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A.S. Council Seeks Fiscal Independence

In hopes of autonomy, council moves to create a nonprofit entity separate from the university.

By Angela Chen
News Editor

A.S. President Utsav Gupta proposed at last Wednesday's A.S. council meeting to cut the umbilical cord of university funding by creating a subsection of the council with no ties to the university.

This separate section would be a 501(c)(3) group — a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization — unaffiliated with UCSD. Under this plan, current council operations would continue as is, but the auxiliary section would be independent from the university and therefore not subject to its restrictions.

"A.S. does enjoy the benefits of being a university department," Gupta said. "But being a university department also creates certain restrictions on our efforts."

The council is not required to pay for services such as liability protection and meeting space; however, it cannot offer services covered by other departments, such as building off-campus homes, because the housing provision is already covered by Housing, Dining and Hospitality. Gupta said this prevents possibilities like a Greek row at UCSD.

The plan is modeled after UC Berkeley's student government, where the main governing body is a 501(c)(3) organization, and a smaller governing board is affiliated with the university. However, Gupta plans to instate the opposite arrangement — with A.S. Council remaining a UC affiliate complemented by a 501(c)(3) group — to preserve university funding.

To fund this auxiliary branch, Gupta plans to propose a voluntary student-fee referendum similar to the model used by student organization CALPIRG, in which students are charged only after completing a form.

Gupta said he does not expect administrative roadblocks in implementation of this proposal.

"This model has already been applied on campus, most notably in the case of the Alumni Association," he said. "Any roadblocks the administration provided would be inconsistent with current policies."

A special committee will be created to clarify the logistics — such as voluntary-fee rate — of the plan. Gupta hopes to finalize his proposal by Week Five so it can be included on the Spring Quarter election ballot.

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Utsav Gupta
A.S. President



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Top: The success of both this and last year's Let's Bounce events has inspired organizers to try and secure RIMAC Arena for 2011. Above: Hundreds turned out Friday night to hear the New Boyz' live rendition of "You're A Jerk" in Price Center Ballroom East — capacity was reached and doors closed by approximately 9:15 p.m. As a result, overflow spilled into the Winter Whiteout Party next door.

CONCERTS & EVENTS

MAXCAPACITY

Week One raged with a string of dance-centric blowouts that drew thousands to Price Center.

By Hayley Bisceglia-Martin • News Editor

The corporate confines of Price Center played host to four packed events this weekend, including hip-hop dance Winter Whiteout Party on Friday and the annual Let's Bounce rave on Saturday.

Simultaneously, Los Angeles deejay Nosaj Thing played at the Loft on Saturday and the New Boyz — of "You're A Jerk" fame — played at Price Center Ballroom East on Friday.

According to Deejay Vinylphiles Club President Jacob Lanman, Let's Bounce reached its 2,500-person limit barely an hour after the event began, forcing event handlers to turn away thousands of would-be attendees through the night. **β**

A.S. President Utsav Gupta said

Winter Quarter events are typically less extravagant than those that take place Fall or Spring Quarters — especially since Winter Fest was discontinued two years ago. The annual student-funded Fall Fest requires around \$135,000 in programming funds, and Sun God takes up about \$550,000 of the Executive Budget.

"Winter Quarter has historically become a quarter where people don't want to organize large-scale events," Gupta said. "Winter Quarter's usually a lot more dead. So it's encouraging to see large events like Let's Bounce, the Jerk Dance, the Loft — and student organi-

photos.

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LET'S BOUNCE

400 nonstudent tickets sold

\$1,660 profit for DVC Club

2,500 capacity reached

WINTER WHITEOUT

500 tickets sold

\$3,000 profit for Alternative Breaks

300 shy of capacity

NOSAJ THING

225 capacity reached

NEW BOYZ

600 capacity reached

SPORTS

FOOTBALL DREAM ENTERS PLANNING STAGES

By Kelly Kim
Contributing Writer

After a second football forum on Jan. 7, A.S. President Utsav Gupta is writing an official proposal for a football referendum — slated to run on the Spring Quarter A.S. election ballot — in hopes of starting a football team at UCSD.

Gupta spearheaded the referendum after a student survey last spring showed that — of the 5,174 students surveyed — 72.65 percent said they supported the idea of a Division-II

intercollegiate football team at UCSD.

According to Gupta, an annual budget of \$1 to \$2 million — drawn from student fees — would be necessary to support the team, requiring \$20 to \$30 from each student per quarter.

Gupta said he is working with administrators from the Student Affairs Office to create an itemized budget specifying the costs of a football team, as well as with Chancellor Marye Anne Fox and Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Penny Rue to develop a written proposal — which he will submit to the A.S.

Council for review by Week Five of this quarter. The draft will list the setbacks of a UCSD football team and offer solutions to the major arguments against the creation of a program — some of which include funding and the logistics of expanding the current Triton Track and Field Stadium to a regulation football field.

The proposal will also address Title IX — a law which prohibits discrimination on the basis of gender in any educational program. The law requires an equal number of men and

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SPOKEN

“They played with just phone books and chairs while they were making their drums.”

MARK TAKESUYE
DIRECTOR OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS, TAIKO CLUB
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FORECAST

MONDAY H 73 L 47	TUESDAY H 71 L 47
WEDNESDAY H 62 L 45	THURSDAY H 68 L 45

NIGHT WATCH

MONDAY	TUESDAY
WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY

SURF REPORT

MONDAY Height: 4-5 ft. Wind: 3-6 mph Water Temp: 58.8 F	TUESDAY Height: 4-7 ft. Wind: 1-5 mph Water Temp: 58.8 F
WEDNESDAY Height: 7-11 ft. Wind: 3-5 mph Water Temp: 58.8 F	THURSDAY Height: 10-11 ft. Wind: 4-11 mph Water Temp: 58.8 F

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TWO COKES SHORT By Sam Pelle



AS PER USUAL By Dami Lee



Students Jam-Pack Price Center Venues First Week Back



PHOTOS BY JOHN HANACEK/GUARDIAN
Above: The Winter Whiteout Party — featuring Top-40 hip-hop — was the only Price Center event not to reach capacity this weekend. **Right:** A false fire alarm pulled shortly after 10:30 p.m. on Saturday night forced the evacuation of about 2,800 students from the Loft and Price Center ballrooms.

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 zations planning things for them.”
 The New Boyz concert — opened by DJ Skyblue — reached its 600-person capacity early in the night. According to Associate Vice President of Concerts and Events Alex Bramwell, approximately 400 people were turned away by the end of the evening.
 “It was a much bigger event than we anticipated,” he said. “By the time the doors opened at 8 p.m., there were at least [600] students in the line, and the line continued to grow.”

The Winter Whiteout Party sold 500 tickets, earning roughly \$3,000 for student volunteer organization Alternative Breaks.
 The Nosaj Thing concert sold out early on, quickly achieving the Loft’s 225-person capacity in spite of charging attendees for tickets — atypical for a venue that advertises a “pay as you can” policy.
 Even a fire alarm — pulled by an unknown student at around 10:30 p.m., according to Gupta — and string of emergency vehicles couldn’t break up the party for



DVC and Nosaj Thing. Thousands of students evacuated Price Center, but the music continued on Let’s Bounce’s outdoor stage until doors re-opened 20 minutes later.

According to Muir College freshman and Let’s Bounce attendee Isaac Lu, the alarm simply relocated the party outdoors.

“The outside sets went from five people dancing with themselves to over 400 people in a matter of five minutes,” Lu said.

Muir College sophomore and Loft concertgoer Alex Chwalik said the Nosaj Thing performance was only on hold for 10 minutes.

“The fire alarm went off during the second opener of the night, and we were all, ‘Yeah, that’s a really cool fire-alarm effect that you’re doing,’ and then everyone was like, ‘...wait,’” Chwalik said. “[Coming back in] was a very, very fast process, and then everybody went back to enjoying the show.”

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LIGHTS AND SIRENS

Friday, Jan. 1

4:38 p.m.: Suspicious person

▶ A white transient male in his 40s with a "green streak in his hair," pink pants, a plaid jacket and a green scarf was seen walking around Muir housing. *Field interview administered.*

Saturday, Jan. 2

2:24 p.m.: Juvenile disturbance

▶ A mother reported that her child was "hitting [her] car with a stick" and "freaking out" at Lot 502.

9:36 p.m.: Report of vandalism

▶ An unknown person was reported as attempting to pry open the mailboxes at the Warren Student Activity Center with a screwdriver.

Sunday, Jan. 3

3:25 p.m.: Suicide attempt

▶ A six-foot student was sent to the Thornton Hospital Emergency Room after threatening to stab himself to death if he were "kicked out of school." *Field interview administered.*

Monday, Jan. 4

8:41 a.m.: Grand theft

▶ An unknown person was reported as ripping out a part of the UCTR 413 ceiling, trespassing and stealing a video projector.

11:30 a.m.: Citizen contact

▶ A volunteer at the Center for Molecular Genetics Building was reported as "acting irrationally."

Tuesday, Jan. 5

2:14 a.m.: Suspicious person

▶ An Indian male in his 50s was seen sleeping in front of the Loft at Price Center East. *Field interview administered.*

9:23 a.m.: Medical aid

▶ A 20-year-old student was reported as "feeling faint" and "having problems seeing" at CLICS library.

▶ 7:53 p.m.: Medical aid

A 27-year-old male was seen vomiting at Main Gym.

Wednesday, Jan. 6

11:40 a.m.: General disturbance

▶ A 45-year-old white male wearing a blue baseball cap was reported as "holding a Jesus sign" and swearing at passersby on Library Walk.

4:57 p.m.: Welfare check

▶ A male was seen "flailing his arms [while] getting in and out of his car" at the top level of the Pangea Parking Structure.

7:23 p.m.: Suspicious person

▶ A white male wearing a black jacket was reported as claiming he was a former sergeant in the army and attempting to sell false magazine subscriptions in support of "the troops" on Library Walk. *Unable to locate.*

9:24 p.m.: Group disturbance

▶ A group of five to seven people were reported as "throwing flyers" and "getting in the way of the shuttles" at the Warren Student Activity Center. *Gone on arrival.*

Thursday, Jan. 7

11:17 a.m.: Suspicious person

▶ A white male in his 30s with blonde hair and a small build — suspected for stealing computers on campus — was seen walking toward the coffee cart at Pacific Hall. *Unable to locate.*

4:20 p.m.: Prisoner

▶ A student was detained for stealing a textbook worth \$103 from the Price Center Bookstore.

8:48 p.m.: Citizen contact

▶ A white male with shaved hair was reported as attempting to sell false magazine subscriptions on Library Walk, claiming he was from a fraternity [and] trying sell as many subscriptions as he could to go to London.

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

SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Researchers Develop Cancer-Killing 'Cocktail'

By Serena Lee
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Researchers from UCSD, UC Santa Barbara and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology have developed a liquid concoction that detects and kills cancerous tumors in mice.

The researchers — UCSD chemists, UC Santa Barbara cell biologists and MIT bioengineers — combined three different types of tiny particles (one billionth of a meter, or one nanometer, in size) that can together locate tumors and inject them with anti-cancer medication.

Their findings will be officially published in a forthcoming issue of *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. Michael Sailor, a UCSD chemistry and biochemistry professor, is the primary author of the findings.

The nano cocktail, which took nine years to develop, is implemented in two procedures. In the first procedure, two nanoparticles are combined and injected into the body to detect the presence of tumors.

The gold nanorod — similar in shape to a hollowed-out pencil, and discovered by MIT graduate

student Geoffrey von Maltzahn — travels through cells until it reaches a tumor.

According to Sailor, iron-oxide nanoparticles are used to form a polymer sheath around the gold rods, creating a chain called a nanoworm.

The iron-oxide particles, discovered in 2005 by UCSD graduate student Ji-Ho Park, have a special magnetic property that causes them to show up clearly on magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) systems. Without the iron oxide as a contrast agent, tumors in an earlier stage of cancer were more difficult for an MRI machine to detect.

Additionally, researchers found that the gold rods were more effective at locating tumors when strung together. Sailor said the effect is like catching a basketball: It's easier with two

hands than one.

The second procedure is used to attack the tumors. This nano cocktail contains the same gold nanorods alongside drug-loaded liposomes. Liposomes are similar to water balloons; in this case, researchers fill them with the anti-cancer drug doxorubicin. After the rods locate the tumors, the liposomes can deliver the doxorubicin

to the tumor and kill it.

The cocktail was initially tested on laboratory mice. When injected into mice with cancerous tumors, their tumors disappeared.

"A cancer patient gets three, four, five drugs, and each drug meets a different part of the disease," Sailor said. "The nano cocktail has a one-two punch to the tumor. It has been quite effective — but it hasn't been translated to humans yet."

The cocktail won't be used commercially until it has been tested it on humans, as mice aren't susceptible to all human illnesses.

"The next step is to try to spin this out to a company," Sailor said. "The chemicals work in mice, but a lot of what works in a mouse will fail on humans."

Sailor said that if the product is picked up by a company, then the company will instigate a clinical trial on humans.

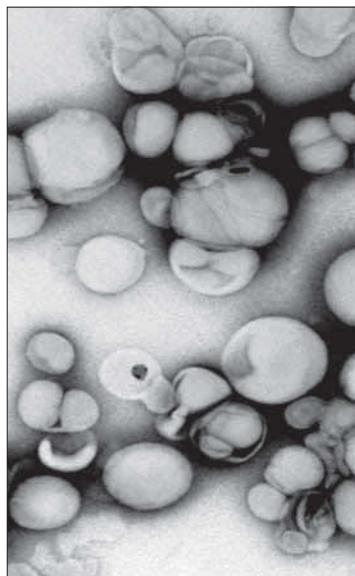
However, there are no plans at this time for further investigation into the use of nanoparticles on humans.

After his study was featured in *Popular Science* — a monthly magazine that reports on new technology — Sailor received various letters from cancer patients asking if they could volunteer themselves or their loved ones to help with clinical trials involving the nanoworms.

Sailor said that the letters, which line the hall outside his UCSD office, remind him and his students of the importance of their research.

"At the end of the day, you ask yourself what you have done," Sailor said. "These cards and letters are poignant and help set your focus. It makes what you do worthwhile."

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COURTESY OF MICHAEL SAILOR
Gold nanorods detect the presence of tumors to make them more easily visible on MRI scans.

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OUT OF CONTEXT

“ We haven't asked the White House to fund or promote the campaign, as they can't do such things.”

INGRID NEWKIRK
PRESIDENT, PETA

It's a Long Trek To Class — Solicitors Still Welcome

I've never been one for promptness (that pasty-white out-of-breath guy who shows up to lecture 10 minutes later, Perks cup at hand? That's me). So — to shrink the window of my late arrival — I've mastered the art of Library Walk promoter avoidance in my time here at UCSD. Eye-aversion, curt head-shake, tight-lipped thanks-but-no-thanks grin; these are all hallmarks of my daily mad-dash to Center Hall.

But last week was a little different.

At Wit's End

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I set out on my normal path with the same objective as always: to shove my way to class as ruthlessly as ever. By the time I made it safely past the bookstore — still unsolicited by InterVarsity groupies and sorority girls alike — it occurred to me that I wasn't the only one pulling the eye-aversion maneuver on Library Walk. They were.

Maybe it's the fact that I'm no longer a slow-paced, doe-eyed freshman. Maybe sporting skinny jeans and a pink polo distinguished me as an unlikely TKE pledge. In any event, the Koreans and the Greeks had spoken, and their message was clear: You, cardigan-wearer, are unworthy of my flyer. Try Greenpeace.

While I've never been too keen on renewing my relationship with Jesus Christ, the fact that their offers were once on the table was a source of amused annoyance — maybe even subconscious flattery. It's sort of like the feeling I'll get during "Gilmore Girls" commercial breaks. Perhaps I'm not Playtex's real target demographic, but the cloying offers inevitably remain.

The difference now, though, is that those former objects of my annoyance have been muted. It might seem a relief to have finally rid myself of their attention, but the sting of rejection never hurts so deep as when it's from someone you didn't want in the first place. (Sorry, Chess Club — but I guess it's really not you, it's me).

It's funny: looks like one spoonful of Korean Club rejection is enough to make me long for the more bothersome days of yore.

As fate would have it, the next day, the reverse turned out to be true with — surprise, surprise — gay-marriage cheerleaders. Evidently, the American Civil Liberties Union, for one, doesn't discriminate against the cardigan-outfitted men among us. Or was it the carelessly unbuttoned polo?

Whatever the case, I suppose my student-org discriminators can pat themselves on the back for successfully judging this book by its cover.

But even if they're spot-on in their judgment, and the bookstore's trash bins are one InterVarsity flyer lighter for it, a part of me — a small, shamelessly attention-starved part — sort of wishes they'd still hoist their little promotional scraps at me anyway. Because as much as it may suck to be halted six times on the sprint to Pepper Canyon Hall, there's no downer quite like being greeted by a Korean barbequer's furtive glance at his feet.



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College Hunt Turned Back-Alley Bid

Tuition vouchers enticing students to sample university programs have weaseled their way onto Ebay and Craigslist — but to the benefit of none involved, the eye-catching certificates mask true college costs. By Arik Burakovsky

HIGHER EDUCATION — Another unusual market has emerged on Craigslist (only this one doesn't involve Nixon-era furniture or locks of Angelina Jolie's hair).

Credit vouchers for university classes, or certificates that can be applied for discounted tuition, are being seedily auctioned off to the highest bidder. While these underhanded online exchanges might seem harmless, they should remind universities of the shadiness of distributing flashy certificates in the first place.

Although the University of California does not currently offer them, a number of private Midwestern and East-Coast schools

— Harvard included — offer certificates ranging from several hundred to a few thousand dollars. Some vouchers, though, leave a blank space for the recipient's name — so once these gift cards leave colleges' hands, they have no say in what happens to them, thereby paving the way for online exploitation. At schools like St. John's University, St. Joseph's University and Mount St. Mary College in New York, this is often the case.

The auctions do have some sweet deals: a 1.5-credit course at St. John's is currently listed for \$950 and a three-credit course at St. Joseph's for \$1000 on Craigslist. Depending on the program, that's about \$800 off the regular

price. A Craigslist advertisement for a three-credit voucher at the New York Institute of Technology reads, "Can be used as undergraduate OR graduate credits!!! Must sell fast!!!" With that kind of deal on the line, it's no wonder voucher-hunting is on the rise.

Vouchers are sometimes gifted as a 'Thank you' to schoolteachers who allow university students majoring in education to sit in on their lessons, or as "store credit" when students drop classes.

Otterbein College also doles out the vouchers to high-school seniors it hopes to enroll.

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QUICKTAKES

Michelle Obama for PETA

Low-Risk Free Press for a Cause

On Dec. 28, People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals released an ad campaign featuring Carrie Underwood, Tyra Banks, Oprah Winfrey and Michelle Obama as "Fur-Free and Fabulous" — without Obama's consent.

Even though PETA's ethical practices may have been questionable, it was a brilliant move from an economic standpoint.

According to prominent branding consultant Derrick Daye, using the First Family in ad campaigns presents little risk and a huge upside. Companies aren't afraid to use unauthorized photos of the Obamas, as the White House doesn't exactly have time to sue over such trivialities.

President Obama, too, was recently featured in a Weatherproof Garment-brand jacket on a billboard in Times Square. While the company had to take it down, its sales have gone through the roof.

More and more ad campaigns are hopping on the Obama bandwagon — and with evidently so little at stake for the companies in question, it's a trend that won't be disappearing anytime soon.

— Cheryl Hori
ASSOCIATE OPINION EDITOR

No Need to Ruffle Our Feathers

To understand why the White House is upset about Michelle Obama's unauthorized photo release in the latest PETA campaign is easy — no one shouldn't take anyone's mug shot and plaster it on a product without consent.

But as it turns out, Mrs. Obama herself released a statement last year declaring her wardrobe fur-free. So despite PETA's stupidity in surpassing basic endorsement protocol in its promotional photo, the commotion surrounding the breach of privacy rights is completely overblown.

There's been no twisting of Obama's stance on the use of fur — so even if PETA didn't get Obama's official OK, there's no reason for such an uproar. If anything, Michelle is furthering a cause without lifting a finger.

—Kelsey Marrujo
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

PETA's Ad Technique Is Childish

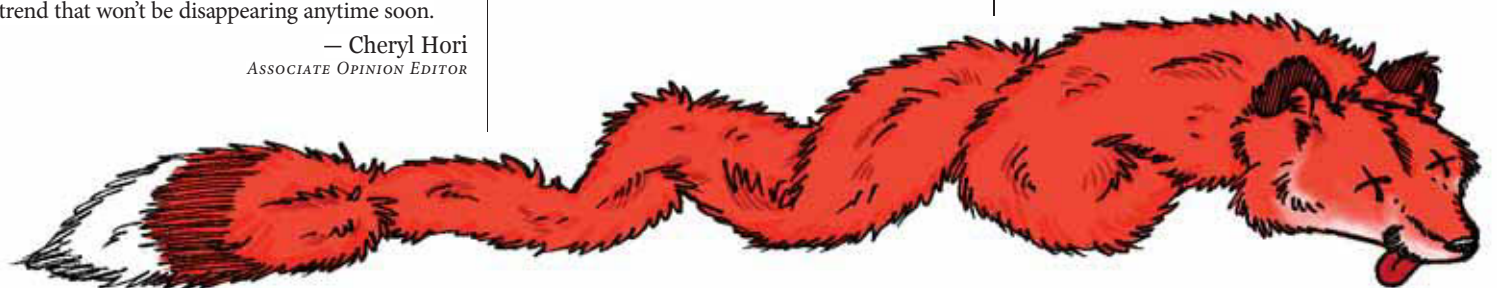
Using unauthorized images of public figures for promotional purposes might be growing in popularity, but that doesn't make it any less troublesome.

Although Michelle Obama happens to support PETA's cause, her disapproval of fur in this case hardly justifies the use of her approving face-stamp without permission. On top of that, PETA is only distracting from its message with shady practices.

Last May, American Apparel agreed to pay director Woody Allen \$5 million after he sued the company for using his image in two promotional billboards. Allen argued that by using his image without his permission, the fashion retail chain was obstructing New York's right-to-privacy law — and sure enough, it paid off.

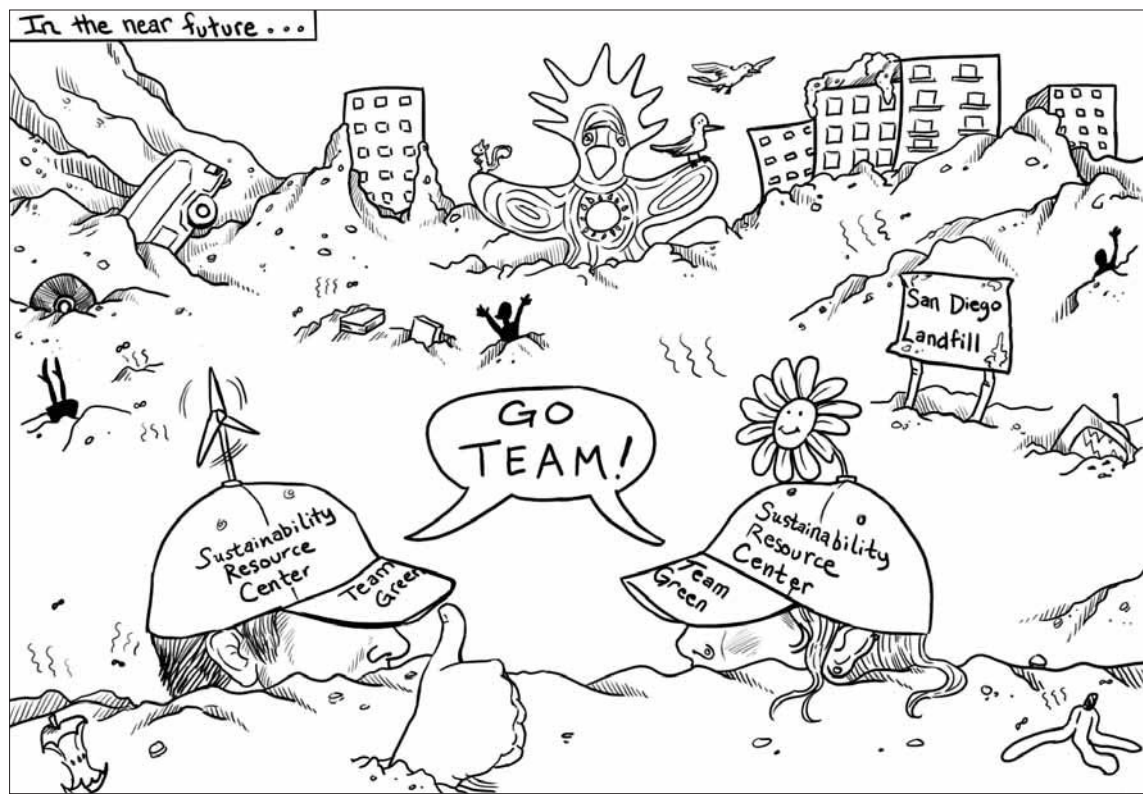
Just because Obama won't have time to deal with this ridiculousness, PETA's sneaky branding isn't any less arrogant — and only more unfair.

— Yelena Akopian
SENIOR STAFF WRITER



ON THE LINE

By Christina Aushana



Gift Cards Are for the Mall, Not the Classroom

► **VOUCHERS**, from page 4
But of the 40 students who received Otterbein vouchers last spring, only one has actually redeemed it — which is probably because Otterbein's non-transferable vouchers are Craigslist-proof.

At the very least, tuition vouchers should avoid the black-market game. Clearly, no admissions office wants to see its good name whispered in the seedy depths of online auction sites.

But the mere existence of university vouchers presents a problem. Sure, in a tougher economic climate, expensive private universities have to create more attractive eye-catchers for prospective students — but handing out gift certificates that

might deceive prospective students into choosing a school that doesn't best fit their needs or one they can't ultimately afford isn't the answer.

There are countless other ways for universities to offer financial assistance to both those in need and those it hopes to attract. Need-based financial aid and merit scholarships serve the same general purpose as vouchers — and avoid the degrading car-salesman aesthetic of an official school-sanctioned goody bag.

Awarding a tuition voucher to a prospective student without clarifying the myriad hidden costs of attendance convolutes an already complicated financial aid process.

It's certainly a good business plan to tempt students with free credit;

it's the same idea as getting store credit from a returned Christmas gift at Macy's. In offering vouchers, participating universities aim to make return shoppers of these recipients.

But the business tactics of department stores don't behoove higher education. The aim of financial aid is not to deceive as many student shoppers into plunking down as possible; it's to increase accessibility. Credit vouchers — whether obtained rightfully or through a caps-locked Craigslist ad — don't increase this access, just create the illusion of it.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

In Bad Economy, Students Take the Worst Hit

Dear Editor,

I would like to express our solidarity with students protesting the 32-percent tuition hikes at California's public universities. As activists who believe in a young person's ability to fight for change, this is precisely the kind of civic engagement we strive to achieve.

In a time of economic crisis, young people are especially hurt. We are the least-insured and least-employed age demographic in our country. We understand that hard times demand fiscal prudence and sacrifice. However, adding such a sudden and steep increase in tuition to the already heavy economic burden facing our generation is unjust and excessive.

University administrators and the state of California must address the students' concerns as equal partners. These and future decisions about the education system must be made in consultation with all stakeholders, especially the students.

Furthermore, we ask our federal government to consider the plight of states facing such tough choices regarding the education of our generation. As we make policy choices on a national level regarding both war and peace and stimulus and deficit, we encourage lawmakers to heed the plight of students in California across the nation and help them.

Our generation is facing the greatest economic crisis in over 50 years. To build a successful 21st-century American economy, our leaders must encourage education, not discourage it by piling on student debt with massive tuition increases. We support students' efforts to make education affordable and within reach for all Americans.

— **Matt Adler**

Co-founder, Young Americans for Health-Care Reform

Palestinian Student Group Hosts Talk on Gaza Strip

Dear Editor,

I want to let you and your readers know about an opportunity to learn more and ask questions about the dire situation surrounding the Gaza Strip this Wednesday, Jan. 13 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m., when Students for Justice in Palestine will be hosting a teach-in at the UCSD Cross-Cultural Center's Art Space Room for anyone interested.

From Dec. 27, 2008 to Jan. 18, 2009, Israel carried out a 22-day military assault on the Gaza Strip which killed over 1,400 people, injured over 5,000 and left approximately 50,000 people homeless. Only 26 miles long and 6 miles wide, Gaza is one of the most densely populated places in the world. Although Israeli tanks have rolled out of Gaza, the devastation and illegal blockade continues to this day.

Keynote speaker will be Reem Salahi, a member of the National Lawyers Guild (NLG) — among the first delegations to enter Gaza less than a month after the Israeli bombings last year. Reem will report back using personal pictures, research and live case studies from the NLG's fact-finding mission. Audience members will gain insight of daily life in the open-air prison better known as the Gaza Strip.

— **Leena Barakat**

Public Relations Director, Students for Justice in Palestine

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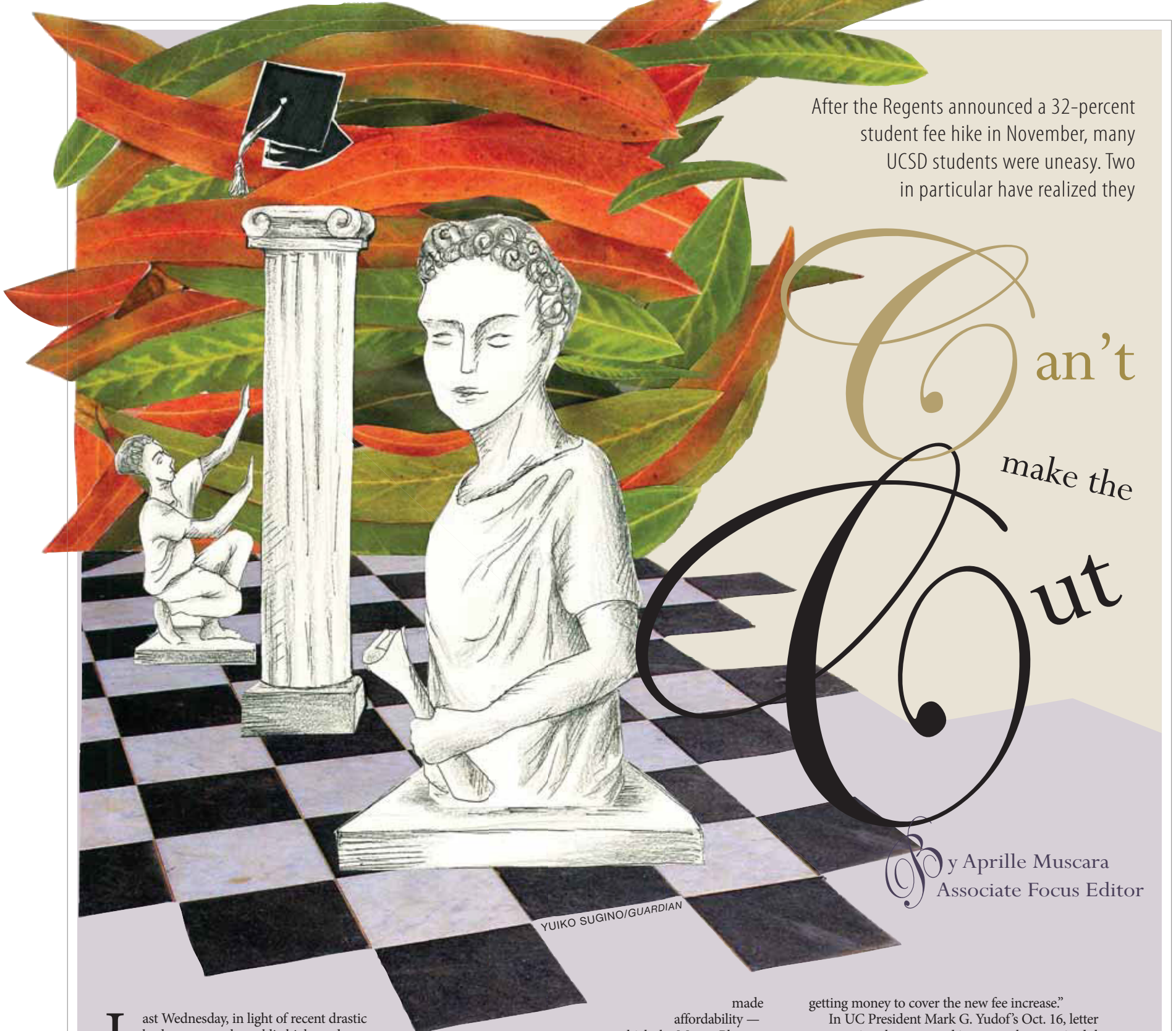
OVERHEARD

“I’m just going to eat cheese and go to sleep.”

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ROGER’S PLACE

1951

The year Daihach Oguchi began playing Taiko as performance music, after putting together the first ensemble of multiple drummers known as Osuna Taiko.



After the Regents announced a 32-percent student fee hike in November, many UCSD students were uneasy. Two in particular have realized they

Can't
make the
cut

By Aprille Muscara
Associate Focus Editor

Last Wednesday, in light of recent drastic budget cuts to the public higher-education system in California, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger promised to “protect” funding for education in his State of the State speech.

“[California’s] priorities have become out of whack over the years,” Schwarzenegger said.

In the situation of Eleanor Roosevelt College senior Lara Dildy — a student whose parents don’t meet financial-aid requirements — the protection, if delivered, couldn’t come a moment too soon.

“The UC system was created so that it wasn’t about whether or not you had the financial means to go to this school,” Dildy said. “It was about whether you demonstrated the academic skills and the perseverance.”

For Dildy, the fee increases approved by the Board of Regents in November reflect a shifting of higher-up priorities.

In 1960, the Master Plan for Higher Education in California was enacted, setting up a postsecondary public schooling system in which higher education was envisioned as a public good. Under the Master Plan — which applied to the University of California, California State University and California Community College systems — affordability and access were key.

Tuition was originally intended to be free, with only auxiliary costs like recreation and housing made mandatory for students, while the state was responsible for funding instruction.

But as the state budget has shrunk steadily over the last five decades, student fees have increased to cover academic costs. According to the 2009-2010 Budget for Current Operations Budget Detail, since the 1990-91 academic year, the state’s share of per-student funding has dropped 40 percent — and this number will likely grow, as the budget detail was released before more significant cuts were made in 2009.

RED TAPE

For Dildy, this January’s 15-percent tuition hike has

made affordability — upon which the Master Plan was founded — a sweet but unrealistic ideal.

Dildy first ran into financial difficulties in December 2008, when her dad lost his job. She later approached the financial-aid office for assistance but left empty-handed, as her financial-aid eligibility was determined by her parents’ tax return from the year before. Dildy resorted to applying for a private loan, which took months to secure.

“There’s a lot of people out there who do need financial aid and aren’t getting it because their parents make too much,” Dildy said. “It’s like, that’s great, I’m glad my parents are making money — but that doesn’t mean they’re giving that money to me.”

According to Dildy, a large portion of her parents’ income goes toward medical care, as members of her family — including herself — suffer from health issues.

“[The money’s] not just sitting there in the bank or buying gold bars,” Dildy said. “It’s being used. It’s supporting a very pinched lifestyle already. People say, ‘Your parents have money.’ But where is it? Because no one is sending me a check every month.”

Dildy planned to use the private loan she received to finance her final year at UCSD. As a result of the midyear fee hike, however, she has calculated that her loan will only last until March.

“They did the fee increases, which pretty much makes it so that, at this point — even if my step-mom also hadn’t recently lost her job over Thanksgiving — I still wouldn’t have had enough money to get me through the year,” Dildy said. “Now I’m at a point where I have to reapply for another loan.”

However badly she needs the money, Dildy says she is completely disenchanted with UCSD’s aid system.

“The lady that helped me [at the financial-aid office] was really, really great,” Dildy said. “She was a really sweet lady, but it was kind of like, all that bureaucratic red tape was just getting in the way of people who generally just need help. It’s a fucked up system. People who already had financial aid — friends that I have — ran into difficulty

getting money to cover the new fee increase.”

In UC President Mark G. Yudof’s Oct. 16, letter announcing the proposed increases, he promised that one-third of the revenue from the tuition hikes would be allocated for financial aid. Yudof wrote that additional aid would cover the new fees for close to 75 percent of undergraduates whose household incomes fell below \$180,000. Some students have reported receiving additional aid prior to the January increase, but as the \$585 hike just became effective, no figures have been released to determine whether or not all three-quarters of the qualified students received extra funding as promised.

Now, Dildy — a double major in communications and political science — faces an uncertain final two quarters before graduation.

“I don’t know if I have enough money to graduate this spring,” Dildy said. “And it’s been getting like, really difficult because combining the anxiety of trying to worry every single month — like, ‘Wait, OK, how am I going to pay for the rent? How am I going to do this? Am I going to be able to pay for this quarter?’ And then combining that with, ‘How am I going to try and stay on top of 16 units every quarter?’ You know, it just creates these huge anxiety levels. And I’m probably 10 times more exhausted than I remember being before my dad lost his job.”

Luckily, Dildy said her professors have been understanding of her situation.

“Teachers, I think, need to be more aware of the potential for things like this to happen to students. And I understand there’s strict standards for academics, but [financial issues] put a huge damper on people’s emotional well-being,” said Dildy. “It’s hard to separate your school when you see everything around you sort of crashing.”

HOPES AND D.R.E.A.M.

Under the Master Plan, high school seniors in the top eighth of their classes were guaranteed admission to a UC campus. Those in the top third were guaranteed a spot at a

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CLUBHOPPING

TAIKO



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One of the noisiest clubs on campus — setting off car alarms in the lowest levels of Pangea every Friday night — Taiko has been drumming up fanfare across San Diego since its beginnings in 2002.

“It’s not really a competition or anything — it’s just getting together, hanging out, playing drums, being really loud and getting food after,” Taiko Director of External Affairs Mark Takesuye said.

The club is made up of around 25 members — almost all of whom play multiple instruments: including the barrel-sized chu-daiko drum, the snare-like shime-daiko (a double-sided snare drum) and a variety of other metal percussion instruments.

According to Takesuye, all the club’s drums have been passed down from past generations.

“The original people were playing on phone books for a couple — I want to say a year and a half,” Takesuye said. “They played with just phone books and chairs while they were making their drums.”

On top of the inherited relics, the team makes new drums

by stretching cowhide across wine barrels they’ve taken apart and truncated.

Though Taiko drumming first began as a village alarm system in ancient Japan, it morphed into more of a performance once it caught on in the states.

Every year the club hosts month-long tryouts at the beginning of Fall Quarter for anyone interested in practicing with existing members and learning the basics; auditions are held soon after. This year, Taiko accepted eight new members.

Although the club runs a tight shift — practicing two or three times a week or more if there’s an upcoming performance — Takesuye describes it as a laid-back, almost athletic musical experience that makes sure to enjoy itself all the while.

“It’s a really friendly community — a big community when we all meet up together,” Takesuye said. “We all just hang out and have a good time.”

— Edwin Gonzalez
FOCUS EDITOR

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Cuts Threaten Access and Affordability to Higher Education

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California State University, and admission was open at California Community Colleges.

According to the UC Office of the President summary of the Plan, these guidelines were established to guarantee access to higher education. But for former Revelle College first year Enrique Aguilar, a guaranteed spot isn't enough.

Although Aguilar has been a California resident for nine years and graduated from a California public high school, as a Mexican citizen, he was considered an international student. As a result, Aguilar didn't qualify for publicly funded financial aid. Unable to pay the fee hikes himself, Aguilar was forced to drop out of UCSD.

Aguilar moved to San Jose with his parents and younger brother when he was nine years old with his sights set on attending a UC campus.

"Ever since I came to this country, I had heard of the University of California system," Aguilar said. "I knew it was a prestigious university, and I always wanted to go to a UC ever since I got here."

Aguilar applied to eight UC campuses and received offers of admission from six of them, but ultimately settled on UCSD and started as a computer-engineering major in Fall Quarter 2009. Because Aguilar attended a California high school for more than three years and graduated, he qualified for in-state tuition under California Assembly Bill 540. He received a private scholarship, but as a result of family circumstances and rising educational costs, it wasn't enough.

"I couldn't finish the quarter because the longer I stayed, the more money I would have had

to pay for housing," Aguilar said. "My dad doesn't work as much, so he doesn't earn as much as before. The fee increase just made it worse. It made it impossible for me to be paying for everything out of my own pocket."

Aguilar said he wasn't able to secure a private loan, because he couldn't find a U.S. citizen with good credit who was willing to co-sign — a requirement to receive the loan. After making rounds to the housing office, academic advising and the financial-aid office to no avail, Aguilar left San Diego on Nov. 22, 2009, a few weeks before the end of his first quarter.

Currently, Aguilar is enrolled in general-education classes at Evergreen Valley College.

"I will be attending community college, and that's obviously not going to be the same," Aguilar said. "I really got attached to UCSD. I felt really safe there because UCSD has the largest [Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender] Resource Center at any public university, and I actually lived in LGBT housing. Now I'm going to have to [transfer] to a private school, because they are the only ones that can give me financial aid."

Aguilar is also considering schools abroad. If he takes this path, Aguilar said he would attend a more affordable private university in Mexico, then transfer to a university in Canada or Britain after two years.

But if the still pending Development, Relief and Education for Alien Minor Act — which was introduced in its current form to Congress last March, but has been kicked around legislative chambers since 2001 — had been passed, Aguilar might have had it easier. Under the D.R.E.A.M. Act, qualified

noncitizen students would be eligible to apply for student loans and the federal work-study program. The act would also grant these students temporary residency — the first step to obtaining U.S. citizenship.

"I just hope that Obama passes the D.R.E.A.M. Act," Aguilar said. "A lot of students in the same situation as me are depending on it. It doesn't seem to be a priority right now, but a lot of students are still being optimistic. I still have some hope."

As Dildy and Aguilar would attest, the priorities of the 1960 Master Plan — access and affordability — are, as Gov. Schwarzenegger put it, out of whack. Under the plan, higher education was envisioned as a public good. But according to a Dec. 8, 2009 *Sacramento Bee* article, in a series of legislative hearings held to review the Master Plan, Yudof admitted that the university seems to have strayed from its founding principles.

"We don't want to partially privatize [UC] by raising fees," Yudof said. "And yet that is the direction we seem to be heading."

For Dildy, this direction betrays the very purpose of the university.

"This is a UC school," Dildy said. "This is a state school. This isn't Stanford. This is not Yale. This isn't Harvard. We shouldn't have to pay that much. It was designed to be top-notch education affordable for all people, particularly California residents — and it's not meeting any of those standards. They really need to rethink why the UCs were created, and they need to go back to that original goal."

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MANDARIN DYNASTY

You might not be able to tell from the soft-rock soundtrack in the background or the red-lettered Zodiac placemats under your dinner plate, but Mandarin Dynasty has seen its fair share of celebrity clients in a nearly 20-year existence. Don't believe me? Check out the autographed Sarah Michelle Gellar magazine cover framed and mounted just left of the cash register. And while you're there, score prime Hillcrest cuisine for less-than-Gaslamp prices.

There are a ton of Chinese options in San Diego, ranging from to-go cafeterias to formal, ethnic experiences where menus need an English cheat sheet. But Dynasty has a leg up on its competition, because it's got more options than most other places in the \$10 price range, and maintains a humbled mom-and-pop class.

Some of the restaurant's most popular kitchen orders are the vegetarian entrees — specifically, sweet and sour "pork" or orange "chicken" replaced by superball-sized scoops of mock-meat tofu. Dynasty's a blue-ribbon choice for any veggie addict sick of salads, soups and spring rolls.

Aside from loads of tofu, Dynasty serves an assortment of family-sized meals serving up to eight, noodles (pan-fried or swimming in soup) and moo shu servings (chicken/pork/beef/shrimp versions of sesame stir fry, wrapped in tortilla-thin "pancakes") — in addition to more traditional dishes from the Cantonese and Szechuan cookbooks.

The Kung Pao Chicken comes in three levels of spicy and two other types of meat. Like most of the dinner meals, it arrives after a bowl of soup with a clump of rice and side order of your choosing (egg rolls or wontons). But the chicken steals the spotlight in a bed of water chestnuts, cashews (albeit slightly spare) and a chili-pepper sauce that's best ordered especially spicy.



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Fledgling Players Struggle for Team Unity

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defensive end, and we got the job done," Lawley said. "Our offense hasn't really been key [this season], but we got a glimpse of hope, and things started falling into place."

The offensive improvement against Stanislaus came on the heels of a bitter defeat to Chico State at RIMAC Arena on Jan. 7. The Tritons trailed by eight points in the second half, before going on a 17-2 tear over the next five minutes to take a 45-38 lead with 15 minutes left. A layup by junior guard Casey Ryan gave the Tritons their biggest lead of the game at 52-44 — but the Tritons were unable to keep their lead.

Chico answered back by outscoring the Tritons 10-2 in the next three minutes to tie the game 54-54, and never relinquished momentum on the road to a 77-68 victory.

Lawley, who made 22 points to lead the Tritons in scoring, lamented the team's lack of mental preparation.

"We didn't come out ready to play, and I thought we took it for granted," Lawley said. "We came out a little flat-footed, and it showed."

According to Lawley, the Tritons' early struggles this season can be attributed to the

lack of cohesion between the team's veterans and a handful of new players.

"It's been tough to get everyone on the same page," Lawley said. "We lost a lot of chemistry, and nobody really knows how to play with each other yet — especially since we played with all of those graduating seniors for three or four years. It's been tough to pick up off a team that was so cohesive last year."

Acevedo agreed. "We had to hit the ground running with all of the young guys coming in," he said. "I think it's been a pretty quick adjustment. As far as roles go, [the younger players] are definitely getting a feel for what they need to do. [Lawley] and I have also learned what we have to do as leaders, and everyone is getting very comfortable in their roles."

UCSD will follow up its winning performance against Cal State Stanislaus when it hosts Cal State Monterey Bay on Jan. 14. The game is scheduled to tip off at 7:30 p.m. in RIMAC Arena.

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Tritons Overcome Lions in the Final Hour

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built a small advantage late in the meet, after Cunningham finished second and sophomore Neda Nguyen finished third in the 200-yard breaststroke. The small margin was all the Tritons needed: The quartet of Shimura, freshman Amber Tan, sophomore Shea Kopp and junior Jessica Ferguson sealed the victory with a second-place finish in the 400 freestyle relay.

In light of the extensive workload placed upon them this weekend, Cunningham said her team handled the pressure well.

"We usually have doubles every day, so we're used to having to work hard and get back in the water and perform at a high level again," Cunningham said.

Head coach Scott McGihon said he isn't worried about the team's ability to recover in time for nationals.

"We don't change our training if we have a dual-meet situation," McGihon said. "You

just train through it, and training is all about learning to maximize with minimal recovery time."

After the tough match at LMU, the Tritons returned home to take on Grand Canyon University and the University of the Incarnate Word. Both the men's and women's teams landed easy victories. Senior Dan Perdew scored his best times this season in the 50 free and 100 fly events, while sophomore Alex Henley made Nationals with an automatic-qualifying time of 2:05.77 in the 200 fly — headlining the women's victory. Senior diver Danielle Niculescu registered the only victory for the diving teams in the one-meter.

The Triton women return to the water next Saturday, Jan. 16 against the University of San Diego at Canyonview Pool.

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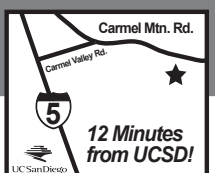
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Points scored by former UCSD basketball player John Spence in a game against the University of Redlands on Jan. 6, 1993. The record still stands in the UCSD books.



HOT CORNER

JORDAN LAWLEY | BASKETBALL

The senior guard registered his first double-double of the season in a Jan. 9 victory over Cal State Stanislaus. Lawley put up 28 points on six-for-12 shooting, pulled down a career-high 10 rebounds and delivered an additional five assists.



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BACK-TO-BACK WINS LAUNCH WOMEN INTO TOP 10



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Sophomore guard Chelsea Carlisle dished out six assists in the Tritons' winning effort.

By Liam Rose
STAFF WRITER

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL — UCSD hit RIMAC Arena last Saturday, determined to defend its historic win streak — and left nothing to chance against Cal State Stanislaus.

The Tritons notched an emphatic 72-38 victory over the Warriors, extending their season-long streak to 12 games. Ten different UCSD players made the score sheet for what soon became a very one-sided affair.

The team was buoyed by senior guard Annette Ilg, who scored a game-high 11 points. Sophomore guard Chelsea Carlisle, the conference's leading scorer, didn't reach double-digit scoring for the first time all season. However, she did contribute six assists and four steals to the winning effort.

The Tritons took the lead with 11:32 left in the first half, and had taken a nine-point advantage by halftime. CSU Stanislaus played aggressive defense, making 10 of its first-half points off UCSD turnovers; however, the team also conceded 17 Triton free-throw attempts off excessive fouling.

"We knew Stanislaus would come out with lots of energy and fire, and they did," head coach Charity Elliot said. "I really thought in the first half that we were out-hustled."

Any doubts of the game's outcome were put to rest shortly after halftime: The Tritons came out with a 10-minute run of 26-2, punctuated by three consecutive Triton three-pointers — two from sophomore guard Daisy Feder and

one from freshman forward Erin Grady.

Elliot said that rather than make any tactical changes at halftime, she pep-talked the team on focus and intensity.

"We didn't change [any] 'Xs and 'Os at halftime," Elliot said. "We really focused on picking up our defensive pressure; I thought that changed our mind-set and led to the second-half surge that we went on."

Junior forward Tiffany Hunter added eight points onto the Triton score and grabbed a game-high 12 rebounds. The UCSD benchers nearly outscored the Warriors by themselves, racking up 32 points. Feder led the bench scorers with nine points — all from behind the arc.

The win against Stanislaus came on the tail of a strong performance against Chico State on Jan. 7, where the Tritons won 75-62. UCSD took a 22-point lead into halftime, and from there, never dropped within 13 points of the Wildcats. Carlisle scored 23 points, and Hunter tallied a double-double — 13 points and 13 rebounds — to lead the team.

The latest wins moved UCSD to 12-0 overall and 7-0 in the conference. The Tritons were ranked ninth nationally in Division-II by *USA Today* and the ESPN coach's poll prior to the wins, and will no doubt move up in the rankings after last weekend's performances.

Stanislaus fell to 2-8 overall and 1-5 in the CCAA.

The Tritons will host Cal State Monterey Bay at RIMAC Arena Thursday night at 5:30 p.m.

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Gupta: Football Team Would Boost Reputation

► **FOOTBALL**, from page 1
women's sports teams at a public educational institution. It would either force the university to cut a few men's teams or install additional women's sports teams — such as lacrosse, field hockey or golf — to balance the numbers.

According to the survey taken last Spring Quarter, although 72.65 percent of students said they would support the team, 35.59 percent said they were not willing to pay fees for a football program.

Warren College senior Stacey Hunsucker said she would not pay to support a football team.

"Although I think having a football team may initially be good for school spirit, I don't think it would be a good investment in the long run, because students may lose interest if the team isn't good," Hunsucker said.

However, Gupta is convinced that the benefits of having a football team would outweigh the costs.

"Football can be a great way to enhance a campus' public image," Gupta said. "It is especially important as we compete in the harsher economic climate with other campuses that have wider national recognition due to the quality of their athletic program."

Like all referendums, if the A.S. Council authorizes the proposal, it will then be passed on for approval by the administration as well as the UC Office of the President. If all parties accept the proposal, the referendum will be placed on the Spring Quarter A.S. election ballot.

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Swimmers Outlast Conference Rival LMU

By Tyler Nelson
STAFF WRITER

SWIMMING & DIVING — The Triton women took a narrow victory over conference rival Loyola Marymount University on Jan. 9, but were then dominated by Division-I powerhouse University of Kansas while still on the LMU campus.

Despite a 150-53 loss to Kansas, UCSD solidified itself as a conference powerhouse overall, edging out LMU in the final heat of the competition.

"You just have to take it one meet at a time," senior captain Cari Cunningham said. "This was against our biggest conference rival, so we were really focused."

The University of Kansas took the meet by storm, placing first in nine of 11 events. The real competition was between the Lions and Tritons — a race for points that oscillated all day.

Historically, LMU has pushed the Tritons to their limit in the pool. After falling to the Lions by a slim margin two years ago, the Tritons have since maintained an advantage with four straight victories in the rivalry.

Though no Triton took first in any race, the team showed its racing breadth by finishing near the top in all 11 races.

Neither the Tritons nor the Lions could gain a substantial lead throughout the competition. However, UCSD

Tritons Pull Out Key Defensive Stops

By Cameron Tillisch
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

MEN'S BASKETBALL — The UCSD men snapped a three-game losing streak on Jan. 9 when they defeated Cal State Stanislaus 81-72 at RIMAC Arena. The win pulled the Tritons out of a slump that ended with a 77-68 loss to Chico State on Jan. 7. UCSD now stands at 3-7 overall and 2-4 in the California Collegiate Athletic Association.

The Tritons started strong against the Stanislaus Warriors, shooting 54 percent from the field in the first half, sinking 15 of 28 shots and carrying a 14-point lead into the second half.

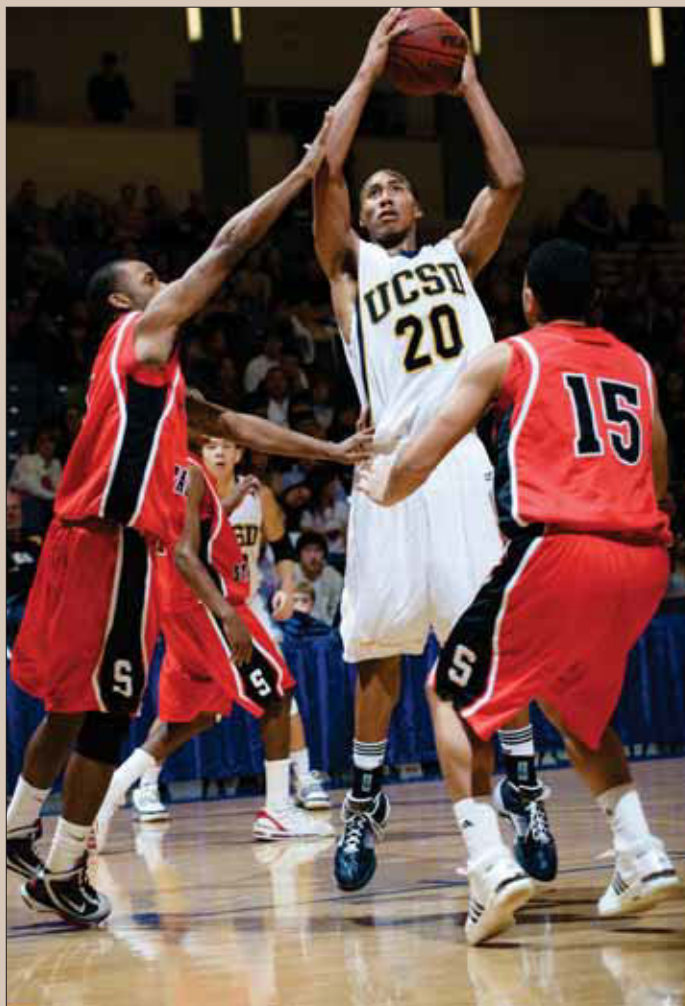
Though Stanislaus mounted a comeback that cut the Triton lead to a single point several times, they never quite pulled ahead.

Senior guard Jordan Lawley led Triton scoring with 26 points. He also grabbed 10 rebounds and five assists for his first double-double of the season.

Bench players also turned in strong performances: Sophomore guard Jay Wey registered a career-high 13 points, hitting three of five attempts from three-point range.

"I thought we played real well and had great bench production," senior guard Tyler Acevedo said. "We got some big shots from Jay Wey, who provided a big spark off the bench."

A high-scoring affair, the game saw the Tritons reach a season best of 81 points — shooting an impressive 56 percent from the field and 88 percent from the free-



JOHN HANACEK/GUARDIAN

Freshman forward Justin Brue rises over two Stanislaus defenders to net two of his eight points.

throw line. In addition to offensive excellence, Lawley said the persevering Triton defense was the main reason for the team's victory.

"There were times when [Stanislaus] came back into the game, but we stuck it out on the

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1960	
1966	A.S. Council drafts and passes a resolution to create a UCSD football team.
1966-1969	Triton football team loses every game of first season. Team is disbanded.
1970	
1980	
1986	A.S. drafts a referendum to bring football back. The referendum does not reach required quorum of votes, and is not passed.
1988	A third football referendum is created, but does not pass.
1990	
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2007	Then-A.S. Senator Utsav Gupta forms the Intercollegiate Football Feasibility Taskforce.
SPRING 2009	A.S. election survey reveals student support for football team.
FALL 2009	A proposal is in progress for a football referendum in Spring Quarter 2010.
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