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Author speaks on Mexican culture

•Speech addresses border issues

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Editor In Chief

Discussing the early history of Mexican-American culture Tuesday morning in La Fetra Lecture Hall, Dr. Carlos Vélez-Ibañez, spoke of a society in which there were no borders.

"The border is a construct that has been created over time," said Dr. Vélez-Ibañez, dean of humanities, arts and social sciences of the University of California, Riverside. He said he would like to develop a cultural influence throughout areas where no border is needed.

"The connection [between Mexicans and Americans] goes along a land base not an ocean base. Those connections are very intense," he said. "The history of the southwest was a series of alliances, and migrations from the south never ceased."

The lecture was made possible by a diversity grant from the James Irvine Foundation and the University of La Verne Honors Speakers Series.

Dr. Vélez-Ibañez is an author of multiple books and articles in the fields of sociocultural anthropology and ethnic and class relations, including his most recent book "Border Visions: Mexican Cultures of the Southwest United States."

He spoke to ULV about the Mexican culture and how Mexicans migrated from Mexico to California and were then forced to return back to Mexico after a border was developed.

Dr. Vélez-Ibañez stated how his main interest is in what makes us human beings and the history that comes along with each individual, plus the cultural diversity that is within the world. He feels that the Mexican border is the reason the diversity is where it is at.

A few ideas were read by Dr. Vélez-Ibañez, directly from his book "Border Visions," which explained in minor detail how his family history was and how his father and ancestors handled the difficult situations.

"It was a war of survival," said Dr. Vélez-Ibañez, referring to a passage in his book of how cultures fought with other cultures in order to survive.

"The border as an entity was not present in people's minds such as it is right now," he said.

According to Dr. Vélez-Ibañez, 5,000 Mexicans had to return to Mexico after the Stock Market Crash in 1929, and this made the economy fall through. One third of those 5,000 people were actually U.S. citizens.

"A portion of that population were born in the United States and they were all sent back [to Mexico]," said Dr. Vélez-Ibañez. "Most of them then came back to fight in the war. It was filled with contradiction and paradox that is an artifact of economy."

"The border itself created the problem. Before 1949 there was no cultural difference," he said.

"I believe that Dr. Vélez-Ibañez's presentation was of great importance, not only to the Mexican-American population

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Michael P. Bailey

Dr. Carlos Vélez-Ibañez, dean of humanities arts and social sciences at UC Riverside, lectured Tuesday on border relations between the United States and Mexico. Sponsored by the University of La Verne's Honors Program, along with the James Irvine Diversity Grant Series, Dr. Vélez-Ibañez wrote "Border Visions," published by University of Arizona Press in 1996. After the lecture, faculty and students came to the lobby for a book signing.

Committee selects alumni finalists

Jazmine Ponce
Staff Writer

After an exclusive search for a new director of alumni affairs, the committee has narrowed down the candidates to three finalists.

The search began with 15 candidates in September when former director of alumni affairs, Donna Redman-Nasmith, resigned.

After the first search ended in December and no one was hired, a second search uncovered the three finalists. Dr. Jean Bjerke, vice president of University Relations, is head of the committee, which consists of six members.

"I believe the director of alumni affairs is a tremendously important job. We have done a rigorous and outstanding search to fill the position left by Donna Redman-Nasmyith," said Dr. Bjerke.

Each of the three candidates will go through a final interview process. There will be five hours of private interviews that will be held Feb. 17-19. All candidates were required to have graduated with a bachelor's degree and have experience in alumni relations.

The candidates will be judged on the ability to relate and work well with others, fundraising, developing a relationship with the staff of alumni relations, experience with planning and organizing events and the responsibility of contacting alumni.

"We have a number of very well qualified candidates that have been interviewed and we hope to have a final decision by the end of February," said Dr. Bjerke.

The director of alumni affairs will be responsible for programs, fundraising, all alumni events, including the annual alumni weekend and alumni Homecoming events. The new director will begin his/her job by the end of March. If no director is chosen a new search process will begin immediately.

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Spring orientation teaches survival tips

Shiva Rahimi
Staff Writer

New spring semester students at the University of La Verne had the opportunity to learn expectations and survival tips of the University in an orientation program Wednesday.

Kate Mueller, coordinator of student development programs, said the event was to be a short and sweet version of new student orientation camp, traditionally held Labor Day weekend.

Due to the students' schedules and faculty meetings, the event took about three hours in the Landis Academic Center rather than a weekend of activities at the traditional campsite of Pilgrim Pines, the location that ULV takes its new students to every fall semester.

Upon arriving, La Verne's newcomers were greeted by energetic faculty, administrators and Orientation Week Leaders (OWLs). Approximately 12 students attended the event, most of which were transfer students.

The faculty from targeted areas of business and global studies, political science, and general education made their presentations regarding academics, student and faculty relationships, and expectations of the University.

Art Stenmo, director of academic advising, answered questions from the group and said, "Our focus is on helping you graduate. We emphasize that you take responsibility for your education."

Lynnette Torres, a junior transfer student from Citrus College, said, she really likes the personal attention given to students by faculty at ULV.

OWLs informed the new students about organizations on campus, how to get involved in them and stressed the importance of extra-cirricular activities at ULV.

Torres said, "This orientation has helped me feel more comfortable to inquire about certain topics," and that questions of where and how she could get e-mail accounts, on-line services, as well as who to contact for her particular interests have all been answered.

Mario Guerrero, a freshman OWL for the 1998-99 orientation, said, "This orientation event helped the students learn about ULV, how it works, and what ULV can do for them."

The orientation went well because "it was a great opportunity for new ULV students to meet some faculty, talk candidly with current students and get a better sense of the ULV community," said Mueller.

ASF Minutes

The Associated Student Federation (ASF) Forum met in the West Dining Room on Wednesday, looking at new committee assignments, special elections and the revised account balance.

'Price is Right'

ASF is going to "The Price is Right" game show Wednesday, Feb. 18. Space is limited and sign-ups are at the Student Center Desk. ASF also has limited transportation space, so let them know if a ride is needed. If interested, sign-up and meet at the ASF office at 8 a.m. They will be arriving back at ULV around 5 p.m.

Members Absent

Freshman Lehi Dowell was the only member absent this week. If members are absent more than two times, they will automatically be terminated from the Forum.

Budget

The ASF Budget is currently $57,051.86 and in contingency there is $21,403.82.

—Erica Aguilar



Project depicts Generation Xers



Summer Herndon

Stage manager Shae Huberts, senior Chryseis Alexander and sophomore Jessica Wotherspoon all participated in "Our Generation," a senior project play that was written and directed by Jennifer Rodriguez. They are crowded around a teen magazine that was once popular in the 1980s and features teen idols such as Johnny Depp and River Phoenix. "Our Generation" focuses on the lifestyles of Generation Xers living in the 1980s compared to the present, where technology is on a rise.

'Little Rock Nine' member recounts historical moment

Michelle Thornton
Staff Writer

Dr. Terrence Roberts is visiting the University of La Verne on Feb. 26, as a guest speaker in honor of Black History Month.

His name may not spark instant recognition for most but his impact on history can not be forgotten.

Dr. Roberts has played an integral part in the history of African Americans. He was a part of what is called the "Little Rock Nine."

In 1957, Dr. Roberts and eight of his fellow black classmates, later to be called the "Little Rock Nine," were the first to integrate Central High School in Little Rock, Ark.

This event horrified many who had become accustomed to the racially discriminative Jim Crow Laws that governed much of the south. President Eisenhower felt it was necessary to send the 101st Airborne Division to Little Rock to enforce the desegregation of Central High.

Harvel Lewis, adviser of minority student affairs, said that the reason Dr. Roberts was asked to speak was because it is he was present during the making of history and that is something that happens very seldom.

The visit is sponsored by Minority Student Affairs, ASF, Coolition for Diversity, AASA and the Behavioral Science Club.

"It just covers Black History Month perfectly because it deals with history," said Lewis.

Roberts, now a clinical psychologist with his own practice, is also co- founder of the African American Cultural Institute that operates in the Pasadena and Altadena areas.

He is also co-chair of the master's psychology program at Antioch University in Los Angeles.

Dr. Roberts will be speaking at 10:30 am in Founders Hall auditorium. His speech will be entitled "Little Rock, 1957: Message and Metaphor for 1998."

Dean's List, Fall 1997

The following students earned grade point averages of 3.75 or better in the College Of Arts and Sciences and School Of Business and Global Studies during the fall 1997 semester.

Andrea Alvarez
Eliza Amanat
Jaime Anderson
Michael Anklin
Ahlam Attiyah
Ivan Ayro
James Ball
Ana Becerra
Shannon Beets
Melissa Behr
Mitchell Berthelson
Lynsey Best
Jesus Borges
Marcia Boyd
Roseann Boyd
Deanna Brush
Justin Cable
Deborah Carrera
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Makenzie DiPietro
Laura Duckworth
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Stephanie Escalante
Pamela Foerstel
Jerome Garcia
Jamie Gee
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Daniel Jordan
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Maribel Mejia
Lyn Marie Merrill
Angela Mlinarevic
Naoko Naito
Hoang-Quyen Nguyen
Eric Noyes
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Justin Ott
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Janet Perez
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Shiu Kei Tsui
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Annette Villa
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Kayleen Weeks
Anna Werner
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Desiree Yoro

Lewinsky double gains internship

Alicia Gibson
Assistant News Editor

KIIS-FM, a Los Angeles-based radio station, sponsored its first Monica Lewinsky look-a-like contest at a Wienerschnitzel restaurant in North Hollywood on Friday, Jan. 30.

A University of La Verne student entered the contest. Kimbley Craig, a senior criminology major, became one of three finalists out of nearly two dozen. Craig won the contest by gaining the most applause when her name was called.

"It was intimidating for me, but they made it fun," said Craig.

Craig's friend informed her of the contest, and so she decided to enter.

"A lot of people told me I looked like her," said Craig.

Craig has gained some recognition from the contest, winning $1,000 and an internship with the radio station. She works for the Rick Dees' morning show, answering phones, pulling music and making special appearances as Monica Lewinsky.

At a recent Dodger event, Craig appeared as Lewinsky, greeting people at the door, taking pictures and signing autographs. She was paid $50 an hour by KIIS-FM for the appearance.

> 'I'm doing it all in good fun. I'm enjoying it and it is a good experience.'
> —*Kimbley Craig, senior*

Craig does not get paid for the internship, but she does get paid for the special appearances she makes.

"They make it worth my while," said Craig.

Craig said she is not trying to make this White House scandal into a joke.

"I'm doing it all in good fun," said Craig. "I'm enjoying it and it is a good experience."



Christie Reed

Cashing in on uncanny similarities, senior Kimbley Craig won first place and $1,000 in a KIIS FM-sponsored Monica Lewinsky look-alike contest Jan. 30. Senior Jennifer Pashone convinced her to enter the contest, which featured between 20 and 24 look-alikes. "I had a final that morning at 8:30 and I had to be in Hollywood at 7:15." Although she was late to her final, the senior criminology major also received an internship at the radio station.

Student position accepts candidates

Reginald Miller
Staff Writer

A vacancy for student coordinator of activities is available for the spring 1998 term.

The position is opened to all registered traditional full-time undergraduates.

Students looking for an opportunity to become more involved in student life at La Verne are being sought by Melissa Jaunal, coordinator of student programs and affairs, the position's supervisor. Those who work well with others and have the desire to showcase leadership programming skills are encouraged to apply for the position.

Headlining the responsibilities of the position is the development of an annual calender of student life events for publication and distribution. Coordinating monthly educational activities for students as well as serving on committees also fill the job description.

Qualifications for the position are common with other leadership positions on campus. A maintained grade point average (G.P.A.) of 2.5 or higher is required. Positive character traits, including responsibility, reliability and dependability, are a must.

Timewise, the job asks for 10 hours per week minimum. The hired student will receive a $1,200 annual Leadership Education and Development Program (LEAD) scholarship ($600 per semester) and have an automatic membership into the LEAD program.

Auxiliary qualifications include artistic ability, creativity and previous programming experience. Students are encouraged to "use their own creativity," said Jaunal.

Applications for this position may be picked up at the Student Center desk. The deadline to return applications is Feb. 27.

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in the audience, but to everyone in the ULV community who attended the lecture," said Dr. Andrea Labinger, professor of Spanish. "The U.S.-Mexican border, as he pointed out, is a political, not a cultural entity. Border cultural permeates the entire region, both north and south of that political dividing line. Every one of us is affected by the way in which cultures have bumped one another and coalesced through the centuries," she said.

Dr. Vélez-Ibañez feels that it is very important for people to know their history, in order for people to know who they are and where they want to go.

Because of the short time that was left after the lecture only a few questions from the audience were asked. However, Dr. Vélez-Ibañez did sign his book after the lecture for whoever was interested.

In The News

Prism Reading

A reading of the 20th Anniversary Edition of ULV's literary/art/photo magazine will be held Tuesday, Feb. 17, at 7 p.m. in the President's Dining Room. This edition features poetry, art and photographs of current students, faculty, staff and administrators, and also representative poetry from each of the previous years, beginning with 1977.

Admission is free and refreshments will be served.

Summer Internships

The J. Paul Getty Trust is now accepting applications for summer internships from culturally diverse undergraduate students interested in exploring careers in art museums and other related areas of the visual arts and humanities. Specialization in the arts and humanities is not required, and students of all academic areas are encouraged to apply. Internships are full-time, beginning June 15 through Aug. 21. The application deadline is March 2. For more information, call (310) 440-6966.

Women and Law

The 23rd National Conference on Women and the Law will be held in San Francisco at the Bill Graham Civic Center Auditorium on March 19, 20, 21 and 22. It is organized by female law students and law professors, attorneys and judges, and addresses women's issues that relate to the law. Register before Feb. 25 and save money. For more information, call (415) 442-6648 or visit the Website (http://www.womlaw.org).

Poetry Contest

Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum is offering a grand prize of $500 in its new Awards of Poetic Excellence poetry contest. Poets may enter one poem only, 20 lines or fewer, on any subject, any style. The contest is free to enter and open to everyone, although entries must be sent by March 31.

Rush Sign-ups

Rush sign-ups continue through Friday, Feb. 20 from 10 a.m.- 1 p.m. Sign-ups take place at the Seal and Rush Week is scheduled for Feb. 22-28.

—*Jennifer Parsons*

Stu-Han gives students cold shoulder

We can all be accused of taking things for granted, especially our basic needs, like a roof over our heads, food and water. But for those students who live in Stu-Han, especially Wing Four, water has become a basic nuisance, and hot water has become scarce.

If you are not the first one in the shower early in the morning, ice-cold water is what you have to look forward to.

"After 7:30 a.m., there is not hot water," said sophomore Jaime Ortega.

What a great way to begin a chilly winter morning.

Students in Stu-Han have been promised hot water since their return to the residence hall after winter break.

"Every other day it is cold, since Christmas," said Ortega.

Christmas was months ago. What is the problem?

Students have been forced to find other ways of showering, some trying different wings, or even going over to Brandt, and some have resorted to even going home to shower.

If this was a place of rent, this problem would have been solved first thing, not six to eight weeks later. Students living in the dorms pay more per month than those living off campus, and this is what they have to put up with. Hot water is a must, not a want.

Why is this such a problem, whose job is it to fix it, and when will it be fixed? Students have tried taking this problem in their own hands calling and complaining, but all they get is the run around. They have been told it is getting taken care of, but in actuality, nothing is getting done.

Wing 4 received a note from maintenance a week ago informing them that hot water would be working this past Wednesday. Wednesday night, they were reinformed that it would be fixed by today, because maintenance could not get a hold of an inspector to inspect the new boiler system.

According to Jana Ducret, administrative assistant, the entire problem has been exaggerated.

"When we have gone over there, there has been hot water in all the wings," said Ducret.

Maintenance claims they have only had one legit complaint. The reason they explain for the other non legit complaints is due to the fact that there is an old system, and it was not made for so many students to take such long showers. So, why were so many rooms installed one might ask?

Other complaints were about the water being shut off for repairs, which was a total of 12 and a half hours. The students were told of all these times.

Replacing the boiler system is an ongoing project, and is hoped to be fixed by the end of summer, but we all know how things get fixed so quickly here at ULV (gym floor, leaks in buildings).

So, now the question stands, is there hot water or not? Do students need to continue to look for alternative places to shower, or should we have a hot water monitor sit in the bathrooms to make sure no one takes too long of a shower, in a place where they pay more to live than an apartment?

More importantly, how will ULV compensate for the lack of hot water? Will students be reimbursed for the inconvenience? It seems fair to say that students deserve at least a month's worth of "rent" taken off their over-expensive housing fee. But how practical is that?



Law drives teens off road

Imagine a 16-year-old boy in high school. He is getting ready to start dating girls and he has to ask mommy if she is free on Friday night so she can drive him and his date around town.

Starting July 1, most teenagers will have to do this. The new Brady-Jared Teen Drivers Safety Act passed by the California Legislature will take effect and all 16-year-old teenagers who apply for their permits after that date will have to abide by the new laws, which includes asking parents to supervise their dates or any other social outings that require driving a car.

However, teenagers 16 years old will be able to receive their licenses just like they have been for many years. But now, a few new rules go along with that new responsibility.

Instead of having a permit for only 30 days like it is right now, starting on July 1 permit holders will have to hold on to their permits a little bit longer than usual, six months. A completion of 50 hours of supervised driving (10 of those hours have to be at night) with parental or guardian supervision and not being able to drive between the hours of midnight and 5 a.m. are just a few of the new rules.

The most dramatic change of this is the fact that a 16-year-old cannot drive anyone under 20 around unless he or she is supervised by an adult 20 or older.

Now, are the rules getting a little bit out of control and tedious? What the new act is trying to avoid is teens driving with teens. Knowing the teens today, they probably will not abide by the new laws anyhow, so why have them at all?

What happens on that big prom night in high school? A night that is supposed to be so special between two people, now it can be special between boy, girl and a supervised driver. But what difference does that rule really make when the poor kid has to be out of the driver's seat come midnight anyway?

It is not like these teenagers are out drinking and driving. Legally, they are too young to be doing that, so what is the real problem here?

These new laws just make things more complicated and making more complicated laws will help prevent teen accidents from occurring. What is really going to happen is it is going to take parents away from their already busy schedules and with more and more single parent families, most parents cannot afford it.

If parents were seriously asked how much easier it is on them to not have to worry about picking up their younger kids from school or taking them to some sort of after school practice because they have their teens to rely on, they would realize what they have been taken for granted all these years. Or what about having a big sister pick up a little brother from second grade, all that sort of innocent activity will have to stop and mom will have to leave work to pick up the kids.

Getting your license is such a huge responsibility into adulthood and all of these laws and regulations take that away. The laws were just fine the way they were, there was no need for any change. Accidents happen everyday and we doubt this law is going to stop that.

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From the Editor...

'Dawson's Creek' comes to life



Laura Czingula

What in the hell does a 32-year-old lady want with a 14-year-old kid? Has Mary LeTourneau gone out of her mind?

What 32-year-old teacher falls in love with one of her 13-year-old students, has sex with him and then has his baby?

Well, LeTourneau, of Seattle, Wash., did just that.

Last spring, LeTourneau, who was an elementary school teacher, had a continuous sexual affair with one of her students who was 13 at the time. The child, (who remains unidentified because he is a minor and is now 14) and LeTourneau have an 8-month-old baby girl who is taken care of by the boy's mother.

LeTourneau, who was released early on Jan. 2, was ordered by the court to stay away from the boy. However, last Friday, she violated those terms and was found in a parked car with the boy, more than $6,000 in cash, a passport, men's clothing and a bunch of baby clothes. AP reported that the windows were steamy. Police believe that they planned on running away and possibly taking their baby girl with them.

The more I think of it, the more angry I get. It is totally disgusting to imagine them kissing, let alone having sex and having a baby. At 13, I didn't even think boys could come to the point where they can climax and produce a baby.

What can she possibly see in him? What sort of pleasures does a child give her that any man 18 years old or older and legal could not?

When I think of how one of their Friday nights would be, playing Play Station until the sun rises and drinking milk and eating cookies, it sure sounds romantic to me. Or what about those long intellectual talks that they will have with each other with his junior high education? For God's sake, the boy cannot even get his driver's license and he has a baby girl. He is just a baby himself.

The boy still has a lot of growing up to do in more than one way, if you know what I mean. His body and mind have still not matured to be the man that he will become. If he is pleasuring a 32-year-old women now, just think what he will be able to do five years from now.

What could they possibly have in common with each other, other than sex? Either LeTourneau must be really immature, or the boy must be really mature. But whatever the case is, it does not make it right for them to be together. It is sick that they are together, whether or not they think they are in love.

The same sickness exists in situations on Jerry Springer, where 14 year old girls and 25 year old men profess their love for each other. In both cases, the younger parties are being used because they are too naive to understand their lover's feelings or even their own feelings.

Sure the boy thinks he is in love. Here is a women who probably pays for everything (he cannot have any type of job—the child labor laws only allow children to begin work at the age of 16), probably lets him do what he wants when he wants, has a vehicle to drive him around and has sex with him. At 14, that would sound like the perfect situation to any boy.

When he says he is it truly in love with her, does he even know what love is? Kids think they know everything, but do they know that the brain does not fully develop until the individual is about 18? How could he understand the concept of love if his brain is not fully developed?

Maybe he does and maybe he does not, but nevertheless, the whole situation is still gross and should not have continued to go on.

The state of Washington should have given LeTourneau a strict restraining order against seeing the boy.

She does not have it all together upstairs, in my opinion. She must have some sort of chemical imbalance, because this sort of thing is just absurd.

LeTourneau was ordered to prison for seven and a half years when she violated her early probation by seeing the boy. She should not have been released early in the first place.

Whether it is an older woman with a much younger boy or an older man with a much younger girl, both instances are sick and should be taken care of the appropriate way in the first place.

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ASF needs new attitude, jokes



Erica Aguilar

Speaking as a student who has attended the University of La Verne for three years, I thought it would be necessary to write this first opinion about the continuous disorganization that lives within the Associated Student Federation (ASF) Forum.

I have attended the two meetings held since the spring semester started and both times I have left furious, overwhelmed and exasperated for many reasons.

In the first meeting, I was shocked to hear that the president was too ill to attend. I guess he must have been so sick that he could not get out of bed all day because even though I had bronchitis, I was still at that meeting. My responsibilities as a writer and editor for the *Campus Times* still came first.

Co-advisers Melissa Jaunal and Don Morel have stressed to the Forum that they need to figure out what activities they want to have this semester because there are very few ideas thus far. They also pointed out how fast the semester goes by, therefore, preparation for events is necessary.

After the meeting this past Wednesday, Morel said, "I believe this is the typical spring slump ASF falls into. We need to work our way out of it. We need to make sure we are providing students their money's worth."

What infuriated me the most this week was that as soon as Morel left to attend another meeting, there was too much joking going on. Vice President Elizabeth Contreras had to tell people to stop talking and tried to organize the meeting in order to start the voting process, as interviews for special elections had ended.

What was quite ironic was that a Forum member was drawing next to me, the accountant was making wisecracks and was asked to stop and all of this occurred after one of their advisers left. Does ASF have to be babysat in order to get things done?

A lot of things are not being accomplished by the Forum. In any organization, things need to be taken care of and deadlines must be met. It takes dedication, self-respect and teamwork to make things work right. Organizations require hard work, money management and strong leadership skills.

When the Forum members allocated money to help the Communications Department fund a project for KULV, the campus radio station, they denied Senior Retreat $527.50. Let's keep in mind that the current ASF Budget is $57,051.86. They did give $1,000 to Senior Retreat, but refused to help them fund anything else. According to the Feb. 4 minutes, Accountant Matt Policare is quoted, "We are not the bank of ASF."

So do the students and faculty of ULV want to know what is in store for future activities? Well, ASF spent $2,000 for a comedian to appear and make us laugh. They have also given $6,000 to the Athletic Department to help install a new gym floor. This project will cost an estimated $150,000.

I know I will face the music at the next ASF meeting when I walk into that room and I get the dirty looks. But I am a student who pays a student activities fee every semester to be educated and entertained. I do not voice my opinion at these meetings because I am representing the *Campus Times*.

If ASF is doing such a great job, then answer this question: Why did only four people sign up to go to "The Price Is Right" taping next week? ASF should consider themselves lucky that the RA's and PA's are helping them out. At least they stick together and are dedicated. Enough said, for now.

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Small businesses repeal smoking law



Summer Herndon

The new California law that prohibits smoking in bars and restaurants went into effect on Jan. 1 of this year and was recently repealed due to the chaos and financial hardship that thousands of California small businesses claim to have encountered.

As of Jan. 1, 2001, smoking in bars, gaming areas, clubs and taverns is prohibited unless the Occupational Safety and Health Administration adopts a standard for the reduction and control of exposure of smoke. The bar operator must cooperate within two years.

Where are all the non-smokers when you need them? There should be a more positive reaction from society about the smoking ban because non-smokers outnumber smokers.

The new tobacco law impacts more than 8,000 restaurants and bars where more than 85,000 Californians are employed. With that new law, they did not have to worry about harming their health with the secondhand smoke issue, which kills 50,000 Americans each year.

Do any of the facts about health issues bother smokers who do not mind having a cigarette in a bar?

Imagine walking into a crowded bar, where more than half of the people are smoking, and having to inhale that dreadful pollutant that damages your lungs every time you take a breath. After the night is over, you go home and take a shower because your clothes, including hair, smells like a cigarette.

There were substantial fines that accompanied the law. Bars and restaurants that did not abide by the smoking law had to pay up to $100 for a first offense and up to $7,000 per violation for a series of offenses. Customers who insisted on smoking would be fined, with the amount determined by local authorities.

Some bar owners were upset about losing business due to the new smoking law and, as a result, they refused to sell state lottery tickets.

If you think about it, taking away lottery tickets is a decent decision, but they should not have to doubt their business financial situations over this sort of issue. Look on the bright side and consider the fact that customers could be breathing cleaner air. This should attract the customers rather than drive them away.

Since the law was repealed, people can keep polluting the room with unhealthy smoke, but not as much as before. Why is it so hard for someone to just walk outside and have a cigarette? Some people are saying that it is more convenient to have a smoke inside the bar, and if you were to go outside, you would not be allowed to bring your drink unless the bar had a patio.

Banning smoking should not be a negative issue for businesses even though the tobacco industry opposes bans in restaurants and bars, saying it will keep customers away. Most of their profits are probably coming from them anyway.

This financial nose dive that businesses have experienced is the result of angry citizens who want their freedom.

In time, more people will be sitting at a bar enjoying moments with some close friends because of the fact that they will not be harming their lives by going to some smoke pit where there is not one empty ashtray in sight.

That enjoyable moment will probably not happen for another two years because other people, who like the smell and sight of smoke, repealed the law.

Smokers may think that they should have the right to smoke anywhere they please. But think about it, there are others around you that are taking a health risk besides themselves.

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Students confront American dream

•Foreigners explore ULV, America

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Features Editor

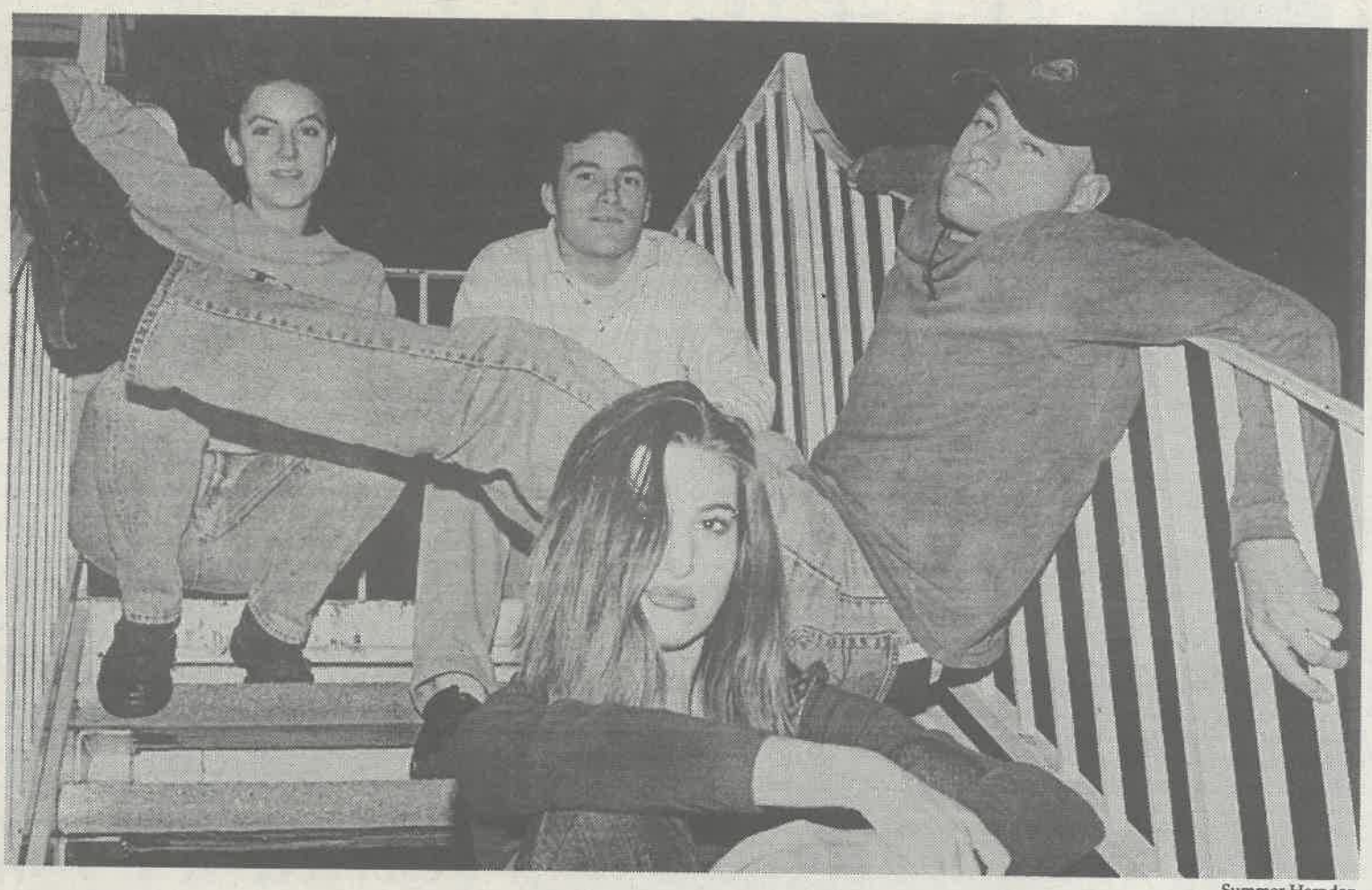
Each came with a particular dream in mind—one to learn from a new culture, another to adapt to the English language, another to simply explore greater horizons and yet another to return and further her education in the land she has always loved.

Whatever their personal expectations, the two French students, German student and English student arrived in the United States of America with the intent of continuing their educational study at the University of La Verne and experiencing the entire idea of studying abroad.

French students Elsa Michel and Xavier Lattaignant, along with German student Karsten "Kalle" Kaub arrived at the University in late January and immediately prepared to begin classes the following week. Senior Rachel Wilberforce, an exchange student from England, took her first step into the classrooms recently, as she arrived late last week due to visa problems.

Michel, a 22-year-old senior, chose to participate in the study abroad program in order to "speak English better," she said.

The Clermont-Ferrand, France, native hopes to complete this goal in order to advance, both verbally and mentally, in the field of marketing, her major course of study.



Summer Herndon

Xavier Lattaignant, Elsa Michel, Rachel Wilberforce and Kalle Kaub are the spring semester's exchange students from England, France and Germany. Lattaignant is a business and economics major who has traveled to India and Germany. Michel is majoring in marketing and has a talent for dancing, which she has been pursuing for 11 years. Wilberforce is a communications major who has been in two Hollywood movies during her first stay in America. Kaub, who is majoring in communications and has traveled around the world, purchased a Volkswagen bus upon his arrival to travel around in.

'But you go abroad to actually see what's going on in the world.'
—Karsten Kaub, international student

"My goal is to understand it [English] and speak it, period," Michel said.

Occasionally, she and Lattaignant, her classmate and co-traveler, will converse in a mixture of French and English in order to assure they have understood the conversation correctly.

Lattaignant, 23, is a native of Beauvais, France, and expresses his own aspirations of being in America.

He said, "I expect to discover American culture, people and life. I also want to improve my skills in my major [Economics and Business]."

Wilberforce, a 23-year-old communications major, admits that she enjoys spending time in the United States.

"I love America. I wanted to come back again," she said.

Wilberforce has previously studied abroad in New York and Boston, Mass., and has also worked in West Hollywood producing a script for the British Broadcasting Company (BBC).

"Actually, I am here for two reasons—to follow up on my research with the BBC, and to study as well," she said.

She hopes to continue her work in the field, and is also considering acting as a support. For the time being, she is still uncertain about the acting profession.

Kaub, a 28-year-old communications major, is preparing to continue his second year of study at ULV.

"Quite frankly, my expectations [of America] have gone down," he responded.

The German-born Kaub has also experienced a period of study in England, and admits that his experience at the University has been different.

"They [students] seem to be working more individually," he said. "The teaching is more self-sufficient and professional."

Aside from the general curriculum and lifestyle of ULV, the idea of arriving in California was overwhelming to each of the exchange students. Though the experience has affected each student in a personal manner, they have each adapted to the changes of culture and setting without much hesitation.

"This is a bit of a change, really," Kaub said. "But you go abroad to actually see what's going on in the world."

"I imagined California to be hot and sunny," said Lattaignant, jokingly.

Commenting on some of the recent rainstorms of the Southern California area, he added, "This is definitely not the same [as what I thought]."

Wilberforce said, "It is quite different from England. Of course, instantly I miss my friends and family. I especially miss English tea; there is nothing like English breakfast tea with a pastry."

From Michel's perspective, she is convinced that there is no particular area of the North American lifestyle which is too different from that of her hometown in France. She does admit, however, that she misses one particular part of the French culture the most—a personal treat she said can only be found in France.

"I miss the cheese of France," Michel said, using her hands to gesture the delicateness and uniqueness of French-made cheese. "American cheese is just not as good. It is just very different."

Apart from a life within the boundaries of the classroom and the city of La Verne, each of the exchange students tries to stay occupied by taking part in special interests and hobbies.

Lattaignant joined the men's tennis team upon the commencement of the second semester.

"I heard about tennis through Josep [Hernandez-Escandell, Spanish international student]," he said. "He also plays tennis and I went to try out as soon as possible."

Therefore, Lattaignant spoke with Tim Fitzgerald, the University's men's tennis coach, to inquire about trying out for the team.

He made the team the same day, and is currently one of the team's top singles players.

"I play tennis and try to stay really active," he said. "Playing against other universities ... it's a good thing to see other people and a way to get involved."

While in the United States, Michel has found it difficult to refrain from one of her favorite activities.

"I'm always reading and I am used to practicing [modern, contemporary] dancing. In France, I always practiced, but here I don't really know where to go," she said.

Kaub, who is described as "an explorer" by his peers, also finds the lifestyle transition somewhat difficult.

"I normally do skydiving, canoeing, climbing and skiing, among others," he said. "I would love to meet someone who could do that with me; I have some equipment, but it's been hard to find someone who is interested in these things."

Wilberforce describes herself as a person who likes to do a variety of things in the world.

In fact, during her first weekend at the University, she accomplished a goal she has had for nearly two years.

"I got my [left] eyebrow pierced and got a tattoo," she said, lifting her shirt sleeve to reveal her upper left arm.

On it, the Japanese character for "Love" was boldly tattooed.

"My parents are going to kill me if they see it [the tattoo], and they'll be disappointed," Wilberforce said.

"I definitely won't let them see the tattoo, but they will have to see the eyebrow piercing. Of course, they will be a bit upset , but they'll get over it," she says proudly.

Having been at the University for little over two weeks, the exchange students believe that life within the city of La Verne is quite interesting in itself.

"This city is very different from everything. There are a lot of structures such as libraries, computer labs and other buildings that we don't have," said Lattaignant.

'I miss the cheese of France. American cheese is just not as good.'
—Elsa Michel, international student

Michel agrees with him without hesitation.

"It's difficult to see what's out there because there is not a lot [in La Verne]," Michel said.

"I am not used to living in the dormitories; I feel trapped," Wilberforce said. "I was accustomed to live in an apartment during my study in New York and Boston, so this is different."

"The school is okay, though," she added. "I like looking at the mountains. It's a very pretty city and definitely much like an old town."

Kaub has also concocted his own impressions of the University's surroundings.

He said, "One thing that has really surprised me is the wheelchair repair shop on C Street. The fact that the place is in the center of a student town is quite interesting—it says a lot about this place."

Sororities celebrate new NPC week

Shiva Rahimi
Staff Writer

National Panhellenic Council (NPC), the governing body for the University of La Verne sororities, held its first-ever NPC week beginning Monday and concluding today.

The primary purpose of the event was to create inter-sorority cousins as a bonding method between the three sororities.

College Panhellenic Association (CPA) is the local governing body for ULV sororities which recently implemented the cousins program.

Par Nag, president of CPA and senior Iota Delta member, said that this event will make relations much better.

She said, "There are 90 women in La Verne's Greek system. Not everyone knows one another. Now, through the cousins program, the sisters will have the opportunity of meeting people outside of their own sororities."

Angela Mlinarevic, social chair for CPA and sophomore Sigma Kappa member, said that there had been tension among the sororities a few years ago. She said, "I feel the tension is now resigning and this event will bring on better feelings."

With Rush Week right around the corner, Tanya Taylor, a senior Phi Sigma Sigma member and also a member of the NPC committee said, "I think that NPC week will promote 'good vibes,' further the Greek system as a whole, and show that no matter what sorority you are in we are all friends."



Christie Reed

Chatting over ice cream in the Student Center while watching wrestling on the television, sophomore Sigma Kappa members Allison Evans and Angela Mlinarevic talk with senior Iota Delta member Par Nag and senior Wendy Lau of Phi Sigma Sigma. The social, held Monday evening, attracted about 15 women and was one of several events held during National Panhellenic Week. This was the inaugural week designed to bring ULV's sororities closer together.

Cousins were randomly assigned by the CPA secretary Sunday, before NPC week began. An ice cream social started the events on Monday, followed by Laser Tag Tuesday, and concludes with a barbecue and Cousin Olympics today.

ULV students explore Asia during Interterm

•Course discovers Vietnam life

Angelica Martinez
Arts & Entertainment Editor

During January, a group of communication students ventured to a part of Asia for two and a half weeks, earning four units of credit and an unforgettable experience.

The group of students departed from La Verne and headed to Thailand and Vietnam, where they spent 19 days learning about Vietnam's history as well as meeting with journalism officials at Bangkok's Associated Press office.

Freshman international student Michael Anklin, an undeclared major considering the fields of journalism or history, was among those who participated in the trip. Anklin, an international student from Switzerland, visited Vietnam to experience the country's past.

"From a historical standpoint, I learned a lot about North Vietnam. I learned what it was like," Anklin said.

The trip proved successful for the students because of inner growth. According to Nune Gazdhyan, a freshman journalism major, she also went to Vietnam with an open mind and with little expectations. Upon her return, she reflects her expectations were surpassed by the "great" experiences.

"Curiosity [inspired me to go]. I've always enjoyed being around other people. I had to forget about my ideas and go with an open mind," said Gazdhyan.

An open mind and a "positive attitude" allowed Gazdhyan and Anklin the opportunity to tolerate the culture shock once they arrived in Vietnam.

"I was not used to the beggars and the children asking you to buy gum and post cards from them," said Anklin.

The experience was different because the "poor people" in Vietnam were "more aggressive," according to Gazdhyan.

Dr. George Keeler, department chair of communications, planned the trip in conjunction with Randy Miller, public relations adjunct professor, and Ken Brown, professor of peace studies at Manchester College, Ind. Fourteen students from Manchester College and 11 from ULV attended the trip.

According to Dr. Keeler, the fall semester called for "constant preparation by the faculty." The difficulties were augmented by political, technological and convenience obstacles.

Vietnam, still a Communist economy, "did not have reliable email or fax machine contact to make reservations. Since traveler's checks weren't readily accepted in parts of the country, the faculty leaders carried up to $3,500 cash on their persons to pay the bills," said Dr. Keeler.

The money was used to pay for lodging, eating expenses and other necessities on the trip. Planning an educational interdisciplinary theme for the trip proved a challenge since students from different universities were participating.

According to Dr. Keeler, there were three educational angles: The first carried an emphasis on media study. The group had many formal meetings with media dignitaries in Vietnam and Thailand who spoke to this theme from the perspective of the war years and post war recovery.

The Manchester group was made up largely of peace study majors—a combination of philosophy and religion—and emphasized on the American War and Vietnam's recovery.

"Vietnam was the perfect place for this interdisciplinary study," Dr. Keeler said. "The two subjects meshed beautifully. We had exceptionally bright and inquisitive students on this trip who kept asking the question, "Why?" The third, and perhaps the most powerful experience for the students was experiencing culture in another country. "Vietnam has been torn apart by many wars but has a rich and proud heritage, he said.

Quyen Nguyen, a ULV junior, participated in the trip with more background information than the rest of the students. Nguyen, of Vietnamese descent, traveled to her village 70 miles north of Saigon with the group and learned a great deal about the people and her culture.

There, Nguyen visited her grandmother's grave and led a commemoration service with 200 people beside her.

"People were happy to see me, but the most special one was my grandmother," said Nguyen.

The difference in her village contrasting the past and today is clearly visible for Nguyen.

"My village has changed rapidly, more than I thought," she said. Nguyen also became reacquainted with the villagers who knew her; they, in turn, were attentive to her and the group and hosted a banquet in their honor.

The trip also "took me to a deeper side of the war," she said. During the touring of the war sites, many students "had a difficult time escaping [their] emotions," said Nguyen.

The growth experienced by the students was revealed toward the end of the trip. After becoming numb to the continuous beggars at their side, the group became "rude" and "annoyed," as Anklin put it.

According to Dr. Keeler, "the mood changed from tolerance to no tolerance" after a member of the group was pick-pocketed.

The member of the contingent was from Pennsylvania, and when he was holding his front pant pocket with his wallet inside when the group was divided by two teenagers. In one swift move, the wallet was stolen, along with the $400 in it.

The news stung the group to the point where "the group wanted them [the beggars and sellers] to stay away," said Dr. Keeler.

The experience of visiting the My Lai massacre site on its 30th anniversary year aroused different emotions of guilt and frustration with the group. However, if the whole trip experience were to be summed up in two words, it would be described as a "humanizing experience," said Dr. Keeler.

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Soul Food Dinner

Students are invited to continue in the celebration of Black History Month next Thursday, Feb. 19, with the Annual Soul Food Dinner.

Dr. James Benson and his ensemble of jazz musicians will perform throughout the evening, as Aramark food services serves guests and students of the event.

The Soul Food Dinner begins at 4 p.m. in the Davenport Dining Room. Students with meal cards may use their card, while guests must pay $7 for the dinner.

Acetone Band Performance

Vapor Records' Acetone band will perform at Rhino Records in Claremont tomorrow at 5 p.m.

Acetone has been featured in a variety of music magazines, including *CMJ*, *Option*, *LA Weekly*, *BAM* and *The Beat*.

In addition, they have toured the United States and Canada within the last year, opening for Spiritualized. This March, they will reunite with Spiritualized as the opening act for the band's England tour.

Rhino Records is located at the corner of Bonita and Yale in the City of Claremont.

Jordan's Sports

With proper proof of identification, La Verne students are entitled to free access of the pool tables at Jordan's Sports Bar & Grill on Tuesday nights.

Jordan's Sports Bar & Grill is located in the Arts Colony of Downtown Pomona, at 296 West Second St., on the corner of Second and Main. For further information or details, contact Jordan's at (909) 623-6529.

—Araceli Esparza



During the opening reception of her first gallery presentation, entitled "Some People," photographer Lillian Wilson discusses her print titled "Mom's Tattoo" with Phil Dunham of Yucca Valley. Her black-and-white print exhibition includes portraiture and street photography in the 35mm camera format. The show continues in the Carlson Gallery through March 20.

Gallery presentation features street photography

by Jazmine Ponce

photography by Ryan Sones

Photographer Lillian Wilson spoke Monday in La Fetra Auditorium about her show "Some People," currently being exhibited in the Irene Carlson Gallery in Miller Hall.

Wilson discussed her documentary street photography and portraits. The subjects in her photography range from little children in Chicago, to a famous actor, and include her family and friends.

"I look to see what others are doing to fill up their days. How they are adapting to their situations and coping with each other," said Wilson.

Leonard Nimoy, best known for his role as Mr. Spock on the original "Star Trek" television series, was photographed by Wilson. Nimoy is depicted in three photos. "Leonard and Molly" a photo of Nimoy and his cocker spaniel, is one of Wilson's favorite shots.

"He forgot that he was there and that I was there photographing him, he was thinking about the dog. It was magic," said Wilson. "I think that is one of the secret things I like about portraits, that it's the in between times, when there's a break, that is the time when I usually get my best shot," she said.

Wilson also discussed her thoughts, influences, subjects and techniques on photography. Many of her images consist of strange and original cast of characters. One of her big influences has always been her friends.

"Ever since I was little I always stared at my brother, my mother. Just looking at them. I enjoy that. I guess I am trying to preserve the moments."

An example of her photography techniques is "The Martian Lady." In it, Wilson shows a woman who designs her hair in a way to contact aliens.

"I am more interested in the out-of-the-ordinary, the things that happen only once. Sometimes the very poignant is caught [and] sometimes the very humorous," said Wilson. However, according to her, both are just as valid. "There are so many ways to live a life," she said.

> 'I think that is one of the secret things I like about portraits, that it's the in between times, when there's a break, that is the time when I usually get my best shots.'
> —*Lillian Wilson*

Another street photograph Wilson admires is the one entitled "Bus stop." In the picture, two men are shown waiting for a bus both very different in appearance, and ethnicity. Wilson may one day plan to put together a show of bus stop photographs.

"I like the photographs because at bus stops people of all different races come to one spot together then leave again."

After Wilson's discussion the audience was invited to the gallery to talk to her personally. Visitors had the opportunity to view her photography, and also enjoy some refreshments.

The visitors walked through the gallery staring at several black and white photos that ranged from different poses and places.

Many students faculty and community members enjoyed the show as well as Wilson's talk.

"The lecture was very interesting. I enjoyed her work because it had a lot of depth. It was very emotional," said freshman diversified major Sarah Neri.

Wilson's photography is also featured in the book of poetry entitled "Inert Fire," by Alice Freeman.

Gary Colby, professor of photography, said "Wilson is an important individual because she represents a craft of photography, and she loves that craft."

Valentine's Day ideas entice couples

•Hot spots spark romance

Angelica Martinez
Arts & Entertainment Editor

Cupid has arrived once again, and for those who have been struck with no idea of what to get that Valentine, here are a few ideas of where to go and what to do to still make the night special.

If spending money is not a problem, San Dimas has a beautiful secluded area where Puddingstone Hot Tubs Resort is open to the public. On Valentine's Day, the Resort rents out a private tub for $50 per hour. In exchange, the couple will get an open view of Puddingstone Lake with its surrounding hills.

The resort is specially designed with private tubs, each with a radio and candle. Visitors sit under three walls surrounding the tub in front of a view which is directly facing the lake. There is a section for changing and holding personal belongings.

Couples can have picnic-style dinners placed in the tub, or may order a Valentine's balloon bouquet to be placed in the tub before arrival. The bouquet features balloons, a red rose, candy, sparkling cider and champagne glasses.

For reservations or details for Hot Tubs Resort call (909) 592-2222.

Another hot spot to go to is a secluded park. A private picnic with a blanket, radio, candles and food from your favorite Valentine's restaurant can be easily enjoyed.

In order to surprise that Valentine, however, special assistance is required. A group of people can organize the rendezvous while you and your Valentine get to the designated area; once there, the picnic will be set up and ready to go.

Another suggestion is horseback riding, which can get a bit expensive. However, if interested there are a few places that can offer Valentine's Day specials.

Since this year's Valentine's Day falls on a Saturday, a bonfire at the beach for two, followed by dinner in a nice restaurant can make it just right.

If any of these ideas seem unfriendly to the wallet, making a Valentine's Day gift from scratch is just as romantic and just as meaningful as any picnic or hot tub resort. Scrapbooks, photo albums and tapes with slow jams are also good ideas to surprise that special someone.

For those who like cooking, baking cookies and goodies to take to a romantic site are also good to have. If the weather seems to interfere with the plans, having an indoor picnic in front of a fire place will have just as good results.

Variety show plans tryouts

Alicia Gibson
Assistant News Editor

There are many different people the University of La Verne. People wanting to explore that diversity come sit back, relax and enjoy the Afrikan American Student Alliance (AASA) variety show.

"We need to sit and enjoy the diversity of people," said junior Tiffany Wilcher, AASA president.

Sign ups for the AASA variety show are taken at the Student Center desk. Today is the final day to sign up and rehearsals begin on Monday, Feb.16.

The types of acts can be as diverse as the people participating. Monolouges, poetry readings, rap, dance, and singing are among the most popular acts.

Floor Two Crew is a group of guys signed up to rap, and Page Three is a singing group ready to show its talent.

"We are planning to make it something to remember forever, our best showing ever," said senior Floor Two Crew member Liron Wilson.

The acts will be limited between five and seven minutes, the dance acts being the longest.

Anyone is welcomed to sign up for the AASA variety show. It will take place on Feb. 27 at 7 p.m. in Founders Auditorium.

For those who are not as bold to get on stage and would just like to sit and enjoy the entertainment tickets will be sold at the door for $7. With a valid ULV ID, tickets can be purchased ahead of time with a discount of $3 to $4.

Movie Review

'Deep Rising' rides shallow water

Jennifer Parsons
Managing editor

The opening scene is an exploration of an underwater sunken cruise ship, the Argonautica. Then there is a flashback to before the ship sank. It is a huge, luxury cruise liner. Of course, there is a man and women, who are bound to fall for each other.

Sound familiar? Kind of reminds the viewer of "Titanic" but instead the movie is called "Deep Rising" and in place of a romantic love story there are gruesome sea creatures that appear from the depths of the South China Sea to suck the fluids out of their victims.

In this case, the victims happen to be mercenary Finnegan (Treat Williams of "The Devil's Own"), his mechanic (Kevin J. O'Connor of "Steel Magnolias") and first mate Leila (Una Damon), who have been employed to drive a group of villains out to the Argonautica.

> Like many dragged out horror/suspense films, it is time and creativity the movie lacks.

These three are not only victims of the sea creatures, but are taken as hostages by the villains, once they have been safely led to the cruise ship.

With little plot originality, the villains' plans are obscured by this oversized monster, whom the viewer is not allowed to see until halfway through the movie.

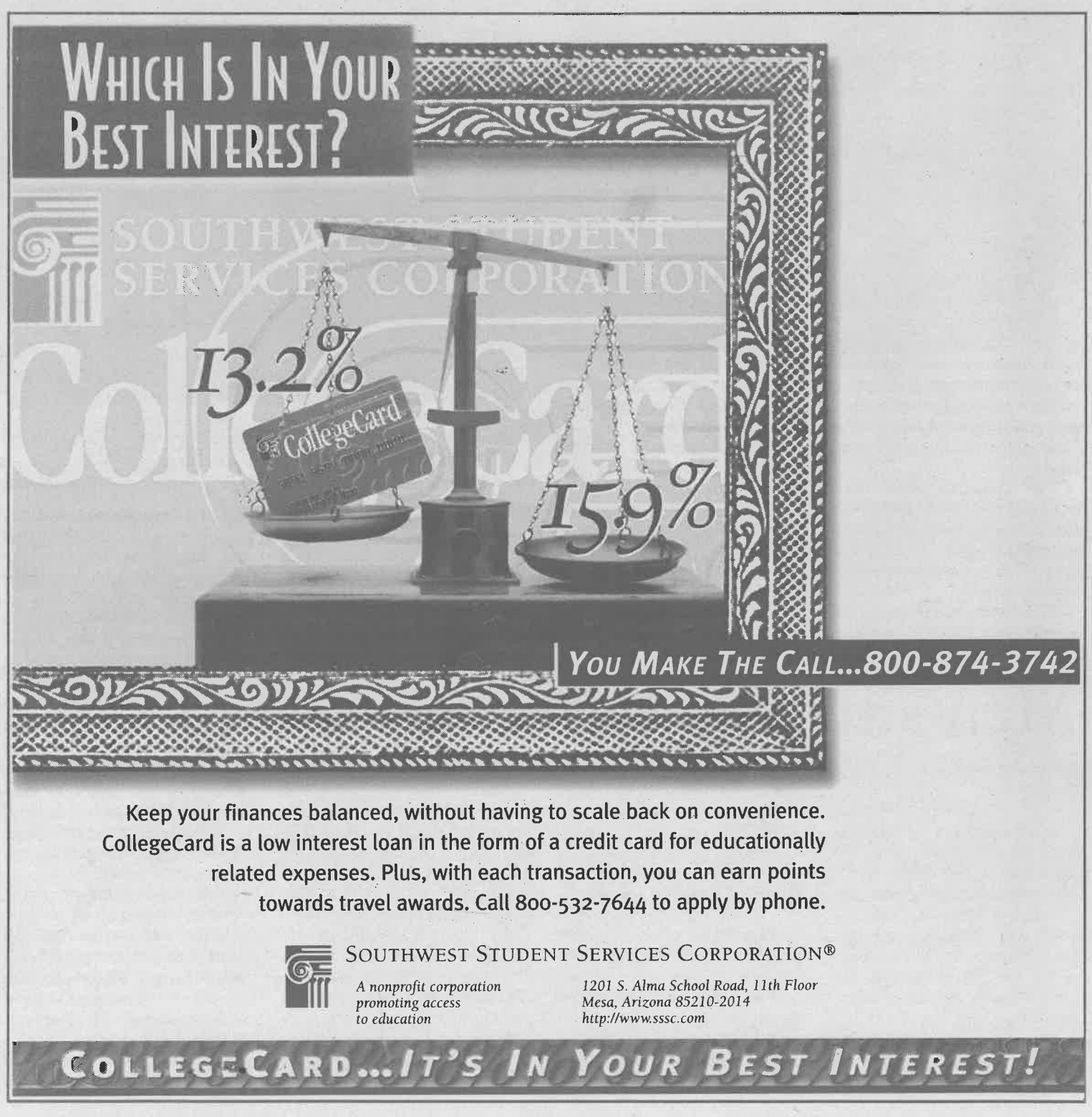
The villains played by Wes Studi, Derrick O'Connor, Jason Flemyng, Cliff Curtis, Clifton Powell, Trevor Goddard and Djimon Hounsou and Argonautica's owner, Canton (Anthony Heald). They are too busy dragging out a few hours of their lives before the sea creatures suck them up and spit them out.

The beautiful jewel thief Trillian (Famke Janssen, "Goldeneye") is found alone on the sinking ship, after having been locked up for attempted theft. It is obvious from the first time Trillian and Finnegan meet that there is an attraction.

Like many dragged out horror/suspense films it is time and creativity the movie lacks. Most attack scenes include blood, bones, guns and mucus of some sort spewing across the screen.

The end result is predictable and leaves the viewer with a feeling of regret for having wasted his time and money on the flick.

Advice to writer/director Stephen Sommers: Do not waste time on a sequel. Move on to bigger and better and get your feet out of the water.



Leopards topple Tigers, fall to Stags

Danny Eckardt
Staff Writer

Following its 87-85 loss to Cal Lutheran last week, the University of La Verne men's basketball team found that beating the Occidental Tigers 80-57 last Saturday in the Supertents was sweeter than the Hogi Yogi yogurt prizes being handed out at the game.

"It [the win] helps purge our systems," said head coach Terry Boesel. "I told our guys we need to purge our bodies of the loss, and the only way to do that is by winning the next game [the Occidental game]."

Even though the 2-6 Tigers lost the cat-fight without their starting point guard David Newhall, the 23-point Leopard victory was still important because it put the winning taste back into their collective mouths.

> 'Coming off the loss you have to play twice as hard to vindicate that loss. The win gives us momentum to build on.'
> —*Richard Walsh, freshman forward*

If the Leopards were to have lost against the Tigers it could have ended any glimmer of confidence they might have had in winning the conference title, because of the fact that Occidental was 2-5 prior to the engagement and clearly the underdog.

"Coming off the loss you have to play twice as hard to vindicate that loss," said freshman forward Richard Walsh. "The win gives us momentum to build on."

The Leopards started the game with a high intensity level and got off to a good start, which may have been the reason they pummeled the Tigers by 23 points in the first half (46-23).

"I think we came out hard, our shots were falling, and they couldn't match our intensity," said junior forward Eric Noyes. "Our defensive intensity overwhelmed them."

The Leopards were once again out-matched in height but still managed only two fewer rebounds (38-36), while putting three players in the double-digit scoring column.

The double-digit Leopards scorers included freshman forward Kevin Gustafson (12 points), junior guard Jared Wells (12 points), and junior guard/forward Chad Duggins (10 points).

"I thought our intensity level tonight was better in the press [zone-press] and the rebounds," said Boesel in contrast to the Cal Lu loss.

The Occidental win placed the Leopards' in a two way tie with Pomona-Pitzer, who beat Cal Lu 81-75 that same night to break a three way tie which was once shared among the teams. The victory also extended the Leopards already impressive record to 7-1 in conference and 15-4 overall.

Oddly enough, all five of the Leopards losses have come by a combined total of 10 points, which is a factor that possibly reassures the ULV men's basketball team that it is always in the game.

"It [the Occidental win] proves to the coaches that we're OK, and we can compete for the conference," said Boesel. "We are not looking any further past the next game. All our energy will go into Claremont."

In their most recent game against Claremont-Mudd-Scripps Wednesday night, the Leopards found that going to sleep after taking an early 17-point lead would cost them a wild 84-82 overtime loss.

Not only did Gustafson (game-high points leader with 26) sink a three-pointer with eight seconds left in regulation to send the 73-70 game into overtime, but there also was a scuffle between Leopards senior guard Gabe Duran and Stag junior guard Joe Slander that seemed to rile the fans of both teams into a frenzy of words against the referees.

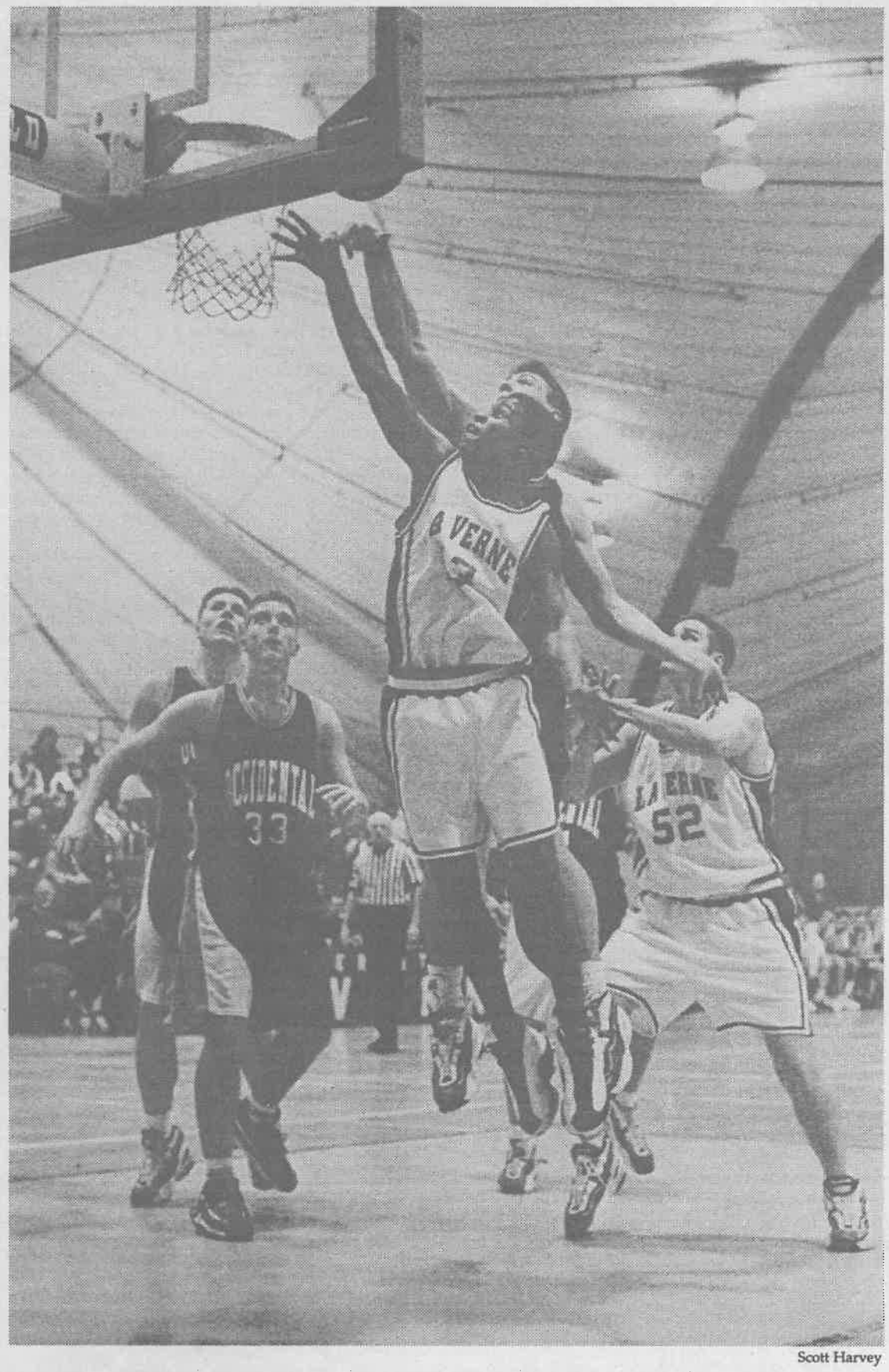
By the 13-minute mark in the first half the Leopards had already managed a 17-point lead, which seemed to dishearten CMS. Near the end of the first half the Leopards seemed to tire and fall asleep, but still played hard enough to hold onto a 42-34 halftime lead.

"Claremont did a good job of plucking away. We just jumped out early on them, and that's when you have got to have that killer instinct," said Boesel. "We gave them [Claremont] confidence and they started hitting them [baskets] at the end."

The strangest fact about the CMS game came from the statistics, which indicated that the Leopards had out-rebounded the Stags 37-24. This is a rare occurrence for the Leopards, who were over-matched in height and had been plagued by their rebounding demon all season.

The loss to CMS is the Leopards second defeat in the past week, which moves their conference record to 7-2 and 15-5 overall.

ULV plays in Pasadena against Caltech tomorrow night at 7:30.



Scott Harvey

Sophomore guard Cameron Chappell drives to the basket and avoids an Occidental defender after a pass from junior forward Chad Wells. The Leopards beat the Tigers, 80-57, on Saturday and improved their record to 15-4 overall.

Men's tennis tries to rebound from last season

Damien Alarcon
Staff Writer

High hopes and expectations were not met on Friday as the University of La Verne men's tennis team's match was cancelled due to rain. Friday's match in Pasadena against Caltech was to serve as an opener for the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC).

Tim Fitzgerald, in his fourth season as ULV head coach, is eager to see his team perform after a rough and disappointing season last year with an overall record of 0-16, including 0-10 in SCIAC.

"We are a lot stronger than last years club and have more depth," Fitzgerald said, "but that is about all I can say. I have to wait and see when the season progresses to tell how good we are."

Top returners include junior David Dang and senior Sergio Velazquez, who took a season off last year due to a busy and tedious class schedule.

Velazquez also adds that his intention of not playing was due to the fact that he did not want to waste his final year of eligibility. NCAA regulations restricts players from playing more than four years.

"I am [on] one of them five year plans," Velazquez said while laughing.

Fitzgerald also looks to senior French exchange student Xavier Lattaignant for a significant contribution to the team.

"I am confident that things will be different from last year. I feel that the entire team is talented and should have some success," said Lattaignant.

Other key players are seniors Frank Zappia, Aung Wun and junior Scott Harvey.

"We have been practicing hard for the past month and are hopeful that we can make a good showing in league, but it will be tough," said sophomore Chris Perez. "Everyone is good in this conference and Redlands [is] the best."

Last year, Redlands captured the SCIAC championship and this year they will be entering the season as the team to beat since they are favored in winning another consecutive title.

According to Fitzgerald, last Friday's match was postponed and has been rescheduled for Wednesday Feb. 18 at 3 p.m. at Caltech.

The match was to be a test for the team to exercise their abilities before today's conference opener as the squad will be traveling to Claremont to battle the Stags at 2 p.m.

La Verne continues struggle, drops 2 more

Scott Harvey
Staff Writer

Women's basketball woes continue for Leopards fans as La Verne fell to 1-7 in league in a 77-57 loss to Redlands on Tuesday and a 20 point loss to Pomona-Pitzer, 73-53, last Friday.

Friday, Feb. 6, the Leopards faced a tough Pomona-Pitzer team and could not stop the 63.6 percent shooting night for the Sagehens.

La Verne could not seem to find any shooting rhythm in the first half and leading scorer, junior transfer Heather Johnson struggled to help her team early.

Sagehen center Michelle Jones challenged the Leopards in the low post in the first half and led the all scorers at half-time with 10 points.

La Verne counterpart senior center Laura Czingula kept strong defense against Jones early and frustrated her in the low post, drawing 4 fouls from Pomona's center alone. Czingula held up well and made seven out of eight attempts at the line.

Senior guard Alicia Gibson also was found at the free throw line often and dropped five of eight to finish the game with 11 points and a team high four rebounds.

The second half proved to be all Pomona-Pitzer as Jones combined with point guard Jamie Obhrai for 25 of the Sagehens 73 total points to tire out the Leopards down the stretch.

As time expired the Leopards gave up and although Johnson was able to drop 12 points on the Sagehens, La Verne lost the game 73-53.

Tuesday the Leopards struggled early and the Redlands Lady Bulldogs took advantage of the La Verne's dismal 7-31 first half shooting.

Redlands guard Rachel Fiske set the pace early dropping the first two three pointers of the game in a row. Teammate Ariana Bates kept defenders guessing and dealt 5 assists early in the half to secure a large lead.

The one first half highlight for La Verne was Johnson, as she shot with accuracy on her way to a 6-17 shooting night and 21 points. Johnson also converted five out of 11 three point attempts.

Although Johnson kept up with the Lady Bulldogs the rest of her teammates struggled to find a shooting groove and the Leopards went into halftime down by 24 points, 38-14.

"I think our intensity against Redlands and other teams is inconsistent. We need to be able to put the pressure on the entire 40 minutes of the game," said senior guard Tamara Loyd.

The second half moved much smoother for the Leopards, as they remained within striking distance of Redlands, shooting 12-29 from the field.

Sophomore forward Lori Johnson began to get in sync in the second half and finished the game strong with 19 points, 10 rebounds and shot 7-of-10 from the free throw line.

Although La Verne had a better second half the momentum stayed with Redlands as reserve guard Kelly Simers came to play dropping four three pointers and 15 points to lead the Lady Bulldogs.

"In the second half of most of our games we let down defensively. Our man to man defense worked against Redlands, but on offense we lacked composer," said Loyd.

As time expired the Leopards were down by nearly 25 points, but came back to within 20 and lost by the final score of 77-57.

La Verne falls to 6-14 overall on the season and plays Pomona-Pitzer tonight in the Supertents at 7:30 and will travel to Redlands on Monday to tip-off at 7:30 p.m.



Alen Zilic

Intercepted by the Leopards' Tamara Loyd (#42) and Lori Johnson (#45), Redlands' Rachel Fiske (#44) is trying to keep possession of the ball. The final score was 77-57, Redlands. ULV is 6-14 overall and 1-7 in SCIAC.

Spikers invade den, sweep SB Coyotes

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CSU San Bernardino's Coyote Den was the site of the University of La Verne men's volleyball match on Saturday, as the Leopards invaded the opposition's territory to win in three straight games, 15-6, 17-15, 15-9.

During the first and third games, the Leopards were able to minimize their serving errors, but the second game was a different story.

The errors made during the second game by La Verne gave San Bernardino more opportunities to score than they should have had, keeping them in the game.

"We did our best. We were obviously a better team. We didn't play down to them, we played our game. A couple of times they got up on us but then we buckled down and beat them," said senior setter Morgan Coberly.

ULV had five of its players reach double digits for kills. Junior Jason Flick led the way with 20, junior Chris Peterson followed with 18, freshman Alex Lienert had 12, senior Joel Harworth had 11 and senior Ryan Allen finished the match with 10.

The team played well and scored fast due to the fact that its passing allowed the middle-hitters to set well.

"We discussed what it was we wanted to do and then we went out and did it," said freshman middle-hitter Alex Lienert.

"San Bernardino was a big match for us because they are a Division II school and it is important for our Division III ranking, " said senior opposite-hitter Ryan Allen of La Verne's No. 2 national ranking in Division III.

"We had to beat UC San Diego because they beat San Bernardino, so in turn we had to beat San Bernardino to continue to study ahead of San Diego," said Allen.

The Leopards play against Pacific Christian tonight at 7:30.

Mulville brings hands-on approach to SID position

Greg MacDonald
Sports Editor

Athletic director Jim Paschal knew he had a good fit when he hired Dan Mulville as the successor to Mark Bagley, who took a job at Western Washington University, as the sports information director in December.

"We've been real fortunate in hiring good personnel. I'm happy with our entire staff," Paschal said. "I'm real happy with Dan. He is a hands-on guy. He's been a big help for me and my office."

Mulville, also the assistant men's basketball coach, spends about 75 percent of his work schedule, or 30 hours, on sports information. He also spends about four hours a day, six days a week with the basketball team.

"I don't mind," he said. "I am in a good position to do both."

Mulville, who was hired as the sports information director in mid-December, combines his organizational skills with his ability to communicate with students, making his position a more hands-on approach.

"I've been organizing the work-study kids and I've been trying to train them in the different jobs that need to happen," Mulville said. "I explain to them the importance of reliability and punctuality. For the most part, I think they are responding pretty well."

Beyond the actual hours put into the training and organizing, Mulville adds a personal touch to his position.

"I call the kids all the time, reminding them that we have games coming up and that I expect them to work," he said. "When I see them on campus, I remind them. And if they have a question or a problem, I tell them to come to me and I'll try and solve it the best that I can."

Aside from teaching his students how to take accurate statistics, Mulville works with them in dealing with other coaches on campus and other universities.

"I really think that game management and sports information is one of the most important public relations tool that this school has, simply because 99 percent of the schools we deal with are through athletics," Mulville said. "And if they like the way they are treated and there is a professional atmosphere, they get a better impression of La Verne.

"That's one reason I am really into [sports information] because I like the school and I want us to have a good reputation."

Mulville, a 1990 graduate of UC San Diego, currently holds the position on a provisional basis, and according to Mulville, if the Athletic Department likes the job he has done, he will return as the sports information director next year.

"I am still learning [about the position]," Mulville said. "I have always been an indian never the chief."

"Dan is great for the [sports] programs," Paschal said. "We are fortunate to have somebody like Dan to say, 'Let me take this job and run with it.' It's a good fit for him and for us."

ULV serves youth at opponents in '98

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In 1998 the University of La Verne women's tennis team has a large number of upper classmen. There are four seniors, one junior and and one freshman.

"I lost 4-out-of-5 top players and I am starting from scratch," said La Verne head coach Erin Hendricks.

There are three returners: seniors Emily Judd and Sandy Thay and junior Pauline Duran.

Freshman Tara Ervin, seniors Xochitl Martinez and Amy Vanschoelandt round out the rest of the team.

"Our strength is our work ethic," said Hendricks.

The Leopards may be hard working, but according to Hendricks, the team will not fare as well this season.

La Verne's first match was scheduled for Friday, Jan. 6 against Biola University. That match was rained out and there is no make up scheduled at this point.

The Leopards will face tough competition this season. The team plays perennial Division III and Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference powerhouses Claremont-Mudd-Scripps (today at 2 p..m.), and Pomona-Pitzer (Feb. 21).

March will be a tough month for La Verne as they host Vassar (March 11), Mills College (March 13, New Mexico (March 14) and Azusa (March 15) before playing in the Mills College Invitational in Northern California, April 5-6.

ULV, Wright open season on verge of record

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What a difference a year makes for the University of La Verne baseball team.

With last year's overall record of 12-28 and Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) record of 9-12, the ULV baseball team, according to head coach Owen Wright, has "no where to go but up."

One reason the Leopards are headed in the right direction is the fact that Wright, in his 36th year of coaching baseball, is three victories away from his 600th win. He previously worked at Elizabethtown for 21 years and has worked at ULV for 15 years. This year's version of the Leopards is the 70th intercollegiate athletic team Wright has coached.

"I really think we'll do better," Wright said, who has a combined record of 936-640-45 in both coaching baseball and soccer. "It has been a La Verne tradition to do better and last season was the worst I have had by far."

Wright attributes this to many elements, some of which were the lack of depth and the pitchers' season ending early due to injuries.

"Even though last year was a really disappointing year, I think it's really going to motivate the team to work harder and compete to be SCIAC champions," said sophomore centerfielder Andrew Woolsey.

This year, Wright feels one of the team's strengths is the quantity of pitching. There are 12 in all, including leading pitchers sophomore Saul Hardin and senior Maynard McClarrinon.

The Leopards also have a strong middle defensively, a combination of centerfielder Woolsey, senior shortstop Lyle Miller and junior second baseman Justin Ott. The Leopards are also strong behind the plate with junior catcher Justin Dospital and sophomore catcher David La Peer.

"The best thing about our team is that we have a lot of players that can play a lot of positions, which is a great advantage. Armando Hernandez [junior] plays third, he's a great hitter and can pitch as well. Garren [Injijian, junior] can play right field and first base," said Woolsey.

"This year there is good team unity and enthusiasm. They get along as friends both on and off the field," said Wright.

"This season we're more of a team atmosphere rather than individuals," said Hernandez.

Wright's only concern is the fact that with only 11 returners and 14 newcomers, including key newcomers Hardin and Ott, there are "so many new faces and it will take time for us to come together and gel," he said.

'The best thing about our team is that we have a lot of players that can play a lot of positions, which is a great advantage.'
–Andrew Woolsey, sophomore centerfielder

Said Woolsey, "Our team is young. We have a lot of new players, so it's taken awhile for us to adapt to each other."

Although Biola defeated ULV, 16-2, Feb. 4, Wright is not discouraged and remains positive.

"We had one real bad inning and gave them 10 runs. Biola is a scholarship school, they should beat us. They've got all of fall to practice and play," said Wright.

"First and foremost I think the rain put a damper in the coach's plans as far as practice wise," Woolsey said. "The day before the game it rained hard and it limited our practice time. We didn't get on the field much.

"The team played well in the first couple of innings but broke down in every aspect of the game because it was our first time being in a competitive situation. The more games we play, the better we're going to get."

Other teams that Wright feels will be a challenge for the Leopards are Cal Lutheran and Chapman.

The Leopards play Pomona-Pitzer today at 2:30 p.m on Ben Hines Field and conclude the series with a doubleheader at Pomona tomorrow at 11 a.m.

"I think we should do well," said Wright, who encourages fans to come out and give the Leopards support. "There is no reason they should be any stronger than us."

Golf begins SCIAC with win at home

Greg MacDonald
Sports Editor

After opening the season with losses to Point Loma and Chapman, the University of La Verne golf team began the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) with a win over the visiting Redlands Bulldogs, 326-331, on Monday.

Sophomore Paul Gomez shot a second-best 75 while teammate junior James Torpey had the third lowest score of 76.

With his 75 against Redlands, Gomez's three game average is 76, which includes his 75 on Jan. 28 against Point Loma and 78 on Feb. 4 at Chapman. He has led the way for ULV in each of the three matches.

"Right now, he is our best player," head coach Rex Huigens said. "Paul [Gomez] certainly hasn't played as well as he can play either. I think that is one of the nice things that Paul has done. He hasn't played his best and yet he has found a way to score OK. So I am pleased with Paul so far."

Although a number of players are new on this year's team, Huigens feels his team will have good team balance.

"We are not a dominating team and yet we will not be dominated," he said. "Our chemistry is pretty good. They are pushing each other and supporting each other at the same time, which I think is great."

In their opening match of the season, the Leopards fell four strokes back in their 314-318 loss to Point Loma at ULV's home course of Sierra La Verne.

The par-71 Sierra La Verne course offered problems for senior Steve Lenett, freshman Don Martin and Torpey, as each of them shot a 42 or higher on the back nine.

Point Loma's team was very balanced, as the six players scored no lower than 81 on the course.

La Verne's first road match of the season, at Chapman's Tustin Ranch course, turned out to be another close decision. The Leopards finished five strokes off the lead, 326-331.

The final nine holes proved once again a killer, as ULV was out shot 237-248.

The Leopards tee off at 12:30 p.m. on Thursday against Cal Tech at Sierra La Verne.

"Our depth I think is going to be better [than last year's team]," Huigens said. "I think we can finish anywhere in the top four [in SCIAC]. There are a number of good teams in our conference.

"It's a little like basketball. You better show up and play well every single match because if you don't you can get beat."

Paschal resigns coaching position; Flora heads women's volleyball

Greg MacDonald
Sports Editor

Jim Paschal, athletic director and head coach of the University of La Verne women's volleyball team, announced his resignation in January from his coaching position, effective immediately.

Paschal, named athletic director in 1992, feels he needs to commit more of his energy and efforts to the needs of the Athletic Department.

"I felt that after 24 seasons, I had given all I could to coaching; its been a great ride," Paschal said. "And right now, this is an important time in terms of our entire athletic department, as far as setting the course for the future."

The course for the women's volleyball team future is set with new head coach Don Flora. Flora has been Paschal's assistant coach for the past five years, and Paschal said he feels Flora is ready for the job.

"This is the right time for change, and I am confident in Don's ability to carry on our tradition, both in terms of coaching and recruiting," Paschal said. "The program, which I dearly love, is in good hands."

Although Flora is going to be coaching his way, he said few things will change in comparison to Paschal's philosophy.

"I think there's some level of defensive training we will spend time on," Flora said. "Jim has done a great job, so not a lot of things will be different."

Paschal has coached the program for 24 years, including 16 post-seasons appearances and two national titles. Paschal compiled a record of 378-292-8, including a 174-60 Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) record, over his tenure. He has coached nine SCIAC players of the year, 11 All-Americans and has had four players inducted into the ULV Athletic Hall of Fame.

Paschal was honored twice as American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) West Region Coach of the Year (1988 and 1989) and has served on the NCAA Division III National Championship Committee, the AVCA All-American Selection Committee and the AVCA Polling Committee for the ranking of Division III teams.

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At the Buzzer...

Men's Basketball, Feb. 11
Claremont 84
La Verne 82

Women's Basketball, Feb. 10
Redlands 77
La Verne 57

Men's Volleyball, Feb. 7

La Verne	15	17	15
CSU San Bernardino	6	15	9

Baseball, Feb. 4
Biola 16
La Verne 2

Schedule

Today
Baseball vs. Pomona-Pitzer, 2:30 p.m.
Men's Tennis @ Claremont-Mudd-Scr'pps, 2 p.m.
Women's Tennis vs. Claremont-Mudd-Scripps, 2 p.m.
Baseball vs. Pomona-Pitzer, 2:30 p.m.
Women's Basketball vs. Cal Lutheran, 7:30 p.m.

Tomorrow
Track @ Caltech, All Day
Men's Tennis vs. Biola, 9:30 a.m.
Baseball @ Pomona-Pitzer (2), 11 a.m.
Men's Basketball @ Caltech, 7:30 p.m.
Men's Volleyball @ University of Arizona, TBA

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Baseball head coach Owen Wright needs three wins to reach 600 coaching victories in baseball. He has coached 36 years in both baseball and soccer, compiling a career record of 936-640-45.