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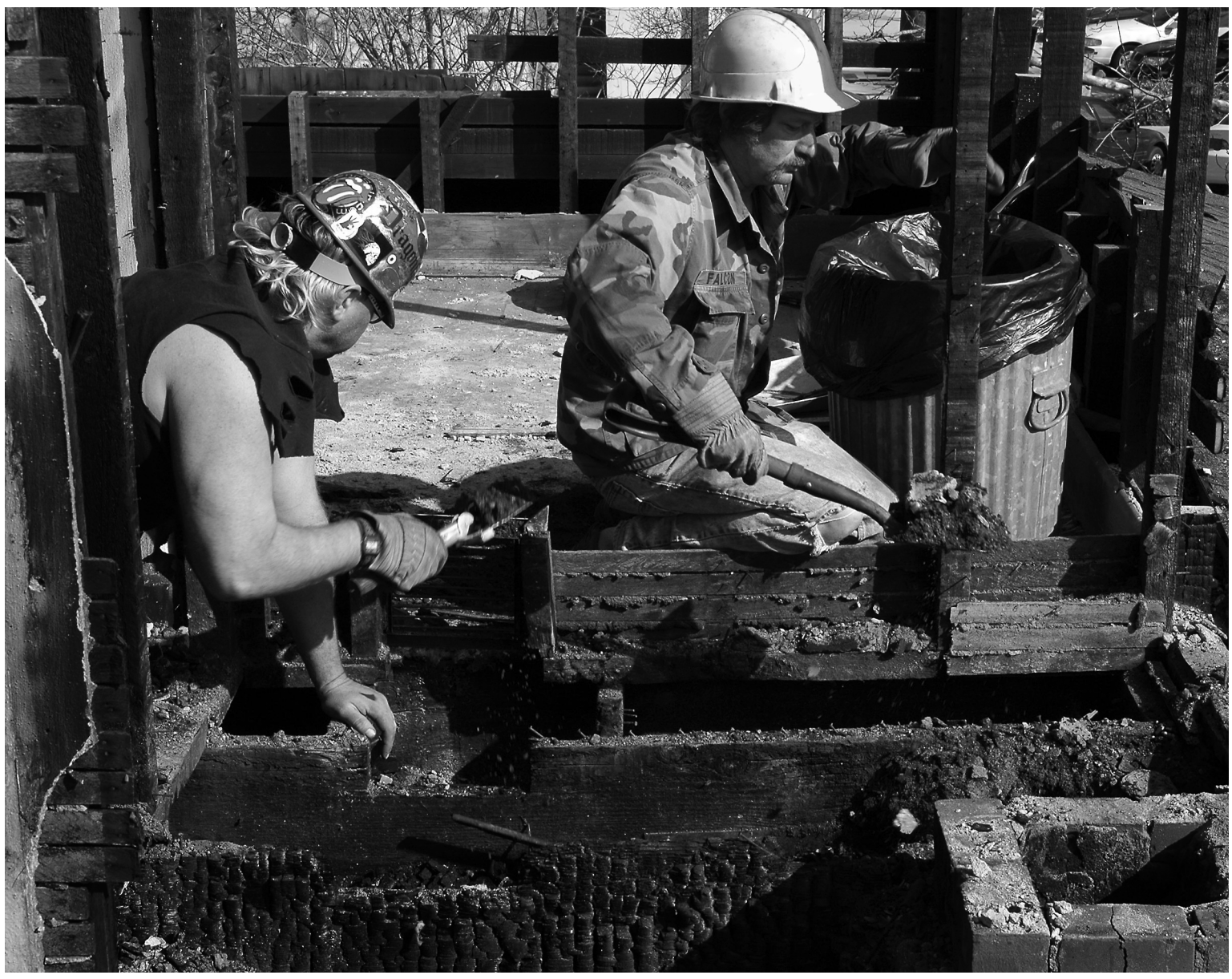
Wires cause Hanawalt House fire

Steps taken to clear debris



Reina Santa Cruz

James Zuvella and Dave Hammock, workers for Lockwood Construction, tear down and demolish the burnt parts of the Human Resource Building. Hammock mentioned, "The only reason the house will be rebuilt is because it's a historical building." The house was destroyed by a fire on Dec. 19. The University is trying to find a permanent home for the HR department.

Tom Anderson
Arts Editor

University of La Verne students and staff returning for the new year received an unpleasant surprise when they found out the historic Hanawalt House, most recently home to the human resources department, had suffered significant damage from a fire that broke out shortly after the start of winter break.

According to reports, the house, located at 2058 Second Street, caught fire at approximately 6:30 a.m. on Dec. 19. Units from the La Verne Fire Department, headquartered just seconds away, responded quickly, dousing the flames by midmorning and leaving between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m., according to Chief Human Resources Officer Frank Montalvo.

Investigators were apparently unable to reach a definite conclusion with regard to the cause of the fire, but they said the most likely explanation was that a wire in Montalvo's first floor office shorted out.

Fortunately, because of the time the fire occurred, no one was inside the building, and no fire fighter were injured during the blaze.

Additionally, most of the HR department's data was recovered.

"We managed to save about 90 percent of our personnel files," Montalvo said. He said that all computerized data was backed up on a remote server, and that an outside specialist is in the process of restoring some of the hard drives and paper files.

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> *—Frank Montalvo, director of human resources*

The Hanawalt House, constructed in 1905 as the residence for former ULV President W.C. Hanawalt and his family, was the oldest building on campus, and one of the oldest buildings in the city.

At the time of construction, the Lordsburg Hotel, the University's first building, stood across the street on the site of the present-day Wilson Library. Ironically, a plaque commemorating the structure's centennial had been created shortly before the fire, with the intent of mounting it on or near the building sometime this year.

The Hanawalts moved out of the house in about 1909, said University archivist Marlin Heckman, but a widowed Mrs. Hanawalt returned a number of years later. The house remained in family hands until the early 1970s, when it was purchased by the University and converted into a child care center. The house was added to the National Register of Historic Places shortly thereafter.

Debris removal is still in progress, and there are sheets of plywood and stacks of lumber on the porch, but it is not clear what will be done with the building's remains.

"I know the Board of Trustees and the city would like to rebuild it," said Charles Bentley, the University's public relations director. But Bentley, with other administrators, was still unsure which actions will be taken.

As for the HR department, it has been temporarily relocated to the old post office at 2180 Third Street.

"We're kind of in cubicles right now," said Maria Sapien, one of the HR department's administrative assistants. Bentley said the department might be moved to the AAIC building before finally moving into portable offices.

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ULV weighs Bush's proposal

Social security debated

Jessica Warden
Staff Writer

College students facing the work force may have the most to lose with President Bush's plan to reform social security. In his State of the Union Address on Feb. 2, Bush announced that his plan to reshape social security will ensure economic security for future generations.

For some students at the University of La Verne, social security is on their radar and for others it is a distant issue.

"I really never worry about that," said Gerlaine Kiamco, a senior anthropology major. "I'm still trying to figure out where I'm going to be when I'm 25."

Michael Stallings, a music major has definite concerns with social security reform.

"The stock market is a gamble," Stallings said. "That's almost like, as they say, putting all your eggs into one basket because interest rates can easily fluctuate."

The proposal will allow workers under the age of 55 to place up to two-thirds of their payroll taxes into personal retirement accounts and invest those accounts in securities such as stocks and bonds.

In exchange for these accounts, people's guaranteed social security benefits will be cut.

Current retirees and those nearing retirement will not be affected by the new plan.

These accounts would be voluntary and the funds will be restricted prior to retirement.

This means that through personalized social security,

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Techno-fraud bugs LV e-mail users

Personal, financial info sought

Jennifer Kitzmann
Staff Writer

A recent increase in the number of e-mail scams requesting personal financial information getting through the University Web mail system has become a source of concern for the campus community.

Don Pollock, professor of communications, said he received a message apparently from Citibank that someone tried to access his account internationally and would close his account unless he sent his account information online.

Luckily, Pollock was sensitive to the issue, having had a similar problem several years ago.

He did not give out any information and was later contacted by the Office of Information Technology that this was a scam.

"Most spoofed e-mails are caught by the anti-spam system and removed before ever getting to the University e-mail accounts, but some do slip through," said Clive Houston-Brown, chief information officer of for OIT.

"No one has been (seriously) affected by this (recent) scam," he said.

"The only time someone is affected is if they follow the instructions in the scammer's e-mail and send personal and financial information," he added. "This is something you should never do via e-mail or over an unsecured Web site."

Brown referred to a Web site for the Anti-Phising Working Group, and is essentially a global law enforcement group that tries to wipe out Internet scams and frauds, know as phishers.

"The phished (or fraudulent) e-mails look like pop–ups that alert customers to update or check their account using phony e-mails mimicking the actual business' Web site, linking you to the scammer's Web site, requesting personal account information," Houston-Brown said.

Houston-Brown also said that APWG reports that these spoofed e-mails use fraudulent Web sites, stolen logos and look alike site graphics that are designed to fool recipients into giving out their credit card numbers, social security numbers and security codes.

The APWG Web site warns e-mail users to be suspicious of any e-mail that has an "urgent" message or asks to update your financial information.

E-mail with these and other gimmicks are usually signs that the e-mail is a scam.

Houston-Brown said the vast majority of people see these e-mails as scams.

Suspicious messages begin with something like: "Dear Bank Customer."

In addition, it usually requests personal financial information as well as regular updates and verification of users' accounts.

"OIT has switched to one of the best anti-spam and e-mail anti-virus solutions called the Proof Point Protection Server Solution," said Wayne Lai the University's assistant network security administrator. Lai handles the e-mail anti-virus and anti-spam systems for the campus.

Lai said that the Proof Point system has caught more than 22,000 bank fraud e-mails, keeping them from getting through to in the past 30 days.

Unfortunately, the experts say, no anti-spam system can keep up with the rapid pace of new bank fraud e-mail variations.

Still, last month OIT sent out an e-mail to ULV faculty, staff and students to make them aware of these bank fraud e-mails.

For more information, visit the APWG Web site at **www.antiphishing.org.** For information about OIT's anti-spam solutions, e-mail **anti-spam@ulv.edu**, or call Ext. 4130.

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2 Skinny Dorks rock Club Fair



Chrissy Zehrbach

2 Skinny Dorks, a rock band from Cincinnati, Ohio, highlighted Wednesday afternoon's Club Fair in the Quad. 2 Skinny Dorks features Jake Blazer (left) on vocals and guitar, Matt Corey on saxophone and Eric Penrod on guitar. The University of La Verne's annual Club Fair showcased booths from on-campus clubs and organizations. The entertainment was sponsored by the Associated Student Federation Forum and the Campus Activities Board.

Seniors update Web news

Andres Rivera
Staff Writer

Readers who can't wait until Friday to know what's going on in their campus community will no longer have to.

Starting Tuesday, the Campus Times Web site will be updated with fresh stories three days a week, instead of just one.

The thrice-weekly updates are only phase one of the changes planned for the newspapers's online edition this semester.

By mid-semester, the site will have a whole new, more sophisticated, look.

As part of their senior projects, four seniors will be updating and upgrading the Campus Times Online edition.

The new Web editor, senior communications major Steven Falls, will head up the project.

Falls will do much of the reporting and editing for the Web site, which will be updated with new stories Monday and Wednesday evenings, in addition to regular Friday postings.

"It will come close to a regular, professional news site," Falls said. "Those are updated constantly."

Falls will also consult with student designers.

The redesign – set for an early April launch– will be handled by three senior communications majors.

The team will be looking at different news Web sites for guidance in giving the Web site a more professional news look.

Each member of the team brings a particular strength.

Erin Zabarnick, for example, will be working as a consultant on color scheme and layout along with other technical aspects.

She will also be involved in promotional activ-

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WEB EXCLUSIVES



Editor's Note: Beginning Feb. 22, the Campus Times Online edition will be updated with new stories each Monday and Wednesday evening. Log on this Tuesday and Wednesday, respectively, to read the following:

La Verne Measure 'S'

On March 8, in addition to selecting city council representatives, city voters will decide on Measure 'S,' which proposes a 2 percent increase in utility user's tax, from 4 percent to 6 percent. Revenues collected from the tax are used to pay for the costs of general city operations, including police protection, fire services, park maintenance, etc.

Military Recruiters on Campus

We investigate current military on-campus recruitment tactics and how they affect students here. Are recruitment strategies geared towards young college students who may be struggling financially and need some sort of uplift? The story looks into the ethics of these tactics with opinions from ULV students, faculty and others.

New leaders are publication vets



Gloria Diaz

Senior Amby Sarabia, editor of the La Verne Magazine, will be managing a staff of 16 writers for the spring semester. Sarabia's selection as editor came as a surprise to her. Senior Bailey Porter, editor in chief of the Campus Times, will lead a staff of 29 student writers, the largest in Campus Times history. "They bring diverse experiences," Porter said.

Porter, Sarabia take charge

Valerie Rojas
Editorial Director

As students across the La Verne campus settle in for a new semester, ULV seniors and journalism majors Bailey Porter and Amby Sarabia find themselves adjusting to new responsibilities, beginning their spring semesters as the editors of ULV's student run publications: the Campus Times and La Verne Magazine.

Porter will serve as editor-in-chief of Campus Times and Sarabia will hold the magazine editor position.

At the end of the fall 2004 semester, Campus Times adviser Elizabeth Zwerling and La Verne Magazine adviser George Keeler sifted through the many students in the communications department and handpicked the students they thought were most suitable for filling the prestigious positions.

"The (selection) process is different every year, but Bailey has been consistent," Zwerling said. "She was a pretty clear choice because of her consistency and ability."

After making their selections, Keeler and Zwerling presented their picks to the department faculty board where they received unanimous approval.

The new editors were announced in late December.

With considerably larger staffs this semester than in the past, Porter and Sarabia have their work cut out for them.

However, both students were chosen based on the leadership qualities and the working ability they have demonstrated in their educational careers thus far.

Porter, in her fifth semester as a Campus Times staffer, has held practically all of the editor positions available on staff, beginning with her first semester as a staff writer and photography editor, an experience she said will benefit her in her current position of leadership.

"I hope that experience will help keep this process smooth, now knowing how everything works on both sides," Porter said.

Although Porter has finished all of her elective requirements at ULV, she still decided to enroll in the class for yet another semester.

"I couldn't imagine being away from the Campus Times," she said. "I enjoy the environment and all the fun we have."

Like Porter, Sarabia gained much experience through working on both publications for many semesters, although she never quite felt fit for the editor position.

"I didn't feel that I was qualified, so when I was chosen, I thought this was a privilege," Sarabia said.

Having been on La Verne Magazine for three semesters and the Campus Times for a total of four, Sarabia demonstrated her knowledge and abilities, making her a candidate for the position.

"The editors need to work with students and faculty. We felt that Amby has that talent, skill and coordination," Keeler said.

"I am looking forward to her being that champion editor," he added.

Porter, Sarabia and Zwerling have high hopes for the current semester as well, with larger staffs and experienced editors, production should be a breeze.

"We will produce the best paper we've had, that's what I expect every semester," Zwerling said.

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NEWS BRIEFS

FAFSA Workshops

The Office of Financial aid is hosting a series of workshops at 1 p.m. on Feb. 23 and 28, and on March 1, 2 in Founder's Hall room 207.

An additional workshop will be at 7 p.m. on March 1. For more information call (800) 649-0160.

Diversity Essay Competition

A prize of $1,500 is offered for the best 20-25 page essay on diversity by the Growing With Diversity Committee.

The competition is open to all current University of La Verne students.

Essays must be submitted by March 28.

For more information call Elizabeth Zwerling at Ext. 4293 or Julius Walecki at Ext. 4192.

Surviving the PATRIOT Act

Reverend Alexia Salvatierra will speak on the "Survival of Poor and the Low Wage Workers During the Second term of President George Bush" at 5 p.m. on Feb. 26 at the Church of the Brethren in La Verne. The event will be accompanied with a dinner. For more information call Dorena Wright at (909) 593-4966.

Paintball

The PSP Paintball Tournament will shoot off at 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. from Feb. 17 to Feb. 30 at Fairplex.

—Yelena Ovcharenko

Candidates speak to voters

Forum fields election questions

Matthew Loriso
Staff Writer

La Verne residents were given the opportunity to hear from candicates running in the March 8 City Council election at a forum last week in the La Verne Community Center.

Two city council seats are open, which the upcoming election will fill.

Candidates in attendance were Roger Hanawalt, Don Kendrick, Patrick Gatti and incumbent Dan Harden.

Mayor Jon Blickenstaff, who is running unopposed for re-election, was also part of the forum.

"I grew up in La Verne," said D.L. Smelpzer, one of nearly 100 community members gathered at the Feb. 8 event.

"Things have changed. We know a lot of these people. We are interested in what is going on here."

Prior to the event, audience members were allowed to submit questions, which were selected and read by the moderator, retired Supreme Court Judge Thomas Nuss.

Most of the questions were about the city budget, such as how the candidates feel about commercial growth in La Verne and what program they would cut if forced to choose one.

Throughout the forum, all of the candidates seemed to be in agreement on most topics brought to their attention, especially concerning "Measure S," an initiative also on the March 8 ballot that would increase utility taxes from 4 percent to 6 percent.

This tax increase would allow the city to continue its funding for public safety.

"Myself and all of the candidates are in support of Measure S," Harden said.

"Over the last 10 years, the state has taken away over $13 million. This year it was $1.6 million," he added. "If we are going to maintain services, we have to make up that money. Measure S does this."

Though Measure S has a supportive following, not all La Verne residents are in favor of it.

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Commencement kicks off year

Additional ceremony a success

Tracy Spicer
Staff Writer

Students, faculty and family members participated in graduation festivities at the University of La Verne on Jan. 30, marking the first Winter Commencement service for the University.

The ceremony, held at Ortmayer Stadium, celebrated the efforts of both bachelor's and master's degree candidates.

Three hundred thirty-six students took part in the ceremony: 156 received their bachelor's degree, 179 received their master's degree and one received an associate degree.

"I was very pleased with the turn out of both students and faculty," said Anita Flemington, associate professor of education. "The weather was perfect."

The inaugural Winter Commencement proved to be smaller and more intimate than past graduation ceremonies at ULV in the spring.

> 'Commencement can bring a sense of closure to the academic experience and to wait so long for this closure takes away from the experience as a whole.'
> *—Mark McKellip, associate registrar*

At the 2004 Spring Commencement, 809 students participated in the undergraduate service, while 664 students partook in the master's degree ceremony.

This sense of personal attention from the January event was one of the main factors in its overall success.

According to Mark McKellip, associate registrar, the primary reason for establishing a winter ceremony was to serve the students.

There were 578 eligible students, but because many of them graduated either in late August or December, they may refrain from participating in the spring ceremony, held five to nine months later.

"Commencement can bring a sense of closure to the academic experience," McKellip said, "and to wait so long for this closure takes away from the experience as a whole."

Flemington also sees the importance for the University to conduct two graduation services.

"I definitely feel that there is a need for two," Flemington said. "ULV exemplifies the personal attention that our students need and expect. This was the culmination of that personal attention."

President Stephen Morgan, also took a positive look back on the ceremony.

"I thought the Winter Commencement ceremony was successful," Morgan said. "It provided those students who completed their work mid-year an appropriate opportunity to celebrate their graduation without having to return at a later date.

"The event was celebratory and had a nice sense of intimacy since it was considerably smaller than our spring ceremonies," he said. "I commend those who organized our Winter Commencement and hope we will continue it in future years."

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Social Security...

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because it is assumed that the rewards would be greater, workers will be able to make enough money to compensate what they are going to lose in benefits. However, it will be at the workers' own risk.

Without the ability to predict what direction the economy will take in the next 50 years, nobody knows for sure what the returns will be from those investments.

"If we put all of our money into these private accounts, and the stock market collapses, those privatized accounts could be wiped out by some kind of financial tragedy," said Richard Gelm, professor of political science at ULV.

"So in which case, if you didn't have social security guaranteed benefits, then a retiree would go back to the pre 1930s era where when you retired you where basically on your own," he added.

At this time issues are not clear and opinions vary.

Jason Neidleman, associate professor of political science at the University, disagrees with Bush's proposal.

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"If you create private accounts, that's a windfall for people who manage those accounts, and for companies that receive the investments," Neidleman said.

He believes that some people are capable of managing their investments and would do well, while many more people would fail.

In general, he thinks that the plan only benefits those at the higher end of the economic scale.

"I would resist it because I see it as a benefit to those who already have wealth and detriment to those who lack," Neidleman said.

Many questions arise about the status of our current system.

Bush indicates that if immediate action is not taken, social security is headed for bankruptcy.

Some people also question the urgency for privatized accounts.

A low-risk alternative might simply be raising social security tax.

If we pay higher social security tax, more money would be put into the system for retirement later.

This would also eliminate government borrowing to make up for the money that Bush's plan would allow people to put aside.

"The Bush administration is manufacturing a crisis in social security," Neidleman said.

"The goal is to work toward what they call an 'ownership society,' allowing people as they would say to control their own destiny by managing their own funds," he added.

"It is analogous to, I would say, the fear tactics used to win support for the PATRIOT Act and intervention in Iraq."

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Web news...

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ities.

"We have never done banner or flash advertising before," Zabarnick said. "That's something new."

Elizabeth Zwerling, Campus Times adviser, will advise the project and consult with the students' as well. She will be editing some of the stories that will be appearing in the online edition.

"It's very exciting," Zwerling said. "It will reflect the quality of professional work that we are aspiring to," Zwerling said.

Zwerling wanted to give the Web site a new look and suggested the idea to Falls, who did not have a senior project at the time.

"I am confident in his abilities," she said. "It is a really important job and I wouldn't give it to just anyone."

The other students had either collaborated with Zwerling before, or were recommended by Maia Kinsinger, assistant professor of communications, who is advising the designers.

A launch party is planned for after spring break; its exact time and place have yet to be determined.

The online edition of the *Campus Times* can be found at **www.ulv.edu/campustimes**.

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Election...

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"The reason I oppose Measure S is I don't feel it's fair to the community at large," said Mayor Pro Tem Steven Johnson.

"It promotes a lower rate for mobile home parks and senior centers but does not extend that discount to seniors in private residence," he added.

Even so, all participants in the forum were confident that Measure S is the best way to prevent cuts in public safety.

As Mayor Blickenstaff put it: "We can't afford not to do it."

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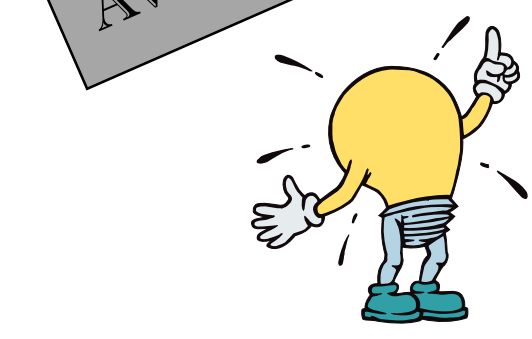

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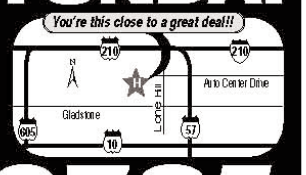

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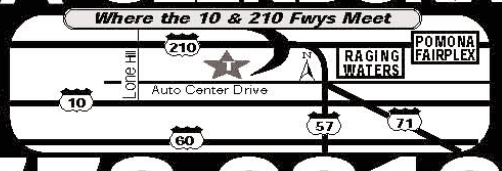

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The *Campus Times* is the official student newspaper of the University of La Verne. It is published weekly during the regular semester and funded by the University Trustees as a laboratory publication of the University's journalism curriculum. The paper is distributed free on-campus.

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The primary purpose of the *Campus Times* is to publish unbiased news accounts, to provide a vehicle for the balanced expression of student opinion and to maintain strong, responsible leadership. Further, the *Campus Times* shall strive to be the mirror of the public mind, interpreter of the public intent and troubler of the public conscience.

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1. The *Campus Times* shall seek to uphold the finest standards and highest ideas of journalism, and, in particular, be devoted to truth, accuracy and fairness.

2. Realizing the power of the written word, the *Campus Times* staff members shall strive to use good judgment and sensitivity toward the protection of the well-being of the people of the University of La Verne.

3. The *Campus Times* is the information line of the University and shall be treated in a manner that reflects the personality of the campus.

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1. Freedom of the press is to be guarded as a vital right of humanity. Freedom from all obligations except that of fidelity to the students' right-to-know is vital. It is the unquestionable right of the *Campus Times* to discuss whatever is not explicitly forbidden by law, while at the same time observing the responsibility cited in Section III.

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1. The *Campus Times* shall cover the entire scope of student activities as space allows and present a timely, unbiased and balanced representation of University of La Verne activities and events occurring on its campuses.

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3. Realizing that the University of La Verne is an integral part of the community, the *Campus Times* will report important events as news relates to the student body.

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IX. AMENDMENTS

Further, the structure or existence of the code of ethics should be viewed as continually open to change and evolution. For just as the requirements and purposes of the University of La Verne are altered by time, so also its newspaper.

Shortcuts lead to flood damage

Although the first round of heavy rains have more-or-less subsided for the start of the spring semester, some buildings on campus are feeling the effects of damage caused by previous flooding. Thanks to unfinished construction and repairs done on-the-cheap, even a day of minor rain exacerbates some of their ongoing problems.

It is a common sight on a rainy day to walk into the Art and Communication Building and see carpets drying in the lobby or hear fans blowing in the computer labs. Home to art and communications students, the ACB is the most prone to major leaks from the rain.

"It's been the bane of our existence lately," said Robert Beebe, assistant director of facilities management. We'd have to agree.

Last semester, graphic production students were displaced several times because the outer east wall of the ACB cannot withstand the rain, and moisture continues to seep into the walls. When students must meet deadlines on important projects requiring certain technology, the last thing they need is to be relocated to another classroom without computers.

Although it is not the oldest building on campus, the ACB, a converted lemon packing plant, has been around since the early 1900s, Beebe said, and with 100 years alongside a railroad track, seismic activity has made cracks in the wall.

These cracks have proved quite expensive to the University costing what Beebe calls an exorbitant amount of money, about $20,000. The amount wouldn't seem so bad if the repairs actually worked.

An interior wall was constructed to help drain the water. Epoxy and bentonite were injected into the wall to absorb the water. Neither worked. During the process, more serious problems were found – such as mold.

Worse than the cost and potential health risks, is the fact that having to waterproof the ACB keeps facilities management away from their other jobs. The office of information technology also must be called in to protect the new G5s from water damage. Again, this is more time away from their other necessary jobs.

"Major work was done over the holidays," said Andy Hakopian, assistant director of technology client services. He said OIT got the lab back in working condition days before classes started this semester and before that they didn't know if the lab would be ready. The University should have a better plan than going on luck.

Since nothing else is working, Beebe said the University is seeking an expert consultant on subterranean leaks, but they have not found one yet. Maybe we should put out an ad.

Until recently, inhabitants of Miller Hall contended with flooding whenever rain water shot its way down the poorly leveled sidewalk near Davenport into the building. Beebe said since this problem has been rectified Miller has remained dry; however, regrading, which will change the level of the ground, will complete the job. This time, the work will take place over summer to prevent disrupting campus life. If only things looked this good for the ACB.

We hope that ULV's attention continues to be directed at the costly recurring problem with the ACB. After all, we do have to save up for the new Campus Center.

Beebe is optimistic: "We are fortunate because we're well equipped to handle it."

If only we were as sure.

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FROM THE EDITOR...

A final farewell to friends



BAILEY PORTER

Dear Honey and Zooey, This weekend, I was so overwhelmed. When I found out you were finally being adopted, my long-term girls, I didn't know how to react. Nine months is a long time, and I can't say goodbye quite yet.

All of a sudden, the biggest challenge was not finding you safe, loving homes. The homes had found us in some miraculous turn of fate. Instead, I was trying to trust your new families and relinquish this self-inflicted sense of responsibility I had for my favorite girls. I say self-inflicted because even though you weighed on my heart so, and I was worried we would not find you homes, I wouldn't have it any other way.

I was nervous all weekend. My mom and I confessed to each other that we woke up in the mornings thinking about you and even daydreaming bizarre scenarios that revealed your new families as characters out of a bad scary movie (or worse, the most horrifying episode of "Animal Cops"). Sorry about that.

To those who don't come back from family vacations with more photos of their dogs than themselves, I must seem strange and a tad obsessive.

I admit that I even got to the point of trying to convince my volunteer buddies that you were going to miss the shelter, and me. Yes, I know, that is crazy. But that's how hard it was for me to trust someone else to take over. And I know how selfish that sounds. But I knew you were safe at the shelter – that Susie and everyone promised you could stay here as long as it took to find you the best homes and that that would be okay because we would all love you as your temporary family.

And I knew you thrived on your weekends when the volunteers and kind folks at Petco showered you with affection. Remember that Bob and Barbara came every Saturday to walk you and give you treats.

Zooey, I know you always got seconds because Barbara loves you, and Honey, I know you loved your walks with Bob but I think he got even more out of it than you did.

Know that every week at least one Petco customer paused by your cages so sad to discover that you still weren't adopted.

I might have been the most selfish of all. You both bring me such joy. Some early Saturday mornings, when we load five dogs and as many cats into the Suburban to go to our Petco adoptions in San Dimas, I'm grouchy.

Honey, one look at your face turns me around and reminds me I wouldn't trade my Saturdays with the shelter animals for all the lazy/crazy Saturdays in the world. Pit bull terriers are known for their smiles, you know; and you have the widest grin I have ever seen. Your eyes crinkle up in the corners like an old woman who has smiled for 80 years and your joules stretch back to reveal the most adorable thick pink gums.

Zooey, your energy is contagious, and you have helped someone who spends most of her time darting here and there feel not so alone in her overactive tendencies. I have watched you grow and trust people more and more.

You both inspire so many people to care about things outside themselves. I watched as a humane society worker with something of a hardened exterior cradled your face in his hands, Honey, and whispered, "Bye Mamas."

Please tell your new families that we will remember how they opened their homes to you. And remind them that you come with baggage – a bunch of well-meaning, if not slightly eccentric and at times pushy, foster moms, grandmas and friends who want visitation rights.

Enjoy, girls. We love you.

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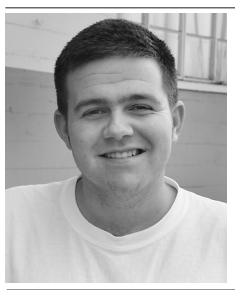
Recipe for reality TV lacks originality



TOM ANDERSON

Here's a question: Am I the only organism on the planet that doesn't "get" reality TV? Now, I know what you're probably thinking: "Geez, what a loser!" Well, now that we've firmly established that, how about you let me explain my position?

Back in the days when cell phones were larger than the average child's head and Michael Jackson was still black, programs called documentaries occasionally found their way onto America's TVs. The subjects of such shows ranged from lizards to space probes and the intellectual stimulation they provided received nearly universal appreciation from parents groups, educators and even the occasional politician.

However, shortly before the turn of the century, someone got the bright idea to combine the most appealing attributes of a documentary with "normal people" that the average viewer can directly relate to, with a pinch of game show or soap opera sprinkled on top for good measure.

The initial byproducts of the aforementioned recipe were, for the most part, quite novel and, dare I say it, tasteful. The dynasty that is "Survivor" was, for the first few seasons anyway, a solid concept that boasted good execution and minimal amounts of blatantly scripted fluff. The same could be said for the initial iterations of "The Bachelor" or, my personal favorite, "Monster Garage." Okay, so I get a kick out of "Monster Garage," if only for the over the top shenanigans of Jesse James. How can you not admire a guy who dreamt up a zombified Santa Claus parade float that shoots candy out of its arms?

Sadly, once the honeymoon was over, the gnat-like attention span of American TV viewers began rearing its ugly head upon the all-important ratings charts of the nation's broadcasting powerhouses. The networks, fervently reluctant to abandon a winning formula and eager to one up each other, told their creative gurus to find new angles and spins on the reality TV frenzy. Not surprisingly, these high-pressure think tanks have managed to turn out the likes of "Wife Swap," "The Simple Life," "My Big Fat Obnoxious Boss" and, the cream of the crass, "The Swan." Even the latest bumper crop of runaway hits such as "The Apprentice" and "American Idol" seem shallow and contrived, as if pulled out of the nether regions of some suave college dropout's anatomy.

Worse still, this cultural tumor is spreading to nearly every available hertz on the airwaves. Case in point: Speed Channel. Once the home of such gems as "Legends of Motorsport" and "Autoweek," TV's gearhead paradise is under siege from "We're-derivative-but-still-hip" upstarts such as "Unique Whips" and "Build or Bust." From the promo spots I've seen, they appear to be little more than grown men shouting and cussing at each other while occasionally working on hopelessly bling-saturated vehicles. Gag me with a dipstick.

Even PBS has thrown its hat into the ring with "Frontier House" and "Victorian House." Did those shows have educational value? Absolutely. Was cashing in on the biggest fad under the sun the way most viewers wanted their contributions spent? Probably not.

Sorry folks, but if reality TV is the future of entertainment, then I guess I'll have to learn to live in the boredom-laden abyss of TV's primitive past. Now that would make for great TV.

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Education is no excuse for ignorance



GLORIA DIAZ

With the Mexican culture having a large impact on our culture, I like to think that we as Americans have begun to accept the customs and its people. I guess I was blinded by the openness of Southern California.

Recently, I read about a Tennessee judge telling an immigrant mother to learn English and to use birth control. Judge Barry Tatum adds in his court order that the mother could end up losing her daughter if she does not fulfill this requirement.

Yes, there was an amount of neglect when the mother failed to immunize her toddler. But what audacity does this judge have for telling a mother to learn English or else? It hurts to see that someone with such a high level of education has made such an ignorant remark.

Judge Tatum thinks he can tear this family apart just because the mother has not assimilated to the culture. The reality is that the 18-year-old Oaxaca, Mexico, native probably doesn't have more than a sixth grade education and very little reading skills, as is the case with some immigrants. I have to say that this was the case with my father and all of his brothers and sisters. It is a sad fact, but it is reality.

Sustaining that he was only opening her eyes to the options available to her, Judge Tatum defends his ruling with saying that he was looking out for the best interest of the 2-year-old girl. Her best interest, seems to be taking her away from her mother. Yes, this is the best interest for the child.

Why not order the mother to find employment? Why not help the mother find affordable day care for the child while she finds a job? Judge Tatum wants to offer opportunities to the mother, then suggest those that do not show a level of idiocy and rather provide sympathy and assistance.

In the article, Lebanon, Tenn. (whose 2000 Census data shows an 83 percent white population) residents supported Tatum's decision saying immigrants have a moral obligation to learn to speak English. I want to meet the people who agree with this. Does this only happen in the rural South? How would this issue be treated here?

Let's see. A judge makes an outlandish remark in court and the media swarms around this one story and one issue. Then the American Civil Liberties Union and all other civil rights groups would be forging a fight to get the judge sanctioned. There would be protests, vigils, petitions and any other form of protest there could be. For those who think Los Angeles is a place where superficial surfheads live, take a look and see all that these so called "beach bums" would do to make sure a racist remark does not leak into a court that looks after the "best interest of the child." I call this statement racist because I am confident Tatum has not made such orders to non-immigrant mothers.

So I dare to ask the question that was on my mind since I read the article. Can Tatum learn to speak fourth-grade level Spanish in six months? I highly doubt it. I have met students at the University of La Verne, who after taking four years of Spanish in high school and college have yet to gain a fourth-grade level understanding of the language.

On a final note, one resident was quoted in the article saying, "I know if I was in Mexico I would make an effort to learn Hispanic." Since when has Hispanic been a language?

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Mechanic values service over cash

Shop owner stresses work ethic

Nicole Knight
Sports Editor

Jas Singh, owner of Performance Auto in La Verne, breaks the mold of auto mechanics with his honest and relationship-centered style of business.

Finding an auto shop offering fair and honest service can be rare, considering the endless chances mechanics possess to overcharge vulnerable customers. Singh goes beyond a typical auto mechanic by becoming someone a customer can trust with his or her car and money.

Singh, native of India, received his mechanical engineering degrees across the sea in the East. Apprenticeships in Europe, including companies such as Jaguar and Mercedes, make up his knowledgeable experience in the auto repair business.

In 1982, Singh came to the United States working for several other companies before opening his own business 10 years later.

With nearly 12 years of business, Singh has developed a loyal clientele.

"I still have people from 11 years ago coming to my business," Singh said.

Even locals who have moved from the area return for Singh's services.

Customers traveling from locations such as Perris, Redlands, Fresno and La Cañada have returned to Performance Auto for the excellent service. Singh even mentioned a previous customer calling from Texas for his honest advice.

"We don't sell any extra work to anybody," Singh said. "I'm very straightforward and tell the customer what needs to be done."

Singh's honest approach to business is the heart of Performance Auto's excellent customer service. He possesses strong beliefs in fair and equal treatment for all, keeping confidence, making the customer feel comfortable and maintaining respect.

"It is very easy to make an enemy, it is very hard to make a friend," Singh said. "I don't want to take the chance and break someone's confidence in me."

In Singh's line of work, dishonesty and deception is not uncommon.

Singh said his motive in life does not rely on money. Helping others and keeping peace of mind contains higher importance in life.

"I don't want to take advantage of a customer, because I would not want to be taken advantage of," Singh said. "The customer deserves to not be disrespected."

Singh's character displays a unique quality of compassion and understanding for those in need.

Singh has cared for and aided customers in financial difficulty or with devastating situations. Singh said honesty shines through people and reflects off of those in contact with it.

"It is so valuable to find an auto mechanic that you can trust," said Matt Paulson, senior journalism major and regular customer at Performance Auto.

Singh simply offers the customer the needed work, with no added pressure for additional repairs.

"He tells me what I need to do and what I could do, but also that I don't have to do any of it," Paulson said.

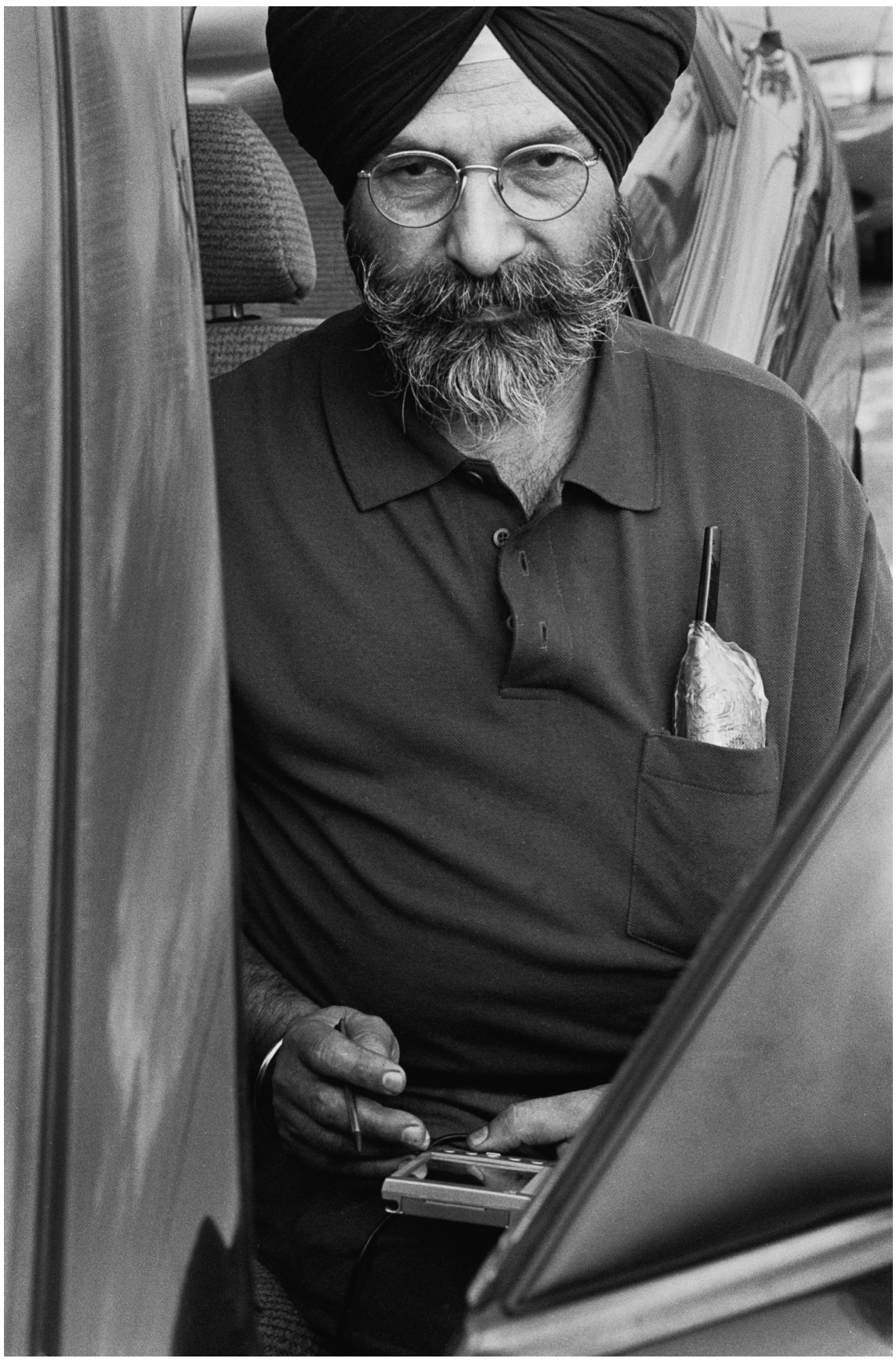
Another honest aspect of Singh's business approach is that Singh offers compliementary redos of unsatisfactory work, not charging for a mistake his mechanics or he made.

Some of the best personal rewards for Singh come from his customer relationships.

By giving respect to his customers, they in return show the same kindness toward him. Knowing the customer and their family by name and the exchanged kindhearted gestures makes Performance Auto a genuine, customer satisfaction, oriented business.

Singh said his honest customers have made his business successful.

Singh said his mechanics are paid off salary versus commission. Employees, therefore, do not need to worry about making money, because of a set rate. Singh has made sure his mechanics maintain his philosophies of honesty.



Yelena Ovcharenko

With the goal of fixing the cars and pleasing every customer, Jaskanwarbar Singh Randhawa said: "I don't care for money." Randhawa has been operating the Performance Auto Center, an auto repair shop, at E Street and Arrow Highway in La Verne, since 1992. His philosophy, he said, is to work according to his family morals and religion.

'I'm very straightforward and tell the customer what needs to be done.'
—Jas Singh, owner of Performance Auto

"It is a good experience working with Jas, I have learned a lot," said Javier Bondsani, Performance Auto mechanic. "We always try to keep the customer happy."

Across from the University of La Verne, on the corner of E Street and Arrow Highway, Performance Auto offers convenient, fair auto services for its neighboring college students.

"He treats everybody the same," Paulson said. "His business is great for college kids, because he is close to campus and easy to afford."

Having children in school himself, Singh understands the pressures of college students. He keeps in mind their financial responsibilities and treats them fairly, like he does with all his customers.

"Singh is definitely an honest business man," senior accounting major Dwayne Wibeto said. "He does quick, good work."

Singh's honest business philosophy derives from his positive outlook on life.

He said negativity passes from person to person, if people remain peaceful, that will also carry on.

Singh does not just take care of the customer's car, but is genuinely concerned with the well being of others.

"We are the only species who can help ourselves and other people," Singh said. "It is up to us to keep the peace."

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NHRA invades Pomona Raceway

Street rockets touch down

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The National Hot Rod Association's Powerade Drag Racing Series invaded Pomona Raceway last weekend to kick off its 2005 season with the 45th annual Winternationals.

Despite the threat of rain throughout most of the weekend, fans turned out in the thousands to cheer on their heroes and witness firsthand the most powerful, quickest-accelerating automobiles in the world.

The top class competing was top fuel dragster. These slender machines loosely resemble four-wheeled missiles and pack almost as much punch. But these missiles carry a human being instead of a warhead and the rocket motor is replaced by a supercharged, nitromethane-burning V8 producing something in the neighborhood of 7,000 horsepower. (No precise figures exist because no dynamometer in the world can withstand that kind of power.)

As a result, a top fuel dragster can complete one-quarter of a mile from a standing start in around 4.5 seconds and can be traveling at over 330 mph as it crosses the finish line.

Funny cars use engines that are almost identical to the ones used in top fuel, but the engines are mounted in front of the driver, and the chassis is covered by a lightweight body designed to resemble normal cars such as Ford Mustangs and Chevrolet Monte Carlos.

Funny cars have comparable top speeds but slightly lower elapsed times than top fuel dragsters.

The third and final professional category in action was pro stock.

Pro stock cars have non-supercharged engines that run on gasoline, yet they still make around 1,300 horsepower. Pro stock cars run the quarter mile in under seven seconds and top out at just over 200 mph.

> 'It's a special place. It's the start of our season and the end of our season.'
> *—Greg Anderson, Speed Channel Driver of the Year*

Greg Anderson has won the pro stock championship for the past two years and was recently named the Speed Channel Driver of the Year for, among other things, his record-shattering 15 national event wins last season. It is suffice to say, Anderson was cautiously optimistic about his chances in 2005.

"I like our chances," Anderson said. "It's not going to be easy, but I think we're in good shape."

But contemporary racing machines and their pilots weren't the only ones at the track.

"I really came to look at the nostalgia cars," said spectator Norm Feenan.

However, the racing and fully assembled race cars were not the only attractions of the weekend.

There were scores of vendors in attendance, peddling just about everything a budding drag racer could need, including engine parts, safety gear, tires and tools.

One such vendor, Kelley Hendel of VP Racing Fuels, offered some insights as to why companies involved in motor racing enjoy doing business in California.

"There's always some form of motorsport going on out here," Hendel said, referring to the region's Mediterranean climate.

Anderson was also happy to return to Pomona.

"It's a special place," Anderson said. "It's the start of our season and the end of our season."

Unfortunately for Anderson, he was defeated in the first round of eliminations. Dave Connolly wound up taking pro stock honors, while Tommy Johnson, Jr. and Scott Kalitta came out on top in funny car and top fuel, respectively.

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ULV's Model UN returns

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After a year of absence, the University of La Verne's model UN returns to the annual National Model United Nations conference in New York this March.

The Model United Nations club provides students with the opportunity to have an experience similar to that of the real United Nations.

Every year the NMUN assigns each school a different country to represent.

Gitty Amini, assistant professor of political science, and current advisor for the Model UN club said this year the University will take seven students to the conference and will be representing the country of Malawi, as well as serving in six committees.

"The club offers students an avenue to really get involved and learn about the United Nations," said Nicollette Castro, the current president of the Model UN.

"Unfortunately last year was the first year that ULV did not send a delegation to New York," she said.

But this year students have been working hard to attend the conference, holding fundraising events and seeking donations to cover the expenses.

"Almost all of our money comes from donations from various departments on campus and local businesses," Castro said.

Once the funds are raised, the students prepare to represent their assigned country in the best possible way.

"During the spring semester the club will focus on preparing for New York," Castro said.

The members researched their assigned country and the topics that will be addressed in each of the committees.

Information about the program can be found on the NMUN Web site, **www.nmun.org**. For more information about the club contact Gitty Amini Ext. 4225 or **aminig@ulv.edu.**

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Critters need love

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If Valentine's Day plans didn't go your way, the Inland Valley Humane Society is now offering gift certificates to those who want to adopt a furry friend for themselves or a sweetheart.

Each gift certificate includes a plush toy representing the pet for the new owner.

"I think it's a cute idea, " said senior Michelle Fontanez, an accounting major. "For a committed relationship, this is a really good idea. "

Each animal will be spayed or neutered and receive a few health services before they are presented to their new owner. These health services include a health check, deworming medication, flea control medication and vaccinations.

"It's a good idea in theory, but most people live at the dorms," said freshman Adam Stahly.

"I'd keep one (animal) if I got one, but there's no room for one," said freshman Adolfo Tigerino, a legal studies major.

The adoption fee for cats is $80, and the adoption fee for dogs is $100.

For those who would just like to lend a hand, the humane society is also asking for donations including pet supplies, cleaning supplies, office supplies and monetary contributions.

The Inland Valley Humane Society is encouraging the public to adopt a "Companion for Life" throughout February.

Adoption gift certificates are available at the Inland Valley Humane Society located on Humane Way in Pomona.

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O'hana brings students together

Polynesian culture celebrated

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Staff Writer

The variety of festive foods, ranging from kalua (roasted pig) to sushi, that have been featured at annual luaus, the diversity of its members, and the name "Kanaka Hui O'hana" itself are all telltale signs that the University of La Verne's Hawaiian club is not only for Hawaiians.

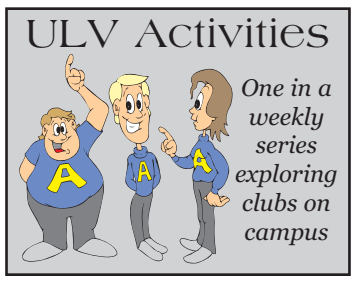
According to Shane Rodrigues, advisor of Kanaka Hui O'hana and a former member back in the 1990s, the purpose of the club is to get members of all nationalities to bond with each other and to learn about the Hawaiian culture.

"The club is open to anyone," Rodrigues said. "Many think that because they aren't Hawaiian, they can't join. We accept everyone. Hawaii is very diverse and that's what makes it unique."

It was previously decided that former club secretary Melissa Lau and Alain Karet, a club member of the past two years, would serve as co-presidents, but other officers were elected Friday.

They include Secretary Stephanie Dreyer, Director of Finance Glennda Bivens, Director of Dance Reinel Campa, Public Relations Director Janah Valenzuela, Historian Julia Shin and Webmaster Kapono Kobylanski.

Plans for the next annual end-of-the-year luau are also in the works and additional events to educate the ULV campus about the various Hawaiian and Polynesian cultures will be scheduled in the coming weeks.



The words "kanaka hui ohana" are translated as bringing people together as family, and Rodrigues and Karet stressed education as a way to achieve this ultimate goal in celebration of Hawaii's diversity.

"It's not just Hawaiian, per se," Rodrigues said. "It's a whole melting pot. Hawaiians are people with Hawaiian ancestry, but there are a small number of pure Hawaiians. Many are a mix of Caucasian, Filipino, Chinese, Korean, Portuguese, Japanese, and other Polynesians and Asians."

Many of KHO's leaders are involved with the club because of their ties to Hawaiian culture.

"I am from Hawaii, and I love and cherish where I am from," Kobylanski said. "I want to enrich other students, faculty, staff, and the community with why I love and cherish it so much."

Kobylanski also said club leaders and members get involved with KHO for a variety of reasons, everything from a desire to enhance communication skills to meeting new people.

Though the club was originally founded in the late 1980s to early 1990s, its constitution has not changed much over the years, according to Rodrigues. Club leaders still wish to "promote the interest of the Hawaiian and Polynesian students at ULV, promote the identity of the Hawaiian and Polynesian culture on campus, enhance the awareness of the ULV community in the participation of KHO's education, programming, activities, and events in and of itself, [and] foster an understanding and appreciation of the organization."

Rodrigues, Karet and Kobylanski agreed that annual luaus go a long way toward achieving the collective goals of the KHO constitution.

"Everyone seems to enjoy the biggest and one of the last fun events of the year," Rodrigues said. "Last year's luau was a success and we would like it to be this year too."

There are only 45 members in the club so far, but, according to Karet, new members are always welcome.

"The membership is diverse," Karet said. "There are Hawaiians and non-Hawaiians. All you need to do is want to be in the club, and doing that brings all these diverse people together."

And if the words "aloha" (hello) and "heahea" (welcome), which can be found on the homepage of the KHO Web site, do not say enough about the club or its leaders, the true purpose of the club can be found in its name.

"In Hawaii, you can probably say that for many, family is the most important thing," Kobylanski said. "For the club, we are trying to make people involved and others around feel like family."

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> *—Kapono Kobylanksi, Kanaka Hui O'hana Webmaster*

Athens students adapt to American culture

New plans and high spirits

Christine Moitoso
Staff Writer

The unexpected closure of the University of La Verne's Athens Campus gave students only a few days to decide where they were going to go and what they were going to do.

"I learned the night before I was supposed to start classes," said ULV Athens student Margaryta Krupichko who is originally from Ukraine. "I thought it was a joke."

The closure came on the heels of a test by an independent public accounting firm, which found that the school had a negative net equity of 2.4 million euros.

This deficit was estimated to increase to 2.7 million euros by the end of 2004.

Of the more than 600 people attending ULV Athens, 35 decided to come to the University of La Verne in California.

John Chantzis, a Greek senior business major; Petros Nomikos, a Greek sophomore business major; and Krupichko, a Ukrainian senior business administration major; were among them.

"I paid for the semester only a few days before I found out about the closure," Chantzis said.

Luckily he got his money back, but for those who did not have a receipt for their payment were paying for a semester that did not even exist.

The students were supposed to have a 90-day notice if the school was going to close.

"I didn't know what I was going to do, I was driven crazy," Nomikos said. With no explanation why the school closed, students said they felt lost.

Nomikos was told that the school was in debt, but nobody really said who was in charge. Rumors are floating that Craig Sexson, the ULV Athens president, had something to do with the closure.

While some students felt it easy to adjust, others found it difficult but are now getting used to the change in culture.

"People have a good mentality here and they are very respectful," Chantzis said.

Nomikos and Krupichko added that the students and faculty don't treat them differently and they are very friendly to them.

Even though they are adjusting to the transition, adjusting to transportation is not easy for ULV Athens students. Used to a bus system that runs all day, Athens students find themselves mostly walking everywhere they go.

"The police always stop us because we like to walk late at night. We are also used to seeing other people walking at night as well," Chantzis said. Late at night in Athens people are always in the streets and sometimes they don't even go to sleep. Coffee is their best friend.

American food is another thing disliked by some Athens students. They've been used to eating their style of food for so long that it takes awhile to adjust to a new taste. The students just feel that most things are not bad, just different.

"I'm trying not to think what is better about the change or what is worse," Nomikos said.

The closing of ULV Athens might have changed their immediate plans, but has not put a damper on their future.

Chantzis wants to get his education here and afterwards move back to Europe and work.

Nomikos plans to go to school here and work in the United States.

After graduating this May, Krupichko would like to get her masters in business administration here and is not sure where she will like to work.

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On the Calendar

57th Annual Cammelia Show

La Verne's 57th Annual Cammelia Show will take place at the La Verne Community Center from 1p.m. to 6 p.m. on Feb. 21 and from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Feb. 22.

Orange Picking and Sale

The Heritage Park Orange Picking Continues every Saturday through mid-March.

Yu-Gi-Oh Card Tournament

On March 5 from 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m., the Pomona Fairplex will host the Yu-Gi-Oh Card Tournament in building three. General admission is $15. Parking at Gate 9.

Dog Agility Show

The Belgian Tervuren Dog Agility Show will premiere from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., March 5 and 6, at the Pomona Fairplex, Barn 9-A. Admission is Free. Parking at Gate 12.

Auto Show

The West Coast's largest Antique Auto Show and Swap meet will be held from 5 a.m. to 2 p.m. on March 6.

General admission is $8 for adults and free for children 12 and under.

Quilt, Craft and Sewing Festival

The Quilt, Craft and Sewing festival will be held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. March 10 through 12 at the Pomona Fairplex. General admission $8, and children are free.

Irish Fair and Music Festival

The Third Annual L.A. County Irish Fair and Music Festival will be held from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. March 12 and 13 at the Pomona Fairplex. General admission is $16, seniors $10, and children are free.

Dragster Adventure

Classes on drag racing are offered on March 17 and continues on the 18 and 24 at the Pomona Raceway. Pre-registration required. For more information, call (888) 901-7223.

—John Patrick

HAPPENINGS

Shehata is 'Taking' the stage

ULV student Bianca Shehata will present Ed Bullins' *The Taking of Miss Janie* as part of her Senior Acting Thesis. The show begins at 7:30 p.m. tonight and tomorrow at ULV's Dailey Theatre. General admission is $5 and students are $3. For more information, call the Department of Theatre Arts at Ext. 4386.

Piano works from Argentina

Faculty member Jacqueline Petito will perform Argentinean piano pieces by Ginastera, Guastavino and Piazzolla, 8 p.m. tonight at Founders Auditorium. General admission is $5 and students are free.

Graceful Music

With their music ranging from rock to pop to jazz, the band, His Grace, will be performing at 8 p.m. tomorrow at Rico Coffee, La Verne's coffeehouse, located at 2320-A Foothill Boulevard (right next to Vons). Bring a friend, enjoy good coffee, and enjoy the graceful sounds of His Grace.

Southern jazz in La Verne

In the mood for some great dixieland jazz? The Royale Garden Dixieland Band will be performing at 7:30 p.m. tonight at La Verne's coffeehouse, Rico Coffee. You'll feel as if you were in a New Orleans cafe.

Battle of heaven & hell

If you want action and suspense, *Constantine* is the movie for you. John Constantine, played by Keanu Reeves, helps police detective Angela, played by Rachel Weisz, investigate the suicide death of her twin sister, while at the same time dealing with forces from heaven and hell. *Constantine* opens nation wide today.

—Hugo Bryan Castillo

ULV's resident rapper Seeks success

by Amira Seyoum

photography by Chrissy Zehrbach

"BMUSE represents the idea that everyone has their own inner muse. My muse is everything around me," 21-year-old junior Ben De Ayora said, explaining the reasoning for his rap alias.

De Ayora, a broadcasting major, is also an avid rapper who loves music, especially underground hip-hop.

He is currently working on a six track EP, which he will turn into his first demo that he will give to recording groups.

"I am half-way finished. I've done three tracks," De Ayora said.

De Ayora started rapping his senior year of high school in Merced, where there is not much exposure to hip-hop. However, De Ayora discovered it through a snow boarding video.

After listening to it several times, he felt like the music had beautiful meaning.

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>
> *—Ben De Ayora*

For De Ayora, it was too good to just listen to. He had to be a part of it and began writing.

"My first time free styling I was in Brandt on the second floor and I was OK," De Ayora said. "I really did OK, I had six or seven sentences off the top of my head." He then began perfecting his craft and a former University of La Verne student and friend noticed.

John Martin, De Ayoras' current manager, approached him and told him that he believed he could go far. Martin, 23, who works for the producers of the "American Pie" movies, began talking to people willing to listen to BMUSE's demo and give his music a chance. "He has what it takes and he just needed a little direction and I wanted to help him out," Martin said.

"I want my music to be something that can be played and still have a soulful meaning. I am not trying to sell out," De Ayora said.

He loves the underground hip-hop scene and that is what drew him to his passion of learning it all.

De Ayora believes that hip-hop needs a revival before it dies and he has just what they are looking for.

What makes De Ayora unique is his style.

"My vocabulary is unique," De Ayora said. "I am very true when I rap. My rap is poetry to a beat."

"The huge difference between radio and underground hip hop is that the lyrics are more clever and that's what I hear with Ben," said Matt Paulson, a 21-year-old senior, who has known De Ayora for three years. "His rhymes mean something to him and they are actually really clever to me."

His love for hip-hop has also led him to begin a hip-hop club on campus that students can join. As the creator and president, he is proud. Now that they have a temporary advisor the club plans on getting back into action.

The club is meant not only as a forum where people can speak and listen to hip-hop, but a place where De Ayora wants to educate those who may not know where it all began.

"If I'm not big enough to make it in the music industry, I want to educate people, I want to teach hip hop," De Ayora said. "I want to be a part of it."

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BMUSE, better known as Ben De Ayora, practices his flow in the radio studio. A junior at the University of La Verne, De Ayora discovered his talent as an aspiring rapper while living in Brandt Hall his freshman year.

A memorable 'Voyage' in music

Hugo Bryan Castillo
Assistant Editor



Emmah Obradovich

Preparing for the first faculty recital of the spring, Timothy Durkovic and Melissa McIntosh Landis rehearse before their performance on Feb. 11. Performing selections from Henri Duparc's "Chanson Triste" (1868) through Leonard Bernstein's "La Bonne Cuisine, Four Recipes" (1947), Durkovic and McIntosh Landis also presented material from Samuel Barber, Gustave Charpentier, Erik Satie and William Walton. Durkovic serves as artist-in-residence and is the coordinator of keyboard studies. McIntosh Landis, a soprano, recently joined the applied voice faculty at ULV, and is also a member of Mt. San Antonio College's faculty.

Soprano Melissa McIntosh Landis took center stage and gave the audience a taste of her powerful voice as she sang a collection of animated musical pieces Feb. 11 in Founders Auditorium.

La Verne's pianist Timothy Durkovic was her accompanist.

"I was excited to see her perform," said Jennifer Cantero, a sophomore music major. "She's very engaging as a performer, adding a lot of emotion."

McIntosh Landis, a native of Kansas City, Kan., moved to California in 1996 and recently joined the voice faculty at ULV.

She is a voice professor at Mt. San Antonio College as well.

Her recital, titled "Voyage," featured a variety of musical pieces.

The recital included French and English musical works, including a piece about four recipes.

Patricia Reilly of San Dimas, said she felt that the selections for the recital were unusual.

And they were, without a doubt.

McIntosh Landis took each selection and made it her own by adding humorous animation.

Her first piece, "La Bonne Cuisine," by Leonard Bernstein, features four recipes: Plum Pudding, Queues de Boeuf (Ox Tail), Tavouk Gueunkis and Civet a Toute Vitesse (Quick Stew).

The lyrics were definitely unorthodox for they included such lines as, "250 grams of Malaga grapes, 250 grams of Corinth grapes…250 grams of beef kidney fat and 125 grams of bread crumb."

The piece was fast in tempo and composed in a major key.

"I enjoyed the Bernstein piece," said Cody Smith, a junior music major. "It was very humorous and different."

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> *– Jennifer Cantero, sophomore music major*

McIntosh Landis's favorite piece to perform was "Trois Melodies," by Erik Satie.

After seeing her perform this number, one understood why she enjoyed performing it.

McIntosh Landis was very witty and vivacious.

Her comical facial expressions imitated the actions present in the lyrics and music.

She took the music and made it her own comic relief.

One could not help but smile. She is a natural performer with great stage presence.

"I loved the way (McIntosh Landis) can act, and watching her be animated was fun," Smith said.

Some other pieces she sang were Samuel Barber's "The Hermit Songs," Gustave Charpentier's "Dupuis le Jour" and William Walton's "Three Songs of Edith Sitwell."

Durkovic played the piano majestically and McIntosh Landis was great in using a variety of voice ranges.

At the end, they both received a standing ovation.

"Together they have a lot of creativity," Smith said. "They work great together. It was a good balance."

"Voyage" was definitely worth exploring.

For more information on upcoming concerts, visit **www.ulv.edu/music**.

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Video Game Review

Classic franchise continues its soul searching

Matthew Loriso
Staff Writer

The "Starfox" video game series has had a bit of an identity crisis lately.

What started out as a series of cutting edge space shooters has turned into an experiment to find a new genre for its characters to play in.

The previous "Starfox" game, "Starfox Adventures," put the characters into an adventure game akin to Nintendo's "Legend of Zelda" games. In "Starfox: Assault," Fox McCloud and company have returned to the action genre but with a twist on the original playing standards.

While the series' staple space shooting levels have returned in fine form, the developers also added ground combat to the mix. "Starfox 64" included a few ground-based tank missions, but they were of a linear, rails-shooting nature.

This time around, land missions are in free-roaming, 3-D environments. Some missions require a landmaster tank, others require the player to explore on foot and some are based entirely around space shooting. Many missions even require the use of all three modes of transportation, and switching between them is seamless.

> The developers tried to add a new playing style to the 'Starfox' series, and they succeeded, but the game would have been better if they had not tampered with the formula.

When I first started playing through the game, I was impressed.

The first level took place solely inside the confines of a spaceship as I shot down strategically placed enemies while flying through a graphically impressive environment.

As I got further into the game, I began to be less impressed. Levels like the first are few and far between in this game, which is unfortunate, as they are the best parts of the game by far.

However, the ground-based missions are functional. They just did not have the same magical feel as the space shooting sections did.

The developers tried to add a new playing style to the "Starfox" series, and they succeeded, but the game would have been better if they had not tampered with the formula.

The game's largest downfall is its length; or rather, lack of length. A skilled player can easily reach the end credits in one sitting. However, there is incentive to replay it multiple times. By earning better scores, you can unlock hidden arcade classics, like "Xevious," as well as items for the new multiplayer mode.

This new multiplayer game allows players to combat each other in levels taken from the main game.

Aside from some weapons being virtually useless, this mode is a fine addition to the game, but it is nothing to get too excited about.

On a slightly more positive note, "Assault" fleshes out its story better than any other "Starfox" games in the past. The characters' relationships are portrayed well (at least as well as a friendship between a fox and a falcon can be portrayed) and the reasons for visiting each of the planets are believable.

In addition, the overall "Starfox" world seems more believable now. Planets are recognizable, and revisiting old favorites leaves a warm feeling inside.

For those unsure of what I mean by this, just compare me playing this game to a long-time "Star Wars" fan seeing "Episode 1" for the first time. It may not be that great, but a special connection is grown between the viewer/player and the film/game.

"Starfox: Assault" is a fun weekend rental for Gamecube owners. However, it is nothing to brag about to your X-Box or Playstation 2-owning friends.

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Leopards shut out Menlo



Jenna Campbell

A base hit with the bases loaded allowed Amber Guerra (No.5) of the Leopards to come home safe against Oaks catcher Jessica Courson (No.17), Saturday at Wheeler Park. The University of La Verne's softball team prevailed with an 8-0, 9-0 doubleheader sweep over Menlo College. They take on the University of Redlands in a three game series this week.

Matt Griffin
Staff Writer

In a two game set, the University of La Verne softball team brought their A game. Not letting a single run score between the two games, La Verne produced 17 runs claiming a victory over Menlo College in both games. In the first game, the Leopards shut down Menlo 8-0 followed by another shut out victory of 9-0.

In game one, sophomore Mary Olson pitched a complete game shut out and only allowed two hits.

The Leopards' defense was phenomenal. With no errors and perfect pitching, Menlo did not have a chance.

La Verne's scoring drive started off with back to back home runs by sophomore first baseman Ashley Savage and junior pitcher Amanda Jones, who was filling in at shortstop for the injured Jessica DeGiacomo.

This wasn't enough for the Leopards. Senior catcher Amber Guerra earned a base on balls, which was followed by a flawless bunt by senior outfielder A.J. Taggart, putting runners on second and third with one out.

Next up was Jones, who also laid down a bunt scoring Guerra and Taggart putting the score at 4-0 in the bottom of the fifth.

In the bottom of the sixth, third baseman Lindsey Padilla hit a double to right field. With another walk earned by Guerra, the Leopards had runners on first and second with no outs.

Jones sealed the sweet victory with a three run homer ending game one.

In game two, Jones pitched exceptionally well, allowing no runs. Guerra and Taggart both earned singles followed by a one out blast by Savage scoring two and putting La Verne in the lead to close the first inning.

An RBI single by Guerra gave La Verne another run putting the Score at 3-0.

With a controversial call in the bottom of the third, freshman Jody Lindsey was only awarded a ground rule double which looked to be more like a home run by most of the viewing audience.

The ball clearly went over the fence but it was ruled by the umpires that it went over because a Menlo outfielder knocked over the fence.

With runners on second and third, sophomore outfielder Morgan Dobis hit a two RBI single to right setting the score at 5-0 in the bottom of the third.

> 'We are ready for conference; we need to just keep coming out with our bats and play solid defense.'
> *—Amanda Jones, junior shortstop*

The scoring frenzy continued with Guerra on her mark hitting a one out home run over the left center field fence.

With the game at 6-0, Dobis was not finished; she placed her number on the home run list by putting the ball over the left center field fence.

A bottom of the fifth single by freshman closing pitcher Karina Ortiz put runners on first and second.

To secure the win, Jones completed the scoring drive with a game ending double scoring by both Ortiz and Guerra.

"The team wanted these games which boosted our confidence," Head Coach Robin Haaker said.

"We are expecting for Jessica DeGiacomo and Kelly Silagyi to be 100 percent for next week," Haaker said.

Jones expressed confidence in the Leopards as they begin conference play next week.

"We are ready for conference; we need to just keep coming out with our bats and play solid defense,"Jones said.

The Leopards had a disappointing start to their season dropping their first two games, 4-1 and 7-0 to Point Loma Nazarene Jan. 29. La Verne's lone run came from second baseman Suzy Riker.

Despite the Leopard's rough start, the team came back with a vengeance dominating their doubleheader against Hope International University, 8-2 and 4-0, on Feb. 5.

DeGiacomo led the Leopards on the scoreboard with a home run, triple and single in the first game, scoring three of La Verne's eight runs along with four RBI's. Jones pitched a fierce game allowing only two runs, in her four inning field time.

DeGiacomo increased her batting average with another two hits and two RBI's. Taggart sealed off the victory with two hits and one run scored.

The Leopards will be taking on University of Redlands in a three game series this week.

The series begins at 3 p.m. today in La Verne followed by a double header 12 p.m. Saturday at Redlands.

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More than a game

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When Super Bowl time rolls around, money flows, pride comes out and everybody waits to see if they come out on top like the Patriots.

Placing bets on the Super Bowl is a tradition that spans everywhere from schools to Las Vegas and the workplace. People involved in Super Bowl betting have various methods for the biggest payoffs.

"I always try and bet on what has the best odds," sophomore Gerard Kiamco said. "But sometimes it is really hard because you can bet on almost anything especially if you are in Vegas."

Las Vegas, sin city, gambling capital of the world, offers Super Bowl enthusiasts a variety of bets and odds besides the obvious 'who will win the game' bet.

People looking to improve their cash flow can place bets on things such as, Who will score the first points? Who will kick the first field goal? Who will win the coin toss?

Betting on the Super Bowl can be less complex with an office or school Super Bowl pool. A pool consists of people paying money to pick a square which in return gives them two numbers. If those two numbers match up with the final score of each quarter, they win. Pools can vary in prices from $20 a square to over a $100.

"I have been organizing Super Bowl pools for a long time now," Jose Garcia, 28, of La Verne said. "My dad and I started it and people have fun with it. It's fun watching and waiting to see if you have the right numbers. It makes the game more interesting and the best part is when you win."

More often than not people placing bets come out on the losing side of things thinking of many different ways they could have used the money.

"It's fun betting on the game but what a waste of money," Kiamco said.

"I put my money on the Eagles and they blew, but I guess that is the chance you take. You just never know in sports," he said.

On the flip side, certain lucky fans came out on the winning side this year making their Super Bowl a more joy-

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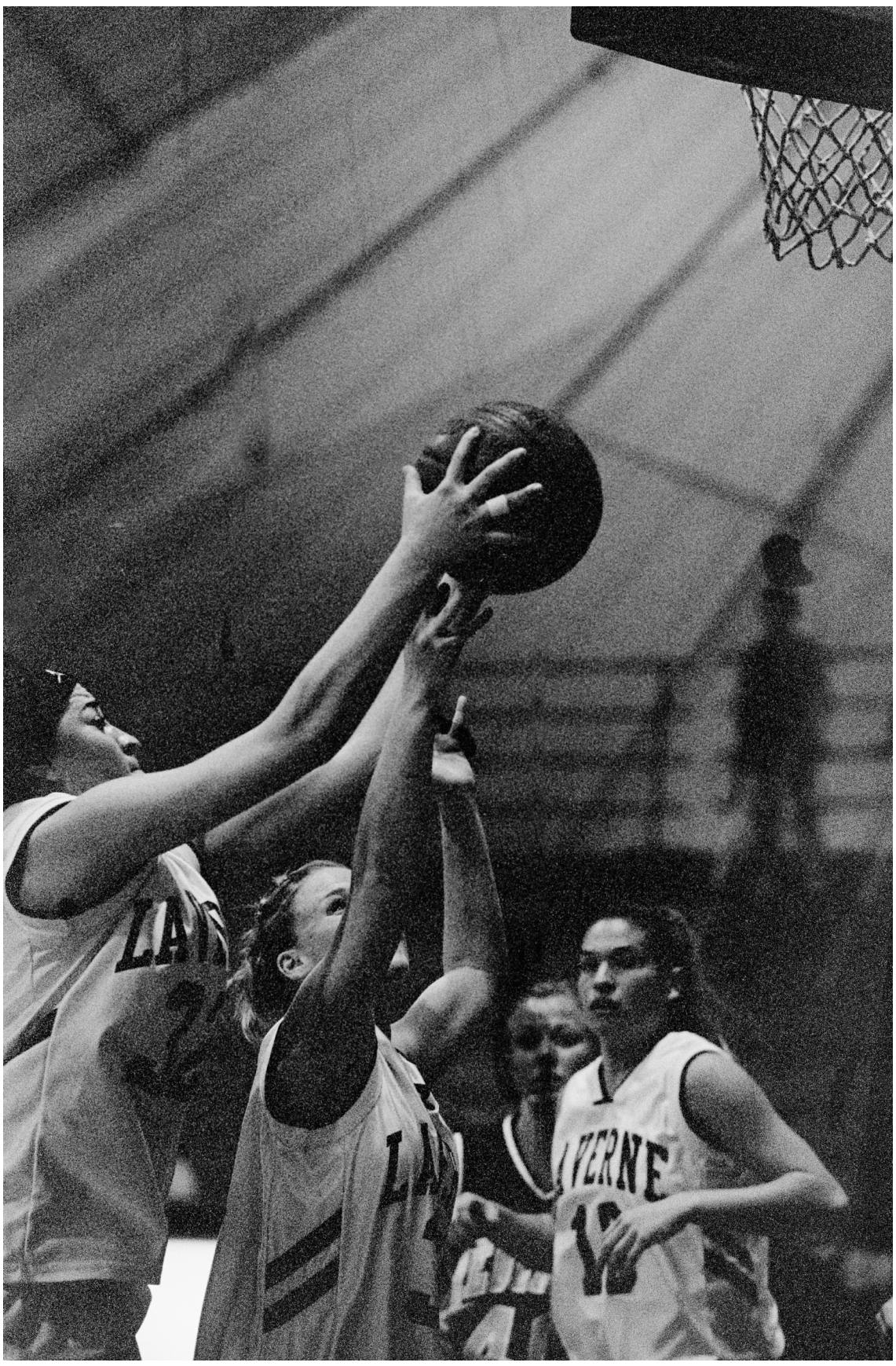
Leopards steal victory from CMS



Gloria Diaz

Going for the rebound, Janie Cozine (No. 32) and Stephanie Foster (No. 35) look to increase the University of La Verne's 21-point first half lead over the University of Redlands. The Bulldogs closed the lead to defeat the Leopards, 58-54. Foster contributed 15 points to the game.

Adrian Medrano
Staff Writer

The University of La Verne women's basketball team held off a late Claremont-Mudd-Scripps rally en route to a 49-48 Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference battle, Saturday.

The Athenas (16-5, 7-3) took a 48-47 lead, their first of the second half, when Betsey Butterick sunk an impressive three pointer with 50 seconds left in the game. However, the Athenas were unable to keep possession of the ball and hold onto the lead.

The Leopards' senior point guard Sally Marroquin created a turnover with the game on the line and drove the length of the court to make the winning lay-up after the Athenas regained possession.

they out-rebounded the Athenas 47-40. The Leopards smothering defense also held the Athenas to a 27-percent field goal percentage.

"Our rebounding was great tonight," Foster said. "Coach (Julie) Kline really stresses boxing out to us."

The victory marked the Leopards' 50th straight win and moved them into a second place tie with the Athenas in the SCIAC standings. The victory also avenges an earlier loss to the Athenas.

Freshmen Marissa Raya led the offensive attack with a team high 11 points. Foster also contributed nine points, including a three pointer. Sophomore Janie Cozine had a commanding 11 rebounds in the Leopards' victorious effort.

After three straight SCIAC defeats, the Leopards found its

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> *—Stephanie Foster, senior guard*

Athena head coach Jodie Burton did not elect to call a timeout after Marroquin's lay-up which forced her team to play a bit more reckless in their last attempt to win the game.

Courtney Hicks, the Leopards' senior shooting guard, blocked the final shot of the game and Marroquin fittingly came up, with the steal to seal the victory. Marroquin finished the game with eight points, nine rebounds and five assists.

"It got a little scary towards the end, especially when they went up by one," said Leopard senior guard Stephanie Foster. "I knew we would be able to pull it off. I'm really proud of our team."

The Leopards (11-10, 7-3) won the battle in the post as

winning touch. The duo of Marroquin and Hicks combined for a total of 43 points in a 68-60 victory over Occidental College, Jan. 29.

Raya led the Leopards' charge with 23 points against the 67-49 triumph over Pomona-Pitzer, Feb. 3.

Junior Nicole Gerber went seven for seven from the field and finished with 14 points against Cal Tech adding to their 62-28 victory on Feb. 5, while Foster posted 16 points in the Leopards' win over Whittier, 67-45, last Thursday.

The Leopards continue SCIAC play tonight in Thousand Oaks against Cal Lutheran.

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Baseball hits off another successful season

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Coming off a fantastic season a year ago, the University of La Verne men's baseball team began their 2005 campaign just as they finished last season, on top.

The Leopards, who were last year's Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference champions, began the new year winning three of their first four games beginning with a hard-fought 5-4 victory over the No. 19 ranked Biola University Eagles of the National Athletic Intercollegiate Association, losing 13-1 to the same Biola team, a thrilling 5-3 victory over Concordia University and a commanding 8-2 win over the University of British Columbia.

Once again, the story of the game was pinch-hitter Jason House, who for the second consecutive game hit a pinch-hit home run. This time House hit a two-run shot that put the exclamation point on the Leopards' victory.

"Jason has really started to put things together," head coach Scott Winterburn said. "It's hard to sit on the bench and come in for one at bat, but Jason is that type of kid and he can really hit a fastball."

The Leopard pitching staff held British Colombia in check the entire game with their two aces Mark Simmons and Scott Lindeen, who both pitched four innings of shutout baseball. Lindeen picked up the victory, his first of the season.

"Our pitching staff, they pitched as well as any pitching staff can pitch," Winterburn said. "We only had one walk the whole game and our defense had no errors, which was huge."

Offensively the Leopards were led by left fielder Daniel Talbot who went one for two with two RBI's and Michael Bockstahler who finished the game with two hits.

Sparks flew in the Leopards' victory over Concordia when pinch hitter House stepped up to the plate in the bottom of the seventh inning and hit a three-run home run leading the Leopards to the 5-3 victory. Before the home run, the game was a pitching battle as Concordia held a slim 2-0 advantage.

Other Leopards who contributed to the victory were catcher BJ DuBarry, who continued his early season hot streak going 3 for 4 with a RBI, and first-baseman Jonathan Marty who went 1 for 2 with an RBI.

Craig Neu picked up his second victory of the season after coming in to relieve starter Michael Bockstahler who pitched five strong innings. Closer Anthony Ornelas also recorded his second save of the season.

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The second of the three Leopard games is one they would like to forget. After beating Biola in the first game with great pitching and clutch hitting, both disappeared as Biola avenged the loss with a hit parade resulting in a 13-1 victory for the Eagles.

The only Leopard run came off the bat of catcher Dubarry who smacked a towering home run in the bottom of the sixth inning. Dubarry finished the game going 3 for 4. First baseman Marty and third-baseman Jason Jarvis each went 2 for 3 respectively.

"The difference between the two games was the pitching," Winterburn said. "They were just hitting us all over the park."

Opening game of the season between the Leopards and Biola was a far different story then game two.

Biola jumped to an early 2-0

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Men's basketball rounds up Stags

Mike Senyo
Staff Writer

The men's basketball team tamed the Claremont-Mudd-Scripps Stags on Saturday night, in the Supertents at the University of La Verne, 87-81.

Jason Greenlee led the Leopards with 24 points and five rebounds. Lanier Brown had 17 points and Vic Reynolds chipped in with 12 points.

"A big win against a quality team is always a big plus," Greenlee said.

Leading the charge against Claremont, Greenlee said, "We are a pretty constant team, anyone can step up and take charge, tonight it just happened to be me."

The game went back and forth between both teams with Claremont leading at half time 43-40.

Brandon Newte ignited the Leopard offense in the second half by contributing 11 points and three boards to help ULV obtain the win.

With four minutes and nine seconds left in the second half, the Leopards went on an eight point run to seal the win. Claremont was unable to catch up and the Leopards provided stellar defensive play in the last three minutes of the game.

The Leopards had a tough week with their heartbreaking last minute loss to Whittier, 81-79, on Feb. 9. Down by 16 points, the Leopards came back only to lose with Jason Greenlee's three point miss in the final seconds of the game for the win.

"This win was huge. We dropped a tough one at Whittier because we didn't have a consistent effort," head coach Gabe Duran said. "The guys were down after that loss."

The difference factor in the Claremont game was that the Leopards did not full court press their opponent.

"I wish I could say it was my foresight but it was more of a hunch. The first time we played them we had a full court press. I thought we had more energy tonight at half court and that made us better," Duran said. This was the first time all year that the Leopards did not press its opponent.

Senior Dane Sawyer was very pleased with the win.

"We stayed strong the entire game and didn't have any real lapses. We kept plugging away through-out the game," Sawyer said. "This win was very big for us because we don't know exactly where we are and it shows what we can do when we are solid."

Among the offensive leaders for Claremont was Bryan Jolly with 26 points and five rebounds. Jordan Crumley was hot from three point land scoring all 12 of his points in the first half but was unable to sink any baskets for the rest of the game.

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Bets...

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ous occasion.

"I followed some sports advice and I won," junior Maritza Alvarado said. "I won $300 and now it's time to spend some money."

For others, betting on the game was not their cup of tea; watching was the ideal thing to do.

While most students watched the game from home, Professor of Psychology, Kathleen Wellbrock was in Jacksonville watching the game from the stands.

"This is the second time I have been to a Super Bowl game and the experience is amazing," Wellbrock said. "It's exciting, the entire town comes alive with festivities the week before the game and this Super Bowl seemed more electric for some reason."

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lead in the first inning and threatened to break open the game by having the bases loaded with no outs.

Leopard starter Mark Simmons shifted the momentum back on the Leopards' side ending the Eagle threat by striking out the next three batters to end the inning.

Two runs in the top of the fifth sparked the Leopards as they tied the Eagles off of RBI hits from Michael Bockstahler and Daniel Talbot.

After giving up two more runs in the bottom of the sixth, the Leopards regained the lead for good, scoring three runs in the top of the seventh inning taking advantage of two big Biola errors.

Leopard starter Neu recorded the victory while Ornelas allowed just one hit in the ninth inning picking up his first save of the season.

La Verne continues competition against Redlands today, at 2:30 p.m. on Ben Hines Field.

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Track starts on right foot

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The University of La Verne men and women track teams kicked off their season with top performances in the Caltech All-Comers Meet in Pasadena on Saturday.

The 4x100-meter relay, including Krystle Luckey, Erica Holmes, Lauren Johnson and Kristine Stokes, and the 4x200-meter relay, including Janelle Daniel, Stokes, Holmes and Luckey, both took first place.

"I think we have a strong team with a lot of talent this year. Our goal this season, as it every season is to become SCIAC champions," junior Kristine Stokes said.

Senior Ellen Soakai exceeded the 40 feet mark in the women's shot put event.

As for the men's team, Blaine Bacher, Philip Craig, Darnell Gilbert and Jethro Acenas took first place in the 4x100-meter and Donte Witherspoon, Craig, Bacher and Gilbert took second in the 4x200-meter relay.

Junior Blaine Bacher won the 400-meter hurdles, beating All-American Roman Mernan from Claremont-Mudd-Scripps. Mernan defeated Bacher in the past in the same event.

Other notables were Witherspoon, who marked 20 11/12 feet in the long jump. In the triple jump, junior Philip Craig was marked at 42 2/3 feet. Sophomore Darnell Gilbert had a great showing in the 100-meter race with a time of 10.7 seconds. Sophomore Efrain Partida had a top performance in the mile race with a time of 4.31 minutes.

The men's and women's teams competed in their first indoor meet Feb. 5 at the Mountain T Invitational in Flagstaff, Ariz. where both the men's and women's teams had top performances.

At the Mountain T Invitational, sophomore Chelsea Shire broke a ULV record of 11 1/6 feet set in 1998 by Jamie Lawrence.

Shire's vault cleared 11-7 3/4 feet qualifying her for the National Collegiate Athletic Association Indoor Championship.

"I think everybody stepped up and we held our own against Division I schools," sophomore Erica Holmes said.

Another preseason meet that the Leopards participated in was the Citrus All-Comers Meet held in Glendora on Jan. 24.

Junior Erica Pembleton broke a school record of 150 feet in the hammer throw.

"I expect both teams to compete for the championship," head coach Pat Widolff said.

"We're doing good, and we have a good coaching staff," he said.

The Leopards continue their season Saturday at the Pomona-Pitzer All-Comers meet in Claremont.

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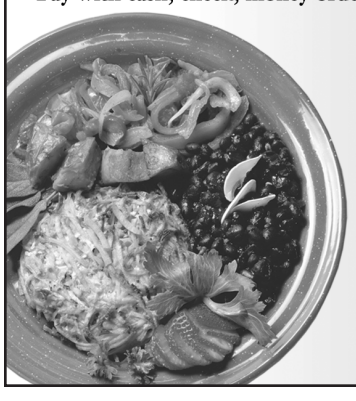

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Bulldogs fetch a win against ULV

Sarah Weaver
Staff Writer

University of La Verne lost its second match at the Blikenstaff Tennis Pavilion Saturday to Redlands, 9-0.

After rain delayed their 9:30 a.m. match, ULV met up with Redlands for a 1 p.m. start. The Leopards lost all three doubles matches and their six singles matches.

The No. 1 doubles team sophomore Jessica Baker and senior Lacy Cascadden lost, 4-8. The women had a slow start but began to pick up games towards the end of the match. Unfortunately, it was not enough to save the set but they are excited to meet up against Redlands later this season.

The second doubles match-up senior Michelle Tang and senior Michelle Fontanez also lost with a score of 2-8, and at three first season senior Chrissy Zehrbach and sophomore Katie Nash finished it off with a 0-8 loss.

"We went out and gave it our all," said Cascadden. "We are excited because we have the highest caliber team that we have ever had. It's tough to start the season out by playing a team like Redlands, they are one of the top in the division."



Reina Santa Cruz

Playing hard in a doubles match against Redlands, sophomore Jessica Baker returns a volley at the Blickenstaff Tennis Pavilion. Baker and her partner, senior Lacy Cascadden, did their best against the Bulldogs, but lost their match. La Verne's three doubles teams gave up the bone to the Bulldogs, 9-0. Despite their rough start, the Leopards have a positive outlook for the season.

The singles match started with the number one spot, Baker, who lost 2-6, 0-6.

"Jessica played a great first set and then fizzled out," said head coach Brian Harrison.

Cascadden was second with a 2-6, 1-6 loss. Sophomore Alisa Nadjalian, Fontanez, Zehrbach and Nash were also defeated in their singles matches.

Harrison said the women "played great against tough opponents."

The Leopards won their first match against Cal State San Bernardino, 6-3, on Feb. 1. This is the first time La Verne women's tennis has won the first match of the season. It was also the Leopards' first win over a Div. II School.

"We swept the doubles number one, two, and three. Nadjalian, Fontanez and Badkoubei won their matches. It's a great win to beat a school in a better division," Harrison said.

Last year, the Leopards tied for fifth place in their division.

'This year should be good. We lost a couple of good players but we picked up some girls that filled the spots well. We're better now'
—Brian Harrison, head coach

"In terms of ULV tennis it was probably the best season ever," Harrison said. "The girls are ready and anxious starting this new season; they have new skills and are refining them as a team."

"This year should be good. We lost a couple of good players but we picked up some girls that filled the spots well," Harrison said. "We're better now."

The next match is Feb. 26 against Occidental.

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Leopard Scoreboard

At the Buzzer

Men's Basketball, Feb. 16
Redlands -- 106
La Verne -- 109

Women's Basketball, Feb. 15
Redlands -- 58
La Verne -- 54

Schedule

Today
Baseball vs. Redlands @ 2:30 p.m.
Softball vs. Redlands @ 3 p.m.

Tonight
Women's Basketball @ Cal Lutheran @ 7:30 p.m.

Tomorrow
Softball @ Redlands @ 12 p.m.
Track and Field @ Claremont @ 11 a.m.,

Did You Know?

Frisbees have come a long way from the kind you toss around at the park. Now there's Ultimate Frisbee, developed on college campuses in the 1960s, mixing soccer, basketball, basketball and American football. ULV has even joined the craze, inviting students to play on Feb. 19 at 12 p.m on Ortmayer Field.