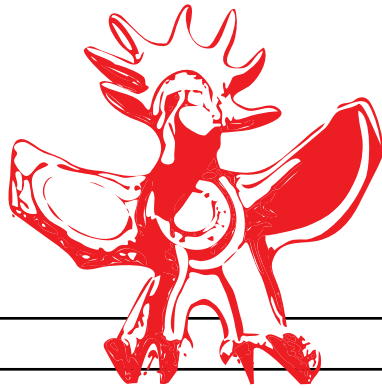


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FEATURE

## USHERING IN THE STUDENT CHOICE

After months of observing candidates under a media microscope, the textbook-worthy Nov. 4 presidential election is finally upon us.

By Sarah-Nicole Bostan  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

This is a landmark year in which students will receive not two, but seven polling locations — one per college, except in the case of Eleanor Roosevelt College and Thurgood Marshall College, which will share RIMAC.

And the excitement won't die just because the booths shut down. UCSD's first-ever presidential Election Night Party will be held the same evening in Eleanor Roosevelt College's Great Hall.

A.S. Vice President of External Affairs Lisa Chen said that to attain the extended number of polling centers, she and Special Assistant to the Vice

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### Where to Vote

Poll hours: 7 a.m. - 8 p.m.

- 1 RIMAC**  
*Green Room*
- 2 MUIR COLLEGE**  
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## COUNCIL SPLIT ON LOFT FUNDING

Majority supports nightclub's vision, but concerns raised over lack of student oversight, activity fee usage.

By Jesse Alm  
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

With a historic activity-fee referendum now slated for the ballot early next quarter, questions surrounding future funding for the Loft — UCSD's new nightclub — continue to divide A.S. councilmembers and rekindle decades-old grievances regarding student life on campus.

At its meeting last week, the council approved a measure that would increase quarterly student fees by \$19.82, but ultimately tabled further discussion of the Loft's proposal to include an additional \$2.65 for its arts and music programming. The addendum would supply the Loft with \$133,000 annually, accounting for 25.9 percent of its total budget.

The venue, now in its second month of operation, received an initial \$3 million construction investment from Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Joseph W. Watson in spring 2006 after the Alumni Affairs Department backed out of a plan to turn the space into an alumni visitor center and meeting room.

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The Loft's Folk Series kicked off Nov. 2 with Frank Fairfield. A.S. funding for the new campus nightclub, which typically hosts several musical performances each week, is currently under debate.

## Dining Hall Compost Program Still in the Works

Though compost bin contents are now thrown away, student org plans permanent organic-waste disposal facility for UCSD.

By Yelena Akopian  
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

When the campus dining facilities opened their doors this year, visitors found new bins designated for compostable items placed alongside the usual trash and recycling receptacles. However, because a large-scale campus-composting program has yet to be established at UCSD, the contents of these new bins are currently disposed of as trash.

The only active composting area available on campus is a student-operated facility located next to the Challenge Course in east campus.

Run by student organization the Compostables — in coordination with Housing & Dining Services, Auxillary and Plant Services and Plant Management — the project was founded last year on a site temporarily made available by Director of Sports Facilities Donald E. Chadwick.

According to Compostables member and Thurgood Marshall College senior June Reyes, the small-scale site will begin collecting preconsumer material, which is waste material pro-



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The contents of the new, brightly labeled composting bins at Sierra Summit and other dining halls are disposed of along with regular trash due to the absence of a large-scale composting site at UCSD.

duced during food preparation (such as vegetable clippings), from a yet-to-be-determined dining facility later this month. The organization also plans to begin composting preconsumer waste from the Faculty Club.

"Although the dining halls haven't begun composting food waste entirely, it is a good first step forward on educating students and creating habits of separating compostable food waste so that when composting begins it will be done most efficiently," Reyes said. "By the end of the school year we will be able to compost 100 pounds of food waste efficiently at the composting site."

The Compostables are also investigating the merits of various composting methods, such as vermicomposting, the use of specially bred earthworms to break down organic material, and will soon make a recommendation as to which methodology best suits UCSD.

"We are striving to compost food waste campuswide in the next two years either on campus or off campus, depending on the research and outcomes of the current composting project," Reyes said. "Composting will happen at UCSD, it's just a matter of

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## Marshall Admin to Move Forward With D.O.C. Overhaul

By Justin Gutierrez  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

After a tumultuous year and a half of protest by students, teaching assistants and faculty, Thurgood Marshall College writing sequence Dimensions of Culture will be reassessed by a yet-to-be-appointed steering committee in Spring Quarter 2009.

The TMC administration began adjusting the program's structure last quarter, guided by recommendations from both a faculty and student review committee. Among administrators' chief concerns was identifying a seasoned faculty member to lead the troubled program, while giving adequate direction to the committee review process.

Literature professor Robert Cancel and communication professor Robert Horwitz stepped up to the position, replacing former D.O.C. Director Abraham Shragge.

"One of the strongest recommendations in the D.O.C. report that was authored by the [faculty] TMC Curriculum Committee was that D.O.C. be directed by regular ladder-rank, senior faculty," Cancel said.

According to an update posted on the TMC Web site, Cancel and Horwitz enacted the first changes to the program even before the beginning of this academic year. Minor adjustments have

been made to the TA orientation that occurs prior to Fall Quarter, geared at increasing collaboration between faculty and their TAs.

"[These changes] were designed to make the teaching of the course more collegial, with a good working relationship between TAs and faculty lecturers," Cancel said.

Students and TAs have expressed concerns that D.O.C. has strayed from its original mission and that the program's original guidelines, which require TMC students to confront cultural, social and racial norms in the United States over three courses, were not being met.

"There was a sense that the courses were being 'watered down'; the controversial issues were not being met head-on," former D.O.C. TA Tania Jabour said. "It seemed like the former director did not want to rock anyone's boat."

In addition, the original format of the courses asked for a team of ladder-rank, or tenured, professors to lead the program. D.O.C. had zero such faculty members in its program during the 2007-08 school year, according to Cancel and Horwitz.

The two professors are currently looking into developing a team of nine to 12 faculty members to lead the formation of a new program for the 2009-

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Columnist Rochelle Emert navigates the City of Light in search of shelter and finds it in the shadow of the Sacre-Coeur.

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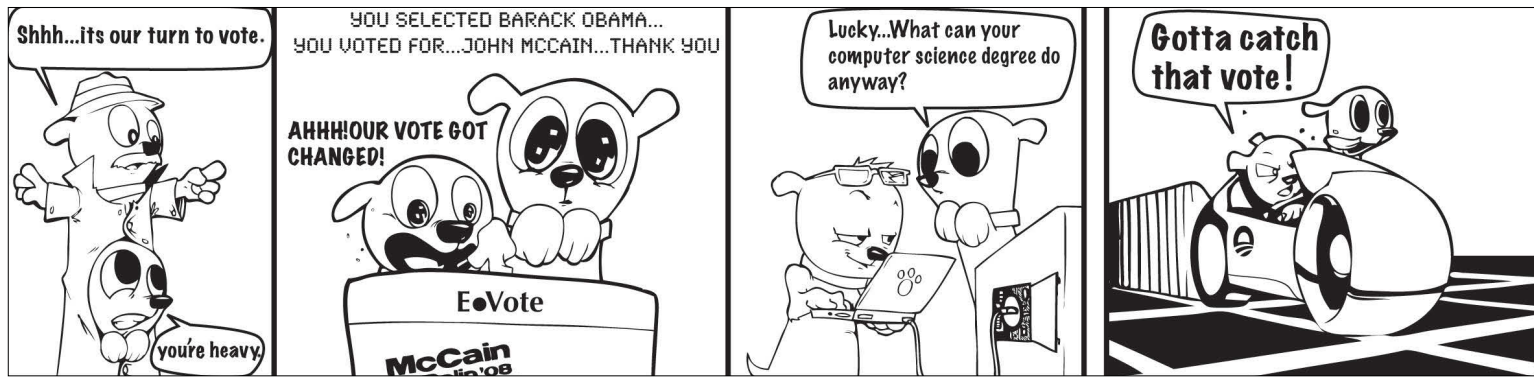
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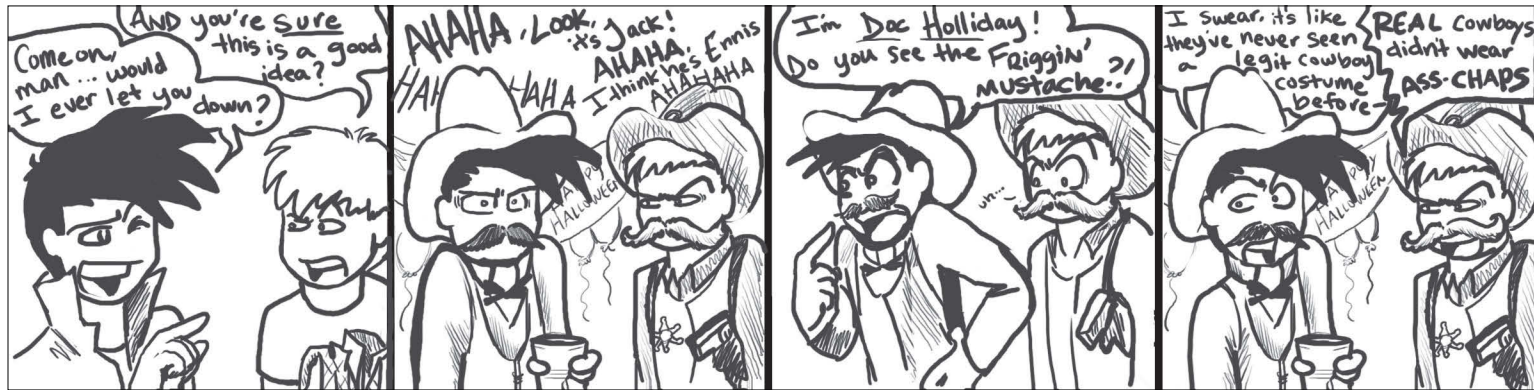
# STEVE AND LUCKY

BY BEN HOLM



# ANIMAL STYLE

BY CHRISTINA AUSHANA



# CURRENTS

## Scientists Duplicate Keys Using Only Photos

UCSD scientists have developed a novel software program that is able to duplicate a key using only a photograph, without actually needing the physical key. "We built our key-duplication software system to show people that their keys are not inherently secret," computer science professor Stefan Savage said. "Perhaps this was once a reasonable assumption, but advances in digital imaging and optics have made it easy to duplicate someone's keys from a distance without them even noticing." The technology allows the scientists to duplicate the "bumps and valleys" on a key that represent the specific numeric code unique to the key. Savage presented the findings of the student-led project to the Association for Computing Machinery's Conference on Communications and Computer Security last week.

In demonstrations of the process, computer scientists were able to create identical copies of a common residential key from a picture taken with a cell phone and from a photograph of a key sitting at a table 200 feet away. "This idea should come as little surprise to locksmiths or lock vendors," Savage said. "There are experts who have been able to copy keys by hand from high-resolution photographs for some time. However, we argue that the threat has turned a corner — cheap image sensors have made digital cameras pervasive and basic computer vision techniques can automatically extract a key's information without requiring any expertise." To protect against the possible threats key duplication technology poses, Savage warns that people should treat their keys like they would treat their credit cards by keeping them in their wallet or pocket until needed and making sure pictures of their keys aren't posted online. "If you go onto a photo-sharing

site such as Flickr, you will find many photos of people's keys that can be used to easily make duplicates," Savage said. "While people generally blur out the numbers on their credit cards and driver's licenses before putting those photos online, they don't realize that they should take the same precautions with their keys." **Red Meat Linked to Dangerous Bacteria** UCSD School of Medicine professor of cellular and molecular medicine Ajit Varki, M.D., is part of an international team of researchers that recently published findings linking the consumption of red meat to food-poisoning bacteria. Published in an advanced issue of *Nature*, the researchers discovered that a potent bacterial toxin called subtilase cytotoxin specifically targets human cells that have a nonhuman, cellular molecule on their surface — typically absorbed into the body

through red meat. The targeted molecule, called N-glycolylneuraminic acid (Neu5Gc), is not produced naturally in humans, but can arise through the consumption of contaminated red meat. Very low or undetectable levels of Neu5Gc are found in fruits, vegetables, eggs, poultry and fish. If produced by certain strands of *E. Coli* bacteria, infection can result in bloody diarrhea aemolytic uraemic syndrome, potentially fatal in humans. "Ironically, humans may set themselves up for an increased risk of illness from this kind of *E. coli* bacteria present in contaminated red meat or dairy, because these very same products have high-levels of Neu5Gc," Varki said. "The Neu5Gc molecule is absorbed into the body, making it a target for the toxin produced by *E. coli*." To prevent contamination, the study emphasized the importance of only eating well-cooked meat or pasteurized dairy products, ensuring the destruction of contaminated bacteria.

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# LIGHTS & SIRENS

**Friday, Oct. 24**

**8:31 a.m.: General disturbance**

▶ A 45-year-old white male wearing Army clothes and sunglasses was reported as threatening Thornton Hospital staff, saying that he would "come there with a shotgun."

**9:57 a.m.: Suspicious person**

▶ Five Latino males in their early 20s, one wearing checkered shorts and another carrying a trash bag, were seen "looking around suspiciously" at Pepper Canyon Hall.

**10:48 a.m.: Suspicious person**

▶ Five Latino males were seen trying to "hop the fence" of the Preuss School.

**Saturday, Oct. 25**

**3:01 p.m.: Incomplete wireless call**

▶ A drunk female was reported as "annoying the seals" at Seal Beach.

**9:58 p.m.: Welfare check**

▶ An Asian female "appeared to be disoriented," walking down Gilman Drive.

**Sunday, Oct. 26**

**1:59 a.m.: Citizen contact**

▶ A female, after calling her friend's lost cell phone, reported that the "person who answered stated that he would only return the cell phone in Tijuana, and if given \$20 and a Powerade."

**2:23 a.m.: Suspicious person**

▶ A male skateboarder wearing a baseball cap yelled "gangbang" to a passing female at Lot 208.

**3:03 p.m.: Suspicious package**

▶ A package that "look[ed] like a present" was seen by the Triton statue near the UCSD Bookstore.

**Monday, Oct. 27**

**4:04 p.m.: Suspicious package**

▶ A black plastic bag at a Gilman Drive bus stop with "no wires, liquid, or ticking" noises emanating from it was reported "because, [in the reporting party's] country, black bags

are suspicious."

**5:38 p.m.: Unknown injury accident**

▶ A 50-year-old white male bicyclist wearing a yellow biking shirt hit a pedestrian at the bottom of the Mandeville shuttle stop.

**Tuesday, Oct. 28**

**9:00 a.m.: Incomplete wireless call**

▶ A white female wearing a black sweater and turquoise shorts was seen holding a water container and shaking her head.

**12:56 p.m.: Injury**

▶ A 74-year-old male was reported with a "gash on the back of his head" after a skateboarding accident.

**6:50 p.m.: Suspicious person**

▶ A tall white male with a long, white beard and hair was reported as "using foul language" at the Rebecca and John Moores atrium.

**Wednesday, Oct. 29**

**8:45 a.m.: Vandalism**

▶ A UCSD van was seen with the words "white power" written on one side.

**3:03 p.m.: Welfare check**

▶ A white male in his 40s, wearing a hat and leg braces, was seen at a Gilman Drive bus stop.

**3:16 p.m.: Injury**

▶ A 20-year-old male reported bleeding from the "nose and mouth" after falling off his skateboard.

**7:05 p.m.: Petty theft**

▶ A 25-year-old white female with blonde hair and a blue-jean skirt was seen carrying a black purse and headed toward Warren Mall. *Arrest misdemeanor.*

**Thursday, Oct. 30**

**3:01 p.m.: Skateboard stop**

▶ Four skateboarders were seen filming themselves doing tricks at the Center for Molecular Genetics.

— **Compiled by Sonia Minden**  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

# Space Limited for Potential Compost Site

▶ **COMPOST**, from page 1  
how we do it, where we do it, and how soon we do it."

Campus Sustainability Coordinator Maggie Souder said the program will include all campus food wastes, adding that the location of the current small-scale composting site is temporary and that the space has already been allocated for another function.

She explained that a large-scale composting site can be planned either on or off campus.

"We're moving as fast as we can but [there are] limited options and space on campus," Souder said.

Both Souder and Reyes are unsure of how long-term plans to expand composting will play out.

"We're concentrating on meeting our goal that we have right now," Reyes said of the program's hopes to compost 100 pounds of food by the end of the year. "Future plans aren't certain. It all depends on the research and the outcomes when we finish."

Souder, though also unsure of where future plans might lead, suggested the possibility of incorporating methods such as vermiculture and biodigestion.

"We're going to do a study," Souder said. "That may mean hiring a consultant who's familiar with different alternatives for industrial-scale composting who can make a recommendation specific to the needs of UCSD."

According to Souder, sustainability efforts on campus will focus on diverting 100 percent of waste through a combination of recycling and composting by 2020, and establishing a program that will be sustainable over an extended period of time.

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## Steering Committee to Proceed With Program Revamp Spring 2009

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10 academic year.

The implementation of program reforms will also be guided by a steering committee consisting of faculty members, TMC undergraduates and D.O.C. teaching assistants. The committee will work toward implementing further changes to the program recommended by both the faculty and student review committees.

Horwitz and Cancel held meetings with D.O.C. 1 and D.O.C. 2 lecturers to decide on a standard tone and structure for the courses and interactions between students and TAs.

Cancel said that major changes would not be immediately implemented, as the course reformatting process requires a staff willing to teach multidisciplinary courses. He added that it is possible that the steering committee and new faculty will rethink the entire format of D.O.C.'s three-course sequence.

"To be fair to the new team of fac-

ulty and to ensure proper preparation of the new courses, we had to make this year, in practical terms, a bridge from the version that was taught the last few years and the new one to be taught in 2009-10," Cancel said.

The TMC administration will gradually appoint members to the new steering committee throughout the quarter. Cancel said that over the course of the year, transitions between the first D.O.C. class and the last would be examined to understand how continuity and standardization may better be established between courses, as well as within the course readings.

"As we look at this year's [classes], we are striving for a little more continuity both between topics, themes, and issues that should flow through the entire year and also between the three large lectures offered each quarter," Cancel said.

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## Bean: Students Shouldn't Foot Bill for Admin's Lack of Foresight

► **LOFT**, from page 1

University Events Office Director and ArtPower! Artistic Director Martin Wollesen said subsidizing the project was a risk, but that it was proposed in response to years of data compiled in the 2005 Undergraduate Student Experience and Satisfaction Committee Report, which emphasized the need for a "greater physical, social and emotional community" and more "cultural competency" at UCSD. He said the university's investment in the Loft indicates a serious effort to address these concerns.

"I think students should feel really good that the administration really heard students and invested in creating a space and programming that has been responding to the concerns that students have had for years," he said.

Since its opening on Sept. 25, the Loft has hosted events roughly six nights per week with a schedule including food- and wine-tasting activities, open mics, a student storytelling series and live musical performances. Bands have ranged from indie rockers Rogue Wave to alternative rap icon Busdriver to jazz, swing, tango and Indian fusion group Rupa and the April Fishes.

According to A.S. President Donna Bean, most councilmembers support the Loft's programming and recognize its potential impacts on UCSD culture and community, but many feel that the request for student funding — first presented to the council Oct. 15 — lacks mechanisms for direct student oversight and suggests a business plan based only on financial speculation.

"Yet again, administrators were not responsible and, yet again, they're trying to get us to foot the bill," she said. "The Loft is asking for an extension of the Price Center expansion activity fee that students are already paying."

Bean also drew parallels to the 2007 athletic-fee referendum, which outraged many students in allotting a percentage of the additional revenue to the construction of the RIMAC Annex — scheduled to house conference rooms, a convenience store and a cafe beginning in spring 2009.

"Just like with athletics, we're seeing people want to jump on the back of the referendum, and it's going to hurt [its] legitimacy," Bean said.

Wollesen said it is true that Loft staff members entered this year with financial gaps to fill, but that if students are determined to change their campus, they must participate in the process by way of attendance, feedback and financial support.

"Our job is to create a space that is reflective not only of what UCSD is, but what UCSD will become," he said. "It makes sense that we, as a community space, share the responsibility as a community. It's going to be a teeny amount of money to support upwards of 250 events a year that are basically

free for students. That's a pretty small investment."

But Associate Vice President of Finance and Resources Naasir Lakhani said the council's preparation for the referendum is an act of necessity, not desire.

"A.S. is in a financial crisis, and when we put something like the Loft in, it undermines the message of our referendum," he said. "A.S.'s primary focus should be passing this referendum. Otherwise, we're completely screwed. There's nothing left."

Associate Vice President of Student Life Darryl Nosome added that the council must consider the moral implications of supporting an enterprise that is not completely student-run.

"While I love the programming that's going on, it's unfair to ask students to pay for this," he said. "It's not a large amount, but in principle, it means a lot."

Wollesen said that although the Loft receives funding from multiple university departments, 15 of its 17 permanent staff members are students. In addition, he said A.S. Programming books the Loft's weekend acts and all six colleges have student representation on the advisory committee for Student Registration Fee, the club's largest sponsor.

"At the end of the day, this is a student-based, artist-based programming space and venue," Wollesen said. "We have had students fully engaged in every single aspect of the management, the programming, the artistic liaison and contracting, the design of the experience and the development of partnerships with student voices. It's not as if all of a sudden, this year, students are engaged in the process."

A.S. Sixth College Senator John Cressey said student feedback regarding the Loft has been overwhelmingly positive, and he urged councilmembers not to write off the venue simply because it receives university funding.

"Although this may violate some moral principles or historical principals, the bottom line is it is something that will benefit students, and looking out for students is my first priority as an elected A.S. official," he said.

At last week's meeting, councilmembers more or less reached a consensus that if Loft funding is included in the referendum, the issue will appear in a separate column on the ballot.

Cressey said he supports this compromise because it would grant students the final say. He added that despite the outcome, including the Loft on the ballot will give students one more reason to vote and boost the council's chances of attaining the 20-percent turnout rate needed for the fee increases to take effect.

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## Proposition 6

No — Police Funding

## Proposition 7

No — Alternative Energy

## Proposition 8

No — Gay Marriage Ban

## Proposition 9

No — Victims' Rights

## Proposition 10

No — Alternative Fuel

## Proposition 11

Yes — Redistricting

## Proposition 12

Yes — Veterans' Bonds

## Proposition D

No — Beach Booze Ban

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## Vote Barack Obama for President

So in case you've been hiding out with a certain al-Qaeda terrorist in his ridiculously unfindable cave-spot for the last eight years, you should know — we're in deep. Men in business suits are ready to jump out their 100th-story windows, the public school system is being all but torched to pay for a war we can't finish, the rest of the world hates us and we've done so many Palin impressions that our faces just might stick this way.

The cartoonish downfall of the United States was actually kind of hilarious at one point. But now that the George W. Bush coffee-table quotebook is on its eighth edition and the new Republican candidate — with one foot in the grave and all other limbs unusable — has chosen a sassy PTA mom as his running mate, it's becoming difficult for even the most patriotic plumber to maintain that all-American superpower swagger without hallucinating up a couple weapon-of-mass-destruction shadows behind him on the sidewalk.

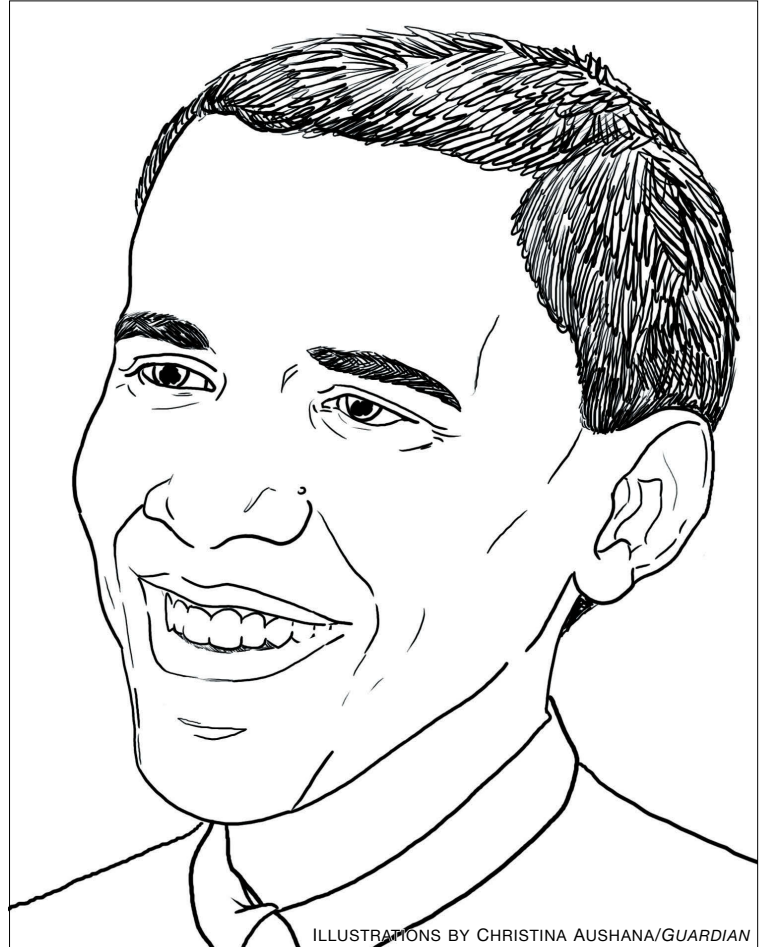
John McCain isn't necessarily Bush's ghost come back to haunt us in rodent shape-shift — after all, undying love for the same brand of uber-successful, unregulated laissez-faire capitalism aside, he can actually form quite a complete sentence and, well, has said a whole bunch of sentences about how he's not like

Bush at all. But at this point, we can all agree that it's going to take something phenomenal to salvage the few scraps of reputation that do remain to our name.

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**WHAT IT WOULD DO:** Allow the state to sell \$9.95 billion in bonds for a high-speed rail, running from San Francisco to Los Angeles.

An image of sleek, high-tech bullet trains zipping passengers across the length of the state may seem hard to fathom for Californians used to plopping down in their gas-guzzling SUVs and sitting in traffic gridlock on choked freeways for hours on most weekdays — but Proposition 1A makes the novel idea excitingly realistic and crucial to the well-being of the state's future.

Projections indicate that the proposed rail line would make traveling from San Francisco to Los Angeles possible in less than three hours for a cost of about \$55. But aside from dramatically improving the flow of people across our noto-

riously crowded state — by up to 117 million riders annually — the measure would also lead to reduced greenhouse-gas emissions as a direct result of less cars on the roadways, not to mention that the rail line itself would produce zero emissions. And although the estimated \$40 billion cost seems enormous, the measure asks California taxpayers to only foot about 25 percent of the total bill, with the rest of the money coming from federal and private sources.

Opponents claim that California cannot afford to invest so much money on such a lofty project during an economic crisis, but the rail line would create hundreds of thousands of jobs, a major step toward economic recovery. With such visionary goals for the state, voters would be unwise to reject the measure. Vote yes on Proposition 1A.



**WHAT IT WOULD DO:** Authorize \$980 million in bonds for construction and equipment in eligible children's hospitals, costing the state about \$2 billion over 30 years.

California's health-care system is ailing, and while what we need is to commit tremendous funding and attention to all of our state's hospitals, such a measure is not on Tuesday's ballot. However, voters are able to affect just a small portion of the problem: children's hospitals.

Funding from Proposition 3 would allow these hospitals to expand their facilities and update

equipment, which would in turn help save young lives. The measure also requires hospitals seeking a slice of the Proposition 3 pie to undergo an application review from state regulators, who would ensure that this money is only being spent on improvements to children's health care.

Although children's hospitals still have \$350 million in 2004-approved bonds and adequate fundraising opportunities, these facilities are responsible for treating many of the state's uninsured or poorly insured youth and because of this are in disproportionate need of support. Vote yes on Proposition 3.



**WHAT IT WOULD DO:** Starting in 2015, make keeping animals in areas where they cannot turn around, lie down, stand up or extend their limbs illegal.

At first glance, Proposition 2 doesn't even seem open for discussion; who wouldn't want to protect animals from cruel confinement on large factory farms? But upon closer inspection, Californians must realize that if passed it will do more harm than good for state agribusiness.

Proposition 2 would add a chapter to the state's Health and Safety Code to ban the housing of animals in a manner that does not allow them

free range of movement, focusing on three types of caging: veal crates, sow gestation crates and battery cages for chickens.

Although the relatively small pork and veal industries could adapt — as they have Colorado, Arizona, Oregon and Florida, which have passed similar measures regulating those sectors — to the changes, it's California's \$337-million egg industry that would be cracked wide open if the measure is successful because the market would adjust to the expensive restrictions by simply importing eggs from neighboring states and Mexico.

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**WHAT IT WOULD DO:** Change the state constitution so that a doctor would be required to notify a minor's parents at least 48 hours before performing an abortion.

Proposition 4 supporters seek to mislead voters by framing their measure as one that would protect against child predators; it's actually the same effort to hinder reproductive rights that Californians have already voted down twice.

A parental-notification requirement would not protect minors — it would put their health at risk, forcing those who are unwilling or unable to tell their parents about their pregnancy to resort to unsafe methods of termination. The majority of parents are already aware of their teenager's pregnancy, according to a *Los Angeles Times* article. Clearly the current policy is in place to protect minors who are

absolutely unable to tell their parents.

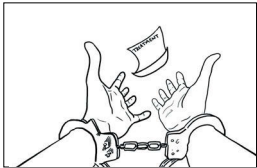
Proposition 4 wouldn't improve family communication in these households or protect minors who may be experiencing abuse. It would instead encourage these young women to seek unlicensed abortions or go the duration of their pregnancy without medical attention or support, giving birth alone and abandoning their baby to hide it from their parents.

Our state constitution should not be used as a tool for limiting access to nationally recognized liberties — particularly for the minors who are largely silenced in the political process — and this attempt is another nauseating reminder of the illusory conduct still championed by conservative extremists.

California voters need to stand up, as they have in the past, and protect the state's minors against this dangerous measure. Vote no on Proposition 4.



# YES ON PROPOSITION 5



**WHAT IT WOULD DO:** Allocate \$460,000 annually to the improvement and further development of criminal treatment programs for those convicted of drug and parole-related offenses. The measure would lessen the severity of punishments for those convicted of minor drug and parole violation offenses, while creating new drug education programs for offending minors deemed at risk for future drug-related crimes.

Proposition 5, the Nonviolent Offender Rehabilitation Act, is a much-needed step toward reforming California's overcrowded prison system. With resources at the state's 33 prisons stretched thin and inmates stacked wall to wall, it makes

no sense to continue incarcerating nonviolent offenders who would benefit more from rehabilitation and drug education than from simply being locked up.

Additionally, the measure's provision for the creation of drug treatment programs for at-risk minors is exactly the type of progressive action that will provide tangible, long-lasting solutions to the drug problems that affect our youth, rather than attempting to merely obscure these pressing issues with fines and imprisonment.

The benefits of pursuing the expansion of treatment over incarceration when dealing with drug offenses have been proven. When Proposition 36 passed in 2000, it provided California

courts with the option of placing drug offenders on probation while requiring them to participate in rehabilitation programs. Since then, the treatment programs associated with Proposition 36 have turned out over 84,000 reformed offenders, individuals who were given the opportunity reassert themselves as law-abiding, tax-paying citizens.

Excessive incarceration practices have left our state's prisons in a predicament that only threatens to grow worse unless an acceptable alternative is agreed upon. Proposition 5 is a pragmatic and forward-thinking approach to both solving California's prison-crowding dilemma and to addressing the issue of substance abuse among minors and adults.

Vote to create a new set of standards by which to determine the sentencing of nonviolent offenders, standards that will allow the state to assist these individuals on the path to recovery. Vote yes on Proposition 5.

# NO ON PROPOSITION 6



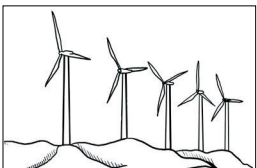
**WHAT IT WOULD DO:** Increase state police and law-enforcement funding to a minimum of \$965 million per year in 2009-10 — an increase of \$365 million — in order to implement and enforce 30 revisions to California criminal law.

As a quick run-through of our country's self-destructive history in law enforcement could easily inform us, cuffing every last petty criminal with a 10-sack doesn't exactly kill the

problem at its roots; instead, police force and prison bills skyrocket while the moneymakers at the top of the crime circuit continue to roam free. Proposition 6 belligerently and haphazardly pushes for "safer neighborhoods" by calling for stricter penalties on small-time, street-level crime like gang activity, drug use, the bearing of arms and auto theft. The measure doesn't well mask its mission to lock up the little (and

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# NO ON PROPOSITION 7



**WHAT IT WOULD DO:** Require all utilities, including those operated by the state government, to generate 20 percent of their power from renewable resources by 2010, a standard which would increase to 40 percent by 2020 and 50 percent by 2025.

Opposed by power companies and renewable energy firms alike, in addition to influential labor, environmental and consumer groups, this measure has ignited protest from almost every group likely to be affected by the new regulations that it would impose. While enacting what appears to be an environmentally positive set of

regulations for California's energy production, Proposition 7 in fact

**Prop 7 in fact enforces unrealistic standards that would ultimately prove detrimental to ... energy providers.**

enforces unrealistic standards that would ultimately prove detrimental to the well-being of the state's

energy providers.

Proposition 7 seeks to enforce its suggested regulations upon all California energy producers. That means that small energy companies would be subject to the same stringent policies as larger firms, thus placing a crippling financial burden on the state's small wind and solar energy producers, effectively limiting competition while driving business and jobs out of California.

Additionally, the measure provides for no cap on electric bills, meaning that as power providers look for ways to fund the changes required under this measure, they have the option of digging into the pockets of California's consumers.

Join California's leading energy producers, environmental activists, labor groups and consumer interest groups in opposing this risky measure. Vote no on Proposition 7.

# NO ON PROPOSITION 8



**WHAT IT WOULD DO:** Change the state constitution to recognize marriage as strictly between a man and a woman, banning same-sex marriage.

Similar to Proposition 4, Proposition 8 attempts to use our state constitution as a method for denying rights. As Californians, we need to come together to ensure equality for all — and this Tuesday, that means marriage equality. Although Proposition 8 supporters claim the measure protects families, saying that if it doesn't pass, gay marriage will be taught in elementary schools — this could not be further from the truth. Marriage rights have nothing to do with schools, and California State Superintendent of Public Instruction Jack O'Connell has denounced the measure's misleading advertisements.

Proposition 8's backward ideas

limit homosexual, monogamous adults from enjoying the same rights as their heterosexual peers. Supporters argue that gays are already allowed civil unions, which grant them many of the same privileges of marriage. They say that marriage has *always* been between a man and a woman, and therefore it should stay that way. But until 1865 blacks were *always* regarded as property, kept as slaves because of their skin color. Until 1920 women were *always* excluded from the political process, denied the right to vote. Separate but equal does not work. America is plagued by a history of irrational prejudice, but we also have a history of taking great strides to overcome this prejudice. Now we have the opportunity to open the path for one more great stride. Vote no on Proposition 8.

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# NO ON PROPOSITION 9



**WHAT IT WOULD DO:** Allow for victim input during certain phases of criminal prosecution and charging and reduce the number of parole hearings offered to prisoners, while enforcing mandatory restitution regulations for cases in which victims experience material loss.

Although paraded under the banner of the expansion of victims' rights, Proposition 9 is little more than a misguided attempt to increase the stringency of California's already strict parole process.

Supporters of the measure have exploited the emotional concern of voters for crime victims, courting fear in an attempt to create a state consti-

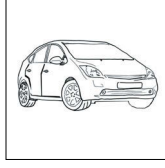
tutional amendment that would only serve to undo any progress toward relieving California's overcrowded prisons.

If passed, Proposition 9 would cost California millions as prisoners formerly qualified for early release on parole suddenly lose this right, forcing the state's prisons to house inmates for longer than courts now deem necessary.

Victims of crimes are already adequately protected under state law.

Vote to oppose a measure that would enforce additional, unnecessary restrictions on prisoners' rights while placing an even greater strain on California's prisons. Vote no on Proposition 9.

# NO ON PROPOSITION 10



**WHAT IT WOULD DO:** Allow the state to sell \$5 billion in bonds to spend on programs supporting alternative fuels and renewable energy. The majority of the money would be spent on rebate programs.

Simply put, Proposition 10 is a ridiculous scheme that is being advertised by propo-

nents as an effort to benefit the environment.

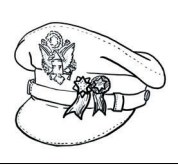
Backed by Clean Energy Fuels Corp. — the natural-gas company of billionaire Texas oil baron T. Boone Pickens — the measure would shell out taxpayer money largely in the form of rebates to boost the alternative-fuel vehicle market, focusing on hydrogen,

electric and natural-gas engines.

The catch? The rebates are structured so that most would go to subsidizing natural-gas-powered vehicles, thus building a customer base for Pickens' business. Furthermore, the measure stipulates that in order for alternative-fuel vehicles to qualify for rebates, they must be only "as clean" as gasoline-powered vehicles, an obvious slap in the face to anyone who really supports the environment, courtesy of California taxpayers.

The only green part of this initiative is the money that will be flowing into Pickens' company. Vote no on Proposition 10.

# YES ON PROPOSITION 12



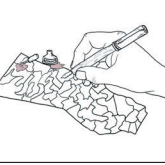
**WHAT IT WOULD DO:** Like 26 measures before it, Proposition 12 would issue bonds to assist war veterans in becoming homeowners through the CalVet HomeLoan program — this time, \$900 million worth.

The only thing more heartless than joining the opposition ranks for Proposition 3 (among all others who hate sick children) is frowning upon an initiative to help thousands more of our nation's heroes out of their cardboard boxes — the least they deserve after carrying out all Washington's overseas dirty work. Proposition 12

may call for some hefty cash in an obvious drought, but if we want to keep filling out the Army barracks, we have no choice but to supply those retreating from the front lines (or training camp, for that matter) with space to carry on.

So far, taxpayers haven't been charged many a penny for the proceeding veteran-home-assistance bonds, and if desperate times do call for some citizen assistance for the new bonds, a few extra dollars from our happy homes will be a small price to pay for those who have more than earned their own. Vote yes on Proposition 12.

# YES ON PROPOSITION 11



**WHAT IT WOULD DO:** Amend the California constitution to re-assign the geographic boundary-drawing of the state's 120 legislative districts and four Board of Equalization districts — currently a task undertaken once every 10 years by the state legislature — to a 14-member commission consisting of five Democrats, five Republicans and four independents.

Voters hold an obligation to more heavily scrutinize any initiative that would go so far as to amend the state constitution — after all, those largely permanent standards have made up the DNA of California since its creation. But this necessary conservatism to such grave change shouldn't blind us to perfecting our genetic makeup where there exists even a minor chance for it to more justly represent us.

Proposition 11's aspiration to shift districting power from those it would strategically serve to a board of evenly distributed party representatives is

an opportunity to iron a bureaucratic wrinkle with a long history of personal interests.

Instead of leaving historically utilized room for gerrymandering — or the budging of district lines to improve one party or politician's likelihood of election — the new system would level the playing field, place a much-needed check on self-interested legislators and possibly even stir a little bipartisanship into a legislature of stubborn purists.

Just like with any group of humans, no commission could be perfect, but a complex selection process from a pool of 60 registered voters would bring us the closest possible to a fair 14 — and even with their inevitable Democratic or Republican interests in mind, equality in numbers will prevent anything but an eventual compromise.

And really, anything is better than letting a politician choose his or her own demographic. Vote yes on Proposition 11.

## Crime Enforcement Funds Better Applied to Long-Term Solution

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colored) guys, targeting California's most underprivileged by increasing punishment for minors, eliminating bail for illegal aliens and requiring criminal background checks from those in subsidized housing.

Instead of pouring money into stricter punishment, which has a ridiculously poor record of making anyone change their ways — a more common reaction is a teardrop tattoo and renewed hatred for the po' — our money would be far more productively spent on improving living conditions and rehabilitation resources in areas of high crime (not to mention health care and education, if we're really talking shop here).

Handing out wads of cash and responsibility to state cops is a shallow and shortsighted solution to the viscous cycle that pushes so many inner-city youth to the wrong side of the law. Vote no on Proposition 6.



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# NOON PROPOSITION D

**WHAT WOULD IT DO?** Make alcohol consumption illegal at city beaches, Mission Bay Park and coastal parks.

Before the San Diego City Council enacted a sweeping one-year trial ban, San Diegans had long enjoyed the freedom to drink alcohol in public parks and at city beaches. Although the ban was enacted as a response to a few high-profile instances of beach rowdiness that forced police officers to step in and regulate, councilmembers promised that the issue would be re-examined after the trial period to determine whether it was indeed a factor that led to safer public areas.

Now that the issue is in the hands of voters, however, the ban must be

overturned, because a few isolated brawls are not reason enough to deny the vast majority of law-abiding citizens the ability to have a few beers at the beach on a Saturday afternoon.

An all-or-nothing ban is not the answer; instead, the city council should consider harsher penalties for alcohol-related public disturbances and ban binge-drinking tools such as kegs, ice luges, funnels and beerpong tables.

They could even restrict overnight and holiday drinking. That way, the potential for alcohol-related disturbances is kept in check and citizens can still have a glass of wine at sunset — everyone wins.

Please, preserve San Diego tradition. Vote no on Proposition D.

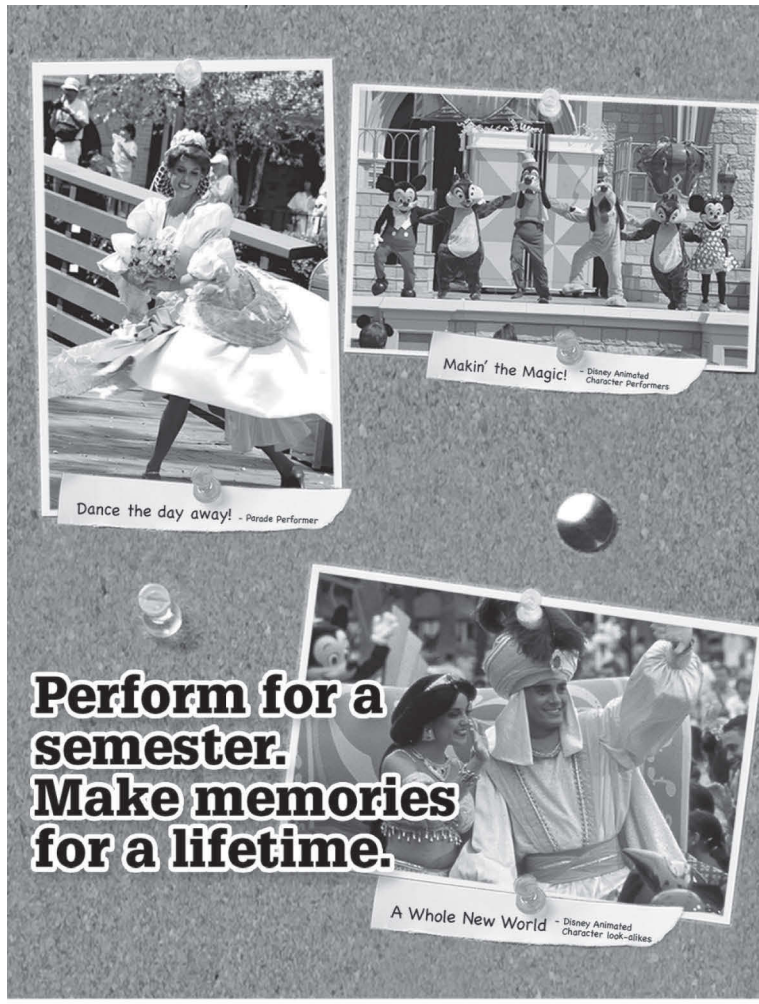
## Cage Restrictions for Chicken Farmers Would Cripple California's Egg Industry

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which still use battery-cage systems, inevitably leading to the industry's virtual collapse.

Cruelty to animals is abhorrent, and the parts of the measure regulating sow and veal confinement are

worthy, but Californians would be irresponsible to pass the measure as written because of the drastic economic pitfall it will bring to the egg industry at a time when the economy is more fragile than ever. Vote no on Proposition 2.



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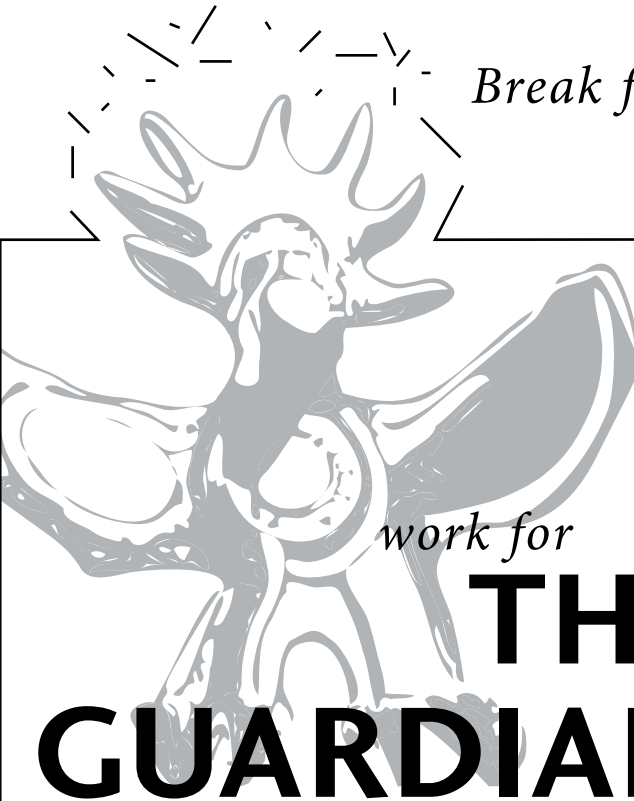
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# POLLING THE LINE

BY SARAH-NICOLE BOSTAN • CONTRIBUTING WRITER

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Chancellor of Student Affairs Cynthia Davalos met regularly with the city registrar to analyze the problems with on-campus voting in 2004 — particularly, three- to four-hour lines — before deciding to place a polling location at each individual college, and properly placing each of them.

"Even just a few weeks ago, they were about to take out Muir as a polling place, but Muir and Price Center have historically been UCSD's main polling locations so we fought against it and succeeded," Chen said.

Available to man the on-campus polling places will be 43 poll workers from the county registrar's office.

Once the hectic day of polling is complete, big-screen TVs, food, nonalcoholic drinks and political commentary from leading political scientists at UCSD will ensue. The free nonpartisan event will occur from 7:15 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., welcoming everybody in the UCSD community, and anyone else who feels like showing up regardless of their political affiliation.

"Planning has been under way for over three weeks, and the crowd could be overwhelming," said Barry Jagoda, director of communications at the Office of the University Communications and Public Affairs.

According to Jagoda, while it takes leadership and a high level of efficient teamwork to organize such an event — a great part of which was facilitated by professor Thad Kousser and International House — the excitement surrounding the election makes it worth the effort.

"The most expensive thing is a piece of pie and a large-screen TV," Jagoda said. "All of the organizations have put up a little bit

of money. It's a small amount of money for a great educational and fun evening."

To spread word of the event, a large number of printed flyers were distributed, students were sent electronic flyers on their school e-mail accounts and information was circulated among relevant disciplines, such as political science.

A.S. sent notifications to all UCSD students, asked all resident advisors to inform their residents of polling locations, and plastered information all over TritonLink. According to Chen, these methods have

seen huge success.

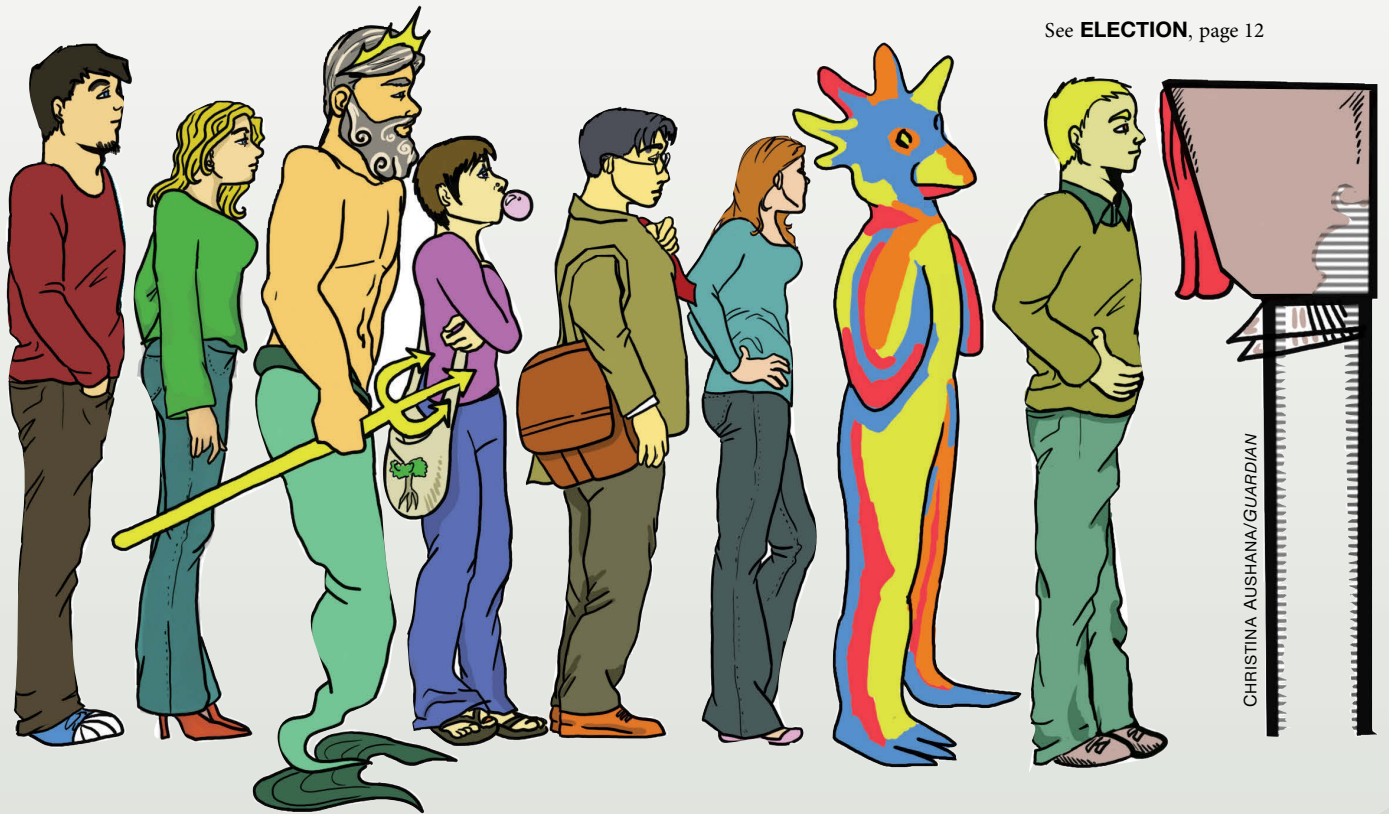
A.S. councilmembers have also expressed concern that commuter students recognize their vote will not be recorded the day of the election if they cast their vote at Price Center.

"Though students registered off campus can technically vote in Price Center since it is the official provisional polling location, we're strongly encouraging as many off campus students as possible to vote before coming to campus," Chen said. "Provisional ballots only get counted two to

three weeks later, and it's best that their votes get counted on the same day."

In order to further streamline the voting process, the council plans to provide a variety of new conveniences.

"The biggest thing is that so many people haven't looked at the propositions, so we have these really easy voter guides, which are a poster of all the propositions, in hopes that students can make their decisions before they go to the polling locations," she said. These proposition guides have been passed out to resident deans and student organiza-



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## From Sheltered to Shelterless: Losing the Safety Net

A cold sweat on the back of my neck left me wondering how I was coerced into climbing over 200 steps to see another church with another story, one that read similar to hundreds of others: under construction atop the highest point in Paris from 1875 until 1914, Basilique du Sacre-Coeur, "Church of the Sacred Heart," was created as a symbol of atonement and martyrdom for the losses of the Franco-Prussian War. On the grassy hill, the white stones of the gothic, domed church float above the backdrop of the bustling city.

It was during my first few days in this madhouse metropolis that I felt helpless. I had been on the verge of tears the moment I arrived at the airport without anyone to greet me.

Without friends or family, any French language skills or a place to abandon my 100 pounds of luggage, much less a place to sleep that evening, I panicked. My accommodations for the year evaporated, leaving me homeless. I navigated the metro and called a hostel with the few words of French I learned on the plane.

I'm not proud to report my naivete as I frantically e-mailed my hous-

ing contact, a presumed French student similar to myself, who stopped responding. Not only did I lose the peace of mind of having a place to live in Paris, but I also lost a \$1,000 deposit through a Craigslist merchant who stole and manipulated a young French woman's passport and identity. Sitting in the police station on my third day abroad, as an officer and his buddy looked apologetically down on me, homelessness never seemed more of a reality.

My unfortunate circumstance challenged me to befriend strangers. In a matter of hours, I added a 25-year-old Canadian woman and a 40-year-old American expatriate to the list of people I trusted in Paris for advice, along with an older Mexican gentleman I had accidentally followed to the Notre Dame. When I recounted my day, my mother was less than pleased.

On my fourth day abroad I took shelter from the rain under the shingles of the only open business — an Asian cuisine market with a narrow door as the storefront — and frantically searched through my phone for the next landlord's number. Three days of

wandering the streets of Paris looking for housing with Emily, my soon-to-be roommate and Kipp, the host of the floor I'd been sleeping on, had left me frazzled and tested my waning optimism. After calling 10 numbers (all wrong) and apologizing in poor French, I resigned myself to giving up and going home, or rather, Kipp's home.

I never felt sheltered at UCSD. Moving away from home seemed like a big step toward independence — never mind that I never saw a single bill and ate at a dining hall. Living on campus with the comforting sameness of each quarter, I acquired a sense of certainty about who I was. I gave up exploring the various versions of myself. I became stuck as the thoughtful and reserved girlfriend, the reliable club member and the rational-thinking roommate, among other things. I embraced my talents and shortcomings with mild enthusiasm. It never occurred to me that I was settling. I never imagined that maybe I decided too logically who to be too early.

Waking up from an anxiety-ridden sleep on a hardwood floor, I faced another day of apartment hunting in Paris. Emily and I had been waiting to see a particular flat



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The Basilique Du Sacre-Coeur has towered above the streets of North Paris since its construction ended nearly a century ago. The church is a dedicated to lives lost in the Franco-Prussian war.

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# Studio Diner

By Joanna Cardenas

Associate Focus Editor

The 1950s are only a 15-minute drive from campus. Studio Diner, located on Ruffin Road in Kearny Mesa, is a gleaming, kitschy neon eatery you can't miss along a street of muted office buildings. As if its giant aluminum presence weren't enough to attract the curious passersby, the diner is situated on the lot of San Diego's only television and film company, Stu Segall Productions — a 20-acre sprawl where gems like "Veronica Mars" have been captured.

Once through the chrome doors, hungry diners are all taken back to a time when we were as American as apple pie. We have the option of grabbing a quick bite to eat at the lunch counter, where we can interact with waiters and cooks, or, patrons can sink into comfy booths whose dim lighting and maple paneling create a retro-glamour dining experience.

While Studio Diner has all of the flashy throw back appeal, it has none of that Hollywood 'tude — waitresses are all smiles, and plates hit the table in a jiffy. The restaurant also maintains a hometown ease through events like annual chili cook-offs.

Many period-themed restaurants invest so much effort in decorating and devising clever dish names that they neglect the quality of their cuisine — this is fortunately not the case with Studio Diner. Yes, there's a cute menu — the salad section is called "Mom

Said, 'Eat Your Greens'" and the desserts fall under "Go Ahead...Bake My Day" — but the food is in no way overshadowed by its cutesy labels.

Studio Diner specializes in old-fashioned comfort that will surely stick to your ribs — including classic favorites like Monte Cristo sandwiches, Sloppy Joes and grilled pastrami reubens. The diner not only transcends time but also coast, offering East Coast favorites like New England clam chowder, lobster rolls and authentic Ipswich clams flown in from Massachusetts. For ambitious eaters, nostalgic desserts like Black Cows, peach cobbler and mountainous banana splits feed four to six people that could easily leave satisfied.

Portions and quality are reflected in Studio Diner's

prices: appetizers go for at least \$8 and the cheapest malts and shakes will run at about \$6. For those who decide to indulge in a rare and steamy plate of fried Ipswich clams, be prepared to pay nearly \$20. Also, because lunch time offers the most appealing items on the menu, the restaurant's Web site warns patrons to avoid the lunch rush on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays and that the diner accommodates group functions of 50 at all times except these.

For a wholesome and hearty throw back meal, Studio Diner, open 24 hours, packs just the right blast from the past.



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## At Home on the Cobblestone Streets of Paris

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in the cobbled-street neighborhood of Montmartre, where bakeries and cheese shops line the streets and rotisserie chicken tempt passersby on the sidewalk. We had waited four days — days that felt like they ripped years off of my life. Another couple beat us to the apartment's first showing, but we decided that if we liked it, we'd take it immediately. We signed the lease within the hour and moved in that evening. That night, we triumphantly devoured one of those rotisserie chickens right down to the bone.

Exactly a week after arriving in Paris and the day after I settled into my new home, I saw the Paris skyline for the first time from the top of the modern art museum, Musee Pompidou. As I posed for a photo with the Sacre Coeur in the background, I had not thought that this church would play any significant role in my present life.

A short walk from my new front door, the entrance to the Sacre Coeur invites visitors to climb its 200 stairs to the base of the church — presumably one of the best views of Paris. I hate stairs. My issue stems from the idea that with practice, things should become easier. Climbing more than 700 steps up the Eiffel Tower and subsequent basili-

cas throughout Europe two summers ago, however, did not make climbing to the eighth floor of Hopkins Parking Structure any easier. I struggled up the stairs to the Sacre Coeur a few days after I first saw and posed with it for a photo. Each new set of stairs posed another challenge. My thighs started to burn as I reached the top.

Speechless, I stared at downtown Paris. This was my home. All I could say to Emily's proud expression was, "I actually live here?" My memories of the difficult climb, to this point, had disappeared. Calmness finally set in and filled every pore recently vacated by the anxiety of struggling to find a Paris home. I became indebted to the stairs that tortured me a moment earlier. They brought me to the Sacre Coeur, a higher place that revealed Paris and a score of opportunities for adventure and self-invention.

I now picnic at the Sacre Coeur, smothering my baguette with gooey cheese and sweet jam, with friends I did not know existed two months ago and more importantly, did not know me. I recognize the modern art museum and the place I first photographed the Sacre Coeur left of center. The climb up here still leaves me breathless, but I would not have it any other way.

## After Vote, Party Will Get Political

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tions on campus.

Chen added that students need to be aware that they can't wear any political attire into the polling site, as it's considered campaigning.

"They'll make you turn your shirt inside out once you get into the polling locations," she said.

Meanwhile, student organizations such as Students for Barack Obama will make their presence known on Library Walk directing students to their proper voting locations since — according to chapter coordinator Apratim Ghosh — they agree that voting provisionally should be avoided.

The UCSD College Republicans declined to comment on their Election Day activities.

On the night of Nov. 4, several political discussions by leading political scientists at UCSD will be at the heart of the party, including a panel with Kousser, who specializes in legislatures, legislative elections and California politics. Other panelists will include James Fowler and Sebastian Saiegh.

"I'm going to be talking about what to look for in the battleground states, Fowler will be discussing his much-publicized research about the Colbert-bump and how Democratic candidates receive fundraising boosts after appearing on [The

Colbert Report] and Saiegh will give an international perspective since this is an event working together with I-House," said Kousser, the faculty coordinator of the event.

A precursor to this large-scale event was held for the 2006 midterm election, which nearly 250 students attended.

This year, the coordinators and sponsors, including the Council of Provosts, comprised of all six UCSD college provosts; the Department of Political Science; International House; the Office of University of Communications and Public Affairs, say they can't know for sure how many will attend, but are anticipating record turnout and are making sure they're ready for it.

"There hasn't been this kind of energy around a presidential election since my freshman year in college when Bill Clinton was elected, and even that was nothing compared to this," Kousser said. "When I talk to my students, all 175 of them say without hesitation that they're registered and ready to vote, and all signs point to record youth turnout in this election."

Aside for preparing for massive attendance, the I-House staff will be helping out a great deal with preparations, along with two UCSD service-based fraternities.

A student panel, including A.S.

President Donna Bean, will be discussing how students can get involved in politics.

Through live remote iChat, participants will be able to talk with Alec Weisman, who works on republican campaigns and is the social coordinator for the UCSD College Republicans.

There will also be a question-answer session from St. Louis, Missouri, with Dan Palay, a recent UCSD alum and current Obama staff member.

The Office of the University of Communications and Public Affairs, a co-sponsor of the event, said they do this because they want to involve the media so that people in San Diego know that there are students engaged in voting and the elections.

"Radio, television and printed media all want the experts' help in understanding what's happening on election night, so they'll be coming over to the event too," Jagoda said.

As Kousser put it, "This is a historic election and your grandkids are going to ask you where you were when the first woman was elected, or the first African American, and we want to make sure everyone has a good answer for it."

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Wed, Nov 5 / 7:00 PM

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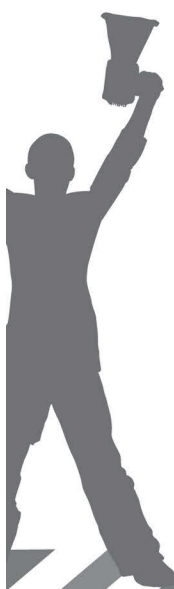
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### Know your issues.

Get down with all the candidates & issues on the ballot. Look inside for info on the 12 propositions and what state and local candidates are running in your area.



### Know your polling place.

Check out [www.smartvoter.org](http://www.smartvoter.org) to find where you should vote on November 4th. Bring your ID and vote anytime 7am-8pm.

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# PROPOSITIONS

There are 12 state propositions in this election. Any proposition that gets more than 50% "yes" votes will become a new law for California. Propositions 1A and 12 were placed on the ballot by the state legislature. The rest of the propositions are "initiatives" that were placed on the ballot by their supporters who collected

enough signatures to qualify them. Some of these propositions are also Constitutional Amendments. This means they would change the State Constitution if passed. This Guide has short descriptions of each proposition. We have also simplified the titles.

Choosing to Vote "Yes" or "No" on a Proposition  
 • a "Yes" vote means that you support the way the proposition would change things  
 • a "No" vote means that you want to leave things the way they are

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## 1A. Bonds for High-Speed Rail Proposed by the State Legislature

### The way it is now:

In 1996, the California High-Speed Rail Authority was created to plan and build an electric-powered, high-speed rail system linking California's major cities. The Rail Authority estimates that the total cost to finish planning and then build the entire system is about \$45 billion. The funds are expected to come from federal, state and local governments, as well as private sources.

### What Prop 1A would do if it passes:

Allow the state to sell \$9.95 billion in bonds to continue planning and start building the high-speed rail system. About \$9 billion of this bond money would be used to provide part of the funds for the core route between San Francisco and Los Angeles/Anaheim and possible extensions. The remaining \$950 million would be spent on local and other state rail systems. Prop 1A requires funding plans to be in place before the bonds can be sold.

### Fiscal effect on government:

- State costs of about \$19.4 billion over 30 years to pay off the bonds plus interest. Payments would average \$647 million per year.
- State costs of about \$1 billion a year to run the high-speed rail system. These costs would be at least partly offset by train ticket sales.

### People for Prop 1A say:

- This new rail system will give us a more efficient way to travel between cities that will be better for the environment.
- This will reduce California's need for foreign oil and help our overcrowded freeways and airports.

www.californiahighspeedtrains.com

### People against Prop 1A say:

- Our budget crisis is already forcing cuts to schools, healthcare and more. These funds could be spent on improving our existing roads and transit systems.
- There is no guarantee this high-speed rail system will ever be finished.

www.derailhsr.com

## 5. Rehabilitation of Nonviolent Criminal Offenders Initiative

### The way it is now:

The state has drug treatment programs for some nonviolent criminal offenders. Some offenders can enter "diversion programs" where they can get drug treatment instead of going to jail. The state also has rehabilitation programs, but those services are often not available to inmates and parolees due to lack of money or space.

### What Prop 5 would do if it passes:

Expand the types of offenders that are eligible for drug treatment diversion programs and increase the services they can receive. Prop 5 also requires more rehabilitation programs for offenders while they are in prison, on parole and afterwards. Prop 5 makes many changes affecting offenders on parole and reduces penalties for possession of small amounts of marijuana.

### Fiscal effect on government:

This could cost the state more than \$1 billion per year for drug treatment and rehabilitation, but it could save the state about the same amount on prisons and parole costs. There could also be a one-time net state savings of more than \$2.5 billion in building costs for new prisons that would not be needed if Prop 5 passes.

### People for Prop 5 say:

- Prop 5 will get nonviolent offenders and drug addicts into programs that will help them stay out of our overcrowded jails and prisons.
- California inmates and parolees are not getting enough rehabilitation services to help them re-enter society successfully.

www.Prop5yes.com

### People against Prop 5 say:

- Prop 5 will let people convicted of domestic violence, identity theft and other crimes get out of going to jail by going into drug treatment programs instead.
- This shortens the parole time for methamphetamine dealers and other drug felons.

www.noonproposition5.com

## 9. Victims' Rights Initiative • Constitutional Amendment

### The way it is now:

Victims of crime have certain rights under California's Constitution and laws. These include the right to speak up at sentencing and parole hearings. Victims also have the right to be paid back for their losses (called "restitution"), although current law allows some convicted criminals not to pay.

### What Prop 9 would do if it passes:

Add new rights for victims of crime and strengthen the rights they now have. For example, every convicted criminal who has caused a loss would have to pay restitution to the victim. The victim's safety would have to be taken into account when deciding bail or parole. Prop 9 also changes the State Constitution to stop prisons and jails from letting offenders out early to reduce overcrowding. Prop 9 would also make changes to the state's parole process, such as increasing the time some prisoners wait for their parole hearing.

### Fiscal effect on government:

- Higher costs to state and county governments in the hundreds of millions of dollars a year if prisoners are kept in jail or prison longer.
- Net savings in the low tens of millions of dollars a year because of the changes to parole.

### People for Prop 9 say:

- With Prop 9 crime victims would get the same rights to due process as the rights criminals have.
- Prop 9 will keep politicians from letting dangerous prisoners out early in order to lower over-crowding problems in prisons and jails.

www.friendsofmarsyslaw.org

### People against Prop 9 say:

- The rights of victims are already protected, and the way they are enforced should not be added to the State Constitution.
- Prop 9 is unnecessary and would take money away from other government programs like education and healthcare.

www.votenooprop9.com

## 2. Treatment of Farm Animals Initiative

### The way it is now:

State law makes it illegal to be cruel to animals. For example, animals in enclosed areas must have shelter, food, water and room to exercise. People who break these laws may be fined or sent to jail or both.

### What Prop 2 would do if it passes:

Make it illegal to keep certain farm animals in a way that does not allow them to turn around freely, lie down, stand up, and fully extend their limbs. Prop 2 covers pregnant pigs, calves raised for veal and hens that lay eggs. The law would begin in 2015. People who break the law could be fined up to \$1,000 or sent to jail or both.

### Fiscal effect on government:

Possible small changes in costs and revenues to local and state governments.

### People for Prop 2 say:

- Prop 2 will stop the cruel and inhumane treatment of farm animals that are now kept in cramped or overcrowded cages.
- This lowers the risk of spreading animal diseases and protects the environment from air pollution and waste from factory farms.

www.yesonprop2.org

### People against Prop 2 say:

- Prop 2 is extreme and not needed. There are already laws in place to stop cruel treatment of animals.
- This will increase grocery prices of California eggs and other farm products, put farmers out of business, and cost us much-needed jobs.

www.safecaliforniafood.org

## 6. Public Safety Spending and Criminal Penalties Initiative

### The way it is now:

Currently the state spends about \$10 billion per year to run the prison system, which has about 171,000 inmates. Local governments are primarily responsible for funding community law enforcement.

### What Prop 6 would do if it passes:

- Require an additional \$365 million to be spent by the state on specific local law enforcement and criminal justice programs, beginning in 2009-10, and ensure certain programs get inflation-related increases.
- Increase the penalties for certain crimes, especially those related to gang members.
- Increase the number of parole officers.
- Make several other changes in procedures used by law enforcement and courts.

### Fiscal effect on government:

- New state spending that would increase to more than \$500 million a year to pay for local law enforcement and criminal justice programs.
- One-time state costs of about \$500 million to build prisons to house additional inmates due to tougher penalties.

### People for Prop 6 say:

- Prop 6 will bring more police and increased safety to our streets, along with more juvenile crime prevention.
- Gang members who commit violent felony crimes will spend more time in prison, and we will have better ways to track them when they are released.

www.safeneighborhoodsact.com

### People against Prop 6 say:

- Prop 6 will waste billions on unproven programs, taking money away from other important programs like schools and fire protection.
- Several anti-gang programs were started in local communities around the state in 2007, and we need to give them more time to work.

www.votenooprop6.com

## 10. Bonds for Alternative Energy Initiative

### The way it is now:

The state has a number of programs to help reduce California's use of "non-renewable" energy sources (such as coal and oil). The programs encourage energy efficiency and use of "renewable" energy (such as solar and wind) and alternative fuels (such as natural gas).

### What Prop 10 would do if it passes:

Allow the state to sell \$5 billion in bonds to raise money for more programs to support alternative fuels and renewable energy. Much of this money would be spent on rebates to encourage Californians to buy vehicles that use less gasoline or use some other fuel. Some of this money would be used for research and development of new kinds of power that are better for the environment.

### Fiscal effect on government:

- State costs of approximately \$10 billion over 30 years to pay off the bonds plus interest. Payments would average \$335 million per year.
- State costs to run Prop 10 programs would be about \$10 million per year for 10 years.

### People for Prop 10 say:

- Prop 10 rebates will help more Californians afford cars and trucks that are better for the environment and cost less to run.
- This reduces California's need for foreign oil and helps our state base more of its economy on clean power.

www.prop10yes.com

### People against Prop 10 say:

- Prop 10 takes taxpayer dollars from other budget priorities when we already have several programs in place to encourage clean power.
- Bonds should be saved for long-term investments like bridges and buildings, not short-term programs like car rebates.

www.votenooprop10.com

## 3. Bonds for Children's Hospitals Initiative

### The way it is now:

Children's hospitals in California treat over one million children facing life-threatening illnesses or injuries each year. Voters approved \$750 million in bonds for children's hospitals in November 2004. About \$400 million of those bonds have been sold.

### What Prop 3 would do if it passes:

Allow state government to sell \$980 million in bonds for improvements to children's hospitals in California. The money would be used to expand, remodel and provide updated equipment for these hospitals.

### Fiscal effect on government:

State costs of about \$2 billion over 30 years to pay off the bonds plus interest. Payments would average about \$64 million per year.

### People for Prop 3 say:

- Children's hospitals save hundreds of lives each day but do not have enough room to treat all of the children who are sent to them.
- Hospitals would be able to buy up-to-date equipment to treat babies born early or with defective organs.

www.imaginewithus.org

### People against Prop 3 say:

- Hundreds of millions of dollars for children's hospitals are still left from bonds passed in 2004 that have not been spent.
- Although these funds would go to hospitals that serve children, Prop 3 does not guarantee that the money will be spent on actual services for children.

## 7. Renewable Energy Initiative

### The way it is now:

Electric utility companies in California generate most of the electricity they sell from "nonrenewable" resources (such as coal and natural gas). They generate a small amount of the electricity they sell from "renewable" resources (such as solar and wind). State law sets the goal of using renewable energy resources to generate 20% of California's electricity by the year 2010. That law does not currently apply to electric utility companies that are owned by a local government.

### What Prop 7 would do if it passes:

- Require all electric utility companies, including those owned by a government, to generate at least 20% of the electricity they sell from renewable resources by 2010.
- Set new, higher goals for all electric utility companies in California: 40% of electricity from renewable resources by 2020 and 50% by 2025.
- Change the penalties companies must pay when they fail to meet the renewable energy goals.
- Provides exceptions that allow electric utility companies to avoid penalties when they fail to meet the renewable energy goals.

Prop 7 makes many other changes affecting electric utility companies.

### Fiscal effect on government:

A small increase in state costs would probably be covered by the new fees the state would collect. Prop 7's effect on electricity rates is unknown, so the effect on state and local government costs and revenues is also unknown.

### People for Prop 7 say:

- We can do better than dirty coal and nuclear power. Using more renewable resources will help the environment.
- Prop 7 will make California a leader in clean power and create hundreds of thousands of new jobs.

www.yeson7.net

### People against Prop 7 say:

- Prop 7 will shut small renewable energy electric utility companies out of California's market and disrupt the renewable energy work in progress.
- It will increase our electricity bills and taxpayer costs without achieving its stated goals.

www.noprop7.com

## 11. Redistricting Initiative • Constitutional Amendment

### The way it is now:

Each federal and state lawmaker represents the people in a certain legislative district. Every 10 years, maps outlining the borders for legislative districts must be redrawn to make sure each district continues to have about the same number of people. This process is called "redistricting." The state legislature has the job of drawing district maps for the 80 seats in the State Assembly, the 40 seats in the State Senate and California's seats in the United States Congress.

### What Prop 11 would do if it passes:

Change the State Constitution to give a 14-member citizens redistricting commission the job of drawing district maps for seats in the State Assembly and State Senate. The commission would be made up of registered voters (5 Democrats, 5 Republicans and 4 members who do not belong to either major party). Prop 11 includes rules for selecting the commission members and for a public process for drawing new district maps for state offices. Prop 11 leaves the state legislature in charge of redrawing the district maps for California's U.S. Congress seats.

### Fiscal effect on government:

No significant increases in state spending.

### People for Prop 11 say:

- Prop 11 ends the current system of politicians drawing district maps in ways that makes it very easy for them to get reelected.
- If we have more competitive elections, politicians will be more accountable to the voters.

www.yesprop11.org

### People against Prop 11 say:

- Instead of districts being drawn by legislators elected by the people, they will be drawn by commissioners picked by state administrators.
- Because it does not cover U.S. Congress, Prop 11 sets up two different processes for drawing district maps.

www.noonprop11.org

## 4. Parental Notification About Abortion Initiative • Constitutional Amendment

### The way it is now:

A pregnant minor (an unmarried girl under 18 years old) can get an abortion in California without telling her parents.

### What Prop 4 would do if it passes:

Change the State Constitution to require a doctor to notify the minor's parent or guardian at least 48 hours before performing an abortion. The law does not require a parent to agree to the abortion, but the parent must be told about it. Parental notification would not be required in the case of a medical emergency or if the minor gets approval from a juvenile court judge. In some cases, a doctor could notify an adult family member other than a parent.

### Fiscal effect on government:

Possible state costs of several million dollars per year for health and welfare programs and court expenses.

### People for Prop 4 say:

- A pregnant minor needs the support of a parent or guardian before and after she decides what to do about her pregnancy.
- Minors hiding an abortion from their parents may delay getting help for medical problems after the abortion.

www.yeson4.net

### People against Prop 4 say:

- Minors who are afraid to tell their parents, or are too scared to go to a juvenile court judge, may try to get unsafe abortions.
- Laws cannot force good communication in families, and Prop 4 does not help minors in families with poor communication.

www.noonprop4.org

## 8. Ban on Gay Marriage Initiative • Constitutional Amendment

### The way it is now:

In 2000, voters passed a law stating that marriage between a man and a woman was the only legal kind of marriage in California. In a May 2008 ruling, the California Supreme Court said the State Constitution gives same-sex couples the right to marry.

### What Prop 8 would do if it passes:

Change the State Constitution to say that only marriage between a man and a woman is valid or recognized in California. This would mean that same-sex couples do not have a right to marry.

### Fiscal effect on government:

Possible losses in sales tax revenues over the next few years due to fewer weddings. In the long run, there would be little fiscal impact to government.

### People for Prop 8 say:

- Prop 8 restores the definition of marriage approved by the voters in 2000 and puts it in the State Constitution.
- California still has a "domestic partners" law that gives same-sex couples the same rights and benefits as married spouses.

www.protectmarriage.com

### People against Prop 8 say:

- California's Constitution guarantees the same rights for everyone, and marriage is a right.
- Domestic partnerships are not the same as marriage. It's unfair that some people can enjoy the dignity of marriage and others cannot.

www.noonprop8.com

## 12. Bonds for Veterans' Home Loans Proposed by State Legislature

### The way it is now:

California veterans can buy homes and farms with low-interest loans provided by the Cal-Vet program. The money for these loans is raised by selling state bonds. Monthly payments from veterans have covered all costs of the Cal-Vet program.

### What Prop 12 would do if it passes:

Allow the state to sell \$900 million in bonds to provide more money for the Cal-Vet program. This amount would be enough for loans to at least 3,600 veterans.

### Fiscal effect on government:

No net cost to the state is expected since the veterans' payments have covered all costs of the Cal-Vet program in the past.

### People for Prop 12 say:

- This gives veterans low-interest loans to buy homes, which is a way to show our appreciation for their service and sacrifice.

### People against Prop 12 say:

- Veterans who served in combat or in a combat zone should be given loans before other veterans since funds are limited.

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The sophomore carded a three-day total of 213 (71-72-70) to lead the Tritons to a seventh place finish at the Bobby Rose Intercollegiate on Oct. 27 and 28.



## Tritons Run Up the Score at Home

The men's water polo team bounces back from a devastating weekend with two whopping conference victories.

By Janani Sridharan  
SPORTS EDITOR

**MEN'S WATER POLO** — After falling to ranked opponents on the road in one-goal games, the No. 8 UCSD men's water polo team returned home and crushed two Western Water Polo Association opponents in a double-header on Nov. 2. The squad took care of business against UC Santa Cruz, dealing the Banana Slugs a 19-8 beating in the morning before posting a 13-6 victory over Pomona-Pitzer College.

"We were trying accomplish two big wins against teams that aren't at our level to prove that we are the better team," senior utility A.J. Kotanjian said.

UCSD asserted its superiority over Pomona-Pitzer College early in the game, scoring seven goals during the first quarter. The Sagehens were able to answer back in the second quarter, outscoring the Tritons 3-1 in the period to cut UCSD's lead to 8-3 at halftime.

Even though the game was not close in the second half, tempers flared on both sides because of the whistle-happy referees, who were eager to charge ejections to Tritons and Sagehens alike. Still, UCSD held on to a commanding lead for the entire game, eventually netting the 13-6 victory.



JOHN HANACEK/GUARDIAN

The Tritons were able to tap into their bench and play 14 players in their game against UC Santa Cruz on Nov. 2 after they jumped out to a 12-3 lead at halftime. Out of the 14 players who saw action in the contest, 12 Tritons scored goals to help top the Banana Slugs 19-8.

In the first game of the day, the Banana Slugs had few answers to the Triton attack, falling behind 12-3 after the first two quarters. Because of their dominant first half, the Tritons were able to give a lot of minutes to nonstarters in the second half of the game. Junior goalkeeper Daniel Ramirez minded the net for the entire second half, relieving freshman goalkeeper David Morton. Junior driver Kneif Lohse and freshman driver Graham Saber stood out for UCSD, scoring the Tritons' last two goals of the game.

"It was good for them to be able to get some more game experience," Kotanjian said of the players off the Triton bench. "They held their own."

With the Tritons having a real chance at the conference crown, the wins over WWPAA opponents were crucial because the seeding for the conference championships will decide who the Tritons will have to battle before they can reach the championship game. The two wins boost UCSD's WWPAA record to 4-3 and overall record to 16-9.

"There are a number of things we

are working on in our push to conference," head coach Denny Harper said. "Pomona and Santa Cruz represent the bottom half of our conference and while we are not trying to annihilate teams, we can't sacrifice where we want to go."

Junior two-meter Daniel Garcia had a team-high nine goals on the day while senior driver Jeff Hunt and Kotanjian added four apiece.

UCSD will close out its conference schedule next weekend on the

See **WATER POLO**, page 17

## UCSD ENDS FALL SEASON IN SEVENTH

By Matt Croskey  
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

**MEN'S GOLF** — The Tritons concluded their fall schedule with a seventh-place finish at the Dennis Rose Intercollegiate in Hawaii on the Mauna Lani North Course on Oct. 27 and 28.

Sophomore Keith Okasaki led the Tritons, shooting 71-72-70 to card a three-under par 213 to tie for 11th place overall. Okasaki was followed by junior transfer Raj Samra, who finished in a tie for 21st, four strokes behind Okasaki.

St. Edwards University overcame a four-stroke deficit to defeat Valdosta State University in a playoff. Both teams finished 16 strokes better than UCSD's 872. While the stroke difference may seem large, head coach Mike Wydra described just how misleading it is.

"Think of it this way," he said. "One stroke per round per counting player is a 12-stroke difference. The difference between a seventh-place finish and a third-place finish is very, very small."

Wydra said it was no surprise that St. Edwards and Valdosta State were battling for the championship because of their familiarity with the Bermuda greens.

See **GOLF**, page 17

## RUGBY HAUNTED BY SLUGGISH START

By Cameron Tillisch  
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

**CLUB SPORTS** — The bloody pre-season matchup between the UCSD and UC Irvine's men's rugby teams could best be summed up as a seesaw. UCSD carried a convincing lead for a solid chunk of the game, which took place Saturday at Warren Field, but the Tritons' flat start ended up benefiting UC Irvine. Each team answered the other squad's scores with try after try, but with the Anteaters squashing many of UCSD's scoring opportunities, UC Irvine ended up on top 27-22.

UCSD came out slow in the first period, while UC Irvine scored a try along with a conversion kick worth two points, making the score 7-0. In the second period, the UCSD offense came back with a try of its own on a drive finished by freshman back Billy Blanchard in the game's 34th minute. UC Irvine then followed with another try, but UCSD came storming back with a few scores.

Most of UCSD's tries came late in the game, in a string of three, with forward Steve Schmidt leading the way in the 70th minute, senior back Jake Hoffman in the 78th and freshman back Quintin Dolci in the 80th. Senior Will Cowell added a few solid conversion kicks in a game where they were hard to come by.

The field looked like a battle-

See **RUGBY**, page 19

## Lady Tritons Upset Attempt Falls Short

The 15th-ranked women's volleyball team was swept by second ranked Cal State San Bernardino on Nov. 1.

By Robert Ingle  
STAFF WRITER

**WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL** — After winning a five-set thriller Friday night against No. 20 Cal Poly Pomona, the No. 15 UCSD women's volleyball team fell to No. 2 Cal State San Bernardino on Saturday night in straight sets 27-25, 25-13, 25-16.

In their previous encounter on Sept. 26, the Tritons toppled the then-No. 1 Cal State San Bernardino Coyotes (21-3, 13-3 California Collegiate Athletic Association) in five games. Going into Saturday night, the UCSD team was excited to play its conference rival, especially after the exhilarating win the previous night.

In the opening set, both squads battled to take control, with neither team gaining any momentum. In a set that featured 14 ties and 10 lead changes, the Tritons held a 24-22 advantage late in the game, but the team struggled to capitalize with a service error and an attack error on the next two points. A kill by senior outside hitter Rebecca Bailey put UCSD ahead 25-24, but the Coyotes capitalized on the Tritons' mistakes with three straight kills to take the set.

The second game began exactly like the opening set — in an almost dead heat — with five ties before the score reached 7-7. However, the tide began to change following a Cal State San Bernardino timeout

with the score 11-10. After both teams rallied for a point each, the Coyotes went on a 9-0 run, taking advantage of Triton errors to easily win the set.

In the conclusive third game, Cal State San Bernardino jumped out to an early lead, taking advantage of the momentum built up from the previous set. The Tritons weren't able to get back into the game, and the Coyotes continued to punish UCSD for its errors. Cal State San Bernardino hit a .560 clip compared to the Tritons' .172 percentage. In defeat, Bailey led UCSD with 15 kills and redshirt freshman defensive specialist Roxanne Brunsting had a team-high eight digs. Senior outside hitter Kimberly Carpenter described how the team just seemed to be a bit off of its norm.

"We had an off night and just weren't clicking as a team," Carpenter said. "Our serving is usually a strong point and it wasn't really connecting."

Friday night's match against No. 20 Cal Poly Pomona (15-6, 12-4 CCAA) was a hard-fought clash for the Tritons. The Broncos were coming off a victory against No. 2 Cal State San Bernardino the previous Wednesday night and held a perfect 7-0 home record.

Despite UCSD holding an early advantage, Cal Poly Pomona took the first set. The Tritons led 14-6 after kills by Bailey and junior setter Elaine Chen before the Broncos rallied to tie the score at 19. Despite kills from Bailey and junior outside hitter Sylvia Schmidt to level the score late in the game, Cal Poly Pomona came through with the win.

The second and third sets fea-

See **VOLLEYBALL**, page 19



JOHN HANACEK/GUARDIAN FILE

The Tritons were unable to repeat their magic from earlier in the season when they toppled then-No. 1 Cal State San Bernardino on Sept. 26. This time they fell to the Coyotes in three straight sets.



# Tritons Seek High Seed in WWPA Championships



JOHN HANACEK/GUARDIAN  
Junior two-meter defender Peter Gresham looks for an outlet to pass the ball in UCSD's game against UC Santa Cruz on Nov. 2. Gresham was one of four Tritons who recorded multiple goals in the contest.

► **WATER POLO**, from page 13  
road against UC Davis on Nov. 7 and Santa Clara University on Nov. 8. The two matchups will undoubtedly be more challenging than UCSD's games on Sunday.

"Those two games have large WWPA implications toward the seeding of the tournament," head coach Denny Harper said. "We played Davis once this season and beat them at home, but if you go 1-1 with a team the most recent game is what counts for seeding."

The Tritons will face a Santa Clara team that holds an impressive 8-3 WWPA record this season and is playing in a new pool in which UCSD has never competed.

"While we are excited to play in Santa Clara's brand new 50-meter pool, this is the only time we play

them this season so it's an important game," Harper said.

Capping off a busy weekend, UCSD will face No. 3 UCLA on Nov. 9 in a nonconference game. The two teams faced off earlier this season in the Southern California Tournament on Oct. 11 in which the Tritons fell to the Bruins 12-9 after being tied at halftime.

"We're going up there trying to get an upset," Kotanjian said.

The game against UCLA will be the last of the Tritons' regular season. UCSD will face Sunset San Diego in an exhibition game on Nov. 15 before heading to Claremont, Calif., for the WWPA Championships on Nov. 21-23.

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# Okasaki, Samra Card Tritons' Best Rounds

► **GOLF**, from page 13

"We play on bent-grass greens at home," he said. "In a tropical place like [Hawaii] or the Sun Belt, the grain of the Bermuda grass is important and the greens are a little slower. St. Edwards and Valdosta State regularly play on those types of greens and getting used to that condition is easier for teams that play on those types of greens."

Despite the customary practice round all teams receive prior to actual play, the Triton men struggled on the greens early in the first round. Late in the round, UCSD finally began capitalizing on opportunities and made putts down the stretch to post a one-over par 289 total after the first 18 of day one's grueling 36 holes.

In the second round, Okasaki got off to a hot start going to four-under par after five holes. He gave himself multiple opportunities over the next few holes to push that number to five-under par, but couldn't get short putts to drop.

Samra, who made a triple bogey with eight strokes on the par-five seventh hole in the first round, played the same hole five strokes better, carding an eagle in round two on the way to his one-under 71.

As a team, the Tritons were nine under with only seven holes to go, but watched the putts stop falling as they started to pile up bogeys. UCSD finished the second round with a two-over par 290.

Part of playing collegiate golf is

dealing with that demanding 36-hole schedule on the first day of tournament play. It's nothing new for these seasoned players, but for Samra it is much more rigorous than junior college golf.

"It's a much different experience," he said. "Instead of having only 18 holes, you have 54 holes to make birdies to lower your score. But it's challenging and mentally draining walking 36 holes in one day."

As the Kona and trade winds worsened in the final round, the Tritons fought to a five-over 293.

The seventh-place finish didn't prevent Wydra from expecting great things from the team's spring-season opener.

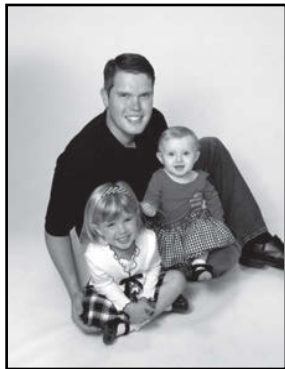
"Our future is so bright we need sunglasses," he said. "We're averaging 12 to 14 strokes better than last year and we have the potential to go even lower."

With their fall schedule now complete, the Tritons will be on the honors system, as it is up to each player to continue improving his game.

"It's everyone on his own," Okasaki said. "We're going to play a few rounds as a team, but mainly it's work in the gym and work on the game to come back sharp."

UCSD returns to competition Jan. 26 at the San Diego Intercollegiate Classic, where it hopes to improve upon last season's last-place finish.

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# Triton Rugby Going Back to the Basics



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The UCSD men's rugby team was unable to overcome a slow start to the game against UC Irvine, eventually falling 27-22 in the back-and-forth battle on Nov. 1.

► **RUGBY**, from page 13  
ground, as UCSD players were injured one after another. Even though UCSD was able to tough it out and keep the game competitive, the Tritons came out on the losing end.

For head coach Brian Kennody, preseason is a matter of the Tritons getting their feet wet and determining the players' positions. Kennody said he thought both sides played a bit sloppy, which revealed rust and lack of experience.

"A lot of new guys played and a lot were at new positions," Kennody said. "In the fall, we have to teach and welcome new players, and the most important thing is getting these guys experience."

Kennody was optimistic about the upcoming season and said he is looking forward to adding to the play-book once the new players perfect the basics. Still, the game provided the Tritons with a lot of things to work on as the season progresses.

"We came out a little slow, but in the end we picked it up and put in a lot of tries," junior captain Matt Ravalin said. "We need more energy in the for-

ward pack and were a little flat today. Working patterns and fluidity, and working power — power is key."

There are some big tournaments and matchups coming up for the team, highlighted by the Long Beach Tournament and the City Tournament, which includes matches against the University of San Diego and San Diego State University.

According to Schmidt, aside from the UC Irvine match, UCSD's preseason record has been solid thus far. The Tritons have already defeated UC Riverside 67-7, Division-I University of San Diego, and stood victorious at the annual UCSD rugby alumni game, in which the alumni usually come out on top.

Schmidt also said preseason is a learning process for the young guys — it's a time for players become familiar with certain positions.

"Our main focus right now is getting players comfortable in their positions," Schmidt said. "Rugby is a finesse game and thinking game, unlike football where you pop a guy and the play is done."

Since the majority of college rugby

players grew up unfamiliar to the sport as there are not many high school teams in America, the learning curve for new players is a little longer than in other sports. The team has many rookies who need to learn the basics during Fall Quarter so that, come crunch time in January, everyone is ready to go and comfortable with their positions.

"It's a learning process, so we have to keep coming out and we should do well," senior back Sung Shin said. "We are still a young team, and we need to come out with more intensity. It's going to take some time, but we're going to get on it."

With increasing signs of strength and potential, the team is being patient with its newcomers. Even though competition has already started, the Tritons are still looking to add new players.

The next UCSD rugby match will take place at the all-day Kings of the City Tournament, held on Nov. 15 at UCSD.

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# Tritons Edge Broncos in Thrilling Five-Set Win

► **VOLLEYBALL**, from page 13  
tured stronger play from Bailey, as the senior led the way with five consecutive kills in the second set and a critical kill during the third set to tie the score at 23. Following Bailey's lead, Schmidt hit a crucial kill and an ace in the third game and UCSD took a 2-1 advantage in the match.

Cal Poly Pomona came back to win the fourth set before senior outside hitter Kimberly Carpenter stepped up to lead the way for the Tritons in the fifth game. Carpenter recorded consecutive kills followed by a block assist to give UCSD a 7-5 lead. The senior recorded three more kills during a Triton rally before Schmidt ended the match with a kill.

Carpenter finished the game with five kills — all in the decisive fifth set — while Bailey totaled 23 kills on the night. Freshman outside hitter Hillary Williamson continued her strong rookie campaign with

seven kills and a team-high 16 digs. Carpenter felt excited with how well the team was playing together, especially during the final set.

"We were just really clicking as a team," Carpenter said. "We were playing in our system and everyone seemed right on and doing their jobs. I really felt like this was one of the first times during the season that we really put it all together and it was awesome."

Following their weekend series split, the Tritons are 18-5 (12-4 CCAA) and look to bounce back against Cal State Stanislaus on Nov. 6 at 7 p.m. in RIMAC Arena. UCSD will follow that game with a match-up against Chico State University on Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. In its earlier matches this season, the Tritons recorded a 3-1 win over Cal State Stanislaus and fell to Chico State 3-2.

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- **Men's soccer**  
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## PERSONALS

Two German entertainers will use hundreds of Playmobil men to reenact the history of Germany from 1949 until 1990 on public television. This technique using the toys has been previously used to reenact the moon landing and the story of Noah's ark. Question: why? (11/3)

## THURSDAY OCT. 30 Sudoku Solution

5	7	3	8	9	4	6	2	1
1	9	4	2	6	5	3	7	8
2	6	8	1	7	3	9	5	4
6	2	5	7	4	9	1	8	3
3	4	9	5	1	8	7	6	2
8	1	7	3	2	6	5	4	9
9	5	2	4	3	7	8	1	6
4	8	6	9	5	1	2	3	7
7	3	1	6	8	2	4	9	5

## CROSSWORD

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
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### ACROSS

- "12 Angry Men" director Sidney
- Sharp, localized pain
- Picked from a lineup
- Writer Loos
- 12-point type
- In person
- Lacking in decisiveness
- Lena or Ken
- Kleptomaniac
- Piercing sounds
- Check, in poker
- "Family Ties" mother
- Interior design
- Aquatic crustacean
- British peer
- Plunder
- Latin primer word
- Greek letter
- With 40A, sharp turn
- See 39A
- Far from strict
- Qt. fractions
- Fifty minutes to two
- Miss in Fr.
- Artist Botticelli
- Ante up
- Starting letters
- Nosed around
- Pointer, for one
- Circus performer
- Platte River people
- Bit of whatnot
- Flak jacket, e.g.
- Relative status
- January in Juarez
- Exxon, once
- ABA members
- Has the nerve

### DOWN

- Official rules
- Co-op division
- \_\_ en scene
- Alternative fuel
- President after Polk
- Extra
- "My country \_\_ of thee..."
- Wiesbaden wails
- Evan from Indiana
- Philippines port
- Drag one's feet
- Contents of Pandora's box
- Thickheaded
- Part of WWW
- Fasten anew, in a way
- With 44D, first-rate
- Johnny of "Sleepy Hollow"
- "\_\_ of Eden"
- Travel back and forth
- XL, XXL or XXXL
- Son of Judah
- Fruit's coat
- Antiquing element
- Bamako's land
- Team in a yoke
- Divided into sectors
- See 24D
- "Vogue" singer
- Augments
- Livened (up)
- Higher up
- Takes the bait
- Book displays
- Eww!
- 55 Gumbo veggie
- Tiny flier
- 1930s boxer Max
- Square measure
- Match ends?
- Acct. earnings

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