



CAMPUS PROTEST | MARCH 1 DAY OF ACTION

Students Rally for Day of Action



Organizers coordinate with faculty, student orgs to plan demonstrations in support of affordable public higher education. **BY NICOLE CHAN • Associate News Editor**

Over 300 students, faculty and staff members protested against continuing cuts to public education at the March 1 Day of Action. The events included a virtual sit-in that began at midnight before the protest, a rally and a march around campus. The national Day of Action campaign marked the first campus-wide mobilization since the March 4 Day of Action in 2010, when as many as 800 people participated in the walkout at UCSD.

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Two different philosophies of the protest. **PAGE 6**

"We need to keep up the struggle to demonstrate that public education is a social priority, a political priority and an economic priority," Public Education Coalition member Kevin Quirolo said at Thursday's rally. "Public education is not going to fight for itself. Last year we forgot that, and [the state] cut our funding by hundreds of millions of dollars."

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SPECIAL ELECTION

D-I Email Violated Election Guidelines

Elections Committee votes in favor of grievance against former A.S. President Utsav Gupta's all-campus pro-referendum email.

BY ANGELA CHEN
Editor in Chief

The pro-referendum email sent to an all-campus listserv by 2009-10 A.S. President Utsav Gupta violates election guidelines, the A.S. Elections Committee ruled on March 4. The Judicial Board will hear the case and rule on the sanctions, if any, on March 7.



Utsav Gupta
2009-10 A.S. President

Gupta's Feb. 29 email urged students to vote "yes" in the ongoing special election, citing the benefits of higher *U.S. News & World* rankings and national prestige if the referendum passes. On March 3, Public Education Coalition member Kevin Quirolo filed a grievance against Gupta to the Elections Committee, alleging that the email is a breach of neutrality and that Gupta may have accessed the listserv improperly.

Gupta, who graduated in 2011, currently works as the UCSD Bay Area Alumni Outreach Officer.

According to UCSD's Policy and Records Administration, the "all-official-1" listserv includes all individuals — including students — with UCSD emails, and is usually reserved for campus notices. The site states that prior approval is necessary and must be approved by a relevant vice chancellor.

Quirolo also said that many of Gupta's claims were false. According to Quirolo, advancing to Division I will not automatically lead to a higher spot in the *News & World Report*, as the magazine does not take sports rankings into account.

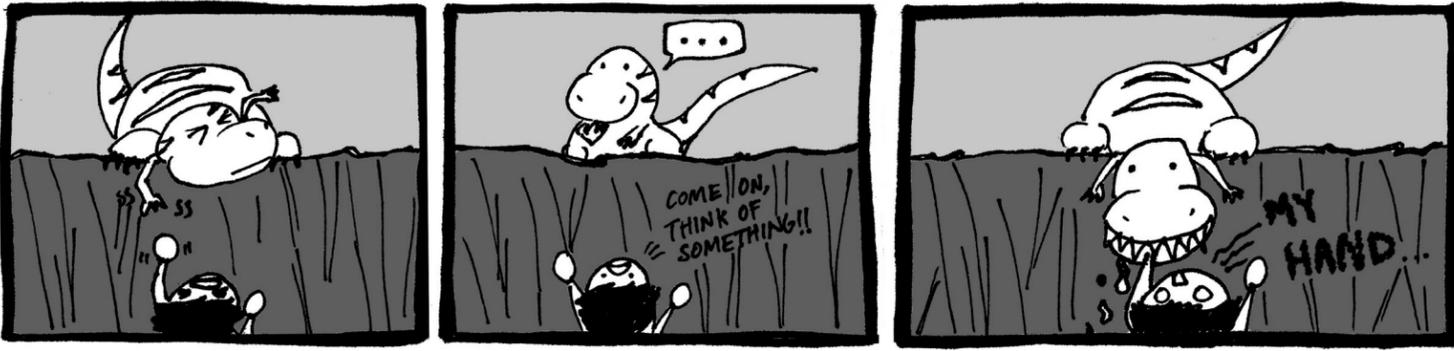
"This [development] makes it difficult for me to accept election results as entirely neutral and valid,"

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By Irene Chiang



HIDDEN TALENTS

By Jeffrey Lau



Protest Efforts Included Virtual Sit-in, Two-Day "Reclamation" of Chancellor's Complex

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About 150 protesters attended the 11:30 a.m. rally organized by the PEC. Protesters at the Silent Tree carried signs with messages such as "I do not let A.S. speak for me" and "California: #1 prison funding, #48 education." The crowd doubled in an hour, with up to 400 people in attendance before the planned campus march.

Literature professor Luis Cabrera spoke in support of the protest by directly addressing fellow faculty members.

"If we want change, we need to put our bodies on the line with the students and workers," Cabrera said. "It is time to disobey. If students are arrested, we should be arrested."

One uniformed university police officer was in attendance; protesters later discovered a man in plain clothes to be a university police officer. According to the *Daily Californian*, UCSD spokesperson Jeff Gattas said that police officers dressed in plain clothes are always present at gatherings.

According to Quirolo, March 1 began as a national call to action by Berkeley-based group Occupy Education, and included demonstra-

tions across New York and Ohio, as well as on the UC, Cal State and community college campuses. According to the *Daily Californian*, protesters at UC Santa Cruz shut down incoming and outgoing traffic to the campus from 4:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Quirolo said that the PEC began planning the Day of Action — which was mostly student-organized — after hosting Radical Rush Week at the beginning of Winter Quarter.

PEC member Sean Estelle said that the organization formed committees to reach out to professors, publicize the event to students and discuss marching routes and reclamation spaces.

Estelle said that faculty involvement in Thursday's events was crucial to the strength of the movement. According to Estelle, members of the PEC used templates from *teachthebudget.com* to email professors and ask them hold class outside in conjunction with the rally.

"We're in this position where more and more faculty are starting to side with the students — student debt is larger than credit card debt — they understand what we're going through, they can feel for us," Estelle said.

The PEC also collaborated with visual arts professor Ricardo Dominguez to hold a virtual sit-in, an electronic form of civil disobedience. In 2010, Dominguez staged a virtual sit-in on the website of UC President Mark G. Yudof. The 2010 sit-in disrupted the site's operations, and Dominguez was later under university investigations for suspicion of criminal activity.

This year's virtual sit-in, which ends on March 5 at 11:59 p.m., targets *bankofamerica.com*, *jerrybrown.org* and *universityofcalifornia.edu*.

Around 30 to 60 members of the PEC "reclaimed" the Chancellor's Complex around 3 p.m. Thursday afternoon. They submitted a list of six demands that the chancellor must meet by March 8 in order for the protesters to vacate the building. According to the "Statement of Intentions from the Reclaimers' Complex to the UCSD Administration," drafted March 1, if campus administration does not meet the demands, the PEC will escalate actions against the administration.

"It's a huge deal though, that the conference room is successfully reclaimed," Estelle said. "We're in the

heart of the university, and we're not going away."

The demands call for the support of under-funded departments and continued free services provided by OASIS, as well as overall changes in the UC system. The organizers are waiting on a written statement from the administration.

According to Estelle, Assistant Vice Chancellor of Student Life Gary Ratcliff was in attendance at the general assembly held at the Chancellor's Complex on Thursday. PEC members are encouraging the administration to continue using the space as normal.

"They're still using their offices and seem to be ignoring us," Estelle said. "Nothing has been done and there has been extremely minimal police involvement."

Students from the PEC, SAAC, A.S. Council, Student Organized Voter Access Committee and others left for Sacramento on Saturday for the Student Lobbying Conference.

According to Estelle, up to 10,000 students will rally state legislators and occupy the capital today.

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LIGHTS & SIRENS

Friday, Feb. 24

1:05 a.m.: Drunk in public

► An underage student was drunk in front of Che Café. Closed by adult citation.

9:44 p.m.: Citizen contact

► The reporting party received threats from someone who wanted to buy his vehicle. Referred to other agency: San Diego Police Department.

Saturday, Feb. 25

12:59 a.m.: Suspicious person

► A suspicious person was loitering about Supercomputer Center. Stay away order issued.

1:33 a.m.: Information

► A group of possibly intoxicated females were inside a vehicle at Lot 406. Information only.

6:51 a.m.: Hazard situation

► A transient was walking in the middle of a ramp on the intersection of the I-5 and Genesee Ave. Referred to other agency: California Highway Patrol.

Sunday, Feb. 26

1:35 a.m.: Assist other agency

► A residential security officer needed assistance making contact with students who were drinking at Stewart Hall. Information only.

3:01 a.m.: Citizen contact

► Two residents at Sixth College Apartments refused to show any form of identification. Checks OK.

1:40 p.m.: Injury

► A young adult female cut her finger at Pines Restaurant. Transported to hospital.

1:54 p.m.: Battery

► Five subjects in a red Toyota were "throwing water bottles at joggers" on the intersection of Genesee Ave. and North Torrey Pines Rd., hitting one jogger in the head. Unable to locate.

11:07 p.m.: Medical aid

► A young adult male fell off his

skateboard on Voigt Dip and was bleeding from his face. Transported to hospital.

Monday, Feb. 27

3:33 a.m.: Suspicious person

► Someone was loitering inside Price Center's commuter lounge. Field interview administered.

Tuesday, Feb. 28

1:31 a.m.: Noise disturbance

7:43 a.m.: Stay away order
► A "non-affiliate" was sleeping inside the Biomedical Sciences Building auditorium. Stay away order issued.

10:43 a.m.: Citizen contact

► A sign in Lot 751 "flew off" and hit a vehicle. Report taken.

9:55 p.m.: Suicide attempt

► The subject attempted to commit suicide in The Village Building 4. Transported to hospital.

Wednesday, Feb. 29

11:19 a.m.: Citizen contact

► There was a possibly stolen "Home Depot cart" on a balcony in Marshall Residence Halls. Unable to locate.

Thursday, March 1

1:33 a.m.: Medical aid

An adult male was having abdominal pain at Central Mesa Apartments. Transported to hospital.

1:10 p.m.: Report of battery

There was a report at Price Center that a student "spit in the face of another student" during "Day of Action" demonstration. Report taken.

4:25 p.m.: Non injury accident

A UC vehicle collided into a bus sign and a bike rack at the intersection of Villa La Jolla Drive and Gilman Drive. Report taken.

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Davis Students Sue Chancellor, UCD Police

BY ZEV HURWITZ

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Several "Occupy UC Davis" protesters involved in last year's pepper spray incident have filed a lawsuit against the administrators and police officers involved. *Students vs. UC Davis Officials & Police* — filed Feb. 22 by 19 Davis students and alumni — claims the university and its officers used excessive force and restricted free speech by not respecting students' right to protest.

Also named in the suit is UC Police Lt. John Pike, the officer who was recorded blasting pepper spray at over a dozen Davis Occupy protesters on Nov. 18. Videos of the spraying went viral, and were iconic for many Occupy Movement supporters.

The *San Francisco Chronicle* reported on Feb. 23 that Pike, UCD Police Chief Annette Spicuzza and another officer involved have all been put on administrative leave with pay while the investigation continues. One of the plaintiffs is UC Davis student David Buscho, who was pepper sprayed during the protest.

"It was extremely painful and totally disorienting," Buscho told the *Los Angeles Times*.

Meanwhile, the faculty at UC Davis voted 697 to 312 in favor of continued support for Katehi as chancellor last month. Only around 50 percent of UCD faculty members participated in the Feb. 16 No-Confidence vote, which was made available through email to the entire faculty.

During the same poll, UCD faculty also voted to condemn the pepper spray incident, the police and their use of excessive force in the protests.

UC President Mark G. Yudof released a statement on Feb. 16 supporting Katehi and the UCD faculty.

"She has my full support," Yudof wrote. "In response to recent protest-related controversies, the chancellor has demonstrated both her integrity as a leader and her personal empathy for all members of the UC Davis community."

Last year, Yudof hired a task force to investigate the incident and provide feedback for future conflict prevention and management as well as suggested course of action on the pepper spray issue. On Feb. 15, task force chair and former California Supreme Court Justice Cruz Reynoso sent Yudof a letter updating him on the force's progress.

"The Task Force believes that it is imperative to have a complete understanding of the events that took place on that afternoon," Reynoso wrote.

Reynoso said that a full report would be released in early March. According to the UCD website, the report would be available for download from the UC Davis website on March 6.

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Judicial Board to Hear Email Case Wednesday, Decide on Possible Sanctions

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Quirolo said. "I've been campaigning and trying to get the word out and this is an example of information people are receiving that is problematic."

The Elections Committee reviewed the case on March 4. The committee consists of seven students: Advocate General Courtney Hill, who chairs the board and does not have a vote, and one representative from each of the six colleges. Hill said that the board does not have information on how Gupta accessed the listserv.

"We agreed that a violation had been committed, so we sent it to the J-Board, which is the next step," Hill said.

In his grievance, Quirolo asked the Elections Committee to publicize the letter-writing campaign he began in response to the email, and to denounce Gupta's email as an "improper effort by a UCSD employee to influence a student election." Hill declined to comment on possible sanctions.

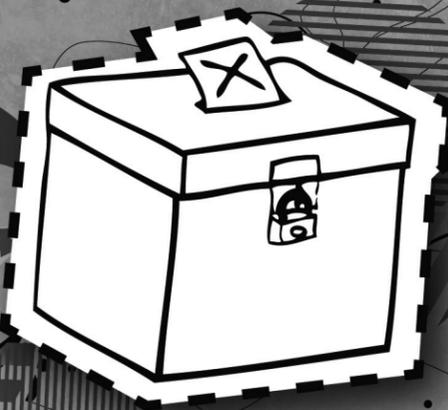
The hearing will be held March 7 at 7 p.m. in the Student Leadership Chambers on the fourth floor of Price Center East. Hill said that Gupta has the opportunity to be present for his hearing and defend his case, which may present logistical problems as he is based in the Bay Area.

Students can vote in the special election — which asks if they are willing to pay an additional \$495 annually to fund UCSD's move to D-I athletics — on TritonLink until March 9.

Gupta could not be reached for comment.

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OPINION

EDITORIAL

Keep the Change

Upon further reflection of the arguments presented for and against the Division-I referendum, the Editorial Board has decided to retract our November 2011 editorial in support of the referendum.

There's been a lot of talk about what's "best" for UCSD and how athletics play into the future of our institution. We can divide the controversy into two different camps: those who believe in a near future for Division I sports and the benefits it could bring, and those who believe we have more immediate priorities.

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We're just a week into the special election that will determine which path the campus will take, and the divide rages on. Many are sticking to their guns (turning Facebook into a virtual war zone), while others — like this Editorial Board — are open to considering new arguments. Though we initially expressed hesitant support of the referendum in our November editorial, "D-I Athletics: A Lasting Investment," with the knowledge gained through increased coverage of the issue, we've had a change of heart.

No one can deny the appeal of D-I athletics. With 29 national championships, UCSD has clearly outgrown its competitors in the D-II California College Athletic Association. Our men's water polo and women's soccer teams are some of the best in the division, and women's basketball was ranked No. 1 in the nation until a heartbreaking loss on Friday.

We've also outgrown D-II academically. Since we moved to Division II in 2000, we've been the only UC school in the division (UC Santa Cruz competes in D-III, UC Merced competes in NAIA, UC San Francisco doesn't have athletics at all and the rest compete in D-I), and our statistics don't match with our

competition, which consists mostly of Cal States. The average enrollment for CCAA colleges is 15,000 undergraduates, while we have nearly double that at 28,000. Academically, the average 75th percentile verbal SAT score for CCAA is 528 — UCSD's is 660. For math the average is 542 — UCSD is again higher at 710.

We've made these arguments before. Comparisons to other D-II schools are borne out of a reasonable desire to compete with schools along the same level as UCSD, such as UC Davis. But in the wake of protests like those held on March 1, such comparisons seem irrelevant now. The connection between academics and athletics is tenuous at best — even if there are colleges with strong academics and strong athletics, the two aren't required to correlate. Harvey Mudd and MIT, for example, compete in D-III, and no one is knocking their prestige. Meanwhile, many D-I schools are athletics powerhouses with horrible academics, such as Oklahoma State University and University of Arizona — schools we consistently dominate on rankings.

What's worse, almost all D-I programs run at a deficit. In 2006, only 19 of 119 D-I programs in the country made money. Given the current budget crisis, now is clearly

not the time to make such a giant financial gamble. Just this last fall, fees increased by 17.6 percent, and UCOP told the Regents that if the state didn't provide more funding, fees would continue to rise by 16 percent annually. So with our fees rising relentlessly as it is, the additional \$495 each undergraduate would pay annually could be another \$495 many have to take out in loans.

D-I could bring great things to UCSD — but, for lack of a better punch line, not now. And many of the "great things" outlined by the pro campaign — increased school spirit and university recognition — are intangible; you can't measure "spirit," so it'd be impossible to quantify the differences the move could make to the daily life of the average, non-athlete on campus, especially since the move would not include a football team and would not have us competing against Cal or UCLA. And though D-I proponents often point to the "Flutie effect" (as we did in our November editorial) — the assumption that athletic success leads to name recognition, prestige and spending — a 2004 study of nine D-I conferences found that the Flutie effect might not be statistically viable.

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Memory's the Test When Students Are Studying

Week Nine is a strange time for me. Finals loom, so every minute spent rolling my eyes at Pinterest wedding photos is tainted with guilt. Yet finals are just far enough away that a master of rationalization such as myself can claim that, "somehow," *War and Peace* will "get read."

Thus is the story of my last eight quarters. But this week I combined my two hobbies (procrastination,

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and guilt over procrastination) into a more useful endeavor: While I'm not actually studying, I'm reading up on how I can study better (in the future).

The good news: The most effective way to learn is to play a game of strategic procrastination. An entire industry of flash card programs has grown around the idea of "spaced repetition," which states that the best way to remember anything is to relearn it just when you've almost forgotten the concept.

The theory comes from Hermann Ebbinghaus, who studied the time it took students to consistently remember nonsense syllables. There are two types of long-term memory involved here: retrieval and storage. Retrieval is how quickly we can remember the Russian word for "milk," while storage denotes how long "молоко" will stay in our memories, even if we can't pull up the word right away. Spaced repetition works on both: By reminding ourselves of concepts when we're about to lose them, we simultaneously pull the idea up from the depths (recall) and root them more deeply (strength).

The harder we struggle to understand the material, the longer the material will stick — this is why memory researchers recommend taking notes after class instead of during. The latter turns the student into a scribe, while the former forces her to actively think about the lecture. Similarly, the best way to prepare is to stop studying and quiz yourself; this removes the danger of confusing familiarity with understanding.

Other illuminations, from Robert Bjork of the UCLA Learning and Forgetting Lab: Studying in different environments improves retention, and interleaving different, but related, skills while practicing is more effective than learning skills in blocks. Practicing short division, then long division, then short division in a short span will "set" the skills in the brain more definitively than practicing them separately for longer periods.

But at the end of the day, there was one major area in which science let me down. All the studies say that cramming, while effective in the short term, hurts retention in the long run. Reading about memory studies will not actually negate my upcoming cram session. Instead, I am more doomed than ever for the looming tests, but more prepared for Spring Quarter — when my newfound knowledge and discipline will kick in and save me.

QUICK TAKES

LAST WEEK, THE HARVARD SQUARE BRANCH OF BEN & JERRY'S RELEASED A JEREMY LIN-INSPIRED "TASTE THE LIN-SANITY" FROZEN YOGURT FLAVOR THAT CONTAINED FORTUNE COOKIE CRUMBS AND LYCHEE SWIRLS.

Public Should Not Take "Lin-sanity" Flavor Too Seriously

Lately, the blogosphere has been abuzz with the news of "Taste the Lin-sanity" frozen yogurt, concocted in honor of rising NBA superstar Jeremy Lin, and demoted by the Harvard Square branch of Ben and Jerry's earlier this month. The offending yogurt was excoriated for being a racist concoction — it contained chunks of fortune cookies and swirls of lychee honey.

The extreme commentators need to calm down. Many have a self-serving interest to fan the flames of controversy, to spin tales of juicy racially charged "scandals" when they don't really exist. Their allegations shouldn't be taken at face value.

Take the reaction to ESPN analyst Max Bretos's on-air statement that Lin's nine turnovers during a game constituted a "chink in the armor" for his team, the New York Knicks. A number of sports news websites immediately published articles condemning Bretos as a crude bigot. Days later, Bretos's side of the story came out: "chink in the armor" was a cliché he had used frequently to describe defensive weaknesses — a quick search of his transcripts revealed he had used it previously to describe players of a variety of races over a hundred times.

Incorrectly accusing people as bigots is a cheap but easy way to increase article views. What the commentators don't see — or rather, intentionally refuse to see — is that whoever did decide to add fortune cookies to the Lin-sanity flavor mix was trying to make a not-so-subtle nod to the basketball superstar's Taiwanese and Chinese heritage, and nothing more.

It may not have been a celebration of his heritage, but it certainly wasn't an attempt to disparage it either. As the branch manager later explained, the chef in question was probably just "swept up in the nationwide Lin-sanity."

— AYAN KUSARI
Staff Writer

Company Knows Better Than a Racially-Charged Flavor

Ben & Jerry's apologized last week for putting fortune cookies and lychee honey swirls in pints of its "Taste the Lin-Sanity" ice cream sold at its Harvard Square, Massachusetts, location. While some customers insisted that the new flavor was intended as a fun tribute to the heritage of basketball sensation Jeremy Lin, others were outraged by what they saw as political incorrectness. As the national media weighs in, it has become increasingly apparent that Ben & Jerry's should have refrained from using stereotypical Asian ingredients to avoid the public relations setback.

This is not the first time Ben & Jerry's has faced controversy. Last year, the company introduced its "Schweddy Balls" ice cream, which served as homage to an old "Saturday Night Live" skit featuring Alec Baldwin as fictional bakery owner Pete Schweddy. Besides offending people with the same last name, the ice cream's title sparked criticism over its vulgarity. Other controversial Ben & Jerry's flavors include "Hubby Hubby" — in support of gay marriage — and "Karmel Sutra."

Lin is the first American-born NBA player of Taiwanese and Chinese descent, and Ben & Jerry's wanted to honor his recent rise to stardom. But it's not surprising that some people took offense at the fact that fortune cookies — which are generally served in Chinese restaurants in the United States — were in the contents of "Taste the Lin-Sanity." The fortune cookies in the new flavor have since been replaced by waffle cookies.

Regardless of its intentions, the overwhelmingly negative public and media reaction to "Taste the Lin-Sanity" has caused public relations troubles for Ben & Jerry's. Even the ice cream company's wackiest flavors have to be marketable in order for the company to continue to make profits.

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Now is Not the Time to Reinvent UCSD's Image

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UCSD has no need to reinvent itself at this point anyway. People still want to come here despite it being known as an “academic” school (a record 75,987 students applied to UCSD in Fall 2011 — an overall increase of nearly 8 percent from the previous year), and we have a very long future ahead of us to reinvent ourselves later. “Not now” doesn’t mean “never.” It means “not when we’re in a deep, crippling financial crisis.”

The notion that our degrees are meaningless without a kickass basketball team — an idea supported by many on the pro side, including former A.S. president Utsav Gupta — is completely ridiculous. Just last month, UCSD was ranked eighth for salary earning potential in the 2011-12 PayScale study measuring top state schools across the nation. Executive director of UC San Diego Alumni Affairs Armin

Afsahi told UCSD news that it’s our “prominent academic programs” that are preparing students to fulfill their career goals. While school spirit and athletic prestige are important, a guaranteed future without a hefty price tag during a recession is all most students really need.

“One of the greatest measures of a university is the quality of its graduates,” Afsahi said. “Our alumni are not only going on to achieve great success, they are also advancing their communities, creating jobs and building our economy.”

If that’s not something to have spirit about, we don’t know what is.

While this Editorial Board will be voting “No,” we encourage students to make up their own minds about where their priorities lie and vote in the special election on Triton Link. Tell your friends to vote. It’s crucial that this significant decision is made by the majority of the student body, and not just by the majority of the people who voted.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Rightful Crackdown on For-Profit Colleges

Dear Editor,

A new law has dealt a grievous blow to nearly half of the for-profit college campuses in the state, barring them from offering students a coveted Cal Grant this year. And I am so glad that SB70 cracks down for the first time on schools with high student loan default rates. From now on, California is tying participation in the Cal Grant program to colleges’ three-year student loan default rates. No public campuses are affected by the law, but 40 percent of California’s for-profits colleges are. Of 165 such campuses in this state, 67 have three-year default rates of at least 24.6 percent, the legal cutoff. They include some or all campuses of Kaplan Higher Education.

Students at for-profit colleges get about \$4,000 to \$10,000 in state aid on average, depending on the type of grant. When SB70 took effect this fall, about 4,900 students applying to for-profit colleges became ineligible or were offered a partial grant if they were already enrolled. Healds in Fresno and Stockton had default rates high enough to cost them their Cal Grants. More than 1,300 students at the two campuses were eligible to receive \$6.2 million. But that was *last* year. Gov. Jerry Brown also wants to reduce Cal Grant awards for private education and make it harder for students to qualify for some awards by raising the grade-point average needed to qualify. Lt. Gov. Gavin Newsome thinks the grade-point averages as stringent Brown wants will lead to grade inflation.

It would be perverse to allow the requirements for colleges to get weaker while proposing the requirements for students

to become more stringent. Participation in the Cal Grant program and its costs has increased from 177,000 students and \$688 million in 2004 to an estimated 256,000 students and \$1.6 billion presently. Brown has proposed to lower the amount-in-aid for students attending private California colleges through the Cal Grants program to about the Cal State level or \$4,000 — preferably the lower figure.

In order to collect federal Title IV aid — Pell grants, Stafford loans and Plus loans — for-profit colleges must obey the “90/10” rule: They can’t derive more than 90 percent of their total income from Title IV programs. GI Bill funds don’t count toward that total. So every dollar from the Department of Veteran Affairs enables for-profit colleges to collect nine dollars from the U.S. Department of Education. In 2009, the for-profits took in almost as much money as did all of the public colleges in the 50 states of the union — even though they enrolled about one-third as many veterans. Online learning appeals to for-profit college CEOs that see the combination of guaranteed funding from student aid and low-cost part-time “professors” as a huge money-making opportunity.

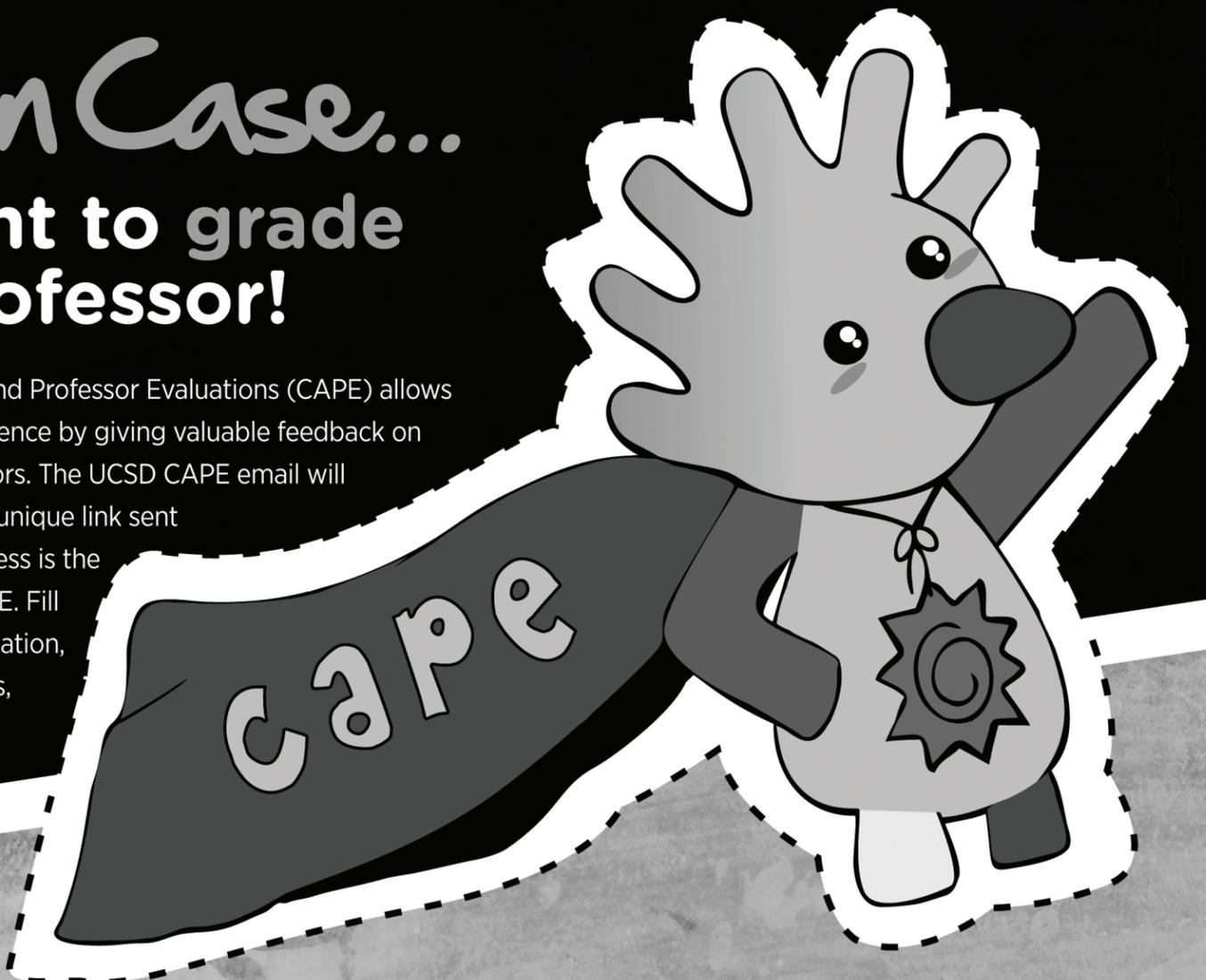
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In the midst of an economic crisis, California universities have taken a big blow. Multiple parties have weighed in on possible solutions but even defining the problem can be a lofty task.

Among several speakers, Sean Estelle was an energetic force on the podium at the March 1 “Rally for Higher Education,” leading chants and marching in the frontlines of the protest. Estelle, a third year Sixth College Visual Arts and Theater major, has been a prominent figure in recent student protests at UCSD geared at reversing fee hikes and encouraging more investment into public education.

As a member of the Outreach Committee for the Public Education Coalition, a UCSD-based organization that started at the beginning of Fall Quarter 2011, Estelle has been leading rallies, creating Facebook events and talking to the press on behalf of the PEC. On Dec. 5, when students staged a non-violent break-in of the recently closed Center for Library & Instructional Computing Services (CLICS), Estelle was a key player in the “reclamation,” claiming he probably slept there every night following the action.

As a student activist who calls for protest, and civil disobedience by fellow students as an agent of change, Estelle’s philosophy on what he and other activists call the recent “privatization” of education is similar to the “Occupy” rhetoric that has been emerging throughout the state of California and the nation as a whole.

“It really is starting to turn into a statewide and a nationwide and even global movement,” said Estelle.

Estelle and the rest of the PEC, which includes undergraduates, graduate and Ph.D students and members of faculty and staff, are part of a larger movement of activism at UC campuses, which has entailed clashes with protesters and campus police. The infamous pepper spray incident at UC Davis and the subsequent call for the resignation of Chancellor Linda Katehi garnered extensive media attention, creating lingering tensions between UC students and administration

throughout the state.

Alfredo Mireles Jr., the current Student Regent on the UC Board of regents does not subscribe to exactly the same type of activism that Estelle and similar activists call for, but acknowledges many of the grievances brought forth by the PEC and organizations at the other UC campuses as legitimate evidence of the need for change.

In discussing privatization, Estelle cites figures from teachthebudget.com, a website that explains the UC-wide budget crisis and outlines the frustrations with UC administration that have driven students from across the state to participate in protests and sit-ins. The site lists figures, like the recent salary raises for 12 highly ranked UC administrators and attorneys in December of 2011, as indicative of a mishandling of the UC budget. He also mentions that, as defined by the California constitution, the current structuring of the Board of Regents is not representative of the students, staff and faculty.

“[A majority of] the board of regents are appointed, they’re not democratically elected,” Estelle said. “Only four are democratically elected regents, and there’s one Student Regent.”

A UCSF graduate student, Mireles echoes Estelle’s disapproval. As the Student Regent, his vote is equal to those of the other 25 regents, but he explained that his role is the only one among the regents that is designed to represent the UC student population of 220,000 as his specific constituency. The Student Regent position, like the other regents, is an appointed position, though the selection process entails a greater deal of student involvement. He is reviewed by A.S. presidents of various councils, as well as the University of California Student Association.

Alongside him, Jonathan Stein, graduate student at UC Berkeley, serves as a Student Regent-Designate. He is currently a non-voting member

of the Board of Regents, but will become a voting student regent once his term begins in July of this year. Mireles said that he is often outvoted by the other regents, indicating a discrepancy between his agenda as a Student Regent and the agendas of the other regents.

“We all support access, affordability and quality of the university,” Mireles said. “Every regent supports that. But each regent emphasizes different aspects of that system. Whereas I think affordability is the most important component of that three-idea system, many of the other regents prioritize quality over affordability.”

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Tuition is currently three times what it was in 2000

Student debt has grown 511% since 1999

\$760 million was cut from state appropriations to UC budget last year by the state of California

In 2011, 12 administrators received raises between 6.4% and 23%

There is only 1 student regent out of 26 total

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The "Draw"-cumentary

Alumnus Katy Chang uses film as a lens to explore Dubai's exploding industry.

BY STACEY CHIEN
Staff Writer

On terrain where colossal skyscrapers appear to spring up instantaneously and indoor ski slopes are preserved on desert sands, possibilities seem endless. For many years in Dubai, the only apparent direction was up. That is, until the economy — which is built on the oil industry — collapsed. A wave of panic swept over its inhabitants, though masked by the glitz and glam of the city. Many onlookers were (and still are) unclear as to what lies behind the glistening veil of extravagance and wealth. Artist and Filmmaker Katy Chang, a UCSD alumna, might have some answers. Her feature-length documentary, "Glitter Dust: Finding Art in Dubai," examines the underlying social issues of Dubai by following the lives of three struggling artists.

"Art is the lens where we look at all these social issues of society there, like censorship, treatment of women, treatment of workers," Chang said. "And it's not just society there in Dubai; it's about modern society — how we have all this monetary capital that's driving all this growth and how cultural capital — the artists that are critically examining these

changes in society — isn't being supported except from the ground up by these artists."

Chang began filming in Dubai in 2009 and calls her film a "drawcumentary," as it integrates hand-drawn images with live footage.

"I've always been interested in making art that looks at art," Chang said. "But also, I had to confront the limitations of filming without permits. It was completely unauthorized, so I thought, 'Well, I need to tell this story, and I need to collaborate on it.' So I drew on top of it, and it allowed me to put my voice onto the film because there's no narrator in the film. I just wanted people to speak very honestly by themselves, so I expressed my point of view the best way I knew how by drawing and by animation."

Chang's interest in the arts began in her early childhood. At the age of two, she started doodling on the scrap paper that her mother would bring home from work. Her doodling escalated to studying art at the University of Maryland and in 2002, receiving an MFA in video and performance art at UCSD, where she met her husband, the producer and editor of the documentary. She then went on to study art law in her hometown of Washington D.C.

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Students Protest Privatization

► UNIVERSITIES, from page 6

The March 1 list of demands drafted by the PEC calls for an investigation into the regents' conflicts of interests. Estelle cites Monica Lozano as an example of said conflict. Lozano, who, in addition to her current role as a regent, also serves as a director for Bank of America — a corporation that profits from student loans. Because of these ties, he insists that the current regents should all resign from their positions. For the system to be truly representative, Estelle said, students, staff and faculty should have greater representation, holding at least 51 percent of the votes in the board of regents.

Mireles agreed with Estelle and other students that one student regent among a board of 26 is a flawed system.

"It's insane that there's only one student regent," Mireles said. "The board is too big, there's too much influence from Sacramento and very little influence from students."

But while Mireles agrees with protesting students that there is room for change at the UC level, cuts by the state and the federal government have made it increasingly hard for regents to keep fees from rising.

"I've read some studies that say there's been some growth in administration," Mireles said. "That is a valid criticism — we have seen administration grow in both size and incomes, which are already way too high in my perspective. But that only scratches the surface of everything that's been happening and why college is more unaffordable. We got cut \$760 million, over 30 percent, in one year. That is, in nobody's mind, a sustainable way to run an organization. All of the chancellors can get paid nothing and the problems will still remain."

California and national budget crises that limit university funding are forces to be reckoned with, and Estelle acknowledges that along with a change to the UC system, institutional change is necessary at the state level, especially in encouraging legislatures to funnel more money into the educational system. But both individuals agree to a dire need for local change, despite current economic challenges.

The question presented by students who don't see how a rally or reclamation can implement that change remains: Do these protests actually work?

"Lobbying to administrators and having call-ins is not a form of direct action," Estelle said. "That's politely coming to the structures and hierarchies in power. Instead, with rallies and marches and reclamations of buildings they're constructing, we're saying, 'We're not okay with this and we're going to do something about this. You'll have to listen to us.'"

And for Estelle, breaking the law — in the case of breaking into CLICS or the Chancellor's Complex — is a legitimate means to an end,

as long as "it's not doing harm to any human being," Estelle said.

"Civil disobedience is the breaking of unjust laws because you feel that there is a higher law, namely that of human rights and solitary and the willingness to give people a chance and fight back against these institutional structures," Estelle said.

Mireles supports the non-violent protests of UC students as a legitimate tool of communication to those in power the need to implement necessary changes. But he also believes that such actions can sometimes inhibit the very change that students call for, and that strategies don't hold the students' interests.

For example, on Jan. 19 student protests interrupted a regents meeting, leading to a relocation of the meeting as well as students being barred from the meeting.

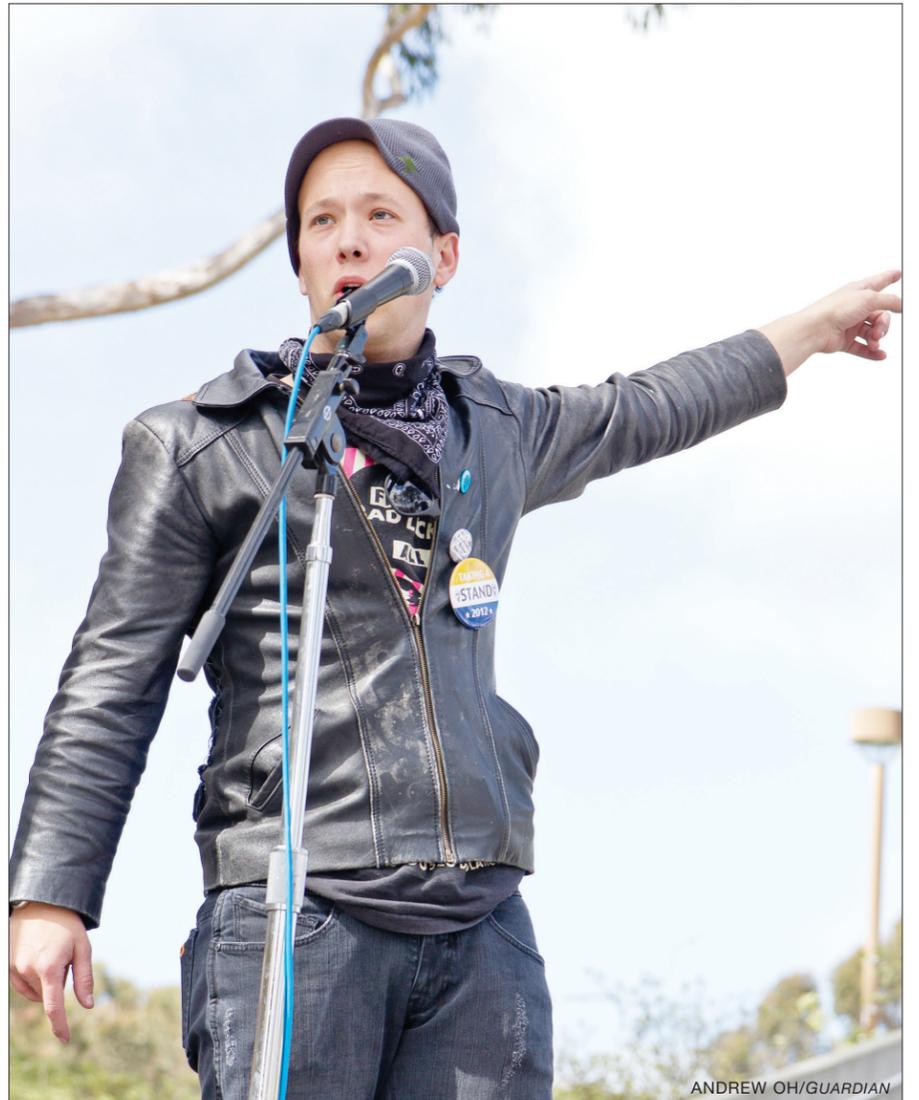
Mireles was condemned by an article in the Daily Californian, UC Berkeley's official newspaper, for his silence during a regents meeting in September of 2011 that discussed possible fee increases of 16 percent. But Alfredo explained that as the Student Regent, he intends to work with the board on behalf of the students, avoiding a manner of communication that would inhibit dialogue.

"Be cautious that you don't sabotage your ability to be successful in advocating [your cause]," Mireles said. "You might be alienating the people you're trying to influence."

Meanwhile, Student Regent-designate Jonathan Stein is working on developing another possible solution to the funding crisis for the UC system. Stein is in the process of developing a Political Action Committee (PAC) for the UC system. A PAC, an organization that campaigns and increases leverage for a specific institution, could theoretically provide the UC system the leverage it needs within the state government to promote state funding of the public universities.

In terms of direct student action, Mireles advocates the power of student protest as a means to influence the regents in power, while Estelle's philosophy is geared more toward changing the current power structure completely. Currently, the Public Education Coalition is engaging in what Estelle considers "coalitional" dynamics, while trying to move into being more of a "movement."

"The difference between a coalition and movement, which is what we're really trying to start, is that a coalition is a cohesive but loosely affiliated group that comes together for a specific action, like the reclamation of CLICS or the March 1 rally, that sort of thing," Estelle said. "It then drifts apart, and then comes back together for another action, and then drifts apart. A movement is when you are able to politicize a large group of people and get



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everyone super involved and have a continuous mobilization."

Estelle hopes that a more established and lasting student movement will effectively begin to approach the regents, and even state and national legislatures to implement change.

Mireles' method of influencing regents rather than alienating them, as well as acknowledging their limited power in the face of state and federal budget cuts, is no less critical of the UC administration. To Mireles, there exists a generational and economic gap that limits the regents' understanding of the significance of a fee hike.

"I'm not going to say the regents are necessarily evil people, but I am going to say that their current life experience as corporate lawyers and real estate developers are dramatically different from almost every student who goes to the UC," Mireles said.

Rather, the regents' decisions are made based

on differing perspectives and positions in life.

"I think the regents cannot fathom what it's like to be an undergraduate on one of our campuses," Mireles said. "To them, raising tuition another thousand dollars would be pocket change, but to many of the students that would make or break whether than can go to school or not."

Despite their differing perspectives on how exactly to address issues regarding the current state of public education, Mireles and Estelle both believe in the power of the student rally to solve problems that both agree exist.

"Student protesting over the years has brought about victory after victory for the movement of social justice," Mireles said. "Anybody who tells you otherwise is not being truthful."

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Documentary By UCSD Alumnus Explores Bustling City Scene

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"I sort of see art and law as related, both as a way of looking at interactions and relationships," Chang said. "And that's how I kind of see filmmaking, too; it's sort of a lens into human interactions and a way of relating to one another."

With this idea in mind, Chang set out to make a fictional short film, "Nanjing Road," in Shanghai, China about a year after graduating from law school in 2005. The film opened up a pathway to her current documentary, and after two years in China, she moved to Dubai with the intent to explore the art scene and film a documentary.

"I'd never been in the Mideast before, so I totally jumped on it," Chang said. "We were so excited that we were filming on our second day there." But filming in Dubai came with its obstacles — first and foremost: the heavy censorship. "You need permits to film in Dubai, and we ended up just filming secretly," Chang said. "If this film was officially sponsored, we wouldn't have had the liberty to be so critical — and not just to be critical of the art there but also to be critical of the number of workers there and how they're treated and compensated." Chang can't count the number of times when she and her film crew ran into trouble and were chased away or escorted out by the Dubai police. "We filmed a lot of things we weren't allowed to," Chang said. "You're not allowed to film workers, and we filmed a lot of workers. So I'm very proud of that — to show that that actually exists; there are people who are doing these amazing architectural feats."

Alongside having to sneak around the city, the intense heat and sand presented another obstacle. "It was about 120 degrees sometimes, and there's just so much sand everywhere, blowing sand storms," Chang said. "And just

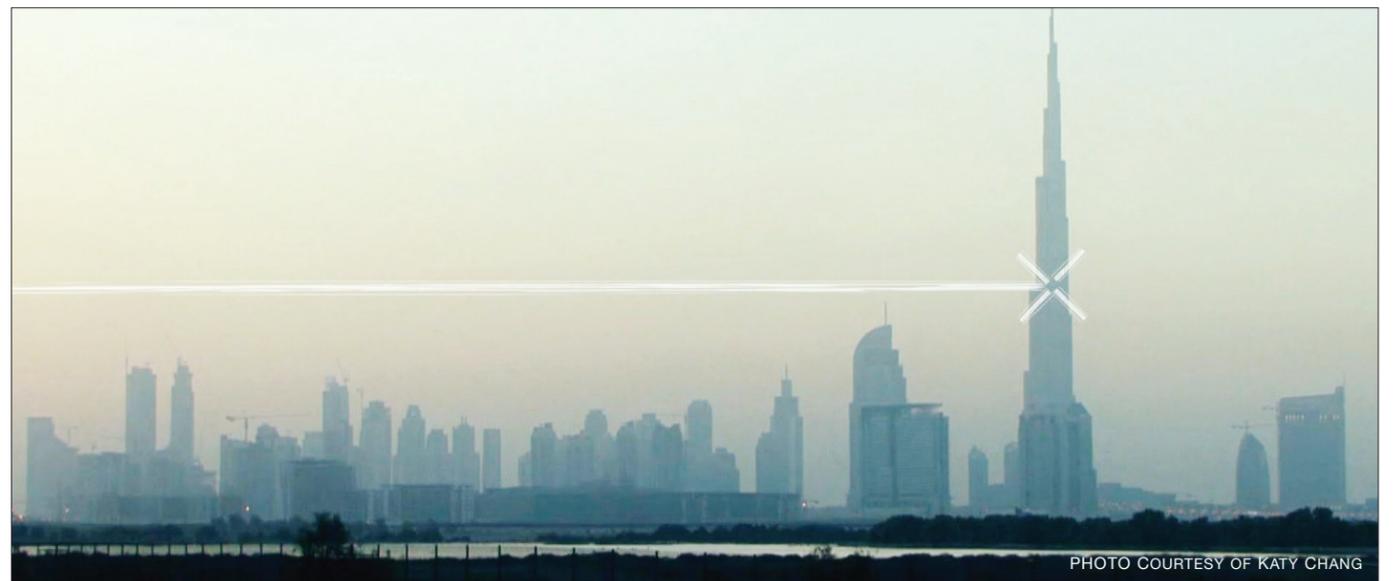


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trying to take care of the equipment and making sure we could get everything technically correct — I would definitely say making a film in San Diego was great practice for that. Filming at the beach and on the sand — I didn't know it at the time that I would end up in Dubai, but I kept referencing back to when I would film in La Jolla." Through the cinéma vérité style of the film — letting the story unfold organically — Chang hopes to portray the rich culture of Dubai and its two layers: the excessive and the realistic, focusing on the human labor behind the latter.

Chang also emphasized that it's a story of modern life now. "It's a universal story about the huge dreams that people can have inside of a city and then falling short of those dreams

and the reality behind that and then the value of works and workers," Chang said. "I suppose that's the socialist in me."

Using the art scene in Dubai to tap into this idea of dreaming, Chang revealed the role of Dubai as a platform for art around the world.

Once filming was complete in 2010, and after mailing their tapes out separately to avoid running into even more trouble, Chang and her team returned to the U.S. to make edits. So far, they've shown only parts of the documentary in Ghana, Dubai (cultural edits must be made to have it shown in the U.A.E.) and Washington D.C.

"We just finished the film, so we're showing it around and trying to get it into American International Festivals," Chang said. "We really

want to bring it to a bigger audience."

While still waiting for the proper premiere of "Glitter Dust," Chang is currently back in D.C. in pre-production of her upcoming film on Chinese labor camps.

She wants to return to Dubai in time for the Dubai Film Festival and hopes to be able to show her documentary there.

"I want to continue making films and continue making art and share it with as many people as possible," Chang said. "There are so many stories to be told. It's just so interesting. I can't believe this is the first documentary I've made."

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UCSD Men's Volleyball Loses Eight Straight Games



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MEN'S VOLLEYBALL—After falling to No. 12 University of the Pacific on Saturday, March 3 and No. 2 Stanford the day before, the UCSD Men's Volleyball team has gone without a win for its eighth straight game.

Playing on the road, the Tritons managed to take one set from the Cardinal 25-22, but were overpowered offensively by 13-4 overall Stanford. The Tritons dropped the other three sets 21-25, 15-25 and 19-25.

UCSD managed to outblock the Cardinal 10 to 7.5, but fell on the offensive end.

Sophomore outside hitter Carl Eberts and Johl Awerkamp led the Tritons in scoring, both finishing with 14 kills apiece on five errors. Stanford's Brad Lawson was outstanding on the night, leading all players with 18 kills on just four errors, for an attack percentage of 0.452.

On Saturday, UCSD was swept

by No. 12 University of the Pacific — ninth in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation — for the second time this season.

Awerkamp led in scoring for the Tritons again with 10 kills on four assists. But Pacific's Taylor Hughes led all players with 17 kills on just three errors.

The second set was close, as the Tritons pushed the match into overtime, but fell to Pacific 27-25. But UCSD was blown out in the first and third sets, falling 25-17 and 25-16.

The Tritons now fall to 1-11 in the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation, where they compete as the only Division II team. UCSD is ranked last in the 12-team conference. The Tritons will continue their road trip with four more away games.

UCSD will face No. 1 nationally ranked UCLA this Thursday, March 8, followed by a game against UC Santa Barbara on Friday, March 9.

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UCSD to Host NCAA West Regionals

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from 40 feet out. The ball dropped to give the Golden Eagles the win with 0.1 seconds left on the clock.

"That's something I practice every day after practice," Hammer said. "After practice I stay in there just throwing up shots just hoping that one day if I get the chance it will go in. The funny thing is that when I went in, I told my teammate [Ramon], that if I get the shot I told her it's going in."

Cal State Los Angeles advanced to the CCAA Championship title game the following day, but fell to Cal State Monterey Bay 79-61.

Despite the loss, the Tritons

remain with only two losses on the season and have already clinched a place in the NCAA Division II tournament.

But without a conference title, UCSD may have lost the opportunity to host the first round of the West Regionals.

"I think at times things have come too easy for us, and that's unfortunate," Elliott said. "The good news is we get to play again, and we're just going to start over. It would have been amazing to win a conference tournament in our building. But it wasn't meant to be. That kid hit a crazy shot. It wasn't meant to be."

The Tritons return to the court this Friday, March 9 at 7:30 pm, when they will host the first round of the NCAA Division II National Tournament.

It was announced on Sunday, March 4 that UCSD qualified for the 64-team tournament along with CCAA members Cal Poly Pomona, CSU Los Angeles and CCAA Champions CSU Monterey Bay.

"We don't get another do over, the next loss ends it all," Elliott said.

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Women Place Third, Men Second

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week.

"I was just looking for a 55 (second time), like come on, just run your race and win, just make it. Then I came around the last corner and I saw the clock sitting at the finish line, and I was like, I could take this, I could get the 54."

Rose finished first, setting a new meet record of 54.9 seconds, besting Ericka Nowell of UC Irvine by nearly two seconds.

This mark improves her NCAA provisional mark and puts her just a tenth of a second off the automatic qualifying time.

"It was a solid performance against some good Division I teams," women's head coach Darcy Ahner said. "The highlight today was in the women's 400m watching Jackie Rose find another level and race with confidence."

In the women's 4x400m relay, sophomore Lauren Irish started

well, but on the exchange to junior Lorato Anderson, the Tritons had fallen to second place.

Anderson lost another place on the way around, and handed the baton off to Rose in third trailing by 15 meters.

Rose took the baton and ran down UCSB senior Amanda Rodriguez and senior Kelly Collins of UCI in the last 100m of the lap, managing a 53.6 second split, the fastest since Christine Merrill split a 53 two years ago.

Merrill is now running for the Sri Lankan National Team and will be in the 2012 London Olympic games.

Roberson was caught on the back stretch by Nowell and Jessica Johnson of Santa Barbara.

Coming off the last turn, Roberson put her head down and caught back up to Nowell, leaning past her to take second place with an overall time of 3:49.02.

Roberson also won the 400m hurdles with a time of 1:03.82. The time is only .82 off of a NCAA provisional mark.

Other standouts in the meet included red-shirt junior Ryan Eckert, who threw a personal best 51'4.5" to take third in the shot put, and red-shirt senior Erin Langford, who jumped 18'2.5" to take second in long jump.

Sophomore Kellen Levy also stood out in the 3000m run, leading for much of the race and kicking with 600m left to take second at 8:31 seconds.

The men have not finished this high at the All-Cal meet since 1999, the first year the meet was held. The strong performances from both squads display the depth the Tritons have going into the heart of their season.

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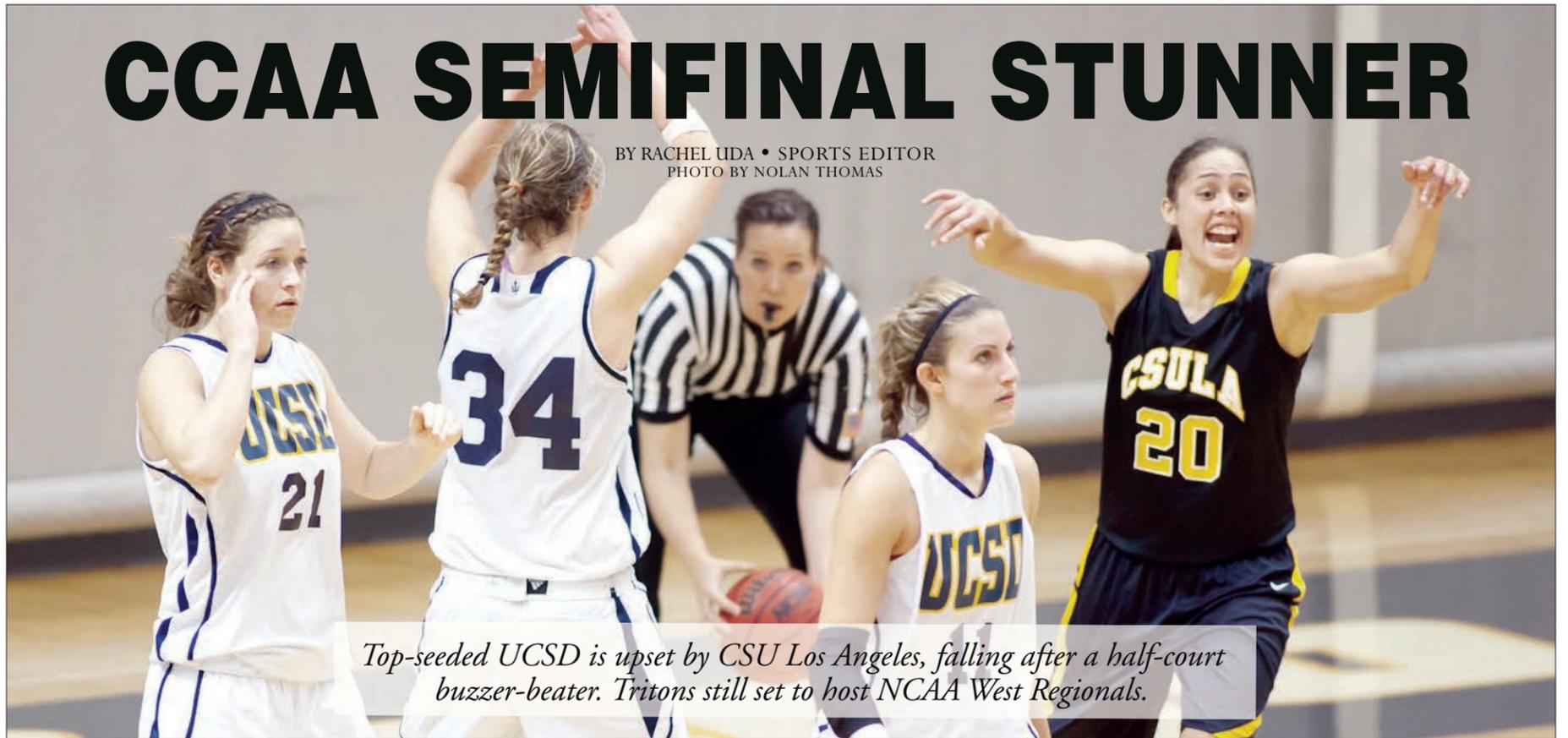
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CCAA SEMIFINAL STUNNER

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Top-seeded UCSD is upset by CSU Los Angeles, falling after a half-court buzzer-beater. Tritons still set to host NCAA West Regionals.



It's in postseason play when collegiate athletes stop thinking about games in terms of wins or losses or records, and start talking about 'ending seasons' or playing another night.

Having already secured a spot in the NCAA Division II National Tournament, the No. 1 UCSD Women's Basketball team fell last Friday, March 1 against a Cal State Los Angeles squad that found itself in a win or go home situation, and who was ultimately better on the night.

"[Cal State Los Angeles is] fighting for its season and we didn't match them," senior guard Chelsea Carlisle said. "They did the little things that they needed to, and they had a little extra something and I don't think we had that tonight."

In the second leg of the CCAA Conference tournament, the Tritons, having squandered an eight-point lead early in the second half, found themselves in their closest match of the season. Fatigue figured on both benches, forcing UCSD head coach Charity Elliott to pull from her reserves as neither team conceded to dropping tempo.

No one has questioned the strength of UCSD's starting five — four of whom were named to the All-CCAA First Team — but it was the periods of time when All-CCAA selections Carlisle, senior guard Daisy Feder and junior guard Emily Osga weren't on the court that the Golden Eagles were able to cut the Triton lead.

Up 42-34, Cal State Los Angeles guard Tessonra Williams and 6'0" power forward Lacy Ramon teamed to cut the lead to one-point just four minutes into the second half.

The rest of the game was a battle for the Tritons to find a way to stop Williams and Ramon — whose ability to alternatively post up or score off the dribble put her at an advantage over UCSD's shorter guard Megan Perry and slower senior forward Lauren Freidenberg. The Golden Eagles shot out to a seven-point lead after Ramon drove to the bucket and turned around to pick off the Triton inbound pass for a quick field goal.

Surprisingly, Elliott elected to field Perry in place of Freidenberg, still down with just three minutes left to play. But the Tritons went on

a 7-1 run to take a narrow 71-69 lead. Osga drove to the basket to put UCSD up by four points before Cal State Los Angeles head coach Janell Jones called a time out.

The Golden Eagles put together five points before Osga took back the lead with a big layup.

Up 75-74, Cal State Los Angeles failed to convert on four consecutive rebounds, ending the possession with UCSD inbound from the Golden Eagle baseline.

Elliott drew up a risky but ultimately effective play, with sophomore forward Erin Dautremont lobbing the ball down court to Osga, who ate up the clock before she was fouled and sent to the line. Osga missed the first, but sunk her second attempt with 3.8 seconds left on the clock.

Jones called another timeout to put senior guard Lorin Hammer on the court, who only played five minutes on the night.

The Golden Eagles ran the baseline, finding Hammer up towards the half court line. Hammer put the ball down on the court twice before she chanced a three-pointer

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Track Shows Strong at All-Cal

BY NICK HOWE
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TRACK & FIELD — The UCSD Track & Field team came out big on Saturday in the All-Cal Invitational. The Tritons posted a third place finish for the women and a second place finish for the men, who squeaked into second place by only three points on the very last event of the day.

UCSD did well amongst Division I opponents — UC Irvine, UC Santa Barbara and UC Riverside is more remarkable as the men's side saw only one event winner.

Senior team captain Nick Howe won the javelin throw with a toss of 201'8", besting long-time rival Michael Guerrero of UCSB by over eight feet.

The UCSD men did not win any other events at the Invitational, but they were just deeper than the other

teams to capture second. UCSD had enough second and third place finishers to punch them ahead of most of their Division I rivals.

"We really competed well against our sister schools today," said UCSD head Coach Tony Salerno. "The men's second place team finish was a real surprise. We managed to pull it off with only one event winner out of 19 events on the men's side. That's a pretty remarkable accomplishment at this level."

The men's team was behind by three until the last event of the day, the discus throw. Junior Zachary Nagengast busted out a 159'1" throw to take third despite tough wind conditions.

Senior Dane Sandifer came in to take three points for sixth place to put the Tritons ahead of UC Irvine with a throw of 150'2.5".

This is a remarkable feat as the Anteaters have the NCAA

Champion in the 800 meters and World Championship finalist, Charles Jock, who ran far ahead of the field in long sprints. Jock ran the 1500 in 3:53.44, a good time for such an early season outing.

On the women's side, senior sprints captain Jacqueline Rose again led the Triton squad.

In the 4 x 100 meter relay, alongside freshman Laura Schellenberg, freshman Jessica Beerman, junior Kathleen Hitchens and Rose, the Tritons came in a close third.

Rose then took second at the 200m dash, missing a first place finish by less than a tenth of a second at 24.91. This mark moves her from tenth all time to eighth all time for UCSD. In her specialized event, the 400m dash, Rose was looking for a marginal time after recording a personal record last

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Senior sprints captain Jacqueline Rose set a personal record with a time of 54.9 seconds in the 400m dash.