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Researcher Helps Find Top Quarks

SANTA BARBARA — UC Santa Barbara physics Professor Claudio Campagnari was part of a research team which recently found evidence of the existence of top quarks, the building blocks of protons and neutrons. Campagnari worked with more than 400 physicists from 35 institutions around the world as a member of the Collider Detector team at Fermilab, in Illinois, which has spent the last year confirming an initial quark discovery last April. Top quarks were one of the last missing components of the "standard model" of the atom.

— UC Newswire

Hate Speech Rule Overturned

PALO ALTO — A Stanford University regulation against hate speech was overturned on Feb. 28 by Santa Clara County Superior Court Judge Peter Stone. Stone ruled that the code, enacted in 1990, is unconstitutional because it is based on the content of speech. The regulation prohibits harassment of students on the basis of gender, race, color, handicap, religion, sexual orientation or national and ethnic origin. The ruling stated shielding students from insults based on gender or race was unconstitutional.

— Daily Californian

UCSB Gains Asian American Studies

SANTA BARBARA — The Asian-American Studies program at UCSB recently became its own department, making UCSB the first major research university in the country with such a department. The Asian-American Studies program, which was created two decades ago, has had a four-fold increase in course enrollment over the last five years. "Becoming a department gives us legitimacy and permanence," said Chairwoman Sucheng Chan. "It is mainly symbolic, because I have always functioned exactly the same as any department chair."

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UCSD Grad Schools Rank in Top 20

SURVEY: Seven programs ranked near the top by *U.S. News*

By Ivan Delventhal
Senior Staff Writer

UCSD graduate programs, including psychology, political science and biomedical engineering, are among the top 15 in the nation, according to the 1995 *U.S. News & World Report* ranking of American Graduate Schools published today.

In addition, UCSD's medical school ranked 14th among 125 re-

search-oriented institutions in the sixth-annual study. The Medical school ranked behind such schools as Harvard, Johns Hopkins and UCSF.

The graduate school rankings are the result of a four-month survey conducted by *U.S. News* to determine the country's best graduate programs.

U.S. News drew on a combination of factors — including student selectivity, faculty resources, reputation and research activity — to determine the overall rank it assigned to graduate programs.

"UCSD has been known since it was founded as a strong research institution," said Leslie Franz, director of Health Science Communications.

"Part of our purpose is to teach our students how to advance medicine and to be innovators in their fields," Franz added.

In the *U.S. News* study, liberal arts doctoral programs were ranked based solely on reputational questionnaires.

Department heads in specialty programs were asked to rate institu-

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IN THE RANKINGS

Some of the graduate departments at UCSD were ranked among the nation's best, according to a *U.S. News and World Report* survey.

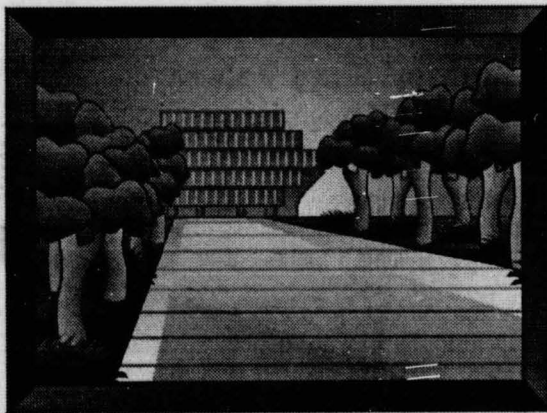
- 5** Biomedical Engineering
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CARE FOR A
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'From our perspective, [Library Walk] is an incredible achievement... I think this is a trend-setter.'

Doug Findlay
Partner, Peter Walker
Associates

If you need any proof the world is getting more complicated, take a look at "Library Walk." A proposed walkway to be built from Gilman Drive to the center of campus has turned from a walk in the park to a heated debate about everything from eucalyptus beetles to concrete to library hours.

Throw in a physics professor arguing about tree health, administrators fabricating statistics and a wasp that eats beetle eggs, and you have a quite a mess.

As with any such muddle, the truth seems to be the first casualty.

The Contestants

Controversy over the \$2.5 million Library Walk intensified last week as students and faculty opposed to the project collected signatures in an effort to force a postponement of construction, slated to begin Wednesday.

Construction, however, will begin as scheduled, according to Assistant Vice Chancellor of Facilities Design and Construction (FD&C) Boone Hellmann. And student

activists admit the chances of halting the project are small.

In one corner we have Physics Professor Jorge Hirsch, the opposition student groups, including the California Public Interest Research Group (CALPIRG) and the Student Environmental Action Coalition (SEAC), and other concerned students.

Based mostly on critical information supplied by Hirsch, student opponents

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By Francisco DeVries, Features Editor

UCSA Defies Smith v. Regents Interpretation

MEETING: Student Association will proceed with limited student-issue lobbying

By Ben Elgin
Senior Staff Writer

Opposing the ban on student-funded lobbying imposed by the *Smith v. Regents* decision, the University of California Student Association (UCSA) announced at last weekend's UCSD meeting that it will follow its own interpretation of the ruling, which allows for limited student-issue lobbying.

At this month's UCSA Board of Directors meeting, UCSA representatives from the nine UC campuses and the Hastings School of Law met to discuss fee increases, affirmative action and especially the controversial *Smith* decision.

Smith v. Regents, passed in 1993, prohibits using mandatory student fees to fund campus organizations deemed to be political, religious or ideological in nature.

Guidelines put forth by the UC Office of the President (UCOP) to define ideological organizations include all groups which engage in the "lobbying of local, State, or Federal officials."

According to UCSA representative Naomi Falk, this strays from the purpose of the *Smith* decision, which she claims does not ban all lobbying. "The opinion is very different than the interpretation of the opinion," she said.

Director of UCSA Field Organizing Kimi Lee, said she agrees that UCOP misinterpreted the ruling. "The Office of the President has created a very strict interpretation of the *Smith v. Regents* decision," she said. "[UCOP] made a lot of assumptions that weren't in the ruling. Why can't we lobby on things the Office of the President does?"

UCSA has warned the UCOP that it will no longer abide by the initial interpretation. In a recent letter to UC President Jack Peltason, UCSA Chair Andre Quintero stated, "UCSA will continue to comply with the *Smith* decision itself, but will not be guided by the Guidelines as presently written, because the Guidelines go beyond *Smith* and prohibit legitimate lobbying activity."

The UCOP was unavailable for comment.

The *Smith* ruling was originally handed down after a group of Berkeley students protested the use of their mandatory fees for lobbying on politically volatile issues. Student organizations had lobbied

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OPINION

COMMENTARIES: Environmentalism and the state of the planet

The Vanishing Lair?

Jujitsuing the Green Gestapo

By Peter Chang, Staff Writer

I've made a sport out of eschewing the creepy misfits who pester me for my signature for various tree-hugging causes, but I was cornered the other day by a particularly persistent planeteer.

Me: So, what's with the ozone layer?

Planeteer: Well, there's a hole in it, and we need to stop it.

Me: But isn't it over the South and North Poles? Do you know any Eskimos? Why should we worry?

Planeteer: (pauses) Because it's, uh, growing. Real fast.

Me: Whoa. How do you know?

Planeteer: (obviously flustered) 'Cause we have pictures.

'Cause we have pictures? Smelling blood, I moved in for the kill.

Me: Hold on. Do you even know, chemically speaking, what ozone is?

Planeteer: (long pause) No, but, well, it's real important because it protects us, you know?

Protection? A pack of Trojans is the only "protection" I'm familiar with—and I've yet to see a federal program send thousands of condoms over the skies of North America to protect the populace. Then again, this may have something to do with the fact that Jocelyn Elders is no longer Surgeon General.

In any case, it is no surprise that the ranks of the environmentalist movement, like other Generation X fads, are populated by those filled more with youthful idealism than

scientific knowledge and common sense. Common sense is the first casualty of any attempt

at rational discussion concerning the ozone layer. Luminaries like Al Gore reign as the one-eyed kings amongst the blind of this nation, foisting ozone hysteria on the befuddled masses through pulp fiction such as Gore's *Earth in the Balance* in an effort to promote their political agendas. What is particularly worrisome is the extent to which education-choked college-age nit-

knows buy into the bad logic which surrounds the save-the-planet movement. Bad logic, of course, is the dung heap to which the flies of environmentalism are irresistibly drawn. Nowhere is the smell ripper than among the ranks of those earnest souls trying to ban chlorofluorocar-

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Mike Ibay/Guardian

Global Ecology Must Not Take Back Seat to Corporate Interests

By Adam Boucher, Contributing Opinion Writer

A promising new compound was discovered. In laboratory tests, it proved to be 100 percent effective in preventing the replication of HIV-1, the major form of the virus which causes AIDS. The compound, Calanolide A, was extracted from a twig and fruit of a tree growing in a swamp in Malaysia. In 1991, collectors returned to the site to gather more material for further testing, only to discover that the tree was gone. The area had been deforested and the search for a tree which could produce the same result was in vain. (The preceding information was pre-

sented to the Industrial Utilization of Tropical Plants and the Conservation of Biodiversity, by Djaja Soejarto, Gordon Cragg, Richard Fuller, John Cardellina and Michael Boyd.)

Kevin Scribner is a salmon fisherman. By the late 1970s, salmon runs were dwindling dramatically in the state of Washington, and Scribner was able to fish only nine days out of an eight-week season. To address the problem, the salmon industry in the Pacific Northwest is calling for a stronger Endangered Species Act. Recently, Scribner said, "Take note here. An industry is calling for a strong Endangered Species Act. The salmon industry knows that this act does not pit nature against people. The salmon industry knows that as the salmon go, so go the people."

Despite these problems, certain provisions of the Republican's "Contract With America" which are currently under consideration in Congress attempt to destroy 25 years of environmental action and legislation. We must make it clear that if these measures are enacted, it will be without our consent.

On March 3, the Republican "Takings" legislation, which would undo years of regulation, passed in the House of Representatives. Trading public rights for private rights, the "Takings" bill would force taxpayers to compensate businesses which loose profits because of environmental and health and safety regulations. Say, for example, an Arizona cotton grower sprays pesticides on his crops in an effort to

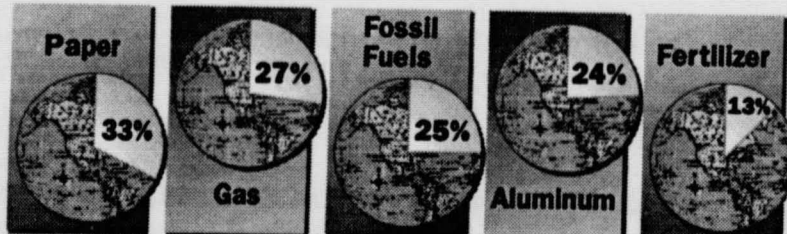
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Having a healthy environment is a basic human right which should not be questioned by anyone, especially corporate interests.

MORE THAN A FAIR SHARE

With only 5 percent of the world's population, the United States is the world's largest consumer of natural resources.



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AN OPEN LETTER TO THE REPUBLICAN PARTY

Editor:

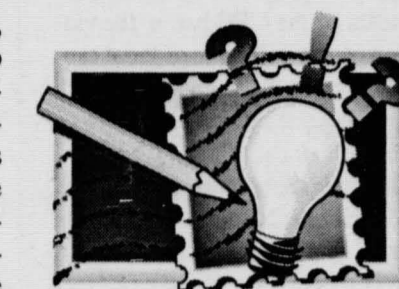
It has come to our attention that part of the "Contract with America" calls for eliminating the subsidy for interest on student loans. Currently, interest on student loans does not accrue until six months following the completion of school. Under your proposal, interest would accumulate from the date of borrowing, which would increase monthly loan payments for both undergraduate and graduate students. For graduate students, due to the longer length of our studies, this would result in a net increase in monthly payments following graduation of approximately 50 percent. As the representatives of over 3,000 graduate students at UCSD, we wish to indicate the Graduate Student Association's (GSA) unanimous opposition to this proposal.

Our university's combination of professional and academic programs has made a major contribution to this country, in both applied and basic research. Each year, the UCSD School of Medicine graduates approximately 100 MDs who are able to service our country's growing health-care needs. Our university also houses the School of International Relations and Pacific Studies, which acts as a training ground in the fields of international business and international policy studies with a concentration on Latin America and Asia. In addition, UCSD houses the Center for U.S.-Mexican Studies, one of the most important research centers on Mexican and cross-border issues in the country. The university has a host of ac-

ademic programs and departments, many in the top 25 or even the top 10 in the country, which grant a total of over 400 doctoral and masters degrees to graduate students each year. Lastly, there is the Scripps' Institution of Oceanography, perhaps the single most important site of biological research in the world.

Our campus is just over 30 years old. It is no secret that it could not have possibly gotten to where it is today without the assistance of the federal government. We understand that your party ran on a platform of downsizing government, but we hope that in evaluating when and where to cut, you take into account the likely social and economic impact of your cuts. In light of this, we believe the cuts on student aid being proposed in the "Contract with America" are not merely harmful to our constituency, but contrary to the interests of the American public as a whole.

Traditionally, our university has had three primary funding sources: state funding of instructional costs of lab and classroom construction, federal research grants, and federal student financial aid. However, in the last few years, decreasing federal research-grant aid and falling state aid for instructional expenses have been taken up by rising student fees. While in 1990 a UC graduate education cost \$1,800, today it costs over \$4,000 and over \$6,000 for medical-school students. Clearly, expecting the State of California, which provides more than 10 percent of all undergraduate and



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graduate degrees in the country, to suddenly reverse course to offset the cutbacks in federal student-loan aid is highly unrealistic.

In the end, the crux of the issue is how much we value the future and how much we are willing to pay to ensure that this country will be a better place in which to live a generation from now. Clearly, in the short term, education costs money. We believe, however, that the federal subsidies not only reduce the cost of a degree for particular individuals, but are also an investment in the future well-being of our country, ensuring the existence of a better educated populace and promoting social and economic development through re-

search and scholarship.

We hope that you and your colleagues in the House Republican caucus reconsider your position and recognize the proposed cuts to the federal loan programs for what they are — a penny-wise and pound-foolish solution to our nation's economic difficulties. Mortgaging our country's future by limiting educational opportunity is no way to put our house in order. Indeed, without educated citizens, it's hard to imagine how we will afford the payments on our nation's debt at all.

Laura Kaelke
GSA President
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GSA VP Finance

Editors' note: A version of this letter was sent to Republican members of the U.S. Congress.

Slave Auction Event Insulting

It has come to our attention that a "slave auction" was held Wed. March 8 at UCSD. It is highly disturbing that the institution of slavery, the most ugly scar on the history of our country, is being treated in this flippant manner.

The event is a slap in the face to both the African-Americans on campus, whose families were subject to the inhumanity of slavery, and to those who have fought for

equality and civil rights over the centuries. In the past, other "slave auctions" have taken place on this and other college campuses. Such activities have resulted in abuse, humiliation and, in some cases, physical injury to the "slave" volunteers involved. Such activity has no place on this campus, and we are ashamed that our educational facilities were used for such an event.

We understand that there was no malicious intent on the part of its sponsors. Therefore, it is our hope that the result of this occurrence will be education and awareness, and perhaps a greater understanding of the gravity of the issues which slavery carries. We also hope for the immediate ending of events similar to this one.

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bons (CFCs) in the name of saving the ozone layer.

Environmental hysteria has always been based on apocalyptic deductions — such as tracking temperature or atmospheric trend for a few years and then making dire predictions on the premise that the measured change will continue at the pace at which it was observed.

So what's with the argle-bargle over the alleged disappearance of our ozone layer? Are we going to lose the planet? Or are we listening too much to people who should just get lost?

To hear the likes of Al Gore tell it, there is an overwhelming consensus within the scientific community that global warming and ozone depletion are destroying our environment, and that only by massive government intervention in private industry can we be saved.

According to University of

Maryland Senior Researcher Alice Parker, "The jury is still out [about ozone depletion]. After all, we've only been taking pictures from space for 15 years. Now, we're trying to predict, based on a 15-year sample of a planet four billion years old, global trends that span centuries. It just can't be done."

Yet, world-savers such as Al Gore persist: "The insistence on complete certainty about the full details of ozone depletion — the most serious threat we have ever faced — is actually an effort to avoid facing the awful, uncomfortable truth: that we must act boldly, decisively, comprehensively and quickly, even before we know every last detail of the crisis."

Acting boldly, decisively, comprehensively and quickly when we have no clear idea what the hell we're supposed to do is commonly known as a bad idea. Even if we overstate our case, the planeters argue, our objective of environmental responsibility is ultimately good.

No.

Environmental laws are, by design, ham-fisted. The current ban on CFCs force automobile, refrigerator and air-conditioning manufacturers to overhaul their products. Existing air conditioners will need to be scrapped, refrigerators thrown away. The Environmental Protection Agency estimates that implementing the CFC ban will cost over \$2 billion. This is money which cannot be recycled, renewed or replaced.

behind cleaner air.

The most disturbing aspect of the bad logic which surrounds the proponents of the CFC ban is the violation of the principle of local causality. That is, when a cat gives birth to two-headed kittens a block away from a chemical factory, the perennially indignant planeters march to the corporate headquarters, threatening lawsuits.

If air conditioners truly caused ozone depletion, there should be big ozone holes over Las Vegas, Florida and my ex-girlfriend's car. Instead, ozone holes are clustered around the north and south poles, where, last I checked, there seems to be a scarcity of refrigerators and air conditioners.

Do environmental issues warrant serious debate? Of course they do. Environmental degradation is a complex, multifaceted problem which needs serious scientific inquiry before we run headlong into regulating ourselves into bankruptcy.

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maximize his production. But the farm happens to border a grammar school, and according to the current law, pesticides cannot be sprayed within 90 yards of populated areas.

The Republicans' proposed legislation could be applied to any situation in which public-safety laws financially hurt business, from the installation of handicapped ramps to the proper disposal of harmful chemicals.

In addition to "Takings," the "Contract With America" proposes "unfunded mandate" legislation, which would effectively bar the federal government from enforcing laws which impose costs in excess of \$50 million on state and local governments.

During the same year in which we celebrate the 25th anniversary of Earth Day, we must realize that enough is enough.

The national standards on which we rely to ensure a safe and healthy environment are in trouble. State and local officials say they cannot afford to meet these standards, and that if the federal government is going to

impose such mandates, then it has an obligation to fund them.

Federal standards have forced all 50 states to enact environmental legislation which has made tremendous progress cleaning up our air and water. But there is much more work to be done.

Between 1987 and 1991, over 130 Chemical Industry Political Action Committees contributed over \$15 million to candidates who lobbied against environmental reforms.

The theme of this year's conference was "Making the Personal Political: The next step toward proactive student solutions for empowerment and diversity."

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Student of Color Conference Advocates Collective Action

DIVERSITY: Participants discuss affirmative action

By Warren Ho

Senior Staff Writer

Hoping to spark student political activism around such issues as Proposition 187 and affirmative action, students from all nine UC campuses met at UCSD last weekend for the sixth annual Student of Color Conference.

"It is about what students can do, so that they don't just sit around and complain anymore," said Conference Field Organizer Kimi Lee. "Through collective activity, you have students from all the UCs working together."

The two-day conference consisted of workshops, which discussed effective methods of political activism, and featured entertainment by the UCSD Gospel Choir, the Funky Fresh Pan-Ethnic Asian Girls and the Kaibigang Filipino Dancers.

The theme of this year's conference was "Making the Personal Political: The next step toward proactive student solutions for empowerment and diversity."

"I hope that this conference breaks down the political apathy of UCSD students, because govern-

ment politics do affect them directly," said A.S. Vice President External Damien Wilpitz.

"With ignorance and apathy, they don't realize that bills and laws affect them. Then, they get stomped in the face with things like Proposition 187.... Counting on the administration to solve problems is not happening," Wilpitz added.

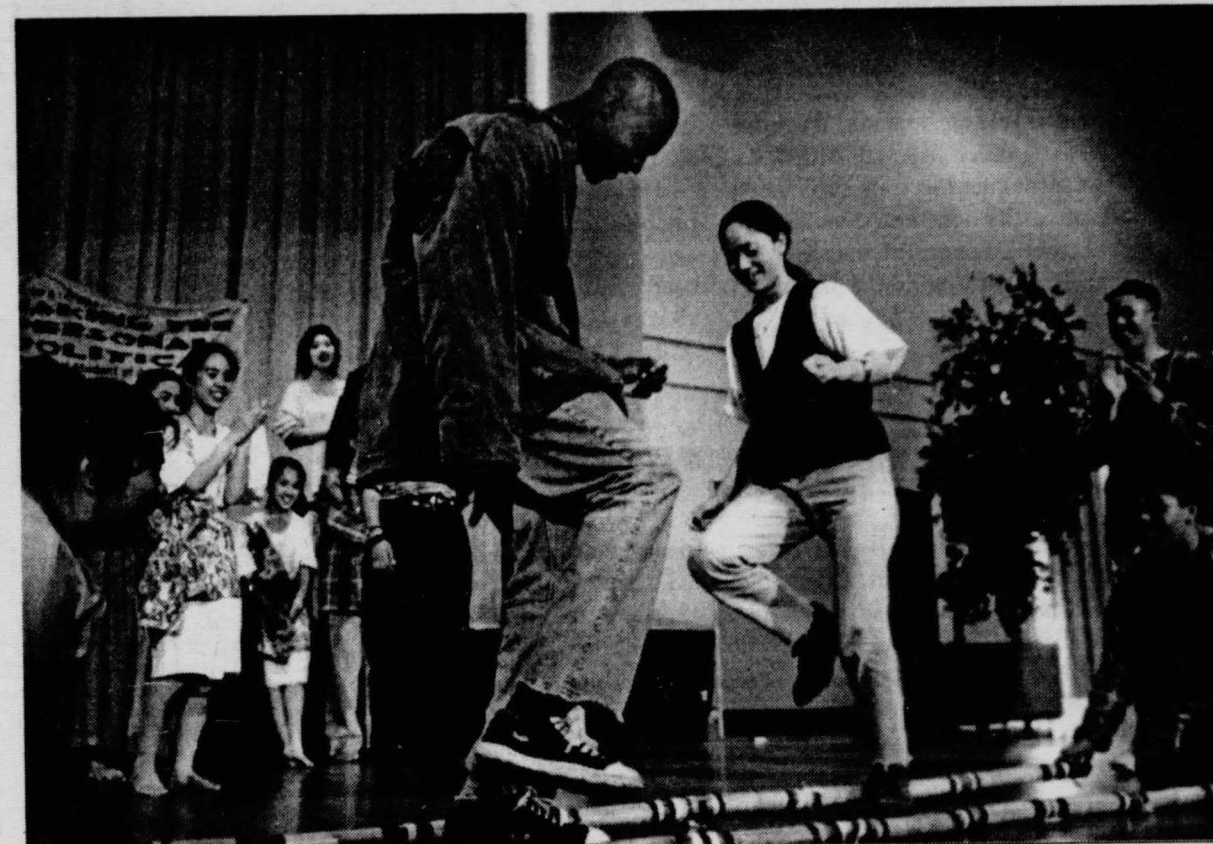
Affirmative action was one of the most widely discussed topics at this year's conference.

UC Regent Ward Connerly proposed earlier this year to phase out the current policy of affirmative action on the grounds that it was fundamentally inequitable to certain people.

Students were encouraged to form coalitions and start speaking with the regents about the reassessment of affirmative action. Other suggested tactics included phone-ins, fax-ins and rallies at administrative offices.

"We need to have a diversified student body and faculty in a diversified state," said UC Regents Affirmative Action Chairman David Flinn. "Until we find another way of attaining that diversity, affirmative action seems to be the best way. Maybe outreach is a better way, but it is too expensive."

Student Regent-elect Edward Gomez said, "by ending a program



UCI Student Body President Acidria Drati and Kimberly Perez attempt to dance the Tinkling after a performance by the Kalbang Filipino Dancers during this weekend's Student of Color Conference.

like affirmative action, the system is devouring itself. The system should be looking outward and building up, instead of cutting affirmative action."

Attendance was up from last year's conference, which was held at UC Riverside. About 150 people

participated in this weekend's conference.

Poet Wanda Coleman closed the conference with a reading from a selection of her works.

"We have to be able to articulate our problems. If massive action worked, we wouldn't have Prop

187," said Coleman.

The conference was funded by UCSD deans, registration fees, the A.S. Council, and by a \$1,000 grant by Vice Chancellor Joseph Watson.

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worked last week to collect signatures for a petition demanding further review of the project prior to construction. They plan to hold a press conference and rally to protest Library Walk this afternoon.

In the other corner are the walk supporters, composed of university administrators and the majority of the faculty on the Academic Senate, which voted against postponing the project on Feb. 28.

The quarter-mile long walk, which has been on the drawing board since 1989, will connect the University Library with the new Cellular and Molecular Medicine Building on the south side of Gilman Drive. It is being constructed now in large part because of the opening of Classroom Building One in September will flood the area with foot traffic.

"The conflict between pedestrians and automobile traffic, I think, would be just tantamount to asking for an accident to happen. It's already difficult enough," Hellmann said.

Library Walk will also improve drainage in the area, allow for better handicapped access and "enhance" the eucalyptus grove above the Price Center, according to Hellmann.

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August 1994, and reports by UC Riverside entomologist Larry Hanks, there is virtually no beetle problem.

The DRG report found less than one percent of the trees are infested.

"From an entomological perspective, [the trees] are healthy," said Hanks, who has been studying the eucalyptus beetle for five years.

Hellmann acknowledged the 50 percent figure was incorrect. He said the mistake was caused by University Communications when it used outdated information to prepare the sheet. "It's an unfortunate oversight. It's an error," he said.

But the "oversight" was left uncorrected for months, even though FD&C knew the 50 percent figure was off by more than 49 percent.

In an extensive one-hour Library Walk presentation to the *Guardian*, senior campus planners, including Hellmann, never pointed out the error.

However, Hellmann insists the faulty information was not used during the lengthy campus design review process, an assertion backed-up by Biology Professor David Woodruff, who was chair of the Committee on Campus and Community Environment (CCCE) when it reviewed Library Walk in 1992.

According to Woodruff, the CCCE had direct access to independent tree analysts' information during its review process.

While the trees are no longer threatened by beetle infestation, they should be replaced anyway, according to Woodruff. "The trees here are stressed, are threatened, and under drought conditions, we will lose most of them," he said.

Woodruff was also the driving force behind the creation of the UCSD Park Committee. Staffed by tree and foliage experts, its sole purpose is to protect the campus eucalyptus park system, he said. Its creation, he added, was supposed to prevent just this sort of controversy.

"I didn't want physicists and historians arguing about tree health," he said.

Students opposed to the Walk, however, are also playing fast and loose with the numbers.

While the anti-walk petition announces, "We oppose the destruction of 250 eucalyptus trees for the sake of 'Library Walk,'" nowhere does it mention that the project also calls for the replanting of 680 trees.

Hirsch argues the university does not really intend to replant the trees so the walk provides a "view corridor" from Gilman Drive to the Central Library, an assertion supported by student opponents.

"I'm skeptical [of the university's plan to replant trees] because the administration has made statements in the past that were untrue," said anti-Library Walk activist and first-year student.

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GUARDIAN FEATURES

'[Library Walk] is a small stupid thing, but maybe it will start activating students.'

—Satu Larson
SEAC Member

Library Walk at a Glance

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Library Walk, the controversial pathway to be built through the middle of campus, is an "organizing element" that will allow for the completion of several civil engineering projects as well as improve student life, according to Hellmann.

The walkway will be part of the "fabric that knits this place together," he said.

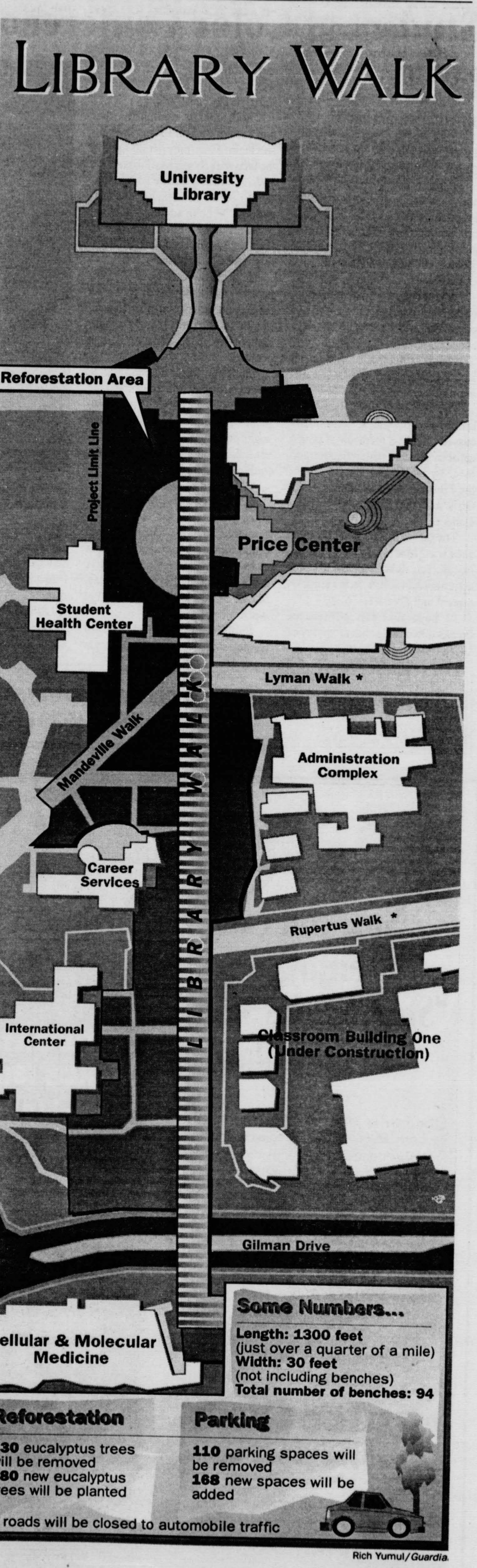
According to Doug Findlay, a partner in the architectural firm of Peter Walker Associates, which designed Library Walk, UCSD is one of the first college campuses to start integrating buildings and outside space.

"It won't be this squishy green stuff. It'll be this memorable icon..." he said. "From our perspective, [Library Walk] is an incredible achievement."

The 30-foot-wide walkway will be made up of concrete tiles in alternating shades of pewter and gray. Along the west side of the quarter-mile path will be six-foot-wide benches, which are designed to function as small stage areas for theater, debate or other solicitation, as well as general student lounging.

At night the benches will be lit by internal low-intensity lights. "That will sort of give a glow and a warmth to Library Walk at nighttime," Hellmann said.

The opening of the 2,100-



— Francisco DeVries

WALK:

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Warren College student Carl Lennox.

But there is no real evidence to support such a claim. In fact, just about every scrap of evidence available supports the argument that the trees will indeed be planted.

"They're going to get planted. There's no question about it," said Doug Findlay, a partner in the Berkeley-based architectural firm of Peter Walker and Associates, which designed Library Walk. He added that the general contractor hired for the project is legally required to plant 680 eucalyptus trees.

A.S. President Carla Tesak, who sat on the Library Walk Committee, which examined the project over the summer, also said the trees will be planted.

Rarely, in fact, are people as sure about anything as they seem to be about the fact that 680 eucalyptus trees will be planted.

Funds for Library Walk was collected from a number of different sources, but it primarily comes from the chancellor's discretionary funds.

"[The funds] have absolutely nothing to do, and this is a part I want to emphasize, with student fees in any form or fashion," Hellmann said. "Obviously, we recognize the sensitivity there."

However, the chancellor's discretionary funds can be used for virtually anything deemed "in the university's best interest" and are not restricted to capital improvements, according to Vice Chancellor of Resource Management and

Planning John Woods.

With fees skyrocketing and student services plummeting, many have questioned the use of \$2.5 million to build a fancy pathway.

Hirsch argues that simply closing Hutchinson Way would be sufficient to safely handle the foot traffic from Classroom Building One, leaving the \$2.5 million for other uses, such as longer library hours.

Student opponents also criticized the high cost of the walk. The petition being circulated states, "We oppose spending 2.5 million dollars in [sic] a 'grand academic promenade.'"

Tesak said that while she is not directly opposed to the project, "I don't think [the funds] should be used for Library Walk."

But some money would have to be spent upgrading the area around the new Classroom Building regardless. Approximately \$500,000 of the funding is being spent just to relocate the parking spaces. In addition, funds would be required to make Classroom Building One accessible to wheelchairs, even if the walk were not constructed.

According to Findlay, the university put pressure on the architects to keep costs down. "We've been pushed at every turn to take money out of the project," he said. "[Library Walk is] not as good as we originally wanted it to be."

The construction materials were downgraded and several features, such as fountains, were left out of the final plan.

While the university could avoid spending a good portion of the \$2.5 million earmarked for Library Walk, it is obligated to spend a heap of

cash even without it.

A Student Voice?

As with most campus controversies, the debate over Library Walk returns to a familiar theme: whether student input on the project is adequate.

While there are student positions on the Campus Community Planning Committee, which reviewed Library Walk several times during the planning stages, by the time the A.S. was directly involved this summer the project was already off and running, according to Tesak.

SEAC and CALPIRG were only told of the project last month, well after the design was set in concrete, according to Larson.

"Students were never involved, as always," she said. "I feel like I've been left out of a huge process."

"There was very little student input and that's wrong," agreed Lennox. Both Larson and Lennox credit the lack of student involvement in Library Walk planning as a motivating factor behind their protests.

However, both those in favor and those opposed to Library Walk have hurt their arguments with the use of suspect and flawed information.

"I strongly support students being politically active and taking a stand," said Tesak. "[But] when they do so in a rash and uninformed way it makes student protest lose credibility."

The argument against Library Walk raises a number of important issues, most importantly the nature of student and faculty input in the review process and the reliance on often biased university-supplied information. But in this case, Tesak added, the protesters are "obviously uninformed."

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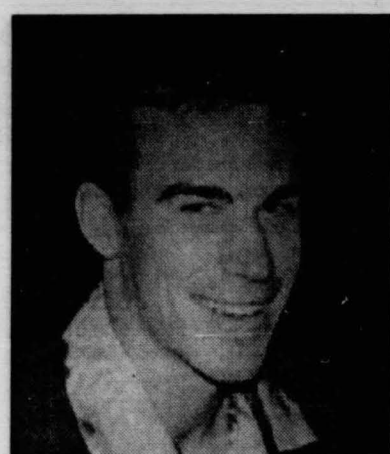
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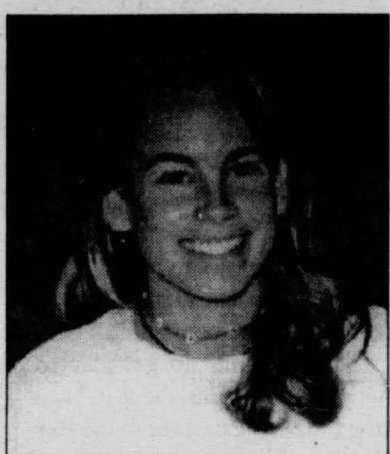
Yes, definitely. There is nothing to rally behind, no central thing that gives school spirit.

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SHOULD UCSD HAVE A FOOTBALL TEAM?



No, I think it's ridiculous. This is an academic institution, not an athletic one.



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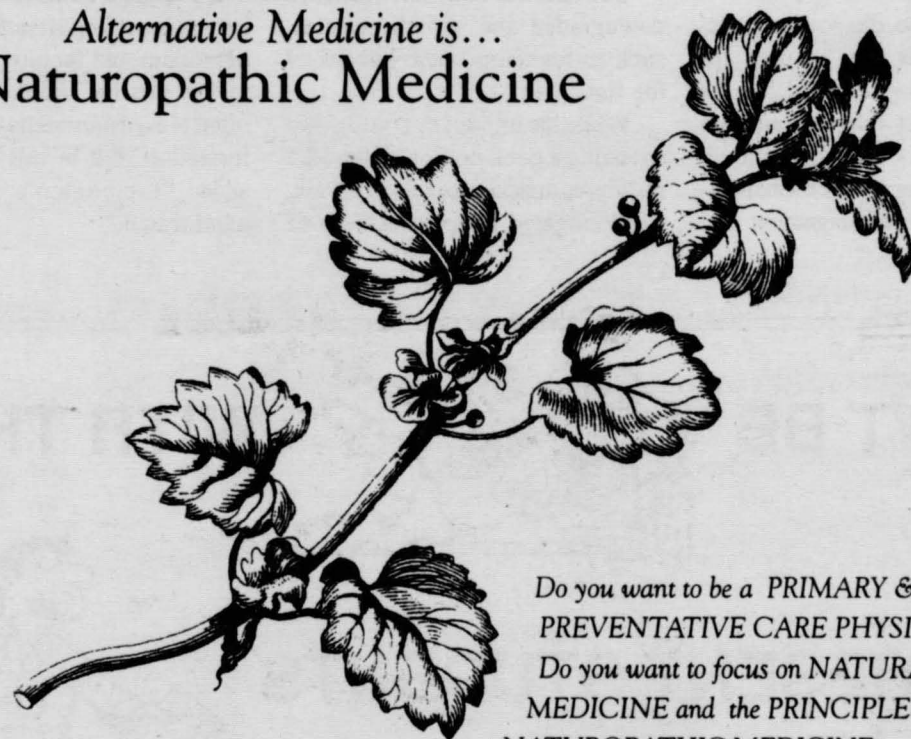
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Greek Awards Night And the winner is....

Live jazz music, pastries and cafe mochas set the mood for this year's Greek Awards Night which took place on March 7, 1995. Hosted by the IFC and Panhellenic Directors of Special Events, Mario Cordova and Mary Beth Walker, this event gave IFC and Panhellenic the opportunity to recognize those individuals and chapters who have made numerous contributions to the community and campus at large. The Chapter of the Year awards continued to be the highlight of the evening, as well as Greek Man and Woman of the Year.

One of the most prestigious awards given to an individual is Greek Man and Woman of the Year. This year, there was not one but two women more than qualified for this award: Agnes De Guzman, and Neena K. Malik. Andre Wu was the recipient of Greek Man of the Year. All of the winners are not only involved within their respective chapters and in the Order of Omega, but are also finishing up their terms on the IFC and Panhellenic Executive Boards. De Guzman and Wu, on the side, have

also developed a computerized fraternity and sorority grading system.

Other notable individual awards given out were those for Scholarship and Outstanding Senior of the Year. Jennifer Ng impressively has a 3.92 G.P.A. as a Biochemistry and Cell Biology major. Chris Lee was the fraternity recipient with a 3.822 G.P.A. as a Microbiology major. The Outstanding Senior of the Year awards were given to Mark Vantress, Mary Beth Walker, Dave Dreyer and Carla Tesak. Mark Vantress secret to success is; "The Greek System is full of more than able-bodied people. A lot of help went into everything that I did."

The winners of Chapter of the Year were presented at the end of the evening with Sigma Chi and Alpha Chi Omega accepting the trophies. These chapters were recognized for their outstanding achievements in the areas of scholarship, philanthropy, campus involvement, educational development, new member education, RISK management, athletics, and overall impression.

Chapter of the Year
Sigma Chi
Alpha Chi Omega

Improved Chapter of the Year
Alpha Omicron Pi
Beta Theta Pi

Greek Man of the Year
Andre Wu, ΦΚΘ

Greek Women of the Year
Neena K. Malik, AXΩ
Agnes De Guzman, KKT

Outstanding Scholarship Chapter
Zeta Beta Tau (3.251)
Delta Gamma (3.194)

Outstanding Scholarship Individual
Chris Lee, ΣΑΜ (3.822)
Jennifer Ng, ΑΟΠ (3.92)

Order of Omega Scholarship
Agnes De Guzman, KKT

Advisor's Award
Jen Zarnegar, ΔΓ

Outstanding Seniors of the Year
Mark Vantress, ΠΚΦ
Mary Beth Walker, ΔΔΔ
Dave Dreyer, ΕΑΜ
Carla Tesak, ΑΧΩ

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Charles Kim, ΕΧ
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Sports Corner

The race for the 1994-95 Sports Banners is more than half over. Sigma Alpha Epsilon still dominates at the top of the IFC Sports Standings, while in

Panhellenic Sports, Kappa Kappa Gamma fights to stay in first faced with competition from Alpha Chi Omega and Kappa Alpha Theta. Only three sports remain in the spring for the girls which include Basketball, Sand Volleyball and Softball. Who will remain on top?

In basketball, the road to the final game for ΣΑΕ was quite smooth as they defeated ΣΝ by a score of 79-59 in the semis. Reaching the finals for TKE, however, was not so easy. It took a last second effort to beat ΣΧ by a score of 42-40 in their semi-final game. For the third year in a row, ΣΑΕ captured the basketball title over TKE winning by a score of 62-48. The game was close as TKE narrowed the point difference to only five. But, one of the leading scorers Kraig Palmer missed a three point shot allowing ΣΑΕ to take back the ball, and dominate for the rest of the game. Power forward Matt Aune concluded the game with a one-handed dunk on the break.

In women's soccer, ΑΧΩ

once again proved their worth by winning the final match 3-0 against KKT. ΑΧΩ have only been scored upon once in the two years they have played this sport. Key shooters include Karlyn Clifton and Michele Lytle.

Panhellenic Standings

Sorority	Soccer	Points to date
KKT	80	410
ΑΧΩ	100	337.5
ΚΑΘ	60	300
ΧΩ	60	280
ΔΔΔ	40	267.5
ΣΚ	0	190
ΔΓ	40	180
ΠΒΦ	0	165
ΑΟΠ	40	155

IFC Standings

Fraternity	Basketball	Points
ΣΑΕ	100	335
ΣΧ	60	248
TKE	80	248
ΣΝ	60	205
ΣΦΕ	40	195
ΦΙΙ	20	180
ΑΤΑ	20	143
ΦΚΘ	20	135
ΠΚΦ	40	113
ΒΒΠ	20	105
ZBT	20	103
ΔΣΦ	20	98
ΕΑΜ	40	98
ΦΔΦ	40	80
ΣΠ	20	73

"Emancipate yourself from mental slavery. Only ourselves can free our minds."
-Bob Marley

Outstanding Greek

Reclining in his chair, Mike Lindstrom looks up from beneath a beige Ralph Lauren baseball cap. With his hands folded across his lap his look is one of calm assertiveness. It is the look of someone who does not back down in the face of controversy as he intends to prove in his new role as A.S. Elections Manager. Having been appointed to this position by A.S. President, Carla Tesak, Lindstrom's new job entails supervising all aspects of the elections process which range from organizing debate forums to overseeing the actual elections.

Not being one to contain his views, Lindstrom is outspoken when it comes to giving his opinion of past elections. "Campus publications print an image of A.S. as a negative entity when they should be using more ink to focus on the really important matters," he affirms with vehemence. He firmly believes that every student should have a voice in the upcoming elections. "After all," he adds, "A.S. is controlling your funds." With the A.S. elections only a month away, Lindstrom has his work cut out for him. His fervent desire is for a successful voter turnout rate and

a smooth elections process. Politics, as one might guess, is an area of particular interest to Lindstrom. His long term goal is to graduate from law school and to enter the political arena. In the meantime, he is enjoying his last quarter here at UCSD and awaiting the results of his law school applications.

In his free time Lindstrom partakes in sports such as beach volleyball and basketball. He also enjoys wine tasting, a hobby he acquired through his parents who introduced him to it at the age of seventeen.

Lindstrom's involvement in the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity began in the spring of his freshman year. Since then he has occupied numerous leadership positions including Social Chairman and Brotherhood Chair. Now in his fourth year and without a leadership position in the fraternity he describes himself as simply "a supporting brother."

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Tritons Tripped By UCR

RAIN: UCSD can't get revenge on Riverside, falling 5-3 in first game

By Sean Rahlmi Staff Writer

Mother Nature took away the possibility of revenge for the UCSD baseball team on Saturday. The Triton sluggers were scheduled to play the end of a two-game "home-away" series versus the UC Riverside Highlanders.

As it turned out, the Tritons were stuck with another heartbreaking loss. UCSD was crushed by the Highlanders, 5-3, on Thursday at UCR. The second game, set for Saturday - which would have given the Tritons a shot at redemption - was rained out.

UCSD's Ryan Ward (3-2) started the first contest, giving up only one earned run. The Highlanders, however, were able to score four runs off four crucial Triton errors.

"I think [Ward] threw his best game of the year," Head Coach Robert Fletcher said. "We gave

them runs by committing errors." The UCSD offense got a jump-start in the form of some line-up changes. Eric Quandt moved to hit ninth in the order, and Jason Aguilar moved up one spot to lead-off.

Craig Birk and Chris Miyake also switched places, with Miyake batting second and Birk batting third. All this confusion seemed like the perfect solution, as the first three UCSD batters got on base.

Aguilar led off with a solid single, and Miyake followed with a hit of his own. Birk then stepped up to the plate and drew a walk, loading the bases for the Tritons.

UCSD was not able to capitalize, though, wasting the bases loaded and no outs opportunity. To dash the Triton hopes, Al DelFavero struck out and Carl Abramson grounded into an inning-ending double play.

"When the other pitcher gets out of a jam like that, he's going to be confident the rest of the game," UCSD's Steve Height said. "It was tough to start the game like that and

not score. It's the same old story: We out hit them, but we just can't get the clutch hits."

The Tritons did rack up 11 hits total, but they put only three runs on the board - mostly scores coming in the late stages of the game.

On the positive side, Birk (two hits) and Aguilar were UCSD's offensive standouts, hitting solidly from the top of the lineup.

UCSD Reigns in Rain

TORREY PINED: The Triton 'A' squad earned a third-place, 314 score at the So. Cal. Tourney

By Tedd Ladd Associate Sports Editor

Loyola Marymount tallied a 325. Cal-State San Bernardino garnered a 316. St. Mary's took home a 329. And this is called a 'University Division'?



The UCSD golf team, entrants in the supposedly weaker 'College Division,' proved it belonged among the elite at last weekend's 45th Annual So. Cal. Intercollegiate Tourney at Torrey Pines South Course.

The second day of the tournament was canceled due to rain, but on the first day, the Triton "A" squad outplayed its competition, shooting a 314 overall. It was good enough for the third-best team showing - 'University' or 'Collegiate' division - and a three-stroke win over its nearest opponent, the cocky group from Cal. State-Stanislaus.

"Stanislaus is a Division II school, and they came in with an arrogant attitude," UCSD Head Coach Mike Wydra said. "It was good that we beat them. At the time, I don't think they realized how tough Torrey Pines was."

In addition, UCSD's "B" squad racked up a low 331 total score. Remarkably, it beat out Chapman, Pomona, Whittier, UC Riverside,

the Redlands and every other SCIA conference school.

Indeed, the fact that the Tritons have so many talented athletes clearly worked against them at the tourney. UCSD split into an "A" and a "B" squad, but a "B"-teamer, Jordan Garrett, racked up an impressive 76 score - which had to used toward "B"-team scoring only.

As it turned out, the Triton "A" squad could have used the 76, a mark that would have pushed it into the second-place team slot.

"Considering how we needed [Garrett] to be on the 'A' team, and considering how hurt we were, I was pleased with the outcome," Wydra said. "We really played with [the other teams]."

Tops on the UCSD leaderboard was veteran Tom Brown, who shot a solid 75 on the course. Brown tied with UC Davis' Steve Bemis for third-place overall.

"[Brown] is really starting to play better," Wydra said. "He put in a good day of golf."

After Garrett's score, Arnie Campbell chalked up the next best Triton performance, tallying a 78, along with four other players. Alex Behrend rounded out the UCSD scoring, shooting a 79.

The Tritons will be back in action today in a tune-up match versus Chapman and then in a meet against S.D. Golf Academy on Thursday.

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Waves Drown UCSD

BEACHED: Tritons fall to Pepperdine Waves in straight sets on Thursday night in Malibu by scores of 15-10, 15-5 and 15-11

By **Jeremy Malamed**
Staff Writer

Looking over the schedule of games for "matchups to watch" in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation, one would probably pay very little attention to the contest pitting the Pepperdine Waves against the UCSD Tritons.

After all, the two teams have combined for a grand total of only three wins in league play this entire season, and neither squad is going to be confused with a serious playoff contender anytime soon.

Out to chalk up its first league win of the season, UCSD (1-14; 0-12) journeyed to Malibu to take on the miserable Waves (6-8; 3-8).

Despite each team's poor record, the game was one of the more competitive matches

UCSD has played this season, making for some exciting volleyball.

This season's struggles are nothing new for the Tritons, who are enduring their third consecutive losing season in Division I play. But for the Waves, who traditionally run one of the best volleyball programs in the country, the year's losses have been extremely tough to deal with.

But in the end, Pepperdine got in the last word, winning the marathon match in three straight sets, 15-10, 15-5, 15-11. Although UCSD failed to win a game in the match, the team's performance was one of its gutsiest efforts of the season — the Tritons never got down on themselves and refused to go away.

Pepperdine's Lee Bradford put on a show for the home crowd, leading all players in the match with 25 kills, sparking the Wave's offensive artillery. John Bowling contributed to the Pepperdine effort with 11 kills

and a game-high 10 digs.

For the Tritons, it was Ed McMahon's hitting that kept them in the match. He notched 21 kills and five digs overall. Veterans Tyson Kerr and Tom Black also helped the Triton cause, keeping the team mentally sharp when the situation got tough.

The two veterans provided much-needed leadership to the young UCSD squad, keeping the younger players focused while also contributing with strong performances on the court — 16 kills for Kerr and six digs for Black.

But despite all the positives, the injury bug hit the Tritons again. UCSD was dealt another harsh blow when big man Matt Minehan went down in the third game with an ankle injury.

Minehan slammed down 10 kills in the match before suffering the injury. He will have plenty of time to recover though, since the Tritons have two weeks off before their next match.



George You (6) had 50 assists, and Tyson Kerr had 16 kills vs. Pepperdine. Chuck Nguyen/Guardian



CREW: Varsity collides with UCI

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with a lot of grit and heart. On another day we likely would have come out ahead."

Finally came the varsity eight showdown, in which the Tritons were looking to snap a four-year losing streak to Irvine. UCSD came out and did just that although the race was far from typical.

The Anteaters came off the start fast, but the Tritons had expected that and never allowed Irvine to get more than a three-seat advantage on them. Both crews settled into their

"race cadence" and over the next two minutes, UCSD began to slowly inch back on the Anteaters.

By the 1,000 meter mark, the Tritons had caught them, but UCSD didn't stop there, extending its lead to three and eventually six seats over Irvine with 500 meters to race. However, a strong wind and a group of remote-control sail boats suddenly became factors in the race.

The wind had been ever so subtly pushing the boats eastward across course and the Irvine crew looked up to see a remote-control sail boat race occurring directly in front of them. As they veered back toward the main body of the course, an Anteaters oar crashed against one

from the Triton boat, inducing yet another UCSD "crab" which caused the boat to lose all its momentum. UCI cruised to the finish line for the win. However, the coaches determined that the last 1,000 meters of the race should be re-run.

The second time around was a clean race, and the Triton rowers powered to victory by almost a full-boat length.

"That was the best race I've seen in a long, long time," Thieman said. "The opposing coach acknowledged that we were the better crew on this day. UCI displayed an extremely high level of sportsmanship."

AIR: Is Jordan's return imminent?

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major motivation for returning. Shaq. He's sick and tired of Shaq-fever. After all, Jordan is the best ever, but he's become a forgotten man under the looming shadow of O'Neal. Some were already saying the big man might become the best ever, if he can just win the title with Orlando. Mike had to prevent that, and if it meant lacing up those Nike Air Jordan's once again, then so be it. Jordan had skills.

I just hope MJ realizes that he really has nothing to gain, and ev-

erything to lose. What if he's lost the edge? The guy is 32, after all, and he's reportedly fifteen pounds heavier than his former basketball weight. When he retired, he was at the top of his game. Air can't hope to return as good as before.

Recall Jim Palmer. The hurler's attempted comeback with the Orioles severely tarnished an otherwise stellar career. Fans have a tendency to remember only what happened at the end.

But we're talking about MJ here—he's used to making the impossible probable. Unlikely as it may seem, something tells me that when it's all over, he'll have a fistfull of rings.

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Fearsome Foursome Crashes NCAA Party

REGIONALS: Four Triton fencers qualify for upcoming Nationals

By Dan Kraft
Sports Editor

For the last two weeks, the UCSD men's and women's fencing squads have busied themselves by qualifying for as many national competitions as possible.

Last weekend at the NCAA Western Regionals, four Tritons qualified for the collegiate national tournament. This weekend, UCSD attended the Pacific Coast Fencing Championships at San Diego State and qualified six fencers for the open national championships.

The team had been aiming for Western Regionals the entire season, and while it did not score extremely well as a squad, the individual performances were worthy of recognition.

Janet Wertz earned a trip to South Bend, IN for the NCAAs by capturing first place in the women's epee competition. Her stellar 17-1 record over the exhausting day of fencing, which lasted from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m., gave her a first-ever shot at the nationals.

"I don't know what I'm going up against, but I'm just going to go out there and do my best," Wertz said. "I did well at conference and



Yakov Zolotarev/Guardian

Gabe Lawson (left) and Yumi Nishiyama both qualified for the NCAA National Championships to be held at Notre Dame in late March.

regionals, so if the NCAAs are anything like that, I might have a pretty good chance."

Foilers Gabe Lawson and Yumi Nishiyama, competing in the most hotly contested discipline, both earned third-place finishes and trips to Notre Dame for the championships in two weeks. The duo overcame a field of seven teams, including Stanford, Santa Cruz and Air Force, in addition to the Tritons' usual conference foes.

The final UCSD qualifier was Hal Aljibury in the men's epee.

Aljibury came out of nowhere with a tremendous performance at the regional meet, earning the respect and eventually the nomination of the National Selection Committee, which decides who goes and who stays when the NCAAs roll around.

The Tritons' Doug Saqui, who finished at the top of the conference meet in men's epee, was forced to settle for ninth and an alternate position for the NCAAs, while the conference's second-place finisher in women's epee, UCSD's Suzanne Walters, was unable to earn a bid.

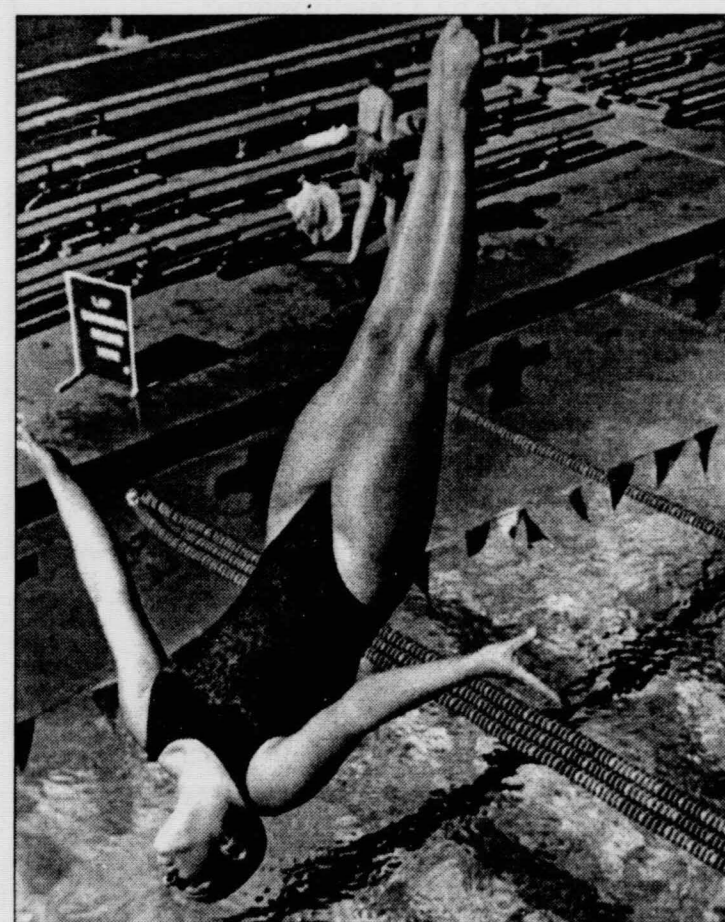
"Suzanne has a great chance to go next year," Head Coach Lisa Posthumus said. "She was just a bit inexperienced this year."

The Tritons have high hopes for the biggest meet of their lives, which will take place right on the heels of finals. If UCSD can place well at the NCAAs, there is a chance that it could return to La Jolla as a nationally ranked competitor, despite only being a West Coast Division III school in a Division I, East Coast-dominated sport.

"At NCAAs, I'm looking for a

couple people to win [All-American honors]," Posthumus said. "We've never qualified four people before, and if we can do well, there's a chance we'll be ranked nationally."

As if the excitement of one national competition wasn't enough, UCSD competed in the Pacific Coast tournament this weekend. Nishiyama, Lawson and Wertz all repeated their qualifying performances for NCAAs. They were joined by Saqui and Walters in the epee discipline and by Caprice Roberts in the women's foil event.



Brigitte Elfman dove to 12th in the one-meter springboard.

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solution final in 1:55.9 to take ninth. On Saturday, Caballero completed her outstanding run with a fifth-place marking in the 100-free in a school record breaking time of 52.66.

"[Caballero] had the best meet," Boyd said. "She had some great splits in her relays and she had a lifetime best in every event she swam."

Caballero was not the only Triton to pick up a share of the glory, however. McPherson grabbed honorable mentions in the 100- (ninth), 200- (12th) and 500-yard freestyle (15th) races.

Parker ripped up the pool in the 100- (fourth) and 200-yard backstroke (fifth) races to gather All-American standing in those events to go with the status she earned in her medley relay efforts.

Other solid swims were turned in by Matthew who rounded up 11th in the 100- (1:07.9) and ninth in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:26.2), and Galdos who nabbed an honorable mention in the 100-yard butterfly (1:08, 59.6).

The best race of the meet for the Tritons was in the 400-yard freestyle relay in which UCSD went head to head with the monster from Kenyon College and its 26-time All-American (most titles in any Division in NCAA history) Carla Ainsworth.

UCSD entered a familiar group of faces (McPherson, Galdos, Caballero and Parker) and had a fairly solid lead on Kenyon going into the final leg, thanks to some careful manipulation of the lineup by Boyd.

However, the unparalleled Ainsworth was able to chase down the Tritons' final swimmer, just touching her out at the wall for the victory. UCSD finished in 3:31 flat, just a couple hundredths shy of the all-time school mark.

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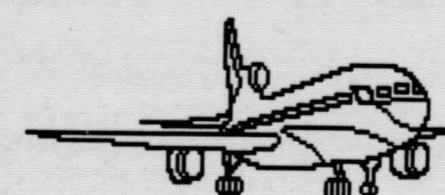
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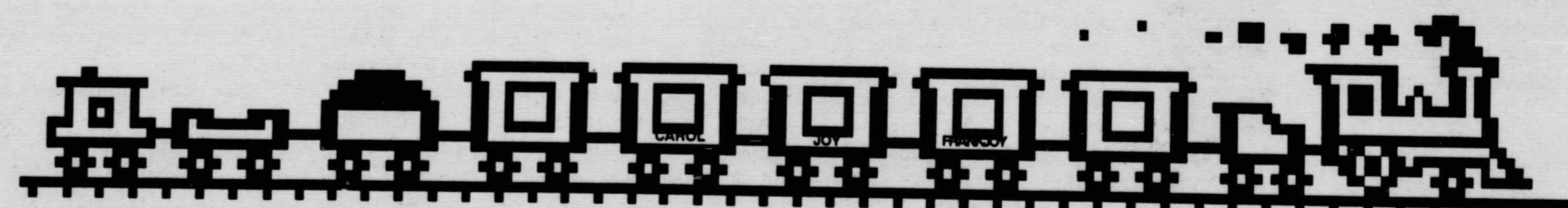
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His 'Air'-ness Is Back...

They were given up for dead. They were losers in a town of three rings.

The Chicago Bulls' dynasty had been dismissed by everyone: the fans, other NBA teams and especially Vegas oddsmakers — bookies computed the Bulls' odds of winning the NBA title at 18-1.

But what's this?! Last week, the team's odds returned to a far more favorable 6-1? What's going on here?

The MJ-factor, folks.

Unless you've been hibernating in a cave, you've heard the rumors: Michael Jordan — the greatest basketball player ever to hit .200 in the minors — is returning to basketball.

What a surprise. From Day One of his "retirement," everybody and their grandmother knew Air would be back. Let's face it: Jordan walking away from basketball is like Orville Redenbacher quitting the popcorn business. It just doesn't happen.

The question now is: Why the hell is he coming back? What is to be gained from this much-anticipated comeback? I mean, does the guy have anything more to prove to the world of basketball? His three championship rings certainly suggest otherwise.

Well, maybe it's the money. Perhaps Jordan decided that since he couldn't hit baseballs like Jack Clark, he could at least fall into debt like the former Padres' slugger.

Not likely, though. MJ must be worth more than Fort Knox. In fact, unless he's letting Orange County handle his investments, the bucks are very secure.

So was it the baseball fiasco that forced his hand? True, nobody would mistake him for Willie Mays (or even Bob Uecker, for that matter). There is no question that he hits his jumpers a lot better than he hits curveballs.

So maybe he wants to restore his image, severely soiled by his inability to exceed baseball's infamous Mendoza-line. Again, it's possible, but unlikely. His lousy play on the diamond really can't affect his incredible accomplishments on the ball court.

Most likely, all of the reasons are secondary to his

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SPORTS

Takeuchi Takes Top Title

SPLASH: UCSD took third in the women's swim and dive championships at Middletown, CT

By Dan Kraft
Sports Editor

If UCSD's women's swimming and diving squad can continue to progress at this rate, it will be national champion by 1997. The Tritons spent last Thursday, Friday and Saturday at Wesleyan College in Connecticut fighting it out with the best teams that Division III has to offer and they returned home with an overall third-place finish (303 points) behind only perennial national champion Kenyon (526), and Williams College (323).

UCSD improved on its fourth-place finish last year and hopes to continue its improvement, although

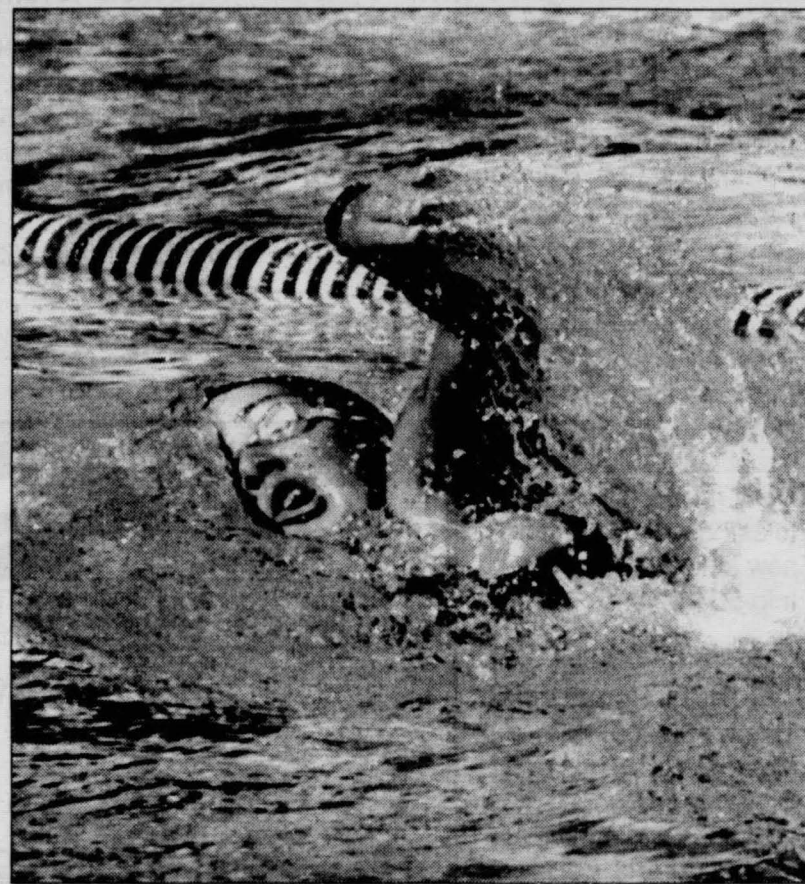
Kenyon appears to be capable of stringing together another 15 consecutive national titles. The Tritons actually had a very legitimate shot at second place, but came out of the blocks a bit slow on Thursday which may have cost them the opportunity.

"We had a few glitches we had to get worked out, but we got better as the days went on," UCSD Head Swimming Coach Doug Boyd said. "We did quite well to move up from fourth last year. Hopefully we'll keep on moving up."

There were many standout performers for the Tritons, but perhaps the biggest star of the meet for UCSD was junior diver Sheri Takeuchi.

Takeuchi was just warming up on Thursday afternoon when she captured second place and All-American honors on the one-meter springboard with a score of 380.50. Teammates Brigitte Elfman (12th, 300.20) and Kristi Young (16th, 294.10) continued to hold the UCSD flag high as both earned All-American honorable mentions.

Takeuchi's biggest splash, however, came in the three-meter diving event, where she broke Triton graduate Julie Goldstein's national record, set just last year, with a score of 467 en route to the national championship. Takeuchi's phenomenal performance earned



Tim Chen/Guardian

Shawna Caballero earned All-American honors in six events.

her Diver of the Meet honors. Young once again grabbed an honorable mention with her 14th-place finish. Head Diving Coach Mike Fitchett took home the Coach of the Meet award as the result of his squad's excellent showing.

Among the swimmers, sophomore sprinter Shawna Caballero may have made the biggest impression. Caballero earned All-American honors in four relays and two individual events and captured an honorable mention in yet another event.

Her meet began with a second-place finish in the 200-yard freestyle relay (1:37.33) along with teammates Heather McPherson, Chris-

tina Galdos and Carrie Parker. Next came a third-place tally in the 400-yard medley relay (3:58.76) in which she teamed with Dustin Matthew, Galdos and Parker.

Caballero cruised through the water with the greatest of ease in the 50-yard sprint to earn third-place in 24.14 and that was just on Thursday.

Friday afternoon, Caballero once again teamed with Parker, Galdos and Matthew, this time in the 200-yard medley relay as the fearsome foursome grabbed second place in the nation. Following that success, Caballero took on the field in the 200-yard freestyle and won the con-

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Tim Chen/Guardian

Sheri Takeuchi took home a national title and record in the three-meter.

Anteaters Drown in UCSD's Wake

By Dan Kraft
Sports Editor

It was the inaugural weekend of the crew racing season and, wouldn't you know it, Mother Nature decided to play the part of the spoiler.

Both the men's and women's squads were slated to go up against their northern counterparts from UC

Irvine. Only the men who traveled to Irvine managed to get in their races, as the wind-whipped waters off the shores of San Diego prevented the women from racing. A brief excursion onto the course which resulted in two water-logged boats was enough to convince everyone to stay away from the San Diego course.

Luckily, the light wind and sunny skies in Irvine were much more appropriate for rowing, and the men got down to business. In the first race of the season, the Triton crew of newcomers in the novice

eight went up against three boats from Irvine.

UCSD was solidly in second place and closing on the front runners when, with 800 meters to race, the Tritons experienced the equivalent of a blown tire in auto racing: they "caught a crab." With one oar dragging in the water, the UCSD boat quickly came to a virtual stop and fell out of contention. The hard working Triton squad rowed strong the rest of the way to grab third.

In the junior varsity race, UCSD's struggles occurred before the starting gun went off. With in-

juries plaguing two members of the team, car troubles hitting a third and a fourth member suddenly leaving the team, the Tritons were forced to promote four members of the novice boat to junior varsity for the race.

UCSD still managed to push the Anteaters over the 2,000 meter course, falling by a narrow seven-second margin as it crossed the line in 6:22.7, while UCI stormed home in 6:15.8.

"We sucked it up and did the best that we could," UCSD Head Coach Doug Thieman said. "We rowed

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THE WEEK AHEAD

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Wed., March 15, vs. U. Mass-Dartmouth at La Verne, 7 p.m.

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Wed., March 15, at University of La Verne, 2 p.m.

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The Tritons couldn't get revenge on the Highlanders, losing their first game, 5-3, before being rained out.

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The UCSD "A" squad shot a 314 at Torrey Pines to finish third place overall at a weekend tourney.

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Fencing:

The Triton fencers qualified four athletes for Nationals at last weekend's Regional competition.