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COMPLAINTS DELAYED ELECTION RESULTS

Last-minute grievances threatened candidate disqualification. Watts found guilty by elections committee.

By David Johnston
STAFF WRITER

The announcement of this year's election results held to tradition. Each slate gathered at Round Table Pizza on campus, waiting for the elections committee to release the final tally. Everything was the same, except one thing: The results were six hours late.

Before the election, friends Daniel Watts and Harry Khanna made a pact that while running against one another for the A.S. president position, they would work out all but the most serious grievances through mutual discussions without filing formal charges.

For much of last week's campaign, the agreement held fast. But at the 11th hour of April 14, the elections committee was inundated with formal grievances filed by both candidates, each alleging that his opponent's slate, Watts' Tritons United! and Khanna's Student Voice!, had violated the rules of the election. The agreement was off.

Khanna filed an official grievance against Watts on April 13, which served as the initial catalyst, alleging that through the congressional campaign of John Muir College alumnus Bryan Barton, Watts sent an e-mail to voters containing malicious lies and libel about SV!. Khanna said that this filing did not break his agreement with Watts.

"The agreement was that there would be no grievances unless the other party violated a bylaw a) with malicious intent, or b) that could plausibly change the outcome of the election," Khanna said. "[The e-mail] satisfied one or both of those conditions, so a grievance from us was consistent with our agreement."

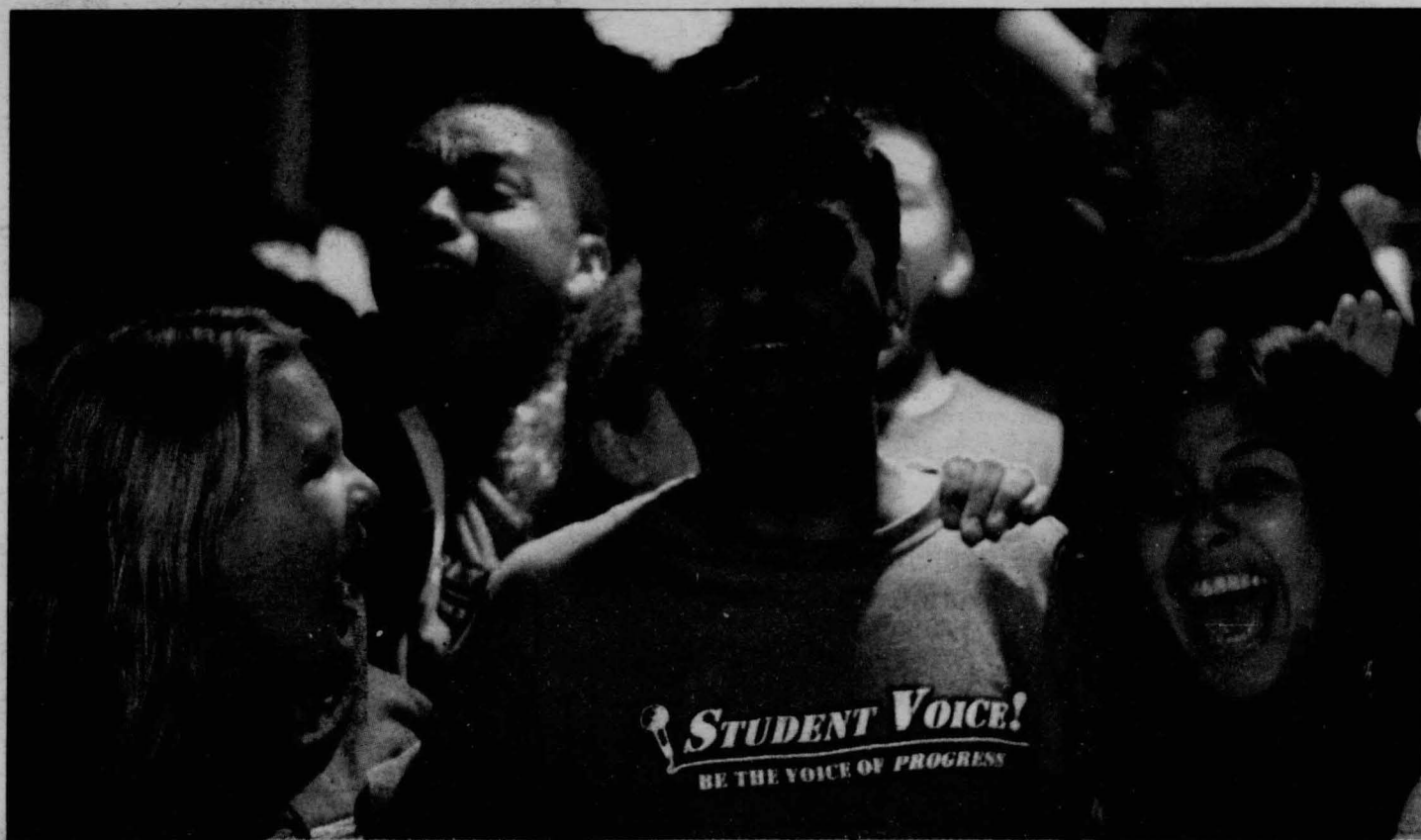
Watts has denied involvement in the e-mail, saying that he was not its author and that Khanna's only evidence against him was that Watts knew Barton.

In response to the formal charge, Watts unleashed more than 20 grievances of his own on April 14 against Khanna and SV!, including alleged violations of posting rules and voluntary spending limits.

"Now that the corruption of [Khanna's] slate has been exposed,

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Khanna and Co. Emerge Victorious



Student Voice! president-elect Harry Khanna (center) lets loose a cheer with his supporters as A.S. Elections Manager Charlene Cheng announces his victory over opponent Daniel Watts. KUNAL SUKHIIJA/GUARDIAN



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Top: Eddie Herrera is speechless after his win is announced. Below: Thurgood Marshall College Student Council Chair Denis Schmidt (center) explains his grievance to presidential candidates Daniel Watts (left) and Harry Khanna.

Tritons United's Eddie Herrera wins vice presidential position. Fee referendum fails.

By Dora Scheidlinger
STAFF WRITER

With just 17.3 percent of the student body voting, almost all Student Voice! candidates for the A.S. Council's executive positions claimed victory in last week's campuswide election, ushering in leaders that, in most cases, already serve in the current student government. Vice President External-elect Eddie Herrera was the only candidate from the Tritons United! slate, headed by Earl Warren College senior Daniel Watts, to win a cabinet seat.

President-elect Harry Khanna trumped Watts, in his second consecutive year as a presidential contender, by more than 400 votes. Many SV! members had similar margins of victory in the races for executive positions, which oversee the highest offices of the A.S. Council.

Despite SV!'s win, Khanna said he does not think the upcoming year will be without conflicts, since "people on the same slate don't all agree with each other."

Watts and his slate primarily ran a platform of reform and accused Khanna and his slate of corrupting student government.

In the publication called *More Truth About UCSD*, Watts lampooned the SV! slate on many fronts,

including an allegation that slate supporter and former Vice President External Kevin Mann misused funds for the purchase of novelties.

"I knew it was going to be an uphill race because we were running against the establishment," Watts said. "There is a political machine that A.S. has created. And especially in light of the low voter turnout, the primary people who turned out were the people who support the establishment."

Many of the candidates had no previous A.S. experience, which Watts said supports his mantra of change. Khanna, however, said that he also touts change, but will use his slate's experience to carry it out.

"We promised change, we just reinforced that we were going in there knowing how to get things done, unlike Tritons United!, who wanted to go in there knowing nothing," Khanna said. "While we know what the status quo is, we also know how to change it."

Khanna said that Watts' platform was based on mudslinging.

"His whole campaign was basically spreading lies about Student Voice!," Khanna said. "I think it would have been a closer election if he hadn't done that and just ran a legitimate campaign."

In *More Truth About UCSD*, Watts published a picture of Khanna in his A.S. office, where he served as vice president of academic affairs, with bottles of alcohol. Those acts, Khanna said, are indicative of Watts' lowbrow politics. In retrospect, Watts

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We're All In This Together



BY BEN JUWONO

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Campus LGBT Center to Be Largest In Nation

The biggest Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender Resource Center of any public university in the nation will officially open in Student Center on May 6.

The center, housed in a 2,700-square-foot facility, includes a wireless laptop computer lab, a meeting space, offices, a kitchen and a library, which includes the personal and professional collections of UCSD psychiatrist David McWhirter and his partner, the late clinical psychologist Drew Mattison, who wrote the groundbreaking book "The Male Couple."

The inaugural ceremony will feature comments by Chancellor Marye Anne Fox, current students and members of the San Diego LGBT community. After the ceremony, students from Queer People of Color will offer tours of the facility, and later in the evening, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex Association will host a nonsexist dance at Porter's Pub from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Academic Freedom Discussed at Meeting

Campus organization Students and Scholars Mobilized Against Repressive Times hosted an on-campus conference last week that addressed current threats to academic freedom, student organizations, diversity and free speech at colleges and universities nationwide.

Speakers included professor Saree Makhisi, who was named

as a member of UCLA's "Dirty 30," a list compiled by a member of the Bruin Alumni Association that targets professors with supposedly radical views. Members of the American Association of University Professors, the Arab Anti-Discrimination Committee and the American Federation of Teachers also spoke.

The conference was held in response to a bill under consideration by the U.S. House of Representatives that would force Middle Eastern and other area studies programs to adhere to special regulations under the pretense that terrorists could be funding research, as well as the Federal Bureau of Investigation's recent scrutiny of an anti-war group at UC Santa Cruz.

Settlement Reached in WorldCom Case

The University of California reached a \$13.25 million settlement earlier this month with Citigroup and a former subsidiary in a lawsuit stemming from the WorldCom securities scam.

The university filed the suit in 2003, claiming that Citigroup was involved with the financial collapse of WorldCom and that the company damaged shareholders, including the university, through its massive accounting fraud.

The university's losses originally resulted from its purchase of 10.2 million WorldCom shares between 1998 and 2000. Most of the purchases occurred before the fraud, so the university could not join in other class-action suits against the company.

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College students who sleep less than eight hours per night could miss out on the REM cycle that stores information in the brain.

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Duke follows Harvard and other highly-ranked colleges in bolstering financial aid for low-income students.

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CORRECTIONS

An article published in the April 13 issue titled "Tritons Trump Vanguard in Battle" misidentified sophomore Justine Fonte's tennis opponent as Damia Donkervoort. Her opponent was actually Tiffany Teerawat. Teerawat's parents were in attendance, not Donkervoort's.

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UC Task Force Decries University Perk Policies

By Charles Nguyen
NEWS EDITOR

Without pointing to specific individuals, a task force exploring UC compensation practices came down hard on university accountability standards last week.

The group — headed by co-Chairs Regent Joanne Kozberg and former State Assembly Speaker Robert Hertzberg — was enlisted to scrutinize the university system's pay methods, after it doled out more than \$800 million in undisclosed perks to its employees in 2004, according to a series of articles by the *San Francisco Chronicle*.

However, university officials have disputed the amount of compensation distributed. UC President Robert C. Dynes and UC Board of Regents Chairman Gerald L. Parsky have admitted, however, that the university can do better in making its pay more transparent.

The task force held a teleconference last week, when it released the report detailing ways that the university erred and possible solutions.

At the conference, the task force harshly criticized UC officials' lack of adherence to systemwide policies.

"It is clear that the current situation is wholly unacceptable," Hertzberg said. "Neither the executives nor the board have done all they could have done to fulfill their responsibilities."

Enforcing UC policies may be difficult, task force members said, as there are currently no clear policies regarding transparency of compensation.

"For the university to fulfill its responsibilities as a public trust, there must be an institutional commitment to public disclosure," the

task force wrote in its recommendations to the regents. "This commitment must be codified in disclosure policies that are clearly and broadly communicated, both internally and externally."

Policies remain confusing, and many times conflict with each other, Kozberg said.

The task force's report steered away from laying blame on specific administrators.

However, the group did recommend the implementation of a system to enforce policies.

"At the heart of these recommendations, we need to identify a range of consequences for violating policy ... from reprimand to dismissal," Parsky said.

Task force members were adamant about current levels of compensation, and said employees were not being overpaid.

The statement echoed remarks made earlier this year by Dynes, who said that certain levels of compensation are needed to attract good faculty and staff.

"For UC to best serve the people of California, the task force believes that the university must remain in the top tier of the world's research universities," the task force wrote. "To maintain this level of distinction, it must be able to provide its faculty, administrators and staff a level of compensation that is competitive with that offered by universities in its peer group."

An independent audit commissioned by the university will be released April 24.

State auditors are also conducting an investigation into the system's compensation policies.

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Herrera Vows to Enforce Morals In Council

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said that he doesn't regret his actions. "We exposed the truth about what some people on student government had done," Watts said. "Regardless of whether these people stay in office, the students will know what they did."

In total, SV! candidates won 24 positions, while TU! won 10. Seven SV! candidates will become council senators, who have the only voting power on the council, with TU! getting three senate slots.

Watts said he hopes that TU!'s platform of reform will live on through the senators and Herrera, the lone TU! winner in the executive races.

"Student Voice! does not control the senate," Watts said. "There are a lot of independent senators. Plus Eddie is up there and he'll be watching. Harry better get the stuff done that he said he was going to do or else he'll look kind of ridiculous."

Herrera won by less than 100 votes against SV! opponent Porsia Thomas. Some of the SV! executives said they were nervous about Herrera being a member of the cabinet. However, Herrera said he was optimistic.

"I spoke to Harry and I told him that at this point, I will do anything in my power to get something done and do what's best for the student body," Herrera said. "We're going to get past these elections. It's only temporary and it's very possible for us to pull together."

At the same time, Herrera said that he would not waver when it comes to the ethical standards in the council. He added that his current morals seriously conflict with the other incoming executives.

"I will not compromise my principles," Herrera said. "I plan on prosecuting student representatives who display malicious intent or preferential treatment. If student representatives are going to act in this way, I'm



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Tritons United! presidential candidate Daniel Watts inspects election results after the elections committee announced that he lost the race against Harry Khanna.

going to make sure that they have incentive not to."

A fee referendum that would have increased student activity fees by \$9 per quarter failed to garner the 20 percent voter turnout needed to pass.

However, the referendum would have failed even if there were no restrictions.

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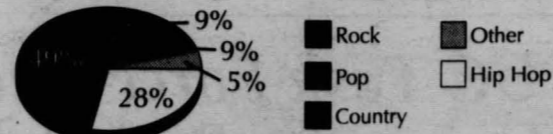
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Expression or Oppression?

Intolerant Speech Threatens Minority Free Expression

By Ian S. Port
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Pretend that you are among the 1 percent of black students at UCSD. As you walk to class one Thursday, a white girl casually hands you a newspaper displaying, on its front page, a sloppy caricature of two thick-lipped black girls eating watermelon in slave garb while masturbating each other. Next to them, a black man in gangsta gear holds two pistols to the head of a man who appears to be standing behind a cash register. Above the picture runs a headline reading: "Cocked: A lifestyle rag for nappy Niggas and Hos to spend welfare money on." Ridiculing your race as being overly fond of fried chicken and handgun violence, this imaginary publication argues that blacks should "be sent back to Africa where they can kill each other and save our tax dollars."

Those who oppose banning intolerant statements within the university decry limiting free speech just because it hurts people's feelings. The First Amendment, they argue, cannot be limited for making others feel bad.

But, as the above example illustrates, the kinds of statements that speech codes should prohibit — if they were allowed under the rules of a university such as UCSD — do much more than merely hurt people's feelings. Whites and other members of general majority groups cannot fully comprehend the violence of these statements, because they are necessarily ignorant of the context in which they are received.

Consider your imaginary black identity. As one of the least-represented minorities on campus, you spend most of your day around students who look differently from you. Not only does skin color make you stand out, but your life experiences vary greatly from those you share a classroom with — few know anything of racism first-hand, or understand in real terms the struggle you may have undertaken for the right to show up at UCSD today.

So when you see that newspaper, it's not merely offensive. It assaults and ridicules every aspect of your identity, from the way you look to the cultural heritage that defines you in every way you know. Then the newspaper says that you don't have a place here, that your culture and that of your family and friends is fundamentally inferior and unworthy of existence.

While I generated this imaginary example in a deliberate effort to shock, publications trumpeting similarly intolerant views are, as any *Koala* reader knows, well established on this campus. In 2003, the *Koala* printed its now-notorious "Jizzlam" issue, which viciously mocked Islam, inciting outrage among campus Muslims and physically violent backlash against *Koala* members.

Statements of violence like these, which single out specific social groups for public humiliation and assault, are not part of the marketplace of ideas that universities should promote — in fact, they directly inhibit the school's role as a host for reasoned, informed and intelligent debate. While contrarian provocation is certainly a valid tool for intellectual stimulation, verbal assault interferes with the ability of students to concentrate academically and function as productive members of their community. Universities intent on maintaining a relaxed, productive intellectual environment therefore have an obligation to draw a line defining statements of social intolerance as being outside of the bounds of appropriate conduct.

Defining certain words or arguments as unacceptably violent, harassing or hateful not only halts the rights of people to use them, it gives rulemakers power to determine what

others can and cannot say — but, importantly, only in certain situations. Seeing the need for free speech codes in the university environment is not equivalent to believing that the First Amendment is fundamentally flawed — it's only understanding that certain environments foster an intellectual creativity too valuable to let it be threatened by bigoted spew from the ignoble basement of human social thought.

While issues of black/white equality rarely cull the kind of open intolerance students nowadays reserve for gays and Muslims, no violent expression is more acceptable than any other.

Conservative Christians have recently been trying out the argument that campus tolerance codes limit their right to free expression by defining their religious beliefs as intolerant toward homosexuality. The key difference, they say, between racial intolerance (which



they decry) and their perspective is that sexual orientation is voluntary, while ethnicity is not.

Conservative activists correctly point out that equating homosexuality with race puts evangelical Christians in the same bin as racists — and it scares the heck out of them. But whether or not their beliefs are as morally reprehensible as racism, they are similar to racism in that they assert a basic inferiority of a fundamental aspect of others' identities.

These kinds of assertions threaten the function and freedom of the university to such an extent that the First Amendment should be limited to mute them within that precious context. The argument of the American Civil

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Sacrificing Free Speech for 'Principles' Is a Mistake

By Vladimir Kogan
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Few likely thought of free speech when they read Chancellor Marye Anne Fox's latest reaffirmation of UCSD's "Principles of Community." But they certainly should have.

"We affirm the right to freedom of expression at UCSD," begins one such "principle." The next sentence, unfortunately, concludes that by "affirming" this right, UCSD actually grossly restricts

justice. The biggest danger of speech codes like those embodied in the Principles of Community is that they erode the speech found on the margin, between messages that societies already uniformly ban through regulation of libel, obscenity and the like, and those that they defend with Voltaire-like zeal.

Before dismissing this as slippery-slope, conspiracy-theory drivel, consider this: Members of the A.S. Council used the Principles of Community to justify a Student-Run Television ban on pornography. Porn, they argued quite reasonably, offends and denigrates women, and should thus be regulated to assure "courtesy, sensitivity, ... and respect."

The problem is that offensive speech and provocative, constitutionally protected speech often overlap: speech codes tip the scale in favor of protecting sensibilities, at the expense of expression.

Anti-Semitism presents a perfect case study of the whole spectrum of ideas. For example, few would disagree with German laws that ban the Nazi Party; no one, after all, wants another Hitler. However, European restrictions on Holocaust denial seem iffy. And surely, attacks on academic freedom by some American Jews — who accuse university curriculums of being too critical of Israel and too pro-Palestine — attempt to cloak a political issue in the guise of ethnic sensitivity.

At the end, though, a ban on anti-Semitic speech could be used to justify all three of these, resulting in a university community — the proverbial "marketplace for ideas" — that does more to encourage conformity than to promote critical thinking.

Indeed, speech codes provide universities an excuse for not doing their job: Teaching students how to think, and how to separate facts from fiction. Instead of outlawing the denial of the Holocaust outright, let's simply allow those ignorant of documented historical facts to expose themselves to ridicule. And instead of making martyrs out of them, let's allow gay bashers to speak their mind, and see them get laughed off of Library Walk (which happens every year). These are the marks of tolerant communities, not the rules imposed on their members.

This, of course, still does not explain why society must tolerate the most offensive types of expression: Hate speech, like the kind spread by the *Koala* and the Nazi Party. The answer, however, is that hate speech is simply the symptom of underlying social tensions, and banning their expression does little to fix the problem.

Hitler did not rise to power because he was a charismatic speaker who fooled the people; the populace embraced him because hyperinflation, post-WWI embarrassment and other social ills left them vulnerable to extremists. Similarly, the current ban on the Nazi Party has done little to exterminate neo-Nazi sentiment in Europe, which has actually been rising in recent years.

The *Koala* touches raw nerves not because of any racist messages it spreads, but because these messages reflect UCSD's failure to be a welcoming place to students of all colors and creeds; banning its publication simply pushes these problems to the back of our mind, when its messages, as offensive as they are, may instead provoke us to take action.

And maybe that's why UCSD has Principles

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Student Groups Remain Blind to Incentives of Fee Policy

For various student movements working over the past four years to fight quickly rising college fees, the U.S. Constitution offers an instructive lesson.

"Every bill which shall have passed the House of Representatives and the Senate, shall, before it become a law, be presented to the President of the United States," states Section 7 of Article I, laying out the foundation for the presidential veto authority.

However, just a paragraph later, the document rejoins: "Every order, resolution or vote" shall also go to the president.

The reason, of course, is that the framers understood incentives: By requiring the president to approve every "bill," the rules would simply drive the legislative branch to create new words to describe their directives, and argue that these did not similarly need presidential consent.

A quick historical look at UC fee policy can be explained in much the same way. In 1960, the state's much praised Master Plan for Higher Education recommended that "the University of California shall be tuition free to all residents of the state." And indeed, it has been.

The trick, strictly speaking, is that none of the fees you pay are "tuition;" most of them are the so-called "education fee," which is supposedly much different. For students paying the bills though, it seems like the change in

name has had little practical effect. In much the same way, when individual UC campuses need more money than they can rake in from the student-fee levels set by the university's Board of Regents, they create new ones.

Each campus, for example, charges a flurry of their own local fees — the registration fee, controlled at UCSD by Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Joseph W. Watson, being the school's biggest.

When the state cuts funding, and administrators can't raise systemwide student charges to compensate, they simply change the rules, forcing students to pay for new buildings and athletic facilities and pawing onto student government the responsibility for funding essential services.

Which brings me to my sad conclusion: No sustained campaign to pressure the regents into halting fee increases will work. The university needs a certain amount of money to operate, and it will raise that money no matter what restrictions are placed on it; in most circumstances, it will find a way of passing the costs on to students.

Over and over again, the failure of student efforts to keep fees from rising makes this clear. Two years ago, for example, a group of professional students sued the UC system in a class action lawsuit, charging that unexpected fee hikes approved in response to the state's budget crisis

represented a breach of contract; earlier this year, they actually won, and the university was ordered to repay millions.

However, the university's response was not to bite the bullet, reduce compensation for overpaid executives (think: Chancellor Marye Anne Fox's undisclosed perks) and to tighten its belt; instead, it simply introduced a new fee for current students, to repay the judgment to previous ones.

Given that state funding for the university will not rise by much in the near decade and is largely unaffected by student lobbying (no matter what the UC Student Association claims), the consequence of fee limits, like the ones included in Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's budget "compact" with the state's universities, is that they drive campuses to the two remaining revenue sources: private donations and research grants. Though less directly visible, this trend has a consequence on not only students, but all of society.

When the state and the students give the university money, the system can spend the funds largely as it sees fit, like hiring professors that

can contribute to the general wealth of public knowledge. Both private and research funds come with many more strings attached.

Though San Diego Padres owner and UC Regent John Moore gives handsomely to cancer research, he seems to have little interest in fighting malaria, for example, even though the latter kills many more people each year. The result: UCSD has the Moores Cancer Center, not a Moores Malaria Center. Federal grants similarly satisfy the political priorities of whatever party is currently in power.

In the end, it's far from clear that the consequences of making public universities subject to the whims of the highest bidder are better than asking students to pay more.

Next year, as California's state budget dips again into the red, the student-fee tango will start again: The regents will propose higher fees, the UCSA will protest loudly (and ask for higher membership dues, to help "fight on behalf of the students") and the fees will go up. Unlike the U.S. president, you see, students have no effective veto.



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Colleges Should Be Open Arenas

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Liberties Union and others that limiting the speech of some limits it for everyone only applies in this case if campus authorities go out of bounds and interpret the code to limit more than viciously intolerant, identity-assaulting statements. Criticism, even that informed by cultural differences, should not be limited unless it directly and cruelly challenges the basic rights of others to exist as they please.

Limiting free speech must never be taken lightly. But members of the community with more mainstream identities cannot fully comprehend the devastation of having one's social identity publicly deprecated in what is intended to be a relaxed, creative environment. As unsettling as they may be to Americans accustomed to free expression, speech codes help secure a university community where so many viewpoints and lifestyles must productively co-exist.

'Principles' Are Empty Rhetoric

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of Community that don't represent the principles of its community at all. After all, it's easier and cheaper to pay lip service to tolerance with rules that "celebrate ... diversity and support for all cultures," than to actually fix the underlying problems of access and socioeconomic inequality that currently make real diversity impossible. Voltaire is surely rolling over in his grave.

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Watts Faced Multiple Charges

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they will be wary of doing any other illegal things," Watts said.

As 4:30 p.m. — with half an hour after the voting had ended — passed and with elections results yet to be announced, both slates waited anxiously near the A.S. offices for word from the elections committee about what would happen next. The tension of the situation was palpable, as candidates from SVI gathered on one side of the hall and those from TU! on the other.

The committee then announced that a formal hearing would take place on the grievances. After the uneasy candidates accumulated in the hearing room, where the opposing slates sat directly facing each other, the waiting and stressing continued.

"It was pretty tense in there," Khanna said. "A lot of people in there were holding their breaths while [the elections committee] decided what to do."

After nearly an hour of negotiations and a 30-minute break, Khanna and Watts announced that they had dropped the charges against each other.

The sole remaining issue was a formal charge filed by Thurgood Marshall College Student Council Chair Denis Shmidt. Earlier in the week, Shmidt alleged that Watts had printed libel in his publication *More Truth About*

A lot of people ... were holding their breaths while [the elections committee] decided what to do."

— Harry Khanna, A.S. President-Elect

UCSD. After negotiations, the two made an informal written agreement that TU! would end campaigning and take down its campaign advertising four hours before the polls closed. If it did not, the agreement dictated that the slate would be in violation of an official bylaw that forbids making false statements to the elections committee. When the deadline passed and the TU! Web site, Facebook group and some campaign flyers remained up, Shmidt filed a formal grievance.

"In the end, I decided that it was absolutely necessary to file the charge that I did in order to maintain the rules in not only this election, but future elections as well," Shmidt said.

After hearing a statement by Khanna — which slammed Watts for running a "dishonest" campaign — the elections committee heard arguments from Shmidt and Watts. The committee then deliberated for an hour and ruled that TU! had broken the agreement violating the bylaw, and that sanctions should be imposed. The punishments required TU! to outline its violations to students on Library Walk, through Facebook advertisements, in a letter to the editor to the *Guardian* and to the current and new A.S. Council.

Watts downplayed the punishments, and suggested that he may not take part in them personally.

"They're not a big deal," he said. "Whoever has time will do it."

Shmidt said that while he was satis-

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President
Harry Khanna (SVI): 1702
Daniel Watts (TU!): 1293
Abstain: 405

VP Internal
Janine Dellomes (SVI): 2045
Alicia Coates (TU!): 765
Abstain: 312

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Eddie Herrera (TU!): 1179
Porsia Thomas (SVI): 1104
Matt Corrales: 515
Abstain: 312

VP Finance
Conrad Ohashi (SVI): 1321
Bryce Murray: 807
April Deibert (TU!): 697
Abstain: 402

VP of Academic Affairs
Rabia Paracha (SVI): 1836
Matt Herrick (TU!): 830
Abstain: 649

Comm. of Athletics
Kari Gohd (SVI): 2348
Abstain: 730

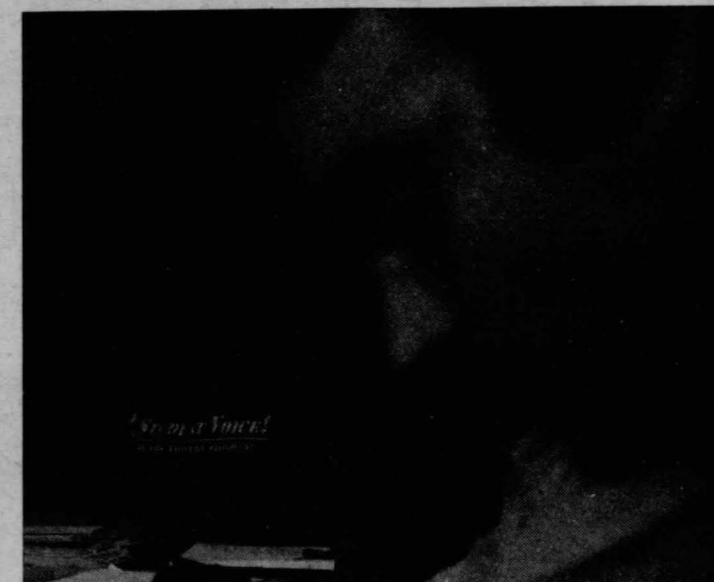
Comm. of Communications
Leo Bondar (SVI): 1475
Nicanor Madueno (TU!): 906
Abstain: 801

Comm. of Diversity Affairs
Marco Murillo (SVI): 1604
Yee Lee (TU!): 961
Abstain: 627

Comm. of Enterprise Operations
Sydney Goldberg (SVI): 1702
Parris Bass (TU!): 1021
Abstain: 512

Comm. of Programming
Di Lam: 2361
Abstain: 694

Comm. of Student Services
Kaveh Cyrus (SVI): 928
Elle Maglonzo (TU!): 863
Jeffery Jair: 788
Abstain: 693



A.S. presidential candidates Daniel Watts (foreground) and Harry Khanna listen in as the elections committee reveals the consequences of Watts' campaign violation.

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fied with the committee's ruling, he was concerned that the committee may not have the power to enforce it.

"If Tritons United! decides not to

do the sanctions, can the elections committee reconvene and disqualify the members of Tritons United! who won?" Shmidt said. "There is no clear-cut answer, so it could potentially become tricky."

In the end, both presidential candidates said that they felt the committee had acted fairly. They did not have the same kind words for each other.

"His entire campaign was based on

spreading lies about me and Student Voice!," Khanna said. "The saddest part was that the people running with him on Tritons United! believed what he was saying about us and started echoing the lies themselves."

One thought, though, transcended the animosity and seemed to be shared by everyone involved in the election: relief that it was over.

"I wish the election could have been less nasty. But it's over, so I'm happy."

— Kate Pillon, Thurgood Marshall College Elections Manager and Senior Senator

Senator Kate Pillon said. "But it's over, so I'm happy."

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Another Kind of Student Aid

One group of UCSD students has not forgotten New Orleans' woes after Hurricane Katrina.

By Nicky Buchanan
STAFF WRITER

It was spring break, and instead of covering themselves with the strings of Mardi Gras beads a trip to New Orleans screams for, a crew of 60 UCSD students from Campus Crusade for Christ prepared to don bulky goggles, face masks and knee-high boots to help with Hurricane Katrina relief.

Divided into groups of 10 students, each set out to their assigned destinations, whether it be food service to displaced residents or camp volunteers; the gutting of houses, schools and churches; or sweating in the grueling southern humidity.

One team headed out to a nine-room duplex home with dead rats, cockroaches and a black, mold-infested foundation. The house, with its fragile frameworks and sorrowful past, echoed its story of survival in each piece of drywall that was torn loose by the crew.

The owner is a very similar character. The small, retired 75-year-old man paid a surprise visit to the hardworking volunteers who were attempting to breathe life back into the place he once called home.

With a somber tone and hollow eyes, he shared his story with them. The same pipe that the able-bodied youths struggled to remove just hours before his arrival was broken by the old man's bare hands the day of the flood, after he frantically crawled through the attic and broke through the glass window. He was rescued by a passing boat that floated on the 10 feet of water that submerged his street and home.

Incorporated by this remarkable, real-life account, and now having more than just a nameless, faceless person to labor for, the workers, like the majority of volunteers, pressed

on to gut the house of all its debris, walls, ceilings and nails in the 9-to-5 workday they were assigned.

This was only one man's story, and a single glimpse into the emotionally draining and physically demanding journeys that 1,800 college students from all over the country experienced during the week of March 25 to March 30.

Volunteers were crammed into damp warehouses known as "Light City" near the St. Bernard Parish, the region most heavily affected by the storm.

Here, workers found themselves thankful for the port-a-potties, "mystery meats" served at meals, cold showers and firm cots when compared to the endless stretch of piled debris: children's toys; wedding albums cast into the gutters flowing with trash; overturned cars; snapped electrical wires; and uprooted trees.

"The thing that weighed me down the most was the desolation," said Earl Warren College senior Megan Jacks. "I was prepared to see ruined homes and harsh living conditions, but the fact that you could drive for many miles at night and not see a single light shining crept me out. It was really forlorn out there."

Though these descriptions paint a more vivid picture of what is considered to be the most catastrophic nat-



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Top: Though covered with mold, an old wedding album survives the torrents of the hurricane. Bottom left: An overturned car rests among a litter of debris at the St. Bernard Parish near New Orleans. Bottom right: Students stand in front of the debris cleared from one home.

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Make Way For Ethanol

By Katie Westfall
STAFF WRITER

Politicians, investors, farmers and car companies are turning their heads to ethanol, a renewable energy source produced from corn and the latest fad in the energy sector, sprouting excitement and controversy alike. Ethanol plants are being built, and already existing factories are expanding. A question remains, however: Is this alternative biofuel a better option than conventional gasoline?

Answering it has been the task of a group of UCSD researchers at the Center for Energy Research.

The three-man team, composed of professors Forman A. Williams and Kal Seshadri, and graduate student Priyank Saxena of the mechanical and aerospace engineering department, is developing chemical models for ethanol combustion that are simpler and more usable than gasoline.

These studies will provide practical data to analyze the potential of engines running on ethanol and will in turn help to track the production of major paths of pollutants from burning the compound.

The alcohol known as ethanol was used as a fuel in the early 20th century before Prohibition criminalized alcohol production, but has recently re-entered the limelight and is now being used as a fuel additive. It replaces the anti-knocking agent known as MBTE, which is being phased out after it was discovered to pollute groundwater.



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How fields of corn may hold the key to the future's fuel source

Ethanol is most commonly used in a blend known as E10, which is 10 percent ethanol and 90 percent gasoline. However, with the development of "flex-fuel" cars specifically built to handle a higher amount of the alcohol, the ethanol industry is pushing for the use of E85, a mixture of 85 percent ethanol and 15 percent gasoline. Currently, there are about five million of these vehicles produced or sold.

This biofuel is produced from plant starch that is transformed into sugar and then fermented and can be produced from corn, sugar cane, hemp or other starchy plants. Most ethanol in the United States is produced from corn.

The current buzz is about cellulosic ethanol, produced from plant material and agricultural waste that is not digestible by humans, such as switch grass and wood chips. It is still too expensive to compete against traditional gasoline.

Ethanol as a fuel source is therefore renewable because it is made from elements that can be

grown.

Many investors are excited about its possibilities. A recent article in Fortune magazine detailed Exxon Mobil's plan to give \$100 million to Stanford University to research alternative fuels. Bill Gates, among many others, has declared his intention to invest in ethanol-producing companies.

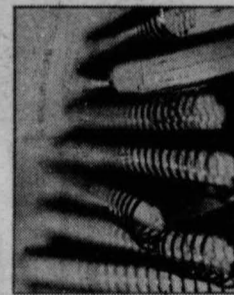
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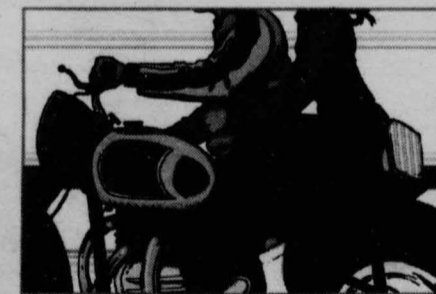
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For the past six years, the Legends of China "Silk Road to the Future" has sponsored its annual summer visit to Beijing and other cities in China. The trip stresses world peace and the importance of cultural exchange between China and the United States — two countries that have historically held skewed political and economic views of each other.

But with China's rapid economic growth and the 2008 summer Olympics in Beijing looming ahead, the cultural exchange between the two nations seems as important as ever.

Independent from the Education Abroad Program, the Silk Road to the Future focuses more upon experiences gathered from acting as student ambassadors in China, giving students a glimpse of Chinese culture, rather than providing a quarter- or year-long language program.

"It's really an introduction, it's not very academic," Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Education Advancement Loren Thompson said.

Yet despite its lack of academic focus, the program's educational qualities remain just as strong, its context resting on a "better understanding between countries," according to Thompson, who coordinates the program at UCSD.

Revelle College senior Joachim Lyon attended the program in 2002 and soon after, was inspired to learn Chinese and studied

abroad in China through EAP for one year.

"They do a nice job on balancing your time during the trip and you get a pretty thorough picture of China," Lyon said.

Students join faculty and staff from all UC campuses and spend one week in mid-July visiting Beijing — for a price tag of \$1,368, a package that includes airfare, hotel accommodations, transportation and tour guides. Those interested in extending the trip go on to Shanghai, Hong Kong, Zhan and Suzhou, among others.

What separates the trip from a typical vacation to China is that it allows students to mingle with other UC students as well as Chinese students, who take them out to receive a taste of the nightlife and other cultural aspects in their respective cities.

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The opportunity to join Legends of China, however, is limited. The program's final year will be in 2007, culminating at the 2008 Olympics in Beijing where a "Silk Banner" will be presented during the opening ceremony. Symbolizing world unity, the quilt-like banner stitches each student's vision of peace.

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— Christine Pac
FOCUS EDITOR

Ethanol Technology May Not Be an Attractive Alternative

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The U.S. government, however, is one of the biggest ethanol supporters, and has subsidized the production of corn and ethanol. President George W. Bush has said that he sees ethanol as a way to wean America off foreign oil dependency.

"Breakthroughs on this and other new technologies will help us reach another great goal: to replace more than 75 percent of our oil imports from the Middle East by 2025," Bush said in his State of the Union address in January.

A recent federal bill calls for the production of eight billion gallons a year of biofuels by 2012.

The United States is not the first to experiment with alternative fuels, and is, in fact, following in the wake of countries like Brazil, which has been producing ethanol-running cars since the late 1970s. According to an ethanol study conducted by the Solar Energy Research Institute, up to 90 percent of new cars in Brazil run on pure ethanol produced from sugar cane, with the remainder running on a blend of 20 percent ethanol and 80 percent gasoline.

Although research is not complete, the preliminary experiments and computational studies have shown that, in some aspects, ethanol is better for the environment than gasoline or diesel fuels.

UCSD researchers have found that burning ethanol does not produce sulfur dioxide and has lower concentrations of nitrous oxide — both of which are acid-rain-causing agents. Also, the concentrations of soot precursors, elements that cause unburned carbon residue, are found to be lower compared to those produced by conventional fuels.

In other aspects, ethanol has higher levels of polluting agents, according to

UCSD research, such as higher levels of aldehydes, which are known to be toxic for the environment and can cause eye irritation and skin rashes at low levels.

Other studies have shown that ethanol production uses a significant quantity of energy and releases many greenhouse gases responsible for global warming, discoveries that have sparked skepticism over the new fuel technology. Tad W. Patzek, a professor of geoenvironment at Berkeley, found that corn ethanol requires 29 percent more energy to create than it produces.

However, graduate student Priyank Saxena argues that this is debatable. He points to a Solar Energy Research Institute finding that ethanol production comes remarkably close to breaking even on an energy basis.

Saxena also argues that levels of greenhouse gases are not higher for ethanol produced from plants. Since plants intake carbon dioxide for their growth, the net carbon dioxide production by ethanol fuel is less than those by conventional fuels, he said.

Even beyond the controversy, several hurdles lie in the path of further ethanol utilization, such as a lack of gas stations that carry the ethanol blend due to the higher cost and the fewer miles per gallon the fuel allows.

Saxena thinks that these obstacles can be overcome and that ethanol is a good stepping stone for energy evolution.

"Ethanol as an energy source is a good interim solution until we are able to accomplish hydrogen economy, fuel cells and cold-fusion technologies," he said.

Williams emphasizes that more research needs to be conducted before diving into complete ethanol implementation.

Students Awestruck by Hurricane's Aftermath

► KATRINA, from page 8

ural disaster in the nation's history, it doesn't come close to doing justice to what can be seen with one's own eyes. Thurgood Marshall College senior Jessica Green described her shock at the horrific images of pain and destruction she witnessed.

"When the hurricane first hit, it was all over the news, and now that it has died out on networks, it leads a lot of people to believe that things are near being taken care of, but nothing has really been done," Green said. "It was much worse than I thought it would be."

It is difficult for those who are not in the direct New Orleans area to fully grasp the gravity of the problem that is no longer being reported by the media. The thousands of displaced residents, however, are eager to talk of their situations. One of these residents is a schoolteacher named Honeybee, whose home was destroyed by an oil spill.

"I resorted to sleeping on the couches of my colleagues until one day the reality sunk in that this was not a temporary thing, that I needed to start over," she said. "This was one of the saddest days of my life. I got lucky and found an apartment in the French Quarter, but I will never go back to my house. It takes a piece of your heart every time."

People like Honeybee are also more than willing to offer their deep appreciation for all of the efforts of organizations like Campus Crusade, Habitat for Humanity, Global Aid Network, American Red Cross, the Salvation Army and dozens others.

"I thought my service would go unseen as volunteering normally does," Marshall junior Morgan Vanderpool said. "But we were servant celebrities in the best way possible: deeply appreciated by the community. I had no idea of the mass exodus that exists down there."

Vanderpool also relayed the words of a ticket lady at a taxi stop: "Y'all, all you youths, are doing so much more for the people of Louisiana than the government has ever done."



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Starting the day at 9 a.m., students walk from "Light City," a warehouse at the St. Bernard Parish devoted to housing volunteers, ready to work on a house destroyed by the hurricane.

Whether the efforts of these compassionate youths go by unnoticed is of minor importance next to the biggest issue of all: Is the government noticing this disastrous region enough?

The hurricane hit approximately 90,000 square miles, and is directly affecting 1.5 million people. Ports for importing and exporting goods, airports, railroads, bridges, roads, schools, hospitals and many more fundamental institutions were closed or ruined in the storm, ultimately wiping out the region's commercial infrastructure.

While the Department of Homeland Security dedicates 10 pages on its official Web site to detailing the \$88 billion of federal aid and thousands of federal personnel dedicated to relief, recovery and rebuilding, it seems very distant and unreal to people like the student volunteers who witnessed the residents' current state of overwhelming misery and heard their testimonies.

"The politicians are spending too much time deciding what in the

world they 'should' do, when I know they are quite aware of what can be done to bring their people home," Vanderpool said.

Marshall senior Morgan Greer said he worries about the government's response.

"They could be doing so much more," Greer said. "Most of the relief effort that I could see at least was coming from a lot of volunteers with the majority being local Christians giving their time and money to help in small ways. There definitely isn't enough help coming from the government, which is a big problem since that should be a major concern for government spending."

It will take many more years, many more workers and volunteers, billions more dollars and countless more tears shed before Louisiana and its bordering states can become what they once were.

"My group made two houses ready for rebuilding out of the thousands destroyed," Green said. "And yet I feel like I have hardly made a dent in all that needs to be done."

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No. 15 Tritons Falter In Overtime Against UCSB

OVERTIME, from page 16 "We just kept on them and attacked every time," Perkins said.

Hockett attributed the neck-and-neck playing to the depth of her team.

"It's great when five, six, seven different people get goals," she said. "It was definitely a team effort.

The third quarter was a continual game of cat and mouse and barely allowed the crowd's eyes a moment's rest as the game tied at 5-5, 6-6, and 7-7.

"We seemed to be in good control of the second part, but our defensive breakdown kept them in the game," Perkins said.

UCSD pulled through at the last few pivotal moments thanks to two goals by Perkins and another remarkable score by sophomore utility Nicole Hermann with only two seconds left in the third quarter.

The seesaw scoring battle trudged on all the way through the final quarter. Santa Barbara hit the first point moving to within one at 9-8, causing a reactionary goal by UCSD sophomore two-meter Judy Emaus at the 5:52 mark to bump the Tritons back up to 10-8.

Another UCSD insurance goal by Bajorek to put the Tritons at 11-9 with 4:38 left to go.

ance goal by Bajorek to put the Tritons at 11-9 with 4:38 left to go. Santa Barbara answered immediately to squeeze the gap at 11-10, and closed it completely with the game-tying point by Alaina Whitaker with 1:51 left in the game.

Hockett said that games often go sour due to overanticipation at crunch time.

"The worst thing is when we get nervous and try to force things to happen too quickly by making rash decisions," she said.

Overtime became a painstaking process for both teams. In the first three minutes, Santa Barbara took the initiative with the first goal by Sarah Kovach, bringing the score to 11-12.

Even in the midst of defeat, UCSD's head coach Larry Sanders said he was proud of his team.

"They stayed composed and handled the pressure really well," he said. "And they have won quite a few close games just like this.

The Tritons can move forward in the rankings in their next game against San Diego State University on April 20.

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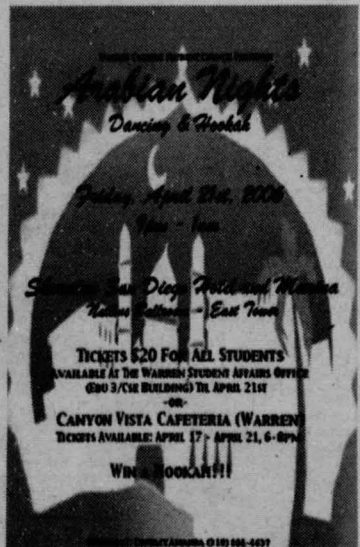
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67 For two, in music
68 Nice girlfriend?
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70 Uncool one
71 Highland loch

- DOWN
1 Isolate
2 Imposes, as taxes
3 Office pool members
4 Botanist Gray
5 Manhandled
6 Wing-shaped
7 Forage crop
8 Examination taker
9 Daytime timepiece
10 Lennon's love
11 Organized record
12 Long way off
13 "Auld Lang ..."
18 Frankie or Cleo
22 Writer Hemingway
25 Cynical
27 More transparent
29 Impact sound
30 Muse of poetry
31 Charlottesville inst.
32 Obtain
33 Printer's measures
35 Scale notes
37 Turkish title
38 Flop
39 Objective
41 Brit. flyboys
44 Sleeve opening
46 Manchuria man
48 Scrap collector
50 Set of chromosomes
51 Egyptian judge of the dead
52 Tent pegs
54 Like the lawn at dawn
55 Sgt. and cpt.
56 Mr. Gagarin
57 To ... a phrase
59 London park
60 Sightseeing trip
63 Actress Ryan
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1 "Lohengrin" lais
5 One tense
9 Group seats
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15 Bum ointment
16 Consolidate
17 Start of Mel Brooks quote
19 Fastballer Ryan
20 Moral transgression
21 Added the bubbles
23 Alone
24 Kevchuk or Brezhnev
26 Goddess of discord
28 City on the Ruhr
29 Part 2 of quote
34 Aromatic wood
36 Nearly a dozen
37 Aleutian island
40 Khayyam and Bradley
42 Dines
43 Clapton's instrument
45 Crimean resident
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THURS APRIL 20

ARTS

UCSD Theatre's Baldwin New Play Festival presents Santa Ana Winds by Tim J. Lord. \$15 GA, \$12 UCSD staff, \$10 student. 8pm at Mandell Weiss Forum...

LECTURE

UCSD Center for the Humanities "The City" lecture series. UCSD Visual Arts professor Teddy Cruz, will speak on creating a border community. 7:30pm, Pepper Canyon Hall, Rm 106.

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SAT APRIL 22

ARTS

UCSD Theatre's Baldwin New Play Festival presents: The Nightshade Family, 2pm at Mandell Weiss Forum; Santa Ana Winds, 8pm at Mandell Weiss Forum; Election Day, 8pm at Mandell Weiss Forum Studio; One act plays Catching Flight and Water Street, 157 Galbraith Theater, 8pm. \$15-GA, \$12 UCSD staff, \$10 student. Box Office: 858-534-4574.

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SPORTS

UCSD Triton Invitational Track & Field Meet continues, all day.

Baseball vs. Cal State Dominguez Hills, 11am at Triton Field.

WEEKLY

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Crossword Solutions

Grid of crossword puzzle solutions with letters filled in.

Softball Held to One Run In CSUDH Doubleheader

SOFTBALL, from page 16 with one strikeout. After this weekend, the UCSD team fell to 8-10 in league play and 20-20 overall.

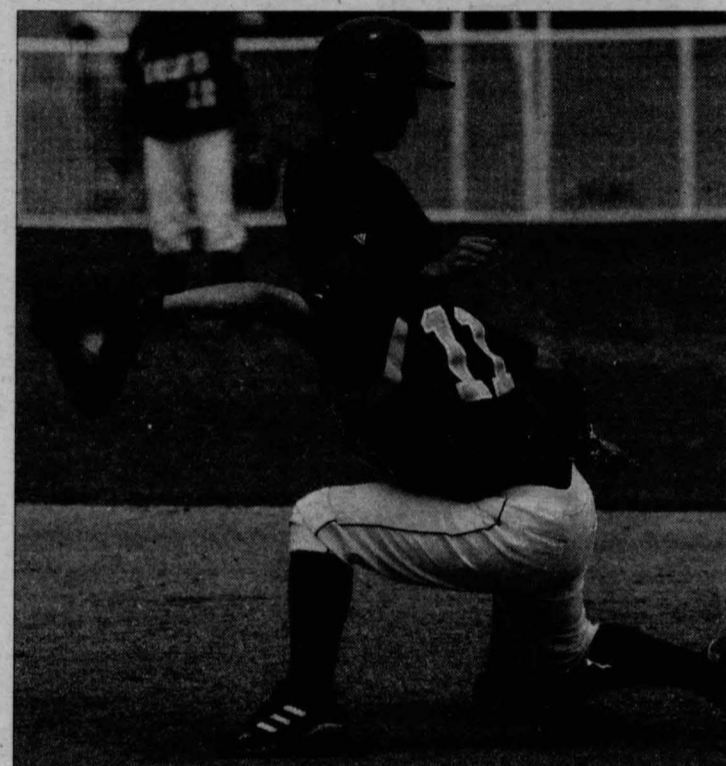
Gerckens said several injuries may have affected the team's performance.

"I am optimistic about the rest of the season; however, we do have a lot of injuries which could hurt us," Gerckens said. "Right now Spencer, [freshman first baseman Jenni] Habib and [sophomore shortstop Elizabeth] Vazquez are all hurt so we need people to step up. Our defense has been

good but our offense needs to be more consistent."

The makeup date for the Cal State Bakersfield games has not been scheduled yet, but the two teams will work to play the twin bill at Triton Softball Field some time before the end of May.

The Tritons return to action on April 21 to host Cal State Stanislaus for a doubleheader. After that series, the Tritons will play most of the remainder of their games against CCAA opponents on the road, except for a doubleheader against Grand Canyon at home on April 28.



A stretching junior second baseman Dallas Hernandez and the Tritons will look to end their two-game losing skid when they face Cal State Stanislaus at home for a doubleheader on April 21.

Tritons Fall to Pacific On Senior Night

VOLLEYBALL, from page 16 .556 percentage. The Tritons would keep increasing their advantage, at one point leading 27-18 on a Reuter ace. The Cardinal had a little more fight left in them, but not nearly enough as UCSD took the game and the match 30-24.

"It came down to the better team taking care of business," Ring said. "And we're the better team, we've proved it."

While the Tritons managed the huge win over Stanford, they could not send their seniors out on top, falling to Pacific University in four games at Senior Night on April 15.

The four seniors, opposite Brenden Bowe, Reuter, Daze and Sayers all received significant playing time against the Tigers in the tough 30-28, 25-30, 22-30, 27-30 loss.

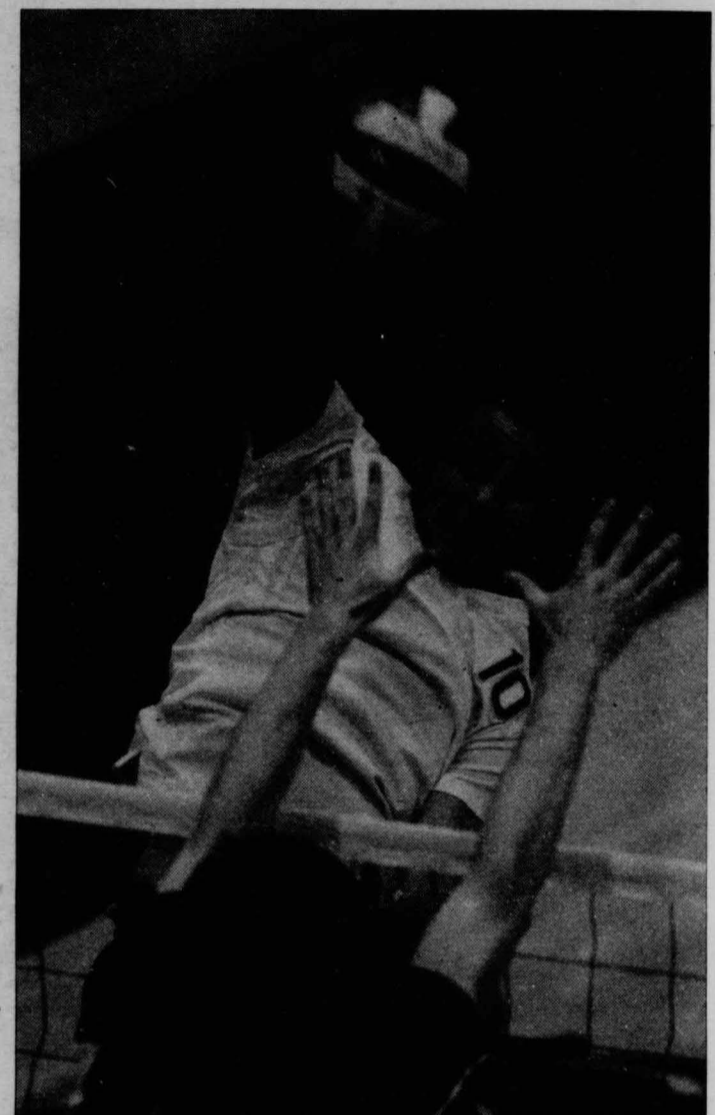
"It's tremendous for me to see them out on the court enjoying the game and it's fun to see those four guys out on the floor together," Ring said.

In game one, the Tritons hit .421 with 19 kills against three errors. The lead changed several times before back-to-back kills by sophomore middle blocker John Mark Wendler, a Tiger error and a Sayers kill finally put UCSD up for good, winning 30-28.

Sayers ended up with 20 kills in his last collegiate match. Dierdorff helped the Triton hitters end the season strong by dishing out 98 assists in the last two matches.

Pacific bounced back, taking game two and game three.

The Tritons led 17-11 in game four after a block, but the Tigers came back to tie it at 20-20. After UCSD took back the lead 26-24, Pacific rallied three-straight points for its first lead of the game at 26-27. Even though the Tritons tied it up once again, the Tigers put the



Senior opposite Chris Sayers was a key component to the Tritons' first Mountain Pacific Sports Federation win over Stanford on April 14, tallying 18 kills, 13 digs and six aces.

match away in four games with a block assist at 27-30.

The Tritons finished the season with an overall record of 2-27 and 1-21 in the MPSE, a disappointing year. However, the Tritons' play of late leaves room for hope come next year.

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Advertisement for an evening with Dr. Maya Angelou on Saturday, May 6th at RIMAC Arena. Includes ticket information and the AS logo.

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VOLLEYBALL
EARNS FIRST
WIN IN MPSFBy Paul Choi
STAFF WRITER

After a season of heartbreak, disappointment and even embarrassment, the UCSD men's volleyball team proved its worth in one of the toughest conferences in the country, the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation, with its first league win over Stanford University on April 14.

The Tritons, the obvious underdogs who have played well in their last few games, looked impressive in all four games and came away with a match victory after losing the first game, 31-33, but rebounding to take the next three, 30-22, 30-13, 30-24, to close out the match.

"We came out really strong and fired up," senior opposite Chris Sayers said after the match. "We just really stepped up tonight."

Sayers led the Tritons in the upset with 18 kills, 13 digs and six aces. Senior outside hitters Mike Reuter and Jon Daze also contributed with 14 and 12 kills, respectively.

"We really wanted our seniors to show us how it's done," head coach Kevin Ring said. "And they had great games."

The Tritons held the Cardinal to a .157 percentage while hitting .370 for the match, and junior setter Brooks Dierdorff passed the ball with pinpoint accuracy at over .510 percent.

"There was a good energy in the crowd," Reuter said. "Brooks had a great passing match. He really helped us hit well."

Game one was a closely fought battle, but UCSD looked like the better team. The Tritons had two opportunities to win the game, but could not put Stanford away. The Cardinal took the lead, 31-32, on a kill by senior opposite Ben Reddy, who had 22 for the match. Stanford went on to win the first game on a UCSD attack error, 31-33.

"We've been playing so well of late," Daze said. "Everybody is executing better and now we're making strings of good plays instead of a couple here and there."

In game two, with the teams tied at 11-11, the Tritons took a four-point lead with a small run. Stanford tried to tie it up, cutting the lead in half, but UCSD stayed on top, 22-17, with two Daze aces. The Cardinal could not gain anymore ground, ultimately losing on a Daze kill, 30-22.

"It really helped having two of our main hitters going at the same time and there were a lot of holes in the Stanford blocking because of that," Sayers said.

Game three was a display of how well the Tritons could play as they dominated Stanford, 30-13. UCSD started the game with a 13-3 run, forcing the Cardinal to call a much-needed timeout.

"It would've been great playing like this and have half a season left," Ring said. "But it's amazing to see these guys still want to get better this late in the season."

UCSD held Stanford to .069 hitting in game three, which also served up 13 aces for the match.

"Tonight the guys played fabulous," Ring said. "We had a great balance on offense and service tonight was unreal."

In game four, UCSD had one of its best hitting games of the season, with 19 kills against four errors for a

[VOLLEYBALL, page 15]

Gauchos Deal UCSD Crushing Blow In OT

By Nicky Buchanan
STAFF WRITER

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Junior driver Miho Umezawa and the No. 15 Tritons did all they could to stop the UCSB offense, but ultimately fell to the Gauchos 13-12.

[OVERTIME, page 12]

A back-and-forth battle between two of the top teams in women's water polo, No. 12 UC Santa Barbara and No. 15 UCSD, ended in heartbreak for the home team, as the visiting Gauchos matched the Tritons goal for goal in regulation and pulled away for a 13-12 win in sudden-death overtime on April 15.

The Gauchos put down two goals at the start, both by Jean Clark, to gain a shortlived 2-0 advantage, but UCSD's junior two-meter Natalie Hockett then started the Triton offense, scoring the first goal with 17 seconds left in the first quarter.

It was clear early on that the game would not be pretty, as UC Santa Barbara dished out a great deal of physical punishment for the Tritons.

"It was like a wrestling matchup and down the pool," junior utility Michelle Perkins said.

Hockett also explained that the heavy physical playing has not been her team's style and that it caused serious adjustments in their game-play.

"When they grab your face, hold, push and kick underwater, we initially get shocked at times because that's not really how we play," Hockett said. "We play smart and strategic, but when it comes down to it, we just have to step it up and push right back at them."

UCSD managed to continue its comeback push with goals by senior driver Flynn LaRochelle, junior two-meter Sarah Bajorek, junior driver Miho Umezawa and senior two-meter Kirsten Frazer with 37 seconds left, giving UCSD a 5-3 lead. However, the Gauchos retaliated with a single goal at the end of the second quarter to pull Santa Barbara within one.

No. 10 Toros Sweep Triton Softball for Second Time

By Lauren Kato
STAFF WRITER

Stormy weather put a damper on the weekend for the UCSD softball team. After a doubleheader against No. 6 Cal State Bakersfield was canceled due to inclement weather on April 14, Cal State Dominguez Hills swept the Tritons in two games on April 15. The Tritons fell by scores of 4-0 and 7-1 at home in their second sweep of the season at the hands of the No. 10 Toros.

In the first game, Cal State Dominguez Hills jumped onto the board in the top of the second inning after a solo home run and added two more to its tally in the third for a 3-0 lead.

The Tritons threatened in the fourth inning, putting runners on second and third with one out, but junior second baseman Dallas Hernandez and sophomore third baseman Jenny Maze both struck out swinging to strand the runners.

UCSD mustered up another opportunity late in the sixth inning with one out and runners on first and third, but two lazy fly balls signaled the end of any offensive comeback in game one. The Tritons were shut out after seven by a score of 4-0.

Sophomore pitcher Melissa Ward fell to 13-8 on the year after giving up 10 hits and four runs. Ward did triumph over defending California Collegiate Athletics Association Player of the Year

Cindy Perry-Brown, holding the slugger to only one hit in four at-bats.

"Melissa Ward has done a great job this season for us," head coach Patti Gerckens said. "She is really keeping the other teams guessing."

In the second half of the doubleheader, the Tritons responded to a 1-0 deficit in the first with a RBI double by Maze the next inning to tie the game.

The Tritons kept strong defense in the third, as freshman hurler Lauren Chastain chalked up back-to-back strikeouts to put an end to the Toro scoring threat, stranding two runners on base.

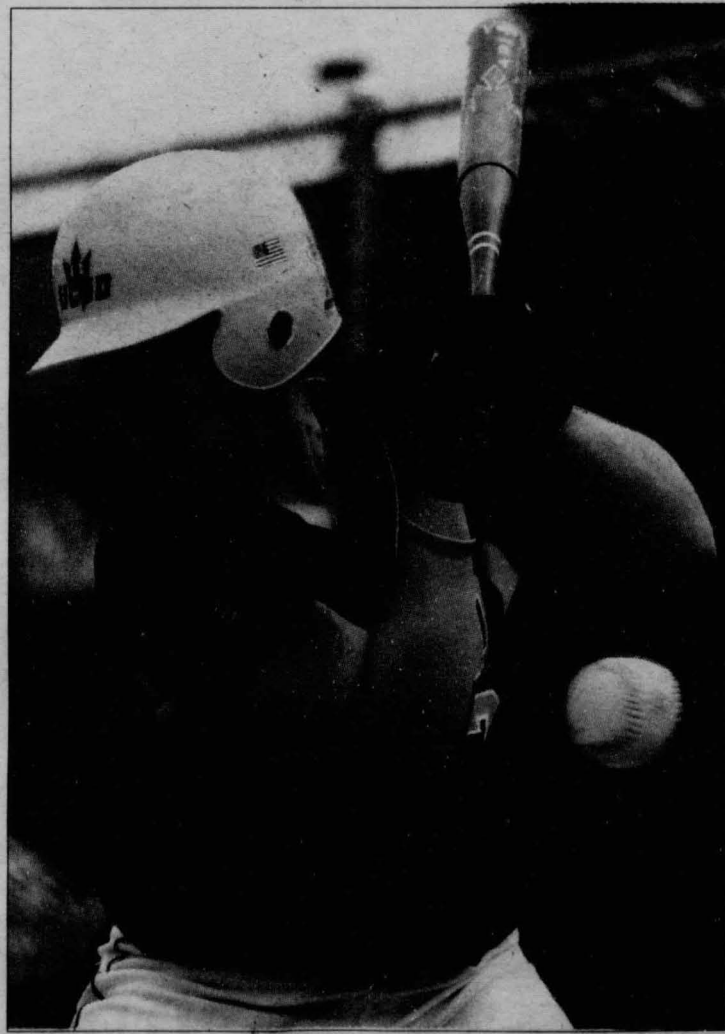
The Toros responded in the fourth, capitalizing on two UCSD errors. The defensive falter led to five Cal State Dominguez Hills runs.

UCSD could only drum up two hits in the rest of the game, while Cal State Dominguez Hills racked up another run in the fifth to seal the win.

Senior outfielder Jenny Spencer played a large role in the Triton offensive attempt, accounting for two of the six UCSD hits in her three at-bats. Prior to the game, Spencer and fellow seniors, outfielder Niki Anderson and shortstop Desiree Franciscus, were honored during the Senior Day ceremonies.

Sophomore pitcher Nicole Fullerton threw two innings of relief to hold back the Toros, allowing only three hits and walking one

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Freshman first baseman Jenni Habib and the Tritons had sour faces throughout UCSD's series against Cal State Dominguez Hills, getting swept by the Toros in a doubleheader on April 15.