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Admin. Increases Public Access to Cancer-Cluster Findings

Studies conducted over past year link cancer rate to excessive EMF levels around elevators.

By David Harvey SENIOR STAFF WRITER

The investigation of a possible cancer cluster in the Literature Building continued last month with a second report that further narrowed possibilities of cause and solution. Meanwhile, in response to concerns over transparency from department staff, faculty and graduate students, UCSD's Office of Environment, Health and Safety is working to dis-

seminate information to the public in a timelier fashion.

The unusually high incidence of breast cancer in the Literature Building has been subject to scientific investigation since early 2007. UCSD professor and epidemiologist Cedric Garland conducted the initial study, concluding a year later that the likely contributor to cancer among residents was a high level of electromagnetic-frequency exposure associated with the building's elevator system.

Some epidemiological studies and laboratory studies have linked exposure to residential levels of electromagnetic fields from high electrical configurations, such as ... stepdown electric power transformers, to breast or other cancers," Garland said in his report, which was presented to the literature department in November.

Following a subsequent department meeting, a committee of staff, faculty and graduate students formed with the task of representing the department's interests throughout all further investigation.

"We want this report to have some repercussions on the way we live on this campus and work on this campus," committee chair Oumelbanine Żhiri said. "We not only feel terrible about our health and our colleagues' health, but it does put us in a terrible ethical and maybe even legal situation."

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Although believed to be a possible source of the high rate of cancer occurrences within the Literature Building, the facility's elevator system may be unrelated to the cancer cluster, new data shows.

Wellness Program Expands

With Appointment of New AVC

Matt and Kim Drive Loft Crowd into Frenzy



Wellness Center will serve as umbrella facility for campus medical, mental services.

By Sarah de Crescenzo SENIOR STAFF WRITER

Upcoming Student

After an extensive national search, psychiatrist and San Diego State University professor Dr. Karen Calfas was selected to fill the newly created position of assistant vice chancellor

for student wellness, in which she will oversee the expansion and promotion of the fouryear-old Student Affairs Wellness Initiative.

Calfas will Karen Calfas oversee the wellness cluster, an AVC Student Wellness

interdisciplinary group of student services that includes Counseling and Psychological Services, Student Health Services, the Sexual Assault Resource Center and the recently established Campus Recreation Center.

When she arrived at UCSD in August 2007, Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Penny Rue declared that student wellness would be a top priority for her office. She has since overseen the creation of the Student Wellness Center, which will eventually incorporate all of the cluster's services under one roof. The new building is slated for completion by the 2011-12 academic year. In the meantime, Calfas will oversee the expansion and promotion of the existing Student Affairs Wellness Initiative as well as development and funding of the new Student Wellness Center, consulting other campus departments to develop an interdisciplinary and holistic student wellness

program at UCSD.

"Dr. Calfas has a rare combination of talents, training and experience," Rue said. "First, she genuinely likes to work with students in both formal and informal ways. Second, she understands the importance of population-based health initiatives, not just treating those with symptoms but educating all of us on what it means to flourish."

The Student Voice Since 1967

Calfas' experience includes a doctorate in clinical psychology from the joint doctoral program at UCSD and SDSU, and extensive research in physical-activity trends. She has been a licensed psychologist in California since 1993.

As head of student wellness, she will be responsible for facilitating a strong culture of healthiness at UCSD, offering students the opportunity to develop lifelong self-management skills

Calfas said that when she arrives at UCSD on March 23, she plans to unite the strengths of several campus organizations to provide students with more comprehensive and accessible health resources. Her activities will aim to combine services that help students achieve both mental and physical health under one umbrella program.

"My first priority will be to meet with the many people who provide various services that are related to student wellness and doing some brainstorming together about the best ways to collaborate," Calfas said. "There are lots of areas in the Student Affairs office that are focusing on overall wellness. In addition, I want to meet with the student government, student organizations, and find out what students are interested in. It will be a time for me to get up to speed with all the activities going on that relate to student wellness."

A performance by dance-punk duo Matt and Kim saw a packed house at the Loft Feb. 7. The show also featured sets from the Lanterns and the Bears.

STEM-CELL FACILITY IN LIMBO AS FUNDS RUN DRY

By Nimesh Rajakumar STAFF WRITER

Financial troubles brought on by the floundering national economy and California's ongoing budget crisis have indefinitely halted plans to construct a state-of-the-art stem-cell research facility on the Torrey Pines.

The Sanford Consortium for Regenerative Medicine - a San Diego-based research collective that includes scientists from UCSD and

the Buck Institute, among other prominent local institutions - has been unable to secure the loans necessary to build the four-story, 1.35 million-square-foot stem-cell research center planned to reside at North Torrey Pines Road and Torrey Pines Scenic Drive.

The building was to be funded by a combination of philanthropic donations, bank loans and a \$43 million grant from the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine promised

last year.

According to Malin Burnham, a member of the Sanford Consortium's board, the banks considering the loans now claim that they can no longer finance the center's construction. The SCRM has also expressed doubt that it will receive the additional \$43 million in grant funding, considering the state's current fiscal condition.

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Burnham told the San Diego

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Additionally, Calfas will be in charge of raising funds to main-

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CURRENTS Scripps Provides Deep-Sea Imagery for Google Earth

A new version of Google Earth released last week includes seafloor images collected by a UCSD scientist during the Scripps Institution of Oceanography's two-and-a-half-year recent research voyage across the western Pacific Ocean.

Aboard Scripps research vessel Melville - which traveled more than 100,000 nautical miles before returning to San Diego last September - Scripps geophysics professor David Sandwell and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration researcher Walter Smith gathered global bathymetry data that now allows Google Earth users to explore a 3-D map of deep-sea marine life, erupting volcanoes and hydrothermal vents.

The most comprehensive record of the Pacific Ocean seafloor to date, the map offers access to remote ocean environments such as the East Pacific Rise and Mariana Trench.

"Google Earth's expansion into the ocean offers tremendous opportunities to educate the public about the challenges facing our planet, of which 70 percent lies underwater," said Tony Haymet, Scripps director and vice chancellor of marine sciences at UCSD. "This expansion provides scientists with an innovative platform to further advance scientific understanding of the world's oceans and to organize and make accessible our increasing knowledge of the ocean for the public and scientists alike.

Scripps also contributed highlights from its Melville mission to Google Earth's "Expedition Layer," which displays points of marine interest on a virtual globe.

The Melville brought researchers to 10 countries and 17 ports primarily to study the Earth's magnetic field and observe deep-sea volcanic eruption. Using a robotic craft controlled by a command module aboard the vessel, the scientists collected dynamic underwater images of red lava, ash, liquid carbon dioxide and molten sulfur.

Stem-Cell Consortium Considers Private Funding to Stay Afloat

we can to support

the consortium in

completing this

project."

- Robert Klein, chairman, California

Institute for Regenerative Medicine

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Union-Tribune about a conversation he recently had with a local banker about taking out a \$70 million loan for the facility.

"He [told me], 'Malin, I'd love to do that deal. I know and like all four of your institutions, but I don't have any money to lend. The situation may change in 30 to 45 days, but today I just don't have any liquidity," Burnham said.

The lack of funds means that SCRM can receive

only \$39 million of the \$133 million necessary to fund the project through its desired completion date in December 2010.

The consortium has been discussing the possibility of relying on pri-

vate donations to keep the project afloat until the state budget allows otherwise.

funding problems, Despite CIRM board chairman Robert Klein said he is deter-

mined to get the research center We will do everything up and running as soon as possible. "We are fully committed to

project," this Klein told the Union-Tribune. "We will do everything we

can to support the consortium completing this project

at the earliest possible date ... and create this world-class platform for stem-cell research."

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LIGHTS & SIRENS

Friday, Jan. 30

12:40 a.m.: Noise disturbance

"Loud stomping" was heard at an Earth Hall residence. *Will cooperate*.
11:11 a.m.: Battery

► A male student reported being "bumped by someone's foot" during a 9 a.m. class and was then hit twice by the reported party, who said that he "wanted to take it outside."

7:39 p.m.: Suspicious person

► A thin, white male in his 20s, wearing a black sweater and jeans, was seen "carrying newspapers and a folder" at the Miramar apartments. *Field interview administered*.

8:53 p.m.: Suspicious person

▶ A white male in his 30s with black hair, wearing a black leather jacket and carrying an orange backpack, was seen "wrapping a joint" in the back of a Center Hall classroom. *Field interview administered*.

Saturday, Jan. 31

An unknown subject was seen "climbing in or out of the trunk" of a gray Volkswagen at the corner of Campus Point Drive and Genesee Avenue.

2:31 p.m.: Medical aid

 A male was reported as tackled on Warren Field, but remained conscious and breathing despite possible injury.
 3:45 p.m.: Suspicious person
 Three bicyclists were seen "setting

up a ramp" near the Price Center ATMs. Unable to locate.

9:39 p.m.: Welfare check

► A 65-year-old blind Latina female, holding a cane and a Trader Joe's bag, required medical assistance at Russell Lane.

Monday, Feb. 2

11:34 a.m.: Assist other agency
▶ Two females were rescued at the Grassy Knoll on La Jolla Farms Road. *Field interview administered*.
6:04 p.m.: Suspicious person

Two black males, one with a shaved

head and the other wearing a white shirt, were seen knocking on doors and "trying to look into peepholes" at the Miramar apartments. *Field interview administered*.

Tuesday, Feb. 3

9:04 a.m.: Citizen contact

► A female reported that a mirror had been mysteriously relocated to her hallway, and that similar "unusual things" had recently occurred at her apartment.

1:25 p.m.: Citizen contact

► A female student reported that an unknown subject had been "hacking into her Triton account and dropping her from classes."

3:08 p.m.: Medical aid

► A female student reported hitting her head after "fainting twice" at the Applied Physics and Mathematics building.

7:32 p.m.: Suspicious person

► A 50-year-old white male wearing a "sailor-like" hat and an Indiana State University T-shirt was seen "staring" at the Institute for Telecommunications building.

9:18 p.m.: Battery

An Asian male student was reported as physically abusing a female student at Argo Hall.

Wednesday, Feb. 4

2:05 a.m.: Noise disturbance ► Residents at the Redwood Drive Coast apartments reported hearing "loud playing around" and "wrestling" from a nearby apartment. Verbal warning issued.

Thursday, Feb. 5

2:45 a.m.: Suspicious person Two Asian males wearing baseball caps were seen holding flashlights and "moaning" at the Spanos track. *Unable to locate*.

- Compiled by Sonia Minden Senior Staff Writer

Report Recommends Installation of EMF Shielding

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Angeles-based company specializing in EMF solutions, was contracted by EHS to take measurements in the Literature Building on Dec. 22, 2008. According to Zhiri, the department was never informed of this effort, which took place over winter break.

"This is your basic bureaucratic nightmare, but there is more than regular bureaucracy here," he said. "The lack of communication makes everything worse. We feel frustrated and demoralized."

Later, in a Jan. 24 report, Field Management Services noted that the building was scarcely occupied during the investigation and that its data may reflect lower levels of EMF than would have appeared during normal hours of operation.

However, the new report still showed that electrical box and transformer configurations contributed to high levels of EMF exposure — though limited to distances of a few feet within their electrical source. Especially high EMF levels were recorded in room 123, vacated since the study began, and in room 223, a graduate student office. Both are adjacent to high-current electrical equipment.

While their report recommended installing specialized EMF shielding in both rooms to minimize exposure, Field Management Services said that it would make "no attempt to attribute value to either side of the question regarding risk to human health."

A confidentiality agreement between Field Management Services and UCSD prevented the report's author, Field Management Services Vice President Jon W. Munderloh, from commenting on issues relating to the survey, such as health and safety.

Department Chair Don Wayne said he was surprised by the failure of EHS to inform them of the survey beforehand.

"I think it is really important that they keep in contact with me and with other departments," Wayne said. "If I knew measurements were being taken, I would have made it a point to be here ... [but] I think it was a miscommunication rather than an attempt to keep anyone out."

According to EHS Director Stephen Benedict, the oversight was unintentional. He has since arranged weekly meetings with Wayne and Zhiri to address concerns, and said every effort is being made to ensure maximum transparency, including a forthcoming Web site dedicated to the investigation.

"There is so much information and so many people are interested, it's hard for us to be transparent," Benedict said. "We're trying to do everything we can to put the information out there for everyone who wants it." "I am assuming that [EMF] shielding will go in," Benedict said. "Once we get the shielding in, we will take more measurements to make sure we're getting it at a time that it's normal occupancy."

Additionally, Benedict has contracted Leeka Kheifets, a UCLA professor and expert in EMF and health issues, to review Garland's report and the Field Management Services data survey.

"Dr. Garland's investigation was very broad ... He spent just a part of his time focusing on EMF," Benedict said. "I would expect Dr. Kheifets to be more specific. She will be studying just EMF and breast cancer. Hers will be the more detailed investigation."

The author of several studies on the connection between EMF and cancer, Kheifets worked with the World Health Organization on its international EMF project from 2001 to 2003 and the WHO International Environmental Health Criteria Task Group in evaluating potential health risks associated with EMF in 2005.

Kheifets will hold a meeting on campus Feb. 10 to discuss her role in the investigation with staff, faculty and students, beginning at 7 p.m. in the first-floor conference room of the Literature Building.

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Wellness Center to House New Recreation Space

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tain financial support for the new Student Wellness Center.

Current construction plans call for a new recreation space with gym equipment and counseling and psychiatric services, along with the health-education services currently offered at the existing Student Health nter.

"Students will benefit from having all these wellness services under one roof because it will be one-stop shopping for them," Calfas said. "If you want to work out or if you want to talk to someone about a problem, you will conveniently be able to do both of those activities at the same location."

The center will eventually provide services for all UCSD students, but campus officials predict that the majority of its users will be undergraduates.

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Broader Service Options Would Encourage Involvement

President Obama's recent push for government-backed volunteer opportunities should consider short-term time commitments, expand incentives.

By Omair Qazi STAFF WRITER

National service was a cornerstone of Barack Obama's campaign. True to his word, as the first 100 days in office proceed, two bills in Congress seek to take advantage of the momentum the president has built for public service. But alongside promises of a bright new age of civic sacrifice lies the practical reality of what it means to serve, a much more sombering counterpart to the idealistic rationale that drives most people to participate.

Obama's economic stimulus package includes \$200 million for the Corporation for National and Community Service, the federal agency dedicated by President Bill Clinton in 1993 to domestic service projects. The similarly themed Serve America Act, sponsored by Sens. Ted Kennedy (D-Mass.) and Orrin Hatch (R-Utah), calls for an additional 175,000 volunteers willing to dedicate a year of service to a variety of domestic projects.

The recent attention toward national service is not merely the result of a newly rediscovered sense of public duty in the nation's psyche; it stands to offer a pragmatic solution to resuscitating a distressed global economy.

With rapid downsizing and 600,000 left unemployed in January alone, the job market is shrinking fast, leaving graduating students with little reason to race toward the four-year mark. Americans volunteered 8.1 billion hours of time in 2007, valued at approximately \$158 billion. But engaging graduates in service activities with incentives directly related to school loans and future professions is a convenient way to develop our infrastructure at a fraction of the cost, according to the CNS

For the career-confused student, it's an attractive prospect. AmeriCorps, a division of the CNS, provides its participants with loan deferment, health benefits and the AmeriCorps Education Award, a \$4,725 payment that can be used toward paying off loans or tuition in graduate school. Teach for America — a nonprofit organization dedicated to providing education in impoverished areas - takes incentive even further, offering district-paid salaries and teacher accreditation, all in addition to AmeriCorps benefits.

But a spot almost too good to be true in the current economy, these programs are in high demand. CNS notes that the number of U.S. volunteer-hopefuls has been climbing steadily since 2002; Teach for America is currently accepting less than 15 percent of applicants.

Funding increases are certainly needed to match the growing pool of college graduates and unemployed looking to spend their time doing something worthwhile for their communities, but how service programs use that money is also crucial. If Obama wants to realize his plan and birth new age of civic duty, national service operations will need to make significant internal changes.

Most service programs have mandatory time commitments: Teach for America asks for two years, and for the full AmeriCorps Education Award, one must participate full time for a year. Instead, to attract a larger pool of Americans, short-term time commitments with incentives should be expanded, with greater effort directed toward high-school students and retired baby boomers. Service duration options ranging from a few weeks to a few months would allow students to turn a boring summer or winter break into a productive experience without interrupting their studies during the school year, and allowing experienced retirees to direct younger members would give programs a more capable guiding light while providing activities for life after retirement.

Incentives must also radically change to cater to the differing needs of an expanding volunteer pool: Currently, the annual \$5,000 AmeriCorps Education Award is not nearly enough to make a sizeable impact on leftover university loans. Forgiveness programs need to be expanded to account for more types of loans, and to accommodate students those who couldn't payments make on their loans and deferred them (something AmeriCorps cur-

rently prohibits). Additionally scholarships for high-school students in exchange for volunteer work would help offset the cost of a college education. And for those outside the sphere of education, other incentives - such as tax benefits - would prove useful in attracting volunteers.

Obama's Serve America Act certainly takes steps to widen the service corps base, and though it detrimentally cites a year as the minimum amount of time one can devote to public service, its goal of expanding volunteer incentive to a wide range of ages is laudable.

The president has eagerly called upon the entire nation to sacrifice for its improvement, evoking the ideals of public servants Franklin D. Roosevelt and John F. Kennedy. But flexibility is what will allow service programs to thrive: If the new administration seeks to attract a broader pool of applicants, they must be ready to grant benefits in line with the demands of today's volunteer.

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LESSON LEARNED: EXPECT THE WORST, PLAN AHEAD

After two last-minute dance cut-ins by the UCPD, it's time student orgs take party security into their own hands.

By Simone Wilson

to bookmark the Triton Activities Planner on their Web browsers, seeing as it's essentially a foolproof map to all the rowdiest nights of the year - many of which occur at least annually, if not more often, and are almost always publicized months in advance.

So far this quarter, two student organizations in particular have been dealt the Officers have been dutifully same iron security fist that grips the newly clipped Sun God: Campus police officers cracked down somewhat unexpectedly on both the DJ/Vinvlphiles Club and Lesbian

unaware of the event through the planning process," Police Chief Orville King said in an e-mail. "Once aware of the event it became clear that a plan to ensure the safety of those attending needed to be in place."

After a series of last-minute meetings that DVC President Adam Timmerberg to such a staple of student life could have easily been made before the very last second.

"We were planning this for six months," said Timmerberg. "I started the first day of summer and checked with UCSD administrators several times before the event to make sure everything was on track."

A Full Deck of Exactly What I Want to Hear

s a kid, one of my most favorite television shows was Lifetime's "Unsolved Mysteries." Ignoring host Robert Stack's cheesy detective overcoat and affected narration, the program offered more than just something to feel eerie about every week: It posed a metaphysical impossibility, wrapped in the form of a haunted Toys "R" Us or a spontaneously combusting woman. No matter how outrageously unbelievable the case's dramatic reenactment was, I couldn't help but be entertained by the sheer kitschy-ness of the supposed supernatural forces at play. And thus began my skeptical obsession with the unknown.



Fast forward past some failed attempts at cursing my fifth grade P.E. teacher and a couple fire-hazard seances with my Parker Brothers' Ouija board to last Friday, when I decided to indulge in my longtime fascination by seeing a tarot-card reader. More than ready to waste a good piece of my hard-earned paycheck, I drove to Garnet Street in Pacific Beach in search of a neon-lit gypsy den. When I finally arrived at the Psychic Reader's tiny storefront, a note in capital letters by someone named Sofie directed me to a satellite location on Grand Street.

After stopping to get some cash, I began to mentally prep myself. My plan was to give her no direction by using as little emotion as possible. It would be journalist versus psychic, and both our fates were in the cards.

I parked at the Grand Street location and walked up to a pale white house. My knocks on the door were answered by a yappy Pomeranian's barks until Sofie finally came to the door. Her face was aged and without makeup, framed by short, slick brown hair. Full lips hid slightly crooked teeth. She wore a black cotton V-neck and blue pajama pants covered with a monkey-puppet team by the name of Nick and Nora. Even though her wardrobe crushed my psychic stereotype, something else was bothering me even more: the swollen black and blue skin surrounding her right eye. She invited me into her home. Rather than being enveloped by a wave of incense and sitar music, I was greeted by Jessica Alba's mediocre dance film "Honey" on a big-screen in the living room. On our way to the reading nook, we walked over the peculiar chocolate-brown carpet and past white walls covered with impartial religious artwork. In one room hung a painting of Jesus and Mary across from a jolly, dancing four-foot Buddha statue whose feet were garnished with equally cheery ceramic frogs (although I don't think the frogs were representing any particular religious group — they were most likely there just to join the fun).

SENIOR STAFF WRITER

As a general rule of thumb, the safer and more "under control" something is, the less fun we're having; with cruel and unusual consistency, the better the symptoms of nighttime euphoria - overcrowding, nakedness, toxic intake, really really loud music - the happier the coppers are to whip out their handcuffs (nonkinky variety) and crush all that sweet mischief in the good name of public safety.

But until we're ready and willing to topple the system and battle cross-campus anarchy ourselves, we're going to have meet badged peacekeepers halfway, with the understanding that officers have been dutifully trained to do everything within their power to prevent potentially dangerous (and therefore awesome) situations from unfurling at the first ray of the party light.

It does seem only rational, considering the intense party-light factor at most student-org events, that the UCSD Police Department would think

Bisexual Gay Transgender Queer Intersex Alliance at long-UCSD's

standing on-campus dances. The DVC almost saw their annual Let's Bounce event snipped out of its Jan. 10 slot on the UCSD Events Calendar when, five days before the event, the Police Department recommended to university officials that the event be cancelled or heavily modified based on last year's Let's Bounce police report.

"The Police Department was

trained to do everything within their power to prevent potentially dangerous (and therefore awesome) situations from unfurling at the first ray of the party light.

claimed he was As the university understandably permitted to

changed to 1 a.m.,

that each UCSD

student be allowed

only one guest (as

opposed to a long-

advertised "open

wouldn't want to be held responsible attend — "I was for compromising anyone's safety, it not allowed to makes perfect sense to require the argue any points," DVC to follow police recommendahe said — admintions; however, after having approved istrators decided the plans half a year beforehand, it kind to allow the event of invalidates the university's word, under a set of comand shines a flashlight into the embarrassing communication gap between promises: that the 3 a.m. end time be departments.

And couldn't the police report have been made public directly following last year's Let's Bounce, to both the club and the university, to use in best arranging security for this year's event?

Similarly, according to LGBTQIA at UCSD President Danny Grebe, police officers that arrived uninvited to his organization's Jan. 31 dance - held twice quarterly for the last 20 years - indicated they were unaware of the event. They proceeded to shut doors over an hour before the scheduled 1

We sat down and she excused her black eye (apparently she fell in a backyard maintenance accident). I resisted the urge to ask why, if she was a real psychic, she hadn't been able to predict the accident, instead following her instructions to shuffle the cards

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the dance — but such drastic changes The views expressed herein do not necessarily represent the opinions of the UCSD Guardian, the University of California or Associated Students.

to the public" policy, which shut many

disappointed out-of-towners out of

Price Center that night) and that the

club pay \$2,500 for six extra officers,

Police were probably right to worry

last year, according to the some-

what vague report, there were over five

instances of drug distribution inside

according to Timmerberg.

By Priscilla Lazaro

A DROP FROM THE INKWELL



Officers, Admin. Can Be Trusted to Rain on the Parade

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a.m. end time, citing an out-of-control crowd outside Porter's Pub and similar hazards inside, such as one female who had passed out in the bathroom.

According to the LGBTQIA at UCSD's news forum on Facebook, "The police action to close the dance was not a consequence of a lack of planning or preparation on our part as an organization."

Unfortunately, as we all must learn at some point (and usually the hard way), such law-enforcement hardballs are something to be expected and prepared for, along with the million balls any fun-killing administrative body can be counted on to drop in the impossible process of timely communication. If student orgs want their events to push the safety boundary as closely as possible — therefore maximizing the fun factor, which is technically their job as recipients of student activity fees through Associated Students — foresight of the hunger police will inevitably feel to call things off at the last minute, in the face of all this terrible awesomeness, becomes the duty of organizers.

Like Let's Bounce, the LGBTQIA dance is historically off the hook —

more so every quarter. Knowing this, and seeing as it's useless to try and shake the idiots ruining everyone's fun by trying to scale walls and deal Ecstasy in the bathroom, the event could find a larger venue or see about turning hopefuls away at the door once capacity is reached; and it's safe to say that if police were contacted in the initial stages of planning, they would certainly feel a lot more sheepish about barging in all dramatic on the party.

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One Exotic Love Palace, \$55 and Some Good News Later, I'm a Believer

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three times, place my right hand on the deck and think of two life wishes. I closed my eyes and imagined the two most important things I could think of at the moment: 1) the most delicious pastrami sandwich known to mankind, and 2) the ability to fly. Then, the tarot-card reading began.

Although she didn't pick up on the deli meat's importance in my life, she did provide information that could be categorized into three areas: 1) shots in the dark,

 useless supernatural details and
 personal cheerleading.

Every time she guessed something that fell into the first category, she connected it back to one of my positive personal qualities. When she incorrectly (as far

as I know) predicted I would become a nurse, she connected her inkling to my "caregiver" qualities. After I let my age slip, she said I would travel to Europe this summer to "find myself." When she described my childhood as "happy," I smirked, and she immediately conceded there was, nevertheless, a lack of communication between my father and me. As the stereotypical life details of a 20-something UCSD student racked up in the absence of any novel mystique (would it have killed her to wear a headscarf?), the skeptic in me grew impatient.

That's why, as soon as she started throwing around arbitrary mystical details about my life, I ate them right up. Apparently, my soul has had six lives and will total nine in whole. I also have an inherent psychic intuition and would greatly benefit from a technique called "affirmation," a daily practice where I would write down my life goals. I asked her what the difference was between someone with psychic intuition and a person without it. She used repeat offenders to explain.

"Why do you think they keep going back to jail?" Sofie asked. "They keep making the same mistakes. No intuition."

But my reading's most enjoyable

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feedback came from category three. Aside from praising my creative and selfless qualities, Sofie said my life was "only going to get easier from here," and that I would be a famous writer. Whether this was true wasn't important; I was 5 for this reading

going to pay \$55 for this reading and if I wanted to get my money's worth, I would have to believe it. That's when I realized the genius of a psychic's career: Curiosity of the unknown draws people in, but paying for a reading makes them latch onto whatever positive insight their reader has to offer. But considering her lack of magical allure, Sofie should scrap the vague predictions and re-title her career "personal ass-kisser."

After all my cards were laid out and she'd exhausted her use of the word "intuition," I paid her and left her eerie home with a newfound calmness. Even if I'd just wasted a third of my paycheck on empty promises of a fabulous life from a beaten-up stranger, sometimes believing in a better future is the first step to having one.

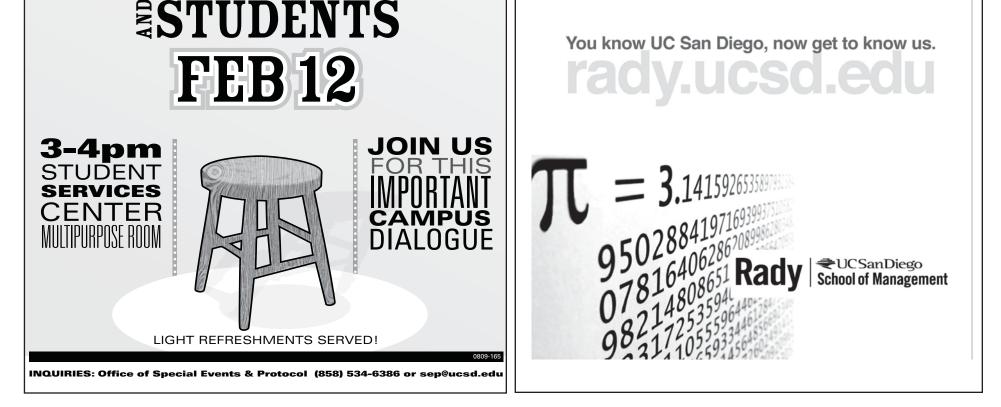
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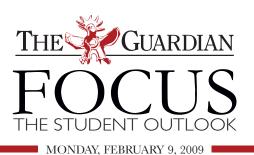
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BY DANIELLE CRAWFORD STAFF WRITER

hile coming home from Thurgood Marshall College at midnight on the last day of Fall Quarter 2007, John Muir College junior Jenna Frkovich noticed she was being pursued by an officer on foot. Frkovich, who was walking to her dorm after having had a couple of drinks with friends, was stopped and asked to undergo several sobriety tests before finally being handcuffed, seated in the back of a police car, and taken to a detoxification center in downtown San Diego. Not anticipating her four-hour stint at the center, Frkovich was even more unaware and ill-prepared for the course of disciplinary action awaiting her on campus.

In addition to meeting with her college dean, Frkovich was required to pay \$50 for the ride to downtown and to attend a \$75 peer counseling session with the Substance/ Alcohol Feedback and Education Program offered by Counseling and Psychological Services. Frkovich said she felt as though she could have been better informed about these procedures and what her rights were when confronted with UCPD.

"[My dean] told us what we had to pay and about S.A.F.E.," Frkovich said. "Basically, she told us everything we should've known beforehand."

The Student Conduct Code, which can be found online at TritonLink or at *http:// ugr8.ucsd.edu/judicial/22_00.html*, is where students like Frkovich can find information on punishable behavior and a brief overview of disciplinary action.

The conduct code has 15 sections that cover topics such as stalking, battery, sexual assault, theft and substance possession. There are separate and consistent regulations for housing, student organizations and academic integrity.

The ambiguity surrounding these statutes seems to reside not in the rules themselves, but in the type and severity of punishment issued once rules have been broken, as in Frkovich's case.

While all issues of misconduct are judged

on a case-by-case basis, there is a standard procedure students should expect. After being confronted by authorities, students receive a written summary outlining the rules they've broken and are required to

for further action. Next, students meet with their dean to discuss possible punishments. If a punishment is agreed upon, the process ends. But if there is a lack of consensus, students may undergo a hearing, after which they can be found guilty or not guilty.

contact a university official, such as a dean,

The conduct code has been continually reviewed and modified by organizational groups such as the Student Revisions Regulations Committee, and Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Penny Rue has initiated a process to review the code, hoping to make Deciphering the ambiguity of the Student Conduct Code's disciplinary process remains an obstacle in knowing student rights, but renewed efforts by student orgs seek to make this information more accessible.

it less technical and more focused on student learning and development.

As a result of this review, an alteration to the process, tentatively called restorative justice, is currently being considered by the SRRC, according to Director of Student Policies and Judicial Affairs and committee chair Tony Valladolid.

Under this possible process, students accused of misconduct would meet with a group to decide on an appropriate sanction, taking the student outside of the normal disciplinary action of meeting with his or her dean.

According to attorney and Student Legal Services Director Jon Carlos Senour, there are some key rights that all Tritons should

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EEN LIPS, THE ULTIMATE IN DRAG DINING

Playing queen bee to El Cajon Boulevard's idiosyncratic sleaze, Lips — a drag dining destination that serves dinner with a show — follows one philosophy: If life gives you oranges, you should wrap them in duct tape, squeeze them into a skimpy dress and work it.

are dimmed, all dining qualms are silenced (whether you like it or not) and a set of glammed-out prima donnas offer racy interpretations of popular hits. Whether you're looking for a plus-sized version of Alice in Wonderland to get down to Gwen Stefani's "What You Waiting For?" or a touching ballad expressing the desire to be straight-up fucked, the Lips mistresses will deliver with a charming swagger all their own. Be prepared for a little personal contact these divas thrive on crotch-inyour-face audience interaction and are burning to make a scene. The performance's downsides include consistent interruptions to promote the restaurant's desserts and paraphernalia, capped off by a 10-minute interlude where the show host asks each table how many shots they'd like to order. Not to mention some long photo-op interruptions with birthday girls. Be sure to make your reservations a week in advance and invite reliable friends - the venue holds the right to charge a \$15 drop-out fee per no show. There's also a \$3-\$5 cover charge and a \$10-\$15 food order minimum, depending on what evening you go (Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights are more expensive).







While Lips' interior resembles a 13-year-old's home-sewn dream princess palace, complete with pinktulle-covered walls and French cancan legs, its makeup-drenched staff of cheeky empresses play up the diva in us all. Depending on each bedazzled waitress' mood, diners should be prepared to feel personally chastised or physically violated by the end of the evening, as bitchy remarks about your appearance and a spontaneous lap-dance are part of the meal.

Even though Lips' menu — a collection of greasy American cuisine — is nothing to be wowed over, its divalicious martinis and cocktail collection hints at the venue's goal of a liquored-up, rowdy audience. A hint of advice: skip the food altogether and meet your minimum order charge with drinks, a hangover is always better than a stomachache.

But once the mediocre cafeteria food is served and the lights Despite its shameless self-promotion and crappy food, Lips does what it strives to do best: get you pissdrunk and put on a stinkin' good show. And by the time the alcohol has set in and you're mesmerized by a queen's gyrating pelvis, you'll forget all about the dinner bill.

> — Alyssa Bereznak Senior Staff Writer

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Let's Talk About Sex, Baby

BY ASHLEY LEE CONTRIBUTING WRITER



ith the UC Board of Regents' recent announcement to curtail 2009-10 freshmen enrollment and Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's proposal to raise student fees, UCSD students currently hold a coveted seat at one of the top public universities in the nation, with access to many opportunities from studying at the beach to researching in world-class science labs. However, numerous resources - namely, those supporting students' sexual health and safety - remain undiscovered by the majority of those who pay for them.

According to the American College Health Association, which gathers data about students' habits, behaviors and perceptions on various health topics, about half of UCSD's student body is sexually active. Undergraduate and graduate students participated in the ACHA's National College Health Assessment for the first time in 2008, answering questions about their daily activities. Of the UCSD respondents, 41.5 percent reported having no sexual partner within the past academic year (compared to the national average of 31.4 percent); 44 percent reported having just one sexual partner.

Data from last year's National College Health Assessment also revealed that 9.6 percent of UCSD students reported having unprotected sex after consuming alcohol, compared to the national average of 14.2 percent.

Despite the new statistics labeling Tritons as less sexually active than the national average, Student Health Services officials said providing educational resources that encourage students, single or not, to adopt a mature and responsible attitude toward sexual activity is vital.

"I think it's really important that we do offer these services at Student Health and that students are aware of them just so they know they can take control of their sexual health and be proactive," Student Health Peer Health Eduation Coordinator Katie Harris said.

In an attempt to make sexual education more approachable, Student Health provides outreach workshops for residential halls and student organizations that include activities like Sexual Jeopardy, Sexual Taboo and BYOBanana, which are designed to teach students about STD prevention and sexual health through trivia and interactive games. In 2008 alone, Student Health distributed about 15,000 free condoms - 10,000 in clinics and outreach and 5,000 at Student Health Advocates' annual events.

Student Health also sells condoms, birthcontrol pills and emergency contraception at discounted prices.

Earl Warren College junior and resident adviser Stacey Hunsucker will be hosting one of Student Health's safe-sex outreach workshops for her residents later this quarter.

"[RAs] are not required by any means to talk about sex or do any specific programming about it, but this is my decision," Hunsucker said. "I personally may not want to encourage sex to the residents on my floor, but I know we are all adults here and everyone is going to make their own choices ... and for those choosing to have sex, I want to make sure they are well informed and protected."

Student Health also offers free women's and men's sexual-health information sessions multiple times per week, with topics covering birth-control methods, breast and testicular self-examinations, sexually transmitted infection prevention and information about tests for sexually transmitted infections, which are becoming more regularly included in annual check-ups.

'People may think that students know these facts and resources, and yet they may not actually be aware of them," said Nancy Wahlig, director of the Sexual Assault and Violence Prevention Resource Center. "So often our information is focused on first-year students and those living on campus. Sometimes, a transfer student may not even know these resources are available, that they are paying for it with their registration fees and there are professional resources that can benefit them."

Appointments can be made online for all confidential sexual health services such as routine gynecological exams, Pap smears, pregnancy testing, counseling services and STI exams - all offered with student discounts. Student Health provides confidential, walk-in HIV testing at no cost to students under SHIP. HPV vaccines are also available to various SHIP students at a

50 percent discount without an appointment. Additionally, the San Diego County Office of Public Health periodically hosts a booth on Library Walk with free, rapid and anonymous HIV testing.

"People here don't realize that there's a place on campus where you can get tested," Earl Warren freshman Amanda Goodman said. "I think people need to know that it's available, a fast-turn-around, anonymous and just between you and your doctor. I've heard so many people say they've never gotten tested because they don't know where to go. Some people are not monogamous here — people are having sex with multiple partners and don't use protection and aren't getting tested."

Confidentiality, according to Student Health, is a key factor in the success of these initiatives; UCSD students are adults and have access to contraception without parental consent.

"I think when talking about any kind of freedom, information is necessary to make choices," Wahlig said. "If you have the information, you can make informed choices for yourself ... this information on healthy relationships and choices needs to be given to kids in high school, when people are already having unhealthy relationships. It should be accessible by everyone, including parents as well."

Regardless of sexual practice, health officials

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be aware of once disciplinary action has been taken. First off, students should know that they have access to SLS, which offers free confidential counseling to students charged with misconduct both on and off campus.

Another key resource is the Office of Student Advocacy, which appoints a student advocate to write-up cases, giving students the opportunity to speak with a peer about their situation before or after meeting with the dean. These advocates are able to represent students over the course of misconduct proceedings, and essentially speak on their behalf. In 2008, roughly 600 such counseling sessions took place.

Muir College junior and student advocate Stephanie Caloca said that in the case of misconduct, students who aren't happy with the outcome of their meeting with the dean can start up another session with the college judicial board.

'Students should know that if they don't agree with something they have options," Caloca said. "You don't have to agree to anything before you talk to someone about it. Be compliant, but don't hesitate to question."

Muir College Resident Dean Patricia Danylyshyn-Adams said students are informed of their rights primarily at college orientations, where they are given a residential life handbook that includes the Web site of the student conduct code. Beyond

this, Danylyshyn-Adams said students should take it upon themselves to read through the conduct code.

"I can't tell you verbatim what the vehicle codes are, but if I got a ticket I would go online," Danylyshyn-Adams hesitate to question." said. "It is the same with the student conduct code. For general students it

is not something they would read unless they needed to?

Residential advisers play a large role in informing residents of their rights, especially in regard to housing policy, by holding weekly meetings and regularly passing out newsletters.

"I usually tell residents that we're the go-to person if they have questions regarding their rights," said Eleanor Roosevelt College senior Brent Costa, who has been a resident adviser for the past two years. "We are the resource person; we have the resources and contacts of people whom students can talk with about

their rights.' One of the

most common housing policies residents encounter is a resident security officer entering dorm rooms and suites. Costa explained compliant, but don't that RSOs are not allowed to enter a student's room unless they have - Stephanie Calcoa, Muir College a good reason to

think someone is

"When dealing with RSOs, com-

can do is to be completely honest and straight up with them."

Frank Carroll, A.S. associate vice president of student advocacy, has dealt with students whose rights have been violated or who incurred infractions out of ignorance and said that many of these instances could have been easily avoided with the right information beforehand.

"So many times a student will come to my office with cases regarding whether or not they should be held responsible," Carroll said. "Often they waive significant rights without even knowing it. They are ill-informed and accepting responsibility for something they didn't do; we need to get out there and be productive before these students get into trouble?

Carroll said he hopes to see A.S. take a stronger role in advising students of their rights throughout the academic year.

"If you're aware of your rights you are able to be more productive as a student, and you won't get into trouble unnecessarily," Carroll said. "You have to know what's going on."

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Sex-Crazed or Sexless, 'Be Safe'

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stress the need for students to remain informed about safety and prevention.

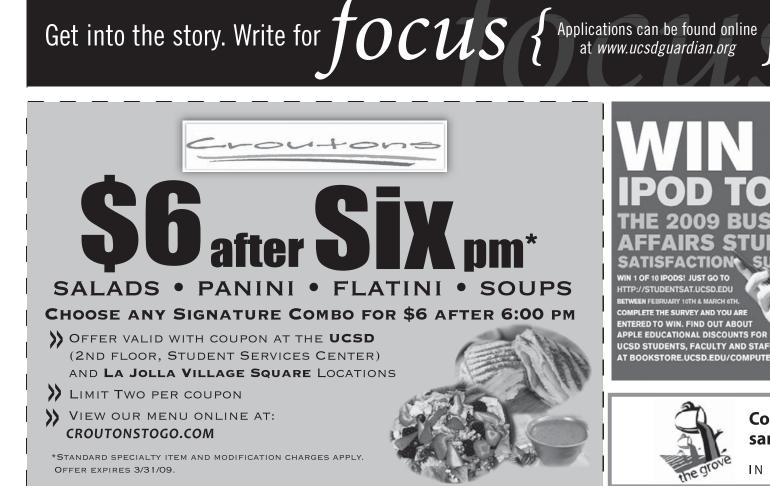
"I'm proud of UCSD for being realistic and realizing that college students are going to have sex for the most part — there are certainly some students who don't, but most students are going to be sexually active," Goodman said. "Students should just know how resourceful UCSD is; we have so many different resources so that students can just be safe and healthy. People should be taking advantage of that the second they get to campus, they shouldn't just be finding out their senior year."

SARC provides free and confidential counseling and support for those impacted by sexual assault, dating violence and stalking; the Office of Sexual Harassment Prevention and Policy outlines sexual harassment and aids in complaint investigation and resolution; the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Resource Center helps students explore issues relating to sexual and gender identities, practices and politics; Counseling and Psychological Services offers free and confidential counseling to all students and offices are located within each college for convenience.

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hurt or in danger. Here, students should know that their constitutional right against unlawful search and seizure applies. Costa said if a student is written up by an RSO, the best path to take is the one of least

> pliancy is a big deal," Costa said. "I tell students that the best thing they



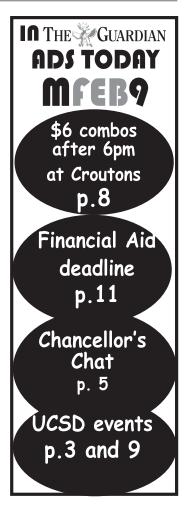
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Roma Nights: Tobias Haglund - Pikes and UCSD's own Tobias is excited to play his first ever Roma Night. Drawing influence from pop punk bands from years past such as Blink 182. He is sure to make everyone feel welcomed. 7:30pm at Espresso Roma.

TUES FEB 10 CAREER

Resume Writing & Cover Letters for Engineers - Learn how to write a powerful resume & cover letter for opportunities in the engineering field that uses strategic formatting and effectively markets your relevant skills, education, and experience. 3-4:30pm at the Horizon Room, Career Services Center.

RECREATION

Dimestories Live - Compelling 3-minute stories told by great writers. Equal parts seductive and tiny, DimeStories are funny. They're heartwrenching. They're fictional or factual, but either way, they're all true. And all under 3-minutes. Enjoy an evening of great stories told by nationally renowned writers-and by emerging voices from our region. 7pm at the Loft.

Pub After Dark: My American Heart & We Shot the Moon - My American Heart entered the studio on February 4th. After whittling down a long list of possible producers, the group chose James Paul Wisner, the producer behind bands like Underoath, The Academy Is and Dashboard Confessional, who Soliman calls the "perfect fit for this record." In Wisner's St. Cloud, FL Studio, just south of Orlando, the guintet dove headfirst into an encouraging, creative environment that helped them pen the next tracks to the record. "He helped us really explore ideas and he really listened to the songs," Barrera notes of the experience. "He was huge part of the record." 7:30pm at Porter's Pub.

SPECIAL EVENT

14th Annual Equal Oppurtunity/Affirmative Action and Divesity Award - This recognition program is designed to recognize employees, students, faculty, staff, organizational units, departments and other members of the UCSD community who have made an outstanding contribution in the areas of equal opportunity, affirmative action and diversity at UCSD during the past year. 2-3:30pm at Price Center Ballrooms A & B.

SPORTS

Baseball vs. Grand Canyon, 11am and 2:30pm at RIMAC Field.

WED FEB 11

CAREER

Practice Interview On-Camera Interview for Internships - Get the edge in your internship

community, will address issues of race and racism specifically within the space. Come prepared to have a healthy and open dialogue on what it means to be a diverse, open and public space for all members of the university. Light refreshments will be served! 6-8pm at the LGBT Resource Center.

LECTURE

National Cultures & Soccer Violence - Dr. Sebastian M. Saiegh is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Political Science at UCSD. He earned his Ph.D. in Political Science from New York University in 2004. His research interests cut across the fields of comparative politics, positive political theory and political economy. In the research being discussed, Dr. Sajegh and his co-authors find a strong relationship between the history of civil conflict in a player's home country and his propensity to behave violently on the soccer field, as measured by yellow and red cards. 3-6pm at ERC.

RECREATION

Donavon Frankenreiter - Over the course of the past half-decade, the California-bred Frankenreiter established himself as one of the more original voices on the acoustic-rock scene with his 2004 self-titled debut album (produced by Jack Johnson). Donavon achieved success in support of that album through tireless touring and the innate catchiness of songs like "Free" (which became a Triple-A radio staple upon its release four years ago). -Outside Lands Music and Arts Festival. 8pm at The Loft.

SPECIAL EVENT

Our History Then and Now: A Celebration of Diversity, Equality, and Unity - This annual luncheon promises a fun time, with delicious soul food, heartfelt performances and energetic dance numbers. Show up early, it gets crowded! 12-1:30pm at Revelle College, Plaza Café. See featured box.

THUR FEB 12

ARTS

Collective Thoughts & Creative Expressions: A Night of Spoken Word - Poetry Readings. 8-10pm at the Loft.

LECTURES

Student Regents Forum - The Student Regent position is a two-year commitment, open to all UC students selected to act as a student representative on the UC Board of Regents. This position is responsible for making decisions regarding matters from student fees and financial aid, to admissions and campus development. They oversee the financial management of the University, its investments, and its property holdings. They are responsible for appointing the University President and ten individual campus Chancellors. The seminar provides Information about the application process. 2pm at Price Center, 4th Floor.

The Power of the Zoots: Youth Culture and Resistance during World War II, 1940-1945 - Flamboyant zoot suit culture, with its ties to fashion, jazz and swing music, jitterbug and Lindy Hop dancing, unique patterns of speech, and even risqué experimentation with gender and sexuality, captivated the country's youth in the 1940s. Luis Alvarez explores race, region, and the politics of culture in urban America during World War II. He argues that Mexican American and African

American youths, along with many nisei and white vouths, used popular culture to oppose accepted modes of youthful behavior, the dominance of white middle-class norms, and expectations from within their own communities. 6:30-8:30pm at the **Cross Cultural Center**

Jeffrey Robinson: the Dark Ages of Romanticism-

Jeffrey Robinson will speak in the Department of Literature Room 155 (deCerteau) on the topic The Dark Ages of Romanticism. He is himself a distinguished romanticist, a professor and former chair in the Department of English, University of Colorado at Boulder, and the author of sixteen books including Romantic Presences, Wordsworth Day by Day, and Unfettering Poetry: The Fancy in British Romanticism, as well as four books of poetry. With Jerome Rothenberg he is the co-editor of a revisionary anthology of romanticism, Poems for the Millennium, volume 3: The University of California Book of Romantic & Post romantic Poetry. Book signing will follow. 4:30pm at the Department of Literature Room 155 (deCerteau).

ORGS

UCS Bagel Sale - The Undergraduate Communication Society is selling delicious Einstein Bagels for really cheap! 10am-3pm on Library Walk.

SPECIAL EVENTS

LOVE Yourself - Event hosted by UCSD's Guardian, Pharmaca Integrative Pharmacy from La Jolla will be coming onto campus and giving out FREE lotion samples, chocolate, etc. to help promote their newly opened shop. Also, come check out the winners of the Valentines Day Giveaway in our Thursday paper! 11-1pm at Library Walk.

Darwin's Birthday Party - Join the Division of Biological Sciences in celebrating the 200th anniversary of Charles Darwin's birth! Dean Steve Kay and Associate Dean Gabriele Wienhausen will kick off the celebration with opening remarks before they cut the giant Darwin cake, which the campus community is encouraged to eat and enjoy. Evolutionary biologists from the division will also be present to give a modern point of view on Darwin's far-reaching influence on biologists today. 12:30pm at Library Walk.

Robin Williams: Weapons of Self Destruction Presented by Nederlander, in association with University Events Office. UCSD student: \$91.50/\$75.50/\$51.50, GA: \$95/\$75/\$55. Student discount tickets on sale (select assigned seating) at UCSD Price Center Box Office - while supplies last. General Public tickets on sale now at all Ticket Master locations, online, and by phone. 8pm at RIMAC. See featured box.

Town Hall Meeting- Students: Concerns about the state budget impact on UC San Diego? Come hear Chancellor Marye Ann Fox present a budget update at a Town Hall meeting. 3 pm in the multipurpose room, Student Services Center.

FRI FEB 13 ARTS

Peter and the Starcatcher - Forget everything you think you know about lost boys, high seas, pirates, treasures, Neverland, and flying. Based on the best-selling novel by Dave Barry and Ridley Pearson, Peter and the Starcatchers dares to tell the real story of precisely how a desperate orphan in Victorian England became The Boy Who Would Not Grow Up. It's a tale that travels halfway round the world and straight up to the stars. It's a comedy that takes aim at social injustice. It's a romance of young heroes who risk everything for the sake of doing right. It's an expose of extravagant villains possessed of a single-minded ferocity from

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Powerful local poets in an evening of prose and verse. Experience San Diego's own Collective Purpose spoken word artists. The evening begins with an open mic section, poets and musicians invited. Pay-As-You-Can. If the rhymes don't draw you in, maybe the refreshments will. Sponsored by TMC Student Affairs & TMC Student Council. **THURS FEB 12** 7:30pm. The Loft

which no good shall ever spring. In short, it's an awfully big adventure! Adults: \$35, Children: \$17.50. 8pm at the La Jolla Playhouse.

HEALTH

Love Your Body Day - Just in time for Valentine's Day, Learn how to love your body! The Student Health Advocates will be presenting information on nutrition, exercise, sex and sexuality, as well as how to increase your body confidence. There will be games, giveaways, love sacs, condom roses and more! 10-2pm at Library Walk.

RECREATION

Make Your Own Hologram Workshop - Want to learn how holograms work? Come make one for yourself! 11am at EBU1 B706 (Warren College).

SPECIAL EVENTS

Bear Garden - Drag your friends out of the dorms and over to Matthews Quad for an afternoon of free food, beverages, music, games, and prizes! Raffling off iPods, concert tickets, and much more! 2-5pm at Matthews Quad.

SPORTS

Softball vs. San Francisco State. 1 & 3pm at Triton Field.

Women's Basketball vs. Cal Poly Pomona. 5:30pm at RIMAC.

Men's Basketball vs. Cal Poly Pomona. 7pm at RIMAC.

SAT FEB 14 ARTS

Not So Silent Films - In 1920s La Jolla, California, there was a filmmaking club called the "La Jolla Cinema League." This remarkable group made some very entertaining film featurettes of professional quality. Join ArtPower! Film and Scott Paulson with his Teeny-Tiny Pit Orchestra for Silent Films as we toast vintage local filmmakers and celebrate St. Valentines Day with a glass of sparkling libation and chocolates. Also that night we feature film from Thomas Edison, stunning footage of the Hotel Del Coronado, and a peek at San Diego's original dog beach. Students: \$5, Staff/Faculty: \$9, GA: \$10. 7pm

of your friends to a vegetarian luncheon buffet full of veggie dishes, rice, drinks, desserts, and plenty of other vegan options tp choose from. Every Wednesday from 12-2pm on top of the Old Student Center.



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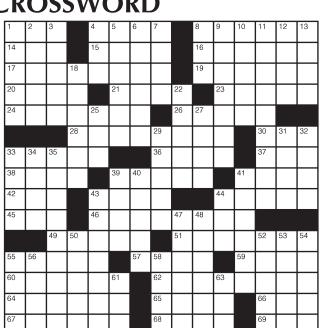
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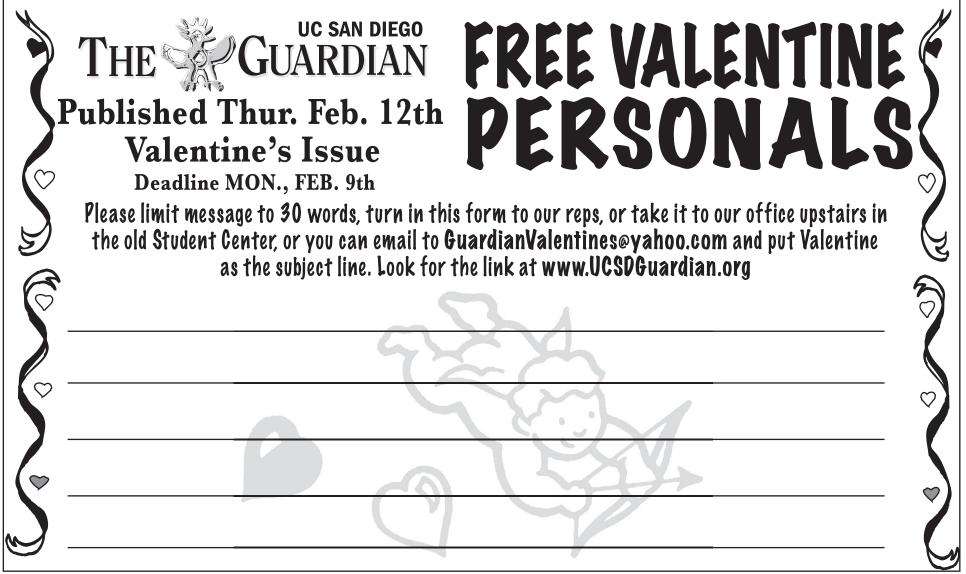
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THURSDAY FEB. 5 Sudoku Solution

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UCSD Upsets No. 10 Gauchos Men's Basketball Set to Host First-Place Coyotes Before Falling to No. 4 CSUN ▶ M. BASKETBALL, from page 12 to play. The Tritons climbed back to field. Lawley's 22 points were a game-

► VOLLEYBALL, from page 12

jumped out of the gates for a fivepoint lead at 15-10 after a Guthals kill. UC Santa Barbara would come back to cut the lead to 20-17 before Ross and Ehrman fired down kills to boost UCSD's lead to 22-17. Leading 24-20, the Tritons ended the set on a 6-2 run, scoring their final three points on block assists by Guthals and Bannan at 30-22.

The second set was led by the middles as UCSD came out strong again for a 24-17 lead over the Gauchos. UC Santa Barbara would not go down quietly, coming back within 24-20 before a Ross kill combined with a Gaucho error put the Tritons on top 27-22. UC Santa Barbara battled during the final minutes of the set, coming within 27-24. But a kill from junior opposite hitter Frank Fritsch and a block from junior outside hitter Jason Spangler forced a set point. The Tritons earned the set win on a final score of 30-24.

UCSD looked to sweep UC Santa Barbara after jumping out to a 17-11 lead in the third set, but the Gauchos would not go down without a fight, tying the set at 23. The game was a back-and-forth grudge match with the score tied again at 30. With a block, UC Santa Barbara took the set at 32-30 to force a fourth.

Set number four was controlled by UC Santa Barbara as the Gauchos jumped out to a 25-18 lead and locked up the victory with a final score of 30-22.

In the decisive fifth set, the Tritons opened up a 4-0 lead on Fritsch's serving. After a Bannan kill and solo block, the Tritons cruised ahead 12-8. With the lead at 14-10, UC Santa Barbara fought back, scoring three straight points and coming within one at 14-13. The Tritons, however, closed the door on the Gauchos as Ross threw down the match-ending kill at 15-13.

Ehrman had another stellar game with 14 kills, while Ross had 13 kills on .500 hitting. Spangler and Guthals had 10 kills each.

UCSD goes back to work next week when it heads to Springfield, Mass., for the Hall of Fame Classic on Feb. 13 and Feb. 14.

We are in the middle of a long road trip right now so it will be a good thing for us to get back in the gym and hammer out some of the kinks so we can continue our success in Massachusetts," Ehrman said.

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47, with 2:44 to play, cruising to the win. Husted, Kim, sophomore guard Casey Ryan and Lawlor combined to go 9-for-10 from the free-throw line in the final minutes to leave the Golden Eagles no chance of a comeback.

'It was nice to see us hit our stride offensively as a team," Husted said. "We've been focusing on getting the ball inside and working for better shots. This weekend it paid off and we were stroking."

Kim scored a game-high 15 points and Husted added 11, with each grabbing four rebounds. Lawley scored 10 points, while Lawlor had nine points, three rebounds and an assist, connecting on all three of his field goal attempts in 17 minutes off the bench. Senior center A.J. Maulhardt also was perfect from the field, converting both of his attempts for four points while adding a block and a game-high five boards.

As a team, the Tritons won the rebounding battle, 32-26, and shot a season-best 55 percent from the field. Cal State Los Angeles was held to only 32.7 percent field-goal shooting in a game they never led.

"We knew if we took care of the ball offensively we would get good shots and they were falling for us," Husted said.

UCSD was almost as efficient on Friday night, shooting 52.4 percent from the field against second-place Cal State Dominguez Hills. Stuckey again helped the team get out to a quick start against the Toros, scoring five of the first nine points to give the Tritons a 9-4 advantage after less than five minutes. The teams traded the lead throughout the first half, with neither gaining more than a five-point advantage, which Cal State Dominguez Hills held at the break, 34-29.

Scoring first in the second half, the Toros secured their biggest lead, 41-32, following a dunk with 16:46 tie the game twice, the first coming at 45 with 9:03 to play and the second at 52 following a Lawley layup with 5:29 left in the game. Lawley then gave the Tritons the lead for the first time in the second half, 54-52, with a jumper at the 4:22 mark. Cal State Dominguez Hills' Jonathan Tolliver responded with two three-pointers over the next minute and a half as the Toros extended back to a six-point cushion. Poppen's jumper and two Lawley free throws brought UCSD within one possession, but a three-pointer to tie in the final seconds was off as the Tritons lost their fourth conference road game of the season.

"Dominguez is a really tough team," Husted said. "They have some big guys who rebound like crazy. We played great offensively against them, but not being able to keep them off the boards was the deciding factor."

UCSD was outrebounded 32-21, as the Toros pulled down 15 offensive boards compared to the Tritons' five.

Despite the loss, the Tritons forced Cal State Dominguez Hills into 20 turnovers and held their opponent below 45 percent shooting from the

Team Total: FG 52.4%, 3-Pt. 35.3%, FT 72.7%

high, Husted added 10 with four rebounds and three assists and Poppen grabbed a game-high six rebounds and scored eight points.

The Tritons return to RIMAC Arena on Feb. 13, kicking off their longest home stand of the season with four games, including Spirit Night on Feb. 20 against San Francisco State.

"We love playing at home, feeding off the crowd's energy," Husted said. "We feel the fans are our sixth man and really affect the other team so we're really looking forward to these next four games. It also makes getting a home playoff game that much more important, because I think we have the best home court advantage in the conference."

UCSD will face Cal Poly Pomona, currently the CCAA's scoring defense leader and tied with the Tritons for fourth place in the league, on Feb. 13. The Tritons then host conferenceleading Cal State San Bernardino on Feb. 14. Both games are slated for tipoff at 7:30 p.m.

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Tritons Attempt to Tie UCSD Record With Two Wins at Home

▶ W. BASKETBALL, from page 12 seen tremendous growth."

This week the Tritons return to RIMAC Arena to face Cal Poly Pomona on Feb. 13 and Cal State San Bernardino on Feb. 14.

'We are very excited about how we've started but we are also very

aware of how much more basketball there is left to play," head coach Charity Elliott said. "We are also trying to stay focused on the little effort things because we can still get better."

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UCSD FINANCIAL AID OFFICE

Team Total: FG 44.9%, 3-Pt. 33.3%, FT 70.6%

REAPPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID FOR 2009-10

UCSD'S PRIORITY DEADLINE FOR FILING THE FAFSA IS March 2, 2009

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HOT CORNER Lauren Chastain

Softball

The senior rightie started off the spring season strong, pitching a two-hit shutout over Cal State Monterey Bay on Feb. 7 at the Best of the West Invitational.

UCSD HOLDS OFF LATE TORO SURGE

By Brianna Lee STAFF WRITER

BASKETBALL WOMEN'S Wrapping up their road trip with a perfect 4-0 mark, the 12th ranked Tritons extended their winning streak over the weekend after defeating Cal State Dominguez Hills 69-63 on Feb. 6 and Cal State Los Angeles 84-66 on Feb. 7. UCSD now boasts an impressive record of 21-2 overall and an undefeated 14-0 in California Collegiate Athletic Association play.

Senior forward Michelle Osier was the first to score against Cal State Los Angeles, nailing a three-pointer two minutes into the first half. Ahead by as many as eight points with 12 minutes left to play, UCSD then went on a 15-0 run, leaving the Golden Eagles stuck in their insurmountable deficit as the Tritons climbed to a 35-12 lead.

"Our defensive strategy is always the same: we're relentless, scrappy, and play team D. We always have each other's backs," Osier said.

Only halfway through the game, UCSD already tasted victory when a layup by freshman guard Chelsea Carlisle capped UCSD's advantage at 51-26.

Unable to overcome the Tritons' first-half dominance, the Eagles were forced to play a futile game of catch-up the rest of the way out. Cal State Los Angeles gave it one more go, trimming the lead down to 72-62 with four and a half minutes to play, but the Tritons maintained control and pulled away with a dominating 84-66 victory.

Osier, a three time All-CCAA First Team selection, turned in another great performance, leading the Triton scorers with 25 points, going 9-for-16 from the floor, converting all six of her free throws and hauling in a gamehigh seven rebounds. Similarly, junior guard Leilani Martin and Carlisle, the reigning CCAA Player of the Week, also reached double figures at 17 and

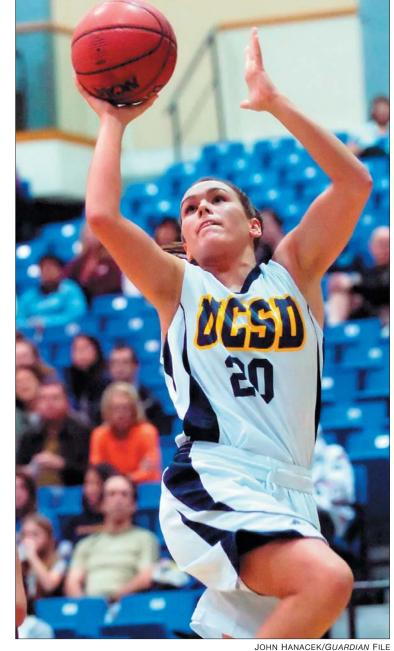
15 points apiece, respectively. Friday's game against Cal State Dominguez Hills proved to be a closer contest for UCSD. The Tritons, who led 40-29 before the half, faced a tighter Toro defense after halftime UCSD shot just 22 percent from the field in the second, down from 48 percent in the first. With 1:38 left in regulation, a jumper by Toro sophomore post Sherrie Hughes made it a one-point game at 57-58. The Tritons regrouped with an energized spurt to finish the game, as four different players put points on the board. As the clock trickled down to 30 seconds, the Tritons once again shot well from the line — junior guard Annette Ilg, senior center Alexis Gaskin and Osier connected on each of their free throw attempts, sealing the win for the Tritons at 63-69.

"When it comes down to those last critical moments, we take one possession at a time, one stop at a time, and then work together on getting the best offensive possession," Gaskin said.

Ilg had a big night, scoring a careerhigh 21 points. Osier followed with 17, while Gaskin and Martin pitched in 10 points each. The dual victories put this vear's squad in the realm of making history as the women's team stands two wins shy of tying the program's alltime mark of 16 consecutive victories - a record that was set in the 1997-98 season. Moreover, UCSD solidified their place atop the CCAA standings with their flawless 14-0 record.

Our success is a reflection of all the work we have put in," Gaskin said. "For the returners, we set out to win and put in the long hours in the gym and weight room since last April. For our first-year Tritons, they saw our enthusiasm and determination and brought in their own, as well as worked hard before coming in. So since we've been together we have only

See W. BASKETBALL, page 11



Junior guard Annette IIg was one of three Tritons who netted free throws in the final minute of a close victory over Cal State Dominguez Hills on Feb. 6. Ilg led UCSD in scoring with a career-high 21 points.

Tritons Return Home After Another Road Split



By Joe Tevelowitz Senior Staff Writei

MEN'S BASKETBALL - The Tritons completed their second straight weekend split on the road, losing at Cal State Dominguez Hills, 61-58, on Feb. 6, before picking up a 71-60 win against Cal State Los Angeles on Feb. 7. UCSD's win on Saturday halted a two-game losing streak and gave the Tritons a record of 12-8 overall, 9-5 in the California Collegiate Athletic Association. While head coach Chris Carlson's squad is currently tied for Stuckey scored the next five as UCSD opened up a 12-3 lead in the first five and a half minutes of the game. The Golden Eagles closed to within seven before free throws by junior guard Jordan Lawley and Stuckey gave UCSD its first double-digit advantage with over 10 minutes remaining in the first half.

'Our focus is always defense and our guys did a great job of holding them to a low shooting percentage," Husted said.

The Golden Eagles managed only five of 22 field goals in the first half and missed all six of their three-point attempts as the Triton defense proved itself as the league's stingiest squad in terms of field-goal percentage allowed. UCSD's offense matched its defensive effort, connecting on 54.5 percent of its attempts in the first half, going 3for-7 from long distance. The Tritons also went 6-for-8 from the line and led by as much as 13 in the first half. With only one free throw scored in the final 2:20 of the half, the visiting team went into the break with a 33-20 lead. The Tritons did not slip up after intermission, taking their largest lead of the game on a jumper by senior forward Shane Poppen just over a minute into the second half. Cal State Los Angeles was able to cut into the lead, getting within five points following their first three-pointer of the game with 9:58 to play. UCSD never relinquished the lead as senior forward Darryl Lawlor responded with a layup on the other end. The Tritons built their lead back to 15 points, 62-

VOLLEYBALL STAYS AFLOAT AGAINST MPSF POWERHOUSES

By Cameron Tillisch STAFF WRITER

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL - The Tritons split two games against top 10 teams on the road over the weekend. UCSD (4-6, 2-5 Mountain Pacific Sports Federation) defeated No. 10 UC Santa Barbara on Feb. 6 at the Thunderdome before falling to No. 4 Cal State Northridge on Feb. 7.

The Tritons, who were previously unranked, entered their game against UC Santa Barbara ranked 15th in the most recent American Volleyball Coaches Asssociation Division I-II Men's Top 15 poll.

"The No. 15 ranking is nice," senior libero Eric Leserman said. "It shows us that our successes are respected by the volleyball community. However, we are not satisfied with that."

After beating UC Santa Barbara, the Tritons carried their confidence to Northridge Saturday night at the Matadome. UCSD, looking to make another MPSF upset, was instead swept at the hands of the Matadors.

În the first set, Cal State Northridge scored nine of the first 12 points and the Tritons never got closer than 13-10. The Matadors went on a 6-1 run to close the match out at 30-20.

The second set was the Tritons' most competitive, as they led 13-10 after a kill by sophomore middle back Calvin Ross. Again, the Tritons went ahead 17-15 after a redshirt sophomore middle back Adrian Guthals kill. Then, Cal State Northridge scored five straight points, capitalizing on four UCSD errors. With the Tritons trailing 22-20, the Matadors scored consecutively for a four-point lead. The Tritons fought back to within 26-23, but were held off by the Matadors, who scored the last four points of the set, winning 30-23.

Cal State Northridge dominated the third set, sealing the deal at 30-21.

The Matadors controlled most of the game — hitting at a .446 clip while the Tritons managed a measly .086 hitting percentage. The Tritons were led by sophomore outside hitter Joel Davidson, who had eight kills on .400 hitting; no other Triton had five kills on the night.

"When we went to Northridge, their powerful serves really got us into trouble, and we were never able to get into a consistent side-out rhythm," redshirt sophomore outside hitter Will Ehrman said. "That was really our biggest problem in that match as they were able to make huge runs behind their big serves." Guthals and Spangler recorded five kills apiece in the defeat. Guthals added three blocks and Spangler was perfect in 23 receptions. Fritsch was one of five Tritons to record at least five kills, pounding down 23. Bannan had a team-high 64 assists, along with eight digs and nine blocks, while Leserman had a season-high 17 digs. Blocking was the key to a five set match with UC Santa Barbara that ended up as an impressive victory for UCSD. The No. 15 Tritons and No. 10 Gauchos engaged in a well-fought battle, ending in UCSD's favor: 30-22, 30-24, 30-32, 22-30 and 15-13. The Tritons had a season-high 17.5 team blocks in the match as Guthals led the assault with nine blocks and 10 kills.

CHING WU/GUARDIAN FILE Junior guard Jordan Lawley scored 10 points in UCSD's 71-60 win over Cal State Los Angeles on Feb. 7. The Tritons return home to face Cal Poly Pomona and Cal State San Bernardino this weekend.

fourth in the conference with six games remaining, the Tritons are only two games behind first-place Cal State San Bernardino.

Prior to Saturday's contest against Cal State Los Angeles, the Tritons were privileged to sit down and speak with one of the greatest minds in sports history, former UCLA coach John Wooden.

"Coach [Carlson] just asked our seniors if we wanted to go to coach Wooden's apartment, even though it would change up our normal pregame stuff," senior guard Alan Husted said. "It really wasn't a question, it's a once in a lifetime experience to sit with coach Wooden and just listen to his wisdom on every subject. I know he's been a huge role model personally for me so I was hanging on every word he said."

The inspirational visit seemed to pay off as UCSD got on the board quickly in Saturday's game against Cal State Los Angeles. Senior guard Kelvin Kim scored the game's first seven points and senior forward Brett

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During the first set, the Tritons

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