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Graduating senior Chris Agarwal is the owner of a multimillion dollar company, Internet Stock News.

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## Worldwide

### Palestinians Clash with Israeli Troops in Street Protests Sunday

JERUSALEM — Thousands of Palestinians in the West Bank and Gaza poured into the streets Sunday for angry protests, some of which were marked by violent confrontations with Israeli troops that recalled scenes from the intifada, or uprising, of the late 1980s.

The Israelis soldiers used rubber-coated bullets and, according to witnesses, some live ammunition, and the Palestinians hurled stones and Molotov cocktails. In the northern West Bank town of Qalqilya, one

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## National

### Thousands of Moms, Advocates March on U.S. Capital for Gun Control

WASHINGTON — With a rallying cry of "Enough is enough," hundreds of thousands of mothers and other gun-control advocates marched on the U.S. capital and in several cities around the country on Sunday, demanding "sensible gun laws," mourning the loss of children to gun violence and vowing to transform the politics of gun control.

Under a clear spring sky, the Million Mom March crowded the grassy expanse of the National Mall, cheering one speaker after

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## Collegiate

### Dartmouth College Students Protest Shortage of Housing

HANOVER, N.H. — With nearly 400 Dartmouth students currently without housing for fall term, still-homeless sophomores have been involved in a variety of protest activities, with some rallying in front of Parkhurst Hall last night for more dormitories and many others signing an online petition for the same purpose.

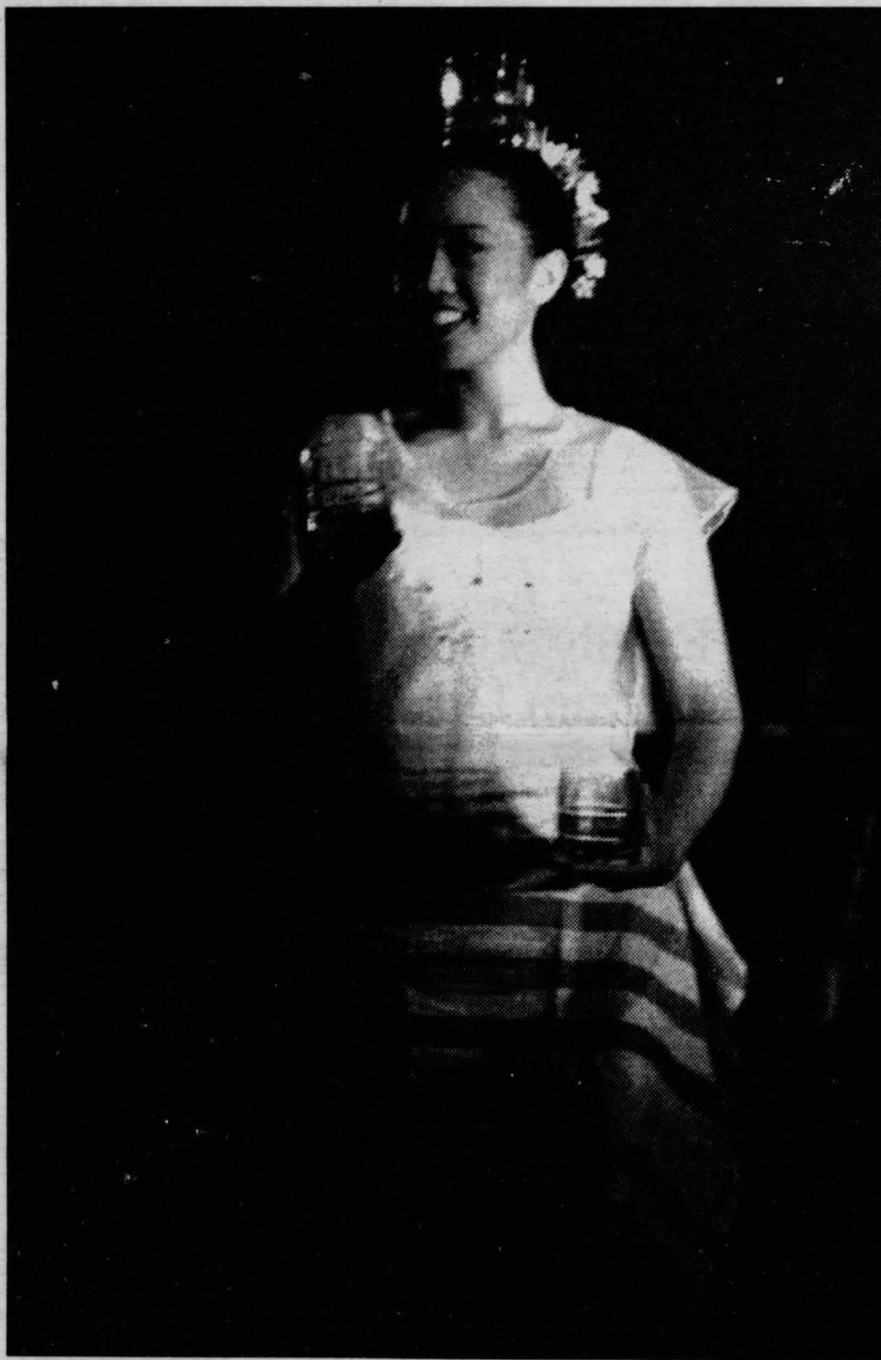
An electronic petition for guaranteed housing posted on the Internet Thursday gathered the most numerical support, attracting over 380 signatures from students in all grade levels in less than 24

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## Spoken

"I know that these are stories of our lives, like I know the rhythm of my heartbeat."

— Jesson Duller  
scriptwriter  
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David Pilz/Guardian

Culture: A Filipina dancer balances candles in a dance Saturday night as part of Kaibigang Pilipino Club's 9th annual Pilipino Cultural Celebration.

## Kaibigang Club Honors Past and Present Pilipino Culture

Celebration expressed through acting, dancing and ethnic music

By ALEX J. LEE  
Staff Writer

UCSD's Kaibigang Pilipino club hosted its ninth annual Pilipino Cultural Celebration Saturday night at Mandeville Auditorium.

Since 1987, Kaibigang Pilipino has served to address the needs and issues of Filipino American UCSD students.

The show featured various aspects of past and present Filipino culture. Stories were told through music, dance and acting. In addition, the stories presented everything from the plight of Filipino farmworkers in 1930s America to addressing the crisis of identity many Filipino Americans face today.

Most dances were accompanied by live musicians on both sides of the stage. The event was multimedia, with video images, sophisticated

lighting and sound effects adding to the effect. Jesson Duller, scriptwriter for the event, told the Filipino American story.

"I [felt] as if I was supposed to write the script for [the Pilipino Cultural Celebration] this year," Duller said. "I know that these are stories of our lives, like I know the rhythm of my heartbeat."

Throughout the night, the show took on a dream-like quality, fitting for the event's theme, "Imagine."

The shows producers were quick to point out its significance. In promoting imagination, the producers said that one rejects society's insistence on conformity and structure and that through one's imagination, one can be free.

Rex Villegas, a graduate student and pro-

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## Rezzies 2000 Honors Staff and Students

Marshall and Warren take home top honors in college residence life competition

By REBECCA WOOD  
Staff Writer

Students, residential advisors and staff were honored at Rezzies 2000, the second annual all-campus residence life recognition ceremony held last Wednesday night.

The Academy Awards-like ceremony was started last year by Oliver Butterick, former national residence hall honorary chair, who wanted to give residential life leaders at UCSD an opportunity to recognize their peers.

A committee comprised of two students from each college voted for the finalists in each awarded category.

Katrinna Bachand, chair of the Rezzies Committee, said Rezzies 2000 promotes unity on campus.

"Each college does a lot of their own programs," she said, "but the ceremony allows all the residential life councils and RAs to meet."

Ben Epperson, master of ceremonies at the event, said residential life committees are an important part of social life for students living on campus.

"The primary goal is to get residents out and to help them keep a balance in their life and help them meet people," he said.

Epperson added that the ceremony provides the opportunity for people involved in residential life to see what the other colleges are doing and gain feedback.

Director of the Office of Housing and Dining Services Larry Barrett, who will retire in June, was awarded the distinguished service award, and a special video presentation was shown as a tribute to his work.

Barrett has worked for the University of California for 36 years. He said the ceremony is important because it is the only event on campus that gives students and RAs recognition for their residential life work.

"Students that have shown dedication and creativity need to be recognized," he said.

A variety of activities planned by students on residential life committees and the residential advisors were awarded. Marshall's Student Committee on Residential Enhancement won Outstanding College Residence Committee.

Marshall also won the Most Original Program category. Through community service efforts, the residents of the college raised over \$2,000 for Marshall sophomore Dustin Demont, who was diagnosed with a brain tumor.

Warren won the Outstanding Educational Program by staff category with "Beer Goggles," where residents wore blurred swim goggles and attempted to drive a remote-controlled car and raise drunk-driving awareness.

"I was extremely honored," said Chris West, winner of the Outstanding Residence Committee Executive category. "I thought there was a lot of good candidates up for the award. They are all excellent leaders."

As a residence committee executive,

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Rezzies:

New awards discussed over the last six months

Continued from page 1 some of West's duties included planning free food, video games, massages and other finals-week activities at the "Burnout Center" at Muir.

Housing:

Demonstration over shortage drew 20 students

Continued from page 1 hours after it was posted. The most visible demonstration of widespread student frustration was the vigil. Despite the attendance of key college administrators and the surveillance of Safety and Security and the Hanover Police, the crowd peaked at 20 students.

Senior Associate Dean Dan Nelson, Dean of Residential Life Martin Redman, Dean of the College James Larimore and Dean of First-year Students Gail Zimmerman attended the vigil to engage in a dialogue with students.

Fifty-four disgruntled students signed a petition for guaranteed housing and 20 students recorded their personal stories of anguish, all of which were presented to President James Wright last Friday morning at 9 a.m.

The petition at the vigil addressed more than just the housing crunch, however, delving into what some students perceived as underlying reasons for the lack of sufficient on-campus residences.

While Redman did admit that college resources are not vast enough to allow the entire student body to be in residence during any single term, he defended the design by pointing out that students are able to select their own housing off-terms.

Larimore and Redman agreed that with the expected addition of 500 new beds, the college should be in a position to guarantee housing to all interested students within the next five years.

Redman qualified this statement by pointing out that all figures are based on an estimate of housing needs, which takes into account a certain percentage of the student population which would prefer to live off campus regardless of the availability of on-campus housing.

Berkeley Students Create New, Innovative Web Site, radedemon.com.com

BERKELEY, Calif. — With the economics and computer science knowledge they received from college — and a bit of ingenuity — two UC Berkeley students launched a trading Web site that has gained popularity in its short history.

Graduating economics major Chi-Ho Lau and recent computer science graduate Dorothy Kwan created radedemon.com and launched its updated version on April 25.

The new Web site is only one of the myriad of sites to visit on the Internet, but according to business development manager Tom Bowman, approximately 10,000 people a day browsed the site in its first week.

Bowman points out that this is not bad for the company, composed of five present and former UC Berkeley students who "work around the clock" to make it a success.

The engineers, he said, are the busiest part of their group, since the site is still in its building phase.

The idea behind the trading site is that most people have items they no longer need or want that other people want, who also may have items of their own to dispose of, employees say.

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BRIEFLY

Center for Family Solutions Honors Outreach Program Director

Thomas Gilkison, UCSD's Early Academic Outreach Program assistant director, was honored by the Center for Family Solutions, an Imperial Valley domestic violence crisis intervention center, for his service to area youths and adults as an educational outreach professional and volunteer.

Gilkison, who directs the EAOP's Imperial Valley office, was among 20 other Imperial County residents recognized for exceptional community service at the center's recent "Men and Women of the Year 2000" awards presentation. Recipients of the awards were nominated by individuals, organizations, institutions and service clubs in Imperial Valley.

Gilkison was praised for serving as a role model and mentor for area youths through involvement in educational enrichment and counseling activities, especially in his capacity at EAOP-Imperial Valley.

EAOP is an intensive academic support service for elementary, junior high and senior high school students established by the University of California to increase enrollment of underrepresented and low-income students. The program, introduced in Imperial County in 1980, services 21 schools, where collectively in the past two decades more than 50,000 students actively participated in EAOP college preparatory programs. More than 90 percent of these students went on to graduate from or attend college.

Gilkison has directed the EAOP-Imperial Valley office for 13 years and has also been involved with other community endeavors, including serving as a board member of Calexico Neighborhood House, a reader with the El Centro Elementary District Power Lunch Literacy Program, assisting with College and Career Days at local schools, and with the Student Outreach Club, which provides scholarships for students. He has also volunteered his time as a United Way presenter and as a frequent visitor of the elderly in local retirement homes.

Susan Davis for Congress Campaign Seeking Volunteers

The Susan Davis for Congress Campaign is looking for student leaders and organizers to help elect Susan Davis to California's 49th

ERRATA

In the May 8 feature article titled "Mr. Radio," the last name of Joe Bacich was spelled incorrectly.

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Monday, May 8
2:10 p.m.: A student reported a burglary to a black '89 Nissan Sentra in Lot 208. Loss: \$280.

Tuesday, May 9
2:10 p.m.: Officers arrested a 19-year-old male student in Lot 104 for misuse of a handicap placard. Cited and released.

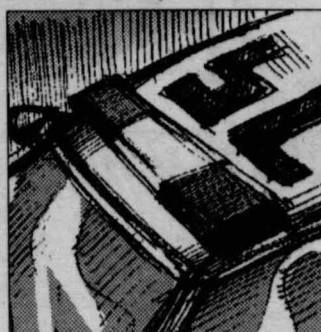
7:24 p.m.: Units and the San Diego Fire Department responded to a vehicle fire in the Mandeville loading dock. Extinguished by the SDFD. Cause of fire unknown.

7:44 p.m.: A nonaffiliate reported a theft of camera equipment from the Ché Café. Loss: \$4,200.

Wednesday, May 10
1:33 a.m.: Officers detained a 19-year-old male nonaffiliate in Lot 104 for being drunk in public. Transported to detox by officers.

12:15 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a cell phone from the third floor of the Price Center. Loss: \$50.

1:19 p.m.: A student reported



reported the theft of hubcaps from a vehicle in Lot 603. Loss: \$160.

8:55 a.m.: A staff member reported tampering to a white '97 Ford truck in Lot 201. Loss unknown.

12:15 p.m.: Officers arrested a 59-year-old male nonaffiliate at the UCSD Bookstore for petty theft. Cited and released.

12:47 p.m.: A student reported the theft of a wallet from the third floor of York Hall. Loss: \$60.

11:20 p.m.: A female nonaffiliate bruised her fingers when she dropped a manhole cover on them in front of the Main Gym. Refused medical treatment.

Thursday, May 11
1:10 p.m.: Officers cited a tan '97 Honda Accord for Lot 409 for having registration tags expired for over six months. Stored at Star Towing.

7:53 p.m.: A staff member reported the theft of a Silver Schwinn Sierra B21 bike from the bike racks on the south side of Regents Road. Loss: \$250.

Friday, May 12
8:49 a.m.: A staff member

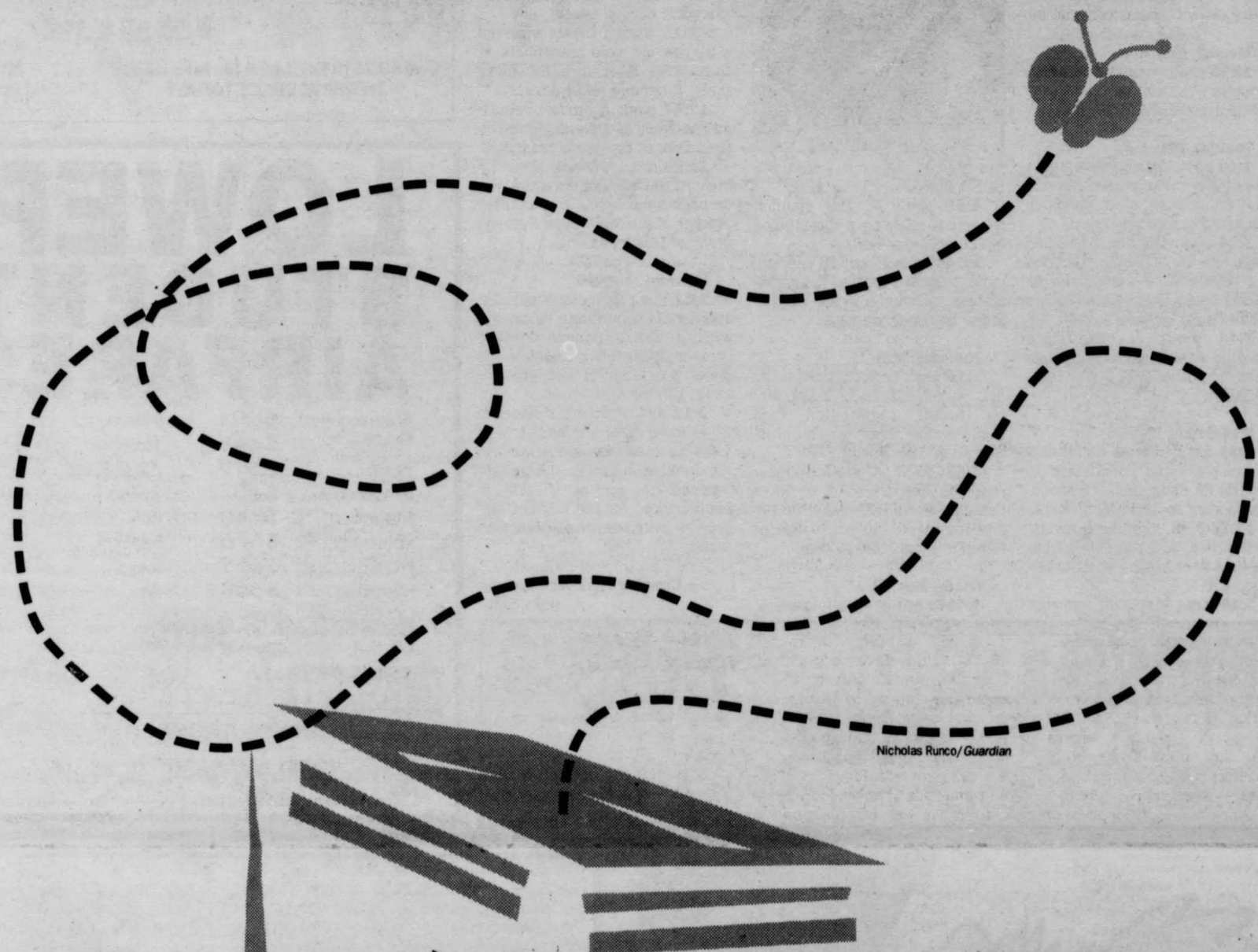
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# OPINION



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## Social Insecurity

George W. Bush's plan to implement personal investment retirement accounts will save the doomed Social Security system

By THEODORE DOKKO  
Staff Writer

Earlier this month, governor of Texas, George W. Bush, said in a major speech that if the American people were to elect him to succeed President Bill Clinton, one of his first priorities would be to reform Social Security. Offering generalized ideas, Bush said he would seek to allow taxpayers to take a small portion of what they currently pay in Social Security payroll taxes and put them into individual retirement accounts that could be invested at the taxpayer's discretion. However, the majority of the tax would stay in place so that those near retirement or living off Social Security would be guaranteed the funds they need.

Hours after Bush delivered his speech, his Democratic rival Vice President Al Gore, in his usual attack mode, criticized the plan. He said that if such a plan were enacted, the government would be taking away the security net the monthly checks provide, which retirees depend on. He went on to say that doing so would be like paying "stock market roulette." He derided the lack of

specifics, saying the "secret plan" was based on "smug assumptions."

In typical Democratic fashion, the vice president felt the best way to solve the problem was to throw as much money at it as possible. Gore insisted that his plan to use the projected surplus in Social Security taxes to pay the federal debt and to use the billions of dollars in interest saved from debt reduction would serve to shore up the Social Security Trust Fund until 2050.

The two competing proposals from the two presidential candidates show one of the starkest contrasts between Gore and Bush. It is interesting that the issue of Social Security reform has been considered the third rail of politics. Everyone knows the system is broken and in need of reform, yet many a politician have tried to make and enact proposals that would lengthen the system's solvency, but have been taking a beating in public opinion polls.

All agree that unless something is done before the Baby Boom generation retires, the Trust Fund will go bankrupt. By the time the Baby Boom generation retires, the work force of this nation will be dwarfed

by the retirement community. It is projected that two workers will be supporting every one Social Security recipient.

This ratio is alarming considering the fact that when President Franklin D. Roosevelt signed the bill that made Social Security a reality, there were 16 workers for every one Social Security recipient. Two politically unpopular ways of solving the problem would be either to cut some benefits or to raise the retirement age. If any politician were to propose such a reform, they would be laughed out of office. In order to avoid the harsh reality of the trust fund running out of money and either raising the retirement age and/or cutting benefits, it is clear that something must be done.

It seems that as we are in the midst of this unprecedented prosperity, now is the most opportune time to fix Social Security. Sadly, our vice president can only offer short-sighted and timid ideas. According to John Goodman, the president of the National Center for Policy Analysis, "Gore is taking a reactionary approach. He is not rejecting just specific proposals, he is rejecting the

whole idea of changing the program, and that's too bad, because they have to change."

If Gore is elected and he enacts his ideas, the United States will be putting a mere Band-Aid on the problem. Even if the surplus is used to pay off the federal debt and the interest payments are used to shore up Social Security, the federal government will be paying a whopping \$500 billion a year just on Social Security payments by 2020. This gargantuan amount is larger than the anticipated bill for all other discretionary spending. With such a large bill to pay for just Social Security, it remains a mystery whether Washington could then afford to pay for other important domestic needs, such as Medicare and education.

The Bush proposal, which has received support from Senators Daniel Patrick Moynihan, D-N.Y., Bob Kerry, D-Neb., and Bush's Republican primary rival John McCain, R-Ariz., would not only help reduce the government spending, but it would also help the individual retiree. The small portion that

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## Harassment Policy Has Reasonable Safeguards

Editor:

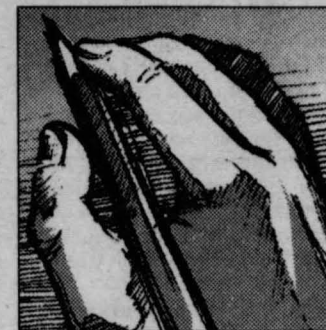
I appreciate Brent Don's comments regarding UCSD's efforts to maintain and promote "... a safe, productive environment becoming a major university" ("Fighting Words," May 8). However, his comments regarding the UCSD "fighting words policy" clearly indicate a lack of understanding of the applicability of that policy to UCSD students.

In recognition of the importance of free expression, as protected under the First Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, UC General Counsel has issued mandatory guidelines for the application at UCSD of the "fighting words policy." Those guidelines state, in relevant part:

"Use of fighting words ...

(1) The policy defines prohibited 'fighting words' as: 'those personally abusive epithets which, when directly addressed to any ordinary person are, in the context used and as a matter of common knowledge, inherently likely to provoke a violent reaction whether or not they actually do so. (2) To be subject to the public, 'fighting words' must be inherently likely to produce an immediate violent reaction. (3) To be subject to the policy, 'fighting words' must be directly addressed to the subject of the epithets ...."

Contrary to the statement in Don's article, UC General Counsel's guidelines also make it clear that derogatory references to personal characteristics are not automatically fighting words under the policy if the other requirements of the definition are not met. Moreover, to ensure that the policy is strictly applied in



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conformance to the guidelines, any application of the policy must have prior approval from the UC Office of the General Counsel. The full text of the "fighting words" policy and the guidelines can be found on the Student Policies and Judicial Affairs Web site at [http://ugr8.ucsd.edu/judicial/22\\_00.html#22.14.10](http://ugr8.ucsd.edu/judicial/22_00.html#22.14.10)

The implementation of the UCSD student conduct code, and the "fighting words" policy in particular is also guided by UCSD's dedication to learning, teaching and serving society through education, research and public service. Consistent with Principles of Community, UCSD also endeavors to foster the best possible

working and learning environment, and we strive to maintain a climate of fairness, cooperation and professionalism. In our attempt to balance free expression, with a campus environment that is true to the UCSD Principles of Community, the "fighting words" policy has been narrowly interpreted and it has been applied in only those few instances that clearly create the real threat to peace and order in the UCSD community.

In closing, I agree with Don's view that our society too often relies on legal provisions and regulations to try to enforce good behavior. I would add that it is unrealistic to view the UCSD student conduct code as the guarantor of civility and mutual respect among members of the UCSD community. I look forward to the day when differences can be resolved through reason and ration in face-to-face dialogues.

Thank you for your interest in this very important issue to the UCSD community, and please feel free to contact me if you have any questions regarding UCSD student policies.

— Nicholas S. Aguilar  
Director  
Student Policies and  
Judicial Affairs

### Guardian Sports Doing a Great Job

Editor:

To all the Guardian sports writers:  
A while back I wrote a scathing letter about your sports coverage.

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## 30-Year-Old Tragedy Still Haunts UCSD

In May of 1970, a UCSD student set fire to himself in Revelle to protest the Vietnam war

By BEN BOYCHUK  
Special to the Guardian

The popular version of the 1960s is a tale told by baby-boomers who acted like hippies but fought on like the Viet Cong.

This year marks the passage of more than 30 years since many of the events from the turbulent era that began with the assassination of John F. Kennedy and ended with the resignation of Richard Nixon and America's tragic withdrawal from Vietnam.

However, as those days recede into memory, we risk remembering the decade more from biased propaganda than from historical truth. The reason is simple: For many of today's media elite and cultural liberals, the '60s represent a revolution in which they undermined the mores of a corrupt America and replaced them with their own standards of relativism and liberation.

Even UCSD claims a connection to this self-serving version of Vietnam-era mythology.

On May 10, 1970, a 23-year-old graduate student named George Winne walked onto Revelle Plaza carrying a placard and a can of gasoline. On the placard was a message scrawled in red crayon that said: "In the name of God, end the war."

Winne then poured the gasoline over himself and lit a match.

Winne was emulating the Buddhist monks in Cambodia who did the same to protest the invasion of their country, but Winne lacked an essential monkish char-

acteristic — discipline.

Winne wanted to immolate himself, as one letter-writer to the Guardian put it, "in [the] honorable eastern tradition." However, he did not burn stoically. He flailed. He screamed. Then he collapsed. He succumbed the next day to the second- and third-degree burns that covered 95 percent of his body.

Winne is barely remembered today, except by a handful of people who were there. Most students on campus today were not even alive at the time, much less have ever heard of him. So why remember Winne at all?

In part, because he is a window to the tragic duplicity that made the 1960s an ideological nightmare, from which America still has not quite awakened.

I was at UCSD 10 years ago, when a handful of students held a memorial for Winne. Borrowing terms from a religious imagery they despised, they lit candles and called him a martyr.

What they were really doing was keeping the lie alive.

After the memorial, as a freshman editorial writer for the Guardian, I was charged with placing Winne's sorry end into context.

Even then, 20 years after the incident, the editorial board was divided on how to tackle the question. One vocal faction felt that Winne made a noble sacrifice for his beliefs and ought to be recognized for it. The rest believed his

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### Immolation: View of the period has changed over this decade

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death was a meaningless act by a troubled man caught up in the fury and mass psychology that was 1960s resistance. In 1990, Generation X had a hard time sorting it out. So the editorial was a mixed creation: Maybe Winne was a martyr, and maybe he was not. In any case, wasn't it time America got over Vietnam?

Typical of most Americans, the words were meant to solemnize a decade of selfishness. "One cannot help but wonder," read the penultimate paragraph, "if Winne would have better served his cause by fighting for peace instead of dying for it."

Many people probably do not remember Winne on the anniversary of his death, and surely the next one will have but a wisp of the confusion and ideological opportunism that made him a tragic hero.

Re-reading that editorial, I was reminded how stupid and wrong it was. We made claims and assertions about the Vietnam War that accorded with conventional wisdom that I now know to be false.

### Security: Current prosperity can save Social Security

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the taxpayer saves would be invested by the individual in order to get the greatest return. This will allow the taxpayer to accumulate some sort of wealth to enjoy during his or her retirement years. This is already what more wealthy retirees do when they invest in Individual Retirement Accounts.

To say that such a plan is risky is simply unfair. The vice president cannot have it both ways when he says that such an investment idea is risky, yet at the same time claims the Clinton-Gore administration is responsible for the great economy, when it really owes much of its greatness to the stock market. Even with bear markets and crashes, money invested in stocks clearly gives the highest return compared to any other form of investment. According to Moynihan, the senior Democrat on the Senate Finance Committee, under the Bush plan, "You're not risking anything like retirement benefits. They're fixed. They're guaranteed. This is just an extra thing."

### Letters: Athletes praise Guardian sports coverage

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I am now writing to commend and applaud you for your coverage of all sports throughout the year. You have provided superb and complete coverage of all sports, both men's and women's. All the athletes from all the teams have noticed and appreciate the tremendous effort you have put forth in providing the student body with updates on Triton athletics. So, I give you a hearty thank you and numerous pats on the back. Thank you, Bill, Robert, Brian and all the other sports writers.

— Carrie Everstine  
UCSD Track and Field

### World News: Social Democrats Prevail in German Elections

BERLIN — The governing Social Democrats won a comfortable victory Sunday in Germany's largest state, North Rhine-Westphalia, confirming both the resurgence of Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder and the plight of the opposition Christian Democrats.

Reliable projections from German television gave the Social Democrats 43.5 percent of the vote and the Christian Democrats 37 percent. Before a major financial scandal engulfed the Christian Democrats six months ago, the party appeared poised to win the state, which has been governed by the Social Democrats for 34 years.

The Christian Democratic candidate, Jurgen Ruetters, was unable to overcome the effects of the scandal, and his decision to try an anti-immigrant message in a pragmatic part of Germany backfired.

As a result, Wolfgang Clement, 59, the Social Democratic premier of the state, who has been pursuing the economic transformation of areas once dominated by coal and steel, will remain in office — almost certainly in a coalition with the environmentalist Greens.

Clement resembles Schroeder in that he is a reformist determined to move the party toward the center.

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Other demonstrators appeared as much to Palestinian as to Israeli leaders; some refugees, firing their weapons into the air, marched through Ramallah to demand that the refugee issue not be shunted aside in the peace negotiations.

It was the start of a second volatile week on the Palestinian streets as Yasser Arafat, the Palestinian leader, tolerated — some say encouraged — an outpouring of pent-up frustration. Frustrated himself by a lack of progress at the peace table, Arafat stepped back and let young Palestinians send their unsettling message to Israelis.

In response, Israeli right-wing leaders seized on the televised images of rock-throwing, masked and armed Palestinians — images, like those of the Israeli soldiers firing into the crowds, that have been little seen since Prime Minister Ehud Barak was elected a year ago on a peacemaking platform.

The right-wing leaders demanded that the peace negotiations be suspended until Arafat called off what they called a new intifada.

Unrelated to the talks, or so it was said, the Israelis did release one long-time prisoner Sunday, Salah Shihadah, the first commander of the military wing of Hamas, the Islamic fundamentalist group. He had been held for two years without charges after serving a 10-year sentence.

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### World News: Social Democrats Prevail in German Elections

BERLIN — The governing Social Democrats won a comfortable victory Sunday in Germany's largest state, North Rhine-Westphalia, confirming both the resurgence of Chancellor Gerhard Schroeder and the plight of the opposition Christian Democrats.

Reliable projections from German television gave the Social Democrats 43.5 percent of the vote and the Christian Democrats 37 percent. Before a major financial scandal engulfed the Christian Democrats six months ago, the party appeared poised to win the state, which has been governed by the Social Democrats for 34 years.

The Christian Democratic candidate, Jurgen Ruetters, was unable to overcome the effects of the scandal, and his decision to try an anti-immigrant message in a pragmatic part of Germany backfired.

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The National Rifle Association and its allies on Sunday denounced the march's agenda, asserting that "registration and licensing schemes" were in fact a controlled burn of the Second Amendment, and setting fire to freedom should never be the answer," in the words of Wayne LaPierre, executive vice president of the group.

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two seasons of 24 episodes each, as well as a higher percentage of future profits in the show.

The deals will be worth more than \$40 million a year for each of the negotiations said. Even though this represents a total far in excess of what any of the stars could possibly command to appear in movies, the deal came closer to not happening than anyone had expected.

The stars' demands had pushed NBC and Warner Brothers, the studio that owns "Friends," to threaten to drop what is now television's highest-rated comedy.

NBC, which had to lock in a new fall prime-time schedule by Sunday night in anticipation of a formal announcement to national

advertisers Monday, told representatives of the stars that if a deal was not done by 3 p.m. Sunday, "Friends" would be canceled.

"The pressure had to build before a deal could be done," said Peter Roth, the president of the Warner Brothers television studio, a unit of Time Warner. The deal was finally completed at 3 a.m. Sunday, Roth said.

He said it was in many ways typical of tough negotiations that need a deadline before they are resolved. He added: "There's no question that there was a period of time last week when things were really shaky. NBC was really clear that they would remove the show."

— Bill Carter  
The New York Times



Show: A Filipino dancer performs a dance at Saturday night's cultural celebration.

David Piliz/Guardian

**Culture:**  
Scenes commented on unfair stereotypes

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duction assistant for the show, found the event particularly meaningful.

"Filipinos are the largest Asian group in San Diego," Villegas said. "Even though when people think of Asians, they think predominantly Chinese, Korean or Japanese ... We're not out here to change your opinion, but to give you a change to have an opinion." Many scenes offered commen-

tary on the unfair stereotypes that have been ascribed to the Filipino American community. Coordinators of PCC asserted that the purpose of presenting these unflattering portrayals was to poke fun at stereotypes through satire.

"We wanted to promote positive images of Filipino Americans while erasing negative ones," Villegas said.

Joanne Bundalian, cultural dance coordinator and director of the event, offered her thoughts on choreographing the show.

"[We attempted] to mix past and present parts of our culture, even if only in our minds," Bundalian said. "To portray the

struggles and joys in doing so, are what encompass our show."

According to Catherine Deguzman, head coordinator of the event, putting PCC together was a unique challenge.

"Words are not enough to describe this PCC experience and the spectrum of emotions and adventures I have gone through because of it," Deguzman said. "In retrospect, this experience has been a bittersweet challenge, but despite all the hardships, I managed to fall in love ... in love with the cast, the concept and the message."

The Pilipino Cultural Celebration is Kaibigang Pilipino's biggest event of the year.

**Hearing to Evaluate UC Berkeley Research**

State Senate to investigate deal made with private pharmaceutical and genetic engineering company

By ANNE BENJAMINSON  
Daily Californian

(U-WIRE) BERKELEY, Calif. — The University of California-Berkeley's College of Natural Resources' deal with a private pharmaceutical and genetic engineering company will be the focus of a California state Senate hearing Monday, in which the effect of private funding on public research will be evaluated.

State Sen. Tom Hayden, a Democrat from Los Angeles, called the hearing in part to examine the alliance. Under the agreement, Novartis, a Swiss corporation, gave \$25 million to the college. In exchange, Novartis would be given two seats on the college's five-person research committee and the right to negotiate licenses on many of the college's research findings.

"[The deal] raises significant questions of whether biotechnology research primarily serves the interests of corporations and marginalizes potential academic critics at the expense of free inquiry and unfettered research," Hayden said in a message concerning the hearing.

In addition, UC Berkeley's Graduate Assembly has called for a termination of the agreement with Novartis.

David Friedman, the assembly's president, said yesterday the organization was worried about the agreement's effect on graduate students conducting research and on the entire reputation of the university.

"We're not taking the stand just because it hurts graduate students,"

Friedman said. "We're taking the stand because it hurts the public."

Professors and graduate students dependent on private funds might skew their research in the interests of Novartis, Friedman said.

"The fear is there might come a time where research won't be disclosed because it is adverse to the company that funded the research," he said. "The reasons graduate students come here is so we can do our research free of influence."

Monday's hearing in Sacramento is expected to include testimony from several key figures within the college. Dean Gordon Rausser, who is expected to appear before the Senate in favor of the agreement, was not available for comment yesterday.

Miguel Altieri, one of the college's professors, will also give testimony at the hearing, which is before the Senate's Natural Resources Committee and Select Committee on Higher Education. While the hearing is intended to address the broader impacts of genetic engineering on the California environment, it will open with testimony concerning the Novartis agreement.

Although recent polls show a majority of the faculty oppose the deal, Altieri added many were afraid to voice their opinions.

"There are a lot of people who are afraid of talking about this issue," he said. "They don't want to oppose the dean, and I think there is a certain level of faculty being afraid of speaking out on whatever way they think."

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Chris Agarwal, a 23-year-old UCSD student graduating in June from Eleanor Roosevelt College with a degree in anthropology, is founder and chief executive officer of Internet Stock News. Now, ISN a multimillion dollar financial community.

He started an e-mail publication as a hobby and by the time he turned 21, he was investing heavily in Internet stocks. He went to high-profile brokers to seek advice on investing and he was struck by their lack of knowledge when it came to technology stocks. Agarwal was frustrated with the system and saw the need for a publication dedicated solely to the Internet stock arena, which many people consider to be the new hot sector.

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Currently, as the largest Web-based community for Internet stock investors, ISN hosts more than 400,000 users worldwide. There are 10 in-house employees at the main office near University Town Centre, and nearly 100 people are involved in the project altogether.

ISN provides its users with access to free real-time stock quotes, message boards and chats with industry professionals, as well as real-time market analysis and commentary. Fifteen analysts and writers contribute to give clients the latest market data, updates and news.

"ISN boasts unique items such as access to public and private investment opportunities in early stage Internet companies, as well as a proprietary and actively managed 'ones to watch' list of Internet stocks that the site's analyst believes will outperform the market," Drasin Communications reports.

Most ISN users have an annual household income that exceeds \$50,000. Nearly 80 percent are online investors, and the majority of users would consider investing in private stock offerings.

Nick Mital, Agarwal's 28-year-old cousin and chief operating officer of ISN is very optimistic about the future of the business. Mital attended law school and business school and received his JD/MBA at New York University. He worked for the banking firm Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette for two years until he came to work with ISN this year. His

goal as COO is to drive the company strategically and position it for partnerships with large financial organizations.

Mital has a high opinion of Agarwal. "He is an Internet visionary who has a strong conceptual understanding of what it takes to run a company," Mital said.

"Although school often diverts his focus away from running the company, it does give him a sense of perspective."

There is a large mix of people involved in ISN who are excited about what they are doing. Half of the people working in the office are 23 or younger. Employees Sierra Izzard and Matt Norehad, for example, are both 22-year-old finance majors. Izzard is graduating from UCSD this year, and Norehad graduated from UCSD in 1999.

The company has been very successful. It has secured alliances with some larger online brokerages and investment banks. In 1999, the net income after taxes was \$3.6 million.

"While I cannot discuss my company value, I am the majority shareholder, and many of our competitors have gone through the IPO process and are now publicly traded on the Nasdaq," Agarwal said.

Agarwal feels that his product is what sets him apart from competitors.

"What differentiates us from the competition is our specialization in Internet stocks and the stock offerings we put in front of our users," Agarwal said. "Utilizing our venue, investors help early stage Internet companies grow and hopefully go public sooner. ISN helped four companies raise more than \$10 million in 1999, and now has redeveloped its Web-based stock offering system to allow for larger stake and more complex ventures."

Agarwal enjoys the real-world experience he has been able to gain while still in school. The university tends to focus on the theoretical side of learning rather than providing students with practical applications for their knowledge. The programming, Web design, Internet security law and Internet-based marketing that he learns at work are more than he could have learned from any course.

Agarwal openly admits he is not an ideal student. "I am the epitome of an ADD case," Agarwal said. "I always fall asleep in class so I have to do other things to compensate. Being CEO of Internet Stock News has allowed me to miss class on a more consistent basis."

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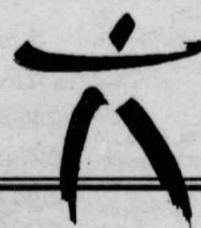
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# The Editor's Soapbox

By filing suit against Napster, Metallica, Dr. Dre and the Recording Institute of America show their ignorance

By DAVID PILZ  
Associate Photo Editor

Last week, Lars Ulrich, drummer of metal band Metallica, walked into the Napster offices in San Mateo, Calif., to drop off an amendment to the band's lawsuit against the company.

On May 4, Metallica delivered a list of 317,377 user names of people who were giving away Metallica MP3s via Napster and demanded that Napster cut off service to these people, saying that these people infringed on the band's copyright. Napster complied.

Metallica are not the only ones suing Napster — Dr. Dre and The Recording Industry of America have also filed lawsuits.

Napster is a program that allows users to download MP3s, a type of sound file, from the Internet. People logging into Napster have their MP3s put into a central database for others to access and download. This group of people can access each other's music banks and download their favorite songs. This is why it is called the Napster Music Community.

Napster currently is very controversial, due to the fact that it has been banned on many campuses in the country, including UCSD. The use of Napster can be examined from both a financial standpoint and an ethical one.

Those suing Napster argue that MP3 technology, and programs that make it easy to download MP3s, have made a strong financial impact on them because anyone wanting to have more music in

their library can now download the music for free. This denies record companies and artists the royalties they receive from purchases.

However, I fail to see how MP3s make any financial impact on the music industry. In fact, recording industry profits rose by 8 percent last year, but let's take a closer look at the situation.

First, let's get one thing straight. Mpeg layer three files are inferior to CD quality. The great thing about MP3s is that they have a relatively small file size, as opposed to .wav files, which have better quality but an extremely large file size. The quality of the sound depends on the bitrate (sampling rate) — as the bitrate gets larger, the quality increases, but so does the file size.

I don't know anyone who uses MP3s as an alternative to CDs. I do, however, know many people (including myself) who have downloaded MP3s then have bought the album. It is a great medium for bands to get their music out there for people to hear and decide if they like it.

For many people, the presence or absence of MP3s has not affected their willingness to buy a CD. Many people have MP3s on their computer that include random songs from here and there. Although they may enjoy listening to them, they do not like them enough to buy the CD. To argue that a band would make more money if Napster technology was eliminated is to fail to see the big picture.

From a purely financial point of view, there doesn't seem to be anything wrong with this: Some may



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Those suing Napster do not understand the Internet well enough and are too quick to fight against it rather than work with it.

Metallica and Dr. Dre should see MP3 technology as a way of getting their music heard by the public, rather than a force against them. In an interview on *Salon.com* with Eileen Richardson, chief executive officer of Napster, she said she believes that artists resisting MP3 technology are simply unfamiliar with the technology.

"I think [Metallica and the recording industry's] actions are based on a lack of knowledge and fear," Richardson said. "When you're afraid of something that you don't understand, you react, usually with a lawsuit. It just shows, though, that they're not that familiar yet with the Internet as a medium. They're unfamiliar with how their fans are using it, and how it could benefit the band in the future."

Napster is a way for bands to attract more fans, and a great one at that. In addition, I think a lot of good new bands will benefit from this technology. Non-mainstream bands can use Napster or MP3 technology to mass distribute their work, and widen their demographic appeal.

Currently, the main ways most people hear new music are through the radio and television, both of which I am not even going to get started on. Richardson said she likes her product because it allows patrons to listen to exactly what

they want and avoid the "bubble-gum hits."

"I don't have time to sit in front of MTV for two hours and get blasted with whatever somebody decided to blast me with, and it's the same with radio," Richardson said. "Whereas online, I can sit down and say, 'Hey, these are the things I like, give me more.'" On the Napster Web site you can get information, based on musicians that you like, of other musicians that you might like.

There are many bands out there who are pro-MP3 and have spoken out in defense of Napster. These include Chuck D, Limp Bizkit and The Offspring.

This attack against Napster is, in essence, an attack against the younger users of the Internet. MP3s are used mostly by people who are age or younger, the bulk of whom are probably in high school. Getting a message from Napster saying that Metallica monitored you and has made us cut off service to you is sending a strong message to younger users, creating unnecessary fear.

There is one more thing that must be understood. If Napster loses in court and gets shut down for good, this will not be the end. There are currently many other ways to download MP3s, and many more will come. When it comes to the Internet, if there is demand, there will be supply, no matter what the regulation may be.

Richardson believes MP3s give people greater access to musicians

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## ARENA

# Do you feel that Tesh Khullar should be allowed to speak at All-Campus Commencement?

Interviews by Malavika Gangolly • Photography by Tyler Huff



"Yes, I think that he should be able to speak because he has worked really hard for our campus, and he is already going to be punished quite severely for what he has done."

**Susanna Didrickson**  
Marshall sophomore



"Yeah, I don't see why not. I don't think that it's that big of a deal. It's not like we are honoring what he did — it's just part of his duties as president to speak at graduation."

**Eddie Moon**  
Marshall junior



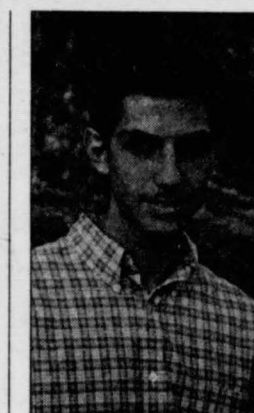
"No, because any other student organization would be punished severely."

**Stacy Berger**  
Roosevelt sophomore



"No, because what he did was wrong, and he should be setting a good example for other students."

**Anu Nagaraj**  
Marshall freshman



"Since he is a representative of a whole student body, I don't feel comfortable having someone who has abused school resources speaking at graduation."

**Bashir E.**  
Muir junior



"Yes, because he has done a lot for this university. He has taken a lot of blame for what happened, and it would be a shame if he wasn't allowed to speak after all he's done."

**Katherine Algeri**  
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# ReViewing the Web

## Internet travel Web pages provide a multitude of options, from one-stop shopping to corporate-owned sites

By JESSICA SCHEPPMANN  
Features Editor

For students, summer vacation conjures up hopes of touring Europe and sleeping in youth hostels with people from all over the world. Visiting remote islands and learning about native customs becomes an effort to be not just a student in a university, but a student of the world.

Realistically, however, student travel is difficult. Planning, cost and organization all contribute to difficulties that can mean spending another summer wasting one's youth working for the man, rather than experiencing life. Where should a student begin?

On the search for summer excitement, the Internet now provides many opportunities for students to make reservations with airlines, hotels or hostels, plan adventures, and explore potential destinations through cyberspace. Some of these sites are hits, while others are big misses. For making airline reservations, two Web sites, Travelocity.com and Priceline.com give two different options for buying tickets.

These two Web sites merged in a marketing alliance in April to offer users more choices, with two different approaches to purchasing. Priceline.com's theme is "Name your own price for airline tickets, hotel rooms, groceries, new cars, home finance and save!" The site calls this a "demand collection system."

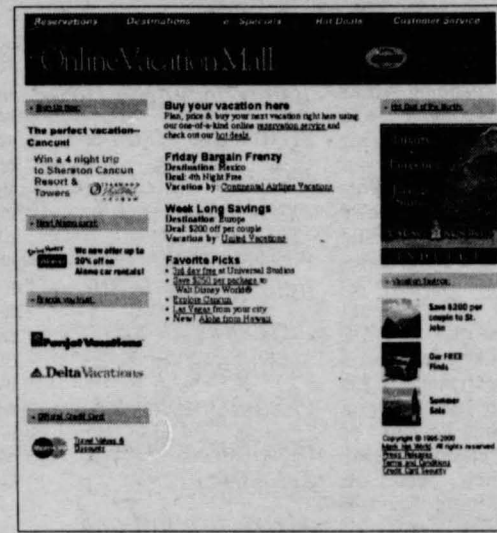
This is a nice concept, however, Priceline.com is problematic

because its format requires students to pick a price they are willing to pay, and then hand over a credit card number and hope for the best. Usually, within one hour of giving Priceline.com this information, someone will e-mail a confirmation of a purchase that most closely resembles the parameters the user established.

Purchasers are not given the opportunity to peruse selections and then pick the best one for them. This makes ticket purchasing and other reservations awkward. Rather than just looking for the cheapest airline tickets available online, users must enter the price they are willing to pay. This means that if there are no tickets available, users must go through this process over and over again, increasing the amount they are willing to spend in tiny increments. If a user is too generous with his or her offer, they will never know they paid too much.

Priceline.com finds the tickets that are closest to the price offered, not necessarily the cheapest price, or the best value — a severe disadvantage. Furthermore, those buying airline or other travel tickets, or making hotel reservations, are not given the advantage of a wide selection of choices. The main advantage to Priceline.com is that it does not require membership from its users. However, this factor is negligible in comparison with the hassles — such as those described above — that users must endure.

Additionally, Priceline.com does not offer services to those



**Comparison shopping:** Various Web site retailers offer one-stop shopping convenience for travellers who want to reserve airline tickets, Eurorail passes, make hotel or hostel reservations and check out their planned vacation destinations all on one Web site.

users who would like to make hotel reservations outside of the United States or Canada.

For students, the better Web site for purchasing airline tickets is Travelocity.com. This Web site is appreciated by users because it gives a wider range of choices and is especially useful for students traveling abroad. A free membership gives users access to services from a number of different airlines, increasing the odds of getting a fairly priced ticket.

"Travelocity.com provides ... reservations capabilities for 95 percent of all airline seats sold, more than 47,000 hotels, more than 50 car rental companies and more

than 5,000 vacation and cruise packages," states the company's Web site.

Travelocity.com gives access to a vast database of destination and travel information and has more than 17 million members.

Rather than offering fairly priced groceries such as Priceline.com to attract customers, Travelocity.com offers from a number of different airlines, services to make car rental reservations, and also allows users to explore vacation packages and cruise packages. This Web site also includes featured packages, featured destinations and trip reports to give travelers more information on all

destinations, information on special deals and an opportunity to make multiple reservations from one Web site.

The Online Vacation Mall at [www.onlinevacationmall.com](http://www.onlinevacationmall.com) also provides a service where registered users can access "e-specials" and discounted rates for hotels and airline tickets. Unfortunately, this site only allows reservations to be made in the United States or Canada.

A significant limitation of all of these Web sites is that they are geared toward older travelers. These sites include information

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about cruise packages, but fail to mention youth hostels, significant international events and other such important youth-oriented information.

Collegetravelers.com is a new site that may not be perfect for older travelers, but is designed with students in mind. It does not require membership to use, making it especially convenient.

"This ... has been created especially for college students by college students, who are also experienced, worldwide travelers," states Doran Malka, Collegetravelers.com's publicist.

This site includes information about travel supplies, rail tickets, hosting information, Internet cafes, European events, travel tips and a comprehensive checklist for first-time international travelers.

Collegetravelers.com also offers a service where users can establish a private journal to record their travels. This journal can either stay private, or can be accessed by friends and family who have the correct password. It is a new site, however, so users must beware of

glitches in the system.

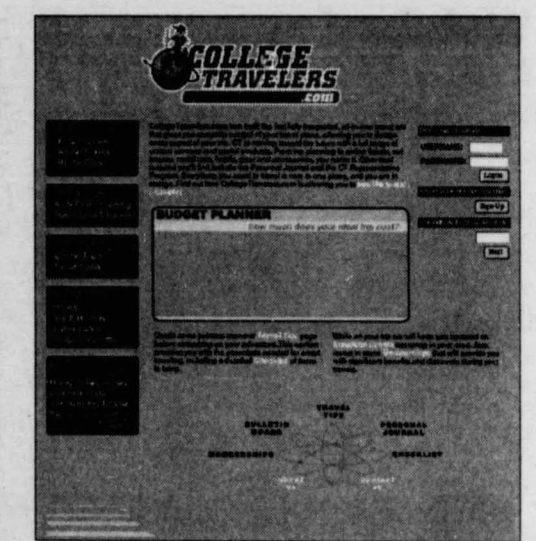
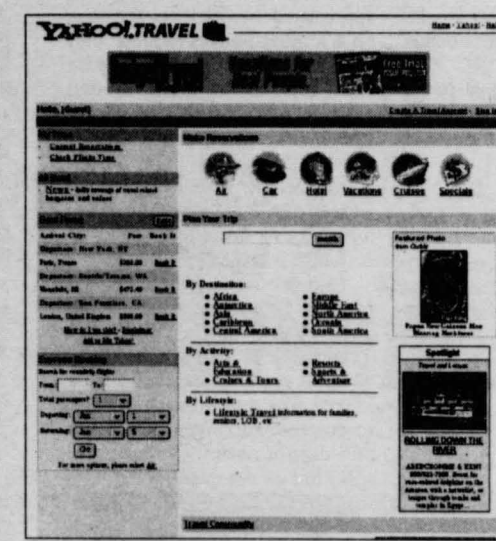
Collegetravelers.com claims to allow users to purchase Eurorail passes, reserve rental cars and even has a program to help students plan their travel budgets. As with any vacation services, it is best to confirm reservations directly with the airline, hotel, hostel or other service provider of your choice.

Mainstream Internet organizations also offer travel sites. Yahoo.com, at [www.travel.yahoo.com](http://www.travel.yahoo.com), offers information about almost any destination a traveler could be seeking, in addition to opportunities for making reservations at hotels and with airlines.

As with other Web sites, Yahoo asks users to establish a free membership before using its services. Yahoo offers ticket specials at [www.flycheap.com](http://www.flycheap.com). According to the site, the free membership allows users access to a range of choices. Members enter their desired destination, departure dates and the price they are willing to pay.

Flycheap.com then presents users with a variety of choices — that are actually available. It also claims to include an estimate of taxes so that the user will not be surprised with additional fees upon payment.

Another option for student



**Online Convenience:** Many of these sites have a variety of special packages that are geared toward either singles, families or college students, depending on the Web page. Additionally, some offer everything from travel checklists to travel journals.

travelers, rather than going to a one-stop, shop-type site, can go directly to service providers' individual Web sites.

Travelscape.com provides easy access for travelers who want to make hotel, airline, or automobile reservations. This Web site, more so than focusing on plane ticket reservations, focuses on hotel or motel deals. In fact, Travelscape.com makes a "no risk" guarantee, where, if you make reservations at a hotel, you are

guaranteed the best possible rates for your booking time. If you pay more, than Travelscape.com will pay the difference. In terms of airline reservation, however, Travelscape.com is a very good bet as well. They have direct access to over 400 airlines, giving users a wide variety of options and numerous opportunities for discounts.

Travelscape.com also allows users to amend their travel plans and to cancel reservations from the

Web site.

By far, the best bet is the one that is guaranteed, and that what [www.discountairfares.com](http://www.discountairfares.com) offers. Upon completion of their fare request form where users specify their desired traveling parameters, DiscountAirfares.com will e-mail a free fare quote. The site claims that it will put its, "five best agents specializing in your routing," and if the reservation is made with these

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### WebReview: Hostels provide students with inexpensive lodging

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made with these agents and the purchaser does not receive the best possible fare, the site will refund the difference. This guarantee is for both flights and cruises.

DiscountAirfares.com also has an extensive service list where users can purchase travel insurance and phone cards, print off maps, and connect users to a Web site where they can learn one of over 100 languages. DiscountAirfares.com recently established a new service on their site which allows travelers to participate in auctions of airline tickets and packages. It is a new service however, and currently the selection is minimal for this type of purchasing.

International, the official umbrella organization of youth hostels everywhere. Hostelling International has a Web site at [www.ihf.org](http://www.ihf.org), or for hostelling in America, the site is

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[www.hiayh.org](http://www.hiayh.org). Both Web sites give important information about hostels, hostel etiquette and history and the steps that need to be taken in order to make reservations. According to Hostelling International, hostels are usually

appreciated by students traveling on a limited budget because they provide cheap, clean accommodations and can be found around the world, including in all 50 states. Overnight fees average between \$8 and \$17, and hostels allows people (usually students) from around the world to come together in a dormitory setting to exchange travel stories.

Airlines, such as United Airlines, Southwest Airlines and Delta Airlines all have their own individual Web sites as well where travelers can check out the deals offered. The disadvantage to these corporate-owned Web sites is that they do not have the competitive edge that one-stop shopping Web sites do. They won't necessarily look for the best deal, but you will be able to guarantee a brand name plane ticket.

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For more information on traveling, please go to Council Travel, located in Price Center, or go to their Web site at [www.counciltravel.com](http://www.counciltravel.com)

### Soapbox: MP3s and Napster let artists connect with fans

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that aren't the superstars of their label.

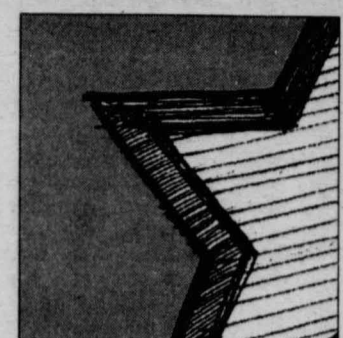
"The labels can keep doing what they're doing," Richardson said. "They'll still have their megastars, etc. but what about that next [level] of the music industry? The artists that we talk to daily that, let's say, have been dropped from record labels, but have music [they'd like to distribute]? Giving them the ability to connect directly with their fans, well, that's why this is important — they're going to be able to make a living out of this."

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By LINDA C. BLACK  
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**Aries (March 21-April 19)**  
On Monday get a partner to work with you. Figure out how you can make the best deal 'cause a lot of money could change hands Tuesday and Wednesday. You may have a problem with travel on Thursday and Friday. Pack a lunch to keep expenses down. Taking a class over the weekend could be a good investment. Show you have learned a few things already by choosing which class, wisely.

**Taurus (April 20-May 20)**  
Make a list of the things you want to accomplish on Monday. Hammer out an agreement with a partner on Tuesday and Wednesday. Close your big purchasing or sales deals on Thursday and Friday. Enter an active growth phase over the weekend. You will be advertising your wares and hauling in the big bucks for the next few weeks. Start with a trip on Sunday.

**Gemini (May 21-June 21)**  
Finish old business early in the week. Make time for a private discussion on Monday. Postpone social engagements on Tuesday

and Wednesday; you will not have time. You might be able to get out on Thursday or Friday, however. Plan a huge celebration for this weekend 'cause the sun is coming into your sign. Look for a great bargain on Sunday.

**Cancer (June 22-July 22)**  
You and your team need to finalize plans this week. Complete paperwork on Monday. Save time for romance on Tuesday and Wednesday. Use somebody else's money to get the best deal on Thursday and Friday. You may feel guilty about what you have not done on Saturday. Do not get depressed; work with an older person to set up a plan, instead, on Sunday.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)**  
You could be successful this week, but it probably will not be easy. You have to prove you know what you are doing. Study on Monday. Keep quiet and take care of yourself on Tuesday and Wednesday. You will feel playful on Thursday and Friday. To avoid trouble, play by the rules. The energies shift in your favor on Saturday. Pass or fail, you will be finished with the test and ready to relax by Sunday.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**  
You are learning. You should be able to advance soon. Keep your eye on the money Monday. Practice new skills on Tuesday and Wednesday. Make necessary plans for domestic changes on Thursday and Friday. The weekend could be hectic. You will get more done if you have an agenda and stick to it!

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)**  
Gather your money together  
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Scorpio, Sagittarius, Capricorn and Pisces

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this week so you can travel soon. You will have extra confidence on Monday. Use it to work a good deal. Make plans on Tuesday and Wednesday but do not sign the papers until Thursday or Friday. Go slow; you will have to live with this deal for a long time. You may not be able to get away this weekend, but travel is definitely in the picture for the coming few weeks. Get ready.

#### Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

Do not forget to put the paperwork in the mail on Monday. You are strong on Tuesday and Wednesday; hold out for what you want. Do not spend much on Thursday or Friday. New developments could affect your decision. Make sure you are getting a good deal over the weekend, too. Get something that is built to last. Sunday will be a good day to curl up with a good book.

#### Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

Your friends will be glad to help on Monday. Go ahead and let them. On Tuesday and Wednesday you could be under pressure to perform. Be careful then. You gain an advantage on Thursday, especially in negotiations with a partner. Let an expert represent you on Friday and even Saturday. By Sunday you may be ready to fall into a heap or a hammock — or both. You hereby have permission to do that.

#### Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Take care of business on Monday and romance on Tuesday and Wednesday. The pressure increases on Thursday and Friday, so work extra hours then. The person who needs the job done will appreciate your effort. You may want to continue that theme through Saturday, and maybe even Sunday, just for the fun of it. You are hot!

#### Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Monday should be pretty good romantically, although expect a bit of chaos at home. On Tuesday and Wednesday an older person needs your attention. Do what's required. Collaborate with friends and teammates on Thursday and Friday to prepare for a celebration on Saturday. Conditions are changing in your favor — big time! Finish up loose odds and ends on Sunday.

#### Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)

You are still studying this week. You could even make some money while you are practicing on Monday. New skills could bring new opportunities on Tuesday and Wednesday. Overseas might be an option. Take care of an important person's needs on Thursday and Friday, and you will make a valuable contact. You may be moving over the weekend or doing spring cleaning. Looks like a lot of activity at your place. Sunday should be good for entertaining friends.

#### Birthdays This Week

May 15: All your hard work could pay off this year, as you achieve the security you are after. May 16: You may have to live with the choices you make this year for a long time. Be sure before you say you will. May 17: Your experience is a great teacher this year, but a partner helps you stay open to new ideas. May 18: Gather as much as you can. Only spend on a sure thing that will make your future more secure. May 19: You learn how to juggle this year. A bright idea could save you a fortune. May 20: You are already practical. Now, you will learn to express your thoughts. You may be more talkative than you have been in years. May 21: Your experience leads to wisdom this year. Try not to learn "all the lessons the hard way."

### Tennis:

Women leave western foes in their dust

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closer. Tadlock and her opponent Brook Calton, from Claremont, were tied at five before Tadlock broke Calton and held her serve to take the set 7-5.

No. 6 singles featured Gunther taking on Glencora Pontee from Claremont. Gunther escaped a tightly contested first set with a 7-5 victory and stepped up her game a notch in the second set. Gunther's improved play proved to be too much for Pontee, and the result was a 6-2 victory.

The most exciting match of the day was at No. 5 singles, where Liao took on Jirika Peterson from Claremont. Liao took the first set in easy fashion by a score of 6-2, but Peterson came back to win the second set 6-4. Instead of playing a third set, the teams agreed to play a tiebreaker to 10 because the overall result of the match had already been decided in UCSD's favor. In the super tiebreaker, Peterson took an early lead and held on to defeat Liao 10-5 to take the match.

UCSD will take its western regional crown to Minnesota next weekend when it competes on the campus of Gustavus Adolphus College in the NCAA National Championship Tournament. Gustavus Adolphus will be UCSD's first opponent. UCSD hopes to advance to



David Plitz/Guardian

**Acc:** Kirstin Olsen serves a ball in her singles match last Saturday against Claremont College. Olsen won her singles match 6-1, 6-2. The finals, where it would likely face Trinity University. LaPlante knows that doubles will be key if the Tritons are to advance to the championship match. "Doubles will certainly be crucial because you only play a proset and every

matchup can go either way," LaPlante said. "We will definitely have to work on our doubles play over the next couple of days."

Look for results from the tournament in next Monday's issue of the Guardian.

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# SPORTS



## Reality Check

### Losing did in Knight, not his temper

By BILL BURGER

As an avid University of Indiana fan, it pains me to say this, but men's basketball Head Coach Bob Knight has worn out his welcome in Hoosier country.

The latest allegations against Knight involve verbally berating a 64-year-old secretary and breaking his son's nose on a camping trip. When sports fans hear these stories, it is almost impossible to understand how Knight has been allowed to stay in his positions long as he has.

Indiana officials may cry that they had no knowledge of the kind of torment Knight put his players and other people around him through, but I beg to differ. They, and the general public, have known for years about Knight's abuse of power, but they allowed him to continue. The question is, why?

To understand, one has to have seen the environment that Knight lives in. I lived in Indiana, and one of my most vivid memories is that basketball is the local deity in every high school gym and neighborhood driveway. There is nothing in California that even compares to the kind of craze that Indiana basketball conjures up in the state.

Another thing about this situation that disturbs me is the press release that Knight released to explain his actions. In this release, Knight admitted to a temper problem and said he was sorry and he would work on solving the problem.

Knight is obviously following Bill Clinton's lead with this very heartfelt apology. Knight isn't sorry for his temper. If he were, he would have worked to solve the problem a long time ago. What he is sorry about is that all of his actions are now coming to light, and he is soon going to be out of a job because of his behavior. He has been asked about his temper countless times in the past, and his answer is always the same. He always says he is trying to make his players as good as they can possibly be, and he will do anything to achieve that goal. Now all of the sudden he is sorry? Yeah right.

I am not a basketball coach, but I think that if I grabbed a player by the throat or punched my son in the nose, I would know that I had a severe anger-management problem. Knight and the rest of the nation's basketball fans knew about his problem, but three National Championships seemed to make everybody forget it. Now that Indiana basketball hit a seven-year drought, all of this is coming to light. This is not a coincidence.

To a certain extent, I feel sorry for Knight. He is like many athletes today who are treated like kings until they become expendable and are then promptly kicked out onto the street. Within one week, that is where Knight will be, and the rest of us will be forced to wonder what his most egregious crime was in the eyes of the powers that be at Indiana University. Was it his temper or his inability to maintain a winning program? The timeliness of his firing points to the latter.

## Tennis Takes West Region

Women's tennis team defeats Claremont College to win the regional championship

By DEE YOUNG

Staff Writer

All season the Tritons have been the juggernaut of the western region in women's tennis. On Saturday, they put their No. 1 ranking on the line when they played Claremont College. UCSD hardly broke a sweat in the match, rolling to a 7-2 victory.

"We had just played them a few weeks ago and had a similar score," Head Coach Liz LaPlante said. "We definitely expected to defeat them again."

Claremont faced off against Redlands University on Friday for the right to play the Tritons on Saturday. In that match, Claremont escaped with a 6-3 victory, in part because of a tough win by Blair Rubenstein at No. 1 singles. However, by the end of Saturday, Claremont probably wished it had not won the day before.

On Saturday, the Tritons took advantage of the fact that their legs were fresh and ran their opponents all over the court.

"I know a few of their girls had long, three-set matches on Friday and that probably worked to our advantage," LaPlante said. "Even though they were tired, I don't think it made that big of a difference."

The Tritons won two of three doubles prosets to take a 2-1 lead. At No. 1 doubles, freshman Amy Tranckino and sophomore Lyndsey Tadlock rolled to an 8-5 victory, and Kirstin Olsen and Rachel Gunther easily won 8-2 at No. 3 doubles. At No. 2 doubles, Melisa Liao and Yen Yen Ho were tied with their opponents 7-7 before losing the next two games and the proset 9-7.

It was in singles that the Tritons truly exerted their dominance. No. 1 singles was over before it began



David Plitz/Guardian

**Smack:** Melisa Liao hits a forehand in her match Saturday against Claremont College. Liao is one of two freshman who consistently play on Liz LaPlante's squad.

because Tranckino was worlds ahead of her opponent in talent and desire. The 6-0, 6-1 outcome was never in doubt.

No. 2 singles was almost as lopsided as No. 1 singles. Olsen blistered her opponent with ground strokes from the very beginning and walked off the court shortly afterward with a 6-1, 6-2 victory. With the impressive victory, Olsen will probably be placed in the 32-

woman individual tournament that will take place at the NCAA National Championships next weekend.

Ho had little trouble with her opponent at No. 3 singles. The first set was relatively close, with Ho winning 6-3. In the second set, Ho stepped it up a notch and stomped to a 6-2 win. In a match against the same opponent in UCSD's previous match against Claremont, Ho won

an exciting 7-6, 7-6 victory. The knowledge she obtained from her opponent in her last match undoubtedly helped her win this matchup in easier fashion.

Tadlock was not tested much in the first set of her match at No. 4 singles and was victorious by a score of 6-3. The second set was much

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## Softball Eliminated By Chapman University

Bitter rival defeats UCSD for the third time this season to eliminate them from Regionals

By DEE YOUNG

Staff Writer

With time running out in the softball season, the UCSD softball team traveled to Hart Park in Orange, Calif. this weekend to compete in the Western Region Championships. The Tritons went into the contest as the third-seeded team, but unfortunately left the tournament when they lost to Chapman University in the finals of the losers bracket.

In their first game, the Tritons played against Washington's Pacific Lutheran University.

Their opponents were unfamiliar to most Triton fans, but Head Coach Patti Gerkens knew what her squad was up against.

"I knew they were going to be a good team because I had seen them play once before," Gerkens said. "They ended up being even better than I remembered."

The Tritons had problems with their opponents from the beginning. PLU scored two runs in the first inning off starting pitcher Leea Harlan and never

looked back. After an RBI single by Michelle Wilson cut the PLU in half, the Tritons' opponent exploded for six runs in the fifth inning to up UCSD away. The rally was capped with a home run by PLU first baseman Tharen Michael. The Tritons were unable to put up any more offense and fell 8-1.

The loss put UCSD in the losers bracket and within one defeat of going home.

In their second game, the Tritons took on La Verne University. UCSD got off to a good start in the second inning when it put five runs on the board. The 5-0 lead looked insurmountable and the Tritons began to relax. That is when La Verne struck, scoring two runs in the third and two more in the fourth, cutting the Tritons' lead to a single run.

"We had the big inning and we kind of relaxed," Gerkens said. "We couldn't get the momentum back after that."

Luckily, Harlan was able to

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## Men's Tennis Comes Up One Win Short

UCSD pulls the upset against Claremont but are eliminated from Regionals by Redlands

By BILL BURGER

Sports Editor

The UCSD men's tennis team season has been a seesaw affair to say the least.

It started out promising, with two new recruits, Michael Meyer and Corey Moderhak, playing one and two singles. Then, halfway through the year, things hit a low point when Moderhak was declared ineligible and Meyer suffered an arm injury.

Meyer healed in time for the Western Regional Championship this weekend, where UCSD took on the Claremont Colleges for the right to play Redlands in the championship match. The Tritons avenged a 1-6 loss to Claremont earlier in the year with a 5-2 victory on Friday, but eventually fell 6-1 to Redlands University in the finals.

The team knew it was in for a tough match on Friday. The Tritons had lost 1-6 just two weeks ago in an uninspired effort on UCSD's north courts.

However, that was before the return of Meyer, whose reappearance enabled the team to play one spot lower in the lineup than before. The Tritons used this advantage to turn a 1-6 defeat in the previous match into a 5-2 win this time around.

"I knew getting [Meyer] back would help us a lot," Head Coach Eric Steidlmayer said. "It also helped that our guys really competed well."

In doubles, the Tritons won two of three prosets, just as they did in the previous match. At No. 1 doubles, Dan Albrecht and Mike Rosett won 8-5. This was the closest of the three doubles bouts between the two teams. At No. 2 doubles, Joe Diehl and Sean Nagle never got the momentum rolling, falling quickly by a score of 8-3.

Meyer and Ryan Thompson teamed up at No. 3 doubles and were in control of the match from beginning to end. Their 8-4 victory gave the Tritons the win in doubles and the sole doubles

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