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Fox Confronts Complexities of Governing Mexico

MEXICO CITY — Five months into his term as the first opposition president of Mexico in 71 years, Vicente Fox is learning that presidencies made by democracy can also be battered by them.

In recent weeks, Fox has watched a politically divided — but defiantly independent — Mexican Congress redesign the Indian rights bill, one of his most important political initiatives. The president had hoped the bill would move the government closer to

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National

Ailing Companies Find Help in Stock Deals, but With Risks

LOS ANGELES — Locked in a costly lawsuit with a big pharmaceutical company, Igen International was within a few months of running out of cash earlier this year. And with biotechnology stocks falling, there seemed little chance of raising money by selling more shares to the public.

But Igen was helped in February by a little known New York investment fund called Acqua Wellington, which agreed

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Collegiate

U.S. Census Finds Whites a Minority in Many Cities

COLUMBIA, Mo. — Many cities, including St. Louis, no longer have a white majority, according to 2000 U.S. census data.

Whites have lost their majority status largely due to the increasing Hispanic populations.

Berube also said the trend of increasing Hispanic populations spans the United States.

The growth is especially pronounced in coastal cities such as New York, Los Angeles and San Francisco.

"Cities act as a leading indicator of change across the U.S.," Berube said.

— The Maneater

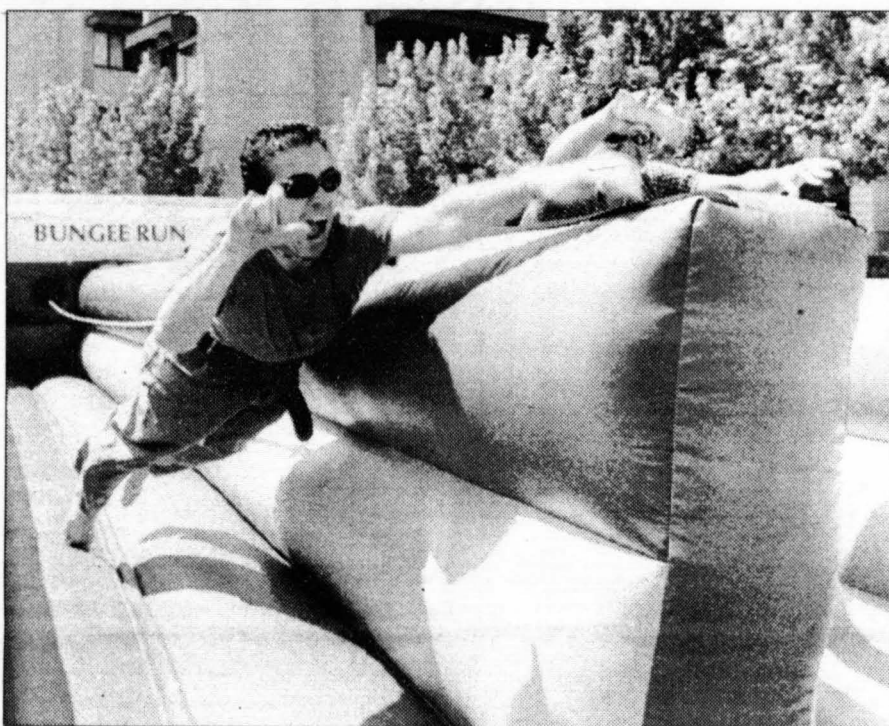
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"I don't need the small amount of money Tia Molly's makes; I have rich kids."

— Molly Lee

Retiring owner of Tia Molly

A Dive Ahead...



Rebecca Drexler / Guardian

Superman: Roosevelt freshman Patrick Bagan, competes against Warren freshman Soheil Attari in the Bungee Run and Wednesday's Ford Focus event Califormopia.

LGBTQA Hosts 'Out' Rally

Students spoke during "Out and Proud Week"

By **STEVE LEHTONEN**

Staff Writer

Students gathered in the Price Center on Monday to kick off UCSD's "Out and Proud Week."

Students stepped up to speak during an open microphone session, addressing the need for acceptance of the homosexual, bisexual and transgender community.

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Resource Office is sponsoring the events this week.

Marshall senior David Kim expressed the dual purposes of the week's events.

"The 'Out and Proud Week' is not only a time for the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Association to express their experience with coming out, but also for straight people who aren't so narrow-minded to speak up in situations when their peers say things that are homophobic and to not let things slide," Kim said.

Kim classified these people as "straight, but

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A.S. Seeks Input for Committee

Forums held for ideas on new fee referendum

By **ED WU**

Staff Writer

The new A.S. Council met with students in two open forums to brainstorm ideas on forming a committee to create a new fee referendum for student services.

The second forum was held Tuesday; the first was held Friday of fifth week.

Facing a freeze on increases in spending and severe funding cuts for the 2001-2002 school year, members of student organizations such as the Food Co-op, sports club teams, KSDT and the college councils came together to voice their opinions, debating whether a representative structure or consensus was the best way to handle the formation of next year's referendum.

In light of the recent defeat of this year's Campus Life Fee Referendum, A.S. President Jeff Dodge called the first meeting to discuss a way in which a committee could be formed that was more representative of the opinions of the student body at large. The goal was to eventually garner the necessary support for a fee increase.

"A lot of people took issue with the fact that the structure of the [previous] committee was decided completely by the administration," said A.S. Commissioner of Services and Enterprises Colin Parent.

As a result, debate at the meeting centered on what would be the most effective way to represent the concerns of all students affected by a fee increase.

Due to the representational voting nature of the previous committee, many present found the meetings harsh and divided.

"We have the majority, therefore we can

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Tia Molly to Close Due to Retirement

Family-run restaurant was built on tradition of customer service

By **CARLAN WENDLER**

Staff Writer

Tia Molly, a fixture in the Price Center since 1989, will close its burrito station and grills this summer when its owner and chief of operations, Molly Lee, retires.

The story of Tia Molly does not start with her move to UCSD 12 years ago. Her first restaurant venture, Chung King Loh in Solana Beach, was a great success for Lee in the '80s. The family-run business had the opportunity to expand to San Diego State University and the San Diego airport at around the same time as it opened in the Price Center, but Lee turned down these opportunities each time they came up.

"I did not like all the politics [of the airport site], and the students are different over [at SDSU]," Lee said.

• Lee sold the space now occupied by Wok's Up, changed the name of the restaurant from Chung King Loh to Tia Molly, and moved into its current space because of the business' rapid growth.

"We needed more space," Lee said. "So we replaced Taco Bell."

The interesting blend of flavors, ranging from Peruvian rotisserie chicken to moo-shoo burritos, distinguishes Tia Molly from the franchise and corporate residents on either side of it.

"I care about the customers," Lee said. "That's why I serve the

vegetarian food. We have a personal knowledge of our people. When I see a certain professor coming, I know he likes mushrooms, so we make him a mushroom burrito. When I see this guy coming, I know he's allergic to onions and garlic, so we make a special burrito for him."

Such concern for the well-being of her customers has characterized the Lee's philosophy throughout her years here. When asked what her marketing strategy was by the 10-person panel that approved new ventures in the Price Center food court, Lee recalled her reply: "What's a market[ing] strategy? We just want to offer quality food that the students can afford."

The quality of the restaurant is usually attributed to Lee, but she is quick to credit her partners "Uncle" and Sophia Fong. Uncle Fong takes care of the cooking and Sophia assumes the business role, manning the cash registers, keeping up with cleaning and other duties.

Molly considers herself the "fighter," ensuring that her employees succeed in life and do not catch any flak from administration.

Though Tia Molly has never been able to pay its employees the highest wages (the founders still work for around \$6 per hour), Molly has been able to give big

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EVENTS

Thursday, May 10

Author Appearance:
Ross Frank

Ross Frank, a professor of ethnic studies at UCSD, will appear at Groundwork Books at 4:30 p.m. to discuss his book, "From Settler to Citizen: The New Mexican Economic Development and the Creation of Vecino Society, 1750-1820." The event is free and open to the public. For more information call (858) 452-9625.

Saturday, May 12

Party: LGBT+
Non-Sexist Dance

The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Association will sponsor the dance, which will take place at 9 p.m. at the Stage at Porter's Pub in the Student Center. The event is free and open to the public, including people of all sexual orientations. For more information call (858) 534-4297.

Monday, May 14

Author Appearance:
Elwyn R. Berlekamp

Elwyn Berlekamp, author of The Dots-and-Boxes Game: Sophisticated Child's Play will appear at the UCSD Bookstore at noon on the first floor to discuss her book. The book argues that this children's game is deceptively simple and can serve as the basis for understanding mathematical game theory. The event is free and open to the public. For more information call (858) 534-7306.

Molly:

Owner hopes her legacy of
service will continue

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Christmas bonuses and connect students with jobs for the summer.

She expressed gratitude toward the students of the university for making her time here so pleasant.

The question of what she will do with herself after what she calls an "honorable retirement" was met only with her ready chuckle.

"I'll be a lady of leisure," she said. "I still want to be a local hostess. Students can come walk with me on Del Mar beach. I'll enjoy my home more."

Her reasons for retirement are straight-forward as she tells them, but veiled in explicit detail. She is too old, she said, to continue the hard work of running a restaurant.

"I don't need the small amount of money Tia Molly's makes; I have rich kids," Lee said with a grin.

There was sadness in her voice as she described leaving.

"We are not getting shut down, because we are still doing OK," she said. "But the university didn't support us. They don't look at what we do for the students."

The replacement restaurant will be chosen by students later this year. Though most freshmen have offered suggestions like In-N-Out Burger or Baja Fresh, many upper-classmen have captured Tia Molly's vision for eating at Price Center.

A Marshall senior said, "I want another independent, family-run restaurant, not fast food and not a corporation."

For herself, Tia Molly just wants someone who will care about students. Though her investment in the student body of UCSD will not be easily replaced, she hopes that the flavor Tia Molly brought to Price Center dining will linger on the palates of staff and students alike.

ETCETERA

Rice n' Vice

BY KENRICK LEUNG



BRIEFLY

Scripps Professor Wins Rosenstiel Award

Scripps Institution of Oceanography research oceanographer and professor Lynne Talley has been chosen as a recipient of the 25th annual Rosenstiel Award.

The award is given by the University of Miami's Rosenstiel School of Marine and Atmospheric Science and honors scientists and researchers for outstanding contributions to the marine science field.

Talley, who is an expert on midlatitude air-sea interaction processes, focuses her research on large-scale ocean circulation.

Among the reasons for her selection for the award is her role in the international World Ocean Circulation Experiment and for ensuring its legacy.

Talley's other honors include her selection as a National Science Foundation Presidential Young Investigator in 1987 and her membership in the American Geophysical Union, the American Meteorology Society and the Oceanography Society.

Jacobs School of Engineering
Names Industry Exec of Year

UCSD's Jacobs School of Engineering named Todd Gutschow, John Mutch and Robert North from HNC Software and Scott McClendon from Overland Data, Inc. as Outstanding Executives at the school's Annual Recognition Banquet, held Friday.

The award honors executives who have demonstrated innovation and community service.

In addition to the Outstanding Executive Award, the school also honored UCSD engineering alumni who have gone on to excel in the field with the Outstanding Alumnus Awards.

Rick Kornfeld, who graduated in 1982 and now works as manager of Texas Instruments' San Diego Wireless Center, and John Brooks, who graduated in 1971 and is president and CEO of the National Action Council for Minorities in Engineering, received those awards.

Other award recipients included Mihrimah Ozkan, who won the Graduate Student Research Award. Karmina Bustamante, Doc Khaleghi and James Nielsen received the Jacobs School Undergraduate Leadership Award.

Kenneth and Dorothy Hills
Recognized for Donations

University of California President Richard C. Atkinson presented an honorary citation to Kenneth and Dorothy Hill on Monday for their significant contributions to libraries in the UC system.

The Hills' most recent contribution to the UC libraries was a donation of \$95,000, which covered the acquisition of the 500,000th book acquired by Berkeley's Bancroft Library and the 30 millionth book acquired by the UC system.

Atkinson said that the breadth of the UC library system is rivaled only by the Library of Congress.

In addition to their monetary contributions to UC libraries, the Hills have also endowed fellowship funds to support UC graduate students.

UC's Atkinson Announces
Clark Kerr Lecture Series

University of California President Richard C. Atkinson announced Monday the creation of the Clark Kerr Lecture series, which will focus on the role of higher education in society.

The series is designed to honor Kerr, who was the university's president from 1958 to 1967. Kerr is currently president emeritus of the university.

Recipients of the series will give lectures at one or more UC campuses and will then submit manuscripts of the material for publication. After recipients submit a manuscript, they will visit the Center for Studies of Higher Education at UC Berkeley for one semester to research further.

UCSD to Co-sponsor
College Funding Workshop

UCSD, in partnership with the California Student Opportunity Access Program, will sponsor "College: The Affordable Dream" on May 19. It is a free workshop intended to elucidate the various methods of obtaining money for college.

July Rose, an education consultant, Douglas Luffborough, a motivational speaker, and Mery Lopez Gallo, a community service director, will speak and answer questions at the workshop, which will be held at 10 a.m. at the Malcolm X Library.

To confirm attendance, contact Michael Dabney at (858) 822-3432.

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Forum:

Students seek to create a more
representative committee

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continue," makes for a hostile environment," Dodge said, remarking on the fact that a number of votes on the committee ended up being split 11-6. "It's difficult to get a correct representation."

The general consensus was that those represented on the previous committee were the most active students at UCSD, and thus the most likely to favor expansion of student fees to increase funding for programs in which they have vested interests.

"It's important for people who are not involved with anything to come to the meetings," Parent said.

He also noted that many of those affected would be the least active students, who would see little potential benefit in raising their fees to support services and organizations they do not use.

"The problem is in the demographics—the colleges get five reps, but where do low-income people come in?" said Gordon Chang, a member of the UCSD Green Party. "They might be working when the committee meets."

Chang mentioned the fact that those on the committee have a vested interest in raising fees, a sentiment not necessarily shared by the rest of the campus.

"It's a socioeconomic thing," Chang said. "Differences in programming between the five colleges doesn't necessarily mean different viewpoints on a referendum."

All agreed that the priority is developing a process where all voices in the campus community are heard.

As a result, one of the first suggestions raised was that the new committee operate

by consensus in open meetings, thus allowing every student an influential say and preventing railroad by majority.

However, those in attendance saw flaws with such a system.

"I'm scared that an active group could send a overrepresentation of members, stopping any positive things," said Muir College Council Chair Liz Erwin.

Others agreed and felt that consistent and active participation in any group involved in forming the new referendum was a must for voting, whether by majority or consensus, if anyone was allowed to help create the new referendum.

Otherwise, a sports team or fraternity with a vested interest could stack a particularly crucial meeting.

Kris Bohling, vice president of the Graduate Student Association, supported membership that was completely open to the community at large so no voice could be excluded in a consensus decision.

James Lynch, of University Centers Advisory Board, disagreed.

"We can't have a committee of 20,000—it's absurd," Lynch said. "I say we have a representative body—one group, one vote."

Debate hinged on a crucial question—how to determine what constituted a demographic in need of representation if a representative committee were formed.

While a myriad of campus organizations is given a definitive number of representatives, students not involved would be under-represented.

Suggestions for resolving this problem ranged from selecting random students to participate on the committee, to town hall meetings to make committee members accountable to the voice of the campus at large.

Another meeting is planned for 2:30 p.m. Friday at the International Center.

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The purpose of UCSD's Annual Research Conference is to recognize the outstanding scholarly work produced by our undergraduates and to stimulate additional interaction between students and faculty at the research level. Another goal is to encourage more undergraduates to pursue doctoral degrees and careers in research and college teaching.

A total of 93 students will be presenting papers at the conference this year. All participants have been nominated by a member of the faculty who has judged their work to be outstanding. All students will be awarded a certificate as a research scholar.

The conference is organized into 16 small roundtable discussions. At each roundtable, five to seven students will present their papers with one or more faculty members serving as moderators. Each student has 15 minutes to discuss his or her paper and 5 minutes to answer questions. After all presentations are completed, there will be additional time for group discussion. Students will present their papers at either a morning or afternoon roundtable. During the session when they are not presenting, students will attend a roundtable of their choice as a member of the audience.

This conference was made possible by generous support from the Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, Joseph Watson, and the Senior Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs, Marsha Chandler. The annual UCSD Undergraduate Research Conference is planned and coordinated by Academic Enrichment Programs which is part of Student Educational

SCHEDULE

8:15	REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST Faculty Club Lobby and Courtyard	11:45	BUFFET LUNCH Faculty Club Dining Room
8:45	WELCOME ADDRESS Faculty Club Dining Room	1:00	AFTERNOON ROUNDTABLES CONVENE Faculty Club Conference Rooms
9:00	MORNING ROUNDTABLES CONVENE Faculty Club Conference Rooms	3:45	AWARDS CEREMONY Faculty Club Dining Room

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Conference Room 5
- 6 Explorations in Archeology
Conference Room 6
- 7 History, Ethnicity & Gender
Dining Room A
- 8 Topics in Psychology
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AFTERNOON:

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Proposal Will Harm Student Services

When UCSD students rejected the Campus Life Fee Referendum two weeks ago, they were making a statement to the administration: Students want to decide how their tuition dollars are to be spent, not the administration. The students voted down the option of increasing tuition by \$210 to improve student life on campus, which included the expansion of the Price Center.

Regardless, Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs Joseph Watson felt the expansion was still necessary and he advocated a 10 percent decrease in funding for student services in his budget. The *Guardian* feels implementing this plan would be disastrous for the administration, because students would erupt over the decrease in services available to them and the lack of control they had over their funds.

We think the administration was correct in its decision to postpone a final decision on how to expand Price Center as the options currently debated failed to satisfactorily solve the problem.

Implementing Watson's idea of decreasing funding to student services comes at no worse time, because our school is in the process of expanding enrollment.

The administration needs to give more money to fund these services and certainly should not take money away. We believe students should not have to suffer from a lack of services so students of the future can have more food options and shorter lines. In addition, the plan would cause staff members from some departments, such as the dean's offices, to be laid off to free up money. That is not right either.

Keeping the budgets of student services the same next year and spending extra time to come up with a solution for the expansion is in the best interest of both the students and the administration. Spending an extra year to decide will give students a chance to propose another fee referendum, if that is what they chose to do, and it will give the administration a chance to derive a better plan that makes all parties happy.

Members of the new A.S. Council have already discussed having a new referendum for next year if they get the support of the student body. The referendum would most likely just include the expansion of the University Centers and therefore would cost considerably less money to students.

The *Guardian* feels that an increase in tuition by \$10 is a lot better than a decrease in student services like Student Health by 10 percent.

Most services are underbudgeted to begin with, and implementing this plan would make problems dramatically worse. More importantly than the University Centers expansion itself, the *Guardian* believes that funding for all student services under Watson, such as Student Disabilities, Student Organizations and Leadership Opportunities, and Psychological Services should not decrease.

OPINION



Austin Hsia / Guardian

An Interview With Former A.S. Council President, Doc Khaleghi

Graduating senior reminisces about his role in the administration and talks about what he would have done differently if he had the chance

By TOM VU
 Opinion Editor

Last week was the final week that Doc Khaleghi served as president of the A.S. Council. Being a senior, I've been through several administrations now, and I must say that this administration, the one headed by Khaleghi, has accomplished much. Khaleghi has been perhaps the most prolific and involved of recent presidents.

I recently sat down with Khaleghi and asked him a few questions about his administration and some campus issues, such as commencement and the future state of parking. After a frank and open discussion, I was convinced that Khaleghi has been a successful A.S. president, involved in many campus issues and able to bring about worthwhile changes to our campus. Here is an abridged transcript of our conversation:

Tom Vu: So how would you rate your tenure here as A.S. president, compared to previous ones?

Doc Khaleghi: Well, compared to previous A.S. presidents, I think I've been able to accomplish a lot more, and that's just because I think my ideas have been new. I've tried new things, looking at things from different perspectives. I've learned that what students want and what the administration wants is not necessarily mutually exclusive.

An example of that would be commencement. In previous years, it's always been sort of a clash—the administration versus the students. The students want all-campus commencement, but the administration doesn't. It was just an approach from a different perspective this year. It's how commencement can benefit the campus as a whole, including administration. That's why it wasn't as much of a struggle and happened a lot easier.

Next year, we're going to start something completely new. It's going to be like commencement in the beginning of the year: a new-student welcoming, all-campus, probably at RIMAC Field. It wasn't

something that had to be fought for; it was just something that had to be initiated and shown it could benefit all parties involved.

Another thing we're working on that students really love is moving Plus Card off campus. Again, the administration has a benefit there because they get a certain portion of Plus Card money that's spent. And students have a benefit because there are more places they can use Plus Card money.

But in terms of the potential of the office, I know I could have done more. There was time I had to divert sometimes; I'm applying to med schools right now. Every couple of days I had to go to an interview or I had to fill out an application, so I didn't devote 100 percent of my time to the office. I devoted as much time as I could, though. There could've been more done with the office than I did with it, but I think I accomplished a lot, especially comparing myself with my predecessors.

TV: How did you guys settle on Patch Adams as commencement speaker? I mean, I've heard lots of criticism about how it's only Patch Adams. [Some say] "Look at what we've had before..."

DK: Well, we had Bill Clinton before, the president of the United States—we're never going to match that [again], so you're always going to hear criticism. And the students want a big name, someone they recognize. Well, people like the chancellor want to see someone that represents what UCSD is: intelligence, thinking outside the box.

We came up with a list of names with some top choices and proceeded to contact those top choices, and we were fortunate that Patch Adams agreed. He represents more than just medicine. He is "thinking outside of the box," taking knowledge and using that knowledge to serve your community. And that's the message I want UCSD graduates to receive when they leave. They've gone to this great university, they've gotten all this experience, all this knowledge, and now they have this responsibility to

serve, and hopefully Patch Adams will deliver that message.

TV: What's left for the incoming president to take care of?

DK: I think they need to continue to pursue what I've been pursuing regarding housing.

In terms of parking, I've been successful. I've been the first president that's been able to get more yellow spaces, and I've used many arguments to get those spaces. I think we need to keep on continuing with the arguments, especially with the way parking's been.

They need to take the time to discover what students really want and see how they don't necessarily need to vie to get these things accomplished. And once they've realized that, they'll accomplish so much. But if they just pursue the idea that [fighting] politically looks good, in terms of "I look good when I fight the administration," but don't really get anywhere, then I don't think they'll be successful.

TV: It was evident in previous A.S. elections that large amounts of students are apathetic toward elections. Many consider the Associated Students as inconsequential and pointless, more as a resume builder and a popularity contest than anything else. How do you respond?

DK: They are right. The Associated Students, I think, does have a lot of people that are in it for resume building. I think Associated Students is a huge popularity contest. And I think for many people, Associated Students does not have a huge consequence on their life, but that's just because we're not doing our full potential. That's not saying Associated Students does not have the ability; it's just that we're not doing it yet. And we need to, because we have a lot of people in it for the wrong reason. We need to have people who genuinely care and are willing to fight... or willing to just think and research and put the time in, and come up with the

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Music Brings Us All Together



ANGELA CARRIER

Never has the Price Center served such an honorable and worthy purpose, and never have I seen so many students overflow out onto Library Walk, too intrigued to walk on. If you weren't in the Price Center at noon last Tuesday, then you truly missed a show. Not only was Ozomatli amazing, but the purpose behind the gathering, to protest the low wages of janitors, was even more compelling.

The student activism behind the event was incredible, and is hopefully a step that will lead to more events of such nature. The fliers passed out by the activists informed the crowd of what was being protested and the need to "resist apathy by building our consciousness through social and political education."

The event brought to light many truths that we as students take for granted, such as the people who keep the campus clean and comfortable for students who don't give a second thought

to how it got that way. It was refreshing to see such displays of protest carried out in a constructive yet festive manner.

The incorporation of a band such as Ozomatli was awesome and ingenious. Music is an art form that brings people together; they drop their guards and sing in unison, forgetting their differences and prejudices.

Once asked a group of international students what their definition of a "World Culture" is, and a Japanese student answered with the single word: music. There is an unexplainable element of music that can create unity among people. And the artists themselves have the ability to use the microphones to do more than just sing their songs and play their instruments—they can speak out to an audience that will listen. Though not everyone may agree with what is said, they will still listen.

And to have the attention of such a captive audience will help to ensure that the message will be heard, and that people will act upon what they hear. Since the march with janitors was planned to be after the Ozomatli concert, there were more people willing to join in—they heard what it was all about. It was good to see such a

successful protest carried out on a campus usually void of any collective student action.

It is also necessary to realize that the group that organized the event was the Latino student community, a minority on this campus. Its efforts are more than admirable, and highly commended. If a relatively small group can create such a gathering of students and faculty, imagine what would happen if the majority of the student population put its efforts into something more than events for self-gratification.

Last Tuesday showed me the part of the college experience that many people are missing. Just because this campus is designed to deter large student gatherings and protests, it doesn't mean that they are wrong or impossible. The events of last Tuesday dispelled that myth, and with that barrier broken down, it will hopefully open the floodgates of events.

There is so much more to education than books and exams. There are events around the world and right in our face that crave attention, and activism waiting to be embraced by those students who can easily shed the apathy for something more.

The Perils Of Being A Liberal Arts Major

By VALERIE BURNS
 Staff Writer

I would like to bring a piece of news to the attention of Chancellor Dines: Not all UCSD students are science majors. The way the school is being run indicates that no one has told the chancellor.

At UCSD, being a liberal arts major is equivalent to being a second-class citizen. The academics at UCSD are weighted toward the sciences, which causes the whole university to sponsor the sciences more than the liberal arts. Countless programs, scholarships and jobs are offered only to science majors.

I'm not stupid—I'm well aware that UCSD developed out of the research-oriented Scripps Institution of Oceanography. But that was 40 years ago, and it seems as if the liberal arts are still scratching the surface of funding resources, while the science departments are knee-deep in cash.

How does Dines think this unfair dispersal of funds affects students? Academia is supposed to be the one arena where equality is stressed, where knowledge is cherished, no matter from what discipline. Yet the academic environment at UCSD encourages liberal arts majors (I dare not say nonscience majors) to develop an inferiority

complex. I believe this same complex stifles their intellectual growth here at our great research university, helping to form a vicious cycle in which liberal arts majors look upon their major with apathy. It is hard to find a reason to expand academic departments when the students of those majors are not ambitious. But, after all this explanation as to why they are, who could blame them?

I think my strong feelings revolving around this issue arise from my Revelle college student status. I am greatly in the minority here at MCAT—I mean premed, er uh—Revelle college. I vividly remember how the first week of school freshman year, there was already a premed forum. How do you think that makes a scared, undeclared freshman feel? And let me assure you, there was no law school forum to complement the premed forum.

Ahh, Revelle—the renaissance college. There is nothing renaissance about it. The general education requirements consist of a bunch of social science classes, a foreign language requirement, the humanities sequence and premed courses. The one bright light in Revelle is the humanities. I am grateful for the opportunity to break the seal of this sacred canon of books summarizing

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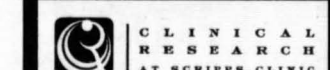
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Scientists Unwisely Play Role of 'God'

Controversial fertility procedure may lead to devastating results

By **PARISA BAHARIAN**
Senior Staff Writer

The revolutionary new fertility procedure conceived by New Jersey scientists that spawned the birth of the world's first 15 genetically modified babies is a frightening example of the lengths to which science will go to achieve the miracle of birth.

The technique seems like something from an episode of the "X-Files." Doctors take an egg from an infertile woman, an egg from a donor woman and sperm from the infertile woman's mate. The doctors suck out the cytoplasm of the donor egg with a microscopic needle. The cytoplasm is then injected into the infertile woman's egg, along with the sperm, to fertilize it.

The doctors believe the procedure helps women who are unable to conceive because of defects in their eggs. These doctors now have 15 babies to put up on their pedestal of scientific marvels.

But the controversy doesn't end there. The new fertility treatment creates one child who has DNA from two biological mothers. How is this possible? According to Dr. Jacques Cohen, scientific director of assisted reproduction at the institute that produced the embryos, the method can introduce mitochondrial DNA from the female donor's egg into the mix of genetic material

from the mother and father. The institute took blood tests and confirmed that two of the 15 babies produced at the institute were carrying genetic material from the birth mother, the father and the woman who donated an egg. While this treatment is a blessing and a miracle for those infertile couples, it warrants a look at the proven and potential consequences.

The most glaring concern expressed by many dissidents is that the procedure is unethical because it leaves a child with three biological parents.

Cohen responded to these criticisms in an interview with Reuters, saying, "I don't think this is wrong at all. And I think we have to look at the positive part here. I think this did work. These babies wouldn't have been born if we wouldn't have done this."

Cohen's answer to the critics of the controversial procedure is quite telling and rather surprising. Like a seasoned politician, he deftly sidestepped addressing the critics' concerns and steamrolled to his mantra: "Look at the positive part here... this did work."

The response that "this did work" as an excuse for the risky procedure is completely arrogant and reckless, for it reveals the doctor's belief that achieving the end result is all that matters. It is obvious that the doctors had no concern for the fact that they were experimenting with real babies.

Cohen's choice to duck those valid concerns raised by critics begs the question: What are you trying to hide?

The statement that "these babies wouldn't have been born if we wouldn't have done this" is shocking. Do the ends justify whatever the means may be? The big picture and ramifications for the future are more important than having those babies at any cost.

Cohen is so shortsighted that he doesn't see what he has created with these genetically modified babies. The tri-genetic code will be passed down to future generations. Though the consequences of playing with and modifying the genetic code of these babies and their future babies are not yet known, it is obvious that the doctors have derailed the course of nature.

Who's to say what the future consequences are for such genetic modification via this fertility procedure? While the world waits for the answer, other doctors in the United States continue to experiment and create genetically modified babies.

However, the concerns about this procedure and the unknown costs are so strong that Britain has banned the fertility procedure.

Britain's Human Fertilization

and Embryology Authority has not licensed researchers to use the technique, on the basis that it does not have a proven safety record and could let in germline genetic modification, which would allow for the introduction of deliberate genetic changes into human embryos — the changes that will be inherited by their offspring when they are conceived.

Many people view germline engineering as a qualitative shift in the history of human intervention in natural processes that may take us an irrevocable step toward self-creation, or self-destruction. Others see such fears as exaggerated, based on scientific misunderstanding or irrational fears.

Since there is no proof yet, any sort of definite conclusion drawn from these two extreme views will be merely guesswork.

How far will science go in the realm of genetic modifications? How much will they tinker and toy with the future of our very humanity?

If the doctors' objectives are to get the baby born regardless of the consequences, I shudder to think what these scientists have in store for us. Once we allow this new fertility procedure, it will be down the medical ethical slippery slope for us all. Anything and everything will be fair game. Just watch.

Interview: A.S. Council must fight for students' issues

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ideas that really help students, and not fight for ambiguous things that could indirectly help the student body, like revising our own constitution or things like that. But things that students can actually feel, like having Plus off campus — students will actually feel that; they'll notice that. And when those kinds of things happen, people will recognize that Associated Students was consequential in their lives.

TV: So what is going on with the parking situation right now? DK: I'm optimistic... and I really like some of the things that are going on. We're talking about a lot of new ideas. For people that do fight for parking, they're kind of focusing on "more yellow spaces, more yellow spaces." There are more things that we can do than just having more yellow spaces. Some things are going to happen in the next few weeks — for example, there are safety issues in terms of "What about people that get to campus late at night?" What are they going to do? Right now I want to make it so that a person can park in any space on campus until at least 10 in the morning. No more of this "7:45 a.m., they have to be gone or

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Doc dispenses important advice for future leaders

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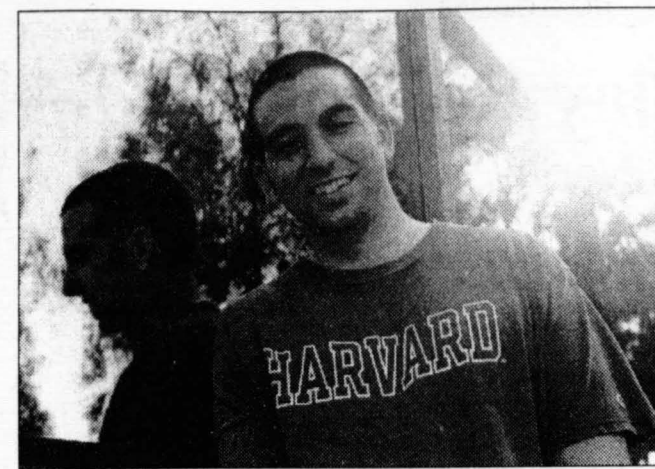
they're going to get a ticket." I don't think that's safe; I don't think it's proper.

We're working on new permit systems. We're trying to move to a UCLA system, where other factors are evaluated in terms of where you can park and how much your permit is, so that certain people — maybe they have off campus jobs, who have to deal with commuting a lot more — might have better parking privileges than maybe an on-campus resident who maybe moves his car once a month. And you can put that in, and it'll get me blasted by a lot of residents, but it's about doing what's right. Commuters come to this campus every day. People that work off-campus daily, they need access to the heart of the campus more than a resident who doesn't commute very much.

TV: Was it difficult to come into the office after Tesh Khullar? Was it hard to clean up the mess he left behind?

DK: The first two weeks, yeah. I would send campus-wide e-mails and people would reply "I don't trust Associated Students anymore, screw you," those kinds of things. And that's tough. You have an image to clean up. I said, "You know what, I just have to work as hard as I can. I'm not Tesh, and I'm going to have to show that to people." You've got to go the extra level.

For example, I have a \$500 operating account; I don't think I've spent \$50 of it. I want students to trust that I'm not going to waste their money. You've just got to show that you go to work hard and you've got to keep communi-



David Plitz/Guardian

cating with students. I don't think anyone remembers any more. If they do, they don't associate that with Associated Students in general.

TV: What advice do you have for the incoming officials?

DK: Don't worry about your image. If you care too much about your image, you won't get anything done. There'll always be ideas, plans that you want to do that some people won't like and if you try to please those people, you won't get shit done.

You've got to be able to look bad. I know I've looked bad many times this year 'cause of different things, but it's for what I thought was right. Do what you think is right; don't necessarily consider yourself an adversary to anyone. Work with people, and that's the way you'll get the most done. But don't go for popularity; go for accomplishment.

TV: If there were one thing you could change about UCSD with a snap of your finger, what would it be?

DK: It's kind of vague. UCSD

is a very beautiful campus, but sometimes that's given priority over other things, and I would change that. Examples of that would [be] housing. We could build lots of cheap housing very quickly, but it wouldn't be that pretty, and so certain groups on campus wouldn't let that happen. We could build much cheaper, bigger parking structures so that it wouldn't cause permit costs to go up so much.

This isn't the fault of the parking [office], this isn't the fault of the housing [office]. There are so many layers of bureaucracy to the campus that it has to [get] through. And I would change that, because sometimes students' needs and students' happiness and students' livability, in terms of costs, is a lot more important than how pretty your place is.

TV: So what's in store for the future of Doc?

DK: I'm applying to med school. I don't know where I'm going yet. Hoping to hear from some good schools that I got in, but I don't know. I'll just sit and wait for a few weeks.

Perils:

Administration often ignores liberal arts majors

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the events of western civilization.

But even in humanities, there is a lot left to be desired. The professors have been wonderful, the books great, the TAs satisfactory. The students, awful! And they say that the only people at UCSD who can write are Revelians! The quality of writing in humanities is not high. Humanities is Revelle's half-assed attempt to distance itself from the research-minded aspect of the rest of UCSD, when in fact Revelle's own GEs require practically every liberal arts major to fulfill the prebio requirements.

Let me ask those in charge at Revelle college: How does one acquire renaissance status when one simply adds some social science requirements to the prebio GEs? It's not as if these social science requirements are taken seriously. Any informed Revelle student knows he can satisfy any of them either at a community college or at summer school. On the other hand, the science courses cannot be satisfied at a community college. A double standard, maybe? Renaissance, my ass!

Let me pose a question: Why are there science classes for liberal arts majors, but no liberal arts classes for science majors? Are the liberal arts so easy at UCSD that they require no screening at all?

The whole division of science classes seems like a ploy to recruit more science majors to the university. It's equivalent to separating the elite from the masses. Who would right-mindedly choose the masses? I spent my whole first year at Revelle being a science major, when in reality I was undeclared. But I wanted to take all the science courses "just in

case" I happened to join the elite and become a science major. The same situation I lived through would not exist for potential liberal arts majors.

Personally, I have taken one non-science class here at UCSD: physics 11A. The academic environment was apathetic. The standards were set so low for this class that it caused riots of laughter among the students. The ease of this class made me smile and puke simultaneously. It was disturbing that I could flunk the quizzes, and with the curve, still get an A. The student apathy for this class was so strong that the professor had no choice but to set the curve extremely low so that nobody would flunk. Why would such a situation occur here at our prestigious university?

The simple fact of how liberal arts majors are addressed at UCSD is disturbing. We are not liberal arts majors, are we? What are we most commonly referred to as? Non-science majors? So, by contrast, are science majors ever non-liberal arts majors? Is the shift of priorities at UCSD so great that in order for people to understand what you are, you have to say what you're not?

I've been having doubts lately. Maybe my humanities professor is right. Maybe UCSD is ITT Tech. Maybe Revelle is one big premed workshop. With the overt priorities of funding to the sciences, UCSD can do nothing else but create an unhealthy environment, laced with inferiority for liberal arts majors. This situation creates a sense of apathy that will take serious measures to counteract.

Do me a favor as you walk around school today: Count the number of science buildings and liberal arts buildings. Count the number of fliers advertising science activities as opposed to those for the liberal arts. Then tell me I can't feel like a second-class citizen at my own university.

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U.S. Assures South Korea That It Will Resume Talks With North

SEOUL, South Korea — A visiting senior U.S. envoy assured President Kim Dae-jung on Wednesday that the United States would resume its dialogue with North Korea.

Richard Armitage, deputy secretary of state, said he expected the United States and North Korea would be able to hold talks "in the near future" after Washington completes a review of policy regarding the North "in a few weeks."

President Bush underlined the point, according to Kim's spokesman, in a letter Armitage delivered, which promised to "strongly support the South's engagement policy on the North."

Armitage met Kim soon after arriving here from Japan, the first country on his mission to personally present Bush's proposal on a national missile defense system to Asian leaders. He leaves Thursday for India.

Armitage's remarks on the North were made after a 70-minute meeting with Kim, who has repeatedly called for a renewal of U.S.-North Korean talks in

order to revive the stalled dialogue between North and South Korea.

The U.S. expectation of renewed dialogue with the North came two months after Bush cited problems of "verification" of any agreement with the North on stopping the production, testing or export of missiles. Bush had ruled out resuming the negotiations begun during the Clinton administration before a policy review.

North Korea has waged an intense propaganda campaign since March, calling on the United States to withdraw its 37,000 troops from the South. The North has also canceled Cabinet-level meetings with the

South and failed to sign an agreement for rebuilding a rail link across the demilitarized zone that divides the two Koreas.

During his meeting with Armitage, Kim Dae-jung offered "understanding" of the U.S. position on missile defense. He avoided any commitment while calling for continuity in U.S. policy toward North Korea.

At the same time, Kim Dae-jung urged the United States "to push the plan" for national missile defense "through close consultation with its allies and other nations concerned in a way that promotes world peace and security," his spokesman said.

The careful wording of the comment reflected South Korea's fear that the missile defense plan will undermine relations with China and Russia, North Korea's strongest allies in the Korean War. Chinese and Russian leaders have made clear their complete opposition to the idea.

— Don Kirk
The New York Times

Mexico:

Fox's approval rating slips after Indian rights bill

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ending the 1994 indigenous Zapatista uprising in Chiapas. But indigenous groups opposed the amendments.

Then the Congress shelved another Fox initiative: a bill intended to bring fiscal reform, which would have allowed for new taxes on foods and medicines.

On May Day, thousands of demonstrators in Mexico City's central plaza carried posters that expressed outrage at Fox's tax plan, which many workers say would tax them instead of the rich. Others, wearing the black ski masks that have become the Zapatista rebel signature, burned effigies of the president. And on Monday, the influential newspaper Reforma published a poll indicating that Fox's approval rating had slipped below 70 percent for the first time since he was elected, to 65 percent. Only 15 percent of those asked said they believed most of what the president said when he addressed the nation.

"The 'democratic bonus' has been spent," said Soledad Tovar Loaza, a political scientist at the Colegio de Mexico, referring to the

euphoric public support that Fox had received for vanquishing the Institutional Revolutionary Party which had ruled Mexico for 71 years. "After five months in office, Fox has shown that he is entertaining, but he is not convincing."

Fox's popularity and performance ratings remain enviable high, and the 38-year-old president continues to be a star on the world stage. However it has become clear that the widespread euphoria over Fox's election has given way to a crabby debate about his pro-business policies, his inability to negotiate political alliances with the Congress and the dissonant messages his government sometimes projects.

But some analysts point to what they see as positive steps by Fox, including high-profile moves against corruption and drug trafficking. And on Monday, several Mexican newspapers reported that Fox had begun investigations into charges of corruption by several former high-ranking public officials.

Jorge Chabat, with the Center for Economic Research and Teaching, said, "I think Fox still has several aces up his sleeve, to help him with his popularity in the coming months."

— Ginger Thomson
The New York Times

Stocks:

Acqua Wellington saves Igen from bankruptcy

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to purchase up to \$60 million of new Igen shares over 28 months. Igen, a medical diagnostics company based in Gaithersburg, Md., has already taken advantage of the offer to raise \$25 million.

Acqua Wellington has offered similar deals to about a dozen biotech companies in the 16 months it has been in existence, creating a stir among biotech executives akin to that of suddenly discovering one has a rich uncle. And no wonder.

With technology and biotech companies finding it nearly impossible now to sell stock to the public, money offered by funds like Acqua Wellington is providing a lifeline for many companies.

Such financings are known as private investments in public equities, or PIPEs. An investor or group of investors negotiates directly with

a company to buy shares, often at a discount to the prevailing market price. While companies don't like selling their shares at a discount, getting some money is usually better than getting none.

"There's a recognition that PIPEs are going to be the only means of financing companies this year and maybe into next year," said Brian M. Overstreet, president of DirectPlacement.com Inc., an investment bank that tracks such deals.

But there is a risk as well. Some desperate companies agree to such onerous terms that the financing can hurt more than help. These are called "toxic" or "death-spiral" financings and can result in severe dilution of the value of existing shares, hurting other shareholders. The mere announcement that a company has done such a deal can send its stock into a tailspin from which it may never recover.

Only about 10 percent of PIPEs are toxic, said Overstreet.

— Andrew Pollack
The New York Times

Proud:

Week includes film screenings and dance

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not narrow."

Muir sophomore Tomas Bogardus echoed Kim's sentiments about the need for increased acceptance and love on the part of the heterosexual community.

"Passive acceptance is no longer sufficient," Bogardus said. "It's our responsibility to actively challenge our preconceptions and prejudices, however latent, and become a community."

Promoters of the "Out and Proud Week" wanted to stress that the events are for everyone.

Principal member of the LGBTQA Erin Harvell addressed this issue.

"It's not about 'Let's be queer week,'" Harvell said. "It's about, 'Let's be aware. Let's be understanding. Let's be considerate.' No one wants to take over the world. They just want to be a part of it."

Muir junior Mikey Kaufmann concurred with Harvell.

"We're trying to bring the campus together to talk about diverse issues that affect everyone," he said.

The rally also hosted alternative rock band Water Gypsies.

The band played two sets at the Price Center, singing about a variety of issues including the mistreatment of homosexuals.

In one song about hate crimes against homosexuals, the group cried out, "When will this be enough?"

Other events during the week included a screening of two films on Monday night at the Price Center Theater.

At 7 p.m. Monday the LGBTQA sponsored a showing of the documentary "A Boy Named Sue," by Julie Wyman.

The film is about a woman who undergoes a sex-change operation and his experience in the world.

The night also featured a short film by Bill Basquin titled "The Ride."

There was also a panel of UCSD professors fielding questions from the audience.

Saturday will mark the second annual queer youth conference, themed "Generation Q: Building Solidarity Through Diversity," presented by the Queer People of Color at UCSD.

The conference runs from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. with a special film screening from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The bi-quarterly LGBTQA dance at Porter's Pub will be from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

All events are free and open to people of all orientations.

Promoters of the dance expect a large turnout.

Students can register for the conference online at <http://www.flamingart.com>, a Web site highlighting the work of Scott David Heath.

The rally was perceived as a success, although some students were concerned with the lack of support and the low number of people in attendance.

Newly appointed Campus Organizing Director for the A.S. External Office Alicia Schwartz said, "I'd like to see more involvement and less apathy, more allies, more people joining the struggle for solidarity."

The LGBTQA holds its general meetings at 7 p.m. on Mondays in the Graduate Student Association Lounge on the first floor of the Student Center.

Students of all orientations are welcome to attend the meetings.

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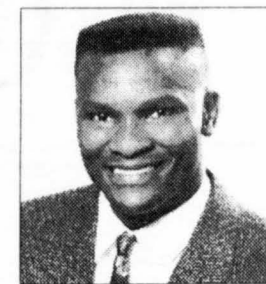
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Panel Reaches Budget Framework Deal

WASHINGTON — Republicans in the Senate and a handful of moderate Democrats reached a final deal Tuesday night on how much money to allocate to tax cuts and spending, and Republicans and Democrats on the Senate Finance Committee intensified their talks over how to apportion the tax reductions.

The committee's Republican chairman, Sen. Charles Grassley of Iowa, met twice Tuesday with the senior Democrat on the panel, Sen. Max Baucus of Montana, and said they were making progress toward a tax bill that could attract some bipartisan support.

Grassley said the bill they are working on would include all four of the main elements sought by President Bush in his proposal to cut taxes by more than \$1.6 trillion over the next decade. They are a reduction in all income tax rates, an increase in the child credit, a tax break for married couples and repeal of the federal estate tax.

Grassley said the bill would not cut the top personal income tax rate to 33 percent from 39.6 percent, as Bush wants.

But in part because the budget plan will provide less for tax cuts than the \$1.6 trillion sought by Bush — \$1.25 trillion over the next decade, plus another \$100 billion for tax cuts this year and next year to give the flagging economy a boost — Grassley said the committee would scale back and modify each component of the Bush proposal.

Grassley said the bill would not cut the top personal income tax rate to 33 percent from 39.6 percent, as Bush wants. Congressional aides and senators from both parties said they now expect a compromise that would reduce the top rate to around 36 percent, and a reduction in the

current 36 percent rate to about 33 percent.

"We're going to have a reasonable compromise on the top rate," Grassley said.

There is general agreement on a few points. Members of both parties want to create a new tax bracket below the current 15 percent bracket to give all taxpayers an immediate tax cut this year. And Grassley has said he intends to take some steps to deal with the alternative minimum tax, which was created to reduce tax avoidance by upper income people but now subjects increasing numbers of middle income taxpayers to higher tax bills.

The debate over how much to limit the reduction in the top income tax rate of 39.6 percent is one of the most ideologically contentious, but members of both parties said arithmetic is likely to drive the outcome.

— Richard W. Stevenson
& David E. Rosenbaum
The New York Times



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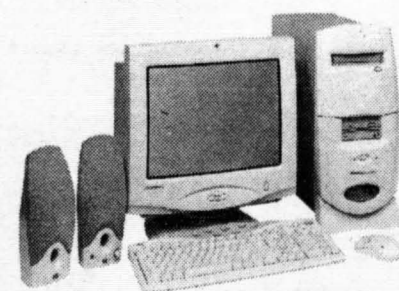


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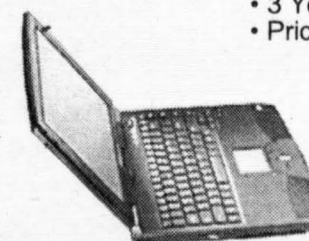
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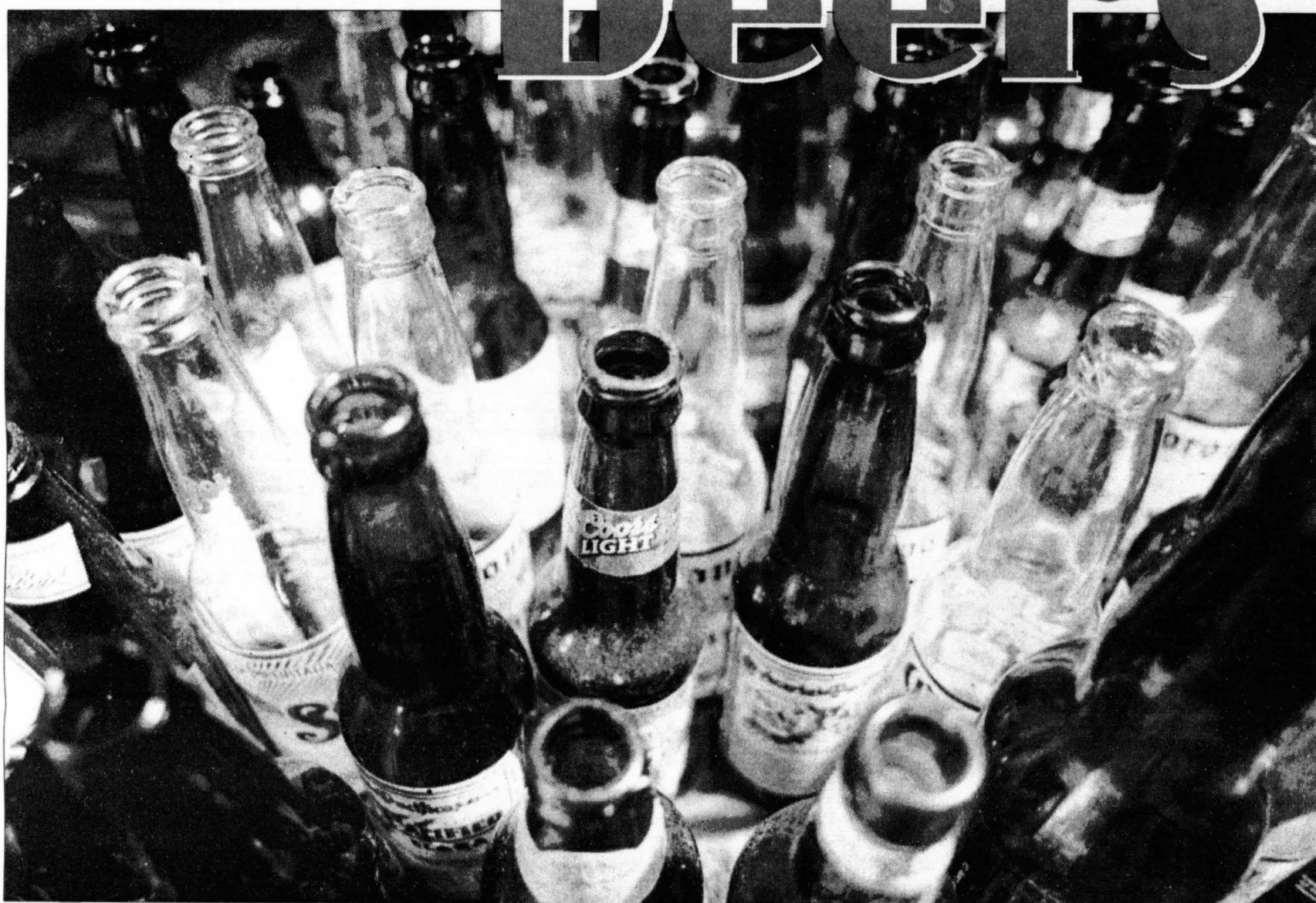
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Beer:

Dilemma of choosing beverages solved with beer matchup

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What beer do you choose?!

Now, if your home is anything like mine, there is usually a wide selection of beer to choose from and I am often left wondering whether I should reach for the Karl Strauss Amber Lager, the Newcastle or the Guinness. So many choices.

But there's not much time to decide as your mouth begins to dry out in anticipation of this cool beverage. You are thinking to

yourself, what should I drink? Which one is better? Why?

You might say to yourself, "It's just beer." But no, it's not "just beer." Every beer has its own unique style, texture and taste.

And just in time for the Sun God Festival, where many revelers will partake in the mass consumption of alcoholic beverages, The Guardian staff members have taken the liberty of conducting painstaking research in judging the overall quality and taste of various beers.

We matched up various beers and rated their quality against each other. The beers were then individually rated on a 1 to 10 scale, 1 being piss poor, 10 being the best of the best and 5 simply being an average beer that wouldn't be too bad on any given night.

BEER VS. BEER

Asahi
VS.
Sapporo

The two beer giants of Japan square off in an epic battle of taste and overall quality.

But it appears that Sapporo falls short in this battle. Sapporo has a lighter texture and a slightly more watered-down taste. The bitterness of the initial flavor is much like the initial taste of Budweiser. It's not that bad, but you kind of have to force it down.

The Asahi, on the other hand, proves why it is touted as "Japan's No. 1 Beer." The overall taste is very dry and smooth. There is no bitter taste or aftertaste, and it is thicker overall. The darker quality of this beer gives it more flavor and character. This is truly "the beer for all seasons," as it boldly states on the label. Both can go well with any meal, especially sushi. The Sapporo, although lacking in overall quality, can be a refreshing drink after a heavy meal, but the Asahi can fully compliment any dish at your local Japanese restaurant.

— Joseph Lee

Asahi:
★★★★★★★★ 8

Sapporo:
★★★★★★ 5

Killarney's Red
VS.
Foster's

The duel between Killarney's Red Lager and Foster's Lager ended with the U.S. product thoroughly embarrassing the Aussie brew in the categories of presentation, smell and taste.

While Foster's does have the advantage of coming in a pint-sized can, the gaudy blue and gold behemoth doesn't compare to the look of the Killarney's bottle, nor to the way it comfortably fits in one's hand.

Smelling the Foster's beer brings back unpleasant memories of cheap keg beer, while a whiff of the rich, deep aroma of the red lager resulted in a heightened anticipation of drinking the brew.

The smooth taste of the Killarney's lager hits at the back of the throat, where all good beers should register, and carries out the promise made by its smell. Foster's, on the other hand, had a somewhat lighter taste, which becomes more apparent as the bottom of the can approaches. Foster's receives a score of 5 out of 10 due to its lack of spectacularity,

despite its advantage when drinking mass quantities. Killarney's earns a score of 7, hurt by the fact that it's an Anheuser-Busch product, but it has the benefit of being the perfect beer to enjoy with dinner or during a walk along the beach. Just make sure it's not Mission Beach or Pacific Beach.

— Isaac Pearlman

Foster's:
★★★★★★ 5

Killarney's:
★★★★★★ 7

Boddingtons Pub
VS.
Guinness

In an age when Ireland and Britain seem to tip-toe around each other to create some semblance of peace, I have put a solid two-fingers up (the equivalent to the middle-finger here in the states) to any political repercussions.

I have pitted Manchester's Boddingtons Pub Ale against Dublin's Guinness in a battle of beers. This is the next best thing to an England versus Ireland football match.

Both drinks have a deep history spanning over 200 years. The construction of each can is impressive as they both contain a "draught" system that closely recreates the taste of a Boddingtons or a Guinness straight out of the tap. Shake the can around a little bit and you can hear the little widget click around.

Guinness is a top notch beer with that thick, foamy taste that we have come to know and love. The creamy taste is surprisingly easy to drink and goes down smooth with little bitterness. But if you rarely drink beer or are used to lighter beers, you may want to stay away from this until you have developed your beer-drinking chops.

Boddingtons Pub Ale has a similar creamy texture but the taste is slightly lighter. It is also a bit sweeter with a hint of banana to it. Much like Guinness, Boddingtons is not as bitter as some beers can be.

However, the Irish comes out on top. Guinness packs a darker and thicker punch that is more satisfying in the end. Never experienced Guinness? Grab one and enjoy. Cheers!

— Joseph Lee

Guinness:
★★★★★★★★ 9

Boddingtons:
★★★★★★ 8

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You finally reach your home and you dash inside, ignoring the pile of bills and leaping over the cat that decided it wants attention today. You reach the smooth handle of the refrigerator door. You fling it open and then just as you are about to reach inside for a beer, you face a moral decision. A dilemma. A quandary, if you will. Will it be the Lady or the Tiger? Defi-

WHAT ABOUT THE PUB?, PAGE 12



Happy Hour: Laura Pullen pours a beer at Porter's Pub, one of the few places on campus that legally serves alcoholic beverages.

BY JOSEPH LEE,
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Battle:

Different tastes apparent in faceoff between beers

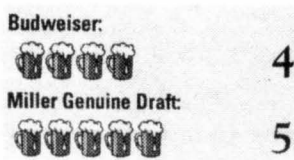
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Miller Genuine Draft

Budweiser and Miller Genuine Draft: One wonders why these relatively low-quality beers are worth bothering with. They don't offer the rich taste and flavor of many other beers that can be found at a fairly comparable price. The taste of both of these beers is virtually indistinguishable because each has a thin flavor that is reminiscent of watered-down urine. Trust me.

The redeeming factor of these two domestic beers is that they are inexpensive and better than Natural Ice, although I know that some may disagree. And of course, after you force down about four or five bottles of Budweiser and MGD, you stop caring what it tastes like. Still, the beer connoisseur should avoid these two brews at all costs.

— Joseph Lee



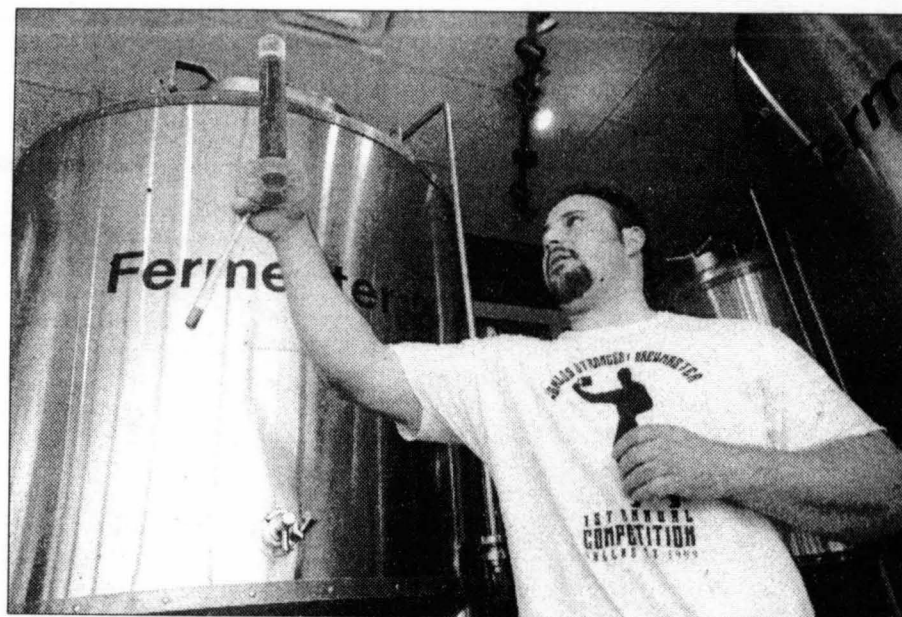
In the battle of the cervezas from south of the border, Dos Equis went house on Corona and cruised to the easy victory. With its full, smooth taste, Dos Equis simply overpowered the lighter, weaker taste of Corona.

Dos Equis is the most solid beer to come from our neighbor from the south. It is a darker lager that embodies a lot of strong qualities for a beer. It is definitely a beer that you can drink a lot of and not get completely sick of after only a few beers.

Corona is simply the weaker beer. While it has become popular in the United States for its lightness and lack of a true beer taste, it remains a weak beer. It must be supplemented with salt and lime to get a desirable taste. Any beer that needs a supplement is simply not up to par. The limeless taste of the beer can get old after only a few.

The scores indicate that it was a closer than it actually was. Dos Equis was the first beer out of the gate and jumped out to the early lead. It was cleaning house until a convoluted pallet and the effects of drinking the Dos Equis first contributed to Corona scoring as well as it did later.

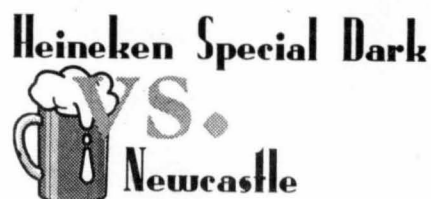
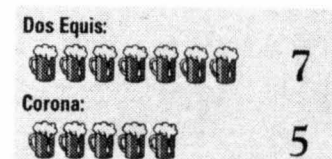
It was actually a solid knockout for Dos Equis, which should be considered by anybody who is looking for a solid import that they can



Inspecting: The new brewmaster of Sports City, Joe Cuozzo, checks and tastes the finished product of pale ale.

enjoy for the entire day that is Sun God.

— Josh Crouse



Most are familiar with the green bottle of Heineken, that popular beverage brewed in the Netherlands. However, most are not as familiar with Heineken Special Dark, which can be found in a dark brown bottle.

Newcastle, on the other hand, is a beer that needs no introduction and has been a favorite for many across the Atlantic Ocean and here in the United States. The Special Dark and the "Brown Ale" seem to be a worthy matchup.

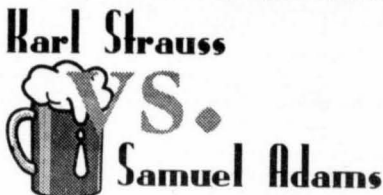
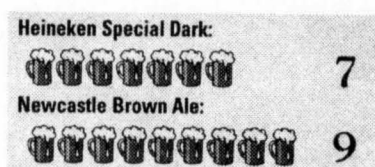
One may be a bit wary of Heineken's dark beer, but if you are a skeptic you will be in for a surprise. The Heineken Dark obviously offers a slightly darker taste but has a slightly bitter aftertaste. The quality of the beer is definitely thicker and more satisfying than the taste of the original Heineken.

The Newcastle also provides a similar dark taste but the aftertaste is smoother than the Heineken Dark. Newcastle almost has a smoky taste to it and the entire experience of Newcastle is nearly perfect. The quality is not too dark, but it is by no means as thick as a pint of Guinness.

The relative newcomer, Heineken Special Dark, is a quality opponent but it falls short behind the deep history of Newcastle that was originally established in 1770.

Legend claims that it wasn't tea the American rebels tossed into Boston Bay.

— Joseph Lee



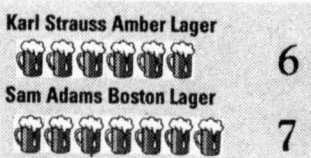
Karl Strauss brews an amber lager that is popular with many of the locals. With a strong taste, yet mild bitterness, this beer has a complex texture that appeals to many. The smoothness of the beer is average: not the best, but also not the worst on the market. The malt has a rich aroma, one that has a sweet, almost coffee-like flavor. However, the aftertaste is a little dry, not leaving much to savor.

Opening a bottle of Samuel Adams Boston Lager brings a foamy head that is not only rich, but also thick. This ale has more malt and less hops, making it both sweeter and less bitter than most beers. Like Karl Strauss, Sam Adams has a strong flavor and ends on a dry note. Although the taste is stronger, the aftertaste is decent and the aroma is not as intense.

In the battle between West vs. East Coast, the slight edge goes to Sam Adams. Although the delicious aroma of Karl Strauss can't be denied, its taste comes up short by the narrowest of margins.

Not only does Sam Adams have a sweeter taste, but it is also thicker and smoother. Both beers compliment almost every meal, making them a good choice for almost any occasion.

— Charlie Tran

**Porter's Pub Lineup**

A look into the lesser known selection of beers that are available at the pub

By JEFFREY WHITE
Senior Staff Writer

For some spirited Sun God imbibery, visit Porter's Pub in the Student Center for its laid-back atmosphere and extensive beer selection.

Here are some of the lesser known beers that can be drafted at the pub:

Shark Bite Red

Brewed by Pizza Port, a Solana Beach brewery, Shark Bite Red is a typical red ale, bitter and strong.

Arrogant Bastard Ale

A San Marcos-based Stone Brewery creation, Arrogant Bastard Ale is a dark and very strong ale with a high alcohol content.

Widmer Bros. Hefeweizen

This is a light and wheat domestic brew. It is unfiltered, therefore a little cloudy, and is served with a floating lemon slice.

Ayinger Celebrator

Brewed in Germany's Bavaria region, this "doppel-bock," German for "double bock," is dark and intense, but with a smooth finish characteristic of Bavarian brews.

Lindeman's Framboise

This flavored beer is from Belgium, and is known as a raspberry lambic. It has a light, crisp and clean taste. Fresh raspberry juice is added just after fermentation to boost the flavor.

Caffrey's Irish Ale

Well known in Irish pubs, Caffrey's is a creamy brew. Its texture is virtually identical to that of Guinness, but it is bright yellow in color, lighter in taste and even creamier.

Diebel's Alt

This ale is very popular in Germany, where it is brewed. It is a darker brew — brown in color — with a malty finish and a slight hint of creaminess.

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10 Thursday

With the spirit of early British punk bands like The Clash, **The Living End** will rock 'Canes Bar & Grill. With hits such as "Prisoner of Society" and "Roll On," these Australian lads are sure to put on a great show. Tickets cost \$10, and the show starts at 8 p.m.

Latin jazz innovator **Pancho Sanchez** will perform at the Belly Up Tavern at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12.

The Paladins have toured with Stevie Ray Vaughn, Los Lobos, and the Fabulous Thunderbirds. Their appeal captures people ranging from '50s blues fans to hard rock fans. **The Paladins** will perform at The Casbah. Doors open at 8:30 p.m. Call (619) 232-4355 for ticket prices and information.

11 Friday

Blues guitar veteran **Tommy Castro** will perform at 4th & B. The show starts at 8 p.m. and tickets are listed at \$10.21.

DJ Andy Smith of the popular group Portishead will be on the decks at The Casbah. But don't expect the dreamy sounds of Portishead, because **Smith**

wants you to dance to his eclectic selection of records. The show starts at 8:30 p.m. Go to Ticketmaster for tickets and prices.

Ocean Beach natives **Convoy** blend Rolling Stones-style guitar riffs, country music and a bit of a hippie flavor. They will be at the Belly Up Tavern as a part of their Southern California tour. Tickets are \$7 and the performance starts at 9:15 p.m.

12 Saturday

San Diego has suddenly become the center of electronic music with the **Electric Music Festival** coming to the San Diego Sports Arena. Paul Oakenfold, Dave Ralph, Donald Glaude, Jon Bishop and many others will round out a sound that includes trance, breaks, house and drum 'n' bass. The block-rocking beats start at 8 p.m. and they won't stop until 4 a.m. Tickets are \$40. Look to future hiatus issues for special coverage from the **Electric Music Festival**.

13 Sunday

Country music favorite **Brooks and Dunn** will be at Coors Amphitheatre. They bring with them their Neon Circus & Wild West show. The show starts at 6:30 p.m. and tickets start at \$32.

The Geriatric Punk Rockers, along with **One Foot in the Grave**

and **Left for Dead**, will be at The Casbah. Doors open at 8:30 p.m. Call (619) 232-4355 for prices and ticket information.

15 Tuesday

Jazz legend **Chick Corea** brings the **Chick Corea New Trio** to the Neurosciences Institute Auditorium on John Jay Hopkins Drive. Corea has made his own unique mark on the Latin jazz scene and has also worked with Miles Davis' band. Tickets are \$23 and show times are at 6 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Call (858) 454-5872 for more information.

17 Thursday

The **B-52s** are back and they have continued to perform after losing guitarist Ricky Wilson to AIDS in 1985 and the retirement of sister Cindy Wilson in 1990. But Cindy rejoined the band in 1998, and it will perform at Humphrey's Concerts by the Bay. But with tickets at \$55, you have to really love their new wave sound. Show starts at 7:30 p.m.

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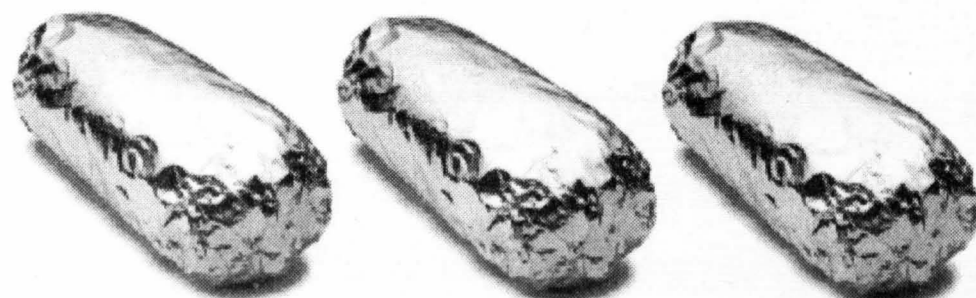
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filmreview

The Mummy Returns

The sequel to 1999's "The Mummy" finds an adventurous archeologist family in 1935 Egypt that uncovers the bracelet of the legendary Scorpion King.

Rick O'Connell (Brendan Fraser), the brawny American hero, and his British wife Evelyn (Rachel Weisz), along with their 9-year-old son, discover this trinket and start off a chain of exciting though sometimes unrealistic and silly events.

With action from beginning to

end, this movie makes a good attempt to entertain viewers but is bereft of any real content. The actors play their roles to perfection but the plot and the special effects take away from the movie.

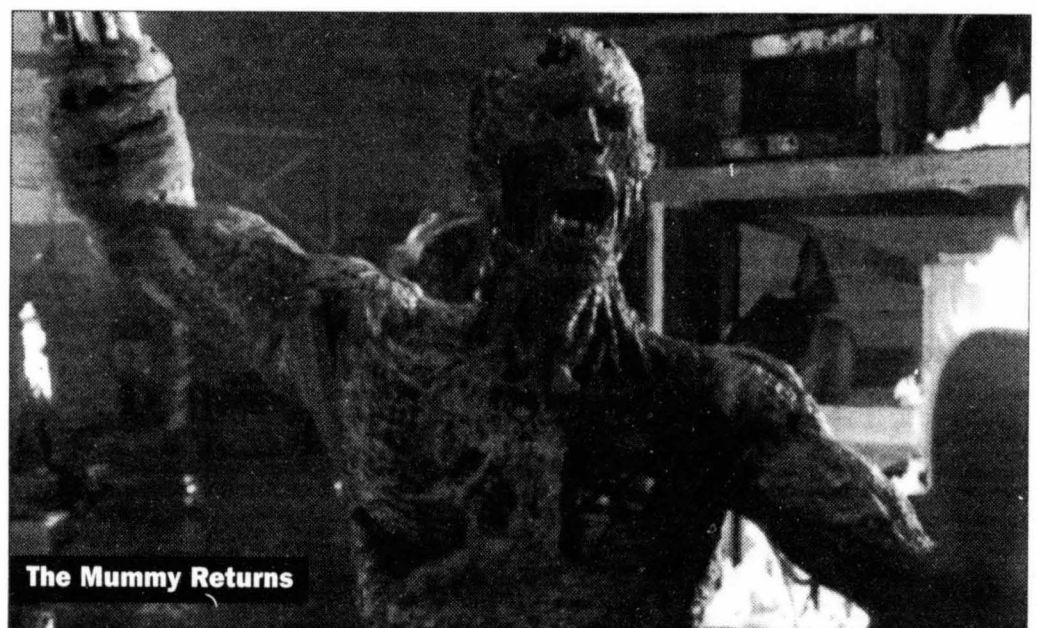
At some points there was so much action that the film became stale and predictable. Throughout the entire movie there was beautifully realistic animation and depictions of ancient Egypt. These, however, were negated by the corny appearances of killer pygmy mummies and over-animation of evil enemies.

The manner in which the original story was woven into the new one was very well done, yet the

movie failed to follow the same ambitious path established in the beginning. The few redeeming aspects of the film must be respected, though, and these include the subtle comedic performance of John Hannah as the humorous troublemaker Jonathon, and the strength and seriousness of Oded Fehr as the leader of the Meji.

Both actors added character and realism to an otherwise cheesy action movie. If you are in the mood to see an entertaining and exciting movie, "The Mummy Returns" would be it.

— Anne Cong-Huyen



The Mummy Returns

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Mascot:

Schools spirit a key for the person in the costume

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tual to all scheduled events; interacting with Triton Tide cheerleaders and Pep Band; taking care of the costume; and reporting to the assistant athletic director.

Anyone who is interested will have to audition. Auditions are Sunday, May 20 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at RIMAC Arena. To be eligible, students must be enrolled at UCSD

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Tryouts will consist of three things: An interview, in which the potential mascot will be asked questions related to school spirit; a two- to three-minute original skit or improvisation while in costume, in front of judges; and a situational improv to music or a hypothetical game setting.

With just over a week before tryouts, students who think they have what it takes have plenty of time to prepare.



Leo Der Stepanians/Guardian

Cheer: The still nameless Triton mascot chats it up with a couple of cheerleaders at an athletic event earlier this year.

As you may know,
the Triton mascot has yet to
be named.
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UCSD CLUBSPORTS

WOMEN'S
ULTIMATE

Women's ultimate teams from UC Santa Barbara, the University of Colorado, Claremont and two from UCSD rumbled in La Jolla last weekend in the Southwest Regional Championships.

The UCSD A team came out on top.

During pool play on Saturday, the A squad first knocked off the UCSD B team 15-0 and then

defeated Claremont 15-5. Santa Barbara fell 15-3, and Colorado lost to UCSD 15-8.

In the semifinals on Sunday, UCSD again knocked off Claremont, this time 15-4.

The finals featured another battle against Colorado.

Starting the game, UCSD stars Jen Sanderson and Tonya Lennaburg helped give their team a 12-5 lead.

Colorado was down but not out. The school proceeded to go on a 7-2 run to close the gap to 14-12.

UCSD's Mary Ann Polytika saved the day with a late goal, giving her team a 15-12 victory and a trip to nationals.

The B team concluded its season fifth in the Southwest region.

The UCSD A team will head to nationals in Boston over Memorial Day weekend.

MEN'S
ULTIMATE

The men's ultimate team was not as successful as its female counterpart, but it too had a good showing, finishing third last weekend at the Southwest Regionals.

With excellent play from Kevin Spindt, Jeff Bartels and Jamie Arambula, the team barely made it into the semifinals on Sunday.

In the semifinals, UCSD played tough but unfortunately fell to Colorado, 15-12.

Colorado went on to the finals, where it lost to Santa Barbara.

The semifinal loss winds up the UCSD men's ultimate season.

DANCESPORT

April was a month filled with excitement for the UCSD DanceSport team.

First the squad headed to the annual Desert Challenge DanceSport competition.

UCSD's Jonathan Marion and Renee Link made it as far as the semifinals for the cha-cha in the Bronze International Latin category, placing fifth. They also placed fifth in the samba.

Greg Emmanuel and Karin Bassa also made it to the semifinals, their glory coming during the rumba.

Marion was not done. He paired with Janelle Bouey in the Silver American Rhythm category. The duo took third in the cha-cha, fourth in the rumba and bolero and sixth in the mambo.

John Stillwagen and Pam Thomas hooked up in the Gold International Category for a second in the samba, a second in the rumba and a third in the cha-cha.

In the multi-dance events, Marion and Bouey were at it again, taking second in the novice American Rhythm and the Prechampionship American Rhythm.

Stillwagen and Rhomas stole the show, grabbing first in the Novice International Category.

The following weekend, UCSD traveled to the Stanford Tournament.

In the team competition, the alumni squad took first and the UCSD competition finished second. The show team settled for third.

Stillwagen and Thomas still had something left, taking fifth in the advanced cha-cha/rumba/samba multi-dance competition. Tracy Hajowski

and Nathan Wee made it to the finals in the intermediate cha-cha.

Marion and Link took third in the salsa dance, and Bouey and Marion finished first in the intermediate American cha-cha/rumba multi-dance event.

SAILING TEAM

The UCSD sailing team concluded its season at the Pacific Coast Championship Regatta at UC Berkeley.

The event took place at the Treasure Island Sailing Center on San Francisco Bay. Eight teams competed in the event.

Rob Gant, Galen Richards and Sarah Rozycki manned the UCSD A boat, while Ren Dahlin, Kimberly Leun and Mat Cheung handled the B boat.

UCSD did not have a performance to write home about, finishing eighth out of eight teams.

—Compiled by Robert Fulton
Sports Editor



It's mine: Women's ultimate studs get their play on this Saturday at UCSD

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Column:
Some professional
athletes are out of hand

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Granted, the heat of competition is fierce. Emotions run high during the playoffs, as every mistake is thoroughly scrutinized and pressure to succeed is immense, but that is no excuse to lose control and chance seriously injuring a fellow athlete.

These athletes are getting paid millions of dollars to handle that pressure and have no reason to release it by injuring other players.

Now don't get me wrong, I'm all for competition. Sports can be an excellent release of frustration and pent-up energy. Putting your all into an athletic event can be very satisfying, win or lose. It is the best way to compete.

Getting to the point of having to take emotions out on an opponent is inexcusable. Howard should have been suspended and given a hefty fine for his degrading actions. Instead he will be back on the court next game, while the Spurs' second-best scorer will be watching from the bench.

Now is that fair? We would like to think that while this world might not always be fair, sports, with its simple rules and attraction, should be fair. In this situation, this is not the case. An athlete is rewarded for his lack of control, while another is punished for having a good position.

This is not how it should be. People don't want their kids to see their idol physically punishing someone else. What kind of message does that send? What does that say to the little tikes?

Officials should deal with this phenomenon swiftly. Penalties such as fines or suspensions would definitely be in order. It's not like athletes can't afford a few thousand dollars out of the millions that they make with salaries and endorsements for a fine.

Athletes should be reminded of what first attracted them to the game: the sights and sounds, the feel of the ball, the adoring fans, the thrill of competition and the bonding that only teammates can have.

If athletes could only remember during the heat of competition that it is only a game, then perhaps they'd focus more on achieving than hurting.

What a beautiful game that would be.

Tennis

UCSD looks to create
some waves this week

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They wound up with an 8-4 victory. This, coupled with an 8-5 win at No. 3 doubles by Mary Hung and Ashley O'Neil, gave the Tritons a 2-1 lead going into singles competition.

By this point in the match the large crowd was really getting into the competition.

Head coach Liz LaPlante was glad that the men's team, which had been knocked out of the playoffs by an earlier loss at the Brigham Young University-Hawaii on Thursday, came to the match to help draw out some of the cheering from Hawaii Pacific fans.

"They had quite a big and loud crowd cheering for them," LaPlante said. "Fortunately, our men's team came to watch and cheered for us."

The singles competition came right down to the wire. O'Neil had a huge showing at No. 1, taking out her opponent 6-0, 7-6. Hawaii took both No. 2 and No. 3 singles as Tadlock was unable to fight through her injury and Liao was simply overmatched.

"Melissa's opponent was pretty

much unbeatable and was by far their strongest player," LaPlante said.

Hung came up huge for the Tritons at No. 6, dominating the match with a 6-0, 6-1 victory in the biggest match of her life.

"Mary had the best match of the season, playing flawless tennis," LaPlante said.

With two wins in the books for both teams in singles, two matches

"They had quite a big and loud crowd cheering for them. Fortunately, our men's team came to watch and cheered for us."

—Liz LaPlante
Women's tennis coach

remained on the court. If the Tritons could manage to win one of them, they would be able to book a flight to Pensacola, Fla., and the National Championship Tournament.

The two matches still in doubt were No. 4 and No. 5 singles, featuring Tritons Kristina Jansen and Westerman, respectively.

Although everyone was tense,

Jansen ended the suspense quickly with a 4-6, 6-1, 6-2 triumph that gave her team the victory. Westerman's match was suspended at 6-2, 4-6, 1-4 because the Tritons had already clinched victory.

With the win, the Tritons move on to the round of 16 of the NCAA National Tournament and will play Abilene Christian University in the first round on Thursday. The Tritons' opponents are currently ranked 30th in the nation and snuck into the tournament by being the surprise winner of their regional.

When asked about the health of her team, LaPlante wavered.

"Unfortunately, Lyndsey's arm is still hurting her," LaPlante said. "But everyone else is healthy."

The Tritons are the favorites in the first round but will need to find some magic if they want to make an appearance in the Division II finals the way they did last year in Division III.

If you had to pick a coach who could lead her team to such a performance, it would have to be LaPlante, whose record in Division III was unmatched by anyone during her tenure.

Wish the Tritons luck on their voyage and look for results from the NCAA nationals in Monday's issue of the Guardian.

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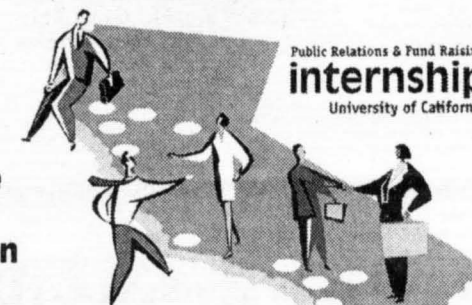
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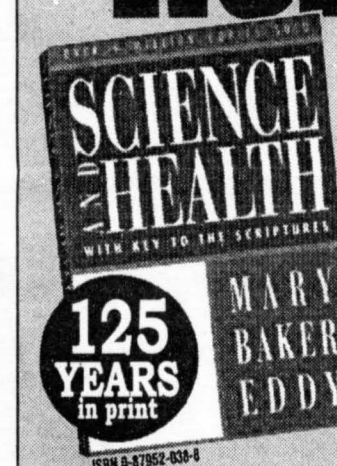
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San Francisco Chronicle

SPORTS



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Stoner Steps

ISAAC PEARLMAN

It's terrifying to see a teammate sprawled motionless on the ground, as I have several times. Players and fans from both sides put aside their rivalries and share a common concern for the injured athlete.

Noise from the fans, the sounds of the game, even time itself seems to stop as the world slows down and realizes that this is no more than just a game.

When a pitcher takes a line drive in the face, a football player demolishes his knee, or a basketball player breaks his ankle, one begins to appreciate that there is more to life than what's in between the boundary lines.

Just a few days ago, the Mavericks' Juwan Howard laid out the Spurs' Derek Anderson with an excessive, unnecessary foul, a mere 2.5 seconds left in the first half. After falling hard and separating his right shoulder, Anderson will likely miss the rest of the NBA playoffs.

This is one of the things that is wrong with sports today. We pay to see athletes perform highly skilled actions, not to see them lose control of themselves and injure others.

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Softball Players Honored

Three Tritons make the All-CCAA Squad

By **ROBERT FULTON**

Sports Editor

The 2001 season is over for the UCSD softball team, and it can hold its head high, despite not making the playoffs.

A number of Tritons made appearances on California Collegiate Athletic Association all-league teams.

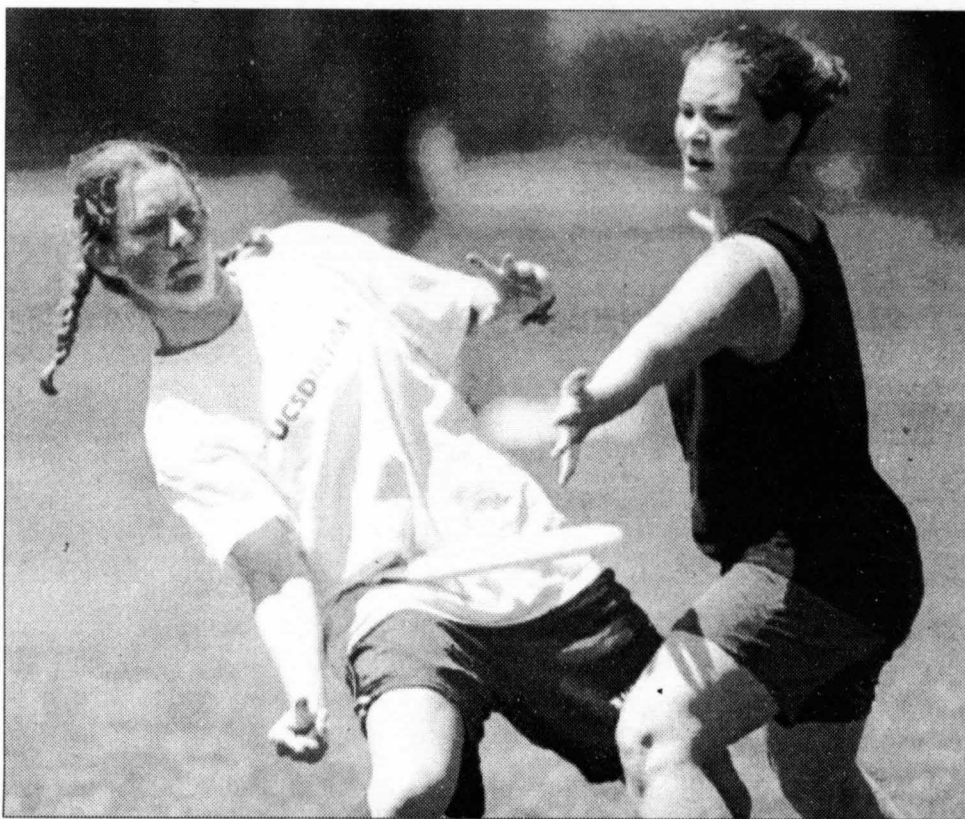
UCSD senior Jeanine Cordero made an at-large bid on the All-CCAA First Team as the only Triton on the elite squad.

UCSD had a couple of players on the All-CCAA Second Team: star junior pitcher Leea Harlan and freshman shortstop Amy Mettee.

The CCAA Most Valuable Player was Alicia Castro, a senior shortstop for Cal State Bakersfield. The Most Valuable Pitcher of the Year was UC Davis sophomore Susan Churchwell.

UC Davis coach Kathy DeYoung was awarded Coach of the Year.

Ultimate Champions



David Piltz/Guardian

Winners: The UCSD women's ultimate team rocked through the Southwest Regionals at home this last weekend. The squad tore through competition from Santa Barbara, Claremont and Colorado. Because of the team's success, the women will now be heading to the nationals, Memorial Day in Boston.

Open Mascot Tryouts

Anyone has a shot at representing Triton pride

By **GLORIA CHUNG**

Staff Writer

For the first time in school history, UCSD will have a mascot next fall. As if it wasn't hard enough just to be a UCSD student, the Triton mascot will have the task of making the home crowd as rowdy as it can be at all sporting events.

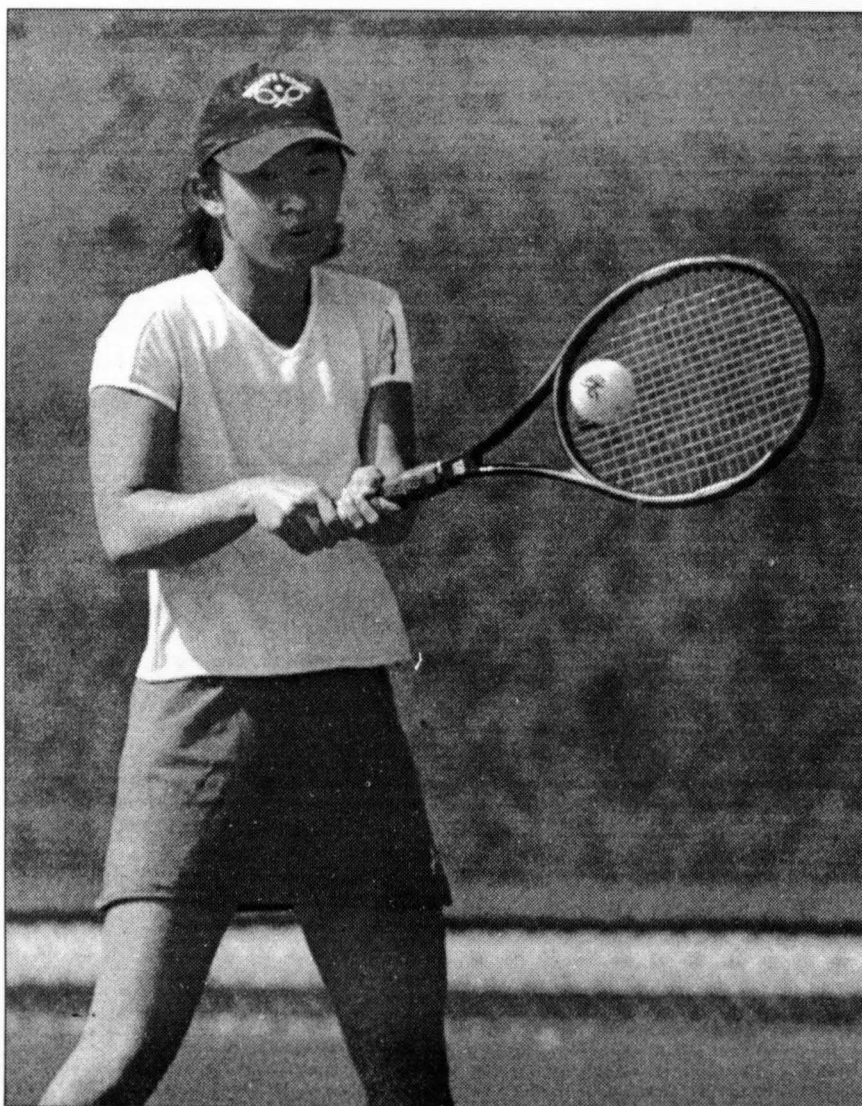
Anyone who has an ample amount of school spirit should find the job relatively easy. When the mascot helps, say, the basketball team win in the last seconds of a game by keeping the Triton crowd energized, then all the sweating and hard work will be rewarded. Needless to say, the Triton mascot must be committed and dedicated to all of the UCSD athletic teams.

The mascot's responsibilities include the following: being punc-

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Tennis Gets Ready for NCAAs

Tritons must overcome injuries to have a good showing at nationals



David Piltz/Guardian

Moving on: UCSD's Melisa Liao, shown here at a home meet earlier this year, hopes to help the Tritons win another national championship.

By **BILL BURGER**

Senior Staff Writer

Finals are crappy because you have to be at your best at a time when most would rather be doing nothing. Nobody wants to work so hard after being put through the wringer for 10 weeks. The only bright spot is that you know it will soon be done.

The players on the UCSD women's tennis team have academic finals coming soon, but they also have something more on their plate — nationals, which is the tennis equivalent of what scholars go through.

After running all over the court and suffering from a plethora of injuries this year, the team finally made its way to nationals on the strength of a 5-3 win over Hawaii Pacific University last weekend.

Going into the match, things did not look good for the Tritons. They were ranked lower than Hawaii Pacific, which meant a flight to the islands for an away match. Usually, traveling to paradise would not sound like much of a punishment, but jet lag can be a major factor in a high-level tennis match.

If traveling thousands of miles was not enough, the Tritons' No. 2 singles player, Lyndsey Tadlock, had a nagging arm injury for the match. She played through the pain, but was obviously not playing at 100 percent.

All of this, in addition to the fact that the Tritons were the underdogs to begin with, made it look like UCSD might be in for a short postseason.

We should never have doubted the spirit of the blue and gold.

In doubles, the Tritons put on a show, winning two of the three games and quickly establishing the tempo of the match.

At No. 1, Tadlock and Stephanie Moriarty struggled against powerful opponents. Although the Tritons' top duo played tough, they were never a threat and walked off the court with a 3-8 loss.

It was a different story at No. 2 doubles. Julie Westerman and Melisa Liao were in top form and dominated the match from beginning to end.

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