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Worldwide

Rescuers Search Through Wall of Dirt for Victims of El Salvador Earthquake

SANTA TECLA, El Salvador — Hundreds of people climbed over two-story mounds of dirt, brick and rubble Sunday as they tried to rescue victims trapped in a huge landslide that swept down from the hills overlooking the neighborhood of Las Colinas after a powerful earthquake shook Central America on Saturday.

The quake, which measured 7.6 on the standard seismic scale, unleashed a wall of earth that smothered as many as 500 homes in this lower middle class neigh-

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National

Power Emergencies Make it Difficult To Keep the Lights On

LOVELAND, Colo. — Shortly before 11 a.m. Monday, a red phone rang at the Rocky Mountain Regional Office of the Western Area Power Administration. Someone was calling to notify officials that California had just gone to a Stage 1 energy alert. Fifteen minutes later, the red phone rang again, with worse news: Stage 2.

The calls did not exactly generate sweat on the brows of John Moore or Tom Woods, the duty officers who were managing the

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Collegiate

Community Leaders Discuss Riot Prevention At Ohio State University

COLUMBUS, Ohio — It has been two months since the Nov. 19 riots after the Michigan game, and Ohio State University's administration is still looking for ways to regulate parties and reckless behavior in the off-campus area.

Having security at large parties and increasing evening programming for students were two ideas discussed as ways to curb off-campus violence at the Safety Steering Committee meeting held Wednesday at the Fawcett Center.

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Spoken

"They told us it would be cold and to bring a snowboard."

— Nigel Delaney
Muir freshman
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Drying Out ...



David Plitz/Guardian

Damage: John Lobato, a Muir freshman student surveys the fans drying out his room in Tenaya Hall after a flood occurred there Thursday morning. See story in Thursday's Guardian.

CUDA Celebrates Diversity

Drumming circle and recitation of the 'I Have a Dream' speech marks Martin Luther King Jr. Day

By MARGARET O'NEILL
Staff Writer

Drums at the Cultural Unity Day of Awareness beat rhythmically Thursday despite the downpour outdoors.

The event, co-sponsored by the Cross Cultural Center, the Women's Center, the Lesbian-Gay-Bisexual-Transgender Resource Office and Student Legal Services, took place in the Price Center Ballroom, instead of in the Plaza as planned, due to bad weather.

Emelyn DelaPeua, a program director at the Women's Center and one of two main coordinators of CUDA, initially expressed concern about the turnout at the event.

"We were hoping to get at least 100, but because it's raining we don't know how many people are going to come," DelaPeua said.

The event, which according to DelaPeua has occurred annually for a decade, has

evolved extensively from its beginnings. It was originally intended as an act of protest. Most organizations of minority students would attend and plan a march on the chancellor's office protesting the lack of diversity at UCSD.

The event was initially held on Columbus Day. According to DelaPeua, who was a student at the time the event was first held, students marched around campus with coffins on their shoulders to symbolize the oppression of the holiday.

The basis of the event shifted over the years, according to the second main coordinator, Laura Barraclough.

"For the last three years, as long as I've been working on it, it's been a celebration that there are organizations working to increase diversity," said Barraclough, the acting assistant of the Cross Cultural Center.

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Hundreds of Students Walk In San Diego's MLK Day Parade

Preparation cost \$5,000 and took three months

By BRENDA XU

Contributing News Writer

Saturday marked the 14th year of UCSD's participation in the Martin Luther King Jr. parade.

The 22nd annual MLK parade was held from 11 a.m. until noon along Harbor Drive, ending on Pacific Highway in San Diego.

An estimated 250 members of the UCSD community, including family members of students and faculty, marched in the procession, making this the largest group UCSD has ever had in the parade. Clad in UCSD shirts with the slogan "Freedom Through Education" emblazoned on the back, students and faculty marched for one mile holding banners representing each college.

Members from the UCSD Medical Center, the Preuss School and the Early Academic Outreach Program marched along with Chancellor Robert Dynes, Revelle Provost Thomas Bond, and Marshall Provost Cecil Lytle in the parade.

Nikki Cayanan, Chairwoman of the MLK Jr. Campus Parade Committee, was pleased at the turnout of the event.

"It just totally blew us away," Cayanan said. "This is the biggest contingent that UCSD has ever had. It was huge. We've never had this many people."

According to Cayanan, preparations for the event took about three months and cost about \$5,000. Funds were allocated from various sources on campus such as the chancellor, the dean and the A.S. Council, in addition to private contributions such as those from the Princeton Review.

A portion of the funds went to advertising for the parade. Posters and banners promoted the parade starting a week before the celebration. Free transportation to the parade and a continental breakfast were provided for students and faculty.

There were also two contests held, one for the most participants out of the five colleges,

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Suitcase Dance Sends Students Packing

Annual dance at Muir college awards trip for two to Florida, free meals and other prizes

By PATRICK LEE
News Writer

Muir first-year students gathered at Sierra Summit Friday night to take part in the Muir College Council's annual Suitcase Dance.

The doors opened at 8 p.m., and Muir first years streamed in, lugging suitcases packed for a trip to an unknown destination. The students checked their suitcases as they arrived. The MCC announced that at some point during the dance, a drawing would be held to determine who

would win the trip for two to the secret location.

Some students speculated about the destination.

"I think it's Philly," said Nigel Delaney, a first-year student. "They told us it would be cold and to bring a snowboard, but that it wasn't in California."

Delaney's prediction proved incorrect after the drawing, which was held shortly before 9 p.m.

Master of Ceremonies Colin Parent announced that a limousine was waiting outside to take the lucky freshmen to the airport.

Fortune shined on Kristyn Molle that night, as her name was drawn, awarding her an all-expense-paid weekend for two to the Hampton Inn in Orlando, free Disney World passes, and \$200 in spending cash.

Nearly speechless, all she could say was, "I didn't know."

"There was enough demand to bring [the dance] back and we gave them lots of clues to keep them interested," said MCC Chair Cristina Villegas.

According to Villegas, the event was entirely Muir-sponsored.

"We wanted it to be a community-building activity put on by our community," Villegas said. "Even the dean chipped in."

MCC Public Relations Representative Matt Bechtel served as DJ for the evening.

Although many left after the announcement of the winner, others stayed to enjoy the music and await the other prizes the MCC had in store. Throughout the night, the MCC gave away gift certificates for free meals at Islands and In-N-Out and gift certificates for merchandise at Ralphs and Cost Plus.

Parade:

Marshall College Council attended the parade

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and another for the most participants out of the student organizations on campus...

Marshall college won the first contest by a wide margin with an estimated 40 students participating...

The Marshall College Council felt the event was significant enough to make it mandatory for all council members to attend.

"I think it's important that our college and community show that we still remember Martin Luther King...

Other Council members agreed and wanted to celebrate diversity, which is a main focus of Marshall college.

"It's just a time to celebrate how far our country has come in terms of diversity and appreciating other cultures..."

The lively atmosphere of the parade is another reason for some to participate.

"I really like the energy here," said Jill Donofrio, a member of Leaders of the 21st Century at Revelle.

Other participants who were alive to witness King's efforts wanted to support the memory of his struggle.

"I grew up in the 60's, so I remember vividly the freedom marches," Dynes said.

For some faculty members, marching in the parade is an annual tradition.

"I've marched in this parade every year," Bond said. "I think it's a lot of fun. It's a chance for UCSD to see San Diego and for San Diego to see UCSD."

For others, the parade was also a chance to spend time with their families and feel a sense of unity in the community.

"I've been with the university for 13 years and I think I've only missed two parades," said Yvonne Reid-Hariston, who works in the chancellor's office.

Unity:

Singers were encouraged to stand next to someone

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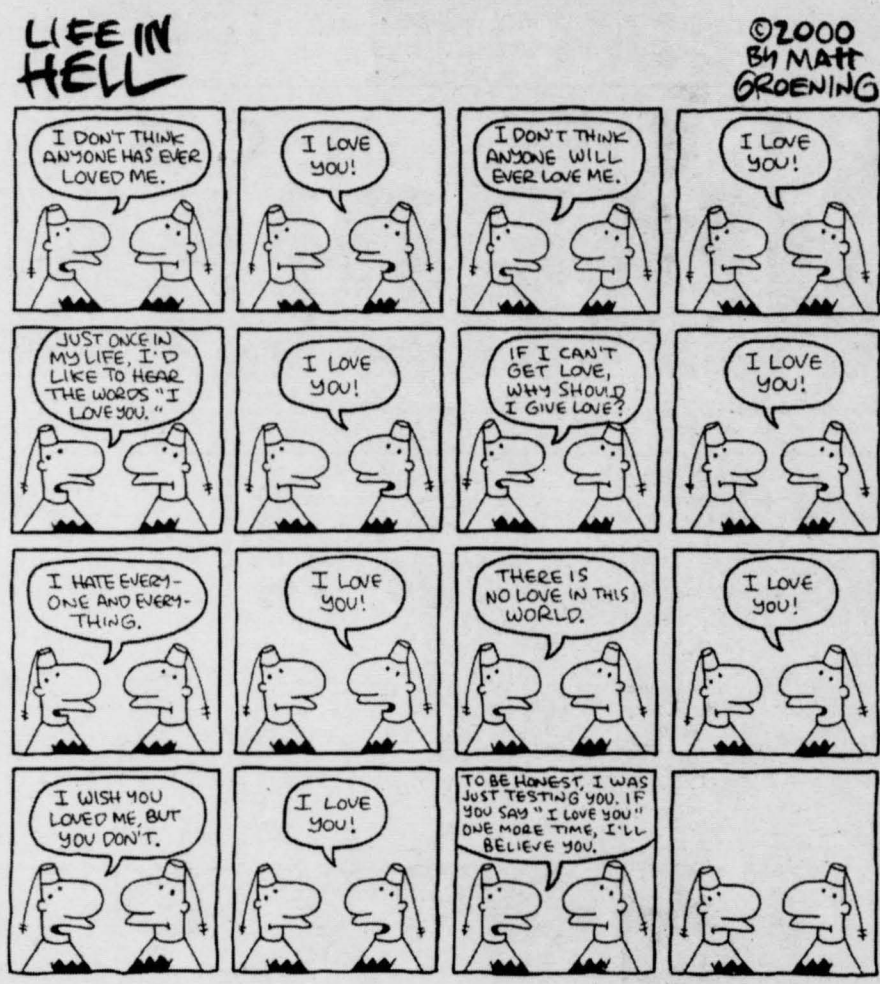
the choir's first practice of the year, and despite this, the musicians managed to get the audience to respond.

"Get close to someone else so you don't feel like you're singing alone," Anderson said to the crowd as the choir rang out with "This Little Light of Mine."

CUDA concluded with a second drum circle led by Asiedu. Choir members and the Johnson family picked up instruments to join the rhythm.

"I think it went well even though it got rained out and not many people came," DelaPeua said. "The people who were here were great, they had energy. I thought the drum circle was a wonderful way to bring people together. We had just enough people to have a good circle."

ETCETERA



BRIEFLY

Gov. Davis' Budget to Help UC System

Gov. Gray Davis announced his proposed 2001-2002 budget last week, which would give the University of California a financial boost.

Under the proposed budget, the annual state allocation for the university would increase 6.3 percent to \$3.4 billion allowing for the admission of an additional 5,700 students to be funded.

The budget constitutes the second wave of provisions made to create the California Institutes for Science and Innovation, one of which, the Institute for Internet and Telecommunications Technology, will be built at UCSD in partnership with UC Irvine.

In addition to these improvements, the budget will also allocate more support for UC graduate programs, summer instruction on certain campuses and greater student retention programs.

Prior to the creation, Davis had made it clear that a strong partnership between his administration and the university would be forged. The plan calls for an annual increase in financial support for the university.

Free workouts, rec classes offered to UCSD students

In an effort to help UCSD students stick to their New Year's resolutions to get or stay healthy, UCSD Recreation has announced that it will offer three free classes to students.

This winter's free classes are dance aerobics, which will take place from noon to 1 p.m. on Tuesdays at the Rec Conference Room, Kick Boxing, which will take place from noon to 1 p.m. on Thursdays in the Rec Conference Room, and Step Aerobics, which will take place from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at the Main Gym.

All classes begin on Tuesday, Jan. 16. For more information about these or any other classes call (858) 534-4037.

The A.S. Council presents UCSD's new club Ritmo

Ton Loc and DVC will perform at the opening of Club Ritmo, which will take place at 8:30 p.m. Friday at the stage in Porter's Pub. Club Ritmo is a new nightclub presented by the A.S. Council. It is intended to make Friday nights on campus a little livelier. A student I.D. is required for free admission, and general admission is \$8.

Preuss School accepting applications for sixth graders

UCSD's Preuss School is currently accepting applications for sixth graders entering in fall 2001. An information session will be held for parents who are interested in enrolling their students. The session will be held at 1 p.m. on Jan. 20 at the Preuss School campus.

In addition to the 100 open spaces for new sixth graders, the school also has a limited number of spots for students who will be entering the ninth grade this fall.

The admission would bring the school's total enrollment to 516 students with plans to raise that number to 700 by the year 2003. The school also has plans to offer instruction to students from sixth to 12th grades as opposed to only offering instruction to students up to the 10th grade as it does now.

Volunteers needed for Eyes on the Elderly Program

The Volunteer Connection will hold an information session for those interested in participating in the Eyes on the Elderly Program.

The program will recruit UCSD students to interact with senior citizens at the Torrey Pines Convalescent Hospital.

Volunteers will spend one to two hours per week with an elderly individual engaging in such activities as calling out numbers for bingo or eating pizza.

The commitment to EOE is only quarterly and can be formatted to fit your schedule.

Applications can be picked up at the Volunteer Connection and must be returned by Jan. 19. For more information, call (858) 534-1414.

Student Foundation holds benefit for Preuss School

The UCSD Student Foundation is currently having a "Change for Change" college competition to benefit the Preuss School.

With UCSD students making donations and the UCSD Alumni Association matching contributions dollar for dollar up to \$2,000, the Student Foundation is hoping to supply outdoor tables for Preuss students.

The college with the highest amount of donations will receive a free movie night and popcorn at the Price Center Theater. The competition will end and the winner will be announced on Feb. 2 at Spirit Night.

Money will be collected via bins passed around the residence halls which will then be deposited at RIMAC on Spirit Night before the winner is announced.

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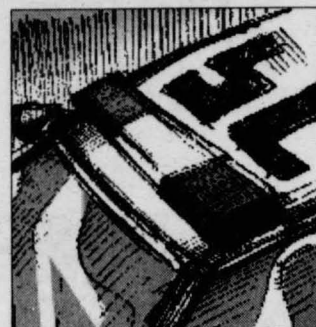
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LIGHTS & SIRENS

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26-year-old male nonaffiliate for misuse of a disabled placard in Lot 411. Cited and released.

Sunday, Jan. 7

3:37 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a laptop computer from Beagle Hall. Loss: \$1,800.

Monday, Jan. 8

5:47 a.m.: Officers arrested a 61-year-old male nonaffiliate for violation of a seven-day exclusion order at the Preuss School.
9:32 a.m.: A student reported the theft of a white '90 Toyota Camry from Regents Road. Loss: \$2,000.

Tuesday, Jan. 9

10:25 a.m.: A staff member reported the theft of a Palm Pilot from the first floor of Geisel Library. Loss: \$250.
2:30 p.m.: A student reported indecent exposure in Lot 355.
4:12 p.m.: A staff member reported the theft of books from the UCSD Bookstore.

Wednesday, Jan. 10

2:09 a.m.: Officers arrested a 19-year-old male student at Brennan Hall for being drunk in public. Transported to detox. Subject rejected from detox and transported to Central Jail.
4:49 a.m.: Officers impounded a '94 Nissan Maxima from Lot 504 for having more than five unpaid parking citations. Stored at Star Towing.
7:48 a.m.: A staff member reported the theft of computer equipment from the Humanities and Social Sciences building. Loss: \$50.
9:49 p.m.: Officers arrested a

2:03 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a bicycle from the UCSD Bike Shop. Loss: \$150.

3:31 p.m.: A student reported the theft of video game cartridges from Tenaya Hall. Loss: \$240.

3:34 p.m.: A student reported a burglary at Marshall Apartments. Loss: \$268.

Saturday, Jan. 13

4:27 p.m.: A nonaffiliate reported domestic violence at Marshall Apartments.

—Compiled by Lauren I. Coartney, News Editor

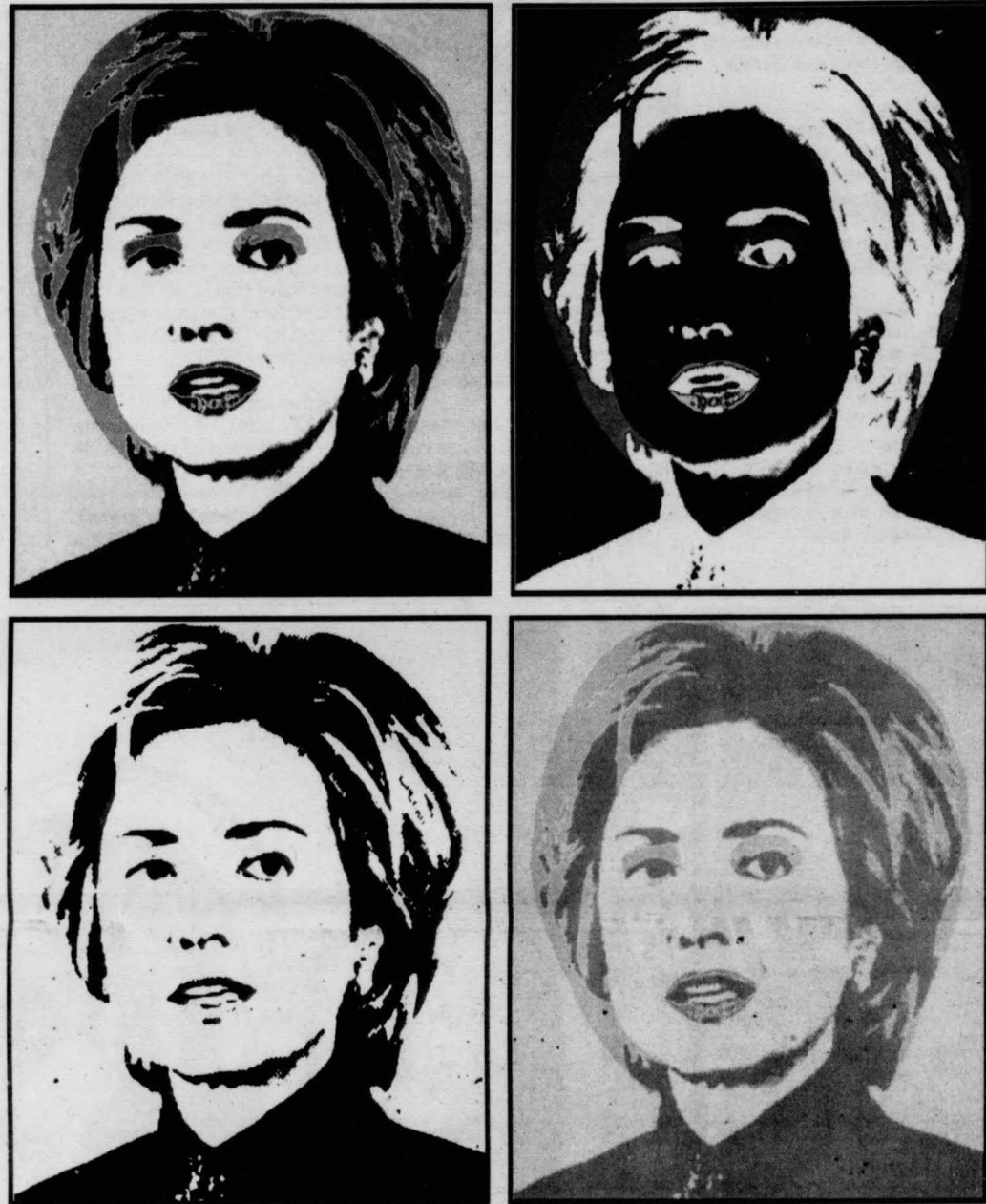
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OPINION

The Many Faces of Hillary Clinton



Sky Frostenson/Guardian

Hillary Clinton, strong-willed and ambitious, has exactly what it takes to be a successful politician

By **MARY ONELIA ESTUDILLO**
Contributing Opinion Writer

Hillary Clinton: supportive wife, protective mother, astute corporate attorney, devout social activist and dynamic woman. Or, if you prefer, she is also known as the Nazi first lady, Bill Clinton's shadow chief of staff, overambitious politician, psycho-feminist, democratic heretic and, more commonly, (insert your personal favorite here).

Whatever name Hillary Rodham Clinton has made for herself, whether it be one of praise or one of spite, it is one that is synonymous with resiliency, compassion and ability.

When Clinton belts out an intention, whether it is "I'm going to run for Senate," or "I'm going out for a run," she leaves the president, fellow Democrats and opposing Republicans alike shivering in their Bruno Magli loafers, nervous to their wits' ends in anticipation of the explosion of ideas that usually result from her actions.

Sure, the Clinton we all know is the Clinton who wanted to serve as her husband's attorney general, the Clinton whose health care initiative failed, the Clinton whose hair-do never seems to quite fit and, finally, the Clinton whose sole purpose as first lady is to be a leech on the neck of her husband in hopes of furthering her own political ambitions. All this is wrong. Beneath her exterior, there is a kinder, gentler Clinton.

It seems that all we can think about is Clinton's failed programs, broken marriage

and rocky road to Capitol Hill.

What stays hidden is the interior of a woman who transformed the traditional role of first lady. For the first time since Eleanor Roosevelt, the first lady did not exist mainly to enhance her husband's political career; she had an agenda of her own. Clinton is the first first lady to have her own office in the West Wing.

From her days with the Rose Law Firm in Arkansas to her days at the White House, Clinton has always been a part of vital legislation. Her drive for educational reform has been one of her biggest works in progress and has made a world of difference in school districts across the country.

She has played vital roles in improving access to child care, modernizing adoption processes, fighting for international human rights, attending to Gulf War Syndrome and raising awareness of breast and cervical cancer, just to name a few. Above all this, she has managed to remind America that its children are not "rugged individualists" and that "it takes a village to raise a child."

Clinton helped establish the Violence Against Women Act and, from her new position in the Senate, she hopes to do wonders for New York's taxes, environment and education.

It is a mystery to me how critics can base their opinions about such a hard-working woman on scandals and events beyond her

First lady, and now senator, Clinton has questionable morals and ethics and will not help the country

By **ANDREW JEFFERY**
Contributing Opinion Writer

While I am relieved that this November's presidential election turned out the way it did, I am afraid that what happened in New York poses a far greater threat to America than any presidential election result. Hillary Clinton, the latest in an esteemed line of radical and power-craving carpetbaggers, was elected to the Senate as a representative for New York. Considering what Clinton managed to accomplish in the "office" of first lady over the past eight years, there is no telling what she will try now that she has the legal power to affect policy.

Republicans are corrupt. Democrats lie. It is no secret that every day politicians lie and break the law, and everybody in the country knows it. Yet it is that reason to condone the election of candidates known to have repeatedly broken the law, lied and to have been found guilty of covering up wrongdoing? Clinton is the embodiment of all that is painfully wrong with American politics, as she slithers through Washington in her attempt to regain control of the White House.

While it would be easy to simply discuss Clinton's questionable moral and ethical values, I feel that such a narrow analysis would do her numerous shortcomings a grave injustice. Instead I will look at qualities necessary for any aspiring Washington bureaucrat: effective policy-making abilities,

character and a sound political philosophy. In these three areas, as well as countless others, Clinton fails every test and misses every goal. She subsequently changes her goals and re-grades the tests so she comes out on top.

In Arkansas, as the head of then Gov. Bill Clinton's education reform effort, Hillary and her team developed a program to test the knowledge and skills of the teachers in the nation's second-lowest-ranked statewide public educational system. All failing teachers would have two years to make up their deficiencies or face release. When the results were tabulated, a large percentage of the teachers had, in fact, failed. Hillary - who has claimed the interests of children as her No. 1 political goal - came up with the following solution.

Before the results of the program were announced, parents were polled and asked to anticipate the percentage of teachers who would fail the tests. When the poll revealed that parents expected 10 percent of teachers to fail the tests, instead of the 30 to 50 percent who actually did, Hillary declared, "I can decide what score is passing and what is failing." So when the Clinton administration released the results of the tests to the public, it was reported that only 10 percent of the teachers had failed. Thus, to appease the teachers' union, only a select few of Arkansas' most incompetent teachers lost

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MTV Offers a Rare Chance to Enlighten



ANGELA CARRIER

As I wandered around my apartment Wednesday night, I was stopped suddenly, distracted by the program that my roommates were watching on television. The program had mediocre acting and I, at first, thought it was one of those silly drama series, but I was instantly intrigued and couldn't pull myself away from the screen.

There were no commercial breaks and I wondered what station was airing the show. To my surprise, it was MTV. It was the special showing of "A Hate Crime Revealed," the story of Matthew Shepard.

I recalled hearing about the horrific crime that took place in Wyoming and had read an article about it in "Time." Though it certainly was not the first crime of such nature and magnitude, the case of Matthew Shepard drew national attention.

The harsh treatment of gays in America, the "land of the free," needed to be brought to light. The events surrounding Shepard's death were unsettling. With its portrayal of the violence of the men who attacked him and exhibition of small-town anti-gay sentiment, the program struck emotional chords.

But the most disturbing part of the story was the public reaction after Shepard's death. There was footage of actual events and protests that transpired after his death woven into the movie. The posters that people made in response to Shepard's death were appalling. Bold letters on posters screamed "Matt is in Hell."

To know that the people who made these posters were so-called people of the church was especially disturbing. Those people who claimed to be followers of God were certainly not practicing the unconditional love they believed was so graciously given to them. There can be no resolution when those who should ease the problem only contribute to it.

I am not saying all believers are of the same outspoken and judgmental type, but those outspoken people are the ones who set precedence into the public's eye of what all Christians are like. It is outrageously hypocritical to judge another person without considering one's own faults.

My initial reaction to the show was to praise MTV for sparing an hour of airtime from the bombardment of advertisements. A significant statement was made: This is an important topic that warrants no interruption.

The popularity of MTV with youth adds to the impact. Eager young viewers flip to their favorite music channel to find something very different. MTV

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Year of the Dragon in Review

Asian-Americans faced many highs and lows in 2000

By **TOM VU**
Opinion Editor

After more than a month of earnest waiting, I was finally able to watch "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" this weekend. I had high expectations for the movie, and director Ang Lee more than lived up to them. The movie boasts outstanding directing, beautiful cinematography (the best I've seen since "Braveheart"), lively plot, frantic action, humor and tragedy all rolled into one. A great modern movie based on classic Chinese martial arts films, complete with flying and sword fights, "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" was simply one of the best movies this writer has ever seen.

The release of "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" near the end of 2000 capped a roller-coaster year for Asian-Americans. Like the movie, there were many uplifting moments as well as many tragic ones for Asian-Americans in 2000. The perceived breakthrough of Lucy Liu, the unconstitutional treatment of Wen Ho Lee, the ascent of Asians in American politics, and the godforsaken "Mr. Wong" are only some of the conflicting highs and lows Asian-Americans experienced last year.

With Chinese New Year arriving soon to welcome the Year of the Snake, it seems only justified to glance back at the Year of the Dragon and to shed some much needed light on the Asian-American experiences in it. Perhaps this article will open people's eyes, brown ones, green ones, blue ones or whatever, to themselves and to

others. As the ancient Chinese philosopher Lao Tzu said, "He who knows others is learned, but he who knows himself is wise."

Asian-Americans took great steps forward in the Year of the Dragon, particularly in politics and on the silver screen. Asians are generally stereotyped as indolent, "model minorities," taking whatever hits and punches they receive quietly so as not to cause commotion. The year 2000 undoubtedly proved this stereo-

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type wrong as Asian men and women stormed the political front.

Perhaps the most prominent example of this political uprising, if you will, is President Clinton's selection of Norman Mineta as Commerce Secretary. A former mayor of San Jose and member of the House of Representatives for 20 years, Mineta became the first Asian-American cabinet member in U.S. history in 2000. Even though he was imprisoned in an internment camp during the sec-

ond World War, he does not look back on his life with bitterness, but rather with a voice of optimism. This is a testament to his character (much better than that of his boss) and his ability to reach across the aisle. In fact, President-elect Bush actually appointed Mineta to be Transportation Secretary in his cabinet. Mineta is now a force to be reckoned with in Washington.

"a Magazine," a magazine on Asian-American lifestyle, recently conducted a survey on which Asian-Americans had the brightest political future. Names included in the poll were Mineta, Mike Honda and Gary Locke. In this past election cycle, Honda, a former assemblyman, ran against Jim Cunneen for a congressional seat and barely lost. Locke won his reelection bid for governor of Washington state and is already touted as a possible future vice-presidential nominee.

Other Asian-Americans receiving substantial votes were S.B. Woo, a former Delaware lieutenant governor and founder of the 80-20 Initiative, Christine Chen, director of programs for the Organization for Chinese-Americans, and Ted Fang, the first Asian-American owner of a major newspaper, *The San Francisco Examiner*.

Another area where Asian-Americans made significant strides in 2000 was the entertainment business. The Year of the Dragon was when Liu became one of Charlie's angels and her name became a household one.

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Pro:

Hillary is a hard worker and deserves the praise

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control. For instance, because of the Whitewater scandal, Clinton is seen as dishonest, self-centered and controlling. But if asked today, most Americans would not even remember what the scandal was called or what it was about.

What about the Lewinsky incident, you ask? Do you know anyone else who would forgive her husband for cheating on her, prompting every journalist in the country to vie for her "feelings" on the affair? For that, she should receive the Woman of the Century Award.

It seems that Clinton is a strong, outspoken and determined woman who lacks the finesse and demure qualities that we have come to expect from a first lady. Many men and Republicans are threatened by her attitude and actions.

Her cutthroat political ability and rhetoric leave many to conclude that she is controlling, power hungry and difficult. That's a new one. Politicians who are controlling, power hungry and difficult? Please, give the woman a break.

When you ask Clinton-haters why they despise her, you will get

many different answers. Some will say that her policies and ideas have failed. Some will respond with simplistic adjectives, saying she is cold, mean, bossy or selfish. Some will just say that she is a bitch and that they have no other justification.

Even if some of her ideas have failed, why should she be considered useless? How can a woman who fights for human and women's rights worldwide be seen as cold? Does Hillary's use of her position to voice her ideas qualify her as a bitch? If all these qualities were pinned on someone else other than the first lady, would there be such an explosion of criticism? Probably not.

Clinton has graced the covers of nearly a dozen magazines, been at the top of many Most Valuable Politician and Most Influential Women lists and has assisted in many successful democratic campaign victories.

Clinton is a team player, a diligent and compassionate worker, a woman of substance, and a person who has always commanded a lot of respect and attention. Though these attributes have made her one of the most loathed women in politics, they are the very things that will make her great.

Bill Clinton's term is ending, but Hillary Clinton is not ready to fade away. One must look at what she has to offer despite her short-

comings. Where else can we find a woman who has supported and defended a husband who has strayed more than once, endured eight years of media criticism, worked on countless legislation reforms, and simultaneously been a mother and run for senator, winning with a smile?

Coming to the Senate in the 107th Congress, Clinton will be in the company of 12 other women who will surely change Capitol Hill as we know it.

Clinton, as one of the most vocal senators in Congress, will definitely give attention to legislation that would otherwise not have been acknowledged.

She is familiar with struggle, controversy and hard — sometimes futile — work. Clinton will be one of the grandest additions to government simply because of her resilient character. Although she will be reminded that she is not a popular figure, and many will argue about her ability to perform, one thing is certain: When the next first lady or female senator or the first woman president storms D.C., she will have Clinton to thank for paving the way.

Whatever your opinions on this lady may be, it is advisable to see beyond her rough demeanor and image and actually look at what she represents. You may discover she is not so bad after all. You may even like her.

least try to gain a new understanding. One does not have to believe in or accept an idea, but an attempt should at least be made to understand it.

It is encouraging to see programs that touch on important events and problems that affect our nation. By educating the people, especially the younger generation, there is hope for less hate in the future.

Column:

Viewers are given a chance to rethink gay rights

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hopes their interest is piqued by this show and that they might continue to watch and broaden their understanding of such a topic as hate crime awareness.

Certainly, many viewers were disappointed to miss their regular program and did not even consider what was being shown. Or even worse, the young viewers may have already been conditioned to think negatively about homosexuality and refuse to open their minds to other ideas. It is not that they should completely change their morals and the way they were raised, but they should at

Con:

Clinton is all too willing to lie and cheat to win

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Fudging results and not firing poor teachers to keep influential special interest groups happy is hardly a sign of Clinton looking out for the best interests of our children. Here we have proof that Clinton's personal and political agendas greatly outweigh the issues facing the people whom she claims her policies will help.

Aside from being a miserable policy maker, on questions of character or integrity, Clinton's record is clear: The truth is something to be manipulated, changed and covered up. In her debate with Rick Lazio, Clinton was forced to listen to her own lie on the "Today Show" concerning her husband's relationship with Monica Lewinsky when the scandal first went public.

Hillary listened to herself assure the country that the allegations against her husband were not true and that the entire scandal was a "vast, right-wing conspiracy." Upon hearing her own words, Hillary stood at the podium, looked straight into the cameras and kept on lying. She refused to admit a mistake, apologize for a blatant lie to the American public or acknowledge the truth in any way. There was no remorse for her deception and she made it clear that, for her, perjury is purely instinctual.

Finally, on a philosophical level, Clinton is plain scary. There is a philosophy known as "The Third Way," which is a political term with a storied history among the most catastrophic political movements of the 20th century. The Third Way is essentially a political ideology combining fascism and capitalism into a neofascist structure, which

embodies state control and lack of individual liberties combined with the powerful elite class of capitalism. President Hillary, an elite at the head of government, would control everything.

The Nazis used the Third Way to describe their system of national socialism as some point on the social expanse equidistant from communism in the Soviet Union and capitalism in the West. Trotskyists use the term to differentiate their own form of Marxism from Stalinism. Clinton has described her own political philosophy as the politics of the Third Way. This places her among fellow megalomaniacs in the realm of political ideology as well as that of dictatorial aspirations.

Clinton is not a good person. She is not honest. She is a racist and an anti-Semite and has at no time in her career accomplished anything on her own merit. She will cut every corner and will break every rule to get what she wants. She seeks to serve one person — herself.

In four years we will be looking at an economy which will likely be in a worse state than it is now, as turbulent affairs continue throughout the developing world and countless other unpredictable political, social and economic issues crop up. There will be a temptation to look to Clinton and a new agenda for America, which will simply be a cover for the Third Way.

Do not be fooled. Remember this: If Clinton and her fellow enlightened prophets of the future do indeed possess privileged knowledge on how to fix America's woes, they will not tell you. As their leader, Clinton will lie, for as soon as the public becomes privy to her enigmatic solution, it will no longer be a secret. Her envisioned future will become reality, and her self-righteous role as humanity's vanguard will cease to exist.

New Year:

Year of the Dragon forced Asians to face reality

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M. Night Shyamalan directed the wildly popular "Sixth Sense" and the equally dark "Unbreakable." Angela Perez Baraquio was crowned Miss America, the first Asian ever. Rita Ng was likewise the first Asian Miss California.

Movies such as "Romeo Must Die" and "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon" thrust Asians into a strong leading roles. Yes, this writer is aware that neither Jet Li nor Chow Yun Fat are Asian-Americans, but to place Asians into lead roles in action movies in a culture that all too often suppresses such roles for Asian men is, to me, quite a revolution. More important, though, is the popularity of the films across ethnicities. It was well received by most, with Ang Lee's movie gaining critical acclaim.

And then there is Coco Lee. In the immortal words of comic book legend Stan Lee (no, he's not Asian), "Nuff said, true believer."

Of course, not everything came easily for Asian-Americans in 2000. With the great stride forward, there is the juxtaposed step backward. In a new decade, in a new century, and new millennium, everyone — whites, blacks, Latin-Americans, Asian-Americans — would like to think that racism is a thing of the past decade, century and millennium. This, however, is as distant from reality as Taiwan is from mainland China on Taiwanese independence. The Year of the Dragon is a prime example of this.

The most disturbing case of racism is the persecution of Wen Ho Lee by the federal government. With ridiculous accusations of spying and espionage and even threats of execution, the federal government picked Lee's life apart. After imprisoning Lee in solitary confinement for nine months, the federal prosecutors did an about-face and released him after he signed a plea-bargain stating that he was guilty of some minor misdemeanor. Only days before, Attorney General Janet Reno had called Lee a threat to national security.

Of all the other physicists at Los Alamos National Laboratories, only Lee was singled out and prosecuted in such unconstitutional ways. The reason: He's Asian and had the most reason to spy for China. The ridiculous part: Lee is not from mainland China; he is Taiwanese. If you're Asian, or at least Taiwanese, you know this makes all the difference in the world. President Clinton and the U.S. district judge that handled the case harshly criticized the federal prosecutors for their conduct and treatment of Lee.

But it was too late for apologies. The Lee case opened a rather large can of worms. It was apparent that anti-Chinese sentiment was still prevalent and brought up memories of Japanese internment during World War II. As "a Magazine" writes, "The question had never been whether Lee was guilty or innocent. The issue was that he had been a victim of the American justice system and a scapegoat for federal prosecutors blinded by xenophobia and anti-China hysteria."

The most blatantly offensive — and annoying — affront to Asian-Americans of the year must be the "Mr. Wong" online cartoon. Portrayed with every offensive stereotype one could place on an Asian — yellow-skinned, bucktoothed, slanted eyes and submissive, Mr. Wong spends his time trying to seduce white women. It doesn't take a Dimensions of Culture student to see where this is going. It is hard to find the words to describe the ridiculousness of "Mr. Wong."

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New Year:

Chinese New Year brings hope of better future

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and how utterly offensive it is not only to Asians, but to anyone that has any contact with an Asian. And to call it artistic freedom only shows how far Americans have not gone in race relations.

Liu perhaps epitomizes the struggles and accomplishments Asian-Americans went through in 2000. Many view her, and rightfully so, as having made it big in Hollywood. Still, others view her as giving in to the stereotypes that are placed on Asian women by taking the roles.

They point out that her roles in movies like "Payback" and the sitcom "Ally McBeal" play into the seductive, "dragon lady" stereotype. Whatever your view on her may be, it is hard to deny that she will continue to make her mark on Hollywood and the Asian-American community.

An interesting aspect of the Asian community in the year 2000 that should be briefly looked at is the rise of the outmarriage rate among Asians, particularly among Asian men to white women. In a February 2000 article in "Newsweek," writer Esther Pan

referred to Asian men as the next "trophy boyfriend" for white women. Some view this as a positive thing, that Asian men are becoming accepted by a society that had before viewed them as effeminate. Still, critics refer to this attraction to Asian men as a new form of fetishism that had before been focused on Asian women. Which of these assumptions holds true will be decided in this new millennium.

The Year of the Dragon brought with it much advancement for Asian-Americans. At the same time, it carried with it a stigma of fear and ambiguity. In a few days, the Year of the Snake will arrive. What it holds for Asian-Americans is anyone's guess.

The only thing that seems certain is celebrating Katharine Liu's birthday. After all, who could've known last year that there would be string of Asian-American hate crimes on college campuses or that a Chinese martial arts film would have the best chance of winning Best Picture?

During Chinese New Year, those who celebrate it wish one another good luck and best fortunes for the new year. "Kung hei fat choy" is the popular phrase. Prosperous wishes. My only wish for the new year is that *Korematu v. United States* be overturned.

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UCSD Designed for Lack of College Spirit



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Editor:

Throughout the course of the year I have read many articles about the lack of school spirit at UCSD. From recent articles about the poor amount of support for school teams, to others about the lack of student involvement and organization, the student body has been accused of basically not caring. Well, I would like to address this claim by issuing a claim of my own: The perpetrator

of this crime is UCSD itself.

Take a look around the campus and discover the truth: The student body is separated into groups in order to keep it from organizing. A look into the history of the UC system will reveal a ploy to keep the student body from coming together.

While the people in charge will push all the benefits of the college system, like a small-college feel at a big university, they fail to mention the lack of all-campus involvement that the system creates. People do not get up for the basketball games, painting their faces and filling the stands, because they are not unified. Events such as the Un-Olympics can draw the whole school together because they bring the colleges together, but to say that we are unified under UCSD is quite difficult when we all feel so separated from those who are not at the same college.

As the creation and development of Sixth College begins, I ask people to take a moment and reflect on the system that has developed over the years. The colleges have their advantages, the closeness they create, the individual attention. But expecting an entire university, already divided, to come together and cheer as one at a Division II sporting event, is a lot to expect.

Take my words any way you want: as the rantings of a mad man who, perhaps, has had too much time to think since the end of finals, or words that implicate a system set up to divide people in order to weaken student organization.

The choice is ours in the end — we can fall victim to the separation, or we can rise above it and unite, taking pride not only in our colleges, but in our university as a whole, together as Tritons.

— John Lobato

WORLD & NATION

Bush's Choice of Attorney General Reignites Post-Election Battle

WASHINGTON — The confirmation hearings for John D. Ashcroft, who has been chosen to be the next attorney general, will be the stage for what has become the first major political battle of the new Bush administration.

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Liberal interest groups have vowed to make it difficult for Democrats to support the nomination. And The American Civil Liberties Union in a report issued Monday entitled "Not Moderate, Not Compassionate, Not Conservative," portrayed Ashcroft as an extremist.

Because he brings a long record as a staunch conservative on school desegregation, affirmative action, abortion, gay rights and other emotion-laden issues, the hearings may serve as the opening skirmish in an ideological war that is likely to continue over the next few years.

"It is the salient political event of the Bush presidency so far," said Thomas Mann, a political scientist and authority on Congress at the Brookings Institution in Washington. "It tells us a lot about the new president and tells us about the response of the Democratic Party. It gives us some hints of the dynamics that might

unfold over the next few years as these forces battle and confront each other."

To counter any notion of racial insensitivity on Ashcroft's part, Republicans handling the confirmation campaign have lined up support from blacks. Monday, the campaign released a letter of support from Charles Evers of Mississippi, the brother of Medgar Evers, the slain civil rights leader. And Charles Polk, a black lawyer from St. Louis, who will be Ashcroft's chief assistant in the hearings, spoke to reporters Monday.

"I've known Senator Ashcroft for 15 years, and the man is as solid as can be," Polk said. Any notion that Ashcroft is unsympathetic to black causes, he said, "is a joke. I don't believe it for one minute."

— Neil A. Lewis
The New York Times

Power:

California's electric woes are shared by the West

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flow of electricity across parts of Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Montana, Nebraska and Kansas. The same thing has happened often during California's energy crisis. The alerts mean that California's energy surplus has grown so thin that energy companies are looking to buy additional supplies to meet demand.

But the calls served as the latest reminder that energy problems in one state can affect many other states, owing to the interconnectedness of America's energy grid. California uses one-third of all the energy produced in the West. But the same steep price increases are occurring nationwide because the electricity all flows through the same regional grids.

The flow of power produced in the western third of the country is controlled by 31 centers like the one here. The center manages the flow of electricity generated by 50 power plants. The energy is pumped into

the grid and, ultimately, drawn off by utility companies according to schedules of estimated need that the companies submit to energy brokers by the hour.

For the workers at the center, the trick is to match the need with the supply, which is done through computerized adjustments. But as demand for energy is growing so are problems.

"We're seeing outages that we've never seen before," said Joel Bladow, manager of the center here. "With changes in the market the way energy is bought and sold, more and more we're seeing bulk transactions of energy over longer distances, like California buying energy from Wyoming. We had one instance recently where a plant in Utah tripped off—line, overloading a line between Utah and Colorado that was rated to carry 680 megawatts. All of a sudden, it was over 800, so we had to take quick action."

"If we hadn't," he added, "another line might have tripped out, and we can only plan for so many things going wrong. If too many things go wrong, we're in trouble."

— Michael Janofsky
The New York Times

Quake:

Shaking was felt 750 miles away in Mexico City

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borhood, killing scores. Although other parts of the country were also affected by landslides, this neighborhood about six miles west of the city was clearly the worst hit. Rescue officials estimated that more than 400 people were killed nationwide — more than 150 of them here. They said

about a thousand were still missing in the quake, which was centered off El Salvador's coast and was felt as far away as Mexico City — a distance of some 750 miles.

The scene here was one of utter devastation, with thick trees knocked over, exposing tangles of roots, and utility poles snapped in half, while on the ground were scattered fragments of what had been people's homes. Throughout the area were strewn door knobs, plates, scraps of clothing and other items.

Many of the houses were not structurally sound, rescuers and residents said, since people in the

neighborhood had added to their houses piecemeal as their economic fortunes improved.

By late Sunday, rescue workers had arrived from the United States, Venezuela, Mexico and Guatemala, where six people were reported killed, and they were joined by an outpouring of Salvadorans who came to help dig out victims with little but their hands or to provide the survivors with comfort or food.

In the capital, San Salvador, where electricity was restored and people went about their business on Sunday, one park had been turned into a donation point where people had dropped off huge mounds of clothes for those made homeless by the disaster.

The U.S. Agency for International Development has sent disaster relief teams from Costa Rica and Miami along with several search and rescue specialists from the Miami-Dade Fire Department. Some 18,000 pounds of medical, hygiene and emergency supplies were sent in a separate jet from Miami, where USAID keeps an emergency warehouse.

— David Gonzales
The New York Times



Better Schools Honor King, Bush Says

HOUSTON — In an effort to reach out to blacks, President-elect George W. Bush told an audience at a mostly black elementary school here Monday that he would honor the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy by working to improve public schools and to give all Americans a shot at success.

"The dream of equality is empty without excellent schools," Bush said as he marked the King birthday holiday with a brief visit to Kelso Elementary School, in a poor, black area of this city.

"That goal will take presidential leadership and leadership from our new secretary of education. It is a goal we set. It is a goal we would work endlessly to achieve."

The man whom Bush has chosen to be his education secretary, Roderick R. Paige, who is black, stood beside him. Paige, who attended segregated schools in Mississippi, vouched for Bush as a leader of outstanding character.

"His presence here today signals he understands the importance of this day to you, and to me, and to all of us in the nation," Paige said.

Bush said he had chosen Paige to be education secretary in part because "he shares the ideals of Martin Luther King: equal opportunity, equal treatment and equal rights."

Bush's appearance here Monday seemed a tacit recognition of his poor showing among blacks in the presidential election. Bush won only 8 percent of the black vote, despite a campaign schedule often heavy on visits to minority neighborhoods and events that surrounded Bush with blacks and Hispanics.

During the recount of votes in Florida, some

black leaders argued that black voters had been disenfranchised, and some subsequent opinion polls suggested that blacks remained deeply skeptical of the extent of Bush's concern for them.

Bush's remarks here came a day before the scheduled start of confirmation hearings for his proposed attorney general, John Ashcroft, the former senator of Missouri, whose record on racial issues is expected to come under intense scrutiny.

— Frank Bruni
The New York Times

In China, Your Phone Number Makes a Personal Statement

SHANGHAI, China — The vendors exhibit their wares proudly, separating them into a spectrum of premium, regular and discount. Signs highlighting the "specials of the day" entice shoppers looking for a cherished commodity in today's China: lucky cell phone numbers.

For Chinese executives, home-makers and students, prestige with a mobile phone is less about Nokia, Ericsson or Motorola than about 6, 8 and 9. Across the country, stores have window displays with their best numbers. A 9 in the number might signal longevity, whereas 168 might bring "a road of

prosperity." In large cities, auctions lure hundreds of buyers with special numbers set aside by mobile phone companies. One number fetched nearly \$40,000 at a charity auction in August in Zhengzhou, Henan Province.

"The best are 8s," said Zhang Haosheng, a telephone number vendor in Shanghai. "Four or five 8s at the end is very prestigious; 6s and 9s are good too, but one 6 or 9 is nothing special. You need at least two in a row."

Certain sequences are highly sought because they sound like Chinese phrases in different

dialects. In Mandarin, the popular sequence 518 can be interpreted as, "I want to prosper," and 168 sounds like, "A road of prosperity." In Cantonese, the sequence 289 sounds like, "Easy long-term prosperity."

In China, phone numbers are generally preassigned to cards purchased separately from the phones themselves. The cards, and therefore the number, can be transferred from one phone to another.

Most are bought wholesale from mobile phone companies and then sold by independent vendors for a base price of about \$30. But it is not unusual for desirable num-

bers to double, triple or quadruple the price.

The most highly appraised numbers stem from Chinese numerology, a cultural relationship not unlike the West's partiality toward 7 and aversion to 13.

The number 8, pronounced "ba" in Mandarin, is considered desirable because it rhymes with the word for prosper, "fa." In Mandarin, the number 9 is pronounced identically to the word for long-lasting, "jiu." Thus Sept. 9, 1999, was a particularly popular day for Chinese weddings.

The number 6 is popular for a variety of reasons. Depending on

the dialect, its interpretation ranges from "longevity" to "joy."

In December, Li Songwei, 28, received a present from his father, a number ending in 8889988, purchased for \$2,500 at a charity auction.

Since then, the number has given Li minor celebrity status. "The phone never stops ringing," Li, a businessman, said. He has received offers to buy the number, invitations to join associations, overtures of friendship and requests for interviews.

— Jennifer Lee
The New York Times

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The Greek community may serve as an example

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Bill Hall, interim vice president of Student Affairs, said he is "encouraged that students have come forward to help deal with the large-scale problem." He is calling for a committee of students, business owners, community leaders and police officers to further explore the security proposal and other options.

The Council of Graduate Students and USG have a proposal to allow students to hire off-duty police officers to help regulate off-campus parties, using an allocation of the funds provided by the Coca-Cola contract that was signed in July. It is estimated that it would cost \$200 to have an off-duty officer at a party for four hours.

The idea comes from an effort to decrease the amount of fights and violent crimes that take place at off-campus parties.

Some are looking to the Greek community as an example of how effective security can control large parties. Greek parties are equipped with a security guard, guest list and marking system for underage students.

Willie J. Young, director of Off-Campus Student Services, said he thinks students who have numerous kegs at parties would not consider inviting an officer, but he believes having a guest list is a good idea to deter problems with violence.

"Everybody's invited if you don't have an attendance list," Young said.

Another solution to ensuring student safety would be to increase student programming and to give students an alternative to drinking on the weekends. "We know based on studies that Ohio State is chal-

lenged with the fact it has one of the lowest programming budgets for a school of its size," said Pasquale Grado of the University Community Business Association. He sees a need to address programs and after hours activities for the entire student body.

- The Lantern

Online Class Notes Anger Professors at University of Colorado

BOULDER, Colo. — If it weren't already difficult enough for students to motivate themselves to go to class, college-oriented dot-com companies are giving students a legitimate reason to skip class: free online lecture notes.

Companies such as Varsity.com, StudentU.com, and Study24-7.com offer students online lecture notes taken by their peers, much to the surprise and dismay of professors.

"Oftentimes the notes are less helpful than not having the notes at all," said University of Colorado fine arts professor Barbara Coleman. "I've thought about class notes, and I'd like to be all up in arms about it, but it doesn't bother me all that much. What does bother me is that the notes give students a false sense of security, that getting the notes is all they need to do."

Coleman, who was not aware that her class notes were published on the Web, does not give much credit to the commercialized notes. "The person taking the notes doesn't know much," Coleman continued. "Students frequently get the wrong information, like misspellings."

Traditional note-taking companies in Boulder have not noticed any impact from their online counterparts. Online and traditional note-taking services, however, spark intel-

lectual property rights and copyright infringement debates for professors and faculty members.

The precedent is being set. According to the Chronicle of Higher Education, the University of Florida tried unsuccessfully in 1993 to sue a traditional note-taking service. The jury in a federal district court found that what is said by a professor in a lecture is typically facts or ideas which do not belong to anyone.

Professors who oppose the sale of their lecture notes are concerned about what qualifies as intellectual property.

The online sites, however, have avoided lawsuits from professors and universities thus far by including disclaimers on their sites. StudentU.com says in its disclaimer that "the lecture notes you find in StudentU.com are just a note-taker's interpretation of what was presented in the lecture. They are absolutely, positively not the professor's lecture notes. They didn't come from the professor — not from the teacher — not from the T.A. — not even from Santa."

- Colorado Daily

UC System May Reject Mutual Funds with Tobacco Holdings

LOS ANGELES — Despite tobacco companies' efforts to cultivate a user-friendly image, the University of California may follow the actions of other universities come Jan. 17 in rejecting tobacco investments from funds totaling \$55 million.

Tobacco companies such as Philip Morris and R.J. Reynolds are included in the Russell 3000 index fund the regents may adopt to

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Collegiate:

The Regents may adjust their investments

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increase investment volatility. But public health organizations argue the tobacco stocks contradict California's Proposition 99, which is designed to pull the reins on tobacco companies with higher tobacco product taxes.

Court decisions against tobacco companies in the last decade have prompted the regents to consider precautionary measures of excluding the stocks from the funds and re-adjusting other investments to compensate for the loss of these stocks.

Philip Morris currently holds \$78 billion in companies such as Miller Brewing Company and Kraft foods.

Although the conglomerate has been involved in public works projects such as disaster relief efforts, AIDS-related charity and food drives for the hungry, such contributions to charity, while meritable, cannot outweigh 430,000 annual smoking-related deaths, said Richard Levinson, associate executive director of the American Public Health Association.

"Kraft Foods produces a wholesome family image," he said. "But no matter what their good contributions are, they have a business that is not socially acceptable."

While university divestments are unlikely to economically damage tobacco companies, according to Levinson, the divestments may help build awareness among fellow public institutions. Levinson advises that universities conduct background checks on the companies in which they plan to invest.

Harvard, Stanford and the Universities of Michigan, Washington and Wisconsin have already divested. Northwestern University has historically been tobacco-free in its investments.

According to the Social Investment Forum, this procedure of ruling out tobacco manufacturers is not uncommon among 84 percent of America's "socially responsible portfolios." Since the replacement of Small, the regents have consulted Wilshire Associates for financial guidance.

"(Divestment) would make UC consistent with the ethical position being taken by other universities," Brown said. "UC should not lag behind."

- Daily Bruin

Police Consider Alcohol Crackdown at Princeton Clubs

PRINCETON, N.J. — Borough Police officials are considering the use of undercover officers and aggressive investigation tactics to monitor and curtail underage drinking at eating clubs, Borough Police Capt. Charles Davall said.

"What prompted us to ask some questions were the two sexual assaults that occurred recently," Davall said. "There have also been intoxicated kids sent to the [Princeton Medical Center], but it's really the assaults — and the alcohol involved — that got our attention."

The plan would aim to prevent underage drinking on Prospect Avenue and could lead to fines and charges against the eating clubs, Davall said.

"No decisions — about the investigations and going undercover — have been made yet," Davall said. "We're still gathering information."

Borough Police officials have sensed a disregard for alcohol laws at the eating clubs, according to Davall. During a meeting last week between police and eating club officials, officers discussed underage drinking and possible police action, he said.

"We meet with the clubs every year to talk about the law and alcohol," Davall said, adding that the tone of this year's meeting was more serious than in the past. "They still aren't responsible with serving alcohol. That's when you have to look at the problem another way."

Eating club officers discussed the proposed crackdown at last week's ICC meeting, prompting some clubs to consider changes to their alcohol distribution policies.

ICC president Dan Winn '01 said the clubs will be working to reduce underage drinking on Prospect. "I think the attitude the clubs are taking is rather than call their bluff, look at how we can work to improve the situation," he said.

Cottage Club will be providing additional security and safety measures in response to the possible Borough Police escalation, said Cottage president Chris Wolff '01.

- The Daily Princetonian

Former Harvard Professor Enters Bush Administration

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Lawrence B. Lindsey has gone from grading Ec. 10 exams to grading the economy for the leader of the free world.

When President-elect George W. Bush announced his intention to appoint former Harvard University assistant professor Lawrence B. Lindsey as assistant to the president for economic policy, it coincided with the former Texas governor's public declaration that the country should prepare for a potential economic slump.

Once a section leader for Ec. 10, Lindsey served as a member of the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System from 1991 to 1997. During that time, he forewarned of the imminent end to the country's economic prosperity. Yet even prior to his days in the White House, Lindsey gained a reputation as a valued adviser.

While at Harvard, Lindsey worked closely with Baker Professor of Economics Martin S. Feldstein '61. Feldstein, Lindsey's mentor and former adviser to the Reagan administration, praised the career successes of his former colleague.

Lauding Lindsey's work in the College's economics department, Feldstein wrote in an e-mail message, "It was (the) perfect preparation for his current job!"

Still, not all of his former colleagues expected Lindsey would end up in the White House. "He always had an interest in public policy (but) there are a lot of policy-oriented professors at Harvard," Professor of Economics N. Gregory Mankiw says. "I wouldn't have predicted that he would end up in the position he's in today."

Acknowledging his public policy expertise, Mankiw says that it is Lindsey's advising approach that will help him most in his new job.

"He was a very good teacher. Very rarely do people pull you aside and tell you how to teach better," says Mankiw. "It was nice to have Larry pull me aside and give me little pointers here and there."

- Harvard Crimson

GUARDIAN logo with text: Every Monday and Thursday.

Advertisement for 'SEARCH OF HEARTY LUNCH VALUES' featuring menu items like COMBO VALUE MEAL ONE and MEAL TWO, and a cartoon character with a fork.

Advertisement for 'Get in GUARDIAN Thursday's Coupons' with a \$60 per coupon offer and contact number (858) 534-3467.

Large advertisement for 'US GRANTS' for undergraduate student projects, including contact info (858) 534-3917 and AS logo.

Advertisement for 'Triton Plus ACCOUNT' with a cartoon character and list of participating campus locations.

Advertisement for 'Need Running Shoes? STUDENT DISCOUNT Running Shoes \$40!' with a list of brands and store info for ROAD RUNNER SPORTS.

Advertisement for 'KARL STRAUSS BREWERY & RESTAURANT' featuring '\$1 BEERS!' on Wednesday nights and 'Late Night HAPPY HOUR'.

THE WEEKLY CALENDAR

ACTIVITIES

Tuesday, Jan. 16

• **JOB FAIR TUNE-UP WORKSHOP** 11:30am @ Career Services Center. Make the most of your time at the Multicultural Job Fair. You'll learn how to approach employers, find out what to say, what to wear, and more! Bring your resume for a critique. 534.4472

Wednesday, Jan. 17

• "Science Matters" is a brand new series of 25-minute lunchtime presentations geared toward the public. The individual lectures in the series are designed to make science contact more accessible, and "Science Matters" is dedicated to the memory of Dr. Paul Saltman and his commitment to sharing the excitement of scientific discovery with the community. 12-12:30pm @ 3500 Pacific Hall. The remaining lecture series will be in 2130 Bonner Hall.

• CWD free film. "Rosa Luxemburg": An ambitious portrait of the legendary leftist leader who was the heroine of early 20th century European radicalism. Rosa's political battles, love affairs, frequent imprisonments and her brutal murder by proto-nazis and played out against a richly detailed panorama of war and revolution. Center Hall 216, 7:30pm.

Thursday, Jan. 18

• **MULTICULTURAL JOB FAIR** 10:30am-2:30pm @ Library Walk (if rain, PC Ballroom) Find your internship, part-time job, or career position. Log on to <http://career.ucsd.edu/studentsalumni/stufair.htm> to see what companies are coming. Open to everyone and to all majors and levels. 534-3750

• **SOLO Seminar-Becoming Culturally Competent- Is It Possible?** 3-5pm @ Price Center Gallery A. Presented by Marcia Strong, Assistant Director, SOLO. This session will highlight the stages of progression toward cultural competence and look at how each individual can contribute to the goal of cultural competency.

Friday, Jan. 19

• Talk and Booksigning, "Border Lines: Exploring Race and Gender in Teaching." Come listen to Gail Griffin, author, talk about her new book, Season of the Witch. Co-sponsored with National University. 2-4pm @ The Women's Center (407 U.Ctr)

Ongoing

• **zOOM@UCSD**; SRTV new show every Monday, 9pm. Dorm cable, ch 18. Broadcasting all the news that fits on the screen, zOOM@UCSD focuses the lens on every aspect of campus life you can shake a mic at.

• **ASIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY FORUM**: This informal group addresses Asian students concerns

in a supportive and problem-solving atmosphere. Possible topics include academic success, family pressures, cultural identity, and relationships. Led by Dr. Jeanne Manese 534-3035 and Dr. John Wu. Fridays 12-1:30pm at the Cross Cultural Center, 510 Univ. Ctr. Psychological and Counseling Services.

ACADEMICS

Wednesday, Jan. 17

• **INTERVIEWING FOR PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL ADMISSION** 12:15pm @ Career Services Center. If you're applying to medicine, health, education, mental health, or business school programs, this session is for you. Find out how to prepare and what to expect. Not to miss! 534.4939

• **Programs Abroad General Info session.** 7pm @ International Center Lounge. Study abroad! Meet new and exciting people, learn another language, travel to exotic place! Enlighten your life. 534-1123 abroad@ucsd.edu

• **Summer Research Opportunities Workshop.** Come find out about the UCSD Summer Research Program, research programs all over the country, and the important reasons for pursuing these experiences! 4:30pm @ Price Center Berkeley Room.

CLUBS

Tuesday, Jan. 16

• **Lambda Phi Epsilon Winter Rush**, Mon. 1/16-Fri. 1/20. Come to our booth in PC. Events throughout the week. For more info call Leon at 858.336.5639

• **AS's Women's Commission Meetings.** 7:30pm @ The Women's Center. If there are women's issues that you would like to give voice to, please come and share your thoughts with us.

Questions, email calgeri@ucsd.edu

Friday, Jan. 19

• **Club Ritmo**, San Diego's premier 18+ night club opens with Tone Loc and DVC. Free for UCSD students. \$8 GA. Porters Pub 9-12pm.

Ongoing

• **LGBTA general meetings.** Every Monday 7pm. GSA room in Old Student Cntr. A safe and friendly environment for LGBT and other people to socialize, learn about events, and access resources. Everybody is welcome! info:534-GAYS.

• **Ballroom Dance Club.** Every Friday 2-4pm. Rec Gym Conference Room. Do you like waltzes, tangos, salsa, hustle, or swing? Come to **FRIDAY FUN SESSIONS** and learn EVERYTHING.

• **International Club meetings.** Meet the International students. Plan trips, outings, and hang out. Everyone is welcome! Snacks are provided. 7pm @ International Center every Tuesday.

• **Cal Animage Beta**, UCSD's Japanese Animation Club, will be having weekly meetings/showings every **TUESDAY**, 7:30pm at Peterson 108. Admission is FREE. For more information, visit the CalAnimage website <http://www.acs.ucsd.edu/~animage>

HEALTH

Tuesday, Jan. 16

• **Optometry Seminar.** 8pm @ Berkeley Room. Meet with Mark Colip, O.D dean for student affairs at Illinois College of Optometry and learn about new treatments and technology in eye care.

Ongoing

• **GRADUATE WOMEN IN SCIENCE, MATH, ENGINEERING, SOM, AND SIO:** Graduate

women in traditionally male dominated fields can feel isolated. Gain support in this therapy group. Thursdays, 12-2pm in 2024 Humanities and Social Science Bldg. Call Dr. Reina Juarez 534-3875 or Fiona 534-5981 for a pre-group appointment. Psychological and Counseling Services.

• **UNDERGRADUATE WOMEN: PERSONAL EXPERIENCES IN AN INTERPERSONAL WORLD:** This therapy group will explore self-esteem, communication, relationships, gender roles, friendships, body and self image. Meetings held in Galbraith 190, Thursdays 4-5:30pm, starting 1/18/01 (no meetings on 1/25 or 3/8). Call Fiona 534-5981 or Ellen K 534-5905 for information. Psychological and Counseling Services.

• **EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION**, annual exams, STD tests, pregnancy tests, birth control prescriptions, and health education-all at the Women's Clinic of Student Health. Call 534.8089 for appt. Completely confidential—always.

• **PEER EDUCATION PROGRAMS** are provided by Student Health Advocates on Nutrition, HIV, Fitness, Stress, Sexual Health, and other topics - at your res hall or student org meetings. Call 534.2419 for info on these FREE programs!

• **ALCOHOL AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE SUPPORT GROUP:** Ever wonder, "Do I have a problem with...?" Come to this informal group to explore the response. Led by Dr. Dan Munoz 534-0251. Fridays 2-4:30pm at Half Dome Lounge, Muir College. Call Dan for information. Psychological and Counseling Services.

RELIGION

Ongoing

• **Angloan/Episcopal Student Association Eucharist** and free dinner/fellowship. 1st, 3rd, and 5th Wednesdays each month. 5-6pm in the International Center Southwest Room.

FEATURES

BALANCING the Load



Professors understand the difficulties of being a student

Do you have your career and financial future in mind when you register for classes? Do you feel alienated in big lectures? Do you feel a distance between your professors and yourself? Do you spend most of your time at work and have no time to study? If these questions apply to you, you're not surprising your professors.

Four UCSD professors, commenting on the conditions that face today's UCSD undergraduates and the ways in which undergraduates respond to the surrounding conditions, all agree that students' abilities have not changed over the past few decades. The academic atmosphere at UCSD presents students with a world of new challenges that affects their goals and performance.

Goals: Career vs. Academic

Many professors said that over the past few decades students have focused more on career goals at the undergraduate level than ever before.

"It's a career education that makes students competitive and achievement driven," said Philip Roeder, a political science professor at UCSD.

As a bachelor's degree has become more a necessary step toward a successful career, students have become more competitive at the undergraduate level. As the college degree has become more vital, students have attempted to attain it more quickly than ever before.

"Students zip through their college years and come out the other end making \$80,000 per year," said David Crowne, a literature professor at UCSD who has been teaching since 1964. "Why would they stop and smell the daisies?"

In fact, a survey put out by the Career Services Center in 1999 showed that average income six months out of

college was \$35,600 with 10 percent of survey participants making \$50,000 or more.

Students also feel the pressure of deciding their career goals earlier in their education.

"Education has a broader scope," said David Ringrose, a history professor who has been here for 26 years. "Now students try to fit themselves into fairly narrow slots."

These new pressures have changed the way students view education.

"Students have a tendency to want to know about grades rather than to get taken up with a problem or a question," Ringrose said.

In fact, three of the professors interviewed said that undergraduate students rarely approach them about anything other than test scores and grades.

Biology professor Melvin Green attributed this shift in education and research to the influence of big business on education.

"Students of the sciences have always been grade-driven," Green said. "However, the big change in students is that they seem much more interested in the financial aspects their career has to offer."

Green agrees that the entire field of science and research is changing and that this has an impact on students of the sciences.

"People who succeed today have to be both good scientists and good businessmen," Green said.

With such a competitive job market, it is not difficult to imagine why undergraduates today constantly have their careers in mind.

Our Academic Atmosphere
Competition has always been an

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By Kate Cook,
Contributing Features Writer



The Editor's Soapbox

By BILL BURGER
Managing Editor

Politics in the United States is flawed, but can be fixed with a little effort

The political system of the United States is in shambles and in danger of breaking. A government for the people? Ha. The majority of governmental action is motivated by personal greed or political allegiance. Democracy in the United States has become a farce in recent years, and I am completely sick of it.

What I am saying is not news to many people. Americans are upset about the state of our nation's federal government. The problem is that there are so many smaller problems behind the bigger one that nobody seems to know how to fix it. I don't claim to be a political genius, but I say that if you want to solve problems, you first have to identify those problems. Here's my best stab.

In the wake of one of the most contested political battles in our nation's history, it has recently become stylish to pay lip service to ideals such as bipartisanship. Political talk shows are riddled with leaders from both major political parties discussing how the next four years will be full of prosperity because both parties want to put their differences behind them.

Anyone who believes this gibberish hasn't been watching closely enough. As soon as these politicians finish a sentence about compromise, they start another

sentence about how the plans of their political foe are completely off-base and how no form of that plan will be enacted. I think we have found our first problem: complete and utter party allegiance. This allegiance constantly kills ideas that would be in the best interests of the country.

Finding a solution for this problem is much more complicated than finding the problem itself. I believe the answer lies in a sentence about how the plans of their political foe are completely off-base and how no form of that plan will be enacted.

I think we have found our first problem: complete and utter party allegiance. This allegiance constantly kills ideas that would be in the best interests of the country. greater political education for the American public. If people knew more about what their representatives do, they would be in a better position to assess if these representatives were acting in their best interests or in the best interest of the party to which they belong.

electing representatives, including the president. The Republican primary poignantly showed this problem. John McCain and George W. Bush were locked in a dead heat after the first round of primaries. McCain's face was showing up on the cover of major magazines and his candor and fresh ideas were shaking up the face of the Republican political landscape. Then money was thrown at Bush and the contributors to Bush slandered McCain every chance they got. The result? McCain went quietly into the night and Bush went on to win the presidency.

I am not saying John McCain should have won the election. I will say that the ability of the political system's big shots to choose who will represent the people of the United States solely based on their political power and their deep pockets is wrong. This practice is one of the forces that is hurting the legitimacy of the governmental system that the founding fathers set up 212 years ago. Solving this problem is tricky because enforcing artificial regulations on groups of people is generally a violation of the Bill of Rights. However, I believe there is a way out.

If the government gave each candidate a block of air time during which he or she could describe

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HOROSCOPES



By LINDA BLACK
Tribune Media Services

Aries (March 21-April 19)

A spokesperson would be a big help on Monday and Tuesday, but don't get your hopes up too high. Even if you've worked up a good story, the boss may not be keen on hearing it. Discretion is more advisable from Tuesday through Thursday. Negotiations are tricky, especially if one of the players isn't playing by the same rules you are. That person's motto is: "All's fair in love and war."

The pressure on you starts to ease around Friday. That would be a good vacation day, if you can swing it. Saturday's fabulous too — good for being with creative friends, traveling and even learning something new. Cool it on Sunday when you'll have a less responsive audience.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)

You get things fixed up the way you want them at home on Monday, take care. The odds are good that your roommate or partner may not like what you've done. Be prepared, and have a "Plan B" ready on Tuesday.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)

Be careful if you're involved with a creative project Monday. The seamstress in you is liable to cut two left sleeves. Better to do the planning then and Tuesday,

and wait until Thursday or Friday to finish the dress. You and a shrewd partner can block an order you don't like on Wednesday if you work together. Thursday's good for cleaning out closets but don't throw out your partner's favorite old sweater. Start figuring out how much you want to make and what benefits you'd like. You'll get more opportunities for advancement in the next few weeks beginning Friday. You might find a bonus on Saturday, probably due to your common sense. You're so adept at using it, you could teach classes, and maybe you should. Do what you ought to Sunday morning and what you can get away with that afternoon.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)

Although it seems like you have nothing but green lights on Monday, take care. Don't launch into an expensive project. Wait until you've considered all the possible consequences. That may not happen until Friday or Saturday. If you can wait until then your chances of success are much higher. As for the middle of the week? Research! And on Sunday? Rest and pay bills. Not necessarily in that order.

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Cell Phones Provide Easy Access to Friends and Family, but at a Cost to One's Health

Recent studies indicate that repeated cell phone use can lead to serious health risks

By KELLY WONG
Staff Writer

We have all been there. It is an awful experience: You need to make an important call and realize that you don't have any change. Then you beg for change, only to wait 20 minutes for a public phone because the person ahead of you can't decide what he wants for dinner. Now that the phone is available, you can't find your friend's number.

Luckily, the icon of the 21st century, the cell phone, is here to save you from that aggravation. You can call your buddy on your cell phone using Pacific Bell's Free Mobile to Mobile. As the name suggests, it's free, you don't have to wait for anyone else to finish, and you can store friends' numbers so that all you need to do is press "TALK" to reach them.

These are some of the reasons why, according to a Gallup poll released on April 26, 2000, half of all Americans own a cell phone. Nearly half of all cell phone owners are between the ages of 18 and 29. Not surprisingly, 67 percent of them reported that they use their phones every day or several times per week. According to the numbers, cell phones seem to be dominating our lives.

According to "Time" magazine, in the United States, cell phone users spend an average of 150 minutes a month talking on their cell phones.

"This is the most popular product known to man," said Ed

Snyder, who follows wireless technologies for the Chase H&Q investment firm. "More cell phones will be sold this year than all the computers, TVs, personal digital assistants and pagers combined."

What many people do not realize is that wireless phones can affect our lives negatively as well as positively. A cell phone, like the microwave and broadcast antenna, emits radio waves that are a form of nonionizing radiation, which can harm body tissues in high doses. Microwave radio waves are 1,000 times more powerful than those of a cell phone. However, a microwave keeps its waves inside a steel box, whereas cell phones are kept close to people and are pressed to the head for long periods of time.

In another "Time" study, it was determined that when mice were exposed to two 30-minute daily doses of cell phone radiation for up to 18 months, the mice developed twice as many brain tumors as the mice that were not exposed. Other findings link the radiation to changes in brain function.

The New York Committee for Occupational Safety and Health recently reported the findings of a public health scientist, George Carlo. Carlo is one of the most outspoken critics of cell phones

and launched a series of studies on their effects.

Carlo found that the risk of acoustic neuroma, a benign tumor of the auditory nerve that is in the range of phone antenna radiation, was 50 percent higher in people who reported that they have been using cell phones for six years and more. The relationship between the amount of cell phone usage and this tumor seems to follow a dose-response curve, which means that the more a person uses a cell phone, the higher the response for a tumor.

Carlo sees a distinct correlation between brain tumors occurring at the right side of the head when the phone was used on the right side of the head.

He also found that the risk of a rare neuroepithelial tumor on the outside of the brain more than doubled in cell phone users. This is, according to Carlo, a statistically significant increase when comparing people that use cell phones to those that do not.

In 1995, Carlo recognized that digital phones were interfering with cardiac pacemakers.

The most troubling of Carlo's findings was that radiation emitted from a cell phone antenna may actually cause functional chromosomal damages and that it follows

a dose-response curve as well.

Another researcher, biologist Roger Coghill, also strongly believes that cell phones are harmful to the human body. Coghill observed that mobile phones are linked to headaches and memory loss because radiation affects those part of the brain.

He suggests that the waves generated by cell phones may damage the ability of white blood cells to fight off infection and disease. This is the result of a study in which Coghill took white blood cells from a donor, kept them alive with nutrients and exposed them to different electric fields. After seven-and-a-half hours, he saw that only 13 percent of the cells exposed to cell phone radiation remained intact and able to function.

Coghill also claims that the body's immune system is partially controlled by electromagnetic fields emitted by the body, so cell phone radiation will damage the body's own electromagnetic fields. This will cause the dysfunction of one's immune system.

Of course, some people are still skeptical about the negative effects of cell phone use. Other studies have been less conclusive than those by Carlo and Coghill. Even the World Health Organization has stated that there is no definite answer to the relationship between cell phone usage and adverse health effects. It states that most experiments have only been

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Horoscopes:

Get predictions for Leo and Virgo

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Cookies wouldn't hurt either. Your fantasies could be inhibited on Wednesday. Don't fret. By Thursday you can find what you need. Confer with your partner again on Friday so you can go shopping for a really big item on Saturday. Follow your intuition along with your logic to determine your destination for the weekend. Maybe you're trying out your new purchase on Sunday?

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)

You may be able to delegate everything Monday but is that such a great idea? If the other person goes off you may catch the flak Tuesday. Home's the best place for you Tuesday night especially if you want some good lovin'. Not a bad idea since your workday on Wednesday looks challenging. You may be wrestling with a problem that night but don't fear. Odds are good you'll have a burst of creativity and fix everything on Thursday. Your assignment for the next few weeks, after Friday, is to share the load. It shouldn't be too hard since somebody else will be demanding to take it. Can you give up the power? Might as well. That gives you more time to play with your sweetheart on Saturday and rest at home Sunday.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Monday seems like a good time to ask for a raise, but is it really? No. Do the work and look cute, but don't expect more pay for it. It

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Professors:

Large lectures are not ideal for teaching or learning

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essential element of academia. In fact, there is an element of cooperation at UCSD that you might not find in the Ivy League circle.

"One of the nice aspects about students here is that competition doesn't turn into backstabbing," Roeder said.

UCSD deals its undergraduates its own set of challenges. All four interviewees agreed that huge lectures are not exactly conducive to in-depth learning. Both Green and Crowne were already teaching at UCSD when undergraduates were

introduced in 1964, and they're both nostalgic about the one-on-one relationships they formed with the 180 undergraduates at the time.

It's a two-way street that affects both the student's learning and the professor's teaching.

"Your first or second year, no matter your major, you spend time in classes of 100 to 200 kids," Ringrose said.

He said it's understandably difficult for undergraduate students to raise their hands in a lecture of 200, and the only way he can get question-and-answer sessions in class is to structure the class so it cannot function without them.

In accomplishing this, teaching assistants are a crucial component of the learning process. Green

said that undergraduate TAs have been "especially successful in helping students in lower division classes."

Unfortunately, students must choose to accept the help. Green hopes that something can be done for the students who do poorly on exams.

"The poor students are the ones who never ask for help," Green said.

Publish Or Perish

Since the 1960s, the face of research and publishing has changed radically for professors. Publishing constantly and keeping in the cutting edge of research has become crucial for securing tenure. This policy is common at universities around the country and the result is

teachers are spending less time on teaching and more time on research.

"Every minute taken from research is a cost to us," Roeder said. The result is professors who are disinterested in teaching contributing to a "devaluation of the profession," as Roeder puts it.

Professors also have become less accessible outside of class.

"You either have great researchers and mediocre teachers or mediocre researchers and great teachers," Ringrose said.

Another disadvantage is the actual material that is produced by professors' research. Crowne said the research works published are directed toward an author's peers and therefore inaccessible to undergraduates.

In terms of the sciences, Green said, "Research has always been important to professors. Tangible rewards such as promotions, salary, rank, space and respect came from research."

Forty years ago, according to Green, one could succeed with a small lab, one assistant, one grant and one really good paper a year. This is not the case anymore. With these pressures on professors, a distance naturally forms between them and the students they teach.

"Everyone has a stake in the situation," Roeder said. "Students want to go to a university ranked among the top research institutions, as do faculty."

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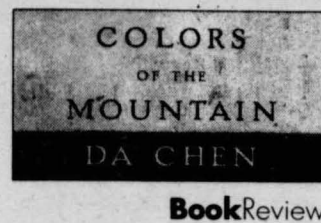
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BookReview

Man Shares Story of Growing Up During Political Struggle

By TOM VU
Senior Staff Writer

There are few books out there that can bring out a plethora of emotions from a person. "Colors of the Mountain" is one of these rarities. Sadness and despair, hopefulness and joy result from the experience of reading this book. There are not enough words to describe the varying range of feelings evoked by this true story of a man's childhood during a time of oppression.

"Colors of the Mountain" is the autobiography of Da Chen, a Chinese-American who grew up during Mao Zedong's Cultural Revolution in the 1960s and '70s. Chen focuses on his childhood, from the time he was eight years old until he was in his teens. Growing up in a country that despised his family because his

sickly grandfather was successful in business before the Communist takeover in China, Chen and his family were forced to live in poverty. His father was imprisoned and forced to work in

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labor camps, leaving his mother as the sole breadwinner of the family. This was especially hard for a woman, considering the place and time. As the youngest of the chil-

dren, there was little Chen could do to help.

This being the case, Chen focused all his energy on school and getting into the University of Beijing. As any Chinese student can tell you, the pressure to perform well academically is immense. The weight on his shoulders came not just from his family, but from himself. Chen's sole desire was to bring his family out of poverty, and he viewed an education at the university as the way to achieve this. Blessed with an amazing mind and adamant will, Chen was successful in dragging himself from the despair that threatened to swallow him.

What is amazing about the book and about Chen is the way the story is conveyed to the reader. The Cultural Revolution in

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Soapbox:

Remedies abound for existing political problems

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what they are about and what they believe, then the power of these political machines may be thwarted. The government would still allow a candidate to purchase more air time if the candidate wanted to, but as long as the free governmental airtime would not necessarily be beneficial.

It may in fact be detrimental to fill the airwaves with the same candidates because people would eventually get sick of hearing from them. With the deep pockets of

the political parties such as major lobbies this may neutralized, Americans would be able to choose for themselves who they wanted representing them and not be led like lambs to the slaughter without even knowing it.

The third and final problem is the simple idea of a career politician. Without term limits, politicians vote in a way that allows them to be re-elected the next time they run. This may not seem like a problem because it makes these people do as we want, but it actually is very threatening to the idea of a representative democracy.

We elect people to make choices for us for two reasons. We do it because it would be impossible to get anything done without representatives, but we also do it because

normal people may not always know the implications of political decisions. We elect people we hope will understand these implications and will make the best decision even if it isn't popular. In our current system, however, making an unpopular but correct decision is political suicide. A lack of term limits is incentive for representatives to make decisions that we don't actually want them to make.

Nobody knows if doing these things would actually solve the problems our political system is currently facing. What we do know, however, is that the current "solutions" aren't working and we need to try something new.

These adjustments seem as good a place as any to start the changes.

Horoscopes:

See what the future holds for Libra and others

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isn't likely anything will clear the bank Tuesday. Don't complain, hit the books. Study like a demon from Tuesday through Thursday even though others may seem stuck. Studying is right for you, and you're able, so go ahead. You should be feeling frisky, if somewhat inhibited Friday. On Saturday however, you've got nearly free rein. Don't get too pushy or you'll alienate a gentle spirit. That could cost you. You'll get along just fine if you do what you're told on Sunday.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

You're charming on Monday but don't go too far. Just because you can, isn't a good enough reason to break the rules. If you don't heed this advice you'll certainly pay the consequences Tuesday.

Keep a loved one's secret Wednesday, no matter how much you're badgered. Pay the bills Thursday, including cutting a check for yourself. Your sweetheart should be looking better and better as the sun goes into Aquarius on Friday. Look forward to a playful next few weeks, hopefully starting that night. That game could easily last through most of Saturday. By Sunday, however, you probably ought to settle down a little and get practical.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

Don't believe everything you hear Monday. Some of it may turn out to be different than you thought when you hear the rest of the story Tuesday. Choose your words carefully Wednesday and Thursday. If you play your cards right you will emerge the big winner by Thursday, much to everybody else's surprise. If you find a windfall on Friday you can get something you've been wanting for your home on Saturday. Pay

attention to a wise teacher Sunday.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

A friend's grand scheme is too risky Monday, as you could learn the hard way Tuesday. You're more apt to make a killing Wednesday or Thursday if, besides knowing how to make the deal, you keep in mind a sense of what you're worth. No matter what, you emerge triumphant Friday. You'll gain incredible insights Saturday without much trouble at all. Do the work and you'll get the benefits on Sunday.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You could get a nice offer on Monday but don't spend the money yet. It could fall apart by mutual consent on Tuesday. Fall in love on Wednesday. Try something daring with new friends on Thursday as long as it's not anything you feel you might regret. You're not good at keeping secrets on Friday or Saturday although you're very good at making money both days. You're especially cute on Sunday, so, rather than work, give your favorite loved one the gift of your time instead.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)


You're flying high Monday but don't get giddy or somebody in authority might shoot you down Tuesday. Proceed with caution through the middle of the week. You have all the facts but somebody else might outrank you and, as you may already know, that person does not like to be shown to be a fool. You're getting so strong that your position will become obviously right by Friday and even more so Saturday. The point will be moot by Sunday so you can afford to be generous.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

You may think you've found the best insider information Monday but don't bet too much. By Tuesday you'll see it wasn't as magnificent as advertised. Most of

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Professors:

Jobs take away from the college experience

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Every university is "keenly aware" of what every other one is doing. It's a vicious cycle that has emerged in the past 40 years, with no solution in sight. Ringrose agrees, seeking the lack of a niche at UCSD where "weird people who are smart can say things that make you mad and research things that are not prominent." Students here are busy. They are no-nonsense. They have a positive attitude but also have a lot on their plates. This appears to be the general view of the professors that were interviewed.

Review:

Book offers parallel of Chinese history

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China is one of the worst examples of human depravity and sorrow. Yet Chen retells his coming-of-age not with anger-filled words and a mouth filled with spite, but with humor and humility. Lisa See, author of "On Gold Mountain," said it best when she praised the book. "Born with the wretched political birthmark of being a landlord's son, he has looked back at his life without cynicism or self-pity," See stated. "Colors of the Mountain" is a book of great dignity.

ers' to survive. And to witness Chen, as a boy, standing above it all and succeeding is quite humbling. Reading the book was a cathartic experience for me, as I am sure it will be for anyone who picks it up and thumbs through the pages. At the time that I was reading the book, I was in dire straits, one might say. The book proved to be "Colors of the Mountain" is not merely a coming-of-age memoir of Chen. It gives readers an unadulterated window into not only his past, but China's past.

I highly recommend this auto-remedy to my ailment. I found inspiration in the book and in Chen's struggles to support his family and his education. Chen's ability to look back at his past and simply smile is something I find amazing.

Phones:

People continue to make calls despite risk involved

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done on animals, and only short-term effects have been considered. According to the Gallup Poll, few Americans believe that cell phones pose a serious health risk. A mere 14 percent say that they have heard a great deal about cell phone and health risks, 37 percent say they heard a moderate amount, 30 percent said that they heard a little, and 18 percent report that they have not heard such reports at all. When the same individuals were asked how serious they felt the risks actually were, only 8 percent answered that risks were serious, 30 percent said somewhat serious, 35 percent said not very serious, and 18 percent said not very serious at all. Nevertheless, long-term research is underway at the National Cancer Foundation, which will compare risk factors in

800 cell phone users with brain tumors to 800 users without tumors. The study will also take into consideration genetics, lifestyle and environmental factors. The results of this study will come out within the year. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration will also oversee the safety of cell phones. Cell phone companies have already taken precautions by printing informational pamphlets that detail how much radiation their phones emit. The amount of radiation is measured in units called "specific absorption rates," so one can compare the 1.49 level SAR in the Ericsson T28 World Model to the 0.24 SAR of the Motorola

StarTAC 7860. At the same time, cell phone companies are printing a second pamphlet that says that any phone below the Federal Communications Commission SAR ceiling of 1.6 is safe. Chuck Eger, Motorola's director of strategic and regulatory policy for personal communications products warns customers, "There's no evidence that any number below the threshold is safer than any other." Mikael Westmark, a health and safety spokesman for Ericsson, concurs, "Numbers without context do not help any consumers." No-one expects the \$50 billion cell phone industry to shrink any time soon. "Time" points out that more than 400 million mobile phones are used worldwide and predicts that manufacturers will sell another 400 million units this year. People should not throw away their cell phones just because of some negative findings, but it is not wise to ignore them.

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Horoscopes:

Take a look at what your birthday has in store

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your suppositions are challenged Tuesday, but that's OK. Happily, love wins over intellectual analysis. Follow your hunches through a maze Wednesday and Thursday. Nobody will be able to keep up with you and you'll win the race. Don't assume you know what authority figures will do Friday. Expect surprises from all of them. You might want to step back and let one of them lead you Saturday. That would make life easier. You can talk about it with your friends as you unwind Sunday. Birthdays This Week Jan. 15: An older person needs your help. Make the tough decisions, in return for a generous paycheck. Jan. 16: Advance in your career so you can make more time for playing. Luckily, you already know how to work hard. Jan. 17: You and your team are unbeatable. You have superhuman

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UCSD Tennis Looks Strong

The men's tennis team fares well in 2001 Cal State L.A. Tennis Invitational.

By ROBERT FULTON Sports Writer

If this weekend was any type of barometer, the UCSD men's tennis team looks like it will have a good spring. The Tritons were well-represented at the 2001 Cal State L.A. Tennis Invitational, held on Jan. 13 and 14. In the men's singles lower level flights, three out of the four semifinalists were Tritons. Amir Nejad, Blake Wilson-Hayden and Sameer Chopra were the talented three vying for the top spot. The final was exclusively made up of UCSD players, featuring Chopra facing off against Nejad. Chopra made quick work of his teammate, winning handily 6-2, 6-2. In the upper flight category,

two Tritons tried to make their presence known. Unfortunately, the results were less than stellar. Cory Moderink was unable to get out of the first round and Dan Albrecht and Jeff Wilson bowed out in the second round. However, Everett Schroeter did make it to the quarter finals. The men's doubles teams were not to be outdone in tournament play. In the lower flights, the Triton duo of Nejad and Schroeter took the title while in the upper flights the team of Chopra and Wilson survived until falling, 9-7, in the finals. The women did not attend the event. Originally scheduled to span three days, the tournament was shortened to two days because of rain.

it shows they're not playing for the money, they're playing for the love of the game. I cannot find this devotion in any other sport. Football players complain about sprained wrists. Basketball players complain about sprained ankles. And, on the average, these players get paid much, much more than a hockey player.

The size of the contract is also testament to how much hockey players are underappreciated. The highest paid hockey player right now is the Dominator, Dominik Hasek. He clocks in \$10 million a year, and rightfully so. Yes, \$10 million a year is absurd to pay for a person that plays a child's game but compared to other sports, \$10 million is mere change. Look at Alex Rodriguez. Trust me, playing goalie is, without doubt, the most difficult position to play, in any sport. A tiny, frozen, rubber puck flies off the stick of Al McInnis at 110 mph and is aimed straight at you. It's not a pleasant situation to be in.

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Vu:

The mighty puck deserves respect

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than goons (yes, that's a hockey term) pummeling each other with roundhouses. Hockey is a game of skill, speed, instinct, and yes, brute strength. If you are a good player, there is a reason behind every single movement, every flick of the wrists, nod of the head, and stutter-step. Though it may not seem so on television, hockey is a game that is played at a blinding speed. And it takes immense skill to move and balance oneself while keeping an eye out for 100 mph pucks and the forearm of a 6'4" defenseman, let alone finely tuning a wrist slapper or a one-time slapper while under all this pressure. Balance is the key.

Hockey is a game of juxtaposing concepts. All players, from a power-forward to the size of Keith Tkachuk to the sniper Peter Bondra, need soft hands to score goals or to make the floating pass over defending sticks. At the same time, fists of granite like those of Darren McCarty's or Chris Simon's are needed to defend your team's stars. Pure skill, like that of Jaromir Jagr and amazing puck control skills are also crucial. All the while, brute strength is required to barrel through a crushing check or two defenders. Compared to professional players from other sports, hockey players stand in a league of their own. From their mentality to their willingness to sacrifice everything for the team while on ice, hockey players' devotion to the sport is unparalleled. Hockey players play injured. Mike Modano played with a broken wrist in the Stanley Cup Finals in 1999. Brent Gilchrist took a puck in the mouth, breaking most of his teeth. He was shot up with pain killers and was out on the ice the next period. Superstars like Steve Yzerman and Keith Primeau lay their bodies on the ice to block 90 to 100 mph slap shots. Though most people would say these players are crazy for laying their bodies on the line, it just shows how much these players love their sport. More importantly,

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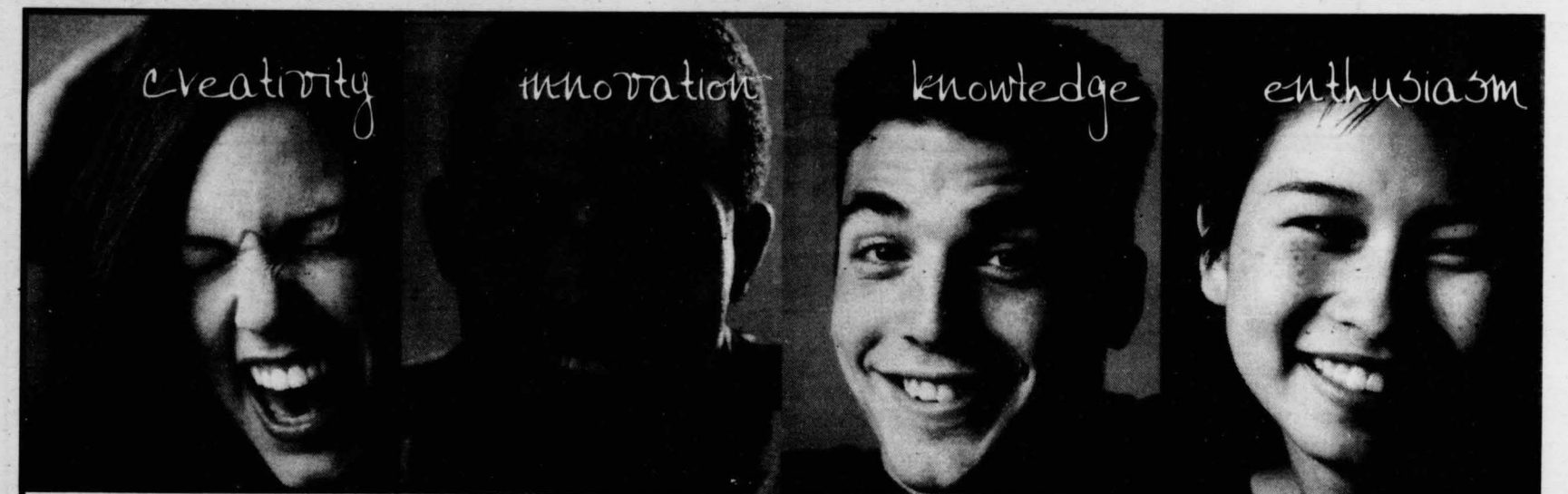
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V-Ball:

Despite inspired play, Tritons fall

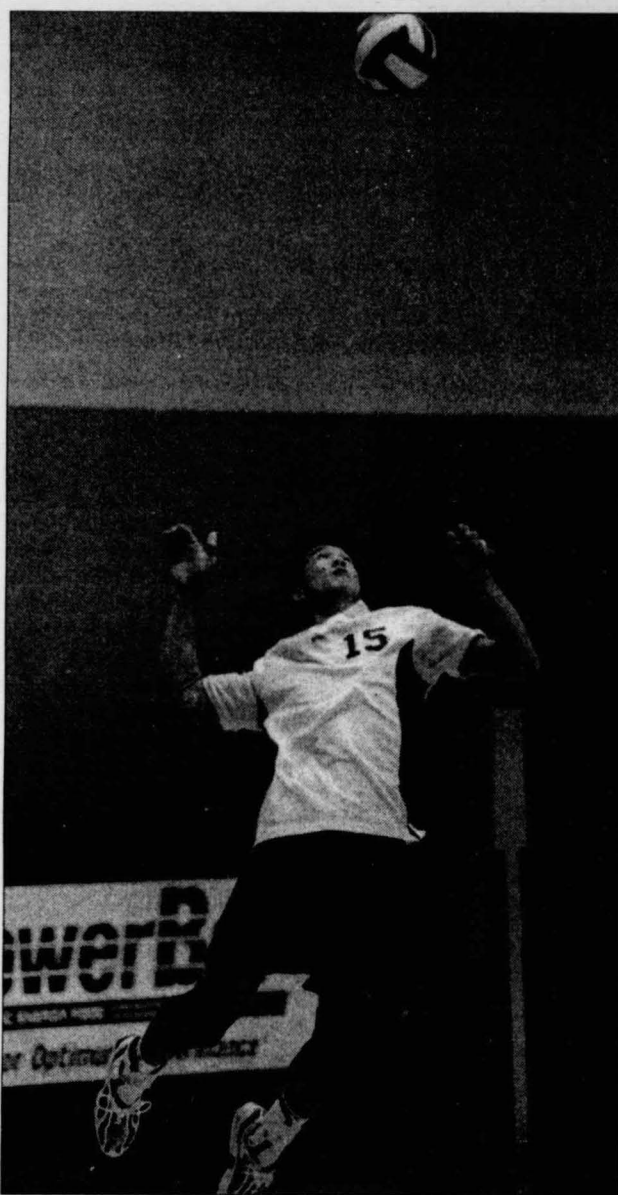
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The Gauchos, led by Andy Rivera with nine kills and seven blocks, were also playing their first game of the 2001 Mount Pacific Federation season. Rivera was backed up by Alex Lienert, who had eight kills, four blocks and four digs, and Dave Kohl, who picked up six kills and three digs to go with his two service aces.

Another key performer for UCSB in the win was Anders Bengtsson, a 6-foot-5-inch sophomore and Swedish import who notched eight kills, with no errors out of 11 attempts, for a whopping .727 hitting percentage. The Gaucho bombs were allowed by setters Jeff Minc with 22 assists and Brett Malang with 18 in the win.

The Tritons, despite the inability to win any of their sets, were competitive in each and showed signs that the three-set sweep did not accurately portray the disparity between the two clubs. The play of Hite and Cogorno was once again impressive, as each had 10 kills, with Hite also adding nine digs and three blocks. Chen was once again the man in charge on offense for the Tritons, zapping the Gauchos with 12 kills, while throwing down four blocks in the loss. Setters Eric Perrine and Jordan Hove supplied the juice to the hitters, with Perrine dealing up 22 assists and Hove dishing 18.

With the victory the Gauchos climbed to 2-0, with a 1-0 record in the MPSF. UCSD, playing in its first official game, fell to 0-1, in-league and overall. They will next venture up into the freeway-choked urban wasteland that is Los Angeles to face off against USC Friday night at 7 p.m.



Bombs Away: Donald Chen heaves the ball heavenward before sending it across the net in men's volleyball action Saturday night at RIMAC arena.

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Fulton:

Kobe v. Shaq in battle of L.A.

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himself. I have always thought that, against one of the poorer teams in the league (e.g. the Clippers), Shaq could lay down 100 points. He is the big everything.

Kobe, at the ripe age of 22, is becoming an unstoppable force in his own right. His explosiveness to the hoop is matched by few. He can make a shot from anywhere on the court. He is not Michael Jordan, not yet at least, but I see no problem with people comparing the legend and the kid and predicting that Kobe will be just as good.

The thing is, without being on the same team, both men would only be good. The Lakers right now are very good. Now picture the Lakers without one or the other.

Shaq leaves and some average center fills up the hole left vacant. Kobe would have the run of the team. He would lead the league in scoring, often knocking down 40 or 50 points. It would be the Kobe show, 24 hours a day.

And the Lakers would win 45 games and bow out in the first round of the playoffs.

Picture the Lakers without Bryant. Teams would double- and triple-team Shaq even more often than they do now. Hell, I would force Horace Grant to try and beat me. They too would win 45 games

and be home watching the later playoff rounds on their gigantic television screens.

All great championship teams needed more than one superstar. Jordan needed Pippen, Bird needed Parish and McHale, Magic needed Kareem, and now Kobe needs Shaq. Because as any player, manager or GM worth his salt would tell you, one player does not a championship team make.

If all they want is personal gains, then they should be on other teams. If they want to go down in history as one of the greatest duos in history, each with a handful of championship rings, then they need to learn their roles and get along.

The fact of the matter is that the team is Shaq's. He should be the focus, with Kobe complimenting him from the outside and with penetration. Does this limit Kobe?

Somewhat yes, but it does not limit their potential as the league's best pair. Hell, Kobe is six years younger than Shaq. Wait eight years, and the offense can be all Kobe's.

Theoretically, the Lakers have the potential for a 10-year dynasty, which would bring glory and championships aplenty to a southland void of much to cheer about.

Something that disturbs me is how the media is blowing this whole thing up. This is not the first time superstars have had problems. The media is only making it worse. Media people, let the organization be and things will work themselves out. After this column, that is.

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Swimming:

Tritons looking good in the pool

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McGihon said that UCSD's schedule, because it includes Division I schools like UCLA, will be good preparation for nationals.

"You want to schedule with good teams so you can get experience against fast people," he said.

Lopez competed in the 200-meter breaststroke, the 200-meter IM, and the 200-meter freestyle on Sunday, winning all three events with times of 2:21.40, 2:13.70 and 1:57.60, respectively. At UCLA she posted an impressive second place finish in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:06.37.

Also bringing in notable times were Jennifer Watanabe, a sophomore, and Carly Ross, a freshman. Watanabe turned in two second place finishes in the 200 backstroke (2:04.87) and the 200 IM (2:11.18) at UCLA and continued her strong performance on Sunday with top times in the 100 backstroke (59.23) and the 500 freestyle (5:07.34). Ross claimed first place in the 200 freestyle on Saturday with a mark of 1:54.25 and the 100 freestyle with a time of 54.16 at home.

The women's 200 freestyle relay teams did well both days. Saturday's relay team, comprised of Carolyn Kwok, Evelyn Kwok, Sharon Smith and Samantha Wong, came in second at UCLA (1:41.10). A similar team, this one with swimmers Carolyn Kwok, Evelyn Kwok, Smith and Christina Guintu, finished first on Sunday with an even faster time (1:40.39).

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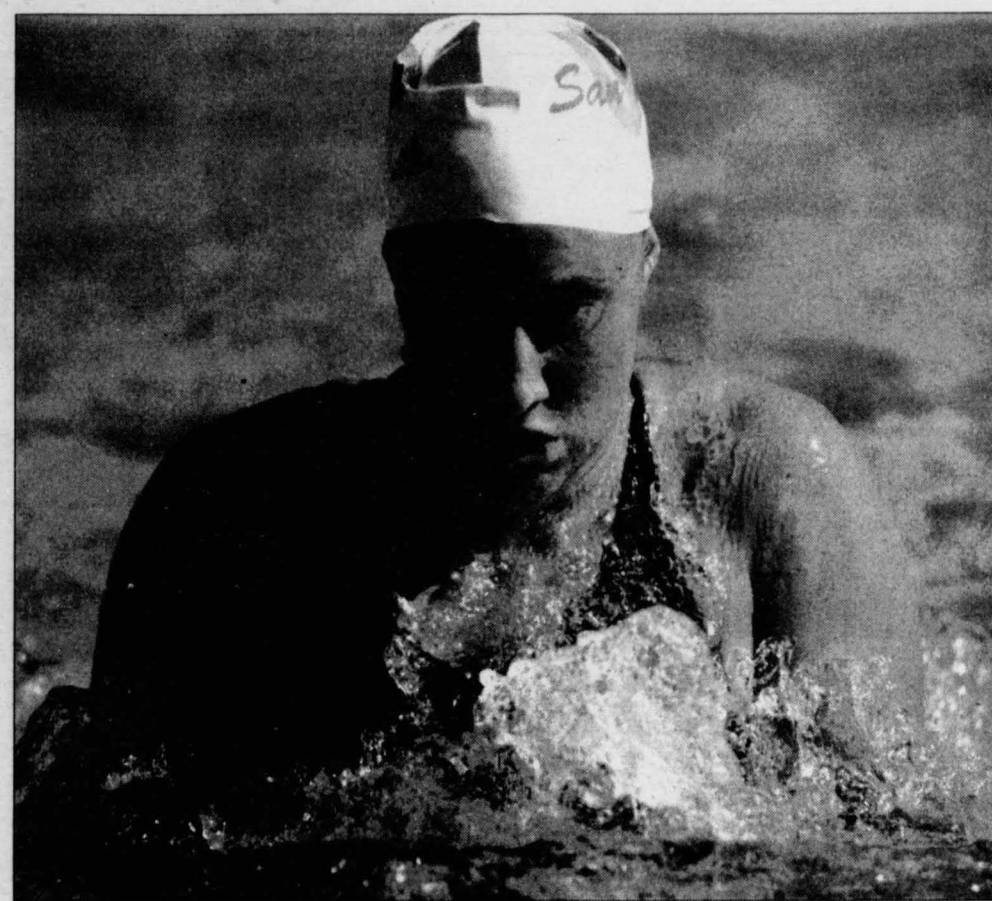
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Blup, Blup: The water was bubbling with standout Triton swimming performances in their meets this past weekend. Top performances from key UCSD athletes led to a solid performance in the pool.

teams.

"He swam about as fast as he did in nationals last year," McGihon said.

The next, and final, home meet for both teams will be on Jan. 27 against California Baptist University.

McGihon wants to use that meet as a springboard for the conference and national meets.

The teams will have two weeks off before the conference finals in Long Beach, where the goal is to allow swimmers who have not yet qualified for nationals to do so. For those who have already qualified, the goal is to peak right around nationals.

Lopez feels that the Tritons have a great shot at winning nationals.

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ROBERT FULTON

I am sure that even though Kobe Bryant joined the Los Angeles Lakers right out of high school, he did learn to spell. And obviously, Shaquille O'Neal, being a college graduate and all, can put letters in the right order to make legible and legitimate words.

So, why is it that these two can't learn that there is no "I" in "team?"

The ongoing feud between the two Laker superstars, which is now being splashed across California newspapers' sports pages, is childish. Can't they realize that they need each other, and that without one another, they won't win a championship?

Each wants to be the focal point of the squad, and both have a very good argument. They both are, without question, superb athletes, and two of the most prominent players in the NBA.

Shaquille is the dominant big man in the league. He is like no other since the days of Kareem and Wilt. He can control a game all by

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You Can't Puck with Hockey



TOM VU

As a hockey fanatic, I feel it necessary to defend the sport that I follow with such a passion. From the time I started following hockey — when the Minnesota North Stars packed their sticks and pucks and migrated down south to Dallas — to now, I have noticed that hockey, as a sport, and the players that play it, do not receive the respect they so dearly deserve.

Perhaps I find this lack of respect as a personal insult because I too play hockey. OK, OK, so rollerhockey isn't "real" hockey and intramural floor hockey is far from the ice as possible. And I'm not Canadian, Swedish, Russian, Finnish or Czech. I'm Chinese and Vietnamese. Hell, I don't think there's even ice in Vietnam.

Despite these setbacks, I still carry the mentality of a hockey player: The team comes first, pain is secondary. Sacrifice. Passion. All for the sport.

To the untrained eye, the game of hockey is just a bunch of big guys with weird accents skating on ice and bashing each other all over the boards. The critics are, well, correct. But hockey is much more

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Tritons Fall in Opener

Volleyball struggles against Cal Baptist and UCSB in opening weekend

By SCOTT BURROUGHS

Staff Writer

The path to success is one paved with sundry obstacles, an age-old adage that the Triton men's volleyball team found to be true in its first weekend of play. It opened the season with a non-league scrimmage on Friday night versus California Baptist University.

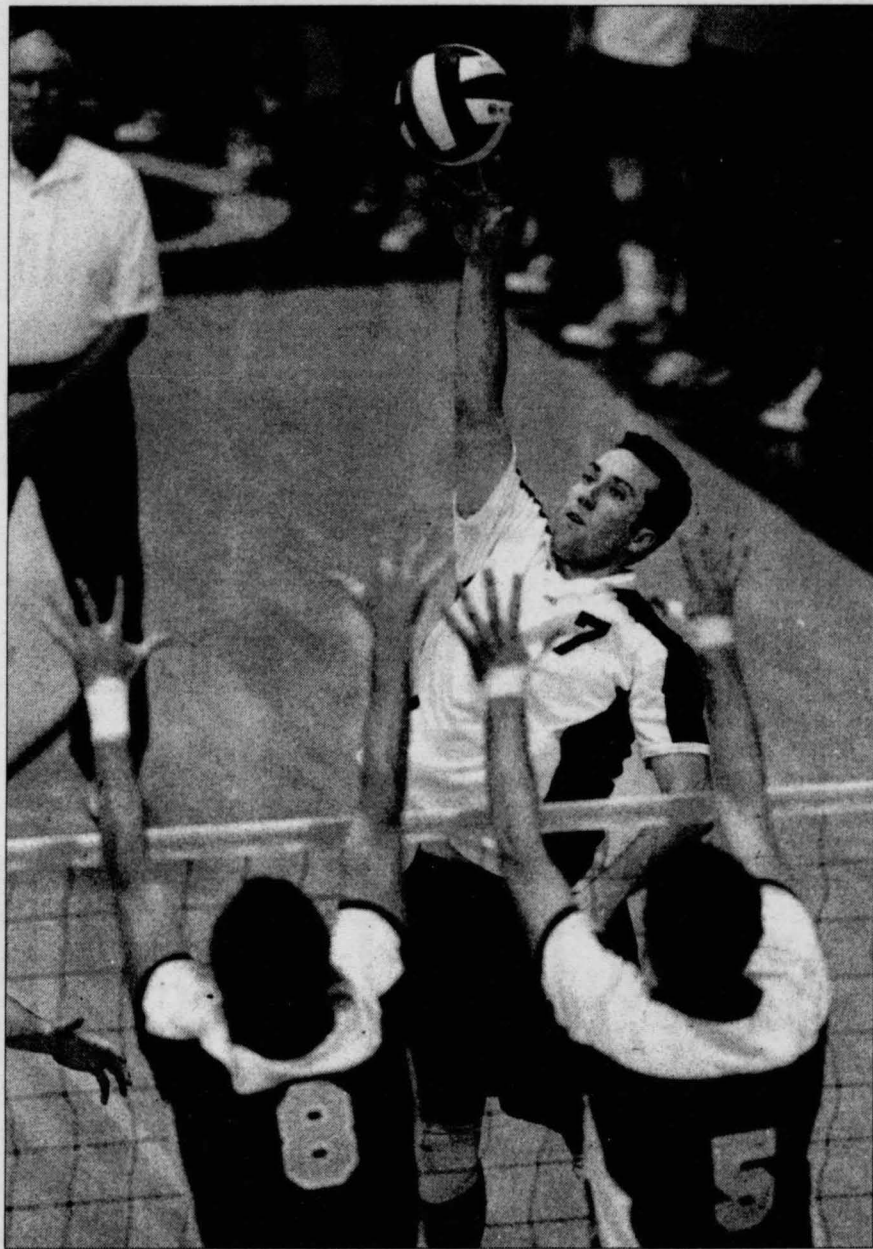
Despite UCSD's pregame intentions, the more seasoned Cal Baptist team, which already has five games under its belt, took the show-down in four sets. The Tritons were able to muster only a third set victory in a squeaker, 30-27. The other three sets were all Cal Baptist, as they took the first 30-22, the second 30-26, and the fourth and deciding by a tally of 30-28.

While they did present a challenge at times, especially in the close final set, the Tritons struggled against opposition that should not have been very difficult for them to beat. Cal Baptist's attack was led by Rafael Paal, who had 13 kills and six digs to go along with his four service aces. Other standouts for the opposition were Rick Schapler, with 11 kills, seven digs and Matt Peacock, who compiled 10 kills and three digs. Teammate Ivan Topchiyski also chipped in with seven digs in the winning effort.

There were a few instances of inspired play for the Tritons, who looked mainly to be getting the kinks out and the wheels greased in their initial match. Senior standout Zach Hite looked strong, blasting 10 kills and picking up four digs. Donald Chen, the Triton MVP following their 2000 Division III Championship campaign, tied for the UCSD game lead with 11 kills, also adding four digs. Brian Foote, the 6-foot-6-inch sophomore middle who is a new addition to this year's squad, also had 11 kills in the Triton effort. Another newcomer, Orange County College transfer Griffin Cogorno also showed signs of his impressive ability, clubbing nine kills and leading the team with seven digs in his first game wearing UCSD colors.

Despite the bright play from these Triton leaders, the Tritons fell to their opponent in this match. Cal Baptist, 1-3 coming into Friday night's game, improved to two wins on the season and does not look to be much of a contender this season.

With upcoming matches against some of California's strongest programs looming, these



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Men's Volleyball: Senior stalwart Zach Hite (7) skies above the net in Saturday night's matchup with UC Santa Barbara at RIMAC Arena.

early season jitters and miscues must be ironed out if Larsen's team is to be successful.

That was not done yet by the time the team had to compete in its first Mountain Pacific Sports Federation match, when the Tritons were downed by the Gauchos from UC Santa

Barbara in three straight sets. In front of an estimated 300-person RIMAC Arena crowd, the Gauchos took the match with set-winning scores of 30-20, 30-24 and 30-24.

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UCSD Swimming Makes Waves

Triton swimming makes an impressive showing in meets with UCLA, Washington St.

By GLORIA CHUNG

Contributing sports writer

The UCSD men's and women's swim teams participated in their first home meets of 2001 last Sunday at Canyonview Pool. UC Davis and Claremont College were originally slated to compete in the meet, but Claremont was unable to attend at the last minute.

The previous day, the women's team traveled to Los Angeles for a dual meet against Division I schools UCLA and Washington State University.

Sandra Lopez, a junior who turned in stellar performances over the two days, said that the Tritons were happy to be back at home competing against a

Division II school rather than Division I schools.

"The conditions [at UCLA] were far from good. It was a mentally challenging meet," she said.

Head coach Scott McGihon concurred that the facilities at UCLA's Men's Gym Pool were not very good.

"There was no place to warm up or warm down," he said.

However, McGihon refused to use the swimming conditions as an excuse.

"UCLA and Washington State were in the same situation," he said. "We didn't swim our very best on Saturday but we performed extremely well [on Sunday] and responded well from

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Splash: A Triton swimmer streaks across the pool in Sunday's meet versus UC Davis at Canyonview Pool.