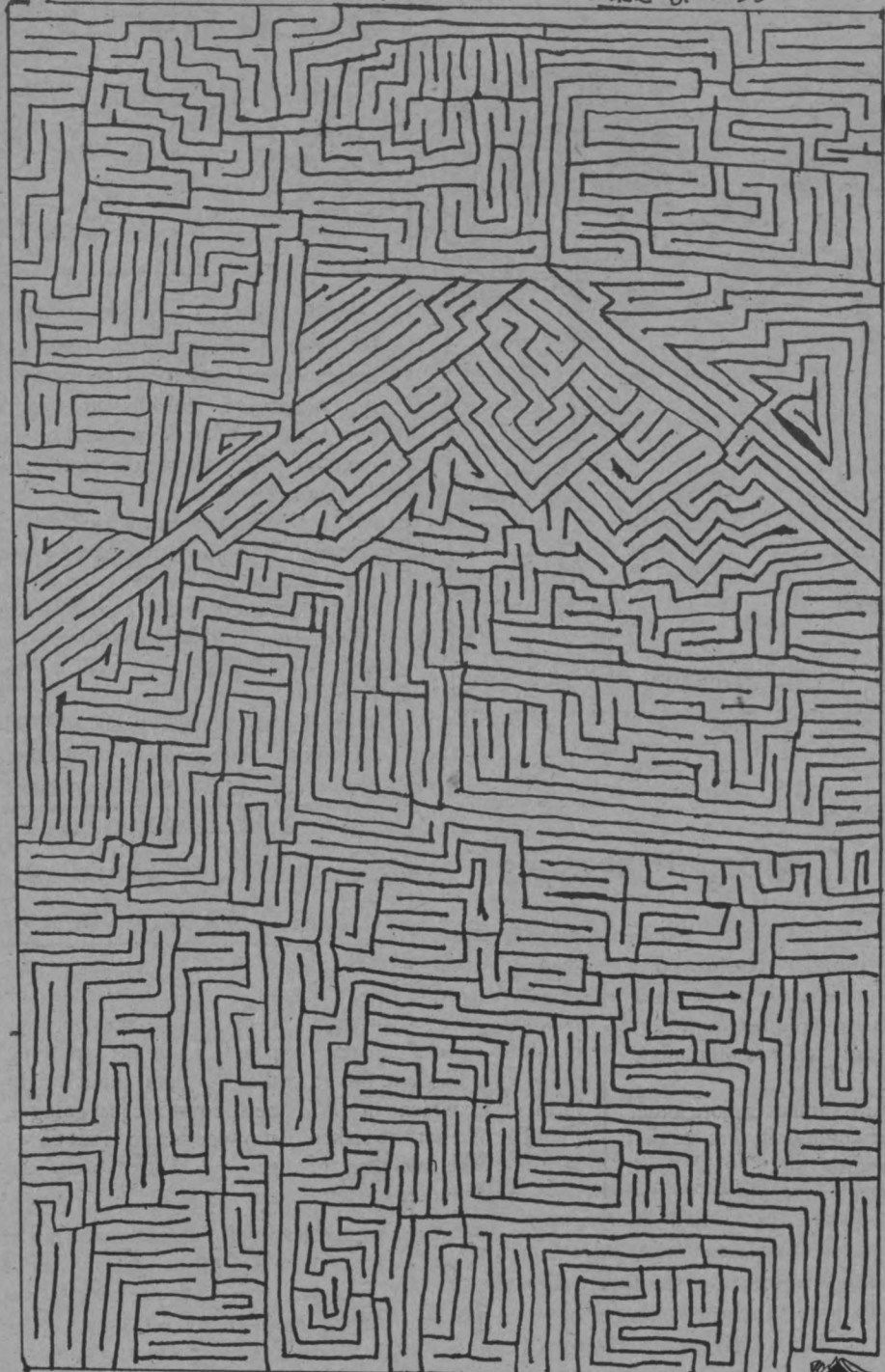
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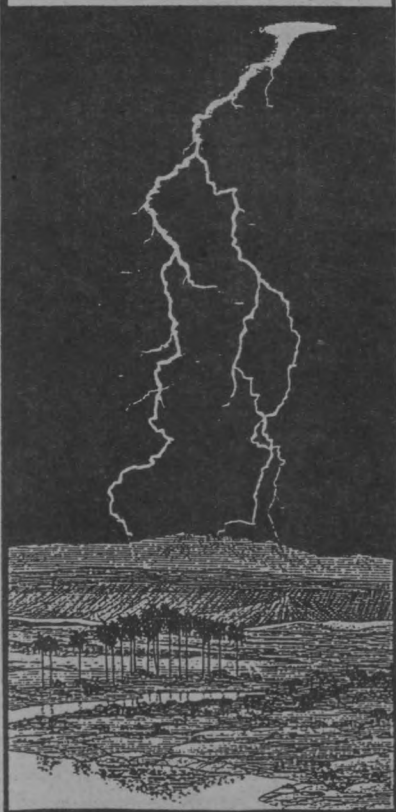


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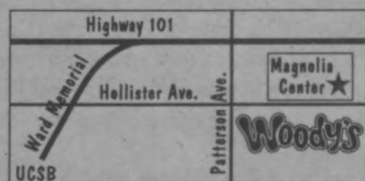
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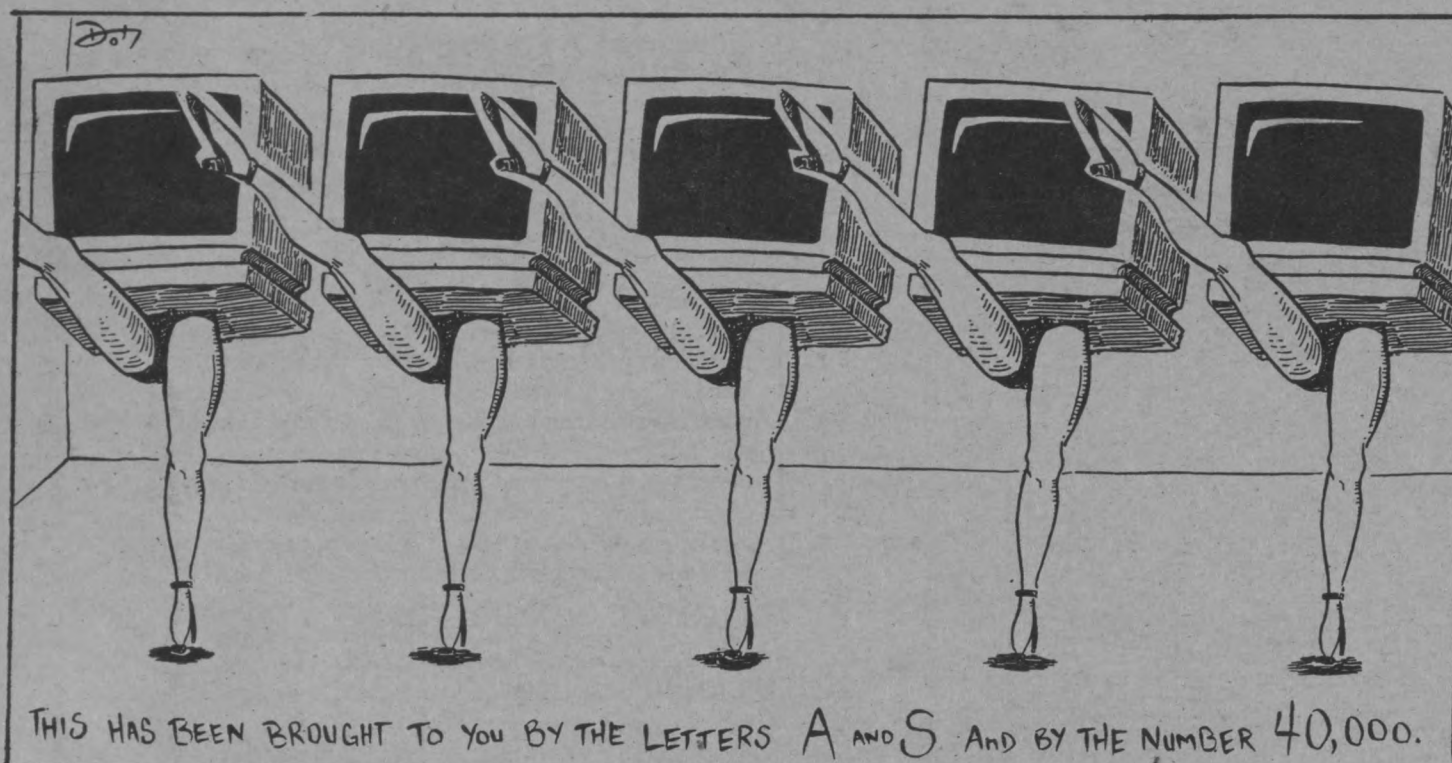
# Opinion

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## Out With the Old ...

*A.S. Wants to Spend \$44,000 on Computers, But It Isn't Justifying Its Reasons*

With the dawn of a new millennium approaching, everyone seems to want to usher themselves into high-tech technology. Everyone, including UCSB's own Associated Students. A \$44,000 Capitol Reserve budget surplus (that's right, \$44,000) has incited A.S. to draw up a proposal for new computers in its office. However, if A.S. wants new computers, it better make damn sure to show the students concrete justification for spending so much money on them.

Currently, A.S.'s arguments for needing new computers are — at best — weak. The Leggies claim that their computers are prone to freezing while they are drafting their bills. In addition, the poor souls at A.S. are without Internet access. With new computers, A.S. claims that it could do more for students and that we, the students, could always come in and use the computers.

To put it simply, A.S. is going about obtaining these new computers in the wrong way. It is actually arguing about how to approach computer companies: Should the computer companies know how much A.S. is willing to spend or should the companies just give bids? Furthermore, while A.S. claims that with these new computers it will be able to do more for the students, it has

neglected to indicate just *how* it will be able to do more for the students. Kind of a big thing to leave out, don't ya think? A.S. also claims that it will give the old computers to the Isla Vista Teen Center. But if they are good enough for the Teen Center, why aren't they good enough for A.S.?

In fact, there are alternatives that A.S. needs to think about before indulging itself in \$44,000 worth of new computer technology. OK, so maybe A.S. can indulge itself in *one* new computer with Internet access. In this age of information, the importance of Internet access cannot be denied. At the same time, however, some reps probably have home computers and can be doing some of that research at home, or in the community where most research should take place anyhow. Other problems, like the computers freezing, could be solved quite easily with a call to the local repairman.

Basically, what this all boils down to is that A.S. is about to irresponsibly utilize a gross amount of student funds for something that is unjustified and unnecessary. Speaking from pure firsthand experience, old (as in 1978) computers do get the job done. A.S. just wants to be on the cutting edge of technology, and the money that would put A.S. there could be better spent.

## The Reader's Voice

### EATING MEAT ACTUALLY HARMS THE ENVIRONMENT

Editor, Daily Nexus:

David. David. David. It looks as if I'm going to have to go technical on you. And trust me, I've been waiting for this moment. First of all, do you know any vegetarians? (Daily Nexus, "Put Down the Soy, Pick up the Sirloin," Mar. 1) I'm not talking about those Slurpee-drinking, Dorito-eating, "I-wish-I-were-a-hippie" rejects. I'm talking about people that have adequate diets that conscientiously choose not to eat meat for a variety of reasons. How about animal agriculture and its effects on the environment? You know what the environment is, don't you, David?

Raising animals for food is wasteful. It requires far more water, energy, raw materials and land to produce meat than grains and plant products. This industry squanders the vast majority of all grain grown in the U.S., as well as much of our water, in order to feed cattle. It takes eight pounds of edible grain to produce one pound of edible meat. You do the math.

The increased dependence of high yields of bovine have worsened the already prevalent problem of topsoil erosion on our farm-

lands. This means that the land becomes less and less productive for crops. This will put us in quite a predicament considering the population increases. You know — more people, less land to feed them.

Feed lots and slaughterhouses are the largest single polluters of rivers and streams. The animal waste disposal of large feed lots and factory farms is another issue that should be addressed in reference to the environment. The next time you drive north on Highway 5 past that odorous cow plant, you might just ask yourself where the excrement goes. It seeps into the ground water. Yes, roughly 10 percent of water pollution is caused from the cattle and dairy industries.

If you still believe that animal farming is a grand idea, I'd like to draw to your attention deforestation and its ally, global warming. First of all, 31.57 hectares of tropical rainforest are burned for livestock grazing each year. This form of ranching has the lowest agricultural yield and the land quickly becomes impoverished through topsoil erosion, not to mention the greenhouse gas (carbon dioxide) that is emitted. Plus, the cattle devour tree seedlings and compact the surface, which denies the forest its chance to regenerate itself.

So David, there you have it, from soil erosion to the overuse and pollution of water to deforestation. It is difficult to overstate the

case for reexamining what we eat.

I understand that you might be pressed for time at the *Daily Nexus*, but do us all a favor and think before you write. The lack of intelligence that you radiated was humorous (maybe ... I think), but you certainly could have come up with better reasons for eating meat than that humans are at "the top of the food chain" because when everything else is destroyed, you'll be left with no option other than to eat your veggies.

JENI F. EDDINGTON

### IT IS TIME FOR TORTILLAS TO BE LEFT AT HOME

Editor, Daily Nexus:

I'm writing in response to Reza Garajedaghi's column on tortilla-tossing at men's basketball games (Daily Nexus, "Act Your Age," Mar. 1). I agree, it's an old joke, and it's got to go. It's only a matter of time before it costs us a game, and it's already cost us national media attention, at least the kind we want. Gaucho men's hoops is back from the dead, which means large, noisy, trash-talking crowds packing the Thunderdome, making the other team wet their shorts. But all that positive energy is undercut when we start costing our team points.

When we toss tortillas, we send the other team to the free throw line for two shots, simple as that. We can't afford that. This team is going to be at the top of the league again next year, only this time it won't be a surprise. We won't sneak up on anyone next year. Teams will come into the Thunderdome knowing they will have to compete, and that means close games.

If we lose a game by one point because of tortilla technical fouls, it could be a devastating blow for the team. We have Stanford here next year. A win over them would be a huge step for Gaucho hoops. It's going to be a close game. I hope we cheer our team onto victory, not toss them into defeat. See you in the 'Dome!

MICHAEL LANE

### A CHALLENGE TO THE SCIENCE/RELIGION DEBATE

Editor, Daily Nexus:

Having read several recent *Nexus* letters with the usual science vs. religion arguments, let me pose a simple question: How does science explain "human" attributes such as long-term hatred and forgiveness? Please be sure you can *prove* your answer, or it isn't sci-

## UCSB Needs Some

*Students Must Learn How to Respect and Property or Be Prepared to Stand*

CHRIS MEAGHER

When I went home to Northern California for a lot of my friends that go to various colleges and universities in the States. When I spoke with them, they all had the same story to tell: the students at UCSB are a bunch of drunken, lazy, unproductive people. I always responded with a resounding "HELL NO!!!" rescinding that response thanks to one jerk-off bicyclist in my biology 152A class.

Last weekend I went to the RecCen to play some basketball. I was extremely lucky and found a space amongst the near-endless bike racks near the front and on the end of the rack next to the basketball court. I entered at a game of hoops, I went back to my bike to find it gone. Some jerk leaned his beach cruiser up against my Honda. Not only did I have to walk my bike home, but I had to fix it.

You know, I bought my bike at K-Mart just like a lot of people. It doesn't mean that I don't give a rat's ass about it. It is the only thing I own that isn't someone else's utter laziness and sheer idiocy, I have to take care of it.

... there would be tiny electrical devices

disruption and would send a nice

100,000 volts through the body of the

cash to fix it. My high school basketball coach once told me in the locker room that said, "If you are too lazy to put your bike in the rack, don't belong on this team." I think I would like to see the bike racks that reads, "If you are too lazy to park your bike, then you will be shot!" And just to enforce the sign, "Military Science 187, Assassination as a Profession" who has militant tendencies or excess anger can learn to serve it.

That brings me to my second point. I know that UCSB, but I will pick on the students in my Soc 152 class. I have taken this legendary class and know that the behavior of teachers and the course material is about 50 times more than you learn in most courses. But why, if this class is so hard, begin packing backpacks and slamming down desks on the heads of a herd of buffalo with five minutes left to go?

I mean, do any of you get upset when people interrupt you? What do you think the Baldwins feel when the major is talking about their bags while they are trying to finish their lecture? The lecture topic isn't the greatest in the world (I don't like clitorectomies that much myself.), but out of respect for the lecturers and for those students that are trying to listen.

ence. Keep in mind that the "survival of the fittest" is a hatred contrary to the "survival of the fittest" species" ...!

EXTENDING

IS A GO

I am writing this editorial ("Keep Your Hands Off the University in the Greek Chapter," Mar. 1) to address the general of your panhellenic society as an off-campus executive Council. Students represent Sorority Council Executive Board duties.

I happen to be a legislator that last month, in the House of Representatives, I was urging the university to fraternize with the "Extending just



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## Some Manners

to Respect Others' Rights  
and to Suffer Consequences

MEAGHER

California for Christmas Break, I talked to a bunch of colleges and universities around the United States and had the same question for me: "Aren't all of you lazy, undereducated, spoiled brats?" I said "HELL NO!!!" But now I am thinking about the 100 percent of the So-

to play some afternoon basketball. I was sitting at the nearly full bike racks that was right next to the aisle. After getting slaughtered by my bike to ride home and what did I see? Just my Huff's tire and bent the shit out of the bike, but I had to buy a new rim for my

just like a lot of people, but that doesn't matter. It is the only bike I have, and thanks to the fact that I had to shell out my hard-earned money for a new device that could sense a nice little jolt of about 100,000 volts of the disruptor.

Each once put a sign above the toilet in the men's room to put the toilet seat up, then you would like to write a sign and hang it above the toilet to park your bike where it should go, and the sign I will start a new class called "Disruptor" and for four units, anyone who can learn to gun down people who de-

know that this happens in every class at the University of Southern California. I am sure most of you know that the Baldwins are an amazing couple, but 50 times more interesting than the Baldwins, if this class is so great, do 800 people own desks with the volume of a stadium left to go in class?

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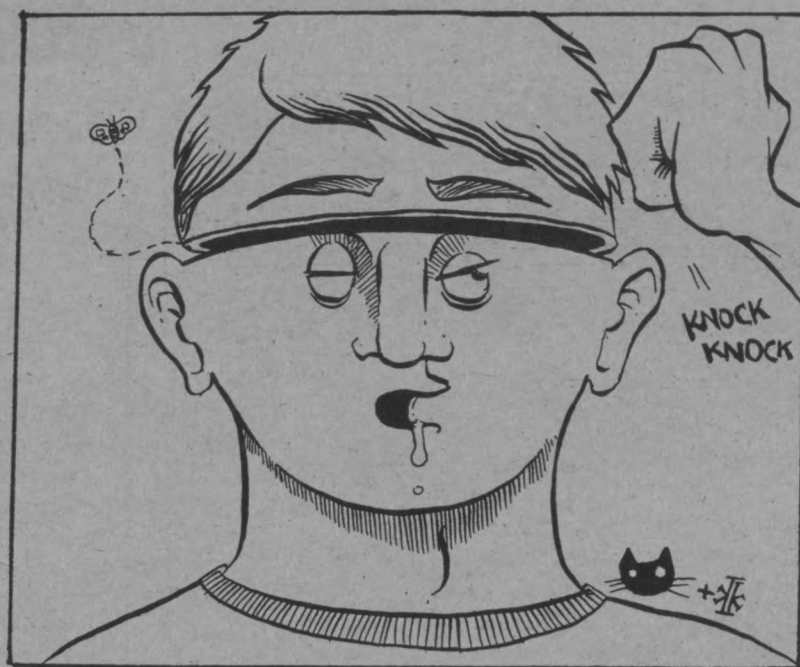
BRENT BAKER

## EXTENDING JURISDICTION IS A GOOD IDEA

I am writing in response to the staff editorial "Keeping with Tradition" published Monday, March 1, regarding the issue of university involvement in the matters of Greek chapters.

While I applaud your taking the initiative to address this issue, I must comment on several of your points. I am both a member of a Hellenic sorority on this campus, as well as an off-campus representative on Legislative Council. I also serve as the Associated Students representative to the Fraternity-Sorority Council (FSC), and attend FSC Executive Board meetings as part of my duties.

It is important to agree with the Safety 2000 legislation that passed through Leg Council last month, including the parts dealing with extending the university to extend jurisdiction over fraternity and sorority houses in Isla Vista. Extending jurisdiction that would allow the



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UP, please. I have two friends at Harvard, and do you know why the students there make six digits right out of college? It's not because they are smarter than us. It's because they hang on every word their professors say. They don't get up to leave class early. They take every class they have seriously.

Why do so many of you think that there are better things to do for those five minutes? You shouldn't have any classes for at least another 10 and, contrary to popular belief, you will not DIE if you have to sit there and listen to the lecture for another 1/12th of an hour. JUST SIT THERE, SHUT UP AND READ AN ARTICLE IN THE *NEXUS*. Like this one.

You might learn something for once since you obviously never listen to the people that YOU PAY THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS to enhance that underdeveloped brain of yours. I mean, the last time I looked we were here to get an education, are we not? If it were up to me, there would be tiny electrical devices that could sense disruption and would send a nice little jolt of about 100,000 volts through the body of the disruptor. As soon as it sensed a desk slam down before the lecturer was done, BZZZT! HOT POTATO!

Now I admit many of you out there are very respectful to those around you, and I wouldn't want to seem like I was attacking the whole campus. God knows, I don't need hundreds of you trying to burn my house down in the middle of the night. But I do know that a lot of you could practice some simple acts of respect, and it would take very little effort on your part. Start by not parking your bike on top of someone else's and walking the extra 20 feet to park it in an open spot. If you can't walk an extra 20 at the Rec Cen, then you shouldn't be allowed in a gym in the first place. Then, if you must pack your bags early, be quiet about it. Zip the backpack up slowly and put down the desk easily and quietly. I am sure many people around you are trying to listen. Save the noise, disruption and anarchy for I.V. That is where it belongs.

To those of you who do not apply to this letter. Keep up the good work. To those of you who do apply ... BZZZT!

Chris Meagher is a sophomore business economics and film studies major.

## Apocalypse Now

More Signs of the Doom Awaiting Us

DAVID DOWNS

Welcome to this week's **Top Ten Signs of the Impending Apocalypse**. The following signs were submitted by a troupe of crazed, outback anthropologists based in the uninhabited regions of Nicaragua. They poured over thousands of lines of ancient, previously untranslatable Mayan tablets during a two-week peyote binge and, upon completion, faxed this over to me.

10. United Parcel Service's favorite client, Ted Kaczynski, will publish a 548-page book this spring. Reports made by no one in particular say the Unabomber's book could possibly incite mailmen to strike, riot and generally make the mail even slower than it is now.
9. Paula Jones will have her own 900 number. Word is, for \$3.99 a minute you can participate in a genuine ménage-à-trois with Linda Tripp and Ken Starr.
8. Seventies pop/punk band Blondie will tour again. Updated lyrics have been suggested and will include "One way, or another, I'm outta money, I need to tour again, just like the Eagles Eagles Eagles ..."
7. Shania Twain was the hottest girl at the Grammys. She is also country. Something has gone terribly, terribly wrong.
6. Also on a Grammy note: Sheryl Crow won "Best Rock Album." No further comment is necessary.
5. Marilyn Manson and Hole have begun touring. Opening up for this match made in hell will be the mythic Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse.
4. America's favorite bigot, Pat Buchanan, has announced his candidacy for the president. His party platform: Genocide and Justice For All.
3. Scary Spice is having a child. Unfounded rumors say the child is only known as "Baby Antichrist" Spice.
2. As we all know, Monica Lewinsky spilled the beans with Bawbwa Wawters. A cigar will never taste the same again ...

Unfortunately, the end of the translation could not be received, due to communication problems with my peyote-crazed Mayan anthropologists. But never fear, I have my own **Number One Sign of the Apocalypse**.

1. The readership of the *Nexus* is so easily swayed as to actually send in money to the Weatherhuman. You people are sheep. I'm ashamed of all of you ... Stay tuned next week.

David Downs is a freshman philosophy and communication major and does not advocate the recreational use of peyote.

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university to impose punishments on individuals who commit sexual assaults on fraternity or sorority property does not in any way correlate to a university telling a fraternity or sorority what members it can and cannot accept.

I agree that telling a fraternity house to accept women and vice versa is ridiculous. However, I have a difficult time even understanding how the issue of university regulation of membership could be even remotely connected to extending university jurisdiction to deal with sexual assaults on chapter property.

It is very important to note that the fraternities and sororities are not "inherently independent bodies," as was stated in the editorial. Each greek house must maintain good standing with the university in areas such as meeting minimum house GPA requirements and following strict rules regarding hazing and alcohol. Moreover, all rush procedures and bids go through the university. A chapter cannot officially exist on this campus or any other unless the university recognizes it.

Extending university jurisdiction to the fraternity and sorority houses would mean that someone who is assaulted at a greek house will hopefully not have to sit in class next to that person who assaulted them. It will mean that cases will go to the Student Faculty Conduct Committee, as if the crime

was committed in an on-campus residence hall or other area on campus. Indeed, "imposing direct regulation" on the houses is not a fair concept by any means. Rather, extending jurisdiction is fair, considering the relationship that fraternities and sororities share with the university.



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It is also fair considering the high standard that all members of fraternities and sor-

orities should hold themselves to. Most importantly, it is also fair to expect that an individual should feel safe when they enter a house belonging to an organization closely associated with and responsible for maintaining good relations with the university.

Finally, debate was heard from greek members regarding the legislation, though not at the table Wednesday night. I brought the issue forth to the FSC vice president of standards, as well as to an FSC general meeting (which all chapters are required to attend) and the FSC Executive Board. Nearly every greek that I spoke to was in favor of the legislation, especially sorority members. Moreover, dozens of signatures from greeks have been collected who expressed interest in working on the goals of Safety 2000. Therefore, I believe that it was completely unfair to say that 17 percent of the campus "was disregarded" when this legislation was passed!

In short, extending university jurisdiction to the fraternity and sorority houses has absolutely nothing to do with the university dictating who can and cannot join a house. Instead, it is a fair and good idea that is long overdue.

JENNIFER TOBKIN

## HOT LINE

### Bathroom Humor Continues

Here are some more ways to entertain yourself, and maybe make a new friend along the way in a bathroom stall: Lower a mirror underneath the stall and adjust it so you can see your neighbor and then say, "Peek-a-boo." Play a well-known drum cadence over and over again on your butt cheeks. Or, you can say, "Damn, this water is cold." This one raises a good question: How cold is toilet water anyway? Go out and do some fieldwork and call us with the answer.

### Fetishes

From shoes to sunglasses to little glass figurines, there is an object for everyone out there to obsess over. If you are looking for a new fetish, the University Bookstore is a great place to start. Scantrons, shot glasses and even gluesticks make great fetish objects. It's not exactly healthy, but at least it's a hobby.

### Going Shoeless

Recently there has been a growing number of students going shoeless on campus and in class. This is unsafe. Anything from clinking cigarette butts to wingless bees can ruin your day if you are shoeless. Come on, people, at least wear a pair of socks.

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BY LINDA C. BLACK

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

**Aries** (March 21-April 19)—Today is a 6—You're in a feisty mood and with good reason. Your authority is being challenged. Losing your temper is not a good idea. It could cost you plenty, too. Instead, listen and learn. Let others know you understand the point they're trying to get across. Then, include it in your agenda.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20)—Today is a 5—If you don't feel acknowledged for what you've done, you could get into a bad mood today, and that bad mood could go over into other areas of your life. Watch out for that today. The problem would be work-related, and the argument would be with your spouse. If you catch yourself doing it, just apologize.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 21)—Today is a 6—Think about the possible consequences before you take action today. Although things seem easy on the surface, there's something to consider beneath the surface. Somebody who's urging you to act quickly may have an ulterior motive. If you can find out what that is, you'll be money ahead.

**Cancer** (June 22-July 22)—Today is a 6—You would have to clone yourself today to comply with all the requests being made of you. Since that's unlikely to happen, you may have to practice another skill instead. Just say no. There may be whimpering and maybe even a temper tantrum, but don't buckle under! Stand up for yourself!

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22)—Today is a 5—The good news is that you could finally make contact today with a distant friend. Your love will be as strong as the last time you saw each other, and that may have been quite a while ago. The bad news is that you can't meet quite yet. You can make plans, though, and you should.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)—Today is a 6—Your brilliant insight could solve the problem. That's the good news. The bad news is that this whole deal might cost you more than you had budgeted. You hate it when that happens. Give yourself time. You're learning as you go along, and sometimes that's expensive. Deduct it under "education."

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)—Today is a 6—Your love life is doing well, but you may wonder where you'll get the money. They say it's more important to have love, but you'd rather have both than choose between them. Well, they also say if you do what you love, the money will follow. Try that.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)—Today is a 6—You're getting more powerful as you gain information. You're in a position to find out what's going on behind the scenes, so do that first. Don't be impatient to act. Your first impulse may not be your wisest move. Let the other guy try it first, to see what happens.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)—Today is a 6—You're getting smarter, and more skillful at your specialty. That's because you've been practicing. You can have another breakthrough today, if you keep at it. You may be starting to feel pressure, but don't be dismayed. If you keep doing the homework, you'll do fine on the test.

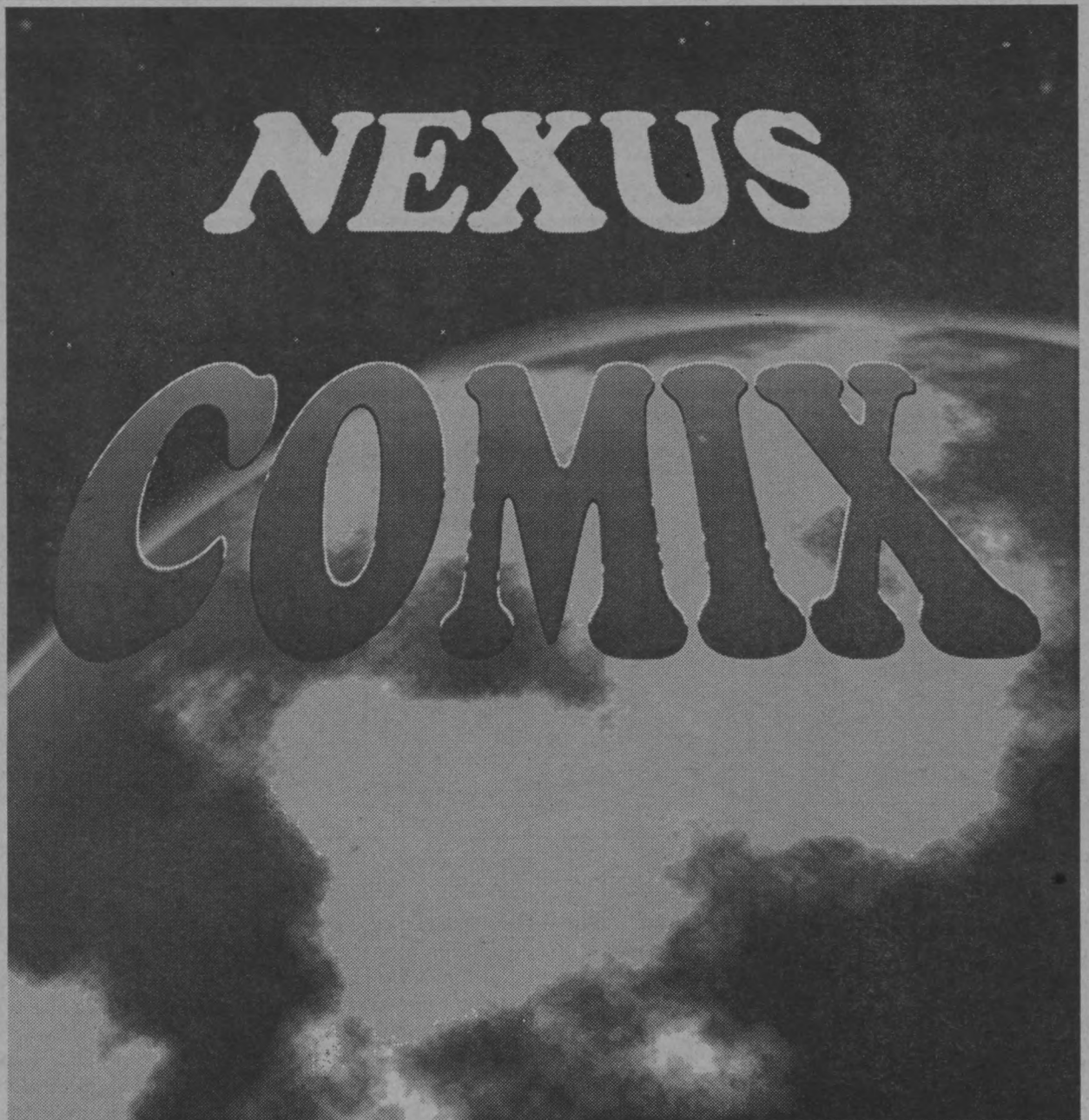
**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)—Today is a 6—Get a special gift for a loved one today. It'll make up for the fact that you can't spend much time together. Your schedule is completely overbooked already. That's a rotten situation to be in, but make the best of it. Maybe you can reschedule one of your appointments for the weekend.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)—Today is a 6—You could get a great opportunity to advance today, but it might mean giving up something in order to get something better. When it comes down to happening or not, it's kind of hard to let go of the familiar and try something new. You don't have to decide right now. Think about it over the weekend.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20)—Today is a 6—You're doing well today, but don't get cocky. You could learn something the hard way if you're not careful. An older person is trying to tell you what to do, in a rather obnoxious way. Instead of resisting, you ought to listen carefully, especially if money is involved.

**Today's Birthday** (March 5). You can make your future secure this year by devising a financial plan and sticking to it. Help is available in March, but you may be distracted by travel. In April, heed your rich friend's advice. Learn new habits by May, and the hard part is over. Your work brings you confidence in August. Plant your treasure in fertile soil in September. Take a trip in November for the excitement of it, and so you'll be ready for changes in December. A bureaucrat could surprise you in February. Don't make assumptions.

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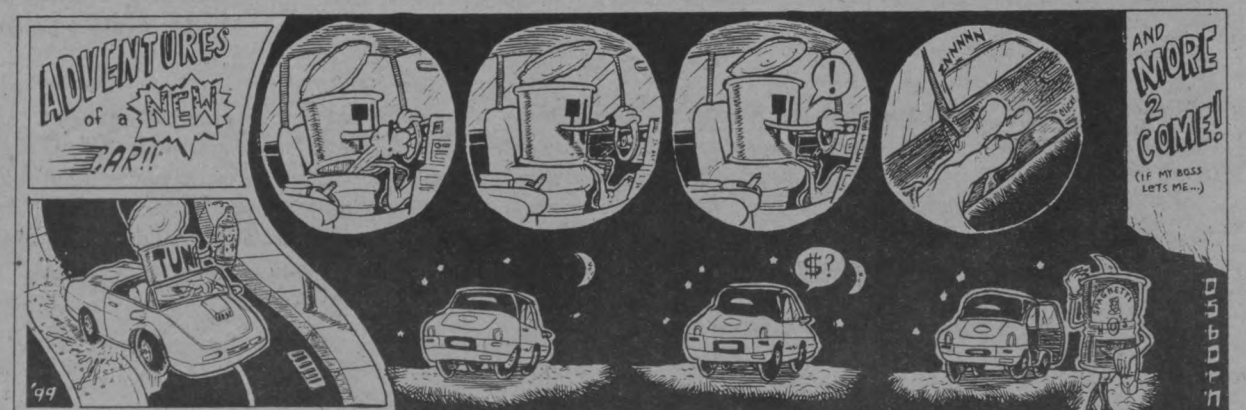
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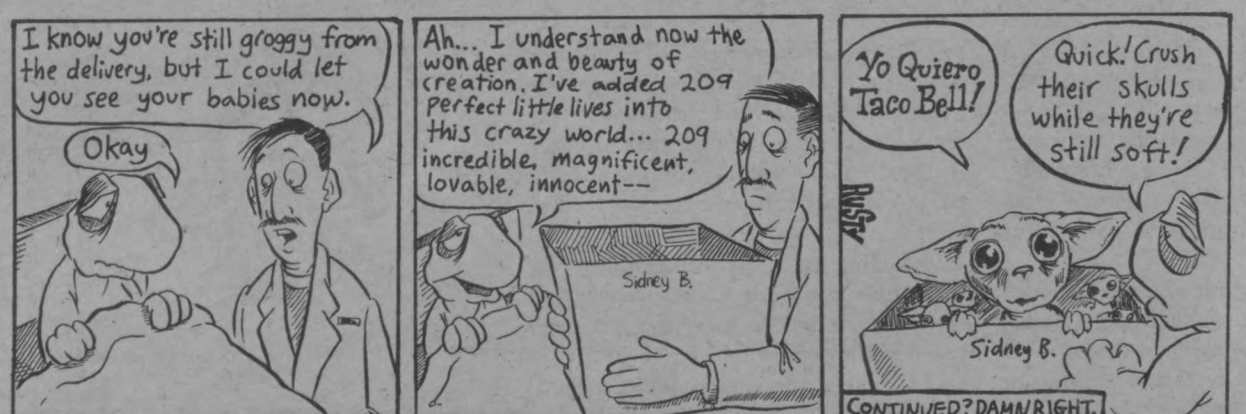
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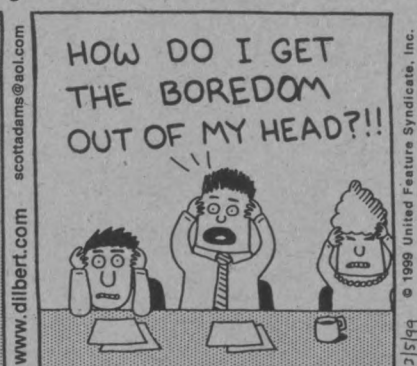
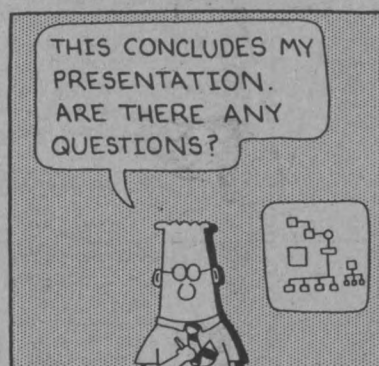
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By MATT HURST  
Staff Writer

RENO, Nev. — It has been a season of close games and come-from-behind victories for the UCSB men's basketball team. So why would the first round of the Big West Tournament be any different?

Facing the Big West Eastern Division's #4 seed Utah State on Thursday afternoon, Santa Barbara needed a last-second miss by Aggie junior Rashad Elliot to ensure a 75-74 victory at the Lawlor Events Center. After leading for much of the game, UCSB had to fight back in the second half to be able to be in the last-second situation.

"Coming into this game, I think all of us knew that it wasn't going to be easy," UCSB junior Larry Bell said. "We really needed to play tough defense."

UCSB jumped out to an early 10-3 lead in the first 4½ minutes of play, and the Gauchos would extend their lead to as many as 16 points, thanks mostly to senior B.J. Bunton's offensive play in the first 20 minutes of play.

The 6'7" Louisville, Ky., native scored 19 of his career-high 27 points in the first half, helping UCSB build a 44-33 lead heading into the locker room.

"I just felt like I needed to take the initiative," Bunton said. "I just

want to win, so I'm going to do whatever it takes to win."

UCSB could have been up by 14 at the break if it weren't for a buzzer-beating, 65-foot bank-in by Utah State junior Troy Rolle. The three-pointer helped give the Aggies momentum heading into the half, something they would use to their advantage.

Despite Rolle's shot, Utah State Head Coach Stew Morrill gave his own feelings on why his team was down at the half: "We weren't guarding them well in the first half," the first-year coach said. "I thought our kids really worked hard in the second half. Bob's got a nice club. There's a reason they're first seed. We had no answers for Bunton in the first half. We were trying to double him, but he was stepping out and shooting threes."

Bunton, who hit a three-pointer with 0.7 seconds left in overtime earlier in the year to give UCSB a 66-65 win over Utah State, hit two treys in the first half to help UCSB jump out to the big lead. But all that would change for the second 20 minutes of action.

Utah State went on an 11-0 run early in the second half to cut Santa Barbara's lead to 48-46 with 15:15 left to play. Then, with 8:04 left, Aggie freshman Tony Brown hit one of his five three-pointers to tie the game at 60 apiece. Brown's bonus-bombs helped propel USU to a nine-point run to take a 66-60 lead with 6:20 left. But that's as far

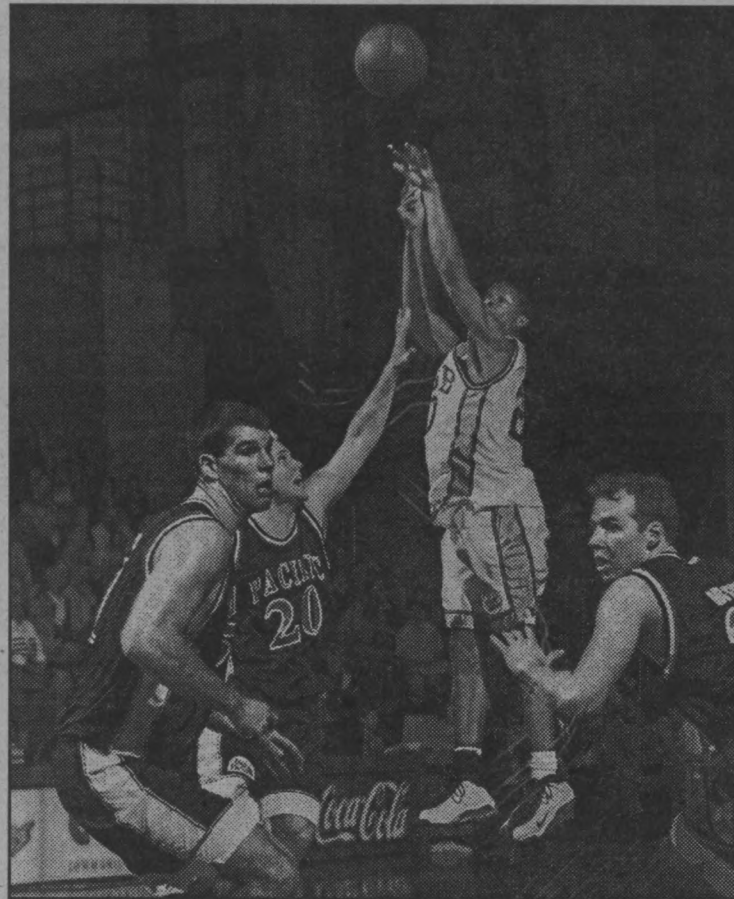
as the Gauchos would let the Aggies get ahead, as Bell (12 points, seven assists) and Bunton hit back-to-back shots to cut the Aggie lead to two.

After the Gauchos took a short-lived lead, Utah State's Rashad Elliot hit a jumper with 35 seconds left to put UCSB down one. That would set the stage for Gauchos sophomore Brandon Payton. Payton hit an 18-footer with 12.8 seconds on the clock to put Santa Barbara up 75-74 and force USU into a last-second chance.

"It's all about confidence," said Payton, who finished with 15 points. "I feel that when the game is close, I'm able to get by my man and make a shot or give my teammates a shot. Just taking the ball to the basket and making something happen. That's what's in my head all the time — making something happen. And, I thank God that I made the shot today."

Williams commented on the play that ultimately won Santa Barbara the ball game: "We were pretty much running to B.J. or Brandon," the Big West Coach of the Year said. "It was [Payton's] shot to take or pass up. We're pretty fortunate it worked out."

After Utah State called timeout to set up for a final shot, senior Pharoah Davis took a 15-footer with eight seconds left to play. His shot missed, and after a scramble



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**GOOD TO THE LAST SHOT:** Sophomore Brandon Payton hit the game-winning basket to lift the Gauchos to a 75-74 win Thursday.

for the ball, Elliot came out with it and heaved up a prayer with less than a second left on the clock. The ball hit everything on the rim but the inside, bouncing out and giving UCSB a thrilling victory.

"When the ball went up in the air after it hit the rim and bounced straight up in the air, my worst nightmare was that ball going

through the rim," Williams said. "Realistically, they played well enough to win that game. We were very fortunate to come out on top."

UCSB will play New Mexico State today at 6 p.m. The Gauchos were 0-1 against New Mexico this season, losing 83-61. Today's game can be heard on KCSB 91.9 FM.



The UCSB women's basketball team continues its rampage through the Big West Conference Tournament today against the University of Idaho. The Vandals are led by juniors Alli Nieman (20.5 pts, 9.2 rebounds) and Susan Woolf (16.2 points, 3.3 rebounds). The Gauchos are 1-0 vs. Idaho this season, beating the Vandals 96-79. Today's game can be heard on 91.9 FM KCSB at 2:30 p.m.

## Big West Awards Won by the UCSB Women's Basketball Team



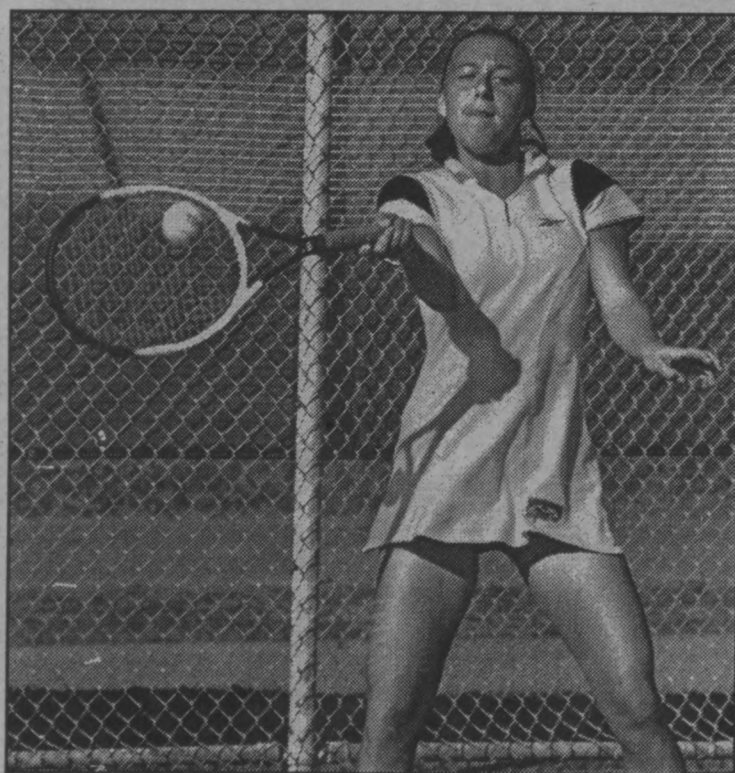
**Erin Buescher:**  
Big West Player of the Year  
19.6 points, 9.1 rebounds per game



**Kristi Rohr:**  
First Team, All-Big West  
14.4 points, 5.1 rebounds per game



**Stacy Clinesmith**  
First Team, All-Big West  
11.7 points, 5.7 assists per game



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**TENNIS ELBOW:** The UCSB women's tennis team had its first loss Thursday against Eastern Michigan after starting the season 9-0.

## Winning Streak Snapped for UCSB Tennis

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Accomplishing a goal it previously set for itself, the UCSB women's tennis team slipped by Pacific last weekend, but it then lost its perfect record of 9-0 in a non-league battle vs. Eastern Michigan on Thursday.

Before the trek north to Pacific last week, Gauchos Head Coach Pete Kirkwood made it clear that the match against the Tigers was the gauge that would measure how good his team is this year. Rising to the challenge, the Gauchos women overcame their Big West foe 5-4, prevailing primarily in the extended-duration matches.

"It was a great match," said Kirkwood. "There were four matches that went to three sets, and we pulled out three of them — including Shannon Wilkins in

singles."

Originally down 1-6, 5-2 in her singles match, sophomore #2-seed Wilkins came back with a vengeance, stealing the second set in a 7-6 tie breaker and cruising in the third 6-0. Kirkwood said turning the tables from a 4-2 situation going into singles to a 3-3 tie gave the team the momentum it needed to win the two of three doubles matches to come out on top.

Wilkins said it was calming words and a breath of fresh air during the second set's 5-2 changeover that helped her relax and settle into her game.

"I was losing pretty badly," she said. "I was talking to one of the girls after the changeover and she said, 'You have nothing to lose. She's a good player,' and all of a sudden I started winning."

Though they increased their unblemished record to 9-0 over a three-game road trip that also saw

the 9-0 sweeping of both St. Mary's and Nevada, the Gauchos sputtered at home Thursday in a 4-5 loss to Eastern Michigan. Freshman #3-seed Deb Pepkowitz attributed the loss to both E. Michigan's strong play and the long road trip.

"They were a stronger team — I think we could have pulled it off though," Pepkowitz said. "I think what happens with teams is if you have such a streak, it's got to end somewhere. I'm glad it ended here at this match instead of somewhere else."

According to Kirkwood, the big win against Pacific will benefit the Gauchos' draw during the Big West tournament.

"Beating Pacific in my mind pretty much locks us up for a #4-seed in Ojai, meaning we wouldn't play the first day," he said.