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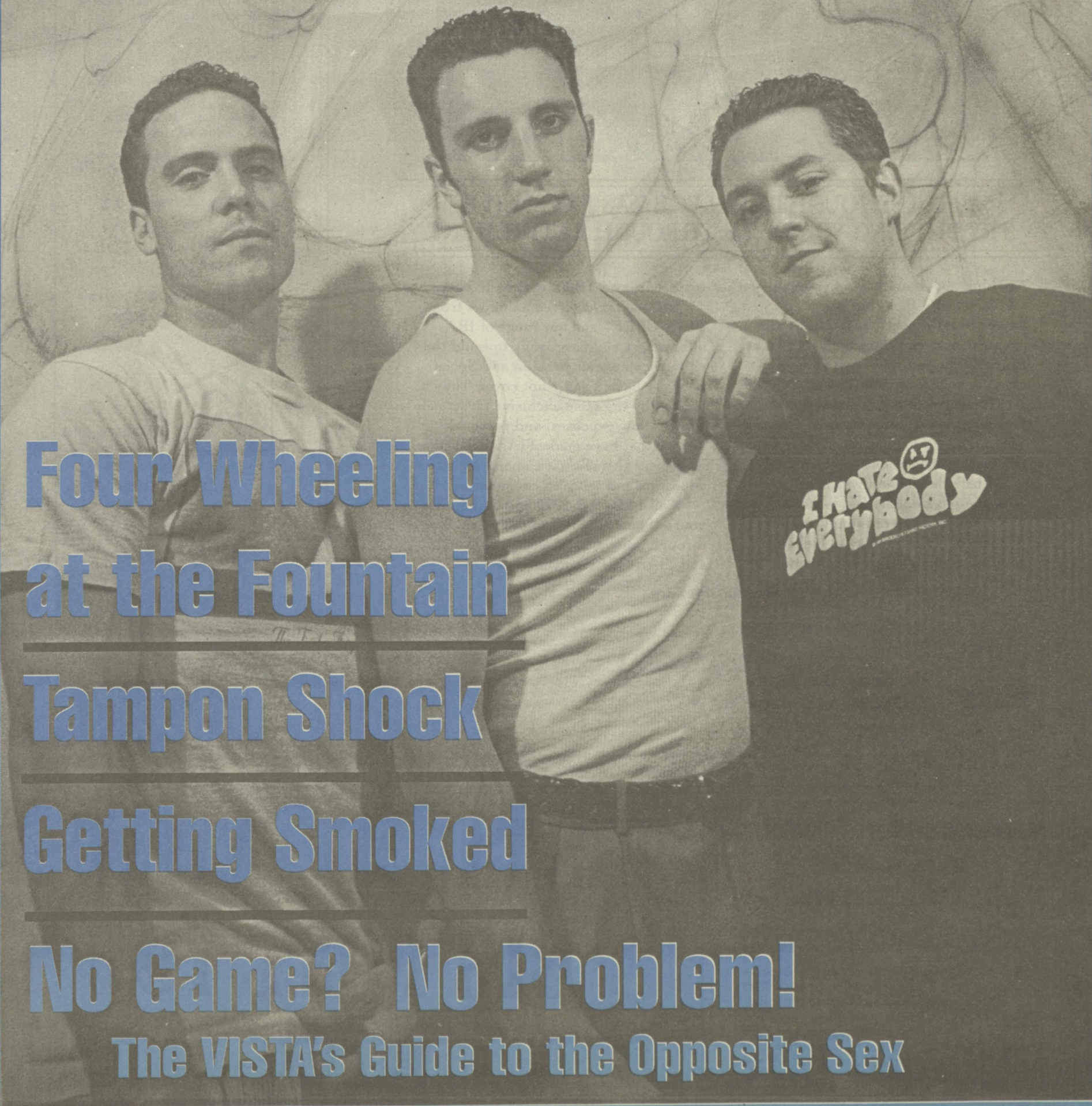
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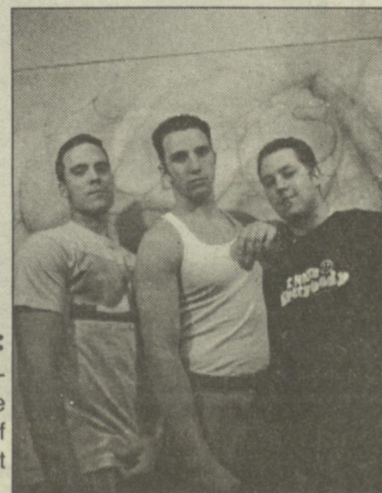
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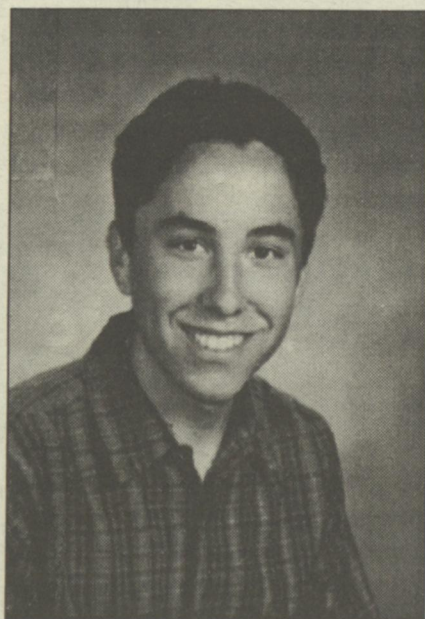
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USD isn't really that diverse

SARA BELLITT
Staff Writer

On the exterior, a lack of diversity is not explicitly apparent on the campus of USD. But upon closer inspection, the members of the University community — students, staff and faculty alike — couldn't be more alike.

The population of white students here far outnumbers any other ethnic group on campus. Surprisingly, several USD students said they feel diversity is not a problem on our campus.

"There seems to be no problems with intermingling between the different ethnic groups," said junior Duong Nguyen. "Actually, I personally haven't seen much racism either."

Guadalupe Corona, the assistant director of Student Activities, agrees. "Diversity isn't a problem at USD because it is an institutionally addressed issue," she said. "USD addresses the issue of diversity as something that is beneficial to everyone."

Corona also said that diversity, especially in the unique setting of a college campus, "is an asset that allows different ethnic groups to intermingle when they may not otherwise do so. It allows students to see the ideas of corporate america in action by allowing many different perspectives to be brought to the table, with the possible outcome of better service and better products."

Since diversity on USD's campus doesn't seem to be a problem for most USD students and staff members, then what appears to be the issue is the interaction that doesn't go on between the ethnicities.

While some students like Nguyen feel that there is no problem between groups intermingling, others feel that there tends to be one.

"Students may not intermingle because they feel more comfortable with people of their own ethnicity, similarities in interest, because of a fear of the unknown, a fear of non acceptance, and a fear of challenging oneself to go outside their group," Corona said.

"While the fear to challenge oneself to go beyond their comfortable zone is hard, challenging oneself is a great idea."

There are many solutions to this lack of intermingling. Like many other college campuses, this same question has arisen and is being addressed in different ways.

UCLA, for example, is exploring the idea of increasing their campus's cultural awareness by implementing a diversity requirement.

This proposal would call for all UCLA students to take an ethnic studies course with the hope that as student cultural awareness level increases, there will be more student intermingling and students will begin to find similarities and identify with other ethnic groups.

This requirement would also alleviate professors from

having to bring up cultural awareness issues in their classes.

Would a diversity requirement work at USD? It may, but the main issue at hand is for students to first become aware of the fact that intermingling between different ethnicities is a problem.

Second, students need to challenge themselves to go outside their comfort zone and find out what other ethnicities have to offer.

This challenge could reap many benefits, such as the ability to deal with, feel comfortable with and talk to anyone of any ethnicity out in corporate america.



Kristin Huffaker

She's wearing the same shirt as me! As you look around the campus, you might notice that diversity seems to be missing. A "USD mold" replaces it.

Pavilion work means more changes in traffic patterns

Courtesy of
USD NEWS BUREAU

The start of preliminary work on the Jenny Craig Pavilion in March will mean some changes in parking and pedestrian and car traffic for the east end of the USD campus, school officials announced.

As of March 10, the Fieldhouse parking lot will be closed to make way for the new pavilion. Parking will also be eliminated on the west side of the lot where construction trailers will be housed.

Beginning March 15, the road in front of the Fieldhouse, which is used by and traverses the Sports Center, will be permanently closed. Both the USD tram and students will then have to use Linda Vista Road to travel to the Sports Center, the Alcala Vista Apartments or main campus.

However, the east campus road leading up from the

Fieldhouse parking lot to the recreation fields and Manchester Child Development Center will remain open during and after construction, which is expected to be completed by June of 2000. Trucks and other traffic for construction will be routed through Via Las Cumbres, in order to limit disruption to the main campus.

"I'm sure everyone will experience so many hassles during this construction period," said freshman Melissa Jones. "But I think it will all be worth it because we will reap the benefits in the long run."

Freshman James Mattison agreed.

"Thank God I will still be here by the time the Pavilion is completed," he said. "I will definitely take advantage of it."



Kristin Huffaker

You're Late! When construction begins, students will again be faced with parking problems.

Smoking can hurt your lungs — and wallet

KRISTIN ALBERTSON
Staff Writer

Lung cancer and emphysema aren't the only concerns for USD students who smoke. Because the price of cigarettes has increased by an average of 65 cents per pack since Jan. 1, some college students are finding it extremely difficult to finance their dependency.

According to Amir Mousevi, manager of the 7-Eleven on Linda Vista Road, fewer people, especially students, are buying cigarettes at his business.

"In January, our premium cigarettes went from \$2.89 a pack to \$3.39 a pack," he said. "Sales have dropped drastically."

Mousevi attributed the decline in sales either to students quitting smoking or finding cheaper cigarettes elsewhere.

But are college students major ciga-

rette consumers?

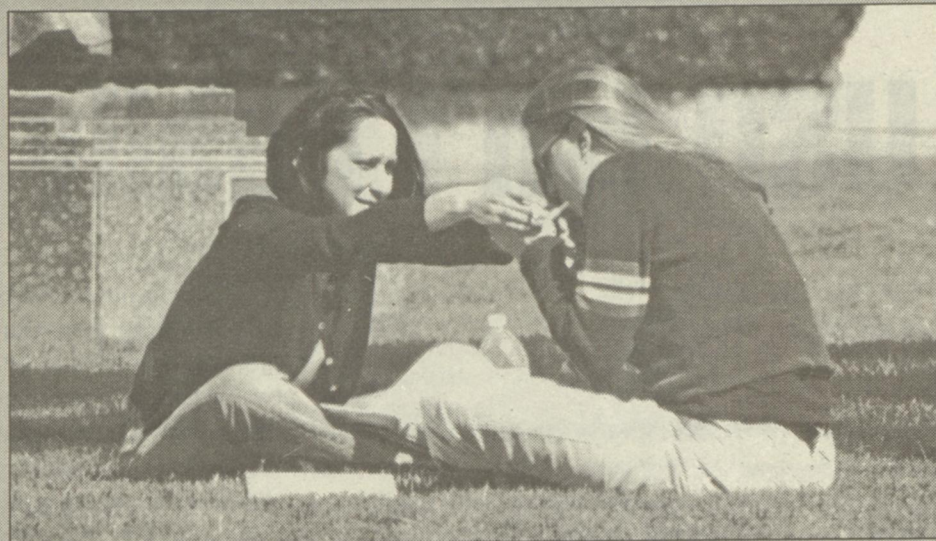
In reality, less than one percent of cigarette smokers come from high-income families. On the contrary, the largest percentage of smokers belong to the working class, with an average education of nine to 11 years.

In essence, the few USD students who do smoke may not be terribly affected by the price increase.

In fact, USD smokers were probably more impacted by the decision a year ago to outlaw smoking in bars and nightclubs, because students typically smoke more in those places than they do at home or at school.

"I think the cigarette tax will deter people from picking up the habit," said senior Michelle Borne. "But I also think that it won't have a major effect on people who smoke now, because they'll just get their cigarettes cheaper like from black market."

It is obvious that people don't continue



Michael Miller

Smokin': Whether you smoke to relieve stress or to look cool, it will take its toll.

to smoke because they want to get lung cancer. They smoke because it's an addicting habit caused by the nicotine stimulants in the tobacco.

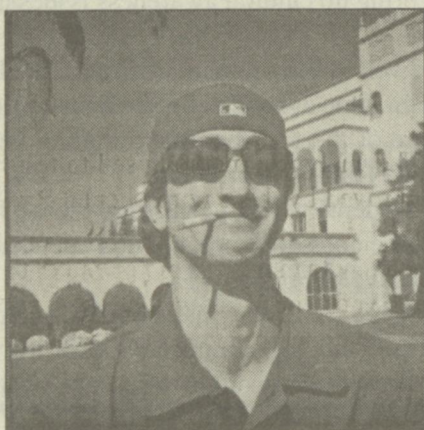
Many people know from experience that it's hard to quit smoking, but the price increase and other undesirable fac-

tors such as not being able to smoke in bars is making it much easier for students to quit.

If you are considering quitting smoking due to the whopping price-hike, you could save approximately \$1,241 this year.

Why do you smoke?

TABITHA RODRIGUEZ-ANDERSON
Staff Writer



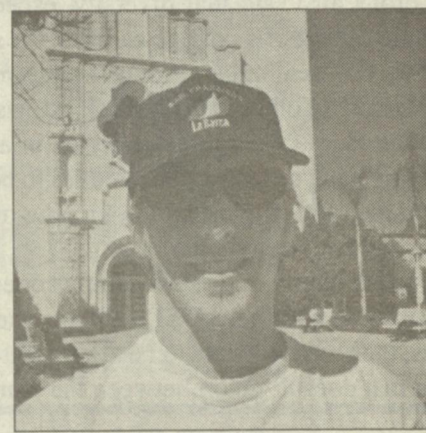
Bredon Rogan

"Cause I'm sexy when I do it!"



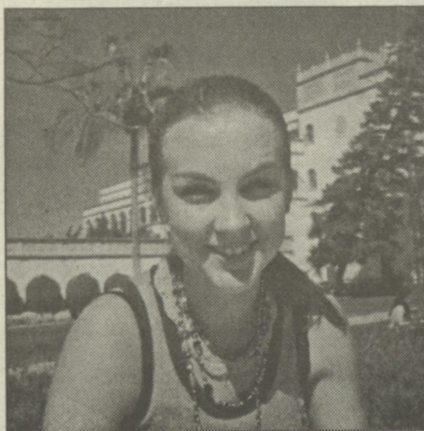
Annelise Weiss

"I don't Smoke because it's bad for you, and it's nasty."



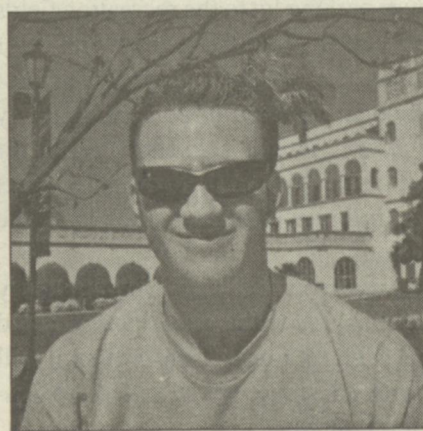
Keith Olmo

"I don't smoke because I have asthma. It's also a leading factor of impotence."



Megan Wood

"To make life more exciting."



Greg Ives

"I don't smoke cigarettes. . . What was the question?"



Greg Moreno

"It's the cool thing to do, and I feel cool when I do it."

Intoxicated man crashes into fountain

RODEL DIVINA
News Editor

A man was arrested last Wednesday evening after crashing his sports utility vehicle into Shumway Fountain and almost careening into the Hughes Administration Center. The man, whose name was not released, is not affiliated with USD.

According to Rana Sampson, director of Public Safety, the man hit a vehicle on Linda Vista Road and caused injuries. After fleeing the crime scene, he proceeded toward the east end of the USD campus.

Many witnesses said they saw the man speeding along Marian Way, nearly hitting students and an administrator.

"He drove past the stop sign and flew off the speed bumps," said sophomore Sarah Davis. "No one was going to get in his way."

Unfortunately, the man did not realize that the fountain prevented traffic through Marian Way, Sampson said.

"The man tried to negotiate the fountain by maneuvering his car off the street and onto the fountain plaza," Sampson said.

The man then crashed into the fountain several times and eventually landed inches away from the front door entrance of the Hughes Administration Center.

USD Public Safety officials as well as the police arrived and arrested the man, whose blood alcohol level was well beyond the legal limit.

Freshman Dan Perlis witnessed the arrest.

"My friends and I ran to his Isuzu Trooper and started yelling at him," Perlis said. "When he got out of his car, he reeked of alcohol."

"Luckily, this occurred at the time that it did," Sampson said. "It's a miracle that this man did not drive into campus during lunchtime."

Using tampons might still be a death sentence

GRETCHEN SCHNEIDER
Staff Writer

Tampons have always been a health concern, but recent studies may ease concerns.

Dioxin, a byproduct of the chlorine bleaching used to make tampons white, has been known to cause endometriosis. Consequently, many women are now concerned that they might be exposed to dioxin through their tampons.

But in actuality, most people are exposed everyday to small doses of dioxin through a variety of cleaning supplies. These small doses are not detrimental, but there is growing concern over exactly how much dioxin is in tampons, how much dioxin is needed to cause endometriosis and how the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) can allow tampons to be put on the market if they contain potentially deadly amounts of dioxin.

Tampons are made from cotton or rayon, or a blend of the two. If the tampon is 100 percent cotton, then there is no bleaching process.

Tampons consisting of rayon are bleached in any of three different ways: the first method is an elemental chlorine free bleaching, the second is a totally chlorine free bleaching and the third is an elemental chlorine bleaching which may lead to traces of dioxin.

According to the FDA, this process was abolished several years ago. No U.S. manufacturer is permitted to use chlorine in the bleaching process. But the FDA also added that, formerly, when tampons were bleached with a chlorine method, the dioxin levels ranged from non-detectable to one part in three trillion parts. The analytical method used to test for dioxin was approved by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

However, even with the risk of dioxin out of the way, Toxic Shock Syndrome (TSS) still remains an issue.

"The risk is overblown," said Director of Content and Community for Mediconsult.com Anne Rose RN, MS. "It is not a cause and effect. There have been some associations noticed between tampons and TSS, but TSS is not exclusive to women using tampons. Children, men and non-menstruating women have also contracted TSS. TSS is a rare but potentially fatal proliferation of a bacterium that grows naturally on our skin. Scientists do not know exactly what causes this proliferation."

Five confirmed menstrually related TSS cases were diagnosed and treated last year. There were no deaths. Approximately half of the TSS cases are menstrually-related cases.

Symptoms of TSS include a high fever, vomiting, diarrhea, muscle aches, dizziness, fainting, and a rash that looks like sunburn especially on the hands. Rose suggests that to minimize risk, only use tampons when you are menstruating, use the least absorbency level required, store tampons in a clean dry place, change tampons according to manufacturer's suggested guidelines, and always wash hands before using tampons.

For more information on dioxin and TSS, contact www.mediconsult.com and www.fda.gov/cdrh/ocd/tamponsabs.html.

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Evidence of racial divide in AIDS

TODD GLORIA

Beyond Color Lines Editor

Researchers have reported that blacks donating blood for the first time are 25 times more likely than whites to have recently acquired HIV infections.

The study is the latest to document the growing racial divide in AIDS, which is evolving from being largely an illness of white gay men to one of poor blacks who catch it through drug abuse and heterosexual encounters. Nationally, more than half of all HIV infections are among blacks.

The Blood Center of the Pacific announced its findings after analyzing 1.7 million blood samples from first-time blood donors. The analysis showed that about two of every 100,000 white donors are infected, compared to 51 per 100,000 among blacks and less than four among Hispanics and Asians.

A recent Center for Disease Control report noted this "shift in the epidemic to people of color." Other findings were that men were twice as likely as women to be infected and that the infection rate was highest in the South and lowest in the Midwest.

This week, the United Nations also released its report on AIDS infections. It reported that the number of young people infected with the virus that causes AIDS is growing substantially. The UN reports that 6 young people are infected with HIV every minute. Worldwide, the UN figures that 33.4 million people are HIV positive.

Man found guilty in dragging murder

Jurors in Jasper, Texas took two and a half-hours to find John William King guilty of capital murder for dragging a black man to his death behind a pickup truck. The exceptionally quick verdict came after a comparatively short trial of only five days. The jury also recommended the death penalty after an additional hearing the next day.

King showed no emotion after the verdict. The family of the victim, James Byrd Jr. burst into ap-

plause as the jury left the courtroom. King is the first of three men charged with the murder to go on trial. The other two defendants are still waiting for their day in court.

The case attracted national attention after Byrd's body was found in pieces along a country road. The murder brought back old memories of Southern lynchings in past decades. King, a white supremacist, hoped to use the murder to recruit members to join a hate group he was organizing in Texas.

President Clinton issued a statement after the verdict. He said that the outrage at Byrd's death "demonstrates that an act of evil like this is not what our country is all about." He added, "Our work for racial reconciliation and an end to all crimes of hatred in the his country will go on."

Merriam-Webster makes needed change

Kweisi Mfume, president of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, announced that Merriam-Webster dictionary has agreed to change its definition of "nigger" in its next edition.

In a speech at Virginia Tech, Mfume told the audience that the word would no longer be synonymous with African-American. It will now be recorded as a "racial slur and not a proper name for African-Americans."

Claiming it is "a small victory, a giant step" supporters rejoiced at "nigger finally taking its place among the cruel and evil slurs that degrade people."

Senate condemns China's human rights record

Last Thursday, the United States Senate passed Senate Resolution 95, resolving that the U.S. should introduce a resolution in the United Nations Human Rights Commission meeting in Geneva denouncing China's human rights record. The resolution calls on China "to end its human rights abuses in China and Tibet."

The Senators in a decisive 99-0 vote approved SR 45.

The vote came a day before Secretary of State Madeleine Albright's trip to China and two months before the visit of a Chinese state delegation to Washington.

The resolution placed the blame for "the widespread and well documented human rights abuses" at the hands of the government of the People's Republic of China. Chief among the Senate's concerns are "coercive implementation of family planning and the sale of human organs from executed prisoners." Abuses that the Senate said violated the norms of acceptable international conduct.

China recently signed the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights but has yet to take steps to make it legally binding.

Professors sue UC for racial bias and retaliation

Two professors of business are suing the University of California, claiming the administration discriminated against one professor and punished the another professor when the discrimination charge was made.

Waymond Rodgers, a former professor of business at UC Irvine, was denied tenure in 1991 and filed a suit alleging racial discrimination in 1993. His case is pending. Richard Brahm filed suit against the university system when he was also denied tenure at Irvine. He charges that he was punished for blowing the whistle on the discriminatory treatment of Rodgers.

UC officials deny that the two were treated unfairly. They argue that the two cases are unrelated. Dennis Aigner, the former dean of Irvine's business school said that Rodgers "just wasn't good enough." He also said that Brahm "was a very fine teacher. But thats all I am going to say."

Rodgers' claims that he is being held to a higher standard than his white colleagues are. Speaking of Brahm, "I feel bad that someone who spoke up for what's right had his entire career derailed."

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RODEL DIVINA

NewsOddities

A Few Things That You Wouldn't Expect

New study: Frequent sex may prevent colds

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. — Here's a treatment that's a treat: new research suggests frequent sex may help prevent colds.

A study conducted by researchers at Wilkes University in Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, reveals that people who make love once or twice a week are more immune to colds than folks who abstain from sex.

Researchers believe bedroom activity somehow stimulates an immune-boosting antibody called IgA. Levels of the antibody in people who have sex at least once or twice per week is higher than in those who abstain.

The bad news for people who think they've found a fun cure for the common cold is that having sex more than twice a week won't help you fight off colds at all.

People who have sex three or more times a week actually have lower levels of IgA than those who do it only once or twice a week.

Man, said to be 114, to marry 17-year-old

CAIRO — An Egyptian farmer said to be 114 years old plans to marry a 17-year-old, despite opposition from his family and intervention by police.

Police sources said Tuesday that Fayez Sultan's son Mohamed, aged 80, had complained that his father planned to give his farm to the would-be bride.

Police have set up a traditional committee to settle the dispute in the province of Sohag, some 400 km (250 miles) south of Cairo.

Sultan has 45 grandchildren from seven sons and daughters.

Four-year-old dies playing Superman

LONDON — A four-year-old British boy has died while pretending to fly like comic-book hero Superman.

Police said Saturday that Andrew Brookes was killed when a cord from a window blind became wrapped around his neck while playing at his home in Cleveland in northeastern England.

"The tragic incident happened while the boy was playing at being Superman," a police spokesman told journalists.

Man shoots sister over burned breakfast

VALLETTA — Pensioner Francis Buhagiar didn't like the breakfast his sister put in front of him — so he shot her dead, a Maltese court heard.

Police witnesses told the court 68-year-old Buhagiar had admitting shooting his sister Maria, 76, last month because of the breakfast argument.

Maltese newspapers reported at the time of the incident that the argument began over burnt toast.

Hospital cleaner fired for amateur circumcision

CAIRO — An Egyptian court ordered the dismissal of a hospital cleaner and put two others on probation for illegally circumcising boys, court sources said Monday.

Ragab Abdallah, an operating theater cleaner at a Cairo hospital, was taken to court after one of his young patients developed a genital disorder after circumcision in March 1998.

Abdallah and his accomplices, Fathy Mohammed and Layla al-Kelawy, had offered to perform the operation on the five-year-old for a lower fee than that charged by the hospital.

The boy suffered severe bleeding after the surgery, which was conducted in an operating theater at the hospital.

His father took him to another hospital which tried to repair the damage and gave him a blood transfusion. The second hospital notified authorities of Abdallah's activities.

The court sources said Abdallah had admitted to performing several other circumcisions, but denied taking money, saying he had been trying to help the poor.

Cats to be punished for upstaging president

NEW DELHI — Two cats which pranced around the central hall of India's parliament during a televised presidential address last month are to be punished with sterilization, a newspaper report said Monday.

"A special drive has been launched to punish the cats in Parliament House for their appearance before live cameras during the president's customary address to a joint sitting of the two houses of parliament," the Asian Age said.

"The cats will be sterilized."

The paper said the appearance of the cats, among 10 to 12 believed to be living in the Parliament House canteen and central hall, had been construed in political circles as inauspicious.

"Our primary objective is to keep the number of cats under control after sterilization and not to eliminate them because they keep control over the growth of rats in canteens," Reeta Kaul of the Friends of Animals Society for the Eradication of Cruelty to Animals told the paper.

Police dig up U.S. couple, arrest son

SANTIAGO, Chile — A 36-year-old man has been arrested in connection with the death of his parents, a Texas couple whose bodies were found under the patio of a house in central Chile, a police official said Sunday.

Marion Lee Bristow has been taken into custody by police and will be charged with the killings in criminal court Monday, said Eric Madurana, head of the homicide brigade in the town of Temuco, 420 miles (676 km) south of Santiago.

Madurana said two bodies had been recovered from beneath a cement patio at a house where Bristow once lived in Chillan, 250 miles (400 km) south of the capital. He said the bodies were buried Oct. 28, 1996.

"We believe they are Richard Eugene Bristow and his wife, Patsy Lorraine Bristow," Madurana told Reuters. He said the Bristows were from Amarillo, Texas.

"We are investigating their son, Marion Lee Bristow," Madurana said. The detective said Bristow's parents came to Chile in 1994 "on a visit." It was unclear whether they returned home after that trip. Police

launched an investigation a month ago after relatives in the United States became worried about the couple's absence, he said.

Pager violator sentenced to time in chair

NEW YORK — When William Brown's pager sounded in Manhattan Criminal Court Thursday, Judge Paul Feinman reacted by having Brown handcuffed to a chair in the corner of the courtroom for 90 minutes.

Feinman had repeatedly warned people in his courtroom about noise, a court spokesman said.

"Courtrooms are impossible to preside over and conduct business in a dignified way unless members of the audience are quiet and that includes beepers going off," David Bookstaver, a court spokesman said. "The judge took this action to restore order to his court."

Feinman had Brown released when he returned from a 90-minute lunch break and reprimanded him for not turning off his pager.

Brown, 54, of Cliffside Park, New Jersey was in court to answer charges of criminal mischief in connection with an incident in midtown Manhattan last November. His case was not heard Thursday.

Man who sued over "perp walks" says it ruined his life

NEW YORK — The plaintiff in the case that has halted staged "perp walks" in New York says his life was ruined after police hauled him out of an Upper East Side precinct station and drove him around the block.

John Lauro Jr. described his ordeal Monday night on Court TV's Pros & Cons. Lauro was arrested for burglary in 1995 and New York police paraded him in public after a request by Fox News, which wanted its cameras to get television footage of him.

A former Manhattan doorman, Lauro has sued the city for millions of dollars in damages.

In a ruling released Feb. 25, a federal judge decided that the century-old tradition of "perp walks," in which police parade suspects in front of the media, violates the Fourth Amendment protection against unreasonable search and seizure.

The New York police department announced it would stop the practice while its legal team decides whether to appeal U.S. District Court Judge Allen Schwartz's decision.

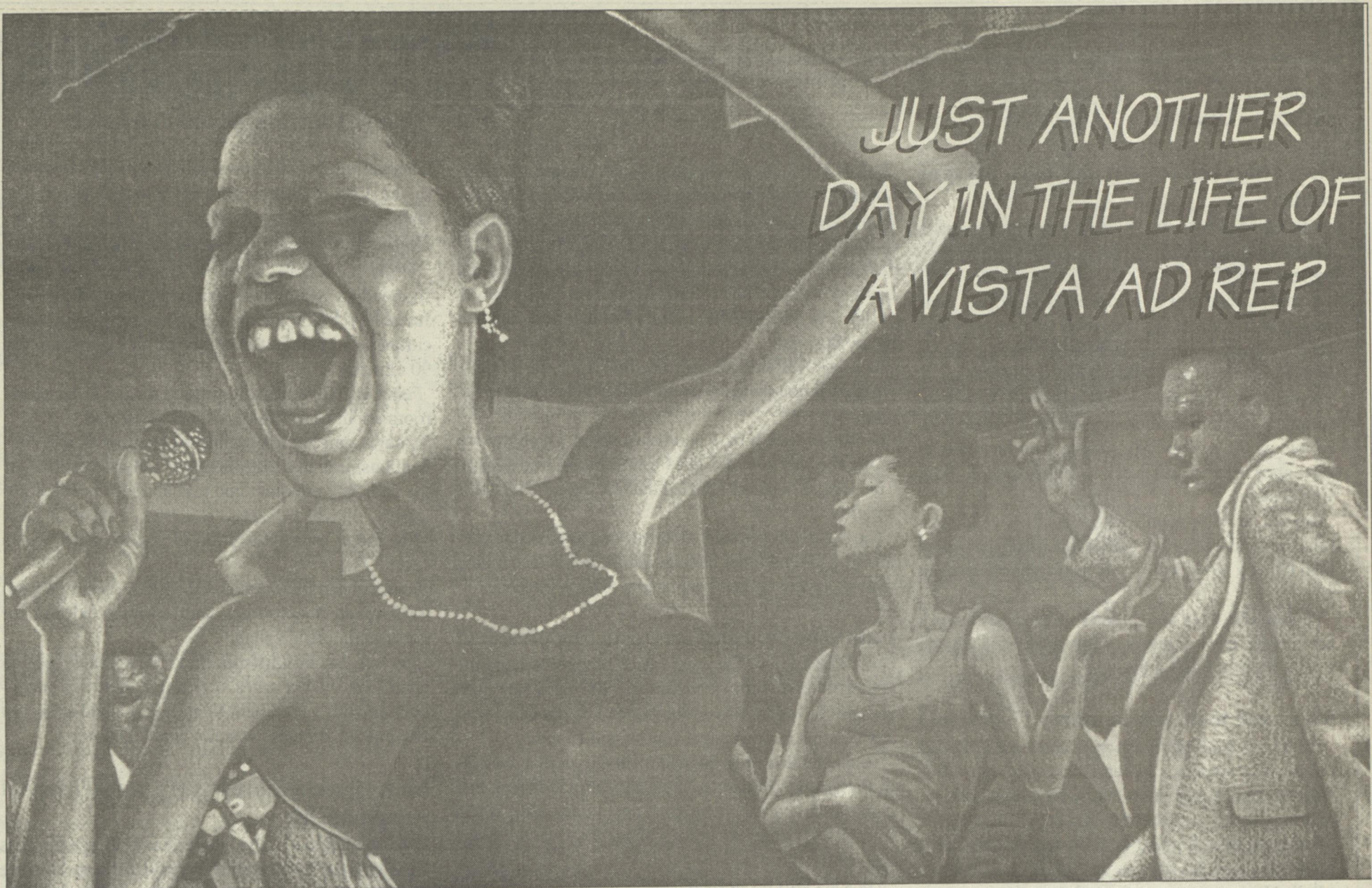
Lauro had been charged with burglary, larceny, and possession of stolen goods after a security camera caught him rifling through drawers in one of the apartments in the building where he worked.

The charges were dismissed in exchange for one day of community service, and his lawyer Philip Dinhofer calls the accusations "a complete fiction."

Nonetheless, Lauro said he lost his job, his union abandoned him and his landlord kicked him out. He hasn't been able to get a similar job since.

"I worked 30 hours a week for about \$30,000," he told Court TV. "Now I work 70 hours a week for about a quarter less."

Worse than the financial cost, he said, is the personal humiliation. His daughter called him in tears to ask what he'd done.



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He said She said

A small debate about lingerie

TED DONOVAN
Editor in Chief

Buying a gift for a girlfriend can be one of the most frustrating things a man has to do in his life. Although the number of stores that primarily target women far outnumber those which offer products exclusively for men, it can sometimes seem impossible to find an appropriate gift for a girl. Most guys I know don't know enough about women's fashion and/or their girlfriends' particular tastes to try buying them an article of clothing. Also, most guys I know don't have enough financial means to buy a piece of jewelry that would be much more than a novelty item.

This is why a store such as Victoria's Secret can become a lifesaver around Christmas, Valentine's Day and birthdays. Although there are many stores that offer products similar to those featured at Victoria's Secret, it still remains a failsafe. Frederick's of Hollywood has similar stuff, but it seems to be on the "dirtier" side. On the other hand, buying lingerie from Wal-Mart probably won't score many points with most women.

Here's where the philosophical debate begins: When it comes to a guy buying his girlfriend a gift from Victoria's Secret, who really benefits the most? Unfortunately, there is not a simple answer to this question. However, the answer to this question relies heavily on two different factors: the gift in question and the stage of the relationship.

I will be the first one to admit that a

guy who buys his girlfriend a piece of sexy lingerie is trying to benefit himself just as much as the receiver of the gift, if not more. Seriously, there aren't a whole lot of uses for a lace teddy outside of the bedroom, and although I've never had the honor of wearing them, I imagine that the butt-floss panties that come with those ensembles would be pretty damn uncomfortable.

However, this mutual benefaction is probably one of the greatest aspects of buying lingerie; The girl gets to have a nice gift that makes her feel sexy and good about herself, while the guy gets the benefit of seeing her wear it. (And with any luck, he'll get to see her *not* wearing it.)

Even though Victoria's Secret might be the perfect place to find a gift for your girlfriend, those of you who might be new to this should take a word of warning: *DO NOT SHOP WITH RECKLESS*

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The responsibility of every boyfriend to occasionally buy a gift for their girlfriend is undoubtedly one that causes some stress and anxiety. One thought that we will ponder today is the effort that goes into *receiving* the gift - which may be equally challenging for a girlfriend when the tag attached to the gift reads Victoria's Secret. Knowing most boyfriends, we know the effort that goes into choosing the right gift for your girlfriend. All of the planning and searching that goes into finding that perfect gift does not go unnoticed. However, here is one possible reaction to the gift of lingerie that may be felt, if not said, by your girlfriend.

The last thing a girlfriend wants to do is to hurt her boyfriend's feelings by looking less than enthused upon receipt of a new addition to her bedtime apparel collection. But let's face it. This gift is not a no-strings-attached, for her enjoyment only, luxury item that will pamper her and her alone. This gift, unlike a watch, a book or a gift certificate for a massage, is reciprocal - advantageous for both the giver and the receiver. This gift, made of strings or not, is definitely one that suggests that some will be attached.

The implications are unmistakable: this lucky girlfriend is not only the birthday girl, the Valentine sweetheart, or the Christmas angel, but today, like-it-or-not, she will be a model.

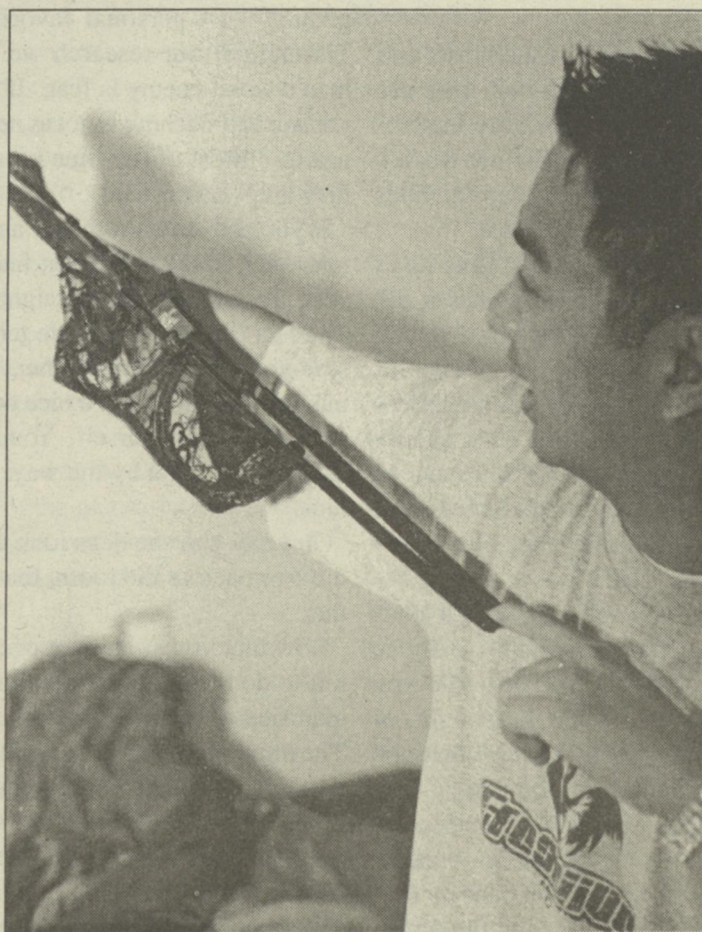
The question is, for whom is this gift sexy? Looking sexy and feeling good about oneself are two entirely different things. Consider the possibility that a woman may feel just as good, if not better about herself wearing a new sweater, than little or nothing at all. Would the gift of lingerie also be considered a gift that the boyfriend is giving himself? And if this is the case, isn't the entire point of gift-giving being missed? The point is, when the ob-

jective is to give a gift, my understanding of this concept is to treat the receiver to something that they will appreciate, something that they do not necessarily need, and something that they do not need to share with anyone.

This is not to say that sexy gifts are always unwelcome or even offensive. Of course there will be a time and a place for gifts like this. But there is one further complication to your trip to Victoria's Secret when gift-giving time comes around: lingerie, in the right fit and style, is very difficult for many women to find. A lot of time and effort goes into testing and trying on numerous bras and other undergarments, and over the years we've learned what sizes look and feel the best in various cuts and materials. Since it's often an ordeal for us, we can imagine how difficult it would be for you to know which piece to select. Still, we don't wonder why you put yourselves through the effort, that part remains clear to us.

The reciprocity of this gift not only takes away from the event of receiving a gift, but also is an indication of the creativity of the gift-giver. Even Superman's powers over Lois Lane's cotton and polyester blend can be reduced to a limited, but conventional imagination. We like to think that our boyfriend possesses a more thoughtful and clever capacity to be original.

So the bottom line is this: in consideration of the difficulty involved in finding flattering and comfortable (yet sexy) lingerie, the implications that lingerie as a gift carries with it, and the combination of the two, you can see why lingerie can become a disappointing gift. The perfect gift can never be defined, that's where your girlfriends likes and tastes come in handy. And you never know, a stretch of your imagination to make a more thoughtful and clever choice may just be a hint to you girlfriend that she made a good choice in choosing you. And that's the greatest gift of all.



Cover

The Meat of the VISTA

Everything **ALWAYS WANTED** you have from three guys to know who don't have a clue

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& ROBERT D. PINTARIC

Gentlemen, here it is! The truth about how to meet the women you want, where to go, and what to say. As we're sitting around discussing how to write this article, we thought we'd just let everyone know what we do. However, since some of our techniques might not work for everyone, (and very rarely work for us), we decided to do a little research and try out some other ideas.

The Party- As tradition dictates, we usually make it to at least one party per week. There are usually a plethora of women at parties, so we showed up with our pads and pens ready to test the effectiveness of some of the more common pick-up lines.

Travis: I walk over to an attractive blond named Natalie standing with some of her friends in the corner. Line 1: "Is that a mirror in your pocket? Because, I can see myself in your pants." She looked at me with an evil stare and proceeded to walk away, not before she got the painful slap in, of course. Now, I could have told Rob and Scott that the first line does not have the desired effect, but since I got slapped for it they deserve a slap too.

Rob: With the "mirror" line holstered at my side, I approached an exotic brunette whom I later learned went by the name of Esmerelda. I caught her attention as I approached with a smile, and she seemed

cordial and inviting. As I leaned on the wall she was situated against, I delivered the line with a soldier's confidence. Not only did she slap me, she managed to draw blood. I retreated and noticed Travis and Scott in the far corner of the room chortling amongst themselves.

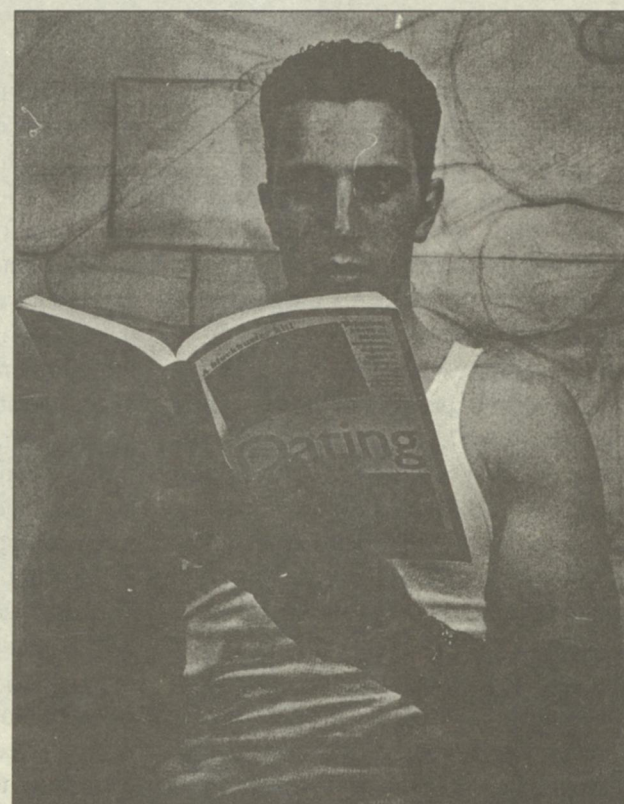
Scott: Right now you're probably thinking, "hey, don't use the same line, hero." That's a pretty good suggestion except for the fact that my "good friends" didn't share their newfound wisdom with me. So, being the superstar that I am, I went on the prowl hoping to be the only one to come back to the group talking about how smooth my game is. Instead of picking a girl that was by herself, I decided on a girl named Elizabeth who was in one of those roaming groups of about 12 women (and yes, I am the smartest man alive). I interrupted their conversation, focusing my attention on Elizabeth, and after the "hello's" I laid that wonderful line on her. I don't remember much, but there was an explosion of laughter, some one started making fun of my hair and I think one of the girls kicked me. Needless to say, I hate that line, but most of all I hate those girls.

The moral of the story: never mention a mirror when approaching a girl for the first time. Whether the mirror is in her pants or hanging on the wall next to her, avoid the subject altogether. If you will not take our word for it, just ask Natalie, Esmerelda or Elizabeth and her tribe.

For the most part, psychologists, sex therapists and women alike agree that lines are corny, cheesy and mostly ineffective. According to Miranda Russel, a USD sophomore, keep the lines in the back of your throat.

She strongly feels that guys should not use "cheesy lines at all" and regardless of how smooth you think you are, "the guy can not influence my impression regardless of his interpretation of a cheesy line." When asked if lines can be effective if they are presented in the right way, Katie Tusa bluntly responded "No."

All of you self-proclaimed studs (much like ourselves) ready to snatch Miss Right with "do you believe in love at first sight, or should I walk by again?" fear not. Michelle Devereux, a USD junior, feels that a confident, creative approach can be a great ice-breaker, even with a common pick-up line. "If a line is funny and the guy is



Ted Donovan

not taking it too seriously, that can lead to a conversation," Devereux said.

OK, so we all know not to break the ice with "wouldn't we look good on a Christmas card together?" (A personal favorite of Anthony Daly) Throughout our research we have discovered that man's worst enemy is fear. If you think that the girl you are approaching is not as nervous as you are, think again. "Most of the time we are just as nervous as they are," Russel said.

If you are drawn to a girl and think you would be interested in talking to her, fear needs to take a back seat. To set the record straight, we all know it's fear. The fact that your boys are ten feet away should not stop you from talking to her. For all of you alcohol majors who think that a nice buzz turns you into Don Juan, don't kid yourself. You don't sound as smooth as you think, and by the way, get a stick of gum genius.

Oh yeah, and she does look as good up close as she did from across the room; that excuse doesn't fly either.

Now that you are all out of excuses, the only thing left to do is nut-up and take the plunge. If anyone is qualified to speak of the uselessness of fear, we are. The three of us lead the league in strikeouts, and even the greatest hitters in the game fail to connect seven times out of 10. On the flip side of the coin, we do lead the league in at-bats. After all, you can't get on base if you are standing in the dugout.

Russel believes that most females understand the awk-



wardness of the situation and think guys should be rewarded. "If he has the guts to ask, she should have the guts to say yes." Side note: If all women thought like this, the world would be a much better place. Simply because the girls have the guts to say yes, don't expect them to approach you. "They [girls] are just as nervous as the guy is, but they still expect you to approach them," Devereux said.

So far, we have a pretty good idea of what not to say, and understand the importance of just putting the boys out there and seeing if they fly. Depending on *where* you are and the particular girl you are talking to, you are going to have anywhere from 30 seconds to a couple of weeks to convince her you're the slickest cat in the jungle. Let's assume, as tends to be the case with us, your first impression might not be your finest. What should you do? Persist. Don't smother, persist.

Persistence in small doses can be a virtue. Overdo it and you may end up calling her answering machine seven times in a row, wasting what was originally a golden opportunity. Who says movies can't teach you anything? Us? No, this does not apply to us. Honest. Devereux and Russel agreed that a lot of something in small doses can be positive. "If he is not overly aggressive, persistence could lead to something. He could grow on you," Devereux.

"Persistence is good, smothering is bad. Do not cross the line," says Russel.

Before you get to calling that girl from last night who spent more time with the bathroom than she did with you, remember the first rule of pimpology: all women DO NOT think alike. Many of the girls we surveyed summed up persisting in

one word — DON'T! "Persistence is generally pathetic," said USD sophomore Quinn Allmeyer.

Tusa said that "persistence in a bar is not the best idea. Girls know off the bat whether or not they want you talking to them."

Our advice, feel out the girl and the situation. "If you are friends first, persistence could work," adds Tusa. The girl sitting next to you in class is more likely to fall for you over time than the girl that you "accidentally" bump into every night at the foot of the Camino stairs.

Nobody is saying that you should go into this alone. Do not forget that her friends can be a very valuable resource. First of all, they tend to be very honest when asked about your chances.

Second, they can tell you what she does and doesn't like. This is a basic rule of the game, the more inside information you know about your opponent, the better off you are. But remember to choose your words wisely.

Anything you say can be used against you in the female court of law. Unfortunately, that court is the only one that has any say. Who are we to argue with millions of years of history?

Thanks to us and our countless rejections and rounds of questioning, you now know what to do. The only question remaining is where do you do it. This pretty much depends on you. The women we surveyed thought that places of mutual interest are the most ef-

fective mating grounds. If you are athletic, test your game at the gym or a sporting event. Maybe you consider yourself a cultured intellectual, try your luck at the library or a museum. Or, if you like the kind of girls we do, we'll see you outside of the Jerry Springer studio. Hopefully, you will have more luck than we will. You get the idea. Other places the girls mentioned as possibilities include coffee shops, the beach, in passing, in class and if you have seen *Boyz-N-The-Hood*, church.

Interestingly enough, some women informed us that large groups of girls eating together in a restaurant bode very well for male prowlers. Russel remarked that if you and your boys are kicking it at Santana's and a herd of "slimmies" enters, take full advantage of the opportunity. However, if you are alone, avoid groups larger than three. She didn't use those exact words, but you get the point. We don't make the rules, we follow them.

If you have managed to get this far, congratulations — even we are sick of ourselves at this point. Seriously, if you take one thing from this article, let it be this. BE YOURSELF.

Women have the ability to see through any guys' best game. By the way Joanna, Scott and Travis were never

in the Junior Olympics. The key to the approach is keeping it real and throwing your inflated ego away.

Cockiness is required when you are with your boys, but we're not trying to get with any of *them*, are we? Hold your head up and be confident. In the back of her mind she *wants* you to be the perfect guy. Feel confident that you are that guy, and let the chips

fall as they may.

"No matter what, smile. Eye contact is a big plus," Russel said.

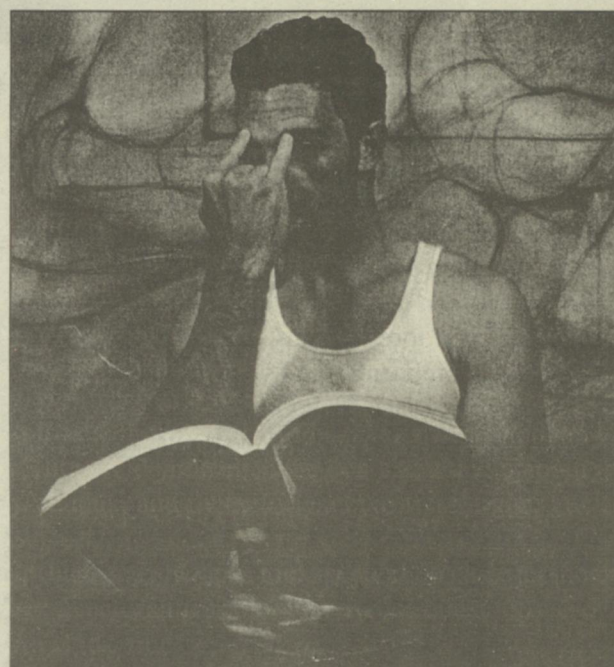
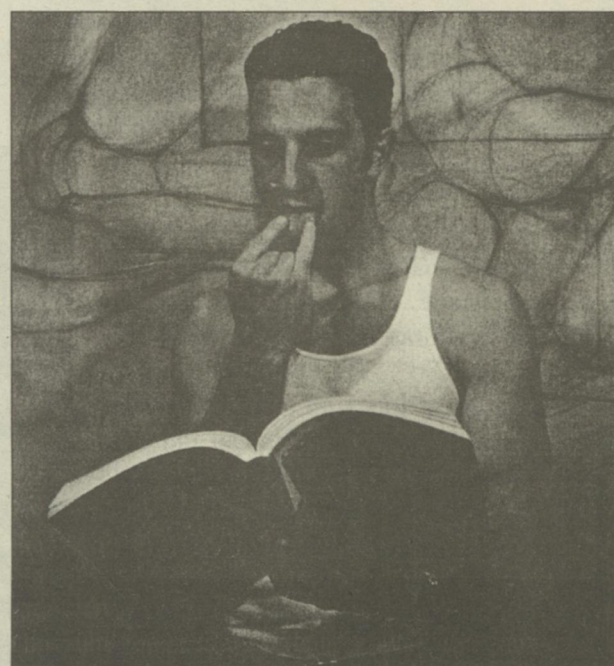
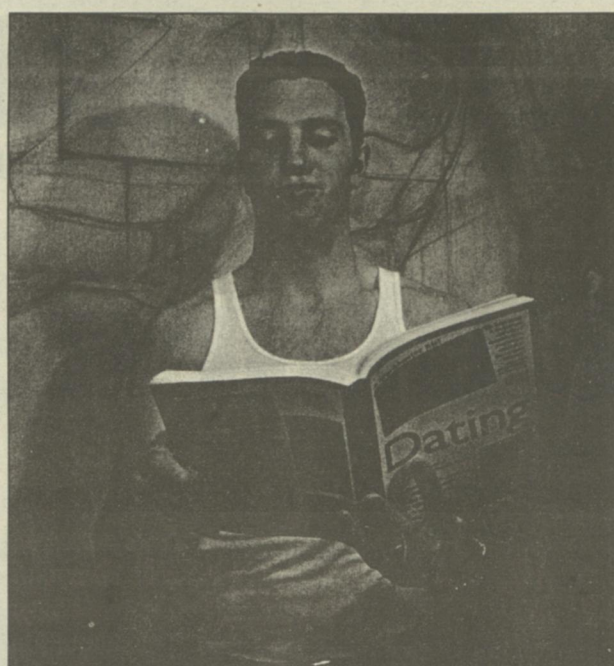
We have learned that the best way to ease the tension is to smile and keep the situation light. Eye contact is essential because it shows you're interested in what she has to say and helps you avoid that all too common trap of talking to her breasts. They might be nice-nice but they won't talk back to you. Scott has tested this theory for over 20 years, and he has yet to find a talking boob. Keep the focus up, boys.

By the way, personal hygiene is a big plus according to the girls we surveyed. Three tips: 1) if you can't grow facial hair, quit trying. 2) Deodorant plus cologne does not equal a shower. 3) For all of you lip/eyebrow/nose/nipple/you-know-where-else-ring guys...are you serious? That's enough.

If you have spent the last ten minutes reading this article, you are as pathetic as we are. The truth is, none of us have a clue. We never have and we never will. Any "play" you receive is by the grace of God and not the product of your efforts, regardless of how pimp you think you are.

So the next time you meet a girl and she does give you her number, remember to thank everyone involved: the gods above, your sister for making you wear the *other* shirt, your wingman, the females who were nice enough to share their thoughts and of course, us. No, we do not have an office. Good luck to you, sir!

In the back of her mind, she wants you to be the perfect guy.



Ted Donovan

How pimp are you?: Whether you've got game, skills or luck, dating isn't as easy as a-b-c or 1-2-3. It takes patience, understanding and risk. So if you're on the prowl for "Mr./Ms. Right," go out there and be yourself. Above: Rob uses *The Idiots Guide to Dating* for tips on keeping those pesky eyebrows in order. Left: Travis, Scott and Rob illustrate how friends can add confidence to any would-be pimp.

Suffering exists. But not the sufferer. The act is done. But there is no doer. Peace exists. But not the one who is at peace. There is a path. But no one walks it.
-Buddhaghosa, Visuddhimagga

Return to The Roots

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I believe its Hegel's Dialectic that explains how the creation of one idea spawns its opposite to create balance in the world. This ensures that everything in the world lives in harmony. Last year, hip-hop saw the success of commercial and "radio" (for use of a better word) rap sell millions of copies. Artists like the talented Jay-Z, and the less talented Master P (read everyone signed on No Limit) ruled the charts and hip-hop nation wide.

However, Hegel's Dialectic would predict that the creation of that genre of rap would create it's exact opposite. Hip-hop made for the sake of hip-hop, pushing the envelope like it used to do in the mid 80's. The end of last year saw the beginnings of this with amazing releases by Outkast and Black Star (Mos Def and Talib Kwali). Now in 1999 The Roots have released an album for the ages that will carry the hip-hop torch into the new millennium.

Things Fall Apart, The Roots' fourth album has been quietly anticipated as the album to set the standard in hip-hop for 1999. The Roots are very good at being quiet, laid back and relaxed. Their other albums (*Organix*, *Do You Want More!!!!!!*, and *Illadelph Halflife*) have all been critically acclaimed and sold well, but they have not yet been shoved into the mainstream like so many other artists. Always a step away from nearly everyone else, The Roots have continued their brilliance on *Things Fall Apart*, which could be their best album to date, and has the opportunity to enlighten a good portion of the musically inclined population about their talents.

Like their past three albums, *Things Fall Apart* relies on two components: the live instrumentation and the rhyming of Black Thought (one of the most underrated MCs in the business). The Roots, a six (some-

times seven) -man crew create their own backgrounds with an upright bass, keyboards and piano, drums and a vocal beatbox by the name of Rahzel (if you've seen the MTV commercials advertising Hip-Hop week, you know who I'm talking about).

Led by drummer ?uestlove, The Roots mold a perfect background for Black Thought, Malik B and Dice Raw to showcase their extraordinary talent. The album begins with a collage of sounds from their past albums, almost as if they are beginning a process of fusion, taking the parts of their past and reforming them to fit the



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Real Hip-Hop: Puffy take note, you've got nothing on these guys

present. The instant result, the two part "Table of Contents," introduces The Roots to newcomers and shows how a single idea can spawn multiple translations. The Roots continue with "The Next Movement" alongside DJ Jazzy Jeff of Fresh Prince fame. The scratches add wonderful texture to the organic backgrounds that The Roots always create.

Without stopping, the music flows effortlessly into "Step Into The Realm" and "The Spark." The latter is an ominous track with a great guitar that sets the tone above everything else. However, The Roots come back with "Dynamite!" which will cheer everyone up after "The Spark" with it's great lyrics and vocals.

Co-Produced by Jay Dee of the Ummah (production unit for the now defunct A Tribe Called Quest), he lays down a track as jazzy as anything ATCQ has ever done, but with that signature live sound that

only The Roots can create. The Roots then take it back a decade with "Without A Doubt" and then slip into "Ain't Sayin' Nothin' New" featuring Dice Raw, who's debut freestyle on The Roots *DYWM!!!!!!* blew people's minds nationwide. He continues this tradition on "Ain't Sayin' Nothin' New" as he and Black Thought show off their skills to a female reporter (as stated in the liner notes to the song).

Speaking of liner notes, The Roots discuss the creation of every song on the album in the liner notes. They discuss their improvisational sessions that created some of the songs on the album and share funny stories about guests who appeared on the album. If there were awards for liner notes, The Roots would be in the running.

They start the latter half of the CD with "Act Too (The Love of My Life)," a four minute interlude that is actually a song, perfectly setting the mood for the rest of the album. The final minute of the song incorporates a great instrumentation with a string section and Black Thought's voice providing verbal rhythm. The following song features Rahzel "The Godfather of Noyze" on the vocal chords as he lays down the beat with his mouth, and is supported by an amazing keyboard riff that is perfect with his voice. "Diedre vs. Dice" is a short session between Dice Raw and a live cello player that has to be one of the most amazing 30 seconds on the album. I wish that this song was much longer, but I can't complain, as The Roots press on into my favorite song of the album "Adrenaline!" a high speed song with some great piano chords that pierce through the sound with as much energy as lightning through the sky. Beenie Siegal (probably more known for his work with father figure Jay-Z) lays down a mind blowing verse that will knock you back in amazement.

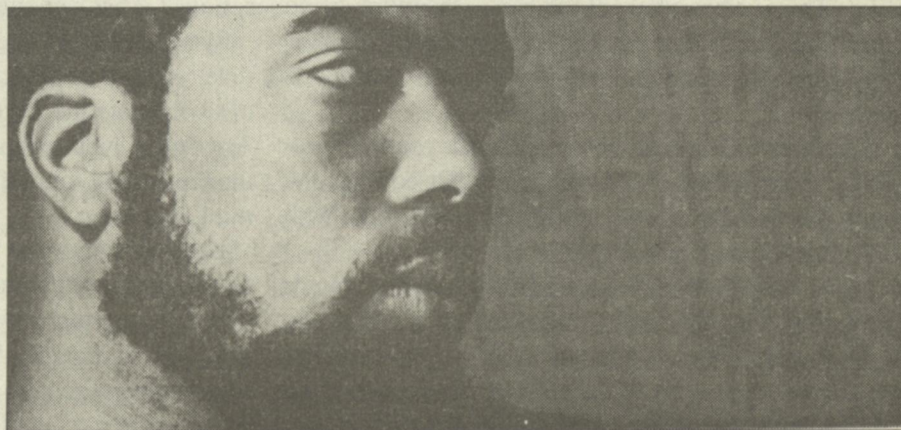
"Adrenaline!" also introduces vocal scratching that

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One of my favorite movies

The Last Days of Disco

This brilliant piece is a showcase of lost identities in a changing culture. Chloe Sevigny (Kids) plays Alice Kinnon as she and her friends go clubbing, find jobs and sleep around during the cultural transition from the '70s to the '80s. Besides the superb acting, the conversations in the movie were incredibly witty and intellectual; props to the screenwriter. Look for it on video.



Look for the official VJSTA
Three-Toed Sloth hidden in one
of the pictures in Leisurepimp
this week. Keep a sharp eye...
he's a quick lad.



Leisurepimp's joke of the issue

*I remember this lil' ditty from back in
the day... well it was funny when I was
eight. You need a buddy to do this one:*

**"Okay, you say 'Ketchup' after everything that I say:
What do you put on a hamburger? 'Ketchup.' What do
you put on a hot dog? 'Ketchup.' What do you do when
your girlfriend/boyfriend walks by? 'Ketchup'"**

DC Talk walks the walk (on water)

**File Under. Prefabri-
cated "Christian" Rock
You'll dig it if ya like:
Jars of Clay, Collec-
tive Soul**

JASON BATES
Staff Writer

DC Talk
Supernatural
Virgin Record

Last week as I was leaving the Sports
Arena (following yet another victory for
my beloved Gulls) and I noticed an ad-
vertisement proclaiming, "D.C. Talk-
Live in Concert." Being the musically
happening fella that I am, I was amazed
that I had heard nothing of this band
which could apparently draw enough
fans to sell out the Sports Arena. I asked
my roommate if he had heard of these
arena rockers and he replied, "Oh yeah,
D.C. Talk... they're a 'Christian' band."

As it turns out my roommate was only
half-right. Apparently, D.C. Talk is not
only "a" Christian band, they are "the"
Christian band. The Talk's status as
"the Christian band" is not only con-
firmed by their ability to snag a gig at
the Sports Arena. One look at the pack-

aging of *Supernatural*, the band's latest
release on Virgin Records, and it becomes
all too obvious that indeed, these guys
are rock stars complete with black leather
pants.

So what does all
this "Christian"
stuff have to do
with their sound?
Lots! The boys in
the band give
shout-outs to God,
Jesus or both in ev-
ery song, some-
times going the ex-
tra-mile to use
thinly veiled meta-
phors in lieu of out-
right praise. Be-
yond the lyrics, the
Talk uses the very
Christian approach
of trying to appeal
to everyone
throughout the
course of the
album's 14 tracks.

For the most part, their sound remains
entrenched in that studio-slick, contrived,
alterna-rock groove. Fellas, remember
back in high school when your girl would
drag you into Contempo Casual while she
tried on twenty different halter tops and

you had to sit outside the dressing room
and listen to the store's pop-flooded
sound system. Yeah, you remember.
Anyway, chances are you heard some
D.C. Talk. On the conspiracy tip, I think



Churchie's Delight: DC Talk isn't equivocal about their religion

Virgin Records

STAR 100.7 may have had something to
do with their creation.

To their credit, D.C. Talk's sound can't
quite be so easily dismissed. "Consume
Me" and "Godsend," feature a slightly
more soulful groove with soaring vocals

a la Seal. "Wanna be Loved" sounds
like a Lenny Kravitz b-side from the
"Let Love Rule" sessions. However,
I'm curious to know where this diver-
sity comes from. The liner notes make
no mention of whether or not the guys
in the pictures actually play the instru-
ments or if they just sing.

Buried in the jungle of text that adorns
the liner notes is one very cryptic sen-
tence that thanks Miles Copeland (of
Police Fame) for "the block-rocking
beats." Judging by the plethora of per-
cussion on *Supernatural*, I would not
be surprised if Copeland, a virtual
drum-kit junkie, was indeed a major
force behind the band's multi-faceted
sound. I'm sure all of this mystery sur-
rounding the band's creative drive
could be answered by asking any true
fan (of which there are apparently
thousands, even here in S.D.) but the
album just didn't move me enough to
bother.

From its inception, rock and roll has
always been the Devil's music. Can
these self proclaimed "Jesus Freaks"
stick to their God-faring guns and de-
rail rock and roll form its hell-bound
path? Who knows, maybe *Supernatu-
ral* will do just that. But I'd like to leave
you with my take on the situation. Two
words y'all...Sam Cooke!

ROOTS

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comes into the forefront on the following interlude
"3rd Acts: ? vs. Scratch 2... Electric Boogaloo." By
vocal scratching, I mean imitating the sound of a DJ
scratching a record using only your voice. The Roots
have always used this style and the past two albums
have had songs between Scratch and drummer
Questlove. This short intermission gets the listener
ready for the beautiful "You Got Me (Featuring Erykah
Badu)." This song has been getting quite a bit of at-
tention and has been called the greatest love rap bal-
lad of all time for good reason. Black Thought tells a

touching story of love gone wrong (hence *Things Fall
Apart*) and Erykah Badu and female rapper Eve (of
Destruction) back him up with their radiant voices, as
they try to console him and remind him that through it
all they will still have each other.

As the album winds down, the final true hip-hop song:
"Don't See Us" again graces us with Dice Raw's talent
and brings in guitarists Spanky Hands, who has worked
with D'Angelo and ATCQ to give the song a signature
sound that is not created anywhere else on the album.
The final song, "The Return to Innocence Lost" is a
spoken word piece by Ursula Rucker, who has been on
The Roots last two albums. The backgrounds are very
child-like which plays ironically with the poem about

abuse and fear. The Roots can't leave the album on
such a downer, so they return for an encore on the not
so hidden song "Act Fore" which is a final chance to
listen to the genius that is The Roots.

There is still so much more that could be said about
this album. *Things Fall Apart* is a starchy album,
instantly satisfying, but long lasting, full of new twists
and turns every listen. I have only begun to explore
the world of *Things Fall Apart* and I implore every-
one out there to begin the journey. The Roots de-
serve to be listened to by everyone, whatever your
musical inclination. They will change your mind
about the status of hip-hop in America.

The wheels on the bus go round and round

MARGIE PIERCE

Offbeat Editor

Fan Trip Part 1: Pep-aration

So I'm going to the WCC basketball tournament in Santa Clara this weekend. Who wants to go with me?

**Yeah right.*

**I would love to go, but...*

**I really have to study.*

**Ha, ha, ha, guffaw!*

**Slam! (That was the door in my face.)*

**Why don't you ask Joe and Hack?*

Hey Joe, Hack, wanna go? It's gonna be awesome. I know you're dying to take an eight hour bus ride to go see a basketball game. Don't lie.

**Um NO.*

Hi Jenny. This is Margie. Since we go way back to, you know—last week—do you want to go to Santa Clara with me for the basketball tournament?

**Basketball! Yes, I'm there! When is it?*

Tomorrow.

**Tomorrow? You want me to go on a trip all the way to Santa Clara tomorrow and you are just telling me about it now, at 11:00 at night?*

Yeah?

**Okay.*

Woohoo! We have a winner!

Bus Trip Part 2: Pack ratting

Rule #1: *Be prepared. You never know what can happen.*

Rule #2: *Pack lightly. You don't want to have to haul a lot of stuff around.*

Obvious fact: *It is impossible to do both.*

Packing is always a problem for me, I'm always worried I'll forget something. What if I decide I need to go running while I'm up there? I'll need my running shoes, shorts, tee-shirt, sports bra. Then if I stay at a hotel, I might want to go swimming. Throw in the swimsuit, towel, goggles, fins and swim cap. Scuba gear? Throw it in. Wait! I'll be spending sixteen hours on a bus—pillow, walkmen, twenty tapes, snacks, sandals, blankets and toilet paper. Plus my game gear. Posters, megaphones, pom-poms, disco outfit, toga, short skirt, team shirts, curling iron, makeup bags—Load it all up. I'm still forgetting something. Inflat-able boyfriend? Pack him up? Oh yeah, I have three essays and a test next week. Where am I going to put my books? Toss, dump, toss, dump: I emptied my back-pack and suitcase out and threw in my books—English, Spanish, Philosophy, Religion—pens, folders and notebook. Let's see, that leaves me room for...underwear. I think that's it.

Road Trip Part 3: On the road again.

Which row of seats do you want? Are we there yet? How much further? Hey look, it's Gilmore, the garlic capitol of the world. *Billy Madison, A Few Good Men, Austin Powers, So I Married an Axe Murderer.* Are we there yet? Are those mountains or clouds? The hills are so soft and fluffy, can I pet them? Are those girls in the band? Are you a cheerleader? I'm not a cheerleader, damn it and I don't play any instrument, and NO—I'm not obsessed with any of the basketball play-

ers. Is there a light in this bathroom? I can't see I hope no one peed on the seat! Help, I'm stuck! McDonald's. How much further is it? Are we there yet?

Fan Trip Part 4: Yes, we're here!

So, um, do you think I can get a hotel room for ten bucks? Can I sleep on your floor? Denny's anyone? Let's see, hang out with the basketball players or the pep band? Players, band, players, band. No, I'm not in love with any of the basketball players! We're from San Diego, yes it's always sunny there. Yes everyone there is beautiful. Nope, never rains. Wait! I need to take a picture. I love being a tourist. Clicky, clicky. I don't like any of them, I don't even know their names. Stop asking me. Alright USD! Go Toreros. I can't believe we lost. This sucks. Oh well, at least we get to go home early. Party anyone? Anyone have any cards? The lady downstairs requested we didn't move our furniture until tomorrow. So you seem like a nice guy. Yeah, I work out. What time did you say we have to wake up? You're kidding me. Wow, somebody actually remembered my name.

Bus Trip Part 5: Sleep and snore.

(See part 3) Oh no! Not another Tom Cruise movie! Would you like fries with that?

Road Trip Part 6: Home, Sweet, Home.

Oh Jehosaphat, I had the best time. It was so awesome. Nonstop fun all weekend. It was crazy and I met so many people. You should have been there. It was out of control. Did you miss me?

Most popular things to give up for lent:

1. Being single
2. Sobriety
3. 20 pounds
4. Your family
5. Attending class
6. Essays
7. Eating on campus

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THINGS TO PONDER IN THE SHOWER

- Rainbow suspenders: Laughter or anger inducing comedic prop?
- Which is better—astro turf or real turf?
- Which is better—astro vans or real vans?
- Who named the S.C.U.D. missile and what the hell was his problem?
- Why don't any girls like me?
- The metric system: Logical and uniform method of measurement or a sick, baneful British conspiracy?
- Do camels with small humps have hump envy?
- Why do men have nipples? Why do I have three?
- Circus Clowns: Purveyors of glee or minions of the antichrist on unicycles?

A hangover and a plate of bacon:

Meditations on life

DAMION LANE

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My head hurts...I said my head HURTS. I'm never drinking again...think I'll become a monk and live in a monastery and wear a plain brown robe and a rope for a belt and shave my head (just a circle on the top) and sing songs in Latin and abstain from all the worldly pleasures that bring me down, that hold me down, like sex and drink and sex and I'll never wear shoes again, never ever again, so that I can daily remind myself of the earth beneath my feet and the gravity that pulls me to it, that holds my soul hostage in flesh and in a world of suffering without end and how I need to keep my eyes focused on those things above, those things that are in heaven, so that some day, maybe someday, I can be saved from this life of pain, uncertainty and wandering.

Or maybe I'll just eat this here plate of bacon. I like bacon.

"I'm never drinking again," I tell her. "Never ever again."

She says she hates it when I say that.

And so I make my way to the fridge with fingers stuck in my hair and a dry tongue and I tilt the water jug and suck—suck 'til it runs down my neck, teeth screaming from the cold...breathe in...exhale.

I don't know how I'm going to make it through college like this. Maybe I'll be able to squeak by and put on the "confidence" face like I have everything under control and I'll wear my glasses and I'll be the intellectual. Maybe I can show them how much I know by not saying anything. A silent man doesn't answer in-

correctly. Maybe they will mistake my look of confusion for contemplation. Or maybe one day I'll wake up and realize that I'm just throwing my life away, wasting valuable time, losing in the game of life, and maybe by that time it will be too late...I'll have been spent—all used up.

I don't know.

Maybe I just need a Bloody Mary. I don't want any c e l e r y though...it's always getting stuck in my teeth and there's nothing more annoying than a long-strand of fibery, fluidy, fleshy pulp that swings from side to side, tooth to tooth, no matter how long and hard you pick and pry and suck.

My girl...I don't think she can keep up with my lifestyle too much longer...I'm sure gonna miss her. She wants it all—the white-picket fence, two-car garage, a law degree, and 2.5 children (she can't really decide...it's either two or three). All I can focus on right now is not staying ANYWHERE for too long. You see...I'm nomadic. Maybe I should be a shepherd and preach the gospel and never cut my hair again and put on rags and flagellate myself for my sins.

Nah...that would suck.



I'm definitely not dad though, you know. I don't think I'm supposed to be dad. I don't think I'm supposed to be married. Too much work...too much commitment. I can't even keep a dog let alone a wife and kid. I can barely take care of myself. I'll tell her the only reason people have kids is so they can kick 'em when they're frustrated. That'll work...end of discussion.

My professors all think I'm just what I pretend to be: a good student in turbulent times. I'll probably even graduate. But then what will I do? Where will I go? Will my degree give me a head start on the next phase of life? Will I make any money? Will I care? Or will I wind up selling used appliances at Hock-It-To-Doc's pawn-shop? I guess it's all a mystery.

At least I can cook bacon...bacon cooked to perfection.

The irony is that I'm getting a degree in communications and I don't even like people. Well, let's just say I feel better when they're not around.

College seems to me no more than an extensive lesson in discipline. DISCIPLINE. Everything I've learned in college I could have learned on my own. And, as I put my balls on the table, I feel it safe to say that I have forgotten more than some of my professors know.

What would I give to do exactly what I want for a living? Will I do for a living what I wanted to do as a child? Do I have the courage to follow my heart? Could I really sell used appliances?

So be it...

Bacon is best when the fatty part is slightly under cooked and it pops and squirts and juices in my mouth.

Horoscopes

PISCES (Feb.19-March 20)

The warm weather will draw you towards the beach and the ocean. Watch out though, guys have better chances of getting sand kicked in their face then actually getting a girl's phone number. As for Pisces women, the fake drowning act will likely backfire, so stay on your towel.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

We seem to have barely started the semester, but already people are pushing you to make decisions about next year. Don't miss any of the important meetings coming up, or your chances for doing what you want next year will be slim to nothing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Things are starting to fall in place for you. You will be under some pressure this month, but never lose sight of what's important...peace, love and JELLO.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

Your split personalities are going to be switching back and forth like crazy. It's just a part of your personality, so instead of freaking out take advantage of it and have a little fun.

CANCER (June 21- July 22)

Been procrastinating again, huh? What are you stupid? It might have worked last week, but it will get you in trouble this week.

LEO (July 23-August 22)

Okay, so your week didn't start off the way you had hoped. Never give up, it will just keep getting better if you let it. Hanging out with your friends this weekend will give you a greatly needed energy boost.

VIRGO (August 23-Sept.22)

The sun is high in the sky and you want to get away, but school work is bringing you down. Cram now, get your work done and you'll have plenty of time to play later.

LIBRA (Sept.23-Oct.22)

Yes, your roommates are slobs and you are sick of cleaning up after them, but if you hold your breath for a few

days they will make it up to you on the weekend. Meanwhile try to study in the library.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23- Nov.21)

You've been a jerk this week and you're bringing everyone down. So stop feeling sorry for yourself and go do something nice for your friends instead of sitting around and complaining like a whiny baby.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov.22-Dec.21)

Everything will work out in the end. Yeah right. If you're hiding under your covers you won't get anything done. Things happen for those who help themselves.

CAPRICORN (Dec.22-Jan.19)

Your personal life is getting in the way of school and work. Know where to draw the line between business and pleasure or you're in for some real embarrassment.

AQUARIUS (Jan.20-Feb.18)

Your life is unbelievable. Things are going so great right now that nothing can screw it up. Enjoy it while it lasts, take nothing for granted, and keep your eyes open for a beautiful stranger named Enrique or Rita.

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LINGERIE

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ABANDON. Although buying your girlfriend a gift from Victoria's Secret can be the perfect addition to the relationship, buying the *wrong* gift can be the iceberg that sinks your Titanic.

By this I mean that the gift in question should be appropriate to the level of the relationship. If the relationship is in an early stage and is more platonic than physical, than a more "functional" gift should be considered. This is why stuff like pajamas and bathrobes can

make the perfect gift, almost regardless of where the relationship happens to be.

When compared with lingerie, there is much less mutual benefaction with these more functional gifts. For the most part, guys won't have the same reaction to a girl in transparent black lace and a thong than a girl in full-length flannel sleepwear, unless you're really in to that sort of stuff.

If your relationship is in the intermediate stage between flannel and transparent lace, don't give up hope. For these instances, appropriate gifts would probably include the "skimpier" pajama sets. These usually consist of a velvet (or some other

soft material) tank-top and very short silk shorts.

The next stage would probably be bras and underwear. This is where guys have to become particularly careful in the selecting process, especially when it comes to the *size* of the item. I don't know which would be more offensive: buying a bra that's too large, or underwear that's too small. By buying a "C" cup bra for a girl who might only be able to fill a "B," you're basically saying, "Gee, honey, I didn't realize your breasts were that small." And by buying "small" underwear for a "medium" woman, you're telling her that she's

not as small as you thought. On the other hand, if you were to buy a bra that was too *small* for the particular woman, you might anger her for not giving credit where credit is due.

So the bottom line is this: Know the sizes before you buy anything. If you're not sure, ask her. If you're not ready to ask her, or don't want to (in order to keep it a surprise), most of you should know exactly where to look. And if you haven't reached that milestone in the relationship where you have had the opportunity to look, then it's probably a good indicator that you're not choosing the right gift.

small thoughts

CHRIS WEERTS
Associate Editor

Professional wrestling has become mainstream the same way it started to in the mid-80's. Major media figures from mainstream sports have become involved in professional wrestling. Just last summer Karl Malone and Dennis Rodman came from the NBA finals to San Diego to wrestle at the WCW Bash at the Beach. It has become commonplace for former professional athletes to move on to a career in wrestling.

Many former college football players who were unable to make it at the professional level chose wrestling as a career so they could remain in the limelight as a professional athlete. Some of the top wrestlers in the business today excelled in professional football.

Ric Flair, 13 time WCW heavyweight champion, played offensive line for the Green Bay Packers in the late 60's. Chief Wahoo McDaniels played special teams for the New York Jets in the mid-50's. Steve McMichael was a defensive lineman for the world champion 1985 Chicago Bears.

There are also former All-American college football players such as Florida State's Ron Simmon and Steve "Dr. Death" Williams. Kevin Nash who is currently one of the biggest names in the sport was the second most highly recruited high school basketball player in the country the same year that some guy name Earvin "Magic" Johnson decided to go to Michigan State. Nash went to Tennessee and blew out his knee as a junior and became a bouncer until he was discovered by the WCW in 1988.

One reason wrestling is now considered legitimate sports entertainment is the transition of these athletes. Wrestling has proven athletes from other are-

nas who have come together for this sports entertainment show. Wrestling has also gained notoriety because the corporations that own the federations no longer try so hard to get the audience to believe that wrestling is real.

The new emphasis is on the story lines that have developed and the entertainment value of the performance itself. Professional wrestling has become a soap opera on steroids. Like soap operas, they have the same dramatic story lines, friendships, break-ups and feel-good stories.

The two biggest organizations, the WCW, and the WWF, are multi-million dollar companies. Titan Sports, the parent company of the WWF, has recently purchased a casino called the Titan Towers in Las Vegas which will hopefully open in the fall. Ted Turner, owner of the WCW, has purchased an arena in Las Vegas which will house some of their pay-per-view events each year. Extreme Championship Wrestling is a budding company gaining momentum in the business, drawing some of the wrestlers from the big two corporations that were unable to achieve star status. The ECW has been having financial problems of late, and Disney is buying out the majority share in the company and will be supporting the federation for the next few months.

In the WWF one of the major storylines is that the boss Vince McMahon is a "bad guy", and in the WCW the vice president Eric Bischoff is also a "bad guy." Both corporations use this idea to identify with viewers who hate their bosses and would love to knock them out the way the "good guy" wrestlers do to McMahon and Bischoff. This helps lure the common fan into wrestling by relating to their lives. This makes wrestling equally if not more appealing than the other major sports because the fans can actually relate to the talent.

Athlete Spotlight

Brock Jacobsen

JACKIE KIM
Staff Writer

When he's not busy surfing or playing horseshoes, senior guard Brock Jacobsen spends his time shooting his way to the top on the USD basketball courts.

The 6'5" shooting guard from Glendora, Calif. has spent his entire life learning about basketball.

Jacobsen is the second of four boys in his family, all of whom were trained in the art of basketball by their father who played at San Diego State University.

Jacobsen's father, along with his older brother Adam, have inspired him in his basketball career and have encouraged him almost as much as his greatest mentor, Steve Smith of the Atlanta Hawks.

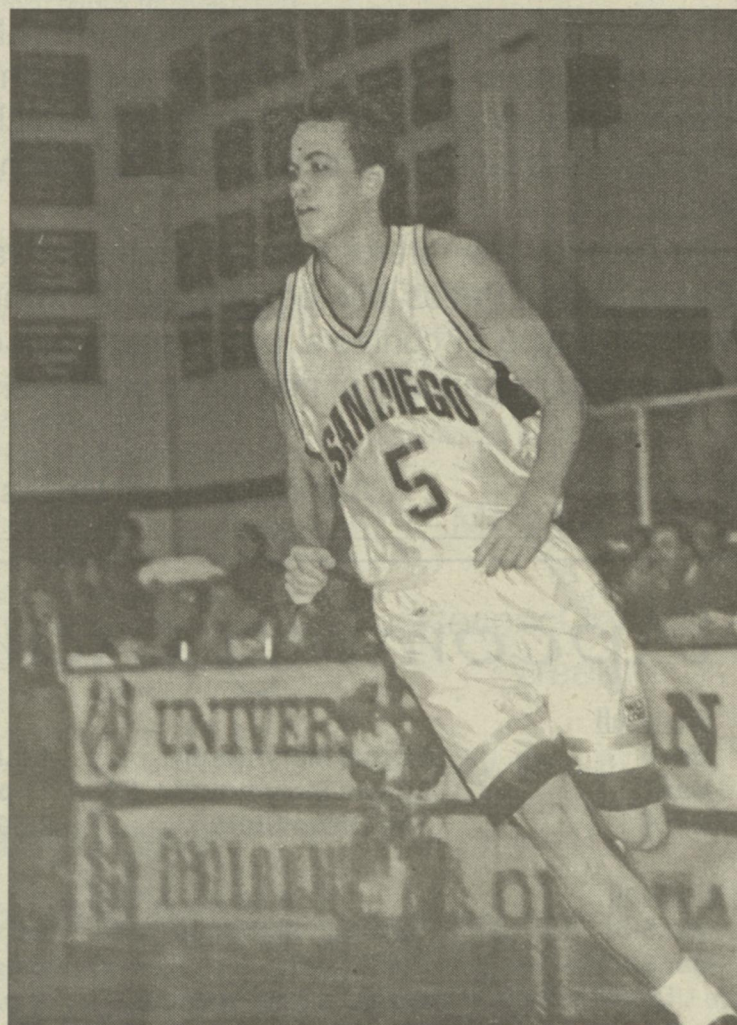
Although Steve Smith doesn't always make it to his big games, Jacobsen's parents do. Jacobsen's mother, a 5'11" substitute elementary school teacher, and his father, a Southern California carpenter, always find time to support their favorite basketball sensation.

After Jacobsen finishes his last semester at USD he hopes to start an athletic apparel company.

Although he is extremely busy lifting weights and practicing his shooting for three hours every day, Jacobsen tries to find time to study and play horseshoes.

"My basketball experience at USD has been great over the last four years, and it's taught me a lot about life," Jacobsen said.

"It's taught me self-discipline



Ted Donovan

Congratulations: Senior guard Brock Jacobsen earned honorable mention from the 1999 All-West Coast Conference Team.

and how to work within a team structure which I think will help me in the business world."

Jacobsen's younger brothers are actively following in his footsteps as basketball stars. The third Jacobsen son, Casey, is attending Stanford on a basketball scholarship and was an All-American at Glendora High School and Jacobsen's youngest brother, Derek, is a 12-year-old budding basketball star.

Although Jacobsen has amazed us with his basketball talent, that

is not the only star quality that he possesses. Just ask anyone who attended Crescenta Valley High School, where Jacobsen is infamous for his singing capabilities.

As lead singer for a punk rock band in high school, whose name cannot be printed due to editing purposes, Jacobsen began his career as a rock star.

Jacobsen was given honorable mention from the 1999 All-West Coast Conference Team in his last season of Torero Basketball.

DO YOU WANT TO BE A FUTURE FAN OF THE WEEK?

Here is how...

Baseball

On Saturday and Sunday, the Toreros host LMU. At all three games, prizes will be given to the winners of Baseball Bingo, Lucky Base Contest and Catch of the Day contests which will take place in between the innings.

On Tuesday, the Toreros take on cross-city rivals San Diego State. Prizes will be given to the winners of the same type of contests, and Oscar's will cater a pregame tailgate party at no cost to students.

Men's Tennis

Today the tennis team will take on the University of Arizona at 1:30 p.m. Submarina will provide sub sandwiches for the spectator's enjoyment.

Softball

The Toreros host the Annual Torero Invitational Classic this weekend. The big game for the Toreros will be on Saturday, March 6 against Southern Utah. The game will start at noon at the Canyon Fields.

Admission to all USD sporting events is FREE, so come support the Toreros.

Upcoming Games

Baseball

Mar.6	Loyola Marymount	1 p.m.
Mar.7	Loyola Marymount (2)	11 p.m.
Mar.9	San Diego State	2:30 p.m.

Softball

Mar.5-6	Torero Invitational	All Day
Mar.5	Point Loma	8 a.m.
	Western New Mexico	2 p.m.
	Loyola Marymount	8 p.m.
Mar.6	Southern Utah	12 p.m.
	Invitational Championships	8 p.m.

Men's Tennis

Mar.4	Arizona	1:30 p.m.
Mar.5-7	Pacific Coast Doubles	All Day

Women's Tennis

Mar.7	William & Mary	10 a.m.
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Crew

Mar.6	San Diego State	7 a.m.
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Golf

Mar.4-5	Pacific Coast	7:30 a.m.
	Intercollegiate @ Santa Barbara	
Mar.8-9	Aldila Collegiate	7:30 a.m.
	Golf Classic @ Carlton Oaks	

*All home games are in bold letters.

Last Week's Scores

Men's Basketball

Saint Mary's	L	60-65
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Women's Basketball

Portland	L	48-53
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Baseball

Michigan	L	8-1
Michigan	L	8-5
Michigan	W	20-7
UC Riverside	L	7-9 (10)

Softball

Loyola Marymount	L	2-5
Loyola Marymount	L	0-3
Dominguez Hills	W	6-3

Men's Tennis

Fresno State	L	0-7
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Women's Tennis

Long Beach	W	7-2
Boise State	W	9-0

Go Toreros!

AS this Week

THE "BIG 8" PROGRAMS

Straight from their home in the University Center, AS Leadership Team proudly presents their "Big Eight" programs for the spring semester.

NICOLE NUNES

Special to the VISTA

1. **Elections** - As much as many of the members of the Leadership Team would love to stay, unfortunately many of the team is graduating. The Jones' administration is soon coming to an end and the team is preparing for a new bunch to become kings and queens of the University Center. Elections are quickly approaching and candidates are eagerly anticipating March 16 and 17 between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. when the student body decides the fate of next year's team. Directorship positions are also available beginning March 22 and 23 at 5:45 p.m. in the Multicultural Conference Center. This is a chance to pick up an application and get some information on the various positions.

2. **Women's History Month** - As the month of March begins, consequently so does Women's History Month. The Women's Center is working diligently to create an informative and enlightening month, as we honor the many contributions of women. Activities include keynote speaker, Nancy Liberman-Cline, the head coach of a the Detroit Shock, a concert nooner, and a panel

discussion on birth control methods.

3. **Swingweek** - Get ready to jump and jive because you are about to "swing" into the most exciting week of Spring. The week kicks off on Tuesday, March 16 with a concert performance by "Big Time Operator" in front of the UC during dead hour. Since Adam McKennon, the Director of Film Forum, is "so money," he is playing "Swingers" Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. in the UC Forum and again on Thursday night. During *Swingfest* on Thursday, clubs and organizations are having carnival booths and free food in front of the UC. The week concludes with *Swingfling* on Saturday night at 8 p.m. There is going to be a live band and DJ with a casino. Ticket go on sale March 8 for \$15 a person.

4. **Multicultural Month** - April is Multicultural Month, so Associated Students and United Front have coordinated plenty of activities to educated students on various multicultural issues. From trips to the Museum of Tolerance, to a Hawaiian Luau, there is a wide variety of events.

5. **Social Issues Conference** - This is the tenth annual conference with this year's theme: "Challenging Injustices: Empowering Communities." To address

many issues important to the world today, there will be various workshops in the UC on April 16, and the keynote speaker, Morris Dees will be in Shiley on April 15 at 7 p.m.

6. **Reel Big Fish** - Remember those guys who didn't want to work in fast food all their lives? Well, USD has interrupted their burger flipping schedule, for a concert on West Point field, Saturday, April 17. As if they were not enough, concert man, Dave Sumpter brought *Goldfinger* along to open for them. Now, AS presents "gold fish" (get it?) Anyway, stay tuned for details on ticket sales.

7. **Earth Appreciation Week** - The Environmental Action Group will be putting together programs to help increase awareness and concern for planet Earth during the week. This includes a mini Earth Day Fair with a nooner in front of the UC, Earth Day at Balboa Park, and a keynote speaker.

8. **Big Comedian** - AS Showcase called up the stars in Hollywood to bring to USD one of the most talented, brightest, not to mention funniest person in Hollywood. However, I am not filling you in on the excited details yet, so keep your eyes and ears open...

Powerful Presentations Begin Women's History Month

SUSAN JACOBI

Special to the VISTA

March is honoring the contribution of women to our history and two very dynamic presentations will kick-off this exciting month.

"Los Vientos de Marzo" is an original solo performance by Lynn Werner, combining poetry, prose, music, and dance. The Winds of March will be performed on Friday, March 5 at 7:30 p.m. in the University Center Forum. Please arrive early for seating. Tickets are available in the UC box office and are free to the first 100 students.

As a video maker, Werner lived in Columbia for nearly eight years, documenting human rights abuses by counter-insurgency forces, most of whom trained at the School of the Americas.

On Tuesday, March 9 in UC Forum A

at 7 p.m. "A Woman Right to Know" will be presented by Linda Crawford, SDSU alumni and Natural Family Planning educator, and Carmela Cavero, Certified Nurse Midwife, UCSD.

Most Americans do not have an informed choice concerning birth control: they lack data which show the modern method of Natural Family Planning are as effective as most other methods, including the pill, according to a World Health Study and other studies of over 20,000 women. Also, NFP comes with positive side effects that anyone can achieve, while the pill comes with both positive and negative side effects on which women are asked to gamble.

This program will discuss the modern history of birth regulation, spot lighting the pill and Natural Family Planning. Women and men have the right to this information, so they can make informed choices about their reproductive health.

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Special to the VISTA

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Submit your artwork to Asylum, a USD publication for students and created by students, by March 22 in the English department or in the Aromas Asylum drop box to be published.

The Associated Students Leadership Team is pleased to welcome the new Asylum director, Margie Pierce. Her creative talents and dedication is bound to create a wonderful Asylum. If you have questions contact her at X2277.

This Week

Today, Mar. 4

Women's History Concert
Nooner with Cindy Lee
Berryhill, a local folk artist,
performing outside the UC at
12:15 p.m.
Men's Tennis vs. Arizona at
1:30 p.m.

Friday, Mar. 5

"Los Vientos de Marzo" in the
UC Forum at 7:30 p.m.
Search Retreat departs and
will be returning on Sunday.

Saturday, Mar. 6

Men's Baseball vs. Loyola
Marymount at 1 p.m.

Sunday, Mar. 7

Women's Tennis vs. William
and Mary at 10 a.m.
Men's Baseball vs. Loyola
Marymount at 11 a.m.

March 8 -12

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Respect for Life
Week

Monday, Mar. 8

AS Elections Candidates
Meeting in UC104 at 5:45 p.m.

Tuesday, Mar. 9

Culture of Life Nooner
Men's Baseball vs. SDSU at
2:30 p.m.
"A Women's Right to Know" in
UC Forum at 7 p.m.
Aromas Concert Series at 8:30
p.m.

Wednesday, Mar. 10

Men's Tennis vs. Ball State at
1:30 p.m.

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Intramurals & Recreation

BASEketball Hype Issue

Los Borrachos die fighting

BEN POWERS

Speed Soccer Supervisor

The last week of games before playoffs looked good on paper. There were makeup games for rainouts and double-headers for teams who wanted more games. Three additional games were scheduled, plus two playoff games on Sunday, for a total of ten games for the week. However, we didn't exactly play that many. Tuesday night's games started off on a low note with a forfeit, but picked up later in the night. Once **Los Borrachos** rounded up a team for their 8pm game, they had to face quite possibly the toughest team in the league in the **PHYS's**. **PHYS's** balanced attack was led by Sevan Setian's two goals, but what really blew away Los Borrachos was the women's scoring from Jenny Perry, Susan Spencer, and Haley Lucas. After the dust settled, **PHYS's** went away with their second 10-2 win in as many games. This win clinched the number one seed for **PHYS's** and eliminated Los Borrachos from the playoffs.

The next game showcased **D. Nutz** and (the team formerly known as the Red Team) Los Bomberos. The Mexican

Firefighters looked strong as they showed up with like fifty or sixty players, but even with fresh legs, they couldn't hang with Nutz's Carlos Pineda. After a 1-1 halftime tie, Pineda scored two goals in the second half to lead Nutz to a 3-1 win, thus eliminating Los Bomberos from the playoffs.

In the final game of the night, **PHYS's** (no. 1 seed) and Los Bomberos (eliminated) faced off in rather meaningless game. A Bomberos win would only give them bragging rights and lower **PHYS's** hopes going into the playoffs. This game was closer than most expected. After a long battle of a first half, Ryan Delaney's goal put the **PHYS's** up 1-0. After two more **PHYS** goals, the whole field suddenly became engulfed in water raining from the sky. Was it an unexpected tropical storm? Nope just the sprinklers, thus enacting the seldom used IM "Sprinkler Rule", which states that games interrupted by sprinklers in the second half of play will be called and the leading team will be credited with the win.

Now we come to Thursday's games perhaps the worst night of soccer in IM history. Four games scheduled 0 games played! End of story. At least the teams had a chance to rest and regroup before the grueling playoffs.

Kevin says, "March 18th is the 1st annual BASEketball Tourney. Rumor has it that there's going to be a live band there! Keep it Rizow Baby!"



Playoff brackets were made Thursday. **PHYS's** (3-0) and **F. Frontal** (3-0 without playing a single game thanks to forfeits) received the top seeds and byes in the first round. Sunday's first game was gonna be a good one **PUI** vs. Nutz. No forfeits were expected because it was playoffs and who in their right mind would forfeit in playoffs?! As game time came and went, so did the five players (not enough) Nutz showed up with as **PUI** advances easily to the semis on Sunday.

Would we have a game on this beautiful Sunday afternoon? Only **Hooters** and **SigEp** would be able to answer that question. Indeed, we had unarguably the best game of the season! The name of this game was dominating halves. The first half was all **Hooters**. Led by Kevin Morgan Toren Volkman, and Karly Farris, **Hooters** went into halftime with a 4-0 lead. **SigEp** came out and dominated the second half but with only a few minutes remaining in the game and down 4-2, **SigEp** needed to find a girl for a two point goal. With a minute left, they found Dallas Malhiwsky and she buried it in the corner of the net as the game went into overtime. With the football team waiting for the field, they played sudden death OT, but the overtime didn't last more than a minute. Morgan blasted a goal within seconds to give **Hooters** the 5-4 OT win and a spot in the semis.

This Sunday is the last day of play for Co-Rec Speed Soccer. The semifinal at 2pm showcases the **PHYS's** against **PUI** and the 3:15pm game pits **Hooters** up against **F. Frontal** with the championship game scheduled for 4:30pm. Come out Sunday, relax in the sun, and watch some great Co-Rec teams fight for the shirts!

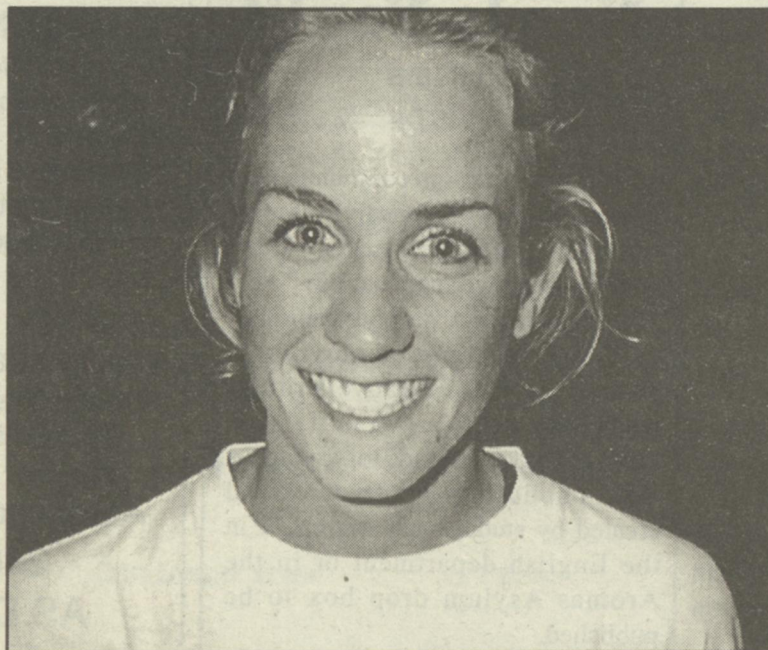
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Sunday Night Thrilla!

SCOTT BERGEN

Volleyball Supervisor

There was one thing in common with each of the 12 teams who advanced to last Sunday's men's and women's volleyball playoffs. They were the only 12 teams in either league who had not forfeited a regular season game. We apologize for teams that showed up and had wins by forfeit this semester, however, we do not give refunds. You can blame your fellow students who signed-up a team and decided not to show for that. If you are wondering why your team didn't make it and are planning your run at next year's title, here's some advice: show up.

The first game of the night pitted the 1-2 **Free Agents** (6) and the 3-0 **So/No Cal** (3). FA's Darren Baker fought hard for the losers, but Danny Peykoff's 8 kills were too much as So/No Cal won it in 2 games.

The next game of the night proved that even the trustworthy can not be trusted to show up. Two seed, **Omega Nuts** and Andy Marchi got the free ride into the Semis as their #7 seed opponents felt a beating coming and didn't show. Game three saw the first upset of the night as #5 **C-Section** knocked off #4 **I Dig** despite inspired play and several errors from Eric Bauer for I Dig.

Brianna Barr and **Wonder Women's** first win of the night over **Gamma Phi Beta** came the way that Gamma Phi's only wins of the season did- by forfeit. Wonder Women went on to face #1 seed powerhouse **Scott Bergen Fan Club**. The Hagen Sisters and IM dynasty queens Christina Loffredo and Claudine Dotty pushed SBFC to a huge win over the Wonder Women. The **UM in RLO** team put only 8 points on the board in both games (15-3, 15-5). **The Dogs** took a bite out of **Danna's Team** and moved into the final versus Scott Bergen Fan Club which will be reported on in detail next week.

For the men, C-Section played back to back and faced the number #1 seeded **Tough Guys** in the semifinals. The slipper seemed like it was starting to fit as C-Section took out the undefeated Tough Guys 15-10, 16-14. Before this, Tough Guys had lost only one game (to FA, 12-15). That was the final week of the season and FA was only playing with three men, so perhaps the writ-

Intramurals and Recreation



Men's Volleyball Champions, C-Section, took it to all the young undergrads while winning three matches in one night. The law students only loss one game during their championship run.

ing was on the wall. The other semifinal, between #2 seed Omega Nuts and #3 seed So/No Cal saw yet another upset. Omega Nuts got swept 0-2 as So/No Cal won in 15-7, 15-10.

The men's final finally answered the question on everyone's mind across campus this semester, "What does the 'C' in 'C-Section' stand for?" Cinderella Baby! After almost being kept out of the playoffs due to a weak regular season schedule, C-Section proved that they deserved to be there (unlike the Atlanta Falcons, but that's another story).

So/No Cal was no match for the Law school team in the long run. So/No Cal won the first 15-5 and it looked like the 3 games in one night was too much for the old guys. Not so, they struck back with 15-3 and 15-12 wins of their own to take the men's title 2-1. Congratulations to the champions and thank you to all the teams that showed up this semester.

5x5 Basketball Preview

JOHN MATSUMOTO

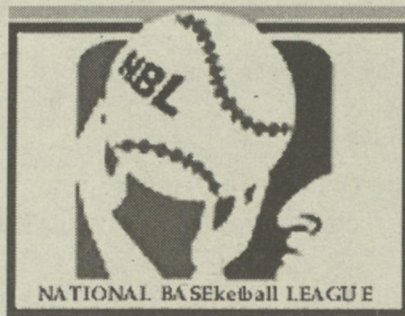
Monday Night Basketball Supervisor

The NBA recently started their abbreviated season after a nasty lockout. The lockout created a bitter taste in many basketball fans' mouths. Many basketball fans felt neglected during the lockout and are now equally insulted by being a target for the various NBA marketing companies. Also, Michael Jordan, arguably the best player who played basketball, left the game changing the NBA forever. Furthermore, the college basketball season was trudging through the season only to determine seating for conference tournaments.

Although many fans were ignored for a good three months, it is still surprising to see the enthusiasm for Intramural Basketball. Could it be that the NBA's strategy has worked? Could it be that March madness is right around the corner? It may definitely be that USD's basketball team has excited the student body. In any case, it is evident that there is still love for the game.

Intramural Basketball will begin this week with 32 teams competing in either the open division or women's division. The games will be played on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday. The league will last for five weeks with playoffs ensuing for only the top teams. Each game consists of two halves of twenty minutes with running time. So, if you're a basketball junkie and can't get enough basketball in your system, come to the gym and watch some games. I'm sure you won't be neglected or ignored by these players.

Coming Soon to the USD IM Department:



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BASEketball

**March 18th, 7pm-midnight
at the USD Sports Center**

The test runs have been done and the preliminary games have been played! BASEketball is coming to USD! Nowhere else will you be given the chance to participate in one of the fastest growing sports in America! The Intramural and Recreation Department is proud to announce the beginning of what we hope will become a lasting tradition in USD IM/Rec. It will be a one night open tournament using official BASEketball rules. Teams can be men's, women's or co-rec, they'll all play each other.

The live band for the tournament has been determined! The Jeffreys will be entertaining the participants and any spectators throughout the night. Don't forget about the free Domino's Pizza as well. Start pulling together your best trash talkers and set-shooters and prepare for an exciting tournament. Look for more information soon, and in the meantime check out their website for official rules.

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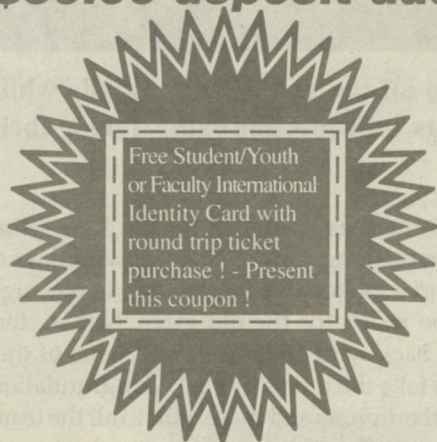
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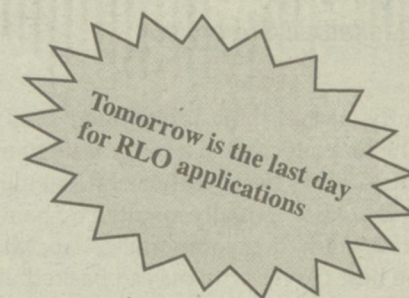
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- to live in one of the **Residential Living Options (RLO)** areas
- **"Squatter's Rights"** to remain in the room you are currently occupying

Housing Dates and Deadlines

March 1 - 18 Stratified Lottery
March 1-5 Residence Living Options
March 1-12 Squatter's Rights Option
March 18 Last day to enter Lottery
March 20-21 Sign-up Weekend

More detailed instructions are included in the current "Live at USD" newsletter and on our web page at www.housing.acusd.edu. For more information, or if you currently live off campus, please visit the Housing and Residence Life Office located in Mission Crossroads for sign-up directions. Hours are 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Monday-Friday.



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