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SRTV broadcasts sexual acts

Koala editor, A.S. appointee York cites free speech

By **CHARLES NGUYEN**
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In an effort to bolster student free speech rights, John Muir College senior Steve York broadcast an hour-and-a-half segment featuring sexual acts he performed with an unidentified woman during his Student-Run Television show, "Koala TV."

The Feb. 3 pornography piece was the first in a series of segments to be aired in the spirit of open expression, according to York, who is also the editor of the *Koala* and A.S. elections manager.

"It's my effort to bridge the gap between students and their sexual desires in a fun way," York said. "This is only the first of a number of adult works being produced as we speak, all of which will be aired to the students of this school."

Since SRTV is a closed-circuit station, indecency regulations specified by the Federal Communications Commission do not apply. SRTV rules allow for pornographic broadcasts, as long as they are not copyrighted and are aired between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., according to SRTV station manager Chelsea Welch. Despite initial surprise about York's piece, SRTV had been informed of his intentions to air the program last fall, Welch said.

"We were all aware that he was going to make this film and there were no objections from members," Welch said. "After seeing the film, I was still shocked that he actually did it, but I was proud that he went through with it."

The Closed-Circuit TV Stations Governance committee,



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Speech: *Koala* editor Steve York, "Koala TV" show host Marissa Crane and a guest (left to right) broadcast footage of York engaging in sexual acts on SRTV on Feb. 3.

established in the fall, is the only campus committee that applies specifically to SRTV. The initial format of the committee, drafted by Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Joseph W. Watson, included only one student representative. However, Watson added a representative from each of the six colleges after complaints from A.S. President Jenn Pae.

The committee was created in response to the shutdown of SRTV for four days last May, stemming from Thornton Hospital patients' complaints that the station was broadcasting obscene material. SRTV man-

agers were uncertain whether the material aired was a part of regular programming or if a break-in at the station occurred because administrators refused to explain what they saw.

York considers the committee an obstacle to SRTV content.

"It's obvious from the focus on the committee and the student representatives on it that they do not want the administration's hands on 'their' stations and judging their content," he said. "I see it as another step to control the counter-culture of this school that

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Students taking extra units may face new fees

By **SHANNON ELIOT**
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Students who take more than 110 percent of units required to graduate from UCs and CSUs may have to pay extra fees under a proposal put forth by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger. If passed by the UC Board of Regents, the Excess Units Fee Policy would affect California-resident undergraduate students who enter as freshmen or transfer students in fall 2005.

The funding compact signed last spring by Schwarzenegger and UC President Robert C. Dynes indicates that the state will not pay the university to support an undergraduate whose credit units exceed

a specified threshold above the minimum necessary to complete the bachelor's degree. In an effort to ease budget complications and honor the articulated threshold of 110 percent of required units, both the University of California and California State University systems have been asked to develop policies dealing with excess unit fees.

"If we do our work right, this won't be a terrible burden or issue for most UCSD students," Associate Vice Chancellor of Undergraduate Education Mark Appelbaum said. "If students continue to plan ahead and keep their eyes on the target, they won't have

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Former governor calls for change within GOP

By **LISA MAK**
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Former New Jersey governor and Environmental Protection Agency administrator Christine Todd Whitman discussed the radical nature of the Republican party and some of today's most pressing political issues in a public interview with Robert A. Kittle, editorial page editor of the *San Diego Union-Tribune*, at the Neurosciences Institute on Feb. 10.

Whitman's new book, "It's My Party, Too," was released last month and offers a critique of the modern GOP. According to Whitman, a Republican and former George W. Bush appointee, the Republican party has been in a state of decline due to social fundamentalists within the group who attempt to push moderates from the party and further contribute to the partisan nature of modern politics.

"There is an ever-narrowing lit-

mus test," Whitman said. "If you're pro-choice, you can't be a good Republican. If you believe we should have a beginning of a discussion on embryonic stem cells, you're not a good Republican. If you believe that the government does have a role in protecting the environment, you're not a good Republican. If you're wrong on those social issues, you're out, as far as [the social fundamentalists] are concerned."

Whitman identifies social fundamentalists as far-right Republicans who are unwilling to compromise on social issues such as abortion, gay marriage and stem cell research. She argued that not all Republicans have such hard-line views. For example, some pro-life Republicans are willing to accept abortion in cases of rape or incest.

"For the vast majority of ... people with strong feelings about these issues that are thinking conservatives, we do find a lot of ground where you can come together and actually move the country forward and make a difference," Whitman said.

The Democratic party faces similar problems with the far-left wing, according to Whitman.

"In 2008, it's going to be the

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University executives' high salary bonuses cause protests from union

By **MADLINE PHILLIPS**
Contributing Writer

Last year, 65 executives at the University of California received a total of almost \$2.4 million in salary bonuses. The university's release of this information on Jan. 10 caused protests from the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees Local 3299, which had been in negotiations with the university for a new contract concerning the wages of lower-level workers.

Among the recipients of the bonuses — which averaged about \$36,000 — was UC Davis Medical Center CEO Robert Chason, who received \$82,000 in addition to his \$410,000 annual salary.

"Our members are furious," AFSCME chief negotiator Paul Worthman said. "At a time when the university is contending that it

doesn't have enough money to give to the lowest-paid employees who haven't had a raise in two years, they're giving huge bonuses to executives that already have huge salaries."

However, UC Labor Relations spokesman Noel Van Nyhuis said that the bonuses were part of the executives' compensation packages, as dictated by a decision made by the UC Board of Regents in 1992. In accordance with this resolution, the executives' salaries are composed of two parts: a base salary and an incentive award, which reflects the overall success of the medical center, according to Van Nyhuis.

"We definitely regret that the state budget cuts have prevented a systemwide salary increase over the past few years," Van Nyhuis said. "Whether we will be able to depends on the approval of Gov.

Schwarzenegger's budget by the state Legislature."

However, the wages of lower-level employees are not the only concern of those who are questioning the bonuses.

"[The funds] could have been used to deal with the shortage of staffing, improve the quality of care or offset the enormous increases that students in medical schools and working at medical centers are paying," Worthman said.

Jennifer Lilla, president of the UC Student Association and a graduate student at UC San Francisco, also lamented the loss of funding for other purposes.

"I would love to think that [the money] could have been used to help tuition prices for students," Lilla said. "I wonder if there could

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SPOKEN

"[W]e do find a lot of ground where you can come together ..."

— Christine Todd Whitman, former New Jersey governor

SURF REPORT

2/14
Wind: 10 kt.
Height: 2-3 ft.
Water Temp.: 57-59 deg.

2/15
Wind: 10 kt.
Height: 2-3 ft.
Water Temp.: 57-59 deg.

BRIEFLY

Contest seeks art design for inauguration

The Chancellor's Organization of Allied Students, a student leadership group, has announced that it is seeking designs to use for banners at the March inauguration ceremony of Chancellor Marye Anne Fox.

Chandler to resume role as senior vice chancellor

Former Acting Chancellor Marsha A. Chandler will return next fall to resume her position as senior vice chancellor of academic affairs, according to Chancellor Marye Anne Fox.

When the UC Board of Regents promoted Dynes to the role of UC president, Chandler took over his position as head of the campus until a new chancellor was selected.

The university is indeed fortunate that Marsha has agreed to continue to provide exceptional leadership in academic affairs as we advance an aggressive UCSD agenda toward international pre-eminence.

David R. Miller, who served as senior vice chancellor of academic affairs during Chandler's leave, will resume his position as associate vice chancellor of academic planning and resources, according to Fox.

Tax reforms may target higher education

A 430-page report released by the House-Joint Committee on Taxation includes several tax policy reforms that may affect higher education, according to the American Council of Education.

Designed to reduce the amount of taxes that go uncollected every year - currently surpassing \$300 billion - the report describes 72 proposals to reduce tax shelters, close loopholes and focus on other areas of noncompliance.

Under the plan, two higher education tax breaks that allow students and their parents to deduct a portion of education costs would be combined into one, according to A.C.E. In addition, the proposal would redefine portions of the tax code that allow students to go without paying Social Security and Medicare payroll taxes.

Researchers to test data-mining programs

In a joint project paid for by the Department of Homeland Security, researchers from UC Riverside and Lucent Technologies are testing the efficacy of modern data-mining tools used by the government to track patterns of behavior that may reveal threats to national security.

Study suggests proteins similar among organisms

Similarities in protein "wiring" of three distantly related species - yeast, worms and the fruit fly - may offer a new way of developing more effective pharmaceuticals with fewer side effects, researchers from UCSD, Israel and Germany have jointly reported.

Ultimately, this type of wiring analysis will help us more fully explain how the diversity of life developed on the planet and, more practically, how a pathogen differs from its host or a diseased cell differs from its healthy counterpart at the most informative level of detail.

ETCETERA ...



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LIGHTS & SIRENS

Monday, Feb. 7 9:25 a.m.: A 20-year-old female student attempted suicide at Matthews Apartments. Transported to Thornton Hospital.

10:40 a.m.: A 23-year-old male student suffered a seizure at Cognitive Science Building. Transported to Thornton Hospital.

2:20 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a pearl pink-and-black Sunrunner bike from the west side bike racks of Matthews Apartments Building A. Loss: \$200.

5:07 p.m.: A 16-year-old female nonaffiliate suffered from a neck and back injury while playing soccer at the Preuss School field. Transported to Scripps Memorial Hospital by paramedics.

Tuesday, Feb. 8 9:28 a.m.: A student reported the theft of a CD player from his vehicle in Pangea Parking Structure. Loss: \$150.

10:25 a.m.: A student reported the theft of a green Giant Acapulco mountain bike from the west side stairwell of Asante House. Loss: \$100.

10:43 a.m.: A staff member reported the theft of computer equipment from Chemistry Research Building. Loss: \$3,730.

10:50 a.m.: A 19-year-old female student suffered from a loss of consciousness at Oceanview Terrace. Sought private treatment.

1:40 p.m.: Officers arrested a 20-year-old female student for misuse of a handicap placard in Lot 104. Cited and released.

3:11 p.m.: A 42-year-old male staff member suffered from a loss of consciousness at Pepper Canyon Hall. Transported to Thornton Hospital by paramedics.

4:32 p.m.: Officers detained a 22-year-old male student at Price Center for being a danger to himself and others. Transported to County Mental Health.

6:56 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a silver-and-black B21 Mongoose mountain bike from the north side of Argo Residence Hall. Loss: \$100.

Wednesday, Feb. 9 2:36 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a graphite steel, blue and black B21 Giant mountain bike from a railing on the east side of Earth North Residence Hall. Loss: \$219.99.

9:29 p.m.: A student reported the attempted theft of a silver B27 Giant mountain bike from the bike racks at the front entrance of Geisel Library. Loss: \$1,500.

Thursday, Feb. 10 10:47 a.m.: A student reported the theft of a gray and green Trek 3700 mountain bike from the Geisel Library bike racks. Loss: \$250.

11:13 a.m.: Officers arrested a 28-year-old male student for petty theft at UCSD Bookstore. Cited and released.

11:17 a.m.: A student reported the attempted theft of a silver 2000 Chevrolet truck from Lot 703.

2 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a black, yellow and silver B21 Mongoose mountain bike from the east bike racks of Pacific Hall. Loss: \$159.37.

3:16 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a black and red B24 Trek mountain bike from the east side bike racks of Douglas Hall. Loss: \$350.

Friday, Feb. 11 12:55 p.m.: A student reported vandalism to a green 1989 Mercedes 300E in Lot 701. Damage: \$1,000.

3:23 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a wallet from CLICS library. Loss: \$55.

3:41 p.m.: A student reported the theft of library books at OceanView Terrace. Loss: \$420.

Compiled by Lisa Mak, Associate News Editor

SRTV: York ready to respond to litigation

The committee to respond to specific complaints, but only to answer questions that arise out of the campus charter for the vice chancellor.

A.S. representatives support all avenues of SRTV free speech, according to A.S. Commissioner of Student Services Kian Maleki.

The last committee meeting is scheduled for Feb. 14, before a report summarizing content responsibility is submitted to Watson, according to Welch.

Committee members have not addressed and do not plan to address York's broadcast, according to committee chair and Director of Student Policies and Judicial Affairs Nicholas S. Agular.

The committee has not been asked to respond to the incident," Agular said. "It is not the charge of

the committee to respond to specific complaints, but only to answer questions that arise out of the campus charter for the vice chancellor.

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The administration is frequently trying to tighten purse-strings where it can, and controversial services like [SRTV]... are constantly feeling the pinch."

A.S. Adviser Lauren Weiner also contacted SRTV managers concerning York's show, according to Welch.

"She was very objective about it and she wanted to know what had been aired and how it was in compliance with SRTV's charter and bylaws so that if she was asked

questions about it, she would know what to say," Welch said. "I talked to her about it and went through how the film did not violate FCC regulations regarding obscenity, and that was it."

Despite support from SRTV and Associated Students, York is ready to respond if any action is taken against his show.

"If any legal action is taken or further pressed, I will have no problem assembling a coalition of free-speech supporters and the entire might of the adult industry to bear against this school for infringing on our rights as adults and students paying for our own television services," York said.

If students are opposed to any SRTV broadcast, Associated Students encourages their participation in programming efforts, according to Maleki.

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EPA: Whitman encourages political moderates

first time since 1952 that neither party is going to have an incumbent running, either a president running for re-election or a vice president ready to step up," she said. "So it's a perfect time for the parties to step back and take a look at where they are and where they're going."

Whitman encouraged moderate Republicans to network and organize to build strong coalitions and to support moderate candidates at the local and state levels.

"In the book, I outlined the issues that I think are important, that we need to be focusing on as

moderates, and have some suggestions of what people can do in their communities... to try to create an atmosphere that would allow for moderates to actually be considered for the presidency," Whitman said.

In addition to discussing her book, Whitman also offered her perspectives on several political issues, including the war on terrorism and the American presence in Iraq.

"We all were changed after Sept. 11, but no one more deeply than the president," Whitman said.

"I honestly believe, as much as now we talk about being in Iraq to spread democracy and freedom,

that the president's underlying and overwhelming commitment to the American people is to never let a 9/11 happen again."

The Republican National Committee could not be reached for comment in response to Whitman's talk.

Whitman's interview was a part of the Revelle Forum, a series of lectures, readings and public interviews with prominent figures in arts, literature, current events and the media.

Readers can contact Lisa Mak at lmak@ucsd.edu.

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Bonus: Funds could have been used for other purposes, said Lilla

have been some way to use those funds in a way that would have helped a great number of people instead of just a few."

Van Nyhuis said, however, that the funds were specifically earmarked for the purpose of compensating executives and could not have been used for any other cause.

As to the future of the negotiations between the AFSCME and the University of California, Van Nyhuis and Worthman differ in opinion. The union considers the mediations over, according to Worthman.

Given the state of negotiations, Lilla maintains that whatever the true origin of the funds was, it is unfortunate that they had to be used as such an inconvenient time.

"I personally have no problem with the fact that they were given raises, but the timing is quite poor, given the dire straits that the university is in right now," Lilla said.

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Margaret Spellings:
How will she lead?
Ed. secretary politicizes position

By BRIAN UIGA
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Three months after what was arguably the most contested and fiery election in history, the jihad between liberals and conservatives rages on for millions of Americans.

Ask a Democrat about any of President George W. Bush's policies, from the largest issues (WAR!) to the smallest details (use of silverware in the White House), and an inevitable landslide of talking points follows. In a presidency that boasts the highest approval rating in history from one-half of the country, and the lowest approval rating in history from the other half, every single policy has become a politicized battleground where defamed Democrats can attempt to "take back the country" from their conservative propagandist oppressors, and Republicans can "preserve family values" from the influence of dissident rebels who seek to poison the minds of their constituents.

The issue of education has always been a political one — most allocations of funding for stagnant bureaucracies are — but the battle was taken to a new level last November with Bush's nomination of Margaret Spellings as secretary of education, replacing previous secretary Rod Paige, who resigned under mysterious circumstances shortly after Bush's re-election. The main battle, of course, involved "No Child Left Behind," the dubiously funded standardized-testing program which, depending on who you ask, has either bankrupted our public school system by shoving another bureaucratic hurdle down its throat or brought our schools up in quality by holding every teacher accountable for the performance of the students.

As the author of the Texas program which formed the basis for "No Child Left Behind," Spellings cannot help but attract this controversy, but certain other factors in her background turn this political battle into an all-out culture

war. As the only education secretary in history with primary-school-age children at the time of her appointment, Spellings is a perfect figurehead for the "family values" banner. Yet, when one of those children also attends a private Catholic school, Spellings' lack of faith in the public school system for her own children makes her an equally important symbol for the "rich elitists running the White House" banner. One could only hope that, in her role as chief educator of the nation, Spellings could attempt to play down these conflicting political ideologies and deal with the administrative problems plaguing "No Child Left Behind," a goal that both sides can agree on.

But in the arena of public education, hopes can never be fully realized, and in Spellings' case they are dashed entirely. Earlier this month, Spellings criticized PBS for planning to air an episode of "Postcards from Buster" that featured an animated bunny talking to a family with two mommies. For days, pundits exploded on both sides with either rage or admiration. PBS, in a surprisingly "edgy" move, offered the episode to any TV station willing to snub the Department of Education. And, through all of the mayhem and shouting, nobody seemed to notice that the sweeping reforms of "No Child Left Behind" promised by Bush simply did not happen, whether these reforms were of the liberal sort (fund the program "properly") or the conservative sort (help individual schools "comply" with the program). A separate scandal, involving "fake" reporters and pundits paid off to endorse "No Child Left Behind," only added fuel to the fire.

This is the danger of such politicized policy; while pundits may inflate their egos by crusading against one option or the other, the policy itself nearly always suffers a lack of results. This spells doom anew for "No Child Left Behind," as well as for another program that hits a little closer to home: Pell

Grants. Pell Grants, federal godsend for those who qualify for, are a crucial part of financial aid for many of our nation's brightest who could otherwise not afford secondary education. Since anything less than a master's degree qualifies our nation's students for little more than a rewarding career in the food service industry, programs like Pell Grants are necessary components for ensuring that American industry remains competitive in the international market. Yet, with all of this nonsense going on in the Department of Education about standardized testing and lesbian cartoons, precious little effort is spent on Pell Grants, a service that offers to move many students above the food service level.

Even when scant effort is being put into Pell Grants, the talons of political pandering are seldom far behind: According to the National Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (<http://www.nasfaa.org/publications/2004/guestablesupdate122304.htm>), the only major action seen from the new Department of Education was a revamping of tax tables that laid the framework for some major-league partisan squabbling. Of course, conservatives and "taxpayer groups" love the idea of revamping the tax basis for financial aid; just look at the wonders it has done for their base with the recent tax cuts on the national level. Of course, liberals and students equally hate this idea, as it stands to leave behind tens of thousands of children who no longer meet the tax requirements to receive aid.

Spellings has an interesting, if partisan, opinion on this tax change: When asked if the government was, in fact, "slashing" Pell Grants, she stated that if Bush's budget is passed, it would instead increase Pell Grant funds by six percent. (<http://www.whitehouse.gov/ask/2004/0514.html>). The obvious question is, why hold the future of Pell Grants hostage to a somewhat



Eugene Wu/Guardian

unrelated, hopelessly partisan issue? Perhaps Spellings feels that coercion is the only method available to bridge the ideological gap between herself and the liberals on Capitol Hill. Whether you agree with this method for funding Pell Grants or not, you cannot deny that it follows her general trend of foolishly inviting partisan battles.

So then, what is the solution to these problems with "No Child Left Behind" and Pell Grants? None exists. For liberals and conservatives will fight until the end of days, when the earth will open up to swallow them both. Well, maybe not, but it would take an

act of God (and not just the conservative deity or the liberal deity, but the fire-and-brimstone one) to take politics out of the Department of Education and get it back to the business of improving schools in a nonpartisan, or at least nonpoliticized, fashion. Perhaps a change of power in four years could yield some positive results, but more likely than not one will find the conservatives on the other side of the fence, protesting "liberal" educational policy. Public education is doomed, children. Better invest in real estate instead.

Regularly skipping class a UCSD institution

indecent exposure

Marianne Madden



You're not having a good day, are you? Because — call me Sherlock Holmes — if you're reading this, you're not furiously consummating your relationship with your lover, bathing in a bathtub full of rose petals or trying to stretch your arms around the 4-foot-tall teddy bear your boyfriend gave you. In other words, you're having a lousy Valentine's Day. And for that, I'm sorry. Truly, I am. But no, I'm not going to make out with you to assuage the pain. Well, maybe if you buy me dinner first ...

It's unfortunate I have a column on Valentine's Day, because I have no interest in writing about the holiday; I have no sex advice, nor a mushy side, nor a list of great, dirt-cheap restaurants that don't require reservations and sell bundles of roses out the back door for 50 cents. I don't have a list of good-looking single people for all the desperate souls who e-mail me. Hell, it pains me even acknowledging the holiday, and I'm one of the lucky ones cashing in on the gifts that this holiday bestows upon a select few.

So let's leave all that Valentine's Day unpleasantness behind us and look on the bright side: At least you're not in class right now — and if you are, you're creative and bold when it comes to entertainment options (and for that, I salute you).

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thing about college classes: People don't go. Except I go, because I'm an insufferable overachiever. I've

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come to realize that people don't go to classes because they're boring or useless; they don't go because it's so

goddamn fun to skip, especially when you can get away with it. So, with my newfound epiphany in mind, I diagrammed UCSD's ten-week cycle of absences:

First week: Students are psyched, which means we're slightly less grumpy than usual. Classrooms are filled wall-to-wall 10 minutes before each class is scheduled to start; we're eager to meet our (hopefully good-looking and intelligently sexy) professors and our (hopefully good-looking and intelligently sexy) classmates. And, of course, to size up the syllabus, which we will promptly lose. One clueless asshole asks the professor about the grading policy even though it's printed in 16-point font on the very top of the syllabus; everyone takes note of who the asshole is and ostracizes him/her for the rest of the quarter. Class is adjourned after twenty minutes;

most students disappear, not to be seen again until the day of the midterm.

Second week: The only people in class are the people working for A.S. Lecture Notes, insufferable overachievers and people lusting after the professor, who usually wear short skirts and sit in the front row.

Third week: Facing a nearly empty room, the professor complains that no one comes to his office hours and reminds students that "office hours are for you" and "it's boring to have to sit in my office for two hours when no one comes to visit." Then he adjourns class 10 minutes early so he can weep in private.

Fourth week: Students go to office hours to ask professor what will be on the midterm. Nervous

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Return-to-aid unnecessary
for self-assessed fees

By DANIEL WATTS
Senior Staff Writer

We pay a lot to this university: almost \$5,000 per year in "education fees" alone.

Up to one-fourth of that may be going to the people sitting next to you. It's called "return-to-aid," a requirement that the University of California allocate 25 percent of every education fee increase to financial aid. This is supposed to help compensate low-income students whose current financial aid plans cannot keep up with rising education costs.

The university plans to expand this program in March, with a new proposal coming out of the UC Office of the President that would divert money to scholarships not only from educational fees, but also from self-imposed, student-initiated fees.

Return-to-aid stipulations are a reasonably fair method of spreading the burden of budget cuts. The fee increases hurt the students who can afford to be hurt, while helping those who absolutely cannot absorb another financial hit. Without return-to-aid, general fees for all students would be more affordable, perhaps 25 or 33 percent lower than they are now — but low-income students might be forced to drop out of school.

UCOP's new proposal hurts everyone. It could force us to sacrifice a percentage of any UCSD-specific campus fee that we impose upon ourselves. In the past decade, UCSD undergraduates have voted countless small fee

increases upon themselves, all of which would have been affected by the UCOP proposal had it been implemented earlier.

If the proposal had been in effect four years ago, 25 percent of the Price Center expansion money would be going toward financial aid instead of a new food court; 25 percent of the intercollegiate athletics fee would fund low-income scholarships; and 25 per-

centage of each college council's referendum-aided budget would be gone, making it difficult to fund their annual college-based concerts and semiformal dances. Imagine if Sun God festival was 25-percent smaller, or if recreation facilities cost students \$345 per year instead of the current \$276. That's the choice UCOP is offering us ...

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Return-to-aid requirements

make some sense for university-imposed fees. The regents are raising those fees, not the students. Students have no control over the budget by which their educational fees are spent. And the fees are raised by so much in a single hike that they pose a dilemma to students who carefully budgeted their money for four-year stints at UCSD.

It makes sense that students receive aid to offset fee increases over which they have no control, but return-to-aid is ridiculous for self-imposed fees. Students vote these fees upon themselves. The \$92-per-quarter recreational facility fee was approved by a student vote, as was the \$37.50 Price Center fee, the \$29 intercollegiate athletics fee, the \$21 Associated Students campus activity fee and the activity fee at each of the six colleges. In cases such as these, it's our own damn fault that we raise fees, so we do not deserve financial aid to compensate for them.

Also, the self-imposed campus fees are so small that earmarking 25 percent of them to scholarships would not really help low-income students. A Warren student pays only \$4 per quarter to his student council; does he really need financial aid to cover that?

On the other hand, taking a dollar of each student's fee away from the council would decrease its budget by around \$12,000 per year — about the cost of the annual semiformal dance.

It hurts student life far more to grab a dollar for financial aid than it does to raise fees by a couple bucks.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Academic freedom bill overreaches

Editor:

In the last two decades, our elected officials, both in the state and federal governments, have gotten us used to all sorts of silliness, and the proposed bill to "ban professors' indoctrination" appears to be the latest one.

To think that political and ideological opinions can be separated from other aspects of one's life, be they choosing a brand of cereal or teaching a lesson, reveals a mind so simplistic that it should have no place in the legislative body of a modern state.

Things will become interesting, though: Consider, for instance, that most engineering professors endorse, more or less openly, the industrial ethos, an endorsement that is definitely a political position, not to mention that "technology" itself is a form of ideology.

If the bill passes, I have some advice for all engineering students: Next time you have an assignment on harmonic analysis or partial differential equations that you don't know how to solve, simply write, "I

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refuse to solve this problem because its solution will support the capitalist ideology with which the professor has been trying to indoctrinate us."

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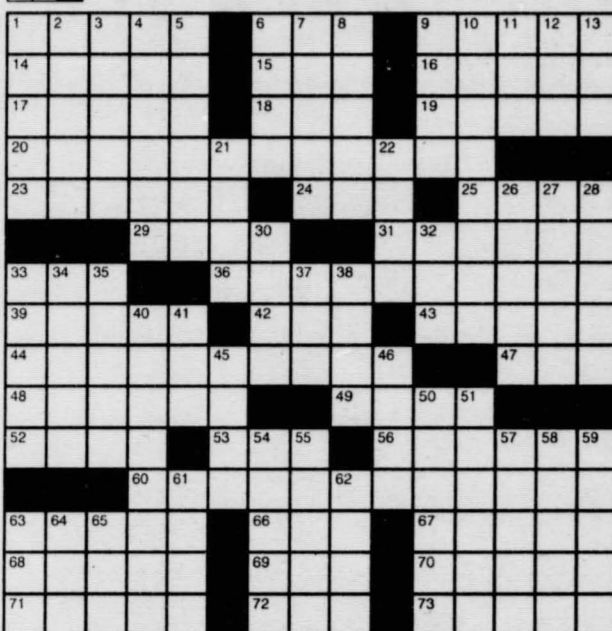
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Column: Academic apathy an endless cycle

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about the upcoming exam, students flood the classroom and glare at the clueless asshole who asks if they will need to bring a bluebook.

Fifth week: Midterm day! Classroom is packed once again. The detested curve-setter finishes midterm in twenty minutes; the rest of the class quietly takes the exam, then leaves, never to be seen again — until the final.

Sixth week: With midterms out of the way, no one comes to class. Professor talks to himself and draws funny pictures on the blackboard.

Seventh week: Around 10 students realized they missed the midterm and come to class to beg for another chance to take it. The rest of the class comes to ask whether the midterm will be curved.

Eighth week: During sparsely attended lectures the professor mocks students, tells a story about his trip to France and extols the virtues of barber shaves. The few boot-lickers attending lecture pretend to appreciate his stories while

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wondering what the hell he's talking about.

Ninth week: Pre-final jitters hit; classroom fills up once again with people who realize they don't know the professor's name, the topic of the class or what they did with the syllabus. Clueless asshole interrupts lecture to ask what will be on the final. Fed up, the professor makes a sarcastic remark in response to the clueless asshole; class laughs.

Tenth week: A few students come to class, hoping that the professor will drop hints about what will be asked on the final. The rest of the class simply can't be bothered to get out of bed, even though the class is held at three in the afternoon.

Finals week: Students wander in, take final, and wander out, immediately forgetting everything pertaining to the class. The detested curve-setter finishes exam in 40 minutes and smugly walks out of the class to enjoy a V8 Splash in the sunshine outside.

Then, of course, the students head off to vacation, and the cycle begins anew next quarter. It's not too different from high school, except the classes are more specialized, the teachers aren't total clowns, and the "slackers" at the back of the class are actually the ones who screw up the curve for everyone else.

Well, that's enough of that academic stuff. It's time for me to enjoy my brand-new 4-foot-tall teddy bear and shower in some rose petals.

Happy V-Day IMs and all the rest. I love all of you, and not only because of your smokin' good looks. Send love letters to mmadden@ucsd.edu.

Units: Students concerned about proposed unit fees

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A problem.”

A draft of the policy states that the fee would be equivalent to the marginal cost of education of an academic year. It would be charged on a per-unit basis up to the normal course load of 12 units per quarter, at which point it would become a flat fee.

Fee assessment would begin no earlier than the 2007-08 academic year, and the university would not provide UC financial aid for years in which the student surpasses the unit limit. However, students would continue to be eligible for outside financial aid from federal sources or private agencies, according to the proposal draft.

Both Appelbaum and the UC Office of the President have said that the proposal is still in its infancy and further details should become available as they are worked out in the next two to three months.

“[This] is a collective, system-wide process — undergraduate deans, the council of vice chancellors, Board of Regents and others will offer their input and the Office of the President will eventually declare a policy,” Appelbaum said.

Under the proposal, summer would not be included in determining the total number of enrolled quarters, but the units earned by completing UC summer coursework would be counted toward the limit.

The draft notes that exceptions may be made to raise the unit threshold, but only in individual cases that can be justified in academic terms.

Appelbaum said he is working closely with other administrators to ensure that all students get at least four years to pursue their degrees.

“Every student has four years before anyone starts looking to kick him or her out,” Appelbaum said. “Each student, however, will have a different number of maximum units depending on their college and major.”

The details for double majors have not yet been finalized, he said.

The governor's office did not respond to calls requesting comment.

Several students said they were concerned about the proposal.

“I think it's ridiculous that they want to penalize us for striving to be well-rounded people,” said UC Berkeley junior Tracey Ross, a double major. “They are continuously making our educational system into some sort of factory, just trying to get us in and get us out. They don't realize that we are being shaped by knowledge and experiences.”

Revelle College junior and double major Erik Laurinovic said his opinion of the plan was mixed.

“There's a fine line between wanting to learn more and hanging around too long,” Laurinovic said. “I understand why they want to do this, but it makes it difficult for double majors and students who go [into college] undeclared and don't decide their major until the end of sophomore year.”

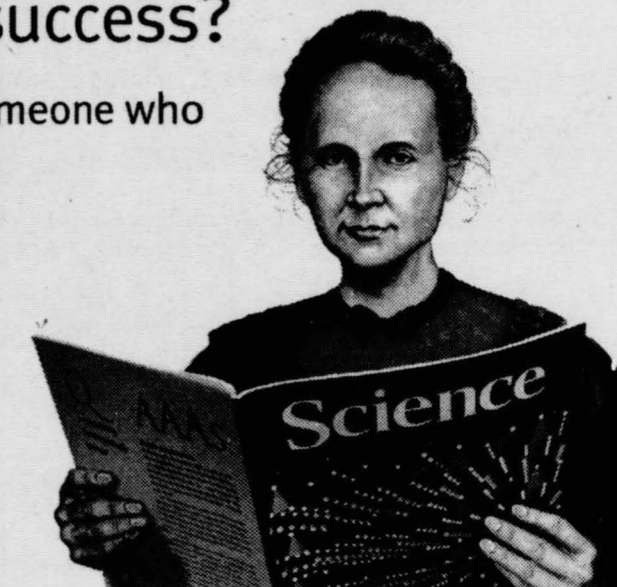
Appelbaum emphasized that the proposal is an effort by the state to help alleviate California's precarious financial situation.

“This is not generating a surplus that will go somewhere else,” Appelbaum said. “This is simply an attempt to reduce our state deficit and offset the budget cuts.”

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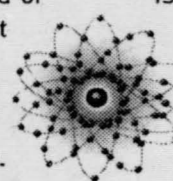
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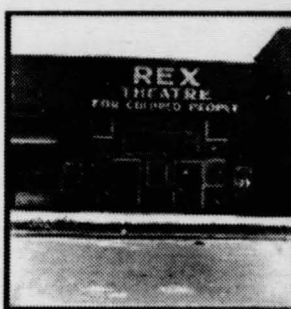
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HEALTH

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Roma Nights Presents Spencer Pforisch, 8pm @ Espresso Roma.

TUES. FEB. 15

CAREER

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On-Camera Practice Interviewing for Internships & Part-Time Jobs, 9:30-11:30am @ Career Services Center.

Career Exploration Panel: Careers & Graduate Study in Public Health, 2-4pm @ Career Services Center.

from professionals in the public health field, learn what career options are available and find out about the admissions procedures and requirements for graduate study in public health.

CLUBS

Americans for Informed Democracy - General Body Meeting, 6:30pm @ PC Gallery B.

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Cinemaddicts Presents Kinsey, 7 & 10pm @ PC Theatre.

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APO's "Dynamic Duos" Sadie Hawkins Dance, 8pm-12am @ the Great Hall in ERC.

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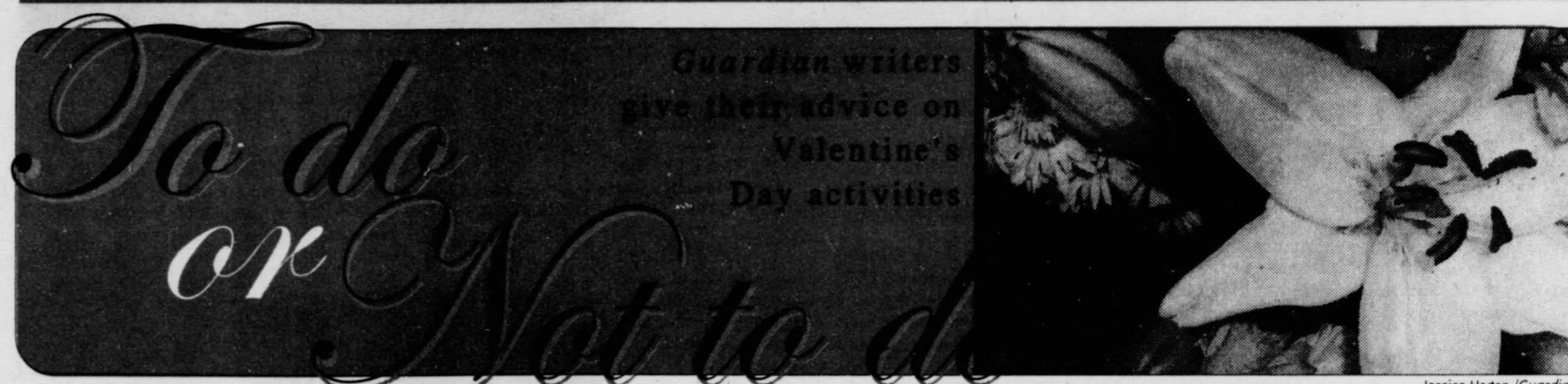
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FEATURES



Jessica Horton / Guardian

Save some cash and boost the creativity quotient by making a card or present for your favorite person instead of just plunking down cash for a ready-made gift.

- Marianne Madden, Senior Staff Writer



Greg Dale/Guardian

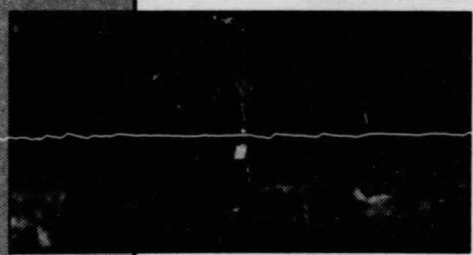
Take what you know about your lover's tastes and obsessions and your own talents and creativity into consideration.



Jessica Horton/Guardian

If you have no clue what to get a lover, delve into your own creativity and the little everyday hobbies of your partner.

- Lillian Nedwick, Staff Writer



Jason Campo/Guardian

Ladies and gentlemen, get ready for a Valentine's Day your significant other will never forget.

When his girlfriend saw the balloons, she thought that he was planning on having a party, but instead he handed her a needle and requested that she pop as many balloons as it would take until she could find her present.

- Vanessa Peng, Contributing Writer

For most people, Valentine's Day is a day for showing your significant other just how much you really love them.

That very same day, without my knowing, Jennifer had been searching for a gift to give me. Her only problem was that she had no clue what I wanted.

- Hans Fellman, Features Editor

For a holiday stereotyped by hearts, chocolates and flowers, showering roses onto your significant other may seem unimpressive.

One girl (to remain anonymous) sent her ex-significant other two red roses and a yellow one.

For this Valentine's Day, you too can say "I love you" in primary colors.

- Jia Gu, Associate Features Editor

My friend's boyfriend seemed to know the right things to do on Valentine's Day, and he surprised her with many gifts.

you. At least this way your significant other will know you made an effort, and not your mother.

- Vanessa Peng, Contributing Writer

My friend and her semi-new boyfriend decided to try new foods in the bedroom on Valentine's Day last year.

My friend's boyfriend decided to use peanut butter as one of his foods since it's hard to lick off, thinking that his girlfriend would have to work extra hard to get the peanut butter off.

Love is in the air, and what better time is there in the year to confess your true love to your true lover?

If the timing, situation, and moment is right, one thing you should consider doing on Valentine's Day is admitting that secret buried within the depths of your soul.

- Christine Pae, Associate Features Editor

They hadn't been together that long, so he didn't know of her allergy. He had to rush her to the hospital immediately.

The moral of the story is, don't use a food in the bedroom unless you know neither you nor your partner is allergic to it.

Be creative, be careful and have a wonderful Valentine's Day.

- Shauna Kanel, Contributing Writer

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Flowers: The language of romance

By **CHRISTINE PAE**
Associate Features Editor

Juliet said that a rose by any other name would smell just as sweet. She's right on the money, but for some guys, knowing the right name is important. Indeed, whatever the name, a gift of flowers alone will be appreciated. To see that extra sparkle in her eye, however, requires extra thought on which flowers to give.

Some women are picky about flowers while others are indifferent toward them, but it is, of course, Valentine's Day. If you're going to be spending some cash on flowers, be sure to at least choose the right kind. The best blossoms to give to your leading lady are the ones you know she likes best. If you don't know her favorite, ask her friends or roommates who might. But for those of you who are clueless and think that any flower will do, consider the following words of advice:

The Carnation

"Carnations seem so impersonal and last minute," Thurgood Marshall College junior Cathy Lee said. "It's what you get at the end of the year in high school for participating in a club along with 200 other members."

Don't try to give carnations to your significant other on Valentine's Day unless you know she loves them. Although they're fairly pretty to look at, carnations have the reputation of being the cheaper flower option, which, unfortunately enough, causes some disdain. But unlike roses, carnations have a long vase life and will live longer to impress your lover.

The Orchid

As a symbol of perfection, orchids are yet another option for a Valentine's gift. More commonly seen in Hawaiian leis or balmy California backyards, orchids still hold the potential to be an alluring gift. Ranging from deep purples to yellow to creamy white, orchids have an exotic aura to them that will surprise your valentine.



Jessica Horton / Guardian

The Mixed Bouquet

Already arranged and prepared according to the visual aesthetic of the florist, a bouquet of mixed flowers is the easy way out. However, it is crucial to choose the right bunch. Some bouquets are more tastefully arranged than others, while some can be a horrible mass of color-clashing weeds. Focus on the bouquets with simpler combinations and avoid the ones that have too much leafy foliage.

The Calla Lily

For a less conventional option, give your girlfriend a bouquet of calla lilies. With their long stems and simple shape, these satiny white, trumpet-like blooms have an air of elegance to them that is perfect for the sophisticated woman. Remember that in many cases, simplicity is key.

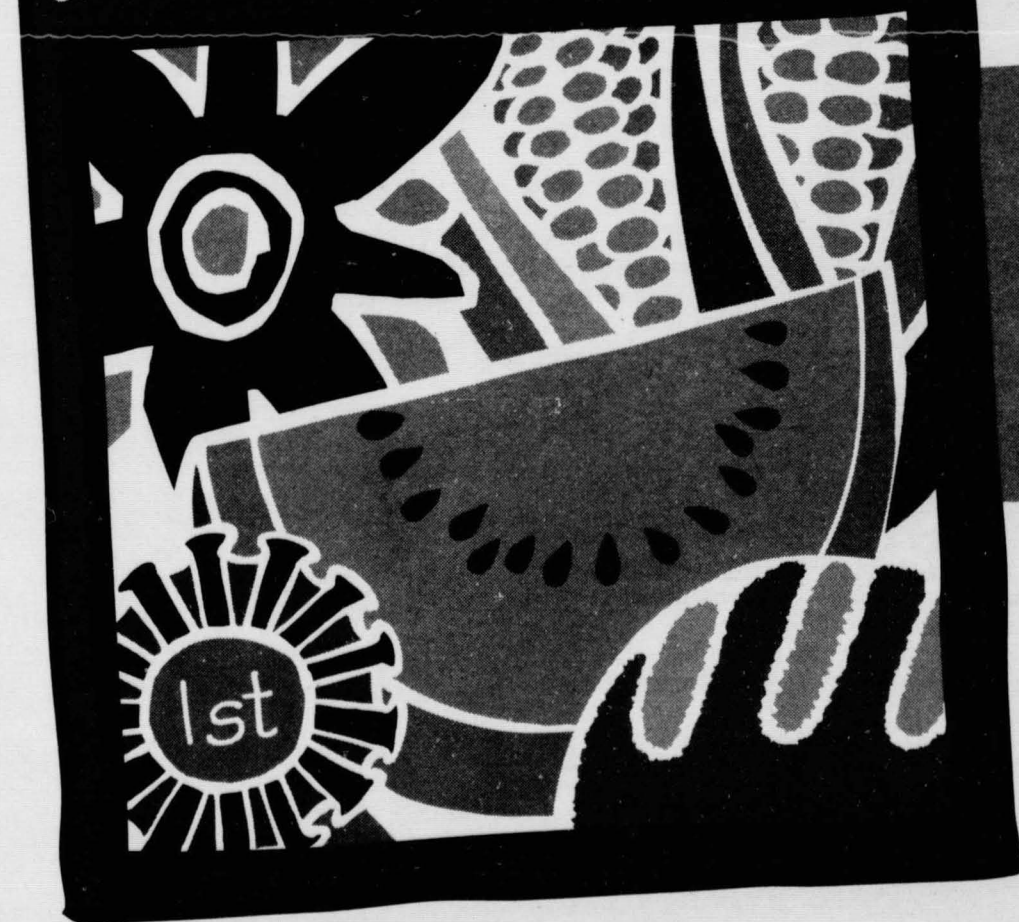
The Rose

The safest bet is the rose. Valentine's Day without red roses is like St. Patrick's Day without shamrocks, or a birthday party without cake. As an everlasting symbol of love, the red, red rose will not fail to delight your valentine. If you believe them to be too cliché but can't manage to ignore them entirely, try tweaking their image.

There are other colors in the spectrum of a rose's versatility, though red is its dominant color. Consider pink or amber roses, cream ones with pink edges or lavender ones, if you can find them. Have faith in roses and try to look past their high price.

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Happy Valentines Day to everyone at Special Events & Parking. You are the best. Thanks, SE-22

Sexy: Just wanted to say Happy V-day! You're such a stud with your shaved head! Love, Your Dime Plus 99

Jackie, you mean the world to me. I hope you'll be my valentine forever. Love, Devin P.S. weeshu, peeshu, shush

hey baby, i love you so much. thanks for this weekend. happy valentines day. *kiss* love, your baby girl laura

"Sandy, you are the most beautiful and most important person in my life. I love you now and forever. - Kyle

Boobay: I can't thank God enough for the happiness I feel when I'm with you. Te Amo/Mahal Kita. Boobay

To the cute basketball player recently on the cover of the guardian, Happy Valentine's Day! From your boyfriend

When BT goes away, BS gets lonely. Absence makes a heart goes berserk.

To the nice computer science guy who once told me to "Have a great day" in front of the Career Services Center. Life's too short. Message me: be_wabi_sabi@yahoo.com. =)

Chloe Elias - 20 words cannot express how incredible you are. Loving you from afar, Your Secret Valentine.

Happy Valentine's Day to Emily, Christine, Uyen, Maria, Nicole, Michelle, Lisa, Edwin, and Greg! <3 Hanz and Jeff!

Heidi- Steal some covers share some skin. Clouds are shrouding us in moments unforgettable. You twist to fit the mold that I am in -Your love

Hey Jessie, Remember this time last year was our first date; I love you so much & Happy Valentine's Day! Always & Forever yours, YAO

My Best Friend&Love Anthongy: Thanks 4 ur unconditional love And for not giving up on us I love you. MUAH. Thanks so much, Angie

Dear Goozer, Sarcastic Bastard, Our Favorite & Our Favorite's fish - We dub thee Sex Gods on the day of St. Valentine

Martin's Penis- I miss you. -The Feather Kyna wants to tell Ali, Kaylee, Ellen AND HAWKIN that she loves them lots and lots!! Happy V-Day!

TomTom: That's some pretty tough reading you got there. Hot.

♥ GREG

MURPHY is such a hottie! I want him to be my valentine. Love, Your Secret Admirer

Matt- I've liked you since I first saw you. Let's be more than just lab partners! -J

Vickie Shar aka Maneater - Happy Birthday Sexy! Let's party now that your midgerms are over. Much Love, Me =)

Hi Baby! The little ones and I love you much! I miss you! Love, your baby

Greg: You're my favorite! Will you be my valentine? S.P. tonight. XOXO Much Love, Nupur =) P.S.)) brzln!

J - You bring so much into my life, the amazement never ceases. 2 years blessed beyond belief. Love - K

mahal to sisters frida fati gaily & E6 brothers ahrons tataykris j.migs

& jermster. thanks for everything. love, heids

"Till mitt livs kärlek, du fyll. mig alltid med känsla och förnuft, glad alla hjärtans dag. - Neha"

George, my gift from above, I thank God for you. Your love surpasses my every desire. Happy Valentine's. Love, Sue.

♥ Hey Victor: You're hot, be mine...*whoopishh* <3 Francesca

Keith, my second half, thank you for having the biggest heart imaginable! You are my LOVE! Diala

K-Wo: I heart you! Happy Valentine's Day—we must go celebrate with a warm, chocolate beverage! Love E-Schu

To My VHB Greg, Bon Jour de la Saint-Valentin<3 Je t'aime<3 ps Tu n'es pas vieux!-ton fleur

chiquito- te amo with all my heart. You're my favorite. Siempre te amare. <3 Tu mami.

SUSAN HARDJADINATA, I Ch-Ch-ChooOoose you. Be My Valentine! Love, George.

Dear SOLO Student Organizations: Missing you all, as you can tell; Hope everything is going very well. Love, EDE

Delta Sigma Pi, OS Chapter: How do I love thee; Let me count the ways... One rose, two rose, three...

Yolanda, Marcia, Ann, Emily, & Clarissa: You are by far; The brightest blue and gold SOLO stars! EDE

To the Girls of 1710, Happy Valentine's Day! You are all our favorites! Cupcakes now! Sincerely, The Boys of 1726

♥ Dearest Stef, you're my Rushmore. Ladybug/ ladybird/ you're the prettiest song I heard, in a while! Love, Aaron.

To: Michelle Pham — You still make me smile! I am truly a lucky guy. Happy Valentine's Day, babe. — Steve Ngamsanga

MC-Rae... thanks for all the good times and even more the hard times. Will you be my Valentine!! =P

Dearest Ewie: Pounce! Another year and counting! Chu chu I love you! Snugglefoot and Snuffles say hi too! Love, Tam Tam

Carly -Hoping to make the angry bear smile today. Happy Valentine's Day! Love, Carlo

Ho yao dear, Thinking of you... always. *nip* -Sandy

Diana, You're the best! You've got the biggest heart and I love you for it! - Sandy, your other half :)

Hi Jenny. I love you babe! -Andrew Princess: A blow for a blow. Thanks for all your love - G

Mer - Me cuerpe es una pelicula, y tu pene es la estrella. - G

♥ Ciao Professore! -G

LOML, i love you and your beautiful soul :)

to S: damn you are so fine, signed, J today im devastated. my heart is crushed. why did i have to get attached. it's true... pain is love...me2me.

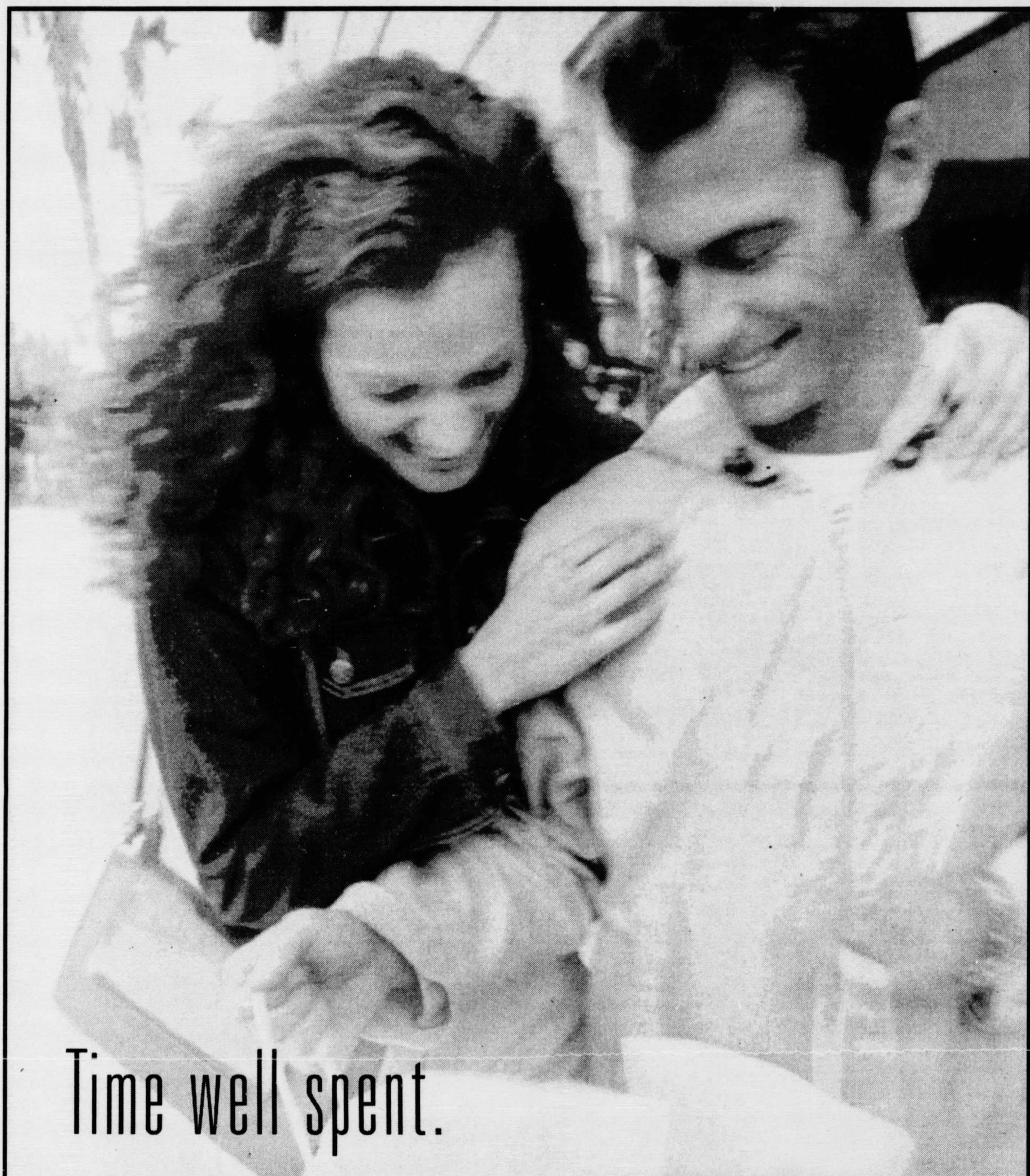
Hi baby birdie. I luv you! =)

Tom Lee, you are so hot YMMV

Sieb and parker: The roommate loves-of-my-life! F yeah for a day devoted to chocolate and colors like pink. Happy Valentine's Day! XOXO Love Schum

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East beats West in Tantric love-making

Basic techniques and rituals can improve everyday sex

The Sex Guardian



Lillian Nedwick

Valentine's Day edition of the Sex Guardian, as would be expected on a day such as this. What is the topic? The elusive and fabled ancient Indian practice of Tantric sex — which by the way, does not comprise ancient secrets to suddenly improve your intercourse so that you and your partner may have the quickest, most amazing orgasms of your lives. The Tantra is not about orgasm at all. What, sex without an orgasm? Exactly.

Western society has two conceptions about sex that the Tantra is decidedly against. First, that the great "O" is the ultimate and most important goal. Second, that it is absolutely necessary to make a distinction between the sacred and the profane in love — in other words, no sex in church.

Tantra is a source of spiritual enlightenment, with sex being the pleasure vehicle. Essentially, one would reach enlightenment and understanding in the spaces between the ultimate expression of loving creation in our bodies and the mind-freeing feeling of pleasure. It is not a religious practice, though; it is spiritual. Orgasm is sort of taken for

granted as a byproduct of the rituals and meditation that accompany coital activities. It is said that the man may experience multiple orgasms, but that is because he is holding his ejaculate, meditating through it and having full-body orgasms that are the result of the alignment of the chakras (intangible focal centers in the body).

Tantra is a discipline, sometimes called the "Yoga of Sex." Essentially, practitioners believe that sexual energy is extremely powerful, and Tantra is what harnesses this energy and makes it useful to the practicing Buddhist. This energy is very focused on the woman. While the man holds his ejaculate, he is especially attuned to the pleasure of the woman, who is encouraged to experience many orgasms in a single session.

So, how does this information help you, the reader? Well, non-Buddhists probably won't convert simply to find the great light in sex. But you can infuse bits and pieces of the lessons and rituals shown in Tantric sex into your everyday, loving sex to improve the connection between you and your lover.

Consider the meditative aspect of Tantra, which is extremely focused on breathing techniques. The tendency during sex is to hold one's breath, creating tensions to be released during orgasm. Let's try something different: controlled, deep breaths that induce a trance,

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Verdict on Tom, Nicole and many more

Writers comment on cinema's sexiest scenes

By JIA GU, RILEY SALANT-PEARCE, CODY NABOURS
Staff Writers

Valentine's Day sucks, but sex is good. If you don't have a valentine, or a sex partner, console your lonely self with steamy sex scenes that you will probably never live out.

Three writers comment on the most infamous of sex scenes in recent American and international cinema.

EYES WIDE SHUT

The buzz: This controversial erotic thriller directed by Stanley Kubrick consists of a doctor's sexual explorations, from his encounter with a dead patient's daughter to a streetwalker, a pre-teen nympho, and finally, a masked orgy of wealthy elites fraternizing to the sound of gongs and violas.

Riley: Maybe we should watch the beginning of the movie before we get to the sex scenes so we understand it better ...

Jia: It's sex. Whats there to understand?

R: Wait, aren't men suppose to want to get straight to the sex, and women want all the foreplay? <pause> Ready for a shot, by the way?

J: Bring the chocolates in. What's better than sex and chocolates?

Scene 1: At a Christmas ball, Alice Harford (Nicole Kidman) flirts and flaps with an elderly Lothario.

J: She's so drunk!

R: That means the sex is coming.

Scene 2: After hearing about his

wife's sexual fantasies over another stranger, Bill Hartford (Tom Cruise) walks the streets, until picked up by a streetwalker. Upon entering her flat, they converse.

R: They're still talking. They're definitely having sex.

J: Fast forward, fast forward!

R: Tell me when to stop fast forwarding.

J: No, no, no. When they get really undressed. I don't want to watch them flirt.

R: The jacket's back on. That was a disappointment.

J: Three stars. This whole movie

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This whole movie has been us speculating they're having sex, but no one is really having sex.”

has been us speculating they're having sex, but no one is really having sex.

R: Five stars plus three for excessive nudity.

The verdict: The sexual tension sizzles, but the movie never really delivers the much-hyped goods (at least not the American version)

SECRETARY

The buzz: Recently released from a mental hospital, Lee Holloway is hired as a secretarial assistant to Edward Grey (James Spader) and begins to develop an obsessive crush. Their employer-

employee relationship turns sexual when both begin to explore their S&M tendencies.

Scene 1: After discovering several errors in a typed letter, Mr. Grey invites Lee into his office, asks her to bend over and read the letter aloud, and proceeds to spank her after every word.

R: Is this a cult favorite of sadomasochists everywhere?

J: I don't know, but it's really hot.

Scene 2: After reporting what's served at the dinner table, Mr. Grey instructs Lee to eat only a scoop of potatoes, four peas and as much ice cream as she likes. After following his instructions to the pea, Lee rushes to her room and proceeds to masturbate to the idea of potatoes and peas.

J: Girls don't really masturbate like that.

R: They don't? I'm going to pretend I never heard that.

J: Seven stars. Older men? Pain? Power? You can't deny that.

R: Six stars. Not exactly my bag, baby, but I'm open minded.

The verdict: Pain was never so sexy.

Y TU MAMÁ TAMBIÉN

The buzz: Teenagers Tenoch Iturbide (Diego Luna) and Julio Zapata (Gael García Bernal) find themselves taking a road trip to a fictional destination with older woman Ana Mercado (Ana Morelos). Along the way, the com-

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Sensual Sustenance

By LAURA CANTER
Staff Writer

Valentine's Day has arrived, a day for showing appreciation for that special someone by buying flowers, giving romantic greeting cards and whispering sweet nothings in that loved one's ear. In San Diego, going out to eat at a nice restaurant on Valentine's Day with the masses can get tedious and can really kill the mood. This year, do something different: Learn how to cook a special meal, a meal so special that an interesting dessert, one not necessarily involving food, may follow it. This is the perfect occasion to explore the world of aphrodisiac foods.

Many people are not aware of these stimulating cuisines nor which foods fall into this category. Just to get an idea of exactly how these foods provoke someone for the better, delve into some of the effects of each individual aphrodisiac. Asparagus was served to 19th-century bridegrooms because of its reputed aphrodisiac powers. Bananas have a creamy, lush texture, and some studies show that they contain an enzyme, bromelain, that enhances male sexual performance. Caviar, for those who can afford it, is high in zinc, which stimulates the formation of testosterone, maintaining male functionality. Champagne, which is known as the "drink of love," has moderate qualities that lower inhibitions and cause a nice, warm glow in the body. Chocolate is a well-known aphrodisiac, containing both a sedative, which relaxes the body and a stimulant, which increases the desire for physical contact. Interestingly enough, chocolate was banned from monasteries centuries ago due to these effects. Oysters, on the other hand, are aphrodisiacs that affect people psychologically. Oysters are known to change their gender from male to female and back, giving rise to claims that the oyster lets one experience both the masculine and the feminine sides of love; plus, it is a food that people eat with their fingers. The radish was considered a divine aphrodisiac by Egyptian pharaohs because its spicy taste stimulates the palate, bringing attention to the mouth and making a person more desirable to kiss. The truffle, due to its rarity and musky aroma, has long been believed to arouse the palate and the body.

This interesting variety of aphrodisiacs can be prepared and assembled into a romantic meal. For instance, one delightful combination could be Oysters au Parmesan for an appetizer and for the main course Lobster Thermidor, complemented by asparagus with cashews. For a cocktail, try the Blue Velvet Champagne or the Red-Hot Cocktail, and for the last course of the meal, try making some delicious chocolate mousse bars.



Oysters au Parmesan

INGREDIENTS

- 1 cup bread crumbs
- 1/2 cup grated parmesan cheese
- 1 tablespoon butter
- 1/2 cup white wine
- 3 dozen fresh oysters
- melted butter
- salt and cayenne pepper
- lemon slices for garnish
- 1/3 chopped fresh parsley

DIRECTIONS

1. Sauté bread crumbs in butter. Grease a shallow baking dish with more butter, then dust with bread crumbs. Reserve remaining bread crumbs.
2. Drain oysters and dry.
3. Season with salt and cayenne pepper.
4. Place oysters in the casserole dish one by one. Sprinkle parsley and Parmesan cheese over the oysters. Sprinkle remaining bread crumbs over the top.
5. Pour wine over the entire dish.
6. Place in preheated 350-degree oven for about 15 minutes or until browned.
7. Remove from oven and pour a little melted butter over the top of the oysters.
8. Garnish with lemon slices when serving.



Lobster Thermidor

INGREDIENTS

- 2 lb. lobster
- 1 tablespoon chopped chervil
- salt
- 1 cup béchamel sauce
- freshly ground black pepper
- 3/4 cup heavy cream, mixed with 2 eggs
- 2/3 cup olive oil
- yolks
- 2/3 cup white wine
- 1 teaspoon dry mustard
- 2/3 cup bouillon (fish or meat stock)
- grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 tablespoon chopped green onion
- melted butter

DIRECTIONS

1. Chop the live lobster in half. Sprinkle lightly with salt and pepper and glaze with olive oil. Bake in a 425-degree oven for about 18 minutes.
2. Add additional olive oil on top of lobster while cooking.
3. After lobster meat cools down, remove from shell and cut into small pieces.
4. Mix the wine, broth and herbs, and cook until thickened.
5. Add this to the béchamel sauce while stirring in the cream and egg yolks.
6. Be careful not to let mixture boil.
7. Sprinkle the mustard and seasoning to taste.
8. When the sauce is well-thickened, add the lobster meat and heat through.
9. Place lobster back into the shells and add grated cheese. Drizzle on butter. Bake in oven heated to 375 degrees until golden brown.



Asparagus with Cashews

INGREDIENTS

- 1 1/2 pounds fresh asparagus
- 1/2 teaspoon marjoram
- trimmed and cut into 2-inch pieces
- 2 tablespoons chopped, toasted cashews, unsalted
- 1 tablespoon sesame oil
- 3 tablespoons fresh lemon juice

DIRECTIONS

1. Cook the asparagus in a steamer over boiling water for about 6 to 7 minutes. Drain and air dry.
2. Combine asparagus with the rest of the ingredients and serve.

Chocolate Mousse Bars

INGREDIENTS

- 1 1/2 cups vanilla wafer crumbs
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1/4 cup (1/2 stick) butter, melted
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup heavy whipping cream
- 1/2 cup semisweet chocolate chips (about 1 cup)
- 1 6 oz. package semisweet chocolate
- 1 tablespoon shortening
- 3 eggs

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Line an 8 x 8 x 2-inch baking pan with nonstick foil.
2. Stir the vanilla wafer crumbs with melted butter until well-combined.
3. Press crumbs tightly into the bottom of the baking pan.
4. Bake for 10 minutes.

Blue Velvet

INGREDIENTS

- Blue Curacao
- Chilled champagne

DIRECTIONS

1. Add a small portion of Blue Curacao in a flute.
2. Pour champagne in flute slowly and enjoy.

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We've got 99 problems, but love ain't one

iPort on random

Ian S. Port

It's a great story. Boy meets girl, boy likes girl. Boy and girl get together, boy and girl fall in love. From then on, they live happily ever after, in the highest state of human communication, together in a monogamous, emotionally nurturing, sexually satisfying relationship. A great story? It seems like a load of crap.

Love — the foundation of that cheesy narrative, the emotional height we're all supposed to be pursuing — is dead. College students used to search for their soulmate, a perfect companion to be by their side forever, or at least someone cute enough to bang for the next 40 years who doesn't fart in bed or talk with food in their mouth. But our generation's take on love is much simpler, far less idealistic and a heck of a lot easier. Jay-Z nailed it right on the mark when he rapped, "I got 99 problems, but a bitch ain't one."

In other words, fuck relationships. We've got lots of other shit to deal with, so why bother committing to someone when just hooking up is way easier? Why settle for a salad when we can just skip to dessert? It seems like a reasonable perspective to a generation raised on sexually promiscuous pop culture. Rock stars are infamous for their wild groupie love sessions, where the more, and the more often, the merrier. Urban music's rise to the mainstream has taken the hook-up ethic to a new level with its language: We're all just pimps and hos, making booty-calls and chasing that milkshake in the club. Sexual wanderlust is a commandment on the sets of popular reality TV shows, where alcohol-drenched contestants scramble for random play, then ditch the sweetie back home for their newfound companion, promiscuity.

After digesting this stuff all through our formative years, we've come to believe (or reflect) it, to a point where the ambivalence toward traditional relationships can be seen quite noticeably in our behavior. How many UCSD students — outside of Valentine's Day — go out on dates in the old-fashioned sense? How many UCSD students have dated someone for more than six months? A year? Many probably have, but those relationships are still far from the focus of campus social life.

Maybe love is just another one of those things that goes obsolete as the social conditions that it serves change. Maybe the disenchantment of a generation that saw half of its parents' marriages end in divorce is being manifested in skepticism toward the very idea of traditional relationships. Maybe long-term, monogamous relationships — which after all, are probably just an

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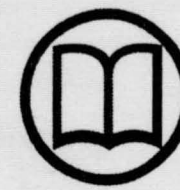


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Olympic name dropping on the next edition of Entertainment Tonight Insider. (2/14)

Tantra: Controlling your desire to hit the spot

continued from page 13 synchronized with your partner so that you feel a connection to one another. Light some candles, burn incense and massage each other's bodies with sweetly scented oils to get in the mood, and do it for at least 20 minutes. Once you're both warm and fuzzy, try sitting cross-legged, back to back. Without any cues, breathe normally, with each of you becoming more and more aware of your own and the other's breathing, and the depth and frequency of it. Begin to synchronize it. Keep your eyes open, though; falling asleep is not the goal here. After you're sure you're in sync, begin to feel for each other's fingertips, touching lightly, slowly. Explore the arms and hands, but keep the breath synchronized. Turn toward each other and touch more and more of each other's bodies. Once facing, find eye contact and keep it. Keep kissing controlled and soft, but deep, pausing for breath together when you need it. Try literally breathing in and out of one another, keeping eye contact. The point is to feel and sustain a connection with your partner during sex.

The position you may use to keep ultimate contact with one another is the man sitting with his legs in a butterfly position (cross-legged will do if this is impossible), while the woman sits on top, wrapping her legs around the man into

the same position, and keeping the hands running continually all over the body. Will you achieve orgasm in this position? Maybe, maybe not. It's not the point. Valentine's Day is a day of love, and what better way to express it than to completely envelop your lover in your embrace, breath deeply with him/her and touch each other in every way possible? Assuming you either come in this position, or you switch to another such as missionary, when you come, try to keep eye contact. Closing your eyes is like shutting out your lover. You might as well masturbate.

Have a glorious Valentine's Day, and if you would like to learn more about Tantra, check out http://www.tantra.com, http://www.libida.com or http://www.erotica-readers.com for literature. As a quick ending note, read these books with your lover, communicate what you each like and don't like and tell each other what you want. There are also videos available on Tantric sex, and even if you end up with some silly porn with Indian-sounding music playing in the background, at least the good laugh you get will relax you and put you in the mood. Deep belly laughter with your lover is a great way to create a connection with one another. Try that before sex. Trust me, it will help.

Boy-Girl: A new generation, the same old problems

continued from page 15 emotional device for the successful creation, care and education of children - just aren't necessary anymore.

Maybe, but if so, why are all of us without someone to take out to dinner tonight going to go a little farther to distract ourselves? Why won't this silly holiday just fade into the past, like arranged marriages and chastity belts?

Valentine's Day sometimes seems like just another excuse to eat some chocolate and buy a Hallmark card; its knee-jerk consumerism is getting almost beyond annoying. But whether we like it, or want it, or not, there seems to be something about love that just won't let it go away - both in our culture and in ourselves. Even Jay-Z loves his girlfriend.

Verdict: Saucy Mexican and blonde make good conversation

continued from page 13 panions find themselves seduced by one another, blurring the sexual divide for one night before crossing back, untransformed.

Scene 1: In a hotel room, Ana invites Tenoch to take off his towel. A messy quickie ensues.

R: What's the story again? J: The story's so unimportant right now.

Scene 2: A brutally sexy final scene, Ana goes down on the boys. In a fit of mad passion, the boys lean forward and fall into a kiss.

J: How does she do both of them at the same time? I guess hands and mouth? Nooooo.

Cody: As long as theres a girl going down on them, its chill right? Its not gay until the balls touch, right?

J: Nine stars. Gael Garcia Bernal. End of story.

R: Five stars. It's quantity, not quality ...

The verdict: Depending on your tastes, it's pretty hot, in a weird maternal kinda way. Wins the "most awkward yet sexy scene" award.

BASIC INSTINCT

The buzz: In this late '80s noir, Sharon Stone gains infamy as

a murderous femme fatale with a distaste for panties.

Scene 1: Sharon Stone uncrosses legs, sans underwear.

R: Wait, was that it? I didn't see anything. (Rewinds tape) J: Sitting a little close to the screen, Riley?

R: It's dedication to the story. Do you have slow-motion play?

J: Five stars. No comment. R: Ten stars. I forgot that Sharon Stone was once really hot.

The verdict: It's too bad that wild, over-the-top sex scenes went out with the '80s. For some reason the chance of someone being stabbed made Sharon Stone's sex scenes even hotter.

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Long Beach shuts down Tritons late

By DANIEL DIAZ
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On the verge of an upset after controlling the tempo for the first three quarters, the No. 14 UCSD women's water polo team gave up five unanswered goals, allowing No. 5 Cal State Long Beach to escape with a 9-4 home victory Feb. 12.

The Tritons' (1-5) offense dictated play in the first half as goals from senior drivers Jessica Wong and Tobi Lyman, combined with a score off a steal by sophomore two-meter Britta Nordstrom, gave UCSD a 3-2 lead at halftime.

Cal State Long Beach stormed back, however, fueled by Cassie Azevedo's two goals early in the fourth period to seal the victory for the 49ers. With the loss, the Tritons now stand 1-5 for the year, while the 49ers move up to 5-1. All of UCSD's opponents so far have been ranked in the top 20 nationally.

"We had a good first half, capitalizing on our counter-opportunities, but the second half got away from us," UCSD head coach Larry Sanders said. "It seemed like the referees were kicking us out more often than they needed to."

The jump in ejections resulted in Cal State Long Beach scoring five goals in the last seven man-up opportunities, each of which went unanswered by the UCSD offense.

After five scoreless minutes in the first quarter, Lyman and Wong got things cooking for the Tritons, giving UCSD a 2-0 lead in less than 40 seconds. Lyman scored the opening goal at 1:35 while Wong found the back of the net with 59

seconds left in the period.

After Triton sophomore two-meter Natalie Hockett scored her second goal of the match with 1 minute, 44 seconds left in the third period to knot things up at four apiece, the 49ers retook the lead just 35 seconds later to head into the final period with a 5-4 advantage.

Azevedo notched her second and third goals of the match at the 4:31 and 2:29 marks of the fourth quarter, while her teammates added two more points before the final whistle. Drue Wawrzynski also earned two goals for the 49ers, while goaltender Bri Hawkins made two stops on the day. Freshman goalie Kim Hockett picked up four saves between the pipes for UCSD.

"Long Beach State had some good outside shooters, but we were playing good offense in the first half by making opportunities for ourselves, like Britta [Nordstrom]'s steal, instead of waiting for things to happen," Sanders said.

Following Wawrzynski's goal to get Cal State Long Beach on the board early in the second period, Nordstrom made a great steal in the 49ers' zone and turned that into a 3-1 lead for the Tritons at the 4:04 mark. Azevedo scored at 2:29 to cut Cal State Long Beach's deficit to one before the half.

"We realized today that in the first half we can beat anybody, which will help us when we play Loyola Marymont and other tough teams later on," Sanders said. "Now, we just have to play the whole game that way."

UCSD returns to Canyonview Pool to take on Cal State San Bernardino at 4 p.m. on Feb. 19.

Volleyball: Tritons still looking for first win

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Jonathan Acosta led the Bruins with 15 kills, while teammate Brennan Prahl had 10 kills and four blocks. On the other side of the net, Triton sophomore outside hitter Mike Reuter and senior outside hitter Luke Honnette had eight kills each, and Reuter added seven digs.

UCSD came away with a straight set win over the Tritons, but UC Irvine was not so lucky. UCSD managed to give the Anteaters a scare, almost upsetting the No. 10 team. It took all five games for UC Irvine to secure the win and it was close throughout most of the match. In the first game, UC Irvine stayed just ahead of UCSD before pulling away late in the game. The Tritons managed to cut the Anteater lead to 22-20, but UC Irvine didn't allow much more from the Tritons, winning the first game 30-23.

Game two was a tight one as well, with the teams knotted up

17-17 at one point. The Tritons had a lead of 22-17 before the Anteaters tied it back up at 24. Finally, UCSD managed to put the game away with a 30-28 final score.

In a decisive third game, the two teams were tied again as late as 27 points apiece. The Tritons came through in the clutch as Reuter notched a kill and they took advantage of a UC Irvine blocking and hitting error to win the third game, 30-27.

With a 2-1 game advantage, UCSD was poised to take the match and upset a very talented team, but the Anteaters would not quit. UC Irvine mostly led in the fourth game until the Tritons tied it up at 15-15. UC Irvine regained the lead with a 25-21 advantage, but UCSD went on a 5-1 run to even the score at 26. The Tritons were four points away from that elusive first win, but the Anteaters got their four points first and forced a fifth game with a 30-26 win.

After four games of tied

scores and close finishes, the fifth game was surprisingly anticlimactic as UC Irvine dominated. The final score in game five was 15-9 and the Anteaters won the match three games to two. UCSD managed to keep its attack percentages pretty even with its opponent's until the final game, when the Tritons hit .000, compared to .438 from the Anteaters.

Senior outside hitter Adam Toren led the Tritons with 20 kills and six digs. Honnette added 16 kills, Reuter had 14 kills and senior middle blocker Adam Rusch contributed 12. Senior libero Dickens Tai notched a team-high 17 digs in the match.

Despite the losses, UCSD held their own against an MPSF foe and did not let the Bruins run away with an easy win.

This week, the Tritons return home to face off against Cal State Northridge and UC Santa Barbara on Feb. 18 and Feb. 19, respectively.

Basketball: UCSD faces tough schedule

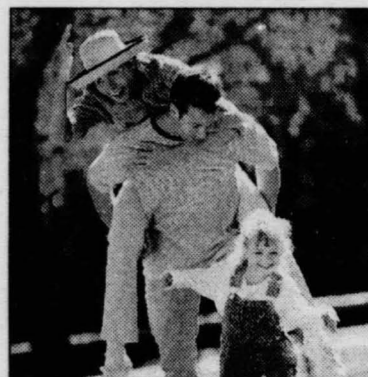
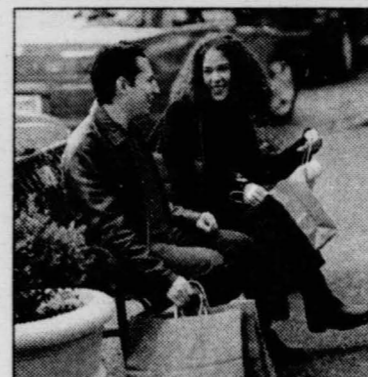
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Wildcats were unwilling to allow UCSD to make things interesting. The team scored the first two points of the half to push its lead to double-digits and never led by less than that. The Tritons, who shot a solid .500 from the field, including .426 from long distance, couldn't make up any ground, and Chico State pushed its advantage to 20 with fewer than eight minutes to play, with the Tritons unable to make a game out of it.

The Wildcats were led by reserve Jason Van Eck, who scored a game-high 19 points in 13 minutes of play. Guard Scott Land had 12 points and center Will Bonner added 10 on 5-for-5 shooting from the field. The Triton scoring attack was less balanced. Led by a trio of freshman guards, the Tritons were unable to keep it close with Chico State. Allard had a team-high 16 points, while Hatch notched eight points, and Joey Toboni added eight points in eight minutes of play. Sophomore

forward Parker Berling and sophomore forward Zackary Craddock tied for the team high with four rebounds, while Berling added seven points and Craddock contributed five points.

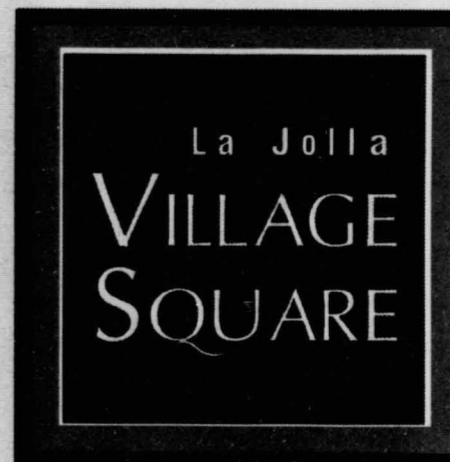
UCSD returns to action on Feb. 16, traveling to take on CCAA leader Cal State San Bernardino for a 7:30 p.m. match-up. The team will then play its second road game of the week as they travel to Cal State Monterey Bay for a 7:30 p.m. game on Feb. 19.



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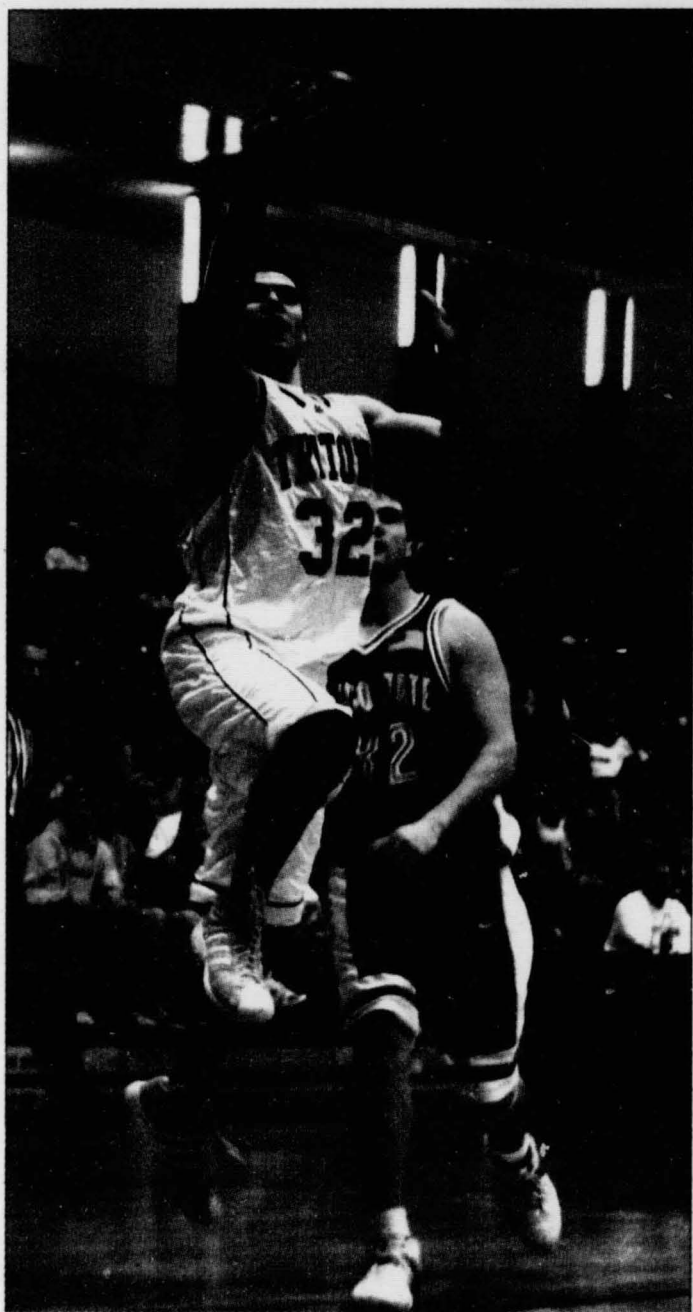
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Tritons sweep series against Warriors



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Take it to the hoop: Freshman guard Clint Allard and the Tritons men's basketball team have been stuck just under the .500 mark since Feb. 5.

Chico State ends men's basketball winning streak

By **JOE TEVELOWITZ**
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The Tritons' men's basketball team split a pair of weekend home games at RIMAC Arena, losing to Chico State on Feb. 11 before rebounding for a victory over Cal State Stanislaus on Feb. 12.

The 82-66 loss to Chico State (14-6 overall, 9-4 California Collegiate Athletic Association) ended the Tritons' three-game winning streak, while the 71-68 Feb. 12 victory gave UCSD (10-11 overall, 6-8 CCAA) a season sweep of its series with Cal State Stanislaus (4-17 overall, 2-12 CCAA).

After the Tritons' 71-70 overtime victory over Cal State Stanislaus in their first meeting of the season, everyone was expecting a similarly exciting game. The Tritons unintentionally let that happen. After going into halftime with a two-point lead in a tough back-and-forth game, UCSD was able to open its intermission advantage to a 10-point cushion with just over seven minutes left to play. However, the team nearly let the lead evaporate after Warriors Ross Green's three-pointer cut the deficit to one point with five seconds to play. Sophomore guard Mark Lewkowitz was able to calmly sink two free throws, and a missed three-pointer by Warrior point guard Jeremiah King at the buzzer sealed the victory for the Tritons.

UCSD was able to hold on thanks to some Warrior miscues at the free-throw line. Shooting only .630 from the line, and a subpar .273 three-point percentage, the

Warriors couldn't capitalize on their 32-23 rebounding advantage, to pull out a victory. UCSD was able to hold its own thanks to a stout .758 free-throw percentage and .524 field goal percentage.

Freshman guard Andrew Hatch led all scorers with 16 points and added three assists, a team-high six rebounds and a game-high three steals. Fellow freshman guard Clint Allard added 11 points and a game-high five assists. Sophomore forward Parker Berling had 15 points, shooting 2-for-3 from the field and 11-for-12 from the free-throw line, and sophomore guard Robby Peters had 10 points and three rebounds off the bench to round out the Tritons in double-digits.

Forward Kavin Young led the Warriors with 15 points on 7-for-8 shooting from the field. Green had 14 points, going 3-for-4 from long distance, while King had seven points and tied Allard for the game high with five assists.

Against Chico State, the Tritons found themselves outworked on the boards and unable to overcome their 20 turnovers as they watched their winning streak come to an end. The team reverted to its bad habit of falling behind early, down 17-0 six minutes into the game. UCSD scored its first points of the game at the 12 minute, 31 second mark, which cued a 10-0 run on their part. After scoring the final three points of the half, the Tritons found themselves down a manageable eight points.

In the second half, the

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Tritons let UCI slip away

Volleyball drops ninth and 10th matches

By **RAEL ENTEEN**
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Following a near-upset of No. 10-ranked UC Irvine in five games on Feb. 9, the UCSD men's volleyball team fell in straight sets to the UCLA Bruins, the best team in the nation, on Feb. 11.

The two losses came at the end of a five-game road trip for the Tritons (0-10 overall, 0-9 Mountain Pacific Sports Federation). The loss to UCLA was a tough one for UCSD as the team faced the No. 1 team in the country on its home court. The Tritons lost, 30-15, 30-24, 30-21, partly due to an attack percentage of .168 for the match. In the first game, UCSD suffered a -.038 stat while UCLA shot .308, leading to a 1-0 lead for the Bruins.

The second game was the most promising showing by the Tritons as they improved to a .324 percentage compared to the Bruins' mark of .421. UCLA finished the match by outhitting UCSD, .407 to .171. The three-game victory was UCLA's 12th win overall and their eighth in the MPSF. The Bruins have only one loss so far this season.

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Men's tennis storms through Broncos to 8-1 victory

Tritons pick apart Cal Poly Pomona with perfect singles competition

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Before the onset of weekend rain, the Tritons were able to capture their first dual-match victory with a dominating 8-1 win over rival Cal Poly Pomona on Feb. 10.

The Tritons' (1-1) only loss came at No. 1 doubles, where the Cal Poly Pomona (0-1) brothers team, Andy and Alan Chang, quickly blanked freshman duo Eric Rubens and Blake Meister, 8-0. At No. 2 doubles, UCSD junior Brent Molden and sophomore Seth Spector defeated the Broncos' Sebastian Torres and Tony De Hierro in a convincing 8-1 win.

"We learned from our doubles loss that we really have to be mentally prepared and ready to play every match," senior captain Bryan Swatt said. "As a player, you have to respect every single opponent, no matter who you're playing."

The Tritons had a 2-1 lead going into singles matches and were able to capitalize on the win, with all six singles matches ending in straight-set victories. Swatt breezed through an easy victory against Andy Chang, 6-1, 6-2, while Molden outplayed the Bronco's Alan Chang in straight sets, 6-3, 6-3.

The highlight of the match came at No. 4 singles when Spector and

Torres battled for UCSD to take victories in all sets across the singles lineup. Spector was able to narrowly pull out the first set, 7-6, and resist Torres' comeback effort by closing out the match, 7-5.

In past years, Cal Poly Pomona was considered a strong rival, but the Broncos' tennis program has been steadily declining, with last year marking the first time in 12 years the team dipped below .500.

"Going into the match, we knew that we were favored, but we knew we would have to play confidently and aggressively in order to win," Swatt said. "We've had some tough matches against Pomona in the past, so our goal was to stay focused."

The Tritons, who struggled against Azusa Pacific University on Feb. 5, came out fired up for their first victory. For many on the team, this was a good look at how varied competition can be in league. The Tritons, led by lone senior Swatt, acquired four freshmen this year, who are beginning to see the spectrum of competition they will face.

"Our strength has to be our desire to improve and our weakness has to be our inexperience in dual-match play," UCSD coach Eric Steidlmayer said. "In doubles we will continue to improve, but right now we are not at the level needed to make a serious impact against the

good teams. This will have to be something that we really work on in the next few months."

The Tritons hope to recapture the same luck that prompted last year's amazing run to the NCAA Division II Championships. The team lost many seniors to graduation, but its new freshmen are eager to help live up to last year's legacy.

"We are young, and we need to learn quickly in order to position ourselves for the playoffs," Steidlmayer said. "We have a difficult schedule ahead, and need to really make ourselves better in the coming weeks and months."

Next up for the Tritons will be a Feb. 17 match against Loyola Marymount in Los Angeles. The Lions are currently 0-3 in league play.

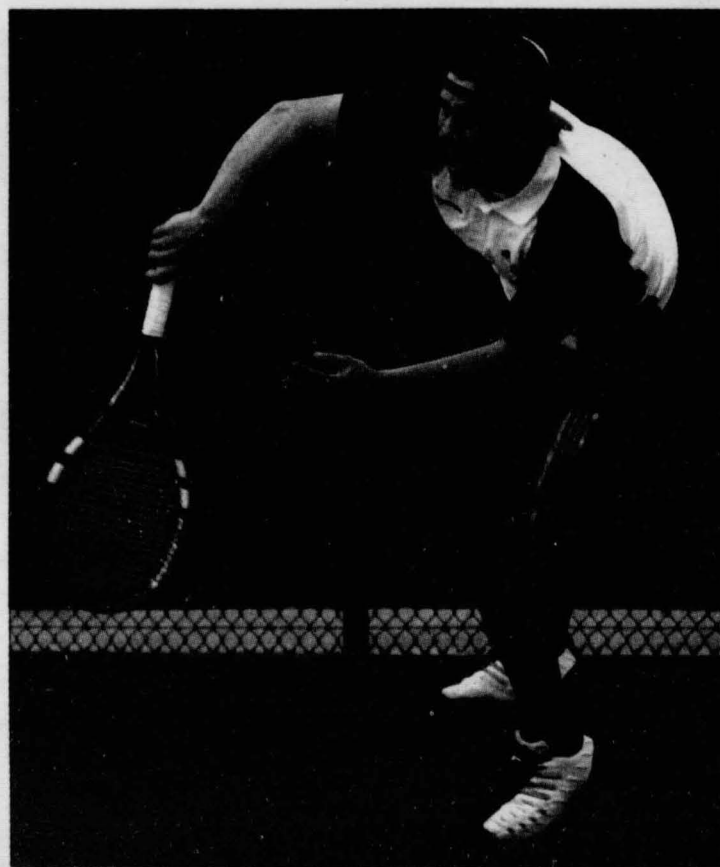
Men's Tennis vs. Pomona

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2. Brent Molden d. Alan Chang (6-3, 6-3)
3. Eric Rubens d. Tony Del Hierro (6-2, 6-1)
4. Seth Spector d. Sebastian Torres (7-6, 7-5)
5. Erik Ojajala d. Tyrone Wang (6-2, 6-0)
6. Will Phan d. Nick Doan (6-0, 6-3)

DOUBLES:

1. Chang/Chang d. Rubens/Meister (8-0)
2. Molden/Spector d. Torres/Del Hierro (8-1)
3. Swatt/Ojajala d. Doan/Wang (8-5)



Jason Campa/Guardian

Full power: Senior captain Bryan Swatt won both his singles and doubles matches in the Tritons' 8-1 trouncing of Cal Poly Pomona on Feb. 10.