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Worldwide

Prime Minister Sharon Racing Tough Issues, Seeks to Soften Image

JERUSALEM — A day after his landslide election victory, Israeli Prime Minister-elect Ariel Sharon made a pilgrimage to the Western Wall, restating his opposition to sharing Jerusalem with the Palestinians.

At the same time, he planned to send advisors to Washington to soften what his aides admit is an "image problem" that the former general, known for controversial and bloody military campaigns, has

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National

Same-Sex Marriage Slowly Gaining Foothold in U.S. Churches

BOSTON — Like every pastor, the Rev. Louise Forrest tends to her congregation and shares in the joy of marrying a couple.

"I really like being involved in people's lives, and to be there for these benchmark moments," said Forrest, an Episcopal priest associate at the Cathedral Church of St. Paul here.

But Forrest and her colleagues bless same-sex unions, placing them at the heart of a growing debate within America's religious

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Collegiate

Nine Major Universities Vow to Review Female Salaries

DAVIS, Calif. — Representatives from nine top research universities from across the country recently met and made a unanimous statement recognizing gender inequities of faculty in the fields of science and engineering.

High-ranking officials from the California Institute of Technology, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, the University of Michigan, Princeton University, Stanford University,

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Spoken

"All of us in the department learned a tremendous amount from her."

— Dan Hallin
Professor of Communication

Poetry Slamm ...



David Pilz/Guardian

Lyricists: (Top) A student sings a song while jamming on his guitar. (Bottom left) Hand-picked members of the audience make their mark as judges. (Bottom right) A student recites an original poem at Porter's Pub Wednesday night.

Communication Professor Passes Away

Helene Keyssar lost her long battle with cancer at age 57

By GEOFF DIETRICH
Staff Writer

UCSD communication professor Helene Keyssar died Monday morning after a lengthy struggle with cancer. She was 57.

Keyssar is fondly remembered by the communication department for her dedicated teaching style, leadership and innovative ideas.

In 1981 she arrived at UCSD and immediately made her mark by bringing her immense knowledge of theater and the humanities into the communication department.

Communication professor Chandra Mukerji remembers Keyssar's dedication and love of students. "She had such joy being in the classroom," Mukerji said.

The bond Keyssar had with students did not stop with the classroom. Often, she would hold film screenings at her home. Mukerji added that by taking students seriously, Keyssar taught them to understand and learn about themselves.

Always popular with students, she was eventually forced her out of the classroom by cancer, but it could not keep her away for long. Soon after she was in remission she was back at school, even though she did not have to be.

"Incredibly hard working and tenacious" is

how Mike Cole, a long-time communication professor, spoke of Keyssar's love of teaching and how she never gave up.

"Helene had a lot to do with creating this interdisciplinary culture," said Dan Hallin, a communication professor. "She was a broad intellect; her background was in drama but she knew a tremendous amount about journalism, television, language and other things. All of us in the department learned a tremendous amount from her."

Communication chair Carol Padden spoke of Keyssar's ability to bring the humanities into the traditional social science department. According to Padden, she galvanized her students with her juxtaposition of pop culture and the classics.

Keyssar also became a leader not only in the communication department but of women professors all over campus. Mukerji remembers that when Keyssar arrived from Amherst College in 1981, women professors were few and were overshadowed by their male counterparts. Keyssar helped to break that barrier with her free spirit and drive.

Throughout the '80s, Keyssar was adamant about improving US-Soviet relations. Her desire

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ANTI-ZIONISM WEEK: PART 3 OF 3

UJS Sponsors Speakers to Educate Students

Week suggests alternate ways to promote peace

By VINCENT GRAGNANI
Senior Staff Writer

In response to last week's Anti-Zionism Week, the Union of Jewish Students is sponsoring this week "A Positive and Pragmatic Approach to Peace in the Middle East," featuring speakers and a booth on Library Walk Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

UJS President Wade Strauss said the purpose of the week was to educate students more fully on what is going on in the region.

"The purpose is to add something to the current issues facing Israel, to present some tangible proof and evidence of what is going on there," he said.

Muslim Student Association President Ehab Ibrahim said that while he believes the UJS should have its voice heard, he objects to the fact that Wednesday night's speakers referred to Anti-Zionism Week as Anti-Semitic.

"Definitely they should make their views heard," he said. "I have no problem with that. But the tagging of our group as Anti-Semitic was a direct blow to us that's not substantiated by any actions that we've done."

Dr. Richard Katz, a member of the American Israel Public Affairs Committee's national board of directors, and Rabbi Abraham Cooper, associate dean of the Wiesenthal Center, spoke Wednesday night at the Institute of the Americas Auditorium.

Katz spoke about the current situation in Israel, giving a recent history of the peace process in the Middle East. He said he wanted to bring a sense of hopeful optimism to the situation.

"There is no panic in Israel," he said. "There is no sense of fear. The streets are safe. It's much worse from a distance than when you're there."

He added that Israel is choosing a peaceful political route in the Middle East.

"Israel, if it wanted to, could prevail over the PLO," he said. "But they won't because it's not the Jewish way, it's not the Israeli way, it's not the way that country chooses to operate."

Cooper then spoke on the use of Holocaust denial and anti-Semitic rhetoric by the Palestinian authority in its schools and media.

"One of the biggest problems has been the failure of Israel to take a look and keep tabs on what Palestinian children are being taught," he said.

Cooper ended his speech with a video presentation featuring several Anti-Semitic Web sites that have been indexed by the Wiesenthal Center.

He said one reason for showing the sites to the crowd was to inspire them with the "creativity and commitment of the other side."

Thursday's speaker will be Deanna Armbruster, executive director of American Friends of Neve Shalom/Wahat al-Salam. Armbruster will speak and answer questions

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EVENTS

Thursday, Feb. 8

Seminar: Hear Me: A Legacy of Student Activism

Student activists will discuss how they have worked for change on the UCSD campus. The event is sponsored by the Cross Cultural Center and will begin at 4 p.m. in the Cross Cultural Center. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call (858) 534-9689.

Friday, Feb. 9

Workshop: Social Issues and Action Research Group

The Cross Cultural Center will sponsor the forum, which will explore the politics of the University of California. The event is free and open to the public. The event will take place at 2 p.m. in the Cross Cultural Center. For more information call (858) 534-9689.

Dance Party: Heartbreakz

The UCSD DJ and Vinylphiles Club and the A.S. Council will sponsor the event which will take place at 5 p.m. in the Porter's Pub. The event is open to UCSD students and admission is free.

Saturday, Feb. 10

Performing Arts: 'Bash'

The UCSD theater and dance department will sponsor Neil LaBute's presentation, which explores everyday evil in three short plays. The event is open to the public. General admission is \$12 and student admission is \$6. For more information call (858) 534-4574.

Sunday, Feb. 11

Performing Arts: 'Satish'

The University Centers will sponsor the event, which will take place at 8 p.m. in Espresso Roma in the Price Center. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call (858) 534-4022.

Monday, Feb. 12

Seminar: Special Molecular Biology Section Seminar

The Division of Biology will sponsor the event, which will take place at noon in Pacific Hall. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call (858) 534-9737.

Tuesday, Feb. 13

Community Service: Condom Awareness Week

The Student Health Advocates will sponsor the event, which will call attention to the week-long awareness event and will provide free condoms to students. The event will take place at 11 a.m. in the Price Center Plaza.

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LIFESTYLES IN HELL

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CHAPTER VII: DO YOU REALLY WANT TO RISK

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OH THE SHAME
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FILTHY
DEPRAVED
CURIOUSLY KILLED THE CAT
THE BIBLE FORBIDS THIS
DON'T LET YOUR MOTHER SEE
MOM NICE

THE CONS OF FREELY SHARING YOUR LOVE

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ALWAYS REMEMBER!

- ✓ SHE COULD BE A LUNATIC
- ✓ WHO ARE YOU GETTING UP?
- ✓ SMILE!!!

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BRIEFLY

Jacobs School to Hold Research Review

The UCSD Jacobs School of Engineering will hold its Research Review, which is themed "A Blueprint for the Information Infrastructure," on Friday, Feb. 23 in the Price Center.

Five industry leaders and various faculty will be at the review to give presentations. Information about current graduate work in the field and technical exhibits from 38 companies will also be on display.

Approximately 600 students, graduates, faculty and alumni are expected to attend the event, which will start at 8 a.m. with registration and a continental breakfast and will end at 4:30 p.m.

Some industry leaders participating in the Executive Forum include Paul Horn, senior vice president and director of research for the IBM Corporation; Paul Jacobs, the executive vice president of Qualcomm, Inc.; Greg Papadopoulos, senior vice president and chief technology officer for Sun Microsystems, Inc.; and Larry Smar, the director of UCSD's new California Institute for Telecommunications and Information Technology.

Bank of America president to speak at UCSD

Liam McGee, the president of Bank of America California, is scheduled to visit UCSD on Feb. 13 for the UCSD Economics Roundtable, which will commence at 7:30 a.m. in the Faculty Club with a breakfast for those in attendance.

McGee graduated from UCSD and joined Bank of America in 1990, eventually rising to become the chief executive of California's largest bank. McGee has also served two terms on the board of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco.

Tickets for the roundtable are \$50. The price includes continental breakfast and parking. To purchase tickets for the event contact Edie Munk at (858) 822-0510.

Construction to be completed on campus electrical system

The Office of the Assistant Vice Chancellor announced this week that the final phase of construction on the campus electrical system will be completed, alleviating electrical supply and distribution worries on campus.

The work done on the Campus High Voltage Electrical system will take five months and will connect the new Cogeneration plant, enable high voltage cabling to be run underneath Interstate 5 and facilitate the installation of a third transformer at the main campus substation.

Efforts will be made to ensure that the campus power supply will not be affected by the work. Construction alerts will be made prior to any major work. Work on the system will also be done Saturday, Feb. 10 starting at 6 a.m. and ending at 9 p.m.

Questions can be directed to John Dillott, the project manager for facilities design and construction at (858) 822-3349, or Mike Griffith, the assistant director of physical plant services at (858) 534-2927.

Electronic music event to take place at Porter's Pub

The UCSD DJs and Vinylphiles Club, in cooperation with the A.S. Council, will present Heartbreakz, a free evening of electronic music, on Friday, Feb. 9.

The event will showcase the older talent of the DVC and will also introduce several new DJs. There will be two sound areas, one outside and one inside.

Heartbreakz will go from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m., and while tickets are free, early attendance is recommended as the Pub has limited capacity. This event is open only to UCSD students.

Mexican-American singer/songwriter Perla Batalla will perform in Mandeville Auditorium on Feb. 23, at 7:30 p.m.

Perla Batalla to perform at UCSD Feb. 23

Over the years, Batalla has lived and performed in San Francisco, Los Angeles, and Mexico. Her music has included everything from Gershwin to Mexican lullabies.

Named "Best Emerging Artist of 1999" by Amazon.com, Batalla's music is a mix of Latin-American-gypsy-fospel-folk-pop. Her songs range from traditional Latino melodies to bluesy ballads with a contemporary twist - each with a distinctive voice.

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Scripps Ritter Building to be Demolished

Several new projects may help Californians with the recent power crisis

By MARGARET O'NEILL
Staff Writer

Ritter Hall, once the site of many classrooms and labs, currently stands as only a concrete shell. The destruction of the large academic building, located on the campus of the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, began Dec. 11 of last year.

The company contracted to do the demolition is Clauss Construction. Bernard Clauss is the project manager in charge of the SIO project.

Vaughn Hall, where the aquarium used to be located, is also scheduled to be demolished. This will occur simultaneously with the Ritter Hall demolition.

Much of the material out of Ritter Hall is being recycled; 96 percent, according to Clauss.

"The only material not recycled

out of that building was the hazardous material," he said.

The first step to demolishing Ritter Hall was the removal of asbestos from the ceilings and other surfaces. The asbestos removal was completed last week.

The air inside the building was then tested to make sure no airborne fibers were present after the asbestos removal. These particles are a health hazard if people inhale them. The building was pronounced safe for workers, and demolition continued.

Steel, metal and wood materials were removed from the hall next and sent to be recycled. The metals go to a recycler, where they are melted to form new steel for reuse.

The wood products are either to be reused or sold as scrap wood. "When they're all done with that, all there is is a concrete shell," Clauss said.

This "concrete shell" is currently still standing on the Scripps campus. According to Clauss, the demolition is approximately 75 percent complete.

Once the building has been completely demolished, the building will be crushed and used as road base or back-fill material. Road base is the layer put down on roads before asphalt or concrete is laid.

The steel rebar of the concrete structure is also recycled after the concrete is taken to be crushed.

The Ritter Hall and Vaughn Hall demolitions are scheduled to be completed March 23, 2001.

The space that will remain when the building is demolished will be turned into a park. The park will be built with funds provided by the family of a deceased Scripps graduate student as a memorial.

Obituary:

Keyssar was involved in the Civil Rights Movement

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to lessen tension between the adversaries led to the innovative Space Bridge Project. The project consisted of a real-time video conference between the two countries, with the United States' link at the UCSD Media Center.

The video cast was the first of its kind, using satellites to connect the two countries. American children were able to talk to Russian children. World War II veterans from both countries were able to reminisce about old times. The video conference created a dialogue between the two sides at the height of the Cold War.

Cole worked with Keyssar on numerous projects during her time at UCSD and commented on the joy she got out of seeing the two sides sit down and talk without any tension.

Social activism found its way into much of Keyssar's work. Mukerji commented on how Keyssar always felt that the per-

sonal is political. While teaching in the South, she worked on the civil rights movement. She even helped organize part of the funeral parade for Martin Luther King, Jr.

Keyssar's belief and drive for social justice led to her thesis and first book, "The Curtain and the Veil: Strategies of Black Drama." Additionally, her role in the feminist movement led to feminist theater. Throughout her career she received many grants and awards, including fellowships from the MacArthur Foundation on International Peace and Security and the Rockefeller Foundation.

Keyssar, a prolific writer of books and for film, theater and television, is survived by her husband, Tracy Strong, a UCSD political science professor, and her children, David Franke and Anise Strong, her sister Judith Redwing and her brother Alex Keyssar.

A memorial service will be held Feb. 17 at 3:30 p.m. at the UCSD International House.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the UCSD Foundation - Attn: Helene Keyssar Fund, and sent to Paul Drake, Dean of Social Sciences, SSB 502, UCSD, La Jolla, CA 92093.

Anti-Zionism:

Political Science chair will speak on Friday

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about Neve Shalom/Wahat al-Salam, a village in Israel established jointly by Jews and Palestinian Arabs of Israeli citizenship and engaged in educational work for peace, equality and understanding between the two peoples. Thursday's program will take place from 7:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. in Center Hall, room 101.

Friday's speaker, Sanford Lakoff, the founding chair of UCSD's department of political science, will speak after Shabbat services and dinner about the history of Zionism and Israel, as well as the broader political situation in the Middle East. Friday's program will take place from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the International Center.

Strauss said this week's programs have focused and will focus on a "future paved with peace, tolerance, mutual understanding and respect."

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UCSD Committee Strips Students of Essential Rights

As of this academic year, UCSD students are prohibited from retaining legal representation in administrative hearings of misconduct. By revising section 22.17.16.13 of the Student Code of Conduct, the Student Regulations Revision Committee — which, despite its name, is composed largely of administrators and staff — has struck a blow to the rights we have as students to defend ourselves against any university accusation of wrongdoing.

The *Guardian* condemns any practice of restricting the ways in which students can affect potentially pivotal events in their academic lives. In a process that can have a significant negative impact on people's lives, a process in which students' academic futures can be at stake, no option should be denied students for their own defense.

After the university got burned by the American Civil Liberties Union and its March 1999 lawsuit on behalf of UCSD student Ben Shapiro to revise the campus posting policy, the university took over a year-and-a-half to actually change the policy despite a federal court order to do so.

Despite the university's "oversight" in enforcing a federal court order protecting students' freedom of speech, it certainly did not fail to promptly thereafter rescind UCSD students' right to have legal representation in administrative reviews allowed them since 1978, when the Student Code of Conduct was drafted. It seems the university is more concerned with curtailing students' rights than it is with defending them.

It is clear to the *Guardian* that students' rights are not getting the priority they deserve at UCSD. The new policy certainly does not benefit students, in that students accused of wrongdoing will not be permitted to have professionally trained representation protecting their rights. Student advocates — who are valuable resources in these situations — simply have not been through the years of schooling attorneys have, and they should not be the only option the accused have.

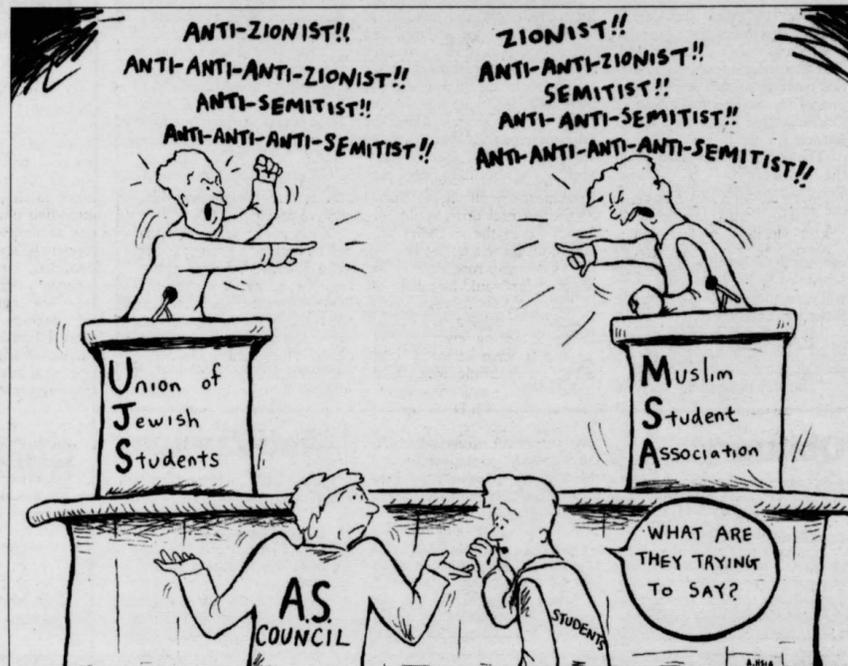
It is the view of the *Guardian* that nobody should dictate to students who are being accused of an offense how they should go about defending their own rights and interests.

PROPS & FLOPS

 Thumbs up to the addition of approximately 150 'S' spots in the new Torrey Pines parking structure.

 Thumbs down to Valentine's Day for inflating the price of flowers, chocolates and those annoying stuffed teddy bears

OPINION



Austin Hsia/Guardian

Leadership Requires Staying True to Both Voters and Personal Principles

The resignation of A.S. Programmer Cassandra Williams reminds students that defending one's principles requires as much strength as fulfilling duties

By JACOB WASSERMAN
 Staff Writer

Dear Littles and Germinates,
 I was in the Round Table courtyard last spring when they announced the winners of the A.S. elections. I remember watching many faces light up with the Aurora Borealis of the victor, or freeze into the sporting grin of the also-ran. I remember the indrawn breath, and the ripples of applause, and the handshakes. I remember Doc Khaleghi's near aneurysm after his upset presidential victory. I remember Eugene Mahmoud's solemn triumph, as he accepted the post of Vice President External with his head bowed and his arms raised high. Most of all, I remember Cassandra Williams' shriek of joy, and her explosion of physical activity. I swear she jumped high enough to see right into the third-floor office that had just become hers. She landed spinning, thanking and hugging every one in arms' reach.

Forget that new Triton mascot. Who knew that the Tasmanian She-Devil went to our school? And whose bright idea was it to put her in charge of all A.S. events as our commissioner of programming? And who knew she would do so good a job? And how could we let her quit?

If you missed last week's A.S. Council Meeting — and most of you did — let me fill you in. I'll start by giving you an idea of what A.S. Council meetings are like: lots of odd references and comments that might be inside jokes or absurd blather, with a few traces of phrases suggesting insight.

You squint and peer through the bureaucratic murk of meaning, and suddenly, ahh, there! A sudden fountain-head erupts from the spy woman at the microphone: Williams says she cannot continue in her post due to irreconcilable conflicts between the realpolitik of A.S. events planning and the dictates of her religion and morality and conscience.

In her own words: "Officially resigning the position of programmer, I feel obliged to tell you the reasons for this decision. Since before I ran for this position, my family warned me that I would be alarmed about some of the things I saw and that I would either have to compromise my morals or compromise my duties to the office. Of course, I didn't listen and I took the position."
 "From the beginning, I was shown some of the darker sides of life. Many people in the industry have tried to sue me, breached contracts with me, harassed and abused me and my friends. This may seem as though I want to live

Perhaps if more people were as strong as Williams, the support could have been there to actually change circumstances and prevent the loss of a great member of Associated Students ... she has chosen the path that should command ... respect.

in a bubble of purity, and honestly, I hope it does look that way. You may feel that this is stupid, but Fall Fest was the first time that I was ever exposed to marijuana while I was backstage.

"For months I have been having many personal conflicts between my job and my moral standards. As my mom warned me, one or the other would have to go. Even though I was a proponent of Club Ritmo, and I still hope that the students will enjoy weekend entertainment, I have many issues with the fact that alcohol is served at Porter's Pub during the club's operation. I've just been struggling for so long, and it has definitely resulted in me not desiring to go to my office, to have anything to do with programming at all."

Lord Acton wrote that power tends to corrupt, but said nothing about how power tends to cling. Nobody likes leaving a job half finished, especially when it means giving up a significant amount of authority, extra-especially when that authority comes hand-in-hand with responsibilities to people who voted for you over somebody else. Holding power and staying uncorrupted pales in comparison to the challenge of letting go of the reins when the time comes.

Williams faced both these challenges and prevailed. Don't take it from me alone! Read what Matt Powell, our vice president of finance, had to say: "A.S. is probably one of the most conflicted groups on campus. Members of A.S. regularly face the trial of living out their values in a system with political jockeying and duplicity. Some of the positions even force people into value judgments they never would have anticipated when running. Williams' decision to step down was one of the best ways of dealing with this conflict that I have ever seen. This campus could use more leaders like Williams who are willing to stand firm in their convictions. Perhaps if more people were as strong as Williams, the support could have been there to actually change circumstances and prevent the loss of a great member of Associated Students. As it is, she has chosen the path that should command the respect of those who voted for her last spring."

Some of you gossip-mongers may now be slathering for more details. You won't get them from me. Go and seek her out, if you need to know Williams' exact denomination, actual experiences or other particulars.

I don't think it's any of our business. She made a statement of personal principles, standing firm on her own two feet, and it is this act that earns her my respect, admiration and praise.

It's not that I agree with her about the

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Coping with Loving but Neurotic Parents Baffles Middle Child



I am convinced that all students at UCSD at some point in their lives have wished that they had different parents. The idea crosses my mind a few times each year when I struggle to comprehend why it was my luck (or lack of it) to be my parents' second and most neglected child (at least in my view).

I know some people might think I should be grateful for my parents — they are for the most part loving, intelligent and responsible creatures — but a little part of me resents them for being so tormenting.

A recent incident in San Diego, in which I was stranded in the cold for more than two hours because my car wouldn't start, is testimony to my unhappiness with their neurotic behavior.

Normal parents would have been concerned for their child's safety. My parents wanted to know what light I had left on in the car that could have caused

the battery to fail. Normal parents would have comforted their child with sweet words and encouragement. My parents told me to call my uncle in Los Angeles and ask him for help (as if he could have somehow tele-transported like an alien on "Star Trek"). Normal parents would have arranged for a tow truck company to jump-start the car. My parents told me to take my apartment key off my key chain so the tow truck driver would not attack me in the middle of the night, when I was fast asleep.

As my anger rose, elevating to a point that would have put the hot geysers at Yellowstone to shame, I struggled to restrain from screaming every epithet known to man at my parents who, in an ironic twist, were actually losing patience with me. Worse, my Ph.D.-possessing father suddenly began to pound me with a swift succession of irritating and illogical questions.

The worst was, "Where are you exactly on the freeway?" to which my exasperated reply was, "Dad, how can I be on the freeway when I just told you the car is stuck in the parking lot of an apartment building?"

Don't get me wrong. I'm not

an ungrateful brat (at least not most of the time), but how is it possible for me to be a perfect child when I don't have perfect parents?

Perhaps what bothers me most is that my parents are unabashedly, shamelessly fair. Most students would not have a problem with that. In fact, they would probably hunt me down and chastise me for writing a diatribe against crazy (but essentially good) people.

Yet, I have come to realize that my parents don't worship me, which is a sign that either A) they hate me or B) they're mature. Being mature is a good thing, but not when it is at the expense of a sweet, darling and innocent middle child (that's me, readers).

A little while ago, when I received an angry condemnation from an individual, I ran to my parents, deeply hurt. Their response, "It's what you deserved."

Sadly, I realized my parents weren't being sadistic. They were just taking his side in order to point out to me how he must have felt in that situation. I ranted and raved about the unfair-

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Hypocritical Government Acts in the Name of Profit

Capitalistic tendencies cannot outweigh society's obligation to each citizen

By VISHAL PATEL
 Contributing Opinion Writer

A story I heard recently made me think about the country we live in ... actually the capitalistic society that revolves around us. There is no doubting that most

that the dealer should not have sold him the drugs, for the dealer was aware of the individual's addiction. The dealer should have ceased selling because the addiction was bringing harm to the user.

Now, negligence as defined by the courts is any conscious action that affects the well-being of another human. So it seems that the crack user would have viable grounds for his case.

However, I hear in my mind the many readers laughing at this man and me, for believing he should be allowed to sue.

I must admit, it does seem a little ludicrous that a drug addict should sue his dealer for negligence. After all, the drug user is the one who got himself into his mess; he should have no

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Hypocrisy: Society must look out for the well-being of citizens

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one to blame but himself. But here is where it gets a little iffy. As absurd as this man's case seems, one should realize that the federal government of the United States similarly sued a drug dealer for negligence. Only in that case, the company was the tobacco industry.

"The tobacco industry!" you say. "What does that have to do with crack dealers?" Well, the tobacco industry and its consumers are analogous to the crack dealer litigation. America sued the tobacco industry on the basis that it sells a product that is addictive to its user, and ultimately causes harm.

The government said, just like in the drug user's case, the tobacco industry was acting negligently when considering the health of its consumers. I pose this question: Why does it seem preposterous when the drug user sues his drug dealer, but not when the government sues the tobacco industry?

Some may argue that the tobacco industry was aware of the effects of nicotine, and thus it increased doses to assure profits from addicted cigarette smokers. This knowledge of the effects of nicotine should be enough cause to stop production for the industry to further research and notify its consumers.

It is this negligence for which the government sues. But this does not show that the drug case is less reasonable than the tobacco case. The drug dealer also relies on the addictive effects of crack

or cocaine to make profits as a dealer. Again, I wonder why one case seems more rational than the other.

Some also argue that the difference between the two cases is the differentiation in the selling of legal and illegal goods. The tobacco industry sells a legal product, therefore if it is discovered that this product is harmful, the tobacco industry should halt the sale of this product.

In the end, I wonder when Americans will start owning up to their actions, while preserving the capitalistic nature which has brought us so far ... Americans seem to want both the benefits of capitalism and the freedom and safety provided to us by the Constitution.

Also, the user of the illegal drug is taking a risk in using this drug if he knows it is illegal. He leaves all responsibility to himself, for he is the ultimate determinant.

This argument, however, fails for it does not consider the fact that both of the goods sold are similar in their addictive qualities. Ultimately, both goods are the same substance, for they cause harm and are addictive, and the consumer is taking a risk by using either.

In the end, I wonder when Americans will start owning up

to their actions, while preserving the capitalistic nature that has brought us so far? These cases have shown that Americans seem to want both the benefits of capitalism and the freedom and safety provided to us by the Constitution. These benefits include the joys of smoking a cigarette and the profit gained from selling it.

However, with these benefits comes the harm from the smoke and the ultimate lawsuit and attempted suppression of one of America's oldest and strongest companies. Ultimately, these desires cause hypocrisy to form in our values, as shown with the cases above.

This hypocrisy arises from our acceptance of tobacco companies into American society, for they, like all of us, are in the pursuit of money.

However, when we discover something hazardous about the product, we immediately blame the company. We then allow ourselves to destroy this industry. When the man of Vancouver tries to do the same to his drug dealer, we laugh at him.

In one case, America tells a man to be responsible for his actions, but in the other, America says the company, not the consumer, is to blame. Thus, we become hypocrites whose capitalistic sense drives us to look out for only ourselves and not the well-being of all people.

Ultimately, we must realize that man must stay true to all his brothers and sisters. After all, as John Donne said, "No man is an island, entire of itself; every man is a piece of the continent, a part of the main." So we must care for all man with equality and reason, and not let money decide the fate of our actions.

Resignation: Officer resigns rather than compromise morals

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dangers of drug use. I'm not even sure that I do. Williams inspires me by her demonstrated willingness to make sacrifices for the sake of her principles. We all need a moral compass ... we also all need to know how to follow it.

Some attest that here at UCSD we stroll daily through a playground of sin. Maybe you don't prescribe to such a concept, and maybe I don't either, but the fact remains that ours is a community riddled with lax morality.

When was the last time you stood up in a group and said "I have no power to stop you, but I believe that act is wrong?" When was the last time you witnessed a wrong, be it a tipsy drive to the store and back, a racist or sexist joke, or the kid next to you cheating off your exam, and took that leap of self confidence necessary to express your disapproval? Too many times I have looked the other way, knowing that this is San Diego, and nobody likes a fuss down here.

None of us approves of apathy, none of us accepts the foolish notion that because this is the

south (just as much as Texas) things are different here.

And yet we do not stand up for our beliefs. To stand against the silent crowd of so many other unvoiced opinions requires a strength and purity of inner vision, a clarity that is hard to come by amid the collegiate chaos.

Rabbi Lisa Goldstein, one of our campus ministers, notes another challenge students face. "College years have such potential; often for the first time in their lives students are deeply confronted with different values systems and new ways of seeing the world. They have the opportunity to test the systems of morality in which they were raised and make decisions about the directions for their life paths. Whether those decisions are informed by thoughtful reflection or by peer pressure often depends on the individual's level of awareness."

If there's anything you have learned from our recently resigned A.S. programming commissioner, it should be that we cannot underestimate the importance of awareness and clarity. Lacking them, you run in circles around yourself. Possessing them, you can match thought to deed and thus free (or save) your soul. Williams found them and took action. And so she is my hero.

Column:

Dealing with parents' behavior irritates daughter

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ness of it all, and angrily accused my parents of liking a stranger more than they liked me, their own child. But after much sulking and brooding, I realized my parents

were right. That realization annoyed me even more.

It's not a good thing when you realize your parents are better human beings than you are. It doesn't mean however, that I'm not still thinking of trading my parents for others. If there's anyone out there who wants two caring adults (potential downside: They tell extremely corny jokes) please contact me. I just hope it's a fair trade.

Israel's Commitment to P E A C E

At the signing of the Oslo Accords in 1993, Israel and the Palestinian Authority agreed "that it is time to put an end to decades of confrontation and conflict, recognize their mutual legitimate and political rights, and strive to live in peaceful coexistence and mutual dignity and security and achieve a just, lasting and comprehensive peace settlement and historic reconciliation through the agreed political process."

As a result of post-Oslo negotiations, Israel has taken the following steps:

- Israel has withdrawn from 40% of the West Bank.
- Israel has handed over full civilian control of over 80% of the Palestinian population to the Palestinian Authority.
- Israel has equipped the Palestinian police force with thousands of weapons, expecting that they would be a force for peace.

What has Israel offered in recent negotiations?

- A Palestinian state.
- Compensation for refugees.
- Withdrawal from an additional 45% of the West Bank.

What does Israel ask for in return?

- Peace and security.
- Recognition of its right to exist.
- Retention of 5% of the West Bank.

Sources: Declaration of Principles on Interim Self-Government Arrangements September 13, 1993
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Christian Religion is at the Center of Texas Faith-Based Aid

AUSTIN, Texas — President George W. Bush set off a national debate last week on the separation of church and state by proposing to do nationally what he did as Texas governor — direct taxpayer money to religious organizations for social services for the poor, the neglected and the addicted.

In Texas, Bush's record is a mix of success and controversy, with the line between government and religion blurred at times. But while Bush's proposals have been directed at all faiths, the orientation in Texas has been almost exclusively Christian.

However, there is no doubt that thousands of Texans have benefited in the past three years from government funding of faith-based social service and job training programs.

The Texas Department of Human Services in the past two years has awarded \$6.9 million to something called Innovation Projects, an outgrowth of the state's 1995 welfare reform.

Innovation Projects funding has

paid for social services contracts and grants to 29 community groups made up of secular and religious organizations. The programs provide services to more than 6,500 poor Texans, particularly women and children.

In the past year, the Texas Workforce Commission, the state agency handling job development and unemployment benefits, has awarded \$3.1 million in contracts to 15 faith-based organizations aiding mothers on welfare. The services include child care and training in skills that will get the women off welfare.

In the state prison outside the Houston suburb of Sugar Land there is a New Testament-based prison redemption program, the InnerChange Freedom Initiative, founded by Watergate figure Chuck Colson. Since it was launched in 1997, 80 men have been paroled after completing at least 16 months of InnerChange, and only five have wound up back in prison.

While it is too early to tell if the

numbers from InnerChange will stand the test of time, the program appears favorable when compared to normal prison recidivism rates of 50 percent.

There also has been controversy.

Civil libertarians sued the state, claiming an Innovation Project in the central Texas town of Brenham called Jobs Partnership of Washington County crossed the line of church and state separation. The allegations were that it mixed proselytizing about Jesus Christ with its official task of teaching life-coping skills to welfare mothers.

The controversial alternative certification of eight religiously-based child-care facilities in Corpus Christi has been blighted by a criminal investigation into the People's Baptist Church and Ministries Children's Homes and a lifetime ban on providing child care by the director of the Rebekah Home for Girls.

— R.G. Ratcliffe
Houston Chronicle

Last-Minute Court Ruling Requires Electricity Generator to Sell to California

SACRAMENTO — Warning that the state was headed for more rolling blackouts, power grid operators won a last-minute court ruling Tuesday that temporarily requires a major electricity generator to sell to California.

A U.S. Department of Energy order that required out-of-state generators to sell to California was set to expire late Tuesday, and President Bush had vowed not to extend the order.

The Independent System Operator, which oversees the power grid, requested a temporary restraining order forcing Houston-based Reliant Energy Services Inc. to continue selling power to the state.

U.S. District Court Judge Frank C. Damrell Jr. said not issuing the order could cause "obvious, irreparable harm to the public and the ISO was likely to win on the merits of the case."

His order remains in effect until 3 p.m. Wednesday when further hearings will be held. Two other generators, Dynegy Power Corp. and AES Pacific Inc., were targeted by the ISO's court action, but they agreed to temporarily sell more power and are not subject to the court order.

Damrell said the generators were refusing to honor a long-standing federal requirement that they continue delivering electricity to the state during power emergencies.

Meanwhile, Gov. Gray Davis said Tuesday that his administration had reached agreement on the first batch of long-term energy contracts that will be purchased with \$10 billion in revenue bonds approved by state lawmakers last week.

Davis appeared to dismiss the ISO's court action during a CNN interview, calling it a "tempest in a teapot."

But Charles Robinson, general counsel for the ISO, said long-term contracts "might address a large part of the problem" but will not fix it entirely.

"We still have to purchase in real time," Robinson said.

In other developments Tuesday: — A statewide Stage Three alert continued and was expected to remain in effect Wednesday.

— California's natural-gas shortage remained a pressing concern. Suppliers of as much as two-thirds of PG&E's gas needs have either halted shipments or warned they will do so unless offered cash

up front by the cash-poor utility. Staci Homrig, a PG&E spokeswoman, said no contracts had been signed by last night, although five suppliers had agreed to negotiate future sales.

— Officials said California has spent \$746 million to buy electricity on the volatile spot market since January 17.

Of that amount, \$200 million comes from a new authorization of \$500 million in a new power-buying law Davis signed just six days ago.

The Davis administration predicts the new \$500 million will be exhausted by Valentine's Day and yesterday sent a letter to lawmakers saying it plans to spend an additional \$500 million.

By the end of February, taxpayers will have spent more than \$1.5 billion to buy power for Pacific Gas & Electric and Southern California Edison.

"They're burning through this money like there's no tomorrow," said Sen. Ross Johnson, R-Irvine. "We're going through this \$500 million like a hot knife through butter."

—Lynda Gledhill
The New York Times

Marriage:

25 members attended the prayer ceremony

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community over whether such church ceremonies are proper.

A few denominations with progressive traditions wholeheartedly support such unions, while most do not, often citing biblical injunctions against homosexuality.

The United Methodist Church defrocked a North Carolina minister, the Rev. Jimmy Creech, in 1999 for marrying several same-sex couples. Another Methodist pastor, the Rev. Gregory Dell, recently ended a one-year suspension in Chicago after blessing same-sex unions.

The religious coalition, formed in 1998, issued a declaration calling for civil recognition of gay and lesbian marriages and now counts about 300 individual clergy and churches as supporters.

Signers include members of the United Methodist, Roman Catholic and American Baptist churches, as well as Unitarian Universalists, Reform Jews, Quakers and Episcopalians.

of the Evangelical Catholic Church in America, a reform Catholic faith community.

"I am a pastor to people who are gay and lesbian," said the Rev. Reine Abele, a United Church of Christ minister. "I want to affirm their relationship and acknowledge that God has called them."

Abele was among about 25 members of the Religious Coalition for the Freedom to Marry who gathered Tuesday at St. Paul's for a prayer meeting.

They made plans to observe Monday's National Freedom to Marry Day, a nationwide effort by gay rights and religious organizations under the sponsorship of Lambda Legal Defense to draw attention to the fight for same-sex marriages.

Forrest and an increasing number of clergy of all denominations say they are merely tending to their flocks' spiritual needs.

These pastors say they bless same-sex unions because God does not discriminate, and therefore religions should not.

"If we are going to give true witness to social justice and peace, and be as unconditional and inclusive as Jesus was in his ministry, then we have to embrace and celebrate the presence of God in every person," said Bishop James Wilkowski

— Samantha Sommer
The New York Times

Jerusalem:

Sharon felt the city should not be shared

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as the Temple Mount and to Muslims as the Noble Sanctuary.

That hilltop holy site was at the heart of the failed Camp David peace talks in July. It is a centuries-old mosque compound that Israel controls, but where it cedes day-to-day management to Palestinian Muslim leaders. The compound was once the site of the central Jewish temple, destroyed in 70 A.D.

Sharon's September visit to that disputed compound was answered by Palestinian riots that evolved into more than four months of fighting killing nearly 400 people, about 85 percent of them Palestinians.

Sharon did not head toward the sacred hilltop mosque compound Wednesday, but stayed at the base of the Wall, the customary Jewish prayer spot. He prayed for a few minutes while Orthodox Jews, many in customary black dress suits and fedoras, looked on and took pictures.

According to one of the political supporters with him, Sharon read silently from biblical Psalm 122, offering a prayer for Jerusalem: "May there be peace within your walls and security within your citadels."

Peace and security were central themes in Sharon's campaign, but victory leaves him facing huge tasks.

— Larry Kaplow
The New York Times

Four Walls Provide Little Solace in Anjar's Killing Grounds

ANJAR, India — Will you remember me? 14-year-old Bhavika Vegad asked peering straight into my camera, the smile disappearing from her face.

How could I not? Bhavika's world was turned upside down when a Jan. 26 earthquake leveled her city. And I was there to bear witness.

All around her, relatives, friends, classmates and teachers perished under the concrete and bricks that tumbled to the ground the day the earth roared in Anjar.

Six days later, a sprightly Bhavika roamed the rubble-filled streets, shielding her nose from the

dust and dodging the debris in her path. She followed me from a temporary clinic and shelter halfway to the devastated Mistry Fairlyu neighborhood.

"I miss going to school," she said in almost perfect English. "I miss my friends and teachers."

No one knew when Bhavika would be able to return to school. Anjar has 65,000 residents. And the only thing left here is misery.

Now the journalists have started to leave Gujarat state. The relief agencies are also temporary. But Bhavika's life has changed forever.

And, yet, in the midst of Gujarat's tragedy, her face was a ray

of hope — an inspiration to begin healing.

When I first arrived in Ahmedabad, the former state capital that has roughly the same population as Atlanta, the scale of the devastation eluded me. The airport in this industrial center is located in an area that was largely spared.

It was two days after the massive tremor. It was midnight. I had been traveling for almost 24 hours.

I felt lucky that I had been able to reserve a hotel room in a city suddenly bursting at the seams with media, dignitaries and relief workers. All I wanted was the comfort of a clean bed.

The first sign that something was terribly wrong struck me as the auto-rickshaw made its way deeper into the heart of Ahmedabad. So many people were out in the streets — some of them sleeping under the stars, others too scared to close their eyes.

When I arrived at the hotel, the deep fissures in the wall made me wonder whether I, too, might not be better off sleeping in the street.

"This hotel is not safe," the auto-rickshaw driver said.

That was all it took. That first night I slept in a dump across from the railway station. But it was a dump without cracks in the walls.

— Moni Baso
The New York Times

Collegiate:

The meeting itself was an achievement

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and Science, Anne Salo.

Though the recognition of gender inequity may be nothing new, solutions have been hard to come by.

According to the American Association of University Professors, the salary gap between male and female professors has increased by 3.3 percent since 1975.

Now, female professors earn 12.5 percent less than men.

This quantification put a number to a feeling that women have held for years.

"There's definitely a sense that it's more difficult to get things accomplished as a woman," Salo said.

— The California Aggie

Harvard Researcher Cracks Down on College Alcohol

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Henry Wechsler's name is synonymous with college drinking.

In 1993 — four years before Scott Krueger drank himself to death at an MIT fraternity — the Harvard School of Public Health researcher's landmark College Alcohol Study showed binge drinking on college campuses was far more extensive than anyone believed and [who... needs subject?] initiated a nationwide crackdown on student-binge

drinking.

"Our society has taken alcohol as a rite of passage," Wechsler said. "It's like living next to a fish factory — after a while you don't smell it any more."

However, a core group of researchers and college administrators attack both the accuracy of Wechsler's studies and the thinking that underlies them.

They say Wechsler's definition of binge drinking is inherently flawed and classifies too many students as problem drinkers.

In an even more serious charge, they say Wechsler's strategy of emphasizing the extent of drinking on college campuses has backfired.

Instead of reducing the level of college drinking, they say, Wechsler has convinced students that bingeing is socially acceptable and has actually increased the number of students who drink to excess.

Despite the widespread publicity of his views, Wechsler's critics charge that his definition of binge drinking — five drinks for a man and four for a woman — is inherently flawed.

They say it has no scientific basis, fails to account for a significant number of other factors that influence the physiological effects of alcohol use, and classifies too many students as problem drinkers.

Since Wechsler's first study, students have become increasingly polarized in their drinking habits. College campuses have seen fewer moderate drinkers and larger numbers of heavy bingers and abstainers.

—Harvard Crimson

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more than the eye

Nostalgia: Cartoons that defined our childhood

We can all remember a time when we were young and sat glossy-eyed and transfixed in front of the television. OK, so maybe some of us still do that now, but back then, our short attention spans were completely diverted to our favorite cartoons. "The Smurfs," "Thundercats" and "Rambow Bright" were immensely popular with boys and girls when we were young, and we stared in awe as they passed off corny plotlines and cheesy dialogue as wholesome entertainment.

Cartoons have evolved a lot since then, but alas, it was too late for me. I personally blame the old cartoons of the '80s for permanently destroying millions of my brain cells with such animated catastrophes as "Superfriends" and "GoBots." Actually, the cartoons of today should also be held responsible for the idiocy of American youth with shows like "Digimon: Digital Monsters" and "Sabrina: The Animated Series." These programs look and move a lot better than their older counterparts, but the premise of all cartoons remains the same: to provide kids with mindless entertainment.

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story by randy lie/staff writer

filmreview



King: Freddie Prinze Jr. is the king of the silver screen along with co-star Monica Potter in the romantic drama "Head Over Heels."

Hard to fall head over heels with this film, even with Freddie Prinze Jr. playing the lead

By LISS ANDA
Staff Writer

The quality of a film is often negatively correlated with the number of genres it tries to straddle. "Head over Heels" could be described as a romantic-crazy-drama-comedy with action elements.

It is the concept of one "girl next door" (Monica Potter) living with four models, and she just happens to be good-looking herself. OK, fine. This is America, after all.

Add living across the road from the vague exhibitionist Mr. Perfect (Freddie Prinze Jr.), who may or may not be a serial killer. Then progress to pile up the clichés at a higher rate than your average Bon Jovi lyric.

A sense of humor based on bodily functions and discharges can make for funny films. It's just that it's been done so much funnier, so many times before. That goes for every potential laugh-inducing element of this film: the makeover scene ("Clueless"), the spying on neighbors ("Friends") and the list just goes on.

In the last instance, the film suffers from

trying to do everything at once and never really manages to achieve anything. The only thing it has built to excess is the melodrama with quivering lips and knees.

The action scene has been toned down to an insipid level. The models try to act but become, at best, caricatures of themselves next to the more developed main characters.

Guys, they don't even have breasts, cause they're models, and models are too skinny to produce any luscious cleavage to speak of.

I tried to amuse myself by reading meaning into the Kate Moss-skinny script, but to no avail — unless the statements "Women can't be both beautiful and smart at the same time; they need men to save them" and "Men with foreign accents are villains" count as anything worthy of "meaning." To me they don't.

If you do have an irresistible urge to expose yourself to this film, at least hold back until it's released on video, so you can cringe in the comfort of your own home. Or alternatively, go on Valentine's Day, because here's your chance to make out in the dark cinema without missing anything at all.

'The Invisible Circus' shows the dark side of the 1960s but is a bit unconvincing

By LISS ANDA
Staff Writer

"The Invisible Circus" portrays a dark side of the '60s, when drug abuse and political radicalism had become a substitute for real confrontation of the self. Sadly, it fails to be as much of an impact as it could have been. It is difficult to determine exactly why, but it is simply a bit unconvincing.

The film attempts to portray people coming to terms with an unforgiving past, the necessity and impossibility of letting it go, and how simple and draining it is to maintain a false memory of something lost.

Phoebe, played by Jordana Brewster, is an 18-year-old who leaves home to explore the circumstances of her idolized sister's suicide, which happened almost a decade before. Brewster captures the idealistic, self-centered perspective of someone that age, torn between realization and denial, childhood and adulthood.

Cameron Diaz does a decent job in her part as the sensation-seeking Faith through-

out the film's countless flashbacks, although I have personally seen her in one too many crazy comedies to lend her credibility of the sort required by her character.

The best acting is by Christopher Eccleston, who for the most part, lends genuine depth to the character Wolfe, who ends up the lover of both sisters in an attempt to reconcile his contribution to the puzzle of Faith's death.

Here's what I think happened to this film: They shot it, showed it to a focus group that expressed concern about numerous elements, hence it went back and was re-edited. That would at least explain how the story flows seamlessly at times and then suddenly starts chopping like the motor of a poor student's car.

For those of us who have been around Europe a bit, there is amusement to be gained from playing "spot the location." And, if you ever had doubts about whether going on Interral as a bohemian, fantastic experience, well, here's your answer: Too bad we missed the sixties.

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To Some They're Still Giant

Only the diehard fans showed up to support They Might Be Giants even with recent airplay

By MICHAEL TURNER
Staff Writer

Alternative band They Might Be Giants played to an enthusiastic but diminutive crowd at San Diego's 4th and B. Last year the band toured to commemorate the 10-year anniversary of their album, "Flood."

The 2001 tour is in reaction to the high turnout they received last year, yet last Sunday's San Diego show did not sell out despite the band's recent notoriety as the performers of the theme song to the sitcom "Malcolm in the Middle."

The band catered to an audience composed of overwhelmingly die-hard fans by playing a good number of their older and more bizarre songs and B-sides like "Minimum Wage" and "Fingertips" along with such hits as "Don't Let's Start" and "Particle Man."

The band's principal members John Linell and John Flansburgh, and their three back-up musicians — all named Dan — still managed to keep the crowd on its toes, introducing five unreleased songs and lapsing into improv segments.

At several points the musicians facetiously emulated free jazz and incorporated the audience into the performance in a command-response relationship.

These moments of spontaneity lent the show to a sense of freshness despite the fact that the audience could sing along with nearly all the material. But all too obvious was evidence of the alleged rivalry between Linell and Flansburgh.

While Flansburgh, the rhythm guitarist, exhibited the



Giants: Members of alternative rock band, They Might Be Giants, stand tall.

as it moves into a slightly more jovial attitude that the band is known for in his on-stage banter, Linell stood behind the keyboard and performed with a self-mocking tone.

The two seldom made eye contact, even when they were alone on stage. This didn't disappoint the crowd, as the band was coaxed out for two encores.

But the conclusion the audience seemed to draw was that after 17 years and multiple permutations, the band might be losing some of its original gusto

as it moves into a slightly more commercial sphere.

Fortunately, the focus of this tour is the commemoration of that which set the band apart from the beginning.

While the band is producing material that looks less and less like what made them famous, they've proven that they can still rock like they did almost two decades ago. If you're not familiar with TMBG material, check out their greatest hits album, "Severe Tire Damage"

Breakdown to Heartbreaks at Porters Pub

At Heartbreaks, you can expect to find yourself in Heaven and Hell in the Pub

By JOSEPH LEE
Hiatus Editor

The UCSD DJs and Vinylphiles Club will launch its first event of the quarter at Porter's Pub, and with Valentine's Day just around the corner, it is aptly titled "Heartbreaks." With the event being exclusive to and free for UCSD students, there is hope that there will be a strong student support for the show.

Event coordinator Robin Duong hopes to see a lot of people attend the show, which will showcase new members of the DVC as well as the talents of the more experienced members. Duong is excited about the event because it will give the new members a chance to play on a large system in front of a large crowd.

Heartbreaks will feature two areas of music, themed "Heaven" and "Hell." The Heaven area will be located inside the Pub and appropriately decorated with angels, stars, clouds and other

Heaven-esque themes. Hell, of course, brings out the darker side with devils, fire and brimstone.

The contrasting themes in the areas also separate the styles of music. Heaven is focused more on house, breaks and NU-NRG, while Hell has an obviously darker mood with jungle and hardcore DJs.

Capacity is limited to 500 and early arrival is suggested. The event is free for UCSD students and there is no need to obtain tickets before the event — just show up with your student ID. This is most likely the DVC's only event this quarter.

AREA 1: HEAVEN (House, breaks and NU-NRG)

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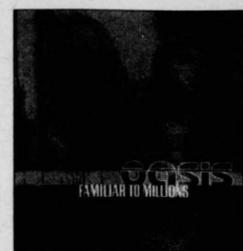
AREA 2: HELL (Jungle and hardcore)

Crime Lab (Tag Team: Crazy and Otterpop), Degenerate, DJ Elated, DJ XL, Flip! and AlterEgo.



Kristin Withersby/Guardian

albumreview



Oasis
"Familiar to Millions"
Big Brother

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Amid all the fighting between brothers and band mates, a new bass player and a new guitar player and getting kicked off airlines and canceling tours, Oasis still stands as one of the best live acts in music

today.

Their last two studio albums, "Be Here Now" and "Standing on the Shoulder of Giants," seem overproduced and layered with just one too many guitars. They seem like they are trying too hard. But with their recent live album "Familiar to Millions," Oasis prove that they are more than just a studio band trying too hard.

This two-disc set shows off the raw talent and energy of Oasis pumped through Noel Gallagher's Marshall stack amps. You can feel the electricity as throngs of people at the famous Wembley Stadium chant "Oasis! Oasis!" until a massive applause greets the opening bars of "Fucking in the Bushes," an instrumental guitar solo that simply rocks.

The return to the band's more rock roots show that they are defined by more than just a "Wonderwall" or "Champagne Supernova."

After front man Liam Gallagher dubs the hallowed Wembley Stadium a "shit hole," they

kick off with their most recent anthems "Go Let It Out" and "Who Feels Love."

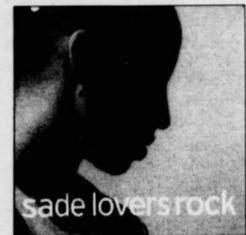
After the success of their first two albums, "Definitely Maybe" and "What's the Story (Morning Glory)," Oasis have been criticized for losing their touch with their last two studio albums. Liam makes the offhand comment, "You should write more of these songs, Noel," before heading into "Supersonic," a classic from their first album.

Oasis run through brilliant B-sides like "Acquiesce" and "Step Out" while throwing in old favorites such as "Wonderwall" and "Live Forever." All the while, Noel shows his prowess on the guitar with classic rock solos and lush riffs. Noel stands as one of the most underrated lead guitar players.

Forget about the canceled tours, the fist fighting and Liam's insatiable urge to kick Robbie Williams' arse. This live album shows off the band's gorgeous melodies and the inherent ability of

Oasis to completely capture an audience."

—Joseph Lee



Sade
"Lovers Rock"
Epic Records

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The woman who fueled the '80s with casual sex and slicked-back hair is back after a near

decade of self-imposed seclusion. Helen Folsade Adu, otherwise known as Sade, follows her 1992 "Love Deluxe" (which carried the hit "No Ordinary Love") with "Lovers Rock," an album that masterfully blends her soulful voice with today's electronic rhythms.

Soft saxophones give way to delicate acoustic licks in classic fashion. But the album also offers some recent flare with beats master-stroked by Massive Attack and Everything But the Girl, helping propel the diva's pipes into the 21st century.

All in all, however, the tone and temperament on "Lovers Rock" remains resolutely the same, from the lush melancholy of "King of Sorrow" to the dub-inflected sensuality of the title track.

Seemingly negligible lyrics come across as distant and loveless, making the words just as palpable and delicious as the music. More than worth its price.

—David Lee

Toys:

G.I. J.O.E and My Little Pony now on DVD

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"robots in disguise," classic good-fighting-evil prototypes. It's a concept still used today — automotons that have the ability to shoot lasers with the adaptability of disguising into an inconspicuous, common vehicle, such as a Lamborghini ambulance.

But beneath the Transformers' adventures for peace on screen lay a corporate juggernaut bent on raking in cash with its subliminal half-hour toy commercial. For Hasbro, the producer of Transformers figures, it was a spectacular success.

My friends and I bought almost every robot so we could re-enact their television adventures without 1:100 scale models of the patriarchal leader Optimus Prime, the aggravating Starscream and the hilariously useless Bumblebee who, playing the perfect foil, constantly found himself in trouble. Of course, the show always gained new characters, like the "Constructions" (five earth-moving robots that made one gigantic earth-moving robot) and thus, there were more toys to buy. When Transformers were introduced in 1984, there were perhaps 30 Transformers total. By the series' end, the number grew to approximately 23,000 mechanized warriors.

Transformers episodes are being released on VHS and DVD by Kid Rhino.

But ultimately, we all know that it was the high cheese factor of these cartoons that won our hearts and brainwashed our minds. "My Little Pony" was a popular show aimed at girls that taught them how

to be, well, girls.

Petite, saccharine horses that were either painfully shy or hopeless romantics — girls were suckers for these pastel-coated equines and bought stampedes' worth of these totally immovable ponies that just posed their looking stomach-churningly cute. In the show, the ponies had three human friends — Megan, Molly and Danny — whom thanks to their opposable thumbs always saved the ponies from life-threatening danger, like being tied up in rope or being too far in the deep end.

The ponies always had celebrations and parties for no apparent reason, and incessantly preached for love and kindness until maple syrup poured from the viewers' ears. But the toys' popularity dwindled, and the ponies went straight to the glue factory.

Only "My Little Pony: The Movie" can be seen on the hard-to-find VHS by Vestron Video, and the episodes have not yet been released by Sunbow Productions.

Old cartoons have been rising in nostalgic popularity, as many series and movies are being re-released in some way or another. Oldies like "SilverHawks" (a spacey version of "Thundercats"), "Yogi Bear's Treasure Hunt" (in which all of Hanna Barbera's characters are featured), and "Chip and Dale's Rescue Rangers" are all on syndicated rerun on the Cartoon Network, Boomerang and the Disney Channel, respectively. "G.I. J.O.E: The Movie" is also now available on DVD.

It's always good to take a break to stroll down memory lane. We're older now, but we can always fondly reminisce about our young, stress-free lives when we sat too close to the television with a large bowl of Froot Loops and bathed in TV's animated glow.

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Flying Blind feature their guitar-driven power pop style at Brick by Brick. The show starts at 8 p.m. and tickets cost \$6. Call Ticketmaster to purchase tickets at (619) 220-8497.

After rising up from singing in the streets of Del Mar, **Kewyn Lettau** will play at Dizzy's in support of her new album, which covers classic Police songs. Showtimes will be at 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. and tickets cost \$12. Call (858) 270-7467 for ticket information.

9friday

Zosia is only 15 years old, but she can sing the blues. She brings her sound to Dizzy's at 8:45 p.m. Tickets are \$8. For more information call (858) 270-7467.

The **Holiday Matinee Winter Tour** will be at the Casbah. This tour will showcase some of the best indie rock bands. **Death Cab for Cutie, The**

And/Ors and The Jealous Sound will perform. The show starts at 8:30 p.m. For ticket information call (619) 232-HELL.

Scratch and Dice Raw have toured with The Roots with their human beatbox skills. They have broken off to support their solo material and they will perform at the Belly Up Tavern at 9:15 p.m. Tickets are \$15 and they can be purchased through Ticketmaster by calling (619) 220-8497.

Dave Howard is one of the premiere songwriters in San Diego. **Howard** will play his hook-laced acoustic guitar songs at the Rhythm Cafe in Oceanside. The show starts at 8 p.m. For more information call (760) 631-4466.

10saturday

Check out San Francisco blues musicians **Robben, Patrick** and **Mark Ford** at the Belly Up Tavern. These well-traveled musicians have been playing the blues since the late 1960s, backing up Charlie Musselwhite and Muddy Waters and playing in their own bands. The show starts at 9:15 p.m. Tickets cost \$12 and tickets can be purchased through Ticketmaster at (619) 220-



Every breath: **Kewyn Lettau** performs covers of classic Police songs at Dizzy's on Feb. 8 at 8 p.m.

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11sunday

As part of the Celebrity Series at the East County Performing Arts Center, **Neil Sedaka** will perform the hits that made him

famous through the '60s, '70s and '80s. Call (619) 440-2277 for more information.

14wednesday

David Lindley has grown up playing the fiddle and banjo and has performed with vari-

ous bluegrass groups. He has released three solo recordings and has played in the studio with Bob Dylan, Linda Ronstadt, James Taylor and David Crosby among others. **Lindley** will perform at the Belly Up Tavern. Tickets cost \$15. Call Ticketmaster for more information at (619) 220-8497.

UCSD CLUBSPORTS

EQUESTRIAN TEAM

The UCSD equestrian team had its final home show of the year at Clark's Ranch this weekend. As usual, the team dominated most of the categories.

Over 50 competitors came to Clark's Ranch to strut their stuff. Representatives from Cal. Poly Pomona, University of San Diego and University of Southern California were well represented.

UCSD's Stacey Sakai was clearly the star of the weekend. She took first place in both intermediate flats and intermediate fences. She also earned the title of High Point Champion Rider for Saturday.

UCSD's Heather Thurgood showed her mad skills Sunday, taking first in the intermediate flat and third over fences, earning her the High Point Champion Rider award for Sunday. Other top UCSD competitors were Lisa Calvino with a first place in open over fences, Cindy Hung with her second-place performance in Sunday's walk/trot, Maya Frank with a second spot in Saturday's novice flat, and Rachel White with a second in Sunday's intermediate flat.

Next up for the UCSD Equestrian team is the event Feb. 17 through Feb. 18 at USD's facility at Benbridge Farms.

SKI/BOARD

The last weekend in January featured a congregation of the top skiers and snowboarders at Mammoth Lakes, including those from UCSD. Other schools represented were UCLA, UC Santa Barbara and San Diego State.

The weekend was not exactly a great one as far as conditions were concerned. When the team arrived, they found their cabin

CYCLING TEAM

Last weekend, the UCSD

cycling team hosted the UCSD Grand Prix. Riders of all skill levels from different parts of the country came to compete. This is the eighth year UCSD has hosted the event.

Saturday's race was held in the mountains east of here in Boulevard. The course was a 22.4 mile hilly loop.

UCSD's Pete Knudsen lead the "A" category with a fourth-place finish. Matt Sadukuas took first in the "B" category and Eric Mellers took third in the "C" category.

For the women, Ester Merki took third in the "A" category and Sabrina Morris took third in the B category.

On Sunday, the competitors raced on a course in El Cajon. Knudson placed fourth in the men's A, Jason Goldberg took fifth in the men's B, Chris Delnegro placed first in the men's C, Sharon Smith took second in the women's A and Morris secured third in the women's B.

The weekend after next, the UCSD Cycling team travels for a competition at Claremont.

ICE HOCKEY

The UCSD ice hockey team traveled North, engaging in two fierce battles with rivals UC Davis and Sacramento State.

UCSD was successful in both ventures.

Against Davis, Andrew Jacobsen and Chris Varga gave UCSD an early 2-0 lead, but their opponents battled back to tie it.

Will Thomas scored for UCSD in the second period, but the team found themselves on the low end of a 5-3 score at the

end of the period.

The two schools traded goals, with UCSD's Scott Anderson scoring to bring his team to 6-4. Shortly after that, UCSD got going and Varga and Garen Garvey each scored to tie the game.

With three minutes left, Keith Davis finished the comeback with a shot, giving UCSD the 7-6 win.

In the game against Sacramento, however, things were a little different. UCSD exploded on offense, winning 13-0.

UCSD next hosts San Jose State Friday at 10:15 p.m. at UTC.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, Feb. 9

Ice hockey vs. San Jose State at UTC, 10:15 p.m.

Men's rugby at University of Arizona, 1 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 10

Women's lacrosse vs. UCLA at Warren Field, 1 p.m.

Women's Rugby vs. Claremont at Warren Field, 11 a.m.

Ski/board at Mammoth Mountain, all day

Ice hockey at California State University Northridge, 10:15 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 11

Men's rugby at Arizona State, 1 p.m.

Men's lacrosse at Claremont, 1 p.m.

Women's lacrosse at University of Arizona, 1 p.m.

—Compiled by Robert Fulton

Women:

Team will have a strong varsity boat this year

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want them to get as much racing experience as possible. We're really trying to fast track them. We have girls with sheer power that make up for a lot of other things."

Crew competes in an open division. All of the Division I schools have larger crew programs, but UCSD still remains competitive.

"There's definitely a gap between the top Division I schools and the top Division II schools," Pinkerton said.

As far as fellow Division II schools are concerned, UC Davis is the school to beat.

"We're at a disadvantage because Davis is at Division II," Pinkerton said. "They're a scholarship school. They have a more aggressive policy toward athletics. But I think we have as much talent as they do."

UCSD's rowers have April 28 circled in their calendars. That is the date of the Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championship.

"We will be peeking toward Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association Championship," Pinkerton said. "Last year the race was in April, which was right in the middle of the racing season. We pretty much rowed through that. It was very awkward last year."

Things are right on track for this year's crew and for the program in general, Pinkerton's second at the helm.

"I think we're moving faster," she said. "Usually it takes four years to develop a program. We have a lot of talent. Our challenge is to close the gap."

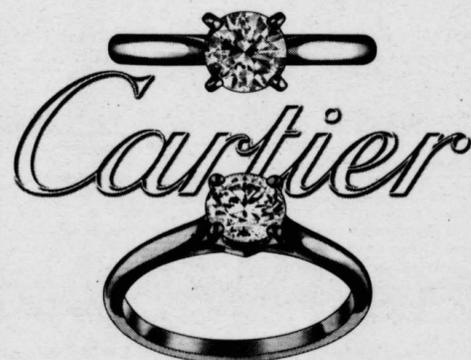
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VALENTINE EDITION FEB. 12

Men's Tennis Weekend is Feast and Famine

Tritons lose to College of the Desert, a junior college, 6-3 then bounce back to slam United States International University 9-0

By ARVIND VASAN
Staff Writer

The UCSD men's tennis team played well but fell short to a tough junior college team, College of the Desert from Palm Desert, Calif., Feb. 3.

The overall score was 6-3 in favor of the College of the Desert, but there were some highlights for the UCSD side. In singles, Sameer Chopra and Jeff Wilson won tough three-set matches, and the doubles team of senior Cory Moderhak and freshman Amir Nejad defeated the Roadrunners' No. 3 squad.

"They are a tough junior college team," Wilson said. "They found a way to win. It was a good practice

match though, as we go into the league matches."

Most students don't know about the College of the Desert, but many of their players are from foreign countries such as Brazil and Mexico. Plus, the team is fairly young, with no upper-class players. This shows the amount of young talent that the college brewed in such a short time.

"Usually most players from out of the country are pretty wild," said sophomore Sean Higginbotham. "But these guys came out and played really well. We could have won a couple more matches, like our No. 6 singles match, because it came down to a couple points, but we played with heart and that was

the biggest thing."

On that same day, Feb. 3, the Tritons demolished the team from United States International University 9-0 in a complete sweep of singles and doubles matches.

Simply put by Wilson, "our guys killed their guys."

This victory came off the tough road win against a quality Point Loma Nazarene team.

Team spirit seems to be the key for this season. With five freshman players, the veterans have seemed to step up and take the initiative.

"It feels good to have the older guys cheering for [the freshmen]," Wilson said. "It has really helped a lot. In the college game, the opponents get more balls back consis-

tently, so it is always a burst of energy to have some of your teammates rooting for you."

Higginbotham added that he has tried to instill in the younger players that they should have pride in playing for their college, and teach them that it will truly be a "good experience in one's life."

Looking ahead to the competition level, there is no doubt in every player's mind that UC Davis is the key match. Davis, ranked No. 1 in the California Collegiate Athletic Association, is the one match many players on the team are gearing up for.

"Our goal is to beat UC Davis," Wilson said. "Then we know we are in [the playoff] hunt. We are

tending to gear our practices and style of play toward them, and if we can get ahead of them in the standings, we're there."

"Our main competition will come from UC Davis, Sonoma State University and Cal Poly Pomona," Higginbotham said. "Even though we take every match one at a time, it seems like those matches are more intensified. We know we must play well against those teams, but we try to take every match seriously, regardless of the opponent."

The next roadblock for the team is California State University Los Angeles, a team they did not face

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Men:

Whitzgell to lead team with "a lot of potential"

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well for the Tritons, as he took the collegiate lightweight event with a time of 6:45.0.

The freshman crew team was particularly impressive as they swiped eight of the top ten times. The first-year phenoms were led by Andrew Fisher with a time of 6:31.5.

The rookies' performance has coach Casey looking forward to the new season.

"The incoming freshman team is probably the best freshman team ever at UCSD," Casey said. "The biggest thing I'm happy with is our depth and tenacity; also our willingness to work hard and meet the goals we set."

The varsity team, however, will be looking to recover from the loss of key contributors to graduation.

"The varsity will be good, but not as strong as last year," Casey said.

Varsity head coach Michael Filippone will be looking for returnee Tom Whitzgell to lead this year's varsity team to its goals, which include winning the Cal Cup for Division II/III and the San Diego Crew Classic on April 7 and April 8. The Tritons are looking to avenge last year's loss, in which they came in second to Trinity University by less than a second. This year, UCSD has an extra incentive to beat Trinity as the previous freshman coach, Jim Oaks, is now an assistant for them.

The Tritons are also seeking to extend their domination of their local adversaries.

"We definitely don't like all the San Diego area schools," Casey said. "Since Filippone has been here we haven't lost to any of those schools. There's this pride with not wanting to lose to them."

With such a strong freshman group, UCSD crew will most likely be dominating its neighbors for a long time to come.

"This program has a lot of potential," Casey said. "Right now we're probably the fifth-best program on the West Coast. We definitely have the athletes and the potential to be a top competitor."

Add the fact that their event on Sunday was 2,000 meters, which is more sprint-oriented and shorter than most programs are used to at this point in the year, and their dominance is even more impressive.

"We have a lot of depth," Casey said. "The biggest thing right now is fitness and mental toughness."

To top it all off, the men's crew team this year has already landed three top-notch recruits from Orange Coast College. These recruits will help UCSD extend its dynasty well into the future.

The Tritons will be looking to build on Sunday's performance this weekend, as they go head-to-head with Loyola Marymount in a preseason scrimmage at Mission Bay.

Tennis:

Up next for the team is Cal State L.A.

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last year. The match will take place Friday in Los Angeles at 1:30 p.m. If anyone is going home to L.A., please stop by to root for your team!

After that comes the Saturday showdown at 1 p.m. with Cal Poly Pomona, a team that beat the Tritons in a convincing fashion last season. The match will take place at the north courts on campus.

The men's tennis team has something to prove this weekend against good competition.

Buick:

UCSD golf is selling tickets to the event"

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round, the field will be cut down to the 70 players with the lowest scores; weekend rounds begin at 8:30 a.m.

Sponsored by The Century Club and local Buick dealers, the annual tournament normally

promoting it as a chance to see Tiger Woods up-close and in action.

Ticket prices for the event are \$19 per day for today and Friday, and \$25 per day for the weekend. For those who want season badges, tickets are \$65 in advance or \$75 at the gate. A season badge allows entrance for all four days of the tournament. Children 12 and under, when accompanied by an adult, are allowed admission free of charge. Tickets can be purchased at the gate or through

there are supposedly more tight-lipped than his previous high school "date."

You really can't blame a guy like Chmura for going through this phase of lusting after teenage girls. Most guys have gone through it, including me. I believe I referred to this period as "high school," and if I remember correctly, I was an underage feller myself during that time. Now, while most of us grow out of this by our 18th birthday, remember that people mature at different paces, and some people never mature at all.

Remember, Chmura, there are plenty of ladies around, and lots of them actually will not imprison you. Watching you fidget around

in court all day, like so many of your NFL brethren before you, became a fixture for many a couch potato, and the whole bunch of them were pondering the same thing: Here is a family man, a prosperous young celebrity with nary a care in the world and a job that many would kill for. The perfect life. So let's see, what to do, what to do ... I know, let's try to hook up with a wee little high schooler partying after returning home from a dance in her ribbon and banner-strung school gymnasium. Yes, Markie, I know, I have seen the Britney Spears videos too and I understand the effect they can have on a man. But please, you can easily persuade many an elder lass to

Lobster:

Chmura, like many athletes, went free"

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mostly teens, and the plethora of available "YM"-reading gals makes it a perfect place for a fellow like Mark to take a trip.

However, while most of us associate Disneyland with the famed amusement park, Chmura was actually talking about Disneyworld High School, located about a half-hour from his house. There were going to be some awesome keggers there this weekend ... and the girls

garb themselves in those very same schoolgirl skirts and knee-high socks.

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Hey buddy. Yeah you, the big guy with the expensive haircut. Come over here a second and let me give you a bit of advice that will be of use to you now that you are a free man after that outrageous trial.

Here it is; listen closely: Do not force yourself on underage girls in your family bathroom at an after-prom party! Oh, and another thing: You are a famous professional football player with millions of dollars! You can probably find a chick or two who would actually willingly get down with you. You wouldn't even have to force them into the bathroom and soil your wife's new towel set.

OK, OK, so according to the U.S. court system, this alleged incident did not actually occur. But if you listened to Mark Chmura's post-trial comments to the press, you might not believe the court's decision. When asked what he was going to do now that he has been acquitted, he fixed his eyes on the camera with one of his smirks and retorted, "I'm going to Disneyworld."

Now, it is common knowledge that Disneyworld is populated with

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Golf Team Drives at Eastlake

Ben Page, Robin Shelton lead the way for the Tritons

By **ROBERT FULTON**
Sports Editor

The UCSD golf team finished fourth out of 13 schools at the Point Loma Invitational Monday.

The tournament was held at Eastlake Country Club in Chula Vista, which is a par 72 course and a total of 6,606 yards in length.

The Tritons' overall two-round score was a 605. The winning school, University of Redlands, shot a 589 overall.

The top Triton golfer was Ben Page, who shot a two-round 148, tied for ninth overall. Fellow Triton Robin Shelton cracked the top 20, finishing tied for 15th with a score of 150.

The top overall golfer was the Master's College Ryan Higton, who shot a two-round 143.

Other Triton finishers were Andy Thomson with a 154 (tied for 30th), Matt Howe with a 155 (tied for 33rd) and Blake Schneider with a 157 (tied for 42nd).

Next up for the UCSD golf team is the Family Motors Invitational at Seven Oaks Country Club in Bakersfield, which will last all day Monday and Tuesday.

Rowing With the UCSD Crew



Sky Frostenson/ Guardian

Men's Crew Looks to Youth to Continue Last Year's Success

By **ISAAC PEARLMAN**
Associate Sports Editor

The UCSD men's crew team kicked off its 2001 campaign last Sunday at 8 a.m. with the San Diego Indoor Rowing Championship in Mission Bay.

Competing against other local teams such as San Diego State University, UC Irvine, Loyola

Marymount, and the University of San Diego, the Tritons were able to hold their own and get a glimpse of what the rest of the 2001 season has in store for them.

"It went really well," said varsity assistant coach Steven Casey. "The team's looking good."

For the men's varsity team, crew member Brian Sullivan

placed first in the event with a time of 6:12.2, which was an astounding four seconds faster than the second place finisher.

Varak Smith was the only other top-10 finisher for the Tritons, garnering a respectable eighth place with a time of 6:29.3. Geffery Rapoport also did

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Women's Rowing Team is Building a Solid Foundation

By **ROBERT FULTON**
Sports Editor

UCSD women's crew is in the middle of a long rebuilding process. The results? So far, so good.

The rowing team has been improving by leaps and bounds and looks to be even better than last year.

"We're still a young team," said UCSD women's crew head coach Patti Pinkerton. "Our big issue last year was that we did not have much of a varsity so we lacked leadership. The challenge was to teach all of the skills to the novices without that leadership.

They obviously met the challenge because they finished off the season really well."

2000's team was as young as they come.

Now, with a year of experience behind it and a solid foundation below it, UCSD crew is gearing up for the big dogs.

"Now our challenge is our lightweight, because that's where our key varsity girls were," Pinkerton said. "We have returning lightweights in that boat. We know they're in the ballpark because they got ranked last year."

Two veterans who will lead the squad are Heather Beckman

and Julie Snyder.

"They're both four-year rowers, so they provide a lot of leadership in the boat," Pinkerton said.

There are also a couple of younger talents in Emily Gray and Carrie Blemker looking to make their mark.

"We have a some really exciting rookies," Pinkerton said.

Everyone on the rowing squad will get a chance to prove her metal.

"Because we're such a developing squad, I move people around a lot," Pinkerton said. "I

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Stars Are Coming to Town

Worlds best golfers are playing at Torrey Pines today

By **CHARLIE TRAN**
Senior Staff Writer

La Jolla opens its doors to the world as the 2001 Buick Invitational starts its opening round Thursday at the Torrey Pines Golf Course, just north of UCSD.

The invitational continues through Sunday, when the final round will be held. A purse of \$3.5 million is up for grabs as the defending champion Phil Mickelson, a native of San Diego, defends his title.

Other golfers in the 156-player field scheduled to attend include Tiger Woods, Fred Couples, Tom Lehman, Davis Love III, John Daly and Mark O'Meara. All these golfers will battle for the top prize of \$630,000.

The first and second rounds begin at 9 a.m. today and tomorrow, respectively, and continue into the weekend. After the second

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UCSD Baseball Explodes

11 runs not enough in first game, six is sufficient in second

By **ROBERT FULTON**
Sports Editor

The UCSD baseball team split a doubleheader against Vanguard at home Saturday.

Pitching took the afternoon off during the first game as Vanguard won a four-hour offensive slugfest 17-11.

UCSD's Ryan Larson scored three runs, and teammate Chad Addison drove in three.

Vanguard's Ryan Williams picked up the win, allowing three runs on five hits. The Tritons' Erik Snyder got the loss after allowing four runs in one inning of work.

The second of the two games was more to UCSD's liking, as they won 6-4.

The game was called after six innings because of darkness.

The Tritons' Andy Hanau picked up the victory, striking out seven batters.

Vanguard's Brian Wood was given the loss after allowing three runs in one-third of an inning.

Offensively, six different Tritons scored, and Chris Tallman and Blair Suzuki each drove in a pair of runs.

Next up for UCSD is a pair of road games. First, the Tritons travel to the University of Redlands for a game Friday at 2:30 p.m., then they head to Concordia University in Irvine for a game Saturday at 11 a.m.