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#### **Grozny, Trying to** Rebuild, is Consumed by Violence

GROZNY, Russia - Men with guns are everywhere in Chechnya's capital.

A group of Russian soldiers marched onto the bombed-out campus of Grozny University last week and seized two male students who tried to run from When Rovzan Khairullayeva, a senior history student, screamed, "Leave our boys alone" one soldier grabbed her by the throat and lifted her off the bench where she was sitting.

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# **National**

#### **Not All Relatives of Bombing Victims Yearn to Watch**

OKLAHOMA CITY - Bud OKLAHOMA CITY — Bud Welch has been calling Bill McVeigh a couple times a week since federal officials announced that McVeigh's only son would be executed on May 16 for the 1995 federal building bombing here. Welch's only daughter, Julie Marie, 23, was one of the 168 people killed in the blast

ple killed in the blast.
"He's going to lose his son," said Welch, 61, a Texaco service

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# **Collegiate**

#### **Lawsuit Challenges University Housing Policy for Gay**

BERKELEY, Calif. - In a case that could influence campus policies across the nation, including those of UC Berkeley, a New York state court heard a lawsuit Tuesday alleging discrimination against same-sex couples seeking graduate student housing at a private university.

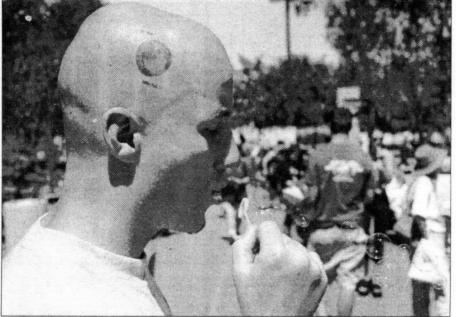
Yeshiva University, a Ne City college with over 6,000 students, requires that couples be married in order to qualify for university-subsidized graduate student housing, thus excluding gay couples who cannot legally marry.

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# Spoken

"We make the UCSD principles of community a living document."

> - Alejandro Sotelo SOHR Peer Educator See story right



Blowing in the Wind: UCSD student Adam Bowman blows bubbles toward passersby at Monday's Earth Day celebration on Library Walk. He showed his enthusiasm for Earth Day by drawing the planet earth on his head.

# Talks, Car Show Mark Earth Day

UCSD Environmental Coalition sponsored the events

By DANA WEST

Staff Writer

The annual Earth Day Celebration took place on Library Walk and in the Price Center on Monday. UCSD's Environmental Coalition sponsored the event, along with several other organizations geared toward the preservation of the environment, such as Muir Environmental Corps, CalPIRG, Ocean Awareness, Whale Day and Solar Electric.

The celebration kicked off at 10 a.m. with a talk given by Native American speaker Happy Bear. As the day progressed, the celebration's attendants were entertained guitarist Scott Huckabay and bands The Dave and Damaru.

Jih Miesel from Whale Day also spoke to students about many issues surrounding the protection of the ocean and received much support from the crowd. The event finished off with a free showing of the Dr. Seuss film "The Lorax" at 9 p.m. in the Price Center Theatre.

Christine Brochard, president of UCSD's Environmental Coalition, was pleased with the outcome of the event.

The main focus [of Earth Day] is to educate UCSD about the environment and create awareness," Brochard said. "I think it was very successful in making people think a little bit more about issues that they weren't aware of

Students stopped to take a look at the many booths on Library Walk during the celebration.

A popular attraction was the Electric Vehicle Fair set up in front of the Career Services Center. The fair featured five models of electric vehicles, including a two-person "neighbor-hood" car, a Chrysler minivan, and a Honda

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# **UCSD** Fights **Hate With** Week of **Events**

SOHR sponsored the weeklong celebration

By DANA WEST

The second annual Hate Free Campus Week, themed "Breaking Down Walls, Opening Minds," will conclude on Friday, April 27 after a one-week run.

The event is coordinated by the Student

The event is coordinated by the Student Office for Human Relations and co-sponsored by Students for Justice and Equity and other organizations.

According to SOHR Program Director Julia Adame, the event's focus is "to promote the UCSD principles of community and send a message to the perpetrators of hate crimes that these actions will not be tolerated at UCSD."

Alejandra Sotelo, a peer educator at SOHR, commented on the purpose of the organization and its role in the weeklong

"We make the UCSD principles of community a living document by practicing it day in and day out," Sotelo said.

The Hate Free Campus Week is designed to extend the principles of community to UCSD students, who may or may not be aware of them.

Tuesday marked the Hate Free Campus main event, which included an art exhibition, student performances of poetry, dance and rap, and appearances by the SOHR Social Action Theatre. A.K. Black, a noted rap lyricist and self-proclaimed "edutainer," was also present as the keynote speaker for the evening.

Adame kicked off the event by reading a proclamation written by San Diego Mayor

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# **Quarterly Academic Senate Meeting Convenes**

Elimination of SAT I scores, UC Merced, summer school among topics discussed

Staff Writer

Summer school, gender equity, admissions, academic outreach and the development of UC Merced were discussed at Tuesday's Representative Assembly meeting, held at the Garren Auditorium in the Basic Science Building.

Senior Vice Chancellor of Affairs Chandler addressed the assembly concerning summer school and gender equity at UCSD.

Chandler reported that the Bureau of State Audits has recommended that the UC Office of the President undertake an increase in the hiring of women at the assistant professor level. The audit found that there is a dearth of female faculty at all UC campuses.

The bureau also found that more women applied for positions as assistant professors, rather than as associate or full professors.

Chandler also addressed administrative responses to the need for the expansion of summer session. In anticipation of the new wave of students that will be coming to the university, officials have attempted to raise summer session offerings to the caliber that typifies the regular school year.

Summer session at UCSD has always been entirely campus sup-ported. Recently, UC Berkeley, UCLA and UC Santa Barbara have received funds from UCOP to improve the quality of education during the summer. UCSD, UC Irvine and UC Davis also expect to receive funds by summer 2002 to increase summer school offerings.

Chandler joked about the meager funds given to the other cam-

"We are next on the list for not receiving the money," she said.

Chandler appeared hopeful about the proposed summer program. She also felt that the work done at UC Berkeley, UCLA and UCSB will help set a precedent so that UCSD can achieve a strong summer program.

Chandler also requested the creation of a new position, associate vice chancellor of undergraduate education

'We want to make sure we take care of the undergraduates with all the new students coming," she said.

Chemistry professor Barbara Sawrey spoke about the controversy regarding UC admissions procedures. Sawrey discussed the new Dual Admissions Program and the proposed abandonment of the SAT I.

The DAP, set to take effect in 2003, will require that the top 12.5 percent of California high school seniors be accepted automatically to the University of California. As of now, only the top 4 percent of every graduating high school class in California is guaranteed admission to a UC campus.

Under the DAP, students would complete their general education at a community college. The DAP diverges from the already functioning transfer program in that the DAP will accept students directly from a junior college to a specific UC campus. Sawrey reported that high schools

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# **EVENTS**

#### Thursday, April 26

# Special Event: Race Unity Workshop

The Baha'i Club will sponsor the event, which will feature spoken word artist "Jihmye." The event will take place at 7 p.m. in Price Center Gallery B. The workshop is free and open to the public. For more information call (619) 993-3855 or e-mail San Shooshtary at

## Performing Arts: 'Cabaret'

Muir college will sponsor the performance of "Cabaret," which vill be performed by the Muir Musical Ensemble. The event will take place at 8 p.m. in tha Mandeville Center Auditorium General admission is \$8 and student admission is \$6. For more information call (858) 534-3587

# Special Event: Take Our Daughters to Work Day

The Women's Center, the Chancellor's Office, all vice chancellors' offices, the Human Resources office and the Housing offices will sponsor Take Our Daughters to Work Day. The event allows UCSD employees to bring their daughters and sons to work with them to give young people a sense of what the work force is like The event is free and open to the public. For more information call

#### Film: 'Driven'

The University Events Office and Students for Cultural Awareness will sponsor a free screening of the movie "Driven," starring Sylvester Stallone and Burt Reynolds. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call (858) 534-4090.

# Friday, April 27

## Special Event: Revelle Program Board Dance

The Revelle Dean's Office will sponsor the event, which will take place at 9 p.m. at Revelle college. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call (858) 534-1580.

# Monday, April 30

## Special Event: UCSD Blood Drive

UCSD Human Resources will sponsor the UCSD Blood Drive. which will take place in Price Center Ballroom A at 10 a.m. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call (858)

# Performing Arts: Moshay Band

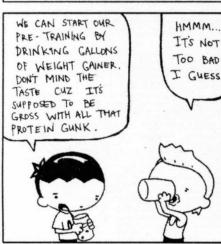
The Union of Jewish students will sponsor the concert by the Los Angeles-based Moshay Band, which will take place at 7 p.m. in the Price Center. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call (858) 534-6244.

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# BRIEFLY UCSD Biologist Wins Blasker Award

year's \$250,000 Blasker Award for Environmental Science and Engineering for his discovery of the molecular mechanisms that allow plants to remove toxic metals from conta-

Schroeder will receive the award at the June 13 San Diego Foundation ceremony.

The Blasker Award is traditionally given to individuals or groups who have enhanced the living conditions of San Diego residents and other communities by creating solutions to an environmental problem that has already been selected by the Blasker Award's committee of experts.

Schroeder fulfilled this requirement by identifying the genes responsible for the transport and detoxification of such toxic metals as cadmium, arsenic and lead.

# May to Mark Mental Health **Awareness Month**

Community Advocates for Disability Rights and Education will hold its annual Inner/Outer Limits Conference at UCSD May 1 and May 2.

The conference is a part of Mental Health Awareness Month and will feature many discussions and workshops, including "Good News About Depression and Bipolar Disorders: Recent Advances in Diagnosis and Treatment, on May 1 in the Santa Barbara room of the

try, and Constance Nagi, of the UCSD June 30. Department of Medicine, will lead the discuslic and refreshments will be served.

and the Women's Center. For more information call (858) 534-3958.

# UCSD biologist Julian I. Schroeder won this Two UCSD Students to Attend **NASA Academy This Summer**

David Galvan, a physics major, was one of 11 students selected from around the country to attend the NASA Ames Astrobiology Academy at Moffett Field, Calif.

Cari Goulard, a mechanical engineering major, was one of 16 students nationwide to be selected to attend the Goddard Space Flight Center in Greenbelt, Md.

Students from space grant-affiliated campuses, which in addition to UCSD include UC Berkeley, UCLA and UC Santa Barbara, were eligible to apply to the programs. The California Space Grant Consortium, which is housed at UCSD, contributes to the nation's science enterprise by funding research, education and public service projects.

The ten-week NASA academy's goal is to guide future leaders of the space program. Each student will be teamed with a NASA scientist mentor to develop and carry out a research project. Students were selected on the basis of academic record, demonstrated motivation and qualification to pursue multi-disciplinary

# **UC Vice President for Educational Research Resigns**

Alex M. Saragoza announced Tuesday that he will resign from his post as UC Vice John Klescoe, associate professor of psychia- President for Educational Outreach, effective

sion. Most of the programs are open to the pub- UC president Richard C. Atkinson, Saragoza claimed that he felt his work in the position had Inner/Outer Limits is sponsored by CADRE been compromised by "outside events." Saragoza also expressed gratitude to Atkinson

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# **Collegiate:**

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Lawsuit about housing for gays is first of its kind

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A similar policy exists at Berkeley, which requires couples without children to be married in order to qualify for graduate student housing. Unmarried couples with children, however, can also apply.

Berkeley also rejects domestic partnership registration, which is meant to be the equivalent of a marriage certificate for same-sex couples, as qualification for graduate student housing.

Harry LeGrande, assistant vice chancellor for the residence and student services program, said that the housing dilemma has been a difficult problem for many universi-

"All of the UC campuses have been grappling with this issue for some time," LeGrande said.

LeGrande also said that although there is a need to "broaden the definition of 'family," the university has done little up to this point to change the existing standards. The only significant change, according to LeGrande,

was a revision that allowed same-sex couples with children to qualify for housing.

LeGrande said that the marriage requirement exists as a relic of the era in which the

housing policies began. "It has more to do with tradition," he said. "I think the policies were written long ago, and things are slow to change."

Chris Nealon, the chair advisor for the UC Berkeley Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgender Services Office, said the marriage requirement is unfair.

I think same-sex domestic partners should have the same rights and privileges as opposite-sex married couples," he said. Nealon also indicated that Berkeley will-

soon address the issue. "We expect a specific decision about same-sex housing any day now," he said. "It's an interesting time."

The New York lawsuit, brought up by the American Civil Liberties Union, is the -first in the nation to challenge a university housing policy toward same-sex couples.

The ACLU suit alleges that New York City laws, including one that prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation, make the university's housing policy illegal.

- Daily Californian

### Hate:

Mayor Dick Murphy declared a Hate Free Day April 23

Dick Murphy, who declared San Diego to be a Hate Free Zone on Monday after being inspired by last year's Hate Free Campus Week.

The reading of the proclamation was followed by the first of four sketches performed by the Social Action Theatre throughout the site at http://ugr8.ucsd.edu/sohr.

evening. The sketch featured a mockery of a children's educational television show, which depicted a cast trying to educate children about the importance of race relations in a less-than-inspirational manner.

After more sketches and a poetry reading, the evening progressed to an open-mic session in which students were encouraged to come on stage and share their poetry, rap or other performances.

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# **Watson Infringes Upon Voters' Rights**

A public university such as ours should not allow its students to have their rights yanked out from under them.

Vice Chancellor Joe Watson's decision to refuse to sign legislation that would allow for increased membership to the United States Student Association and the University of California Student Association is an infringement on our power as students.

Students approved raising fees to fund the increased membership earlier this quarter, although the referendum will now never take

The Guardian feels that the university should follow the lead of other UC campuses, specifically Santa Barbara and Los Angeles, who sent similar legislation to the UC Regents for their approval.

Although the Guardian did not endorse the passage of this fee increase, we don't believe that Watson should unilaterally usurp students' rights to voice their views to the

Since last year, the USSA has given UCSD a grant to hire extra staff to increase voter turnout on election day and has helped staff the Students of Color Conference in Febru-

The Guardian understands Watson's argument that this is not a UC-controlled organization and therefore we should not sponsor it through referendums. However, students should be able to spend their money any way

The students have voted to increase their tuition by \$6 next year to increase the school's participation in the organizations. This money represents additional aid to USSA on top of what the A.S. Council currently gives to them.

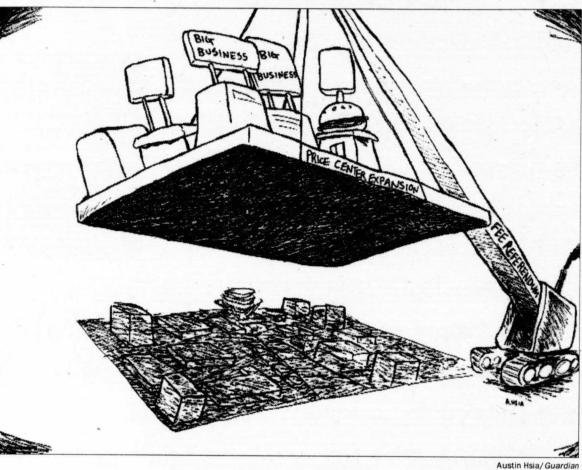
This means that the administration would not have to pay an extra cent for the added benefits of increased participation. In a school criticized for its apathetic students, the Guardian thinks the administration should want to do everything in its power to increase involvement and quality of the school's events. By not signing this legislation, Watson is endorsing just the opposite.

The \$6 per year is not a lot to most students, but it matters dramatically when multiplied by the total number of students at UCSD. This money would do a lot of great things for campuses like ours that are in need

The students have definitively expressed what they want and now it is time to fight for it. The Guardian feels that the members of the student body should not accept Watson's decision and lobby to protect their rights as

A precedent needs to be set — that we will not allow the administration to act this way on matters that only affect the students. Watson would be wise to consider that the students see potential in this referendum and to follow the lead of other UC campuses and by signing the bill.

Although the bill still needs to be passed by Chancellor Robert Dynes, the UC Regents and UC President Richard Atkinson, it will never even be read by any of these individuals without Watson's approval.



# Referendum's Proposed Funds Shortchange Some Organizations

Heavy-handed tactics of supporters of proposal to improve campus life, fail to address whether dispersion of funds will assist all campus organizations equally

By TOM VU

I hope it's not too late by the time you read this. For this entire week, the students of UCSD have had the opportunity to affect the future of this campus. Doc Khaleghi, the A.S. president, wrote in an article earlier this week in the Guardian that the future of this university hangs in the balance. And I have to admit, for better or for worse, our presi-

But I hope that by the time you read this article, be it at Espresso Roma, the blocks on Library Walk or during a political science 112A class, you have not made the grave mistake of voting "Yes"

To state it simply, this referendum is bad for UCSD and bad for students. It is positive, but for the wrong groups. The mmense costs (and I am not referring only to monetary costs) that will be borne by students outweigh the minute

Do not jump to the conclusion that I am against expanding the Price Center or renovating the Student Center. After all, I have to work in the dingy offices of the Guardian, which are located in the Student Center. But perhaps what I say will open your eyes to how detrimental this gain so much from it - could still actually be against it.

I agree that student organizations need to be better funded, that O.A.S.I.S. needs more funding, etc. However, this referendum is not the way to bring about

Admittedly, the extra fee of \$71.40 per quarter is worth bringing about positive changes to the campus. What I have against this increase is how the money will be allocated and what I see as a waste of our dollars.

According to the Special Election Voting Guide, \$19 of the \$71.40 will be distributed to intercollegiate sports, while the LGBT Resource Office receives a measly \$0.50. The International Center is allocated \$0.25, while the Women's Center gets \$0.50. O.A.S.I.S., which is

integral to students, receives \$2.50. The list goes on. What I see here is a serious misallocation of funds that strays away from what this university holds most important: academics.

Just between you and me (and I do not intend to insult the athletes on campus), sports are far from important to the overall life of this school. Yes, we are in Division II, but let's get serious. This is a school set on academics, and simply throwing money at the sports teams will not change that. It is only the mentality of the student body that can change that fact; wasting our money will not.

Another part of this referendum is the prospect of placing synthetic turf on Muir Field. Really now, what the hell is this about? A person just has to ask,

Another drawback to this expansion plan is that it would hardly change campus life here, despite the name of the referendum. This referendum allows for what seems like another Price Center to be

The expanded Price Center will offer nothing new to students. Will building more ballrooms make your weekends any less boring? Will more student lounges really be useful in keeping you entertained? Perhaps the administration referendum is, if I - someone who could they'll use the expanded study lounges on the weekends.

Why not use the funds to build a student union? For god's sake, CSU Long Beach has a student union, comfunds should actually be used to help make student life less bland rather than wasting it with more ballrooms and bigger offices for the A.S. Council mem-

Furthermore, and on a personal note, the way the proponents of the referendum are promoting it is simply annoying and insulting. On Monday, several students approached me while I was quietly munching on my fries. In their hands were stacks of voting guides, which offer statements favoring and opposing the fee increase, trying to seem bipartisan about

However, like Jehovah's Witnesses, these proponents come up to students, shoving their literature into people's faces. They preach their values, trying to shepherd students to vote "Yes." They try to capture the apathetic student (which is the majority at UCSD) so they can obtain their 20 percent of students necessary to pass the amendment. They dangle treats such as sodas and cookies in front of students who vote, like a farmer dangling carrots or apples in front of a mule. They try to imitate the political machines of Richard Daley or Bill Thompson by offering promises of greater opportunities if we vote their way.

The referendum, however, will not bring greater opportunities. Instead, the referendum will waste student funds. It is a half-hearted attempt at bringing about change on campus, and does so badly. The funds are badly misallocated, not focusing on what is most important to the school and to its students. It offers nothing that would make the weekends of students living on campus any better. The laundry list of promises provided in the voting guide is nothing more than a veil over students' eyes to keep them from seeing how poorly the money will be spent. Students must take the good with the bad.

I admit that not all of th is bad. The increased funds are going to the right places, though not in the right proportions. I agree with the concept that financial aid covers the increased fees for students that qualify. I agree that plete with several bowling lanes. The the two centers need to be able to accommodate more students. Yes, the student organizations need better funding. However, this current plan is not the way to bring about this much-needed

In previous years, students have rejected similar proposals and should do so again this year. Students should continue to reject these proposals as long as they do not serve the greater population of the campus, not just some small minority such as the frats and sororities, or athletes. This is, after all, our campus, and, as Khaleghi wrote, its future is in our hands. Only we, the students, can know what is best for it.

# **Sacrifices Pay Off With Honors**



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here is an indescribable excitement experienced when a letter is received in the mail. So, naturally, I was thrilled the other day to see an envelope not resembling any sort of bill in my mailbox.

Ideal

Examining the outside of the envelope, I saw my name printed in thick black calligraphy, and in the corner I noticed the graphic on the return address label: a black graduation cap with gold and silver tassels hanging from it. Then I read the name of the sender: Christine Rose Carrier. I had received a college graduation announcement from my beautiful 39year-old mother.

Opening the envelope, I was overcome with a feeling of pride, yet at the same time, a feeling of regret. I am proud of the years of effort and dedication that she has committed to her schooling, despite other conflicts she faced, which would have forced any other individual to give up. Not only was she a student, but she was a mother, a wife, a working woman and recently became a grandmother. Her responsibilities include more than deciding between studying on Friday night or going to a party.

My regret lies in all that she gave up by putting off her attainment of higher education

for so long. She was the top of her class in high school, the student body president, active in both sports and academics but she did not attend her own and for myself. I have to try graduation. She listened to the graduation ceremony from her ome across the street. The sweet voice of her friend singing the graduation song came across as she stood alone and apart from the ceremony cradling a new baby boy in her

Less than two years later, that little boy of hers had a new sister. This girl was faced with all the opportunities her moth-

I would not be here today if it weren't for my mother and father. The values they instilled in me are my foundation, and I strive to do well for their sakes and for

er before her had, but she had to stay focused and realize how fortunate she was.

Part of my drive to excel academically in high school was because my mother had given up the chance to attend a university because she decided to am sure. start a family. I had the ability to do what my mother would have, and I felt I owed it to her because she had sacrificed so I

I would not be here today if

father. The values they instilled in me are my foundation, and I strive to do well for their sakes hard not to forget that fact among distractions.

The past 'two years have

been host to staunch competition between my mother and me in our schooling. She attends classes at night and on weekends at University of the Pacific, while I am here at UCSD. We have the same amount of work, but somehow she continues to soar above me in the GPA category. It is ridiculous to say that I have it harder here at this university, because my only responsibility is myself. I don't have to take care of a family or manage a local business, but I do stay up late at night reading and writing papers for my classes, as my nother does.

I often forget how fortunate I am to be at a university now and to be able to graduate in the usual four years. I regret not working hard enough in classes, sleeping through lectures and never cracking the cover to texts, when so many people would give all they have to have the opportunity to attend a university straight out of high school. I neglect to realize how very lucky I am, something many others neglect as well, l

I will forever admire my mother's courage to sacrifice her college education after high school to have a baby and

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# Capitalism's Ugly Effects Felt at UCSD

By VALERIE BURNS

Some people seem to view the concept of a university as something that is untouched by the evils of society. Upon closer examination, however, it is clear that universities especially public universities are one of the sectors most influenced by the state and its bureaucracy. This is not to say that I equate the evils of society to the state and its bureaucracy. The topic at hand is a more general one: capitalism. We hate to love it, and we love to hate it. It brings us the lifestyle we have been brainwashed to desire while firmly planting guilty consciences in many of our liberal "bleeding hearts."

In the words of Marx, it allows us as the bourgeoisie to control the proletariat "enslaved" in many of the world's lesser-developed countries. Overall, there is no way to get away from capitalism. The United States has used the power of capitalism's message to create a consumer culture which is becoming worldwide. Through radio and TV waves, capitalism was able to break down the Berlin Wall in the eyes of many, and it is now softening the Chinese defense against it. Imagine the potential financial benefits American multinational corporations will have if they are able to transform 1.2 billion Chinese into loyal consumers of American products or services. I can see the dollar signs in the eyes of CEOs across the country.

Clearly capitalism is overt on an international scale, but the most interesting data is how evident it is here on our cute La Jolla campus.

The ruthlessness of capitalism which is equivalent to financial Darwinism, here at UCSD? Let's think for a second.

I'm sure many have noticed the current buildings going up around campus. Let's see: an engineering building, two new parking structures and, as a typically uninformed, fairly apathetic UCSD student, I cannot even say what the other buildings going up will be. And for further hought: I know of two huge engineering buildings already in place here on campus, adjacent to each other. The third being built looks to be of a similar size. These three enormous buildings will dwarf the Literature Building to their right. Some of you might not flinch to know that resources on campus are split up so unevenly. We have three massive complexes for engineering and one medium-sized building for literature, another popular major.

The reasons for this particular financial distribution can be attributed to the effect of capitalism on our campus. Engineering is the major of the future. Literature is a major that maintains a certain academic tradition, in which graduates usually pursue teaching credentials of some sort. The donors who made this project possible, whether they be related to Dynes' 100 million shares of Qualcomm or not, have been brainwashed by capitalism's consumer- and producer-oriented culture.

What does literature produce? Only open-minded individuals, many of them teachers and writers. These people will make a differ-

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# First Hundred Days Spell Mediocrity for President Bush

Someone once said that "history is a harsh mistress." George W. Bush, sitting in his office at the White House, must be contemplating those words. At the end of his first 100 days, everyone is giving him a failing grade: economists, environmentalists, Europe, China - even sectors of the Republican party. Bush is discovering that it is one thing to say "I do with the decision. It is hard not to notice that the will be a leader" in an electoral party that conducted a ruthless campaign and a completely differ-

ent thing to actually be one. These first 100 days have shown several telltale signs of basis that he "lied to the American things to come, and none of them

It was clear by Bush's choice of cabinet members that the time of the campaign had ended, and issionate conservatism" had ended with it. The Bush administration is possibly even more politically extreme and ideologically driven than the Reagan cabinet was, with the additional complication that 2001 is not 1980 and the world is no longer ready to put up with almost everything that comes out of the White House. The Soviet Union is gone, taking with it a good deal of the American grip on the

The decision of the new administration not to regulate carbon dioxide emissions made it clear that Bush's industrial backers expect a lot in exchange for their support. This move also gives us some indication of how Bush will value his electoral promises and of what meaning the

Whitman, the new Environmental Protection Agency administrator, had made it rather clear that Bush would fulfill his promises, describing the carbon dioxide policy as if it were already implemented. Only 10 days later, Bush announced that he had "changed his mind." Of course, the fact that the energy lobby group was one of his major financial backers had nothing to

campaign against former President Bill Clinton on the ethical people" (the legal case had a diferent basis) helped elect a president who, technically, has already done the same thing. Since the president is Bush, the Republicans have the useful excuse that he was not really lying — he simply didn't know what he was talking about. Still, Democratic congressmen might want to take notice. We might be getting close to grounds for impeachment.

It is clear from looking at Bush's attitude toward the McCain-Feingold campaign reform bill that he intends to perpetuate the kind of exchange of political favors for money that characterizes his policy. Recently the White House supported a bill sponsored by Senator Hagel as a viable alternative to the McCain-Feingold bill. Hagel's bill contains so many loopholes that it would institutionalize soft money. The bill would place a cap of \$60,000 per year on soft money

As late as March 4, Christine unlimited soft money donations to state parties. If this is the kind of reform that Bush supports, his

benefactors can rest reassured. His behavior in the face of current stock market problems illustrates the fact that Bush and his administration don't understand the way the economy has evolved in the last 10 years.

For the last few months, the United States has lived through the absurd situation of the "recession that wouldn't happen." The forecasts were gloomy, the stock market was falling, but now inflation is low, the growth, however small, continues and unemployment is under control.

Yet when an authoritative and reassuring voice in the administration would have helped restore confidence, our acting president was quoted blurting ominous warnings that made an already nervous economy even more jit-All this was a cold-blooded

political calculation; Bush knows that the only hope his party has of winning the midterm elections is to have all the relatively wealthy, moderate Republicans go vote with fatter tax return checks in their pockets. Clearly Bush is willing to do whatever it takes to pass uge tax cut for the wealthy, even if it means even deeper cuts to social programs like Medicaid, which the Bush administration is basically wiping out. If the economy is really going to be as bad as the president says, he should be busy reinforcing the safety net for

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# Capitalism:

Administration benefits from student contribution

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ence in influencing how people will think in the next generation. What will engineering majors produce? People who are controlled by multinational corporations and the state, constructing buildings, computer networks, etc. This is not to say that engineering majors are not valuable. I just think their value is inflated because of the emphasis that capitalism puts on them and

Now let's discuss the other

buildings being constructed: parking structures. Three will have been built on campus by the end of the year. What is the objective of parking structures? To provide parking, right? For whom, specifically? One might think parking would be provided for the majority of the people responsible for the success and dayto-day operations of the school: the students. But it is now common knowledge that the construction of all these new parking structures has not increased the amount of parking available to students, but instead decreased it. I was actually unaware of how much of a problem parking on campus is until this morning. It took me half an hour to find a place, and then 10 minutes to catch and take the shuttle back to campus from East parking. Keep in mind I

live on campus, at Matthews. This familiar situation of students getting shafted is a common theme here at UCSD. To again paraphrase Marx, it is often the case that the ones producing do not reap the results of their own production. I know we at UCSD are nothing close to the toddlers working in the Nike factories in Southeast Asia, but the relative priorities of those in control of the capital remain the same. In

this case, the capital is the university. Without us, UCSD is nothing. But we are held in the grips of capitalism. We have been brainwashed, whether the information is true or not, to seek education at the best university possible. Then we as students will obtain our degree and continue our quest to be upwardly mobile and

continue to rise through the elitist

classes of society

It is interesting how many (vital word here: many, not all) of my Asian peers who have parents that are first-generation immigrants have adapted to American society so quickly and moved up the social classes so fast. Many of them have, intentionally or not, sold out to capitalism by becoming producers instead of critical thinkers. Funny how there is a disproportionate amount of whities at this school (including me) that are liberal arts majors and therefore nonconformists. Maybe we have lived in this country longer and our choice of major is a subconscious rebellion against capitalistic society. Or maybe I have been at UCSD too long and have been brainwashed to think that I should be a science

But to get back to my point. We, the students of UCSD, are the producers of the university; society is the consumer of our successful college because they continue to send their kids here. However, the regents own the capital, so although UCSD owes its existence to us, we continue to get shafted in administrative decisions such as those discussed in this article. Only in capitalism could nine people control nine large universities, and, through the camouflaging techniques of bureaucracy, frequently screw over those to whom they owe their jobs to and continue to keep the money rolling in. The regents know the system is too far developed to be changed dramatically.

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Devotion to excellence helped mother succeed

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marry my father. She could have easily chosen other paths, but she did not. I know for a fact that many students couldn't fathom leaving their education on the back burn er, but there are some things more important and eternal, such as a new life and family. My mother is one of the individuals I most admire because she has endured a plight while others would have easily given up. She has persisted determination endurance and will be graduating as one of her university's top stu-

So I proudly pinned the graduation announcement next to my calendar, anticipating the day will see my mother walk down the aisle in her graduation cap and gown decorated with honors to receive her much-deserved college diploma.

# **President:**

Bush fails to meet the expectations of public

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those who will be hit the hardest, not dismantling what little net is in

With the Bush administration completely unprepared to deal with contemporary foreign policy, the Chinese were able to capitalize on their capture of the American spy plane and get pretty much everything that they wanted. American policy is completely determined by

a domestic agenda.

Bush should take a more realistic approach and, if nothing else, ask mself what would have happened if a Chinese plane had been forced to land on U.S. territory while spying on us. And why do we expect the Chinese to act differently from the way we would have acted?

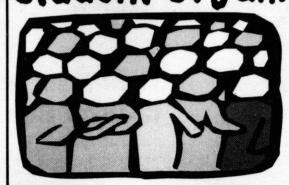
Every country spies on other countries and, occasionally, somebody is caught with his hand in the cookie jar. In this case, the rules of diplomacy suggest that you apologize like a good boy and go home. The administration only managed to give the Chinese a huge image boost in the diplomatic scene, all because the domestic political agenda of the Bush administration requires an external enemy to justify military build-up. No wonder the international stature of the American president is at a historical low.

Judging by the general tone of his first 100 days in office, Bush's political personality is only a pale shadow of Clinton's and can be summarized in the word "de-Clintonization " It seems like the main activity of the Bush administration is to reverse Clinton's executive orders; from privacy protection, the Kyoto protocols and patients' rights to the presence of arsenic in drinking water, the Bush administration is dismantling everything the Clinton administration did to protect consumer rights, health rights and privacy rights.

If this can be expected from a business friendly, right-wing president, the beginning of such a presidency begs the question of whether Bush has a political personality. Will he be able to have a personality after his "de-Clintonization" program is over? What will become of a president that can only define himself politically in relation to his predecessor?

Many presidents have a rough beginning. The good ones learn from their mistakes, the bad ones keep repeating them. We'll see what kind of president Bush is. Unfortunately for him, this time Dad's influence won't be enough to help him graduate.

# Student Organizations Need Space?



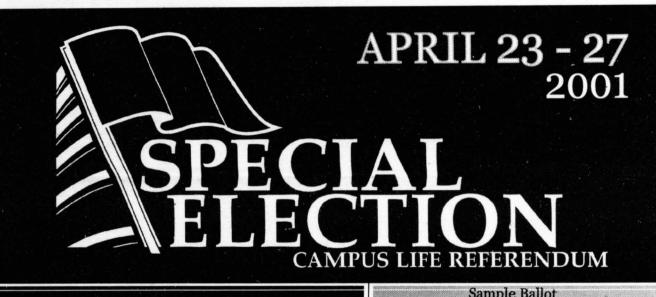
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- The Campus-Life Fee will be collected starting in fall quarter 2001 with the exception of the line-item allocations for sixth and seventh colleges.

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- The Campus-Life Fee will be allocated quarterly to the areas or units in the dollar amounts listed below in Chart #1.

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The Campus-Life Fee will never increase beyond \$71.40.

As enrollments increase, each area or unit will continue to receive the same per student allocation each quarter in order to offset inflation and account for the increasing number of students.

Every three years the Registration Fee Committee will review the Campus-Life Fee in order to make recommendations on potential reductions to the Campus-Life Fee with the exception of contractual obligations.

If state funds, donations, or other moneys become available to support adequately any areas or units receiving allocations from the Campus-Life Fee, the quarterly fee will be reduced by an amount to be recommended by the Registration Fee Committee.

All changes in state funding or moneys received by the university impacting areas or units funded by the Campus-Life Fee shall be make known and available to the Registration Fee Committee.

In the future, if an area or unit receiving allocations from the Campus-Life Fee no longer exists, the Campus-Life Fee will be reduced by the amount of the Chancellor's Office and UCSD Administration will provide all fu

to relocate the Campus Police and clear the site for Price Center from non-student fee sources.

The money allocated to Sports Facilities by the Campus-Life Fee shall be used only
for lighting at Warren Field, synthetic turf at Muir Field, and twenty-four hour use
of the Main Gym.
 Decisions regarding the expenditure of the allocations resulting from passage of this
referendum will be made by existing or formed committees with students comprising
at least two-thirds of the voting members.
 The Administration will, with the exception of the aforementioned examples, under no
circumstances change the per student per quarter allocation amount.

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# States are Creating Their Own Plans to Cut Drug Costs

methodically creating and expanding programs to help low-income elderly people buy prescription drugs, even as Congress appears to be floundering in efforts to add drug benefits to Medicare.

Some states, like Pennsylvania, use state money to pay part of the cost of each prescription. Some, like California and Florida, have passed laws limiting the prices that pharmacies can charge elderly customers. A few, like Michigan and Missouri, have created tax credits to offset the amounts spent on pre-

Other states, including Iowa, New Hampshire, Washington and West Virginia, have created buyers' clubs or purchasing cooperatives to help low-income elderly people obtain drug discounts.

Two states, Maine and Vermont, have recently received permission from the federal government to use their Medicaid programs to provide drug discounts to tens of thousands of elderly and low-income

qualify for Medicaid. Maryland plans a similar program under a bill signed on Friday by Gov. Parris N. Glendening.

And various states in the Northeast and the South are banding together to negotiate discounts from drug manufacturers. Five states in the Northwest are considering similar joint efforts.

Margaret H. Kuntz, a 71-yearold retired bookkeeper who lives Pittsburgh, said outside Pennsylvania's pharmaceutical assistance program was a lifesaver. She pays a \$6 co-payment for each of the five drugs she takes.

"It would cost me \$400 to \$450 a month if I had to pay for these prescriptions on my own," Kuntz said. "I would not be able to buy them all."

Congress has held several hearings on Medicare drug benefits this net. It's a spotty system that exists year, but is nowhere near a consensus. Lawmakers disagree on the basic question of whether to provide benefits to all Medicare recipi-

WASHINGTON — States are people who would not otherwise ents or just those with the greatest financial need. Official cost estimates for all proposals have shot up 30 percent in the last year, confounding congressional efforts to set premiums, deductibles, co-payments and other details of drug

> State officials said they were taking action for the reasons cited often by President Bush, members of Congress and elderly people: Prescription drugs account for a growing share of all health care spending. "States are responding to a vacuum in federal policy, the lack of prescription drug coverage under Medicare," professor Stephen Crystal, a gerontologist at Rutgers University in New Jersey, said. "The state programs are very popular for good reason. They are meeting a real need. But in no way do they constitute a national safety in some places and not others."

> > - Robert Pear New York Times

# **Marines Investigate Sexual Harassment and Other Misconduct**

Mo. — When investigators arrested a Marine staff sergeant here last fall on charges of possessing child pornography, many of his fellow nissioned officers dismissed the incident as an isolated one involving a single bad Marine.

But their easy calm has been shattered with the arrival of military criminal investigators who are looking into accusations that at least 19 NCOs were involved in misconduct that included assaulting and sexually harassing young Marine trainees at this base.

At the center of the inquiry is the Marine arrested last fall, Staff Sgt. Howard W. Ross, 34, a divorced 16-year veteran of the Corps who pleaded guilty at courtmartial to having sexual intercourse with one female trainee. offering money to another to remove her clothes and dance for him, stealing from trainees and possessing child pornography.

Three sergeants who worked with Ross are awaiting trial on charges that include assault, sexually harassing female Marines, buying alcohol for underage Marines second Marine woman made simi-

and being drunk on duty. Three others have left the Corps under a cloud, while at least 12 have been reassigned to desk duty pending the outcome of the investigation.

Here at Fort Leonard Wood, an Army base in central Missouri, Marines attend classes to prepare them for one of four military occupations: military police work, chemical weapons handling, engineering or truck driving.

It was in one team of the motor transport school that all the problems occurred during a sevenmonth period last year, the Corps

The problems in the group dated at least from last April and were publicly disclosed in October, when Ross was arrested after buying child-pornography videotapes from federal investigators conducting a sting operation.

About the same time, a Marine who had recently completed training at Fort Leonard Wood told her superiors at Camp Pendleton, Calif., that Ross had harassed her by making sexually explicit comments to her. A few weeks later, a

lar accusations, prompting the Pentagon to open its wide-ranging

Several of the 12 women among the 365 Marine trainees now at the motor transport school said in interviews that they had not experienced or witnessed sexual harassment. But they complained of feeling isolated, or of receiving unwanted attention.

"You definitely get a lot of attention because of the low ratio of women," said Pfc. Heather Doyle, 21. "Every time I turn around, it's 'Hey, Doyle. Over here,

Noncommissioned officers and trainees say they clearly understand the rules that prohibit officers and senior enlisted Marines from socializing with, soliciting money from or making sexually explicit remarks to trainees. But they say those rules are easy to break in a place like St. Robert, the small town that borders the base and has streets lined with strip clubs, tattoo parlors and bars.

# McVeigh:

Welch opposes execution on moral grounds

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station owner, who since the bombing has become an outspoken opponent of the death penalty, a stance that is shaped in large part by his Roman Catholic faith.

McVeigh out of that cage to execute him," Welch said, "it isn't going to bring Julie Marie back."

aftermath of the bombing, the vic- cute you.' I'm praying for his soul." tims' relatives and survivors the ultimate punishment.

that group in opposing the execu- tion in Terre Haute, Ind.

tion on moral grounds

in the blast and has been on dis- entirely. I don't even want him brated when McVeigh was sen-"And when we take Tim has since decided that "it isn't right to take a life."

"God says 'Vengeance is mine," said Hall, who is Baptist. "But he politicians who hold it up as one Almost since the immediate also says, 'Pray for those who perse-

Peggy Broxterman, 70, whose one monolithic group, all bent on who were chosen by lottery last week among the survivors and vic-But Bud Welch is not alone in tims' relatives to attend the execu-

"It's all for my son," Tim McCarthy, 30, whose Broxterman, a retired elementary father, Jim, 53, was killed in the school reading specialist, said in a blast, believes, as a Catholic, that it telephone interview from her is wrong for the government to kill home in Las Vegas, explaining why she wanted to watch McVeigh And Patti Hall, 64, who was die. "That means McVeigh is out crushed by six floors of concrete of here, he's gone. He's out of life

ability since, recalls that she cele- breathing. He doesn't deserve it." The one subject on which all tenced to death, but she says she sides seem to agree is that when it comes to the so-called concept of closure — a word more often used by members of the media, and by of the goals of capital punishment

 it does not exist. "You close on a house," said nearly 700 people were injured in son Paul, 42, was killed in the Broxterman, whose son left a the blast - have been portrayed as bombing, is one of the 10 people widow and four small children. "You don't close on a death."

> — Sara Rimer The New York Times

# **Trial Delayed for Church Bombing**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. - With the families of four black girls watching from the front row, prosecutors opened the long-delayed murder trial of Thomas E. Blanton Jr. on Tuesday by depicting him as a rabid segregationist who helped dynamite the 16th Street Baptist Church in 1963 and then insisted for years on driving obsessively past the scene of the crime.

U.S. Attorney Doug Jones took jurors back in time to a Birmingham where efforts to desegregate schools and lunch counters met with determined and often violent resistance from whites, including Blanton and other members of his Ku Klux Klan cell who, Jones said, plotted in the darkness under a bridge.

"There were people, and Thomas E. Blanton was one of them," Jones said in his opening statement, "who saw their segregated way of life dissolving and couldn't stand it."

That may have been true at the time, Blanton's lawyer, John C. Robbins, said in his own opening statement. But Blanton's segregationist beliefs, Robbins stressed, do not prove that he was a bomber.

By all accounts, the prosecution's case against Blanton is highly circumstantial, and Robbins encouraged the jury not to be swayed by the emotional tug of the deaths of Denise McNair, who was 11, and Addie Mae Collins, Carole Robertson, and Cynthia Wesley,

"You're not going to like Tom Blanton," Robbins told the jurors. "He was a loudmouth. He was annoying. He was a segregationist and he ran his mouth about that."

Then he added: "Just because you don't like him and the views he espoused doesn't make him respon-

Blanton, 62, is the second of four longtime suspects to stand trial for the bombing. He could be sentenced to life in prison if he is convicted of the four counts of murder. Only one suspect originally

identified by the FBI, Robert Chambliss, was ever tried. He was convicted in 1977 and died eight years later in prison. A second suspect, Herman Cash, died in 1994 without ever being charged.

Bobby Frank Cherry, another former Klansman, was indicted last year along with Blanton. But a judge ruled that Cherry's trial would be delayed indefinitely because a court-ordered psychiatric evaluation concluded that he was mentally incompetent.

Jones spoke of tape recordings made secretly by a friend of Blanton who had become an FBI informer. "He'll tell you that whenever they went out, almost always, Blanton wanted to drive by the 16th Street Baptist Church," Jones said. "There was an obsession to go by and talk

And years after the bombing, Jones said, a microphone hidden by the FBI in Blanton's kitchen captured him talking about a Klan meeting under a bridge. "You'll hear him say 'the meeting where we planned the bomb," Jones told the

Robbins told the jury it would be unfair to use the trial to right the wrongs of history.

"It's not about closure," he said. "It's not about removing the tarnished image that Birmingham has, or you may feel Birmingham has, because of what happened here in

> - Kevin Sack The New York Times

# Russia:

The city has already endured two rebellions

The soldier then stepped back, lifted his rifle and fired at the ground around her feet while shouting obscenities at her, Khairullayeva and several witnesses

The two students were eventually released, but not before the Russian squad leader leveled his rifle and threatened to shoot at the large crowd of teachers and angry

as Chechen rebels, and masked 150,000 Chechens still living in men who could be on either side, the neighboring region of step up a partisan campaign in Ingushetia to return home. which terror is an increasingly dev- Grozny's population floats astating weapon against civilians.

women before he fled. Grozny's where. deputy prosecutor, Vladimir Moroz, was drinking coffee in a cafe when three men walked in and shot him 20 times. Two Russian ians as another kind of threat. women working for the electric company were gunned down late

wars of rebellion against Moscow so much because of the actions we since 1994, may be the most dan- witness, but because we civilians gerous capital on earth. And are so paralyzed." though the first postwar government of Chechnya is finally taking up residence here, it will have to

face the anger and frustration of a population desperately in need of reconstruction aid and protection.

The mayor of Grozny, Bislan Gantamirov, was recently asked how he was fighting the rebel activity in the city with its alarming tally

of civilian killings. "We don't," he replied. "Such crimes will continue until the police are armed and the government decides who is responsible for the situation in the city."

With 7,000 Russian troops stationed here, the startling reality is that there is almost no law enforcement or security for civilians in Grozny, and this remains the most significant factor in The murder rate is soaring here Moscow's failure to persuade between 90,000 and 190,000 as An unidentified man walked refugees come to pick up pension into the central market last week payments and check on relatives and opened fire, killing three and then return to safety else-

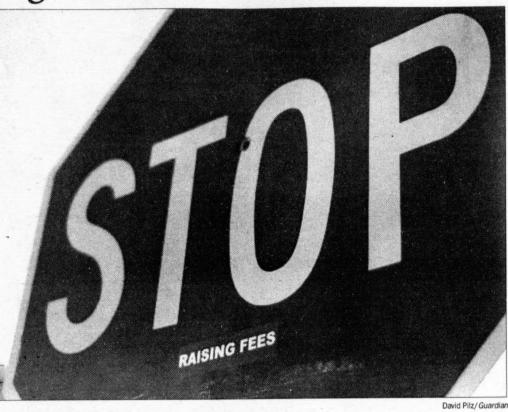
Even when Russian soldiers patrol the city looking for Chechen rebels, they are regarded by civil-

"I can say on the civilian side there is hatred" toward the military, said Vakha Gishlavkayev, a deputy This city, laid to ruin by two rector at Grozny University. "Not

- Patrick E. Tyler

# Signs of Dissent ...

Thursday, April 26, 2001



Fed Up: UCSD Community members angered by the Student Life Fee Referendum posted stickers around campus this week reading "Stop raising fees" and "No raising fees anytime.

had booths set up to inform stu-

dents about the benefits and

Brochard said that the impor

# Earth:

Honda's Hybrid car was featured in the car show

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Insight, a gas-electric hybrid vehi-cle that reportedly gets 70 miles per gallon. Some UCSD organizations

tance of Earth Day is understanding that no one person can single-

importance of recycling.

handedly save the environment, but that every little bit helps.

"The take-home message of Earth Day is that people aren't

there are small things that everyone can do," Brochard said. She enumerated five easy things everyone can do to help conserve

sentative assembly on the status of

UC Merced. The school is scheduled

to open in the year 2004 with 1,000

students and 100 faculty members.

Professor Hugh Mehan and

Marshall College Provost Cecil Lytle

going to change radically, but that

the environment, including using reusable mugs For more information about recycling on campus call the Recycling Center at (858)

# Senate:

UCSD to get money to improve summer school

and colleges are currently working on implementing this plan. Sawrey also informed those in

attendance about recent talks of forsaking the SAT I as a criterion for admission to the University of California. Sawrey mentioned UC

President Richard Atkinson's speech in February to the American Council on Education in Washington, D.C., in which he suggested that standardized tests are not an accurate method of testing academic ability at the collegiate level.

"We don't intend to make a precipitous decision," Sawrey said. "We have to re-examine the question: 'How do we measure the success of UC students?""

Chemistry professor Katja Lindenberg also updated the repre-

each spoke about academic outreach at UCSD. Mehan discussed UCSD's dedication to the recruitment of underrepresented minorities. The Academic Senate has posted the meeting's minutes on its Web site, located at http://www-sen-

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But there has been something of a rebirth at

Operations Managers Mike Kaminsky and Talar Parunyan, with the rest of the SRTV per-

sonnel, have come together to give SRTV a new

SRTV. While most on campus sleep peacefully, the people of SRTV are attempting to create a TV station that students will actually watch and

are mildly entertaining at best.

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The UCSD Guardian

# 3 filmreviews

#### Someone Like You

Thursday, April 26, 2001

Yi Yi

Set in a metropolis with realistic characters who lead troubled, single, professional lives, "Someone Like. You" is a has won a wide array of awards, and it might movie that tries to provide a new twist on

Ashley Judd portrays the main character, Jane Goodale, who delivers a surprisingly believable performance of a woman hurt by men and determined to make sense of their ambiguous nature. There is another surprise with solid performances by Greg Kinnear and Hugh Jackman as the men in Jane's life, and by Marisa Tomei as the emotionally distraught best friend.

Despite all these credible performances by the cast, "Someone Like You" fails to be anything more than another romantic comedy in which a young attractive woman falls for the man who has been right under her nose the whole time.

There is, however, an innovative twist of adding unconventional "scientific theories" and hysterical farm narratives to give the movie a little individual flair. The occasional dreamy musings of Jane, along with the seemingly serious narration on outlandish and humorous subjects, makes the film better than many recent romantic comedies that exist for no reason except to employ good looking actors and parade them around half-naked.

Overall, the hackneyed plot makes this a rather mediocre film, though this can be expected from a film of this genre. However, its occasional humorous and imaginative moments, including the narration and explanation of Jane Goodale's theories about men through analogous cows, makes the film worthwhile if you are in the mood to see a romantic comedy

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You'd think 170 minutes of subtitled Taiwanese might be a bit of a meal. This film take as much as 45 minutes to figure out

It's a good thing this leaves you about 125 minutes for awe and appreciation, because this film is brimming with beauty as it stitches a quilt where the patches are everyday episodes that might not be as everyday as they at first seem.

Birth, love, marriage and death within a family are tangled in a mesh that emphasizes the view of time as circular, a view that is favored by many Asian epistemologies. The casting is superb, and the actors manage to express a huge range of emotions, from Hollywood hysterical sorrow, to dry, situational wit that almost resembles that of British social realist films.

The cinematography of this film must be seen. In a detached way that requires more effort from the audience than does your average Hollywood blockbuster, it paints out the intrigues and passions of the portrayed family in broad, soothing brush strokes.

The action is often shown as reflections or behind reflective surfaces, and the viewer is allowed to peel away the layers as one would peel a succulent fruit. This parallels the rich texture of the family's intertwined stories and emotions.

The film draws toward an unexpected conclusion: a death. One cannot help being overwhelmed by the elegance and ease with which this film copes with the complexity of its own plot. There's nothing to do but lay back and be washed away by this tsunami of

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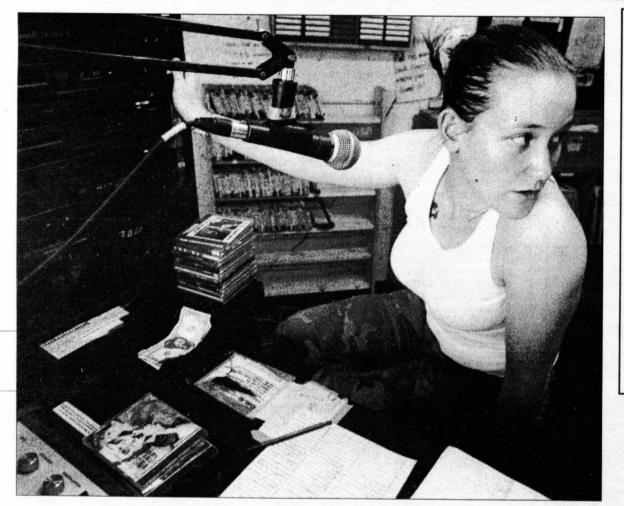


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SRTV and KSDT make their way into the future



KSDT is UCSD's student-run radio station. Residing in the Student Center, it provides many opportunities for music lovers.

KSDT has a lot to offer students and members of the community. At KSDT, one can learn to be a DJ, or learn every aspect of music production in the station's state-of the-art recording studio. The studio has been used extensively to record local and underground music, some of which have even been used on bands'

There are also several departments at KSDT that provide fun and educational opportunities. The station's music department sifts through more than 80 CDs it receives from record labels per week and decides what to add to the station's archives. There are two general music directors, as well as many sub-directors who each review music from one genre. These include the hip-hop director, the electronica director and the metal director, to name a few. Other facets of KSDT include the promo-

tions department, which gets tickets for various

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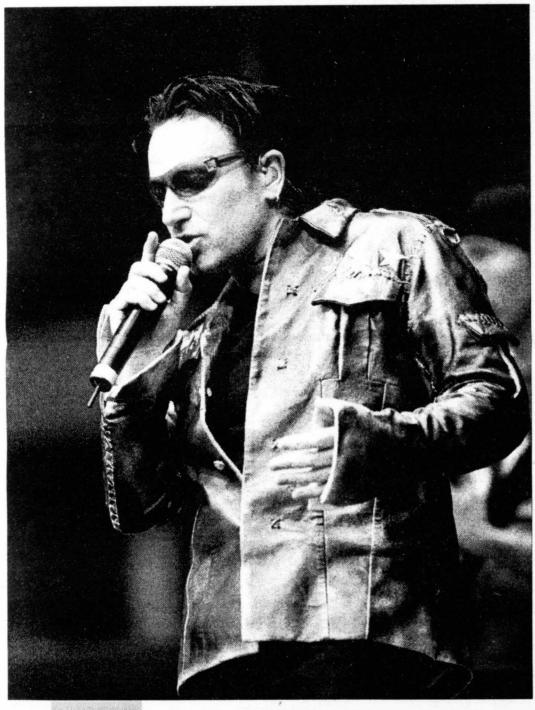
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# Life Stage

UCSD Guardian photographer spends a night with U2 and the Black Eyed Peas











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BRIAN **MOGHADAM** 

# U2 Leave Nothing Behind at the San Diego Sports Arena

Fans are stuck in the moment after U2 brings them back into their hearts in a relatively intimate concert

Thursday, April 26, 2001

If being a rock star was a subject in school, Bono could write the

Clad in leather and sunglasses, Bono worked the crowd like true rock royalty at last Tuesday's U2 concert at the San Diego Sports Arena. The arena was packed with die-hard U2 fans, many of whom have been following the band across the country on their "Eleva-

The stage was set up with a heart-shaped catwalk that extended into the floor, dividing those who were lucky enough to get general admission tickets into two separate sections - inside the heart and

As the crowd lined up waiting for the Sports Arena doors to open, the tension grew and everyone braced themselves for the mad dash to the Sports Arena floor. When the doors opened at 6 p.m., it was hard to tell if it was a U2 concert or the running of the bulls. As soon as the security guard said "go," hundreds of fans flew through the doors to grab the coveted spots "inside the heart" that was reserved for the first 350 people.

Whether you were inside or outside the heart, Tuesday night was still an undeniable spectacle of

opening act, PJ Harvey. Harvey layed an 11-song set from her recent album, "Stories from the City, Stories by the See," along with some old favorites including "Angeline."

When on stage, Harvey is a breathtaking beauty and an amazing musician. While her band was agued by amplifier problems and broken guitar strings toward the end of her set, Harvey seemed unfazed, finishing the set with a smile on her face.

not dimmed when U2 took the stage. Instead, they surprised the audience by just walking on stage rather than making a grand, dramatic entrance. Bono is dramatic enough without creative lighting They played their first song, "Elevation," with the house lights on. Then the lights went off and the

mented by numerous lights and show was toned down from U2's more elaborate ventures, such as Zoo TV and Popmart. The lights beautiful. Each time Bono or The Edge paraded down the catwalk, rom every angle.

U2 played a two-hour set that

hits: "Sunday Bloody Sunday," "One," "With or Without You" and many others. What was so striking to those who were close enough to see the expressions on the band members' faces was how they still seem to

genuinely enjoy being a rock band. During "Sunday Bloody Sunday," drummer Larry Mullen smiled like he was playing the song for the first time, and truly seemed pleased that the crowd was singing every word. Amidst the entire spectacle, it was the small exchanges, the little In unusual form, the lights were smirks and the gestures among the band that were the most memorable

Part of the night was devoted to remembering those who have passed. "Stuck in A Moment You Can't Get Out Of" was dedicated to the band's late friend and INXS lead singer Michael Hutchins. Then, Bono dedicated many songs to Joey Ramone, who passed away Easter Sunday after a long battle with cancer.

Bono, a longtime Ramones admirer, was one of the last people to speak with Joey as he lay in the hospital on Good Friday. In an article written for SonicNet.com, Kurt Loder wrote, "On Sunday, when Mickey [Joey's brother] and his mother got a call from the hospital to come in, Mickey brought a copy

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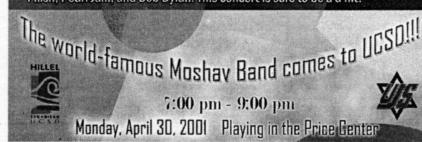


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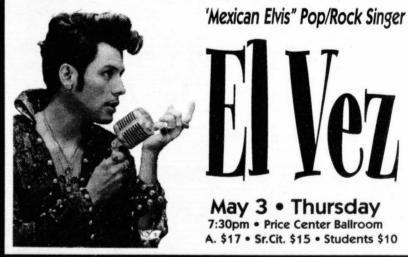
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# U2:

Dedications mades to Joey Ramone and twins

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of the current U2 album, 'All That You Can't Leave Behind,' and slipped the CD into a little boom box in Joey's room. The track he played was Bono's own 'In a Little While.' When the song came to an end, Joey was gone."

The most charming moment of the night was during the song "One," when Bono altered the lyrics slightly to "three sisters, two brothers," acknowledging a set of blond-haired sisters and two adorable red-headed twin brothers in the front row.

While the rest of the arena could not see the siblings near the stage, Bono smiled like it was an inside joke - something to be shared between him and those sisters and brothers who will probably have smiles on their faces for weeks.

The "Elevation" tour must give U2 a sense of redemption after their disappointing Popmart tour. This time around, they are playing to sold-out arenas of screaming, adoring fans who came from places as far as Ireland to see their hometown heroes.

This tour proves that bigger is not always better. The band has left behind the circus of Popmart and Zoo TV, and are instead giving their fans a bare-boned rock show. U2 proved that there is still a place for rock music, and fans will turn out to see a band that after all these years still manages to move us in mysterious ways.

# **SRTV:**

Times are changing for student television

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"We are asking everyone to think of this as year one at SRTV," Kaminsky said. "This is the first year we've had the funding and the personnel to transform our studio into a legitimate college television station.'

SRTV is technically not a student organization. Rather, it is a service of the Associated Students. SRTV was originally created in 1996 as an offshoot of KSDT with a grant from the A.S. Council.

But times are changing, and SRTV is ready to stake a claim in

"We are expanding our show line up," Parunyan said. "While we traditionally did music and 'couch' talk shows, you will see more political shows, more comedy-style sketches and definitely more coverage of events on campus."

SRTV's new endeavor is to report on every A.S. event next year, as well as giving exclusive interviews with bands that perform on campus and other features to the students.

SRTV's staff also wants to provide more coverage for sports teams on campus, as well as for events put on by other student organizations. SRTV has already been sighted at Round Table during the A.S. election results and in the Price Center dur

ing the "Take Back the Night" event. "We encourage any organization to come to us and we'll help them promote their event for free," Parun-

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# **Movies:**

Elegance of Yi Yi handles a complex plot

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"Yi Yi" is directed by Edward Yang, and we can only hope and pray that he'll send more of this our way. This film is on at the Ken in Hillcrest, and for a very short time only, so schedule in those three hours before it's too late.

- Liss Anda

# SRTV: SRTV plans to film and sponser more events

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SRTV will also take on a new role, that of being an organization that sponsors events. These savvy TV kids were behind the recent listening party for Radiohead's new album, and a hard-core punk rock concert on the UCSD campus is in the works.

Whether you like it or not, SRTV is growing and finding more exposure on campus.

"In just one year, our membership has grown from four members to 40," Kaminsky boasted. "We are actually getting new members every -week, and I think this is because people are realizing that we are a place to come to where you can learn things that will actually help you for the future."

"We also want to focus on helping people who are interested in the entertainment industry," Kaminsky continued. "There are very few classes on campus that allow you to learn digital editing, but we have the cameras, computers and staff to train anyone who's interested. We've also been working with the big networks to get people who work at the station ernships and jobs."

SRTV was able to get new equipment due to an increased budget, and that has allowed the station to do two-camera shoots along with special effects and mixed audio.

Kaminsky gives credit to the administration for the increase in support and equipment.

The administration has been extremely supportive of our new direction, and we definitely wouldn't be able to improve if it weren't for them," he said

So consider this the dawning of a new age for SRTV. It has always been underrated but is coming back

We want SRTV to feel more like a college TV station that's unbounded by traditional rules of network TV, which allows its viewers to participate and be unafraid to take a stand on issues," Kaminsky said.

except the students, of course."

expect to see SRTV on your local cable access channel. A conscientious decision was made not to expand its reach off campus due to enough, channel 18 won't be limitations of what people could say and do on the air.

"There was also a movement to nerate more revenue to the station by selling ads to corporations," Kaminsky said. "But we shot that down because, again, we didn't want to answer to any higher power,

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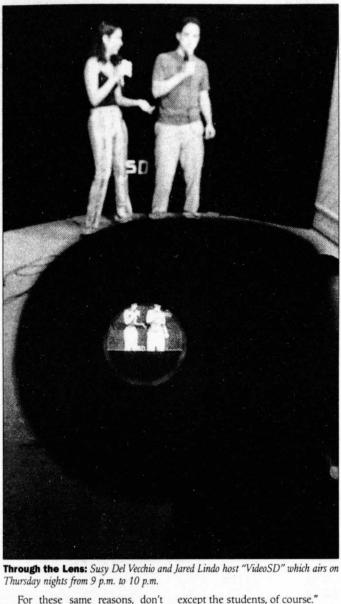
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# KSDT:

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concerts and events for on-air giveaways, the news department and

More than anything, KSDT is here to broaden the musical tastes of its listeners and members. Its music policy is that no mainstream music is allowed to be played on the air. Basically, if you hear it on 91X, it won't be played at the sta-

"There is already a forum for those kinds of styles," said Brian Brick, one of KSDT's music direc-

"We try to expose interesting and new music that people haven't heard," said Jeff Pease, general manager of Student Cable Works.

When KSDT Operations Manager Lynne Baczynski first came to the station her sophomore year, she knew nothing about any of the bands in KSDT's giant

"There was so much music out there that I didn't know about," she

By having a radio show and talking to others at the station, Baczynski said she has learned about the variety of excellent underground music out there.

The variety of shows at KSDT reflects the station's immense breadth of music selection. There are two types of shows at the station: variety shows and specialty

Variety shows are 50 percent feature-play music, which includes new music that has been added to the archives within the past two months, and 10 percent new-add, which is old music that has recent-



Lots of Vinyls: Jeff Pease, general manager of Student Cable Works, looks through KSDT's vault of vinyls. KSDT receives dozens of albums every week.

the DJ. Specialty shows are shows with themes, which range from blues to reggae to metal to news talk shows.

Unfortunately, KSDT does not have an FM transmitter, which makes it hard to listen to. San Diego's airwaves are full because they are shared with high-powered stations based in Mexico, which leaves little room for small, nonprofit radio stations. Recently, there was the prospect

of getting a low-power FM trans-

mitter that would broadcast

throughout an approximate fivemile radius. The idea was discarded because of legal issues. The past few years have been pivotal for the station. In addition to broadcasting on cable radio (95.7 Cox Cable FM), KSDT broadcasts on SRTV from 10 a.m.

streaming MP3. When KSDT first started broadcasting over the Internet, it was through RealPlayer, but new

to 6 p.m. and over the Internet via

ly been added to the station. What software would have been too constitutes the remainder is up to expensive. The station then moved to Webradio.com, which eventually imposed too many rules. KSDT switched to streaming MP3 because the technology is free and there are fewer regula-

> KSDT is currently in a time of transition. Station Advisor Randy Woodard, who always fought hard to get what the station needed, retired this year. Also, many of the directors will not be coming back in the fall and there are a lot of positions to fill.

You'll find that KSDT is a very welcoming place and encourages everyone to come in, whether it is to get involved with the station or merely to sit and listen and hang out. Creativity is encouraged and the station always welcomes new ideas for shows. KSDT needs new, eager people who love music to get

According to Baczynski, "Being part of KSDT has been one of the best things I've gotten out of col-

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# Men's Water Polo Heading for the Deep End

Five members of a very successful water polo team that reached the 2000 finals will be graduating

Associate Sports Editor

The UCSD men's water polo team is bidding adieu to five key performers - five hard working players who were instrumental in the team's success over the last few seasons and who will be missed when the squad hits the pool next

Their accomplishments and contributions to the Triton polo program are vast, including crucial performances en route to this season's Cinderella run to the finals. It can be said that Canyonview pool will seem a little bit emptier now that Jason Boettner, Eric Rosen, Glenn Busch, Kenny Woodruff and Justin Wylie have swam off into the

Wylie was one of coach Denny Harper's main scorers, tallying 27 goals last season on 63 shots. He also had 16 assists, 25 steals and was the team's No. 1 two-meter defender, despite a shoulder injury

that plagued him down the stretch. "Wylie had a phenomenal career here, and really emerged as a key player for us," Harper said. "He had so many big plays and big moments, despite a pretty significant injury. He never whined about to have to score more goals, but it, he was just a tough kid. It's going even I didn't think he'd go out for to be hard to have someone like Justin out of the program, because he had this way of keeping everyone loose and having a good time, which is something every success-

Boettner, the team's co-captain, has been one of Harper's main weapons during his four-year tenure on the UCSD polo team. His statistics for the 2000 season reflect his dominance in the pool. He scored a whopping 43 goals on 91 shots, while compiling 40 assists and 42 steals during the season.

"I don't even want to think about Jason not playing," Harper said. "His presence was missed











Bye: Triton water polo seniors (from left to right) Jason Boettner, Glenn Busch, Eric Rosen, Kenny Woodruff and Justin Wylie will no longer be with the team.

during his redshirt year, when he concentrated on swimming. Harper said that Boettner was a

asure to coach. "He's one of the very few guys that I've had in my program who can play an entire water polo game and not get tired," he said. "Jason, in my mind, represents your oldschool, hard-nosed athlete. He was beyond coachable, and had such a huge senior season. I told him before the season that he was going

five goals against USC in the NCAA semifinal." Harper noted that Boettner's presence transcends the mere confines of the pool.

"If I had to rope in some guys to go on a mission to rescue a family member in Cambodia, Jason is one of the first guys I'd pick, no ques-

heard around Canyonview Pool,

"It is going to be tough to fill his spot, but I'm happy to say that I'll be able to say the Boettner name around the pool for four more

has committed to UCSD, which is kind of cool," Harper said.

Busch has been coach Harper's brick wall in the cage, logging 71 quarters of action in the 2000 season alone. His goaltending was sharp enough to come up with 150 saves and allow only 121 goals for a

"If I had to rope in some guys to go on a mission to rescue a family member in Cambodia, Jason is one of the first guys I'd pick, no

> - Denny Harper UCSD men's water polo coach

The family name will still be 6.82 average. He also picked up eight assists and 11 steals during

"Busch was a local kid, out of Poway, who had a great career," Harper said. "He definitely saved his best for last; he got progressiveyears because his brother Travis ly better each year. He was not a

huge guy but was all about angles and reading the shooters. He had a solid senior year. He didn't have any real breakout games, although his game against USC was pretty huge. His performance, though, especially in the second half of the season, made all the difference in the world."

Woodruff is another quality player that is leaving the squad this year. He had a strong 2000 season, boasting a .500 scoring average, with 14 goals on 28 attempts. He also had 12 assists and 25 steals for the Tritons this year.

Woodruff brought maturity to the squad, according to Harper.

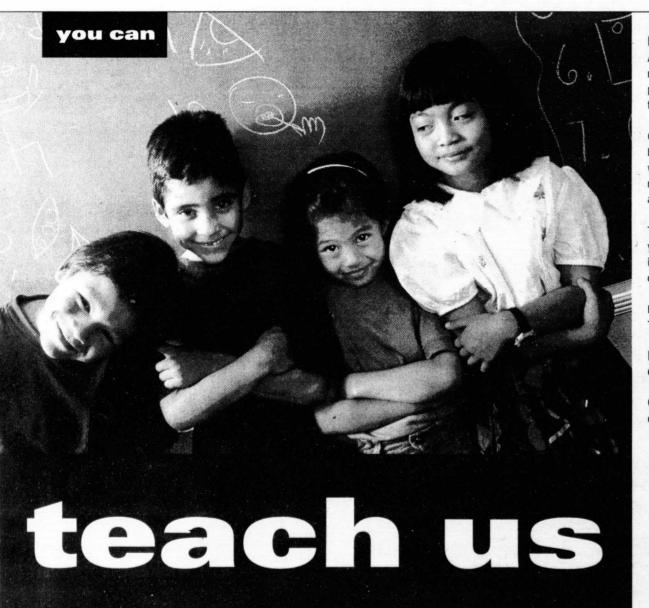
"He came in specifically to bring in some leadership," Harper said. "He emerged his junior season as a significant person off of the bench, and if it wasn't for his individual performance in the championship me we wouldn't have beat Air Force. His senior year, he saw a lot more minutes and was willing to. accept his role for the good of the team. He was a big part of the whole formula of having the winning season."

Rosen has also played a solid role for the Tritons during his

this year due to a controversial NCAA ruling that ended his eligibility. He had five goals on 12 shots last season for UCSD and notched 12 assists and 25 steals.

"Every team has guys that might not get big minutes but make an impact," Harper said. "He was hurt by the obscure NCAA ruling, which in a word, sucked, and which really took the wind out of Eric. But despite that, he never missed workouts, and he was a big, strong left-hander who brought a real maturity to the team. He has done incredibly well academically and had as much to do with our championship season as anyone else. I have a huge amount of respect for him and the role he accepted for this year to be a championship year."

The water polo program will miss the play of these athletes when they commence their 2001 leadership, both in and out of the pool, were invaluable to the squad



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# **UCSDIGUESPORTS**

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The UCSD A team gave up a stingy four points for the entire tournament. The A team smashed disc team had a successful showing at the Southern California the B team and UCLA 13-0 each. Sectionals last weekend. The A Against Claremont, the UCSD A team finished second and the B squad was victorious, 13-1. Santa team finished fourth.

The high finishes were no surprise, as UCSD has placed in the top three spots in almost all of its tournaments this season.

The A team knocked off UCLA and Cal Poly Pomona to face their buddies, the B team, and had an easy win again.

The A team hit a road block in the form of rival UC Santa Barbara. Jeff Bartels and Mike Long played well for UCSD, but the team eventually lost, placing second in the tournament.

The B team picked up four wins and only two losses during the tournament.

Next up for UCSD is the important regionals, which will be held at home in two weeks. UCSD, UCSB and the University of Colorado will fight over two

# WOWEN'S

The UCSD's women's ultimate A team tore through competition at the Southern California Sectionals last weekend.

The A team beat UC Santa Barbara, Claremont, UCLA and the UCSD B team en route to

serious threat, with the UCSD A squad winning 7-3. The B team did upset UCLA's A team to take fourth overall. The squad was lead by stars

four victories and the tourna-

Barbara proved to be the only

Stephanie Jong and Alicia White. Next up for UCSD is the regionals, at home the first week

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- Compiled by Robert Fulton, Sports Editor



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# Water Polo Downs Irvine

Next up for the Tritons are the WWPA Championship this weekend

The UCSD women's water polo team won one and lost one this weekend on the road.

For the first game, the Tritons squeaked by UC Irvine, 7-6. UCSD held a 6-3 lead after three quarters. The Anteaters

notched three points in the final period, but UCSD held off the threat with a goal of its own.

Emma Kudritzki logged a hat

trick for UCSD, and Samara Silverman, Maris Bantilan-Smith, Erin Welsh and Renae Coulter each

contributed with a score. Triton goalkeeper Megan Hubbs saved nine shots.

It was a different story for the

Tritons against powerhouse University of Southern California. The Trojans won in a laugher, 18-1.

The game was 11-1 in favor of the home team after three periods, which went on to score seven more goals in the fourth for the blowout.

Erin Welsh scored the lone goal for UCSD, and Hubbs picked up four saves.

This weekend is of the utmost importance, as the Tritons participate in the Women's Western Water Polo Association Championships. UCSD will be hosting the event, which runs from Friday to Sunday. The Tritons are the third seed and the championship game will be at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday. The conciliation game will be at 12:30 p.m. the same day.

# **Tennis:**

Team falls to arch rival UC Davis

difference.

Going into the match, LaPlante and her team were worried about Cal State Los Angeles' top player, Tammy Encina. That fear was warranted as Encina won her match at No. 1 singles against Lyndsey Tadlock and also won at No. 1 doubles with partner Vivian Yee.

But just like in the match against Point Loma, the Tritons won all the other contests and cruised to victory. In fact, no Triton gave up a set in any match other then the ones at No. 1.

To LaPlante, the win was expected, and that is why she kept her best player out.

"[We] kept [O'Neil] out again because we knew we could win without her and were trying to give her some extra days to rest and just hit a little," LaPlante said. "We were disappointed in the performance of the No. 1 doubles team, but everyone else played great."

Under the looming threat of to beat the Tritons in CCAA play in rain, the Tritons took the court against Grand Canyon University on Saturday. Because it looked like the courts would soon be drenched, it was agreed that as soon as one team clinched the match, the rest of the match ups would be canceled.

This arrangement worked out for the Tritons, winning the first five points for a 5-0 win.

The Tritons swept the doubles competition with no team losing more than four games. Particularly impressive were Jansen and Mary Hung at No. 3 doubles. The duo cruised to a 8-0 victory.

In singles, Hung won 6-1, 6-0 at No. 5, and Stephanie Moriarty won 6-1, 6-4 at No. 4, giving the Tritons

LaPlante was particularly impressed with the play of her doubles teams.

"We played excellent in doubles and swept them," LaPlante said. "The No. 1 doubles team came out with a different attitude, and it showed. All the doubles played very

The win set up a rematch with the UC Davis Aggies, the only team

the regular season. The Tritons performed better this time around against Davis, but it was not enough, as they were dealt a 6-3 loss.

The Aggies took two of the three doubles sets. Only the No. 3 duo of Hung and Jansen were able to pull out a victory.

In singles, Hung and Jansen were also the only Tritons to earn victories. Jansen won a tough three-set match at No. 3 singles 5, 2-6, 6-3, while Hung dominated at No. 6 singles 6-2, 6-2. No other

Tritons were able to even win a set. Also announced last week were the CCAA All-Conference teams. The first team included Tritons Liao, Jansen and Westerman. Tadlock was named to the second team.

Next up for the Tritons is the Ojai Tournament, which will determine the All-American teams as well as the Division II individua

From there, UCSD goes on to the NCAA regionals May 4 to May 6. If they perform well there, they will move on to nationals the follow ing weekend to finish up the year.

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# SPORTS



# Don't Put Stock in Bonds



#### ISAAC PEARLMAN

ack in the day, when I was a fresh-faced, innocent, doe-eyed high school lad (okay, actually a few years ago) my baseball coach once told everyone on my team to write an inspirational quote on the bill of our baseball hats. The quote I chose was "Adversity causes some men to break; others to break records," by William A. Ward.

records," by William A. Ward.

Last week in baseball, a record was broken by Barry Bonds, who hit his fifth home run in as many games to hit the 500 home run milestone for his career. To top it all off, Bonds' 500th was an absolute bomb into the murky waters of the San Francisco Bay. With a distance ranging anywhere from 415 feet to 450 feet, it could be the longest 500th home run ever. Such is the stuff legends are made of.

And Bonds, colossal prick that he is (this is coming from a die-hard Giants fan), deserves our respect and admiration for his amazing physical accomplishment. Though his ego may be the size of that giant glove in Pac Bell Stadium, he is a helluva baseball player and athlete (the two aren't always synonymous).

But Bonds does not deserve to be a sports idol, for he is sorely lacking in those small, intangible aspects of being an athlete that add up to the difference between a great athlete and a sports legend. He has a poor attitude, he's a prick, he doesn't run out ground balls, he's surly to both the press and his teammates, he's a prick and he's watched what he thought was a home run bounce of the wall for a 300-foot single enough times for me to scream, "Run, you bastard!" at every weak fly ball he hits.

nome run bounce of the wall for a 300-foot single enough times for me to scream, "Run, you bastard!" at every weak fly ball he hits.

My point here is that while today's athletes can perform amazing athletic feats in their respective sports, many of them should not be idolized, due to the rampant number of oversized egos and undersized personalities among superstars today.

These supersized egos are due in some part to society, which has begun to market individuals over teams, which in turn has caused fans to support players instead of teams.

Fan support has swelled athletes' egos to the size of Good Year blimps and given them the notion that they can do just about anything, including break the law. And the media looks right past the jail record.

If you ever want to view the man whom I consider to be a sports idol, take a look at Cal Ripken Jr. He plays his hardest every game and set the record for consecutive games played a couple of years ago. His numbers alone ought to make him a first-ballot hall-of-famer. But more than that, he's a humble man who didn't have that much to say even when the national spotlight was on him. In the end, there are athletes a lot worse than Bonds, who isn't snorting cocaine or driving drunk (or at least not getting caught). He would just rather be lazy and not utilize his whole potential. Prick.

# No One to Play With



**Lonely:** The UCSD women's lacrosse team was set to rumble with the University of Arizona at home on Sunday, but since the Wildcats did not show, UCSD was forced to conduct a practice. There was other club action, see Club Sports on Page 19.

# **Three Wins For Triton Tennis**

UCSD women down PLNU, CSULA and Grand Canyon University

By BILL BURGER

Senior Staff Writer

Meatloaf said two out of three ain't bad, which means that the UCSD women's tennis team should be extatic with its three wins and one loss last week against Point Loma Nazarene University and in California Collegiate Athletic Association tournament competition.

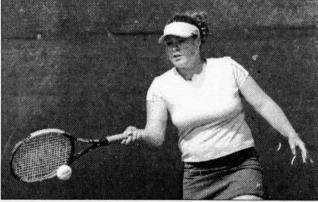
The Tritons started out the week with an easy victory over Point Loma on Wednesday. The 7-2 win was even more impressive considering the fact that Triton No. 1 player Ashley O'Neil was out because of a hip flexor injury. O'Neil protection in only one of the Tritone' protection was because of the Tritone' protection.

of the Tritons' matches last week.

Although every team has to focus on the task at hand, the Tritons were obviously looking ahead to the conference tournament later that week.

"As far as Point Loma, there is not that much to say," said head coach Liz LaPlante. "It was a tune-up for conference."

Up top, Point Loma was strong. It took the No. 1 doubles proset and also took the No. 1



David Pilz/ Guardian

Swing: The Tritons Julie Westerman hits the ball in a match earlier this year.

singles match when UCSD's Melisa Liao fell to Anna Sieczka in three sets.

However, that was all that Point Loma could muster. The Tritons were forced to pull out two three-set wins at No. 3 and No. 4 singles by Kristina Jansen and Julie Westerman respectively, but all the other Tritons rolled over their opponents easily.

UCSD then traveled north to

UCSD then traveled north to Pomona to participate in the CCAA Championship Tournament. After posting victories over Cal State Los Angeles and Grand Canyon University, UCSD fell 6-3 in the finals to its arch-nemesis, UC Davis.

UCSD entered the CCAA Championship Tournament on a high note and continued to ride roughshod with a 7-2 victory over Cal State Los Angeles on Friday. Again, it was the depth of the Tritons that proved to be the

See TENNIS, Page 19

#### Local Action:

The UCSD women's water polo team will be competing in the Western Water Polo Association Championships this weekend at home at Canyon View Pool. The finals are Sunday at 1:30 p.m., the conciliation game will be at 12:30 p.m.

# Triton Softball Gears Up

Every game is important after three wins in Tournament

By ROBERT FULTON

Sports Editor

The UCSD softball team needed to kick some butt at last weekend's 2001 Mountain Dew Softball Classic at Cal State Bakersfield.

Classic at Cal State Bakersfield.
Unfortunately, the Tritons did not win the tournament, but with a 3-2 record over the weekend, they showed that they can hang with the best of them.

"That's what our conference is about," said UCSD head coach Patti Gerckens. "Any team can beat you on any given day."

The tournament featured 10 schools, eight of them California Collegiate Athletic Association schools, including the Tritons. The other two schools were Western New Mexico University and Western Washington University.

UCSD fell in the semi-finals 1-0 against the host school Cal State Bakersfield. The Roadrunners' pitcher Erin Kelly tossed a three-hitter to stifle the Tritons.

The loss came as a shock since UCSD dominated Bakersfield 7-3 on the first day of the tournament. Leea Harlan picked up the win for the Tritons in that contest. She also helped her own cause by launching a home run. Christina Searing slammed a homer as well

a home run. Christina Searing slammed a homer as well.

"We just hit the ball when we played Bakersfield the first time and the second time we didn't," Gerckens said. "We didn't capitalize on opportunities. They did. We made one mistake defensively. They scored."

The other two Triton victories came 5-0 against Western Washington and 2-0 over Cal State Stanislaus.

UCSD's other loss was 4-1 to Cal State Dominguez Hills.

"We had come to win the tournament," Gerckens said. "You always go in planning to win the tournament. After beating Bakersfield 7-3, I felt that we had a good shot at winning it."

Two Tritons, Harlan and Searing, made the All-Tournament Team.

"Christina just really exploded over the weekend," Gerckens said. "She came through with big hits and she's a gamer. We have three more weeks and I think she's going to start hitting even better."

The team hopes to fire on all cylinders the next couple of weeks.

"Hopefully there will be a bigger and better tournament in the future that we'll do better in," Gerckens said.

The "tournament" the coach is alluding to, of course, are the playoffs. The Tritons are contenders for a berth in the postseason.

"That's what we're hoping for and we're hoping we learned from this tournament," Gerckens said.

Now, every game is important for UCSD.

This weekend, the Tritons will hit the road to face Cal State San Bernardino on Saturday at noon. On Sunday, the Tritons return home to host Western New Mexico at 1 p.m.