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Worldwide

Possibility remains that Uganda presidential candidate has AIDS

KAMPALA, Uganda — He has not admitted it, nor has he denied it. But it is certainly possible that Kizza Besigye, a doctor who has risen from obscurity to mount a serious challenge in Uganda's presidential race, is HIV positive.

That has made for interesting politics here and maybe even the start of something new: an AIDS vote on a continent where, in some places, a quarter of the adults are infected.

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National

Inquiry Provides Rare Glimpse of Life on a Submarine

HONOLULU — Several hours into the submarine Greenville's short voyage on Feb. 9, a junior officer verbally prodded his captain, Cmdr. Scott D. Waddle, and the second in command, Lt. Cmdr. Gerald K. Pfeifer.

The submarine was running late, the junior officer, Lt. Keith A. Sloan, the submarine's navigator, told his superiors, and risked

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Collegiate

Wet Garbage Might Dissolve Faster, Researchers Show

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Ohio State University researchers may have found a way to accelerate the decomposition of trash in municipal landfills. Trash could decompose nearly 10 to 20 times faster than normal through a system that keeps the trash constantly wet.

Ann Christy, assistant professor of food, agricultural and biological engineering, said, "Moisture levels below 40 percent prohibit microbial growth, and thus keeping moisture content above 40 percent enhances biological decomposition of municipal solid waste at the landfill."

—The Lantern

Spoken

"Unwanted pregnancy is not funny."

— Sherri Hendrickson
Student Health Services Nurse
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David Piliz/Guardian

Color: UCSD student Eleazar Loza spoke out at the 52-33-28 rally held Thursday in the Price Center Plaza where students tried to garner support for Affirmative Action.

52-33-28 Protests Policies

Students gathered in the Price Center Plaza to gather support for the reinstatement of affirmative action

By ANDREW QUADRI
Staff Writer

Hundreds of students who believe that the UC system wrongly eliminated its affirmative action program rallied at the Price Center Plaza Thursday in support of reinstating it.

Students at the 52-33-28 Rally were alarmed at the decline in black students enrolling at UCSD.

In 1997, the last year affirmative action was used in the admissions process, 64 black freshmen enrolled at UCSD. A year later, that total fell to 52. The drop continued, and 33 enrolled in 1999. In 2000, only 28 blacks enrolled at

UCSD, marking an all-time low. Blacks now compose 1 percent of new enrollees at UCSD.

"It's not a white problem, it's not a black problem," said student Denise Pacheco. "It's a people problem."

In 1995, the regents passed resolution SP-1, which banned consideration of race and gender in the UC admissions process. SP-1 also provided for an outreach program aimed at minorities.

Rally Coordinator Jessica Lopez, Pacheco and other opponents of SP-1 believe that reinstating affirmative action will provide a more accurate representation of minorities at

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Persian Club Holds 'NoRouz' Celebration

Students at Price Center Ballrooms enjoyed traditional dances and a dance party

By MARYAM BANIHASHEMI
Staff Writer

UCSD's Persian Club held a two-tiered celebration of the Persian New Year, "NoRouz", in the Price Center Ballrooms Saturday night. The evening consisted of a cultural show, providing background history of the celebration, as well as a dance party afterward.

The celebration was put together in conjunction with the Persian Cultural Center of San Diego, which has been a supporter of the Persian Club since its

inception. A.S. Council funding also made the event possible.

Sam Borghei and Ramin Tabatabai, co-presidents of the UCSD Persian Club, wanted to create an event that would unite Persians from all over Southern California, not just UCSD students.

"We wanted to do something that would involve a lot of So-Cal Persians who would not usually celebrate the holiday, those who are detached from the culture," Borghei said.

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A.S. President Ranked in USA Today Top 100

Doc Khaleghi chosen as one of USA TODAY'S best students in the nation

By MARGARET O'NEILL
Staff Writer

UCSD's A.S. Council President Doc Khaleghi has been named one of the top 100 college students in the nation by USA TODAY in the Feb. 15 issue.

Khaleghi, 20, is a Revelle senior and a premedical bioengineering major. He was selected for the USA Today distinction on the basis of scholarship, leadership and extracurricular activities.

Khaleghi feels that being one of the 100 awarded out of the 638 applicants was a result of his

diversity of experience.

Khaleghi has served as a teaching assistant 12 times, received two research grants and served as A.S. Commissioner of Academic Affairs and is currently the A.S. President. He has worked as a research assistant at Scripps Research Institute and as a researcher at the UCSD School of Medicine. Last year, he discovered an error on the MCAT exam.

Khaleghi has a cumulative 3.6 grade point average in his studies at UCSD, a lower GPA than most

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Stapled Condoms Given Out on Library Walk

Group confused students and upsets Student Health

By STEVE LEHTONEN
Staff Writer

Students from a Visual Arts 2 course handed out condoms punctured with staples on Library Walk last Wednesday as part of a performance art project promoting abstinence. The students' actions caused discontent among those from Student Health Services.

The small group of students handed out condoms on Library Walk around 3 p.m. Wednesday. Some of the condoms were found with messages attached reading, "Don't be Stupid" or "No Glove, No Love."

Other condoms were correctly attached to information from Student Health Services. An anonymous member of the visual arts group said that the condoms were attained from Student Health Services at various times throughout the week.

A group of students was given the condoms and they returned to inform the group that the condoms were unusable. One of the students visited Student Health Services on the assumption that the art students were student health advocates.

Sherrie Hendrickson, a nurse at Student Health Services, called the police and went outside to speak with the group of students. In the meantime, the offended students pressured the visual arts group to leave. By the time the police arrived, the group had left.

Harmony Rhoades, a Marshall sophomore, found the group offensive.

"We walked back to them and said, 'Do you guys know that these condoms are not usable?' They replied, 'Abstinence is the only safe sex.' We came back and told them that what they were doing was wrong and that people could get STDs if they use these condoms," Rhoades said.

The visual arts students insisted that the staples were intentional.

"I was totally surprised," Rhoades said.

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Condoms:

Students mistaken for Student Health Advocates

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"They're misleading people. I'm totally upset."

Stephanie Medina was also present at the table and echoed Rhoades' words. "Their message was very unclear. They took a serious topic and mocked it," Medina said.

It is unclear if the group was playing the part of serious abstinence advocates or if they were genuinely concerned with the issues at hand. Visual arts students defended their actions and claimed that their motives were less ambiguous.

"The act of handing out stapled condoms was clearly and unmistakably a demand to UCSD students, and any other passers by, to address the serious gamble and threat that promiscuity poses," said visual arts student Adriana Barraza. "The condoms served as a tangible reminder of the uncertainty that comes hand-in-hand with sex, be it protected or not."

Lupe Samaniego-Kraus, an educator at Student Health Services, was upset that the visual arts students were being mistaken for student health advocates.

"People trust the student health advocates," Samaniego-Kraus said. "We were worried that students would think these people were associated with Student Health."

Hendrickson, who called the police, was also annoyed.

"I was not pleased," Hendrickson said. "I'm fine with people expressing their opinions, but when they attach my name, the name of Student Health Services, then I'm not all right with that. If it was a joke, it wasn't funny. Unwanted pregnancy is not funny."

Barraza asked people to consider their message.

"My response to the anger is that the encouragement of false trust that is perpetuated by the common act of passing out condoms is far more dangerous than the commentary on the risks of sex that these students were making," Baraz said.

Workers at Student Health Services were also upset that the visual arts group would destroy condoms that are provided by Student Health Services and paid for by student registration fees. The visual arts students claimed that the destruction was necessary for the message to get across.

Rally:

Number of female UCSD faculty has dropped

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UCSD.

"We need to have about five times as many of you here," Jorge Mariscal, a UCSD literature professor, said to the mostly nonwhite crowd of approximately 300. "The playing field is dramatically out of whack."

"[Students] are not getting a good education if they don't have people of color in the classroom," Mariscal said.

Participants in the rally were also concerned with declining numbers of minorities and women in the UCSD faculty. SP-2, which also went into effect in 1997, prevents race and gender from use as criteria for employment by the UC system.

Before SP-2, 33 percent of UCSD's faculty was female, compared with 25 percent of the faculty now.

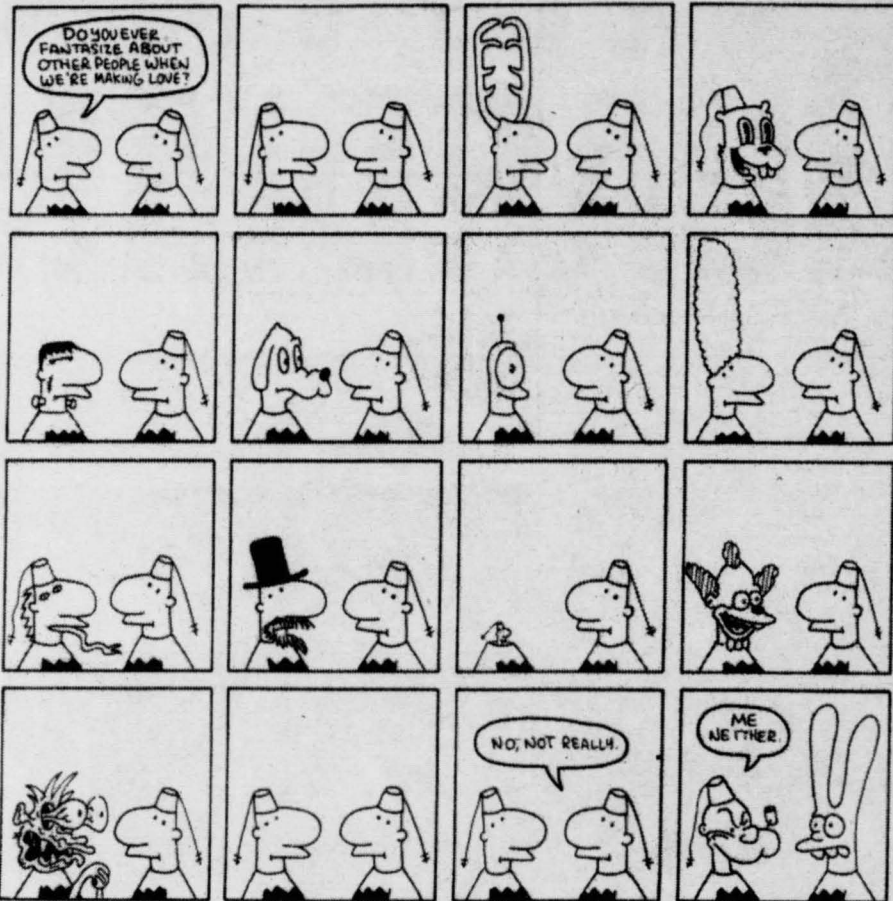
Mariscal said that Chicanos and blacks each make up about one percent of UCSD's faculty.

UCSD typically accepts one-third of its applicants, and about a quarter of those admitted choose to attend. Last year, UCSD accepted 20 percent of blacks and 49 percent of Asian-Americans who applied. Fourteen percent of accepted blacks enrolled.

Whites composed 59 percent of UCSD's student population in 1990; today they are just 39 percent. Asian-Americans, who made up 16 percent of UCSD's population then, now compose 30 percent of the student body.

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LIFE IN HELL



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BRIEFLY

Calcium Helps Nerve Cells Develop

Biology researchers at UCSD have recently discovered that nerve cells in a fetus are directed throughout the body by intracellular calcium that acts as gofers between the embryo and the cells.

The scientists published their findings in the March 9 issue of "Science," which describes how filopodia, which are projections from a nerve cell, test the outside environment and create calcium as is needed to serve as a transmitter for information between the organism's developing brain and other parts of its body.

Timothy Gomez, an assistant professor of anatomy at the University of Wisconsin Medical School, led the research and explained that the calcium phenomenon may have previously gone undetected because of their minute size.

The National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke funded the team's research.

The team used spinal nerve cells from frog embryos in their research, because they are easily multiplied and grow rapidly.

UCSD to Present 17th Annual Film Festival Later This Month

David G. McKendrick and Stephan Haggard, researchers at UCSD have written "From Silicon Valley to Singapore: Location and Competitive Advantage in the Hard Disk Drive Industry," with Richard Donor, a professor at Emory University. The book explores the dominance of the United States in the global hard disk drive industry.

In the book, the researchers present their findings as to why the United States has excelled in the industry, which has made the information age possible with the ever-growing use of the personal computer. They say that much of United States' success is due to effective globalization and the fact that they chose to research and develop the product in California, but to manufacture in Singapore, thus giving them an edge over Japanese companies.

McKendrick is currently the research director of UCSD's Information Storage Industry Center and Haggard is currently acting as Interim Dean of UCSD's Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies.

UCSD will sponsor this year's annual San Diego International Film Festival, which will be

held March 30 through April 12 at Mann's Hazard Center Theater in Mission Valley.

UCSD Scientists Collaborate to Author Book on Hard Disk

Twenty-two films will be shown at the Hazard Center Theater and many will be shown on campus. The evening of April 10 will feature 22 short films, and on April 11, an event devoted solely to international animation will be held, featuring 19 animated films.

Films from France, England, Australia, China, India, South Korea, the Netherlands, Austria, Turkey, Thailand, Taiwan, Spain, Italy, Poland, Hungary, Sweden and South Africa will be shown.

Opening night will offer films that proved successful at the Cannes Film Festival, including "With a Friend Like Harry," a French film directed by Gilles Marchand.

For more information and a complete listing of all the films to be screened during the festival call the University Events Office at (858) 534-0497.

Jacobs School Structural Engineers Survey Seattle

Structural Engineers at UCSD's Jacobs School of Engineering will hold a free public seminar March 12 to discuss their conclusions from a recent trip to Seattle, the site of a recent major earthquake.

The team of engineers, which includes professors Andre Filiatrault and Chia-Ming Uang, looked at the damage done to buildings and bridges in the Puget Sound area.

The quake measured 6.8 on the Richter scale, but damage remained limited because the earthquake was deep below the ground. The engineers found that structural damages were prevalent even though earthquake retrofit procedures had worked successfully.

Damages have reached \$2 billion and according to the Washington Emergency Management Division, there were over 400 injuries related to the Seattle earthquake.

The seminar will take place at noon at UCSD's Center for Magnetic Recording Research auditorium, and the complete findings of the research group can be found online at <http://www.structures.ucsd.edu/UCSD%20Rec%20on%20s%20a%20Report.htm>. For more information about the seminar call Andre Filiatrault at (858) 822-2161.

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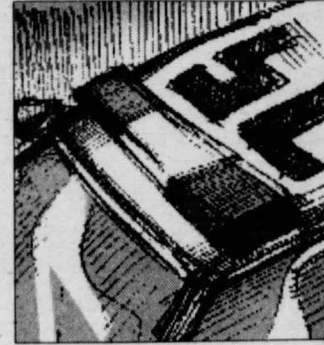
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LIGHTS & SIRENS



his chin after falling off his bicycle at Lot 504. Subject was not wearing a helmet.

Tuesday, March 6
12:44 p.m.: Officers arrested a 19-year-old male nonaffiliate at the UCSD Bookstore for petty theft. Cited and released.

1:20 p.m.: Officers arrested a 20-year-old male student at Geisel Library for petty theft. Cited and released.

Wednesday, March 7
7:10 a.m.: A staff member reported vandalism at AP&M. Loss: \$100.

3:35 p.m.: A student reported burglary to a red '97 Mazda MX6 in Lot 702. Loss: \$1,030.

4:04 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a white Toyota pickup from Lot 406. Loss: \$3,000.

Thursday, March 8
12:25 a.m.: Officers arrested an 18-year-old male nonaffiliate for attempted vandalism in Lot 104. Cited and released.

Saturday, March 10
10:41 p.m.: A 19-year-old male nonaffiliate suffered alcohol poisoning at the Price Center. Transported to Scripps by paramedics.

Sunday, March 11
7:41 a.m.: A staff member reported vandalism to a white '99 Lexus RX300 in Lot 753. Loss: \$1,000.

9:22 a.m.: A nonaffiliate reported assault likely to produce great bodily injury at the Price Center.

—Compiled by Lauren I. Coartney, News Editor

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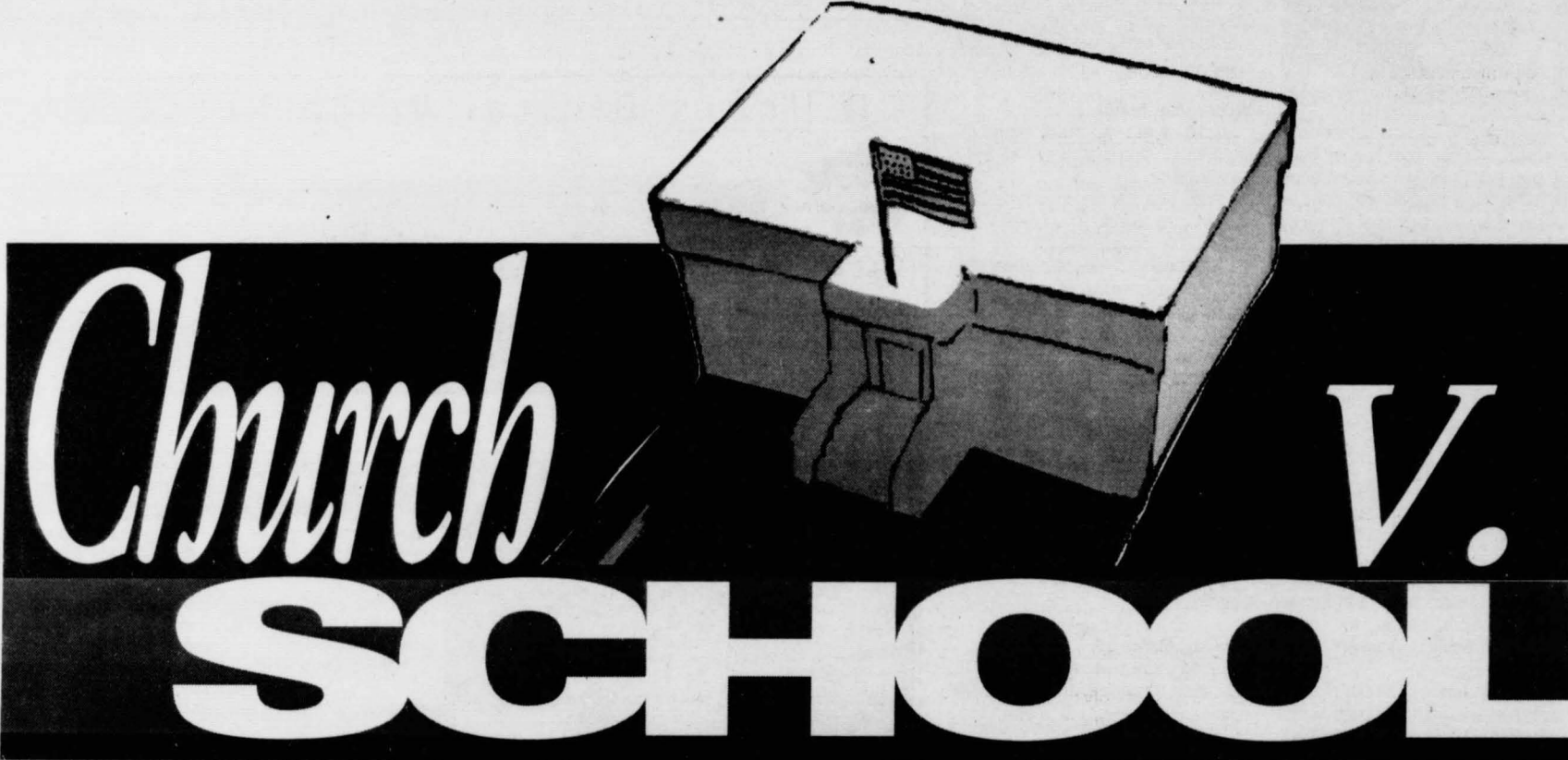
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OPINION



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Restricting religious groups from holding meetings after school infringes on First Amendment rights

By **ANDREW JEFFERY**
Staff Writer

Less than a year after the Supreme Court ruled prayer before high school football games unconstitutional, the court is again looking at religion and public schools.

The question on Feb. 28 was whether religious groups, in this case the Good News Club, a national Christian organization for kids, should be allowed to meet on public school property.

Milford Central School in New York prevented the group from meeting on school grounds after school, stating "It's Sunday school on Tuesday. We can't have that." The issue at hand is twofold, as it raises the question of free speech versus the separation of church and state.

It is important to note that allowing a group to meet in a classroom is different from endorsing or promoting all of that group's views. It is unlikely that the educational system agrees with the view the Boy Scouts of America have concerning gays, yet the Boy Scouts continues to meet at public schools throughout the country. Instead, by

allowing the Boy Scouts and other groups to meet in classrooms, schools send the message that for those students who wish to attend the meetings, there can be some moralistic value found in such organizations.

Students need their parents' permission to attend a Good News Club meeting. This requirement acts as a safeguard against students having unwanted information pushed on them. The Good News Club does not recruit in Milford; it is simply seeking a convenient place to hold its meetings.

According to an article from MSNBC, Supreme Court Justice Stephen Breyer stated that by preventing the group from meeting at school, the district superintendent is "discriminating in free speech terms against religion."

Discrimination is something that reputable groups and individuals use to deal with views or ideas that oppose their own. Milford may try to mask this discrimination with umbrella terms such as "protection" or "equality," but at the crux of the matter, this is a simple case of a school trying to sup-

Allowing religious groups to meet on school premises merges church and state, promising to open a large can of worms

By **CASSANDRA PIERCE**
Senior Staff Writer

A dispute between a local reverend and the school district in Milford, a town in upstate New York, has come to the Supreme Court. The case pits the First Amendment against the privacy and protection of personal faith of everyone in this country.

As the Florida recount case showed, the judges are far from being even-handed arbiters of the law. I must remember that they are all too human.

That's what I am afraid of. Milford is so tiny that it has one school — a K-12 school — and the Rev. Stephen Fournier, whose church is a few miles down the street, wants his branch of the national Good News Club to meet at this school.

The school said that the group couldn't meet there. Fournier felt his First Amendment rights were being stepped on, so he tried again. The school again denied his request. The reverend took the case to court.

The case itself seems very obvious to me. New York law states that school districts can adopt their own rules for use of their facilities. Milford School District includes this rule in its handbook: "School premises shall not be used by any individual or organization for religious purposes."

In my opinion, the case is closed. The state of New York has the ball in its court. That's one of the many possible ways the U.S. Supreme Court can rule.

based opinions are even more stubborn. If Great Deity Umlaut comes down and tells me that the moon is the size of a tennis ball and that the atmosphere magnifies it so we see it as though it's close to us, it's going to take quite a lot to change my mind. So some of the justices, despite what they see in the law and the state's ruling, are going to want to rule against the school district and some are going to want to rule against the reverend.

Here you open up a can of worms bigger than the AP&M building. Forget about Milford, its dinky little school, Fournier and New York state. What we have here are a church leader (played by evangelical Christians and conservatives); a school premise (played by the government of the United States); and a school leader (played by the American Civil Liberties Union, the Anti-Defamation League, liberals and assorted angry organized religions).

And cry "Havoc!" and let slip the dogs of war. At the Second Circuit Court of Appeals, Fournier said, "These morals or these values are senseless without Christ. That's to the children who know Christ as savior, we would say, 'You know you cannot be jealous because you know you have the strength of God.' To the children who do not know Christ, we would say, 'You need Christ as your lord and savior so that you might overcome these ... feelings of jealousy.'"

He is claiming that people who aren't Christian are immoral. Give me a definition of morality that doesn't mention a supreme

Handcuffs and Pornography: 'Cops'

By **SIMONE SANTINI**
Senior Staff Writer

I don't watch TV very often but, like everybody else, I am occasionally guilty of zapping. During my zapping sessions, I happen to stumble upon an inordinate number of shows based on the pursuit, arrest, trial and conviction of people guilty of this or that crime. I am not talking about the classic detective story, which (if it is a good one) has a well designed plot and in which, all in all, crime and punishment are secondary concepts. Think about a classic Agatha Christie detective story in which, once the murderer has been discovered, his destiny is never revealed. The murderer is interesting only as an intelligent adversary to be defeated using the rules set forth by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle: An investigation is essentially a chess game without moral undertones.

No: I am talking about shows with titles like "Cops," "Arrest and Trial," and so on, in which the arrest and punishment of the perpetrator is the only (or, at least, the main) topic of interest. You must have seen them, since they are almost everywhere.

The networks are creating a new one every other Tuesday, cable channels love them, and even a supposedly sober station like the Discovery Channel managed, somehow, to put a show evocatively called "The Prosecutors" on the air — with the only justification, as far as I can see, that the crime has indeed to be "discovered" before the perpetrators can be captured.

When I first noticed these shows, I went through a lot of my considerable supply of amazement. I found it rather hard to understand

why any sane person would take the trouble of sitting through programs that, I feel quite confident to claim, are impressively dull. Most of these shows are based on real life, which makes them unavoidably boring, since life imitates art only very imperfectly. A few of them are fictional but equally unpalatable since, in their case, art imitates very imperfectly that part of life that imitates art very imperfectly.

I finally came to a conclusion that explains quite satisfactorily the exorbitant number of such shows: They are part of a strong and burgeoning wave of conservative pornography.

Some people might find this statement surprising and, possibly, think that, finally, senility got the best of me, since they are used to considering pornography as something related to the explicit and graphic depiction of sexual intercourse. In reality, pornography has very little to do with sex: What you know as pornography is simply the sad spectacle of frustrated male fantasies vicariously satisfied.

From this point of view, "trial flicks" fit the pornographic profile quite splendidly. They provide a fictional satisfaction to the frustrated conservative fantasies of a world in which the police are always infallible, gentle with the kids (except black kids, of course) and tough with the crooks, which are invariably nasty, ugly, stupid and will be inevitably hit by swift, hard and — above all — vengeful justice.

Cop and trial shows satisfy these fantasies much in the same way that sexually explicit shows provide a fictional satisfaction to the male fantasy of having all women in the world available and constantly ready for immediate, casual sex. In this, as in other cases, one

should make a distinction between pornography and erotism. Erotism is a subtle play whose subject is sex, but which requires a careful pacing and a delicate balance between explicitness and ambiguity, between seeing and guessing. While erotism requires a certain degree of frustration or, at least, postponement of sexual fantasies, pornography is always absolutely explicit, and the interludes between sexual actions are mere fillers (two hours of uninterrupted sexual action would be intolerably boring). In pornography, the sex is always independent of a context, while in erotism the context is an important component of sexual excitement.

This distinction is important to understand why trial shows are conservative pornography rather than conservative erotism: They share with pornography the trivial explicitness and disregard for context.

It is not essential to know why a person committed a certain crime, what is the background on which the crime took place, or other details like these; all that matters is that a guy committed some kind of crime and now he is being chased, stopped, detained, tried and convicted (there are no innocents unjustly accused on TV's trial shows: Much like a chaste virgin in a sex film, they would only spoil the fun). Just like in sexual pornography, all the phases must be explicit and depicted in every detail.

Conservative pornography and sexual fantasies do not have, however, the same moral status. As tasteless as it may be, sexual pornography is based on sex, which is a thoroughly enjoyable and healthy activity. It is true that pornography is very demeaning to

New Top 10 List for Frosh and Transfers

An updated list of must-do activities and must-see places for the newbies

By **JACOB WASSERMAN**
Staff Writer

Caffeine now dammit! Monday of 10th week always brings a surge in sales of coffee, Cliff Notes and crystal meth. Two more weeks and it's all over except for the crying and the academic petitions, but you've got to live through those 1,209,600 seconds before you can look back on them. To help you spend them (and the 6,652,800 seconds next quarter), here's a review of the top 10 things you absolutely must do at UCSD, and add 10 more totally essential things you have to do by the end of the school year.

These are for frosh and transfers who still have that new-to-the-land-of-the-Sun-God smell, but many seasoned UCSD students need the remedial training, as well. So throw down your stimulant of choice (quadruple espresso and slices of horseradish root on the side for me) and make sure you:

1. Get sweaty — at RIMAC, a Tritons game, an intramural competition, and playing wall ball at night in the Mandeville box behind the gallery.
2. Get funky — at a party. And be sure to thank the host, whether it's those BOARD kids, a Greekstar, the nutty nympho Darkstar role-playing gamers, that resident
3. Get smart — at professors' office hours, discussing something real, not grades or what's going to be on the final.
4. Get off campus — not to TGI Fridays or AMC La Jolla. Ride the 34B bus all the way downtown and back.
5. Get to know your campus, and the Revellers, Rooseveltians, Warrenites, Marshallists and Muirons who live here.
6. Get introduced to the members of the A.S. Council who represent you when they meet, Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in one of the Price Center ballrooms, to parcel out more than a million of our dollars from student fees.
7. Get religious — sample the taster's platter of religious events offered to you.
8. Get a job — it's the only college-related experience that will actually prepare you for having a job.
9. Get involved — try everything from the Greekfreaks to the Darkstar Halloween Orgy planning committee, plus Amnesty International and other student organizations, KSDT (our own awesome workshop for radio skills) and Stu-

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WORLD & NATION

GOP Support for Bush's Budget Cuts Waivers in Congress

WASHINGTON — Even as he battles to win legislative approval for his \$1.6 trillion tax cut, President Bush faces an escalating fight in Congress over his proposal to cut or restrain spending on a wide swath of government programs.

Not only are Democrats in Congress opposed, but also some of Bush's fellow Republicans have signaled that they will have difficulty going along with his plan to provide increases for the military and education while cutting or freezing many other departments.

Sen. Pete V. Domenici, R-N.M., chairman of the Senate Budget Committee, has said that overall spending on government programs outside Social Security and Medicare will probably have to increase next year by more than the 4 percent sought by Bush.

"Can we, in fact, do all the things that have been recommended with 4 percent growth?" Domenici asked at a Budget Committee hearing this month. "I don't know if we can."

Hovering over the issue, espe-

cially in the minds of Democrats, are recollections of the aftermath of the fiscal decisions of the 1980s.

In 1981, President Ronald Reagan cut taxes and sought large increases in Pentagon spending on a wide swath of government programs.

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— Pete V. Domenici
Senator, R-N.M.

spending, as Bush is likely to do in coming years. But Reagan also allowed spending on many domestic programs to grow.

The results were surges in the budget deficit and the national debt and economic and political scars still apparent in fiscal policy two decades later.

"People in both parties are fundamentally concerned about the Reagan precedent, that this tax cut will be followed by an increase in military spending,

unstainable new programs and an expanding debt," Sen. Robert G. Torricelli, D-N.J., said.

White House officials say the political and economic situation today is very different from the one Reagan faced. The projected surplus of \$5.6 trillion in the next decade, they said, provides a considerable buffer against slipping back into the red. In 1981, the government ran a \$79 billion deficit.

They also said that Bush is prepared to take on his own party if necessary to limit spending increases, even if it means vetoing appropriations bills.

Spending increases of the size approved by the Republican Congress and President Bill Clinton in recent years, including last year's 8 percent increase in discretionary spending, "would not only destroy the budget surplus but would require, in the end, an increase in taxes," Lawrence B. Lindsey, Bush's chief economic adviser, said.

— Richard W. Stevenson
The New York Times

Honolulu: Survival in the ocean depend on communication

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missing its scheduled return to port.

In some of the world's militaries, such a comment would be tantamount to insubordination.

But Sloan's warning reflected the traits that the Navy tries to instill in its officers: Speak up, when necessary, even if commanders might not like what they hear.

"I have it under control," Waddle replied.

Investigators testifying before a rare court of inquiry at Pearl Harbor Naval Station over the last week outlined a series of errors by the captain and crew in the moments before the submarine surfaced abruptly and collided with a Japanese trawler, the Ehime Maru.

The investigators also opened a rare window on the cloistered, tight-knit world of a submarine crew in action.

In the military, order and discipline are paramount. At the same time, it has long been thought that the greatest strength of the U.S. military was its empowerment of relatively junior officers to speak their minds.

Nowhere is that more true than aboard submarines, where life and

death in the deep depend on clarity of communication.

"A submarine is really different," said Bernard M. Kauderer, a retired vice admiral. "In a submarine — and it's very difficult to describe — there is a sense and a need for teamwork."

What was most striking, then, about the first week of testimony was the disclosure that in the minutes before the collision, some subordinates aboard the Greenville had reservations about Waddle's orders, and yet failed to challenge him.

Investigators have been puzzled as to why on that day aboard the Greenville, the system broke down with catastrophic results. The Greenville slammed the Ehime Maru, its rudder knifing through the vessel's hull. Nine of the Ehime Maru's 35 crew members, including four fisheries students, were lost at sea.

"This is not a ship where you would be shot for talking to the commanding officer," said Rear Adm. Charles H. Griffiths, who conducted the Navy's preliminary investigation.

The submarine commander's past successes, Griffiths suggested, were such that "it may have substantially broken the inclination of the crew as a whole to give him timely and forceful backup" when things started to go wrong.

— Steven Lee Myers
The New York Times

Political Turmoil Threatens Brazil's Prez

BRASILIA, Brazil — A rancorous split with his chief legislative ally and a barrage of corruption accusations are suddenly threatening to blow apart the fractious governing alliance President Fernando Henrique Cardoso has held together since 1995.

The dispute, which has shaken the stock market and helped drive the currency to a two-year low against the dollar, threatens the sweeping economic reforms that have been the hallmark of Cardoso's two terms in office and have brought a burst of growth, stability and foreign investment to Brazil.

The growing political turbulence began in mid-February, when Sen. Antonio Carlos Magalhaes was forced to relinquish the presidency of the Senate, which he had held since 1997, to another government supporter who happens to be his bitter enemy.

In secret, Magalhaes immediately went to federal prosecutors to accuse his successor and aides to Cardoso, who leaves office at the end of next year, of corruption. Magalhaes, who himself con-

fronts corruption allegations, claimed that senior officials took bribes while selling off state-owned telephone and mining companies and that Cardoso knew of these and other abuses.

While the president's office, in a written rejoinder issued March 5, acknowledged "irregularities" in some government agencies, which were being investigated, it

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— David Fleischer,
Political Science professor

also accused Magalhaes of "ignoble slanders unworthy of a senator" and said that all accusations that Cardoso had ordered "any cover-up of official misconduct" were false and "deserve repudiation."

— Larry Rohter
The New York Times

Ordinary Brazilians are clearly disgusted with the bickering, and one result is that Cardoso's poll ratings have plummeted.

"This has been tremendously debilitating for the government," said Alexandre Barros, a leading political analyst here. "The public is saying, 'You don't take us seriously, you're playing games among yourselves, and we foot the bill.'"

Opposition parties are pushing for special investigative committees to look into Magalhaes' accusations, which would result in weeks of televised hearings.

"If they succeed in getting an inquiry authorized, then we're going to have turmoil for the next few months and everything else gets put on hold," said David Fleischer, a professor of political science at the National University of Brasilia.

"That's the problem for the government," he added, "Cardoso really can't touch corruption himself, because if he did, half his coalition would be implicated and the alliance would fall apart."

— Larry Rohter
The New York Times

AIDS: Museveni did not deny making the comment

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The issue began early in the campaign, when allies of President Yoweri Museveni began whispering that Besigye has AIDS, which is caused by HIV, the human immunodeficiency virus. Besigye, who is 44 and apparently in good physical condition, brushed off the accusations, and challenged other candidates to be tested if HIV status is to be a qualification for public service.

That seemed to settle the issue. And it did not appear to hurt Besigye in the polls, which gives him roughly 40 percent of the vote. The election is on Monday.

But then this week, Time magazine published an article that quotes Museveni saying flatly: "Besigye is suffering from AIDS." Some patients' advocates said this showed Museveni is insensitive to sick people.

Besigye, in a news conference on Saturday, made the most of it politically: "He's trying to create a

situation whereby persons with HIV are discriminated" against.

Like most African countries, Uganda has been hit hard by the disease, and at one time had an infection rate of 30 percent. Many patients are voters.

And many voters are like Rona Namubiru, who lost her older brother, also a doctor, to AIDS. "If he has it, he can still be president," she said at a rally for Besigye. "What's wrong with that?"

The Museveni camp has conceded that the remarks hurt them — though Uganda is often regarded as one of the world's success stories in dealing with AIDS, having cut down infection rates from 30 percent to roughly 10 percent.

"Many people who have AIDS are alive today because of me," the president said at a news conference Sunday. "They should thank me. I have heard people; they are saying I am against people with AIDS. No, no, no!"

Museveni did not deny making the comment to Time magazine, but contended that his remarks were taken slightly out of context.

— Ian Fisher
The New York Times

Newspapers Try to Cope with Slowdown and Stock Expectations

SAN JOSE, Calif. — Mike Cassidy, a columnist for The San Jose (Calif.) Mercury News, wrote a letter on Wednesday to P. Anthony Ridder, chief executive of Knight Ridder, which owns The Mercury News.

In it, Cassidy said he asked if it was not time for a business leader like Ridder "to stand up to irrational markets and redefine financial success."

If he did that, Cassidy suggested, Ridder could relax the profit goals he had set for The Mercury News and avoid the newsroom layoffs that the paper's publisher, Jay T. Harris, had warned were coming.

The message of Cassidy's letter resonates far beyond San Jose. Few, if any, of the country's large newspapers are free of the pain caused by widespread double-digit declines in help-wanted advertising.

Newsrooms across the country face budget cuts. In San Jose, the announcement of the first layoffs in a generation is expected shortly. Layoffs have already been announced at The Akron (Ohio) Beacon Journal, another Knight Ridder newspaper, and the paper has scrapped its Sunday magazine.

The Arizona Republic, owned by Gannett Co., has cut back news

space in its feature sections. The New York Times has cut the news space in regional weekly sections in the New York area. Such cuts are one way newspapers have of coping with declining ad revenue while still producing the profits Wall Street expects.

Knight Ridder executives like Polk Laffoon IV, vice president for corporate communications, warned that if the stock price dipped too far, a company could become a prime takeover target, as investors might sell to someone who promised a higher return whether or not they cared about the quality of journalism.

"What I think often people

inside the industry might not understand is how important the health, the overall health of the business, is," Laffoon said. "Unfortunately, it's a truism if business isn't growing and prospering, it's often going the other way."

The dot-com crash in 2000 coincided with a 20 percent increase in newsprint prices in 2000, which brought the price to about \$610 a metric ton, and paper companies aim to put another \$50 price increase into effect in March.

With costs up and revenue down, circulation price increases are not filling the gap. So publish-

ers are turning to cost cutting. Editors argue that layoffs, far rarer in journalism than in other professions, can do long-term damage to a newspaper's ability to cover its community.

If deteriorating journalism damages the newspaper's reputation, this reasoning goes, the newspaper will lose customers and value in the long run.

Cassidy, the Mercury News columnist, said that Ridder wrote a "respectful" answer to his letter, saying the exact nature of the cuts there had not yet been decided.

— Felicity Barringer
The New York Times

Persian:

Students of all backgrounds attended

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"Especially those who can't go home because of finals week," Tabatabai added.

"NoRouz," which means "new day" in the Persian language, Farsi, is a 20-day celebration. The year begins on the Spring Equinox, which falls on March 20 this year, in the middle of finals week. Consequently, many students will not be able to go home and celebrate with their families.

Marshall freshman Yashar Parvin was excited about the night. "It gets me back in the mood of the Persian culture," Parvin said. "I want to meet all the Persians coming tonight from the Southern California area."

The cultural presentations included an overview of the Persian new year holiday, which dates back as many as 3,000 years.

One of the major traditions in celebrating the new year is setting a special table with seven specific items, known as "Haftseen." These items begin with the letter "S" in Farsi, and each are symbolic of various attributes of life, including beauty, represented by apples; health, represented by garlic; and fertility, represented by eggs. A Haftseen table was on display just outside the ballrooms for guests to see.

Marcia Strong, A.S. adviser for the Persian Club, called the night an "overall success," and saw it as a great chance for everyone to come to learn about the celebration.

"I know that the club invites people of all backgrounds to come," she said. "I know they invite parents and administrators to come, as well. It's a good tool to educate the community. It lets them learn more than what's at face value."

Indeed, students of various backgrounds were celebrating. "I just wanted to have fun and be aware of the culture," she said.

Doc:

Tom Tucker wrote the nomination letter

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applicants. "They look at GPA first," Khaleghi said. "This is why I thought I had no chance of winning."

Rather, he was evaluated on his "academic product," an essay in which he described his role as A.S. president.

Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Tom Tucker wrote the letter nominating Khaleghi.

"I think Doc is a special student leader and a special student, so I thought it would be appropriate to nominate him," Tucker said. "I just think he's unique: his energy and involvement in a variety of campus activities."

Tucker pointed out Khaleghi's qualities in the academic realm in his nomination letter.

"[Khaleghi] is also dedicated, honest and provides leadership while preserving an uncompromised pattern of personal integrity," Tucker stated in the letter. "Khaleghi frequently demonstrates the exceptional management ability to foster concise solutions to complex and intricate organizational and operational problems."

Both Khaleghi and Tucker remember when each learned of Khaleghi's win of the honor.

Twice a day Khaleghi was checking the mail that arrived in the A.S. boxes because he was waiting for medical school acceptances. He spotted a big envelope from USA Today.

"I tore it open, looked and went nuts," Khaleghi said.

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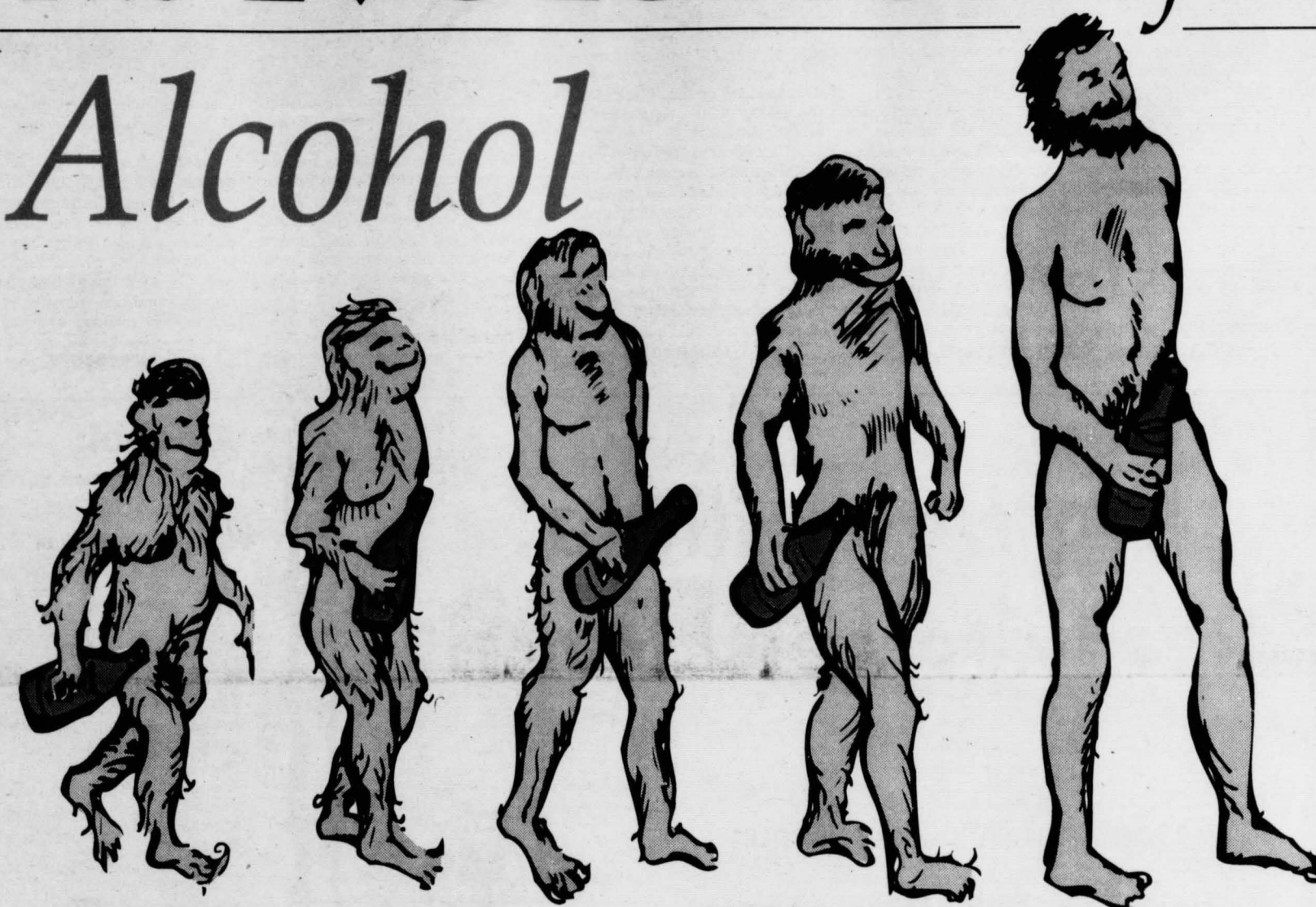
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FEATURES

The **EVOLUTION** of

Alcohol



Alice Lin/Guardian

A closer look at the use of spirits throughout the ages, from production to consumption

The Romans had Dionysus, the god of wine. College students have John, the porcelain god. Both are mythical figures that people have prayed to while intoxicated.

By most accounts, alcohol consumption has been around since nearly the beginning of the human race. While it may have begun with some primitive people eating rotten fruit and getting a slight high, it has evolved into a raging social phenomenon that has many people spending their lives in an alcoholic haze.

While alcohol has become widely popular, its origins and distinguished history have remained widely unknown to many of those who partake in its many wonders.

What is Alcohol?
Alcohol is a depressant drug that affects the brain and causes reduced social inhibitions and relaxes the body, according to an Area 51 alcohol information Web site located at

<http://area51.upsu.plym.ac.uk/~harv/graphical/grphalc.html>

Alcohol is produced when sugars come into contact with airborne yeast and ferment. This process most commonly occurs in fruits, vegetables and grain; however, alcohol can be produced from just about any fermentable material, including flowers, honey, the sap of trees, milk and almost any plant or animal substance that contains carbohydrates or sugar, according to an article called "The History of Alcohol, Part I" at <http://get.theinfo.org/alcohol1>

While there are several different types of alcohol, the types most commonly used in alcoholic drinks are ethynol and ethyl alcohol.

History
Alcohol consumption is thought to date back to prehistoric man. Some modern-day animals have been observed to consume fermented fruits and enjoy the slight high that it brings, so it is thought that early man also experimented with the intoxicating

effects of fermented fruits.

One of the earliest mentions of wine making comes from an Egyptian papyrus that dates back to 3500 B.C., according to the British alcohol information site mentioned above.

Paintings on ancient walls revealed that the Egyptians were also accomplished beer makers as well, according to "A History of Beer and Alcohol," located at http://wy.essortment.com/beer/alcohol-his_rueh.htm

These wall paintings showed models of breweries and descriptions of the types of beer that were made.

According to the Web site, the Egyptians made three different types of beer. Red beer was the most common, made by mixing undercooked loaves of barley or wheat bread with water and crushed wheat and allowing it to ferment in the sun. The liquid was then drained and stored. This beer is still made in Sudan and parts of Egypt. Sweet beer and black beer

were also made by the Egyptians.

Once people discovered that alcohol could be produced by fermenting sugar, it was being "manufactured" around the world. In tropical areas, it was common to use the sap of palm trees and cactus. In the far East and Europe, honey and milk were used to produce alcohol. In the early days of the United States, it was common to use corn, barley, wheat, sugar cane, potatoes and other plants to make alcohol, according to "The History of Alcohol, Part I."

According to the article, alcohol soon became a large part of many tribal and religious ceremonies.

Two Dutch colonists were the first to establish a private brewery in America in 1612, according to "A History of Beer and Alcohol." The brewery was located on the tip of Manhattan Island, where the first Dutch-American child was born, a site thought to be good luck by many of the settlers.

According to the same Web site, the first public brewery was opened

in the United States in 1622 in New Amsterdam.

Beer making was a struggle for early settlers due to a lack of grains and hops, necessary to make the beer. Even today, there are only three states that grow hops: Idaho, Washington and Oregon.

Its Affects
The main attraction of alcoholic drinks is their ability to produce a state of intoxication.

According to the Area 51 Web site, alcohol is absorbed into the bloodstream anywhere from five to 10 minutes from its ingestion. It then travels through the blood stream and delivers the alcohol throughout the body. The result is a relaxation of the muscles, which can lead to poor coordination. Increased amounts of alcohol in the system can lead to slurred speech, double vision, loss of balance and nausea.

If enough alcohol is ingested, the results can be deadly. Since

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THE WEEKLY CALENDAR

week of march 12 to march 19 2001

ACTIVITIES

Ongoing

- zOOM@UCSD. SRTV new show every Monday, 9pm. Dorm cable, ch 18. Broadcasting all the news that fits on the screen, zOOM@UCSD focuses the lens on every aspect of campus life you can shake a mic at.
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- AS Women's Commission Meeting. 7:30pm @ Women's Center. Concerned about issues affecting women @ UCSD? Join the AS Women's Commission. We're currently planning this year's Take Back the Night & are looking for your help. Contact calgen@ucsd.edu

ACADEMICS

Wednesday, March 7

- Revisiting Labour: Thinking with the Eyes, Hands, and Mouse, 12:30-2:00pm @ Media Center/Communication Building(The Herbert I. Schiller Room 201). Margaret A. Syverson, Carnegie Scholar, Director Computer Writing and Research Lab, Division of Rhetoric and Composition, University of Texas at Austin, will speak.

CLUBS

Ongoing

- LGBT+ general meetings. Every Monday 7pm. GSA room in Old Student Cntr. A safe and friendly environment for LGBT and other people to socialize, learn about events, and access resources. Everybody is welcome! info: 534-GAYS.
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- Tired of just watching people dance at

clubs? It's time to get on the floor with the Salsa Dance Club! Share your salsa moves or pick up some new ones. All levels welcome, no partner necessary. For more info contact Melody at melody@starmail.com. Mondays, 7pm @ Porter's Pub.

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ARTS

Ongoing

- AEP Logo Competition. AEP Office(University Center 411). Create a logo for Academic Enrichment Programs and you could win \$200! Stop by the office for submission requirements and other detailed information. Deadline: April 6, 2001.
- This Blue Heart: Three short plays by Caryl Churchill, directed by Shelley Orr, Danielle Amato, and D.J. Hopkins. Mandel Weiss Forum Studio, March 14-17 @ 8pm, March 18 @ 7pm. Tickets can be purchased at the door one hour prior to showtime or by calling the Box Office at 858.534.4574 weekdays from

noon to 6pm. GA: \$5, UCSD Affiliates/Seniors/Students: \$4.

- Temper, UCSD's annual literary journal, is now accepting short stories, plays, poetry, & art to be published. The deadline is March 23rd @ the Literature Office in the Literature Building. Contact calgen@ucsd.edu if you have questions.

HEALTH

Ongoing

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The Editor's Soapbox

By TOM VU
Opinion Editor

One more quarter. That's what I keep telling myself as I huddle in the corner of my room in a fetal position. OK, maybe I'm exaggerating a bit, but this is true enough: The pressure is building, and boy, can I feel it weighing me down. For me, and hundreds of others who will be graduating in June, this is a culmination of four years' worth (some longer) of blood, sweat and tears. I am starting to feel the expectations of family, friends and even myself.

My parents expect me to find a good job after graduating. Friends from back home, most of whom are still in city colleges or attending state colleges, expect the same: that I succeed, that I make loads of cash. Needless to say, I expect the same of myself, or at least the "finding a good job" part. This is, after all, the ultimate reason we

Approaching graduation causes long hours of contemplation on years past

are forking out \$15,000 a year to attend UCSD.

Graduating, I never thought I would be saying — well, typing — that word in this regard. Not to sound macho or anything, but there are few things that freak me out; truthfully, this is one of the few things that does. I'm placed in a situation that I'm sure most graduating seniors are in: limbo. We're caught between the memories of the past and the possibilities of the future at the same time.

I've had some great memories of college and a few bad ones. So what, then, is there for me to fear now that I'm nearing the end of another chapter in my life? Allow me to explain.

Lately, I've been pondering this question: Have I been successful in my tour of duty here at UCSD? Success can be measured in different ways, particularly in a university environment. Getting A's in every single class is certainly

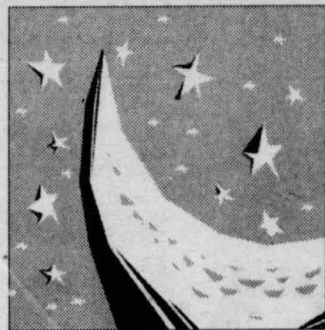
successful (no, I'm am definitely not talking about myself). Attending every frat or sorority party is pretty impressive too (not me), as is hooking up with an Alpha Zeta Phi girl (I wish it were me). So is being editor of the opinion section.

In my opinion, having a successful college career involves attaining experience. A question we should all ask ourselves from time to time is: "Have I experienced enough?" This is a question that I ask myself, as it leads to the answer to the first question regarding success.

Experience, as the wise man would confess, comes with age. Experience comes from exposure; it comes from how willing a person is to set himself up for the risk. It comes from the glory of victory and the agony of defeat. It comes from merely living and, more importantly, being able to

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HOROSCOPES



By LASHA SENIUK
Tribune Media Services

Aries (March 21-April 19)
This week, Aries, a friend or relative may ask for detailed explanations of yesterday's relationships and social promises. Before Wednesday, expect loved ones to focus on past discussions and delicate social events. Don't shy away from difficult questions, Aries: Before next week both friends and lovers will rely on your honest reactions. After Thursday avoid new debts and large purchases. Resources may be low.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)
New social plans or fresh forms

of entertainment will bring increased physical and emotional energy this week. Taurus. Some Taurians may also encounter a series of workplace flirtations or inappropriate attractions. If so, Taurus, take all as a compliment: Although flattering, new romantic proposals should be carefully considered.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)
Work routines or daily habits may now need revision, Gem: Before midweek expect a sudden flurry of messages, errands and small details. Use this time to outline your priorities and make important schedule changes: For the next 11 days authority figures will push for fast results. Offer your wisdom, Gem; your emotional input and social insight are accurate.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)
Try to avoid boastful moments this week, Cancer: Even though confidence is high, others may not be receptive to proud displays. Before midweek many Cancerians may also find that romantic partners or close friends are silent and

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Alcohol:

Drinking too much can be harmful to your body

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alcohol is a toxic agent, the body will respond to it by trying to get rid of it.

Initially, the body will attempt to do so through urination. If there is still an excess amount of alcohol in the system, the body may induce vomiting in an attempt to expel the toxin. If there is still a lot of alcohol in the system, the body will shut down and the person will lose consciousness. If not treated properly, this can lead to death. This is called alcohol poisoning.

The Laws

Throughout American history, alcohol has been the target of the law. While some may think that life before Prohibition was one big alcoholic haze, even the early colonists had strict laws against alcohol consumption.

In 1633, Plymouth Plantation prohibited the sale of spirits "more than two pence worth to anyone except strangers just arrived," according to a paper prepared by Jane Lang McGrew, an attorney from Washington, D.C.

In 1637, Massachusetts ordered that no person should remain in a tavern "longer than necessary occasions."

While such laws were common in the colonies, there was no attempt to prohibit the sale of alcohol prior to the 18th century. Even then, there was no widespread prohibition, at least not until the 20th century.

In 1920, the United States ratified the 18th amendment to the Constitution of the United States. This amendment prohibited the sale of alcohol in the United States.

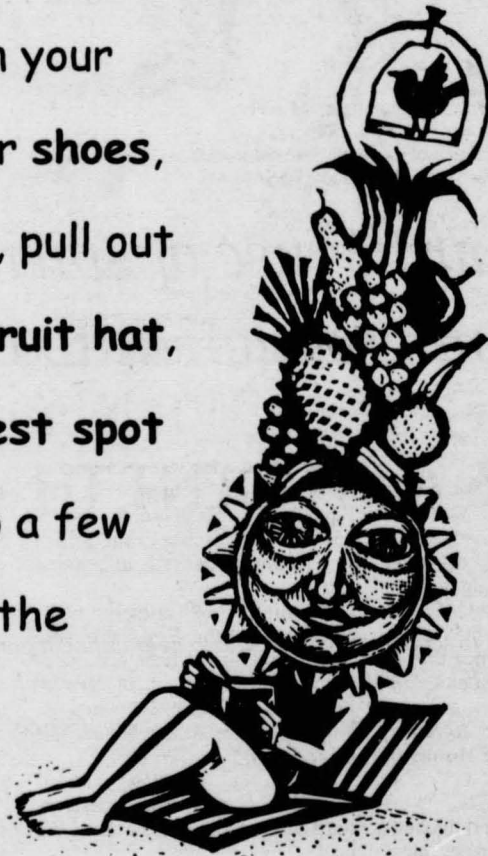
As it turns out, the amendment did not eradicate the use of alcohol in the United States. In fact, it opened the door for mobsters and criminals to brew their own alcohol and become rich off its illegal sales.

With the realization that the amendment was doing more harm than good, the amendment was repealed on Dec. 5, 1933, legalizing the sale of alcohol in the United States once again.

The current law in the United States is that nobody under the age of 21 is allowed to purchase alcohol. Additionally, there are laws against drinking and driving. While the blood alcohol content necessary for conviction on this offense

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"They're more interesting than my professors."

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Muir senior



"I don't have that much feeling for them. The ones in 'Cosmo' are better."

Debbie Fajans
Warren senior



"I don't think I've ever read one"

Jessica Wilkins
Revelle sophomore



"I only read them when it's my birthday."

Leonie Heyworth
Warren junior



"No, I don't like them, but sometimes they're humorous."

Ramon Friedman
Muir junior



"I don't believe in them."

Carne Black
Revelle junior

Soapbox:

Some regrets linger as graduation approaches

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recognize it. After all, it is quite pointless to have something if you don't know what it's for.

Have I experienced a lot since I first stepped foot into V Building in the Marshall residence halls? At the very least, I can give a laundry list of the things that I've done in my time, but that would be pointless.

However, I do still have my regrets. They're not just petty ones about relationships or classes. "Have I experienced enough?" is again the question. And perhaps my trepidation about graduating revolves more around this than even the possibility of not being able to find a job afterwards. I'm afraid that, despite the multitude of things that I've been through and accomplished, it's still not enough. Have I made the most of my time here in college?

After talking with a friend, Caroline, I realized how much I had missed out. You see, she's been to 13 countries and me, well, the farthest place I've been is Las Vegas. This is, perhaps, the biggest regret I have about college: not studying abroad. Of course, it was an initial consideration of mine, but I never put the effort behind it. I was thinking about Sweden, actually, as strange as it would seem for an Asian to consider. Hockey is great over there during the winter. But, unfortunately, I didn't take the opportunity.

Here's some advice to the underclassmen: Go abroad! Though I didn't, I can assure you it will be the one of the best experiences you will have not only in college but also in life. I've been told enough stories from friends who have traveled to know. If you don't go, you'll be writing about your regret of not going (maybe even in the school newspaper).

That's where I am now. Don't get me wrong; college has been thoroughly enjoyable, even though there are some lingering regrets about certain missed opportunities, and I am not referring solely to studying abroad.

This takes me to the future and the possibilities in store. For once in my life, I am truly clueless about what will happen in the future.

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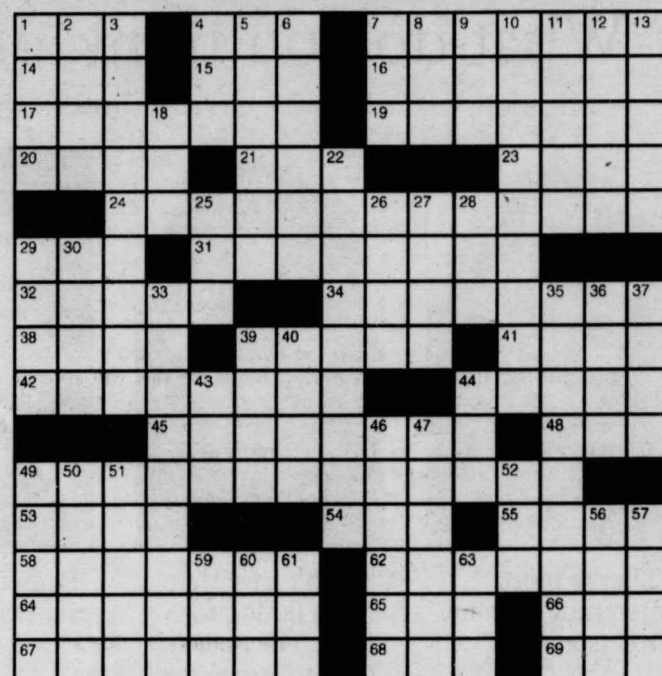


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Horoscope:

See what the week has for Leo, Virgo, Libra and more

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emotionally withdrawn. Let others have extra time to reflect or gather insight, Cancer. Soon relationships will again move rapidly forward. After Thursday attend to parent/child relationships: Loved ones may now require your daily dedication.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

Friends and relatives may be self-involved this week, Leo. Early Tuesday watch for loved ones to be overly focused on past disappointments and distant relationships. Some Leos may also experience the return of an old friend or colleague. After Friday watch also for fast financial changes or newly amended records: Research and small money matters may be in error.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Romantic energy is high this week, Virgo, but it may also be confusing. Before Thursday expect a friend or lover to introduce a new acquaintance. Over the next few days a temporary division of loyalties may be bothersome: Expect social or romantic triangles to be difficult to avoid. No long-lasting or serious overtones can be expected here, but do watch for brief social conflicts and inappropriate flirtations. Wait for clarity: New romantic passions will calm by early next week.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Lovers or family members may present unusual past information or make contact with an old friend this week, Libra. Unfinished emotions, nostalgia and incomplete relationships will have a tendency to resurface over the next few days. Use this time to release unwanted fears or address long-standing differences with loved ones. Pace yourself and wait for valuable insights.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

Thoroughly discuss new projects and research findings with others this week, Scorpio. For the next eight days, work information, facts and figures can easily be mistaken or lost. Some Scorpios may also find that intense romantic flirtations now cause an ongoing distraction. If so, plan for social invitations to sharply increase: New attractions will bring unusual romantic choices before early April.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Heavy or negative social obligations will now fade, Sage. Over the last few days many Sagittarians have felt restricted by the emotional demands of another or frustrated by a lack of time for personal relationships. All of this now changes: Early Wednesday expect friends, loved ones and colleagues to adopt a more cheerful and optimistic outlook. Social and workplace atmospheres will soon improve, Sage: By early next week expect new group instructions and rare social introductions.

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Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Relationships from the past will now begin to make sense, Cap. Much of this will directly affect outdated love affairs and lingering memories: Expect the past actions or words of loved ones to no longer be distracting. Subtle emotions are at work this week, Cap: Watch for intense dreams, key adjustments in present relationships and a newfound bond with loved ones.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Let others handle their own problems this week, Aquarius. Now, a new social and romantic era arrives: after Wednesday expect others to briefly admit their mistakes or offer unique explanations. Trust your instincts, Aquarius: Long-standing differences will not easily fade. Late Thursday a colleague may require extra time to complete an important task: Be patient.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

Before midweek, Pisces, a colleague may request your daily assistance or guidance. Over the next three days many Pisceans may feel pressured to adopt the role of instructor, group facilitator or public mentor. Offer support but protect your own ideas, Pisces: at the moment friends and younger colleagues may be highly stressed and limited in their skills.

If Your Birthday is this Week:

Physical and emotional energy will return in the coming five to six weeks, Pisces: Watch for a four- to five-month period of daily social and romantic challenges to now steadily fade. Many Pisceans will now begin a serious effort to improve home relationships and bring greater intimacy into their lives. Romance will gain momentum by early June, Pisces: Remain patient and watch for a variety of new invitations and social opportunities to trigger important emotional decisions. Later this year, group investments, team assignments or fast workplace changes will bring much excitement: By late September a unique career proposal will require serious consideration.

Soapbox:

Graduation means more decisions to be made

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When I was younger, the choices were simple: I'd continue on with school, one grade leads to the next. After high school, I knew I would attend UCSD. But now, things are different. I've reached another chasm to cross and all I can do for now is look out into the horizon. There are a dozen bridges that I can cross and it's nearly impossible to choose between them.

Maybe this is where the fear comes from. It's not from the unwillingness to graduate. Trust me, I'm ready to leave. It's not the fear of committing myself to an 8-to-5 job. It's the initial step onto one of the creaky bridges. It's forcing oneself to take that important step. And there are no nets. Do we, do I, have the experience to choose correctly?

Ultimately, there is only one way to find out and that is to take

the initial step. And quite a big step it is indeed, but I have the confidence to take it. I've gone through a great deal since I came here, both good and bad experiences, but experiences nonetheless. And with each came a lesson and memory to remember. Four years' worth of hard work and great times leads to this and the pressure is building to show that all that I've worked for wasn't for naught. I'm ready to get the hell out of here, but that doesn't mean that I'm not scared.

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Baseball:

Tritons salvage one win out of four game series

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Stanislaus pitcher Don Gemmel picked up the victory and Triton Robert Peele was handed the loss. The Tritons rebounded from this heartbreaking loss to salvage a victory in a wild Saturday afternoon showdown.

Stanislaus appeared ready to pick up its third consecutive victory over the Tritons, carrying a 7-4 lead into the bottom of the eighth inning. The Tritons finally came through on the offensive end, though, tying the game on Chris Tallman's three-run homer.

Then Stanislaus plated the go-ahead run in the top of the ninth,

Women:

Women take on Emory next Wednesday

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top."-LaPlante said. "Ashley had actually played Tomas at [the] Rolex [tournament] in October and got beaten pretty bad."

At No. 2, Tadlock got off to a quick start, breezing through the first set by a score of 6-0. There was then a complete 180 degree turnaround in the match as Tadlock was beaten 1-6 in the second set. Although her conditioning was tested, she came out firing in the third and took it 6-3 to win the match.

Liao had an outstanding match at No. 3 singles. She obliterated her opponent 6-0, 6-0 without even breaking a sweat.

"Melisa is playing with more confidence then ever and is playing

and UCSD had its back to the wall once again.

It all came down to the final frame. Suzuki sparked the rally, ripping a double into left field. Addison drove him in with a single and moved into scoring position on a throwing error by the right fielder. Then Larson came through with the game-winning single to clinch the victory for the Tritons.

Reliever Tommy Sereno picked up the victory for UCSD and Justin Hoppes got stuck with the loss.

The series culminated in Sunday's game, which found the Tritons on the losing end of a 13-3 score.

Tallman had two hits in the game for UCSD.

UCSD's record now stands at 3-10 in the CCAA, and 7-14 overall. Stanislaus is now 6-3 CCAA and 12-4 overall.

super aggressive," LaPlante said. "She had a great day."

Jansen had similar success at No. 4 singles, winning in a wash 6-1, 6-0. Westerman lost her first set at No. 5 singles but quickly rebounded to take the next two to win the match 4-6, 6-4, 6-1.

After the match, LaPlante was happy with her team's performance. "Bakersfield is actually a pretty good team," LaPlante said. "They were just below Sonoma in the conference. Overall everyone played well, played aggressive and played to win."

At No. 6 singles, senior Jaime Walker got a rare start. She fought through some tough droughts during the match, but in the end, it was not enough as she fell 2-6, 3-6.

The Tritons will be in action next on Wednesday, when they take on Emory University at home at 2 p.m.

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Women's Tennis Splits Weekend

Tritons rebound from loss last week to pound Bakersfield, 6-3

By **BILL BURGER**
Senior Staff Writer

A true test of a team's character is how it responds to a heart-breaking loss. Strong teams find a way to bounce back, while weak ones often fold under the building pressure. The women's tennis team proved what it is made of last Saturday when it rebounded from a tough defeat at the hands of arch-rival UC Davis to defeat Cal State Bakersfield 6-3.

The win brought the Tritons' record to 5-2 overall and 4-1 within the CCAA. This record is good enough to put UCSD in second place in the conference.

The match started out in doubles where Lyndsey Tadlock and Stephanie Moriarty ran into some stiff competition at No. 1. Things started out well for the pair, as they won the first three games and looked to be rolling to an easy victory. Kristina Tomas and Mary Pung of Bakersfield had other ideas, though, and the match was quickly deadlocked again at four. The team exchanged breaks over the next four games and the match was tied at six. The team from Bakersfield, however, was too tough, as it broke Tadlock's serve and held on for the 8-6 win.

At No. 2 doubles, Melisa Liao and Julie Westerman raced out to a 5-2 lead and looked to be running away with the match. This changed quickly, and before long the match was back on serve at 6-5. Liao and Westerman, however, did not fold under the pressure and came back to take the match 8-5.

Ashley O'Neil and Kristina Jansen had a similar start at No. 3 doubles, but they never let their

opponents back in the game to secure the victory and take the match 8-4.

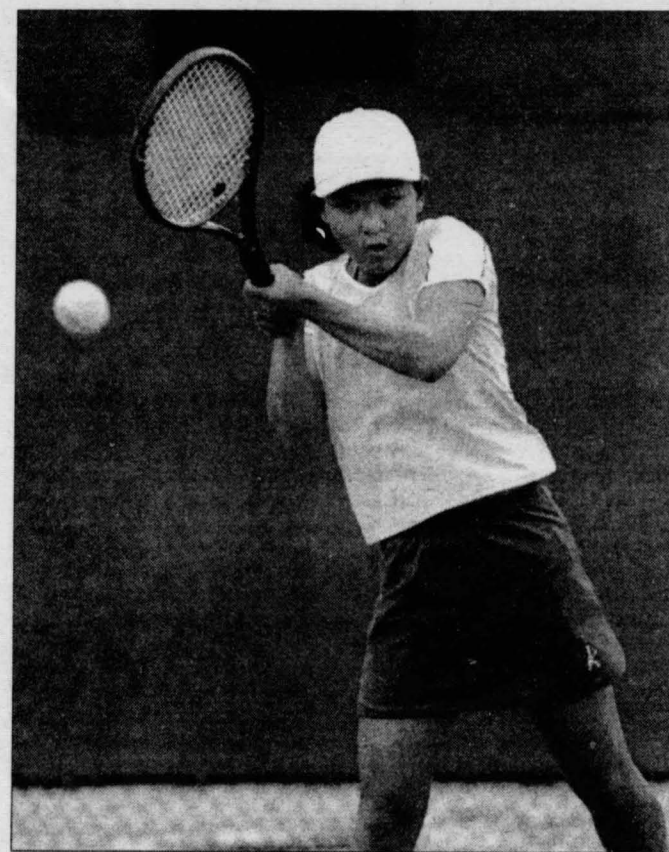
Carrying a 2-1 edge into singles play gave the Tritons confidence, but quickly they saw that that edge wouldn't be needed.

O'Neil took on Tomas at No. 1 singles and had a rough time. Tomas hit almost every ball within

inches of the line and made it almost impossible for O'Neil to gather any momentum. The match ended in a 6-1, 6-1 win for Tomas and Bakersfield.

Coach Liz Laplante knew that that match-up would be difficult. "We knew they'd be strong up

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David Piliz/Guardian

Ummph: Triton tennis player Melisa Liao fends off a shot from an opposing player.

Men's:

The Tritons' record drops to 6-4 in league

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good effort. We were nearly there in the victory circle but couldn't quite pull it off. I thought that they were a solid team, much like the better teams in the [California Collegiate Athletic Association.]

The loss to Boston College came a day after a tough-fought battle with cross-town foe San Diego State. The Tritons fell to the Aztecs 6-1. This match was not originally scheduled but was played because both teams had so many rainouts earlier in the year.

The Tritons were obviously outmatched against Division I San Diego State, but Steidlmayer took some definite bright spots out of the match.

"We gain a lot from playing State," Steidlmayer said. "Some learn that they can play with those guys, some learn what they need to improve."

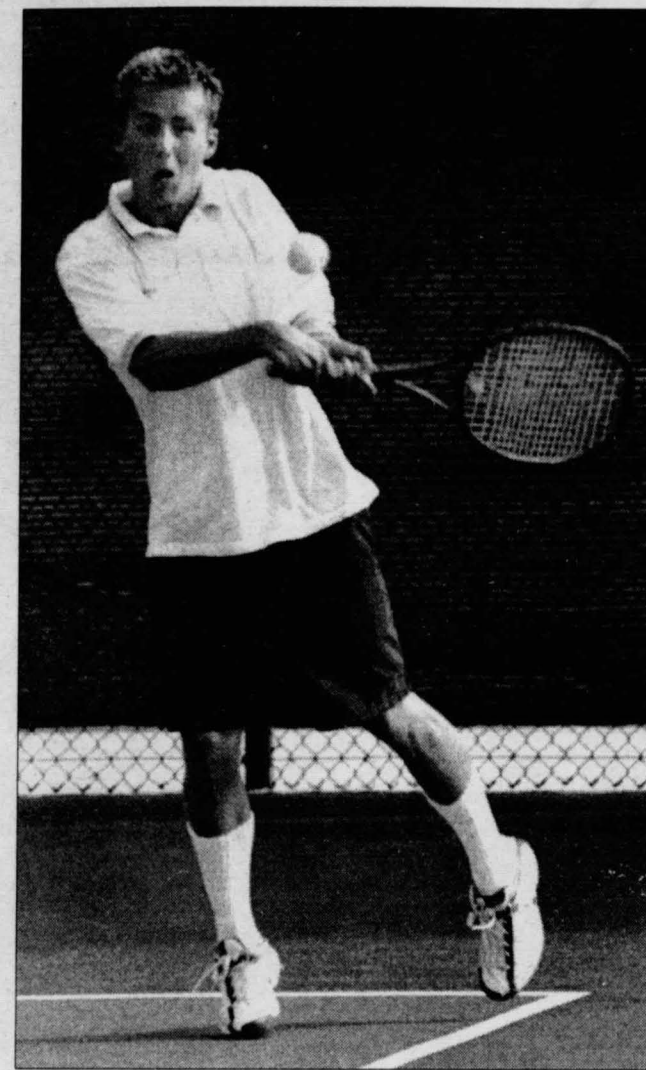
Steidlmayer was particularly impressed with the performance of Meyer, who is just returning to health after a surgery that he had in September. Meyer put together a solid three-set win against Travis Hasson of San Diego State at No. 2 singles and teamed up with Wilson to win 8-3 at No. 2 doubles.

"Both wins [against Boston College and San Diego State] demonstrate that he is moving in the right direction," Steidlmayer said of Meyer. "But it is his effort in practice to concentrate and focus on the things he needs to work on that is making him better."

The Tritons now have a long layoff throughout the rest of the

quarter and into Spring Break. Their next match will be here at home on March 30 against an old familiar Division III rival, Gustavus Adolphus College of Minnesota. This match should be an excellent indicator on how

far the Tritons have grown in the last year. So get out of your dorm room and spend a wonderful sunny day watching some great tennis and rooting the Tritons back onto the winning path.



Tyler Huff/Guardian

Smack me: Triton Michael Meyer returns a shot against an opponent last weekend.

Water Polo Can't Complete Sweep

Tritons beat Villanova, lose to rival SDSU

By **GLORIA CHUNG**
Staff Writer

On Friday night the UCSD women's water polo team hosted cross-town rival San Diego State University at the Canyonview Pool. The night before, UCSD took care of Villanova in a commanding 17-6 victory.

Junior Emma Kudritzki led the team in scoring with five goals.

Also contributing with multiple goals were sophomore Samara Silverman and junior Erin Welsh, who each had three. Elena Telechea threw in two. Sophomore Megan Hubbs put in a strong performance at the goalie position, making nine saves.

Looking to build on their win against Villanova, the Tritons entered Friday night's game with an 8-6 record and were ranked 12th in the National Collegiate Top 20 Poll.

In cold temperatures and intermittent rainfall, UCSD and San Diego State battled for four quar-

ters with the biggest deficit of the game being just two goals. In the end, the Tritons, fell to the Aztecs 6-4.

"We played a good hard game, but [San Diego State] came out on top," Silverman said. "Next time it'll be different."

After two quarters of solid play from both teams, San Diego State led with a score of 3-2.

In the third quarter the Tritons increased the intensity and tied the game on a goal by Hilary Smith, a senior, with 4:25 remaining in the quarter.

Hubbs did her part by making several critical saves. In the first minute of the third quarter, Hubbs made an impressive stop to prevent the Aztecs from going up 4-2. The score would remain tied at 3-3 for the rest of the quarter.

In the final quarter, however, San Diego State exploded for three goals to put the game out of reach for the Tritons, as UCSD managed only one more goal in the game.



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Get the ball: A Triton splashes to get to the ball before her opponent does.

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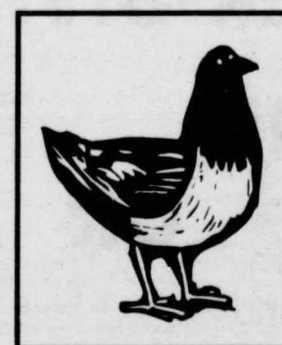
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Spring Means a New Start



ROBERT FULTON

In the San Diego sports community, there is a new, unfamiliar feeling. It is one of optimism. Almost everywhere you turn in the city, there is positive talk and hope for a bright future.

Take, for instance, the Padres. It is currently the time of spring training in baseball land. Hell, the definition of baseball's spring training is hope. At this point, every team has a chance of winning the World Series. From the high rollers to those who pay their players peanuts, from teams with three Cy Young Award winners to those with a lot of nobodys, from the New York Yankees to the Minnesota Twins, every team can dream of winning it all. Everyone has the same record, 0-0.

This includes the Padres. The Friars are as upbeat as anyone. They have promising young pitchers and solid vets taking the mound. In the field, the likes of Ryan Klesko and Phil Nevin would make any fan excited, and to top it all off, Mr. Padre himself, Tony Gwynn, is roaming right field once again. Will the Padres be crowned World Series champs come October? It's doubtful, but right now still possible.

San Diego's other sports franchise is also benefiting from a bout of optimism and is actually looking like a sports team. The Chargers, it appears, are moving toward being a team that could earn a playoff berth. The team has strengthened an already tough defense, and it has remedied the quarterback problem with the signing of Doug Flutie. Plus, the team has the No. 1 pick in this spring's draft. John Butler was hired as general manager, and Norv Tuner was brought in as offensive coordinator. The team has made itself competitive once again.

Sure, it's hard to be positive after last year, but there is nowhere to go but up. It makes you wish the football season would start now (the NFL doesn't count).

This sense of optimism extends to campus. Sure, it is not as great as it was during the fall, when the women's soccer team was prowling RIMAC field en route to another title. But right now, with winter quarter winding down, things are looking up.

Spring rings eternal here, too. There are about 10 Triton sports taking place right now. If you want softball action, check out UCSD's team. They boast a 10-6 record. Both the men's and women's tennis teams look like they'll have good years. The swim team is ready for its final meets, with the real possibility of some titles coming our way. Hungry Moses is most definitely excited right now about UCSD sports.

See, sports are blooming in our neck of the woods. No Padres in the cellar. No Chargers losing almost every game. It's just UCSD sports with nonstop action all the way.

So, even if your tea has gone cold and you wonder why you got up at all, San Diego sports will remind you that it's not so bad, it's not so bad at all.

UCSD Has a Hard Weekend

Tritons lose three games in three days as their record drops to 7-14

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UCSD and California State University Stanislaus faced off this weekend in an important four-game California Collegiate Athletic Association series at Triton Field.

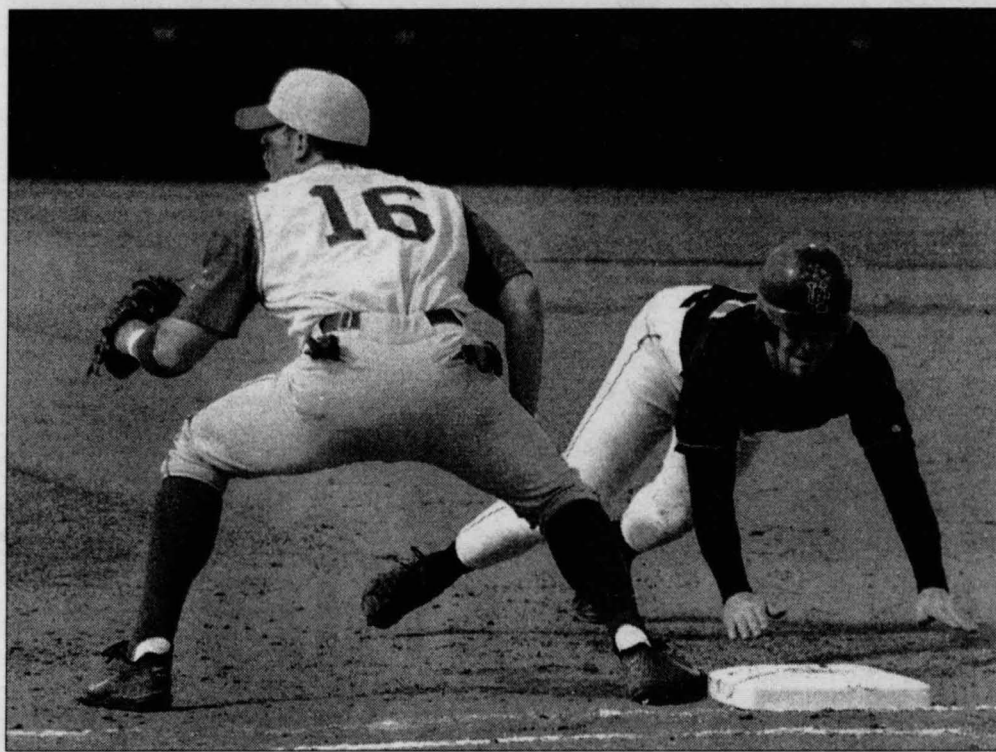
Stanislaus managed to sweep the first two games from the Tritons in a Friday doubleheader before UCSD got fired up and came back for a victory in Saturday's rematch. Unfortunately on Sunday the Tritons had no juice left as they dropped the final game to CSUS 13-3.

In the opening game it was Stanislaus that drew first blood, scoring one run in the second inning on an RBI groundout to short by Todd Russell that scored Kyle Sleeth, who had started the inning with a double.

Cal State Stanislaus added a pair more in each of the next two innings, building a 5-0 lead before the Tritons eventually broke their string of goose eggs with two runs in the fifth.

David Hawk started the UCSD rally with a walk and eventually scored on Blair Suzuki's RBI groundout. Anthony Lococo, who had reached earlier on an error, was then driven in on Chad Addison's clutch single. The rally was cut short, though, when designated hitter Ryan Larsen struck out looking with two aboard.

The Tritons managed to add one more run in the next inning, but it wasn't enough, as they



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Get back: A Triton baseball player dives back to first after the opposing pitcher decides his lead is too big.

ended up falling to Stanislaus 6-3.

John Beaven took the loss, dropping his record to 2-4, while Sam Flores recorded the victory for CSUS to improve to 2-0.

In the nightcap, it was UCSD that jumped out to an early lead, scoring three runs in the bottom of the first in a rally highlighted by a Nate Bestul triple that drove in

two. The lead was short-lived, though, as Stanislaus scored one in the first and two apiece in the second and third to pull ahead.

The Tritons threatened to score again in the bottom of the seventh. Singles by Hawk and Suzuki put the Tritons in prime position with two outs. Lococo stepped up and delivered a key

triple that scored Hawk and sent Suzuki racing toward the plate, representing the tying run.

It was not to be, though, as a textbook relay from the CSU rightfielder cut him down at the plate to end the rally and the game, 6-5.

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Tennis Proves They Can Play with Division I

The Tritons get punished by San Diego State, battle Boston College

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For most Division II sports programs, the idea of squaring off against a Division I opponent seems ludicrous. For even more, the idea of actually competing with such a program seems like a dream.

This is not so for the UCSD men's tennis team.

The Tritons took on Division I Boston College on Saturday and were narrowly defeated by a score of 4-3.

The loss brought the Tritons' record down to a still respectable 6-4 for the year.

Doubles was truly a battle of attrition for both teams. In all three match-ups, there were ups and downs. In the end, Boston College took two of the three pro sets.

No. 1 doubles was an epic affair that pitted Sameer Chopra and Dan Albrecht from UCSD against Justin Slattery and Jason Cowett of Boston College.

During the first six games, there were virtually no opportunities for a break, so the teams were tied at three after these games.

That all changed when Albrecht smashed an overhead straight down into the court and over the fence to give the Tritons

a service break.

Unfortunately, it didn't last as they gave that break right back on Chopra's serve in the next game, and again the match was deadlocked. The score was 5-6 when Albrecht's serve was broken to make it 5-7. From there, the hard-hitting Slattery served out the match 8-5 for Boston College.

No. 2 doubles looked like it would be over quickly when Mike Meyer and Jeff Wilson were quickly down 0-4. The two fought back and got within a game at 6-7, but in the end the hole they dug early was too great to overcome, and they lost the match 6-8.

The Tritons enjoyed better luck at No. 3 doubles, where Amir Nejad and Everett Schroeter won 8-4.

In singles, the Tritons got wins from Meyer at No. 2, Wilson at No. 3 and Schroeter at No. 6, but came up one win short of an overall victory.

Head coach Eric Steidlmayer was disheartened by the loss, but not by the competition nor by his team's effort.

"I expected to have a tough match," Steidlmayer said, "and it was that. [Boston College] played with good heart, and with

UCSD Dance Team Heading to Daytona Beach

Dancesport will compete against 24 other teams for national title in April

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Come the beginning of April, the UCSD dance team will pack its bags and prance on over to Daytona Beach, Fla., to compete in the National Dance Alliance Collegiate Championships and vie against 24 teams from around the nation for the national dance title.

The trip has become an annual event for the dance team, which has come in third the previous two years.

"The whole year this is what we work for," freshman dance team member Kanchan Dudani said.

"We did really well [last year]," said co-captain Alyssa Boland. "We're trying to go back and get at least third. Of course, we want to get first."

The dance team qualified by sending a video of their performance to the judges, who then selected them to try out at the preliminaries April 5. From there, the top teams will be chosen to dance in the finals the next day.

"This year is really cool because we've been able to do a lot more technical things," Boland said. "We have a very technically strong team."

According to Boland, another benefit of going to Florida is the chance to improve team cohesiveness.

"[What we need to work on] probably is having fun together," she said. "We always have to practice and work and work. Florida will be nice because it will give us a chance to be together after competition."

The event marks the culmination of the team's competition season, as they will relax and concentrate on recruiting new people during the next quarter.

"Spring quarter is like our fun time," Boland said. "We perform at the Sun God festival and at Greek events. It's more kicked back."

The team will also continue to look for a coach after losing their previous coach last fall.

"It's hard not having a coach," Boland said. "That's our biggest weakness."

But for the moment the team is focused on upcoming competition and raising funds to help pay for the trip.

"We get minimal funding from A.S.," Boland said. "We pretty much pay for everything out of our pockets. This year we're actually going to A.S. and asking for more funding but pretty much now we're all on our own."

To raise money, the team will have a bake sale Thursday on Library Walk, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., so go out and support the team in their quest for a national title.

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