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Colombia's Civil War Now Being Fought in Cities Against Leftist Rebels

BARRANCABERMEJA, Colombia — Block by block and house by house, gunmen from Colombia's surging right-wing paramilitary army are waging a fierce urban battle against leftist rebels in this grimy northern industrial center in a conflict that is usually fought in the countryside.

In Colombia's brutal civil war, paramilitary gunmen have usually fought leftist guerrillas in dusty, isolated hamlets, often massacring

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National

Nine New Power Plants Being Built in California's Farmlands

YUBA CITY, Calif. — These farmlands north of Sacramento seem an unlikely spot to represent California's hope of staving off the economic turmoil that threatens the state. The growers' cooperative in Sutter County is in bankruptcy proceedings, and the unemployment rate is 13 percent.

There has never been a high-tech boom here, local officials say, or much tourism. But just southwest of town, hundreds of workers are struggling in two 10-hour-a-

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Collegiate

Court's Reversal of Censorship Case Means Safer Days for College

DEKALB, Ill. — College media outlets received a measure of protection last week as the threat of high school censorship guidelines was erased.

The U.S. Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati declared all college media, including yearbooks, free of censorship by administrators Jan. 6. The 10-3 ruling on *Kincaid V. Gibson* limits censorship to high schools.

Kincaid V. Gibson started in 1994 when Betty Gibson, a former Kentucky State University vice

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Spoken

"Some people may not take the energy crisis seriously."

— Wendy Schiefer
Manager of Customer Relations
at Physical Plant Services



David Pliz/Guardian

Opening: Tone Loc performed along with Candyman and L.A. Symphony Friday night at the A.S.-sponsored opening of UCSD's new night club, Club Ritmo.

Ritmo Packed for Opening

A.S. Programming presented new UCSD night club with performances by Tone Loc, Candyman and DVC

By ALEX J. LEE

Associate News Editor

Friday night marked the opening of UCSD's new live entertainment venue, "Club Ritmo," which featured headliner Tone Loc with special guest Candyman.

The event, sponsored by the A.S. Council, took place from 8:30 p.m. to midnight at the Stage at Porter's Pub.

After arriving at approximately 10:30 p.m., Tone Loc took the stage to perform perennial favorites and his two most famous songs, "Wild Thing" and "Funky Cold Medina."

Eisha Christian, A.S. co-assistant commissioner of programming and one of Club Ritmo's main coordinators, was enthusiastic about its initial success.

"The club did awesome for its opening night," Christian said. "I had tons of people come and say they loved the idea that Friday nights were going to be a happening place at the Pub."

A.S. Production Manager Steve Evans monitored the club's ticket count that night

and confirmed its high turnout.

Evans reported that attendance averaged approximately 500 people throughout the night. Toward the time of Tone Loc's performance, the number increased as Porter's Pub neared its maximum capacity, with almost 700 people in attendance.

"It was a packed house and there was a really early crowd from the start — the perfect amount of people, really," Evans said. "A very large majority of the people were UCSD students."

Opening for the band were DJs from UCSD's DJs and Vinylphiles Club and the rap group L.A. Symphony.

Christian expressed her appreciation of all the night's talent, especially L.A. Symphony for extending their performance, as Tone Loc arrived later than expected.

"They all did an awesome job," Christian said. "But the response for L.A. Symphony was huge."

Impressed with the turnout at the event,

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Power Crisis Hits UCSD, Threatens Rolling Blackouts

Entire campus asked to conserve electricity

By PARISA BAHARIAN

Senior Staff Writer

The power crisis that left thousands of Californians in the dark during the past week has forced UCSD to prepare for the possibility of rolling blackouts.

Wendy Schiefer, manager of customer relations at Physical Plant Services, said the UCSD campus is in electrical stage three emergency, which means there is a threat to the electrical system reliability and an increased possibility of the campus experiencing rolling power outages.

Schiefer says that under stage three emergency, students should reduce electrical usage as much as possible and refrain from any sensitive research that requires electrical power.

Schiefer, who is living in the dark and without heat due to skyrocketing energy bills, said she believes it will take an actual blackout to get students to conserve.

"Some people may not take the energy crisis seriously," Schiefer said. "But they may find out the hard way when the power goes out."

Yolanda Trevino, assistant resident dean of Marshall college, said all the colleges have taken steps to inform residents of the need to conserve energy.

"We've sent out e-mails and community bulletins to residents, asking them to conserve energy as much as possible," Trevino said. "because during blackouts there is no heat and no electricity and the elevators will shut off."

Trevino said that the resident life offices are asking students to turn off their personal computers when they are not in use, back up all computer files, turn off extra lights, and to have flashlights and fresh batteries on hand.

Roosevelt sophomore Susan Liem, an on-campus resident, is concerned about the power crisis.

"I try to do my part by turning off extra lights and the heat," Liem said.

However, she said that she does not think many students are taking the energy crisis seri-

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UCSD Researchers to Address Cliff Erosion

A sea grant will help engineers stabilize San Diego's many endangered bluffs

By GEOFF DIETRICH

Staff Writer

The National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration is teaming up with UCSD to create a comprehensive guide to cliff stabilization methods.

Structural engineers at the Jacobs School of Engineering received a \$125,000 Sea Grant from NOAA, which was matched by UCSD for a total of \$250,000 to conduct a project titled "Mitigation of Coastal Bluff Instability in San Diego County, California."

UCSD undergraduates will work with engineers and graduate students at the Jacobs School on the project, which has significant local implications.

The study will examine how to best stabilize cliffs while keeping impact on the natural environment to a minimum, and determine the best way to slow and stop current cliff instability.

"We are approaching a crisis in San Diego County," said Scott Ashford, project leader and professor of geotechnical engineering at the Jacobs School of Engineering, referring to the stability of coastal

cliffs.

Ashford also noted that 80 percent of San Diego's 80 miles of coastline are cliffs.

Destabilization of the cliffs and bluffs occurs due to factors such as waves, vegetation and human development.

Recent storms have shown that efforts to stop erosion from pulling human development into the ocean have come too late for an effective remedy.

"It's obvious that a major problem exists, but repairs are typically only approved in emergency situations because of concerns over

damaging the bluffs or destroying the natural beauty of the coastline," Ashford said.

Ashford summarized the project by saying, "Our major goal is to pinpoint the most efficient and effective ways to resolve this growing crisis, while maintaining the environmental integrity of the landscape."

The project is divided into three phases.

The first phase consists of analyzing aerial photos of San Diego's cliffs. Photos of past and present

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Club:

Vanilla Ice will perform at Club Ritmo next Friday

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Pigeon John of L.A. Symphony shared the band's thoughts before performing.

"We're pretty honored just to open up," John said. "[All of us] are just thankful that we got booked and we're gonna give them a great show."

On opening night, Cassandra Williams, A.S. commissioner of programming and another substantial player in the development of Club Ritmo, credited Christian and Ferasat for being there from the start in Club Ritmo's evolution.

"I give them mad props just for getting here, to this point where they got a club open on campus," Williams said. "Tonight is for Eisha and Anahita to just be in the clouds because they've helped in creating a buzz around all the UC schools, since none of the others has an on-campus night club."

Anahita Ferasat, A.S. co-assistant commissioner of programming and the other main coordinator of Club Ritmo, said that talks about creating a campus-wide night club were always present among A.S. members in one form or another.

Ryan Taylor, a Revelle sophomore, showed his support for the club.

"It's totally new and it looks like it'll be cool in the future," Taylor said. "I'm definitely gonna be here next week."

Energy:

Some UCSD students are not heeding the warnings

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ously. "I see people leave their lights on all the time and turn up the heater very high," Liem said. "I don't think students will take it seriously as long as they live on campus because they don't pay the electricity bills."

Marshall sophomore Brandon Ito, also an on-campus resident, said his efforts to conserve have been thwarted by his roommates.

"I have tried to conserve energy over the past week, but it seems like I always shut all the lights off in the apartment only to come home to them all on again," Ito said. "I know that my roommates and neighbors have no will to save energy, as they keep their lights on constantly."

Ito said that even though the campus has yet to experience rolling blackouts, it is important for everyone to do their part and conserve energy.

"I'm not an environmentalist or conservationist by any means, but I believe that we've reached a sense of urgency that needs to be attended to," Ito said. "And it's partly because I feel bad for all the little kids that are home alone when their lights go out."

Ito said he is bothered by the fact that the lights in many lecture halls and buildings remain on through the night.

"I think it's absolutely ridiculous and the greatest source of energy loss that a lot of the lecture halls and buildings around campus have their lights left on the entire night," Ito said.

With the UCSD campus renown for its research and medical communities, measures have been taken to prevent the possibility of power loss to render any effect on their work.

Kim McDonald, UCSD director of science communications, said the biology division has taken steps to inform the labs to be prepared in the event of power outage and to conserve energy as much as possible.

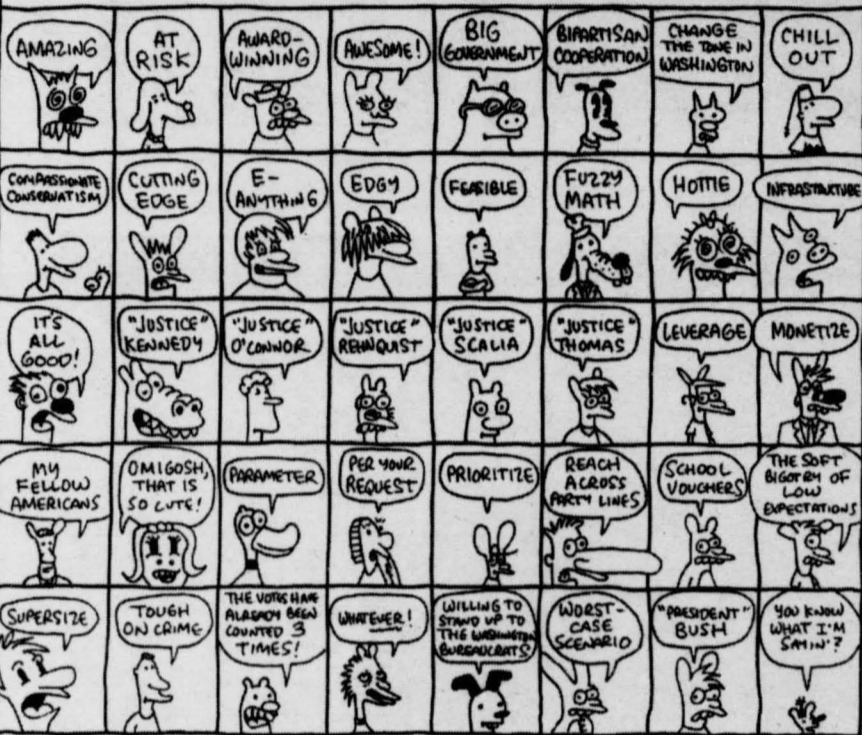
"We've warned all the labs that they should make sure that critical equipment is on emergency circuits," McDonald said. "Most of the lab

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BRIEFLY

UC Reviews Breast Cancer Report

The UC Board of Regents reviewed a report Thursday that stated that breast cancer still claims the lives of too many California women.

Marion Kavanaugh-Lynch, the director of the California Breast Cancer Research program, presented the "Status of Breast Cancer in California," which claimed that 15,000 California women diagnosed with breast cancer this year will still be alive in 10 years due to early detection, but 6,000 others will die within that same 10-year period.

The study performed by the program also found that women usually die from the disease because they did not receive early screening and their cancer was advanced beyond the point of treatment when detected.

The California Breast Cancer Research Program is managed by the UC Office of the President, which also awarded money to 70 new projects in this research field over the last year.

UC improves employee retirement plan

The UC Board of Regents updated its retirement benefits on Thursday by improving "age factors" in the UC Retirement Plan.

The changes take place effective Jan. 1, 2001 and are expected to make employment with the university more appealing to prospective workers.

The updated factors will begin at 1.1 percent at age 50 and will increase incrementally each year by 0.14 percentage points. The factors will be between 1 percent and 20 percent higher than the previous factors.

The university does not anticipate an increased rate of retirements as a result of the plan but does expect to retain older employees as their accrued retirement adds up.

The initiative is just one in a long line of adjustments made in an effort to make the university increasingly competitive in California's growing job market.

Applications now available for new student regent

Student regent applications are now avail-

able in the A.S. offices on the third floor of the Price Center.

Qualifications for the position include undergraduate, graduate or professional student enrollment status. The job requires a two-year commitment.

Benefits of the position include free parking on all UC campuses, paid mandatory university fees, paid travel expenses and a resume booster.

An information session will be held Thursday, Feb. 15 at 1 p.m. on Library Walk.

UCSD professor named news editor of quarterly journal

Robert Kaplan, a professor and chair of UCSD's Department of Family and Preventative Medicine and member of the UCSD Cancer Center, has become the new news editor of the quarterly journal of the Society of Behavioral Medicine, the "Annals of Behavioral Medicine."

Kaplan's service begins with the Feb. 8 issue and will incorporate new features such as editorial commentary, letters to the editor and reviews of intervention applications.

Other UCSD members involved with the journal include associate editor Paul J. Mills and consulting editor Donna Kritz-Silverstein.

UCSD Athletic Department to sponsor blood drive

The UCSD Athletic Department will sponsor its first annual Blood Drive in partnership with the American Red Cross Tuesday, Jan. 23.

Blood donations can be made from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the RIMAC Green Room.

Reservations can be made and are recommended due to an expected high turnout. For reservations, call (858) 534-8460 or (858) 534-4211.

All donors will receive a free Red Cross T-shirt and have their names entered in a drawing.

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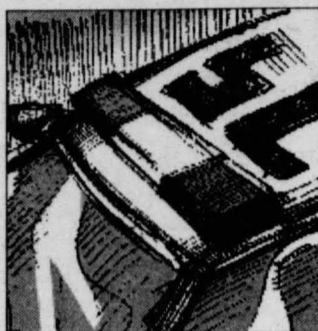
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LIGHTS & SIRENS

Lights & Sirens is a selection of entries compiled from the log book of the UCSD Police Department. UCSD crime statistics can be attained by all persons from the Police Department or at http://police.ucsd.edu



Loss: \$600. 4:15 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a UCSD identification card from RIMAC. No loss.

Wednesday, Jan. 17 12:18 a.m.: A 57-year-old male nonaffiliate was ordered off campus for seven days after creating a disturbance at the Price Center Theater.

3:53 p.m.: A student reported vandalism to a bicycle at RIMAC Arena. Loss: \$50.

6:35 p.m.: A 50-year-old faculty member suffered a head injury after falling at Outback Climbing Center. Transported to Scripps Memorial Hospital by paramedics.

Friday, Jan. 19 1:54 a.m.: Officers arrested a 43-year-old male nonaffiliate for driving under the influence of alcohol. Transported to Central Jail.

1:06 a.m.: Officers detained a 22-year-old male student near Canyon Vista for being drunk in public.

9:05 a.m.: Units and paramedics responded to a 51-year-old female staff member having difficulty breathing at the Mesa Daycare Center. Transported to Thornton by paramedics.

1:58 p.m.: A staff member reported the theft of a parking meter from the North Torrey Pines parking structure. Loss: \$260.

9:10 p.m.: Officers detained a 21-year-old male student at the Porter's Pub for being drunk in public. Transported to detox.

— Compiled by Lauren I. Coartney, News Editor

Monday, Jan. 15

6:45 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a cellular phone from Geisel Library. Loss: \$250.

7:04 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a green Trek B21 bicycle from the Price Center behind Round Table Pizza. Loss: \$300.

7:14 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a vehicle license plate from Lot 406. No loss.

9:23 p.m.: A student reported the theft of bicycle parts from the east side of Pacific Hall. Loss: \$210.

Tuesday, Jan. 16

9:48 a.m.: A 46-year-old female staff member complained of chest pain at the Bursar's office. Transported to Thornton by paramedics.

10 a.m.: Officers towed a green '95 Volkswagen Jetta from Matthews Lane near the Center for Magnetic Recording Research for having registration expired for over six months. Stored at Star Towing.

10:56 a.m.: A staff member reported vandalism at Voigt Drive and Justice Lane. No loss.

11:10 a.m.: A student reported burglary to a gray '96 Ford Ranger in the Black's Beach lot. Loss: \$10.

3:20 p.m.: A student reported burglary to a red '92 GMC suburban from Lot 102.

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OPINION



The Making of an American President

Despite what Democrats, liberals and other critics say, President Bush is amply qualified for the office

By **RYAN DARBY**
Contributing Opinion Writer

Well folks, it looks like spring cleaning has come early this year. Just as many of us have been cleaning our rooms, the American people have tossed the rubbish out of the White House. Indeed, the air is much better today than it has been for the last eight years.

Although the Democratic Party and Jesse "Rent-a-Mob" Jackson tried their hardest to steal the presidential election, Bush rightfully emerged victorious. I cannot say their behavior was unexpected: After all, these are the same people who murdered Vince Foster, who sold nuclear secrets to communist China and who, at every opportunity, have done their best to deceive the American people while pursuing their own corrupt agenda.

What saddens me is that these people have been hurling mud at President George W. Bush for weeks, trying to sour his presidency before he was even sworn in. What is even worse is that many believe these lies. That's why talk show host Michael Savage has dubbed most liberals as "sheeple." They are like sheep, following a leader without questioning his motives.

But this is UCSD. If you're here, then you're too smart to fall for their lies.

Democrats want you to believe that Bush's victory is illegitimate because it was by such a small margin. Newsflash, America: It doesn't matter whether he won by two votes or 20 million votes; Bush still won.

Democrats want you to believe that not all ballots were counted. That's obvi-

ously not the case, because all votes were counted, some twice, and in some places, as many as four times.

Remember how loudly the liberals yelled for a hand recount of the thousands of so-called undervotes in Miami-Dade County, while sensible Republicans said that those people simply didn't vote for a presidential candidate? Well, the *Palm Beach Post* hand-counted the votes and largely confirmed its hunch by reporting that 75 percent of the ballots had no markings for any presidential candidates, 20 percent had markings for more than one candidate, and only 5 percent showed some marking for a candidate. And guess what? Bush actually gained six votes in this recount.

Gore actually lost ground with this recount. I personally cannot wait until all the votes in Florida are recounted so we can see just how large Bush's margin of victory really was. Not that the truth matters to the Democratic Party.

It's particularly funny to me that liberals claim Bush is dumb by poking fun at his Texan accent and heritage. They say he's slow. Well, I've read about another president who was considered stupid by opponents. A very slow speaker, he was referred to by some as the "Dumb Ox." History books refer to him as Abraham Lincoln.

Others claim Bush's inexperience will doom him. Clinton seemed to do all right for himself after being the governor of "The Wal-Mart State." One "inexperienced" president stands out in my mind. He was sworn in during a terrible recession.

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President Bush is rightly criticized for his lack of experience, and his cabinet selections are a sign of what is to come

By **SIMONE SANTINI**
Senior Staff Writer

The selection of a cabinet is the first politically relevant act, after the electoral season of rhetoric and demagoguery (but does that season ever really end?), a president-elect is called upon to do. Although very unspecified, the cabinet selection can reveal much about the personality of the new president and about the collective personality of the new administration.

In other words: So far President George W. Bush has only talked (often in open disregard for grammar and logic alike), but now his time for action has come, and we can judge on a more factual ground the man that America had the foolishness to elect as its president.

If the remainder of the Bush presidency will be in any way inspired by his first political acts as a president-elect, it is clear that the "compassionate conservatism" lasted shorter than an unsuccessful sitcom, and that the presidency of Bush Jr. will be inspired by the bygone Reagan era in its social and political doctrines. It will be, in other words, much more conservative than it appeared from anything we saw in the campaign.

It is not easy to predict the course of a presidency at such an early stage, but, if I may venture such a prediction, one of

the results of the Bush presidency will be a strong reduction of the international role and stature of the United States. Among those that we still euphemistically call "our allies," Bush already has one of the lowest reputations of any president in this (sorry — last) century.

It may sound strange to the average American, but internationally Bush is mostly known for the appalling number of executions in Texas, and for refusing to pardon people condemned under the most incredible circumstances. Bush has had no international experience whatsoever. As far as I know, he has left the United States only three times in his life, and never in any official capacity. Considering his years as the governor of a state on the Mexican border, this is quite a feat. I doubt he has any real grasp of the current international arena, beyond those few catch phrases that got him elected.

His ideas on the role of the U.S. military reflect his lack of understanding of the modern world. He still seems convinced that the Soviet Union (or, maybe those sly Canadians) will attack the United States, and does not seem to understand the profound change that took place in the last 10 years in the balance between military and economic influence.

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It Doesn't Take a Rocket Scientist



ARNEL GUIANG

I always hear pieces of the ongoing argument regarding the hard sciences vs. the social sciences. Based on personal experience, I can say it is far more difficult and time-consuming to be an engineer. I am a computer engineering major with a minor in political science. I feel I can make this argument because I've been in both types of classes.

Social scientists often complain about the difficulty of their majors. For instance, there are a large number of people who think it is hard to be an economist or a psychology major. They think that courses such as the ECON 120 sequence are so hard and time-consuming. What bothers me most is that they think these classes are comparable to engineering classes. These complaints sound petty to me. I don't think that the classes are really comparable. Engineers have the really hard courses and, in general, the harder curriculum.

I agree that certain social science classes may be competitive, in that it is hard to earn an A, but it is in no way as challenging or time consuming as a serious engineering course.

I want to make it clear: At UCSD, the engineers prevail. The academic difficulty level for engineers far exceeds the difficulty level of any social science major. Engineers spend more

time on their classes than most social scientists.

A social scientist just reads and writes. A social scientist rarely has to retain knowledge from an earlier course to do well in a course that follows. Most social science majors are just extensions of history with a touch of criticism and argument. As long as you know how to write and you keep up with the material, you can pass a social science class.

For an engineer, the material from prerequisite courses really determines the outcome of your future classes. For instance, how can you do well in Physics 2D without having ever taken Physics 2A? How can you do well in Math 21D without having ever taken Math 20A? How can you code a compiler without knowing what a data structure is?

If I had to rank academic difficulty, engineers have the hardest curriculum at UCSD. The hard science majors, such as bio and chemistry, have a curriculum with medium difficulty. Last, the social scientists, such as economics and political science majors, have the easiest time. I consider the curriculum of other majors such as economics or political science to be trivially difficult compared with science or engineering majors.

Let's compare some department curriculum requirements in terms of numbers. Let's not consider general education requirements. Economics majors are required to take roughly 17 courses. Political science majors are required to take 16 courses. Biology majors have to take

between 22 and 27 courses for their major. Computer engineers are required to take more than 35 courses. Bioengineers are required to take more than 40 courses to graduate. Do the math. Do you social scientists see the difference? Why do you complain?

It takes 180 units (45 classes) to graduate. Social scientists have enough time left over for things called electives. Most of the social scientists actually have to take electives in order to hit 180 units. Social scientists have time to pursue minors or double majors. It is even possible for a social science major to graduate in three years.

Most of the engineers do not take electives, unless it is for fun. It is highly unlikely for an engineer to graduate in three years due to the curriculum requirements.

As a result of the easier curriculum, social science majors get to have more time and a more relaxed schedule. If social science majors were required to take more than 30 classes for their majors, I suppose I wouldn't be ranting about this issue.

In my opinion, the difficulty level of a social science major and that of an engineering major are not even comparable. The curriculum alone highlights why it is harder to be an engineer and easier to be a social scientist.

I know a lot of you social scientists think differently and might be a little outraged. Let me know your opinion so we can print it. Send a comment to the editor.

No Love Affair Between Bush, Gays

Gay community should be wary of new president's policies and appointments

By **VALERIE BURNS**
Staff Writer

It makes me cringe to know that such an ignorant little man will be leading our country for the next four years. I don't see how President George W. Bush can call himself a compassionate conservative when he aims to hurt 10 percent of the population.

The Gay and Lesbian Alliance Against Defamation, GLAAD, and other gay organizations have been fueling the anti-Bush fire since the beginning of his campaign. Their most successful anti-Bush advertising has been the publicizing of his shackling, hurtful policies toward gays and lesbians.

He opposes same-sex marriage. He does not even want to allow same-sex couples to adopt children. The *Dallas Morning News* quoted him saying, "I believe children ought to be adopted in families with a woman and man who are married."

He supports the military's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy, as shown by his cabinet nomination of Gen. Colin Powell, who was the creator of that policy. He opposes hate-crime legislation, which would be used for such cases as Matthew Shepard's.

Dubya's most eloquent statement is the following as collected by *The Dallas Morning News*: "The next president must fight against discrimination, but I think we can do so without special treatment of people." It's interesting because the

context in which he says this regards employment nondiscrimination. With that statement, he decided to solve the problem of discrimination against gay and lesbian employees by ignoring it.

His policy is repulsive when it comes to AIDS and health care. Bush is an opponent of funding for AIDS health care. During his term, the Texas Department of Health began a name-reporting program for people with HIV (see <http://www.planetout.com> for information). That it is possible to find out if someone has a disease is a complete invasion of privacy.

With that information, one would think that all openly gay people would have voted for Al Gore in the past election. However, according to www.planetout.com, 25 percent of openly gay voters voted for Bush.

Planetout columnist Michelangelo Signorele stated that this is a ceiling not a floor, because no one knows how many gays were unwilling to declare their sexuality at the polls. Considering that so much of America consists of little backwater towns in the middle of nowhere, that is a low, low ceiling. Obviously, if you lived in one of those towns, you might not be comfortable with your homosexuality.

One might ask, why would anyone who is gay vote Republican to begin with? Some have suggested that the absence of a positive progression of gay rights legislation by the Democratic president in the last

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Pro:

Democrats are hypocritical with accusations

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sion, yet he turned around the economy and also brought the Soviet Union down to its knees. His name is Ronald Reagan, and he is the finest president this country has ever had. Perhaps we should give Bush a chance before condemning his presidency. We are certainly better off with him in office than Al Gore.

If the American people prosper, who should reap the benefits of this success, the people who earned this money or the federal government? It should be given back to the people, of course.

We are a capitalist society. The rules are simple. Work as hard as you can to earn as much as you can. So if our hard work has resulted in a federal budget surplus, then

why should the government claim the extra money it took from us?

Bush's plan is very simple: If you pay income taxes, then you will receive a tax cut. Low- and middle-income workers will receive the biggest tax cut. Everyone will benefit from this. More importantly, the sinking economy Clinton left us with will receive a vital boost because people will use this extra money to buy more products and invest directly into the market.

Democrats will lead you to believe that Bush's prior bouts with alcoholism make him unfit for the presidency. This could not be any further from the truth, as it shows his strength far more than his weakness. Bush admits that he is an alcoholic, but the main thing is that he has stopped drinking. Most people are simply not strong enough to stop, yet Bush managed to do so. It is a perpetual battle for him. He will always be tempted to take that one drink that will turn

into many. Yet he obviously has the strength to fight this temptation, and that speaks volumes of his true character.

Democrats certainly have no basis for condemning morals. Where should I start? The "Reverend" Jesse Jackson just admitted to fathering a child outside of his wife's company. Witnesses have come forth alleging that Gore used to be an outrageous dope fiend. Clinton apparently smoked a few joints too, but "didn't inhale." Right, and Monica was just trying to perform CPR.

One of the nastiest lies the Democrats will tell you is that Bush will take away a woman's right to choose. Lies, lies, lies. While Bush feels that abortion is morally wrong, he has no intention of trying to outlaw it. People who claimed otherwise were merely trying to scare you into voting for Gore.

But you were too smart to fall for their lies, right?

Con:

Cabinet selections far from moderate as promised

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The most important influences of the Bush administration will, however, be felt within the country. The case has been made, and well documented, that the Bush presidency will signal a step back in social policy, possibly a serious degrade in our already-failing health care system and a deeper division between the wealthy and the poor. I would like to note in addition to this that the election of Bush signals, in a sense, the end of American politics as we knew it.

We have known for a long time that elections are essentially won by money, and that strong special interests always manage to get politicians elected. We know, as Bill Bradley said in an interview with National Public Radio, that today politicians are constantly in "election mode," and that they spend most of their time raising money and trying to appease the people who give them that money.

To some extent, however, it was impossible to believe that behind all this, some remnant of true politics, of the ideals which should inspire public service, would still survive. Now that we have elected a president who, according to his own supporters, is completely inadequate to lead the country, whose only goal was to continue policies outdated by 10 years and who has been quite openly placed in the White House to serve special interests, this illusion cannot be

sustained anymore. We have, in a very real sense, ceased to be a democracy in order to become an economic aristocracy.

Bush's first acts as president project a dark image of what the Bush administration will be: radically conservative in its social policy, isolationist in the international arena, strongly influenced by industrial special interest and characterized by an unprecedented prominence of Christian fundamentalism. In other words, throughout his centrist electoral campaign Bush has, to use an expression dear to the conservative heart, lied to the American people. Somehow, this time we were supposed to think that lying was not such a bad thing.

Democrats should take note, since the Bush presidency might finally be a good occasion to retaliate for the behavior of the Republicans during the Clinton years.

We must realize that while we were constantly trying to take the high road, the Republicans closed it, dismantled it and sold the parts for scrap. If we can learn the Republican lesson of all-out, no-holds-barred political fighting, of playing dirty and then crying foul at the first attempt of retaliation, of scrounging all possible dirt and using it to the fullest extent of the law and beyond, we will be able to contrast this administration.

It shouldn't be hard. Bush is a former boozehound, probably a former cocaine user and his closet contains more skeletons than the entire UCSD School of Medicine. With hard work and a bit of luck, we can have him impeached before Christmas.

Gays:

President Bush offers only silence to homosexuals

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eight years has caused many frustrated gay Democrats to vote Bush.

The same-sex marriage bill was not passed and the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" military bill was. This caused a lot of frustration. Currently, there is even a small contingent of gay Republicans called the "Log Cabin Republicans."

A lot of older gays and lesbians could have voted Republican for economic reasons. Many gay and lesbian couples are known as DINKs, or "Double Income, No Kids." They do not have the tax advantages that come with marriage, so they would want to be

taxed as little as possible. Because these couples don't have kids, they have a larger amount of disposable income and therefore want less of it taken away. Republican emphasis on low taxes for those in higher tax brackets would benefit most DINKs.

Many say that blatant discrimination and the predicted sinking economy will contribute to a quick four-and-out for Bush. This would possibly cause the next president to be Democrat. Supposedly, Dubya will leave such a bad taste in voters' mouths that they will be eager to elect a Democrat, preferably Hillary Clinton, for the following eight years.

Bush will hurt gays in ways that have yet to be discussed. The obvious way he will affect gay rights is with his appointments to the Supreme Court. The less obvi-

ous way he will affect gay rights is his thousands of appointments in the executive branch. Those thousands of appointments will be little personal additions to the federal government, and each one will have its own effect on the workings of the government.

The most representational gauge of how things will go between Bush and gays for the next four years may be seen in how the Bush administration handles Linda Cheney, the out-lesbian daughter of Vice President Dick Cheney.

Or rather, how it does not handle her. Whenever the media asks a member of the Bush administration about Linda, the reply is "no comment." I can assure you that will be the reply for the next four years concerning gay and lesbian issues.

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WORLD & NATION

Bush Settles Into a Redecorated White House on Inauguration Day

WASHINGTON — In his first full day in the White House, President Bush on Sunday gave a tour of his new home to supporters, prepared to announce a trip to Mexico, and settled into an Oval Office that in less than 24 hours had been redecorated to remove virtually all traces of its previous occupant.

After an exhausting Saturday night of inaugural ball-hopping, Bush woke early, had coffee with his parents and spent most of the day getting accustomed to his new surroundings.

At moments, the 132-room mansion appeared somewhat unfamiliar to him despite his father's four-year residency there. The new president listened carefully as a White House guide took him and supporters on a tour of the public rooms. Later he greeted some of the 2,200 people who were successful in obtaining tickets to the traditional first-day open house.

"I slept pretty well," Bush said, telling reporters that he planned to take it easy Sunday.

Behind the scenes — and amid falling plaster, fresh paint and a mass of computer cables — his top aides were planning their strategy for a week devoted to fleshing out his education pro-



Chuck Kennedy/Knight-Ridder Tribune

posals and taking the first legislative crack at his promise of a \$1.6 trillion tax cut.

His chief of staff, Andrew Card, said that Bush was considering a trip to Mexico sometime in the next two months, to visit the foreign leader he knows best, the country's new president, Vicente Fox.

Bush's aides have made it clear that they intend to get the new president off to an active start, even if his first week is filled more with symbolism than legislative substance.

Within two hours of his oath-taking on Saturday, he ordered a halt on the publication of new

regulations in the Federal Register until they could be reviewed, and issued instructions to slow the implementation of already published executive orders and regulations that flooded out the White House in former President Clinton's last days.

In the White House, even the appearance of the West Wing is changing. Gone from the Oval Office is the dark-blue carpet that dominated the room, replaced by an off-white oval rug with touches of melon and sage.

— David E. Sanger
The New York Times

Planetarium Demotes Baby Planet Pluto

NEW YORK — As she walked past a display of photos of planets at the Rose Center for Earth and Space, Pamela Curtice of Atlanta scrunched her brow, perplexed. There didn't seem to be enough planets.

She started counting on her fingers, trying to remember the mnemonic her son had learned in school:

My Very Educated Mother Just Served Us Nine Pizzas.

Mercury, Venus, Earth, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune.

"I had to go through the whole thing to figure out which one was missing," she said.

Pluto was not there.

Quietly, and apparently uniquely among major institutions, the American Museum of Natural History cast Pluto from the pantheon of planets when it opened the Rose Center last February. Nowhere does the center describe Pluto as a planet, but nowhere does it declare that Pluto is NOT a planet.

"We're not that confrontational,"

said Dr. Neil de Grasse Tyson, the planetarium director.

Still, the move is surprising, because the museum appears to have unilaterally demoted Pluto, reassigning it as one of more than 300 icy bodies orbiting beyond Neptune, in a region called the Kuiper Belt.

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"They went too far in demoting Pluto, way beyond what the mainstream astronomers think," said Dr. Richard P. Binzel, a planetary science professor at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Dr. S. Alan Stern, director of Southwest Research Institute's space studies department in Boulder, Colo., agreed: "They are a minority viewpoint. It's absurd. The astronomical community has settled this issue."

— Kenneth Chang
The New York Times

War:

Paramilitaries have been selective about killings

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unarmed villagers accused of providing rebels with supplies. But in the last few weeks, the United Self-Defense Forces of Colombia have retooled for urban warfare in this city of 300,000, abruptly changing strategies in the new environment, say human rights workers and the combatants themselves.

Instead of mass killings, the paramilitaries have, for the most part, been selectively killing rebels. Instead of terrorizing residents, the

paramilitaries are paying handsomely to rent houses in battle-ground neighborhoods, as well as for supplies and information that can be used against the rebels.

And in contrast to warfare in the countryside, human rights groups say, the militia members are killing fewer people than the rebels, who have responded to the threat in neighborhoods they long controlled with a furious assault on those they accuse of supporting the paramilitaries.

"In a rural zone, it's very different," said a commander who goes by the name Lexor. "In a rural zone, you can shoot where you want, and there's no problem. Here, you can't because there's a

civilian population in the middle, and our war is direct. Very direct."

That is not to say it is not brutal. Already, 38 killings have been registered since Jan. 1, a pace that would give Barrancabermeja 637 homicides for the year. That would top the 567 last year, a rate nearly 20 times that of New York City.

Barrancabermeja (pronounced Bah-RAHN-kah-ber-MAY-huh) is the most violent city in Colombia. The country has been racked for 36 years by a conflict that pits two rebel armies against the government and the outlawed paramilitaries, which draw resources from large landowners and narco-trafficking.

Power:

The new plants are not an immediate solution

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day shifts to build a huge power-generating plant in the nation's largest state, which has not built a major energy plant in over a decade.

Several such mammoth construction projects are under way in California, and energy analysts say they are an essential key to easing the deepening electricity crisis that has led to rolling blackouts in recent days, threatening the livelihood of businesses ranging from Internet companies in Silicon Valley to farms in the inland valleys.

Even though the projects represent a total of 6,723 megawatts — enough electricity to power nearly 7 million homes, they do not by themselves guarantee an adequate supply for California, since roughly half of the existing power plants are more than 30 years old and in danger of being retired, according to the California Energy Commission, a state agency.

In the short term, many independent experts say that the only way the state can avoid supply

problems is to expand conservation measures, especially those that significantly bring down the peak demand level. One way to do that is to make the power more expensive at times of the day when demand is greatest, giving businesses and consumers an incentive to change their electricity use.

No major power plants were built in California in the 1990s, when the state's population grew by 4 million, and a soaring economy, led by the boom in high technology, also sparked demand for electricity. Since deregulation passed, California has approved the nine plants now under construction, and 22 more are now in the regulatory pipeline.

But the new plants do not represent any immediate solution to California's electricity shortages. Two big utilities, Pacific Gas and Electric and Southern California Edison, are on the verge of bankruptcy, they say, because they had to buy electricity on the open wholesale market as prices rose, but under California's deregulation law they could not pass costs on to the consumer.

— Sam Howe VerHovek
The New York Times

Many Filipinos Welcome Change in Leadership

MANILA, Philippines — President Joseph Estrada's departure from office this past weekend and the swearing-in of Vice President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo to replace him brought a peaceful end to the Philippines' worst political crisis since the strongman Ferdinand Marcos was driven from office in 1986.

Estrada, who was accused of widespread corruption, stepped down on Saturday, after top aides and military officials withdrew their support for him, and tens of thousands of protesters took to the streets in what is being viewed as the resurgence of the "people power" revolution that ousted Marcos.

At church services, shopping malls, restaurants and street stalls across Manila, the mood on Sunday was upbeat and the talk centered on the pivotal role that huge public demonstrations played in Estrada's exit.

Speaking at a downtown Mass attended by several thousand people, Arroyo praised the country's young people, who made up the vast majority of the demonstrators.

At the same Mass, the Roman Catholic cardinal Jaime Sin, the nation's spiritual leader, said the country was like a newborn child

and admonished Filipinos to remain vigilant. "We must never allow the mistakes of the past to best us again," he said.

But Estrada left office without being prosecuted, despite compelling evidence against him, which was suppressed at his Senate impeachment trial. And that was proof for many here that 15 years after the end of the notorious graft-filled Marcos years, the Philippines was still far from conquering corruption, and real democracy remained elusive.

"This will be a very hollow victory if Estrada, his cronies, and the senators who tried to cover up his crimes are allowed to walk away free," said Bill Luz, executive director of the Makati Business Club, an organization of the country's largest corporations.

Aquilino Pimentel, the former president of the Senate, said that bribes, payoffs, kickbacks and nepotism were endemic across all sectors of the Philippines and that cracking down on corruption and strengthening the economy should be the top priorities of the new administration.

— Calvin Sims
The New York Times

Now, the city is being fought over because the government is considering, as a basis for peace talks, allowing the National Liberation Army to control a 2,000-square-mile zone in the jungles and cattle ranches across the Magdalena River in Bolivar province.

The paramilitaries, who in the last two years pushed their way into the region, oppose such a move. They say they are simply protecting the region from becoming what the southern Cauca Province became when the government created a similar zone two years ago for the larger rebel group: a safe haven for rebels to hide kidnapping victims, initiate attacks and culti-

— Juan Forero
The New York Times

Energy:

Emergency generators will provide power

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buildings have emergency generators that will come on, to keep animal facilities and critical equipment running, but we are mostly hoping that we dodge the bullet somehow."

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Hospitals have also undergone measures in order to safeguard against possible rolling blackouts.

Director of Facilities Dennis Goodrich said the hospitals have back up emergency generators that ensure all life saving equipment.

"Due to the automatic nature of the emergency generators, all life saving equipment never senses loss of power and so patients are under no danger," Goodrich said.

Cliffs:

The project is getting support from coastal areas

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will be digitized in order to establish the success of existing mitigation methods.

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effectiveness of the various solutions as well as the environmental impact.

It will serve as a guide for the numerous coastal regulatory agencies and property owners.

With the information from the project, government agencies and property owners will have enough information to take preventive measures before any major destabilization occurs.

With the support from the cities of Encinitas, Del Mar, Solana Beach and San Diego along with the San Diego Super Computer Center and the California Coastal Commission, Ashford expects the project to be a success.

Collegiate:

Students funded the yearbook costs

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president for student affairs, transferred the school newspaper's adviser, Laura McCullen, according to the Student Press Law Center. Later that school year, Gibson confiscated about 2,000 copies of the 1993-94 yearbook, "The Thorobred," citing a purple cover — not a school color — and too many photos and stories about current events as reasons for the confiscation.

Students paid for the yearbooks with \$9,000 in student activity fees.

— Northern Star

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• Film and Panel discussion. Join our discussion of current issues in reproductive rights with Cecile DeMonteveri. In conjunction with the 28th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade, 4-6pm @ The Women's Center (407 U.Ctr.)

Tuesday, Jan. 23

• SOLO Seminar-Financial Responsibilities. Presented by Katherine Wood, Financial Consultant for Salomon Smith-Barney. Topics discussed will include: budgeting, cash management, debt and basic knowledge of stocks, bonds and mutual funds. 1-2pm @ Price Center Gallery A.

Wednesday, Jan. 24

• WWII: Paying the Price of Freedom. UCSD Civic Collaborative in partnership with The Dept. of History/UCSD presents a panel discussion and exhibit featuring distinguished members of the SD County chapter of the AMERICAN EX-PRISONERS OF WAR. Panel Discussion 10-11:30am, Refreshments and Exhibit 11:30am-2pm. Free event @ Copley Conference Center/Institute of the Americas/UCSD. For more info 858.822.3124

• Naughty or Nice? New rules for the Workplace. A new CA law now holds co-workers individually liable for workplace harassment. Come discuss workplace issues. Co-sponsored by the Office of Sexual Harassment Prevention and Policy. 11:30am-1pm @ The Women's Center (407 U.Ctr.)

Thursday, Jan. 25

• Lunar New Year Lion Dance. There will be an awesome Lion Dance Team from San Diego which will be performing the traditional dance. There will be cultural displays, decorations and information. A special Chinese menu will be served by the Plaza Cafe staff. 6:30pm in Plaza Cafe and 7:15pm in Pepper Canyon Plaza.

Saturday, Jan. 27

• Wanna see whales? Join the UCSD International Club for its annual adventure at sea. All invited, only \$15. Spaces are limited! Sign up at the International Center main office. 1pm @ the International Center.

• zOOM@UCSD: SRTV new show every Monday, 9pm. Dorm cable, ch 18. Broadcasting all the news that fits on the screen, zOOM@UCSD focuses the lens on every aspect of campus life you can shake a mic at.

• ASIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY FORUM: This informal group addresses Asian students concerns in a supportive and problem-solving atmosphere. Possible topics include academic success, family pressures, cultural identity, and relationships. Led by Dr. Jeanne Manese 534-3035 and Dr. John Wu. Fridays 12-1:30pm at the Cross Cultural Center, 510 Univ. Ctr. Psychological and Counseling Services.

• Need living essentials, clothes, shoes? Find this and much more more at the Vendor Fair for affordable prices! Jan 22-Jan 26 from 9-5pm on Library Walk.

ACADEMICS

Monday, Jan. 22

• FINDING AN INTERNSHIP THAT'S RIGHT FOR YOU. Don't miss this new workshop. Topics include: benefits of internships, assessing your internship interests, and searching for internships. 11:30am @ Career Services Center. 534-4939

• ON-CAMERA: PRACTICE INTERVIEWS FOR PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL. Learn the key elements of the graduate and professional school application process. 1:30pm. Sign up @ Career Services Center. 534-4939

• ON-CAMERA: PRACTICE INTERVIEWS FOR EMPLOYMENT. Don't sweat during interviews! Improve your skills, build confidence, and prepare for the real thing! During this small group workshop, you'll practice answering interview questions while being videotaped and get immediate feedback from the group and a career advisor. Sign up in advance. Limited space. 11am-1:30pm @ Career Services Center. 534-4939

• Freshman, sophomores, and new transfer students interested in the medical school application process are invited to the quarterly Pre Med Forum. Three current fourth year medical students, who were also undergraduates at UCSD, will present their perspectives on the career and admission process. The forum, held the third Monday of every quarter, is sponsored by the Revelle College for the entire campus. 7pm @ York Hall 2622.

Tuesday, Jan. 23

• Verbal Skills Workshop @ Price Center Gallery A. 5:30pm. Come attend a FREE Kaplan Verbal seminar for a practical discussion about the importance of verbal skills on the MCAT, DAT, GRE and others.

• PREPARING AN INTERNSHIP RESUME: Need help developing a resume for internship positions? Don't miss this informative workshop! Get tips on how to write a winning internship resume. 11:30am @ Career Services Center. 534-4939

• ECONOMICS: Career Option & Graduate Study (panel): Are you an economics major or someone who would like to use your background in the field as an analyst, researcher, consultant or financial advisor? Are you interested in pursuing an advanced degree in economics? If so, this panel presentation is for you! You'll hear experts in the field discuss these options! 2:30pm @ Career Services. 534-4939

Wednesday, Jan. 24

• APPLICATION BASICS: REFERENCE LETTERS & APPLICATION ESSAYS. Learn the key elements of the graduate and professional school application process. Don't miss this session! 12:15pm @ Career Services. 534-3750

Thursday, Jan. 25

• ACING YOUR JOB INTERVIEW. Nervous about job interviewing? Not to worry! Attend this workshop to learn helpful strategies, how to prepare, typical questions, and follow up tips, so you can ace your interview and never let 'em see you sweat. 11:30am-12:30pm @ Career Services. 534-3750

Friday, Jan. 26

• APPLICATION DEADLINE FOR CAREER EXPLORATION WEEK. Sign up for this job shadowing experience that takes place during Spring Break (March 26-30). Limited space. Open to freshman, sophs, jrs, and grad students graduating Dec '01 or later. 534-3750.

CLUBS

Tuesday, Jan. 23

• A WAY WITH WHALES. Whale experts will share secrets about whale migration, communication, and way of life. Slide presentation and snacks. Bring your friends and join the international club at the awesome presentation! 7pm @ the International Center Lounge.

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Ongoing

• GRADUATE WOMEN IN SCIENCE, MATH, ENGINEERING, SOM, AND SIO: Graduate women in traditionally male dominated fields can feel isolated. Gain support in this therapy group. Thursdays, 12-2pm in 2024 Humanities and Social Science Bldg. Call Dr. Reina Juarez 534-3875 or Fiona 534-5981 for a pre-group appointment. Psychological and Counseling Services.

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• RE-ENTRY AND TRANSFER STUDENT SUPPORT GROUP: Mondays from 3-4:30pm at Half Dome Lounge at Muir College. Led by Sam Park Ph.D., 534-3585 and Greg Lucas Ed.S., 534-1725. Call Sam or Greg for further info or to sign up.

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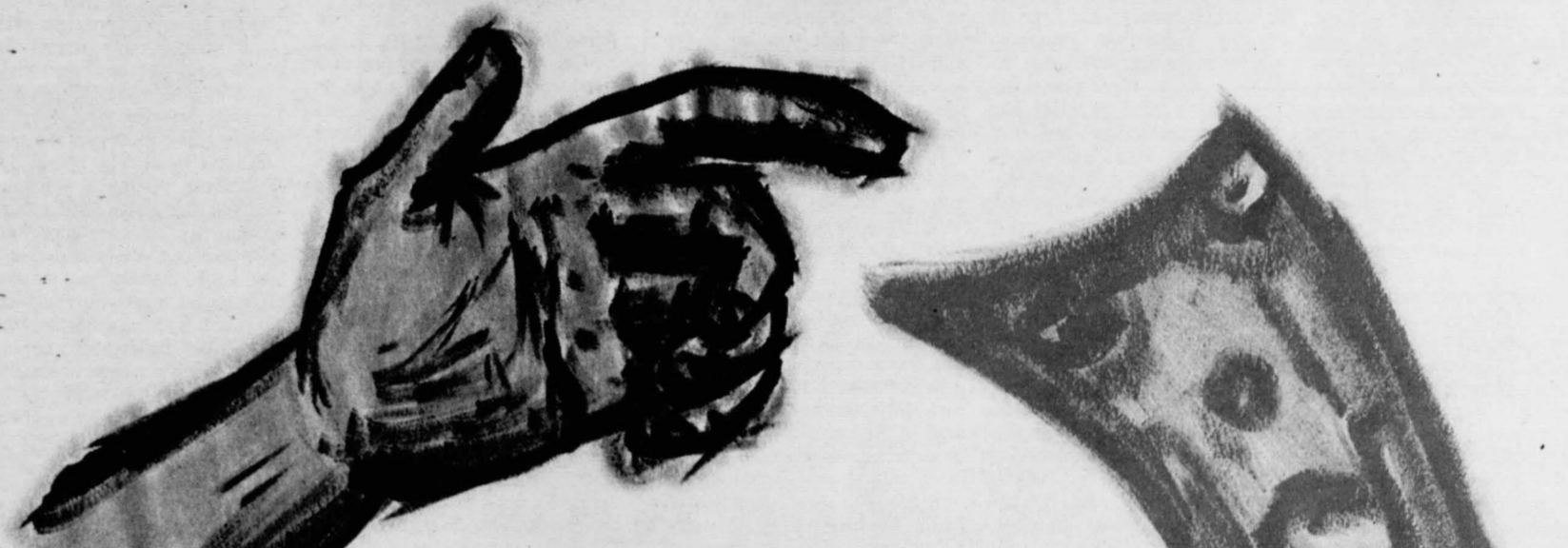
RELIGION

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• Anglican/Episcopal Student Association Eucharist and free dinner/fellowship. 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays each month. 5-6pm in the International Center Southwest Room.

FEATURES

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Student Trustees embody the philanthropic spirit of UCSD

Looking around, some would argue that students at UCSD are generally apathetic and a bit disdainful of their undergraduate experiences. After all, we are not a Division I school. We don't even have a football team.

But look a bit deeper, and you will find that student involvement is making UCSD one of the top-ranked schools in California and in the nation. In fact, as a public institution, we place seventh in U.S. News and World Report's 2001 college ranking. UCSD is also the third-ranked college in the UC system and, at 31st, one of the youngest colleges to make the top 50 in the nation.

As a research institution, UCSD is even more impressive. We recently took one of three major \$300 million state grants from UC Berkeley, which is perhaps a telltale sign of more to come.

These statistics are made possible in part by the involvement of students, like the members of the UCSD Student Foundation, the donors that support this group and the inspiration of people like Vice Chancellor James Langley, who initially came up with the idea for the group.

Conception
The UCSD Student Foundation is an idea carried over from Georgia Tech by Langley, who, as vice chancellor, is in charge of external relations. It is the first in the UC system and stems from the philosophy that when given the opportunity to become involved and invested in the betterment of their own education, students will rise to the occasion.

The idea took off in early 1999 when UCSD graduates Marc and Patricia Brutton agreed to donate \$100,000 to start the foundation. The Bruttons have a history of donating money to UCSD, specifically to the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund, and saw this as a chance to encourage student participation and to enable students to make a difference for themselves.

The money established a means of "reaching out to aspiring students with business acumen and offering them a way to connect to the University," according to the Foundation's Web site, located at <http://www.studentfoundation.ucsd.edu>.

The main goal of the UCSD Student Foundation is to build a strong student community that understands the role of philanthropic acts in a society. Written directly into its bylaws is this statement: "The purpose of the UCSDSF is to promote, facilitate and perpetuate the philanthropic spirit among the UCSD student community."

Langley has described the Student Foundation as an opportunity for friends and supporters of the university to interact with students, a mechanism for the student body to support fundraising efforts and a way for students to give to each other by way of scholarships.

It isn't that difficult for one student to make a difference, according to Carolyn Muhlstein, a graduate student at the School of International Relations and Pacific Studies, and member of the Student Foundation. "The founders of the UCSD Student Foundation understood

that when individuals begin donating money to philanthropic organizations at a young age, this habit stays with them later in life," Muhlstein said. "The founders also understood that it is important for all members of society to make contributions of any size to philanthropy, regardless of personal wealth. As students, most of us are financially strapped, but by giving a little, and seeing how our resources can be pooled to make a difference, we gain a very real understanding of our ability to positively influence the lives of those less fortunate."

According to Ping Yeh, an engineering graduate student and the current president of the Student Foundation, the "philanthropic spirit of UCSD" means an awareness of how lucky we all are.

"We have more than an opportunity to get an education at UCSD," Yeh said. "Once we realize we have such gifts in life, we have seemingly a moral obligation to take action to improve our university, our communities and our earth. Making daily efforts to strengthen our relationships with others, with UCSD and ourselves, will bring us all closer to the way of life that brings respect and caring for each other and our environment."

Structure
The Student Foundation is modeled after the UCSD Foundation, a committee of 50 people entrusted to manage the university's endowment

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By JESSICA SCHEPPMANN,
Senior Staff Writer

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The Editor's Soapbox

By ALISON NORRIS
Managing Editor

Political Zipper Problem Proves far Better than the Alternative

I would like to propose a mild brain teaser for all the semi-awake, loyal readers out there who are waiting with baited breath to flip to the personals section of this newspaper. Our nation, which has tried time and time again to legislate human morality, is amoral. Believe it: Sex, drugs and violence are still "the American Way."

The Reverend Jesse Jackson — Rainbow Coalition posterboy and spiritual advisor to former President Clinton — has a 20-month-old illegitimate child, and meanwhile, Texas' electric chair is regularly being filled with flesh to deep-fry unpopular members of our own species.

Floridians still think their votes were fairly counted, and we all still have a 50-50 chance of divorcing. Forget the fact that I'm not being inaugurated into anything, this is my inaugural address.

The rampant zipper problem plaguing public officeholders of the male genre has many Americans embittered. Those who know me will also know that I too have been a sucker for a man in power, and thus I offer the following advice to the Monicas of this nation: Run to the media, ladies — we will embrace your stories of size and style whether

you've been sleeping with congressmen, reverends or first ladies. By spilling it all, you may gain a little of the power that was handed to those men just because they were born with penises. My advice comes with one reservation, however — just don't go to Larry Flynt.

As for the death penalty, I point to the Environmental Protection Agency's Endangered Species Protection Program, which obliges the government to protect species from pesticides. The poison-filled needles that our government has so subtly break up and endearingly nicknamed "lethal injections" certainly qualify as pesticides meant for the pestlike members of the human species. Any analytical thinker can see that through the electric chair, we're letting the D.C. boys regard preservation of species.

Not to mention the fact that, somehow, women and whites are mysteriously avoiding death row in comparison to the number of black men, who are the favorite contestants for execution, that are on death row. I support affirmative action — does that mean I'm a proponent of opening up a few spots for the women and white men who keep getting excluded from death row while African American men occupy all the slots? Not exactly. I'm not arguing

for a diversification of death row; I'm arguing for an elimination of the whole idea in general. I don't care if people want to strap each other down with leather belts as long as it isn't about death.

If all that doesn't convince you, consider this: Government-endorsed and government-enforced murder doesn't seem like a good idea when we've got people like Dubya calling the shots. Wouldn't you be a bit miffed if that moron, who recently told Barbara Walters that he is unsure if Russia is a friend or a threat, ordained your execution? I guess the cocaine and booze must have caused him to miss more of the '80s than we originally thought — the guy still doesn't realize that the Cold War ended.

Another problem plaguing "the union" is sketchy voting procedures. The fact that Florida is filled with nothing but prune juice consumers and people who earn their income by parading around Fantasy Land as mice, chipmunks and princesses should have caught our attention a long time ago. No wonder the butterfly ballot confused them — they either work at "The Happiest Place on Earth" or they haven't had contact with anyone but the Rite Aid pharmacist in over 30 years. Obviously, they're a bit

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HOROSCOPES



By LINDA BLACK
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Aries (March 21-April 19)
Get an adversary to put in a good word for you to the boss on Monday, but make sure the pay-back is something you'll be able to afford. Ask for the raise on Tuesday and reimbursement for past favors. Put the final touches on your plan with teammates Wednesday. Thursday's stop and go all day, as you find last-minute problems. Get your priorities into order over the weekend, with love, of course, coming first.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)
Set a practical theme for your travels on Monday and Tuesday. You can make that excursion tax deductible and still have a fabulous time. You can benefit from changes at the top on Wednesday and Thursday if you play your cards carefully. Remind the boss how trustworthy you are and cause your resources, as well as responsibilities, to increase. Everybody wants into your pockets on Friday and Saturday. Save up, instead, for a worthy cause you'll find on Sunday.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)
If you brown bag it on Monday and Tuesday, you can save enough for a nice excursion on Wednesday. Let a fascinating foreigner talk you out of your dull routine. You'll be in the mood to do the same on Thursday and Friday, but there's almost too much confusion. Work interferes with play, but play triumphs, at home. Don't go far on Friday, or Saturday, either. Provide what an older person needs, and you'll be generously rewarded on Sunday.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)
Your partner's kind of bossy on Monday and Tuesday, but don't put up much of a fuss. You could

reap heretofore unimagined benefits. Research a likely investment on Wednesday, so you can move quickly when the time is right on Thursday. If you know what you're doing, you can make a sweet deal. Don't let a gossip ruin your plans on Friday. Trust your intuition instead. Sleep in on Saturday. Traveling early isn't a good idea anyway. Postpone your trip until Sunday, and it'll be much more relaxing.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)
Friends think you're the best one for the job on Monday and Tuesday, so prove them right. Make plans with your partner on Wednesday, but don't get rigid. There are bound to be surprises on Thursday and Friday, and not all pleasant. Take them one at a time, and don't worry. The overall outcome looks positive if you mind your manners. Save your receipts on Saturday. Odds are good you'll get something you later decide to take back. Sunday you're more likely to get what you really like, but you don't mind going into debt then, either. Better take your analytical friend's advice, instead of following your own whim on that one.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
A romantic connection is worth the trouble to get there, on Monday and/or Tuesday. Sure, the work is piling up, but that's OK. Wednesday and Thursday are about nothing else, anyway. A project you've been anticipating finally starts and stops and starts, in fits and spurts. Schedule a relaxing conversation with your favorite listener for Friday, close to home. Something you thought you had figured out could backfire Saturday, but by Sunday the bugs should all be eradicated.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
Love beckons on Monday and Tuesday, but you're not quite ready yet. Finish household chores and decoration, so you can relax on Wednesday. Plans you're making show great promise then, but difficulties are encountered on Thursday and Friday. Keep talking, and you'll figure out how to fix just about everything together. You'll lose patience on Saturday if costs run higher than expected. Keep shopping until Sunday, and you're more

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CROSSWORD

Grid for crossword puzzle with numbers 1-64.

- ACROSS: 1 Twitch, 4 Needless activity, 8 Actor Zero, 14 Lennox's love, 15 Turner of "Madame X", 16 South African river, 17 Naked, 19 German, 20 Rubber base, 21 Monty, 22 School on the Thames, 23 Software buyers, 24 Church part, 25 Sawbuck, 29 REM sound?, 31 Snack, 32 Jellyfish, 34 Campfire whopper, 35 Foursome, 38 Place of exile, 40 "QB VII" author, 41 Remus' twin, 43 Annex, 44 Rolls up and secures, 45 Cribbage piece, 48 Membership fees, 50 "The Life of ..."
DOWN: 1 Bathroom fixture, 2 Existing naturally, 3 Preacher Mather, 4 Display muscle, 5 Egt.-Syr., once, 6 Comes to one's senses, 7 Ruth and Diane, 8 Nocturnal insects, 9 Nabisco cookie, 10 Finn's steam, 11 T. Turner stn., 12 Self-esteem, 13 Actor Carioi, 18 Coop bidy, 22 Search for lost riches, 24 Secondary, 26 Orchard fruit, 27 Dress for Indira, 28 Sicilian volcano, 30 Clique, 32 "Doubtfire", 33 Foolish, 34 Absolutely!, 35 Coll. common, 36 Pakistani tongue, 37 Adjutant, 39 Public vehicle, 42 Weed stoppers, 45 Copper coat, 46 Phonograph inventor, 47 Mount for a movable crane, 49 Lawrence or McQueen, 50 Gardener's tools, 51 Retreat, 53 Challenging, 54 Sound shocked, 55 Shed tears, 56 Part of GTE, 57 Be penitent, 59 One Stogie.

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Trustees:

Contest will help the Preuss school with money

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interviewing and recommending potential trustees to the Board of Trustees for final approval.

According to Yeh, the group is in the second stage of a four-stage process that began at its 1999 conception.

During the first year, Student Trustees focused on building the infrastructure of the group, including creating a mission statement, establishing bylaws and a Web site.

In the second stage, student trustees are beginning to focus on outreach programs to involve staff, faculty, alumni, the community and especially students in the improvement of UCSD. Yeh feels that the Student Foundation has an advantageous position in this particular stage because the members, as students, know better than staff and administration what works and what doesn't work with students.

The third stage is to work with the students to generate donations for important causes around campus. Here students will have the opportunity to donate both time and money to a cause of their choosing. Yeh hopes that the foundation will serve as a facilitator for philanthropic service among UCSD students.

The fourth stage is to help to change the rhetoric surrounding UCSD student apathy. The hope is that students, upon discovering their own power to instill change in this community, will carry that philosophy throughout their lives and continue to give in their lives to their communities and to UCSD.

"I think the students of UCSD should be proud that we have the only student foundation in the

UC system," said Yeh. "We have an organization that is a teacher and facilitator for our own peers. That feels great to all of us."

Current Projects

Although only in its second year, the Student Foundation is already working to initiate change in the UCSD community. The group is currently focusing its energy on two projects. The first, titled "Change for Change," is designed to help the Preuss School students, and the second will benefit UCSD students directly.

"Change for Change" pits the five colleges against one other in an effort to see which one can raise the most money by throwing extra change into bins located around campus. Each college is in charge of the strategic location of its own bin.

Although the Preuss School was recently completed, the construction funds fell short of including items such as lunch tables, jungle gyms and other standard middle school equipment. Money from "Change for Change" will be used to purchase lunch tables for the students, who currently sit on the ground and on grassy areas during lunch time.

The tables will also be used for tutoring, a service that some UCSD students currently provide. This competition is being sponsored by the UCSD Alumni Association. The Association has agreed to match donations up to \$2,000 in an effort to improve the Preuss School. The tables will be inscribed with plaques reading, "From current college scholars to future college scholars."

The competition goes until Feb. 2, and the money will be counted at Spirit Night. The college that wins the competition will earn a free movie night at the Price Center Theater, with the discretion to pick the movie and night.

UCSDSF's second project is in conjunction with the University Center Advisory Board to develop a "Wall of Student Excellence and Philanthropy" for the Price Center. The UCSDSF is working with Sony to have a flat-screen television donated, which, if garnered, will be hung alongside several awards in the A.S. offices. The television will be used to advertise UCSD activities and projects and to highlight the efforts of UCSD students. The wall will also highlight UCSDSF scholarship recipients.

In addition to raising money for UCSD projects, the Student Foundation has also made financial contributions to UCSD. The most generous would be its \$3,000 contribution to the Chancellor's 5K, a run designed to raise money for scholarships. The money donated to the fund is matched by the Chancellor, resulting in six \$1,000 scholarships for incoming UCSD students.

The Student Foundation also donated 1,000 bottles of water to the UCSD Un-Olympics during the first week of fall quarter, as an effort to reach out to incoming students.

Getting Involved

Currently students can help by contributing to their colleges' bins to support the Preuss School. In the future, students will be able to go online to donate to a specific cause or to the general pool of investment principal that only goes towards scholarships.

Applications to become a student trustee can be found online. UCSD undergraduate or graduate students of any major who are in good academic standing may apply.

"Applicants should have experience in and/or be motivated to learn about philanthropy, fund raising and investment management," states the Web site.

Trustees:

The group is now in the second stage of the process

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fund of over \$200 million. Trustees have designed a formal mentoring program to help the members of the student foundation manage their endowment and work more efficiently. It is important for the Student Foundation to be patterned after the foundation in order for the trustees to better advise the student trustees.

"If the organization is committed to the same guiding principles and has the same structure, it's easier to provide counsel and to

serve as a model for students to observe," Langley said. "Also, we hope that the student trustees become involved alumni and ultimately aspire to a place on the UC San Diego Foundation."

The students also appreciate the knowledge that the members of the original Foundation provide. "As with the creation of any new organization, our learning curve is incredibly steep," Muhlstein said. "Since members of the original foundation have been through many of the same challenges we are experiencing, their expertise is invaluable."

Currently there are 12 Student Trustees, including several graduate students and one student studying abroad. The full board is

a diverse group, representing all five colleges, that meets weekly to discuss current projects and foundation development.

The foundation is organized into three formal committees. Development focuses on "increasing the Student Foundation's endowment through gifts made by students, faculty, and friends of UCSD," according to the Web site.

The Investment Committee provides the main source of growth for the committee by managing the investment portfolio of the group. The Nominations Committee is responsible for helping to select new trustees, publicizing the foundation and

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Soapbox:

'Temptation Island' represents American ideals

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removed from the rest of the country.

Perhaps equally frightening is the trouble I encountered upon trying to vote in Del Mar. Instead of being handed a ballot and a ballot-punching machine in which to insert my ballot, I was given a ballot-punching machine that already had a ballot inserted into it. Excited about voting and late for class, I didn't give the situation much thought, nor did I check the ballot before I began punching away for the leftists.

What I realized once CNN began attacking the Florida situation was that the Gucci-clad, tanning booth-veteran poll worker who grimaced upon seeing my UCSD sweatshirt easily could have punched a few holes through my ballot before sticking it into the machine and handing the contraption to me — which would have immediately disqualified my ballot. It seems like I'd fit in in Florida more than I would like to think.

The true indicator of our nation's status, however, is the popularity of Fox's "Temptation Island." We already know that we only have a 50-50 chance of establishing a lifelong marriage.

We also know that about 40 percent of people cheat on their significant other. Yet FOX seems to

think we might not comprehend these facts even after all those "Jerry Springer" reruns we've watched, so the network has decided to use "Temptation Island" to reiterate that sometimes love really isn't enough, and humans probably are just lustful fiends like every other animal on this planet.

Bonobo female chimpanzees, which constitute our closest relatives by sharing 98 percent of our genetic material, are known to detach male chimps' penises and scrotums if the mood is right. I swear I saw the same thing going on between a human couple on a 1 a.m. "Jerry Springer" episode last week, and I would do the same thing if my boyfriend fell victim to a "Temptation Island" cutie.

"Temptation Island" also proves that Americans' voyeuristic tendencies can no longer be denied — more couch potatoes watched the opening episode of "Temptation Island" than any other FOX series in history... but to see what? Stable relationships crumbling away as primal attraction triumphs over emotional commitment, and men and women admitting to themselves that love will not necessarily find a way is apparently now entertainment.

Meanwhile, here comes President Bush to force Christian concepts of family down our throats (i.e. male-female lifelong marriages). I think I prefer Clinton and Jackson with their zipper problems — at least their lifestyles reflect pop culture.

Horoscopes:

See what your birthday has in store for you

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likely to find the perfect thing.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

It's back to the books for you on Monday and Tuesday, to fix an annoying problem at home. You may be pleased with your success on Wednesday, but don't gloat. It's too likely you'll find more trouble on Thursday. Ignore a minor disagreement with your mate on Friday. Love triumphs quite nicely that day, much to your mutual delight. Be careful on Saturday to not break something expensive. Make playing with your sweetheart the top priority for Sunday.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Help out a friend and earn a bonus on Monday and Tuesday. Study up on Wednesday for the test that's coming Thursday. And, don't believe everything you hear on Friday. Do your own investigation and get more of what you want. You've got a mess on your hands Saturday. Don't avoid it, just do the best you can, and you'll have a snugly nest to relax in by Sunday.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

A friend thinks you can do it on Monday and Tuesday, so let yourself be convinced. The money looks too easy on Wednesday, and the problems start showing up on Thursday and Friday. You're kept

hopping, but you're up to the challenge. Don't bother to run errands on Saturday. Save them for Sunday, and you're more apt to find what you're seeking.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Gather up the resources and information you still need on Monday and Tuesday. By Wednesday you should be almost ready to launch. There will be delays, you can count on that. It could be late Thursday or Friday before you actually get going. This is as it should be, so don't push. You might break something. You might also get disappointing news late Friday or early Saturday. An older person is making more demands, but that's also OK. You'll have a better result when you're finally done. Use some of that bounty you've recently acquired to fix up your place on Sunday.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

A close friend and a distant one both have good advice on Monday and Tuesday. Listen to them. Don't completely ignore your inner voices, just don't be intimidated by them. And, don't believe Wednesday's job will be as easy as it looks, either. It gets complicated on Thursday and Friday. Plan carefully and be prepared for just about anything. Complying with an older person's whims is a whole new challenge Saturday, but the tide's in your favor. By this weekend, you can be resting in the lap of luxury.

Birthdays This Week

Jan. 22: The pressure's on, but

it's your own decision. Push hard to make a fantasy come true.

Jan. 23: You've got the talent, that's obvious. Now, prove you've also got the common sense. Follow an older person's advice.

Jan. 24: You're creative, confident and powerful this year! Be compassionate, too, and you'll take home all the prizes.

Jan. 25: You're facing a few tough puzzles, but don't even worry. If you didn't have a challenge or two, you'd get bored!

Jan. 26: You can win the respect you deserve and the money to go with it. Don't let a setback stop you; come back with the facts.

Jan. 27: Shrewd planning and extensive research are required. Don't take anything for granted, and success can be yours.

Jan. 28: You're blessed with a combination of mental and emotional energy. You'll be both analytical and compassionate if you're wise.

Crossword Solutions

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Basketball Loses Two More

Close loss to Dominguez Hills has been the tone of the season

By SCOTT BURROUGHS
Associate Sports Editor

The UCSD men's basketball team once again had its mettle tested last weekend in two key California Collegiate Athletic Association matches.

Both tilts were held at RIMAC Arena, vs. California State University Los Angeles on Friday night and CSU Dominguez Hills on Saturday evening. The Tritons, despite inspired play and some solid individual performances, were vanquished in both contests.

The CSU Los Angeles game was a back-and-forth affair early on, with the score a close 32-28 as the first half came to a close. CSU Los Angeles parlayed that four-point lead into 10 points, however, in the second half, to pick up the victory with a final score of 71-61.

The Eagles won by virtue of a balanced attack, with four players scoring in double figures. They were led by forward Ronald Johnson, who shot 7 for 14 from the floor en route to compiling a team-high 17 points.

His supporting cast included guard Quincy Stinson, who had 16 points, on 4-7 shooting, while going six of seven from the charity stripe and chalking up four assists.

Teammate Ricky Maiden also rang up 16 points, while Jonathan Levy had 15 of his own in the victory.

The Tritons were led by forward Cole Miller, who had a game-high 18 points and dished out five assists. Senior guard Nick Christenson was also a major

contributor for UCSD, notching 15 points on six-for-eight shooting and pulling down four rebounds. Also chipping in with a double-figure tally was Erik Ramp, who had 11 points on the night.

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If Friday's game was disheartening for the Triton players, the match held the following night vs. Cal State Dominguez Hills was probably more akin to having that vital organ ripped from their bodies and then repeatedly stomped upon.

In a horrifically close contest, the Tritons were nudged out 56-54.

The two teams were-neck-and-neck throughout the match, with the score knotted at 25-25 when the whistle sounded signaling the end of the first half.

Dominguez Hills, though, had the final two-point lead at the end, and the team took home the victory in front of a crowd of 790.

It was led by forward Reggie Williams, who had 23 points on nine of 16 shooting to go along with his nine rebounds. Guard Geoffrey Meeks also chipped in with 12 points for the Dominguez squad, who upped its record to 3-7 in conference play.

The Tritons, in defeat, were once again carried by Miller, who led all players with 27 points, including a whopping eight three-pointers.

He was not only on fire from downtown, but also under the boards, pulling down an impressive nine rebounds.

Sam Higgins also kicked in three three-pointers and seven rebounds for the Tritons. These individual efforts just weren't enough, especially with the rest of the starting five combining for a mere seven points.

With the weekend's two in-league losses, UCSD's record fell to 1-9 in CCAA play and 2-13 overall. While their record may not reflect it, the Tritons are making progress on the hardwood.

With a more consistent team effort and a couple of bounces here and there, the Tritons would have picked up the victory versus Dominguez and been right in the thick of things at the end of Cal State Los Angeles match. Let's hope their luck improves, as this Wednesday they head out to Arizona to do battle with Grand Canyon University.

Football:

No recent talk of reviving the team

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here pretty much died when the athletic department realized that Division III didn't make any more sense," Gannon said. "No [Division III] schools but Davis has a team ... and no Division III schools would play us anymore."

That didn't stop some UCSD students in 1997 from starting a football club team on their own. The UCSD football club team was organized by students who simply wanted to play. The founders of the team manned tables in the Price Center and in front of Center Hall to recruit students to be on the team.

According to early football club member Richard Downing, who graduated from Roosevelt College in 1998, their recruitment and organizational efforts met with some success and some hardship in the beginning.

"Overall we had a lot of support from the student body and even some of the administration," Downing said. "But at times it could get pretty frustrating when we'd hear students laughing, or when people would come up to the table and ask 'Is this a joke?'"

The team received little funding from the school, and the players had to pay for almost all the expenses.

The club ended up playing two games — one in 1997 and one in 1998, both against Cal Lutheran University.

The 1997 game featured a Triton squad 35-strong and ended with UCSD losing 0-66.

According to former club team member Brian Halderson, who graduated from Warren College in 1999, they came expecting to play

third- and fourth-stringers from Cal Lu.

"I guess they thought we would be bringing out a bunch of ringers, so we ended up playing their first string the first half," he said. "The second half wasn't nearly as bad [as the first]."

The second game also ended with a Triton shutout, but the margin was not nearly as wide, with Cal Lu coming out on top 35-0.

After its original organizers graduated, the UCSD football club did not return in 1999, and there has been no UCSD full-contact football team since.

The future of football at UCSD is unclear, at best.

Since the move to Division II, the lack of football programs at this level make it very difficult to find teams to play without getting on an airplane for most of the away games.

"There are far more teams dropping football than adding," said Regina Sullivan, associate athletics director at UCSD.

Also, federal Title IX regulations mandate that athletic participation be representative of the student population in terms of the proportion of men to women.

According to Sullivan, that would entail adding three women's sports, which would make the financial burden even higher.

It seems the only way football could come back to UCSD in the near future would be in the form of another club team, which has its own drawbacks, mainly being the high costs of equipment and liability insurance.

"The money can be raised," Halderson said. "The equipment can be bought. The fields are there. If like 60 students who wanted to play just got together and said, 'We want to play football,' it would happen."

Downing believes it's just a question of motivation: "Do the people who want it want it bad enough?"

Fulton:

The term hero should not be used so lightly

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hero. Those scientists fighting AIDS are heroic. Santa Claus is heroic. Harriet Tubman was heroic. The list goes on and on.

Heroes are those who help mankind, save mankind and try to better mankind. They are not football players who run for a lot of yards or basketball players who lead their teams to victory. They may look good, but not heroic.

That is not to say that there are not athletes out there who are heroes. There are plenty of heroic athletes, and their heroism spreads beyond the field or court.

The one that sticks out the most is Jackie Robinson. He went through so much shit in breaking the color barrier that few of us can understand. He is a hero not only to African Americans but to anyone who has experienced prejudice.

Sean Elliot of the San Antonio Spurs is another athlete hero. He had a kidney transplant and still came back to play in the NBA. Before, if there was something wrong with your kidney, you were best off calling your lawyer to work on your will. Elliot proved that

now, even though you may be down, you are never out.

Magic Johnson is another such athlete, much like in the Elliot theme. He came back with HIV to play some more in the NBA. He now tours and raises money for various charities. Definite hero.

All those baseball players who gave up the best years of their life to fight during World War II are heroes.

Just think of what Ted Williams' stats would have looked like, had he not lost those prime years fighting overseas. Can you picture that happening today, if the United States got into a major military conflict on the level of WWII? I can just picture the greedy self-congratulatory athletes of today complaining about how the war is interrupting their rhythms.

The list of athlete heroes goes on. It includes the NFL's work with United Way, Dikembe Mutombo and his work in his homeland of Nigeria, Arthur Ashe and his color barrier-breaking and AIDS-fighting greatness, and many more.

A hero is someone extra special, one who does something extraordinary, something that goes beyond the regular bullshit. An athlete having a great game is great to talk about around the water cooler, but he is not a hero.

Fighting the Shortage

The UCSD Athletic Department is holding a blood drive on Tuesday at RIMAC, helping fight the winter blood shortage

By GLORIA CHUNG
Staff Writer

It is said that the best gift a person can receive is the gift of life. With the blood supply critically low in San Diego County right now, the gift of life is certainly more important than ever. Over the holidays, there was a drop in donations and as a result blood is more in demand than ever.

Fortunately, the UCSD athletic department is eager to do all it can to alleviate the problem.

Each quarter, the athletic department participates in a community outreach activity, and this winter the activity is a blood drive.

This Tuesday, the athletic department, working in conjunction with the American Red Cross, will be sponsoring the blood drive.

Associate Athletic Director Ken Grosse has taken a genuine interest in encouraging UCSD students and faculty to donate blood. The goal is to get everyone

involved and ultimately to help increase the blood supply.

"We're looking to generate at least 125 units of blood," Grosse said.

Students who are interested should call the athletic department at (858)534-4211 or (858)534-8460 and sign up to donate blood.

The blood drive will take place in the green room of RIMAC, which can be entered through the Arena. The doors will be open from 8 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and from 2 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

Most slots are taken by coaches and athletes, so if more students participate, the turnout will be phenomenal.

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The UCSD athletic department has done its part in establishing this wonderful opportunity, so the least students can do is show an equal commitment to the San Diego community by giving a little.

Football:

UCSD's program got off on the wrong foot

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And it came to pass in those days, that there went out a decree from head coach Walt Hackett that any with a brave enough heart come out and join the newly instated Triton football team.

The team was formed, and it played its first game against the University of La Verne. The mighty Tritons fell 41-6. Next came the perennial division powerhouse, Cal Lutheran University. The mighty Tritons fell 56-8. These scores pretty well characterize the mighty Tritons' entire 0-7 inaugural season.

The real humiliation though was UCSD's game against Cal Tech. At that time, the Cal Tech football team was the bottom of the barrel. It was so bad, it literally hadn't won a game in years. Though it was close (the only close game of the season for UCSD), the diminutive Tritons fell 34-31. Rumor has it there were parties at Cal Tech for years after on the anniversary of the win.

Apparently the humiliation was just too much, and UCSD football was scrapped at the end of the '68-'69 academic year.

There was an effort to bring the team back for the fall 1971 season, but it has met with lackluster support, and the effort fizzled. That was pretty much it for Triton football until the late '80s, when there again was a push to bring the gridiron back to UCSD.

According to Bill Gannon, sports information director at UCSD, the A.S. Council put three referendums on the ballot. There was one each in 1987, 1989 and 1994, all of which provided for a small increase in student fees to fund a football team.

He said that all of the referenda were officially supported by the athletic department and each garnered about 60 percent of the vote. None of them, however, passed. This is because two of the referendums needed a two-thirds vote, and the other required that 20 percent of the undergraduate population vote in order to form a quorum, which it did not.

After that, the focus of the athletic department moved from football to the transition to Division II. "The idea of a football program

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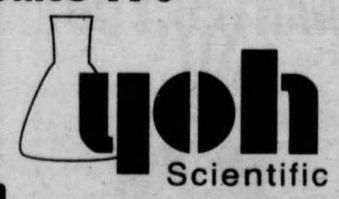
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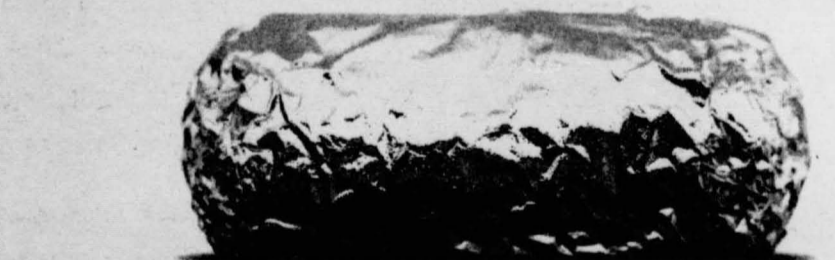
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—Talk show host David Letterman on the Super Bowl being in Florida.

SPORTS



We Could be Heroes, if We Played Well



Fulton Corner

ROBERT FULTON

One thing that gets me as a sports journalist and a sports fan is the way that sports commentators throw around the word "hero."

Too often, I will hear a television or radio announcer use the word when referring to athletes and their performances. More often than not, the performance is all but heroic. An athlete will do his job really well under difficult conditions, and he will thus be referred to as a hero.

This is preposterous.

A running back ran for over 200 yards with 40 carries during this year's NFL playoffs. The announcer who was covering the game had the gall to refer to it as "a heroic effort." Heroic? Please.

Yes, it was difficult, strenuous, even gutsy. Hell, I know I could not carry the ball 40 times for over 200 yards against a playoff defense. I doubt many of you readers could do it. But if I could, would it be heroic? Hardly. Well, maybe if it were in the name of skinny journalists of average height, then it might be heroic. But otherwise, no.

A pitcher will throw nine innings of one-hit baseball during a big game. It will be called "heroic." Was it heroic? No, it should be called "doing his job."

The term "heroic" should be reserved for true heroes. The thousands who have died during wars in the name of America are heroic. Firefighters and policemen are heroic. A doctor who volunteers time in developing countries is a

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Volleyball Has Tough Date With USC

By ROBERT FULTON

Sports Editor

The UCSD men's volleyball team tested its powers in front of a Division I powerhouse on the road and found out where it stands — not in a very good place.

The Trojans of USC downed the Tritons 3-0, winning the three games by scores of 30-21, 30-21 and 31-29.

UCSD actually threatened in the third game, holding a 27-23 lead at one point.

A great comeback was not to be, though, as USC battled back for the win.

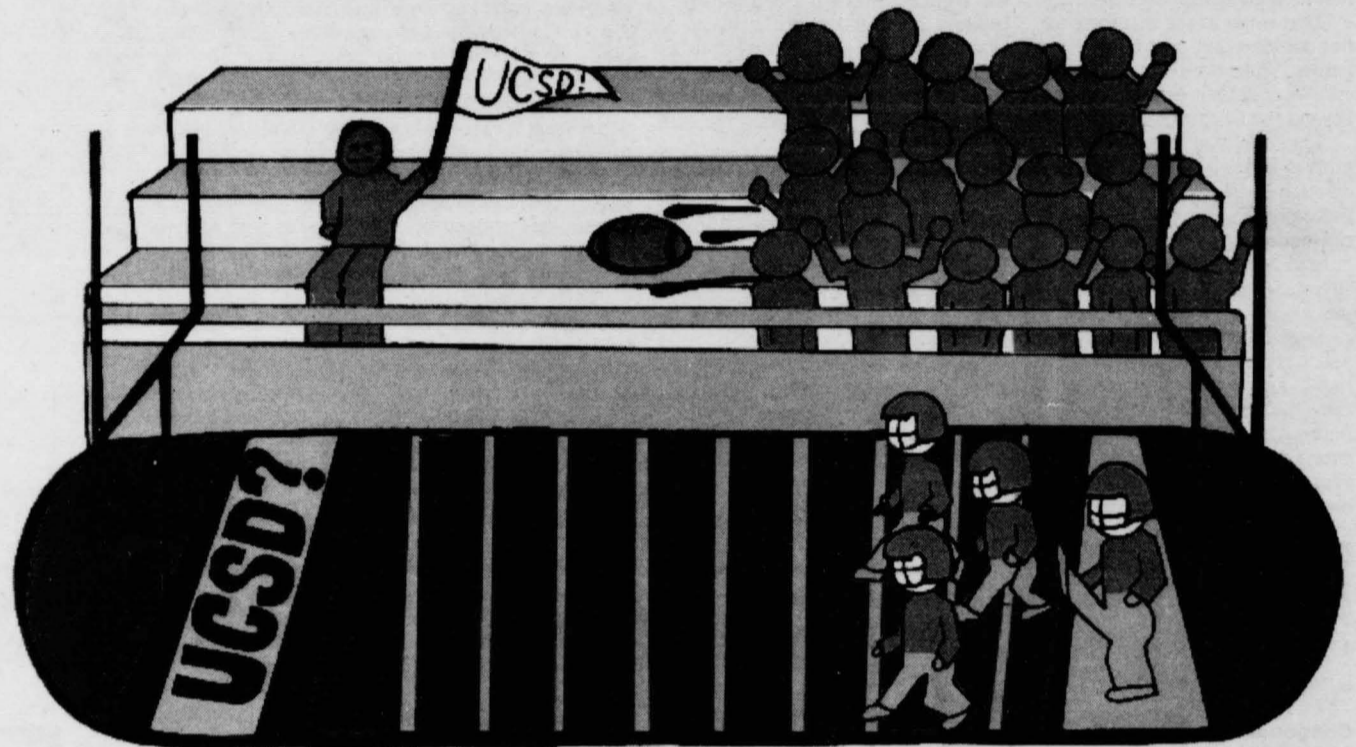
It was all USC as they out-hit the Tritons 0.291 to 0.079.

Zack Hite and Griffin Cogorno were offensive highlights for UCSD, each garnering eight kills during the loss.

Defensively, Donald Chen led the way with eight blocks.

The Tritons will try to get back on the winning side of things this Friday when they host Pepperdine at 7 p.m.

DUDE, WHERE'S MY FOOTBALL?



Melissa Chow / Guardian

UCSD has many of the sport programs you may find on a university campus, with one glaring exception — football

By JEFFREY WHITE

Senior Staff Writer

Triton football. It has a nice ring to it. It sounds ... almost natural. So, what happened?

It seems each incoming freshman class arrives with questions about the lack of a football team at UCSD, and most of these questions go unanswered because very

few know the chain of events that has led UCSD athletics all the way to Division II without a football program.

The UCSD athletic department has had its hands full in recent years with its transition to the more competitive Division II, and the discussion of a UCSD football team seems to have faded into the ether. Most of what is going

around now regarding the history of football at UCSD are vague half-truths and rumors.

Here are the facts: Triton football was once a reality. There have been numerous attempts to bring football back to UCSD in some way, shape or form, all of which were unsuccessful. The only full-contact football being played at UCSD these days is Chargers pre-

season practice. The outlook for a UCSD athletics-run Triton football program happening in the near future is grim.

Here at UCSD, the ghost of football past is a tormented soul, indeed. Back in the fall of 1968 is when the hallowed story of Triton football begins.

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Women's Basketball Splits a Pair at Home

The Tritons down Los Angeles, suffer heartbreaker of a loss to Dominguez Hills

By ROBERT FULTON

Sports Editor

The UCSD women's basketball team had mixed reviews this weekend, splitting a pair of games.

On Friday, the Tritons downed California State University Los Angeles 76-65 but fell Saturday night to California State University Dominguez Hills 50-49.

The loss to Dominguez Hills was a heartbreaker.

With four-and-a-half minutes left in the game, UCSD held a 46-38 advantage after an Ali Ginn bucket.

The Toros stormed back after a basket by Tomica Coleman and a three-pointer by Fercia Rambacal, closing the gap to two, at 46-44. UCSD's Maya Fok answered with a bucket of her own, but Dominguez Hills eventually tied it up with 44 seconds left at 48-48.

—With time running down, Toros star Tracee Lewis drove the lane and connected with an off-balance junk shot, giving her team the lead at 50-48.

The Tritons still had six seconds left and they gave the ball to their star Fok. Fok drove the lane and put

up a shot. Her prayer fell short, but she was fouled with only two-tenths of a second left. At the line for the evening, Fok had been 6-6, but all of those had come in the first half.

She missed the first shot. In an attempt to miss the second shot and hope for a rebound and game-tying miracle shot, Fok made the foul shot. She would end the game 7-8 from the line.

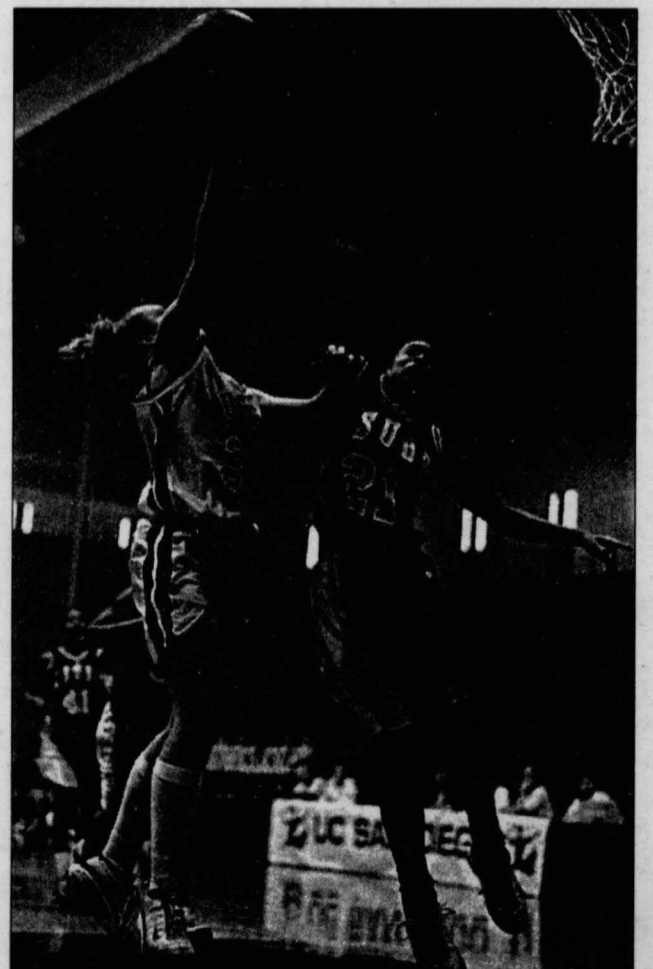
Fok led the Tritons with 17 points and Nicholle Bromley chipped in with 10 points and eight rebounds.

Against Los Angeles, UCSD had to work a little comeback magic. The Tritons found themselves down 38-33 at the half. They proceeded to go on a 43-27 run in the second half for the victory.

Bromley scored 17 to lead all scorers and she had nine rebounds. Fok participated with 14 points.

Genevieve Ruvald had a great game, almost accomplishing a triple-double when she scored nine points, had 10 rebounds and dished nine assists.

Next up for the Tritons is a trip to Grand Canyon University on Wednesday at 5:45 p.m.



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Drive: Against CSU Dominguez Hills, the Tritons fell by one point Saturday.