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On Eve of Trip to U.S., Blair Talks of Uniting Old and New Worlds

LONDON — As he prepared to become the first European leader to visit with President George Bush, Prime Minister Tony Blair of Britain offered on Tuesday to revive the role he had in the Clinton administration as the bridge between the United States and Europe. It was not the easiest of times to send the message.

Blair plans to leave for Canada and the United States on Wednesday, just days after British and U.S. warplanes bombed targets in Iraq in raids that were sup-

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National

President Tours Midwest to Push Tax Cut and Education Plan

ST. LOUIS — President Bush returned to the campaign trail Tuesday to promote his education and tax cut proposals in a two-day swing through the Midwest.

Bush visited a school and a community center in Missouri and a school in Ohio on Tuesday to lay the groundwork for his speech next week before a joint session of Congress in which he will set out his priorities for the year.

At Moline Elementary School here, Bush repeated his campaign promise to spend \$5 billion over

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Collegiate

Studies Show Rapid Increase in HIV Among High-Risk Populations

LOS ANGELES — The potential for a rapid rise in HIV infections among gay and bisexual men is the focus of studies prompting plans for greater prevention and intervention efforts in California, according to UC AIDS researchers.

A crowd of more than 400 California researchers, policy makers and community members convened Friday in Los Angeles at a conference presented by the Universitywide AIDS Research Program.

—Daily Bruin

Spoken

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— Nich Ziesmer
Senior residential computing consultant

Atkinson Moves to Eliminate SAT

UC President claims test is no longer a good indicator

By **MATT SCHRADER**
Associate News Editor

UC President Richard C. Atkinson proposed dropping the SAT I as a criterion for applying to UC schools, citing the test as an unfair assessment of the abilities of students.

"The SAT I is problematic because it does not cover what is learned in a high school curriculum," said UC spokesman Brad Hayward. "The SAT measures the student's test taking abilities."

As a result of such criticism regarding the SAT, Atkinson has proposed to restructure the application process so that students will no longer submit their SAT I scores. Instead, high school grade point averages in UC-approved classes and SAT II scores would be the two major parts of the application and would determine a student's acceptance.

Atkinson suggested that a new, fairer standardized test be developed, but recommended that the SAT II be used until such a test has been made.

In his Feb. 18 speech at the Annual Meeting of the American Council Education, Atkinson said that the SAT I is no longer a valid indicator of success in college.

"We know that high school grades are by far the best indicator of first-year college performance," he said. "We have also found that the SAT II is a better predictor of performance than the SAT I."

A 1996 study, on the other hand, showed that 82 percent of students who had over a 1,300 on their SAT I graduated college within five years, while only 74 percent of the students who scored between 1200 and 1299 graduated within the same time frame.

UCSD's Assistant Vice Chancellor Richard Backer said that this proposed policy would not impact UCSD to a large degree, as the importance of standardized tests in admissions decisions has already been decreasing for the last

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Navidad Virus Sent Out by UCSD Visual Arts Server

Some students received hundreds of e-mails containing the virus through Outlook Express

By **REBECCA WOOD**
Senior Staff Writer

Earlier this week the "Navidad" virus was unintentionally sent via e-mail to hundreds of students on a visual arts mailing list. The e-mail's subject line read "Grad Show!" and contained the attached file *navidad.exe*, which is a virus that distributes itself through address books in Microsoft Outlook Express.

According to ResNet Coordinator Erik Strahm, when downloaded, the virus prevents any application from running.

"When the user tries to open an application, a screen pops up with a smiley face," Strahm said. "Fortunately, computers infected

with the virus are 100 percent repairable."

Nich Ziesmer, senior residential computing consultant, explained that the outbreak was completely random.

"It is pure chance that the UCSD sender got the virus," Ziesmer said.

Strahm said that the Navidad virus that was sent to people on the visual arts list did not originate on campus.

"Usually someone creates the virus somewhere else and almost all viruses are from other countries," Strahm said. He added that the UCSD sender did not intentionally propagate the virus.

"Microsoft Outlook Express is very susceptible to viruses because

the viruses can piggy-back themselves on the files the system uses," Ziesmer said.

He also said that computer viruses spread like viruses in humans and can be designed to do almost anything. He said the Navidad virus is very well-designed.

"It's practically ingenious," he said. "It readily distributes itself to millions of computers. It is unfortunate how effective the virus is."

The Navidad virus is one of many viruses that have been spreading around campus. The "Snow White" and "Romeo and Juliet" viruses are some of the others.

Ziesmer said the best way for people to protect their computers

from viruses is to buy an anti-virus program such as Norton AntiVirus. He said another problem is that people do not keep their anti-virus programs updated.

Ziesmer added that students who read their e-mail through *popmail.ucsd.edu* or *telnet* are at less risk, because file attachments will not be opened automatically, as they sometimes are in older versions of Microsoft Outlook Express.

"Look twice before opening files," Ziesmer said. He explained that students should be cautious about opening files from senders they do not know.

According to Strahm, the prob-

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EVENTS

Thursday, Feb. 22

Special Event: Black History Celebration 2001

Bomoni drummers, unity sleep dancers, the UCSD Gospel Choir and African stilt walkers will perform at the event, which will be sponsored by the Thurgood Marshall Dean of Student Affairs. The celebration will take place at noon in the Price Center. It is open to the public and admission is free. For more information call (858) 534-4390.

Friday, Feb. 23

Performing Arts: Winterfest

The A.S. Council will sponsor the annual concert, which will feature Sprung Monkey, Lucy Pearl and Juvenile. The event will take place at 8 p.m. at RIMAC Arena. Admission is free to students who bring canned food and is \$12 for guests. For more information call (858) 534-4119.

Performing Arts: Perla Batalla

Mexican-American singer/song-writer Perla Batalla will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the Mandeville Auditorium. Batalla's music has been described as a hybrid of genres including gypsy, gospel, folk, pop and Latin American. The concert is open to the public. Student admission is \$12 and general admission is \$17. For more information call (858) 534-4090.

Panel: Women in Industry

Melissa Ford of Vetrex Electronics, Anne Crossways of CIStern Molecular Corp. and Debrah Schueren of Epumune will participate in a discussion of women in industry. The event is sponsored by Women in Science and Engineering and will take place at noon at the Women's Center. The event is open to the public and admission is free. For more information call (858) 822-0074.

Saturday, Feb. 24

Performing Arts: Faust Fragments

Brian Kulick presents an updated version of Goethe's "Faust." UCSD Theater & Dance will sponsor the event, which will take place at 8 p.m. in the Mandell Weiss Forum. Director Jonathan Silverstein will deliver one of Shakespeare's most popular comedies. The event is open to the public. Student admission is \$6 and general admission is \$12. For more information call (858) 534-4574.

Tuesday, Feb. 27

Special Event: Unity Celebration for Peace

The Baha'i Club will sponsor the Unity Celebration for Peace, which will feature discussions led by Jimmy Collins and Omid G. relating to issues of peace. The event will take place at 7 p.m. in the dining hall of the International Center. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call Sam Shoosharty at (619) 993-3855.

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The new California Spatial Reference Center, which uses Global Positioning System technology to monitor California's environment, was dedicated Monday at its headquarters at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography. There are more than 40 organizations that will use the center, including the Cecil H. and Ida M. Green Institute of Geophysics and Planetary Physics at Scripps, Caltrans, the California Land Surveyor's Association, the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California, the U.S. Geological Survey, and Orange County's Public Facilities and Resources Department.

UCSD Professor Looks Into High Altitude Effects

Frank Powell, UCSD professor of physiology and director of the University of California's White Mountain Research Station, has organized a program to study the effects of high altitude on humans and the environment. Mountain research has significant implications for heart and lung diseases. Powell and his colleagues presented their findings at the annual meeting of the Association for the Advancement of Science Feb. 18. Powell and his fellow researchers study hypoxia, a factor that limits humans' oxygen intake at high altitudes, and their findings may lead to treatment for people who suffer from hypoxia at sea level as a result of heart or lung disease.

UCSD School of Medicine to Offer Classes for Seniors

The Scripps Institution of Oceanography held

its annual Surf Bowl Feb. 10. Each year, local high schools compete in the competition to demonstrate their mastery of the fields of biology, chemistry, geology, technology, the social sciences and geography, by answering questions. La Jolla High School's first team placed first in the event and will continue on to the National Ocean Sciences Bowl. Dana Hills High School came in second, and La Jolla High School's second team came in third. Poway High School received the Best Sportsmanship Award, which was decided by all the participating high schools. The National competition will be held in Miami Beach, Fla., in April. In that competition, La Jolla will compete against 18 other teams that won their own regional competitions.

Scripps Institution of Oceanography Holds Surf Bowl

The UCSD School of Medicine is offering a course on healthy aging for seniors in the San Diego community. The course will cover a wide variety of topics pertaining to aging and will focus on disease prevention and personal health enhancement.

The individual classes will address the biological processes that affect aging as well as various diseases and disorders common among the elderly.

The course will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis. There is a \$25 enrollment fee to help offset the cost of instructional materials. Sessions will be held for eight consecutive Saturdays on the UCSD campus beginning April 28. For more information call (858) 822-2437.

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Virus: There has been no reported computer damage

lem with viruses is that they grow exponentially when they are distributed through mailing lists. Strahm said that although viruses are already commonly found on campus residential computers, there has been an increase in the last few weeks. Two years ago, the "Melissa" virus infected computers and was the most devastating virus on campus, Strahm said.

There have been no reported actual costs or damage to computers infected with the Navidad virus on campus yet, other than the time spent removing the virus because people were temporarily unable to use their computers. Students whose computers have a virus or have problems should call the ResNet office at (858) 822-2800. The office is open Sunday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and Friday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Information about computer viruses, those that present the top threats, removal procedures and anti-virus software can be found at <http://www.norton.com/avcenter/>

SAT: Over 300 universities have made the SAT optional

For the last two years, admission to UCSD has been based 60 percent on high school GPA and 40 percent on standardized tests. This is a change from three years ago when the percentages were equal at 50 percent each. In recent years, the test has fallen under close scrutiny, and many believe it is culturally, sexually and economically unfair. Statistics from the 1998 test show that males on average perform 42 points better on the exam than females, despite females' gen-

eral better performance in high school and higher graduation rate than males. The SAT is also under scrutiny because many believe it is unfair to students from low-income families that cannot afford private tutoring. Atkinson said last year that about 150,000 students paid over \$100 million to companies such as IVY West and Kaplan that charge as much as \$750 per student for services. "These changes will help all students — especially low-income and minority students — determine their own educational destinies," Atkinson said. If passed by the UC Regents, the proposal will go into effect during the 2003 school year. Backer said there is a strong possibility that this will happen.

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SAT I No Longer Adequate to Determine Success

Many people realize that the process for admitting students to the University of California discriminates against impoverished students from less-privileged socioeconomic backgrounds or disadvantaged schools.

In an attempt to level the playing field for such students, UC President Richard Atkinson is ready to unveil a plan that will eliminate SAT I scores from UC admissions criteria.

In a day when expensive preparatory courses promise to raise students' scores by hundreds of points, the *Guardian* feels that Atkinson's move is a smart one that will keep students from buying their way into the UC system. At the very least, his plan will reduce applicants' use of personal finances as a way of developing advantages over students whose financial circumstances do not allow them to enroll in expensive preparatory courses.

In addition, eliminating the outdated standardized exam will allow students who come from below-par high schools to have a better chance at gaining admission to the college of their choice.


Importantly, Atkinson's proposal is not one that eliminates standardized tests altogether. Instead, it proposes that UC admissions boards continue to take into account SAT II test scores, because these are believed to be a better measure of what students have learned in high school.


For example, the SAT II contains diverse subjects such as English, math, history, social studies, science and languages. All of these are areas of study that college students typically encounter in their majors and general education requirements, whereas the SAT I is highly generalized and reflects only two possible subjects. Atkinson has argued that because the SAT II is based on many subjects that are often included in university curricula, it is a better indicator of how a student will perform in college.

The university currently admits 60 percent of its students based solely on grade point averages and SAT scores. The remaining 40 percent are admitted after a review of supplemental information, such as personal statements, letters of recommendation and extracurricular activities.

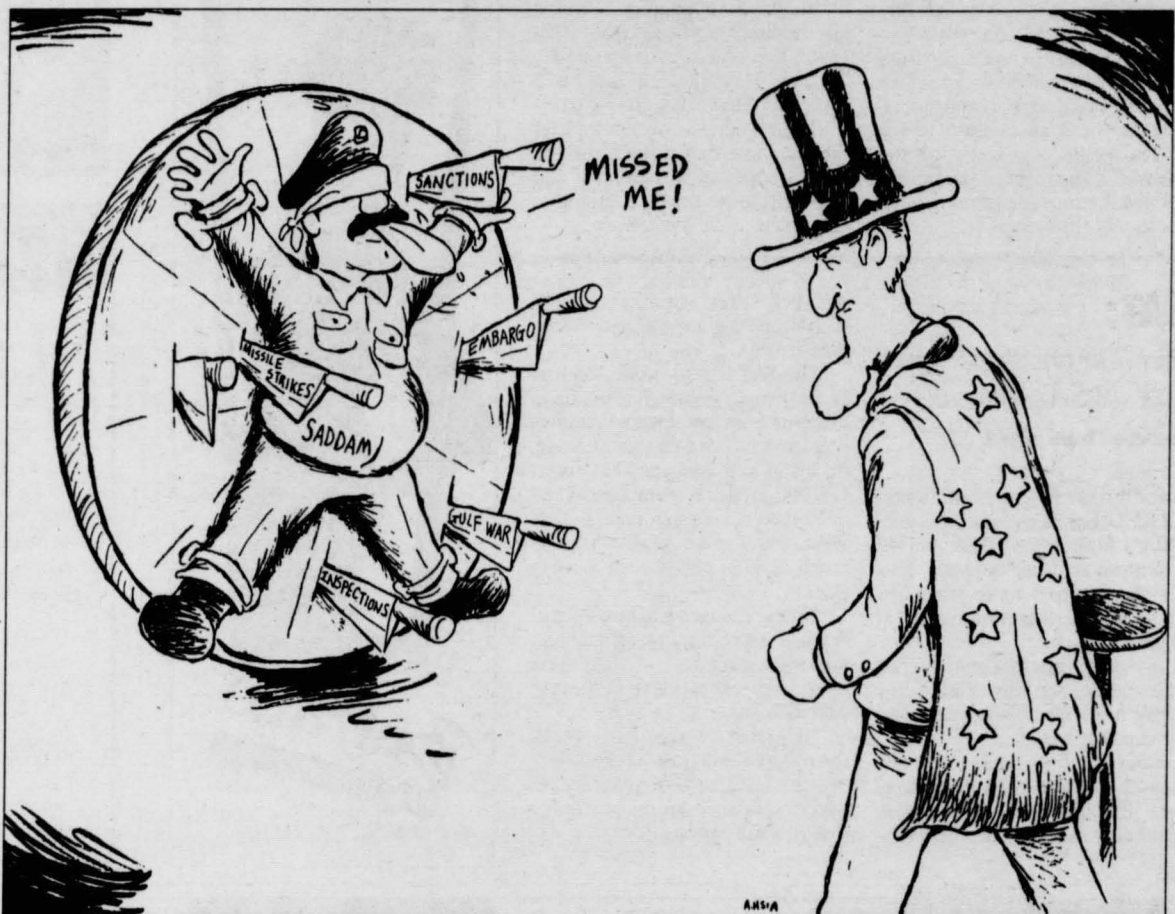
The *Guardian* realizes that simply dropping SAT scores will not completely level the playing field for underprivileged students, but we feel that Atkinson's plan is a positive move and deserves our support.

PROPS & FLOPS

 Thumbs up to George Washington, Abraham Lincoln and the three-day weekend. We needed the "rest."

 Thumbs down to the 9th U.S. Circuit Court for shutting down Napster. What will college students do all day in the future?

OPINION



Austin Hsia / Guardian

Despite Previous Bouts, Ariel Sharon Can Bring Peace to Middle East

New conservative Israeli leader has created a unity government and can force a peace with Yasir Arafat on Israel's terms

By ARAN SADJA
 Senior Staff Writer

It's been less than a month since Ariel Sharon was elected prime minister of Israel in the special elections held Feb. 6, and he has already made a remarkable effort to assemble a unity government. Initially many opponents, especially those on the left and Palestinians, were wary of the old general's intentions and his historically controversial and hawkish actions.

Sharon is head of Israel's Likud party, the more conservative of Israel's two main political parties. Though the Likud want peace just as strongly as their Labor counterparts, they are more determined to keep the Israeli borders in their present form, especially those of Jerusalem.

Former Prime Minister Ehud Barak is head of the Labor party, which is considered the more liberal of the two main parties, and he is willing to make larger concessions in the name of peace. It is this fundamental difference that brought Sharon to power in the recent election and it is this issue that most stringently divides the people of Israel.

It is also this difference in opinion that makes it so amazing that following the election, Sharon offered an outstretched arm to the defeated Barak, offering him the position of defense minister in his Cabinet. Furthermore, the proposed unity government would have Simon Peres, former prime minister and Labor party leader, as its foreign affairs advisor.

Both are highly coveted and powerful positions in the prime minister's Cabinet. If President George W. Bush had asked Bill Clinton to be his attorney general and Gore to be secretary of state, imagine the implications.

Originally I was staunchly against Sharon becoming prime minister, because Sharon has historically been anti-peace, not to mention he is violently disliked by the Palestinian and Arab communities.

Palestinians. Sharon was absolved of responsibility for this, but it is clear that he had prior knowledge that the militants were capable of such atrocities.

More recently, Sharon visited the Temple Mount, or the al-Haram al-Sharif, as it is known to Muslims. Because of this visit he has been accused of provoking the current uprising. However, since he has been elected, Sharon has taken steps to ensure that his landslide victory will continue to receive the approval of the finicky Israeli constituents.

Mainly, Sharon's decision to form a true unity government has shocked many people worldwide. More importantly, it has impressed everyone. To me, this seems to be the only reasonable option available to the Israeli people. Under Likud rule, the peace process stopped completely, increasing hostility and anger in the region.

On the other hand, Barak offered more land than almost anyone wanted to give, and Arafat still said no. With both sides unsuccessful in solidifying a peace treaty with the Palestinians, and with the Israeli people anxious for peace yet disappointed with the process, perhaps a unified government will be able to produce a peace treaty that can satisfy both the hard-liners and the liberals.

Sharon is hardly a compromising individual to begin with, so any line he draws is sure to be stood behind, which sends the message to the Palestinian and Arab world that Israel is not going to be toyed with anymore.

But by giving Barak and Peres such powerful positions, he has shown a willingness to bring peace to the region, an action that will definitely be noted by Arafat and other Arab leaders. When Sharon won the election, I'm positive that Arafat all but gave up on the peace process. With a unity government peace seems possible, but Arafat will have to play by a new set of rules. It was a slap in the face of every Israeli when Barak conceded so much of Israeli land in the name of peace, and Arafat promptly rejected the offer. Arafat will never get an offer like that

again, and he will be forced to rethink some of his more controversial requests.

Logically, I fear that this may lead to an impasse, with Arafat asking for parts of Jerusalem that Barak previously promised, and Sharon unmoving in his decision to keep Jerusalem whole. But I have hope that this election has been a wake-up call to many Palestinians — a message has been sent that Israel is not going to bend over backward, and results must be shown before any treaty is signed. With Barak, Sharon sends the message that peace is desired, but the rules have changed: Israel will not be pushed around.

The coming weeks will be very telling. At the time this article was written, Sharon's coalition with the Labor party had not been solidified and Barak was still prime minister. If Sharon cannot form a unity government with the Labor party, he may resort to forming an alliance with the Shas party, Israel's religious party, which is more adamantly against giving land for peace than the Likud party. This action would most likely bring the progress of the peace process to a snail's pace, if not a complete halt. It would also unintentionally send the message that Israel does not want peace. This would be a terrible setback in the peace process, which has progressed so far in the past half decade.

Sharon has 45 days from the day he was elected to form a government. Under Israeli law, if he has not formed a government, a special election must be called, and a re-vote will occur, setting the peace process even further back. The Likud party, together with the Labor party, would be a veritable yin and yang in the prime minister's office.

As long as Sharon's offer is emblematic of his desire for peace and unity among the Israeli people, there is a possibility of a satisfied Israeli public and a reasonable peace treaty in the coming years. For now, peace is still a dream, and I hope that all parties involved are willing to make compromises and stick by their promises.

America's International Actions Brings Doubt to Patriotism



Sometimes I wonder about being an American citizen. I don't always feel the pride that I think I should feel. Hearing the national anthem doesn't fill me with patriotic fervor. I prefer meeting people from other countries rather than my fellow Americans.

I fully appreciate the rights and privileges that I have in America. Yet, sometimes I cringe upon learning of our government's actions.

I am most concerned with our country's role in international affairs. In many instances, I am not educated enough to take a side and may not have a full understanding of the problems, but I know enough to question what goes on. Some problems in this world have no sure, noncontroversial solutions, but it is possible to reduce U.S. involvement.

In a recent article I read, the Bush administration discussed its stance on Iraq. The Bush team was split on strategy and

the degree of support the United States should give to forces opposing Saddam Hussein.

Some wanted an aggressive strategy to oust Hussein, while others were for a more moderate strategy of sanctions and limited support for the opposition groups. It seemed it would be a while before a consensus could be reached, but less than a day after the article was published, the United States was leading air strikes against Iraq. Was this the proper decision for us?

The opposition forces wanted and needed the support from us, but should we have given it to them? What position are Americans in now? Air strikes are terrifying. During air strikes on Belgrade, my Yugoslavian friend was in the United States and her family stayed behind, scared and vulnerable. Such fear is unknown to me and most other Americans. Walking around at a posh university, it is difficult to understand the magnitude of the situation.

Regardless, it is understood that decisions must be made by our government that gravely affect the rest of the nation, and the world for that matter. But one must at least question those decisions. It is too idealistic to

think dramatic change can come instantly. World peace will not exist tomorrow, but there can be more serious effort to move in that direction.

Does the United States need to be part of every world conflict? There will never be a consensus on any issue involving international affairs, and U.S. involvement may perpetuate the problems. But then the United States also does a lot to support those in need.

The "world police force" (the U.S. military) will be called often, but it does not have to respond the same way every time. To what extent will the involvement of the United States help the problem, and to what extent will we add to it?

I don't want the rest of the world to glare at the policemen and mutter "pig" when they pass, but it already happens now.

My concern is that our government's decisions are seen by the rest of the world as representative of U.S. citizens, and I hate that. Even if one should think to openly oppose the decisions of the government, the shouts of that citizen are lost in the roar of the governing power.

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NATO is Still Needed Despite the EU's Presence

By MARY ONELIA ESTUDILLO
 Contributing Opinion Writer

After the Cold War, many believed NATO was dead. After all, the Russians are no longer a threat and the Cold War is over. Many wonder why the alliance is still around and criticize NATO's presence in recent crises in Bosnia and Kosovo. Many say that the alliance is a military organization with no political concerns whatsoever.

NATO has always been misunderstood: The alliance is more important now than ever before. While we no longer have to worry about doomsday scenarios that were the reason for NATO's formation, the alliance is striving to make the "best case" scenario.

The purpose of the alliance has always been to maintain the status quo and form solidarity against the Soviet threat. But the status quo is no longer on the agenda; NATO has survived because of its ability to respond to change. This versatility is why the alliance is an important and relevant part of not only Northern European security, but global security as well.

To understand the importance of NATO's presence, one must look at the overall effects of its current operations. But first, the misconceptions of what NATO is and what it stands for must be dispelled.

The most common misunderstanding is that NATO is merely a military alliance. Like the alliances that started wars before NATO's establishment, NATO is seen as a gang of countries that pledge support for each other should any member encounter a hostile situation with a nonmember country. NATO is more than just a military alliance or a counterthreat to warring countries. It is a community of nations, striving to foster security and peace throughout not only its member countries, but other countries as well.

Another myth is that the alliance's purpose is not limited to keeping the status quo. Much to the contrary, NATO's purpose has changed as often as the political climate in most countries has changed. NATO's goals change from defending its member countries against nuclear threats to proactively fostering security.

The most important point in NATO's current agenda is partnership. As a basic element to European stability, NATO has founded the Partnership for Peace Program and Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council. Many critics do not know about this council, which boasts 46 member countries. Among them are NATO members, former Warsaw Pact

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Jackson's Inaugural Absence Welcome

By RYAN DARBY
Contributing Opinion Writer

Inauguration Day 2001, when Republicans rejoiced after eight years of Clintonian despotism, wasn't without its problems. An intruder shaking the new president's hand, a protest along Pennsylvania Avenue, biting cold weather, and Ricky Martin all put a damper on the otherwise joyous occasion.

One thing, however, made it especially delightful: Jesse Jackson was nowhere in sight.

Of course, Jackson spent the day "reconciling with his family in an undisclosed location" — i.e. hiding from the media — because of the child he fathered out of wedlock.

Some people were surprised, and others were shocked, yet some of us already knew that Jackson is human slime. We must go far beyond his affair, to when he was acting as Bill Clinton's "spiritual advisor," for us to see his true colors.

Let's examine his status as "reverend." This is a taboo topic, because Jackson has no congregation to speak of and no church to name. His only following is the faceless string of protesters who trail him wherever he wanders. Apparently, he is a self-proclaimed minister who uses his title to immunize himself from all the steep, unfounded allegations he wields like a sword.

The protests and allegations immediately following the presidential election were just the latest examples of Jackson's preposterous behavior. Think about it. Shortly after Al Gore retracted his concession, Jackson arrived in West Palm Beach, Fla. with hundreds of protesters. Whether Jackson and his protesters had been

briefed on the object of their protest is unknown; all that is clear is that they were ready for action and eager to cause trouble.

I was shocked when I woke up that morning. It was as though the Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse had arrived in Florida. There were protests everywhere, there were citizens who claimed they voted for the wrong candidate, there were minorities angry because they were turned away from polling booths, there were people calling for a revolt, and every reporter in the country flocked to participate in that circus. They were also mad about some guy named Chad. It was a nightmare.

George W. Bush won the election fair and square. The voters, the Florida legislature, the U.S. Supreme Court, Congress, time and the Constitution have already established that firmly. What I find curious, however, is how Action Jackson and his fan club arrived in Florida so quickly. They had mere hours to mobilize and organize, but they did, and they did it well.

The Democrats were building this storm before any electoral votes had been called for either candidate. With thousands of Floridian Democrats angrily claiming to have voted for Pat Buchanan — even though most of them had, in fact, voted for Gore — this was definitely a battleground ripe for the picking for Jesse "Rent-a-Mob" Jackson.

That's right: "Rent-a-Mob" is my favorite nickname for Jackson. I don't believe he has ever worked a day in his life. All he does is protest. How do you think he supports himself and his family? Through protesting. How can you possibly respect a professional protester? And as I mentioned earlier, he's always ready for

action, and he certainly loves publicity. You need an angry mob to protest something? Call Jackson: He's always open for business.

The problem I have with his behavior in Florida is his baseless accusations that Florida Gov. Jeb Bush and Secretary of State Katherine Harris were responsible for disenfranchising African American and Jewish voters statewide.

I can handle accusations that they favored Bush in the election but I don't believe it had any influence on the outcome of the election. Jackson's claim, however, is simply unbelievable. It just shows that the man has no ethics. Claiming that police were sent to prevent minorities from voting might have been justified in the 1960s, but without some hard evidence this is nothing more than slander, for which Jeb Bush and Harris could file substantial lawsuits against Jackson. Mostly, I wish they would let the issue rest, but part of me wants him sued.

Don't misunderstand me. I advocate civil rights as much as the next guy. I cannot, however, condone Jackson's obviously unacceptable, underhanded methods.

I can't go into much more detail here without a Kenneth Starr-sized report to justify all my claims. What I can tell you, however, is that this man is bad news. In his youth, Jackson was friends with Martin Luther King, Jr. If you don't remember anything else from this article, remember this: King was a great man who dedicated his life to fighting for civil rights and succeeded, but Jackson leeches off the African American community to serve his personal goals.

Jackson has been out of the spotlight for more than two months now. I can only hope he stays out.

NATO: Coalitions bring stability to shaky regions

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countries and neutral nations. The Partnership for Peace Program allows participating countries to discuss security issues, and train and carry out peace-keeping operations jointly, thus opening communication with countries that have not previously been open to NATO's initiatives. In fostering inclusion and cooperation, NATO has been able to achieve the first step to global security.

NATO is also enhancing security for its existing members. Increased security in unstable countries sets a prime example for those who seek NATO membership. Other countries have seen possible NATO membership as an incentive to organize their country and resolve long-standing social, political or economic conflicts. As a result of NATO's open membership, many bilateral treaties have been signed and border agreements settled.

While the day that Russia joins the alliance is nowhere in sight and the Russia-NATO relationship could be better, NATO-initiated

consultations are occurring regularly. NATO Secretary General Lord Robertson hopes to establish a NATO information office in Moscow as a step toward better communication and dispelling lingering Cold War sentiments.

NATO's presence in Kosovo has also been under scrutiny. Popular opinion does not consider NATO's war. On the contrary, it is. Defending democracy and peace where diplomacy failed, NATO's presence in Kosovo stands in accordance with NATO's goals. The crisis affected members' security. Indifference to the situation meant supporting ethnic cleansing and martial law. The alliance's presence in Kosovo has proved fruitful as refugees have returned to a more stable country.

NATO affects the overall stability of the continent because, slowly but surely, it is working with countries that were once the source of instability, violence and aggression. It is enhancing European capabilities and relations that will make them better partners with their North American counterparts. Because it is bound by democratic values, NATO will defend the peace for future generations and will be important to global security as long as a need for economic and political assistance exists.

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Plagued U.S. government still honors free speech

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There are no concrete solutions to this problem, but that is incentive to delve further into the problems on an individual level. We cannot deny the resources we have,

and since it is easier to talk about change the world than actually changing it, why not form an educated opinion?

I do not regret my U.S. citizenship, but I am pessimistic in the midst of the problems involving my country.

For now, it is enough to know that regardless of the situation, I am free to speak and to oppose openly in this country.

WORLD & NATION

Imager May Violate Privacy

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court wrestled Tuesday with how to apply the Fourth Amendment's ban on unreasonable searches to a technological development the Constitution's framers most likely did not have in mind: a thermal imaging device that the police can use from outside a home to detect patterns of heat being generated from inside.

The specific question in the hourlong argument was whether use of a thermal imager by the police is a search that, no less than an actual entry into a house, requires a warrant. The underlying question was how the Constitution should take account not only of changing technology but also of society's changing understanding of technology's threat to privacy.

Under the court's precedents, the Fourth Amendment protects only those expectations of privacy that are "reasonable." Someone who conducts business in front of an open living room window, for example, may be deemed to have forfeited any reasonable expectation of privacy. In the case Tuesday, the lawyer for an Oregon man convicted of growing marijuana in his home argued that the police engaged in an illegal search by using a thermal imager to detect the distinctive heat pattern made by the high-intensity lights that are often used for marijuana cultivation. The police used the information as the basis for obtaining a warrant to search the house.

People have a reasonable expectation of privacy in what goes on behind the opaque walls of their homes, the lawyer, Kenneth Lerner, told the justices. What the thermal imager captures "really is molecular information that migrates through our walls," he said, adding, "If we are now saying that we can capture that kind of information without a warrant, we can reduce our whole world to that type of wave and molecule, and our walls mean nothing."

But Michael R. Dreeben, a deputy solicitor general arguing for the government, said people did not have a reasonable expectation of privacy "in the heat that's on the exterior surface of their walls."

Justice Stephen Breyer objected that the expectation of privacy "is not in heat loss, it's in what is going on in the house." Lerner came in for tough questioning.

"Why don't your reasonable expectations of privacy include technology?" Justice Antonin Scalia wanted to know. Inasmuch as there are thermal imagers in the world, why not expect people to guard against them just as "you pull your curtains if you want privacy because you know people have binoculars," Scalia said.

"The burden," Lerner said, "really is improperly placed on the citizen to anticipate what type of technology the government may come up with."

— Linda Greenhouse
The New York Times

China to List Fares Again

HONG KONG — Seventeen months after an unforgiving stock market spoiled its foreign debut, China's flagship offshore oil company is again preparing to list its shares in New York and Hong Kong.

How it fares will say much about China's ability to privatize its corporate sector in a market that has turned even colder.

The shares of China National Offshore Oil, the country's third-largest oil producer, will begin trading in New York on Tuesday, Feb. 27, and in Hong Kong on Wednesday, Feb. 28. The company was expected to price its stock Wednesday at slightly less than \$16.60 an American depository share, putting it on track to raise about \$1.3 billion.

That is \$1.2 billion less than China National Offshore aimed for in its first planned initial public offering, which was scrapped in October 1999 after investors balked at the price. The collapse of that offering deeply embarrassed the company and its underwriter, Salomon Smith Barney.

China National Offshore dropped Salomon in favor of Merrill Lynch and Credit Suisse First Boston, and regrouped. Now, even as the bankers promote the deal, they are treading lightly.

"Investors ask us what happened," said Charles Li, who is leading the deal for Merrill. "But

more people ask what has changed with the company. As we tell them, their concerns have evaporated."

Rival investment banks agreed that China National Offshore had rebounded from the fiasco — a fact they said was testament to its tight focus, disciplined culture and more realistic expectations.

"Usually, there is a very big stigma attached to a failed deal," said Paul Bernard, an oil industry analyst with Goldman, Sachs. "What's surprising is how positive investors are about this company."

China National Offshore looks tidy compared with China's No. 1 and No. 2 oil companies, PetroChina and Sinopec; both went public last year and have traded poorly in recent weeks.

PetroChina has been dogged by its parent company's operations in Tibet and Sudan, which have drawn protests from human rights groups. Sinopec has been hurt by the spike in crude oil prices.

China National Offshore Oil is more likely to benefit from higher oil prices because it is an exploration and production company. And it does not have the entangling alliances of PetroChina. It was created from scratch by the government in 1982.

— Mark Landler
The New York Times

Britain: Blair defended the stance of Britain and the U.S.

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posed to enforce no-flight zones in force since 1991. But the bombings drove a wedge between Britain and its European allies and raised protests in the British Parliament that a decade of sanctions against Iraq had punished the Iraqi people rather than their avowed target, the government of Saddam Hussein.

In an interview with U.S. correspondents Tuesday night, Blair

defended the hawkish stance of Britain and the United States, but indicated that he and Bush would discuss a revision of the sanctions that were imposed after Iraq invaded Kuwait in 1990.

"What we are doing on Iraq is absolutely essential," Blair said, chronicling the Iraqi leader's killing of his own Kurdish citizens, his war in the 1980s with Iran and his invasion of Kuwait as evidence that Saddam is "probably the most dangerous ruler at the present time anywhere in the world."

"In the longer term we need to look at a better sanctions and inspection regime," Blair said,

referring to Western demands that Iraq submit itself once again to weapons inspections, which it halted in 1998.

He did not elaborate, but officials said Britain wanted to refine the sanctions in some way that would deflect broad European and Arab criticism that the trade restrictions have been catastrophic for ordinary Iraqis.

Speaking at 10 Downing St., his official residence, Blair sought on Tuesday to deflect criticism of the current sanctions regime, blaming what he termed the suffering of ordinary Iraqis on Saddam's refusal to spend author-

ized oil revenues on food and medicine.

"The truth is that while Saddam remains there, things will not get better for them," Blair said. "And what we cannot do is allow him to threaten the stability of his neighbors and the rest of the world."

Blair, who had a close friendship with former President Bill Clinton — which he said on Tuesday will endure "always" — is to meet Vice President Dick Cheney in Washington on Friday before meeting with Bush at Camp David.

— Alan Cowell
The New York Times

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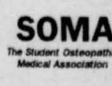
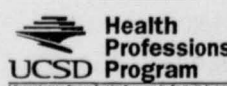
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Get Juvenile at RIMAC

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Even with all the skepticism about the show and the lineup, Winterfest has traditionally been able to fill RIMAC Arena to capacity, and Winterfest 2001 is not expected to be any different. Following the tradition of having a balanced lineup, Winterfest 2001 will feature Juvenile, Lucy Pearl and San Diego band Sprung Monkey.

We will have to wait and see this Friday if the selection of bands will bring out the masses. Here is a look at the bands performing at Winterfest 2001:

The Bands

Juvenile

Bio: Juvenile was born Terius Gray and for the past 15 years he has been honing his style. He came onto the music scene about a year ago with a hit song called "Ha." His last full-length album, "400 Degreez," is expected to be quadruple platinum. His most recent album, "The G-Code" has also been met with positive reviews.

The New Orleans native started out working at a local gas plant to support his family and rapped on the side. He was able to successfully blend hip-hop and "bounce" music. The success of his tune, "Bounce For the Juvenile" led him to a deal with a small New York record label. The deal eventually soured and turned Juvenile away from the music industry.

Juvenile eventually came back onto the music scene after he realized that he could emerge as a rapper that did not adhere to the West Coast or East Coast formula.

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Sprung: Sprung Monkey will open Winterfest 2001 with their punk rock styles dealt straight from San Diego.

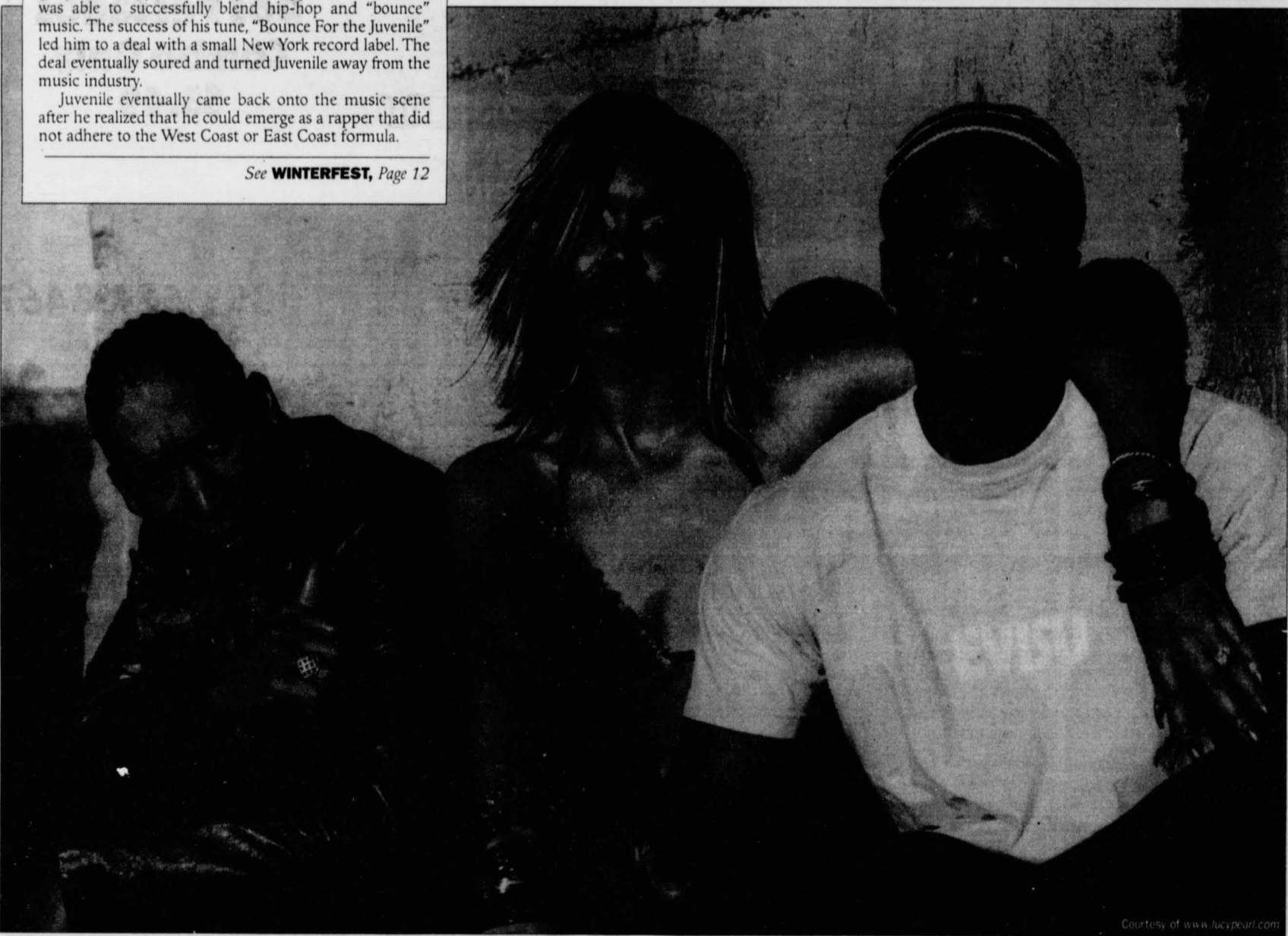
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album reviews



Rod Stewart
"Human"
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Rod Stewart has always successfully adapted his music to fit current music trends for more than two decades. Once again, Stewart tries to update his vocal talents with his latest release, a pedestrian album "Human," which blends rock ballads with a mix of R&B, soul and Motown.

With his name fading, Stewart has nothing to lose by changing his music once again. He made the change from rock to pop, but this time his attempt is not as successful. From the first track, it becomes clear that the album is rough.

Rob Dickens, an R&B and pop producer, worked with Stewart on his latest attempt to change his style. Dickens is best remembered for Cher's "Believe." It may have worked for Cher, but Stewart is not as good at combining his rock ballads and new music.

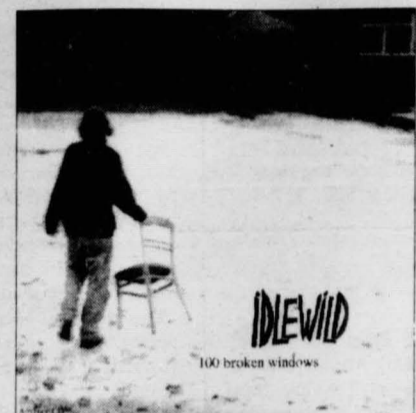
Unlike Stewart's previous albums, "Human" does not achieve this blend successfully and has a hard time matching his raspy voice to the R&B sound. It's not an awful album; it's decent, but there are no memorable songs.

The last track, "I Can't Deny It," has a pleasant and mellow tone that makes it the

most commercial and upbeat song on the album, but it cannot compare to "Maggie May" or any of his earlier works.

On the other hand, Stewart's music is smooth, warm and polished, showing that his style has aged gracefully. As a result, the slower ballads are much better than the other R&B-tinged songs. Stewart has shown that he is a versatile singer who is able to keep up with the current trends, but he is starting to show his age.

— Charlie Tran



Idlewild
"100 Broken Windows"
Odeon/Capitol
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Idlewild are the best band you have never heard of. Idlewild are the quiet place in the novel "Anne of Green Gables," but they are anything but quiet.

These lads from Edinburgh made the mistake of putting together a punk rock group at the height of Britpop in 1995. While groups such as Oasis and Suede were making a splash in the British and American music scenes, Idlewild were left on the side.

But now the wail of their Nirvana-esque

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Eve Sells, who is often compared to Bonnie Raitt and Sheryl Crow, blends different styles of American roadhouse rock to create her own distinctive style. **Sells** will perform at the Belly Up Tavern at 8:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$5.

David J., who is one of the founding members of legendary Goth band Bauhaus, is now behind the turntables spinning an eclectic musical concoction ranging from electronic to Billie Holiday. He will perform at The Casbah at 8:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$8.

23 Friday

Enjoy the **Kenny Dorham Tribute** featuring an evening of music

by this underrated bop trumpet player. The show will feature Gilbert Castellanos, Gary Lefebvre, Rob Thorsen, Paul Keeling and Brett Sanders. There will be shows at 8:30 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. The cover charge is \$8. For more information call (858) 270-7467.

27 Tuesday

George Winston is a solo piano artist whose style comes from 1950s pop instrumentalists. His most recognizable works are probably the soundtracks for the "Charlie Brown" cartoons and "The Velveteen Rabbit." **Winston** will be performing at the California Center for the Arts in Escondido. The show begins at 8 p.m. and tickets cost \$30.

28 Wednesday

Girls Against Boys opened for Garbage at RIMAC Arena about a year ago, and to put it simply, they were very good. This Washington, D.C. group bases its music on thick, crunchy guitar and driving drum beats. It will be supported by **Autolux** and **Drop Science** at The Casbah. The show begins at 8:30 p.m. and tickets cost \$8.

Henry Rollins, former frontman of the Rollins Band and Black Flag, will be at 4th & B talking about his life on the road and his humorous reflections on politics and touring around the world. Tickets are \$15 and the event starts at 8:30 p.m.

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Refreshing punk rock from Idlewild

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guitars and their Pavement-like wit have finally made heads turn. Although they say they are influenced most by American indie-rock bands, they are able to retain a distinctively British sound within their songs. This is due in part to the production efforts of Dave Eringa, who has also produced the music of the Manic Street Preachers.

Lead singer **Roddy Woombles** reaches for beautiful harmonies that edge into an angst-filled scream powerful enough to shake a bottle of Evian off your desk. Woombles' favorite singer is Morrissey. The two singers' emotional depth is comparable, but Woombles makes sure you know that he is the front man of a punk band. However, beautiful ballads such as "The Bronze Medal" make you wonder if they are edging toward a R.E.M.-esque sound.

Their first single was released in March 1997 on the same label responsible for early

Eugenius and Chicane singles. Successful airplay on Steve Lamacz's BBC Radio 1 Evening Session gave them more exposure, which led to working with the Fierce Panda label, which has released singles from Mansun, Placebo and Embrace.

Idlewild's most recent effort, "100 Broken Windows," is a powerful album that experiments with emotive drum beats and smooth harmonies. This isn't just three-chord punk rock, but an intelligent, hard-hitting style of punk that is new and intense.

"Little Discourage" is their first single and was an instant hit in the United Kingdom. Other tracks such as "Actually It's Darkness" and "Idea Track" round out the solid album.

If you believe Blink 182 is punk rock, then you need to let Idlewild take you on a sonic ride into honest punk rock, recalling the quality sound of punk rock in the late '70s and '80s.

"100 Broken Windows" will be released March 13. Idlewild will be performing at the Knitting Factory in Los Angeles on March 14.

— Joseph Lee

golly,
there's some empty space.
write for hiatus.



Courtesy of Paul Galis

Blues: Over the past four years, Jonny Lang has played with Aerosmith, The Rolling Stones and blues legend B.B. King. Now, at 20, he has continued to mature and develop his style.

Jonny Is All Grown Up Now

Lang has not deviated from his original blues influences and continues to amaze audiences

By **TARA JONES**
Contributing Hiatus Writer

As I walked into the intimate Dreamcatcher Lounge at Viejas Casino, I decided to take a seat and subtly listen to comments made about the blues performer of the evening. Praise for him reached me in the form of a one-shot-too-many older man who bluntly said, "This guy fuckin' rocks! You excited?"

Um, yeah, but I did not need a random man to inform me of Jonny Lang's talent; I had heard and believed all the hype from day one.

Four years ago, "child prodigy" was the best description of Lang. He kept his listeners in awe with his amazing blues singing and guitar playing. Lang was a huge 50-year-old black man from Mississippi hiding inside the body of a lanky 16-year-old white boy from Minnesota.

The music industry took notice. Since his debut album "Lie To Me," Lang has been invited to tour with B.B. King, Aerosmith,

The Rolling Stones and Blues Traveler. He has also headlined a world tour.

Four years after his debut, Lang has left the heading of "child prodigy" and taken his place among the blues elite. He has also released his second album, "Wander This World." Straying from purely blues

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to include a touch of R&B and rock, this album received more acclaim than the first.

Yet, in trying to distance himself from other flashy musicians who tend to focus on high drama, Lang stayed true to his musical influences like bluesmen King and the late Luther Allison. He describes his music style as the "simple kind

of full and dirty sound."

One might assume Lang's fan base would be limited to twentysomethings, but he has fans of all ages. At Viejas Friday night, the average fan was a middle-aged male.

With no opening act or grand entrance, Lang and the rest of his band nonchalantly walked onto the stage. As the fans screamed and clapped, Lang smiled and waved casually to the crowd and began to effortlessly strum his guitar.

The performance lasted about an hour-and-a-half, and Lang had the crowd in the palm of his hand the entire time. The audience followed Lang's emotions throughout; it listened intently to Lang's self-written ballad "Walking Away." People danced in the aisles to Lang's upbeat "Lie To Me." Lang also introduced fans to a couple of new songs from his latest album.

The show was incredible. Fans, including me, walked in with the intention of seeing a great show and left knowing we had witnessed one of the most incredible musicians of our time.

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'Sweet November' Evokes Sour Taste
Charlize Theron unable to save film from Reeves, formulaic plot

By LISS ANDA
Contributing Hiatus Writer

It is difficult to describe "Sweet November" without comparing it to a "Love Story" redone for the millennium. That's exactly what it is, and I don't mean that as a compliment. It is a remake of a 1968 film called "Sweet November."

Only now, everything is awfully cute and politically correct.

Cue entrance of token gay neighbor/drag queen with amazing job — because gay people can have important positions, you know. Of course, we would all love to be vegan animal lovers living out our dreams in the most expensive city in the world, mysteriously affording a lush apartment without actually working. Of course we should all live as if money doesn't matter. Soft-focus lenses and colored light would be a plus, too.

I fundamentally disagree with the treatment of the majority of the underlying issues in this film. Additionally, it is boring.

I don't like chick flicks, and "Sweet November" reminds me why. Boy-meets-girl-and-almost-loses-girl ad infinitum. But I won't give away the ending in case you like Keanu Reeves and want to see it, just for the pleasure of seeing him as the rat-race-loving ad man, Nelson.

Reeves can't act. Sorry, but he just can't. Charlize Theron saves the day as the woman whose task in life is to "save" men. I'm sure a lot of women will identify with this aspect of the film.

The film should come with a warning label that says, "This is a film, not a representation of real life." Cue hundreds of females rushing out to save the first and best traumatized male in their immediate environment. Gals, don't go there. It doesn't work that way in real life.

Winterfest: New vocalist to perform with Lucy Pearl

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"We didn't have a New Orleans rapper that straight up used our language and rapped for our people," Juvenile stated in a Cash Money Records interview. "Everybody wanted to be either East Coast or West Coast. That's where I came in."

Juvenile eventually caught the attention of Cash Money Records and in 1997 released "Solja Rags," which was an underground hit. Eventually, "Solja Rags" reached a half-million sales and with that recognition, Cash Money Records was able to reach a distribution deal with Universal Records.

Juvenile's second album with Cash Money and Universal earned the Billboard award for "R&B Album of the Year" in 1999 and the single, "Ha" won "Single of the Year" from The Source Awards.

Juvenile is expected to release his new album, "Project English," March 27.

What to Expect: The fact that Juvenile doesn't conform too much to the West coast and East coast formula is refreshing. He may not have the hit of the year in 2001 but he definitely knows how to entertain.

Lucy Pearl

Bio: Take jazz-funk singer Joi, Raphael Saadiq from Tony! Toni! Toné!, mix them with Ali Shaheed Muhammed from A Tribe Called Quest, and you get the talented group known as Lucy Pearl.

Originally formed in the summer of 1999 with Saadiq, Muhammed and former En Vogue vocalist Dawn Robinson, Lucy Pearl immediately worked on their May 2000 self-titled album. Lucy Pearl seemed to be a new super-group on its way to the top until Robinson left the group early in November.

Robinson went on to sign a solo recording contract with Q Records.

Lucy Pearl did not falter, and recruited the talents of Joi, who has released three solo albums of her own. Her last album was released in 1996 and since then she has worked with Fishbone, Organized Noise, Dallas Austin and the Goodie Mob.

Saadiq was the bassist, singer

and songwriter of the popular group Tony! Toni! Toné!. After Saadiq left the group in 1998 he went on to work with John Mellen-camp, the Bee Gees and D'Angelo.

Muhammed picked up the sax at age 13 but turned his musical energy to the turntables. During high school he met up with rapper and writer Q-Tip and with another rapper, Phife, A Tribe Called Quest was born. Muhammed was able to seamlessly fuse R&B and jazz with hip-hop. Muhammed was also part of the team that helped put together D'Angelo's 1995 album, "Brown Sugar."

Joi is officially on tour with Lucy Pearl and she will also be featured on next Lucy Pearl album.

What to Expect: In spite of former En Vogue vocalist Robinson leaving the group last November, you can expect Lucy Pearl to put on an amazing show. Lucy Pearl offers a smooth combination of hip-hop and R&B along with seductive vocals and funky grooves. The songwriting, singing and musical talent of Saadiq, Muhammed and Joi cannot be ignored.

Sprung Monkey

Bio: San Diego punk band Sprung Monkey debuted in 1995 with their album "Swirl." They eventually signed to Hollywood Records and released another album in 1998 called "Mr. Funny Face."

Their hit song was "Get 'Em Outta Here," a summer anthem in 1998 with its tales of San Diego girls and the trouble they get in to.

After their hit in 1998 they did not release another album but they toured extensively in the United States, Australia and New Zealand. Sprung Monkey also made a trip to Japan with Kottonmouth Kings and traveled extensively in Europe with The Offspring. Monkey have also made numerous television appearances and contributed to soundtracks and radio shows.

Sprung Monkey did find their way into the studio to work on a new album. Their new album, produced by Jim Wirt, should be released in late October and is tentatively titled "Get a Taste."

What to Expect: Sprung Monkey adds the guitar-rock element to Winterfest 2001, making it a well-balanced show. Their extensive touring schedule has led to a polished live act that should energize the crowd.

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The UCSD women's ultimate team captured the national championship after dominating the Presidents' Day Tournament this weekend.

The team headed into the tournament undefeated and looked to leave the tournament with the same mark.

UCSD blew by Claremont, Oregon State, UC Santa Cruz, Whitman, University of Oregon, UC Berkeley and Stanford in pool play.

In the quarterfinals, the squad knocked off UC Santa Barbara 15-4. In the semifinals, it was University of Colorado that fell to UCSD as Katie Nelson and Christina Ow had amazing games.

In the finals, it was Stanford who stood in UCSD's way, but they fell like a house of cards on a greased table 15-6, giving UCSD the national championship.

MEN'S ULTIMATE

The UCSD men's ultimate team did not fare as well as its female counterpart, but did manage to finish second in the Presidents' Day Tournament.

On the first day, UCSD breezed through four victories, including a narrow contest against Harvard 13-11.

On the second day, the squad

was not so lucky, picking up three victories but falling to University of Oregon.

UCSD did make it to the quarterfinals where they faced off against California State University Humboldt, winning 15-8.

In the semifinals, rival UC Santa Barbara stood in their way. With great play from Kevin Spindt, Mark Humphrey and Stephen Ringel, UCSD won 15-10.

UCSD came within one point of being crowned champion, but lost to University of Colorado 14-13 in the final.

EQUESTRIAN TEAM

This weekend, the UCSD equestrian team hosted about 40 riders at Clark's Farms.

Participants from the University of San Diego, Cal Poly Pomona, Harvey Mudd College and the University of Southern California all joined to take on a strong UCSD squad.

With all of the recent rain, conditions were far from favorable. Heavy mud made for loose footing. However, the poor conditions did not stop the experienced UCSD's riders.

Lisa Calvino took second in the open equestrian over fences and fifth in the open on the flat competitions.

Rachel White started for UCSD, taking first in the intermediate flat and fifth in the intermediate fences.

Katie Bradley took third in the intermediate flat and second in the novice fences and Cindy Hung captured second in the walk/trot competition.

Three riders, Hung, Calvino and Bradley, have already qualified for regionals to be held in March.

UCSD's next competition is March 3 at Cal Poly Pomona.

CYCLING TEAM

The UCSD cycling team headed to Cal Poly Pomona to compete in the Heritage Park Critorium this weekend.

The team had fine performances from all around to finish in third place overall.

Sharon Smith took first for the women in the A category.

UCSD's Esther Merki was close behind her teammate, finishing in fourth place.

Sabrina Morris chipped in by taking sixth for the women in the B category.

For the men, Matt Sadukwas finished fourth in the A category, Jason Goldber took 12th and Dirk van Ulden was right behind when finished 15th.

Mike Przybalski finished ninth in the B category for the men and Mark Chaisson finished 15th. Joe Merlone placed 11th in the C category for the men.

Next up for the cycling team is this weekend's competition at UC Santa Barbara.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, Feb. 23
Ice hockey vs. University of San Diego at UTC, 10:15 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 24
Men's rugby vs. San Diego State University at Warren field, 1 p.m.

Women's lacrosse vs. Cal Poly Pomona at Warren field, 1 p.m.
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Volley:

Next up for the team are the Banana Slugs

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halfway mark when Tiger Dexter Macaranas served three straight points to give Pacific an insurmountable 22-18 advantage.

In the second set Chen slammed the door on the Tigers with two straight kills to give UCSD a 23-17 lead. They then picked up the last two points to take the match.

The third set was pretty much all UOP.

The fourth was devastating to the Tritons, as they lost a 26-21 lead and ended up losing the set and the match.

The blown lead was disturbingly reminiscent of their game against Stanford and was possibly the product of inexperience.

"We're not in that position very often," Larsen explained. "We don't have anyone stepping up and demanding the ball. In game four, we were playing better than Pacific but we made a number of poor decisions and poor plays."

However, in the end, it was a satisfactory weekend for men's volleyball.

"I think it's a little bit of a learning experience," Larsen said. "It's definitely an improvement; a lot better than a week ago."

The Tritons play the UC Santa Cruz Banana Slugs at RIMAC Arena Saturday at 7 p.m.

"We have to come out and play the same brand of volleyball we are now," Larsen said. "We can't have any letdown thinking Santa Cruz isn't as good as Stanford. We can't coast. I think the fans will definitely enjoy the evening."

Lobster:

A pregame warmup is necessitated to play

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rency and acting fearful of come-uppance from the vengeful heat that has darkened his hearth.

Once again safely ensconced in the relative safety of the front yard, it is time to resume the imbibing in preparation for the evening's contest. Slackers or those with neither will nor resolve may be able to sneak through with a scant six or seven hours of preparation, but one should be diligent and fastidious in his pursuits, leaving no stone unturned in ensuring that he will be able to compete at the utmost of his ability.

Recreational softball, you see, is an activity where those who do not adequately bolster themselves will end up at the bottom of the heap. Sober guys finish last, as the saying goes, and among our troops, we pride ourselves in the consistent 11-hour pre-game "warm-up." Our team, the Pacific Beach Drive Drafters, takes all things softball related seriously. Whether it be running out weak pop-flies or finishing the "homies" portion of the Ides, all perfunctory actions must be performed with extreme haste.

The Drafters are a group of finely tuned athletes, composed mainly of Cage inhabitants and rounded out by assorted other recalitrants. What binds the team together is our shared, all-encompassing willingness to go to any lengths of athletic endeavor or to any level of complete dehabilitating inebriation in order to get the job done.

Those looking to get involved in this great game, and with spring approaching a good number of people are, should take heed of a few simple rules, guidelines, strategies, if you will, for assistance. They will allow for maximum enjoyment when out on the diamond.

First off, when composing your squad, make sure that all of your players are committed to the cause. Flaky types make bad teammates, so you want someone who will always head out to the all important playoff game, regardless of the fact that the new episode of "Felicity" is on. To ensure this, it is important to make your players sign, in blood, a contract that gives you the power to beat them senseless with a bat if they ever miss a game, or are late, or drop a fly ball with the bases loaded.

It is also crucial to keep score during the game, as it is helpful in composing statistics, making key lineup changes and handing out the aforementioned beatings.

Practice is also of great importance to any fledgling team. No matter the lengths you go to assemble your dream team, there will always inevitably be a few slouges on your roster who will have to be whipped into shape. Taking them out to a field or dirt lot and smashing ground balls at them will help their fielding, and pelting them with fastballs will build their batting prowess.

Once the team is put together, the scorebooks are bought and the players are well-trained, it is important to begin the final, most integral portion of the pregame softball experience. As mentioned above, hours and hours of drinking are crucial to a team's success. An oversight of any magnitude on this count will lead to disastrous results, a lifetime of misery and a broken spirit for you and your on field mates.

So prepare thyself well, and take to the field with this newfound wisdom to lead you to your glorious destiny. Oh yeah, and also remember to freeze on a line drive and never make the first or third out at third base. Play ball!

Swimming:

USD proves to be a tough challenge

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featured the fastest women in the Pacific area. The race belonged to rival USD, as its A team won with a time of 1:47.48. UCSD's A, B and C teams all placed within the top 10.

The women's 400 individual medley pinned the best three athletes in the competition against one another. In the end, USD's Carolyn Gorrick and Tori Bushnell, winners of previous heats, took first and second respectively. In an impressive swim, UCSD sophomore Watanabe placed third. In the women's 100 breaststroke, Sandra Lopez of UCSD won convincingly, nearly two seconds ahead of No. 2 Monica Oleksyn of Pepperdine. Rachel Arthur finished third in the final. The women's 200 medley was another victory for USD with a finish of 7:37.10. The A team from UCSD placed second with a time of 7:45.54.

On the men's side, the University of Hawaii completely dominated the field. In the men's 100 butterfly, Jacob Fraire of CSU Bakersfield took

home top honors, with UH's John Pierce right behind him. Pat Carter of UCSD finished ninth.

The team from Hawaii dominated the men's 100 breaststroke as it claimed the top four spots in the final. UCSD's Luke Seed managed to get eighth but looked from the outside as the race belonged to the Rainbows. In the men's 100 backstroke final, UH's Stephen Freas claimed victory. UCSD's Stephanie Wong finished sixth. In the brutal 800 freestyle relay, CSU Bakersfield beat out University of Hawaii by only two seconds in a remarkable finish. The Tritons mustered a strong seventh in the competition with a time of 7:03.24.

On the last day of the competition, the women's team from USD swam its way into the victory lane. In the women's 1650 freestyle final, USD occupied the first three steps in the winner's column. The Tritons' own Nina Tomasevich made a run for the top of the list but finished fourth.

UCSD claimed victory as Watanabe won the 200 backstroke final, beating out Melissa Willard of USD by less than two seconds. The Tritons were again victorious when Lopez won the 200 breaststroke final with a time

of 02:21.29. In the last race for the women, the 400 freestyle relay, USD once again beat out the competition with a time of 03:29.29. The Tritons' A team finished a commendable third place, just beating out the B squad. As for the men, the University of Hawaii impressively claimed first place in four of the six races, dominated the last race, the 400 freestyle relay, by nearly five seconds over second place CSU Bakersfield.

"It was a good meet," Watanabe said. "We now have a full team of 18 women to compete in nationals, so that should help our chances of doing well. USD was really prepared for this tournament, and they went out and swam well. [Being] second to them is not bad."

All in all, the women's team from USD and the men's team from UH took top honors, but the athletes that represented UCSD performed extremely well and look to regain their winning form for the remainder of the season and into nationals.

"There will be four teams from Division II competing for the national title," Watanabe said. "We are among there, among those teams. We are expected to swim well and I personally am excited to compete

Volley:

Team teases with success but comes up short

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set was UCSD's longest of the season. The Tritons blew a late 28-23 lead and eventually lost 35-33.

"Game three we had a few breakdowns," Larsen said.

The fourth game was similar to the first, as the Tritons served twice for game point but were unable to put away the Cardinal, losing the set 33-31.

Junior setter Jordan Hove led the Triton squad with 45 assists. Other impressive performances were turned in by senior Donald Chen with 17 kills, junior outside hitter Griffin Cogorno with 11 digs and freshman middle-hitter Brian Foott with 11 blocks.

The Tritons' effort was enough to impress their coach.

"It was a good night and we played a good brand of volleyball," Larsen said.

The University of the Pacific was simply too much for the Tritons as they again lost in four sets Sunday.

Game one went back and forth until Pacific pulled away at the

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An ice-cold, 40-ounce of fine malt liquor tastes best when guzzled at 10 a.m. on a blissfully sunny day in the environs of one's front yard, where one has placed a pair of fuzzy couches for just this purpose.

One can often purchase said 40s at quite a discount too, if one is inclined to shop at such an early and ludicrous hour. It is a tried-and-true strategy that has functioned for years — one must simply wander into the local merchant's trading post wild-eyed, haggard and reeking of cheap whiskey. The grimy, rumpled dollar bills clutched in one's hand will no doubt spur the shopkeeper into action, as will one's repeated shrieking of, "I demand to be sated in my quest for sustenance." Confused and scared, he will produce gleaming bottles of malted liquor from his well-kept refrigeration units and hand them over, refusing the wretched cur-

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A Split for Men's Tennis

Tritons win two, lose two during four matches this weekend

By **ROBERT FULTON**
Sports Editor

The UCSD men's tennis team split the four matches it played at the Cal Poly Pomona Team Tournament in Pomona and at Azusa Pacific this weekend.

The Tritons faced California Collegiate Athletic Association rival UC Davis Friday. The Aggies showed UCSD a thing or two about Division II play, winning 6-3. Everett Schroeter picked up a singles victory for the Tritons. The Tritons also picked up two wins in doubles.

In their next match, UCSD downed the Colorado School of Mines by a score of 6-3. Sameer Chopra, Dan Albrecht and Schroeter each picked up singles victories. The Tritons also swept doubles action.

UCSD again looked strong against Morehouse College, winning 7-2. Chopra, Albrecht, Schroeter and Blake Wilson-Hayden each earned singles victories. Again, UCSD's strong doubles team swept their three matches.

UCSD then fell to Azusa Pacific 6-3. Schroeter was the only successful singles player. The doubles squads won two of their three matchups.

Brandeis University and New Mexico University come to town Friday. Games start at 9:30 and 2:30.

Men's Volleyball Comes up Short Again this Weekend

Losses to Stanford, Pacific drop the Tritons' record to 1-10

By **ISAAC PEARLMAN**
Associate Sport Editor

Last weekend, fourth-ranked powerhouse Stanford and 10th-ranked University of the Pacific loomed in UCSD's future. Those games have now passed and the Tritons are looking back on two matches they could have won.

UCSD gave the Stanford Cardinal a scare at RIMAC Arena Saturday before eventually dropping the match in four sets 27-30, 30-24, 35-33 and 33-31.

The Tritons squared off against the UOP Tigers Sunday and had little success, losing 30-22, 25-30, 30-19 and 30-26.

The losses put the Tritons at 1-10 for the season and 0-9 in league play.

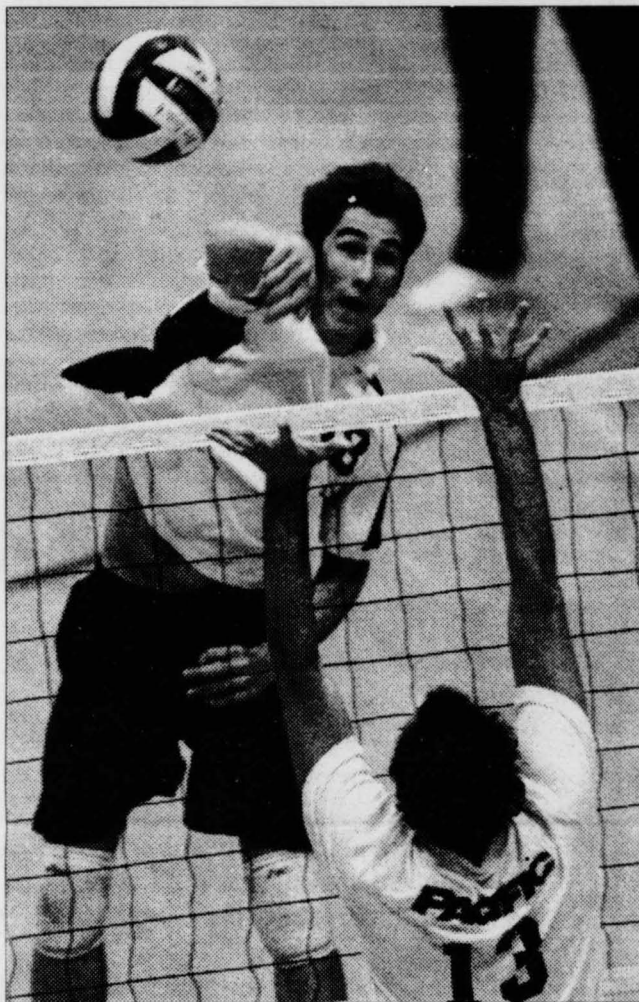
UCSD was not intimidated by Stanford, and quickly jumped on the Cardinal. The Tritons won the first set 30-27 and held Stanford to a paltry .026 attacking average.

"We came out real strong in the first game," said head coach Ron Larsen. "They came in perhaps a little overconfident and we jumped on them early."

Stanford won the next game 30-24 without much difficulty.

"In game two, Stanford played more like we expected them to, and they won pretty easily," Larsen said.

The back-and-forth third



David Pitz/Guardian

See **VOLLEY**, page 15 **Bomb drop:** The Tritons had poor luck against two tough schools, losing both 3-1.

Swim Travels to Finals

Lopez, Wong lead the way for the Tritons



Lyon Liew/Guardian

From the deep: A Triton swimmer is shown doing the butterfly during a home meet earlier this year.

By **ARVIND VASAN**
Staff Writer

The UCSD men's and women's swim team competed in the annual Pacific Collegiate Swim Conference Championships last weekend.

The UCSD swim teams were ready to compete on the first day. In the women's 500 freestyle final, Tori Bushnell of the University of San Diego finished first with a time of

4:58.20. Right behind her was Jennifer Watanabe of Triton pride with a time of 5:02.30. In the women's 200-meter individual medley final, Carolyn Gorrick from rival USD captured the crown. Kersten Wehde of UCSD came in ninth, the fastest swimmer on the team in this competition, to give UCSD vital team points. In the men's 200 individual medley, Cheyne Bloch from the University of Hawaii swam the top spot with

a time of 1:50.61. Ryan Wong of UCSD came in fifth, a good showing in such a tough race. The last race featured the men's 400 medley relay final, CSU Bakersfield defended their championship from a year ago with a time of 03:24.62. The Triton B team came in fifth.

Day two began with the women's 200 medley relay, which

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Baseball Team Gets Rocked

Chapman University garners 15 hits in a 12-3 victory

By **ROBERT FULTON**
Sports Editor

UCSD baseball had a difficult time on the road Tuesday, falling 12-3 to Chapman College.

The game was an offensive slugfest. The two schools hit a combined five home runs in the first three innings. Chapman finished with 15 hits to go with their 12 runs.

The contest was tied at one at the end of the first inning. In the second inning, the Panthers took the lead after five of their players made trips across home plate. The Panthers cruised from there.

The winning pitcher was Chapman's Gary Van Matre, who struck out four in 2 2-3 innings. The losing pitcher was the Tritons' Raf Bergstrom, who allowed six runs in 2 2-3 innings.

UCSD's David Hawke had two hits, one RBI and one run scored.

The now 5-6 Tritons are home this weekend to play San Francisco State. The series starts with a game at 2:30 p.m. Friday. The first game of Saturday's doubleheader begins at noon, and the series closes with a game Sunday at noon.

Trip to Hawaii is a Downer

Women's Water Polo gets rolled by Hawaii 11-5 and 14-5

By **ROBERT FULTON**
Sports Editor

The UCSD women's water polo team did not have a very nice trip to Hawaii last week, as they lost a pair of games to the University of Hawaii Rainbows.

"We didn't execute very well," said Triton head coach Larry Sanders. "We didn't play to our potential."

The first game went to the Rainbows, 11-5.

The Tritons had a chance early on with the game knotted at three. Then Hawaii took off with four unanswered goals.

The second game was all Hawaii as they won 14-5. UCSD never got into it.

"I don't think we shot the ball particularly well," Sanders said. "We had the opportunity to score but didn't put the ball into the cage."

UCSD was really hurting with sophomore star Samara Silverman out with poison oak.

"We hope to have her back this weekend," Sanders said.

The two losses drop the Tritons' record to 2-4 on the season. Next up for UCSD is a trip to Santa Barbara this weekend. Friday, the Tritons host Princeton at noon and Saturday and Sunday they will participate in the UC Santa Barbara Tournament.