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WIZ KHALIFA TO HEADLINE SUN GOD

BY ARIELLE SALLAI
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

After five months of planning, A.S. Concerts and Events Media Liaison Oliver Zhang sat down with the *Guardian* Sunday afternoon to leak the lineup for the annual Sun God Festival.

"For me, it's the best lineup we've ever had," Zhang said of the May 13 festival.

Rapper Wiz Khalifa will be headlining the main stage, while Jesse F. Keeler (JFK) of electronic music duo MSTRKRFT will be the main act at the dance tent.

Best Coast, Mike Posner, Jimmy Eat World and Crystal Castles will also play the main stage. The support for the dance tent — as

well as one more act for the main stage — will be revealed once the artist contracts are completed.

"Not all contracts are fully executed," Zhang said. "When we release something we want to make sure that the contracts are fully valid, just in case they back out at the last minute."

Associate Vice President of Concerts and Events Brian Wong said he is proud of the lineup.

"We knew coming into this year that it would be hard to top the success of 2010," he said in an email. "To make this year's

MAIN STAGE

WIZ KHALIFA
CRYSTAL CASTLES
JIMMY EAT WORLD
MIKE POSNER
BEST COAST

DANCE TENT

JFK OF MSTRKRFT

ADDITIONAL ACTS
PENDING
ANNOUNCEMENT

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Murder Suspect in Burning Vehicle Case Will Face Trial

By Regina Ip
NEWS EDITOR

Carlsbad resident Julio Angel Garcia-Puente, 50, will go to trial for murder and arson charges following a hearing held March 30. He is suspected of killing his estranged wife — 38-year-old Lorena Gonzalez, whose body was found in a burning vehicle in the P701 parking lot next to the UCSD baseball field.

At the preliminary hearing to determine if probable cause exists to indict Garcia-Puente, San Diego Superior Court Judge Jeffrey Fraser concluded that the prosecutors provided sufficient evidence for the case to stand trial, the *San Diego Union-Tribune* reported on March 30.

San Diego firefighters testified that they arrived in the parking lot at approximately 8:30 p.m., when they found the vehicle in flames. According to the *Union-Tribune*, firefighter Justin Price said that when he opened one of the car doors, he saw a head and an arm. Investigators determined that the vehicle was intentionally set on fire.

According to the *Union-Tribune*, deputy district attorney Nicole Rooney testified that Gonzalez died of strangulation, as three bones in her neck were



Julio Angel Garcia-Puente

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3,700 ATTEND CLINTON OPENING SESSION

By Jonathan Kaslow
STAFF WRITER

Students from 50 states and 90 countries congregated on campus for the Clinton Global Initiative University this weekend, held April 1 to 3. The conference is devoted to developing and implementing projects (called "commitments") to global issues, such as poverty, pollution, LGBT rights and college affordability.

About 1,200 students entered the conference with individual commitments, 200 of which were from UCSD. Students were required to apply to be participate.

The Clinton Global Initiative is part of the Clinton Foundation, founded by former U.S. president Bill Clinton in 2005. Now hosting its fourth conference, the CGIU has been to universities in New Orleans, Texas and Miami.

Clinton was on hand for the weekend's event, and other guests included Qualcomm CEO Paul Jacobs, actor Sean Penn and singer Mandy Moore. Jacobs participated in the opening session, while Moore spoke at the first workshop on global health and Penn appeared at the closing session. Students were also able to attend a variety of panels and workshops to prepare them to fulfill their commitment to face issues such as population growth, the environment and global health.

"You believe you can make a difference, and we're going to help you," Clinton said at the April 1 opening session. "The most important question is 'how do you propose to do it [commitment]?' and college students are more prone for that question."

CGI U Campus Representative Melissa Ethead, who attended CGI U in Miami last year, expressed her excitement over the event's international scope.

"It's an international event for UCSD, and imagine 200 students changing the world," Ethead said. "I am so excited for the



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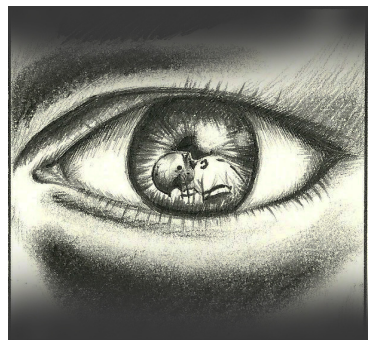
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

Domestic Violence Rates Increase After NFL Game Losses

By Nisha Kurani
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Reports of domestic violence increased by 10 percent in areas where the local National Football League team lost a game it was expected to win.

"The study is about how emotional cues affect people's behavior," economics professor Gordon Dahl said. "When people's expectations are unmet, they get this emotional cue that makes them very upset



PHILIP JIA/GUARDIAN

and unfortunately translates into a horrible thing, which is increased domestic violence."

Since football games evoke emotional investment, Dahl and UC Berkeley economics professor David Card examined 900 regular NFL games from 1995 to 2006 — comparing pre-game betting odds against eventual game results in a regular season for six NFL teams, which included the Denver Broncos, Kansas City Chiefs and New England Patriots. They compared predictions and results for the game to reports of domestic violence collected from the database of local police reports — the National Incident-Based Reporting System — in home cities of the teams.

Analysis of the reports demonstrated that the incidence of domestic violence was no different before the game had begun, or even during the first half of the game.

"Most of the violence is concentrated in a narrow window, in the last hour of the game and a couple hours afterwards," Dahl said.

Yet research showed that unexpected loss produces a greater change than does the pleasant surprise of an unexpected win.

"Your happiness [is] relative to what you think is going to happen," Dahl said. "Pleasant surprises don't do much for us. When you are expected to lose but unexpectedly win, that doesn't really reduce domestic violence."

There is also no change in domestic violence when the team loses a game it was expected to lose, as there is less emotional investment in the game.

The spikes in violence were more prevalent when viewers were more emotionally connected to the game, such as during playoff contention or in games against traditional rivals.

Loss to a rival team when the team is in playoff contention results in a 17-percent increase in domestic violence, while upset losses to a non-rival team witnessed a rise of 8 percent.

"If the game is especially

frustrating because you were hit with an unusual number of penalty yards, your quarterback was sacked an unusual number of times or if you were intercepted an unusual number of times — when those frustrating things happen, then we also [see] a larger spike in violence of about 15 percent," Dahl said.

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CORRECTIONS

A March 10 article titled "Council Gives Yet Another Depressing Library Presentation" incorrectly stated the the SIO and IR/PS libraries will close in June. There is not set date for the closure.

The Guardian corrects all errors brought to the attention of the editors. Corrections can be sent to editor@ucsdguardian.org.

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LIGHTS AND SIRENS

Thursday, March 24

4:45 a.m.: Suspicious person

► A person of unknown gender was sleeping in a sleeping bag at Center Hall. *Gone on arrival.*

3:28 p.m.: Information

► The reporter found an opened bundle of marijuana on the beach at Scripps Pier, but it was “mulchy and had been in the water [sic] a long time.” *Information only.*

Friday, March 25

4:38 a.m.: Suspicious person

► An Asian male who was biking around left his bike and ran off with a video camera near the ATM machines at Price Center. *Field interview administered.*

Saturday, March 26

11:33 a.m.: Injury

► An adult male fell off his bike while trying to avoid crashing into a vehicle near RIMAC and possibly dislocated his shoulder. *Referred other agency.*

5:51 p.m.: Citizen contact

► The reporter, who offered a couple a ride to Scripps in his car, noticed his wallet was missing the day after and his credit cards were charged. *Report taken.*

7:19 p.m.: Medical aid

► A 27-year-old husband-and-wife duo tried a prescription of medical marijuana for the first time and began panicking and got dry mouth, saying they “don’t feel themselves.” *Information only.*

Sunday, March 27

9:10 a.m.: Injury

► Two females at Warren Field were conscious and breathing but not alert. *Referred to other agency.*

2:08 p.m.: Welfare check

► An officer “initiated activity” on an elderly woman at Pangea Parking Structure. *Checks OK.*

Monday, March 28

12:16 p.m.: Report of petty theft

► A thief stole some bike parts, wheels and a bike seat sometime over spring break. *Information only.*

12:37 p.m.: Injury

► A male in his 70s or 80s fell and “hit his head pretty hard” at Shiley Eye Center on Campus Point Drive. *Information only.*

2:51 p.m.: Citizen contact

► The reporter came to Campus Services Complex and complained that she thinks her roommate may have poisoned her soy milk. *Information only.*

Tuesday, March 29

9:26 a.m.: Domestic violence

► A male was yelling and a woman was crying, but he was speaking a different language so it was “unknown what he was yelling.” *Checks OK.*

12:07 p.m.: Suicide attempt

► A male was half outside his window on the fifth floor of the west side of Tioga Hall saying he is going to jump, but he just went back inside. *Checks OK.*

Wednesday, March 30

11:14 a.m.: Medical aid

► A resident of Marshall Apartments had an allergic reaction to peanut butter on their face and had trouble breathing. *Information only.*

Thursday, March 31

7:03 p.m.: Illegal parking

► A red Mustang in Lot 701 rolled out of its parking space and collided with two trucks. *Information only.*

— **Compiled by Sarah Kang**
STAFF WRITER

LIBRARIES EXPECTED TO CLOSE BY END OF YEAR

By **Laira Martin**
ASSOCIATE NEWS EDITOR

Due to an estimated \$3-million cut to library funding, UCSD’s Medical Center Library in Hillcrest officially closed on April 1.

Four more libraries — including the Center for Library & Instructional Computing Services, International Relations and Pacific Studies, Scripps and Science & Engineering libraries located in Geisel Library — are expected to close later this year. No official closure dates have been set.

“We’re about 99-percent sure that these closures are going to happen for sure,” Campuswide Senator and Undergraduate Representative for the Library Committee Anish Bhayani said. “Depending on how severe the cuts are, we may be looking at more cuts in terms of hours, positions and maybe even resources.”

The Library Committee — which is comprised of seven faculty members, one undergraduate and one graduate student — is expected to cut anywhere from \$3-6 million. University Librarian Brian Schottlaender planned for the minimal cut of \$3 million as stated above.

“IR/PS Library would likely close

later in the summer,” Schottlaender said in an email. “The Science & Engineering Library consolidation at the Biomedical Library will take place later in the year.”

Despite several closures across the board, the Library Committee is researching alternative study spaces for students.

“After this consolidation takes place, we do hope to offer a 24/5 study space on the ground floor of the current S&E Library,” Schottlaender said.

Bhayani said current student activist efforts aren’t likely to help keep the libraries open.

“Creating Facebook groups and petitions is almost meaningless,” Bhayani said. “[We need] some way of showing the Chancellor directly that what they’re doing is not fair and if you are going to cut the libraries, [students] understand, but make it a cut that is logically and mathematically proper.”

Due to the bureaucratic nature of state funding, Bhayani said library funding has been harder hit than other parts of campus.

“The library budget comes primarily from state funding,” Bhayani said. “Over the past few years, state funding has decreased; so has the

libraries’ budget, but it has decreased at a disproportional rate. Although UCs are getting 10 percent less funding, library funding is dropping by almost 20 percent.”

Due to this large drop in funding, UCSD libraries are finding it difficult to sustain various library positions and facilities.

“The sad truth about the administration is enough money is [floating] around to keep most if not all the libraries open,” Bhayani said. “The staff and admin, who were hired on the promise to uphold UCSD’s mission statement, feel their pay and benefits far exceed the need for libraries. The students are victims of a cruel, bureaucratic and greedy system we call the University of California.”

Although Library Committee members have stressed the likelihood that several libraries will close, nothing beyond the Hillcrest closure is currently official.

“While UCSD’s budget situation does not look good, the libraries still do not have our final budget allocation, so these plans are subject to change,” Schottlaender said.

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Death of Woman in Vehicle Concluded as Strangulation

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fractured. The Carlsbad resident also experienced blunt-force trauma to her abdomen and the back of her neck. Some of Gonzalez’s teeth, porcelain facings attached to a metal bridge, were found in her throat.

On Nov. 6, Garcia-Puente told a detective that he went to Gonzalez’s apartment the day her body was found to give her money. He said he believed she was involved in another relationship.

Prosecutors said Garcia-Puente

initially said he argued with Gonzalez and left the apartment, but later changed the details of his story. He informed police that he wanted to have sex with Gonzalez, but she refused. Garcia-Puente called her a prostitute and the two began physically fighting.

Garcia-Puente said he pushed Gonzalez, which caused her to fall and hit her head on a piece of furniture. A search warrant was taken out on Gonzalez’s home, where no evidence of the struggle was found.

When she died, Garcia-Puente said he panicked and wrapped her body in a sheet. Prosecutors said he then drove the body to UCSD and lit it on fire to destroy evidence.

Garcia-Puente is currently held in county jail pending his trial. As a Mexican national, he has an immigration hold.

If convicted, Garcia-Puente faces 25 years to life in prison.

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While creative humor is appreciated, this publication was offensive and reminds us of the importance of our efforts to improve our campus climate. We must continue to work together to ensure a respectful, safe and welcoming environment for all students, staff and faculty.

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OPINION

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2011-12 A.S. COUNCIL

ENDORSEMENTS

PRESIDENT **JASMINE PHILLIPS** STUDENTS FIRST



PHOTO ILLUSTRATIONS BY STEFANY CHEN/GUARDIAN

We've heard Jasmine Phillips's campaign promises before, and they're not nearly as flashy as suggestions of off-campus Greek housing, immediate fixes to the parking problems or moving to D-I athletics. We've rallied around old cries to fight student fees and prioritize education, and yet we're still looking at an 8-percent tuition increase come fall.

Which is exactly why we need to keep fighting, and why Phillips's passion for social justice and UC accessibility makes her the best candidate for A.S. presidency.

Phillips has worked with students across a wide array of campus communities, from serving on the Black Student Union and the Student Affirmative Activity Committee to mentoring Sixth College students to sitting on the Chancellor's Advisory Committee as A.S. Associate Vice President of Diversity Affairs last year.

She has experience working with administrators on campuswide committees, prioritizes important issues like environmental sustainability and education and realizes that now's not the right time for new \$50-plus D-I student fees.

She'll keep Chancellor Fox and Vice Chancellor Rue honest about the changes promised in the aftermath of the Compton Cookout last year, and likely prevent council from passing needless — and expensive — student-fee referendums.

But while Phillips is dreaming big, and has the experience to promote her ideas, she should develop more detailed plans of reaching her goals and adopt some of her opponents' ideas for increasing council efficiency. Ryan O'Rear of Tritons First suggested biquarterly budget meet-

ings that could go a long way toward alleviating confusion over how much funding council has allocated. And Alyssa Wing's goal of fixing council from the inside out and focus on efficiency makes her a good second choice. The head of the Board the Wing slate proposes a committee specifically devoted to figuring out the council's rules and updating them — and close investigation of this kind is exactly what the council needs to alleviate the inconsistencies that have long hindered the group's effectiveness.

Phillips should also take warning from the experience of current A.S. President Wafa Ben Hassine. Ben Hassine — who ran and won on the Students First slate last year — has had a term paralyzed by a Senate filled mostly with Tritons First candidates, and an executive branch split across three slates.

Phillips will need to work especially hard to bridge the gap that has developed this year and stress civility and cooperation on the council floor, no matter the political composition.

Of course, Wing and O'Rear's focus on spirit, pride and athletics are representative of the wishes of members of the student body. These are issues that should be addressed, and Wing and O'Rear's respective, and highly qualified, vice presidential candidates will be able to advocate for them on the council floor.

But the role of the president is to be the moral compass of student government, and it is here that Phillips shines in her prioritization of the basic goal of the UC system — accessible education for as many qualified students as possible. Phillips recognizes the importance of defending issues that would unequivocally benefit all Tritons — not just athletes or the Greek community.

RESPONSIBILITIES

• Acts as the student body's official representative and chief executive officer of the A.S. Council.

SALARY & BENEFITS

• \$10,000 per year
• A-spot parking upgrade

WHY WE ENDORSE HER

She prioritizes fighting student fees and has the activist background to enact tangible change.

VICE PRESIDENT OF STUDENT LIFE **MEREDITH MADNICK** BOARD THE WING

RESPONSIBILITIES

• Serves as interim A.S. president in event of office vacancy
• Appoints and dismisses council members on A.S. committees

SALARY & BENEFITS

• \$5,250 per year
• A-spot parking upgrade

WHY WE ENDORSE HER

She has the council experience to accomplish feasible goals in a year's term.

Among another year's crop of uninformed poseurs, Meredith Madnick's the real deal. The Eleanor Roosevelt College junior — who's served on council since her freshman year — has been around long enough to see countless councilmembers' promises go unrealized, and has all the stronger sense of what a group of a couple dozen student government firebrands can actually accomplish in three quarters.

As this year's council Speaker, Madnick possesses a near-encyclopedic knowledge of not just the rules governing Wednesday night meetings, but of the internal problems that have plagued the council floor this year. She holds, in short, the strongest remaining institutional memory on council, and was this board's most obvious choice.

Beyond her impressive knowledge of

council history, Madnick's also spent the past couple years as a diligent observer of the Office of Student Life, and knows what's worked and what hasn't. She commends the work of outgoing VP Student Life Kristina Pham (with the glaring exception of March's Winter Triton Fest fiasco, which saw two divisions of Student Life, Concerts and Events and Athletics, planning major events for the same night). But she also recognizes that for most councilmembers, Pham included, there's a steep learning curve at the beginning of the year that prevents much from getting done — an issue Madnick, if elected, would skirt with ease.

Her opponents emphasized bringing orgs together; in her interview, Pam Sran of Tritons First suggested having a greater presence at Bear Gardens to increase interaction between different parts of campus, which is important in light of increasing polarization. But Sran, and Students First candidate Donald Zelaya, lack Madnick's experience.

And unlike some running this spring, Madnick acknowledges that there isn't a whole hell of a lot distinguishing the majority of the slates from one another. (Names included: The average Library Walker stroller would likely be hard-pressed to distinguish between such widely varied monikers as Students First, Tritons First and We Are Tritons). That recognition is especially important in light of the fractions on this year's council, which Madnick knows all too well.



We like her ideas for expanding current programming in the Office of Diversity Affairs (Madnick wants to see more broadly inclusive diversity-sponsored dinners to promote more constructive discourse), as well as her proposal to have each of the six college festivals work in conjunction with the A.S. Concerts and Events office, which tends to possess superior know-how when it comes to event planning.

Her ideas for reaching out to students — streamlining council's myriad Web pages, instituting a weekly "Ask A.S." table on Library Walk and using a live Twitter feed during weekly meetings to keep students in the know — also represent inexpensive, entirely doable changes for an office too often overshadowed by the Sun God Festival. From a student leader as experienced and as capable as Madnick, we'd expect no less.

REFERENDA

UNIVERSITY CENTERS **YES**

University Centers — comprised of Price Center, the Old Student Center and the Che Café — constitute a majority of student hubs on campus. Without the \$5-per-quarter referendum, student orgs — including A.S. council itself — will be charged for using these facilities to the tune of anywhere from \$10 to \$100.

On top of paying for rooms, no referendum means Price Center will no longer be open 24 hours and will likely close for eight hours a night, from 11 p.m. to 7 a.m.

CANYONVIEW POOL **YES**

The prospect of paying more to maintain decades-old services isn't appealing, but with key recreation facilities under threat of closure, passing the Canyonview referendum is in the best interests of students and sports teams. The fee is a mere renewal of the \$12 we currently pay quarterly to maintain facilities, with a \$10 adjustment for inflation. Its passage would yield about \$1.3 million per year, which will support staff salaries, maintenance and operation of facilities like the Canyonview swimming pool and two Jacuzzis.

VICE PRESIDENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

VICTOR FLORES

STUDENTS FIRST



RESPONSIBILITIES

- Educates student body on issues affecting UCSD at city, state and national levels
- Lobbies officials and legislators on behalf of student body
- Serves at UC Student Association rep for UCSD

SALARY & BENEFITS

- \$5,250 per year
- A-spot parking upgrade

WHY WE ENDORSE HIM

His shining track record as a campuswide senator suggests he has the work ethic to follow through.

As current campuswide senator and member of the Students First slate, Flores has already made his mark by spearheading the move to ban harmful steam cleaners. After becoming aware that the cleaners were responsible for widespread injury among cleaning staff, he introduced a resolution to ban them that not only received overwhelming council support, but resulted in an even rarer achievement: the realization of the resolution's aim, as the Housing, Dining and Hospitality department ended up switching cleaning methods.

This alone shows that Flores is paying attention and has the stamina to see a project through. Combined with a perfect attendance record in a council fraught with absentees, and his suggestions to create an absence committee to increase accountability, Flores is a standout among a pack of big talkers.

Flores's priorities of fighting tuition increases, lobbying the D.R.E.A.M. Act, encouraging student voting and fighting for increased taxpayer support of higher ed are the usual for the office, but his three-plus years of involvement in the External Affairs office and track record of statewide lobbying give him the background and passion to see his ideas through. This foundation sets him apart from Board the Wing's Samir Naji, whose history is working at the community college level, and We Are Tritons' Sarah Johnson, who is approximately a year behind on the issues on council's plate.

Flores hopes to make the Student Affirmative Action Committee more inclusive by bringing in Greek and athletic representatives instead of just the representatives from diversity-oriented orgs. And instead of just sending these reps to meet with other campus councils, he hopes they, as well as the rest of the external department, will lobby local politicians.

Flores has more than proven his competence; with him in office, the office is sure to be revitalized after a lackluster year with lukewarm action.

VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE AND RESOURCES

LYNNE SWERHONE TRITONS FIRST

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Advises president and council on all fiscal issues
- Oversees activity-fee distribution

SALARY & BENEFITS

- \$5,250 per year
- A-spot parking upgrade

WHY WE ENDORSE HER

Her firsthand experience with student orgs connects her to key constituents.

In a year marked by budget woes and overspending, Muir College junior and Tritons First candidate Lynne Swerhone's priorities of financial consistency and working with students at the source make her the strongest contender for Vice President of Finance and Resources.

Swerhone's council experience — two years as Muir College Senator, one year as Chief of Staff for the Office of Finance — give her a broad understanding of the workings of everyone's favorite student bureaucrats, and especially the office that divides up all its money. But it's her experience outside that fourth-floor forum and practical ideas that sets her apart.

Swerhone works at student-org home base OneStop — interacting daily with the very students that councilmembers are always trying to entice to visit — and is the only candidates acknowledging the failure of "classic,"

candidate-favorite suggestions for improving visibility: lonely office hours, buried Facebook events, apathetic Library Walk demonstrations. Instead, she advocates working directly with the population who most often comes into contact with council: student org leaders. Her work has allowed Swerhone to see the impact of council's decisions from the other side and lent her an important perspective on what can be changed.

Swerhone also says that working with OneStop, and helping students when council says no, is a way for her to feel less guilty about when, under her control, council would need to say 'no' to some of the bright, shining faces that often crowd the Forum looking for extra money.

From Bollywood dance team competitions to acapella group TriTones and their wished-for Taylor Swift trip, council's history is fraught with over allocation — which makes Swerhone's assertion that "the finance needs to learn to say no to exceptions" all the more welcome. She acknowledges the difficulty of disappointing others, but says she is willing to do so in the name of fiscal responsibility and will seek to help student orgs in other ways, with finance and fundraising workshops.

Aside from the office, Swerhone's cautious support of the D-I move, contingent on the amount of student fees and her perception of



the divisive power of slate politics, are highlights of a reasonable platform.

Though Board the Wing's Kevin Hoang lacks Swerhone's outside experience, his goals of simplifying funding guidelines and championing collaboration within the Student Life Business Office make him a good second choice.

CAMPUSWIDE SENATORS

Out of the 23 campuswide senatorial candidates running for A.S. Council this year, seven proved unable to use a Web application to set up a proper interview time. Of those remaining, several didn't know what was on the ballot. Some still couldn't pronounce former A.S. President Utsav Gupta's name. One couldn't pronounce "Geisel." Though eight will be elected to campuswide senatorial positions, the Guardian Editorial Board only felt confident in endorsing six of those we interviewed — three Students First candidates, one Tritons First contender and two of the Board the Wing slate.



MATT BRADBURY

Matt Bradbury, ERC Senator, hopes to get rid of the senator stipend — a \$10 weekly sum that he voluntarily does not collect and calls superfluous. His extended experience with the A.S. Finance Committee and Athletics Committee has spurred him to advocate committee reform to promote a greater sense of responsibility among members.

Bradbury's strong opinions are both a strength and weakness. His firm support of D-I athletics means he hopes to fully inform his constituents by surveying opinion and running town halls.

But he implies that he doesn't see the importance of fighting student fees because, eventually, "you have to pay more" — an attitude that could prove dangerous with fee hikes all but assured for next year.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Complete at least two projects each year, one of which must benefit the entire campus.
- Serve on at least two campuswide committees
- Vote on the council floor



MELISSA ETEHAD

Everyone wants to unify the school, but current Campuswide Senator Melissa Etehad's involvement in diverse activities might just be the ticket to bringing council together. In addition to participating in Jewish cultural org Hillel, she is student director of the Clinton Global Initiative and has worked tirelessly to organize the event, which saw more than 1,200 delegates from across the country.

Etehad plans to look outside UCSD to create action; she wants to get local media involved to create tension over library closures, and wants to revive the student activism that was nowhere to be seen this March 2. She advocates council dinners for inter-council unity, and acknowledges the detrimental effects of state politics, promising to be open to cooperation among any set of fellow senators.



KAREN LIANG

Current ERC Senator and Board the Wing candidate Karen Liang is a cheerleader of campus spirit and athletics with the knowledge to back her ideas. As ERC council special events co-director, Liang wrote the "A to Z" ERC guide, and initiated a regular provost's lunch for students to put a face to college leadership.

As a student rep on the Athletics Committee, evaluating the feasibility of football, Liang has experience dealing with administrators.

She plans to tackle the notorious lack of spirit by promoting pre-game tailgates before games, collaborating with sports teams, the Greek community, A.S. Council and Triton Tide.

Liang suggests publicizing senator projects to make councilmembers more accountable for the initiatives, and create committees to address council's fragmentation.

Jacob Robinson lacks prior council experience, but his work with the Students with Disabilities Coalition makes him a representative of important constituency often absent from the floor. As the only student rep on the Committee on Inclusion and Disability, Robinson works with faculty and staff to ensure campus buildings are accessible for all.

The charismatic Revelle College sophomore has proven himself far better informed than the average candidate, speaking to his opposition of D-I with both statistics and finesse. He advises cultural education fairs that have the same inviting atmosphere of the weekly farmer's market — and is forthcoming and willing to learn when he doesn't know about an issue, a trait the voting members of council could use a little more of.



JACOB ROBINSON

Current A.S. Marshall Senator Annie Yu hopes to see more visibility and transparency on council next year — and while those might just comprise the two most hackneyed buzzwords on this year's campaign trail, we do see some merit in Yu's plans.

Yu plans to expand the campus's Goodwill donation boxes come the end of Spring Quarter, as those in Marshall College tend to overflow. She follows the Tritons First party line on most issues — she supports putting the move to DIV-I athletics to a student vote as well as a higher cap on media-org funding — but Yu can also speak at greater length to this year's problems on council than most of her opponents can.

Plus, as a representative on the campuswide Athletics Committee, which spearheaded the recently-published feasibility report on the move to DIV-I, Yu is also practiced in dealing with administrators —



ANNIE YU

Students First candidate Cecilia Zhou is focusing on the small changes to make a big difference in sustainability.

There's a lot of support for making the campus more green, but this Office of the President corporate accountability intern has one of the few concrete ideas. She wants to create a committee and then work with administrators to investigate how much excessive electricity our campuses wastes by keeping lights on late at night.

Unlike other candidates paying lip service to keywords like transparency and accountability, Zhou wants to publicize senator projects via excel sheets to increase accountability and reinforce what each senator should do.

And in light of library closures, she plans to promote tutoring and resource centers, while informing students of places they can go "after hours," like the LGBT Center and Women's Center.



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event, and all the people you get to talk to about their commitments.”

Several students, including Etehad, said that networking and meeting other forward-thinking students was a large portion of the experience.

“You will get more out of talking to each other than anything else you do,” Clinton said.

This is the first time that CGI U has been on the West Coast. UCSD was selected over other schools, including UC Berkeley and UCLA. The initiative chooses host campuses based on schools that they feel most display the goals of the conference.

Clinton said that his reasons for selecting UCSD included its strong track record for community service and research in science; he cited the *Washington Monthly's* ranking of UCSD as no. 1 in government research expenditures.

He also added that UCSD's proximity to Mexico would help bring to light issues such as immigration and drug cartels.

The weekend started with an opening session including President Clinton, Chancellor Marye Anne Fox and Jacobs, with a panel including YouTube co-founder Chad Hurley and Shirley Ann Jackson, former chairman of the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Committee and current president of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

The 1,200 CGI U delegates were joined at the opening plenary session by 2,500 UCSD students and faculty.

The CGI U has reached over 3,000 commitments since its inception, including ideas that allow people to easily sponsor students in destitute countries, talk with students in the Middle East and help AIDS patients receive the proper dosage of medication. All these ideas were developed by delegates at this year's conference.

“Students have done remarkable things,” Clinton said. “They have amazing ideas. What we lack in money, we make up for in ideas and energy.”

Warren College senior Maclen Zilber had his commitment mentioned by Clinton. Zilber wants UCSD to increase its use of the American Opportunity Tax Credit this coming year. The tax credit, extended by Congress last year, allows students to deduct the cost of tuition, books and

other expenditures from tax reports.

During the conference, the initiative held an online bracket of commitments, where people could vote for the ideas they deemed the best.

Out of the 16 commitments initially chosen, the winning idea was a project called “The School Fund” — developed by two students from Brown University who wanted to provide money to impoverished children in the developing world to help them afford a basic education.

Clinton also focused on the issue of college affordability — the theme of Zilber's commitment — especially in light of the dramatically decreased number of graduates in the U.S.

“Higher education is the key for us being successful,” Clinton said, “The decrease in graduates is a major problem with the cost of higher education. [Maclen] recognizes something that a lot of people don't [the tax credit].”

Zilber reflected on his experience at the conference.

“It was an honor and a privilege [to attend the conference], and a surreal experience,” Zilber said. “Spending time among hundreds of the most dedicated and impressive young leaders that you will ever see together in one room inspired me and honestly changed the way I approach problems.”

Nuseir Yassin, a Harvard student with a commitment involving micro-finance, echoed the statements of other delegates.

“CGI U was a great inspirational experience as well as a helpful networking opportunity,” Yassin said. “The conference itself was a stepping stone for us to achieve our commitment. As for UCSD and San Diego, I think the place is breathtaking, especially for a student living in Cambridge. UCSD students were also very helpful and friendly.”

Clinton added that people needed to decentralize the provision of energy as well as change current transportation methods to help combat global warming.

In terms of costs, the Clinton Foundation foots most of the bill, with UCSD providing resources such as volunteers and buses.

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500 Fewer Guest Tickets to be Offered for Sun God Festival, Price Increases to \$50

► SUN GOD, from page 1

lineup even more impressive, we wanted to make every act fun and relevant. I believe we did it and this year's lineup is the most exciting and diverse one Sun God has ever had.”

The main stage and dance tent openers will be selected at the Battle of the Bands and Sun God Space Jam, both to be held at Porter's Pub April 7 and April 8, respectively.

The bands and DJs competing for the slots were narrowed down by an online student vote.

Six bands — Lucid Stereo, Gao Gao and the Bamboo Shoots, Scooter and Oliver, The City Walls, Kera and the Lesbians and Tré Elite — and six DJs — Digital Decay, DJ Philly, The Dream Team, JameRSun, NOLD and StereoChemistry — will battle at each event for a chance to play at Sun God.

The rest of the lineup was chosen by the A.S. Concerts and Events staff, with regard to student input from Facebook and forums the office held.

“The booking process for this year's Sun God has been quite the long and ongoing experience since Fall Quarter,” festival coordinator Jeremy Gabriel said in an email. “As we expected, we had our share of road bumps, disappointments with certain artists being unavailable, the inevitable onslaught of ‘This Artist for Sun God!’ Facebook pages, and the amusing fake lineups.”

The festival's total budget, which is drawn from student fees and guest ticket sales that A.S. Council allocated, is roughly \$530,000, with around \$190,000 spent on the talent. Zhang said security for the festival is approximately \$40,000. Last year, ASCE spent about \$690,000 on Sun God Festival, \$40,000 of

which went to security and about \$120,000 of which went toward the talent.

There have been other changes made to the event. This year, Sun God will be breaking from tradition and beginning at 2 p.m., rather than the standard 12 p.m. starting time. Zhang said the office made the adjustment to tighten the budget.

“We wanted to make every act on the lineup reach out to a base of people,” Zhang said. “It made the talent budget more compact so that we could spend more money on certain artists. That really contributed to making this year's lineup stand out a lot more.”

Additionally, the overcrowding of the dance tent last year — which resulted in police shutting down the stage at the end of DJ Z-Trip's set — has been remedied by a new type of tent that will be easier for students to enter and exit.

“It's not going to be the tent anymore — it's going to be a different structure,” Zhang said. “It will allow for more student to be in there, though it will still be a closed space.”

In an effort to get more UCSD students into the festival, guest ticket prices have gone up, while their number has gone down. There will be 3,000 guest tickets (500 less than last year's festival) for sale at \$50 — an increase from the \$41 tickets last year — beginning April 11.

Guest tickets must be purchased by a UCSD student or employee, with a limit of two tickets per person. Last year, the guest tickets sold out two and a half weeks after they went on sale.

Student wristbands will be available for pick-up beginning the Thursday before the event. Zhang is confident this year's lineup will help the festival sell out for the third time in its history.

In 2008, wristbands sold out the day before the festival, while last year students were turned away after 2:30 p.m. the day of. The 2009 festival did not sell out.

The deadline for students interested in playing the Midway stage and for organization booths is April 15 while the deadline for student art displays is April 22.

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TRITONS FIRST

WHAT HE STANDS FOR

- Division-I athletics
- Greek housing
- Restore "S" spots
- Create AVP Sustainability position

A Newport Beach native with a politician's winning smile, Ryan O'Rear might seem a more natural fit for an "O.C." bit part than the fourth floor of Price Center East. Looks, however, can be deceiving: O'Rear's an old hand on council, having already served two years as Muir College senator with current running mate Lynne Swerhone.

O'Rear's hasn't necessarily been the loudest voice on the council floor the past two years, but he has made an effort to reach out to constituents from the ground up. With Swerhone, he hosted a weekly radio show called "Muirworld" on KSDT, which served to inform listeners (mostly his and Swerhone's friends, O'Rear admits, though he says he's grateful for their devotion all the same) of current topics of debate.

Only around 30 listeners typically tuned in to the program, but working with KSDT and meeting his fellow DJs connected O'Rear to a corner of campus that might not otherwise have been very in touch with the type-A decision makers hiding up in PC East. That kind of base-level outreach exemplifies O'Rear's goals for next year — aims that all come back to engendering pride in our campus.

"I want students to remember their four or five years at UCSD not as, 'oh, I went to UCSD when fees were increased by 50 percent,'" O'Rear said. "I want students to be able to come back and donate with a sense of pride ... I want alumni to come back and support the UCSD students of the future."

As president, the Tritons First candidate would also hope to get more in touch with the students themselves — though he certainly knows better than to expect anyone to march to the fourth floor during office hours. Instead, O'Rear hopes to have lunch at Price Center with a different student every day — a proposal that could, granted, provide for more onion rings and orange chicken than one stomach should ever handle, but all in the righteous name of keeping the council's ear to the ground.

The Muir College junior is strongly in favor of making the leap to DIV-I sports, though he also feels it's paramount to put the idea to a student vote. O'Rear says that kind of consideration has played out in his past two terms: he's always

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ALYSSA WING



BOARD THE WING

WHAT SHE STANDS FOR

- Division-I athletics
- Building stronger foundation within council

Anyone looking at the extracurricular activities of Warren College junior Alyssa Wing might just see a pattern.

She's served on Warren College Student Council since her freshman year, and is currently president of the 60-strong organization that saw the college snag the Spirit Night title this year. She sat through six-hour A.S. Council last year as Warren Senator, working on issues of visibility and occasionally being shouted at by both the public and her fellow student leader hot heads. And on the side, she's had stints as Warren orientation leader, Warren Ambassador, *Warren Briefs* columnist, Warren student orientation and represented the face of Warren at student events.

Needless to say, Wing breathes Warren College and school spirit and now — as the titular member of second-year slate Board the Wing — she wants to take that straight to the top.

"Warren is my home base," she said. "But, having worked on A.S., I know the potential it has to be better. I haven't seen it be capitalized, seen A.S. be built from year to year and I want to take it in a new direction with a new spirit."

Spirit is the catchword here; Wing's track record is based on student life, particularly supporting athletics, whether through working with Triton Tide, creating peppy banners or bullying councilmembers into attending sports games. Now, with D-I up in the air, she's a staunch supporter of a move she says should be seen as an investment.

"I absolutely support the move to D-I and, more important, as a student, I support athletics," she said. "I support what athletics provides; it's allowed me to find a connection and unifying pride, and I think this move could really bolster spirit and pride."

And like every candidate, she's interested in updating the students about their famously "inaccessible" student leaders. She want to reform council from the inside out with new committees to increase consistency in council's rules, as well as institute an A.S. table on Library Walk and work with Triton Television and taking on social media interns to provide a live feed of the Wednesday night meetings.

"Students complain about how A.S. could be enforcing rules for one organization but not another, so there needs to be someone to ensure that our councilmembers are updating our own rules," she said.

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JASMINE



STUDENT

WHAT SHE S

- Action again
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- space for a

Jasmine Phillips might help A.S. Council turn College senior wants fourth floor of Price Center and engage a wider share — and if she could do Lauryn Hill, Erykah Badu, God, all the better.

Like most of us, Phillips ising around various acad time psychology major and entered UCSD with dream in Greece or Italy, though extensive on-campus involvement on those plans. Phillips did before switching course and sociology, with a minor areas of study have tested week.

"When you start looking constructed, it makes it commercial, watch a TV ... so that's always some with," Phillips said. "I own try not to judge anyone else."

Phillips said her education her leadership style. Critic courses, in particular, hation how success is realized performed, which Phillips Students First slate: The ca much a top-to-bottom hi hopeful leaders whose op In presenting the Students organizations, Phillips said she'll be the one to domin candidates are welcome to stage.

Her fields of choice h vision of her future.

"If anything, CGS ha how I don't necessarily h woman' to be a feminist - tem," Phillips said.

Whether she fits th archetype or not, Phillip sive campus resume — of everything from coll for Affirmative Action C

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THIS YEAR'S CANDIDATE ROSTER spans a wide range of students with equally divergent pedigrees: While some have taken root in their respective college councils, others have formed themselves as leaders through the SAAC community or Greek life. And with a \$500-million cut in state funding (as well as a \$3-million hit that will almost certainly give way to library closures come fall), these presidential hopefuls already have next year's work cut out for them.

PHILLIPS



ITS FIRST

WHAT HE STANDS FOR

- Oppose tuition fee hikes
- Support academic initiatives
- Encourage the council to provide a safe environment for all students

It might just be the woman to turn a new leaf. The Sixth College Council is set to make the office on campus a place for all students to enter. The student population is growing, so while locking down the doors or Trey Songz for Sun

Phillips spent a while bouncing between academic interests: the one-dimensional classical studies minor, the chaos of studying abroad through shifting interests and involvement put the brakes on her political science major. She dabbled in political science and critical gender studies before settling on human rights. These days she does well beyond finals

Phillips' platform has also shaped Phillips' vision of the future. It's enabled me to look at the world as an 'ultra career' — it's just repeating a system

The suit-sporting feminist still boasts an impressive record that spans an array of campus organizations from the college council to Students' Committee (SAAC). The

PARMINDER SANDHU



WE ARE TRITONS

WHAT HE STANDS FOR

- Lobby to keep libraries open
- Restore "S" Spaces
- Improving on-campus transportation

Parminder Sandhu is an everyman's candidate — most of the third year's Facebook statuses are alerts about free food available somewhere on campus.

Back in his second year, Sandhu applied this "one for all" attitude to his new position as Advocate General on A.S. council, charged with impeaching members that had too many absences. As Advocate General, Sandhu, who tried to impeach then-President Elect Wafa Ben Hassine, was all about fairness.

"I'm like the guy in *Green Eggs and Ham*," Sandhu said at an April 2010 A.S. Council meeting. "I will talk about impeachments with you on a boat, on a house, on the sea."

Now, as a Sixth College senator, Sandhu is still a stickler for the rules. Throughout the year, his main focuses have been improving life for Sixth College transfers, working on an Indian cultural celebration (set to occur sometime this quarter) and the Sixth College student parking controversy.

"A lot of what students complain to me about, more than anything, are the parking spots being removed from Sixth College," Sandhu said. "Basically, it's a safety concern because it's forcing students to park near the baseball fields and it's a long walk with no lighting. It's really a safety issue."

In between working to meet with administration on parking issues, studying for a double degree in bionengineering and political science and participating in organizations like Relay for Life, Sandhu has been working on his slate's platform, hammering out the main issues they plan on targeting next year — if they win. His slate, WE ARE TRITONS (which he founded) also mirrors the candidate's goals by bringing together a mix of campus representatives from a wide variety of organizations and colleges — including students from A.S. Council, Greek life and club athletes.

"I wanted to create as much of a microcosm of UCSD as possible," Sandhu said. "People with different viewpoints, with different majors, from different student orgs, with goals like improving education and building a sense of community and improving transportation on campus."

WE ARE TRITONS also presents a focus on student education.

"With all the budget cuts, we've already closed the medical library and are projected to close CLICS and some other libraries," Sandhu said. "These are

JOHN TRAN



FLUSH THE JOHN

WHAT HE STANDS FOR

- Bring Muse and "Glee" to Sun God Festival
- Bring more puppies to campus

For all the other candidates' talk about transparency, it's Warren College junior John Tran — the sole contender without prior council experience — that has the simplest plan for improving student life. He wants to bring puppies, Muse and the cast of "Glee" to UCSD. (And not a whole lot else.)

Tran, who's double majoring in history and communications, may not have any political experience, but he's also no stranger to student involvement. He's been keeping busy since his sophomore year, when he joined Programming at Warren and helped plan events and allocate funds for Warren College students.

Since then, Tran's also played an active role in the Inter-College Residents Association, for which he serves as the Vice President of Public Relations.

Even more recently, he's joined UCSD Cares, an organization that works to raise money for and recognize other philanthropic UCSD organizations.

"He's very committed to what he does," said Warren College junior Tyler Nelson, who's running for Vice President of External Affairs on Tran's slate. "He's not so strong-headed to do only what he wants to do. He's not going to shut anyone down. He's a very amiable guy."

Tran and Nelson want to keep the focus on students. Their campaign has been centered on the simple focus of the Flush the John vision: creating a better Sun God.

"We just came together and we basically wanted to start off simple," Tran said. "Make a better Sun God, bring the 'Glee' cast, bring Muse. It's definitely grown into something. We want to see if we can change A.S. from the inside."

While he hasn't been to any A.S. Council meetings, Tran said he's been doing his research, and has a pretty keen idea of what he wants changed.

First, he's hoping to get rid of A.S. resolutions — statements that go before a council vote and are said to define UCSD's stance on a campus or political issue.

"Some of the resolutions in the past have been really unfair," Tran said. "They don't represent all UCSD students. I've been going to the A.S. website and looking over things, and I was against

► O'REAR, from page 8

made an effort to cast his vote with those he represents chief in mind.

"When I'm voting, I don't always maybe personally agree with the votes that I cast, but I know that if my constituents do, if the people I'm representing do, I can rest easily," O'Rear said.

Outside his dedication to Muir, O'Rear's also an active member of Tau Kappa Epsilon, and served as the fraternity's treasurer during his freshman year.

While O'Rear's experience in fraternity leadership has been colored by an admittedly more lax environment than the fourth floor, collecting quarterly membership dues from some of his best friends has certainly informed his leadership style.

"[As president,] I wouldn't be trying to make everyone be my best friend, but it's working with everyone on a level where you respect everyone outside of A.S.," O'Rear said. "It's working with them on a personal level to make sure that everything goes through as smoothly as possible."

Making everybody happy, in the end, is the name of O'Rear's game. Whether this week's election works out in his favor or not, the spring climate should encourage some of his favorite pastimes. O'Rear's a seasoned volleyball player, and — a So Cal boy through and through — is seldom more content than when he's at the beach.

— TREVOR COX
MANAGING EDITOR

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This year, as a non-voting member of council, she's taken those first steps by attending nearly every meeting and researching a student-fee referendum from 30 years ago that sets money aside for college councils — a referendum she says council has been violating.

All of these synthesizes with Wing's self-declared love of people. As a first-generation college student from Rancho Santa Margarita, Wing said her background created her drive to succeed and that meant the "very pre-business" student entered UCSD as an economics major.

But two quarters in, she realized that she didn't want to continue and, on a friend's suggestion, took a communications class instead.

"After that first one, I realized I was really drawn to the study of people, to work with people, to think about the most basic aspects of people, whether that's speech or dress — it was more in tune with me, writing was better than math, and I later added sociology as a double major," she said.

It's this emphasis on people that has made Wing so eager to reach out, and made her rank winning Spirit Night this year as one of her all-time highlights.

"I remember my freshman year we didn't even have Spirit night, and to go to what we have, it's a testament to our students, what we're capable of together and what I want to continue," she said.

— ANGELA CHEN
EDITOR IN CHIEF

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Long Beach native has served as a SAAC rep on both the Black Student Union and Sixth College Council, and currently interns on campus at the Cross Cultural Center (CCC), where she serves as affiliates and outreach coordinator.

This year, Phillips went above and beyond her intern responsibilities to organize January's Kiamsha Community Conference for the CCC. Kiamsha — which translates from Swahili as "that which awakens me" — focused on empowering student leaders of color through the importance of self-care. That lesson is one that, ironically, Phillips could probably take closer to heart herself: working an average of 30-40 hours per week between the CCC and campus box office while managing a double major doesn't always leave much time for scrupulous self-maintenance, let alone a full night's sleep.

The hard work is bound to pay off: a first-generation college student, Phillips plans to pursue law school after graduation. In the meantime, her involvement on campus and the rigor of her coursework — which demands far more than mindless essay writing or an endless game of memorization — keep the student leader plenty occupied.

"In a class where you're talking about how you can't fundamentalize everything, it's hard to provide a solution," Phillips said. "There's no right answer — that's always a challenge."

— TREVOR COX
MANAGING EDITOR

► SANDHU, from page 9

hard facts that we have to deal with. We have to work with the administration to make sure the core educational and student experience isn't compromised. These cuts need to be made with more of a student perspective in mind, rather than a budgetary one."

Like his political role model, Barack Obama, Sandhu wasn't expecting to run for the presidential seat when he first started in government, though he's been working hard towards his goal since making the decision this past winter. And though Sandhu describes President Obama as a "very inspirational person," Sandhu's biggest motivator is a little closer to home.

"In middle school, my mom was hit by a drunk driver and she was paralyzed from the waist down," Sandhu said. "That made me want to get more involved in my community and really make a positive change. Though it happened a while ago, it still inspires me to do good in the world and do the best I can in everything I do."

And while A.S. Council is known for incessant bickering, the presidential hopeful isn't worried about council divisions.

"We should be in the business of improving the student life experience on campus," Sandhu said. "As long as we understand that we're in the business of improving student life, we can disagree on some aspects while coming together on others."

— NEDA SALAMAT
FOCUS EDITOR

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the resolutions when I read about them in the *Guardian*. I thought, 'Why are they staying up until 4 a.m. discussing these things?'"

Tran says his main focus would be on the students, and wants council to reduce funding for conferences and councilmember stipends, instead funneling those resources toward events benefiting student life, such as pancake breakfasts and — one of the chief tenets of Tran's campaign — more puppies.

"We think puppies are big stress relievers," Tran said. "We know a lot of UCSD students are stressed as it is. More puppies on campus will make them a lot happier."

Tran's lack of experience may make him the object of criticism from naysayers, but he's prepared to take the heat.

"Most people in UCSD aren't familiar with what A.S. does, either," Tran said. "I would represent those people. I feel like not everyone has a voice in A.S. Most of them really don't care what A.S. does. If we give students what they want, that makes a happier campus."

And, for Tran, it's all in the name. "Flush the John" reflects the light-heartedness Tran hopes to bring to council.

"I'm kind of a comic relief," he said. "I think that A.S. needs to lighten up a little. They're kind of serious — that doesn't make it fun."

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An Open Letter To Our University Community About Troubling Hypocrisy On Our Campus

The past few months have witnessed historic political unrest engulfing Arab and Muslim countries in the Mideast, including Libya, Egypt, Tunisia, Iran, Yemen, Bahrain and others. On our campus the muted reaction to this volcanic eruption of civil unrest and the ensuing horrific slaughter of thousands of civilians by their own leaders has been quite revealing. Sadly, it has confirmed strong suspicions of many students and faculty that the highly vituperative activism spearheaded by the Muslim Students Association (MSA), the Arab Student Union (ASU) and Students for Justice in Palestine (SJP) and directed relentlessly against a single Mideast country, Israel, is driven less by positive impulses of fraternity toward fellow Arabs and Muslims than by hateful impulses to destroy the world's only sovereign Jewish nation.

The current maelstrom in the Mideast has laid bare for all to see the reality that, by any objective measure, the greatest human rights abuses suffered by the greatest number of Muslims and Arabs have been inflicted by the despotic regimes of the Mideast's 17 Arab countries and Iran, and not, as the MSA, ASU and SJP would have us believe, by Israel, the only country in the entire region consistently rated by Freedom House International as bestowing full civil and political liberties upon its Jewish and Arab citizens.

So, if hundreds of millions of Arabs and Muslims have suffered severe, long-standing repression throughout the Mideast, as is now highly evident, why then have those students who relentlessly pounce on every action and policy of Israel—which comprises 0.04% of the Mideast—been deafeningly silent all these years regarding the egregious injustices occurring in the other 99.96% of the Mideast? Why haven't the websites and Facebook pages of the MSA, ASU and SJP been abuzz with plans for social activism and moral outrage over the murder of civilians who are fighting to gain liberty in Arab countries as they always are when Israel exercises self-defense by striking at Palestinian terrorist groups who launch rockets at its civilians from Gaza or when it erects barriers to block suicide bombers? Are those students simply less moved by injustices carried out by Arabs and Muslims against their own people? Or is it possible that human rights and social justice have been hijacked by these groups for use as expedient intellectual weapons in the service of a culturally driven agenda—to bludgeon the Jewish state? In this regard we do well to heed the assertion of Palestinian journalist Khaled Abu Toameh, "What is happening on the U.S. campuses is not about supporting the Palestinians as much as it is about promoting hatred for the Jewish state" and "ending the existence of Israel."

Critical debate is a cherished mainstay of universities, and Israel should, by no means, be above reproach. As a small and isolated democratic nation in a highly volatile geopolitical environment, some of its actions and policies will surely be considered misguided by fair-minded citizens of other nations, as they are by many Israeli citizens—a fact reflected in Israel's vibrant free press. **However, as pointed out by Natan Sharansky, the respected Israeli human rights activist and former Soviet political prisoner, one test of malevolently motivated criticism of Israel is the "double standards" test—criticism of Israel that is applied selectively.**

In a few weeks our campus will, once again, witness the flagship event in the Israel-bashing calendar: the weeklong hate-fest whose centerpiece is a wall on Library Walk that promulgates deliberately one-sided and selective information and inflammatory descriptive terms to provoke the moral indignation of students and convince them that the Israeli-Palestinian conflict can be simply reduced to egregious Israeli misdeeds visited upon totally innocent Palestinians. Nearby we can expect the usual mock cemetery (commemorating Palestinian casualties exclusively) to offer emotive reinforcement of that message. Anticipate our university community to, once again, become polarized over the event.

However, this does not have to be the case. **The organizers of the acrimonious and divisive spring event have a golden opportunity this year to show that they are genuinely interested in the rights and dignity of all the people of the Mideast by expanding their focus beyond the tiny Jewish state and, in so doing, put on an event that will do more to unite our campus than divide it.** Will they rise to the occasion? Will they hold candlelight vigils and establish mock cemeteries also for the Arabs who have been recently massacred by their own leaders? Will they—dare we dream it—find a way to commemorate the innocent Israelis who have been murdered by Palestinian terrorists, like the 3 young children and their parents who were brutally stabbed to death in their sleep a few weeks ago? Will these student organizations sponsor an A.S. resolution this year calling for UCSD to divest from the many Muslim countries stained by egregious human rights practices, such as Saudi Arabia, where women are not allowed to vote or to drive and where public practice of any religion other than Islam is prohibited, or Iran, where homosexuals are executed by the state decree? Or, as they have in past years, will these human rights crusaders selectively sponsor initiatives against Israel, a country where Arab women sit as elected members in Parliament, where gay men and women serve openly in the military and hold annual gay pride parades in Tel Aviv and where Christians, Jews, Muslims, Baha'is and others freely practice their religions under full protection of Israeli law? Will the SJP decide this year to fully embrace its mission statement, "to promote justice, human rights, and the right of self-determination for the Palestinian people," by also raising awareness of how Palestinians in Gaza are denied political freedom by the ruling Hamas government, which suspended democratic elections indefinitely after it consolidated power through force of arms? Will it call on Hamas, recognized as a terrorist organization by the U.S. and E.U., to remove from its official charter overtly anti-Semitic quotes from Islamic religious texts, recognize Israel's right to exist and put a stop to rocket attacks on Israeli civilians? Or will SJP just continue to apologize for Hamas while relentlessly hammering Israel?

Absent these changes, students of good will should ask themselves if this event and the others like it are sincerely designed to educate and raise their awareness, or if they are being subjected to a cynical exploitation of human rights for a sinister agenda. Advocacy that deliberately distorts and omits information to convince others of a partisan viewpoint, that uses calculated, inflammatory rhetoric to demonize a nation, its citizens and its supporters, may be protected as free speech but should nevertheless be scorned by fair-minded students as a form of intellectual abuse. As the Liberal Party leader of Canada, where the first anti-Israel hate week took place, recently asserted, "By portraying the Jewish state as criminal, by demonizing Israel and its supporters...the organizers and supporters of Israeli Apartheid Week tarnish our freedom of speech."

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Week of 4/4 - 4/10



Middle Brother with Jonny Comdawg
Friday, April 8
7:30pm, The Loft

Monday Apr 4

ENTERTAINMENT & FUN

Trend Magazine Spring 2011 Launch Party - Come join us to celebrate our Spring 2011 issue! There will be great music, light refreshments, raffle and different clothes and accessories for sale by five different local designers! Invite your friends and enjoy yourself before the quarter really starts! -- Apply to be a model for our next issue or to join our amazing team! **7pm at the Loft**

WORKSHOPS/INFO/LECTURES

Rockwood Memorial Lecture: Dr. Rodney Douglas, University of Zurich - There is today a wide spread belief that the brain can be reverse-engineered by an exhaustive reductionistic program such as connectomics: Once the neurons and their connections are fully described, knowledge of function will follow directly. **4:30pm at the San Diego Supercomputer Center**

Tuesday Apr 5

WORKSHOPS/INFO/LECTURES

Kyoto Prize Symposium - The talk is free and open to the public. Lovász is one of three outstanding academics who received the 2010 Kyoto Prize—Japan's highest private award for global achievement. Lovász, who received the

Kyoto Prize in "Basic Sciences," has made pioneering contributions to algorithms and graph theory, advancing the study of cryptography and large networks ranging from the Internet to the human brain. **For information and to register for the free symposium, visit www.kyotoprize.org**

Wednesday Apr 6

ART & CULTURE

Blabbermouth Night: Open-Mic Student Poetry Reading - Enjoy appetizers and drinks at Porter's Pub (18 & up welcome) while watching UCSD students perform their amazing poetry,

prose, and spoken word monologues. This event is open-mic so if you want to perform, come prepared to spend 1-3 minutes on stage (sign-ups start at 5:45 - first 10 guaranteed a spot). **6pm-8pm at The Stage at the Pub**

Thursday Apr 7

ENTERTAINMENT & FUN

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Friday Apr 8

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The Genetics of Humanness - Efforts in genetic and genomic research have made great strides towards understanding this aspect of our humanness. This symposium brings together researchers from diverse areas of expertise in an effort to share ideas and encourage understanding. **1pm at Liebow Auditorium**

Saturday Apr 9

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Sunday Apr 10

ENTERTAINMENT & FUN

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- 6 Actor Guinness
- 10 More than stumbled
- 14 Basic belief
- 15 Capital surrounding Vatican City
- 16 Falco of "The Sopranos"
- 17 Shabby
- 18 \$3 million, 30-sec. Super Bowl feature
- 19 Poet St. Vincent Millay
- 20 Feeling of uneasiness
- 23 Jungle swinger
- 25 Fla. hours
- 26 Cumberbund fold
- 27 Hand-held two-way communications device
- 32 Cheering noisily
- 33 Mashed luau staple
- 34 "M*A*S*H" staff
- 37 Reprimander's "reading"
- 40 Leave for a bit
- 43 Mind reader's skill, briefly
- 44 "How beautiful!"
- 46 Oil refinery input
- 47 Up-tempo jazz piano style
- 51 Ami's good-bye
- 54 Tiny bit
- 55 His-and-__ towels
- 56 Symbolic nosegays
- 61 Isaac's eldest
- 62 Knucklehead
- 63 Close, as a parka
- 66 Hollywood success
- 67 Hollywood favorite
- 68 College town near Bangor
- 69 Nanny's charge
- 70 Bills with Hamilton on them
- 71 Rehab step

Down

- 1 Super Bowl div.
- 2 Green or black brew
- 3 Fully informed
- 4 Sampras of tennis
- 5 Eyelid problem
- 6 Manet or Monet
- 7 Affectionate bop
- 8 Key with four sharps: Abbr.
- 9 Give up formally
- 10 Weak
- 11 Murphy of "48 HRS."
- 12 Top of a form, perhaps
- 13 "It's the __ I can do"
- 21 Honey maker
- 22 Prefix with center or cycle
- 23 Informed (of)
- 24 Capital on the Seine
- 28 See 31-Down
- 29 Lyricist Gershwin
- 30 __ Angeles
- 31 With 28-Down, layered chocolate bar
- 34 Glitch in need of smoothing out
- 35 Film with nakedness
- 36 Cattle drive critter
- 38 Pigeon's sound
- 39 Dress (up)
- 41 Green prefix
- 42 Athlete who isn't green?
- 45 Stumble across, as an idea
- 47 Have no doubt
- 48 "Yes, mon ami"
- 49 Props for Monet and Manet
- 50 Part of wpm: Abbr.
- 51 "This is only __"
- 52 Like the trail on a cattle drive
- 53 Singer Chris
- 57 Change text
- 58 Pie à la __
- 59 Former Lacoste partner
- 60 Dublin's isle
- 64 Half of dos
- 65 Chicken __

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Both Ranked, Tennis Teams Continue on Hot Streaks

By Jonathan Kaslow
STAFF WRITER

TENNIS — It's been a busy few weeks for the UCSD men's tennis team, which continued its undefeated season. The team won two more matches in the past two weeks, raising its record to 15-0.

This recent run started with a 5-4 defeat of Barry University, with senior Erik Elliot winning his singles match as well as his doubles match with sophomore Austin West to give the Tritons two points. West, along with senior Vincent Nguyen and freshman Max Jiganti, won their singles matches to give the Tritons the victory.

A day later, the team defeated Hawaii Pacific 6-3. West, Nguyen, Jiganti once again won their singles matches along with junior Sam Ling, while Elliott and West and juniors Chapman Chan and Jason Wall won their doubles matches.

One day later, the Tritons crushed Lafayette College 9-0 for an easy victory. Elliot, Ling and Jiganti needed three sets to win the number one, three and five singles matches, while the rest of the players won their matches with relative ease.

On March 25, the Tritons took on Sonoma State, who were 0-8 entering the match and it was no contest. "I was very happy we came back competitively after a long layoff," head coach Eric Steidlmayer said.

Finally, the Tritons defeated Western New Mexico 8-1, to improve its record 15-0, the best start of Steidlmayer's 13-year tenure. Elliot, West and Chan continued their impressive seasons with victories. Western New Mexico's only point came from Rodrigo Almeida, who won the number four singles match over Ling. The doubles matches were competitive, with

the Tritons winning all three at scores of 9-7, 9-7, 8-5.

The team is currently ranked No. 24 and has a long layover until its next match, which takes place Wednesday, April 13 against Concordia Irvine at UCSD.

The women's tennis team defeated Cal State Stanislaus 6-3, before hitting the road for two matches. Senior Cindy Dao continued her superb season, winning both the no. 2 two singles and no. 2 doubles matches. Dao's doubles partner, sophomore Jacquelyn Davis, also won the no. 6 singles match. The doubles team of junior Katie Mulloy and Roxanna Pourmirzaie won their doubles match as well. Mulloy also won the no. 5 singles match.

"The team played tough at all positions," head coach Liz LaPlante said.

LaPlante added that she was pleased with the team's effort, given that several players were injured and unable to practice leading up to the match.

On Friday and Saturday, the Tritons defeated Sonoma State and Cal State Stanislaus again, winning on the road 5-4 for both matches, pushing their winning streak to four matches. Against Sonoma State, Dao once again led the way, with Mulloy, Davis and junior Samantha Yeung providing singles victories, while Dao and Davis clinched the match by winning their doubles match.

Against Cal State Stanislaus, Dao, Yeung, Mulloy and Davis all won their singles matches, while Pourmirzaie and Mulloy clinched the victory by winning their doubles match. The team is currently ranked No. 17 in the nation, with four more matches before post-season play.

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The men's team is still unbeaten at 15-0 while the women's team has won four straight, and the teams are now ranked No. 20 and No. 17, respectively.

Tritons Remain in Second Place in Conference After Losses to Top-10 Opponents

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ence opponents and it will not affect UCSD's position in the conference championship.

After taking finals week off and spending spring break practicing, the Tritons flew to Hawaii March 25-26 to take on perennial powerhouses No. 11 San Diego State and No. 5 Hawaii, and also faced off against conference opponent Cal State East Bay. Though keeping it close against the Aztecs, the Tritons fell to their more aggressive adversary 10-6, and were blown out of the water by the Warriors 13-4.

The Tritons were mired in a six-game losing streak, and were looking to notch a victory to kick them out of their lull. They found their chance going up against Cal State East Bay, their closest competition to the second seed in the conference. To begin the match, the Tritons scored five unanswered goals and never looked back. They pulled to a 5-0 lead in the first seven minutes of the match, before the Pioneers scored with just under a minute in the first quarter. Both teams traded goals in the second quarter to leave the score at 6-2 to end the first half.

The Triton scoring slowed in the second half, but they played lights out defense and matched Cal State East Bay goal for goal, rolling through the second half of a critical conference game. The win moved the Tritons to 6-1 in conference and 9-14 overall, and helped keep the Tritons ahead of Cal State East Bay in the standings.

"At this point it's all about putting yourself in the best position come the tournament," Kreutzkamp said.

UCSD moved back to No. 20 in the rankings with the win and took the momentum into Friday's match against unranked Brown University. The Tritons jumped out to an early 4-1 lead after the first quarter, and went into the half with a 7-4 lead. Brown closed the gap to 7-5, early in the third quarter, but UCSD still went into the fourth quarter with an 11-6 advantage.

But the Bears came out hot in fourth quarter, and scored twice to trail 11-8 with three minutes left. But UCSD didn't allow another score until 49 seconds remaining, and held on for the win despite not scoring in the final stanza.

The Tritons also took on Fresno Pacific and No. 9 Arizona State on Sunday at Canyonview Pool. Full coverage will be available in Thursday's issue of *The Guardian*.

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Tritons Have Best Showing in Years at San Diego Crew Classic



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The men's varsity eight was the first San Diego area boat to qualify for the finals of the prestigious Copley Cup.

By Liam Rose
SPORTS EDITOR

CREW — The UCSD men's and women's crew teams both had strong showings at the 38th annual San Diego Crew Classic this weekend. The Crew Classic draws programs across the nation for the two-day event held at Mission Bay, including powerhouses such as Cal and Stanford.

The highlight of the weekend was UCSD men's varsity "A" boat, which advanced to the finals of the prestigious Copley Cup. Not only was this a program-first for UCSD, but the Tritons also became the first Western Intercollegiate Rowing Association representative and first San Diego area school in the final. The boat — consisting of Shawn Kuo, Edwin Clement, Drew Lawyer, Brandon Gonzalez, Joey Frank, Erik Smith, Brandon Sparks, Justin Gordon and Drew Madden — finished the race in 6:01.57 to take third place and qualify for the final. The Tritons finished just .5 seconds behind second-place Temple in their heat.

In the final on Sunday, UCSD didn't have quite as good a run with a fifth-place finish in 6:13.20. Cal edged Stanford to get the victory in 5:54.90.

UCSD's varsity "B" boat took third place in the prelims of the Sharp Cabrillo Cup to qualify for the Sunday final. The Tritons finished in 6:13.73, only .02 back of second-place Oregon State. The boat finished in 6:17.25 in the final to take fifth place.

The novice eight boat also had a good weekend, taking first in their heat of the prelims for the Derek Guelkar Memorial Cup.

The Tritons finished fourth in the final on Sunday, while Cal ran away with the race to get another win.

On the women's side, two boats advanced to Sunday finals. The varsity eight took second in their heat of the San Diego Zoo and Safari Park Cup on Saturday, recording a time of 7:21.71. The Tritons had a tough time in the final, however, dropping to 7:42.84 to finish in fifth place.

"At this regatta, the team was kind of able to put it all together and execute their racing plan in a really challenging environment," head coach Patti Pinkerton said. "There's 50,000 people there, it's on the Jumbotron, the races are televised; so they just did a terrific job."

UCSD's varsity "B" boat qualified for the petite final on Sunday, despite racing against the other top boats in the prelims. The Tritons took third place in the final heat with a time of 7:56.48, despite the crew from Long Beach State veering into UCSD's lane.

"They [the "B" boat] did not have a good race on Saturday," Pinkerton said. "And they were pretty disappointed. The second varsity just did such a great job of turning their boat around. And Julie Montes, a senior, was stroke for the second varsity, and I think her leadership and the entire boat should be commended for rowing such a poised race."

The men's team will travel to the Newport Regatta next Saturday, while the women's team returns to action next weekend in a dual meet against Loyola Marymount.

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Tritons Get Retribution With Sweep of Bruins

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too much, he put the attackers in situations to be successful and they executed. That's the key right there, so I thought he did a really nice job. The middles hit for a high efficiency and Calvin Ross was a beast of a blocker. He was the guy that actually stopped that ball, he had a really big night for us."

The match against UCLA marks Ring's 50th win at UCSD and was made even more impressive since the win was on the heels of the April 1 home match when the Tritons got swept by the Bruins. Set scores were 25-21, 25-21 and 25-22. With this win, UCSD improves to 9-17 overall and 5-14 in the MPSF.

"Even early in the game that was it, it was our game to win," Ring said. "And we did a great job. When we had that lead late in the game, we just closed it out. We just went out and made the play and that's a nice win out on the road; we've been very competitive on the road this season. To walk into someone else's gym, get yourself prepared, and know a game player, we did a good job of that."

The Tritons have two more away games, with a trip to Cal State Northridge on April 7 and Cal State Long Beach on April 9. The team will return to RIMAC Arena on Saturday, April 16 at 7 p.m. against UC Irvine.

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LeFever's Jump Highlights Low-Key Meet as Tritons Continue Strong Performances

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Deyna Roberson, junior Caitlin Meagher and senior Kelly Fogarty ran 3:46.17 to blow away the field by nearly 10 seconds. The 4x100 team — consisting of Meagher, Fogarty, junior Jaqueline Rose and sophomore Kathleen Hitchens — came in at 46.77, just behind Cal State Dominguez Hill's time of 46.59. Both relay times were improvements on NCAA provisional qualifying marks.

Meagher also took first in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 62.90, and Hitchens was second in the 100-meter dash with a time of 12.48.

The men's side also had success with the field events, as all five Triton victories came in the field. Junior Nick Howe — the defending national champion in the javelin — won the high jump with a mark of 6'1.25". Freshman Clint Rosser's mark of 14'10.75" was good enough to win the pole vault, and junior Ka Wai Ng won the triple jump with a leap of 46'11".

Sophomore Ryan Eckert won the shot put,

edging out Triton alumnus Fred Cook with his mark of 48'10". Junior Ab Shaheen was victorious in the hammer throw with a mark of 179'6".

Overall, Ahner was pleased with the team's performance, especially coming off one of the higher-profile meets of the year in the Cal-Nevada Championships a week ago.

"Having so many wins is always such a great sign from a team standpoint," Ahner said. "And coming off of Cal-Nevada, sometimes the athletes can come out kind of flat because that is such a key, high-energy performance. We showed that we can come off of that and still be really strong."

Any Triton with an NCAA automatic or provisional qualifier will travel to Arizona State on Saturday for the Sun Angel Track Classic, while the rest of the team will compete at the Pomona-Pitzer Invitational on the same day.

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UPCOMING UCSD GAMES

WOMEN'S WATER POLO	4/9	AT San Jose State
TRACK & FIELD	4/1	AT Pomona-Pitzer/Arizona State
BASEBALL	4/8	AT Sonoma State
SOFTBALL	4/8	AT Cal State Stanislaus
MEN'S VOLLEYBALL	4/7	AT Cal State Northridge

Tritons Split Sweeps With UCSB, UCLA



The Tritons were swept by No. 8 UC Santa Barbara, but came out the next night and swept No. 5 UCLA at the John Wooden Center.

By Hanna Rahimi
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MEN'S VOLLEYBALL — The UCSD men's volleyball team went on the road last week and took a hit, losing a match to No. 8 UC Santa Barbara 0-3 on Thursday, but turned it around and swept No. 5 UCLA on Friday.

The difference in performance for the Tritons was astounding; against UCSB they hit an appalling .075, dipping as low to a negative average of -.065 in the third set, but against UCLA, the team brought a solid .329 hits.

"The match against UC Santa Barbara, I felt like we just offensively did not connect very well

in that combination of connection between setter and attackers, with our middle hitter, with our left side or right side attacker," UCSD head coach Kevin Ring said. "But we came out and we still did some things really well. We passed really well and we played decent defense. We said, OK, we know we have to play better offensively, so we took the things we did well last night and said, let's just do that again [against UCLA]."

The Gauchos collected 40 kills while the Tritons trailed at 24. The next night UCSD showed 39 kills to the Bruins' 34. The match against the Bruins saw some less-seasoned players step up to the challenge, since senior setter Phil Bannan was out with an injury. Freshman

outside hitter Nick Iorfino contributed 11 kills, adding two assists and four digs as well, and sophomore outside hitter Carl Eberts took 10 kills and five digs. Junior opposite Shane Veiga got eight kills, four digs, and six blocks, and senior middle Calvin Ross had seven blocks. Freshman setter Mike Brunsting took over for Bannan and totaled 31 assists, an ace, five digs, and two blocks.

"Mike Brunsting has played some games as setter, some as opposite, and he was running the office as the only center force," Ring said. "He managed the game as a setter, he didn't do

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UCSD Back on Track With Wins Over East Bay and Brown



ERIK ROBERTS/GUARDIAN
Sophomore goalie Allie Taylor made several key saves as the Tritons staved off a late rally to beat Brown University 11-9.

By Tyler Nelson
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WOMEN'S WATER POLO — The UCSD women's water polo team has been busy the past three weeks, playing nine matches in that time.

The No. 18 Tritons played conference rival Cal State Bakersfield on Friday, March 11. With the glare of the Aztec Invitational the next day, the Tritons played admirably and came out of the water with a 14-11 victory. The game was a rematch of the last game the Tritons played — the final game of the UC Irvine Invitational on Feb. 27 — in which the Tritons won 13-10. In the rematch, the Tritons and Roadrunners traded goals for much of the game as neither team led by more than two for the first three quarters of the game. However, with a series of steals and by taking advantage of fast break opportunities, the Tritons pulled away in the fourth quarter to go 5-1 in conference play.

"This is a big win for us because it means we won't have to see Bakersfield until well into the [WWPA] tournament," head coach Brad Kreutzkamp said. "Our counterattack in the third and fourth quarters is what really helped us pull away in this game."

The next day after their game against Bakersfield, the Tritons traveled across town to partake in the Aztec Invitational at San Diego State from March 12-13. The Tritons took on Princeton in the first match of the morning at 7 a.m., and the wear and tear from the night before showed, as the Triton defense was slow to stop the Tigers from scoring at will. Both teams traded goals throughout the game, as the game ended in regulation with a 10-10 draw.

In overtime, both teams continued to trade goals, as the Tritons and Tigers scored twice to keep the score tied after the first overtime period. In the second overtime period, the rules change to golden goal, meaning that whoever scored first wins outright. Princeton managed a goal before the Tritons could and took the match.

After the falling to unranked Princeton, the Tritons lost in more lopsided games to No. 20 ranked Pacific 6-9, No. 16 Cal State Northridge 6-9 and No. 17 Indiana 4-9 to finish out the Aztec Invite. After the consecutive losses, the Tritons fell out of the rankings, but fortunately, no losses were against confer-

Track Gets Top Marks in San Marcos



Stephanie LeFever broke her own school record in the long jump, recording a leap of 20'1".

By Liam Rose
STAFF EDITOR

TRACK & FIELD — Competing against local schools at the Mangrum Invitational at Cal State San Marcos, the UCSD track and field team had several strong results in the non-scoring meet. The Tritons performed well despite not fielding a full squad and having some athletes compete in "off-events" that are not necessarily their best events.

Senior Stephanie LeFever provided the biggest highlight of the day for the Tritons, as she broke her own school record in the long jump. LeFever leaped 20'1" to eclipse 20 feet for the first time in her career, and was picked an NCAA Automatic Qualifier in the process. Her mark bettered her previous record of 19'10.75" that she shared with former Triton Whitney Johnson.

"It was a spectacular thing for her," head women's coach Darcy Ahner said. "She's been staring at that 20-foot mark for a long time. She was so close last year, and this year she's been jumping consistently 19 this year knowing that it's there, but actually achieving it and getting over that barrier is huge. Not too many are in that category."

LeFever also placed fourth in the high jump, and will compete in the Mt. Sac Heptathlon/Decathlon Meet on April 13-14.

"She's really ready to go in all her events," Ahner said. "She's really lined up everything beautifully to have a great heptathlon performance."

The Tritons had a good day all around in the field events. Senior Erin Langford won the triple jump with a mark of 36'9". Fellow senior Danielle Thu destroyed the competition in the hammer throw, with her mark of 185'6", over 25 feet better than the second-place mark. Thu also took second in the discus with a throw of 138'8". Freshman Eva Isaacs took second in the shot put with a mark of 39'4.5". Linda Rainwater — a UCSD graduate that competed unattached — tied for first in the high jump.

The Tritons also had a good day in the relay events, winning the 4x400 meter relay and narrowly getting clipped by Cal State Dominguez Hills to take second in the 4x100 meter relay. The 4x400 team of freshman Lauren Irish, junior

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