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## Worldwide

### In Belgrade, War Crimes Prosecutor Meets a Reserved Kostunica

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia — Carla del Ponte, the chief prosecutor of the U.N. war crimes tribunal in The Hague, made her first visit to Yugoslavia on Tuesday and experienced a bumpy ride.

She met for more than an hour with President Vojislav Kostunica, but the two appear to have disagreed on many issues. Del Ponte left without handing over a sealed indictment for someone living in Yugoslavia

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## National

### Bush Unveils his Ambitious New Public Education Proposal

WASHINGTON — President Bush proposed a significant increase in the federal role in public education on Tuesday, detailing an ambitious plan that includes requirements that states test each student in the third through eighth grades and report on their progress to the public, state and the federal government.

The proposal, making good on a campaign pledge to focus on education in his first legislative initiative, would also provide par-

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## Collegiate

### Study Deals Colleges Question on Students' Gambling

EVANSTON, Ill. — Six hundred Northwestern University students chosen at random received surveys last week for a national study assessing gambling practices on college campuses.

The 21-question survey, conducted by the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators, questions students' involvement in a variety of gambling practices such as purchasing lottery tick-

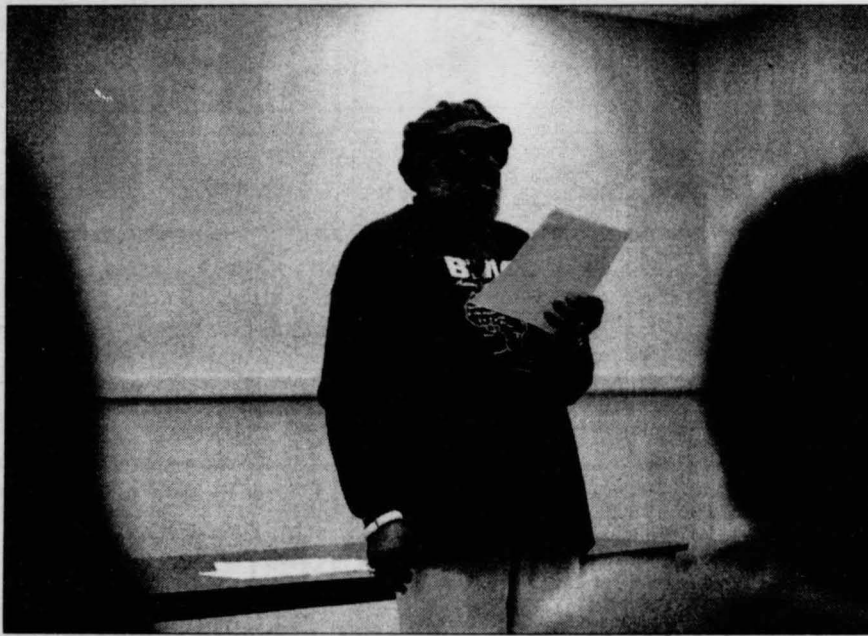
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"It's obvious ... they want control over what's going on."

— Josh Cooper  
Graduate student

## Spoken Word ...



Tyler Huff / Guardian

**Poetry Reading:** Artist Jihmye speaks at the Bahai Club-sponsored poetry reading, "Celebrating the Life and Legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. and Ourselves."

## Campus Life Referendum Sets Deadline

### New \$75 student fee meets both praise and criticism

By ALEX J. LEE

Associate News Editor

The Campus Life Referendum Committee has chosen Feb. 2 as the deadline for any student organization or group on campus to submit funding requests for the proposed Campus Life Referendum.

Commissioned last May by Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Joseph Watson, the Campus Life Referendum Committee was created in the hopes of meeting the needs of the campus in terms of facilities and programming.

According to A.S. Council President Doc Khaleghi, who is also co-chair of the committee, the intent is to have one referendum that would benefit all of UCSD at once.

"We assembled about 20 student leaders to form a committee from various organizations over UCSD," Khaleghi said. "The goal was to decide on what the specific needs of the campus were and then from there to put a referen-

dum on the ballot for the students to vote and decide on."

Khaleghi went on to express his belief in the need for such a referendum.

"I think looking at both the extreme needs in athletics and university centers helped us see that there's a broader need on campus than any one group," Khaleghi said.

So far, talks of an increase in graduate and undergraduate quarterly fees of about \$75 have been common in the committee.

Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Tom Tucker said no one knows what the final number will be on a proposed student increase because it is still in debate.

Khaleghi said that although there is always a fear in raising student fees, generally speaking, the campus has been very supportive.

"Unfortunately the state, which internally funds the UC system, doesn't fund student

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## A.S. Council to Fund Anti-Zionism Week

### Controversial event raises questions about money

By VINCENT GRAGNANI

Senior Staff Writer

Amid objections from the Union of Jewish Students, the A.S. Council is funding the Muslim Student Association's Anti-Zionism Week, to be held next week.

At last week's A.S. Council meeting, Vice President Finance Matt Powell suggested funding the event from a fund created in 1994 specifically for controversial issues.

The council voted against Powell's motion, and instead decided to fund the event through the Student Organizations Unallocated fund, the fund through which most student organizations receive money.

"I can definitely understand the council's reasons for it," Powell said. "What they did is definitely consistent with the rules that we follow."

The council must fund events and not discriminate based on content that students or council members disagree with.

Powell said he wanted to fund the event from a different source because he has not had a chance yet to educate students on the issue of how funding is given to students.

"It may have been easier to address the situation this time if we had the funding source."

Jonathan Rotter, a recent UCSD graduate, said he feels that many council members do not see how offensive the term "Anti-Zionism Week" is to Jewish students.

"Certainly they made the claim that they're required by law to fund things in a content-independent manner," he said. "But it's hard for me to imagine that if someone had proposed an anti-Asian week that they would have gotten funding. It's my feeling that they don't understand that, to us, Anti-Zionism week is equal to Anti-Semitism week."

Muslema Purmul, treasurer of the MSA, agreed with the council vote.

"I like the way they voted," she said. "What this club is doing is no different from

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## Jacob's School Explores Alternative Sources of Energy

### Several projects developed on UC campuses may help with California's recent power crisis

By PATRICK LEE

Staff Writer

In the midst of California's current energy crisis, scientists throughout the UC system are involved in various energy research projects in an effort to discover new and efficient ways to produce energy.

These "energy research activities," as the university calls them, are numerous and varied, dealing with nearly every branch of the physical sciences. The research is taking place entirely on UC campuses and in the national laborato-

ries that the university manages for the U.S. Department of Energy.

"The University of California and its affiliated national laboratories are conducting research across a broad array of energy technologies that represent a marked departure from present methods of generating and transmitting power," said UC President Richard C. Atkinson.

The innovative research includes a project at Los Alamos National Laboratory in "Magnetized Target Fusion," which could potentially produce cheap fusion energy in a soda-can-

sized cylinder. Another innovation is the discovery by UC Berkeley scientists of a metabolic switch in algae that converts sunlight into valuable hydrogen gas. The Lawrence Livermore Labs and the Davis, Santa Barbara, Los Angeles and Irvine campuses are also all conducting energy research.

"While not all of these new technologies are going to become reality tomorrow, they do hold out great hope over the longer term for inexpensive and abundant energy supplies," Atkinson said.

UCSD is also involved in an energy study. Scientists at the

Jacobs School of Engineering are exploring ways to use sea water as a fuel for the generation of power. After exposing hydrogen atoms to high temperatures in a fusion reactor, the product of which, an ionized gas called plasma, would generate 1,000 megawatts of energy cleaner, safer and more stable than by methods using fossil fuel.

The Office of Fusion Energy of the U.S. Department of Energy is funding research investigating possible methods of containing the volatile plasma. Containment of the

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Thursday, Jan. 25

Performing Arts: Poetry Reading

Tony Lopez will read his poetry at 4:30 p.m. in the Visual Arts Building...

Film: "Meet the Parents"

Ben Stiller stars in the film which will be shown at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. in the Price Center Theater.

Seminar: Dasha Memorial Colloquium

Professor Edward Witten will present the "2001 Dasha Memorial Physics Department Colloquium on Quark Confinement and Black Holes."

Saturday, Jan. 27

Performing Arts: Paivikki Nykter and Janos Negyesy

Faculty violinists will perform Bartok's violin duos at 8 p.m. in the Mandeville Center recital hall.

Recreation: Sea Kayaking with the Birch Aquarium

The Birch Aquarium at Scripps is sponsoring the event which is open to the public. Admission is \$40.

Tuesday, Jan. 30

Donation: UCSD Blood Drive

UCSD Human Resources is sponsoring the event taking place at 10 a.m. in the Price Center Auditorium.

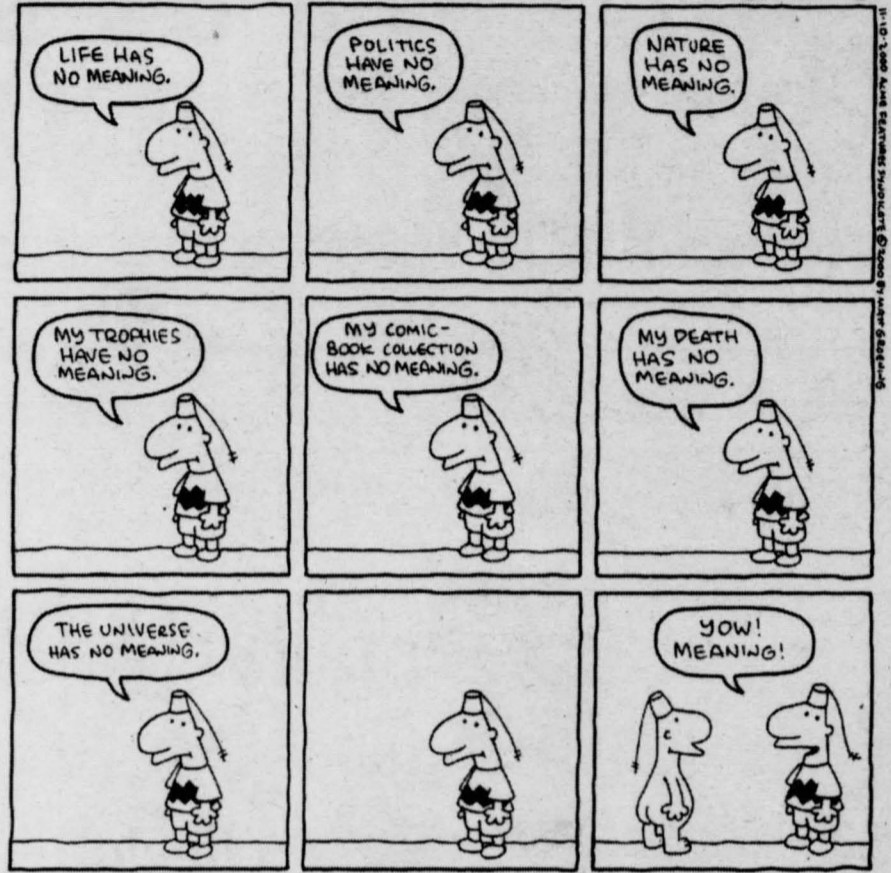
Film: "Fantasia 2000"

The redone Disney classic will be shown at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. The film is open to the public and tickets are \$2.

Forum: Improving the Chemotherapy Experience

The UCSD Cancer Center is sponsoring the event which will take place at the UTC Westfield Shoppingtown Forum Hall at 5:30 p.m.

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BRIEFLY Chancellor Dynes Visits North County

UCSD Chancellor Robert C. Dynes will host a ceremony and reception 4 p.m. Thursday at the Carlsbad Community Library...

Two New Safety Programs Implemented for University Employees

The office of the chancellor announced Monday that it would implement the new Injury and Illness Prevention Program and the Laboratory Safety Plan...

The Career Services Center is now Offering to Critique Application Essays

Expert advisors at the UCSD Career Services Center are now critiquing applications for professional and graduate school.

Earl's Place to Hold a Chalk Drawing Contest

Earl's Place in Warren College above Canyon Vista is currently holding a chalk drawing contest to decorate their new chalkboard covered tabletops.

Pan-Asian Council Presents Chinese Lunar New Year Festivities

In celebration of Chinese New Year, which was yesterday, the Pan-Asian Council will hold its Lunar New Year celebration today from noon to 2 p.m. in the Price Center Plaza.

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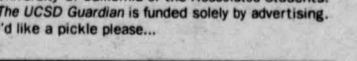
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Student: The increase in tuition may be too much for some

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affairs projects like our student unions, like athletics, like our programming, so that has to be done through assessment of student fees," Khaleghi said.

According to committee members, the increase in funds would provide funding for various groups on campus, including the A.S. Council, the programming council, the Cross-Cultural Center, the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Resource Office, the Women's Center, the Graduate Student Association, sports clubs as well as individual colleges.

Revelle Dean of Student Affairs Renee Barnett-Terry said she thought that this referendum could be the best thing that could happen for UCSD. "[The Campus Life Referendum] will invigorate this campus," she said.

In response to allegations that administrators will gain more from the referendum than students, Khaleghi disagreed. He said he believes the administration's involvement is solely a supportive one.

"[Myself], as A.S. president and co-chair of this referendum, I know that this referendum is meant to

benefit UCSD as a whole," he said. "But the money is going directly to students; students will see the most benefit from it."
Some students have been very critical of the referendum altogether.

Opponents are concerned about the prospective and current students who may not be able to afford to attend UCSD with the assessment of another student fee. "We're part of a process; student fees have been continuously increased to the point where this institution is not affordable anymore," said Vice President Internal of the Graduate Students Association Kris Bohling, also a GSA representative GSA on the Student Life Referendum Committee.

Bohling went on to express his disapproval of the prevailing attitude among most students already attending UCSD. "I'm not just against the administration, I'm against the mindset that says, 'Oh we can afford [an additional] \$75 a quarter, it's not that much, it's not going to affect us much,'" Bohling said.

According to Bohling, since UCSD is a public institution, the referendum should acknowledge more of the needs of the community as well as those of students. He questioned the necessity of raising fees, asking why the administration cannot better use fees students already pay.

"In my belief, we have enough



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## LUNAR RISE

*A New Year Rises in the East*

by DAVID LEE  
hiatuseditor

Chances are, most Americans spent their Wednesday with the usual proclivities — working, studying, watching the rain fall, maybe refueling with a mid-afternoon cappuccino before going back to the drudgery of hump day. And amid our scurrying, billions of others were lighting firecrackers, drinking plum wine and watching paper lions dance through streets of red and gold. In fact, half the globe had already closed up shop, getting ready for the Chinese New Year (otherwise known as the Lunar New Year, for those unwilling to be labeled sinophiles).

**YES, IT IS A BIG DEAL**

There is a large misconception that the Chinese New Year wavers under its Gregorian counterpart with regard to pomp and circumstance. But, one can blame the press for that.

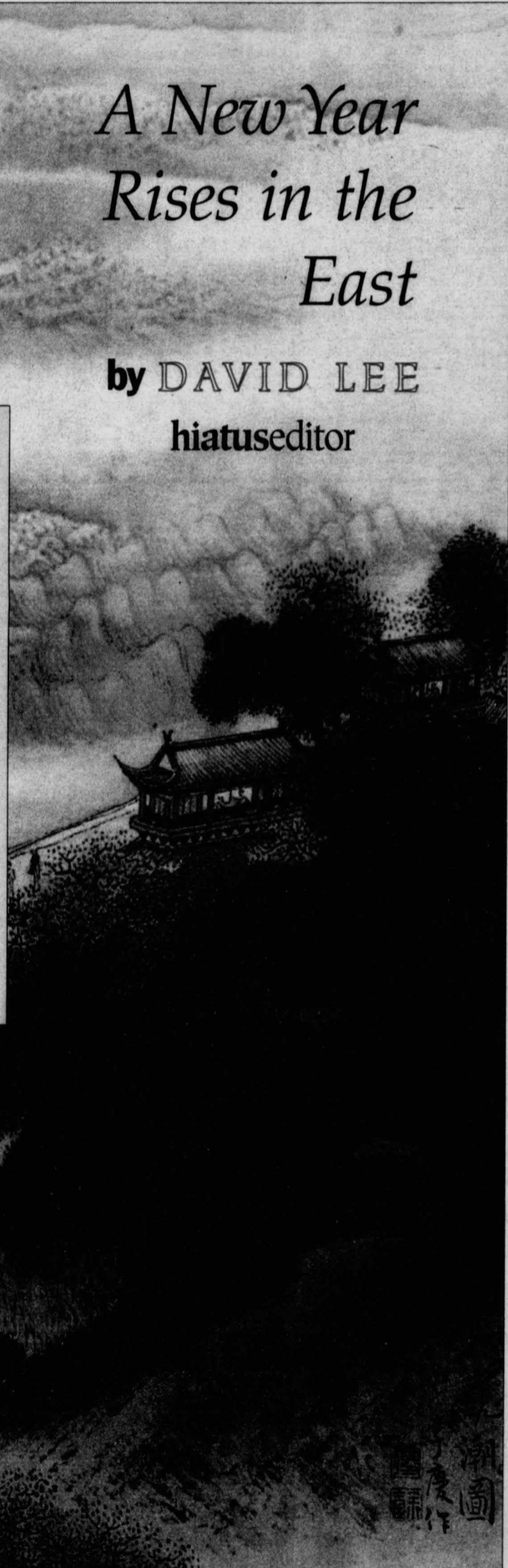
Western media blitzes 24-hour coverage from "around the world" with the solar New Year, while the lunar New Year might get a 2-minute montage on the nightly news. True, the "whole" world does not celebrate — let alone recognize — the Chinese New Year, which would explain the discrepancy in media coverage. However, it also suggests that those who do celebrate the holiday view it to be less important or significant.

Big mistake. There's a reason why most

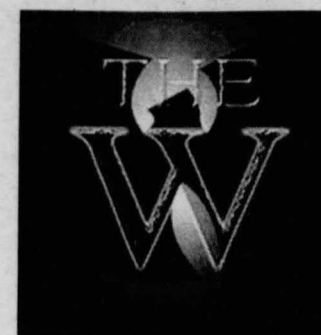
Asian countries don't carry the luster or glitz of Paris or New York at midnight on January 1. Simply put, it's not that big of a deal to them. So, more as a token, they get together and ceremonially gong an old bell or throw some weird performance piece calling for global unity and the like. Many are also preparing for the oncoming lunar New Year, buying gifts for family and making travel arrangements to go back to their hometowns. These preparations take longer than the West, primarily because the New Year is celebrated during a week-long period, rather than one whopping night and a hung-over day. In China alone, government officials are expecting 1.6 billion trips to occur during the holiday week. Worldwide, 2.1 billion trips are expected to occur during the first three days of the New Year. All Asia-bound airlines have added approximately 20 percent more flights, while bus stations can expect 4,000 customers daily.

The Chinese New Year is the Asian equivalent of Christmas in terms of economic growth. That one season can make the difference between profit and bankruptcy. By extending last year's official holiday from three days to one week, retail profits jumped from single- to double-digit percentages. China's growing leniency toward loosened social controls has also caused a boom in the travel industry, where 20 years

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## albumreview



Wu Tang  
"The Clan Strikes Back"  
Sony Music

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When RZA proclaimed on "Wu-Tang Forever" that "the next Wu album ain't even comin' out till the year 2G," many scoffed at the notion or dismissed it as typical Shaolin posturing. Then 2000 came and true fans waited eagerly until the release-heavy fourth quarter rolled around for RZA's prediction, given some four years prior, to be realized.

The Wu Tang Clan has been hip-hop's leading innovator since the early 1990s, when they released their seminal debut, "Return to the 36 Chambers." Since then, the members of the Clan have released several sterling solo projects, another group album and appeared

on many collaborative projects, all the while spawning legions of imitators — most of whom aren't worthy of carrying Ol' Dirty Bastard's urine sample.

Now the boys are back with their new album, "The W," a banging collection of RZA-produced gems that will have even the most skeptical Wu fans bobbing their heads.

The record features a return to the eerie, gritty style so prominently featured on early Wu works but which has recently been replaced with a more glittery and commercialized sound that attempts to appeal to the mainstream.

"Hollow Bones," one of the album's best tracks, is vintage Wu-Tang at its finest. Over a looped sample of a bone-chilling moan, RZA couples a subdued bass line with jangling strings to provide Ghostface Killa, Raekwon and Inspektah Deck with a desolate sonic soundscape over which to drop their tales of misery.

Many will mourn the near absence of Ol' Dirty, one of the Wu's most charismatic members. His presence is reduced to a set of prerecorded verses thrown together with an almost unlistenable Snoop Dogg guest spot, since ODB was in rehab for much of the album's production.

Despite the lack of material by the Dirty one and the atypical inclusion of guest appearances, which — other than the Redman verse on "Redbull," — only detract from the album — "The W" is an impressive collection of tracks and a much-needed return to form by the Shaolin MCs.

— By Scott Burroughs

### New Year:

*According to the Chinese calendar it is the year 4697*

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ago there really was no such thing as "New Year's" season.

**WHEN IS IT?**

Because the Chinese New Year follows the lunar cycle, the dates change every year under the Roman calendar. However, the solar year is taken into account. Because the lunar cycle lasts for 29.5 days, extra months must be inserted every few years in order to "catch up" with the solar calendar. This can best be compared to adding an extra day on leap year. The Chinese New Year starts with the new moon on the first day of the year and ends on the full moon 15 days later. This 15th day is better known as the "Lantern Festival," where children parade through the streets brandishing an assortment of colorful lanterns. According to legend, the Yellow Emperor, Huang Ti, started to compute time in 2696 with the help of his prime minister. Therefore, under the Chinese calendar, this year is really 4697 rather than 2001.

**CREATION MYTH**

Historically, there isn't so much to go on in terms of triangulating an academic explanation of the Chinese New Year. What roots the East to the lunar calendar is a tradition so deeply embedded into its culture, it has become a marker of national pride and identification. Virtually everything drunk, eaten or played with has symbolic value.

The holiday itself carries a nifty little creation myth concerning a beast named "Nian," translated into English as "year," who gets hungry for humans after a terribly bad winter season. Consequently, an immortal god, disguising himself as an old man, tricks the beast into swallowing all the other animals terrorizing humankind. He eventually mounts the beast and rides off into the proverbial sunset. Before leaving, however, the god warns the people to place red lanterns and light firecrackers at each year's end to scare away the Nian in case it happens to sneak back.

Not only does this explain the importance of the color red as well as its exorbitant use of firecrackers in New Year's festivities, it also uncovers a smart pun on words. "Guo Nian," meaning "celebrate the (New) Year," may also be translated as "surviving the beast," as the word "nian" refers to the mythical creature and "guo" carries the double definitions of "observing" as well as "passing over." However, this creation myth is generally restricted to the Chinese, as other Asian cultures who celebrate the New Year do not share this view or may not even be familiar with it.

**ORIGINAL PURPOSE**

New Year's Day is celebrated as a family affair throughout Asia. It is considered a time for reconciliation, reunion and most importantly, thanksgiving. The holiday was traditionally celebrated with a religious ceremony honoring Heaven and Earth, the gods of the household as well as family ancestors. Consequently, the most vital ritual concerning the New Year was a sacrifice to the ancestors, which promised unity among living members of the family and a peaceful rest for ancestral spirits. Therefore, on New Year's Eve, the communal dinner called "weilu," or "surrounding the stove," was held in their honor and became a symbol for cohesion and reverence for the past.

**TRADITIONS**

There are a cornucopia of traditions involved with the Chinese New Year. Of the more notable, all debts are to be paid before the New Year. Otherwise, one is subjected to another year of debt. All sons and daughters are expected to return to their families, married couples generally going to the groom's family. All homes are cleaned thoroughly, not only in anticipation of returning children, but also as sign of purity within the household. Doors are decorated with red and gold cut-outs with themes of wealth and longevity. New Year's Eve is usually spent at home, feasting together with traditional dishes such as rice pudding and steamed dumplings. Midnight is received with firecrackers bursting through the streets, intended to drive evil spirits away. Lights are kept on throughout the night, again to discourage evil spirits from entering.

On the first morning, children are given envelopes filled with money from their families, symbolizing wishes for good luck. In return, children are expected to wish all adults an auspicious and lucrative new year. After the whole family gets up, it begins caravanning door to door, wishing good luck and fortune to relatives, friends and neighbors.

Although these customs are primarily Chinese, other Asian nations that celebrate the Lunar New Year share similar traditions with minor variant features. The Taiwanese carry a more elaborate tradition with their fireworks, whereas Korean children must ceremonially bow to their elders before receiving their monetary "blessings."

No matter what the changes in detail may be, the East as a whole, if it may be grouped as a "whole," considers the Lunar New Year to be a time of family reunion and ritual pageantry. The spontaneity of deciding where to "spend" New Year's Eve is replaced with tradition and reminiscence. It might not be as "exciting" as millions of couples kissing at midnight amidst thousands of fireworks under the Eiffel Tower. But hey, at least you don't have to find a date.

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**Snake:**

1953,1965,1977,1989,2001  
The whole Adam and Eve thing unfortunately gave snakes a bad wrap here in the West, forever type-casting them as "evil." Although Eastern cultures tack on similar personifications to the snake as being crafty and manipulative, their scope on the matter extends a little farther than their Western cousins. Those born under the year of the Snake are said to be exceptionally good looking, but as a result, rather vain about it. Consequently, those born under the sign are prone to numerous relationship problems with

their inflated egos. Not to mention, snakes are supposedly oversexed. Known for their "fertility" and, ahem, "regenerative" nature, snakes are said to be ingeniously flirtatious, every word and gesture calculated and hypothesized. Snakes definitely get the cookie for sexual OCD in the Chinese zodiac. But don't expect it to slither away into therapy or counseling. The snake will only trust his or her own judgement, bending more towards intuition than rationality. Indeed, the wisdom snakes are reputed for is more of an intuitive device. "feeling" what's right over

anything else. Therefore, first impressions are very key for those born under the snake. Amidst its audacious confidence, the most annoying characteristic about the snake is that it is usually right on target with its presumptions, which is usually followed by an even more annoying "I told you so" smirk. Money is something snakes never have to worry about as their luck, quite literally, leads to gold. They are calm, determined, and philosophical. Although cerebral, those who call this dubious sign their own are said to make their decisions quick and firm in true Machiavellian fashion.

In short, good things just happen to fall into the laps of those born under the snake sign, and they seem to be aware of this cosmic quirk. However, beneath their cool and collected appearance, lies unsurmountable insecurities. Snakes also tend to be maniacally jealous and possessive with their partners, even if they have stopped loving them. Rejection is the snakes' ultimate bane as they require acceptance and security from those they come in contact with. Thus, all in all, it's really not that easy being green.  
Famous Snakes: Franz Schubert, John F. Kennedy, Brooke Shields

**Horse:**

1954,1966,1978,1990,2002  
Confident and proud. Horse people are active and energetic. Quick witted and born to travel. Boundless ambition, but extremely hot-headed and impatient. Poor at relationships, the horse generally depends on his own wits and labor. Famous Horses: Thomas Edison, Clint Eastwood



**Sheep:**

1955,1967,1979,1991,2003  
Sensitive, creative and multitasked. Eccentric yet stable. Artistic, lovers of nature. Hopeless dreamers, with pangs of anxiety every so often. Vain about their looks and somewhat indecisive, sweet and darling nonetheless. Tend to study the esoteric. Famous Sheep: Rudolph Valentino, Jane Austen



# SLITHER IN THE NEW YEAR



**Monkey:**

1956,1968,1979,1992,2004  
Wily and cunning. Monkeys generally ignore rules of any kind. Free spirited, their charm and humor make them popular with people. Opportunistic and indifferent, monkeys don't hold secrets or loyalties very well. But, their charm and intelligence make up for their faux pas. Famous Monkeys: Julius Caesar, Elizabeth Taylor



The Chinese zodiac is the oldest in the world. Like Western astrology it divides people into 12 personality types. Unlike Western astrology, the Chinese system does not look to the constellations to portray human archetypes as mythical, celestial creatures. Instead, Chinese astrology is rooted firmly in the shifting patterns of life on earth, the seasons, the weather, and complex Oriental philosophy.



**Rooster:**

1957,1969,1980,1993,2005  
Brave and enthusiastic. Notoriously picky. Highly intelligent with their high observational skills, they rarely have the wool pulled over their eyes. Can spend hours in front of the mirror. Great hosts who love to entertain and loyal to the bitter end. Famous Roosters: Confucius, Verdi



**Dog:**

1958,1970,1981,1994,2006  
Honest, loyal, sincere. Believes in justice for all. Fights for principles. Takes issues seriously, and prone to ulcers with his anxiety. Sometimes bad tempered and self-righteous. Famous Dogs: Debussy, Madonna

**Boar:**

1959,1971,1982,1995,2007  
Will do anything for anybody. Chivalrous. Occasionally has fits of rage. Self-sacrificing and altruistic. Sensitive, but naive. Possessive, jealous, and exclusive. These are quickly forgotten with their enormous empathy. Famous Boars: Steven Spielberg, Ronald Reagan

**Rat:**

1948,1960,1972,1984,1996  
Said to be compassionate, tenacious, and organized. Their humbleness may be misconstrued as timidity. But don't be fooled. Rats love to control the situation and easily get angered when things don't go their way. More prone to "acquaintances" than friends. Famous Rats: Mozart, Plato

**Dragon:**

1952,1964,1976,1988,2000  
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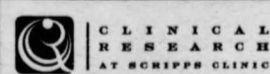
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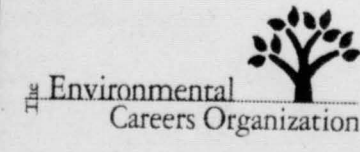
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### Ravens: Facing off against tough Giants defense

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But, one might argue, the Giants can fall back on the arm of Kerry Collins. After all, he did throw for 381 yards and five touchdowns last game. But that was only one good game, after seasons of Collins being unable to live up to his hype and being cut by the Panthers and Saints as a result of his ineptitude.

The pass rushes of Minnesota and Baltimore are like night and day. Collins will have considerably less time in the pocket, which will force him to be quicker, smarter and more accurate. His scrambling ability, however, is not even close to the Raiders' Rich Gan-

non, whom the Ravens absolutely owned in the AFC championship game.

The Giants offensive, impressive as it was against Minnesota, does not pose a lot of big offensive threats that should cause Baltimore any worry. Baltimore has already handily disposed of Tennessee, whose offense was ranked 14th in the league; the Broncos with their second-ranked offense; and perhaps what was the most balanced team in the playoffs, the Raiders, whose offense was ranked sixth.

The Giants offense may be riding the momentum from one good game, but the Ravens defense has been dominating the whole season and hasn't allowed a rusher to gain over 100 yards against them in the past 36 games. But the Ravens aren't invincible.

They do have a weakness: their

offense. Trent Dilfer, similar to Collins, was released from his previous team due to uninspired play. Their whole game plan consists of running, running and safe short passes. Baltimore's offensive unit

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They do have trustworthy out-

lets in tight end Shannon Sharpe, who scorched the Raiders last week, and in rookie running back Jamal Lewis.

Most importantly, however, is the fact that the Ravens' offense is not under pressure to keep it close.

The Ravens know their defense will keep them in the game and give them good field position.

The Giants, on the other hand, will be facing what some are calling the best defense ever, and they know they will have to penetrate it at least once to have a chance to win.

So the fact is the most exciting thing about this year's Super Bowl (besides the commercials) will be the defensive battle between the two teams. There's no question that Baltimore has a better defense; but what is in doubt is if the Giants will be able to contain

the Ravens' mediocre offensive. They had better hope so, because this year Baltimore is undefeated when they have scored 10 or more points.

One last point to consider is this: if the Ravens can shut down the Raiders — the sixth-best offense in the league, in the Oakland Coliseum, in front of thousands of rabid, drug-crazed fans — then playing the New York Giants, ranked 13th offensively, on neutral ground shouldn't even make them break a sweat.

One of the most important things to keep in mind about the game, however, is that if offers about three hours or so to gorge yourself on tasty snack foods and chug beer after beer while plunked down on your couch with thirty to fifty of your closest pals.

Yo, man-pass the Funyons and that case of Natty Ice.

### Giants:

*Offense should score just enough for the title*

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good. He led the Panthers to the NFC championship game during his third year. He was a hell of a college quarterback. If he remains focused, he can make things happen. He did throw for 3,600 yards this year.

The way I see the Super Bowl shaping up is this: The Ravens' defense will get a safety some time in the first half. They will also cause a turnover early on, setting the ball up for their offense deep in Giants territory, giving them a field goal.

For these accomplishments, Ray Lewis will be named the game's Most Valuable Player. Yes, someone charged with murder will be named the MVP of the Super Bowl. Not only that, he will be on the losing team — only the second time that will have happened.

The Giants' defense will keep the Ravens' offense at bay, aside for the field goal, the entire game. Kerry Collins and the offense will have two big plays in the second half, setting up two field goals and a championship.

My final score: Giants 6, Ravens 5.

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## UCSD CLUBSPORTS

### WOMEN'S ULTIMATE

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First, UCSD downed undefeated Claremont 13-2. Then it smacked around UCSB with a 15-3 victory to advance to the finals. Against Stanford in the final bracket, UCSD did not slow down, winning again 15-3.

Bryan Martya and Alicia White were dominant forces for UCSD.

The next big competition for UCSD will be the Presidents' Day Tournament from Feb. 17 to Feb. 19, which it will host.

### MEN'S ULTIMATE

The UCSD men's ultimate team did not have as much success as its female counterpart, but it did hold its own at the UCSB Classic.

The men faced Stanford in the semifinals, knocking them off 14-10. Jeff Smile, Brian Chu and Philipp Miller had great games for UCSD. In the finals against UCSB, the men came up just short, losing 16-15. Jake Chang and Steven Ringel kept UCSD in the match until the very end.

The next big event for UCSD is the Presidents' Day Tournament, Feb. 17 to Feb. 19 at UCSD.

### WOMEN'S RUGBY

The UCSD women's rugby team suffered a disappointing loss against UC Santa Barbara on the road this weekend.

The two teams were as even as can be heading into the game, which UCSB won 24-20.

UCSD had their way with UCSB in the first half, and were actually up by 15 points at the end of the first half. Laura Reeves scored twice and Melina Madrigal also scored.

In the second half, however, UCSB had an amazing comeback, pulling out the win.

Candace Jackman and Teresa Facchini had big days for UCSD. The team next plays at home on Jan. 27 against Arizona State.

### ICE HOCKEY

The UCSD ice hockey team had a weekend it would rather forget as it fell to California State University Long Beach 8-4.

UCSD gave up four unanswered goals to open up play and never recovered. The team did struggle back, closing to within 5-4 at the end of the second period, but it was too little, too late. Long Beach strapped on its skates and gave it to UCSD in the third period for the dominating win.

Casey Kempirell, Stephen Cohen, Rich Hsiao and Keith Davis all contributed goals. UCSD goalkeeper Scott Friedman tried his best, making 18 saves in the third period alone.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

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### Giants:

*Defense will have no  
problem against Ravens*

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work in the Super Bowl.

Frankly, the Ravens' offense is downright pitiful. Folks, we're talking about a bunch that did not score a touchdown during the month of October — an entire month.

Trent Dilfer is not a Super Bowl caliber quarterback, and he does not have the potential to be one, yet he is in the big game. He's a nice backup, sure, but not a championship starter by any means. Why do you think Tampa got rid of him in favor of Sean King?

At running back they have Jamal Lewis, which is not too bad considering he rumbled for over 1,300 yards this year, but he can't do it by himself. Plus, the Giants' defense will be all over him like Bill Clinton on an intern.

Who else do they have? Shannon Sharpe? He is the best tight end playing today, but someone has to get him the ball. If they put Sharpe in as quarterback and have him throw the ball to himself,

maybe they would have a game plan.

The Ravens got extremely lucky a couple of Sundays ago against an overrated Oakland team in the AFC Championship game. If it hadn't been for a lucky pass play to Sharp and a turnover by the Raiders, they may still be

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playing that game as we speak. On a scale of 1 to 10, the Ravens defense is a 9.8, but their offense is not even on the chart.

The Giants' defense is not nearly as good, but their offense is a whole lot better.

On defense, the Giants will not have to do much to keep the game

close, but there are high school teams that could stop the Ravens' offense. OK, that may be a little much, but what the Giants do have to offer will prove sufficient. Hell, look at what they did to Minnesota's high-flying attack a couple of weeks ago. With inspired play, they made the Vikings look like the Chargers.

On the offensive side, the Giants running game is decent with Tiki Barber and Ron Dayne. Will they be able to get anything done against the Ravens? Not at all, but that is not to say they won't try.

The difference in this game is the Giants quarterback, Kerry Collins.

OK, no more scoffing, or at least cut out your boisterous laughter. But I think Collins has it in him to win this game.

Many forget the good parts of Collins' career and concentrate on the bad. Yes, he did have an alcohol problem that nearly cost him his career. He also simply gave up with the Carolina Panthers, making him look like a jackass.

But hey, this is the NFL, home of second chances.

When Collins was not acting like a dumbass, he was pretty

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# SPORTS



## Super Bowl is All About the 'D'

### Giants' Collins will crack Ravens' code

By **ROBERT FULTON**

Sports Editor

This weekend, the New York Giants and the Baltimore Ravens will engage in Super Bowl XXXV.

Who will the winner be, you may ask? Well, New York, of course.

The big game this year pits two teams better known for defense than for offense. In other words, this will not be an offensive blockbuster.

Defense, though, is awesome to watch when it is done right. It can be just as fun to observe as high-flying offenses such as those of the Rams and Vikings. The question just flips around. It is no longer a wonder how much a team will score, but how little

the opponents will be held to.

The Ravens have a stellar defense. Unfortunately, that is all they have.

The superiority of the Baltimore defense is not up for debate. They have some of the best defense in recent memory, maybe even as good as the Bears' defense in 1985. It is their offense that has a problem. Defense does win championships, but you need at least a little bit of offense to make some points.

The Ravens' plan so far this year has been to have the defense hold an opponent's offense in check so the Ravens' offense can get into field goal range.

Sorry, but that is not going to

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### Raven defense will say 'Nevermore' to Giants

By **ISAAC PEARLMAN**

Associate Sports Editor

Anyone who has ever played a team sport has heard it; the one quote coaches ceaselessly chant as soon as conditioning begins: "Defense wins championships."

The Baltimore Ravens have not only subscribed to that ideology, but come Super Bowl Sunday, they will prove that wisdom's inheritance by beating the New York Giants and winning Super Bowl XXXV.

This prediction may go against common sense, picking a one-dimensional team to beat the NFC champion Giants who demolished the Minnesota Vikings 41-0 in the NFC championship game.

But I say the Giants don't have

a chance.

Yes, New York did set all kinds of offensive records last game, but that was against one of the worst defenses in the league. When they try to run against the Baltimore Ravens, Giants running backs Tiki Barber and Ron Dayne will not find the gaps they found against Minnesota. Instead, they will be met with fearsome, hard-hitting Baltimore linemen and linebackers who seem to be everywhere at once.

Besides, the Ravens are coming off a victory in which they held the Oakland Raiders — the No. 1 rushing team in the league to 24 yards, this on a team that averaged over 150 rushing yards per game during the regular season.

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## Miller is Bright Spot

### Star is doing his best despite team's losing season

By **GLORIA CHUNG**

Staff Writer

Most of us have heard the saying "What a difference a year makes." In the case of UCSD basketball forward Cole Miller, one year has definitely made a difference. This season Miller, a senior, is shooting a lethal 40 percent from three-point land and leads the team in points per game, rebounds per game, minutes played and free throw percentage. So is there anything more the senior could possibly do? Probably not, but his tremendous work ethic will no doubt propel him to even greater heights.

Although the transition from Division III to Division II has not been the easiest for the men's basketball team, Miller is doing all he can to lead the Tritons to victory in his final season. The California Collegiate Athletic Association has proven to be a tough league, but Miller sees a lot of positives to playing in Division II.

"The events are more exciting because at both home and away games, a lot of people come out to watch," he said. "It's also easier to win at home in the new league."

And after looking at UCSD's pair of home games last weekend, it is easy to see why Miller believes in home court advantage. Even though the Tritons lost both games, they were never out of contention in either game, losing by 10 points to California State University Los Angeles and a mere two points to CSU Dominguez Hills. Miller led the team in scoring both nights, finishing up the weekend with a total of 45 points and nailing eight of 15 three-pointers against Dominguez Hills.

With just over 10 games remaining in the season, Miller says that the team has a positive outlook and has to remain as competitive as it has been.

When asked if he feels any pressure to put up big numbers game in and game out, Miller simply said that there is no pressure, but that he does it for his teammates.

"I don't really have to do anything extra," he said. "We have a team-oriented offense, so it doesn't have to come down to just one person."

However, head coach Greg Lanthier recognizes the extra effort that Miller has put into his game since his junior year.

"Cole has worked hard in the offseason to get better, and he's played outstandingly well this season," Lanthier said. "You have to credit him for that."

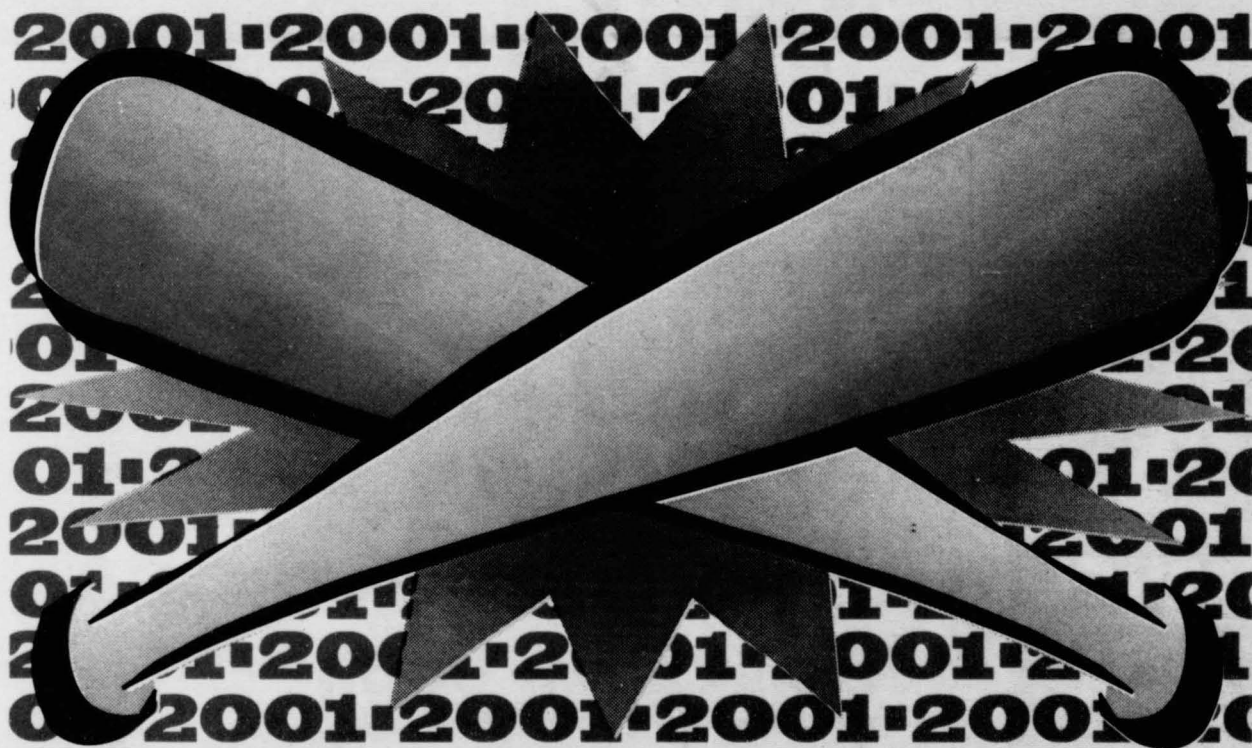
"He's always been a hard worker," he added. "The only thing that surprises me about him is how comfortable he is on the floor when you compare this year to last year."

Aside from hard work, there are a few other things that have helped

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## It's Time to Play Ball!

The UCSD softball and baseball teams are gearing up



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### Softball squad to continue success

By **ROBERT FULTON**

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The UCSD softball team is venturing into uncharted territory, hoping for a new beginning but with the same positive results.

This is the first season that the team will participate at the competitive Division II level.

At the Division III level, the Tritons held their own. Just last year, they went 25-13 and earned a playoff berth. This year's competition will be much tougher, but the team hopes to still make some waves.

With the move up to a higher

division comes something else — a home in the California Collegiate Athletic Association. The CCAA is regarded as the best Division II conference in the nation.

"First of all, we're very excited about it," said Triton head coach Patti Gerckens. "I don't really know a lot about the conference. I know the teams are strong. I don't know if the strength is more in the pitching or in the hitting."

The move up to a different and harder level requires a different approach to how the Tritons

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### Triton baseball has influx of new talent

By **ARVIND VASAN**

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Get ready for a great season of America's pastime, as UCSD's baseball team gears up for its 2001 season.

At the helm of the squad is Dan O'Brien, who is starting his fourth year as head coach of the Tritons. With his help, the Tritons compiled a record of 22 wins and 13 losses last year in Division III, and a record of 15-8-0 in league play.

Seven seniors will hopefully lead the 2001 squad to the playoffs, despite the loss of experience with the graduation of six of

last year's players. The team also acquired some top-notch freshman and junior college transfers to build a good lineup. Despite the moderately young team, the Tritons hope to make their mark in the beginning of the long season.

"Any time you lose six players, depth will be lost," junior Andrew Holloway said. "The coaching staff has brought in some good incoming players and junior college players who will be thrust into the spotlight, so hopefully they can play to their best ability."

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