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Malnutrition Affects More Than Half of all Tibetan Children

BEIJING — Half of all children in the Tibetan region of China suffer from stunted growth, medical problems and potentially impaired intellectual development as a result of malnutrition, according to a new study by U.S. and Tibetan doctors. The often small stature of Tibetans and others living in isolated mountain areas of Asia has sometimes been attributed to the effects of high altitude, and scientists have debated whether it signals

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National

Bush's Tuition Tax Credit Plan Could Have Bigger Impact Than Vouchers

WASHINGTON — When President Bush announced his plan for educational reform last week, one feature attracted sharp controversy: a proposal to use vouchers for poor children in persistently failing schools. But another item with even more far-reaching effect, one especially dear to Bush's core constituency of suburban Republicans and religious conservatives, caught little notice.

Buried in his blueprint for overhauling education, Bush proposed

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Collegiate

Fee-based Napster Set for Summer, USC Ban Remains for Now

LOS ANGELES — Napster will begin charging users a subscription fee for its MP3 song-swapping service this summer, various news sources reported Monday.

The University of Southern California, which banned virtually all uses of Napster on its servers in the wake of a lawsuit last year, will maintain its ban at least for the moment, said Kris Dotto, a secretary at the office of general counsel. "Our office is keeping tabs on what's going on, but there will be no

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Spoken

"I don't see how a college-specific item should be on the table."

— Mark Stickel  
Member of the Revelle College Council

ANTI-ZIONISM WEEK: PART 2 OF 3



David Pilz/Guardian

Protest: Jordan Koplowitz and Sadat Aimaq debate Zionism this week at a table on Library Walk belonging to the Union of Jewish Students.

Anti-Zionism Week Sparks Debate

Student groups attempt to educate the campus on the issue

By VINCENT GRAGNANI  
Senior Staff Writer

The Muslim Student Association is marking Anti-Zionism Week this week with speakers, videos and tables on Library Walk, sparking much debate on campus.

UCSD's MSA President Ehab Ibrahim said he feels his organization has done a successful job in educating students on Zionism and the situation in the Middle East.

"The main thing we're trying to accomplish is to make people aware of the situation of the Palestinian people and the effects Zionist philosophy has had on them," he said. "I think we've done a decent job of that."

Monday's speaker, Richard Becker from the human rights group International Action Center, gave an eyewitness account of the current state of Israel.

He spoke of a double standard of justice for Jews and non-Jews in Israel, and how non-Jews are often not allowed to go from one town to another.

"Israel is pursuing a policy of strangulation — economic strangulation of the people living there," Becker said.

Becker also gave a history of Zionism in the Middle East and distributed handouts detailing

the changes in control over Middle Eastern territory.

Lila Hollman, a member of the Union of Jewish Students, said Becker had a communist take on his historical account of the region.

"There was definitely interpretation of history and he definitely left out certain key aspects of the history of the country," she said.

Tuesday night's video, "The Land and the People," gave an account of day-to-day life in Israel.

It depicted road blocks, the use of rubber and plastic bullets and the stopping of non-Jewish cars by Israeli police.

UJS President Wade Strauss said he thought the video was one-sided and somewhat outdated but acknowledged that it was an appropriate critique of Israeli policies.

"It did address a lot of the things that did and do go on there," he said.

MSA Treasurer Muslema Purmul said she is pleased to have people attending the Anti-Zionism events.

"We're hoping that people recognize the controversy," she said. "They don't have to

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Student Life Referendum Meets Criticism

Allocation of funds is at the center of debate

By PATRICK LEE  
Staff Writer

The proposed Campus Life Referendum was the subject of heated debate at a committee meeting Monday in the Chancellor's Complex. With the Feb. 2 deadline for campus organizations' funding requests rapidly approaching, the committee opened the floor to public input on the referendum.

While many support the Campus Life Referendum, which would potentially increase graduate and undergraduate quarterly fees by as much as \$75, the bill collided head-on with fervent criticism and opposition at Monday's meeting.

Among the topics of debate was the referendum's goal of providing funding for the expansion of the Muir College Stuart Commons. Some in attendance, such as Mark Stickel of the Revelle College Council, see the item as inappropriate on a bill that, according to A.S. Council President Doc Khaleghi, is intended to benefit all of UCSD at once.

"I don't see how a college-specific item should be on the table. It's not campus-wide," Stickel said. "How do I convince a Revelle student to vote for the referendum when this item affects only Muir students?"

In response, Muir College Council Chair Cristina Villegas defended the item, pointing out that each of the university's five colleges had the opportunity to submit a proposal for individual college expansion, and that Muir was the only college to have made a submission.

"At least one-fifth of the students will benefit from this item," Villegas said. "[The Stuart Commons] is a huge part of Muir life."

According to Villegas, more than 30 student organizations use the area for their various meetings and events.

Pat Danylyshyn-Adams, resident dean of Muir campus, also supported the item's inclusion in the referendum.

"[Non-Muir] students may also use the Commons," she said. "College affiliation is not required for that."

Danylyshyn-Adams likened the dispute to the fact that, although not every UCSD student is an intercollegiate athlete, the referendum will most likely include funding aimed at making UCSD seem more like a Division II

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UCSD Receives Record Number of Fall 2001 Applicants

Minority applicants and SAT scores on the rise while average GPAs go down

By MARGARET O'NEILL  
Staff Writer

UCSD received more minority applications for fall 2001 in its second record-setting year, while the overall minority percentages in the whole pool remain relatively unchanged.

Freshman applications rose 7.6 percent to 38,082 applications. The university also received 6,936

transfer applications, up 12.3 percent from last year, making the total number of undergraduate applications a record 45,018.

Among the freshman applicants, sizable increases in number were recorded for all ethnicities. Applications of black students rose 10.9 percent to a total of 1,192 of the 38,082 freshman applications received. Black students submitted 3.1 percent of the

fall 2001 freshman applications, up slightly from last year's 3 percent.

Freshman Mexican-American applications totaled 3,537, or 9.3 percent of all applications. The percentage of applications submitted by Mexican-Americans rose to 9.3 percent of the whole from 8.4 percent in the fall 2000 applicant pool.

In addition, Latino applications

rose 9.6 percent to reach a total of 1,155. Latinos submitted 3 percent of the applications received for fall 2001, the same as the previous year.

Applications from Native-Americans increased to 210 from last year's 186, a rise of 12.9 percent. This is 0.6 percent of the applications received, up slightly

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EVENTS

Thursday, Feb. 1

Performing Arts: Paul Hom and R. Carlos Nakai

Carlos Nakai, one of the world's best Native American flautists, and Grammy winner Paul Hom will perform at 7:30 p.m. in the Mandeville Center Auditorium.

Showcase: The UCSD Speech and Debate Team

The UCSD speech and debate team will hold its annual Speech and Debate Night at 5 p.m. in Center Hall 216.

Film: 'Remember the Titans'

The film is sponsored by the University Centers and will be shown at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. in the Price Center Theater.

Friday, Feb. 2

Pep Rally: Triton Tide Spirit Night Rally

The cheer squad and the pep band will perform at 12:30 p.m. in the Price Center Plaza.

Saturday, Feb. 3

Film: Teeny-Tiny Pit Orchestra for Silent Films

A novelty orchestra will perform live music at the Seuss Room of Geisel Library at 11 a.m.

Sunday, Feb. 4

Community Service: Street Clean-up

The Ocean Awareness Club will hold its third annual street cleanup in Pacific Beach.

Wednesday, Feb. 7

Author Appearance: Susan Miller

Author and creator of the popular Web site http://astrologyzone.com will appear at the UCSD Bookstore at 3 p.m.

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BRIEFLY

Scientists Convert Leaves into Petals

UCSD biologists recently discovered a process to alter leaves genetically so they take the form of petals.

The biologists published their findings in the February issue of Current Biology. The findings describe how the scientists found a new floral gene which, when combined with three other genes, creates the capability to turn leaves into petals.

Nominations Teaching Awards Being Sought

The Academic Senate Committee on Distinguished Teaching, which is comprised of faculty and student representatives, is soliciting nominations for this year's annual Distinguished Teaching Awards.

The awards will be given to a select number of faculty and graduate students who have made extraordinary contributions to UCSD as distinguished teachers.

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Student Regent to Speak About Application Process

UC student Regent Tracy Davis is scheduled to visit UCSD on Feb. 16 to have lunch with...

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In the Jan. 29 issue a Vanilla Ice photo was erroneously credited to Lyon Liew; it was courtesy of Dave Hignett.

dents and discuss the student regent application process that is currently underway.

Davis is a graduate student at UCLA and was appointed by the Regents in September 2000. Davis will begin her term on July 1, 2001.

UCSD Researchers Imitate Lupus Gene in Mice

Researchers at the UCSD School of Medicine have discovered a gene in mice that simulates the systemic lupus erythematosus (SLE) disease.

Lupus is a fatal disease in humans that attacks numerous organs and turns people's immune systems against them.

The UCSD scientists published their findings in the Jan. 30 issue of "Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences."

The research was supported by grants from the National Institutes of Health and the Howard Hughes Institute, along with contributions from the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council and Welcome Trust.

Cancer Center Researchers Make Cells Self-Destruct

UCSD Cancer Center researchers have discovered a new way to make leukemia cells self-destruct.

The process began by using a two-drug combination and coaxing a deadly cancer-causing molecule called Bcr-Abl from its command center in the cell cytoplasm.

Two drugs that the team found to be useful in this process were ST1571 and Leptomycin B.

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Referendum: Many support further revision of the referendum

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Despite his reservations concerning the Stuart Commons, Stickel is an optimistic supporter of the referendum. "Things are coming along," he said.

While many support further revision of the referendum before it is voted upon, more adamant opponents of the proposal would like to see it scrapped altogether.

Gan objected on behalf of the co-ops to the Campus Life Referendum Committee's failure to follow proper procedure for initializing a student referendum.

She also said that a year 2000 Supreme Court ruling requires that all student fees must go toward education, leaving to question the referendum's intent to further expand many of the on-campus university centers.

Gan said the co-ops are calling for an end to the committee's "unnecessary inertia" in its efforts to pass the referendum.

Probably the point of highest contention at Monday's meeting was the discussion of the recent removal of Graduate Students Association Vice President of Academic Affairs Kris Bohling as well another member from the referendum committee.

GSA President Lea Ruiz made the decision to withdraw the two as voting members on the committee, taking their places herself.

"I made an executive decision to

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Anti-Zionism Posters Cause Controversy

Signs posted around campus argued that anti-Zionism is anti-Semitic

By VINCENT GRAGNANI Senior Staff Writer



Tolerance: Jordan Kopolowicz stands behind a "tolerance" sign with Adam Stein while they talk to Sadat Aimaq. The Union of Jewish Students handed out information and explained its views in light of Anti-Zionism Week.

Posters and flyers related to Anti-Zionism Week have been appearing all over campus for the past few weeks, some of them stirring much debate.

MSA Treasurer Muslema Purmul and Revelle freshman Salma Shabaik on Monday morning removed a poster that stated "Anti-Zionism is inherently Anti-Semitic."

Purmul said she saw the poster as an attack on her, personally.

"It's almost a deliberate attempt to misrepresent our image, to make us look like racists when really we're anti-racist."

Marcia Strong, adviser to MSA and the Union of Jewish Students, said posters not bearing the name of the organization sponsoring them may be taken down.

Purmul said she had been told that rule and therefore thought it was legal to take the poster down.

"It's a free speech area," she said. "It's my right to take it down. I'm not ashamed of [having taken it down]. It was a direct attack on me."

She added that she had no intention to destroy the poster and that she took it straight to the A.S. Council offices to ask about the legitimacy of the poster.

UJS member Lila Hollman said the removal of the poster was an act of disrespect.

"It upsets me because we're talking about freedom of speech here and it should be respected," she said. "To have them come and take our stuff is really hurtful and ridiculous."

The poster is back up in the Price Center, with the words "Sponsored by Union of Jewish Students" added to it.

Flyers bearing anti-Jewish statements have also appeared in the Price Center over the past couple of days. The flyers bear no name or author.

Anti-Zion: Other names were considered for the event

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agree with us, just listen to our story."

Purmul added that she hopes the current controversy and conflict will lead to eventual peace and justice, comparing the movement to the civil rights movement in America.

"I look at people like Martin Luther King," she said. "His position was to fight oppression. The people who rallied against them didn't understand what he was fighting for. He challenged the status quo. And look at what it led to. Look at the rights African Americans have today."

Ibrahim said he was displeased by the fact that Anti-

Zionism Week had created such a controversy before it even started, even though the controversy brought attention to the event.

"The main reason I feel the charges were put against us was to discredit us before we were given a chance to speak," Ibrahim said. "It has had an adverse effect in some ways, but in other ways it has brought attention to our week."

Ibrahim added that if he had to do over again, he would only change the name of Anti-Zionism Week if he could come up with an accurate alternative.

"We would definitely consider that," he said. "We were trying to come up with alternative titles for an exact description of what we were trying to do."

Both Ibrahim and Purmul said, however, that no other title would suffice.

Applications: More females apply to UCSD than males

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from fall 2000's 0.5 percent.

Asian-American applications rose 7.3 percent to constitute 29.2 percent of the total for the fall 2001 quarter, and Filipino-American applicants submitted 16.4 percent more applications than they did last year to make up 4.8 percent of the applicants.

Caucasian applications constituted 14,095 of the 38,082, a rise of 4.1 percent over last year, to make up 37.0 percent of the applications, down from fall 2000's 39.7 percent.

Transfer applications have been on the rise since 1999. They rose 15.4 percent in 2000.

"For two years we have had a remarkable and welcome increase in our transfer and freshman applications, as well as from African-Americans, Mexican-Americans and Native-Americans," said Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Joseph Watson.

"It is reassuring to see that such well-qualified students are responding to our intensive recruitment efforts, such as our partnerships with high schools and community colleges."

The gentler breakdown of the applicant pool for fall 2001 was

54.7 percent female, 44.7 percent male and 0.5 percent undeclared for freshman applications. The female-to-male ratio among applicants has increased since fall 2000, when females constituted 53.9 percent of the applicant pool and males 47.7 percent.

Among transfer applicants, men's applications rose 15.5 percent, while women's rose only 9.6.

The largest section of applicants declaring a major (20.9 percent) applied to the social sciences majors. Science and math applicants were 17.2 percent of the total, and applications to the engineering majors constituted 18.1 percent. The engineering majors saw many more applicants than for fall 2000, with a whopping 14.7 percent increase.

A total of 10,578 freshman applicants applied as undeclared majors, 29.9 percent of the applicant pool. The arts and humanities majors pulled 3.6 percent of the pool apiece.

The academic attributes of applicants remained similar to that of the fall 2000 pool. The average high school grade point average of a freshman applicant for next year is 3.72, down slightly from fall 2000's average of 3.73.

The mean GPA of transfer students remained stable at 3.26, the same as last year.

The average SAT composite score rose to 1213 from 1211. The two-point rise was in the verbal score average, which, this year, was 587. The mean SAT math score remained 626.

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**Nuclear Missile Defense Shield is an Unrealistic Goal**

President George W. Bush did not waste much time in affirming that a nuclear defense shield would be one of his priorities during his administration. Nuclear defense was brought to prominence during the Reagan years under the title of the Strategic Defense Initiative, later deemed "Star Wars." Many claim that the money that Reagan spent on this pipe dream forced the Soviet Union to attempt to keep up financially, an action that eventually broke Mikhail Gorbachev's nation and led to its downfall. Giving credit to the SDI for the fall of the Soviet Union may not be justified, but the *Guardian* feels that attempting to finish the plans that the SDI started would be a mistake of catastrophic proportions.

It is now estimated that a nuclear shield would cost American taxpayers a dollar amount numbering in the trillions. Considering the fact that every trillion dollars that the federal government spends costs the average American about \$3,500, the *Guardian* feels that this exorbitant sum of money could be better spent elsewhere in the budget.

Moreover, we are not certain if all our money and expertise can build a missile shield that would work properly. Tests have been less than successful so far, and most of these tests were done under conditions that make the shield more likely to succeed. Success in life-like situations could be decades away or more.

Another point to consider is the reaction from other countries to the building of such a weapon. All great nuclear powers now live under the shadow of M.A.D., meaning "mutual assured destruction." No nuclear country is likely to attack another because of its opponent's ability to fire back. Due to this system's implementation, no country has used a nuclear warhead in combat since the United States did in World War II.

With the building of a missile shield, the U.S. government would essentially be counting down the seconds left in the life of M.A.D., and entice other countries to bomb the United States before they lose the chance. Even if the U.S. government plans to use the shield strictly as a defense mechanism, the major nuclear opponents of the United States will no doubt see this measure as a way of defeating a second strike, and therefore a way to make a first strike possible. This instability is another important reason why it should not be built.

There is no doubt that Bush has some of the finest political minds in the world working for him. It is because of this that his decision to push forward with the missile shield is curious. Whether he is simply trying to make Americans feel more secure, raise his popularity levels from their current meager levels, or he thinks this plan will actually work, the *Guardian* feels he should reconsider his decision before he makes things worse.

OPINION



Austin Hsiaj/Guardian

**Careful Examination of Anti-Zionist Arguments Sheds Light on Movement**

Both anti-Zionist and Zionist groups have valid points but unwillingness to compromise on either side widens chasm between the two

By ARAN SADJA  
 Senior Staff Writer

With all the controversy over Anti-Zionism Week, I felt a strong desire to abuse my status as a *Guardian* senior staff writer and completely tear apart the Anti-Zionism Week arguments. I wanted to prove anti-Zionism to be the anti-Semitic travesty that the Union of Jewish Students purports it to be. As an Israeli Jew, I didn't see a difference between Zionism and Judaism, and Anti-Zionism Week seemed to be an event completely fueled by hatred — hatred of Jews, my people. I was astounded that my A.S. funds were going toward something so atrocious.

As an opinion writer, I could have simply written an opinionated piece based on my own assumptions without doing any research at all, and I did. I wrote an eloquently designed article reiterating everything that you could read at the UJS booth on library walk. I even quoted Martin Luther King, Jr. But when Anti-Zionism Week was postponed, for whatever reason, I chose to do some research into the topics of Zionism and anti-Zionism.

All of a sudden the controversy over Anti-Zionism Week took on a different nature ... and so did this article. I am not going to trash Anti-Zionism Week as an anti-Semitic event, to the dismay of many Jewish students and the pleasure of many Muslim students.

Anti-Zionism is not anti-Semitism. It is a religiously motivated political movement against a religiously motivated political movement. Though many anti-Zionist proponents may be anti-Semitic, the foundation of the movement is not.

As with most controversies, the heart of this one lies in a fundamental misunderstanding. In this case it is two differing interpretations of what anti-Zionism means. According to UCSD Muslim Cultural Club President Ehab Ibrahim, "Anti-Zionism seeks to return the people of Palestine (Palestinian or otherwise) to the dignity that they had before the Zionists had taken over." If you ask UCSD UJS

President Wade Strauss, Anti-Zionism Week is "equivalent to having Anti-Semitism or Anti-Jew Week."

To find the basis of this misunderstanding, I had to define Zionism. Prior to 1948, Zionism was defined as a desire amongst Jews for a return to the Jewish homeland in Palestine. Its roots can be traced back as far as the sixth century B.C., when Jews were exiled from Palestine to Babylon.

More recently, in the late 1800s, Theodor Herzl brought Zionism to the limelight in response to various Russian and European "pogroms," or massacres

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of Jews. After the establishment of Israel, Zionism changed into a movement aimed at maintaining Israel's status as a Jewish state, as well as making it possible for Jews all over the world to be welcome in their homeland.

Anti-Zionism is more difficult to define concretely. Anti-Zionist sentiments have been around since before the Jews were exiled to Babylon and have seen a resurgence in popularity since 1948. Even before Israel was established, there was a strong anti-Zionist push to prevent Jews from attaining Israel as their own independent state. Modern anti-Zionism is thought of as a political movement seeking the return of Israel to its previous owners. Anti-Zionism is not particular to any religion, but it has a predominantly Muslim

following due to the fact that Israel is located on land that was mostly inhabited by Muslims before 1948.

Some argue that anti-Zionism is anti-Semitism; let me dissuade those beliefs. Anti-Zionism calls for an end to Zionist activities, which may be considered racist against Arabs and the return of refugee Palestinians to their homeland, not the removal of Jews from their homeland.

In the United States, we often pride ourselves on our separation of church and state. Israel may be the Jewish homeland, but that is not an excuse to give Arabs and non-Jews second-rate citizenship. Israeli Arabs are boycotting the upcoming Israeli election in order to make the statement that their vote means nothing. Having a Jewish homeland means a place to go where I can feel safe and at home among Jews, not a place where I want my non-Jewish friends to feel ostracized.

I am not anti-Zionist. Zionists were essential in founding and building Israel, and I applaud that. But in more recent history, Zionism has played a role in creating a major schism in the Jewish population of Israel, and has been a stone around the neck for the peace process.

When Yigal Amir killed Israeli Prime Minister Yitzak Rabin in 1995, many people could not believe it was a Jew that killed him. Not only is Amir a religious Jew who cited Jewish-law as his reason for killing Rabin, he has been associated with many right-wing activities, activities that could be considered Zionist. Amir is an extremist, and I cannot say his views are expressed by all Zionists, but I will go so far as to say that many right-wing Israelis share similar, less militant views about the peace process.

The faction between Zionists in Israel and those more willing to give land for peace grows continually. This upcoming election only exacerbates the problem. With the recent Palestinian uprising, many Israelis are losing faith in the possibility of a real peace treaty.

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**Employers' Rush to Judgement Leads to Job Discrimination**



PARISA BAHARIAN

Unfortunately, I now know how a person who has been falsely accused of a crime feels when the guilty judgment comes in. Though my situation is not the conventional experience in which a judge, jury and jail are involved, the feelings when that life-changing decision is imposed are almost identical in many ways.

Helplessness, utter despair, anger and frustration reverberate through your mind as the guilty sentence replays like a broken record again and again, or in my case, the decision to deny me a job because I have lupus.

Not unlike how a prosecutor may view a pile of prior convictions as enough evidence to substantiate an arrest on new and unrelated charges, my potential employers' doctors looked at my medical history of hand pain and made the assumption that since I have the "big, bad lupus," I couldn't do the job.

Funny, though, that no one questioned my abilities before my 10-minute physical exam in which I disclosed I had mild lupus. I had passed the required background investigation, interview and polygraph test without

any problem.

But with the mere mention of lupus, bam, all my abilities and qualifications went out the window, and all that flashed in my potential employers' heads most likely was: Proceed with extreme caution — risk, risk, risk!

This "rush to judgment" decision was made without any effort to collect the necessary evidence of my current medical condition of improved health over the past couple of months. It was almost as if once they knew I had lupus, that's all they needed to know about me.

So due to this "rush to judgment," it wasn't surprising that I was denied the job in which I had so many hopes.

The only upside to this unfair experience is that it has given me a new-found empathy with those who have been falsely accused and convicted for a crime they did not commit.

I agree that my situation is really nothing compared to that of people who have lost their freedom in a miscarriage of justice — for once the guilty verdict is in, the life as a person knows it is gone.

Yet that rush to judgment, the discrimination on the part of my potential employers, cost me a job that would have provided money for tuition and the needed jump-start to begin my trek into the legal field.

But most of all, that discrimination cost me the right to choose my own destiny. For I was instead arbitrarily deemed not

capable to do the job of researching on the computer the backgrounds of alleged felons and preparing reports for the court.

So I pose these questions: So what if I have a chronic illness? Does that fact automatically disqualify me from the right to make a living? Isn't it my right to choose the course of my destiny, and by extension any job that I qualify for as long as I hold up my end of the bargain and do the job to my highest ability?

Franklin Roosevelt had a physical disability, yet it did not affect the job he did for our country. He led our country through the two major crises of the 20th century, the Depression and World War II.

Would we even dare to try and tell Roosevelt that he couldn't be president because he had a disability?

Maybe the better question to ask is: Did that disability deter Roosevelt from leading our country successfully through those two major crises? The answer is an unequivocal no. He is arguably the most influential president, and he did it all from a wheelchair.

Disability and illness do not define a person, not if that person doesn't let them. So why, then, do employers choose to see people in terms of a disability rather than by their qualifications and abilities? I submit that it's less of a risk to hire someone

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**Temptation Island Fails to Survive the TV Wars**

Controversial FOX show exploits relationships in the pursuit for high ratings

By CASSANDRA PIERCE  
 Senior Staff Writer

The Germans have a word, "Schadenfreude," which has been adopted into the English language. It means "pleasure from someone else's pain," and it describes the only reason I can think of that someone would want to watch the new FOX show "Temptation Island."

The plot of the show is this: Four couples, each of whom have been together for several years, go to Ambergris Caye, an island in Belize, for two weeks. Once there, the couples meet up with 13 single men and women. The men in relationships choose a single man to vote off in "Survivor"-like fashion, and likewise the involved women choose a single woman to give the boot.

Next, each contestant chooses a single member of the same sex and blocks their partner from formally dating this person. Of course, this heightens the attraction between the pair of blocked people.

After this, the couples separate for two weeks straight, only communicating through occasional video messages delivered the next morning. The men stay in Captain Morgan's Retreat, and the women stay on the other side of the island, across a jungle, in a hotel aptly named "Mata Chica," Spanish for "girl kills."

While apart, the couples can do whatever they please. Prearranged dates with singles are common, vis-

iting places like the Maruba Jungle Spa for "intimate mud massages," or going to secluded beaches for picnic lunches, speed boating or scuba diving with sharks.

This, at least, is what the show's producers tell you on the Web site and in the promos. They make it sound like a nice place, like somewhere I wouldn't mind going with my boyfriend. But when the single women start betting odds for who can "hook it up" with a coupled guy, and when the host smiles that much, you know there's something wrong.

The dates the couples go on are recorded on camera, and the night after each date, one person from each couple gets to choose whether he or she wants to see their partner's dates. The catch is, if they choose to watch, their partner is forced to watch theirs. And if they choose not to watch, their partner cannot watch theirs. This "highlight" video of each date is chosen by the producers and is usually the raciest part. The partners use this arrangement to spy on, hide from, or get revenge upon their mates.

The dates themselves seem arranged to generate risqué, or "Belize-style" shots as the producers put it. Upon entering the Maruba Jungle Spa, one pair is told, "This is disposable underwear. This is what you're going to wear. This and only this." As the girl of the pair put it, "It was hard to relax completely knowing that we're

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# Loss of Counselor Frustrates Students

## University must respond quickly in order to alleviate problems caused by inadequate resources available to Visual Arts majors

By RUTH TANG  
Staff Writer

Megan Cunningham is the counselor for the Visual Arts department here at UCSD. She deals with more than 650 students, helping them choose the right classes and make tough decisions about their majors. She basically helps each student in deciding his or her future. Her job is definitely not easy. Not only must she deal with the frustrations and confusion of over 650 artists, she has to do it all by herself.

If anyone were to visit Megan's office, they would find a long line of students outside her door. She is available for just 3 hours on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, and 6 hours on Tuesdays and Fridays. That might not seem too bad, but if you think about it, you'd change your mind. For example, say she was able to crank out a session every 10 minutes.

That would mean that she would be able to see 18 students on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, and twice that on Tuesday and Friday. That's 126 students a week. That's with no breaks and no leeway, which is pretty impossible because some

students need more help. No one can work like a robot (although Megan comes pretty close at times). Besides, there are over 650 students! (I do realize that in reality not all 650 show up at once, but it sure does feel that way when you're waiting all afternoon for an appointment.)

Cindy Fang, a second year ICAM major, said that she once waited 30 minutes in line, went to class, came back, and waited until the end of the day, and still was not able to see Megan. There are many stories of frustration and angst from the ICAM and VA students concerning the lack of accessibility. Megan is well aware of the problem herself and has talked to her employers but to no avail. Now she has left and art students will have to go to someone who does not possess the 16 years of experience that Megan does, for guidance.

This ticks me off. I am a third year, tuition-paying student majoring in Media, and I expect the university to keep my best interests in mind. I believe that, just as I am responsible for going to class and doing the work, the university has a responsibility to provide me with adequate and competent counselors to advise me on the best way in which to go

about graduating. I do not believe that by refusing to hire someone to help Megan and letting her leave was beneficial to the students in the least.

It does not make me feel secure knowing that for the remainder of this year and the next, I will be going to someone who is new to Megan's job (since she was the only one doing it before) and is learning as he or she goes. After all, who's going to train him or her with Megan gone?

Maybe I'm overreacting, which is doubtful, but it just doesn't make sense to me why the Art Department would refuse to hire someone whom Megan can train to help her. You would think that they'd be tired of the throngs of students that congregate in the cramped courtyard in front of the Visual Arts office, but apparently not. Although they might not mind the long lines, the students certainly do, and a new-be at the desk won't help to shorten them anytime soon.

Think about that. Here we are paying all this tuition, (and overpriced material fees if you've ever taken any VIS or ICAM classes), and they refuse to hire another advisor to alleviate not only Megan's suffering, but the students' as well. Does this sound stupid to anyone else?

# Conflict:

## Analysis of argument leads to understanding

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This lack of faith has made Ariel Sharon, a right-wing Israeli, this election's front-runner. Ironically, many consider Sharon the cause of this recent uprising. I would consider Sharon a Zionist. Zionists in Israel are generally those who are against land-for-peace treaties, especially when parts of Jerusalem are involved. Extreme Zionists are

against any land-for-peace treaty, and in some cases against the whole peace process. Despite the rhetoric Sharon has spouted during the election, I firmly believe that once elected, he will revert to his historically right-wing views on the peace process. I fear that with Sharon as prime minister, years of effort toward peace will culminate in a war.

I would never say Zionism is bad. Without it there wouldn't be a Jewish homeland. But I don't believe that any Arab should have been removed from his homeland to make room for a Jewish homeland. The decision to split Palestine into Israel and Palestine has been the cause of many deaths, and in this situation, I believe no one is right. Jews have lived in Israel for centuries, since before the time of Christ. But so have Muslims and other Arabs, and there is nothing that makes the Jewish claim to Israel more persuasive than the Palestinian claim.

Muslims and Jews alike cite religious documents as proof of their claim to the Holy Land. I cannot accept those proofs; I live in the present. I would prefer it if Israel's current status were examined. Anti-Zionism Week is intended to raise students' awareness of the Palestinian/Muslim struggle for a homeland, as Zionists must have done to help bring about the 1948 Israeli Declaration of Independence. There is nothing wrong with raising awareness, as long as it is not blatantly motivated by hate and does not perpetuate lies in order to sound sanctimonious.

Take me, for example: Had this week not occurred, I would have never considered the Muslim/Palestinian argument. I would have assumed it was completely anti-Semitic and brushed it aside. Instead I have learned a great deal about the Palestinians' fight to regain their homeland in Palestine, because I looked beyond the rhetoric and found out the facts. I conclude by saying I am still pro-Israel but also pro-peace, and pro-land-for-peace. This isn't just about an exchange of land for a halt in terrorism. Giving land back would be an acknowledgment of the former Palestinian homeland. If Jews deserve a homeland, so do the Palestinians, whose families have been there for centuries.

Before I resign from this topic, I have one final message to the Muslim Cultural Club: The biggest problem with Anti-Zionism Week is its title. Why not "Pro-Palestine Week," or something more positive, instead of an attack on a fundamental Jewish principle?

*There is nothing wrong with raising awareness, as long as it is not blatantly motivated by hate and does not perpetuate lies in order to sound sanctimonious.*

# Column:

## Employment should be based on merits, not health

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who is supposedly healthy than someone who has a disclosed problem — it's an easy and convenient cop-out to our American ideals.

Yet I have always envisioned America where a person is first judged by his abilities and qualities rather than any disability.

I have always thought America the great champion of the underdog, to give that underdog a fair chance. Maybe I'm wrong, but that's what I expect from my country based on our Bill of Rights.

So here is my plea. All I ask is that the same standards that are used to judge disease- or disability-free people are likewise used for my evaluation.

View my case for employment based on its merits, not by any personal preconceived notions or by the so-called weight of the preponderance of evidence.

I have the right to determine my own destiny, so take warning: I will not let discrimination stop me. I will not go down without a fight. After all, I have the law on my side.

# Temptation:

## Show lacks taste and skews relationships

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basically wearing close to nothing."

This is not my idea of a first date. I'm not sure I'd want to know the kind of person who'd want to be next to naked with someone they'd barely met before.

Maybe I'm old-fashioned, but I think of first dates as dinner some place — McDonald's, even — followed by a movie or play, the girl and guy talking most of the rest of the time about who they are, trying to figure out if the other is the kind of person they wouldn't mind getting naked in front of.

The people involved in this whole mess ooze hypocrisy. One of the couples lied on their application papers, claiming that they had no children together when they had one, placing the child's life in turmoil.

The show's host admits this, yet claims extensive background checks were done. On the first day after dating, the girls "feel worried about the states of their relationships with their partners." To help

cheer themselves up, they have a "boisterous Jacuzzi party and a romp in the ocean" with the single guys, helping the destruction of their relationships further along.

After one girl, Mandy, sees her boyfriend's first date, she cries, upset at seeing someone else showing affection for him, despite her reason for going on the show: "She believes she needs to see other girls wanting Billy because it will strengthen her devotion to him."

After being so hurt, her next date — perhaps coincidentally, perhaps arranged by the producers — is at the Maruba Jungle Spa with a singer and poet who ends the date by rubbing his bare nipple with watermelon chunks and licking rum off Mandy's stomach. Again, not my idea of a reasonable first date.

Billy, who encouraged Mandy with his video communication to have a good time, cannot finish

watching the highlight video of Mandy's date and turns away in anguish.

OK, I know you're saying, "These people chose to come to this island. It's their own fault." You're right on the first count, but I seriously doubted any of them saw the call for cast members and thought, "Hey, that sounds like fun! I'm looking forward to humiliating myself and causing terrible pain to a person I love dearly!"

*I'll believe it's reality TV when they bring a few homosexuals, some old people, some children and some average looking people to a public place like a park, and tape what happens.*

Accused of causing the demise of American morals on an Internet chat, the show's host Mark Walberg said, "I would much rather know if I am with the one I am supposed to be with before I get married than after."

Asked if he would participate in something like the show, Walberg said, "No way." When prompted for an explanation, he said, "For me, personally, that is not the way I

would want to find out the answers about my relationship."

I'll agree that the show doesn't diminish American morality. The show wouldn't be as popular if the public thought it was immoral. The producers are simply caught up in the "Survivor/Big Brother/Truman Show" ideas, mixing it with a bit of Jerry Springer and soap opera for attraction value. They're riding the wave of "reality television," creating a show where there are no real winners, no prize for staying together or breaking up.

Yeah, just like reality, only there are six black people, one or two Asians and around 32 rich people out of 34 total. Walberg blows off the fact that they all have to be attractive by saying, "After all, it is Temptation Island!"

I'll believe it's reality TV when they bring a few homosexuals, more ethnic groups, some old people, some children, and some average-looking people to a public place like a park, and tape what happens. That is reality. That is what we live.

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## Referendum:

Bohling requested to remain on the GSA

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remove Kris and Josh from the committee," Ruiz said. "[The GSA] felt like it wasn't getting enough information from the committee. With the kinds of decisions being made, we need to be a presence."

Bohling, an outspoken opponent of the referendum, spoke to the committee on Monday.

"I am not in agreement personally with the decision made by the GSA president," he said. "The decision is in violation of GSA bylaws... I believe it to be part of a larger administrative attack on those opposed to the referendum."

Bohling spoke cordially about Ruiz, noting that he considered her a friend.

Bohling requested of the committee that he be allowed to stay on as a voting member until the situation is properly resolved.

Ruiz, who has decided to abstain from all committee votes, believes the issue is something to be resolved within the GSA.

"This is something that is not to be discussed at these meetings," she said. "It's a mat-

ter of GSA reps' responsibilities and of those responsibilities not being fulfilled."

A motion was introduced and seconded to conduct a vote on whether the two GSA members in question should be allowed to remain as voting members of the committee. While six of the committee's members voted unopposed in favor of the motion, 12 abstained and the motion was not passed.

"The vote we took reflects the committee's opinion that this is an internal matter to be resolved by the GSA," said committee co-chair Jenn DeCamp.

At the meeting's end, Khaleghi announced that the committee would be deciding on a date for a campus-wide vote on the referendum, for which there were two options: either during A.S. Council elections in the second week of the spring quarter, or at another date to be decided upon later.

Despite the various conflicts and items of debate, Khaleghi has strong feelings about the fate of the referendum.

"Something like this will happen eventually," he said. "The University Centers and athletic program have demonstrated a need for action of this kind. Whether it will happen now or later, I don't know, but it will happen. We need it."

## Bush:

More focus being put on education savings accounts

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allowing parents to deduct up to \$5,000 of their yearly income to pay the educational expenses of each of their children attending private elementary and secondary schools.

"The political fire has been aimed at the voucher portion of the education program, when in reality the tax credit part of the bill could have a much larger real-world impact," said Clint Bolick, litigation director at the Institute for Justice, a conservative group that supports vouchers and tax breaks. "It may be that extending tax credits would be a politically easier way to advance school choice."

With Bush, in his weekly radio address on Saturday, appearing to acknowledge that his plan for school vouchers may not survive intact, attention here has turned to the tax-deductible education savings accounts as the next front in the battle over school choice.

"Vouchers may have hit their peak in terms of acceptance," said the director of the Center for Education Policy, Jack Jennings, who opposes the expansion of education savings accounts — what some opponents have labeled a "backdoor voucher plan" — as well as vouchers. "The

real action to aid private schools will be in the tax route."

An administration spokesman said the deductions would apply to individuals with incomes up to about \$100,000 and to couples who together earn up to \$160,000. He said eligible expenses would include private, including religious, school tuition, as well as computers, books, tutoring and transportation for private and public school children.

Educators said the model for Bush's proposal appeared to be a bill sponsored by the late Sen. Paul Coverdell, R-Ga., who died last summer, and actively supported by Sen. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J. The bill passed Congress twice but was vetoed by former President Clinton both times. It would have allowed deductions for up to \$2,000 in educational outlays by parents whose children attended public or private, including religious, schools.

The Congressional Research Service, which analyzed the bill, estimated that it would have saved a family in the 28 percent tax bracket \$578 a year. In its analysis, the Joint Committee on Taxation said the bill would have reduced federal tax revenues by \$3.5 billion between 1999 and 2009. There have been no estimates of family savings or public tax losses at Bush's proposed \$5,000 limit.

— Diana Jean Schemo  
The New York Times

## College:

Napster CEO denied that a timeline had been set

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change in the university's policy until all of the legal actions and controversies surrounding Napster are settled," Dotto said.

That could take a while, as most of the record labels filing suit are still holding to their opposition of the program. Of the labels that joined in the Recording Industry Association of America's 1999 lawsuit, one dropped the suit last week, one struck a deal with Napster late last year but is still suing the company and the rest continue to battle the controversial file-sharing start-up company.

The latest development Monday was an announcement by Bertels-Mann, the record label that is still suing Napster despite striking a deal with the company in October. According

to Yahoo News, Bertels-Mann CEO Thomas Middelhoff told the World Economic Forum conference in Switzerland that he is "convinced we can introduce in June or July of this year a subscription model, with a real digital rights management system."

Napster CEO Hank Barry denied that a specific timeline had been worked out, but agreed that the model holds much promise.

Some reports indicated that the subscription-based service would co-exist, at least for a time, with the free Napster service that has rocked the music world since it was introduced in 1999.

Despite skepticism that a pay-per-month Napster would succeed, given that services like Gnutella would still be offering free downloads, Bertels-Mann e-commerce group CEO Andreas Schmidt said the company is getting a very positive response to the proposal from consumers.

—Daily Trojan

## Tibet:

Stunted growth is clearest sign of malnutrition

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broader health problems. But the new study, of 2,078 Tibetan children up to 7 years of age, drawn from a cross-section of cities, villages and nomadic communities, found that stunting was linked to malnutrition rather than altitude and was often accompanied by bone disorders, depigmented hair, skin disorders and other diseases of malnutrition.

"Our data show that Tibetan children are not small but healthy," concluded the study, by researchers from the Public Health Institute in Santa Cruz, Calif., the University of California at Berkeley and the Tibet Medical Research Institute in Tibet's capital, Lhasa. "They have clinical signs of malnutrition as well as high morbidity and mortality." The study is published in the Feb. 1 issue of The New England

Journal of Medicine. Idolized in the West as a spiritual Shangri-La, Tibet remains one of the world's poorest places and the medical findings call into question the Chinese government's proclamations of great economic and social progress.

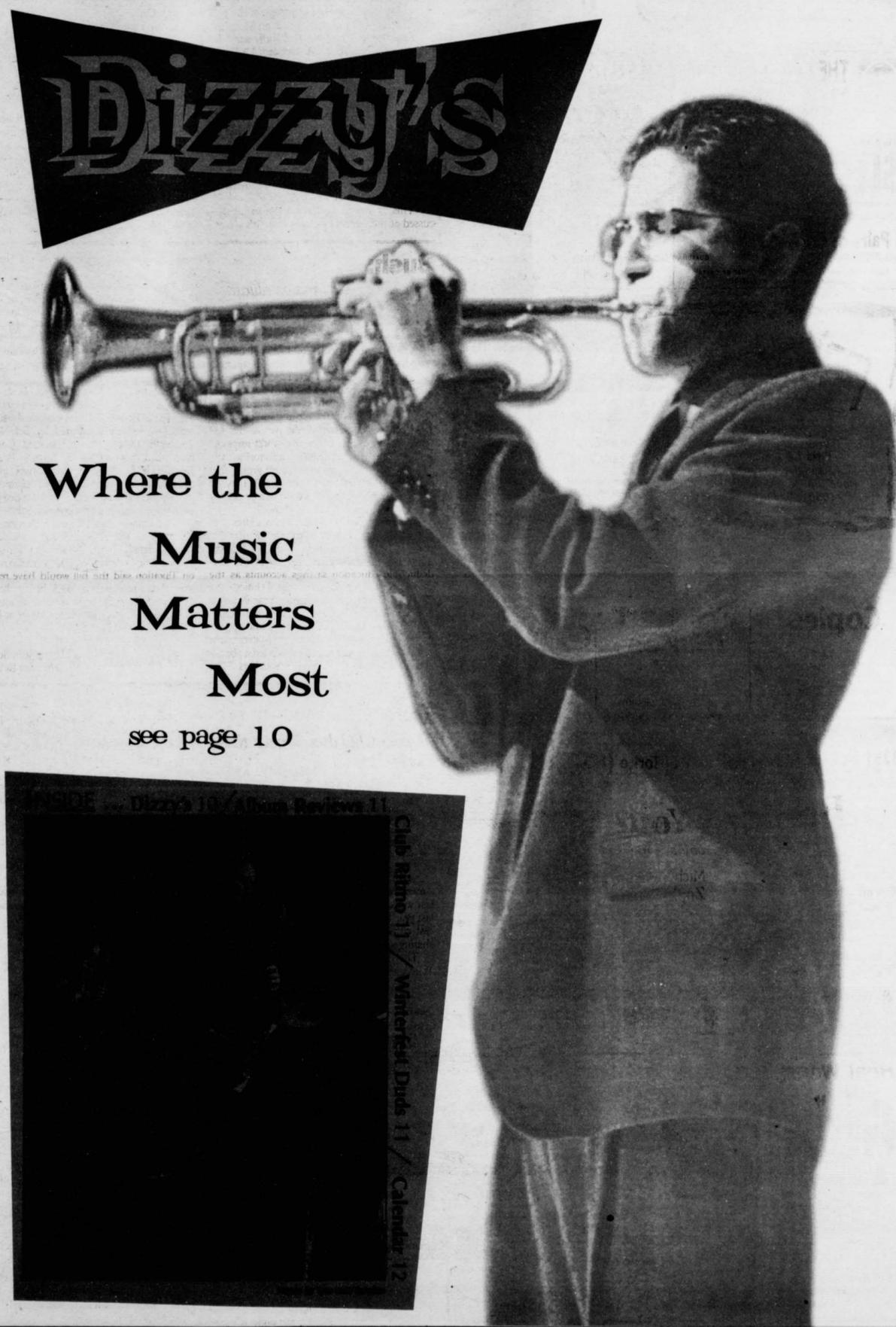
In recent years, China has promoted investment in Tibet and started antipoverity programs, but progress has been spotty and Tibetans have resented the influx of ethnic Chinese, who often reap the greatest benefits.

An ethnic and religious cleavage has also hampered the region's development. Most Tibetans remain loyal to the Dalai Lama, the exiled spiritual leader who is condemned by Beijing as a "splittist" seeking independence for Tibet. The tense political situation has limited the operations of international aid agencies.

In the new study, 56 percent of children aged 2 to 7 had moderate or severely stunted growth, compared with international standards.

— Erik Eckholm  
The New York Times

# HIATUS



Where the  
Music  
Matters  
Most

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# Focus and Attention to the Music

## Listen to music and relax without all of the distractions found in other clubs

By **JOSEPH LEE**  
Hiatus Editor

When you realize you are frustrated and fed up with the music scene, you go ahead and create your own scene.

After being burned out by the local music scene, musician and performer Chuck Perrin took matters into his own hands. Perrin said he was "frustrated by the lack of acceptable venues to present music the way I envisioned it." So he opened up a small space in downtown San Diego, named it Dizzy's and dedicated it to music.

Dizzy's has torn down all of the distractions found at many other clubs, and placed all of its focus on the music itself. There is no bar or restaurant to divide your attention. Dizzy's is a place where you get lost in the sounds of the fantastic talent that comes to play. Perrin explained that more often than not, "performers are competing with three or four televisions tuned to sports in other areas of the room."

There are no such annoyances at Dizzy's.

Nestled on the edge of downtown San Diego's East Village, Dizzy's is a haven for jazz purists, blues musicians and folk performers. The small venue offers an intimate setting as well as a high ceiling that provides fantastic acoustics. Unlike other venues, the stage at Dizzy's is only eight inches off the ground and is set very close to the audience. This gives the people the chance to interact with the musicians on stage, and it allows the musicians to connect with their audience. A professional lighting system gives way to a slightly more laid-back feel with chairs that are set around small candle-lit tables on a concrete floor.

As a bit more than a casual fan of jazz, and as a musician, I crave places such as these. I want that relaxed atmosphere where the focus is on the musicians and their music. In that respect, Dizzy's does not disappoint, because Dizzy's has eliminated all of the pretenses.

Slide guitar player and New Orleans funk and blues performer Billy Thompson was the first act to grace the Dizzy's stage last April, and little has changed since. As Perrin put it, Dizzy's "is what it is." I get the feeling that Dizzy's is not a place that will cave to the over-commercialization that turns artists into sales-generators and makes them a part of the background.

"It's OK for a musician or artist to work as an actor for bar and restaurant owners, because that can pay the rent," Perrin said. "But

for their sanity and growth as artists, there has to be a place where the focus is only on the art."

Dizzy's is a brick building that was built in 1913 and it looks cold, but when you step inside, there is more than enough warmth because of the hospitality and dedication. The entire ambiance of Dizzy's makes you feel like you've stumbled across some underground jazz club in a dark alley deep in the city where all the hip cats go to relax and listen to some soothing jazz.

There are also paintings by local artist John DeMarco projected behind the performers, which depict legendary as well as local jazz musicians. Perrin has described the venue as having a "New York City, Greenwich Village vibe."

Although the emphasis seems to be on jazz and blues, Dizzy's does book a wide variety of performers. From bluegrass to spoken word performances and acoustic folk performances, Dizzy's has something for everyone. You can also catch Gilbert Castellanos hosting the East Village Late Nite Jam, which runs every Friday from midnight to 2 a.m. Saturday.

The O'Brien Brothers from Dublin, Ireland also recently graced Dizzy's stage and treated the crowd with an acoustic folk performance with distinctive Irish influences. Band members Donal and Gerard O'Brien were in the States to promote their new album "Morning Sun," which can be found on their Web site at <http://www.obrienbrothers.com>. The dapper kids from the Ryan Mar-Tet played straightforward jazz and jammed for nearly two hours during another performance. So you can be sure to catch almost any kind of music on most nights during the week.

What is especially wonderful about Dizzy's is that the music is not limited to those who are 21 and up. It opens its doors to all ages, which gives many younger people the chance to go to a small club and listen to live music.

You can also rest a bit easier knowing that 70 percent of the eight bucks you pay to get into Dizzy's goes directly to the artists. The other 30 percent just pays the bills to keep the place open. This isn't about the profit. Dizzy's is truly about the music.

Dizzy's is located at 344 Seventh Ave., and there is parking along the street as well as at the parking structure in the nearby Clarion Hotel. Check the hiatus calendar for performance dates, times and cover charge. You can also call (858) 270-7467 for more information.



**Jazzed:** Members of The Ryan Mar-Tet from left to right, Josh Welchez, Billy Frenzel and Brandon Wright. Groups such as The Ryan Mar-Tet jazz band play at Dizzy's, offering a great way to escape from other clubs in San Diego.

## Dizzy's Weekly Schedule

344 Seventh Ave. (between J&K Streets)

Thursday, Feb. 1  
Bluegrass with HWY 52

Friday, Feb. 2  
Tony Lasley

Friday, Feb. 2  
East Village Late Night Jam with  
Gilbert Castellanos

Saturday, Feb. 3

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No cigar: George Clinton and his P-Funk Allstars will be coming to San Diego, just not to Winterfest.

# A.S. Festivals Release Winterfest Duds

## This year's list of artists who will not be attending

By **JOSEPH LEE**  
Hiatus Editor

In the weeks before any major event, the festivals coordinators of the A.S. Council are hard at work trying to book popular acts to come to UCSD. But sometimes the bands who are being courted can't come here for one reason or another. Next week we'll have the official list of who is coming to Winterfest. As for this week, we'll see the bands who snubbed UCSD:

**ATB** — DJ André Tanneberger produced the massive club hit "9 P.M. (Till I Come)," which pounded through clubs from TJ to Europe. However, ATB suddenly

changed his U.S. tour plans from February to March and may not even come to San Diego at all.

**EVE 6** — Popular alt-rock band caught the ears of the public with lyrics talking about putting a heart into a blender. They will be playing in San Diego the week before Winterfest. By the time Winterfest comes around, Eve 6 will be somewhere in the Midwest.

**EVERLAST** — After spending some time with House of Pain, he went solo and even scored a duo with Santana. But he'll be in Texas during Winterfest and he can't change his plans.

**GEORGE CLINTON** — Yes, we could've gotten the funk master himself but he's performing in San Diego just a few days before Winterfest and he can't stick around for the weekend.

**INCUBUS** — This funk-metal band from Calabasas wanted a lot of money. Money that we don't have for Incubus.

**SHAGGY** — Winterfest or David Letterman? Shaggy went with Letterman. Forget him. Next!

Winterfest will be on Friday, Feb. 23. UCSD students get in free with a can of food and there will be a limited amount of guest tickets available.

# Closed for Remodeling

## Club Ritmo takes a break in order to revamp and re-open with Miss Jane and Sir Mix-A-Lot

By **ALEX J. LEE**  
Staff Writer

Ah, Friday nights. Truly, the one night out of the week that just screams for some first-rate debauchery. All clubs in San Diego that'll let someone under 21 enter, raise your hands .... Uh, TJ, anyone?

For years there has been talk about hosting some sort of night club at UCSD. At least, that's what A.S. Assistant Programmer Eisha Christian says. Along with fellow Assistant Programmer Anahita Ferasat and former Programmer Cassie Williams, she had a dream: to have the most happening 18-and-over venue in all of San Diego.

The creators wanted to produce a club that would be a great alternative to the city across the border for both students and the rest of the 18-and-over crowd in San Diego. According to Christian, the appeal of the club would be unique.

"You always hear songs such as 'Funky Cold Medina,' 'Baby Got

Back,' and 'Humpty Dance' in clubs," she said. "Now you get to see the artists themselves."

Rob Porter of Porter's Pub offered the venue to A.S., and UCSD's very first night club was born.

Ordly enough, a certain Latin pop star played a pivotal role in the development of the club. Enrique Iglesias' song, "Rhythm Divine" proved to be just the inspiration the creative team needed when throwing around potential names. Williams said it was from that song that the name "Club Ritmo" was born.

"We wanted something exotic, something unique, something people would remember," said Williams. "As it happened, 'ritmo,' which means 'rhythm' in both Italian and Spanish, was perfect."

Christian wants the club to become something of a tradition at UCSD, and also known throughout San Diego. Christian promises the club will offer an eclectic mix of hip-hop, electronica and anything else you can groove to.

Ferasat has high hopes for the fresh new club to develop and grow.

"We have created a certain atmosphere we hoped to attain," said Ferasat. "So far it's ghetto, but I can still dream! I just want it to be like the Pringles and Cheese Party Commercials!"

The development of Club Ritmo hasn't been easy and could never have happened without the help of many people. Christian and Ferasat would like to thank the following cast of people who have supported them from the beginning: Scott Mantell, Kathy Lee, Tracie Davee, Steve Evans, Andy Livingston and the Deejays and Vinylphiles Club.

Club Ritmo will take a break for the next few weeks and re-open on March 2 with headliner Miss Jane of "It's A Fine Day" fame. Acts for March 9 and April 6 are still to be announced. April 13 will feature "Baby Got Back" rapper himself, Sir Mix-A-Lot. You can do the "Humpty Dance" on May 4 with Digital Underground.

# albumreview



**Nelly Furtado**  
"Whoa, Nelly!"  
Sony Music

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In the days of teen pop and porn on the radio, I have taken a step back from MTV drama and introduced myself to a whole new musical experience, one that is both refreshing and inspiring.

Nelly Furtado is an in-your-face 19-year-old Brazilian from British Columbia who has been around

the world and back and is ready to tell you her story.

Although self-described as "urban folk alternative," her debut album "Whoa Nelly!" breaks every attempt to stereotype by genre in the book. The closest description that comes to mind would be a Brazilian Fiona Apple, yet that is still way off.

With influences spanning from L.L. Cool J to the Smashing Pumpkins to Hindu music, Furtado has blended folk, hip-hop, alternative, Portuguese, techno-pop and various types of world music into one emotionally charged album.

The first track, titled "Hey Man!" introduces Furtado as an intelligent and eloquent artist looking for someone to listen to what she has to say.

If you go deeper into the album, independence becomes the theme. In "Party," Furtado sings, "Oh freedom, where do I begin/I'm changing my inflection of how I say the words."

Furtado writes, "I was born to document the way I see the world and the experiences I've had in it."  
—Tara Jones

# UCSD 40 events

Native American Flute Music



**Paul Horn & R. Carlos Nakai**

February 1 • Thursday  
7:30pm • Mandeville Auditorium  
Students \$15 • Fac/Staff/Sr.Cit. \$18 • G.A. \$20

Music & Dance from Cuba



**BAN RRA RRA**

February 2 • Friday  
7:30pm • Mandeville Auditorium  
Students \$10 • Fac/Staff/Sr.Cit. \$15 • G.A. \$17

Modern Dance from New York



**Pilobolus Dance Theatre**

February 17 • Saturday  
7:30pm • Mandeville Auditorium  
Students \$15 • Fac/Staff/Sr.Cit. \$22 • G.A. \$25

Traditional Irish Music



**Lúnasa**

February 18 • Sunday  
7:30pm • Mandeville Auditorium  
Students \$10 • Fac/Staff/Sr.Cit. \$13 • G.A. \$15

Latina Singer/Songwriter



**PERLA BATALLA**

February 23 • Friday  
7:30pm • Mandeville Auditorium  
Students \$12 • Fac/Staff/Sr.Cit. \$15 • G.A. \$17

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### Stoner: Informercial wins in toss-up with Super Bowl

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ended (the actual game was over in the first quarter), all I could think of was suing the NFL so I could get back the four hours of my life it stole from me.

Maybe last year's Super Bowl spoiled me. Now that was a game. The Tennessee Titans, after performing a miracle just to get to the Super Bowl, comes within inches of tying the game as the clock runs out.

There were stories behind the scenes — of Kurt Warner going from working at a grocery store to Super Bowl Most Valuable Player, of Dick Vermeil proving to all his doubters that he could win it all.

This Super Bowl had the storylines, but not the conclusions. Trent Dilfer had a chance to harangue the franchise and fans, who after six years of abuse in Tampa Bay sent him packing, but all he could say was how he didn't have any hard feelings. Yeah Dilfer, it's easy to say that when you've got the Lombardi Trophy in your hand.

Kerry Collins came into the game with the chance to prove he had merely been underachieving his whole career and finally shake off the alcoholic stigma attached to him.

Sorry Kerry, and you can't even drown your sorrows away like you used to. Well hey, your next Zima is on me buddy.

However, there was one story

that came to fruition. Ray Lewis, as congratulations for breaking his streak of killing people on Super Bowl Sundays, was presented the award for MVP by the NFL with a hearty handshake and a "Thanks for not killing anyone today, Ray." He then took his plaque and proceeded to beat the Disneyland representative into a bloody pulp for choosing Dilfer to represent Disneyland instead of Lewis.

OK, that last part didn't happen, but if it had, there would have been at least some excitement associated with the Super Bowl. Even the commercials weren't that great, although Budweiser had a couple decent spoofs of its let-it-die-already "Wazzup" commercials. But come on guys, think of something else.

However, after watching punt after punt after punt (there was a Super Bowl record 21 of them in the game), the commercials were almost a welcome relief from the two offenses competing to see who could be worse. This is not how the Super Bowl is supposed to be.

In its first year in competition with the NFL, this is not a good thing for the NFL. It's a battle of sport versus entertainment, and the Super Bowl certainly showed that pure sport isn't always exciting.

If the NFL can deliver any football with its entertainment, then the NFL might have to start exploring new possibilities. Hey, I could dig a Super Bowl XXXVI between the NFL champion and the NFL champion. And to make things a bit more fair, Lewis could even bring his knife. In the NFL stabbing is only a five yard penalty.

### Rugby:

Men have won back-to-back championships

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fierce Chico State squad. Losing by two tries at halftime, the situation for UCSD looked grim. Yet the team came out in the second half to take not only the lead, but also its second consecutive Division II National Championship.

After back-to-back championships at the Division II level, the Tritons felt a need for a more serious challenge, so this year they have moved to Division I. Here they hope to experience the same success that they have had at various other levels since the '70s.

The UCSD women's rugby team is also looking to make a name for itself. At the moment,

rugby is the fastest-growing collegiate women's sport, and interest in women's rugby is at an all-time high.

At UCSD this is readily apparent, as the women have seen a renewed interest in their matches. They have had big plans since being reinstated in 1996 and they look to see some of these well-laid hopes come into fruition in 2001.

If you are in the mood for some raw, hard-hitting, volatile sports action, you should head over to Warren field and check out the game for yourself.

Upcoming matches include Saturday's battle versus USD for the men, and a women's tilt on Sunday against UCSB.

The women hit the field at 11 a.m. sharp. The men suit up at 1 p.m. Be on hand at one of these sure to be thrilling matches to see the bastard child of William Webb Ellis in all of its glory.

## UCSD CLUBSPORTS

### WOMEN'S RUGBY

The UCSD women's rugby team split a pair of hard-fought games this weekend. On Saturday it fell to the University of Arizona, but on Sunday regrouped to down Arizona State University.

UCSD was confident heading into the tilt against the University of Arizona. It did hold strong during the first half behind excellent play by Ali Ref. The defense also held strong for UCSD, and things looked good heading into halftime.

The second half was a bit different. Injuries have plagued UCSD recently, which was missing six players during that game, and it caught up with the team. That, combined with a strong Arizona defense, kept the UCSD offense at bay. The UCSD defense tired out late in the game, allowing Arizona to get the upper edge.

This is only Arizona's second year with a women's rugby program, but it has proved to be legit.

Things were different against Arizona State, but UCSD had reason to be nervous heading into the game. It has had only one successful try against that squad. This all changed Sunday. UCSD was victorious 16-12.

The offense played as a whole, striking Arizona State with some deadly scores. Tiffany Torres and Abby George were both successful at scoring tries. Even on the kicking end, with which UCSD has struggled as of late, the team did well. Tina Evangelou and Nene Britt both had successful days.

UCSD still has an opportunity to win the league if it beats Arizona the next time it faces the team, and if it downs UCSB. UCSB comes to pay a visit Sunday at Warren field at 11 a.m.

### MEN'S RUGBY

The UCSD men's rugby team had a barn burner of a game last

weekend at UCLA, winning by the narrow margin of 25-24.

The score was supposing, as UCSD was heavily favored, having already knocked off its rival to the north 48-24 earlier this year.

This game was different as UCLA pulled out to a surprising first-half lead of 12 points to the UCSD goose egg.

UCSD looked to run away with the game, but UCSD's Nick Serratto made sure that didn't happen.

Serratto, a flanker, got possession of the ball, rumbering 30 yards for a score. Brian Kennedy scored on a second try and kicker Shane Maguire kicked a conversion to tie the game at 12-12 heading into halftime.

UCSD continued to score, again with Maguire successful with a try. Courtney Geigle got in on the UCSD action, scoring another try for a 25-12 lead.

UCLA battled back, scoring 12 unanswered points again to pull within one point. That is as close as UCLA would get, making UCSD close winners.

The win improves UCSD's league record to 1-1. Next up for the team is a battle against the University of San Diego on Saturday. The game will be held at Warren field, if the playing surface is dry. If not, the match-up will take place at Dusty Rhodes Park.

### ICE HOCKEY

Last weekend, UCSD faced its toughest competition of the year, Fresno State. Fresno made some serious problems for UCSD last year. It was the only blemish on an otherwise perfect year for the team. It was Fresno in the final trying to keep UCSD from the title also.

With all of this considered, UCSD was looking for a tough match-up. Fresno is not the team it once was, however, as UCSD had its way with its foes, winning 6-3.

UCSD jumped out to an early lead. Garen Gervey and Stephen

Cohen each knocked in goal for UCSD, giving the team an early 2-0 advantage.

In the second period, Fresno State scored to close the game to 2-1. That was all the motivation UCSD needed. In the second period, Keith Davis and Erik Borman both scored to extend the lead to 4-1. Before the end of the second period, Fresno State scored again to pull to within 4-2.

In the third period, Keith Davis and Chris Davis each scored a goal to extend its league to 6-2. Fresno would score once more, but it was too little, too late, as UCSD wins 6-3.

Things are looking up for UCSD, as it is in the driver's seat this season. Next week they will do some traveling, heading to Sacramento State and UC Davis.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, Feb 2  
Ice hockey at UC Davis

Saturday Feb. 3  
Equestrian English Competition at Clark's Ranch  
Men's rugby versus University of San Diego at Warren field, 1 p.m.  
Men's lacrosse scrimmage at RIMAC Field, 7 p.m.  
Ice Hockey at Sacramento State  
Women's lacrosse at Cal Poly

Sat.-Sun., Feb. 3-4  
Women's ultimate at Arizona

Sunday Feb. 4  
Women's rugby versus UCSB at Warren Field, 11 a.m.

—Compiled by Robert Fulton



### Baseball: Tyler Sullivan leads with three RBIs

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Sterling Winans off an RBI from Mike Roddy in the eighth inning.

The win gave the UCSD men's baseball team its first nonconference win in Division II for the 2001 season, as well as its first California Collegiate Athletic Association win of the season.

Sullivan drove in three runs with 3 hits out of four plate appearances. Junior pitcher John Beaven got the win for his first of the season in as many chances.

Many players, such as senior Jess Warrington, believe that this season will be promising for the newest team in Division II.

"We have lost some key people from last year's team for various

reasons, including our starting shortstop, who we were expecting to get back," Warrington said. "We have had many people on the team that have had to step up into key roles, and judging by yesterday's game, it looks like a promising season."

The upcoming schedule seems favorable for the Tritons. They play Vanguard University this Saturday, Feb. 3. The Tritons have had success against Vanguard; last year's ball club romped Vanguard 11-0 at the Triton baseball field.

After that, it's on the road to University of Redlands on Friday, Feb. 9th. Then comes a game against Concordia University in Irvine on Saturday, Feb. 10th. After that comes a double-header at UCSD against California State University San Bernardino, the weekend of Feb. 15 to Feb. 16. Be on hand to see UCSD's top swingers in action.

### SCOREBOARD JAN. 30 VS. CAL BAPTIST

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Final
Cal Baptist	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	3
UC San Diego	0	2	0	4	0	0	4	0	X	10

John Beaven: 6 innings pitched, five strikeouts, no walks  
Tyler Sullivan: 3 RBIs, three hits  
Ryan Larson: 3 hits, 2 RBIs, 1 run scored

### Rugby:

Men and women's teams  
ready to rumble

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squad has been around since 1966 and the women started playing in 1972, but faded away by the late '70s before returning with a vengeance in 1996. Wearing cleats and lacking pads, these fearless souls each do battle about 10 to 15 times a year, from the warm grass of Warren field to the warmer grasses of the Bahamas and Jamaica.

The men's team is one of the oldest club sports on campus and has achieved many things over its heralded tenure. In 1975 it captured the collegiate championship at the Santa Barbara Tournament, which, at the time, was the largest rugby throwdown in the West. Over the years it has traveled near and far with spikes in hand. It has

visited the aforementioned green fields of Jamaica, and the not-so-tropical locale of Houston, all in an effort to spread the good word of Triton rugby.

In 1987, under the charge of Coach Tom Sertic, UCSD grabbed the first of its three successive college division rugby championships. In 1989 the Tritons moved up to the university division, where they took home bragging rights by sweeping the University of San Diego and San Diego State to take home the "King of the City" title.

In the late '90s, the UCSD program once again came into prominence. In 1996 it auspiciously took home the college division runner-up flag, and two years later, the Tritons took it all home — winning the 1998 Division II National Championships.

Looking to repeat its victory in 1999, the Tritons came up against a

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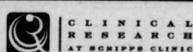
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# SPORTS



## Big Game was Anything but Super



ISAAC PEARLMAN

Well, on Sunday another football season culminated with the Baltimore Ravens beating the New York Giants to win Super Bowl XXXV, or MXVZ, or whatever the stupid number is.

Perhaps culminated isn't the right word. It's more like the drab, uninspiring football season gasped and sputtered its way to a standstill with about as much excitement and fanfare as the Absolutely Awesome Abs infomercial on at 2 in the morning (\$19.99 video cassette). And it's about as predictable, too: "How do you get such great abs? Sit-ups, every day!"

Well, how do the Ravens win the Super Bowl? Score at least one offensive touchdown and rely on their defense, which they took care of early in the first quarter. The Baltimore defense played as expected, the Giants' offense played as expected, the coaches coached as expected, the cheerleaders pranced around as expected, and even the waterboys fulfilled their expected roles.

When the whole affair had

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## Six Enter Ring of Honor

Former coach Tom Marshall, five players, being recognized

By **ROBERT FULTON**  
Sports Editor

This weekend the UCSD men's basketball Ring of Honor will get a little larger with the addition of five players and one coach.

The five players to be inducted are Rick Batt, Darvin Jackson, Gordon McNeil, Chris Moore and Tim Rapp. The coach to be inducted is Tom Marshall.

The new members will join the seven existing members Paul Trainer, Mallory Mitchell, Tom Eright, Bob Goodman, Brandon Nixon, Brian Backens and Greg Kamansky.

All of this weekend's inductees were together at some point from 1987 through 1993. During that span, the Tritons made three NCAA postseason appearances, had three 20-victory seasons, and had a national ranking of third in 1992, fourth in 1991 and 15th in 1990.

The induction ceremony will take place Saturday at halftime of the Tritons' matchup against UC Davis. The game starts at 8 p.m. Preceding the game will be the alumni basketball game at 3 p.m., and the UCSD women's basketball team will face UC Davis at 6 p.m.

## 'SI' Campus Fest



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**Puck this:** A UCSD student takes a slap shot at a hockey exhibition as part of the "Sports Illustrated" Campus Fest. The two-day event provides college students with food, fun, games, sporting events, entertainment and demonstrations. There are also free giveaways, such as what this student is trying to accomplish. The event is sponsored by the Student Organizations and Leadership Coordinator and continues today from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Library Walk.

## UCSD Baseball Wins First Contest of the Season 10-3

Lowly Cal Baptist University is no match for mighty Tritons as UCSD begins the 2001 season on the right foot, dominating its opponent

By **ARVIND VASAN**  
Staff Writer

After having its season opener rained out, the UCSD men's baseball team crushed California Baptist University, 10-3, at the Triton baseball field on Tuesday.

With over a hundred people in the crowd, the Tritons took an early 2-0 lead after the second inning. Tyler Sullivan singled to right field to bring in David Hawk and Eric Thorpe.

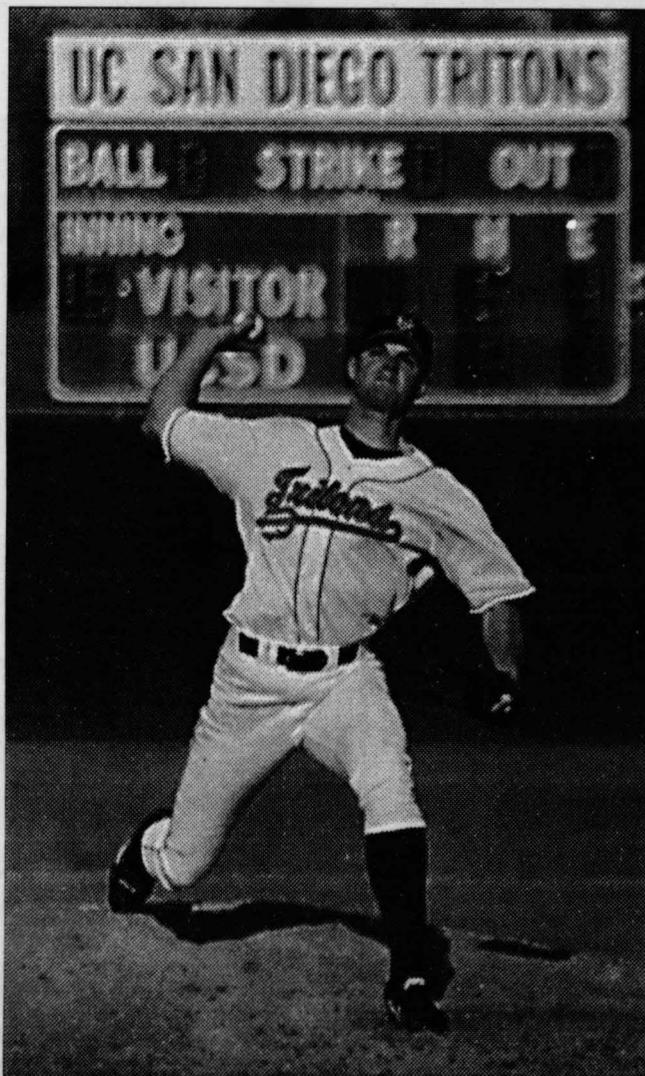
California Baptist cut the deficit in half with an RBI from Oscar Enriquez that scored Dan Mahaffie in the third inning. Then the Tritons took over in the bottom of the fourth inning.

First, Chad Addison got hit by a pitch with the bases loaded, driving in Tyler Sullivan. Ryan Larson then singled into center field to drive in Matt Smith and Blair Suzuki. Nathan Bestul drove in the final run of the inning with a pop fly into right field to score Addison.

Thus, after the fourth inning, the score read 6-1 in favor of the Tritons.

California Baptist added a run in the top of the fifth inning, but another four-run inning in the seventh by the Tritons put the game away. In that inning, Eric Thorpe drove in Larson and scored off an RBI from Sullivan. Suzuki drove in David Hawk to cap off the four-run inning.

All the California Baptist players could muster for a comeback was a measly run by



Lyon Liew/Guardian

**Hurl:** Triton starting pitcher John Beaven struck out five opponents in picking up the win against Cal Baptist on Tuesday.

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## Time to Get Your Scrum On

Rugby is making its mark at U.S. colleges, including UCSD

By **SCOTT BURROUGHS**  
Associate Sports Editor

The year was 1823, and a young ruffian named William Webb Ellis grew tired of conforming to the simplistic, one-dimensional rules that dominated the game of soccer at the time. So this brash young visionary plucked the ball from the pitch and ran downfield with the ball tucked snugly beneath his arm.

The other players stared on in disbelief at this hooligan's actions, wondering if perhaps he had been patronizing the local pub prior to the game.

What they were unaware of was that they were witnessing a special moment in the history of sport. A whole new game had just been laid bare before their very eyes. It was to be named after the very school at which they were playing. That school was the Rugby School of England.

Yes, rugby — the brutal, eye-gouging, scrum-busting sport came to be on that very square of pitch that very day. The game of rugby soon caught on at a much larger scale as Cambridge University adopted the sport and created a local set of rules. By 1871, the sport had been formalized, when a professional league was established in London.

From there it spread across the globe like the bubonic plague, intriguing toned athletes and bloodthirsty prisoners alike. Here in the United States, the game initially caught on primarily on the West Coast. It slowly established itself and looked on course to join the mainstream sports such as baseball, when a pixellated tragedy killed any hopes of an American pro league. Violent photographs of a rough-and-tumble tilt between Swarthmore and Pennsylvania were brought to the attention of President Theodore Roosevelt.

His outrage resulted in the alteration of the rules of the traditional rugby game, which led to the introduction of the forward pass and other changes, until it finally morphed into the game of football that we know today. While the true game is still played elsewhere around the globe, one of the only places that you will find the game stateside is on the green grass of its college campuses, including one tucked away down in La Jolla, Calif.

The UCSD rugby program has enjoyed a long and storied history. The fact that the sport could be played with no more of an investment than the purchase of the ball was what first made the game appealing to the Tritons, but it was the intense game play, ample scoring and the opportunity for anyone to play that helped it stick around.

UCSD boasts both men's and women's rugby teams. The men's

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