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## Worldwide

### Agencies Urge Use of Common Antibiotic in Fight Against AIDS

PARIS — The 23 million Africans infected with the AIDS virus should be given regular doses of a common and affordable antibiotic, two international health groups said on Wednesday, as a way to ward off fatal secondary infections.

The World Health
Organization and UNAIDS based
their recommendation on encouraging preliminary studies, and
added that if the results are borne
out, the impact could be dramatic.
Virtually all of those infected

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## **National**

### Judge Puts Penalty Phase of Microsoft Antitrust Trial on 'Fast Track'

WASHINGTON — The judge in the Microsoft antitrust case set a "fast-track" schedule on Wednesday designed to conclude the proceeding and impose a remodule to the procedule of the set of th

edy roughly by the end of May.

With that deadline looming, the state attorneys general, the plaintiffs who have favored the strongest remedies, are coalescing around the view that they will not seek a breakup of the company, several officials said Wednesday.

The decision on timing came in a meeting on Wednesday morning

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## **Collegiate**

### New York University Graduate Students Permitted to Unionize

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — In a decision that could have far-reaching consequences for graduate students nationwide, a regional director for the National Labor Relations Board ruled Monday that graduate students at New York University, a private university, have the right to unionize

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The case, brought to the NLRB by the United Auto Workers, involved a collection of NYU graduate students who had attempted to hold a union elec-

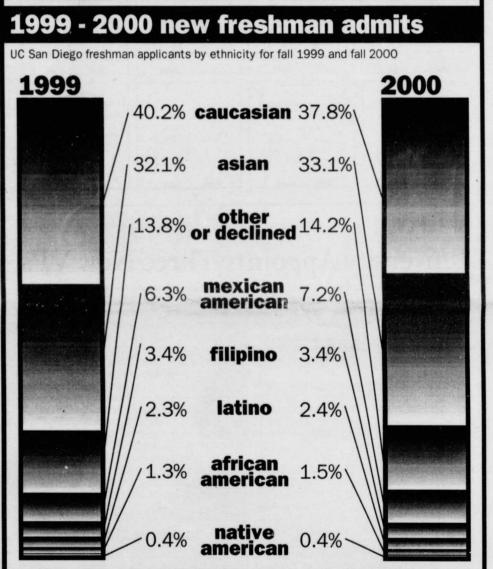
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## **Spoken**

"I am cautiously optimistic. We are still a ways away from pre-[Proposition] 209 days but we're coming back."

- Richard Backer
Associate vice chancellor
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## **UCSD Admits More Minority Students**



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Freshman who will attend UCSD must decide by May 1

By VINCENT GRAGNANI

News Editor

This year UCSD admitted the highest number of underrepresented minorities since the elimination of affirmative action. The university admitted a total of 13,268 students, 1,985 of which are underrepresented minorities.

The number of African Amercians admitted to UCSD rose 17 percent over last year (from 175 to 204), the number of Mexican Americans rose 14 percent (from 863 to 953) and the number of Native Americans rose 5 percent (from 56 to 59).

The average GPA of the students admitted is a record 4.07. The average SAT score is 1309, also a record number for UCSD.

While the numbers are encouraging to many, the number of students that actually decide to attend UCSD will not be available until next month, when students return their Statements of Intent to Register.

"I am cautiously optimistic," said Richard Backer, registrar and assistant vice chancellor of enrollment management. "We are still a ways away from pre-[Proposition] 209 days but we're coming back. We'll see what happens with the numbers in May."

Backer credited the increase in underrepresented minority admissions with the campus' aggressive early outreach program, which prepares and encourages local middle and high school students to take the necessary steps to attend college.

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## **Scientists Working On Cancer Vaccine**

Breakthrough on mice could lead to human clinical trials within the next two years

By VINCENT GRAGNANI

News Editor

Scientists at UCSD are working on a vaccine against an enzyme found in a variety of human tumors. The vaccine may effectively mobilize the body's own immune system to attack and kill cancer cells.

A team led by Maurizio Zanetti, professor of medicine at UCSD and member of the UCSD Cancer Center, in collaboration with the Institut Pasteur in Paris, has successfully used a prototype vaccine in cancer cells in vitro to activate a type of lymphocyte called cytotoxic T-lymphocytes, or

CTL, to destroy cancer cells.

Lymphocytes are white blood cells that attack invading cells that

are foreign to the body. Telomerase, an enzyme key to the uncontrolled replication of cancerous cells, is considered the first gene to play a direct role in the transformation of cells by allowing precancerous cells to become immortal.

Boris Minev, a co-author of the study from UCSD, said the lymphocytes can be "educated" to recognize and kill cancer cells.

He said that if the vaccine is successful, it could be used in combination with other types of cancer treatment such as surgery, chemotherapy and radiation to rid a body of cancer.

He added that immunotherapy is much safer than traditional

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## Professor Kent R. Wilson Passes Away at 63

Scientist known for achievements in molecular dynamics of chemical and biochemical reactions

By LAUREN COARTNEY

Staff Writer

Kent R. Wilson, professor of chemistry and biochemistry, lost a 14-month battle with colon cancer on March 27.

Wilson, who came to UCSD in 1965, is known internationally for his achievements in the molecular dynamics of chemical and biochemical reactions. Throughout his career he pioneered chemical concepts that earned him recognition by the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

"He was a beloved and respected member of the department," stated Katja Lindenberg, professor of chemistry and biochemistry.

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## **EVENTS**

### Thursday, April 6

Film: The General's Daughter

This movie will be shown at 7 p.m. in the Price Center Theater. Admission is \$2. For more information, call 534-4022.

Performing Arts: Dance

"The Second Hand" dance will be performed by a modern dance trio at 8 p.m. in the Mandeville Auditorium. Admission for students is \$15. For more information, call 534-4090.

### Birch Aquarium: Grunion Run

On certain spring nights, hundreds of small fish called grunion often glitter in the moonlight as high tide washes them up on the beach during their unusual mating ritual. After a film and presentation on grunion and marine bioluminescence, attendees will hit the beach in search of the springtime visitors. Admission is \$9. Attendees are asked to prepare for cool, wet conditions and to bring a flashlight. For more information, call 534-7336.

### Friday, April 7

Performing Arts: Music Sitarist Kartik Seshadri will perform Indian music in a concert devoted to his mentor, Ravi Shankar, in an 8 p.m. concert at the Mandeville Auditorium. Admission is free. For more information, call 534-4830.

### Saturday, April 8

Performing Arts: Music

UCSD composer Richard Carrick will present a concert of his work with colleagues at 8 p.m. at Erickson Hall in the Mandeville Center. Admission is free. For more information, call 453-4830.

### Sunday, April 9

Performing Arts: Music

Stacey Fraser will perform 20th century cabaret songs from France and Germany as well as songs by Cole Porter and Kurt Weill. The performance will be held at 8 p.m. at the UCSD Faculty Club. Admission is \$25. Proceeds will benefit graduate students in the music department. Appetizers will be provided and drinks will be available for purchase. For more information, call 534-0501.

## Union:

NYU graduate students to be treated as employees

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tion, prompting objections from the

The university claimed graduate student teaching provides educational experiences for graduate students themselves, which means the students do not deserve the right to lobby collectively for wages and benefits.

Monday's ruling, released by NLRB Regional Director Daniel Silverman, held that the law must consider NYU's graduate students employees of the university, entitled to the same rights as other workers, because they teach.

NYU officials have said in the past that they would appeal a ruling in favor of the graduate students.

- Harvard Crimson

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## BRIEFLY

## University Appoints Three New VPs

President recently announced three new systemwide appointments. They include Joseph Mullinix, named UC senior vice president for business and finance; Michael V. Drake, appointed UC vice president for health affairs; and Alex Saragoza, appointed UC vice president for edu-

Mullinix is currently a senior administrative and finance official at Yale University, serving as vice president for finance and administration. Before joining Yale in 1993, he worked for 10 years at Columbia University, where he rose to nior vice president

As senior vice president for business and finance at the University of California, Mullinix will oversee a wide range of administrative functions ranging from long-range budget planning to human resources to the university's management of the Lawrence Berkeley, Lawrence Livermore and Los Alamos national

Drake is currently the Steven P. Shearing professor of ophthalmology at UC San Francisco and vice chairman of the department of ophthalmology. He also serves as senior associate dean for admissions and extramural academic programs at UCSF, with responsibilities for the UCSF-Fresno Medical Education Program. In his systemwide role he will oversee education at the university's five academic medical centers.

Saragoza has served as a faculty member in the UC Berkeley department of ethnic studies since 1986 and is the author of numerous articles and essays on Mexican culture and history, the mass media in Mexican history and the history of Mexican immigration to the United

As systemwide vice president for educational outreach, Saragoza will oversee an effort by the university to prepare larger numbers of underrepresented minority students for admission to the University of California and coordi- health. nate the university's efforts to work with K-12 educators and other segments of higher educa- Molecular Medicine," a scientific symposium tion to improve teacher quality and student performance.

### **UCSD Physician Establishes Monthly Series on Diabetes**

Steven Edelman, an associate professor at the UCSD School of Medicine and the Veterans campaign to increase public and legislative Affairs Medical Center, is beginning a seminar series to educate and motivate diabetics and research in health. Injured in an equestrian their loved ones.

Aside from being medically trained in treating diabetes, Edelman has been living with the disfound impact medical science can have on peoease for 30 years. His personal and professional

ing Control of Your Diabetes in 1995, a nonprofit organization dedicated to hosting educational and motivational conferences and health fairs related to diabetes. Edelman said both diabetics and the general community are in need of

The seminar series will be held on the fourth Tuesday of every other month from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the Center for Molecular Genetics. Each ion will feature two lectures with time for questions and a break for refreshments and conversation. A \$5 donation to Taking Control of Your Diabetes is suggested.

For information on Taking Control of Your Diabetes and dates and topics of future seminars, visit the Taking Control of Your Diabetes Web site at www.tcoyd.org or call 755-5683.

### **UCSD-Salk Award Presented** to Actor Christopher Reeve

UCSD-Salk Institute Awards Presented to Christopher Reeve, Donald Seldin, Genentech Inc. and Dennis Slamon

Actor and activist Christopher Reeve was presented with the first UCSD-Salk Institute Service Award for his tireless efforts to raise awareness of the importance of basic research for human biology and disease at a ceremony in the Birch Aquarium at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography on March 21.

The UCSD-Salk Institute Translational Medicine Award was given jointly to Dennis Slamon of UCLA and to Genentech Inc. The UCSD-Salk Institute Mentorship Award was presented to Donald Seldin of the University of

The awards were established to recognize significant contributions to the advancement of biomedical research and the application of basic science findings to improve human

The awards banquet concluded "A Day of featuring the some of the world's preeminent researchers, including many San Diego-based scientists. The symposium opened with a keynote address by Nobel Laureates Michael S. Brown and Joseph L. Goldstein.

At the evening ceremony, Reeve was given the Service Award for his unwavering personal awareness of the need to support basic competition in 1995, Reeve is a powerful spokesperson for the disabled and for the pro-

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## **Admission:** Up to 8,000 expected to

attend Admit day Continued from page 1

"Hopefully we're bearing some fruits of those labors," he said. A.S. President Tesh Khullar said

he credits the statistics with a change in the admissions process. Previously, 60 percent of students were admitted based solely on numbers such as grade point averages and SAT scores. For the remaining 40 percent, admissions officers look at supplemental criteria such as leadership experience, community service, special circumstances and personal challenges.

This year, however, only 50 percent of students were admitted based on numbers. Admissions officers then took supplemental information into account for the remaining 50 percent of the stu-

Vaccine:

Medicine may combat

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90 percent of all cancers

chemotherapy.
"Some of the medications

given to patients are very toxic," he said. "In immunotherapy, the

goal is to mobilize the immune

system of people with cancer so

that they can rid the cancer from

would be most effective against

very small tumors not visible on an

utilizes the immune system in

fighting cancer.

Zanetti explained how the study

their body."

He said that immunotherapy

Khullar said that while the numbers look promising, this is only the first step in increasing diversity at UCSD.

"We're a third of the way there," he said. "It's really great news. UCSD should celebrate that students are being admitted, but we shouldn't start celebrating too much until we get them here."

He added that once underrepresented students come to UCSD, the campus must then work to retain them and see to it that they graduate.

He said in order for underrepresented students to want to come to UCSD, the university needs to increase scholarship funds because many students are being courted by other universities offering large financial aid packages.

Backer said most people on campus are pleased with the sions numbers. "I think folks are upbeat on

campus," he said. "Folks are [excited] for Admit Day. We're expecting a big turnout from students and

"In cancer, the immune system

becomes increasingly weakened

and ineffective against rapidly pro-liferating malignant cells," Zanetti stated. "We wanted to see if the

immune systems of individuals

with cancer retained the ability to

recognize telomerase, and if we

against cancer.

percent of all cancers.

the vaccine becomes a reality.

Miney, is to inject human cancer

cells into mice with deficient

immune systems. The scientists

Admit Day, which will be held

Saturday, April 15, gives students admitted to UCSD the opportunity to visit the campus.

Backer said students and families who attend will be able to tour the campus, receive financial aid and housing information, and hear fac-

ulty lectures, among other things. Backer said he is expecting as many as 8,000 people to attend Admit Day.

Among the students admitted, the most popular majors are biology, economics, computer science, engineering and psychology. "It's incredible," Backer said.

"Because of the increased popularity of the campus, we are attracting a strong, academically prepared group of students which I think speaks very well for the campus. It raises our prestige and it speaks very well of our faculty."

Admitted students have until May 1 to declare whether they will attend UCSD.

will then use the vaccine to try and cure the cancer in the mice. If this is successful, Minev said

clinical trials and attempt to use the vaccine to cure skin, prostate and breast cancers. "I am very optimistic and I hope that in the next year-and-a-half to

could boost the immune response two years we will go to clinical triusing telomerase in a prototype vaccine to expand CTL actively In addition to Zanetti and Minev said that the vaccine Miney, other scientists working on could potentially work against 90

Academy of Science.

the study include Jason Hipp and Joseph Schmidt of UCSD, and Pierre Langlade-Demoyen and He added, however, that scien-Huseyin Firat of the Institut tists need to do more work before Pasteur in Paris. The scientists' findings were The next step, according to

published in the April 4 issue of the

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## **Grade Appeals Need Reform**

As the new quarter begins and UCSD students start to receive their grades from last quarter, many are disappointed with their results.

While some students are satisfied with their grades, others may question whether there has been some error in tabulating their grades. These students are left with two options - accept the grade they received or complain to their professors.

Asking a professor to change a grade is a ridiculously difficult process. First of all, just tracking down a professor during the first couple weeks of classes can be nearly impossible given that many don't start holding office hours until a few weeks into the quarter. In addition, office hours are often packed with students. Requesting a grade change while 20 students are waiting to speak to the professor can be a nerveracking experience.

Second of all, students requesting a grade change have to deal with intimidating professors with whom they may have had no previous interaction. These professors have a vested interest in not approving a grade change; doing so will only hurt their reputations. As a result, professors may be loathe to make any changes.

For these reasons, the Guardian recommends that there be a review conducted of the grade challenging process. UCSD students work incredibly hard, and it is irresponsible of the university to place the burden of grade inquiries solely on their shoulders. An unbiased third party, similar to student advocates, could be implemented to make the process more equitable for both teachers and students.

## **TAs and University Must Avoid a Strike**

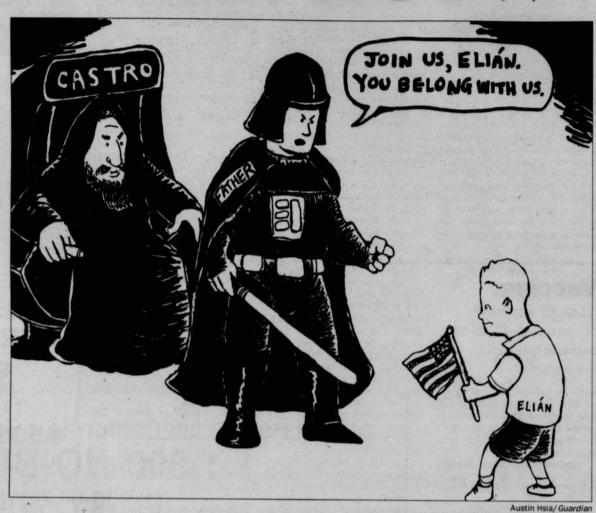
Fortunately for students, teaching assistants across the UC system have reached a tentative agreement with the University of California, postponing a potential strike for at least three weeks.

While the Guardian supports collective bargaining between teaching assistants and the university, we find it unfortunate that students must suffer any time there are bargaining disagreements. According to teaching assistant unions, the decision to strike was prompted by unlawful actions taken by the university. The unions' complaints included charges that the universichanged working conditions, withheld information and engaged in regressive bargaining.

Both the TA unions and the administration filed unfair labor practice complaints against each other with the California Public Employment Relations Board last month. As a result, PERB will review the charges and issue decisions. The Guardian feels that this is the proper avenue for resolving problems.

We applaud state legislators for getting involved and initiating a three week mediation period. We hope that both sides resolve their problems without having to resort to tactics that will only harm the student body.

## OPINION



## A Serious Cross-Examination of the Bible's Contents Verifies its Validity

Despite frequent attempts to discredit and disprove them, many of the events in the Bible are backed by historical records as well as archeological finds

By THEODORE DOKKO

Senior Staff Writer

Judging by the rhetoric taught to students at universities and written by the mainstream media across this country, the Bible is the most error-laced and unbelievable book in literature. We are told the stories contained in the Bible are mere fantasies of their writers and that the people and places spoken of are not historical because they have not been confirmed by independent writing. These critics claim there is no way

that the Bible can be the inspired word of

God as it purports to be.

With all the attacks on the Bible, our post-modern culture has told us to pick what we like about the Bible and reject those parts that we feel are either unloving or politically incorrect.

Despite all the charges against it, the Bible is still the world's best-selling book day after day, year after year. It would seem that the consumer still sees that there is something inside this book that liberal theologians and skeptics have tried to discount. Upon closer investigawhy it is such a bestseller and why it has such amazing resilience.

One amazing aspect of the Bible is that it is not a monolith, as some perbook of great diversity. For some basic background we see that the Bible, a library of 66 books, was compiled over a period of 15 centuries, with the last book written near the very end of the first cen-

It was written in three different languages: Hebrew, Greek and Aramaic. It was penned by 40 different authors from three continents, whose positions ranged from sovereigns of nations to shepherds, physicians to tax gatherers, all of whom wrote independently of each other, often not knowing that there were others writing or who those others were. The

If one were to analogize the Bible to a book of medicine, this medicinal book would have been written by 40 different authors over a period of 15 centuries, and vet at the same time be so timeless that it could still cure the sick today.

authors discuss a variety of matters, such as the nature of God, angels, demons and the problem of evil. If one were to analogize the Bible to a book of medicine, this medicinal book would have been written 40 different authors over a period of 15 centuries, and be so timeless that it could still cure the sick today.

Though the Bible was written by many different people, it is not a collec-tion of books written about many different topics, as some have contended. Rather, it has one theme that runs tion, the Bible itself contains reasons throughout the whole book. The theme of this great book can be summarized by two words: sin and grace.

From the opening pages of the book of Genesis, the reader learns of the first ceive it to be. Quite to the contrary, it is a sin by Adam and Eve. Then there is a ed in it. projection of grace from God who tells the serpent that "I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your seed and her seed; He shall bruise you on the head, and you shall bruise Him on the heel" (Genesis 3:15).

This opening prophecy about a descendent of Eve who would one day defeat the Serpent with a fatal blow is the basis on which the whole Bible grows. When debating the religious leaders of the time, Jesus declared, "Search the Scriptures, because you think that in the Roman official who condemned them you have eternal life; and it is these that bear witness of Me" (John 5:39).

Later, in the same debate, he tells the leaders, "For if you believed Moses, you would believe Me for he wrote of Me' (John 5:46). Even at the very end of Scripture, the book of Revelation proclaims "Come, Lord Jesus" (Revelation 22:20). Much like a garment that is woven of various threads while still contributing to the whole grand design, Christ is the unifying theme of the New

One aspect of the Bible that sets it apart from any comparable text, religious or otherwise, is the unity of theme and message that it achieves. This unity is apparent despite the diversity of literary structure and genre, authorship, view-point and chronology. These different pieces fit together to form a single magnificent arrangement. The magnificence of this structure can be offered up as evidence that there is a single designer who used the different authors as part of a master plan. The Bible is a well-designed structure assembled by a single, superintelligent architect.

As a second set of evidence, one can look at the preponderance of historical proof. Time and time again, critics have tried to discredit the Bible, yet they have always failed. The Bible has consistently quieted the critics who seek independent refudiation of the events that are record-

Many would say that the Hittite people about which the Old Testament speaks had to be a figment of the writer's imagination. However, in 1912 a German professor discovered tablets which spoke of the Hittite nation at the site of the Hittite capital. As for the New Testament, archaeology has discovered the pool of Bethesda written about in John 5:2, along with the altar to "an unknown god" in Athens (Acts 17:23).

Some doubted the existence of Pilate,

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## Lawsuits Brought Against Gun Manufacturers are Unwarranted

Federal safety regulation and better enforcement of laws governing the sale of firearms are the real solution to gun violence

the Second Amendment,

citizens the right to bear

which guarantees

arms. The Second

By BRENT DON

Thursday, April 6, 2000

**Opinion Editor** 

A rash of recent shootings in schools and the workplace have once again dragged the issue of firearms into the national spotlight. Amid a popular outcry for a reaction to these incidents, elected officials on every level of government have responded by proposing stricter laws for the sale of firearms, trying to force gun manufacturers to include safety locks on all their new models and by suing gun manufacturers for contributing to the rise of gun violence across the country. Many of the proposed laws promise to be effective remedies to many of the problems of gun violence, but the lawsuits brought against firearm manufacturers by various state and city governments are

The American fascination with guns is ingrained in our very history. This country was born in a ution where citizen soldiers picked up their personal rifles and rallied to fight the British army. Settlers in the old west battled the Native American tribes and one

another to carve out a new empire with the help of firearms. Many critics have recently accused the entertainment industry of glorifying firearms through violent films, television and video games in

popular culture. At the root of this cultural fascination is the Second Amendment, which guarantees citizens the right to bear arms. The Second Amendment is unique in that it is the only amendment in the Bill of Rights which justifies its existence: "A well regulated Militia, being necessary to the security of a free State, the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be

tional security, and expected that the common people would be needed to defend the nation in times of war. Second, that this amendment was designed to ensure the right of the people to

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Amendment is unique in that it is the only amendment in the Bill of Rights which justifies its existence: "A well regulated Militia, being infringed."

In light of this proviso, the exact intent of the Second necessary to the security of a free State, the right Amendment is questionable, to of the people to keep say the least. There are three main erpretations: First, that the and bear Arms, shall authors were referring to interna-

> became tyrannical, thereby ensuring that the United States would remain "a free State." The third interpretation is that the authors considering internal securi-

not be infringed."

tain citizens' rights to bear arms for their personal protection.

The first interpretation of the Second Amendment has been invalidated with time. It is no longer practical for civilian soldiers to rise to the defense of the nation in times of war; modern warfare necessitates a standing, professional army to fulfill this duty. Citizens with rifles and handguns cannot hope to stand up against mechanized infantry and guided missiles.

Consequently, the develop-ment of a professional army has effectively removed any hopes of the common people overthrowing the U.S. government, regardless of the deluded aspirations of the various militia movements in this country. Just as the common people have no hope of repelling a foreign invasion, average citizens have no chance of standing up against the U.S. military if it is called upon to defend the government. This is not to say that it is no longer possible for the American people to overthrow the government, but rather that any

ty, and that they wanted to main- the support of the military if it is to have any chance of succeeding, as has been the case in other countries that have experienced coups or revolutions in the 20th

> This leaves the third interpretation of the Second Amendment as the only valid contemporary reading: that it is meant to allow American citizens to own firearms for their own personal protection. This is the point that gun manu-facturers and firearms lobbyists such as the National Rifle Association have repeated time and time again to combat gun control legislation.
>
> As self-serving and old-fash-

ioned as this rhetoric may seem at times, the fact remains that it is a legally sound argument. As wellioned as the various states lawsuits over gun violence may be, their actions are ultimately leading towards a conflict with the Constitution that they cannot possibly win.

Proposed legislation which seeks to impose safety locks and increased scrutiny for background

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## BIBLE:

Independent sources have confirmed biblical events

Jesus of Nazareth to death. They too have been quieted by historical evidence. Those who wish to prove away the Bible have been stunned into silence after archaeology has confirmed the historical events and

people in the Bible.
In addition to the evidence provided by archaeology, historical writings confirm the person of Jesus as a historical figure. Contemporary secular literature refers to him a minimum of 13 times. The most vital event in Scripture involving Jesus, the resurrection, is also confirmed by independent and historical documentations. The well-noted and well-respected Jewish historian Josephus referred to the resurrection. He wrote, "At this time there was a wise man called Jesus, and his conduct was good and he was known to be virtuous. Pilate condemned him to be crucified and die. But those who had become his disciples did not abandon his disci-pleship. They reported that he had appeared to them three days after his crucifixion and that he was

The exhibits presented above and written history are only a sample of the many sources of evidence supporting the Bible's accuracy. There are many other reasons such as the personal testimonies of millions upon millions of people who have had their lives changed by the book, the prophecies that have come true and the confirmation of scientific tenets that the Bible speaks about, to name a few.

Clearly it is neither illogical nor an act of ignorance to believe in the Bible. However, the challenge to all who come across this amazing book is to personally investigate the claims it makes. One must decide for oneself whether the Bible is truly what it claims to be, or if it is not even worth the paper it is written on. There cannot be a middle road where one picks and chooses what one likes, much like a buffet lunch. The challenge is for all to take an objective look at the Bible for all it is. Many have done so with the intent of proving it as a farce, but have been convinced otherwise. Will you accept the challenge and decide for yourself?

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## **UCSD Acts Callously Towards Employees**

Students who are let go from university positions don't receive any assistance finding another job that most professional companies provide

By KIM HOOPER

If you are considering getting an on-campus job, thinking that it would be less intimidating and more secure than a position some corporation, think again. I used to think on-campus jobs were organized to provide starving students with an income (however meager), and that the employment opportunities available for students would provide a valuable learning experience to facilitate the transition into the "real world." assumed that on-campus jobs had esponsibilities and requirements just like other jobs, but I also assumed that the UCSD bubble was somewhat removed from the cut-throat, profit-driven employ-

Then one of my friends told me a story about his experiences as an employee of UCSD, and all my pre-

conceptions changed.

This friend, who shall remain nameless so that he is not stalked and maimed by the UCSD powers, is currently out of a job due to what I consider a betrayal by the very lars from him each quarter. He worked for a major academic department, handling its databases. One day, out of the blue, his job was "reclassified." For the new ition, he needed knowledge of ntml format and other computer technologies, which he did not have. After a pathetic "thanks-foryour-good-work" speech, accompanied by a "we-really-don't-givenile, he was out of a job.

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I would expect that his employers, with the help of UCSD employment services, would assist him in finding another position before giving him the proverbial ax.

tion that college is preparation for the real world, in this case I have to wonder what happened to the realworld notion of two weeks notice. My friend had no warning about the transformation of his position and his employers were less than sympathetic about the fact that he would have to endure a period of expended time and energy in the search of another job.

I could conceive of a fast-paced, corporate office exhibiting such unprofessional discourtesy, but a public school? UCSD employers know that students they employ are most likely far from financially secure. They know that students are preoccupied with academic pursuits as well as other duties that prevent them from having back-up obs. They know that, as students, we have expenses — tuition, books, rent, car, gas, coffee - that drain to play hardball with their own school — the school that is partly - the school that is partly responsible for draining that savings account in the first place. Considering how many stu-

dents rely on employment while in college, I expected that UCSD's services would include some sort of aid for those put out of work due to these incidental reclassifications. In my friend's case, a training program could have been implemented to help him to pre-pare for the new job's duties. Html is not rocket science. There are workshops that can teach it in a

Or, I would expect that his employers, with the help of UCSD employment services, would assist him in finding another position before giving him the proverbial

Businesses in the real world often make an effort to aid displaced workers. Students deserve to be treated as valid employees, not cheap and disposable help. Given my friend's entangle-

ment, I must say that I am wary of UCSD's employment system. I am sure that many people have had positive experiences and maybe praise UCSD for rescuing them from the impoverishment of unemployment hell. However, it is important to ask whether UCSD puts its student workers or its own needs first. Of course, employers aim for the greatest efficiency, but

By the way, if you happen to see a bitter-looking guy living in a cardboard box in front of the gas station on the corner of La Jolla Village Drive and Villa La Jolla, reassure him that he'll find another job ... and give him some change

## Sand, Oil and Twinkies Figure in Foreign Policy

High gas prices are the result of more than just

(U-WIRE) LINCOLN, Neb. -Okay, so gas is expensive right

hike? Most directly, the price hike is connected to the fact that the price for a barrel of oil these days s around \$28 - down from a peak in March at \$34. When gas was cheap last summer, the going rate was around \$11. A good part of the reason that the price is as high as it is now has to do with the Organization of Petroleum

tion (even though we buy from him anyway). The OPEC membership of Venezuela, Algeria, Libya, and Indonesia is neglected (no, OPEC is not just in the

Middle East).

OPEC's reluctance to release more oil - at least in the cases of Iran and Libya — is understandable. During our wonderful gas-guzzling summer, OPEC lost \$65 billion in revenue. So those counoil into the markets, for fear that prices will drop again. inwhile, other countries such as Saudi Arabia are more willing to release more oil - though not as much as the United States would

most powerful OPEC nation, that is behind the recent push to increase production. Iran, one of the most vocal opponents to increasing production, has accused Saudi Arabia of submitting to U.S. political pressure. Given that the United States not only has been threatening OPEC, but also lobbying it heavily, this

would not be surprising.
U.S. behavior in this whole situation is a bit immature. Once economic trends cause us to begin to suffer a little, the common citizen goes nuts and demands some sort of action. Gas prices are high, so what? Demanding that OPEC increase production for the sake of the working mom who commutes to soccer games every other evening is just absurd. Accusing the

the greed of OPEC and the major oil companies

By JACOB GLAZESKI

Well, expensive, sort of. While prices in Nebraska hover around

\$1.50 per gallon, in Europe and other countries they hover much higher. Really, \$1.50 per gallon only seems high here because it was very low last summer. What is the cause of this price

Exporting Countries' tighter control on oil production. Congress is trying to persuade OPEC to release more oil — by threatening an end to economic aid and cutting off trade. After all, the United States deserves the cheaper prices after having bailed out Kuwait in the Gulf War. Some people reason that we'd be buying oil from Saddam Hussein if it weren't for our military interven-

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OPEC has their own interests to consider

TWINKIES:

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greedy OPEC nations of exploiting the American consumer is so stu-

Exploited? Soccer moms? Oh, the horror! Especially after we have gotten where we have on cheap foreign labor, oppressed classes and Third World countries. It's called the economy: You pay for what you want, and if expensive gas means no pizza on Friday night, tough. Instead of using this as an oppor-

tunity to orate how wonderful the United States is and all that we've done to save the world from itself, maybe we could examine those very social trends that have firmly clamped our gonads in the hands of oil-producing countries. We've set ourselves up for this through a carcentered culture and urban sprawl.

This childish reaction isn't restricted to just the price of a nearly universally needed com-modity. Heard of Twinkies?

When the Teamsters recently went on strike against the Interstate Bakeries Corporation, people throughout New England were cut off from their Twinkie fix. Given anecdotal reports from packaged bakery merchants, it would seem that Twinkies, too, in the New England states.

even, that their favorite pre-packaged baked goods were no longer available. It seemed as though they couldn't understand the basic principle of item location: If it isn't here, you can't buy it here, and to get it here, you've got to ship it here. In other words, customers exhibited that same childish inability to understand why the world

around them changes.

The citizens of this country have become so complacent about the luxuries we enjoy that a legiti-mate danger is forming. We have become so used to an unending supply of reasonably affordable gasoline that when that supply is endangered, we respond not by changing our behavior, but by complaining and coercing a return to the status quo.

The oil supply will be exhausted. Eventually, the earth will have no point may be in the near or distant ure, inevitably, it will come. When it does come, we will be forced to deal with the very problems we are already setting up now — with huge, expansive cities and city planning built around the assumption that cars will be the most common form

I'm not worried that these probeconomy, based on a free market ideology, will fill the gaps that our culture right now is leaving. However, the complacency that is now being bred in our society by lush living is resulting in an intel-lectual sloth that will inhibit any attempt to change society when it becomes necessary to do so.

This OPEC fiasco is a warning light on the dashboard of our social development. It shows that we are beginning to deal with a changing world not by adapting to it, but by using what power we have to force it to stay the same. Instead of finding new or innovative solutions first, we

try to make things "right" again.
But this won't always work. Further, we portray ourselves as a bunch of spoiled brats who must get our way - and antagonizing the rest of the countries of the world while within our means, is certainly not the wise thing to do.

So, if gas prices rise this summer to the \$2-per-gallon level, as some have predicted, don't write an

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## **World News**

## U.S. Citizen Arrested on Spy Charges in Russia

U.S. citizen and an alleged Russian accomplice on spying charges Wednesday and were holding both men in Moscow's Lefortovo

In a statement, the Russian security agency American, described as the head of a private firm, of having "deliberately established contacts over a long period with Russian scienin order to obtain state secrets. The Russian, also unidentified, was described as a specialist working in the Russian defense industry.

A Russian TV news report Wednesday night said that both

The U.S. Embassy here refused to comment on the case, but in Washington on Wednesday State Department's spokesman, James P. Rubin, said a U.S. consular officer had visited the American and described him as being in good health and hopeful of resolving the matter

Without diplomatic immunity the American could face a jail sentence of 10 years to 20 years on espionage charges, a Russian

Wednesday's arrests are among a series of Cold War-

MOSCOW — Russian security men would be charged Thursday, style spy spats between Russia ents arrested an unidentified when their names will probably be and Western nations in recent months, and come at a time when President-elect Vladimir Putin is trying to reassess Russia's relations with the

> Last November, a U.S. diplomat. Cheri Leberknight, was arrested and accused of spying after Russian agents said they had caught her on her way to meet a Russian contact in a Moscow

Both Leberknight and the con-tents of her handbag were shown on Russian television, in an unusually public display of a case that would have typically been handled secretively

Leberknight was quickly

Soon after that, U.S. agents in Washington caught a Russian diplomat who was allegedly monitoring a microphone that had been planted in a conference room on the executive floor of the State

Last month, the Russians said they had uncovered a Russian citizen who had been passing on reports - including some about Putin's presidential campaign — to the British Embassy in

In Poland, the Warsaw govern-ment earlier this year expelled several Russian diplomats on espi-

 Celestine Bohlen The New York Times

## **Turkish Parliament Rejects Second Term for President**

Defying Turkey's aged political elite, parliament rejected a constitutional amendment that would have allowed President Suleyman Demirel to seek a second term.

The proposal to change the constitution, which limits presidents to one term of seven years, received 303 votes, considerably short of the 367 needed for a twothirds majority. As a result, Demirel will have to step down next month and be succeeded by a new president chosen by parlia-

for Demirel but also for Prime Minister Bulent Ecevit, who had campaigned hard for Demiral on the grounds that he was "a factor for stability." There was no immediate indication that Ecevit's gov-

its duty in harmony and determination," Ecevit said after the vote. "We hope the result was what was

"The real meaning is that our political system is starting to mature. Poll after poll suggested that 70 to 75 percent of the people didn't want another term. This was a worn-out face and a worn-out figure.

Both Demirel and Ecevit are in their 70s, and the vote in parliament suggested that their genera-tion's hold on Turkish politics may-finally be slipping. In another sign

"Our government will continue main opposition party, who is also in his 70s, is being challenged for party leadership by a young insur-

The passing of the torch has begun."

University professor

Demirel has accumulated considhas served. During that time, Turkey was characterized by frac-tured and short-lived govern-

ernment was in danger of collaps- of that slippage, the leader of the ments, and Demirel eagerly moved to fill the vacuum.

One of his successes was seizing control of Turkey's foreign policy toward the new nations of the Balkans, Caucasus and Central Asia. Yet even on issues like this, his leaving office does not seem likely to push Turkey in new direc-

"The real meaning is that our mature," said Soli Ozel, a university professor who wrote several newspaper columns opposing Demirel's re-election. "Poll after poll suggested that 70 to 75 percent of the people didn't want another term. This was a wornout face and a worn-out figure. The passing of the torch has

New drug effective to African AIDS sufferers

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Virus:

with the virus will still die prematurely of AIDS, the two groups said, but many could add years to their lives and have longer gaps between debilitating complications

The drug, known as trimethoprim-sulfamethoxazole or as cotrimoxazole, is marketed as a generic medicine in the United States, treating a variety of ailments including urinary tract infections and bronchitis; it is best known as Bactrim, a trademark of Roche Pharmaceuticals.

In Africa, ongoing use of the drug can cost as little as \$8 a year per patient. Its use as a preventive measure in Africa was endorsed for the first time last week by AIDS experts who convened in Zimbabwe to assess the studies. The Clinton administration is spending more than \$100 million to fight AIDS in Africa and is trying to raise that to \$325 million.

"We did some of the original work on this and we're extremely enthusiastic about it," said Helene Gayle, director of the AIDS division of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta.

"It's cost-effective, it's ready to roll and it may become an important component of the program but upfront we can't make any cost

Endorsing the drug was "a diffinot definite yet," said Peter Piot, executive director of UNAIDS, a joint program under the World Health Organization that includes a number of U.N. agencies, including UNICEF. Piot added, "This drug, which is widely available and affordable, can prolong the life of HIVinfected people and improve their quality of life."

— Donald G. McNeil Jr. The New York Times

## **Scientist:**

Thursday, April 6, 2000

Wilson directed research group at time of death

"Kent touched and enriched many lives and will be sorely missed. His indelible personal and professional mark will long be stamped on everyone who had the privilege of knowing him."

Wilson's developed a passion for science early on, growing up in a Pennsylvania Quaker community that boasted many scientists. There he developed a passion for science early on in his upbringing. He exhibited what was to become a life-long interest in science when he rewired the town's phone system and repaired household appliances.

After earning a bachelor's

degree in chemistry and physics from Harvard University in 1958, he received his doctorate from the University of California, Berkeley in 1964, where he worked with Nobel Laureate Dudley Herschbach. Wilson went on to do postdoctoral work at Harvard and the National Bureau of Standards before accepting a professorship at UCSD in 1965.

In the 1960s, Wilson's research group pioneered a technique for allowed them to manipu molecules in a state of instability. In the '70s, he used laser spectroscopy to view the chemistry of atmospheric pollution. In the '80s, he used ultrafast laser experiments develop an understanding of how reactions occur in solutions. In the last decade he used X-rays to explore and control chemistry. His discoveries have contributed to such things as a better understanding of atmospheric pollution and dating of ancient statues.

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In addition to his achievements in chemistry, Wilson had long been involved with the development and advancement of visual technology He worked with computer animation and produced educational films for television and his owr classes. He commissioned the help of interested undergraduates and led a group that he liked to call the

At the time of his pas Wilson co-directed the Wilson-Squier Research Group.

"He really worked with people to get them to work on high-risk science problems and people were often surprised at the results," said Jeff Squier, co-director of the Wilson-Squier Group, which will direct Wilson's research in the future. "He was very good at getting people to take their research to the next level when they didn't think they could. But science was secondary; it was all about developing great people. He tried to seek out the best young scientists in the world and made them really reach in their research and tried to get them to grow personally."

Friends said it was his diversity of interests and abilities that made Wilson stand out from other professors.

"Kent was an extraordinary individual - a brilliant scientist teacher and innovator with broad interests ranging from the environ entific inquiry," said Edward Dennis, chair of the chemistry and biochemistry department. "Kent always had a unique perspective on life and was filled with enthusiasm as he constantly explored new riences. Kent's memory will live on as an inspiration to everyone he touched. We will miss him deeply."

Memorial services for Wilson

will take place on Sunday, April 9 at 2 p.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of San Dieguito.

## Davis Student Dies After Alcohol Binge

By MIKE McDANIEL

(U-WIRE) DAVIS, Calif. -David Thornton, a UC-Davis senior who was expected to graduate in 2001, died early Tuesday morning from an apparent alcohol

According to Lt. Don Brooks of the Davis Police taken to Sutter Davis Hospital at 11:50 on Monday night after he stopped breathing. At 12:13 on Tuesday morning, he was pronounced dead.

Early reports indicate that Thornton's blood alcohol level was well above the legal limit.

News of the death shook the UC Davis campus, which is still trying to recover from a tragic research boating accident that occurred during spring break.
"I'm very sadly here once again

..[David's death] compounds the grief we've felt during the last week," UCD Chancellor Larry Vanderhoef said Tuesday afternoon. "This is especially painful because David was - like all students — a person of great potential. "He was an excellent student

and I want to express condolences to both his family and friends," Vanderhoef added. According to Brooks, details

about the evening are still unclear. "He was out celebrating his 21st birthday." Brooks said. "We understand he was in the downtown area ... our investigation is still continu-ing. We would encourage anyone who may have seen something to

give us a call." Brooks said Thornton was at

The Paragon on the night of his "We know that he was there at one point but we don't know whether or not he went anywhere

else." he said. "We're still trying to

backtrack his activities at this

Brooks added that the DPD is still trying to determine exactly where and with whom Thornton

was drinking.
Carol Wall, vice chancellor of student affairs, said that Thornton was well liked by his friends and

"[Thornton] is described by his friends as being ... someone who's always in a good mood, someone who you wanted to be your friend,"

Wall also mentioned that many programs are available for students interested in learning about the hazards of binge drinking.

"Binge drinking is one of the things we need to deal with," she said. "None of the programs can bring Dave back, but we do believe that we must continue our efforts [to educate the student body]."

Michelle Famula, director of the Cowell Student Heath Center, said that although alcohol education is not mandatory for students, there are a number of educational opportunities for students on cam-

"We have a number of different programs in development," she said. "[We're trying] to increase

believel high risk drinking is social-

ly acceptable Famula added that UCD is currently part of a national study examining binge drinking.

During his time at UCD Thornton majored in biological sciences and had accumulated a 3.36 grade point average. In fall 1997. Thornton enrolled in the Davis Honors Challenge, a campuswide program for highly motivated students interested in enhancing their education through special courses, closer contact with faculty and dynamic interaction with academic peers.

Teaching assistant Mark Renz, who assisted with Biological Sciences 1C last fall, recalls Thornton as an "incredibly bright and intelligent student who worked very well independently with little

In addition to his academic pursuits, Thornton worked at ASUCD Campus Copies and was a member of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity.

According to Janet Gong, assis tant vice chancellor of student affairs, there is no indication that Thornton's birthday celebration was a fraternity sponsored event.

"[There is] no reason to believe that this event was connected to this fraternity," she said. "At this time, it's inappropriate to assume that the fraternity was involved." Thornton was from Fresno,

Prawn Dish

Chicken Wraps

Steak Wraps

Calif. He had turned 21 on

A.S. Council elections are next week. Do you know who you're voting for? Read Monday's Guardian for our endorsements.

## **National News**

## **Microsoft:**

Justice department

prevailed in case Monday between Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson and lawyers for the gov-ernment and Microsoft.

"It was an expedited process that everyone agreed on," said Joel Klein, head of the the Justice Department's

antitrust division. The Justice Department prevailed in the case Jackson ruled on Monday that Microsoft was a "predatory" had acted illegally to protect its mar-

With this fastthe idea, discussed at a meeting earlier this week, of immediately appealing his own findings of law to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Columbia Circuit, before he the majority.

deliberates on a remedy. Jackson might encourage an appeal directly to the Supreme Court once the proceedings are tioned on Tuesday. Microsoft some judges on the appeals court company's positions. For the same

reasons, government officials would probably favor a direct appeal to the Supreme Court.

Under the plan announced on Wednesday, the state and federal governments must submit their remedy proposal to the judge no later than April 28, and Microsoft is to offer its reply on May 10. A court hearing, presumably with witnesses, would begin on May 24.

Though Jackson indicated that he would Under the plan prefer to receive a single remedy proposal from the

announced on state and federal Wednesday, the state officials, he also and federal told them they could submit two governments must if they could not submit their remedy proposal to the judge no later than April states that they should submit a

28, and Microsoft is to offer its reply on May 10. A court hearing, presumably with witnesses. would begin on May 24.

The 19 state attorneys general It also remained possible that hold a range of opinions on remebreaking up the company, will work, officials said. A growing number of influential attorney general hold the view that break-

- Joel Brinkley The New York Times

nouncement

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hold out for their

preferred remedy

### **House Backs 'Partial Birth' Abortion Ban**

Disregarding President Clinton's nise of yet another veto, this one in an election year, the House on Wednesday passed a bill that would ban an abortion procedure that its opponents call "partial birth."

In what has become a routine replete with photographs of cuddly babies and accusations of infanticide, 287 House members voted for the ban and 141 opposed it, exceeding the number needed to votes. Abortion rights supporters have picked up nine votes since the last time the House took up the measure, in 1997, mostly from new

In order to override a presidential veto, both the House and Bush, who supports a ban, and Senate must pass a bill with a two- Vice President Al Gore, who

showdown over the procedure, override a presidential veto by two

members of Congress.

thirds majority. However, when the Senate approved the ban in October, it fell two votes short of the number needed to block a veto. So Wednesday's vote was a kind

paign trail and before the Supreme Court. The Supreme Court will hear arguments this month on the contitutionality of a ban on "partial birth" abortions in Nebraska, making it the first time in eight years the court has taken up an abortion case. Such bans have been enacted in about 30 states, but in most

> curtailed by lower courts. Wednesday's House vote drew a clear line between Gov. George W.

cases have been struck down or

of kick-off for a broader abortion

rights debate, both on the cam-

Never in the history of man has more lip service been paid to the needs of children, never in the history of man have so many children been sacrificed so mercilessly in such high number," said Rep. Tom DeLay, the Texan who is the third-ranking Republican in the House "Abortion is a stain we must begin to wash away. A ban on partial birth is the first step."

Democrats complained that Republicans did not want to pass a bill that Clinton would not veto - one that would include an exception to protect the health of the mother - because they wanted to use the issue for political

- Lizette Alvarez

## Panel Urges Regulation of Engineered Food

Saying that genetically engi- of genetically modified organisms. operating under this rule informal pose food safety risks and environmental harm, the National Academy of Sciences on Wednesday cautiously endorsed the safety of biotech foods now on the market, but called for stronger

The academy focused only on plants that have been genetically engineered to produce their own pesticides. The report emphasized that there was no evidence that any foods on supermarket shelves made from those plants are unsafe to eat. The report also said that the process of inserting genes from one species into another was not

herently dangerous.
Still, the report is a striking shift in tone from two earlier academy reports on the subject, which emphasized the safety and benefits

In the last decade, genetic engineers have inserted foreign genes into plants to endow them with various abilities including withstanding exposure to herbicides American farmers last year planted, 20 million acres of a corn that produces its own pesticide, Bt. Greenpeace and other environmental and consumer groups have waged campaigns against such

crops.

The report was prepared by a 12-member panel chosen by the National Research Council, an arm of the National Academy of Science. The report grew from a dispute over a rule proposed by the Environmental Protection Agency in 1994 that would allow it to reg-

Although the agency has been

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## APRIL 7

Plot: Gordie and Shawn idolize their wrestling hero Jimmy King. However, when they meet the King face to face, he is bitter and defeated. The two dead-end friends vow to help their fallen hero return to his throne no matter what

Cast: David Arquette, Scott Caan, Oliver Platt, Bill Goldberg, Martin Landau and Rose McGowan. Directed by Brian Robbins.

View: Brainless, clumsy, "Dumb and Dumber"-style com-edy abounds in this hysterical-looking film, which even nonwrestling fans should enjoy.

Rules of Engagement

Plot: Colonel Terry L. Childers is accused of murder

when he orders his men to fire into a crowd of protesters outside a U.S. embassy in a third world country. He asks his old friend Colonel Hayes Hodges to defend him even though the case looks hopeless.

Cast: Samuel L. Jackson, Tommy Lee Jones, Guy Pearce, Ben Kingsley and Anne Archer. Directed by William Fried-

View: This worthless heap of celluloid will no doubt woo audiences with big name stars and the promise of a chilling courtroom drama, but don't be fooled. This film sucks.

Plot: The murder of an African American youth and subsequent cover-up attempt by the police leads to blackmail and increased social tension in this film by the director of "Two Guys and a Girl."

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## Quit College and Fly For Free

College students often itch to feel the freedom of exploration and get as far away from school as possible

Attending college has always been considered an "expansive" experience. However, for many students, the mystique wears off after the initial "my parents aren't here and I can do whatever I want" feeling. This sense of freedom usually invigorates the body and mind to pleasure its hedonistic urges.

Granted, this can last anywhere from one to four years, but after the kegs have run dry and the technical wizardry of bongs become tired, many strive for a deeper under-I have my freedom, what can I do with it or did I ever have freedom at all? While some turn to religion or ality to fill this void, others find solace in their studies or continue their libertine lifestyle in an attempt to relive that initial moment of ecstasy. However, there is always a minority that follows the good old path mainstreamed by Kerouac of going "on the road." Perhaps the decision to leave

college either temporarily or per-manently is a final one. Then again, many just need the time to get the proverbial "thumb" out of themselves. Interestingly, the destination to their road trip is often filled with ambiguity and ambivalence. Ask somebody who is about to take one of these personal quests and his or the lines of "I don't know. I have to leave [thoughtful pause of intro-

another expansion of their bound-aries by offering various interna-

determining where one can or can-not go. Therefore, international travel (barring Mexico and Canada) However, the availability of cheap ier to obtain through the Internet.

And in response, various travel agencies have followed suit. Council Travel located in the Price Center offers great rates during various times of the year. Call 452-Depending on the time of the year as well as a little luck, a ticket to France could cost as little as \$500 or less. In a sense working less than two weeks at McDonalds could send you on a

trip to Hemingway's Paris.

Ground zero for the cheapest airline tickets is still through the Internet though. Web sites such as while you wait in the convenience of

tionally bound parcels by carrying them as luggage through regular commercial airlines, in essence —



See TRAVEL, Page 18 Chugging along: Temperatures in the scorching Sahara can range from 110 degrees to 10 degrees Farenheit.





## Film:

Businessman does more than make money

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Cast: Allan Houston, Method Man, Joe Pantoliano, Power, Raekwon, Mike Tyson, Scott Caan and Robert Downey Jr. Directed by James Toback.

View: This film will be interesting and engaging for most audiences due to the rather original background story about the fascination that some white teenagers have with urban hip hop culturethat, and the scene with Tyson slapping Downey in the face.

Plot: After losing his wife, Bob Rueland gradually returns to the grueling dating scene. Then the widower meets Grace Briggs and sees something in her that he hasn't seen since his wife. The two strangers discover that their lives are intertwined by fate.

Cast: David Duchovny, Minnie Driver, Bonnie Hunt, David Allen Grier and James Belushi. Directed by Bonnie Hunt.

View: A clever twist on the typical boy-meets-girl movie formula but nothing too extraordinary. Definitely the date movie of this week-

Price of Glory
Plot: This film follows the life of Arturo Ortega, a former boxing champion, who trains his three sons to follow in his footsteps. The plot explores the sacrifices and hardships that come with the decisions made by this family and the world of Latino boxing.

Cast: Jimmy Smits, Jon Seda, Clifton González, Maria del Mar and Ernesto Hernandez. Directed by Carlos Avila.

View: Smits is an excellent



choice for this role. He'll no doubt bring a strong presence to the roll

## APRIL 14

### **American Psycho**

Plot: Businessman by day, psychopathic killer by night, Patrick Bateman has a lot on his plate.

Although he works on Wall Street at his father's company, he kills for no reason other than his growing contempt for the world.

Cast: Christian Bale, Willem Dafoe, Jared Leto, Reese Witherspoon, Samantha Mathis and Chloë Sevigny. Directed by Mary

View: In the long line of "Ameri- 28 Days can \_\_\_ movies (there are more on



the way), this one will probably rate absolutely last in most people's minds. The cast may be wellrounded and the story may carry the average viewer's interest, but really, who wants to watch a movie about a guy who keeps pieces of the women he kills in his apartment?

Plot: Gwenn Cummings is a suc-

cessful New York writer living in the fast lane and everyone's favorite party girl. Then, after having a few many, she stole a car and crashed it into a house.

Cast: Sandra Bullock, Viggo Mortensen, Dominic West, Diane Ladd, Elizabeth Perkins and Steve Buscemi. Directed by Betty

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### Where the Money Is

explosions to the screen Plot: There's only one way out of prison for career criminal Henry Continued from page 12 Manning — fake a stroke and get transferred to a nursing home. View: Ahh, there's nothing fun-Everything is going according to plan until he discovers that his nier than a drinking problem is there? Odds are this film will be nurse, Carol Ann McKay, has plans balanced with some emotional of her own. Soon the two have teamed up to pull off Henry's last moments, but it seems to be by and

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World War II brings

large a comedy about being a booz-

er. That may or may not be funny to audiences, but if it's presented

properly, audiences will probably

Keeping the Faith

Plot: A priest, a rabbi (lifelong friends) and their childhood friend

Anna discover that meeting as

adults is far more complicated than

when they were children. Especial-

ly when Anna falls for one of them.

Serious love triangle comedy fol-lows the three friends and their

attempt to resolve their feelings.

Cast: Ben Stiller, Edward Nor-

ton, Jenna Elfman and Anne Ban-

croft. Directed by Edward Norton.

reveals - a -very funny tale about

three friends and the relationships

that come between them. Seeing

Norton whack someone in the

head and light himself on fire with

a censor before jumping in holy

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View: The trailer for this film

Film:

Cast: Paul Newman, Linda Fiorentino, Dermot Mulroney, Susan Barnes and Frankie Faison. Directed by Marek Kanievska. View: When asked why he robs

banks, stick-up artist Willie Sutton responded, "Because that's where the money is." This might have nothing to do with the film directly, but it defines the mood and direction rather well. It will be interesting to see Newman and Fiorentino work together

### APRIL 21

Plot: This is a World War II action drama about a U.S. Navy submarine captain on a risky mission to swipe a decoding device from a stranded German ship.

U-571

Thomas Kretschmann. Directed by Jonathan Mostow. View: America wasn't involved in 1941 when the British Navy sal- Love and Basketball vaged a German Enigma machine from a German U-boat, so throw

Jovi, Jake Weber, Erik Palladino,

Matthew Settle, David Keith and

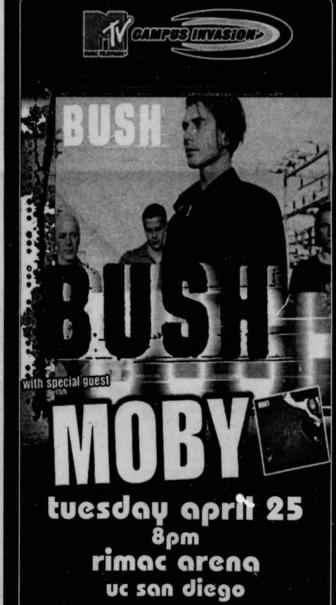
you start giving too much credit to American heroism. Nevertheless, this is one of spring's hottest-looking action flicks

Plot: Two college students find Cast: Matthew McConaughey, from a German U-boat, so throw their love of basketball conflicting with their romantic relationship their love of basketball conflicting

their respective leagues, but Monica's path demands more sacrifices than Quincy's. The couple, who has known each other since childhood, must find a way to keep both love and basketball in their lives

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Pregnant teenager finds solace in

Plot: This experimental movie tells the

story of casting a play in Los Angeles, even as earthquake aftershocks shake the city.

in a single take. It was recorded with four

beth Mitchell. Directed by Gregory Hoblit.

View: If time travel is too much of a

to tell whether it will leave a lasting impres-

sion. (Anyone remember "Anywhere But

retracing his footsteps in an attempt to track

Cast: Heather Graham, Luke Wilson, Jon

Stewart, Casey Affleck, Goran Visnjic, Patri-

cia Velazquez, Alfonso Arau, Kim Dickens and Clea DuVall. Directed by Lisa Krueger.

View: Graham assumes the role of "lead-

Plot: Larry, Phil and Bob - three mid-

him down.

Film:

Time Code

idea for a film.

caring women

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## Film:

College rumors have unintended results in new movie 'Gossip'

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Cast: Sanaa Lathan, Omar Epps, Alfre Woodard, Dennis Haysbert, Debbi Morgan, Harry J. Lennix, Kyla Pratt, Glenndon Chatman and James DuMont. Directed by Gina Prince.

View: The trailer for this film portrayed a touching piece about the hardships that come from sacrifice in the pursuit of one's dreams. With Epps and Lathan starring, the film should be good.

Plot: A rumor about a possible sexual encounter is started by three students on a college campus as part of a class project on gossip and how fast it travels. The project has unintended results that spiral out of

by Davis Guggenheim.

View: It's a clever idea for a college-age crowd movie, but rarely does that any such Hopefully, the story, characters and actors will be able to pull together a pleasantly

## APRIL 28

### The Flintstones in Viva Rock Vegas

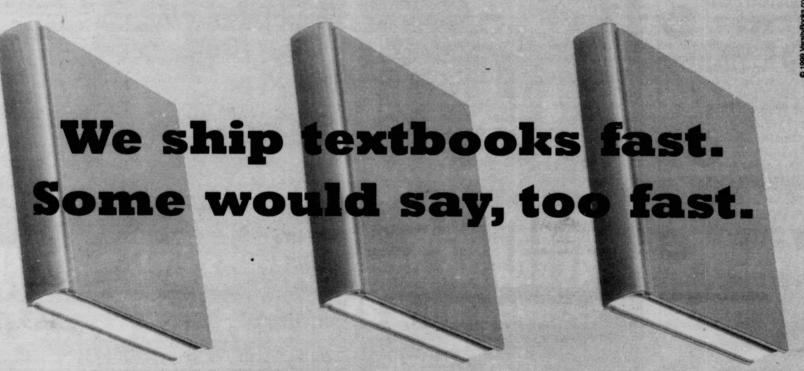
Plot: The story of the Flintstones before they were the Flintstones. The story takes place back in time when Fred Flintstone, the boy from the wrong side of the rocks, courts the beautiful, young heiress Wilma Slaghoople. Along with best friend Barney Rubble, and his future fiancee Betty, Fred and Wilma head off for a romantic weekend

in Rock Vegas.

Cast: Mark Addy, Stephen Baldwin, Jane Krakowski, Kristen Johnston, Joan Collins, Alan Cumming and Harvey Korman. Directed by Brian Levant.

View: Just when you thought you were safe from Flintstone movies. The scars may Cast: Eric Bogosian, Marisa Coughlin, not have healed from 1994's "The Flint-Lena Heady, Katie Hudson, Joshua Jackson, stones," but like it or not, they're back. This Sharon Lawrence, James Marsden, Edward time, without the semi-big stars, which James Olmos and Norman Reedus. Directed made the first one such a «shudder» suctime, without the semi-big stars, which

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GUARDIAN ONLINE western businessmen at crucial stages of their lives - are all attending the Midwest Manufacturer's Annual Convention. As the evening progresses with the three men waiting for an important potential client to stop by — "the big kahuna" — they find them-

selves opening up in unexpected ways.

Cast: Kevin Spacey, Danny DeVito and Peter Facinelli. Directed by John Swanbeck. View: This is the sort of role that Spacey really excels at (consider "Glengarry Glen Ross" and "The Ref") and DeVito and

Facinelli are excellent supporting actors.

as earthquake aftershocks shake the city.

Cast: Saffron Burrows, Salma Hayek,
Holly Hunter, Kyle MacLachlan, Laurie
Metcalf, Jeanne Tripplehorn and Steven
Weber. Directed by Mike Figgis.

View: This film is dubbed "experimental"
because it is the first film to have been shot Bossa Nova

Plot: Pedro Paulo is a struggling Brazilian lawyer, surrounded by failed romance. Mary Ann is an American English teacher, living digital cameras that were running in syn-chronous time, following the actors as they perform the entire movie. It's an exciting and working in Rio de Janiero, still recovering from the loss of her husband two years earlier. Alone and unhappy, both have nearly given up hope of finding their lifelong Plot: When a police officer receives a ham radio message from a fireman during a freak realizes that he is talking

Cast: Amy Irving, Alexandre Borges, Antonio Fagundes, Pedro Cardoso, Stephen Tobolowsky, Debora Bloch and Drica Moraes. Directed by Bruno Barreto.

sunspot, he soon realizes that he is talking to his father in 1969 ... before he died. The two strike up a quick friendship and soon View: There's very little to go on about this film as yet but the press release describes it well: "Set amidst the enchanting become partners across time to see if they can change history for the better.

Cast: Dennis Quaid, Jim Caviezel, Andre
Braugher, Michael Cera, Shawn Doyle,
Noah Emmerich, Daniel Henson and Elizaandscape of Rio de Janeiro, Bossa Nova is a fresh, multicultural love story that captures the playful innocence of romance in all its

## Things You Can Tell Just By Looking at Her Plot: This film studies the physical and

stretch for your imagination, consider this film. Talking through time on a ham radio — it's a clever idea and both actors are wellemotional intricacies affecting the everyday lives of a very diverse group of women, and the strategies they adopt in coping with events large and small, overt and hidden, shaping the way they live.

Cast: Glenn Close, Cameron Diaz, Calista established, but it's questionable whether "Frequency" will leave a lasting impression with audiences.

Flockhart, Kathy Baker, Amy Brenneman, Gregory Hines and Holly Hunter. Directed by Rodrigo García.

Where the Heart Is

Plot: Novalee Nation, a pregnant teenager from Tennessee running away to California with her boyfriend, finds herself abandoned at a Wal-Mart store in Oklahoma. View: Finally, it's the white-washed "Waiting to Exhale"/"Joy Luck Club." An During her pregnancy, she befriends an array of caring women all intent on helping impressive cast of actresses will no doubt generate a very powerful film.

## her through. Cast: Natalie Portman, Stockard Channing, Joan Cusack, Keith David, Sally Field and Ashley Judd. Directed by Matt Williams.

### View: It's an interesting story, but it's hard | Dreamed of Africa

Plot: This is the tragically true love story of an Italian woman whose experiences in Kenya lead her to become an environmental activist of African animals such as rhinoceroses and elephants with her new husband

Plot: A man goes out on the road to "look for himself," but when he doesn't return home, his wife begins to worry. Soon she's Loggia, Eva Marie Saint, Liam Aiken, Daniel Craig and Allison Daughtery Smith. Directed by Hugh Hudson.

View: You can bet dollars to pesos that this will wind up being a better book than movie, so pocket your \$20 for a ticket and popcorn and check out the book from the public library.

## ing woman" after several great supporting comedic roles such as in "Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me" and "Bowfin-

Plot: In AD 180, when the cruel new Emperor of Rome Commodus takes power, he strips the rank from Maximus, one of the

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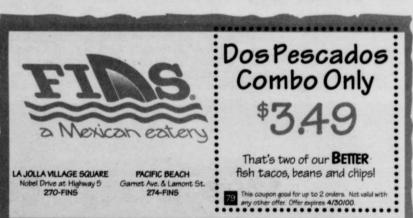
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## Kultur Mix III: Local International Dance

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Choreographers form Switzerland, Mexico and San Diego will present work at Kultur Mix III ernational Dance Festival this weekend and next. Three different shows will take place over eight evenings at Sushi Performance and Visual Art in downtown San

"Kultur Mix was founded in 1996 by by UCSD faculty member Patricia UCSD faculty member Patricia Rincon as a forum shows how themes for cultural languages exchange. This year's festival shows how Swiss choreogra-Regular phers Mahler and Heidi Aemisegger have languages cross borders... Lindera and an Americaninfluenced theme, Norte will dance and local choreographer Alicia Rin-"Fragmentas de un con's title is in Desurso Amoroso," a that this is surprislook at the power of ing in here in San love and its influence on women. being increasingly

In addition to UCSD's dancing rooster. If his company twins (the Rincon sisters), the dance department here will be represented by faculty member Jean Isaacs' dance company, the San Diego Dance Theater and by biological anthropology major Allison Dietterle. Though still an underraduate. Dietterle dances with saacs' company, and her clear lines and commitment to the movement are always a joy to watch.

Patricia Aguilar's Mexicali-based company Lindera Norte will dance "Fragmentas de un Desurso Amoroso," a look at the power of love and its influence on women. though of a different sort, will be presented with Alicia Rincon's "Tierra de mi Alma," a duet that

reaches back to memories of a homeland lost and

The last dance on the first two nights' program is "Careo," danced by the Tijuana-based Ricardo Peralta Danza Performa group. Peralta is a constant presence in the San Diego dance scene; Many dance enthusiasts remember amazing solo show "My Blue Angel," recently. "Careo"

have even half of the amazing

festival, from April 8 through 10, features another work by Aguilar, Patricia Rincon's "Changing Channels," and Adriana Castanos' "Y Las Sirenas Tambien Esperan,"

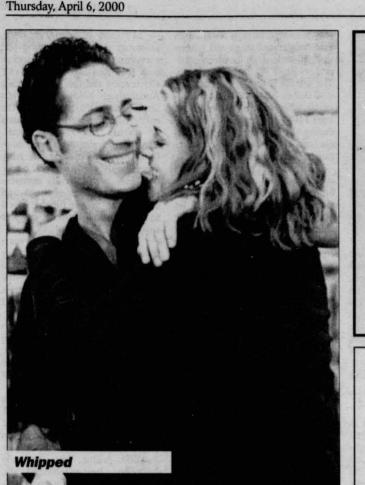


Image: Off Off company directors Mahler and Aemisegger create dramatic movement art in their daring and lively piece titled "Barbie Goes Vegas," recycling pop culture for their artistic purposes.

Castanos is from Sonora, Herdanced not by her company but right for her own company to by the San Diego Dance Theater. perform it. Aguilar's "Dibilare mi

Artistic director Isaacs saw the piece while visiting Mexico, and write my history on the wall") is mosio, but "Sirenas" will be liked it so much she bought the the story of two women who wish





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## Film:

Trials of teenagehood seen from many angles

favored generals of his predecessor and father. Maximus is forced to fight in the gladiator arenas to the death before he can challenge Commodus for the emperorship.

Cast: Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix, Richard Harris, Derek acobi, Djimon Hounsou, Oliver Reed (Proximo), Connie Nielsen, Spencer Treat Clark, Lou Ferrigno Tomas Arana, David Hemn Vinnie Jones and Ralph Moelle Directed by Ridley Scott.

View: Scott, Crowe, \$100 million budget, cool teaser trailer, 'nuff

### **MAY 12**

Plot: A popular high school cheerleader becomes pregnant with the star quarterback's child, only to

Marsden, Mena Suvari, Sean Young, Marla Sokoloff and Alexandra Holden. Directed by Francine

View: This is another film with very little to go on. This comedy seems to be another vehicle for younger unknown actors to get some recognition with Suvari along to add some star weight to the film.

Plot: A cartoonist is put into a coma following a car accident and ends up in his own creation. He escape from his comic and return Karaszewski. to the real world.

Donovan, Dave Foley, Bridget Fonda, Brendan Fraser, Arturo Gill, Whoopi Goldberg, Chris Kattan and Rose McGowan. Directed by

Henry Selick.

View: We can only hope it's more "Who Framed Rodger Rabbit?" than it is "Cool World."

### **Battlefield Earth**

Plot: In the year 3000, 1000 years after an alien race called the Psyclos conquers Earth and kills 90 percent of humanity so it may mine the planet of all valuable resources, a young man named Johnny Goodboy comes out of hiding in the mountains near Boul-der, Colo. in search of other surviving

human tribes, with the hopes of someday overthrowing alien control.

Cast: John Travolta, Barry Pepper, Forest Whitaker, Kim Coates, Sabine Karsenti, Richard Tyson, Marie Josée Crope and Kelley Pre-Marie-Josée Croze and Kelley Pre-

ization of L. Ron Hubbard's book of the same name. The effects and denote high-energy action, but this is a tricky field to master especially still out on passing judgment on

of a group of teenagers studying ballet in the hopes of earning a place in a professional dance com pany. The highly competitive nature of this pursuit is set against the backdrop of the other experiences of being a teenager.

Cast: Peter Gallagher, Susan May Pratt, Amanda Schull, Eion Bailey, Ilia Kulik, Debra Monk, Donan Murphy, Sascha Radetsky Directed by Nicholas Hytner.

View: Again, this film doesn't have a great deal of promotional material available yet, however it sounds like a "Fame" for the '00s, which may or may not work for

Plot: In this comedy, a chauffeur kidnaps his rich boss' dog to hold it for ransom, but when she accidentally gets the dog back, she comes to the conclusion that it is the chauffeur who has been kid-

napped.
Cast: Norm MacDonald, Dave Chappelle, Danny DeVito, Daniel Benzali, Sherman Helmsley, must escape in 12 hours before
Death claims him. He teams up

Lochlyn Munro, Sarah Silverman
and Elaine Strich. Directed by and Elaine Strich. Directed by with his character, Monkeybone, to Scott Alexander and Larry

View: This is the sort of comedy Cast: Randall Bosley, Jamie that is difficult to describe, however

Whipped

Plot: Four buddies who get together every Sunday to discuss their woman-chasing escapades discover they are all chasing the same girl.

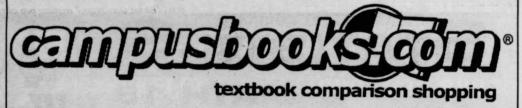
Cast: Amanda Peet, Jonathan

Abrahams, Zorie Barber, Judah Domke, Callie Thorne and Brian Van Holt. Directed by Peter M. Cohen.

View: Another "There's Something

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Event: La Feria De Sevilla Date: April 30-May 6, 2000 Location: Various locations around

Seville, Spain
Synopsis: Every spring, Seville
throws a week long festival with over
one million participants. La Feria De
Sevilla was first a cattle trading fair in
1847. Today's modern festival has evolved into a scintillating spectacle filled with flamenco, bullfighting and overall hedonism the way only the Spanish know how to do. Classical enthusiasts should already be famil-iar with term "Sevillana," which stands for flamenco music and culture. The citizens of Seville as well as many others believe the city to be the true birthplace for flamenco's explosion into the world.

The center of Feria's festivities actually lie outside of Seville in a temporary city on the hinterlands of Rio Guadalquivir, otherwise known as "Real de la Feria." This city is composed of brightly striped tents (casetas) decorated with thousands of paper lanterns on a milelong parcel of land. Although these casetas were originally intended for the cattle fair, they have transformed into mini dance halls that teach flamenco from sunset to early the next morning. Most of the Date: April 9-15, 2000 participating women in La Feria wear extravagant Gypsy-inspired,

multi-colored designs. The most famous caseta, "Er 77" is notorious for drawing wine from a well and pouring them from buckets to goblets or sometimes straight into a person's mouth. For those who drank too much from the well, cots are offered in the back for people to "sleep." Another tent named "Los Duendes de Sevilla" named after a popular painting by national Alvarez Quintero continues the theme of dancing and drinking, offering shots of sherry to all who enter. However, it is the casetas sponsored by the various leftist and anarchist groups that offer the most extreme forms of.

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"26 miles is for sissies in this week long 146 mile trek through the Sahara desert. Considered the toughest footrace on Earth, 500 competitors from 30 countries will gather on the edges of Ourzazte, Morocco to test the limits of human

are lined with aristocratic families flaunting their wide-brimmed hats and Andalusian-cropped jackets. The afternoons are marked as an exhibition in the world's greatest bullfighters coming to compete in the imposing Plaza de Toros de Maestranza and is viewed as one of Spanish culture and art. vent: 15th Annual Marathon Des Sables (Marathon of the Sands)

Location: Ouarzazate, Morocco Synopsis: 26 miles is for sissies in this weeklong, 146-mile trek through the Sahara desert. Considered the toughest footrace on Earth, 500 competitors from 30 countries will gather on the edges of Ourzazte, Morocco to test the limits of human endurance. The marathon's hard-core mantle is upheld with its strict stipulations: 1) All competitors must carry their own gear, food and water. Among the gear, a sleeping bag, antivenom pump and survival kit is required to participate in the race.

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The race itself is partitioned into six stages that vary in length year to

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year. However, there is always a 26 mile "marathon" stage and a non-stop, 50-mile stage in which competitors have 40 hours to finish. The terrain covers rocky plateaus, sand dunes, lake beds and the occasional village. Temperatures range from 110° F during the day to 40°F during the night, not to mention the constant possibility of sand-storms, rain or flooding.

Although this might seem like a race for the young and incredibly fit, many who enter have never raced in a marathon before, let alone this physical behemoth. The oldest competitor to have ever finished the race was in 1996 where 76-year-old Claude Compain finished 525th overall with a time just

under 60 hours. European media coverage is intense, giving the same publicity and prestige of the World Cup in some countries. Watching the faces of men and women on the verge of exhaustion and quite literally, running for their lives makes regular marathons seem like a romp through the city.

The race includes a search and

rescue team that is on alert 24 hours. There has been one instance of a lost runner who started in orocco and ended up somewhere

in Algeria.

After the race, all competitors enjoy the luxury of a five star hotel where they recover like kings with a banquet complete with soldiers, camels and white Arabian horses. The banquet and race concludes with an awards ceremony in which outstanding competitors are distin-guished for their achievement. Visit www.sandmarathon.com for more information on the Marathon Des Sables.

Event: Koninginnedag (Queen's

Date: April 28-29, 2000 Location: Amsterdam, Netherlands Synopsis: The mother of all parties

- 24 hours of eating, drinking, smoking, dancing, shopping and everything else one might associate with this Red Light District city. Celebrating the Queen's birthday Amsterdam holds the world's largest free market where the entire city is opened to thousands of visitors and reveling locals. Everyone is allowed to sell anything this day, making the party seem like the world's largest garage sale. Live bands, trendy transvestites and boatloads of drunk and drugged up people fill the streets to sing national anthems and folk

"I've never seen a whole country shut down and party like they do in Holland," said Ivan Small, a to the festival. "Everyone wears orange [the country's national color], and every bar and street corner has bands playing, while people guzzle Heineken in the streets and boats of dancing revelers clog the canals. Even the trams are shut down because the streets are so full of partiers and

empty beer cups."
This national birthday party has been an annual event since 1948 when Queen Juliana succeeded the Dutch throne as the second Dutch queen in the country's history. Her daughter, Juliana, who eventually succeeded her established the birthday as a national event. Traditionally, the Queen visits two towns each year as symbol of nationalism This year, the Queen is scheduled to appear in Katwijk and Leiden where singing, dancing and tradi-tional Dutch games will be part of the festivities.

Since then, Queen's Day has been one of the greatest excuses for citizens of surrounding countries to ditch their job for a day and down a Heine with the Queen in world's most lenient and liberal city. Visit www.goholland.com for more informa-

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## **Kulture:**

Thursday, April 6, 2000

DJ hangs from bungie cord suspenders

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they could change places, then

The third program for Kultur Mix III, which will take place next Thursday and continue through the following Saturday, is an evening long work by Off Off Productions from Bern, Switzerland called "Barbie goes Vegas." Seven people, aged eight to 32, demonstrate how the dreams of all ages eventually come together. Not your ordinary dance where the dancers stay grounded most of the time, "Barbie goes Vegas" includes acrobatic work, including a live DJ hanging on bungee sus-

The work was well received in its hometown: "'Barbie goes Vegas' is dancing motion, theatri-

cal charm, breathtaking acrobatic feats on vertical ropes and bungee suspenders all set to a wild young music collage," wrote the Der Bund of Bern, Switzer-

Off Off directors Mahler and Aemisegger must not have been feeling very timid when they made "Barbie goes Vegas," mixing dance and circus, pop culture and art. Will "audiences go Sushi" to see it? My advice is: reserve your tick-

Kultur Mix III International Dance Festival will be at Sushi Performance and Visual Art April 6th to 7th, 8th to 10th and 13th to 15th. Sushi is located at 320 Eleventh Avenue in Downtown San Diego; call 235-8468

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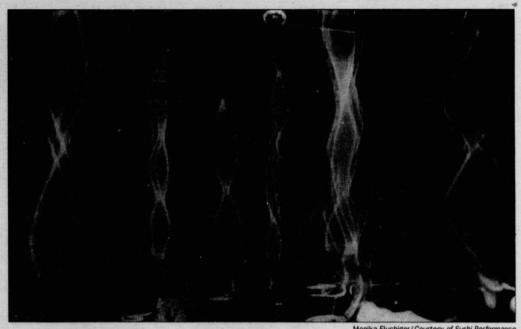


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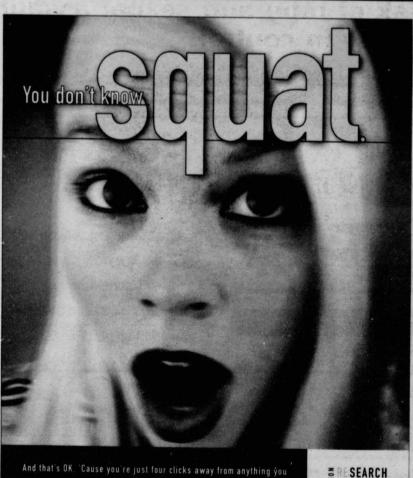
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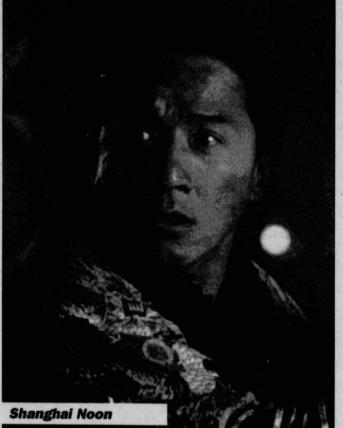


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## Film:

Orphan dinosaur saves the human race

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About Mary" look-alike right down to the poster design. At least this one doesn't have Norm MacDonald.

## MAY 19

Plot: Four friends take off on a 1000-mile trip across the country from Ithaca, New York to Austin, Texas. The reason the guys are on the road is to get to one boy's girlfriend before she receives a certain sex-filled videotape mistakenly mailed to her. It's a teen road comedy for the 2000s. Cast: Breckin Meyer, D.J. Qualls, Sean W. Scott, Rachel Blanchard, Paolo Costanzo, Andy Dick, Tom Green, Amy Smart and Fred Ward.

Directed by Todd Phillips. View: Green had me at, "Hey, you wanna see a movie?" during the teaser trailer for this film. Looks to be a classic brainless/disgusting comedy.

Plot: At the end of the dinosaur age a young Iguanodon is separated from his parents and raised by lemurs. The orphan learns that a giant asteroid is heading toward Earth. While other dinosaurs decide to ignore the big rock, this dinosaur leads his friends, the lemurs, to safety.

Cast: D.B. Sweeney, Ossie Davis,

Julianna Margulies, Joan Plowright, Della Reese, Kiefer Sutherland, Alfre Woodard, Max Casella, Daryl Bruce and Jonathan Harris. Directed by Eric Leighton and Ralph Zondag.

View: The completely computerrendered characters set against the live action background is fantastic. Plus, the saves the lemurs (which, no doubt, evolve into humans) is funny.

## The Five Senses

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Plot: Five stories related to each of the five senses interconnect. The five senses are represented by a voyeur, a man who is losing his hearing due to old age, a massage therapist, a house-cleaner with an acute sense of smell and a baker who has lost her sense of taste.

Cast: Mary-Louise Parker, Pascale Bussieres, Brendan Fletcher, Marco Leonardi, Nadia Litz, Daniel MacIvor, Molly Parker, Gabrielle Rose and Philippe Volter. Directed by Jeremy Podeswa.

meets "The Sixth Sense." (O.K., not exactly.) Nevertheless, it's a clever View: Think "Rush Hour" meets idea and this cast of unknowns "Wild, Wild West," but good. =-)

might pull off a great indie film.

### **Small Time Crooks**

Plot: An ex-con dishwasher in New York and his manicurist wife dream of the perfect scheme: a

Cast: Woody Allen, Tracey Ullman, Hugh Grant, Jon Lovitz, Elaine May and Michael Rapaport. Directed by Woody Allen.

View: Clearly this isn't much of a departure for an Allen film, but the cast is interesting.

## **MAY 26**

Plot: This time around, Ethan-Hunt leads a mission to stop the release of a German virus by terrorists. Cast: Tom Cruise, Brendan Glee-

Scott, Rade Serbedzija and Steve Zahn. Directed by John Woo.

View: This will probably be one of the most hyped films of the season It's understandable, however.

son. It's understandable, however, considering the formula for the film. Between Woo, Cruise and Hopkins, there is a great chance this sequel will outperform its predecessor.

Joseph Ferdinand Gould, who lived on the streets of New York City for 40 years, focusing on the 1940s and 1950s. Gould was a bohemian eccentric who claimed to be writing an opus called "An Oral History of

Cast: Ian Holm, Stanley Tucci, Patricia Clarkson, Hope Davis, Steve Martin, Susan Sarandon, Halle Hirsh and Ben Shenkman. Directed by Stanley Tucci.

View: If you're only able to see one film this season, consider this one. If you're not convinced, rent "Big Night" or "The Impostors." Both are brilliant films by the same

Plot: The Emperor's former Captain of the Chinese Imperial Guard Lo Fong, with plans to become an international opium dealer, concocts a scheme where the exquisitely beautiful Princess Pei Pei is kidnapped and brought to America's "Wild West." Fong is pursued by an acrobatic member of the Chinese Imperial Guard, Chon Wang, who teams up with a rascally train robber, Roy O'Bannon.

Cast: Jackie Chan, Owen Wilson View: Think "Four Rooms" Lucy Liu, Rodger Yuan and Curtis

nies into implementing these

important safety precautions, but should rather be working for government mandates. The automobile industry was not bullied into including vital safety features like seatbelts and airbags in their vehicles with the threat of a government lawsuit, but rather by safety regulations enforced the federal

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Lawsuits are merely thinly

veiled attempts at coercion

checks are practical responses to

the problems that arise from gun ownership. Increasing the care

taken in performing background checks will help limit the number

of criminals who are able to

acquire guns. Requiring gun safe-ty locks will serve to reduce the

number of gun related deaths that

result from accidents in the home.

against gun manufacturers are far less admirable. In many cases the

states are merely using the law-

suits as a strong arm tactic to force gun manufacturers to include

safety locks on their new models,

offering gun manufacturers legal protection in exchange for their

cooperation. Government officials

should not be threatening compa-

However, the lawsuits brought

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**GUNS:** 

The very legal premise of these lawsuits are questionable. City and state governments are trying to hold gun manufacturers liable for the actions of their consumers. Crimes involving firearms do not represent any negligence in design or manufacturing that can be blamed on the company

that made the gun.

The responsibility for criminal actions lies squarely with the person who committed the crime, not with the company that pro-vided him with the means of doing so. If anything, the fault lies with the governments that are supposed to provide for the pro-tection of their citizens from criminals acts. No level of government has the authority to punish companies simply for providing a product the ownership of which is defended by the Constitution.

The time may some day come when the ownership of firearms by private citizens will no longer tolerated in America. Just as the United States has come to rely on a professional military, we have also become increasingly depen-dent on professional law enforcement agencies for domestic secu-rity. Personal defense may cease to be a personal privilege and become a service provided solely by the state. Until that times actually comes and the right to bear arms is no longer protected by the Constitution, however, attempts to sue firearm manufacturers for the government's own failure to control crime and gun violence is unethical and ultimately illegal. editor@ucsdguardian.org

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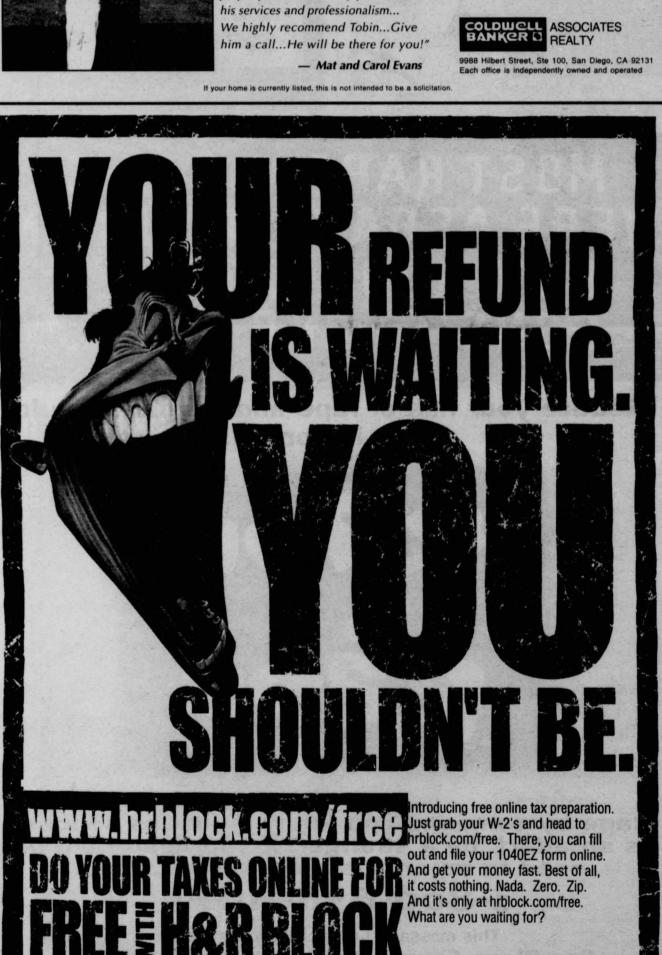
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Watanabe ended a fantastic sea-Championships in Atlanta last

Watanabe won the 200-yard backstroke, 500-yard freestyle, 400-yard individual medley and anchored the winning 800-yard freestyle relay team. She was also named outstanding swimmer of the meet and led all individual swimmers with 60 points.

"This year was good because it was all new competition," she said. "I had never seen any of it before. It was interesting to see how I would perform. I was used to the same mpetition. I like to race against good competition. It helps me to do my best when I know there is someone I need to beat to help my team."

winning ways this summer. "There is a junior national meet

onships under her belt, Watanabe already has plans for next season.

"Next year, we're moving to Division II. That's a start, Watanabe said. "I guess swimming is good because it's more of an individual thing, where you can always improve your own time. It's not so much the accomplishments and everything, just how you do by yourself."

lack personality and fans

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that is nothing more than a bunch of personalities playing for them-selves. Sure, Shaq O'neal, Kobe Bryant, Grant Hill, Vince Carter and Allen Iverson are big names in today's basketball scene, but it is not how it was in the era of Michael Jordan. People who never even heard of basketball knew of Jordan. With his all-time skill, flashy dunks and smile, combined with being on every other televi-sion commercial, His Airness was more well-known than many

Dennis Rodman may be the ketball. Now, I would take Shaq's what may happen in a game he par-

his or her eyes glued to the TV set

Professional sports needs something. For the avid, serious

## Watanabe:

Triton swimmer began swimming at age three

went to San Diego I would be closer to home for birthday parties and family get-togethers, but she wouldn't mind if I went to Washington. She asked if I really wanted to go through all of those months of rain. I thought about it, and I guess I am too used to the

Luckily for UCSD and unfortunately for every other school, Watanabe chose to become a

son in amazing order, dominating at the NCAA Division III

Watanabe may continue her

in the summer," she said. "I might go. I don't know yet. There will be good competition there. I'll be training for that.

With four national champi-



Some professional sports

most famous character ever in basor Carter's play over the Worm any time, but I do admit I miss the excentric one. You never knew

ticipated in. Charles Barkley used to be some-

one who gave the league a personality. He would speak first and think later, which made for great quotes. In the '80s, Magic Johnson and Larry Bird were the main attractions. The casual fan would keep just to see the two legends go at it.

fan, skill and quality play is just fine. For the casual fan, the one who pays attention only on occasion, sports needs some personality. It is a business, and without a big-time lure, many professional sports will stay in the basement of



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The policy of the editorial staff is not to apologize for anything that appears in the April Fools edition The business office, however, regrets that a mention of former staffer Zulma Aguiar (a highly skilled tech support person hired by the business office) implies that she was "fired" from The Guardian or any other campus position. She left our staff by her own choice, and we are not privy to the history of any other student position she has held. We hope Zulma will bear no ill will in

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half, the Psychos' Corinn

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## WOMEN'S

The women's ultimate disc team headed to the east over spring break to participate in two of its toughest competitions to

The Psychos participated in the College Easterns Tournament — which is perhaps the most competitive event of the

The team was was not at full

speed as many of it's members did not make the trip. Nevertheless, they beat Duke 15-11 and then went on to face

the University of Georgia.

Down 9-8 to Georgia, the Psychos scored an upwind point followed by a downwind point to beat Georgia for the first time 10-

Tired from two tough matches and without a full lineup, the Psychos fell to the University of North Carolina at Wilmington

They were unmoved and bounced back against Swartmore to win 14-9 after falling behind

Their time in the tournament



nals, UCSD narrowly fell to Brown 14-13 to be eliminated

from the competition.

This past weekend, the women's ultimate disc team went to East Carolina University for the Ultimate Tournament, their

In pool play, UCSD had no problems. UCSD beat the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill 15-1, North Carolina State 15-3 and Oberlin 15-1 to advance to the quarterfinals, where it beat William and Mary

In the semifinals, UCSD overcame tremendous odds to beat rival Colorado 15-9. In the finals, UCSD faced the

University of North Carolina at

## Baseball:

Offensive explosion propels Tritons

Vanguard University. He received more than enough support from the offense as Sullivan blasted two bombs and Merrifield also lifted one over the fence for the first

homerun of his Triton career. Vanguard never really threat-ened Holloway — all day he showed his mastery of the opposi-

"The team really tion, recording battled out there ... seven strikeouts and walking only we got the job done." one batter. Against

Masters College -Baseball Head Coach which came into the game 22-5 -

However, it has not all been fun and games for Cremidan this year. O'Brien said that at the

beginning of the season, the team considered having to put Cremidan on the disabled list for "He had elbow problems and we weren't sure what was going

Luckily for the Tritons, Cremidan fought through his injury and worked hard, and has posted a 2-0 win-loss record this year, giving the Tritons some valu- the playoffs.

able innings.

On the offensive side of the ball for the Masters game, Sullivan, although 1-5 on the afternoon, made his one hit

In the top of the fourth with the bases loaded, he hit a base-clearing triple, giving the Tritons a lead they

When asked about his team's recent offensive surge, O'Brien attributed it to a number of

things.
"The [players are] becoming more experienced and mature," O'Brien

said. "They are getting more at-bats and they are comfortable at the plate. They are

working hard. freshman Cremidan turned in five There are two or three coaches innings of superlative work, allow- who work consistently with the ing only one earned run on five hitters and help them pinpoint hits. The Tritons won the game 8- what they need to do to become

Three of these hard-working players are Sullivan, Addison and Terrell. Each player is doing well, batting over .400 with 20 or more

This Saturday, the Tritons travel to Cal Lutheran for a double-header, hoping to improve upon their 14-4 record.

This is a huge game for the Tritons, as last year Cal Lutheran finished third in Division III baseball. With a sweep, the Tritons will be on the fast track to

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## Tritons Take No Break from Winning

While much of the campus was relaxing, the UCSD baseball squad was burning it's opponents

By TAIT MILLER

Thursday, April 6, 2000

The UCSD baseball team has been on a tear of late, ripping apart its opposition like a tornado tearing through a midwest trailer park.

Starting just prior to spring break and continuing through yesterday, the team has posted a 6-1 record and is averaging 11 runs a game in the six wins.

In addition, with the loss of ace John Beaven to a muscle strain for the next couple of weeks, the pitching staff has stepped up and delivered with Andy Holloway, Alex Cremidan and Brian Hinson giving some tip-top performances.

Most recently, however, it was Erik Snyder who came through as he led the Tritons to a 5-3 win over the University of La Verne at home this Monday.

La Verne jumped out to an early lead as it went up 1-0 in the top of the second on a single by Matt Cresto, its third baseman. The Tritons came right back, however, as Joshua Strobl lofted a sac fly to score Chris Tallman and tie the game 1-1.

Holloway held La Verne scoreless in the third inning and the Tritons went up 2-1 in the bottom half of the inning on some good base-running by Todd Scherwin and an RBI groundout by Matt Merrifield.

The game was then put out of reach by Brian Terrell in the fourth fence in right field for a two-run dinger. In the fifth, he brought another runner home with a sacri-

fice fly to center field.

La Verne tried to mount a comeback as it scratched out runs in the fifth and ninth innings, but as the comeback mounted, Hinson - UCSD's dependable closer - shut down the La Verne bats and the final score was recorded as 5-3.

> In previous action, the defeated Riverside twice, on March 15 and 16. The second game, played at Riverside, was

exciting as the Tritons scored 16 runs to Riverside's 15. Both Chad Addison and Tyler Sullivan had four RBIs in the game, and Terrell along Todd Schrewin each scored

The Tritons took advantage of Riverside's inability to field — the Highlanders recorded five errors in the game, and UCSD scored 11 unearned runs.

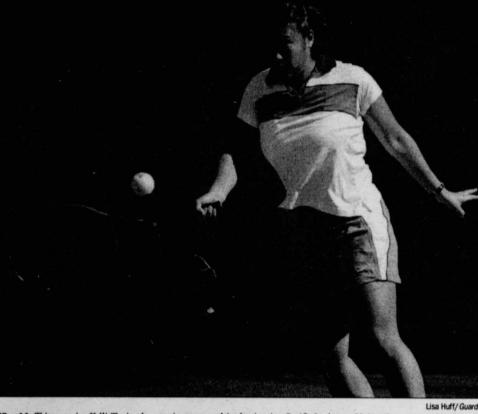
"The team really battled out there," UCSD Head Coach Dan O'Brien said. "We are a talented team and we got the job done."

In other action, the Tritons defeated La Verne 17-6 during the

Although this was the game in which Beaven suffered his muscle strain, the rest of the team picked up the slack, exploding in the fourth and eighth innings for five runs. Terrell had four RBIs and Desi Loessburg, a pinch hitter in the game, drove in three.

In two additional games over the break, both Cremidan and Holloway gave excellent performances. On March 29, Holloway pitched a seven-hit shutout vs.

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Whackl: Triton senior Kelli Tsai, who was instrumental in dominating Pacific Lutheran University, eyes a shot during a

the rest of the singles and doubles

## Tennis:

Team plays decisively in

Continued from page 28

each won their singles matches 6-0. Gunther and Olsen added an 8-0 victory in the No. 3 doubles

The only loss of the season came on March 30 at the hands of Massachusetts' Williams College, which saw four three-set matches in the singles portion of play in which UCSD won one.

bounced back with a 9-0 victory against the University of San Francisco on April 1.

UCSD's No. 1 player Amy

Tranckino pulled out a dramatic it will effect the team's ranking. victory against her opponent Caroline Tweeton of USF by winning the match 7-5 in the third set. The women went on to take

The last match during spring break was against UC Davis, which UCSD dominated 6-3.

through in the clutch. Next for UCSD is Pomona-Pitzer on April 7 and Trinity University on April 8; both matches are at home at 2 p.m. and The women's tennis team

forward to the challenge and how

11 a.m., respectively. Both these teams are solid and could pose a problem for the Tritons. However, LaPlante looks

"If we defeat these teams, we

will be No. 1 in our region, which will give us an easier draw at regionals," LaPlante said. "This is the first year the women have had a regional playoffs. We also have to beat Pomona Pitzer and Claremont to secure our

Gunther won decisively 6-3. 6-1, With these teams looming in and all the doubles teams came its schedule, the Tritons have some must-win matches coming

"The team is looking good," LaPlante said. "We are going to make some changes in the singles line-up and try not to change it too much again before regionals. Overall, we are anxious to see how we perform in our upcoming



## SPORTS



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## **Woods Brings Life To** Dry Sports World

The 2000 Master's golf tournament is coming up this weekend, and as usual, all eyes are on Tiger

I've been thinking about what a truly great phenomenon Woods is. This young man, with skill beyond his time and a refreshing vigor of youth, has single-handedly saved

Woods burst onto the scene a few years ago and took not only the golf world but also the world of professional sports by storm. Before he came along, many people couldn't even name a single golfer. This is not to say that there were no golfers worth mentioning, but the names of Jack Nicklaus and Arnold Palmer were not in everyone's living room.

Woods, through a stellar promotional campaign by the PGA and his various sponsors, is now a household name. Now, golf and Woods are popular to talk about at the dinner table. In the past, the subjects of golfers and golf would have produced nothing but

This is not only what golf needed, but this is what sports needs all around. Sports needs personality, it needs something to sell, something to appeal to the casual fan.

Tennis is a good example. Men's tennis used to have character in the days when John McEnroe and Jimmy Connors battled. Today, there is very little pizzazz in men's tennis. The sport is now just strong guys hitting the ball as hard as they can, then smiling or frowning. There is Andre Agassi, who has been known to be flamboyant. His maturity has grown as a player, and not coincidentally his skill, and he is not as rambunctious as before.

Women's tennis, on the other hand, is taking off. Martina Hingis, with her skills and whiny attitude, has earned the nickname of Swiss Miss. Lindsey Davenport, with her all-American character and No. 1 ranking, is certainly popular. The Williams' pair of Serena and Venus is renound. The sisters have taken the tennis world by storm. Their flamboyant style is only surpassed by their superior skill. Finally, Anna Kournikova, be it appropriate or not, is very popular to the male fans for her good looks and has had many a picture taken of her.

This is what other sports are lacking - this character that both men's golf and women's tennis have.

Take women's golf for example. Name more than two women golfers who are playing today. Time's up. Women's golf needs someone like Woods or Kournikova to put the sport on the map. Until then, it will just be Yawnsville and filler in the evening sports report.

This goes for other sports as well. They should allow a little bit of showboating in football. Endzone dances to celebrate touchdowns would be great. Instead, the National Football League insists on keeping its faceless, mask-covered players from showing much emotion, garnering nicknames such as the No Fun League.

Basketball is plagued, as well. There is no personality in a league

## **A Fruitful Spring Break**

The women's tennis team had a fantastic run last week, going 6-1 to increase its record to 13-1

By ARVIND VASAN

Staff Writer

The UCSD women's tennis team continued its dominance over the competition by going. 6-1 in its last seven matches, extending its record to 13 wins and one loss

On March 15, the team faced Iowa State University Division I team that was supposed to be practice for UCSD's upcoming Division III matches. Instead, the women played with heart and poise, defeating the Cyclones 5-4 at home on the north courts.

Freshman Amy Trackino of CSD defeated Noortje Cornelissen in the opening match 7-5, 7-6 to give the women a crucial point in the overall score. Iowa State rallied back to win the No. 2 and No. 3 sets, with No. 3 Kristin Gyaki defeating No. 3 Yen Yen Ho 6-1,

In the end, the matches came down to the last doubles team. The Triton duo of Kristen Olsen and Rachel Gunther came out victorious against Iowa State's Tara Goedjen and Sharla Whitaker to break a tie and give UCSD the victory.

"We knew Iowa was going to be a tough match, but we had nothing to lose since [it is] Division I," UCSD women's tennis Head Coach Liz LaPlante

"The Pomona wins gave us a ton of confidence, and we knew we could win if we played well," LaPlante continued. "In doubles, they were a little more aggressive and just had better serves and volleys. Our No. 3 team hasn't lost all year and has won easily. In singles, however, we were steading and all year and blesses. we were steadier and played with more confidence. Obviously, our depth has paid off. Amy's win at No. 2 was huge and a great win



Wound up: Junior Kirsten Olsen, who helped her team to six wins during spring break, looks to send the ball over the net in a match earlier this season.

for her."

The next match took place March 17 against Skidmore College, a Division III rival. UCSD played smart and took advantage of important points to win 8-1 against Skidmore.

The only downfall of the competition took place during the No. singles match, when freshman Melissa Liao was forced to retire

due to a shoulder injury. The score was 0-6, 6-2, 4-2 when Liao decided that she could not carry on, giving Skidmore its only

"Our decisive victory over Skidmore was a bit of a surprise," LaPlante said. "They finished No. 4 in the country last year. However, they graduated a strong senior, and one of their top players is abroad in

England."

After the positive outcome of its last two matches, UCSD proceeded to defeat Pacific Lutheran University 9-0 at home on the north courts.

UCSD played with confidence and composure, heightened by seniors Ho and Kelli Tsai, who

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## Watanabe Makes a Huge Splash for the UCSD Swim Team

Freshman had a big first year, capping her rookie season with four championships at nationals

By ROBERT FULTON

Sports Editor

On this campus of nearly 20,000 students, there are some good athletes and some great ath-

The swim team's Jennifer Watanabe falls into the latter cate-

Watanabe, student at Muir College, tore up the water with smooth strokes and forceful kicks

this swimming season.

"My whole life I've been fulltime swimming," the 18-year-old freshman said. "Mornings, evenings, weekends and holidays."

Watanabe, like many accomplished swimmers, started when

she was very young.
"I don't remember when I first started taking lessons," Watanabe said. "My first race was when I was three years old."

Learning to swim happened to be a necessity.

"My brother swam before me," she said. "I would always be around the pool, so I needed swimming lessons so I wouldn't accidentally fall in the pool and

When she first came to this campus, Watanabe was not necessarily going to join the swim team.

Watanabe was either going to join the swim team or the basketball squad. The basketball team had a full roster and swimming started earlier, so Watanabe ended up in the pool instead of on the

Like many freshmen, Watanabe had to make a choice before com-

"After I sent in applications, I thought about it," she said. "It was Diego between San Washington. I talked it over with my mom. She didn't really care which way it went. She said, if I

See WATANABE, Page 22



Courtesy of UCSD Athletics

## **Upcoming Events**

- FRIDAY

Women's tennis vs Pomona 2:30 p.m. Men's Volleyball at USC at 7 p.m.

SATURDAY

Baseball at Cal Lutheran at 11 a.m. Men's tennis vs. Trinity at 3 p.m. Men's volleyball at Northridge at 7 p.m. Track and field UCSD Collegiate Invitational at 9 a.m. Women's Tennis vs. Trinity 11 at a.m.

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