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## WORLD NEWS

### Israeli-Syrian Peace Talks are Postponed Indefinitely

WASHINGTON — In a setback for the Israeli-Syrian peace talks that was precipitated by a Syrian demand that its major negotiating point be settled immediately, the Clinton administration announced on Monday that the resumption of the negotiations had been postponed indefinitely.

The administration was careful not to blame either side, saying in a statement by Secretary of State Madeleine Albright that "their approaches to the next round differ, and as a result, there

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## NATIONAL NEWS

### Thousands Rally to Protest Confederate Flag in South Carolina

COLUMBIA, S.C. — With a strength and exuberance seldom seen since the days of the civil rights movement, a crowd of 46,000 marchers pointed to the Confederate flag snapping over the state capitol Monday and demanded that it be removed from public life.

"The flag is coming down today," they sang in an updated version of "We Shall Overcome," on the anniversary of the birth of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

Young people who had never

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## COLLEGE NEWS

### U. Alabama Dorm Burns in Suicide Attempt

TUSCALOOSA, Ala. — A University of Alabama student in his mid-twenties set fire to his Mallet Hall apartment shortly after 7 p.m. Tuesday in an unsuccessful suicide attempt, university police said.

Major Mark Shockley, associate director for police operations, said officers responded to the fire alarm that automatically alerted them at around 7:10 p.m.

Shockley said the Tuscaloosa Fire Department arrived shortly afterward and brought the student down from his third-floor apartment.

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## SPOKEN

"I wasn't ready at all. We thought we were going to Hawaii, so I packed shorts."

— Haley Hoffmeister  
Suitemate of contest winner  
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## FREEDOM THROUGH EDUCATION



David Piliz/Guardian

**Marching for freedom:** A trombone player from the UCSD Pep Band marches in this year's Martin Luther King Jr. parade on Saturday with A.S. President Tesh Khullar at left. Hundreds of UCSD students and staff attended the event.

## UCSD Marches in Annual King Parade

**COMMUNITY:** Nearly 10,000 people joined to honor rights leader

By PARISA BAHARIAN  
Staff Writer

The San Diego community joined together Saturday to march in honor of Martin Luther King Jr. in the city's 20th annual Martin Luther King Jr. Day parade. Nearly 10,000 people, clapping and chanting at times, lined the streets to pay

tribute to the slain civil rights leader and to celebrate what would have been his 71st birthday.

The theme of this year's parade was "Living the Dream: Let Freedom Ring," echoing the words of King in his famous "I Have a Dream" speech at the Lincoln Memorial in 1963.

Hundreds of UCSD students, staff, faculty, administrators, provosts and Chancellor Robert Dynes turned out to show their support by marching in the parade.

The parade began at 10:30 a.m. at the County Administration Building and ended shortly after 2 p.m. at the corner of Harbor Drive and Pacific Highway.

The UCSD community was in the first division of the parade, with the UCSD Pep Band and staff members from the Medical Center, Women's Center and the Cross Cultural Center leading the pack. Students from Revelle College followed, as well as students from Muir, Marshall, Warren

and Roosevelt Colleges, followed lastly by the UCSD float.

Marcia Strong, assistant director of Student Organizations and Leadership Opportunities, called the UCSD float "impressive" and said that it was "one of the best ... since UCSD began participating in the early 1980s."

On the float stood an enormous open book inscribed with the words: "Go to College, Stay Healthy, Discover the World."

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## Muir Suitcase Dance Sends Two to Chicago

**TRIP:** Students participated for a chance at a trip to an undisclosed location for the long weekend

By JANE KIM  
Staff Writer

Nearly 100 Muir students packed their suitcases and headed to the Suitcase Dance at Sierra Summit on Friday night. The main attraction of the night was an all-expenses paid trip for two Muir College students to an undisclosed destination for the three-day weekend.

"Usually, a dance is just a dance, but this one kind of has a slight twist to it," said Muir Sophomore Senator Shige Itoh, who chaired the Suitcase Dance Committee. "People are supposed to come with a bag packed for any weather, and we're trading their bag for a raffle ticket."

The twist was that the winner and a guest had to be ready to leave on the spot.

The pre-determined destination, Chicago, Ill., was kept a secret until the winner was announced. The trip for two included hotel accommodations, airfare, transportation to the airport in a black stretch limousine, \$200 in spending money and beanie-style hats.

Freshman Sierra Fisk was the lucky winner.

Fisk chose to take her suitemate, Haley Hoffmeister. Fisk said she was so surprised that, at first, she didn't know what to say or who to take.

"[Hoffmeister] was the only one from my suite who was

standing there, so I just said 'come with me,'" Fisk said.

Hoffmeister said that while she didn't pack appropriately for Chicago's weather, she was fully supportive of the Muir event.

"I wasn't ready at all. We thought we were going to Hawaii, so I packed shorts," Hoffmeister said. "I think [The Suitcase Dance] is awesome! This is such a good idea, and it's so fun!"

Fisk and Hoffmeister weren't the only ones who thought the trip would be to a tropical location.

"They're probably sending us to Hawaii tonight," freshman Dave Harnsberger said before the true destination was

revealed. "I heard through the grapevine that it's Hawaii."

Freshman Suzanne Ryan, however, said she heard otherwise, and planned accordingly.

"I packed lots of cold weather stuff, including my ice skates. I've heard rumors that it's supposed to be chilly," Ryan said.

While many students were concerned about packing for weather conditions, others concentrated on preparing for a relaxing break from classes.

"I packed a book. It's a book I'm reading for fun, and I figure if I'm not doing homework this weekend, then I might get some reading done," freshman Melissa Kahn said. "It's not a school weekend."



## Jamba Juice Debuts

**SMOOTHIE:** Store has long lines but good smoothies

By **MAIT SCHRADER**  
Staff Writer

The constant lines outside the Price Center's new Jamba Juice smoothie bar have evidently not reduced the business' popularity with student customers.

"I like Jamba Juice because it is one of the few nutritional places to eat on campus," Revelle freshman Luke Pamerantz said.

"Compared to Round Table or Wendy's, it provides good nutrition and tastes pretty damn good."

As is evidenced by Jamba Juice's initial popularity, many people throughout the school share Pamerantz's sentiments. As a result, the smoothie bar's patrons are waiting in line for ten or more minutes while other orders are being filled.

According to University Centers Advisory Board Vice Chair Nima Vahdat, the popularity of on-campus food establishments generates long lines.

"Unfortunately, that is a problem with all the vendors on campus," he said. "However, the Jamba Juice employees are particularly fast, and it doesn't take that long to make."

Regardless of this fact, many students who have already visited the new Jamba Juice believe the apparent wait is less than it initially appears.

"The line usually only takes five minutes even though it looks like more than that," student Melissa Adame said. "All the

lines in the Price Center take that long anyway."

The large crowds of people waiting inside the store for their orders often give the impression that the store is busier than it is.

On the Juice — the restaurant that previously occupied Jamba Juice's location — went out of business earlier this year when the manager decided to pursue another career. Jamba Juice bought out On the Juice's contract, renovated the store and opened last Tuesday.

"I think it is great that they moved into this place," Vahdat said. "It looks great, and I am glad we could keep it consistent of what was here before."

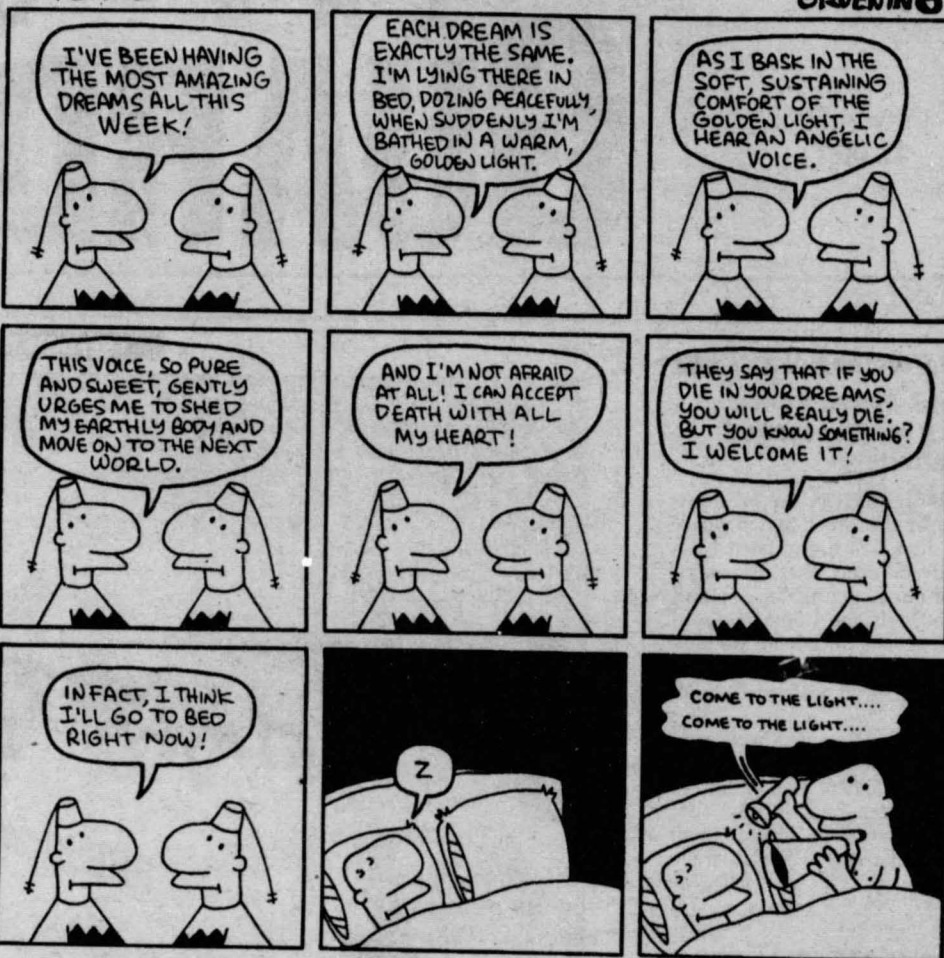
Similar to On the Juice's menu choices, Jamba Juice has made it easier to maintain a vegetarian lifestyle while eating on campus. "The smoothies just taste good," Adame said. "There is just not a lot of options on campus for a vegetarian."

Currently, Jamba Juice offers over 20 different smoothies, most of which are vegetarian and can be made without any dairy products. The smoothies, which come in either 24-ounce or 32-ounce sizes, are considered by some to be a satisfying low-fat meal replacement.

"The serving sizes are pretty big," Pamerantz said. "They can add some ice cream to [the smoothies], but they are low-fat and the smoothies are not full of empty calories."

## ETCETERA ...

### LIFE IN HELL



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### BRIEFLY ...

## Diversity Council to Hold Town Hall

Chancellor Robert Dynes and the members of the UCSD Diversity Council will hold a Town Hall meeting to update the campus community on the activities of the Diversity Council during its first year.

The event will begin Tuesday at 11 a.m. in the Price Center Ballroom, where informational tables will display the diversity materials of participating groups throughout the campus. Dynes will offer introductory remarks at 11:30 a.m. and he and members of the Diversity Council will be available to answer questions.

All students, faculty and staff are invited to participate with the chancellor and the diversity council members in a dialog aimed at increasing diversity on campus and setting diversity goals for UCSD in the new millennium.

### Internship Office Offers Winter Information Session

The Associated Students Internship Office will offer an information session Wednesday from 6:30 to 8 p.m. in Ballroom B of the Price Center.

Speakers will include Gloria Creamer, president of Creamer Physical Therapy Inc.; Ed Lee, manager from the Mohr Group, a financial planning group; Mike Holmes, attorney; and Carolyn Pang, marketing director from the Career Services Center.

The purpose of the information session is to inform students about the importance of internships in today's competitive job market, to encourage students to use ASIO for finding and accessing internships and to explain how ASIO works in helping students obtain internships.

ASIO — a service that is chartered by the A.S. Council and run by students — helps students find and obtain internships of their choice. ASIO directors increase students' chances of obtaining an internship by reviewing their resumes and cover letters and by writing them recommendation letters.

### Students to Rally Against Statewide Propositions

The Student Alliance for Fairness and Equality and the A.S. are sponsoring a rally Tuesday from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. in the Price Center Plaza against Propositions 21 and 22.

Proposition 21 targets youth crime prevention and sentencing and Proposition 22, also known as the Knight Initiative, states that only a marriage between a man and a woman will be recognized in the state of

California. Both propositions will appear on the March 7 ballot.

For more information, e-mail [safe\\_ucsd@hotmail.com](mailto:safe_ucsd@hotmail.com).

### Lecture to be Held on Music and Cultural Ownership

Music Professor Nancy Guy will give a lecture titled "Cross-Cultural Borrowing Gone Bad: Music, Cultural Ownership and the Amis' Copyright Struggle" Wednesday from 4 to 5 p.m. in the Cross Cultural Center Lecture Hall. Guy will speak on her testimony in a U.S. District Court case between two Taiwan aboriginal singers and Enigma and Capitol/EMI music.

For more information, call 534-9689.

### NBC 7/39 Joins the San Diego Blood Bank in La Jolla

The San Diego Blood Bank invites the public to give blood when the "NBC 7/39 Bloodmobile" stops in the east parking lot of Jones Lang La Salle Americas, Inc. on 1101 North Torrey Pines Road Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

All participants in the drive will be recognized with a mother and baby panda design T-shirt. In addition, participants can enter to win a pair of lift tickets to Bear Mountain, courtesy of Sets 102.1 FM and Bear Mountain Resort or a Samsung DVD player, courtesy of Samsung Telecommunications. Each donor will also receive a medical history review and mini-physical, which includes blood pressure, pulse, temperature and an iron level check.

For more information, call (619) 296-6393 or go to <http://www.sandiegobloodbank.org>

### Study Abroad Session to be Held Wednesday

The Programs Abroad Office will hold a general information session Wednesday for students interested in studying abroad. The session will be held at 7 p.m. in the International Center Lounge.

Students attending the session will learn about study, internship and work abroad options offered on semester, quarter or year-long options. Students will also have the opportunity to meet other students who have recently returned from various programs.

For more information, call the Programs Abroad Office at 534-1123.

## 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://www.ucba.ucsd.edu/police>

### Tuesday, Jan. 11

**2:00 a.m.:** Units towed a '94 Ford Mustang from Lot 406 for having five or more unpaid parking citations. Stored at Star Towing.

**9:23 a.m.:** Officers arrested an 18-year-old male student at the UCSD bookstore for burglary. Transported to Central Jail.

**7:54 p.m.:** A staff member reported grand larceny at the USE Credit Union. Loss: \$1,512.50.

**9:30 p.m.:** A student reported the theft of a laptop computer from the Argo Hall student lounge. Loss: \$2,800.

### Wednesday, Jan. 12

**8:55 a.m.:** Officers arrested a

23-year-old female student in Lot 103 for misuse of a handicapped placard. Cited and released.

**5:25 p.m.:** A non-affiliate reported the theft of a black '92 Ford Explorer from Lot 406. Loss: \$9,500.

### Thursday, Jan. 13

**8:29 a.m.:** A staff member reported the theft of patio furniture from the UNEX Building C courtyard. Loss: \$50.

**9:43 a.m.:** A female non-affiliate reported the theft of a white '89 Toyota Camry from Miramar Street. Loss: \$4,500.

**1:04 p.m.:** Officers arrested a female non-affiliate on Nobel Drive on an outstanding warrant for violation of probation. Transported to Las Colinas by an officer.

### Friday, Jan. 14

**12:21 a.m.:** Officers arrested a 19-year-old male student in Lot 411 for being drunk in public.

**5:30 p.m.:** A student reported the theft of a silver '94 Dodge Caravan from Lot 506. Loss: \$3,000.

**6:00 p.m.:** Units and the San Diego Fire Department responded to a fire alarm at Blake Hall. Caused by burnt food.

**8:20 p.m.:** Officers arrested a 48-year-old male non-affiliate at the Cross Cultural Center for being drunk in public. Transported to County Jail.

### Sunday, Jan. 16

**7:00 a.m.:** Officers arrested a 34-year-old male non-affiliate at the Price Center loading dock for possessing a controlled substance and paraphernalia. Booked into Central Detention Facility.

**1:35 p.m.:** A staff member reported the theft of a wallet from Geisel Library. Loss: \$40.

—Compiled by Vincent Gragnani  
News Editor

## FIRE: Student suffered smoke inhalation

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The student was treated for smoke inhalation, said Cathy Andreen, assistant director of media relations for the university.

Shockley said the student had no life-threatening injuries and was released Wednesday morning. No other students

were injured in the fire.

The blaze caused considerable smoke and fire damage to room 304 of Mallet Hall but did not spread to other parts of the building.

—The Crimson White

### ArtsBridge brings UC-Davis campuses and schools together

DAVIS, Calif. — Now in its second quarter of existence, UC Davis ArtsBridge is a new program that supplements the lack

of funding for the arts in public schools.

ArtsBridge sends student-scholars to local schools to work with teachers and utilize the arts as a learning device, as well as an extension of the current curriculum.

Graduate students serve as mentors for ArtsBridge scholars, and undergraduate students work with teachers and their students. Each UC Davis student who participates in the program receives a \$1,000 scholarship.

—The California Aggie

## PARADE: Elementary school student designed float

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All for One ... One for All ... Get Good Grades."

Ophelia Cortez, a student at Caesar Chavez Elementary School, designed the UCSD float.

Susan Taylor, director of governmental and community relations, said there was a school contest in December and Cortez's submission was the winning design. Taylor said that the John Green Company in Los Angeles constructed the float.

The UCSD contingent of the parade played upbeat music, waved and handed out UCSD pencils, rulers and small trinkets to the children on the sidewalks.

Dynes said he has participated in the parade for the last four years because he wants students to know that he cares about the event.

Susanna Martinez Perez, a Muir freshman who plays the clarinet in the UCSD Pep Band, said that when she grew up in Ventura County, there wasn't a parade in celebration of the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday.

"This is my first parade and it's really exciting to see a lot of people come out to celebrate Martin Luther King's birthday holiday," Perez said.

Marshall College students, whose level of participation was the highest, chanted "Marshall! Marshall!" as they marched in the parade.

"The parade embodies Marshall College's philosophy. That's why there are so many of us here," said Amber Carini, a member of the Marshall Council.

Begun in 1980, the parade is sponsored by the Alpha Phi fra-

ternity, the Centre City Development Corporation and the San Diego City Art and Culture Commission.

Liora Kian Gutierrez, the assistant dean of student affairs at Revelle College, said the turnout was excellent this year for UCSD, even though it was a holiday weekend. Students planned ahead to participate in the event.

Gutierrez marched with her 11-year-old son to show him the importance of community.

"I bring my son and we march every year because it's a great lesson," she said.

The parade included band competitions, dance competitions, convertibles with several mayoral candidates and floats that reflected the entire community.

The Statue of Liberty float reaffirmed the theme of the parade: "Let Freedom Ring."

Another float reflected the words spoken by Martin Luther King Jr.: "Everybody can be great, because anybody can serve."

Revelle student Teresa Sanoval said this is her second year marching in the parade.

"I did it last year, it's fun, and it feels good to march together for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.," she said.

A.S. President Tesh Khullar said the reason he participates every year is because he admires King.

"Martin Luther King Jr. is one of my most inspirational figures."

Revelle freshman Andrea Palladino said her favorite float was a red car adorned with a Spanish message, which translates in English as: "Happy Birthday Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., we owe you our thanks."

"That message is what the entire day should be about, for King followed his convictions and he was killed because of them," Palladino said.

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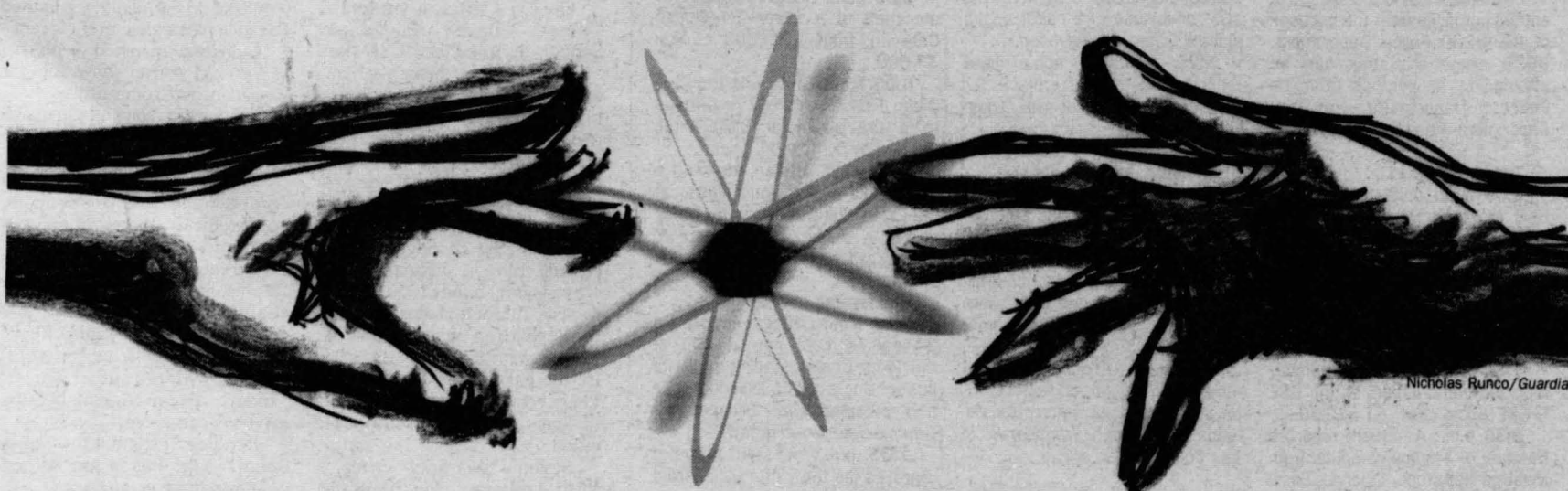
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# OPINION



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## A CONSPIRACY OF SPIES

Focus on Asian Americans in espionage cases denotes a disturbing trend towards racism

By **WARD HAN**  
Associate Opinion Editor

The highly-publicized prosecution of Wen Ho Lee, a Chinese-born American scientist, may potentially ignite an explosion of witch hunts against Asians living in the United States. Falsely labeled as a "Chinese espionage story" by the media, Lee's case symbolizes the national security threat posed by the People's Republic of China and its alleged spies in the United States.

First of all, the case is not about Chinese espionage at all. The U.S. government acknowledged that there is no evidence that Lee is a spy. With 59 felony counts against him, the government is still not prosecuting Lee for espionage. Indictments against him include tampering and altering restricted data as well as unlawful gathering of defense information.

While Lee did violate work policies when he downloaded classified information on his computer, there is no evidence that any foreign government obtained this information. Lee did not even have any motive to spy for China. Lee's attorney pointed out that there was no evidence of any change in his lifestyle indicating large sums of "spy salary." Nor has Lee ever demonstrated any anti-American ideology.

There is convincing evidence that Lee is a scapegoat of U.S. failure in counterintelligence. The reason that Lee was investigated at the Los Alamos National Laboratory in the first place was because China obtained information about American W-88 warhead designs. All the evidence now points to laboratories other than Los Alamos as the source of information leakage. There may be leaks in the U.S. Navy or Lockheed Martin. To admit that Lee was not the culprit would mean the FBI wasted time and energy while the real problem remains unsolved. It also means that the U.S. government has to clear Lee's name after thrusting him in the public eye as a Chinese spy. Despite new information that came to light in the case, the government still insists that Lee is a threat to national security, and therefore cannot be released on bail.

The government's treatment of Lee is reminiscent of the McCarthy-era Communist witch-hunt. Investigators misled Lee into believing that he failed a

lie detector test when his score actually indicated a high probability that he was being honest. At one point, investigators reminded Lee of the Rosenbergs, who were executed for divulging thermonuclear secrets to the Soviet Union.

What could be the reason for the government to prosecute Lee so vehemently when he is not responsible for the Chinese acquisition of U.S. nuclear technology? Scapegoating is the only possible answer, and the only reason Lee became a scapegoat is his race. Lee was singled out because he was the only Chinese American in the top-secret weapons program department where he worked. A former CIA director kept classified information on his computer just like Lee did, and he was only criticized, not jailed and

prosecuted as a spy. Because of possible racial discrimination in Lee's case, prominent Asian Americans gathered to support Lee's defense. Lee's case sets an example for future prosecution of Asian Americans, as China increasingly rivals the economic and military power of the United States.

The wealthy Asian Americans who aided Lee have good reasons to be worried. The recent report by the U.S. House of Representatives Select Committee on U.S. National Security and Military/Commercial Concerns with the People's Republic of China, also known as the Cox Report, contains material that is damaging to Asian Americans, particularly Chinese Americans. The Cox Report claims that the People's Republic of China sent agents to penetrate U.S. businesses, academic and social institutions and political practices. The report recommends increased counterintelligence programs to weed out spies. This claim subjects the large number of Asian Americans who work in high-tech and political fields to suspicion. The large number of Asian-American scientists in universities, 150,000 Chinese Americans in high-tech industries, including more than 10,000 in the defense industry and almost one-third of Silicon Valley personnel may be suspects of espionage.

Lee is not the only Asian scientist suspected of espionage. Other Asian scientists in high-tech industries and biotechnology have been accused of conducting

Recent spy cases are not signs of prejudice but rather reflect the reality of modern espionage

By **BRENT DON**  
Opinion Editor

In the post-Cold War era the United States is faced with an international balance of power that is far more confusing than the cut-and-dry opposition of the First and Second Worlds that defined our country's foreign policy from the mid-'40s until the start of the '90s. With the breakup of the Soviet Union, the United States' arch-enemy was finally deposed, but rather than bringing an end to the nation's security concerns, this event only brought ambiguity and uncertainty.

Who will be the greatest threat to the United States now that we are the world's only superpower? Will another juggernaut arise to replace the deceased Soviet Union? Will an alliance of smaller states in Europe, the Middle East or Asia conspire against the United States? Or will the greatest threat come from decentralized nationalist and terrorist groups?

The most obvious candidate for a second Cold War superpower seems to be China. Although blind antagonism toward communists became somewhat passé in a society that was raised to abhor the mindless political witch-hunts of McCarthyism, the fact remains that the United States and China often butted heads over a variety of foreign policy issues. Political confrontations over international trade, human rights and territorial disputes over the sovereignty of Tibet and Taiwan created a level of tension between the two nations that only seems to be leading them closer and closer to a full-blown Cold War.

The latest episode of this international drama centered on various incidents of espionage supposedly perpetrated by the Chinese government against the United States. These acts of "technology acquisition," as Congress quaintly refers to them, focused primarily on obtaining U.S. nuclear and military secrets. A special congressional committee on the subject determined that China stole technical specifications on every nuclear weapon in the U.S. arsenal, as well as design information on the neutron bomb, an enhanced radiation weapon that China reportedly constructed and tested using information stolen from U.S. weapons research.

In March 1999, the Los Alamos laboratory fired Wen Ho Lee and the U.S. gov-

ernment accused him of leaking nuclear information to the People's Republic of China. Information seems to indicate that Lee did not intentionally try to leak any secrets, but rather, violated the laboratory's security measures by making classified computer files available on an unsecured server, came into. Whether or not the PRC or any other country was able to gain access to these files is not known.

Some critics cried racism in response to the accusations of Chinese Americans as agents of espionage. They accuse government officials of picking scapegoats based solely on ethnicity in order to cover up their own negligence in security. While it seems that Lee is not guilty of any espionage in this case, the fact remains that he violated the national security policy, and federal investigators would have been lapse in their duties if they had not tried to determine whether or not the incident involved espionage.

The frequent numbers of Asian Americans accused of conducting espionage for China is in fact evidence of racism, but it is on the part of China. The fact is, most of the American citizens the Chinese government recruits as spies are Asian American.

The spy agencies of the PRC are faced with the same dilemma that confronted the KGB, the former Russian secret police and intelligence agency, in the Soviet-era; they find it increasingly difficult to recruit American scientists and government officials on the basis of political ideology, especially since the collapse of the communist system in Russia. For this reason, the Chinese government most often exploits the nationalism of ethnic Chinese in order to tempt them into committing treason. American citizens who were either convicted of acts of espionage or who came forward to report that they were approached by Chinese officials asking them to do so revealed that they were bribed with offers of arranging visits to their ancestral homes and relatives in China, with paid trips within the PRC and by generally trying to appeal to the person's sense of shared ethnic heritage.

The majority of Americans accused of conducting acts of espionage for China are of Chinese ancestry because, quite

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## Days Off Are Irrevocable

**COMMENTARY:** Class schedule should not override holidays

By **KIM HOOPER**  
Staff Writer

After receiving a daunting syllabus for each class and stocking up on caffeine-packed drinks in preparation for all those long nights ahead, spring break seems all too far away. In order to avoid that nagging temptation to accidentally fall over the railing on the third floor of Price Center and bring a dramatic end to the misery by landing on someone's half-eaten burrito, students focus on the one silver lining in the dreary winter quarter—national holidays.

Getting Mondays off has been a sacred occurrence since elementary school. It's not that I do anything special on those holidays, aside from sleeping in late and watching "The Price Is Right" while eating Eggo waffles, but I still cherish the opportunity to wear my pajamas into the afternoon on a day other than Saturday or Sunday. Maybe I associate it with that rush I felt on those rebellious high school days when I pulled a Ferris Bueller. Although Martin Luther King Jr. Day and President's Day are dictated as days off by the federal government, there is still that childish sense of freedom that keeps the over-worked soul alive.

Being burdened with a skeptical mind, I am one of those annoying people who asks the administration the purpose of every dollar I pay in the "processing fee." I left the University of Notre Dame in Indiana partly because I felt claustrophobic, crowded by rules about curfews and pressures to have Mid-Western, conservative values and say ten Hail Marys every night.

When I decided to transfer to UCSD, I hoped to find a greater sense of liberation. I thought that with a huge campus, the bureaucracy of UCSD would have given up on trying to control student lives. As time goes on here, the claustrophobia is returning. I was adjusting — until the administration infringed upon my holy-

day rights.

On the first day of my Methods of Media Production lecture, I sat down to hear that all students in Monday's three-hour lab would have to show up, despite the holiday. Like I said, I would not have done much with Monday aside from spending it with Bob Barker, but I still felt cheated. I talked to one of the teacher's assistants after class, who said that I could switch into another section. Unfortunately, I'm taking 18 units and switching would not exactly fit into my schedule. Then she said that I could miss it, but it would affect my "progress in the class" (whatever that means).

It felt like I was being blackmailed into accepting this apparent denouncement of Martin Luther King Jr. Day. A friend of mine said that she had to come to class on Monday as well. People, it's Martin Luther King Jr.! He had a dream, he changed the world. How could media lab be more important than that?

I'm not going to pretend that I would have spent all of Monday pondering what Martin Luther King Jr. did to better society, but the fact is that it was declared a national holiday for a reason, a day to set aside in the name of someone who made a difference. My required presence in the media center lab is in violation of federal law.

As always, I wondered what was next. Well, my TA told me: no President's Day holiday either. That leap in Price Center is getting more and more appealing.

But, in all seriousness, UCSD (and specifically my communications class) is stepping over the line in this case. If the classes could only be organized in a way that accommodated the holidays, it would save Martin Luther King Jr. and a host of deceased presidents from rolling over in their graves. Certainly, students should not have to be a part of this pseudo-fascist academic boot camp. This is so ridiculous; I just might have to say a couple Hail Marys. [letters@ucsdguardian.org](mailto:letters@ucsdguardian.org)

## Costs of Low-Carb Diet Outweigh the Payoff

**COMMENTARY:** The results of current fad diet just aren't worth giving up all the foods that make life worth living

By **DIVYA RUNCHAL**  
Columnist

It started off as an idle thought and developed into madness. One morning as I went to wash my face, I noticed that my cheeks were a tad chunkier than the previous day. Perhaps it was just paranoia, but a dreadful question arose inside me — was I getting fat? Although everybody insisted I looked fine, I took it upon myself to flip through a fashion magazine in the hope of discovering the secrets of being slim.

I skimmed an article on the latest food fad permeating the market: the low-carb diet. As I read the testimonial and glanced at the pictures of women transformed from Rubenesque figures to Ally McBeals, I decided that I too would be able to achieve a Claudia Schiffer body by closely adhering to a diet that eliminated bread, pasta, crackers, milk, soda, dessert, fruit and large portions of vegetables from my diet.

Instead, I was allowed to wolf down as much protein as I could eat. This included all the cheeses in the world, meats and baskets and baskets of eggs. Although it sounded insane, I was actually encouraged to eat fats such as butter, olive oil and plenty of bacon while eradicating apples and bananas from my diet because they contain too many carbohydrates and sugars. Brainwashed and determined to look thinner, I gave away my delicious chocolate chip cookies to my roommate and piled my pantry with loads of bacon, eggs and nuts that would have made any Y2K survivalist green with envy.

During this temporary bout of insanity, I even gave up two of my favorite foods in the entire world: cereal and diet Coke. On the first day of my diet I daydreamed about a world replete with sandwiches and fruits without the carbohydrates. Yet, my euphoria was shattered when I realized I was supposed to stay on the strictest level of the diet, which allowed only 20 grams of carbohydrates a day, the equivalent of two bananas, for two weeks.

As I trudged from class to class, fueled only by meals of cheese or meat, I felt like I was living like a barbarian. I noticed how everyone else enjoyed their food while I

was restricted to one low-fat cracker. After four strict days on the diet, I finally broke free.

When I went home to Los Angeles during the weekend, my mom took me out to a Persian restaurant, the epitome of hell for people on the low-carb diet. As delicious plates of spiced meat dishes lay on top of heaps of rice and other carbohydrate-ridden foods, I dug in without a thought about my days of cheese and plain turkey.

Looking back, two weeks later, I realize how ridiculous my diet actually was. Although I did lose a few pounds, it was not realistic to continue with a diet that took the fun out of eating. So, for everybody who finishes reading this, head straight to the carbohydrate aisles now and stop worrying about whether or not you've gained one pound on your butt. Vivan los carbohydrates!

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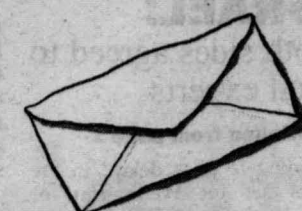
Editor:

In the Jan. 13 letter to the editor "C.A.P.E. Policy Violates Purpose," Professor Willie Brown concluded that the inclusion of outrageous comments in the "Off the Wall" section of C.A.P.E. violates C.A.P.E.'s stated purpose.

Professor Brown summarized C.A.P.E.'s statement of purpose as "to serve students, faculty and those individuals who evaluate faculty." This abridgment is misleading because it implies that C.A.P.E. exists to serve those three entities equally. The C.A.P.E. statement of purpose in the 1999 edition reads:

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Does the inclusion of the "Off the Wall" section interfere with C.A.P.E.'s ability to serve the UCSD faculty? Certainly not. The professors receive both summary sheets of the relative scale questions and all the written comments on evaluations directly from the C.A.P.E. staff.



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Does the inclusion of the "Off the Wall" section prevent the C.A.P.E. staff from adequately serving those who evaluate the faculty? Not at all. Each department still receives the statistics from the relative scale questions directly from C.A.P.E.

Finally, does the inclusion of "Off the Wall" impair C.A.P.E.'s service to the UCSD student body? Absolutely not. C.A.P.E. is valuable to students as an independent, impartial body providing information on the qualifications of the faculty in each department and evaluations of

both the classes and the teaching faculty at UCSD. The inclusion of "Off the Wall" motivates students to buy, read and thus benefit from the C.A.P.E. evaluations.

The sheer number of classes offered at UCSD prohibits extensive evaluation of each one. For this reason, C.A.P.E. only includes comments voiced by 10 percent of the class in its formal evaluations. The "Off the Wall" sections provide examples of unedited comments whose content is not represented in the official evaluations.

Do these comments sometimes demonstrate "intellectual mediocrity, cultural and gender biases and irresponsibility?" Yes, absolutely. Do UCSD students write evaluations that are intellectually mediocre, biased on the basis of gender and cultural differences and irresponsible? Yes, absolutely. Should C.A.P.E., as an impartial body compiling evaluations include extreme comments (both positive and negative) with the edited summaries of responses? Yes, absolutely.

If Professor Brown dislikes the "Off the Wall" comments, perhaps he should write a letter to the editor imploring UCSD students to act in a manner respectful to themselves, their classmates and their professors even when they are guaranteed anonymity. Attacking the C.A.P.E. staff for the comments made by students is shooting the messenger for bringing bad news.

— Colleen Shannon

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## WITCH-HUNT: U.S. should learn from its history

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acts of espionage for China. Wealthy businessmen were targeted for prosecution of espionage or illegal campaign contributions; almost all of them are Chinese Americans.

The history of the United States is full of stories of racial groups targeted for discrimination because of political hostility toward foreign countries. In particular, Asian Americans experienced brutal treatment during World War II. Japanese Americans were rounded up from their homes and sent to concentration camps when Japan declared war against the United States. Japanese Americans were called names such as "Japs" and were accused of spying for Japan. German Americans, too, were subject to discrimination during

that war. They were called names such as "Krauts," and their loyalty to the United States was constantly questioned.

Similarly, if Chinese Americans' loyalty is being questioned even in times of peace, war time may prove disastrous for Asian Americans. China's increasing military strength, added to its desire to take over Taiwan, could mean an all-out war, or at least military skirmishes with the United States. If seeds of anti-Asian sentiments are planted now during peace time through irresponsible accusations of Chinese espionage, these seeds can mature into racist disasters during times of war. Even without war, the anti-Asian trend may grow as a result of racism and economic competition with Asia. Such a trend is not desirable for Asian Americans, nor the rest of America who rely on cooperation of all races as the foundation of our society.

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## ESPIONAGE: Labeling cases as racist ignores facts

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simply, the majority of the people the PRC approaches for this purpose are Chinese. This trend will continue until the Chinese government deigns to practice equal opportunity recruitment of spies.

Having said that, it is still important to note that holding scientists and government officials in suspicion merely because of their ethnicity certainly is racist, and any security policy

that specifically targets certain persons because of their race is wholly unacceptable. However, no federal agencies' practices currently target Asian Americans, or any other ethnicity for that matter, nor do any of the recommendations made in the wake of recent discoveries of acts of espionage advocate doing so.

Treason has always been a sensitive issue. Nobody likes being associated with it, let alone accused of it. Bringing accusations of racial prejudice into the issue when there is no evidence of it is not in the best interest of anyone.

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## China Installs Baby as 'Living Buddha'

BEIJING — Chinese authorities have presided over the enthronement of a 2-year-old boy as an important "living Buddha" in the Tibetan religion, the official New China News Agency reported Monday.

On Monday in India, the government-in-exile of the Dalai Lama, the revered spiritual leader of Tibet, said it would not approve the choice.

In a ceremony on Sunday at the Jokhang Temple in Lhasa, Tibet, Soinam Puncog, 2, was designated the seventh Reting Lama, the reincarnation of the sixth lama, who died in 1997. The boy was chosen by monks from the Reting Monastery after they examined 670 boys and used methods of divination, according to official accounts.

The selection process and the ceremony were managed by the Chinese government, which has sought — with little evidence of success — to nurture a new generation of Tibetan Buddhist leaders loyal to the communist state and not to the Dalai Lama. Chinese officials consider the Dalai Lama to be a separatist enemy.

China's Tibet strategy

appeared to suffer a severe setback earlier this month when the Karmapa Lama, believed to be the reincarnation of another

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important lama, unexpectedly appeared in Dharmasala, India, the seat of the Tibetan government-in-exile. The Karmapa

Lama, who is 14, arrived there on Jan. 5 after an icy eight-day trek through the Himalayas.

The boy, the 17th Karmapa Lama, was ordained in 1992 with the approval of the Beijing authorities and the Dalai Lama. The Chinese held him up as an example of a "patriotic" lama.

China has left the door open to his return, asserting that he left to collect ritual instruments, but exiled leaders said he was fleeing religious restrictions.

Since his departure, at least two monks from his monastery near Lhasa have been detained for questioning, the Tibet Information Network in London reported.

In 1995 the search for the reincarnation of Tibet's second-most-important religious leader, the Panchen Lama, became mired in dispute.

From afar the Dalai Lama announced his own choice, a boy who was on the government's list of candidates. Angered at being pre-empted, government officials put that boy under house arrest and chose another.

— Erik Eckholm  
The New York Times

ISRAEL:  
Both sides agreed to send experts

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is going to be a delay" in the talks set for Wednesday at Shepherdstown, W.Va.

Instead of the Israeli prime minister, Ehud Barak, and the Syrian foreign minister, Farouk al-Sharaa, coming as expected,

both sides would send experts to Washington to "provide their comments" on the draft peace treaty written by the United States, Albright said.

The resumption of the talks unraveled Sunday when the Syrian media announced that Israel must make its withdrawal from the Golan Heights to the line set on June 4, 1967, the eve of the Six Day War, the first order of business in the new round.

Another complicating factor for the Syrians was the fact that the Palestinian leader, Yasser Arafat, has been long scheduled to see President Clinton at the White House on Thursday.

with Arafat and Clinton in Washington, leaving the Syrians even further out in the cold.

— Jane Perlez  
The New York Times

This Syrian demand was made in response to the leaking in the Israeli press last week of the American draft peace treaty, diplomats said. The draft was interpreted in the Arab world as Syria making big concessions.

Another complicating factor for the Syrians was the fact that the Palestinian leader, Yasser Arafat, has been long scheduled to see President Clinton at the White House on Thursday.

The Syrians did not relish languishing in Shepherdstown while Arafat, hardly a friend of the Syrian leader, Hafez Assad, was feted at the White House, officials said.

Barak added another factor by suggesting that he would meet

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## Candidates Bradley and Gore Disagree on Racial Profiling

DES MOINES, Iowa — Hoping to stir doubts about the administration's commitment to minorities, former Sen. Bill Bradley on Monday night challenged Vice President Al Gore to press President Clinton to issue an executive order banning racial profiling.

Gore fired back with a forceful defense of the president in a brief but sharp confrontation between the two Democratic presidential candidates as they appeared in their sixth — and final — debate before the first votes are cast in the Iowa caucuses next Monday night.

Bradley seized the offensive after Gore pledged to sign an executive order banning racial profiling, the practice of singling out blacks for police questioning.

"You know, Al, I know that you would issue an order to end racial profiling if you were president of the United States," Bradley said. "But we have a president now. You serve with him. I want you to walk down that hallway, walk into his office, and say, 'Sign this executive order today.'"

But Gore jumped to the president's defense, asserting, "I don't think President Bill Clinton needs a lecture from Bill Bradley about how to stand up and fight for African-Americans and Latinos in this country."

His voice rising, Gore went on, "It's one thing to talk the talk. It's another thing to walk the walk, whether it's down the hallway."

The exchange over racial profiling made for the most tense moments of the 60-minute televised forum. Most of the time, Bradley and Gore put forth virtually identical positions. In fact, they devoted themselves to trying to top one another in responding to questions about who they would put on the Supreme Court, their outrage at the Confederate flag that flies over the capitol of South Carolina and their efforts to reach out to the Rev. Al Sharpton, the New York civil rights leader.

— Richard L. Berke  
The New York Times

FLAG:  
March was largest in Columbia's history

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attended a protest strolled next to an older generation that knew the drill, waving signs, stomping feet and mock-grimacing at the object of their derision on the dome. From 5 percent to 10 percent of the crowd appeared to be white, including large delegations of elected officials, business leaders and clergy members.

The march was the largest in Columbia's history, according to Mayor Bob Coble. Buses rolled all night to bring in marchers from Baltimore and Birmingham, many of whom spent the night with friends to avoid spending a dollar in the state, hewing to the NAACP's economic boycott of South Carolina that began with the new year.

It had been only a week since 6,000 white supporters of the flag gathered on the same steps to

praise it as a symbol of Southern heritage.

South Carolina is the only state of the former Confederacy that still flies the battle flag, although other states incorporate Confederate elements into their flag. The Georgia chapter of the Rev. Jesse Jackson's Rainbow/PUSH coalition is planning to announce a boycott of Georgia because its state flag includes the battle flag.

But South Carolina is also the only state in the country without an official celebration of King's birthday, which was much noted by many speakers and marchers. State employees here have the option of taking off either Monday or one of three Confederate holidays scattered around the year, but all state offices were open for business Monday.

Although bills to remove the flag and add the King holiday have passed the state Senate in the past, they have always died in the House.

— David Firestone  
The New York Times

## Drug Makers Agree to Merge

LONDON — The summer of 1997 was unusually dreary for Glaxo Wellcome PLC despite an unusually warm and sunny season.

Glaxo's patent for its prize drug, Zantac, an anti-ulcer medication that was the best-selling drug in the United States in 1996 expired that summer. Without another patent-protected blockbuster drug in its arsenal to immediately replace Zantac, the British pharmaceutical company began looking for a merger partner with some probable hit drugs in the pipeline.

While copycat drug makers began marketing a generic version of Zantac, Glaxo began talking late that year in earnest about merging with SmithKline Beecham PLC, another British drug maker that had the pipeline Glaxo wanted. In it was a drug called Avandia, a diabetes treatment with smash hit written all over it.

Glaxo had marketing

resources and money to burn on research, and SmithKline had a significant drug pipeline — but neither company had the size and scale to achieve the kind of success the two companies could achieve together.

Only one problem stood between the two drug makers: the egos of Glaxo's chairman, Sir Richard Sykes, and SmithKline's chief executive, Jan Leschly. Neither executive wanted to give up control of his drug fiefdom.

On Monday, as Glaxo announced that it would acquire SmithKline for about \$76 billion in stock, both executives ceded the control they so valued to a third man, Jean-Pierre Garnier. Garnier, the chief operating officer of SmithKline, will take the reins of the newly anointed largest drug maker in the world, Glaxo SmithKline, stepping into the role of chief executive.

Sir Richard, 57, will become

the nonexecutive chairman of the combined company and may retire in 2002 when he turns 60, while Leschly will leave the combined company entirely when he retires in April.

With the market expecting more cost savings than the combined company pledged, shares of Glaxo dropped 4.7 percent, or 86 pence, to 1,732 pounds, and SmithKline fell 6.9 percent, or 58.5 pence, to 788.5 pounds.

As part of the deal, Glaxo shareholders will get 58.75 percent of the new company, while SmithKline shareholders will control 41.25 percent.

SmithKline shareholders will get 0.4552 shares of Glaxo SmithKline in exchange for each share of SmithKline that they own. Glaxo shares will be exchanged on a one-for-one basis.

— Andrew Ross Sorkin  
The New York Times

## Music Industry Expects Merger to Accelerate Change

LOS ANGELES — For the music industry, the merger of America Online and Time Warner has struck a chord. It promises to hasten the coming of the day when music is distributed digitally through the Internet rather than through record stores. But many obstacles must be overcome before consumers routinely download music instead of buying compact discs.

The promise comes from the combination of AOL, the world's largest Internet service provider, with Time Warner's record company, one of the five giants that dominate the music business. The merged company is expected to push music online more aggressively than record companies alone have been doing. AOL's expertise could help make Internet music downloading less daunting for novices.

Ted Leonsis, president of the AOL Interactive Properties Group, said that AOL would have to work with all record companies, not just Warner, because consumers would be reluctant to visit any site that offered only one brand. Besides, fans of a particular singer or group "typically don't know what label they're on," said Andrea Fleming, vice president of corporate marketing for Liquid Audio, an online music company.

Still, Warner might benefit from special promotions on AOL or from AOL's expertise in developing Internet services. Leonsis said, for instance, that in the 1980s Warner Music took advantage of music videos earlier than other record companies because its parent company owned MTV.

Vidich said Warner Music was

already benefiting from a cutting-edge image from its pending association with AOL. "In the last week at least two companies have come to us with ideas and said Warner is now the perfect partner for them," he said Friday.

Still, moving onto the Internet is not Warner Music's biggest challenge. The company has slipped from No. 1 to No. 4 in market share over the last few years because it failed to develop new acts.

AOL is already involved in Internet music through ownership of Winamp, a program for downloading music, and Spinner, a Web radio service. But it has not been perceived as a friend of the record industry, because it has not been avid in fighting Internet piracy.

— Andrew Pollack  
The New York Times

## GUARDIAN FEATURES

## Student Accreditation

*Credit card companies prey on unsuspecting, ill-informed students who often are unaware of the lasting damage that can be done to their credit.*

By Beth Arnese, Staff Writer

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hen Elisa Weifel signed up for four credit cards during Welcome Week of her freshman year, she never thought she would be dealing

with the consequences four years later. Now Weifel is a senior and still has not paid off these cards completely.

"It was so easy to get any credit card I wanted," Weifel said. "I would walk by [credit card vendors] on my way to class. They would offer me cookies or a free T-shirt, and it would be too easy. I believe that these credit card companies are like predators. I signed up for these credit cards because I thought that it would be good to establish a great credit record, but in reality they destroyed my credit."

## How Companies Get on Campus

According to John Turk, Director of the UCSD Bookstore, there are only two ways credit card vendors can obtain permission to use tabletop marketing tactics on our campus. One of the methods many credit card companies use to target UCSD students is setting up booths at quarterly vendor fairs, which are managed by Student Affairs.

"I do not have a considered opinion on the matter of a ban," said Joseph Watson, Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs. "However, my inclination would be not to ban the solicitations as long as they follow campus regulations regarding outside groups on the campus and using campus facilities."

The only other way credit card companies are allowed on campus is through the bookstore. Currently, the bookstore receives \$50 or \$100 for each vendor that is located in front of the bookstore. According to Turk, this fee just covers the expense of the tables and the staff required to set them up.

"I do not anticipate a change in any bookstore policy regarding credit card marketing unless California State Legislation or University policies changes," Turk said. "But I am interested in hearing what the students think about this issue. We do not have any credit card solicitors booked for winter or spring, and we will not make arrangements with them until we hear what the students think."

According to Turk, the most frequent type of vendors are those that offer a wide range of financial services. Companies such as Wells Fargo and Citibank offer different types of incentives than those offered by credit card companies.

it card companies.

American Express offers both a credit card and a revolving charge card. With a revolving charge card, debt cannot accrue, as the payment is due every month. The primary focus of American Express' marketing is on the revolving charge card.

Credit card companies are the least frequent type of vendor that works with the bookstore. In addition, all credit card companies are limited to one campus visit per quarter.

## The Background

Fifteen years ago, the first credit card vendors were allowed on campus because the bookstore benefited when more students had credit cards. Students paying with credit cards would expedite lines at the bookstore because credit card transactions are significantly faster than writing checks.

However, recent advances have made several methods of payment faster. For example, charging bookstore purchases to one's student account is advancing in popularity. Simply by showing a student identification, any bookstore purchase can be billed with tuition.

"We are the only UC campus to work with the Bursar's office so that students can charge payments to their student accounts," Turk said.

With the increased popularity of debit cards, Triton Plus cards and the ability to charge items to a student account, the bookstore's need for students to have credit cards has certainly changed.

"We are seeing several changes in the method of payment for books," Turk said. "On our [Web] site, medical school books can be purchased with a credit card. I anticipate that in the next six months, all books will be able to be purchased from our Web site. The majority of these purchases are made with credit cards."

## What You May Not Know

Although the benefits of student credit are obvious, the drawbacks may not be so readily apparent. Each time a student applies for a new card, an inquiry into the student's credit will be shown on his or her credit report. A large number of inquiries into one's credit can potentially be detrimental.

"Often times what students do not know when they sign up for a credit card is what exactly happens to their application.... They are just interested in getting a free gift," A.S. President Tesh Khullar said. "Students are not told that this is an 'inquiry' on their credit record. Too many inquiries in a short amount of time is actually bad for your credit. I know this through first-hand experience. If students were told the whole story by these credit card agencies, then I would have no problem with their solicitation. The fact

that the representatives for these credit card companies do not inform students of the entire story upsets me and has me leaning in favor of their removal from this campus."

In addition, few students are aware that bad debt can potentially make it harder to get into graduate school and get employment.

## Problems with Student Credit

Problems managing credit cards only grow as students accumulate more cards, more debt and obtain higher credit limits.

"As I spent more and more, the credit card companies just kept raising my credit limit," Weifel said. "That just made me want to spend more."

According to the United College

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# Larger University Classes Hold Advantages

Although large class sizes often take heavy criticism, they can be educationally beneficial

By KIRSTEN G. STUDIEN  
Harvard Crimson (Harvard U.)

(U-WIRE) CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — In choosing a college, many students see the issue of class size as one of the most important determinants in their search for a fulfilling education.

Most high schoolers and their parents assume that smaller classes necessarily translate into better teaching.

And despite its undeniable prestige, Harvard has come under fire from outside observers, who charge the university with an excess of large, impersonal lecture classes and inaccessible professors.

But according to Harvard faculty members, the anonymity of large classes is offset by the teaching ability of the engaging and charismatic big name professors who generally preside over big lecture courses. Because these professors are both talented and well-known, they draw more students each time the class is offered. Many faculty members

feel that it is unfair to bar students from benefiting from such classes.

"I hate it when anything is limited at Harvard," Dean of the College Harry Lewis wrote in an e-mail message.

"It is so hard to get in to this place, all students should have access to everything without a further selection process, except of course by prerequisites and the knowledge needed to participate usefully."

"Some courses are large," Dean of the Faculty Jeremy Knowles said.

"I'm not going to legislate to say that a large number of students can't enjoy a charismatic lecturer."

## But How Big Is Too Big?

The key to enjoying the most beneficial education at Harvard lies in finding the correct balance between large and small classes. Large classes may be better known and therefore tempting to students, but a full load of courses taught in

Sanders Theatre may leave some students feeling lost in the crowd. On the other hand, students who scrupulously avoid large lecture classes may never have the chance to be in a course taught by one of Harvard's academic superstars.

The College offers classes at both extremes, and in general the most satisfied students take advantage of both large and small classes.

## Does Size Really Matter?

According to Harvard administrators, class size is not by any stretch the determining factor of what students can get out of a class. "I personally have never considered class size terribly important," Lewis said.

"It may be a bit unusual in that regard. When I was a student, I had unforgettably wonderful classes of 400, where the effort involved in preparing lectures and course materials could not have been invested for a dozen students," he said.

Dean of Undergraduate Edu-

cation William M. Todd III says that there is no "one size fits all" answer to the question of class size.

"Classes in which students can feel they actively participate better seize their attention and engage their minds," Todd wrote in an e-mail message.

"But some of our professors have the rare talent to conduct a class of 1,000 as if it were a seminar of 15."

And it is not necessarily true, he added, that enrolling in a small course will ensure a stimulating classroom experience — poor teachers are poor teachers regardless of class size.

For dedicated professors, the thought of facing an audience of hundreds two or three times a week can actually make them work harder.

Because professors often feel that they need to put on a 'performance' in class in order to keep students interested, presentations often come out more polished than they would in a small class setting.

Professor Everett I. Mendelsohn told *The Crimson* last spring that he spends time before every lecture preparing to give a first-class show.

Though other professors deny being nervous before class, Mendelsohn sees the preparation ritual as crucial. "I always take a half an hour before to get hyped up and get the adrenaline pumping," he said.

Lewis said that the bottom line on class size is that a Harvard education is what you make of it and does not hinge on whether a given class has 10 people or 1,000.

"The point of an education is to become intimately familiar with the subject, not with the teacher," Lewis said.

He said that in many cases, larger classes can be beneficial for students who may be less than chipper at 10 a.m. on a Monday morning.

"I had a small, intimate seminar with a senior faculty member that was so boring and incompre-

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## CREDIT: Students don't get the full story

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Marketing Services, the average student has 2.8 credit cards. The average undergraduate student has \$1,843 in credit card debt, according to Nellie Mae, a student loan profiler.

Robert Manning, of Georgetown University's sociology department, believes that past studies have underrepresented the student credit problem. He estimates that one-fifth of students have \$10,000 or more in credit card debt. Furthermore, he argues that the true size of most students' debt is hidden because it gets refinanced with both student and private loans.

While Manning views the use of credit cards for loans as negative, many credit companies portray this as a benefit of credit cards. According to Mastercard, "A credit card can also provide a short-term loan, either in the form of a cash loan or of merchandise purchases. Of course, you'll have to pay the money back ... but you are able to do so in flexible payments."

## A Problem Nationwide

While the issue of student debt has not received much attention at UCSD, the issue is one of debate on several other campuses. More than 300 colleges nationwide have banned credit card marketers from their campuses. In addition, another 140 plan to discontinue use by the end of this year.

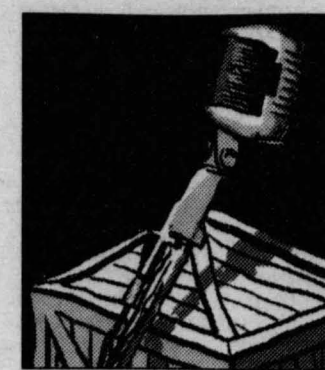
"Oftentimes, things happen at UCSD without student input and I feel this is one of them. I have no real opinion either way on the issue, but I can see why they are being banned [at other schools]," Khullar said.

Related legislation will be introduced in Virginia's General Assembly to more closely regulate solicitation on college campuses. Utah State University's student government association has discussed funding for a part-time financial advisor position to counsel students about debt, credit and investing.

## Other on Campus Marketing Tactics

Even if credit companies were

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MARC COMER  
Editor in Chief

It took me nearly 20 years to realize that I'm never getting into heaven. Hell? I'm not going there either. It's not that I'm so terribly bad that heaven will shun me or so saintly that I would put out the fires in hell. It's just that those two places don't exist.

While I am now an atheist, my bout with religion has been long and arduous. You may find some folly in my ways.

Born to a Jewish father, my family practiced Judaism until I was four. The only scar is the one from the bris. I don't have any pictures of me wearing a skull cap, but every little Jewish boy looks cool wearing a yarmulke.

After several years without religion, since moving around starves any relationship with a church, I was forced to attend a Catholic church for a year or two, and then to rejoice at a non-denominational Christian church for four. By choice, I sought fulfillment at a Methodist church for three years and toward the middle of high school, attended seminary at a Mormon church for nearly two.

When I got to UCSD I went to the Methodist church in down-

## THE EDITOR'S SOAPBOX

From the heights of heaven to the bowels of hell, disenlightenment at last

town La Jolla. I was eager to find new faith. The topic for the youth group at the Methodist church that night: How to be faithful in marriage. It didn't really apply to me then when I was 17, and it still won't now that I'm 22.

I was left without a church, yet still yearning for spirituality. Capitalizing upon my eagerness and loneliness, members of Campus Crusade recruited me for religious boot camp.

Four guys would schedule prayer sessions atop the lawn at Geisel library or at the cliffs. They'd ask me if I was a true Christian, if I wanted to be saved,

plainable — it was bound to be written.

The worst part is, anybody could have written the Bible. Throw in some circular arguments, lots of obscurity and explain things that can't concretely be proven false, and voila, the Bible ... volume II. History shows that what people cannot explain or do not know, they will make up.

The Bible is great historical fiction, written by men who felt "touched" and "commanded."

Fitzgerald must have felt the same way writing *The Great Gatsby*, but does that make Jay Gatsby real? I don't doubt that a

The Bible is truth for two reasons: Everyone is afraid not to believe it and no one can prove it false. I mean the punishment for not believing isn't that severe. Eternal burning sounds like great fun to me. And we all know that if enough people believe it, then it must be true. Look out at the horizon, doesn't the world seem flat to you? And I can't prove the good book false, but then again ... no one can prove me false either, so who is right? Me.

I even want the Bible to be true. If I believe in God, I will live forever. Isn't that great? Wouldn't it be great to live forever? Well,

inspiration and hope. But most of all, it's a great way to give a purpose or answer to anything and everything inexplicable.

My argument is, if you're going to believe and follow the Bible, do it. It's all or nothing. I hate people who are believing "just in case." What in the hell is that? Just in case God is only watching when you're in Sunday best? He knows when you've been bad or good, so be good for goodness sakes?

Call me stoical, but I am not afraid of death. I am happy knowing that when I die I will be absorbed by mother earth. I am spiritual in other ways. I don't need a creator or an afterlife. I'm not going to a place that doesn't exist.

I'm not trying to persuade anyone away from the Bible or religion or God. I feel that most people are born into a religion and have it thrust down their throats from day one. Everyone should make up their own minds and not shun those who have a mind of their own.

I don't believe in God. Does that make me a bad person? Am I lacking morals? No. However, when I do make decisions I am not blinded by sheer faith. Atheism is not about believing nothing, it's about disbelieving. I believe God is a concoction and a great one.

I am an atheist because I choose not to believe in that concoction. And no matter how many times you tell me I'm going to hell for this, I won't believe it is true. I'm not believing ... just in case.

So why am I an atheist? If it's not obvious, let me extrapolate. It's not merely that I'm anti-religion. To put it simply, I don't believe there is a higher being. I don't believe there is a son of a higher being. I don't even believe the Bible is nonfiction.

If I wanted to devote my life to God. And then they'd proceed to ask me if I looked at pornography, how often I masturbated, if I was a virgin, if I had ever been drunk — all sins, you know.

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Now, while I can't explain the creation of the universe, the theory of God seems the least likely, and the most likely to be conjured up by simple minds with no scientific background.

The Bible explains the unex-

plan like Jesus lived, but was he the son of God? The Bible is a great story, an unbelievable one. It is so powerful and great, who would want it not to be true?

What else quells our wonderment of the beginning of time? What other book explains our purpose so provocatively? What else in the world calms our fears of death by giving us hope of something afterward?

Fear is a great emotion to harness, and the Bible does it wonderfully. Most people can't handle thinking that once they die, that is it, it is done, existence is over, kaput. What would everyone do if there were no afterlife? The world might seem quite useless, dim and meaningless.

not really, but it seems great at first. I think you get pretty tired of everything once you start counting your age in centuries, but it's a nice thought.

Oh yeah, but there must be a creator, right? Well, who created the creator? Wait, you're saying that there's a God Sr.? Well, where's his good book? Oh, he's not much of a writer. I see.

I don't shun belief in a creator. Don't get me wrong. Believing in God or any other higher being and belonging to that deity's religion is good for some people. It may even be good for the country. It's a great way to scare children into being good and having morals. It encourages people to help those in need. It provides

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## ARENA

## Do you think Elián González should remain in the United States?

Interviews by **Jessica Scheppmann** • Photography by **Lisa Huff**

"As long as he is generating money for the media, he should stay in the United States. If he's generating for the people in the United States, great. Otherwise, send him back."

**Scott Dunning**  
Revelle Junior



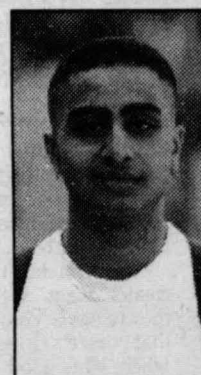
"He should stay in the United States even though his dad is in Cuba, for the reasons that he will have more opportunities here and in the long run will be better off, hopefully."

**Carmen Mendez**  
Muir Junior



"I think he should be returned to his father. Even in the United States natural parental rights are honored."

**Stephanie Perez**  
Muir Senior



"He should be in the United States because the original intent of his mother was to stay here. He's better off in the United States."

**Dheeraj Sarpangal**  
Warren Sophomore



"He should be sent back to Cuba because his father is there. He spent more time with his father while he was in Cuba, so it would be better for the boy."

**Ivet Suriapranata**  
Postdoctoral Student



"I think he should go back to his father. It's not a political issue, it's about family. [Elián] belongs with his dad."

**Alex Tomescu**  
Warren Sophomore

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Many universities  
ban solicitation

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banned from table-top marketing on campus, there is little to suggest that these companies would not find alternative methods of marketing to students. Currently, every time a purchase is made at the UCSD Bookstore, a credit application is placed in the bottom of the bag, along with three other advertisements.

In return, the bookstore gets a significant discount on the price of the bags.

"This is not an increase in revenue, but we are provided with significant saving costs," Turk said.

The bookstore saves six cents per card. In total, the bookstore is able to save \$14,960 on the price of bags for the entire year.

## More Schemes

In addition to the familiar marketing strategies that are utilized on campus, most credit card companies use phone calls, mailings and the Internet to reach students. According to United College Marketing Services, the average student receives 15-20 credit card solicitations per semester.

The Mastercard Web site has a Student Section, filled with offers on entertainment and travel, job-hunting tips and even a section entitled "Money Management 101." According to Mastercard, "A credit card is a good way to keep track of expenses because the monthly statement lists all your card purchases."

## A Solution

There are plausible solutions to help students make informed decisions. One solution is that Credit Rules, sponsored by the

Federal Trade Commission, will be handed out to each student at the marketing tables. The rules state things such as, "Owing more than you can repay can damage your credit rating. That can make it hard to finance a car, rent an apartment, get insurance — even get a job."

At UC Davis, fliers discussing the importance of good credit are distributed at every credit card company's table.

"In my opinion, the focus should be on educating our students and the campus community on the proper use of credit cards and the financial risks associated with their improper use," Watson said.

*According to United College Marketing Services, the average college student receives 15-20 credit card solicitations per semester.*

## A UCSD Plan

"If UCSD is going to allow such open solicitation to credit card companies, we should be obligated to educate our students on credit, responsible use of such cards, and potential problems associated with credit card use, especially during orientation," Revelle Dean Renee Barnett-Terry said.

"I disagree with the exploitation of UCSD students via credit card companies bombarding the campus, especially during Welcome Week with new students who are away from their parents, not necessarily aware of the consequences of establishing credit, then abusing the privilege, which affects their credit history in the future," Barnett-Terry said.

"Although some of our students are coming to UCSD with credit cards already, the lure of 'freebies' by credit card companies on campus in exchange for completing an application is a temptation for many UCSD students, but I'm not sure they are aware of the responsibilities that should accompany wise stewardship of their finances. I support a ban at UCSD."

## HOROSCOPES



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## ARIES

March 21 - April 19

You're learning fast on Monday and Tuesday. You may advance in your career through quick thinking then. Wednesday through Thursday are a strain, as you try to balance home and public responsibilities. The tension lessens around Thursday, as the sun goes into Aquarius. Friends are more help for the next few weeks, but on Friday and Saturday, they may also be in the way. Get them involved in a project of

yours, and you could complete it by Sunday.

## TAURUS

April 20 - May 20

Improve your skills and increase your income on Monday and Tuesday. Do errands over the phone, if possible, on Wednesday and Thursday. That's much more sensible than fighting the traffic out there. An authority figure has a new list for you on Friday and Saturday. Just do one thing at a time, at your own pace. Set up something special for yourself and your loved one(s) on Sunday.

## GEMINI

May 21 - June 21

You're looking good on Monday and Tuesday, so ask for what you want. You're more likely to get a loan than a pay raise. Money's also a major theme on Wednesday and Thursday. Scrape your pennies together so you can sign up for a cruise or a college class — or both. Around Thursday, you should start feeling more secure, as the sun goes into Aquarius. Travel and education will get easier in the next few weeks, although both could be kind

of confusing on Friday and Saturday. Too many choices! On Sunday, stay close to home to avoid misunderstandings and other mishaps.

## CANCER

June 22 - July 22

You may feel pressed into action on Monday and Tuesday. Don't resist any longer. Go ahead and buy something you and a partner have been thinking about. You're more outspoken on Wednesday and Thursday. Nobody's going to push you around then, that's for sure! You're naturally good at business, and on Friday and Saturday, you'll get to prove it. Choose your words, actions and bets carefully. Relax with friends and neighbors on Sunday and count your winnings.

## LEO

July 23 - Aug. 22

On Monday and Tuesday, you have the greatest chance of success if you're working with a whole team. On Wednesday and Thursday, however, you may find yourself finishing up a project on your own. A partner comes to your rescue around Friday. That day, and Saturday, are both good for a romantic

commitment too. On Sunday, money comes your way through either a gift or a good idea.

## VIRGO

Aug. 23 - Sept. 22

An older person demands your attention on Monday and Tuesday, but you'd rather be home with the ones you love. The workload increases, but friends are available to help on Wednesday and Thursday. Use them! On Friday and Saturday, you may feel pressed with a deadline looming and the work still incomplete. Push it into overdrive then and ask for an extension, too. Count your wins and losses Sunday.

## LIBRA

Sept. 23 - Oct. 22

Monday and Tuesday are your best days this week for getting your message across. Travel should go well on those days, too. Wednesday and Thursday could be confusing. You'll be in the mood to make changes in your home and also with your career. Friday and Saturday are excellent for entertaining, and your house is a great location. Sunday's good for cleaning up the mess,

especially if you can get a loved one or two to help.

## SCORPIO

Oct. 24 - Nov. 21

Practice makes perfect on Monday and Tuesday. The best subjects to study have to do with money. You have a good chance of cinching a deal on Wednesday or Thursday. You won't be able to travel well on those days, but a foreign connection could be quite profitable. Stick close to home on Friday and Saturday. An older person, possibly one of your parents, wants to give you some good advice. Don't let on if you already know it all. Sunday's your best for visiting with friends. Either your place or theirs would be fine.

## SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22 - Dec. 21

Work with a partner to fatten your wallet on Monday and Tuesday. That'll be much smarter than trying to do the job all by yourself. Stash away whatever you've made on Wednesday and Thursday. If you go shopping, keep at it until you find the best deals. Tasks near home

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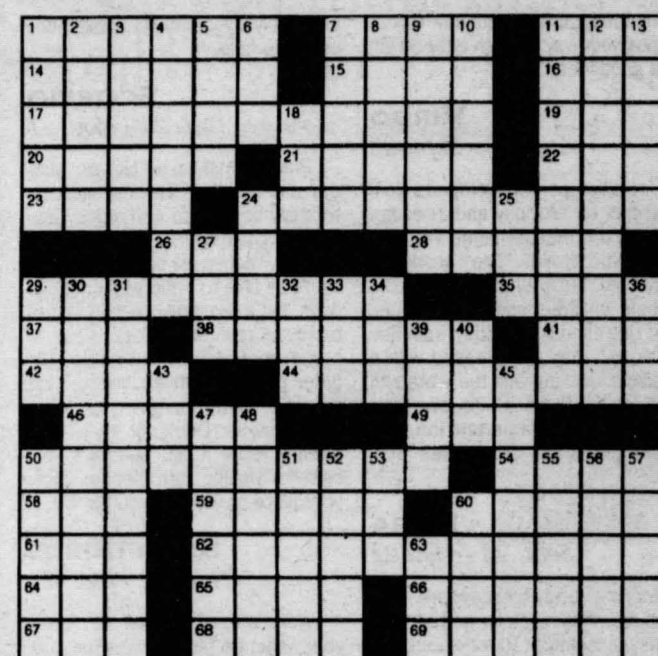
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6 Hankering  
7 Follow  
8 Grieve  
9 Legal proceedings  
10 Lustrous cotton fabric  
11 Two-sided  
12 Count off one by one  
13 Painter Degas  
14 Pass  
15 Words of approximation  
16 Tycoon Turner  
17 USN big shot  
18 Leg: slang  
19 Made new maps  
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21 Alamos, NM  
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25 Foolish  
26 Printer's measures  
27 Ignited  
28 Birthday party popper  
29 Fight, in Dogpatch  
30 Sea and land endings  
31 Comic Sales  
32 Entices  
33 Licorice flavoring  
34 Operated  
35 One more time  
36 Analyze, as a sentence  
37 Passover meal  
38 Competent  
39 Acquire

Puzzle by Bill Swain

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## ACROSS

1 Like an infamous Dallas knoll  
7 Ambulance crew, briefly  
11 Hive builder  
14 Make carbonated  
15 Myrna in "The Thin Man"  
16 Neither Rep. nor Dem.  
17 Bikini or trunks  
19 Ear-like projection  
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School comes under  
fire for class size

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hensible that I wish it had been bigger so I and my ignorance would not have been noticed so much," Lewis said.

"I don't believe that class size makes as much difference to the quality of the education as other parameters do."

Knowles said he agrees that very large classes in no way hinder students' ability to benefit from a productive learning environment.

He says that instead of isolation, a large class can provide a great way for students to have a common learning experience.

"Once the audience has risen above about 100 or so, I don't think that the students' ability to learn is affected," Knowles told *The Crimson* last year.

"It can become, instead, a vivid, shared experience. There is surely nothing intrinsically wrong with very popular lecturers."

## One-track Mind

The one danger, Knowles said, is the possibility that certain groups of students may end up with a college career composed entirely of anonymous lecture courses.

Especially for students who are science concentrators, he says, there is a legitimate concern that they will be stuck in larger than life classes for their entire time at Harvard.

"I am more worried about individual students taking only large classes," Knowles says.

Because of a phenomenon that Knowles terms 'verticality,' science concentrators must take

many more prerequisites before they can advance to smaller classes.

Conversely, English and history classes are more likely to be based on a topic student will not have been required to have any prior knowledge of, as a prerequisite for the class.

Todd says that this can prove to be a disadvantage to students mired in introductory science courses, because they lose out on some of the benefits of the balance between class sizes.

"The great majority of our courses here have enrollments of fewer than 20," Todd said.

"The largest courses, however, are concentrated in our most popular concentrations and in the Core, so that students in these concentrations do not benefit from the many opportunities we offer for small group instruction."

## The Joy of Section

One of the ways professors can compensate for larger classes and ensure that students can still synthesize the material in a small learning environment is through section discussion.

A disadvantage of large lecture classes is the ease with which students can sleep in, skip class and choose alternate activities over learning.

Todd said that the mandatory decrease in section size is one way in which the faculty has tried to combat the growing of class size.

"With [class size] in mind, we reduced discussion section sizes from 20 to 18 two years ago," Todd said.

"And once we have settled into this size we would probably like to make another reduction, perhaps to 15."

Todd feels this will keep students in class and learning.

Internet Web site plays  
part of online bully

By STEVEN KANTOR

The Dartmouth (Dartmouth College)

(U-WIRE) HANOVER, N.H. —The Internet has become for many people a way to share with the world their likes, dislikes, hobbies, and beliefs.

Creating a personal homepage is so easy that someone with minimal computer training can make one. Many publish online diaries and photos of themselves, others attempt humor, and some are so odd that they defy description.

This is where Losers.org (<http://www.losers.org>) comes in. With the sole purpose of identifying these Web sites and standing them up for public ridicule, Losers.org is the bully of the internet.

The setup of the site is simple — each Web site is placed within a category, for example, 'dorks,' 'freaks,' 'nerds,' 'punks' or 'players,' and given a 'loser rating' ranging from a 1-L mild loser to the rare 5-L maximum loser award. Brief David Spade-style insulting comments are made for each site and links to

each site are provided.

Losers.org may sound mean spirited, immature, and hypocritical. It is. After all, devoting an extensive Web site to jibing others should qualify Losers.org for its own award. While Losers.org is funny in itself, the actual sites it links to are where the real humor lies.

An entire category is dedicated to those who use the internet to flaunt their sexual prowess, the players. They spend every waking moment in the pursuit of sex. They think they're God's gift to women. And they usually don't get any."

A 3-L winning site offers a \$10,000 reward for anyone who introduces the creator to a woman who will become his wife.

Losers.org tells it's victims, "All we are doing is putting up a link to your page — which you have made available to everyone completely of your own free will — and adding a few smarmy comments." And the result is the freakiest and least predictable site on the Web.

HOROSCOPE:  
Capricorn, Aquarius,  
Pisces and birthdays

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prevent much of a journey on Friday and Saturday, but dinner with a foreign flare is mandatory. Be ready for an inspection on Sunday. A critical friend will be glad to point out what- ever you've missed.

## CAPRICORN

Dec. 22 - Jan. 19

On Monday and Tuesday, the focus is paperwork. Finish as much as you can now, or it'll be even more of a problem later. On Tuesday and Wednesday, a partner comes to your rescue. Let him or her bail you out of a jam and be sure to show your appreciation. On Thursday, the sun goes into Aquarius, shifting your focus to financial matters for the next few weeks. Do long-range planning on Friday and Saturday. Sunday's your best bet this week for a romantic excursion or a visit with loved ones.

## AQUARIUS

Jan. 20 - Feb. 18

Love and duty are at odds on Monday and Tuesday. Fit in as much time as you can for the former, but don't

ignore the latter altogether. That won't even be possible on Wednesday and Thursday. Duty definitely takes precedence then. Around Thursday, your life starts getting easier, as the sun goes into your sign. Form partnership agreements and make big decisions on Friday and Saturday. Sunday's your best this week for shopping. You're more liable to care about saving money then.

## PISCES

Feb. 19 - March 20

You're in for a few surprises on Monday and Tuesday. The truth could come out about your boss, your company or your industry. You'll do fine, so don't worry. Wednesday and Thursday are your best days this week for a romantic interlude. Those are also good days for relaxing with good friends and being around children. You won't have time for any of that on Saturday and Sunday. The pressure's on, and you'll have to work hard to meet expectations. Try something different with your favorite partner on Sunday, just for the fun of it. You'll have earned a reward by then.

## BIRTHDAYS

Jan. 17 - Jan. 23

If You're Having a Birthday This Week ...  
Jan. 17: Work's your middle

name, and virtue's your reward. You might make a dream come true.

Jan. 18: You'll be thinking more about money, and that could be quite profitable. Make up your mind.

Jan. 19: A legal matter requires attention, but all turns out well. Put your money where your mouth is.

Jan. 20: Hopes and dreams, money and partnerships. With good planning, success is within your grasp. Do the homework.

Jan. 21: You're powerful this year, but a good partner will make you even stronger. Learn from a critic.

Jan. 22: Your visions can be put into words, and then anything can happen. You might even help produce a miracle or two.

Jan. 23: Don't spend more than you can afford, though.

## Crossword Solution

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## PERSONALS

listen to kids-i'm sure you're sick of reading my personals, so I want you to come into the guardian and write your own. you can write them to your friends or your professors or even to yourself I guess, but that would be kinda lame. anyway, if you keep it under 20 words and it's not selling something or hurting anyone (directly) then bring it on. come see yvette to discuss payment, just kidding- they're free until february or atleast until i change my mind.

Zarina- Welcome to the Guardian Team. Can't wait to make some money, sell some ads, and have some fun. -Matt.

it is now week two- do you know

where your books are? did you even get them yet? you probably should.

**ATTN Roel Construction Company:** Whoops! I pounded a few too many beers (you know me) last September, and accidentally ordered an extra building I don't need. Sorry about all the trouble. (1/18)

That "Who Wants to Be A Millionaire" is starting to look like a Million Man March for white guys. Let's mix it up a little. PS- just answer the damn question, too. (1/18)

Bud Party did layeth the smacketh down upon the millions and millions of people who witnessed its splendor. Anyways, as many of you jabrones may know, the sequel is just around the corner. Bud Party 2 is in full effect coming this Friday. Same location, same fun, new attitude. Goodbye Saturday. (1/18)


I once saw a man eat a whole 3 pounds of Gouda cheese. It was really interesting. If any of you guys would like to try and top this, please take a picture of yourself doing it and you may earn big \$\$\$.

To the girl I met at Jamba Juice. I really enjoyed our conversation. I'd like to see you again. Next smoothie is on me. (1/18)

Mr. Fancy Pants got some new wear for the Holidays. He now sports some Wutang Wear, Fubu, and Abercrombie and Fitch. He also drives a lowered Acura Integra and smokes a pack a day. Man, he's cool. I started thinking that a majority of the people at UCSD would want to be like him. Oh, wait a minute... (1/18)

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**Tuesday, January 18**  
 • 6:00p-7:00 p.m. IC Conference Room. A Discussion of Parashat Shemot. Discuss the Torah portion of the week with Rabbi Len Rosenthal.

**Friday, January 21**  
 • 6:00 p.m. International Center. Tu B'Shvat Shabbat. Celebrate the birthday of the trees with a mystical feast of fruits, nuts, and grape juice.

**Sunday, January 23**  
 • 7:00 p.m. Location TBA. Alpha Chi Omega Installation. Wanna pledge Alpha Chi Omega? Please dress nicely and bring \$15 for dues.

**Ongoing Mondays**  
 • Monday, 7:00 p.m., PC Gallery B. One of the greatest community service organizations in the nation & worldwide. Be part of the K family.

**Ongoing Thursdays**  
 • 6:00 p.m. Half Dome Lounge. Muir College. MUIR COLLEGE COUNCIL (MCC) meetings. Find out what the low-down is with A.S. business at Muir, and who's on this week's "shame list." General Public Welcome.

**Tuesday, January 18**  
 • Student Health Advocates are accepting applications for new members! Be a part of this dynamic, fun student organization! One hour orientation sessions will be held on: Tues Jan 18 12pm-4pm in the Davis Room; Wed Jan 19 12pm-4pm in the Davis Room; Thurs Jan 20 10am-6pm. Selected candidates will be interviewed on Feb 5th. More info: Debbie 534-2419.

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**Saturday, January 22**  
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 • 8:00 p.m. Mandeville Auditorium. Tokyo Spring Quartet. Evening program includes Beethoven, quartet in D Major Op 18, No. 3; Webern; Langauer Satz; Wolf; Italian Serenade; Shostakovich; Quartet No. 9. Price: Students \$10 (\$5 off); \$25 GA. Price: Students \$10 (\$5 off); \$25 GA.

**Sunday, January 23**  
 • 9:00a-4:00 p.m. Warner Center. Marriot Woodland Hills, CA. Southern California Politics and Policy Forum. Join hundreds of professional activists from across southern California, and hear the experts on Mid-East and U.S. politics. Register today, cost: \$25.  
 • 10:00a-12:00 p.m. Meet at Sun God Lawn. Graffiti Point Out. Help to make beautiful San Diego even more beautiful as we paint over graffiti in a local neighborhood. Sponsored by U.S.

**Ongoing**  
 • Have trouble with your landlord? Planning to move off-campus? Come to Student Legal Services Landlord/Tenant workshops. Held weekly, Thursdays at 2:30 p.m. Call us for more info: 534-4374.

**Free tours of the UCSD campus** are being offered this winter by the UCSD Visitors' Program. Mini van tours are available the first and third Sundays of each month. Walking tours are offered alternate Sundays. All tours start at 2 p.m. from the Gilman Information Pavilion. Reservations: (858) 534-4414.

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 • 7:00p-8:00 p.m. RIMAC Rec Conference Room. UCSD Triathlon Team Meeting. Come find out the joys of triathlon. All levels welcome. Hey, we might even tell you how you can win a trip to Hawaii.

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 • 6:45 p.m. Meet in the Darkstar Office (across from Stonehenge & Revelle Prowal). Darkstar's Science Fiction Dinner. Meet at office for rides and brief meeting. Info: 566-9452, or darkstar@ucsd.edu. This week, it's "The 100 in Carnival." This is a special event. Join us for the first meeting of the quarter. Get to know other Russian students on campus. Free food!

**Friday, January 21**  
 • 8:00 p.m. CSB 001. DVD film series presents "UNAM, Las Pildras del Mar." A look at the recent strike that shook Mexico's UNAM. Privatization of education, the role of the student movement, and the response of the administration and to the students' efforts to democratize education are examined.

**Thursday, January 20**  
 • 4:00p-5:00 p.m. Cross Cultural Center. Student Scholars Talk.

**Tuesday, January 25**  
 • Programs Abroad Office EAP application DEADLINE to study abroad in Armenia! For more info contact: Programs Abroad Office, 534-1123

**Friday, January 28th**  
 • Don't miss the EAP application DEADLINE for Barbados, Canada, Denmark, Egypt, Germany, Ghana, Hungary, India, Israel, Italy, Korea, Mexico, Netherlands, Russia, Spain, Sweden and Vietnam. Contact: Programs Abroad Office, 534-1123, abroad@ucsd.edu, http://www.ucsd.edu/center/pao. (1/10-24)

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 • 11:30a-2:00 p.m. PC Ballroom. The Diversity Town Hall Meeting with Chancellor Dines.

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 • 6:30 p.m. PC Ballroom B. ASL 10 Internship Info Session Night. Get important info on how to find and obtain effective internship speakers will offer their professional advice. Refreshments provided.  
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## CYCLISTS: Armstrong faced challenges in '99

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very exciting watching the women's soccer team take out China in the World Cup finals this year. It was especially exciting after watching their male counterparts fall on their collective face the prior summer. Even though the press couldn't get enough of Brandi Chastain's sports bra, I feel that Armstrong's story is considerably more incredible and worthy of much more merit than the women's soccer team did.

This year, Lance Armstrong became only the second American cyclist ever to win cycling's greatest event, the Tour de France. Not only did Armstrong win the event, but he was ahead for pretty much the entire race and by the end, built an unbelievable lead over his pursuers.

In addition to having to deal with the European cyclists, Armstrong had to deal with the much maligned European press. It was obvious from the start that the press was looking for a negative story at the 1999 Tour de France. When it started to become evident that there would be nothing to write about, they began to make up stories about Armstrong involving drug abuse and steroid use.

Through it all, Armstrong let his first-class cycling, along with his drug test results, which came out negative every time, speak for themselves.

This alone makes this story worthy of taking the year's top spot, but we haven't even gotten to the most compelling portion of Armstrong's story yet.

Last year, and before the Tour de France, Lance Armstrong was diagnosed with cancer. He was given a 50 percent chance of living and was told that he would never again be able to return to the sport he loved. With the perseverance that he, no doubt, learned through cycling, he was able to beat the disease and ascend to the pinnacle of his sport.

The achievement of the U.S. women's soccer team did deserve merit, but we shouldn't forget that they were the favorites to win the World Cup in 1999. Armstrong wasn't even the favorite in his fight against cancer. It isn't very often that a sports figure transcends sports with an accomplishment. For that feat, Armstrong deserved to win the Sportsman of the Year honor from *Sports Illustrated*. Winning that award could not compare to winning the race, or winning the battle for his life.

## KICKER: Christie at fault for playoff debacle

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three consecutive Super Bowls that the Bills played in (one vs. the Washington Redskins and two vs. the Dallas Cowboys, in that order).

There were no kicking misfortunes in these games other than the first case, but last Saturday's torture was the latest example of how one guy on the team can put coaching staffers through the roof, making them wonder if their positions will be in jeopardy come next season's training camp.

True, the whole team and not just Christie screwed up from the point of the kickoff until the end zone celebrations of Kevin Dyson and the Titans. However, the gloomy mood that ensued on the Bills' sideline after the touchdown should have been directed toward the kicker and not toward every Bills player and coach.

The bottom line: He should have squib kicked it! What an idiot.

Watching this game from home, I was astounded at what transpired with 16 seconds left on the clock. It seemed that the Bills all but had the game locked up after Christie's field goal.

At this point, I was thinking to myself that the Bills, who still have Thurman Thomas and Bruce Smith (who were both on all those Super Bowl teams

through the early '90s), might have another shot at it.

When the Bills have made it to the postseason with these experienced vets, it always seems that this team could adopt a higher standard of play. It looked as though that was the case for almost 60 minutes as Buffalo came into the Tennessee game as underdogs and kept the score even for most of the contest.

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But then the same old Buffalo Bills horror show followed.

So instead of blaming the squandering of a well-played game and a clutch field goal on inadequate kick-return coverage, I choose to levy the blame onto the kicker himself. Also, if there was a special team's coach who told Christie to kick the ball in the air to allow a return, thereby being responsible for ruining what would have been a more than satisfying weekend for his team and its fans alike.

I would like to tell him that he should feel guilty too. In addition, if the decision ultimately lay in the hands of Head Coach Wade Phillips, I think he deserves a chewing out by the media and by the Bills' front office.

The Bills must now be forced to endure a long off-season with the thought of this mistake mari-

nating in their brains. Thomas and Smith should be used to living with this sort of agony by now. Key players assume much of the burden in situations like these. They wonder what more they could have done for their team. They wonder if the outcome would have been the same if they had just rushed the offensive line harder or if they had just made a few more catches on third

down. Such a mindset is typical of star players after a loss of this magnitude. If I were one of the Bills going home to watch the rest of the playoffs from home, my perspective would be one that adheres to evident relationships between cause and effect. In this case, the question of who was responsible for the Bills' loss can be pinned down to their kicker. No one else deserves to suffer the blame.

Christie should by no means be castigated by his teammates and coaches, but he should assume most of the burden for the loss. That way, there is less finger pointing at players who had nothing to do with the final 16 seconds of the game.

Maybe Christie should give ol' Norwood a call and ask him how he dealt with failing to connect

for the game-winning field goal in Super Bowl XXV. In any event, you have to give a kicker in the NFL some credit for the bitter-sweet nature of his occupation.

Unfortunately for their reputations with us fans, we seldom have any memory of game-winning moments.

Most are of long field goals kicked during the course of a game when the score didn't matter so much as the shock of kicking the ball through the goal posts from a monstrous distance. For instance, Jason Elam kicked one from 63 yards and Morton Anderson from 61. Elam's field goal was at the end of the first half of a game while Anderson's was while he was on the Saints—a team that wasn't hoping for anything except not being tarred and feathered out of New Orleans because they suck.

The ones we can recall are the muffs like Norwood's in the Super Bowl and former Kansas City Chief Len Elliott whose miss vs. the Indianapolis Colts allowed them to advance to the AFC Championship game thereby tarnishing then Head Coach Marty Schottenheimer's reputation. Gary Anderson, another Minnesota Viking, was perfect from field goal range during the regular season but then botched one at home, giving the Atlanta Falcons an astonishing Super Bowl appearance.

All in all, kickers do deserve the blame in these situations—if only for the fact that others on the team don't.

## Swim Team Unbeatable in Div. III Challenge

**DOMINATION:** Both the men and women flourish against Redlands, Claremont-Mudd and Pomona

By ROBERT FULTON

Associate Sports Editor

After weeks of competing against and hanging tough with Division I teams and other capable nemeses, the swim team dominated teams from a more level playing field at the Division III Challenge at home on Saturday.

"We swam pretty well," said Triton Head Coach Scott McGihon. "We swam about where I thought we'd be."

Of the four teams involved, not one came close to dominating the Tritons. The women finished with a score of 119. University of Redlands finished second with a score of 71 while Claremont-Mudd and Pomona-Pitzer tied for third with scores of 54 each.

On the men's side of the action, UCSD also dominated with a winning score of 102. Pomona-Pitzer finished second with a 61, Claremont-Mudd scored a 57 for third place and Redlands brought up the rear with a score of 54.

The Triton women came out on top in all 13 of the events while the UCSD men finished first in eight events and second in the other five.

In addition to the win, UCSD set six meet records.

On the women's side, the team of Jennifer Watanabe, Rebecca Ranold, Sarah Brainard and Amanda Gurnee set a meet record in the 400-meter medley relay with a fantastic time of 3:57.92.

Gurnee joined forces with Evelyn Kwok, Sharon Smith and Samantha Wong to set a meet record in the 400-meter freestyle relay with a time of 3:34.50.

A time of 2:06.65 by Watanabe set a meet record in the 200-meter backstroke while Sandra Lopez had a time of 2:22.86 for a meet record in the 200 breast stroke.

Watanabe had another victory in the 200-meter individual medley with a 2:10.75 while Smith added two more wins, coming first in the 500-meter free style with a time of 5:16.56 and in the 50-meter free style with a 24.32.

Gurnee added a win with a time of 24.32 in the 50-meter free style while Kwok also had an additional win in the 100-meter free style with a 53.31.

Angela Juran scored two victories, coming first in the one-meter diving and the three-meter diving competitions.

Jamie Rubio had a win for the Tritons in the 200-meter butterfly with a time of 2:13.31 and Keri Wilson timed a 10:56.16 to take the 1000-meter free style event.

As for the men, they scored two meet records en route to victory.

The team of Mark Latronica, Matt Payne, Luke Seed and Danny Fisher combined to score a meet record in the 400 medley relay with a time of 3:32.95.

Latronica and Fisher teamed with Rusty Jones and Ross Russo to time a meet record with a 3:13.27 in the 400-meter freestyle relay.

Payne-added a victory in the 200-meter breast stroke with a time of 2:13.22 and Dagart Allison took the 1000-meter free style with a 10:01.44.

Matt MacDonald and Daniel Wong each scored two victories.

MacDonald's times took both the one-meter and the three-meter diving competitions while

Wong's times of 1:58.20 and 1:58.64 in the 200-meter back stroke and 200-meter individual medley, respectively, earned him two victories.

The men also had five second places finished to fill out the evening.

"The meet was all about second place," McGihon said of UCSD superiority. "I think everyone was aware of that fact."

With only a home meet against California Baptist and the University of Hawaii left and competition falling by the wayside, UCSD is preparing for the conference final and then the NCAA championships.

Not all of UCSD's members have qualified for the NAAs, but the team hopes to change that in the near future.

"Our conference meet starts in three weeks," McGihon said. "We're the defending champs. Our first goal is to qualify as many people for the NAAs as possible. It's different from team sports: We definitely want to win but we would like to take a full team to the NAAs."

The Tritons head back into the pool on Jan. 28 when they host California Baptist and the University of Hawaii at Canyon View Pool.



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"Absolute silence - that's the one thing a sportswriter can quote accurately."  
-Bobby Knight

# SPORTS



## Reality Check

Bill Burger

### SI Wrong On End of the Year Honor

The *Guardian* came out Tuesday this week instead of Monday in remembrance of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. King's message stressed equal rights for all and opportunity based on character, not on color.

Even though Dr. King's message was primarily focused on getting equal rights for African Americans, I am going to write about a corollary to that: equal rights for women.

I definitely agree with equal work for equal pay. I also agree that women should not be typecast in our society or be made to do jobs that have traditionally been filled by women. In short, women should be given the same opportunities as men and be given accolades for their achievements.

That being said, when I saw that *Sports Illustrated* chose the U.S. women's soccer team as their annual sportsman (or in this case, sports-woman) I was truly upset. In my opinion, there is no way to justify anybody except Lance Armstrong as the sportsman of the year.

Don't get me wrong, it was

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## Front Line

Brian Welles

### To Live and Die by the Kicker

The final seconds of the Tennessee Titans' game two Saturdays ago were a debacle.

Buffalo Bill Steve Christie's kickoff with 16 seconds remaining in the fourth quarter was caught by an up-man of the Tennessee Titans. The ball was pitched to offensive lineman Frank Wycheck and then lateralled to Kevin Dyson, who returned the ball for a touchdown.

It was a horrible mess in the eyes of Bills fans, one which undoubtedly brought back haunting memories of another terrible kicking incident in their team's history.

Remember Super Bowl XXV?

While the Persian Gulf War was going on, the final outcome of that game made Bills fans want to declare war on their place kicker, Scott Norwood. The event set off a chain reaction of postseason misfortunes for the Bills. Memories of these playoff defeats that give Bills fans the heebie-jeebies include not only Super Bowl XXV vs. the New York Giants, but also the next

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## Women Spank Chapman 88-62

**HEALTHY:** After playing well with injuries over the past month, the Tritons are now finally up to speed

By **ROBERT FULTON**  
Associate Sports Editor

The UCSD women's basketball team maintained its winning ways this weekend as it stormed past Chapman University 88-62.

UCSD is now running at full speed, having finally recovered from many early injuries. With the team once again at almost full strength, the future looks dangerous for Triton opposition.

"Everybody is back," Assistant Coach Stacey

Patsko said.

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Turnbull is

back at 100

percent. Kim Neal is

back at about 80 percent.

Renee Hudec had a strain but

played fine and Marci Ernsberger

came back from a stress fracture

to her femur but played for 15

minutes."

The Tritons had many high-

light machines on the court Friday

during the convincing win.

Genevieve Ruvald and Natalie

Beaver each scored 15 points to

lead the home team. Ruvald

added six rebounds and five

assists to her 15 points while

Beaver tossed in three rebounds

to compliment her scoring.

The points didn't stop there as

UCSD had five women achieve

double-digit scoring figures.

Mindy Misawa scored 13 points,

as well as three rebounds and two

assists.

Triton teammates Ashley

Kokjohn and Kimberly Neal

contributed 11 points each. Neal

grabbed seven rebounds while

Kokjohn pulled down five boards.

Of the Tritons' 12 players, 10

scored in the blowout.

"We have a really balanced team," Patsko said. "No one is selfish. We distribute the ball to whoever is open. They all work hard and they all do a great job."

In its losing effort, Chapman was led by a stellar performance from star center April Abeyta.

Abeyta scored 22 points, but even more amazing was her 10-11 shooting from the field and her 2-2 foul shooting effort.

Abeyta also pulled down eight rebounds and dished one assist while

also garnering a steal in just 29 minutes of play.

"She is their best player," Patsko said. "We knew that she would get her points, but if you control the rest of the team, she can't win it by herself."

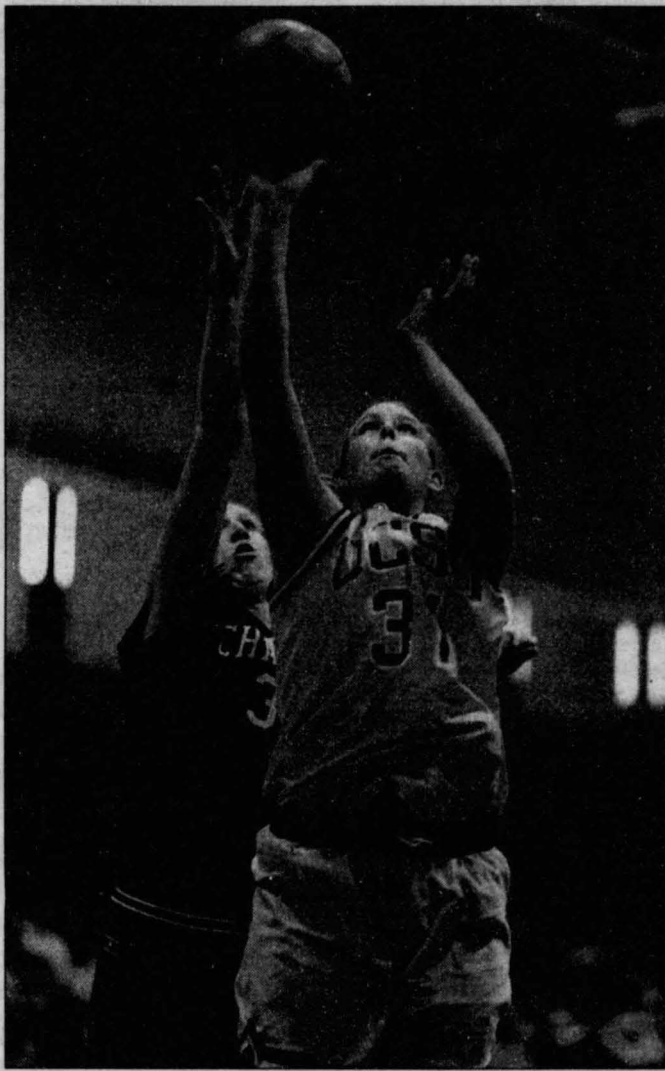
The game was relatively close early on and UCSD was up by only nine points at half time as the score was 39-30.

In the first half, Chapman shot well from the floor with a .524 shooting percentage. In the second half, that percentage fell to a dismal .367, and the game slipped away.

UCSD went on a tear in the second half, scoring 49 points while its defense stepped up to hold Chapman to 32 first-half points for the 88-62 win.

"I think we came out with increased intensity," Patsko said. "The Chapman game is always big for us. We had a week off and had to get back into it. In the second half we really got into the game."

The Tritons next host UC Santa Cruz this Friday at 7 p.m.



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**Excuse me:** UCSD's Renee Hudec, who scored four points, goes up for a shot during a victory over Chapman on Friday.

## Men's Volleyball Season Gets Underway

**ROAD TRIP:** Trip to the north opens 2000 with win over UC Santa Cruz, losses to Stanford and UOP

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As the UCSD men's volleyball team began its season in Stockton against teams that have presented legitimate threats, the Tritons managed to squeak out wins in their opening three games of the season.

University of Pacific defeated the Tritons, 15-8, 15-12, 15-10, at the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation on Jan. 13. On Jan. 14, Stanford defeated UCSD, 15-3, 15-10, 15-3. The Tritons had their first victory against Division I opponent UC Santa Cruz in four sets, 15-12, 10-15, 15-6, 15-7.

Against the University of Pacific last Thursday, the Tritons made 10 errors during their first two sets despite fine play on the offensive end. Pacific, however, only made six errors.

In the first set, Pacific had 15 kills, as the Tritons had, but only hit the ball out of the court three times for a .571 hitting percentage, as opposed to the Tritons' percentage of .167. In the second set, Pacific nailed 18 kills while UCSD made 17.

Junior Zack Hite led the way for UCSD with 19 kills, the most

by any player in the game against Pacific. Raffi Mitilian, Chris Mortimer and Earnest Yun also contributed 17 of the Tritons' points in the match.

Stanford's match held more heavy competition for UCSD, resulting in a loss for the Tritons. With the exception of the second set, the Tritons were

outscored, only managing three points in the first and third sets. Stanford was superior in all three sets in

terms of the hits the team made.

In the second set, when the Tritons scored 10 points on 19 kills, Stanford remained strong with 24 points. Junior Donald Chen's performance distinguished him in the stat column, making up for the bulk of the offensive effort with 14 kills and attempting 39 shots.

Despite the 0-2 status, the first two matches against tough opponents can be seen as good preparation for playing within the Tritons' own division.

"We struggled against UOP and Stanford. It was early and they were the first matches of the season," Head Coach Ron Larsen said of his Tritons. "We were just trying to get our rhythm."

The team got what it expected

against the Mount Pacific Sports Federation opponents. "We faced two good teams - you can't face the same kind of competition in practice," Larsen said.

After a clinic on collegiate volleyball, the threat of playing other strong teams subsided as the Tritons entered last Saturday's match against Santa Cruz.

Here, UCSD started off with a 15-12 victory in the first game before falling in the second game 15-10. The Tritons took control for the first time during the weekend by running the show. Victories of 15-6 and 15-7, in the third and fourth sets, respectively, led UCSD to their first in of the season.

In that winning game, Chen, a transfer student who came to UCSD in the middle of last season, tallied 19 kills and 12 digs to lead his team to victory. Both of these totals paced the Tritons in the match.

Hite chipped in for the Tritons with 14 kills and also had two aces against the very capable Banana Slugs of Santa Cruz.

Earnest Yun, who was used sparingly last season by former coach Jon Stevenson, had a breakout game against the Banana Slugs.

Yun had 12 kills and only committed three hitting errors, totalling a .409 hitting percentage. This percentage was the best on the team so far for this early season.

At the least, UCSD did what it had to do in its first three games of the season to ensure some momentum that will carry them to more victories.

The season will continue with games against Mountain Pacific Sports Federation rivals Long Beach State University and the University of Southern California. The game against Long Beach is tonight at RIMAC arena at 7 P.M.

SCOREBOARD JAN. 15 VS. UC SANTA CRUZ					
	1	2	3	4	Final
UC San Diego	15	10	15	15	3
UC Santa Cruz	12	15	6	7	1
Donald Chen: 19 kills, 12 digs					
Zack Hite: 14 kills, 8 digs					
Earnest Yun: 12 kills, 4 digs					