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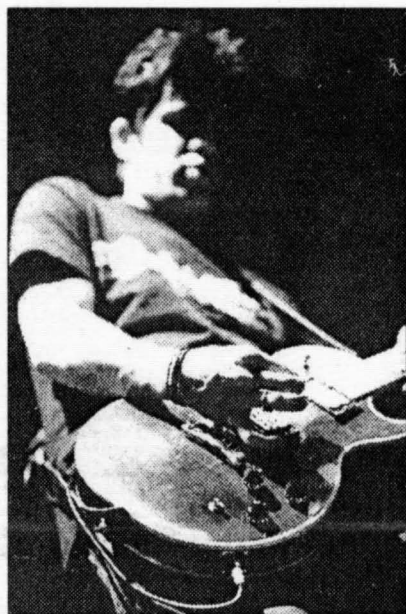
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Concert wraps up week of campus charity efforts

City High, Fenix TX and Jason Mraz attract thousands for annual WinterFest concert at RIMAC



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Playing tough: Fenix TX guitarist (above) plays at annual WinterFest concert held Feb. 22 at RIMAC Arena. City High (right) performed at the concert, which more than 3,500 UCSD students attended. The concert is an annual charity event at UCSD.

By **JUN MA**
Staff Writer

As part of a weeklong event that benefited local charities, the WinterFest 2002 UCSD Cares Campaign kicked off Feb. 19 on Library Walk and capped off Feb. 22 with the WinterFest 2002 concert, featuring local sensation Jason Mraz, punk group Fenix TX and R&B group City High.

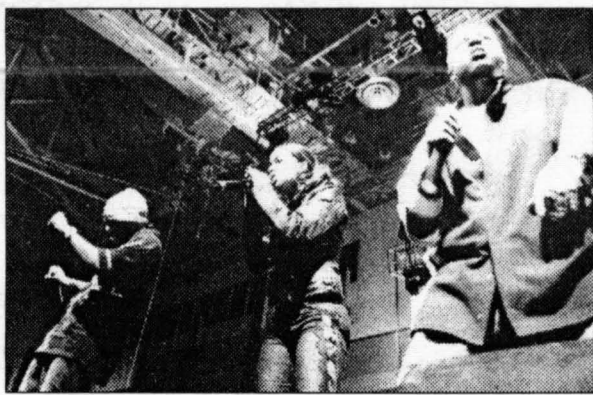
More than 3,500 students attended the concert.

With all of the expectations and hype leading up to Friday night's concert, the idea of charity remained the key focus in many students' minds.

As Robby Pardlo of City High put it, "Charity is important and any way we can give back is cool."

WinterFest 2002 and the UCSD Cares Campaign give a little something of their own to a greater cause. "It's cool that it's a part of

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New commissioners appointed to diversity and athletics posts

A.S. Council picks Medrano to head diversity efforts, will begin in spring

By **MARGARET O'NEILL**
Senior Staff Writer

The A.S. Council filled the two new commissioner offices it voted to create earlier this quarter, appointing Cathy Medrano the commissioner of diversity affairs and Robin Shelton commissioner of athletics.

Medrano was unanimously appointed at Wednesday's A.S. Council meeting, after a long application period.

"She was the most qualified and

motivated candidate for the position," said A.S. President Jeff Dodge.

Medrano will hold the position until the next council takes office fifth week of spring quarter.

Medrano was the labor relations representative in the A.S. external office last year, has served two years as an executive board member of Movimiento Estudiantil Chicano de Aztlan, is a core member of Students for Economic Justice, and has

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Tyler Huff/Guardian

Sports guy: Athletics commissioner Robin Shelton shows Triton pride.

Fee referendum being pondered

Athletics task force concludes that an increase in student fees is the solution

By **MARGARET O'NEILL**
Senior Staff Writer

In the face of a sizable cut to UCSD's athletics department budget, the A.S. Task Force on Intercollegiate Athletic Funding Issues recommended to the A.S. Council on Wednesday that a fee referendum for athletics funding be a part of the upcoming elections ballot.

The suggested referendum would incur a \$26.50 quarterly charge to students for the purpose of maintaining the current level of athletics programming.

When UCSD chose to move to Division II in 2000, Vice Chancellor Joseph Watson provided \$3 million from reserves to fund the transition. This money will run out next year, and the athletics budget will be cut in half if no additional funding is found.

The task force concluded that the only way to raise the money was through a referendum.

Newly appointed A.S. Commissioner of Athletics Robin Shelton chaired the task force, which included representatives from each college, Triton Athletics Council, the A.S. Council, Triton Tide and three at-large representatives. Several of the representatives are athletes.

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"The purpose of this is solely to maintain our current funding level," Shelton said. "It is the best possible thing that could be done, given our situation."

Cat Nolan, the Warren college representative and a member of UCSD's track and field team, said the referendum must pass the council and the student body.

"If the referendum does not pass, I feel sorry for the student body," Nolan said. "It would be detrimental to the morale and spirit of UCSD. I do not want to come back as an alumni next year and see an athletic program stripped of its parts."

The task force looked at other options, including sponsorships, donations, apparel rights, concessions, fund-raising, registration fees, sports camps, and radio and television, but ruled them out because they were deemed either infeasible or would not provide enough funding.

"All options were carefully looked at and evaluated so that the final product of the task force would be the best for the students," said TAC representative Steve Martin. "I feel that is what happened since the task force was all student-run and student-initiated."

San Diego politicians speak at campus forum

Few turn out to hear elected officials discuss campus, local and state issues

By **CARLAN WENDLER**
Senior Staff Writer

A group of four elected officials addressed UCSD students, staff and faculty Friday regarding current political issues pertinent to the San Diego region.

State Sen. Dede Alpert, California Assemblywoman Christine Kehoe, City Councilman Scott Peters and San Diego City Attorney Casey Gwinn spoke at the event.

Chancellor Robert C. Dynes and other UCSD officials also attended the forum.

The forum took place at the Copley Auditorium at the Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies.

Eleanor Roosevelt College senior John Lek, an intern in public policy at the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, helped plan the forum to increase political involvement among San Diego's students.

"My goal is to get students more

involved, to combine the interests of the students and the Chamber of Commerce," Lek said.

About 30 people attended the forum.

Planners and representatives alike were a little discouraged by the small turnout, especially in light of the influence the speakers have in shaping policy that affects UCSD.

"It's disappointing that more students don't come out to get to know their representatives," Lek said.

The politicians called for increased political participation from students.

"With 55,000 students [in the San Diego area], you could own us," Peters said.

"I hear from people who have a stake in the past of San Diego, [but] you are the people who have a stake in the future of this town," he said.

The politicians maintained an

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Spoken

"It's disappointing that more students don't come out to get to know their representatives."

—John Lek

SD Regional Chamber of Commerce

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Diversity rep experienced with student organizations
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worked with Asian Pacific Student Alliance, Queer People of Color, Summer Bridge and the Office of Academic Support and Instructional Services.

"Cathy is an experienced organizer on our campus and within the community," Dodge said. "She's been active in all sorts of rallies and campaigns to raise awareness, increase diversity and support outreach and retention efforts. She's a grounded, organized person who can encompass a wide array of issues relevant to diversity affairs on our campus."

Dodge said the reason Medrano stood out from other applicants was "her ability to understand the fluidity of diversity on our campus."

Medrano's duties will include establishing the Student Initiated Outreach program and the Recruitment Commission, working with the Alliance Program and writing a charter outlining how her office works and what positions will be within it.

Student activists David Brown Mitchell and Stephanie Akpa, both of Thurgood Marshall College, will assist Medrano with her duties, she said.

Medrano said she has several hopes for her short term in office.

"Right now what we would like to see accomplished is that a good system of communications be set up with [Student Affirmative Action Committee] organizations, the [Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender] office and organizations, and other groups on campus dedicated to supporting justice and diversity," she said. "Since this is the first year we have an office for diversity affairs, we hope to set a good precedent for how the office will interact with and support other organizations."

The diversity affairs office is currently working on an April 17 "diversity fair." Civil Rights Commissioner Mary Berry is scheduled to speak.

The office is also working to educate the campus about the Race Privacy Initiative.

"We are working on ways to educate UCSD students on the negative impacts this policy will have for people of color, institutions and race relations in California," Medrano said.

She said there were many factors in her decision to apply for the position.

"With such low numbers of people of color on this campus, recent propositions like Propositions 21 and 22, the events of Sept. 11 and subsequent acts of racial profiling and violent hate crimes, UCSD is in a state of crisis," Medrano said. "In fact, this nation is in a state of crisis. I think it was a wise and just decision to create this position in order to make sure this crisis, at least at UCSD, is being addressed and taken seriously. I applied for this position with the UCSD community in mind."

Shelton has been working as the commissioner of athletics since his unanimous appointment by the council Jan. 16. His charter was approved Feb. 6.

Shelton said his office should encompass not just working with the athletics programs on campus, but also working with other people and organizations to increase spirit and enthusiasm for athletics.

"The general goal is to try to increase the level of campus spirit through athletics," Shelton said.

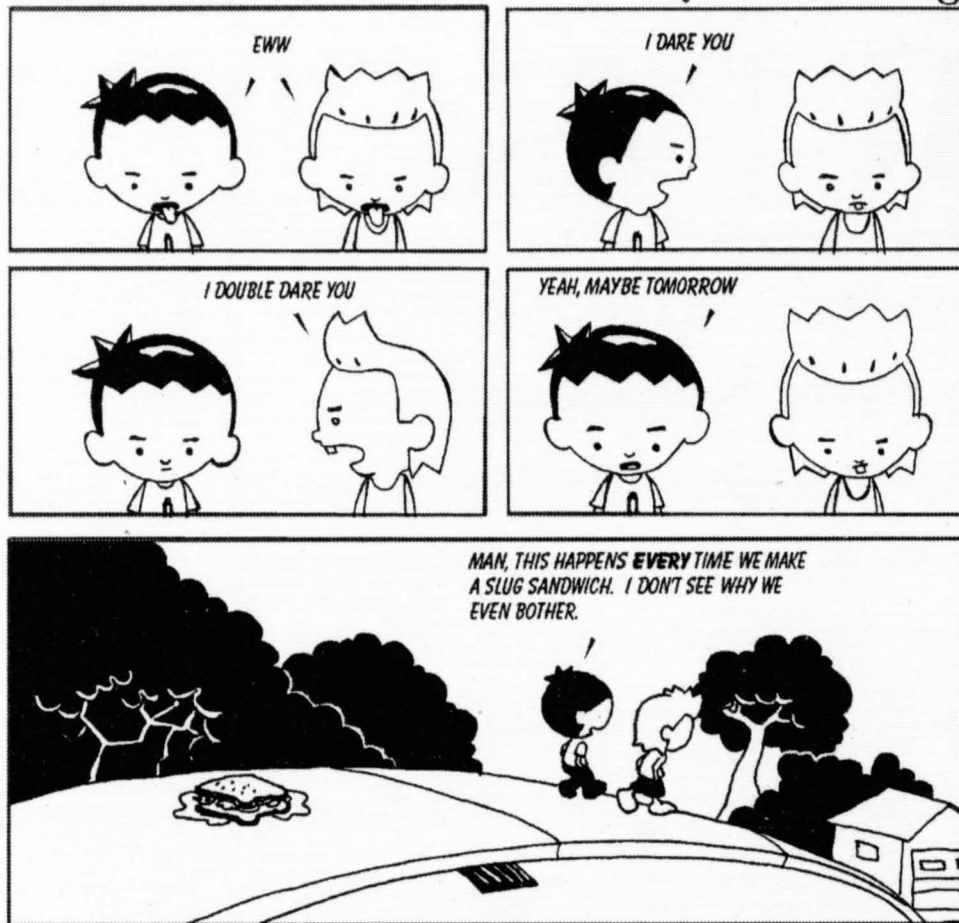
Some of the office of the commissioner of athletics' projects include increasing the visibility of the spirit organization Triton Tide, advertising more events such as next Friday's basketball game against UC Davis (hence the signs campuswide that read "7 days to cowntipping"), pushing for blue and gold awnings in the Price Center, and working to put up signs to invoke Triton spirit at the RIMAC weight room.

Shelton also headed the Task Force on Intercollegiate Athletic

ETCETERA

Rice n' Vice

by Kenrick Leung



BRIEFLY

Marshall fee referendum election this week

Today through Feb. 28, Thurgood Marshall College students will vote on a referendum that if passed would increase their student fees by \$2.

The fee increase would provide additional funding for Marshall student organizations and the college council.

Marshall students may cast their votes online at <http://www.studentlink.ucsd.edu>. They can also cast their votes in the form of paper ballots at Oceanview Terrace, Peterson Hall or on Library Walk.

Pediatrics professor to help lead new medical journal

Martin Stein, professor of pediatrics at the UCSD school of medicine, was recently named associate editor of the new *Journal Watch Pediatrics and Adolescent Medicine*.

Stein will attend to issues of developmental and behavioral medicine for the *JWPM*. His primary focus will be on research articles dealing with early recognition and child and adolescent issues regarding behavioral problems, educational underachievement and family conflict.

Stein has been on the faculty at the school of medicine since 1975, when he was the first pediatrician to join the school.

JWPM will publish 10 times annually with articles written by physician-editors summarizing significant research from their respective fields of expertise.

Career Center presents 'Finding a Job in a Tough Economy'

For students having trouble finding a job, there may be help on the horizon. Among other things, "Finding a Job in a Tough Economy," a workshop hosted by the Career Services Center, is geared at teaching future graduates how to creatively use job listings, smarter networking skills and ways to better approach companies.

The workshop will take place Tuesday Feb. 26 at 2:30 p.m. at the Career Services Center. For more information call (858) 534-3750.

ERRATA

The article "Scripps professor appointed to two prestigious spots," which appeared in the Feb. 19 issue of the *Guardian*, incorrectly credited John Orcutt as being a commissioner on President George W. Bush's Ocean Policy Commission. Orcutt was actually appointed to the Science Advisory Panel of the Ocean Policy Commission. He gives scientific advice to the commission and is not a commissioner himself.

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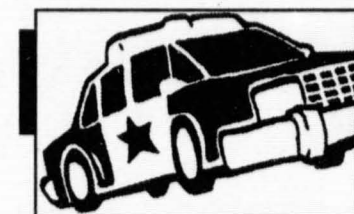
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LIGHTS & SIRENS

Monday, Feb. 18

12:32 a.m.: An 18-year-old male student suffered a drug overdose on the walkway near Sequoyah Hall. Transported to Thornton Hospital by paramedics.

7:30 p.m.: An 18-year-old female student suffered stomach pain after an apparent overdose of aspirin. Transported to Scripps Memorial Hospital La Jolla by paramedics.

Tuesday, Feb. 19

11:27 a.m.: A student reported the theft of a Palm handheld computer from Geisel Library. Loss: \$350.

3:13 p.m.: A 23-year-old female student complained of stomach pains at AP&M. Transported to Thornton Hospital by paramedics.

5:00 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a teal-green Giant Acapulco bike from the Peterson Hall bike racks. Loss: \$100.

Wednesday, Feb. 20

12:01 a.m.: A 25-year-old male staff member got chemicals in his

eyes at Geisel Library. Transported to Thornton Hospital by officer.

5:47 p.m.: Officers detained two 13-year-old male nonaffiliates at the UCSD Bookstore for petty theft. One was released to parents at the police station; the other was transported to his residence and released to his parents.

11:45 p.m.: Officers detained a 19-year-old male student at the Marshall Lower Apartments for being a danger to himself. Transported to North Central Mental Health Center.

Thursday, Feb. 21

11:05 a.m.: Officers arrested a 20-year-old male student in Lot 302 for misuse of a handicap placard. Cited and released.

12:30 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a green-and-yellow Kawasaki bike from the bike rack south of Geisel Library. Loss: \$40.

3:00 p.m.: A student reported the theft of money from Bonner Hall. Loss: \$65.

Friday, Feb. 22

4:37 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a computer game system

from Galathea Hall. Loss: \$350.

5:35 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a portable phone from the Price Center Theater. Loss: \$130.

8:30 p.m.: A 26-year-old male nonaffiliate and a 19-year-old male nonaffiliate were ordered off campus for seven days after causing a disturbance at the Warren Apartments.

Saturday, Feb. 23

12:32 p.m.: Officers notified Environmental Health and Safety of a swarm of bees at the Warren basketball courts.

1:44 p.m.: Police and San Diego Fire Department responded to a fire alarm at the Marshall apartments, caused by an unknown person activating a pull station.

4:39 p.m.: A student reported burglary to a white 1995 Ford Mustang in Lot 701. Loss: \$250.

10:57 p.m.: Officers detained a 19-year-old male nonaffiliate in Lot 104 for being a danger to himself and others. Transported to North Central Mental Health Center.

— Compiled by Josh Crouse
News Editor

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upbeat candor throughout the session fostering a friendly environment with the audience.

Students who attended heard how these officials are working to improve education and environment in California and San Diego. Kehoe, who represents La Jolla

in the California Assembly, spoke about the area's traffic woes and UCSD's prominent role in the community.

Peters, who represents La Jolla on the San Diego City Council, addressed the same topics.

Alpert discussed her current work on California's Master Plan for Education, which is currently being revised.

Peters promoted the Clean Water Task Force, which would help modernize the San Diego sewage system and reduce urban

runoff into the ocean.

Some students brought questions while others commented on local urban sprawl and the availability of housing around campus.

In their replies, the representatives attempted to convey a sense of respect for UCSD.

They said that they appreciated UCSD's role in diversifying the San Diego economy with the influx of biotech and communications capital and also in improving local education.

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EDUCATING with EXCELLENCE



Often underappreciated, lecturers help fulfill the university's mission of quality in instruction

By JENNIFER SPOSITO
Opinion Editor

The UCSD literature department employs 13. The math department employs just four. The history department clocks in with a tally of 31.

Lecturers — nontenured instructors who generally do not enjoy the same job security and benefits as professors — are everywhere at UCSD, an immutable fixture of education within the University of California.

Lecturers are the only university-level instructors whose commitment is clearly and undeniably to teaching, as they are not living within the bounds of the tenure track's "publish or perish" world. And, ironically for such a group at a university committed to teaching excellence, lecturers do without many benefits accorded to tenured faculty, such as higher salaries, prestige and influence.

Lecturers shape our education

and thought, and they teach most of our classes: According to the UC Undergraduate Instruction and Faculty Teaching Activities Report, released in July 2000, half of all graduate and undergraduate UC classes were taught by lecturers in 1998-1999.

Because they are not called upon to conduct research, lecturers carry heavy course loads and bear the brunt of instruction for many lower- and upper-division classes. Full professors, propounded as the torch bearers illuminating the way of knowledge for students, often teach as little as one class per quarter, if any. Naturally, they can be heavily involved in research as part of their scholarly activity, but the brunt of teaching then falls to other instructors. One lecturer I know teaches three lower-division classes and heads an independent study course.

UC Senate faculty are tenure-track professors with opportunities for advancement on the academic

ladder. Lecturers, by contrast, do not number within senate faculty and do not enjoy the same opportunities. Though there exists one senate position for lecturers — lecturer with security of employment — there is a paucity of lecturers actually accorded that status.

Most lecturers are hired ostensibly to fill in the gaps when there is a shortage of instructors in a particular field. Consequently, they are often perceived as "temporary," and treated as such, when in fact many lecturers are anything but that: Up to 30 percent of UC courses taught by lecturers are headed by instructors who have been with the university for more than six years. These scholars carry the burden of intense course loads and fulfill the long-term needs of the university, but they do so as "temporary" employees.

The University of California ought to offer tenure-track employment and advancement

opportunities to these instructors. However, like many other instances within the UC system, money, not quality, steers the fate of education.

Hiring tenure-track professors is expensive and involves a long-term commitment, whereas the university can snap up lecturers for no-frills, three-year contracts at paltry starting salaries. There is no published salary scale for lecturers within the UC system, and only two opportunities for merit increases — raises based on a positive performance review — per contract term.

There are few other occupations in which a scholar with a doctorate from a top university can be expected to be content with \$30,000 per year and an uncertain career future.

If the University of California wishes to be perceived as an entity that perpetuates equality and fairness in education, it has certainly demonstrated that it has a long

way to go.

In the realm of teaching, the university should realize that instructional quality is instructional equality: All UC instructors should be accorded the respect and career opportunities reasonable for anyone teaching at the world's finest public university system.

The University of California has demonstrated its commitment to attracting high-profile, prestigious scholars at the top of their fields. It should extend this commitment and include its current faculty in that estimation. Instead of inflating the salaries of just a few positions, it should create more tenure-track positions to attract a broad base of quality instructors and researchers.

Lecturers have paid their dues to the University of California and its students for years. The university, in turn, should be prepared to reward the loyalty and excellence of its teaching staff.

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ED WU

The obsessive focus on "homeland security" notwithstanding, the Jacobs School of Engineering's annual Research Review turned out to challenge my thinking — not because of the numerous research posters that barely made any sense to me, but because of a noted sci-fi writer who spoke at the event.

In addition, the presence of free food from UCSD catering makes any event markedly better. Speaker after speaker on Friday morning expounded upon our holes in security, our vulnerability to terrorists and our need to focus on their particular field of research to make us safe from attack. This did not particularly resonate with those who believe that no amount of technology can protect the United States unless its people take a fundamentally different view on international relations and domestic equality.

So when David Brin stepped up to the microphone after this succession of prominent researchers with words that challenged the basic assumptions of not only the researchers but the political establishment as a whole, his words transformed an average lineup of morn-

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San Diego to SeaWorld: Beat it, Shamu

Park's expansion would spell trouble for Mission Bay Park, quality of life

By ALEX J. LEE
Senior Staff Writer

For the past few years, there has been an ongoing debate between SeaWorld and the City of San Diego. Due to the cutthroat competitiveness of the theme park business, SeaWorld has continuously pushed expansion plans in an effort to copy other successful theme parks.

SeaWorld continues to argue that its plans are merely an innocent response to growing concerns over lackluster attendance. I side with the many other San Diegans who oppose such a venture.

A San Diego City Council hearing in July 2001 voted 8-1 in favor of the SeaWorld Master Plan Update, a land-use policy document that approves several of the park's new projects, including a 95-foot "splash-down ride" and a new front-gate attraction.

Even earlier, there was another notorious ballot measure: 1998's Proposition D, which exempted SeaWorld from a 30-foot height limit on new construction along San Diego's coastline.

Many locals opposed the measure because they felt anything higher than 30 feet would be an eyesore.

I do not like that SeaWorld can skirt the 30-foot restriction imposed by voters in 1972, though all other San Diego businesses must follow it. It sends the message that the park can continue to slip through legal loopholes in its efforts to create another corporate clone of Disneyland at the center of Mission Bay.

Park officials have adamantly defended their mission: to run a marine park aimed at conservation and education, not an amusement park. Indeed, unlike its competitors such as Knott's Berry Farm and Disneyland, SeaWorld has had to defend its legitimacy constantly.

To achieve these goals in a competitive market, it is necessary to take some liberties — but seriously, a "splash-down ride?" The campy Shamu shows were bearable and might have been "educational." A 95-foot water ride screams desperation.

Of course, SeaWorld has many attractions that do not relate to its mission of preserving the world's marine creatures. The Clydesdales, anyone? No one can forget that wonderful exhibit, with all those beautiful white horses and all that free beer.

This example might be forgivable, though — or at least understandable. After all, the park is owned by the beer-brewing giant Anheuser-Busch. Even the Clydesdales, the park argues, are educational.

Under a recent city order, which mandates that at least 75 percent of SeaWorld's attractions conform to its original theme of conservation and education, plans for expansion could only fall under the 25 percent of attractions design-

nated for entertainment purposes. The park already fails to meet the 75-25 mandate.

Much of determining what attractions fit the 75 percent is subjective, but adding rides for fun alone worsens the ratio. In other words, for every "fun" ride the park adds, several animal exhibits of purely educational value must accompany them, according to the mandate. Expansion becomes overwhelming in this manner.

Theme parks are money-making machines. Anheuser-Busch jumped on the theme park bandwagon like other conglomerates, such as AOL Time Warner and Universal.

According to industry trackers, the only market more competitive than Southern California is Orlando, Fla. Not surprisingly, expansion is a growing trend among all of the parks, the most notable example being Disney's California Adventure.

Unfortunately for SeaWorld, however, attendance has been lackluster. According to the park, attendance actually declined 1 percent between 1990 and 1999. The park's strategy in attracting more people has been in selling its new image as a revamped "adventure park."

SeaWorld's conduct reeks of shadiness. Opponents of the 1998 height exemption ballot initiative

accused it of being vaguely worded to avoid suspicion from the voting public. As a result, the poorly financed activists who opposed the measure found themselves fighting a much richer and better-organized opponent.

The proposition passed by a margin of 0.7 percent amid accusations that SeaWorld disguised the expansion-friendly ballot as a vote to save wildlife.

Advocates of the park's expansion accuse activists of exaggerating claims of commercialization. However, SeaWorld already has plans for a 45-foot-high parking garage and transit station, and a 90-foot-tall hotel.

The park also rejected the city's recommendation to build a public bike and pedestrian path on the part of Mission Bay that SeaWorld occupies.

One wonders whether the park has lost all sight of the concerns of its neighbors in favor of wooing more money from everyone outside San Diego.

Although SeaWorld is privately owned, San Diegans should feel more than able to shout their concerns to this theme park behemoth, especially because the park leases a 189-acre, city-owned Mission Bay Park site.

SeaWorld is a significant asset to San Diego's tourist industry, which is one of the reasons the issue is being so closely scrutinized by industry insiders and laypersons alike.

In fact, according to the park's press materials, 35 percent of all tourism in San Diego is due to the

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Editor:

I find it quite amusing, yet somewhat disturbing, that it takes a designated "Spirit Night" to get students interested enough to attend a UCSD athletic event. To me, those with true spirit are the ones enthusiastic enough to attend out of free will. Attending athletic events is a great experience, not something to be ashamed of.

Last weekend, I grabbed a few friends and traveled to Northridge and Santa Barbara, where we saw the UCSD men's volleyball team play. True, the team may not be a national powerhouse, but going to RIMAC Arena with a few others and heckling visiting teams until our throats hurt is lots of fun.

Many may not realize the power of our ice hockey squad, which has had substantial victories over UCLA, Berkeley, USC and San Diego State University, among others. It has been invited to its first-ever national championship tournament, to be held March 1-3 in Georgia, earning a second seed in the West bracket. Attending home games at UTC and supporting a winning team makes for a great time.

Lacrosse opens its home season as we speak, while baseball is also on the horizon. These are by no means dull sports, either.

I feel we're kidding ourselves to portray one night a year as a symbol of true UCSD spirit. Those students and fans who actually show up often do so to support friends, or because they just love the sport. The seed for real athletic support is there. The constant complaints of "Why should we support a sub-par, Division II program empty of any notoriety?" are useless. Nothing will change unless students stop whining and take action.

I challenge every UCSD student to take a few nights off, choose a few athletic events and come make some noise. It never hurts to go a little crazy. Showing continuous support as students and as fans is what real "spirit" is all about.

— Darren Greene
Muir senior

Column:

Democracy is best maintained by vigilance
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ing speakers into an entirely new perspective on the possibilities and consequences of sensors and monitoring in society.

Brin contends that a move toward ubiquitous sensor technology is imminent and unstoppable. However, he challenges both the notions of civil libertarians and the attorney general when he maintains that increased monitoring capabilities do not necessarily translate to a loss in freedom for individual citizens.

Brin points out that no government has had as much information accessible at a glance about its individual citizens as the modern Western democracies, yet no people are freer. The axiom that increased data means decreased freedom comes under attack by this apparent paradox, and Brin contends that reverse transparency — wherein citizens monitor their government and the systems at work — is the key to avoiding an Orwellian scenario.

Brin's words come at a time when a witch-hunt atmosphere permeates our creation of laws meant to "protect" our basic freedoms. It struck me that intelligent dialogue of this kind, which thinks beyond traditional political lines and rhetoric, is just as critical to

the progress of society as the numerous research posters and corporate technology exhibits that surrounded me.

Research Review, no doubt, is an even headier event for those who can actually understand what the posters are saying, but the sociological consequences of technology, along with all sorts of forward-looking thought, should be given footing equal to forward-looking science. Why aren't undergraduate students invited to mull about at an on-campus event where progressive, nonstandard political and sociological thoughts are put up for display? Some may argue that Library Walk qualifies on one of those fair days, but there is a clear difference between intelligent thought and rehearsed rhetoric.

The only poster I saw that included some degree of sociological research was by William Griswold's team in computer science and engineering, which was examining the effects of giving personal digital assistants to freshmen to communicate in lecture and track one another on campus.

Brin is perhaps a living illustration of this importance. One of the most famous alumni of UCSD's electrical engineering and physics departments is neither academic researcher nor businessman, fields on which the school of engineering so often focuses. Brin's doctorate in space physics from UCSD led to an illustrious science-fiction writing

career, with Brin winning several prominent awards for his novels. That seems ironic, given the relative size of our literature department, and how much Warren engineering majors grumble about having to take "Ethics and Society" and finish an unrelated program of concentration.

Perhaps it is an elitist thing to say, but it is irritating to see relevant and interesting basic research reduced to the lowest common denominator of "homeland defense." With all due respect to the speakers on Friday, Brin clearly illustrated the dichotomy between two modes of thought on research. The first is to respond to popular political rhetoric and try to gain funding for what you do best by showing the broadest potential application most likely to appeal to people's fears (in this case, of domestic attack). Or you can think outside political rhetoric, and try to apply funding and gear your research toward a "better, freer society" rather than a "nationally safe" one.

Or perhaps the engineering majors here do not have time in the span of five years to think about taking something useless such as sociology, political science or classical rhetoric when they are in such a rush to get an MBA.

This column is dedicated to egalitarian principles. All correspondence (especially UCSD news tips) sent to c2wu@ucsd.edu will be treated with an equitable amount of incompetence.

SeaWorld:

Expansion leads to commercialization
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park. SeaWorld should try to stay innovative to visitors, but it

should also realize what it is trying to sell.

Critics fear that SeaWorld's expansion will lead to increased commercialization of the area, overpriced admission, questionable attractions, and increased traffic and pollution.

All this would come in

exchange for a complete abandonment of SeaWorld's original mission to be an educational and recreational marine park.

Although the critics are absolutely right in their concerns for the future, I argue that they're all a little late. SeaWorld sold out a long time ago.



Lyon Liew/Guardian

Enjoying the show: A crowd surfer is pulled out by security at Friday's annual WinterFest concert. This was not an uncommon sight as the crowd of more than 3,500 carried several eager fans on their shoulders throughout the night.

WinterFest:

Blood, cash, cans and clothes were donated

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a charity event," said freshman Donald Povung. "In fact, I donated to the canned food drive myself."

The campaign, presented by the A.S. Council and led by Event Programmer Eisha Christian, involved organizations such as the United Way, various fraternities and sororities, and numerous campus service and fundraising clubs.

This year's WinterFest theme was "Pick Your Cause! Choose Your Charity!" and like previous WinterFests, it provided students with a variety of ways to give back to the community.

Activities included a blood drive at Earl Warren College, making bookmarks for underprivileged schoolchildren, making get-well cards for AIDS/HIV patients, bake sales, dunk tanks, canned food and clothing drives, and general donations of money and time toward service organizations.

"The goal of the UCSD Cares Campaign is to bring back the spirit of community and the spirit of giving back to the community," said WinterFest co-coordinator Michael Hayes. "We hope to make students aware of the different charities represented here this week."

Thirty-one organizations joined in the cause. Each organization represented a particular charity, and they channeled all of their proceeds and collections to the charity of their choice.

Larger organizations such as the

San Diego United Way encouraged students to donate their time toward a worthy cause by volunteering.

"Each year the United Way has a campaign on the campus of UCSD," said Dan Wyman, co-chair of the UCSD United Way. "This year we hope to do better than ever."

A smaller organization, the Pi Beta Phi sorority, publicized an event it will be holding in May to benefit the San Diego Children's Hospital.

"We are promoting a dance that will be taking place on May 16," said Allison Milbank of Pi Beta Phi.

"It's a '70s disco party and we've been doing it for the past couple years. Last year we raised about \$1,500 to buy books for the Children's Hospital's library collection," she said.

Other groups such as Marshall College's Active Community Thurgood raised money for the San Diego Red Cross and the International Peace Kit Project by providing a dunk tank on Library Walk.

"We have students from various walks of life on campus volunteering to be dunked, including A.S. President Jeff Dodge," said Gina Fiore of Marshall A.C.T. "So far, we are doing wonderfully with the dunk tank. So hopefully this will become a tradition."

As a charity incentive, students who made a donation to a service drive got their names on a logo sign to be placed in the UCSD BookStore corner display. Other incentives included daily drawings for prizes and a free A.S. Council-sponsored barbecue Friday.

In all, the event raised over \$1,000 for individual charities,

377 handmade cards for AIDS/HIV patients, over 90 bookmarks for schoolchildren, 630 cans of food, 320 hygiene and toiletry products, 800 articles of clothing, 210 toys, 43 school supply items, 273 pints of blood that will save an estimated 209 lives and more than 150 volunteer sign-ups for events that include tutoring and beach clean-ups.

The UCSD Bookstore and Sunshine Store also contributed a large amount by giving a portion of its sales and leftover change collected during customer purchases toward the United Way of San Diego.

"We've come a long way since WinterFest first started with canned food drives," Hayes said. "The idea was that we don't have to give charity once a year, like around Christmas time. We can do it all year-round. I think we got the message through."

Students' reactions toward the weekend event were positive.

"I like what I've seen this week," said UCSD student Sherri Bender. "This year it seems like there were more activities and more of an effort from students. It's good for the community."

While the charity was good for the San Diego community, the UCSD community came out to see the performers Friday night.

"I came here to see Jason Mraz mainly 'cause I'm a huge fan," said UCSD student Jessica Venturi. "I think it's gonna be great 'cause he's an awesome performer."

Others, such as freshman Bobby Kim, came to see all three acts perform.

"I'm hoping to see City High and Fenix TX," Kim said. "I heard that Jason Mraz is awesome with the acoustic guitar and drums."



Lyon Liew/Guardian

Rockin' on: Fenix TX's Toca Rivera (left) takes the stage with local sensation Jason Mraz (right) during the WinterFest concert. Mraz has been performing around the San Diego area for some time now while Fenix TX is big on the national scene.

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Proposal:

Extra money needed to maintain athletic funding
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Martin is also an athlete, and competes on the men's cross country and track and field teams.

If the A.S. Council approves the task force's recommendation, the fee referendum of \$26.50 will appear on the ballot second week of spring quarter. Most of the fee will go to intercollegiate athletics, \$1 will go to the sports clubs and 25 cents will go to the recreation clubs.

Shelton stressed that the referendum is designed only to maintain UCSD's current program and not to improve it.

"This is something that maintains the Chevy status," he said. "It's not the Lexus, it's not the Rolls Royce."

UCSD's 23 intercollegiate sports teams now operate on a budget of \$2.4 million per year. UC Davis, also in Division II, has 25 sports running on a budget of \$7 million. UC Davis students currently pay \$76 per quarter for athletics.

UCSD averages \$104,000 per sport, well below the averages of UC Davis, Chico State, Cal State

San Bernardino, Cal Poly Pomona, Cal State Bakersfield and Cal State Los Angeles, all of which are UCSD's competitors.

Shelton pointed to the teams' travel budgets. UCSD sports teams travel to their away games the day of the event, instead of the night before, to save money. Other teams are then better rested and not jet-lagged, while UCSD athletes suffer the consequences, he said.

"The referendum is just one of the ways to ask students to join together for a common cause that can benefit all of us in the end. We will be glad we did."

—Steve Martin
TAC representative

The task force's recommendation lists potential consequences of the referendum's failure.

According to the recommendation, the decrease in funding "would produce a negative cloud over the university."

The recommendation states

that the quality of the social environment and athletic programs, and the level of campus spirit would drop if the referendum fails.

The task force also said that if the referendum fails, UCSD does not have the option of returning to Division III.

Martin said he believes the referendum is important for reasons other than just maintaining funding.

"The referendum is just one of the ways to ask students to join together for a common cause that can benefit all of us in the end," he said.

"We will be glad we did. I hope the trend of increased athletic support continues in the future and creates a forum for students to support and encourage our teams," Martin said.

The task force's recommendation will come on the table at the A.S. Council meeting Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in Price Center Ballroom A.

It must pass the council to become a student fee referendum. "Over the past two years with the temporary funds, the task force feels as if the students and campus have received a 'sneak preview' of what UCSD athletics are capable of and what it does for the university," states the task force's recommendation.

Shelton:

Dodge proclaims Shelton to be a perfect fit
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Funding Issues, which submitted a recommendation to the A.S. Council on the problem of funding facing the athletics programs.

Shelton said he ran for the position because he "can make more of a difference doing this than doing anything else."

Dodge said he believes Shelton is the best person for the job. Shelton served as the director of athletics relations in the chancellor's office prior to the creation of the commissioner position.

Dodge said that Shelton was the natural choice.

"Robin is a motivated, experienced individual who has a strong reputation in the A.S. and within the athletics community," he said.

'From his psychotic passion to have the awnings in the Price Center changed to blue and gold, to his crazed prank calls to UC Davis, Robin is the perfect fit for this position.'

—Jeff Dodge
A.S. President

"He works hard and gets whatever he needs to do in order to better the campus. Serving as the director of athletic relations previous to his commissioner of athletics move, Robin has proved himself a leader to match all leaders."

Shelton, a Warren junior, played for UCSD's men's golf team for two years. He stopped playing for various reasons.

One reason he gave was the time commitment involved with his A.S. Council positions. As for the time he used to spend playing golf, he said, "it's been taken up by all this stuff."

"Robin is incredibly motivated and always thinks of new ways to approach events, issues and programs," Dodge said.

"From his psychotic passion to have the awnings in the Price Center changed to blue and gold, to his crazed prank calls to UC Davis, our new rival, Robin is the perfect fit for this position."

features

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FEATURES 9

Belmont Park

After a roller coaster ride history, Mission Beach's park still brings 'em in



Saw the sign: Belmont Park, at the corner of Mission Boulevard and West Mission Bay Drive, is one of the California coast's oldest amusement parks — it's been thrilling visitors for 77 years.



Around and around: San Diego Mark introduces his two daughters, 2-year-old Skylar (left) and 4-year-old Alexis (right), to the Liberty Carousel, a reproduction of an antique carousel.



Goalie training: Parent Dan gives 3-year-old Carmine a lesson in air hockey, one of the many arcade attractions at Belmont Park's Family Fun Center.

South of Pacific Beach, west of Mission Bay and just east of the warm sands of Mission Beach is a sight unique in San Diego: a roller coaster, and an antique one at that.

The coaster — the Giant Dipper — was built during the era of flappers, had its heyday during World War II, fell into disrepair while flower children were the rage, and was resurrected while most UCSD students were learning long division.

Belmont Park, the amusement park surrounding the Giant Dipper, opened in 1925 as the Mission Beach Amusement Center, the pet project of San Diego sugar magnate John D. Spreckels. It was his funding that brought the 2,600-foot long coaster to life. The Giant Dipper was built in less than two months by a crew of more than 100 workers. The entire project cost only \$150,000.

The coaster had its first go-round on July 4, 1925, just a few short weeks after the park itself opened.

As San Diego grew in the 1930s and 1940s, the park enjoyed growing popularity. It was late in the 1940s that the Mission Beach Amusement Center was renamed Belmont Park.

The park hit hard times in the late 1960s and early 1970s and eventually closed down in December 1976.

Belmont Park faced its most troubling times in the early 1980s when city officials decided to demolish the Giant Dipper, which had become an eyesore in the community after surviving several fires and becoming the home of transients.

The Giant Dipper may well have been demolished if not for the work of a group of concerned citizens who called themselves the "Save the Coaster Committee." These people rallied around the coaster and had it designated a national landmark.

The rights to the coaster were transferred from the city to the "Save the Coaster Committee," which tried to raise enough money to restore it. When committee members failed to raise the necessary money, they turned to the Santa Cruz Seaside Company, the owners of the boardwalk in Santa Cruz, Calif., to help renovate the coaster.

After \$2 million in renovations, the Giant Dipper roller coaster reopened to the public on Aug. 11, 1990, as the center of the new

Belmont Park retail specialty center.

Since its reopening, the coaster has been the site of two "Whirl 'Til You Hurl" competitions hosted by local radio station STAR 100.7. Belmont Park itself has also hit the national spotlight as the site of MTV's "SoCal Summer" in the summer of 2000.

Today, interested parties can brave the insanity that is parking at Belmont to peruse the various shops that line the path going through Belmont Park.

There are also other rides designed for those not quite brave enough for the mighty wooden coaster. A historic carousel along with a three-story vertical plunge, bumper cars and a tilt-a-whirl are all main attractions at the park. Pirate's Cove is a place for younger children that includes many games and activities.

If you're hungry while at the park, there is always Chillers, a restaurant with a splendid view of the ocean from its sun deck. At night, Chillers heats up with live music and dancing. Belmont Park has certainly passed the test of time as it has endured 77 years, a few fires and a closing. It keeps going strong today and looks to be around for years to come.

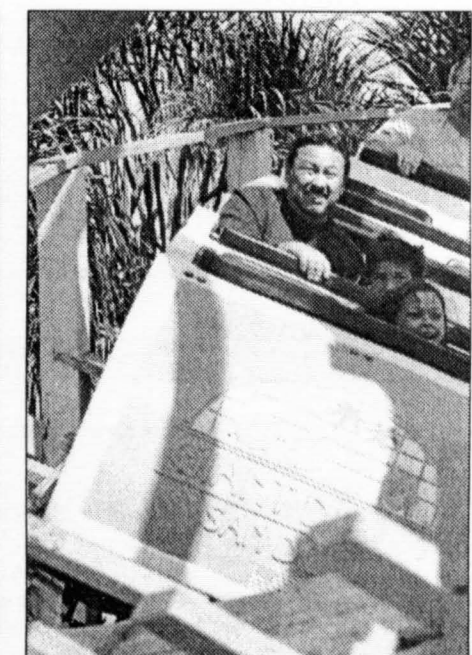
The park, at the intersection of Mission Boulevard and West Mission Bay Drive, opens at 11 a.m. every day. Closing times are seasonal. Call (858) 488-1549 for more information.

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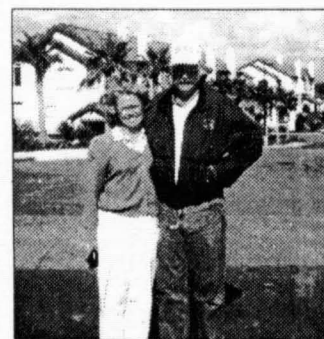
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Interviews by Eugene Kym, Photos by Tyler Huff



Geeta Kulkarni
Warren freshman

What do you think of Tijuana?

It's a fun place. I think it would be more fun to go clubbing in downtown San Diego, but [the clubs] aren't, like, for people who are 18.

What is your favorite weekend place?

During the daytime I love going to the mall, and then during the nighttime, I like going downtown. It's fun going downtown and hanging out with friends.

Where do you like to study on campus?

I like to study in the lounge because there's tons of people and you don't really get much done, which is nice.

What do you think of UCSD's housing?

I think everyone who wants should get on-campus housing, and living on campus is part of the college experience.

Which language do you want to learn fluently?

I don't know. I can speak Marathi fluently.

Name one nonacademic goal you would like to meet this quarter.

All my goals are nonacademic. It's really sad. I guess I want to decide if I'm going to stay at UCSD or not.

How do you feel the RSOs treat students?

At UCSD people are actually good, but [the RSOs] don't have anyone to harass or anything, so they take it out on us ... when we are really good, studious people.

What is your ideal occupation?

I guess it would be ... does traveling count? I'd love to travel to random places.

If you could choose to live in any era, which would it be?

I always thought it would be really fun to ... just, like, be an American Indian and see how they lived and stuff, before the colonies came.

Which superhero would you want to be?

Mother Teresa, because then I'd like to know how to love people the way she did.



Gene DeBruler
Muir junior

It's pretty trashy, but it's fun.

The Comedy Store [in La Jolla]. I work there. I do standup, and it's fun to always come in and see other standup comedians that come through on the weekends and shit.

I guess around Mandeville, because I'm a music major, and that's where all my classes are.

I'm kind of pissed about the fact that I had no chance to get into any dorms or any on-campus apartments because I'm a transfer.

Probably Latin because that would make me look really smart.

I'd like to get paid regular at my work, write up a contract for doing standup comedy. That would be cool. Or, just get laid more.

I've never really seen 'em treat anybody any ways, so I would say I don't know. They seem like they're doing a shitty job since I've never seen them.

What I'm doing now, standup comedy and music.

Probably somewhere around the '70s. I liked all the art and music and things that come out of it, but there was also a lot of bullshit.

I'd probably choose to be John Travolta from "Phenomenon."



Robbie Johnston
Muir freshman

TJ is kind of a party-groovy thing for college students to do. It also kind of feels like it vaguely exploits the Mexican populace down there.

On the weekends, currently I just kick it around the beach, go to Blacks and stuff, and hang out down there.

I like to study literature, because that's what I'm into. I like reading books, and writing about reading books, and reading about writing about books.

I'm not too into [the one-rate plan]. If I lived on campus I'd consider doing a meal plan, but I'd like to have the option to do it or not do it as I see fit.

I'd have to go with Spanish, just because of my proximity, and where I live, and its use.

One nonacademic goal: I would like to beat a whole lot of video games.

I haven't had any bad run-ins with the RSOs, but I think that sometimes RSOs should lighten up in just several, like, low-key, kind of minor deals that they're pretty rough about.

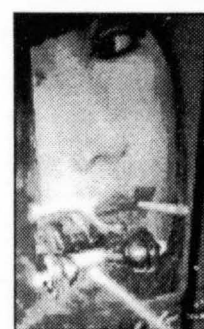
I would make movies. I would direct or produce or be in movies just for the hell of it.

I'd rather live in an age where we can travel to other planets or maybe interact with other people because that would be really nifty.

I'd be the girl from "Out of this World" who can freeze time.

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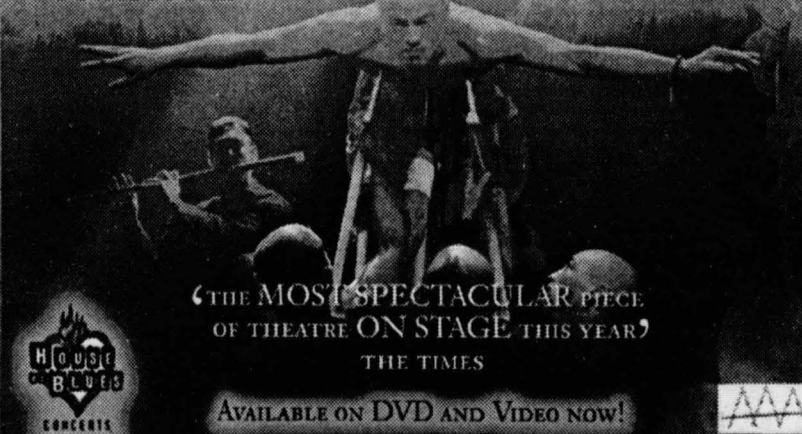
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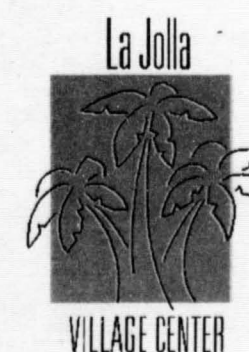
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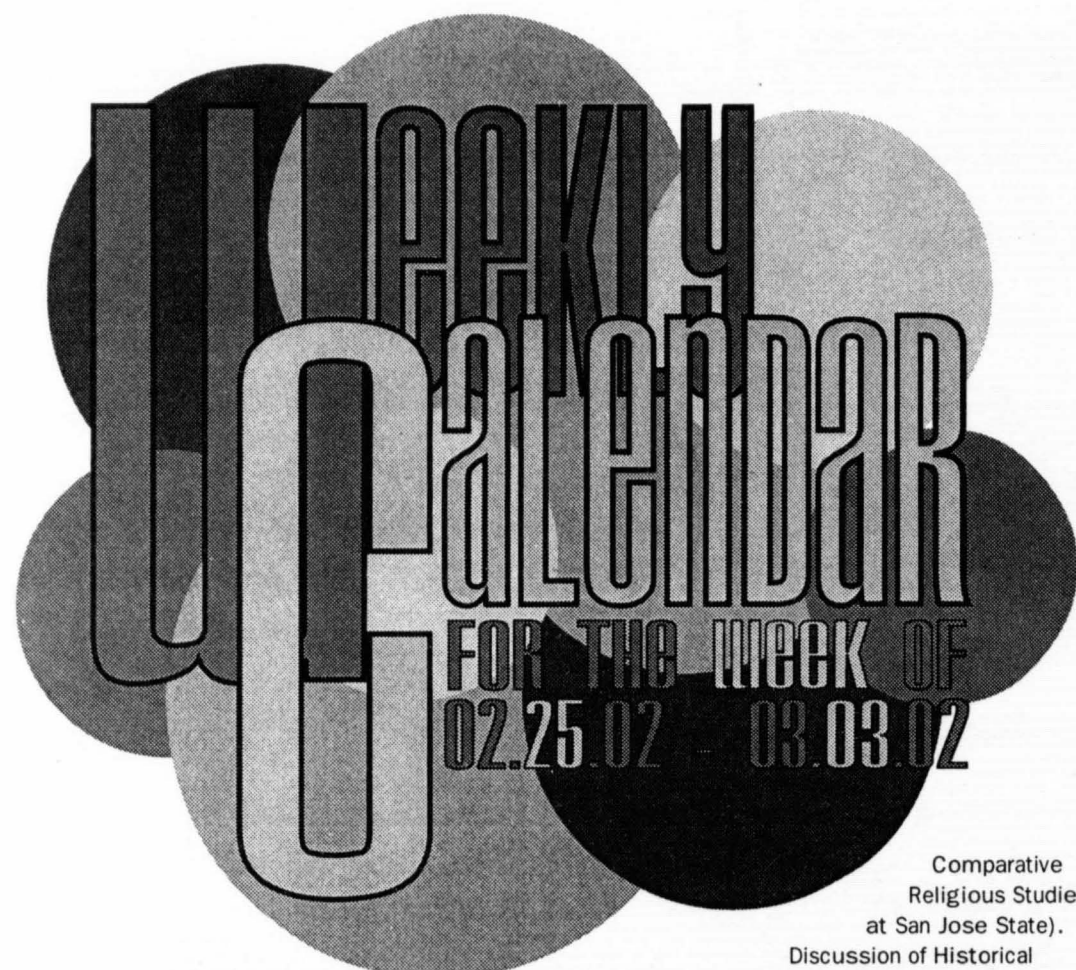
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• SOHR Winter Quarter Workshop: Teachable Moment, 3-4pm @ Center Hall. John Sullivan will give a lecture titled "Teachable Moment: What's so funny about stereotypical African American image?"

Wednesday, Feb. 27

• "Women in the Struggle Against Slavery: Antiracism in Historical Perspective," 4:30-6pm @ The Women's Center. Talk will address some of the diverse roles black and white women played in the abolitionist movement, the obstacles and the conflicts between the two races of abolitionists as well as the complex racial politics of the era. Photo exhibit used. Speaker: Professor Jane Rhodes, Dept. of Ethnic Studies.

• Latin America Info. Session, 2:30-4pm @ the International Center Lounge. Study/work/intern in Latin America! Programs in Argentina, Chile, Costa Rica, Mexico, Ecuador, and many more! Find out about scholarships and financial aid too!

Thursday, Feb. 28

• Top 10 Hidden Resources at Career.ucsd.edu, 11am @ Career Services Center. The Career Services Center Web site has much more than just job listings. Learn how to use it for career information, job & internship links, and graduate school information. 534.3750.

• "Prudence Crandall's Female Academy", 11:30-1pm @ The Women's Center. Speaker Prof Jennifer Rycenga. Prudence Crandall was a white woman educator who opened an academy for black women and girls in Canterbury, Connecticut in 1833. The school remained open for 17 months despite vigilante and legal violence against it.

• War and Resistance Tour, 7:30pm @ Center Hall 115. Panel on the state of world politics, featuring renowned author David Barsamian, filmmaker Gerard Ungerman, and activist Sherry Wolf. E-mail: isosandiego@yahoo.com for more information.

• "History, Ethnic Studies, and the Tribal Digital Village," 4-6pm @ the Cross Cultural Center. Frank Ross is interested in how culture changes in situations of historical inter-ethnic contact in Native North America. He will talk about how his historical Tribal Digital Village, an extensive project to build an Indian-owned educational and cultural consortium that links the San Diego tribes by high-speed, broad band internet.

Friday, March 1

• "Impulses, Inclinations, Passions," 2-4pm @ The Women's Center. Speaker Jennifer Rycenga, prof of

come! Come and check out what VSA has to offer. Learn more about the culture, set up dates on events/activities and how you can take part in this year's 6th annual cultural night! For more information e-mail: vsa@ucsd.edu.

• African American Student Union, Mondays 6-8pm @ the Cross-Cultural Center. Join us this quarter for weekly meetings as we unite as a community and plan for exciting events like High School Conference, Black History Month Celebration, and Poetry Night! For more info: e-mail aasu@ucsd.edu.

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• "Exhibit: The Emma Goldman Papers," March 1-16, 9-5pm @ The Women's Center. Emma Goldman stands as a major figure of the U.S. activism and feminism. One of the most influential feminists of her day, Goldman was an early advocate of free speech, birth control, women's equality, labor organizing, and the 8-hour work day.

ACTIVITIES

Saturday, March 2

• EXCEL Leadership Conference 2002, 9am-3pm @ PC Ballrooms. Various topics including leadership and event planning skills. Pick up registration forms at 3rd floor Price Center SOLO Offices.

Sunday, March 3

• Honoring International Women's Day, 4pm @ Institute of the Americas, Copley Conference Center. Runaway is a documentary about a group of young runaway girls who are taken to a women's shelter in Tehran-Iran. The film focuses on the sufferings of young girls who struggle to free themselves from the tyrannical and abusive power of their families, mainly their fathers, brothers, and stepfathers.

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• InterVarsity Christian Fellowship- Thursday Nights, 7:30pm. South (Muir & Revelle)- Relationships @ CSB 001 / North (Warren, ERC, & Marshall) @ Peterson 110. For more information: www.acs.ucsd.edu/~ivcfsd/.

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theeditor'ssoapbox High-ranking department features poor teaching

By JEFFREY WHITE
Editor in Chief

According to the latest "U.S. News & World Report" rankings, UCSD's computer engineering program ranks 17th in the nation. That's pretty darn good. And as a computer engineering student, I've experienced that goodness every day for the last four years.

The ranking is impressive if you think about it. Founded in 1960, UCSD has rocketed to its elite status in barely 40 years. The next-youngest college ranked for computer engineering is No. 16 UCLA, founded 60 years earlier in 1900. Crazy.

But what's really crazy is the poor teaching in many CE courses at UCSD. Every day, I walk into my classes knowing I'm about to take a ton of notes about really, really hard stuff — but that's sort of the point of college, so no big deal. What is a big deal is that half the time, professors never clue us in to what we're doing and why we're doing it.

Don't get me wrong: These guys are brilliant. (The fact that all of my CE professors have been male is another topic.) But for the amount of intellect and expertise these men possess, most of them are shockingly inept at conveying that knowledge to anyone with an education lower than a doctorate.

Maybe it's just me, but mumble the play-by-play on calculus derivations being scrawled on the chalkboard for 50 or 80 minutes does not constitute teaching, especially when the derivations being "taught" are presented legibly and error-free in the textbook.

Of course, there are exceptions. A minority of CE instructors are actually competent at expressing their knowledge. They are making me a good engineer.

Excluding those I have this quarter, the best CE professors I have had at UCSD are Luigi

Carro, a visiting professor from Brazil who was almost universally hated by students because of his nasty habit of calling on them and forcing active participation; and Joseph Pasquale, who stubbornly refused to give even partial credit to students who chose the "inferior" correct answer to a multiple-choice problem with two correct answers on the midterm.

What sets these guys apart? It's simple. Every now and then during the course of their lectures, they would stop writing on the board, face the class and tell us what was going on.

"You see all that garbage I just scrawled illegibly on the board? It

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shows how to calculate the power dissipated in a modern transistor. You know why that's important? Because it means the difference between plugging your computer into the wall and plugging your computer into a dedicated turbine-driven power plant."

At that point, the differential equations and integrals cease to be just numbers and Greek symbols. At that point, they become meaningful, learnable knowledge. I'm not stupid, but I do need to be deliberately told — even remind-



ed every now and then — about why computer engineers need to know these equations and how we will use them in our careers.

Back to the CE program's high ranking. I can interpret it several ways. One way would be that "U.S. News & World Report" is run by a bunch of dolts, and our program is not nearly as good as they think. Yeah, I don't like that one either. Another would be that computer engineering is taught like this nationwide, and that only 16 schools do it better. That's just too frightening and depressing for me to accept.

What I would like to believe is that UCSD's CE department is a sleeping giant. Having sat through plenty of CE classes, it is quite obvious to me that UCSD's faculty is full of computer and electrical engineers who have almost superhuman mastery of their fields. Most of them can go through a lecture and derive astonishingly complex concepts without referring to their notes more than a couple times. Frankly, it's sort of scary to watch.

The problem is that these important concepts are trapped in their brains, and the only way most of them know to communicate such information is through equations and derivations. Granted, that's the only way to express certain mathematical and scientific concepts, but every equation should be accompanied by an explanation if that equation is supposed to mean something to me.

If UCSD is interested in improving its No. 17 ranking among CE programs, I believe it should look first to its professors. If they would turn their backs to the chalkboard instead of just to the students, I think UCLA would be eating our dust in no time. It's got to be the simplest and cheapest way to instantly improve the quality of education at our ambitious and already impressive engineering institution.

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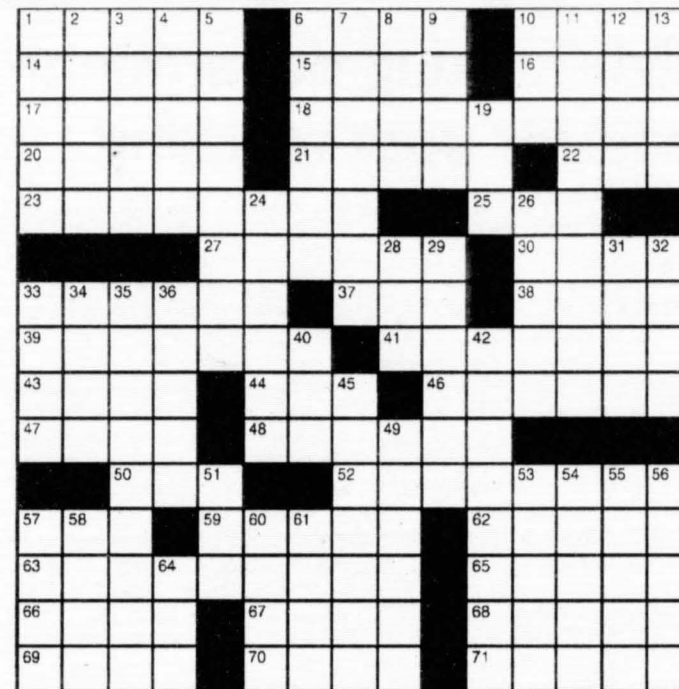
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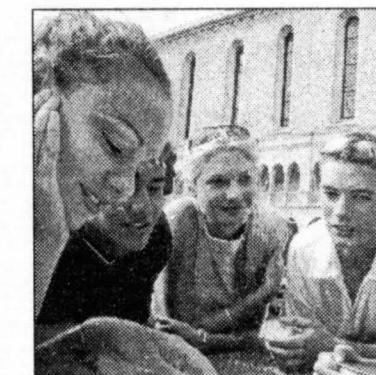
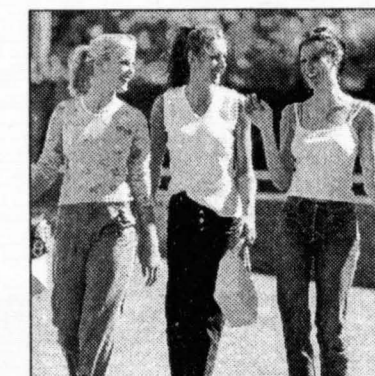
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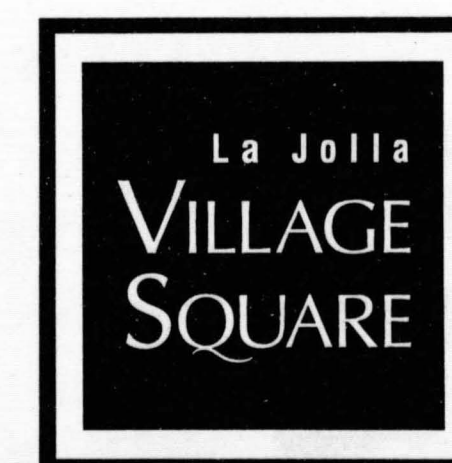
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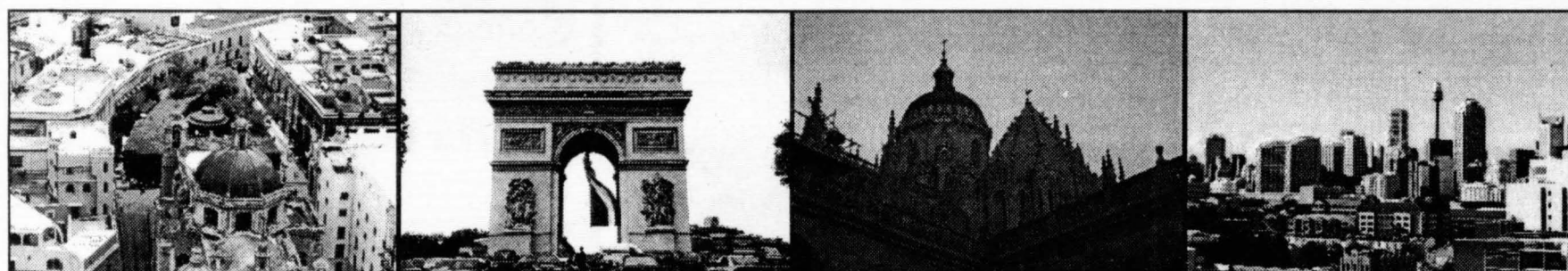
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To my favorite SAC pal... the lovely, Miss
Elaine Wong- Jeppers!! 22 already?? May
God bless you with a year full of joy, and
lots and lots of laughs! Happy 22nd
Birthday, Lainers!! -from the incredibly
attractive, Phil (2/25)

I propose a Russia vs. South Korea mini-
Olympics. Events: whining and ice trip-
ping. (2/25)

That male sexuality class at Berkeley is
full for spring quarter...2003 and 2004.
(2/25)

Trend watch: Coming soon, a new film
Cinderella II, a fifty-years later sequel with
the same characters. Can't wait for *After*
the Wood: Pinocchio, the Human Years.
(2/25)

Tennis:

Tritons 7-0, ranked 20th
in the nation

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Wilson and Everett Schroeter
defeated the No. 2 doubles team of
Dennis Munoz and Tim Lemberg
8-1 to secure the perfect match for
the Tritons.

UCSD traveled to Los Angeles
the next day to face the Golden
Eagles and picked up its seventh-
straight victory.

The Tritons again won it with a
sweep, taking all six singles match-
es and three doubles matches for
the 9-0 victory.

Swatt took over the No. 1 spot
for UCSD and went three sets
before prevailing over Henning
Heinz 6-2, 2-6, 6-2.

Emil Novak was the only other
Triton who lost a set, as he briefly
struggled against L.A.'s No. 3 sin-
gles player Alan Chang, before
eventually taking the 6-4, 4-6, 6-4
victory.

UCSD's Dan Albrecht and
Schroeter came up with straight set
wins in the No. 5 and No. 6 singles
matches to close out the individual
victories for the Tritons.

Chopra and Swatt again teamed
up to give UCSD an 8-1 victory in
the No. 1 doubles match, which
was followed by victories by the
Triton teams of Wilson/Schroeter
and Meyer/Albrecht.

The Tritons will seek to contin-
ue their perfect season at home
Tuesday against Point Loma
Nazarene University at 2:30 p.m.

WEB EXCLUSIVE:
Women's tennis domi-
nates Bakersfield 8-1,
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Basketball:

UCSD drops to second-
to-last place

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night and scored 12 points for
UCSD. Duffaut scored 10 points
and Christianson scored nine.
The Tritons struggled from
beyond the arc, shooting 6-23.

Overall the Tritons shot 39
percent from the floor, while Cal
Poly Pomona shot 50 percent.
Cal Poly Pomona produced a
solid effort as a team. Five

Bronco players scored 10 or
more points. Jeff Bounds had the
game high with 23 points.
Bounds is averaging over 11
points per game.

The losses dropped UCSD to
7-20 overall, and 4-16 in the
California Collegiate Athletic
Association. The Tritons' current
losing streak has dropped them
down to second-to-last place, just
ahead of Chico State.

The Tritons seek to regain
their winning form against UC
Davis this weekend in their sec-
ond-to-last home game of the
season.

Softball:

Tritons next face Azusa
Pacific on Tuesday

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to seal their 7-1 victory.

Breanne Cope doubled to open
the third inning of the second
game, setting up a two-run rally
and getting the Tritons started. In
the fifth inning, Cope again got
the Tritons going with a hit and
came around to score on
Anderson's sixth RBI of the week-
end. Triton catcher Kristin

Hunstad had the big hit of the
inning with a bases-loaded single
scoring two runs. However, it was
Hunstad's defensive contributions
behind the plate that were most
valuable to the Tritons.

"Kristin is incredibly strong
behind the plate," Martinelli
said. "She calls a great game and
does a great job of keeping my
spirits up and helping me to have
a good time out there."

The Lady Mustangs scratched
out two unearned runs in the top
of the sixth but it was too little,
too late as UCSD finished with a
6-2 win.

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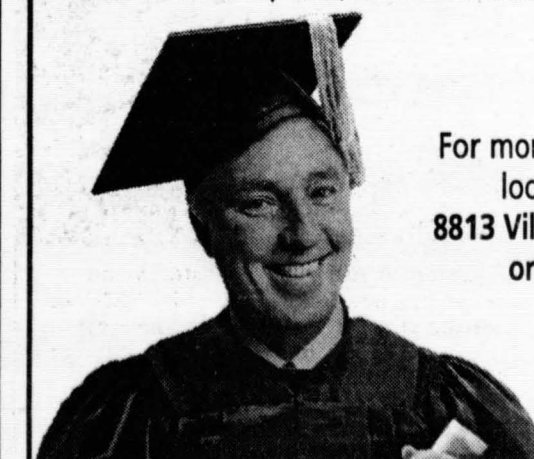
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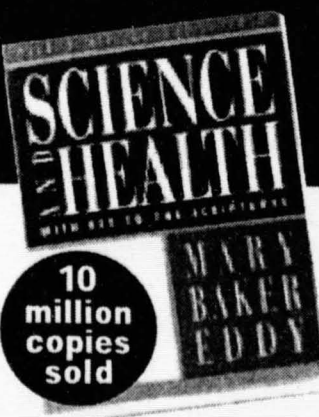
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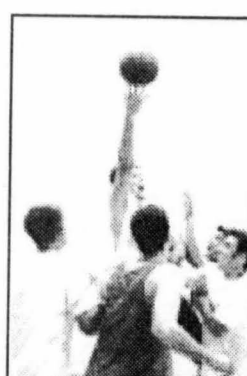
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Andy Kay's Fab Five Basketball Selections



Rankings/ Won-Lost

Comments

MEN's AAA

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|----------------------|---|
| 1 Da Kine (4-0) | Champions of the Royal Rumble last week! |
| 2 Fly (4-0) | Take on Numero Uno this Sunday. |
| 3 Old and Slow (5-0) | Odds are stacked in their favor |
| 4 Pike (4-1) | Messed up undefeated season in ugly fashion |
| 5 DSP (2-0) | Underachieving in getting to the arena |

MEN's AA

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|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1 Shaft (4-0) | Defensively, these guys have it! |
| 2 Hoosiers (4-0) | Unstoppable on offense |
| 3 Pasty Gangstas (3-1) | Bustin' big-time after shaky opener |
| 4 Kings (4-0) | Better than Sacramento! |
| 5 Tastes Like Chicken (5-0) | Smells like the rooster. |

MEN's A

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 Scrawny By Nature (5-0) | Invading new territory in this sport |
| 2 Ballistz (3-0) | Need game reps to "hone" it! |
| 3 Buck Futtlers (5-0) | Pride of Thursday Nites |
| 4 Ball Jackers (4-0) | One big test left next Monday |
| 5 Underdogs (3-0) | Lookin' to pimp #2 on Sunday. |

COED A

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|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1 WOW (4-0) | Time to break these imposters up |
| 2 Scrawny By Nature (3-0) | Looking to sweep two divisions |
| 3 Zemogs (4-0) | Won't be losin' soon |
| 4 Mooks (3-1) | Leading world in tech fouls |
| 5 Mod Squad (2-1) | Weak entry fadin' at the finish |



WOMEN's AA

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|----------------------|--|
| 1 Potheads (4-0) | Undefeated and lonely at the top |
| 2 Cuts (3-1) | Getting' no love, or respect |
| 3 Unstoppables (2-2) | Never-say-die attitudes may help in long run |
| 4 Home Girls (2-2) | Final Four favorites, we think! |
| 5 Salty Fish (2-2) | Struggling in fresh water |



Herbie's Hot Kickers / IM Soccer Rankings

MEN's AAA

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|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 1 The Nads (3-0-1) | Nasty on the defensive end |
| 2 Last Chance (2-0-2) | Two ties too many |
| 3 DSP (2-0-1) | Keepin' all the power in Real Madrid |
| 4 The Team (2-0-1) | Makin' plans for their late arrival |

MEN's AA

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|-----------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 Kick Balls (4-0) | Not stoppin' for anybody |
| 2 Lost Cause (3-0) | Pounded Rockets two weeks back |
| 3 Toffees (2-0-2) | Tough tooties are tying too much |
| 4 Boca Seniors (3-1) | Makin' a run for it |
| 5 Graduate FC (2-0-1) | Oldies but not necessarily goodies |

MEN's A

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1 SIO (4-0) | Unscored upon oceanographers |
| 2 Wingmen (2-0-1) | Flyin' high at the right time |
| 3 Barrel o' Jizz Monies (2-0-1) | Hanging tough |
| 4 Lazy Bastards (3-1) | Regrouping after tough loss to SIO |
| 5 Liquor Box (3-0-1) | Oh! Why Not! |

WOMEN's AA

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|-----------------------------|--|
| 1 The Daisies (3-0) | Dial "D" for defense and dynamite! |
| 2 Sockers (2-0) | Back to work this Sunday |
| 3 Dynamiters (2-1) | Might pull it together from here on in |
| 4 Bad Mamma Jammies (1-1-1) | Hard to rate after pounding they took |

COED AA

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|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 1 Ultimo (3-0) | Surprise move to the top of the heap |
| 2 Scrawny By Nature (3-0) | Havin' a heck of an IM quarter |
| 3 DSP/DG (3-0-1) | Delicious collaboration by IFC champs |
| 4 The Harish's (3-1) | Battling their way back to nowhere |
| 5 Stallions (2-1) | Only one lemon laid so far |

COED A

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|------------------------------|--|
| 1 The Chitters (4-0) | Steppin' up and killin' it |
| 2 Crusaders (3-0-1) | Wearing it on their sleeve again |
| 3 Choad Stools (4-0) | Classic square off this Sunday with #4 |
| 4 Lazy Bastards (3-0-1) | 31 goals in the bank already |
| 5 Whompin' Wallabies (2-0-1) | How cute are you? |

IM SOCCER NOTES...With the last regular season weekend upon us, playoff quality teams should stay in touch with the IM Sports Czars at RIMAC (4th Floor) to keep informed on the championship playoffs that begin Saturday, March 2. Teams needing to make-up rescheduled games should check-in with their opponents and then call us at 534-3716 between 10 am and 5pm, Monday-thru-Friday for a game field. We want to complete all of those important make-up games on Fri-Sat, March 1-2.

Women's basketball drops two on the road

Poor shooting, strong Bronco defense cause Tritons to fall to 9-11

By OWEN MAIN
Contributing Writer

The UCSD women's basketball team went into this weekend's pair of road games knowing it had two tough games ahead. Little did the team know just how tough the road would prove to be.

Friday night the Tritons traveled to San Bernardino, where they met the California State University San Bernardino Coyotes. The ladies from San Bernardino were looking to avenge a 54-47 loss to UCSD at RIMAC Arena that had occurred earlier in the season.

UCSD started the game focused on defense, but it neglected to bring its shooting touch to the court. The Tritons held the Coyotes to 26 percent from the field in the first half, but only shot 30 percent themselves and trailed 21-25 at halftime.

"Shooting killed us," said UCSD head coach Judy Malone. "We were getting good shots, but we just weren't hitting them."

The second half found UCSD in foul trouble, and the Coyotes' Sharee Brown made them pay from the charity stripe, where she shot nine out of 12 for the game. Brown finished with 19 points. As a team, the Tritons only made 10 out of 21 free throws for the game.

However, the Tritons didn't give up. Ali Ginn led the Triton comeback effort, finishing with a game-high 21 points on 4-6 three-point shooting. But the balanced San Bernardino scoring attack and a 28-7 edge in bench scoring made the difference and the Tritons fell 63-51.

Guard Nicholle Bromley overcame a poor shooting night to contribute nine rebounds, and center Margaret Johnson added 10 points and six rebounds. Danyiel Wortham chipped in with seven points and four rebounds.

On Saturday, UCSD looked to

bounce back from Friday's defeat. Standing in its way was second-ranked California Collegiate Athletic Association powerhouse Cal Poly Pomona.

After narrowly escaping a RIMAC Arena upset earlier in the year, Cal Poly Pomona solidified itself as a dominant team, never trailing the Tritons and doubling UCSD's score at halftime 54-27.

The Tritons were hobbled by an injury to leading scorer Ginn.

"Ali Ginn hurt her knee in the first few minutes," Malone said.

Before Ginn could get to the bench, the rout had begun. "Pomona pressed all game," Malone said. "They are very athletic and aggressive."

The Broncos defense forced 31 Triton turnovers and frustrated UCSD all night.

With the game's outcome certain and Ginn's injury, some Tritons got a little more playing time than usual.

"Laura Sargent had a good game," said Malone, who was encouraged by the Tritons' bench play. "Stacy [Gallagher-Bolton] has also been playing very well lately."

Karina Siam led UCSD, scoring with 11 points off the bench. Gallagher-Bolton finished with 10 points and four rebounds.

Pomona, which didn't stop its full-court press, led by as many as 40 points and ended the game 96-57.

The win put Pomona in a first-place tie with Cal State Bakersfield and dropped UCSD to 9-11 in conference play and 13-12 overall.

"It was a lousy weekend," Malone said, summing up the feelings of disappointment for UCSD.

This weekend, the Tritons look to bounce back in their last CCAA homestand before ending the season on the road. The UC Davis Aggies come to town Friday night, followed by the Chico State Wildcats on Saturday night. Both games tip off at 5:30 p.m.

Track & field has first event of 2002

Women nab first, men place second

By KEITH DO
Staff Writer

The UCSD track and field teams both had strong outings during the California Collegiate Athletic Association Quadrangular meet at Jesse Owens Stadium in Los Angeles this weekend. The women's team finished first and the men's team took second in their first intercollegiate competition of the season.

The UCSD women's team won the team title with 159 points, distancing itself from runner-up California State University Los Angeles, which finished with 115. Cal Poly Pomona, Cal State Dominguez Hills and Sonoma State finished in that order, rounding out the field.

On the track, three Tritons emerged victorious — Audrey Sung in the 3,000-meter run, Meredith Perry in the 100-meter hurdles and Hillary Hills in the 400-meter hurdles. Perry's mark of 14.2 in the hurdles broke the UCSD record of 14.29 set by Lisa Shepard in 1995.

UCSD fared even better in field events, with Clara Wilson winning the long jump, Zita Dixon taking the high jump, Jackie Vu earning first in the pole vault, Sara Allsur winning the discus and Sagrario Hernandez

taking first in the shot put.

On the men's side, Cal Poly Pomona took first with 170 points, the Tritons finishing second with 149 and CSULA last with 38.

UCSD won eight events — including the 100-meter relay and 400-meter relay. Individually, Jon Wong took first in the 800 meters and 1500 meters, Brian Parisi won the 400 meters and Julian Nahan won the 3,000-meter steeplechase. On the field, Rob Ewanio won both the hammer throw and shot put.

Although NCAA qualifications do not begin until March 1, UCSD had several performances that would have earned athletes provisional spots or would have come close to qualifying at the NCAA Division II Championships in San Angelo, Texas.

Ewanio, the UCSD record-holder in the shot put, had a mark of 56'10" in the men's shot put that was just shy of the 58'6" needed for an automatic berth. Wong's 3:56.9 in the men's 1500 meters was just off of the 3:55 mark required for a provisional bid to the NCAA.

Perry's 14.2 in the women's 100-meter hurdles would have surpassed the 14.65 needed for a provisional qualifying berth and was close to the 13.8 required for an automatic spot.

Softball continues to roll, earns three wins

Tritons sweep CCAA foe Stanislaus, split with Western New Mexico

By BRYCE WARWICK
Staff Writer

The UCSD softball team picked up a pair of league wins against California State University Stanislaus before splitting a doubleheader with Western New Mexico University over the weekend. Defense proved to be key, helping the Tritons improve to 14-2 overall and 7-1 in the California Collegiate Athletic Association.

Friday's first game with the Warriors of Stanislaus started well for the Tritons — they scored two runs in the first inning. A weak throw from the left fielder was unable to gun down Kim Aggabao when she scored from second on a two-out single by Leea Harlan. The Tritons added another unearned run in the first to lead 2-0.

The Warriors came back in the top of the third inning to score a single run but could not sustain the rally, stranding two runners on base. After the early offense, the game settled into a rhythm, with neither side able to mount a serious threat. Harlan was strong on the mound for UCSD, allowing only four hits and one run while striking out 10 to go the distance for the 2-1 victory.

Game two opened with the Tritons showing a new facet of their offense, stealing three bases during a three-run first inning. Miekko McCue's two-out, two-run double was the big blow of the inning, bringing in Harlan and Christi Martinelli. The second inning brought more of the same, with UCSD scoring another three runs with the help of three stolen bases

and a big two-out, two-run double, this time by Kristina Anderson.

Head coach Patti Gerckens stressed that her club is looking to take advantage of opportunities on the bases.

"We want to be more aggressive than ever this year," she said. "We want to keep other teams guessing."

On the mound, Martinelli had the Warrior batters guessing all day, surrendering only three hits and one run over six innings. With a two-run single by Anderson in the bottom of the sixth, the Tritons took an 8-1 lead into the final inning. Freshman pitcher Keri Hanley came in to try to close things out, but the Warriors roughed her up for two runs and three hits in two-thirds of an inning before Martinelli returned to get the final out and seal the 8-3 win.

UCSD's Anderson, who paced the offense with four RBIs, commented afterward on her production.

"I'm just trying to help my team out," she said. "We're trying to score one run at a time, and more importantly, score throughout the game to support our pitchers."

Support would be crucial in Saturday's first game against Western New Mexico, when pitcher Angela Slauch came in fresh off a perfect game last week. Slauch wasn't perfect, but she was good enough, allowing only one run. The Lady Mustangs found their offensive stride in the fourth inning when they scored two runs off Harlan, but they were unable to make a big inning into a huge one when they left the bases loaded. The Tritons battled back for a single run in the fifth but



Guardian file photo

Heavy hitters: A Triton hitter takes a cut earlier this year. UCSD's offense erupted for 17 runs in four games last weekend to help the Tritons improve to 14-2.

Western New Mexico responded with another run in the sixth.

Heading into the seventh inning, the Tritons trailed 3-1 and looked to get a rally started when everything fell apart.

"We were taking the little things for granted," Martinelli said. "We didn't make routine plays we know how to make, and our com-

munication was definitely lacking." The Tritons, who entered the weekend leading the CCAA in fielding percentage, committed two errors, a passed ball and several mental mistakes leading to a nightmarish inning in which the Lady Mustangs scored four times

See **SOFTBALL**, Page 17

Basketball loses 20th

UCSD falls to two top-ranked teams

By MATT RYAN
Contributing Writer

It has been a rough month for the UCSD men's basketball team and it did not get any easier when the team played back-to-back games against top-ranked California State University San Bernardino, and third-place Cal Poly Pomona.

The team traveled Friday to San Bernardino to play the Coyotes, who were 24-1, and was outmatched 71-55. UCSD played tough in the first half, trailing only 36-29 at halftime. San Bernardino pulled away in the second half.

C.J. Duffaut led the Tritons with 18 points, and Cameron Jackson scored 10. San Bernardino kept the Tritons' top scorers in check. Nick Christianson, Ryan Swed and Jody Woods, who all came into the game averaging better than nine points per game, combined for 2-16 from the floor and a total of four points with Christianson scoring all four. San Bernardino was led by Glen Summerall with 23 points and James Taylor with 16 points.

The following night at Kellogg Gym, Cal Poly Pomona beat UCSD 88-66. Once again the Tritons kept it close in the first half, but could not come through in the second half. The Tritons only trailed the Broncos by six at the half and then were outscored in the second half 54-38.

Woods bounced back from a bad

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— Dick Vertlieb, former NBA executive

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UCSD improves to 14-2 overall after winning three over the weekend

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Fencing finishes in first place

UCSD looks ahead to nationals

By ISAAC PEARLMAN

Sports Editor

The UCSD men's and women's fencing teams wrapped up their regular season Saturday against Cal Tech and California State University Fullerton. The Tritons recorded victories against both teams, almost pulling off the sweep except for a loss to Fullerton in the men's foil division.

With the wins, both the men's and women's teams finished the season atop the seven-team Southern California Fencing Conference with perfect 12-0 records. The UCSD men's team took first in the sabre division and second in both the foil and epee to earn its third-straight conference title. The women's team grabbed first in all three divisions, its only loss of the season coming in the sabre division to Cal Tech.

"I know there's never been a [UCSD] women's team to take all three weapons," said head coach Stuart Lee. "We made history with the women."

Individually the women were led in conference by Josaphine Roberts, who went 3-2 on the year to grab the top individual epee title. Teammate Christine Megowan finished second in the division with a perfect 30-0 record.

In women's sabre Katie Stapko compiled a 33-3 record to finish second in conference, and Triton Jessica Spuehler finished fourth with a record of 27-9.

UCSD grabbed second and fourth spots in the foil division as well, with the 31-5 record of Jessica Fripp and Rebecca Dowd's 27-9 record.

For the men, team captain Andrew Anfora went an amazing 35-1 to take first place in the sabre division.

"He's led the team all year," Lee said about Anfora.

Justin Hunt also earned a first-place spot for UCSD, finishing atop the epee division with a 34-2 record. Fellow Triton Michael Davis-Allen finished fourth in conference at 28-8. In the foil the Tritons' Chris Gummeson went 31-5 to end third in the SCFC.

With the end of the regular season the Tritons are now preparing for the NCAA Western Regional Championships on March 2 at Stanford University.

"It's an individual event," Lee said about the championships. "I expect to qualify one to three people [for nationals]."

Women's epee competitor Raelyn Jacobson is expected to advance and represent UCSD in the finals. Jacobson recently placed 15th in the nation at the Junior Olympics in Columbus, Ohio. Looking to join her is teammate Kelley Bega, a foil specialist who formerly was ranked in the nation's top 20 in women's foil.

"They are very likely [to advance]," Lee said.

With two athletes being the most Lee has ever sent to nationals, he will be looking to beat that mark next weekend and continue UCSD's record-setting season.

Men's volleyball wins second game

Tritons victorious over nonconference foe Mercyhurst College

By TAIT MILLER

Senior Staff Writer

The UCSD men's volleyball team, piloted by third-year coach Ron Larsen, beat Mercyhurst College in four games in nonconference play Saturday evening at RIMAC Arena.

UCSD came out strong with a 30-15 win in the first game, denying Mercyhurst any openings on either side of the net.

The Tritons came into the night sporting a seven-match losing streak and a 1-12 record. Their last win was Jan. 30 against a squad from Princeton University.

It was not a tough night for the Tritons. Mercyhurst, a small Division II college from Erie, Pa., had a 2-7 record and was looking to make up for it with a win against the Tritons.

In the second game, UCSD was plagued by mistakes and lost 28-30. Mounting a late-game charge, the Tritons tried to come back and take game two from the Lakers, but failed.

Between games two and three, there was a serving competition. David Hornson won, getting a \$25 gift certificate for his effort.

In the third game, the Tritons jumped out to an early lead. The

Lakers had some early trouble, but soon began to gnaw at UCSD's lead.

With UCSD leading 26-24, Mercyhurst had momentum and began closing in on UCSD. The Lakers were looking to eke out another win.

Then UCSD's Jim Waller and Eric Perrine took the game over for the Tritons.

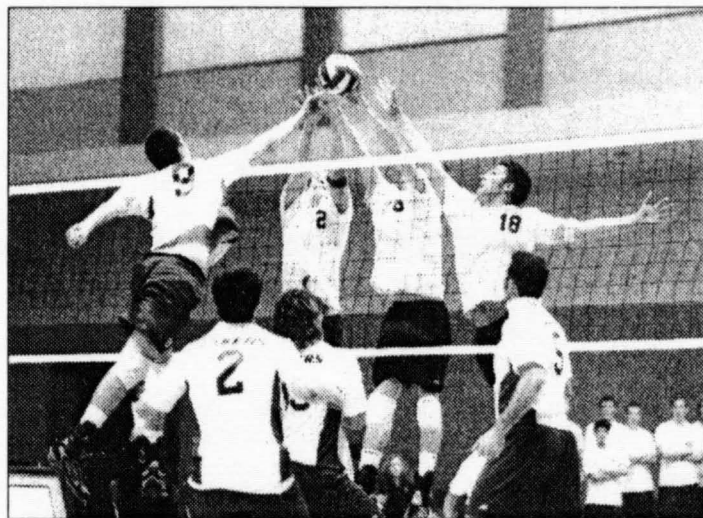
Perrine took the Tritons to 27-24 with one of his 15 kills that night. At 27-24, Waller served a twister to the Lakers and when they could not manage a side out, gave UCSD the point from the other side with a kill.

Perrine then had a stellar block for 29-24 and Waller finished off the game with a service ace that ricocheted into the backcourt.

Waller is ranked 17th in the nation in kill average at 4.03 per game. Against Mercyhurst, he had 23 kills at a .633 rate compared to his season rate of .246, which also leads the team.

The Tritons improved upon their previous outing against the University of Southern California. They hit .172 against the Trojans, while against the Erie team they collectively hit .460.

Perrine added 10 digs against the Lakers and leads the team for



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Triton wall: UCSD's Jim Waller (#2) and Eric Perrine (#18) buttress the group of Tritons blocking Mercyhurst College's Dave Schmidl (#9).

the season in service aces and total blocks. He averages .31 aces and .66 blocks per game.

UCSD overpowered Mercyhurst in the fourth game, winning 30-20.

For Mercyhurst, Dave Schmidl led his team with 13 kills. Schmidl also had 14 errors on the attack, giving him a hitting percentage of -.027.

Jordan Hove recorded 59 of the Tritons' 63 assists.

This game was the first of eight consecutive home matches for UCSD. Its next match is Wednesday against Mountain Pacific Sports Federation opponent Long Beach State University at RIMAC Arena. The '49ers are ranked 12th in the MPSF.

Baseball hangs tough with SDSU

Tritons drop 3-0 to Div. I Aztecs, beat La Verne 13-1

By COURTNEY FIELD

Staff Writer

The Triton baseball team returned home to face the University of La Verne in a nonconference match Feb. 23 after a 3-0 road loss to Division I San Diego State University on Wednesday night.

In the SDSU matchup, UCSD pitcher John Beaven pitched a perfect game for 4.1 innings, but Aztec first baseman Jonathan Stephens broke up the no-hitter with a one-out single in the fifth, and SDSU proceeded to score three times in the sixth to win.

Saturday's game against La Verne saw an end to the Tritons' three-game losing streak.

UCSD's hitting slump came to an end during this game, with all nine Triton starters accumulating at least one hit each against the University of La Verne.

With the teams tied at one

run apiece in the bottom of the second inning, UCSD put together a one-out, eight-run rally and never looked back.

With the bases loaded in the second inning, Triton Nigel Miller smacked a line drive double to left field and drove in three runs to initiate the UCSD offensive attack. Immediately after that, Triton left fielder John Bologna rocketed a triple to the fence in center field and drove in another run.

Triton designated hitter Brett Burton, who went 3-for-3 on the day with three runs, was hit by a pitch, and then center fielder Matt Smith singled to right, scoring Bologna on the play. Smith drove in three runs on three hits for UCSD.

Still in the second, with runners on first and second, UCSD catcher Jeff Riddle proceeded to knock a three-run home run over the right field fence. The five hits and eight runs in the second inning put the Tritons in the dri-

ver's seat for the rest of the game.

UCSD's Bologna, who drove in two runs, scored three times in the game. He started off the sixth with a solo shot to left center field. Then, with two outs, Triton third baseman Ryan Larson doubled, followed by a single from first baseman Chad Addison to drive in two additional runs and add an insult to injury against the Leopards.

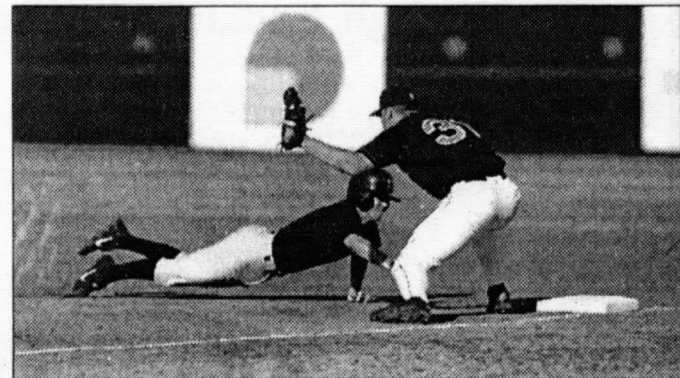
"The eight-run inning in the second just goes to show that we can put a lot of runs on the board at any given time," Addison said.

UCSD starting pitcher Keith Smith went five innings with just two hits, one run, three strikeouts and two batters who were hit. He improves to 3-2 on the season. Raf Bergstrom, Robert Bush and Tyler Smith also pitched during the Triton victory Saturday.

With the 13-run, 16-hit victory, the Tritons improve to 9-8-1, while the Leopards fall to 5-3 on the year.

"Today's game was good for the team because it is always nice to have the offense and the defense on the same page," Addison said. "Originally, we didn't have the game on the schedule, but it was a great addition to allow the offense to get back into the swing of things. We are a very tough team to beat when our pitching and offense are working together."

UCSD next squares off against 18th-ranked California State University San Bernardino in a four-game conference series this weekend starting with a game Thursday at Cal State San Bernardino.



Guardian file photo

Broken streak: Triton first baseman Chad Addison (#31), shown here in action earlier this year, helped UCSD's offense break out of its slump.

Two wins for men's tennis

Seventh win in a row leaves Tritons still undefeated

By ISAAC PEARLMAN

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The UCSD men's tennis team continued its impressive play last weekend, picking up victories against Western New Mexico University and California State University Los Angeles.

UCSD, ranked 20th in the National Collegiate Athletic Association, faced the nonconference Mustangs on Friday morning at UCSD's North Campus Courts and won 9-0.

No. 1 singles player Michael Meyer led the Tritons, defeating Jaron Maestas 6-2, 6-2 before teaming up with Nick Morton in No. 3 doubles action to beat Western New Mexico's team of Jonathan Sklenar and Steve Patton 8-3.

Sameer Chopra and Bryan Swatt also pulled double duty for the Tritons; Chopra beat Sklenar in the No. 2 singles match 6-0, 6-0, then combined with Swatt to win the No. 1 doubles match against Maestas and Mark Klell 8-3. Swatt also faced Klell in singles play and handed the Mustang a 6-0, 6-4 loss.

Singles victories by Emil Novak, Sean Nagel and Amir Nejad completed the Triton sweep of singles play, and UCSD's Jeff

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb. 26: North Courts: Men's tennis vs. Point Loma, 2:30 p.m.

Feb. 26: Triton Softball Stadium: Softball vs. Azusa Pacific, 5 p.m.

Feb. 27: Canyonview: Water polo vs. U. Michigan, 6 p.m.

Feb. 27: RIMAC Arena: Volleyball vs. Long Beach, 7:30 p.m.

March 1: RIMAC Arena: Women's basketball vs. UC Davis, 5:30 p.m.

March 1: RIMAC Arena: Men's basketball vs. UC Davis, 7:30 p.m.