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# ULV salutes Black History Month

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With February designated as Black History Month, the University of La Verne and its surrounding community have planned many events to recognize and celebrate the occasion.

Harvel Lewis, coordinator/adviser of multicultural student affairs, facilitated an open discussion about racism, race relations and interracial relationships in the Multicultural Resource Center Wednesday. Videos appropriate to the topics were shown, followed by more discussion.

The "Soul Food Dinner and All That Jazz" took place last night in Davenport Dining Hall. The dinner consisted of red beans, rice, Jamaican jerk chicken, fried catfish, hot links, sweet potato pie and sour cream pound cake.

Dr. James Benson and his ensemble of top jazz performers entertained the attendees.

"Soul food is another part of our [African Americans] heritage. It hails from the South. Recipes were handed down through generations and now everyone eats it," said Lewis.

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> *—Harvel Lewis, coordinator/advisor multicultural student affairs*

"I love it [soul food dinner] because each year, for one day at least, the students stay a little longer. There is music, delicious food and atmosphere," she said.

Tomorrow, a dramatic presentation entitled "Black History Comes Alive," by Barbara Carr, a Concord, Calif. resident, will be held at 2 p.m. in the La Verne Public Library, located on D Street.

Carr, who has been performing for 19 years, puts on what she calls "a one woman show," in which she portrays important figures in black history.

To start her program, Carr shows slides of these famous African Americans. She then brings to life her generic African princess, Molly Tutu.

Tutu's part shows what it was like to live in Africa at the time when many were being abducted into slavery.

As Carr travels down her timeline of history, she also does role playing and takes on the role of Harriet Tubman. In this aspect of the show she tells Tubman's childhood and explains how she escaped to the North in search of freedom.

Along with the roles of Tubman and the fictional Molly Tutu, Carr also portrays, through the use of a puppet, a person named Linda from the Brown vs. Board of Education, a Supreme Court case. Linda, speaks out about the desegregation of the school systems.

To end her program, Carr narrates a small portion of Dr. Martin Luther King's life in order to educate the children in changes up to the present.

"My whole message is letting them know what their part is and to help prevent this type of history from happening again. I usually tell them that I am counting on them to do their part," said Carr.

Carr said that her own personal mission statement is to spread "light and love."

In the Concord area, Carr performs in mostly schools, churches and for a few civic organizations.

"This is my part-time job, but it is my lifetime career," said Carr.

Monday at 7 p.m. a Gospelfest and candlelight service will take place in Founders Hall Auditorium. Everyone is invited to come and read quotes from famous Black Americans while passing a candle. The Shield of Faith Choir and New Gethsemane Choir will provide the gospel music to create the ambience.

"Gospel is also a part of our heritage. The candle passing is a salute to famous black Americans," said Lewis.

To wrap up the week, next Thursday, Feb. 26, Dr. Terrence Roberts, former "Little Rock Nine" member will be on campus as a guest speaker in honor of Black History Month.

"Little Rock Nine" is a group of African-American students who integrated Central High School in Little Rock, Ark. in 1957.

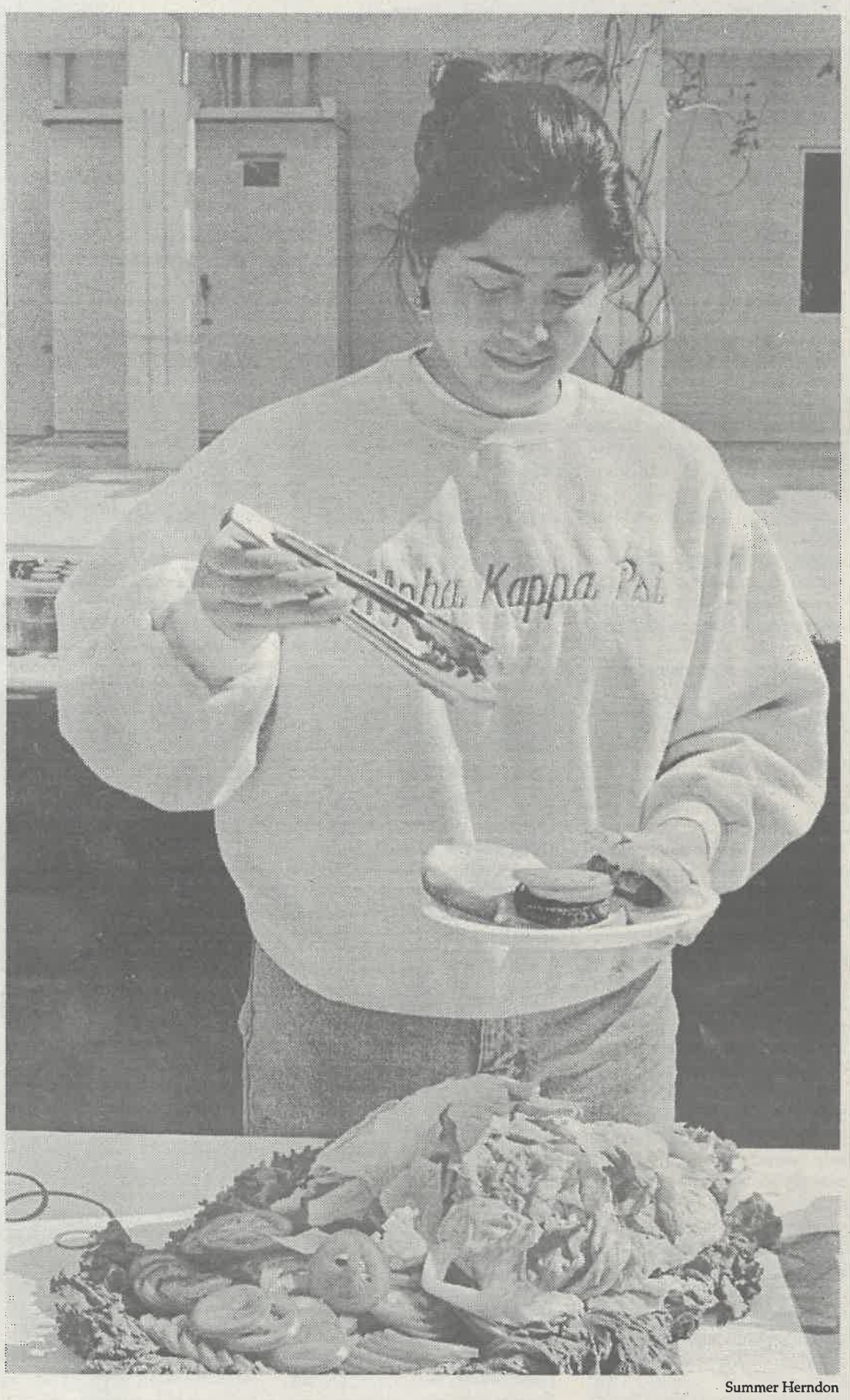
"He [Roberts] was willing to risk his life and open the doors of an all white school for blacks. He is phenomenal, it is almost goose-pimpling. I marvel that this man did this," said Lewis.

Roberts' speech, "Little Rock, 1957: Message and Metaphor for 1998" will be held in Founders Hall Auditorium at 10:30 a.m.

The events held on campus in recognition of Black History Month are sponsored by Multicultural Student Affairs, the Associated Student Federation (ASF), Afrikan American Student Alliance and the Coalition for Diversity.

Overall, Lewis hopes that these events celebrating Black History Month "educate, entertain and raise awareness."

## Sorority picnic concludes NPC Week




Summer Herndon

***Sophomore Alpha Kappa Psi and Iota Delta member Teriy Castro prepares her lunch at the all-sorority picnic during the National Panhellenic Council Friday last week.***

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# Auto theft forces student to move

*Araceli Esparza*
*Features Editor*

A black 1997 Honda Civic EX was stolen from the University of La Verne's Oaks south parking lot on Thursday, Feb. 5.

The owner of the vehicle, Tanya Flores, a sophomore diversified major, believes her car was stolen between the hours of 4-8 a.m.

"Chris [Perez, sophomore] and Aaron [Carlin, senior] were out in the parking lot and saw the car there. They went to sleep at about 3 [a.m.] and when Jamie [Poole, Flores' roommate] returned from home later that morning, the car was gone," Flores said.

She filed a police report with the La Verne Police Department, and that afternoon police officials from the City of San Bernardino found the Civic in an apartment carport. The vehicle was on spare tires, and a customized stereo system, intake system, CDs, cash and other items were also stolen.

"It had split five-star rims and tires that were brand new. The tires weren't even out on the market yet. The car had a Viper alarm, which is a very good alarm, but they must have bypassed the alarm," she said.

According to John Lentz, director of Campus Safety, the incident was reported to the department following a report to LVPD.

"When we hear about these things, we provide more patrol in those areas," Lentz said. "We do what we can to discourage this type of activity."

Flores thus began using her mother's Cadillac for transportation.

After the Feb. 6 weekend, Flores discovered that her mother's car had been keyed, and later realized two promotional magnetic emblems were also stolen from the vehicle's doors.

She reported the problem to Campus Safety once again.

"We believe this was a totally different incident and that it wasn't connected to the first incident," Lentz said.

Flores, frustrated by these consecutive incidents, has chosen to move out of the campus residence halls in order to avoid further problems.

"You can't have nice things and live in these facilities," she said. "I'm moving out, whether the incidents be related or not."

Lentz suggested several precautions to prevent these incidents from happening again. He recommends getting a Club, and installing a reliable alarm system for backup purposes.

"We really do have a safe campus," said Lentz. "It's [automobile theft] a crime of opportunity."

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*Been trying to get down*
*to the heart of the matter*
*but my will gets weak*
*and my friends seem to scatter*
*so I'm thinking about forgiveness*
*forgiveness...*
*even if you don't love me anymore."*
*- Don Henley, 1989*

Dedicated to the girl who knows who she is....
(because I miss you sweatheart)

# *Prism* celebrates 20 years of creativity



Michael P. Bailey

*Marine Gradzhan, admissions representative for the University of La Verne, reads from her short story, "Another Letter," in the 20th Anniversary Edition of* Prism *literary journal. Students, faculty, alumni, friends and family were present to celebrate* Prism's *accomplishments and to read their poems and short stories published in this edition.*

# Survival seminar prepares seniors

*Shiva Rahimi*
*Staff Writer*

Seniors attending the Senior Survival workshops next Wednesday, Feb. 25, will leave better prepared to deal with obstacles that await them upon graduation.

Senior Survival Seminar is an annual event sponsored by the Career Development Center. It will run from 8:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. and costs $5.

Registration is due today for all seniors who want to participate in this event.The workshop includes a lunch for the students.

"Whether it is finding a job or going to graduate school, this event will prepare graduating seniors for the next step after graduation," said Terrie Lopez, director of career development and placement.

"I am going to the workshop to learn about what I can do in my field, how to write a resume and see how others have progressed after graduating from La Verne," said theater major Chryseis Alexander.

Lopez said the workshop will help students with resumés and the interview process, as well as help to teach them skills needed to apply for graduate school. An alumni panel will be present to speak on personal experiences and on how to get ready to pay back student loans.

"Going to the event will help me meet people and also help me understand how to pay back all my loans," said public administration major Marc Tyler, who is also going because he did not get to participate in all of the freshman orientation activities. "I am going for the whole experience."

The Communications Department is one which has made attendance to the workshop mandatory for students in its senior seminar class.

Andrew Bills, a broadcasting major, said he is going because it is mandatory to fulfill his senior seminar class requirement. "I want to go because I want to start networking with people," he said.

Unfortunately, the workshop is only a one day event. Many students will not attend due to conflicts in schedules.

Lopez said that although it is under a voluntary basis by the Career Development Center, it would be beneficial for the students to attend.

She added, "They will get the 'real stuff' from the actual employers, application reviewers and interviewers. People they will surely come across in the near future."

For questions or registration for this event, contact Lopez in the Career Development Center at ext. 4430.

## Correction

The Dean's List printed in last week's *Campus Times* did not include the name of Melissa Negrete.

## In The News

### *Summer Jobs*

Glacier National Park in Montana is seeking 900 college students from across the country for summer jobs.

Jobs include a variety of hotel positions. For more information call Glacier Park, Inc. at (602) 207-2620.

### *Rush meeting*

There will be a rush informational meeting today at 6 p.m. in La Fetra Auditorium.

Rushees will be informed of each Greek organization, what they have to offer, and of what each of their backgrounds consists. Rushees will be informed of the ongoing rush events for the next week, which will continue on through Feb. 27.

### *Graduation Fair*

The third annual Graduation Fair, which gives graduating students a chance to receive more information on the graduation process, will be held on tomorrow from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. It will take place in the Sneaky Park Mall which is located at the corner of Third and C Streets. In case of rain it will be held in the Landis Academic Center, room 101.

*—Michelle Thornton*

## ASF Minutes

The Associated Student Federation (ASF) Forum met in the West Dining Room Wednesday, looking at upcoming events, new members and unfinished business.

### *Unfinished Business*

After a discussion with the Financial Review Board (FRB), ASF denied $325 to Resident Assistants and Program Assistants for cardiopulmonary resuscitation (CPR) training. They allocated $1,200 to the Minority Resource Center for a Black History Month speaker and $3,000 to Iota Delta Sorority for a Women's History Month speaker.

### *New Members*

New members include Forum representatives freshman Mario Guerrero and junior Valancy Rasmussen, and junior transfer representative Jesus Borges.

*—Erica Aguilar*

# Lewis promotes cultural awareness

*Jennifer Cuevas*
*Staff Writer*

Nestled in the back of the Student Center is a bungalow decorated inside with multicultural artifacts and artwork, where Harvel Lewis, coordinator/adviser of multicultural student affairs, makes her home.

It is in the Minority Resource Center (MRC) where most individuals find Lewis, advising students in her office or having simple conversations on any given topic. However, one topic that parallels her job—ethnic diversity—is one in which Lewis has much energy and interest.

Lewis attended California State University at Fullerton where she received her bachelor's in sociology. It was at the University of La Verne (ULV), where Lewis went on to achieve her master's in counseling.

She has two daughters, a granddaughter, and is married to Dr. Robert Lewis, who teaches ethnic studies at ULV part-time.

"I started working here nine years ago as an administrative assistant for one year, and the following year, I became the coordinator and advisor of the Minority Resource Center," said Lewis.

Being MRC coordinator is not Lewis' only job. She also began to teach Sociology of the Family in the fall, and is now teaching Methods of Research and CORE 310: International/Intercultural Experience.

Lewis explained the history of the MRC while being coordinator.

"When we first started, it was just partitions. It was right out here in back (pointing at the back of where the MRC currently stands) and there were dividers, room dividers, and that was the Minority Resource Center.

"I had a desk and I interviewed students and ran meetings and did what I had to do right there. That was my office," she said.

This arrangement lasted two years before the center had its own cubicle. It was originally built for the Associated Student Federation (ASF) Forum, yet was too small for them. Knowing this, Lewis spoke to officials who later granted the space to the MRC.

With the new space, Lewis used one of the small rooms as an office space. And a computer for clubs to use to make flyers and bulletins was put in an adjacent room. The larger area of the MRC was arranged for students to visit, do homework and hold meetings.

As Lewis explained, more change for the MRC is yet to come. It will change its name from the Minority Resource Center to the Multicultural Resource Center, although no official date has been set.

This is largely because the center has evolved into a place where students of all colors and cultures come and use the facility.

"The Center is for everybody and it has turned into that," she said.

Lewis said she hopes the Multicultural Resource Center, as she has begun to refer to it, will eventually be a place of learning about different cultures, not just a place to relax and do homework.

She also conducts a series of multicultural retreats in which students of all ethnicities. It come and talk about race and cultural issues face-to-face.

"I love doing multicultural workshops and have students face one another and tell their fears. I like us recognizing the differences of one another," said Lewis.

She believes ULV should have an event monthly for cultural issues, for example, a speaker or open forum, where race and culture shock can be discussed.

"I like the idea of students learning about racism. I like them being able to express themselves on the subject," Lewis said.

"Many students have a counseling/mother relationship with her," said junior Daniel Pulley.

Lewis' job revolves primarily on multicultural issues, but she has been and continues to be, a friend and confidant to many people.

# Students explore Native practices

*Jennifer Cuevas*
*Staff Writer*

While most students took advantage of the holiday Monday and slept in, several University of La Verne students, an alumnus, two invited guests and ULV's Catholic campus minister shared a sacred ritual taught by Native Americans for hundreds of years.

This ritual, unlike what many are probably imagining, did not involve drumming, a sacred dance or even song. Nor did it take place somewhere on an Indian reservation.

Instead, imagine a small group of people, wearing casual clothes, in an area just 10 minutes from the main campus, sitting in a circle ready to pick a plant sacred to Native Americans and those who acknowledge Native practices, from the foothill of the Azusa Canyons.

Sage, the sacred plant, is used extensively in Native American rituals and ceremonies. During ceremonies, sage is burned in similar manner as incense. Its smoke is used to cleanse and purify the people, representing the four directions of the winds—north, south, east and west.

Sage is bound together by yarn; various colors could be used to wrap the plant, which symbolize the four corners; for example, white represents the south which symbolizes innocence.

As taught by Native Americans, sage should never be bought or sold.

"Any Native American who would walk into a store and see this [sage] being sold, would be very offended," said Elena Cardeña, the Catholic campus minister, upon walking into a bookstore that sold it only a few hours after picking the plant.

The buying or selling of the sage would constitute misuse of the sacred plant. After it has been picked and bound with ribbon, it may be given as a gift, however, not just to anyone. It is given to individuals who understand the significance of the sacred plant and who are worthy of receiving this gift.

"Which one is calling you?" said Jose Gallegos, a guest of the ULV group and leader of the ritual.

"That one right there, right in front of me," said Cardeña, as she faced a view where hundreds of bushels of white sage grows wildly in the canyons.

But as Gallegos explains to one 10-year-old participant, even before picking a bush that the person feels drawn to, the person must understand the significance of the picking of the plant, what is given as an offering when picking, and finally, why an offering is given.

Traditionally, when picking sage, the individual who picks the plant takes tobacco as an offering to Mother Earth. The individual spreads the tobacco in the four corners and in the center of the bush.

"So often we take and take and don't give back what is given to us by Mother Earth," said Cardeña. "This is why we leave an offering, so that the plants will continue to grow."

She also commented on how one should not only leave an offering, but to remember never to take too much sage from one bush in order to respect what Mother Earth has given people.

When all of the picking was completed, a circle was made where prayer and reflection was held.

Junior history major Alexandra Hernandez said of her experience, "You can't explain in words how you feel. It is very meaningful, humbling."



Michael P. Bailey

*"I like it when students come back and tell me how they are doing," said Harvel Lewis, coordinator/adviser of multicultural student affairs. Lewis came to La Verne following completion of a bachelor's in sociology from Cal State Fullerton. Presently, she holds a master's in counseling, with special emphasis in multicultural diversity from ULV.*

# Opinions

# Veggie libel laws ruin appetite

Since the battle between Oprah Winfrey and the Texas cattlemen accusing her of a false statement about meat, another effort to pass a similar food libel law in California may be facing an uphill battle.

Texas cattlemen, who were basing their case on a state "veggie libel" law, ended up not having a case against Winfrey.

Veggie libel laws, which outlaw wrongful statements about produce and other food crops, have been passed in 13 states throughout the United States and the chance of California joining is slim.

"California is the most populous state in the nation, and most people don't know farms or people who farm. It would be very difficult in California to pass a law of that nature," said Dan Webb, who has lobbied on behalf of the bill to the (state) Senate Committee on Agriculture and Water Resources.

"Most of those states (that have passed veggie libel bills) are rural, with agriculturally based economies," said Webb.

Should negative publicity, whether it is true or not, be looked at as a million dollar loss for growers? Supporters of these libel laws certainly think so.

Free speech should be the issue we value most, without the worries of some rumor that may not be true. But that is not the case in today's U.S. society, since everyone is so worried about health.

People, whether famous or not, should not have to worry about damaging a food's reputation. After all, under such ridiculous laws, comments from former President George Bush would have had him subject to punishment for his public dislike of broccoli.




Since the 1996 outbreak of the parasite cyclospora, a veggie libel law has been a serious issue for California supporters. Strawberries were the likely culprit when health officials in Texas said people were becoming ill with cyclospora poisoning.

According to federal authorities, the parasite originated from Guatemalan raspberries and as a result of the misinterpreted information, consumer demand on California strawberry growers lost tens of millions of dollars.

Two California lawmakers, Assemblyman Tom Bordonaro Jr., (R—San Luis Obispo) and Senator Jim Costa (D—Fresno) quickly introduced bills, which later did not pass, calling for studies that would show a result of the economic decrease of allowing people to make negative comments about food crops.

Agricultural lobbying groups, such as the Western Growers, who represent produce growers in California and Arizona, say they are still behind the bill, but are facing some struggles.

"Western Growers has supported the legislation because we believe their needs to be protection for people who are producers of a perishable crop," said association spokeswoman Heather Flower.

What steps need to be taken in order for produce growers to be protected, without ruining their reputation? The veggie libel law can be enforced, but it takes away the meaning of freedom of speech.

# Students need more 'cents'

Rummaging through automobile ashtrays, old mugs and pant pockets full of lint and paper scraps, many University of La Verne residents often complain about the lack of change machines within residence halls and University facilities.

Though the residents' complaints are legitimate and reasonable, they are ultimately useless. Residents complain about the lack of quarters for laundry and other needs, but are ignorant to a solution for the problem. Rather than expressing their frustrations to authorities who could take actions for improvement, they bicker among themselves, making it impossible to be either pleased or heard.

It has been said that if one does not try something and is unhappy about the outcome, he has no reason to complain. This should also apply to students who complain without investigating the source of the solution first.

Quarters are the only coins accepted by residence hall washers and dryers; there is no use for nickels, dimes or dollar bills. Therefore, in order to wash clothes, residents are often left with the task of asking friends, roommates or resident assistants (R.A.'s) to give them change in quarters. If neither are available, they must go to the public post office, the University's Law library or Wilson Library for change. This becomes a nuisance and a repeated hassle, so residents automatically complain about not having change machines within the facilities.

There are no questions. In a place where several hundred people are required to do their laundry, change-dispensing machines are a necessity. If the residents feel that a change machine is utterly necessary and overall convenient, they need to voice that opinion to the authority in charge, someone who can fulfill their requests.

As the *Campus Times* was investigating this issue, we discovered that the machines were only a request away. Aramark Dining Services takes responsibility for vending machines as well as for making change machines available.

According to Armen Ananian, food services director for Aramark, facility change machines have been discussed in the past, but it has never been brought to his attention that the lack of such machines is a problem.

"Getting a change machine is not a problem," Ananian said. "In fact, I have one machine at home; I can get more machines, and I will pay for them myself. The expense would not come from the school."

Ananian is prepared to take suggestions for placement of these change machines, and is willing to solve the issue.

It seems like a minor issue, but to residents it is important. But it is as important for students to learn how to solve a problem, rather than just ranting and raving about it.

# Letter to the Editor

**Dear Editor,**

I would like to praise Erica Aguilar for writing "ASF needs new attitude, jokes" [Feb. 13]. I attended the first ASF meeting of the spring semester and I also noticed the disorganization of ASF. I attended the meeting because I was requesting funds for the Senior Retreat. I was disappointed that the meeting started at least 10 minutes late because half of the forum members were late. It was also disturbing to discover (through Aguilar's column) that there was chatting and wisecracking during the meetings of an organization that has a budget of $57,051.86.

What I also can not believe are the events ASF itself is programming. What is our student body going to benefit from a comedian who costs $2,000 and a taping of "The Price is Right?" Sure, ULV will get some laughs, but I can turn on my TV for free for that matter.

ASF should support programs like Senior Retreat, more guest speakers and cultural events. Although the Financial Review Board allocated $1,000 for Senior Retreat, I was displeased that ASF did not fund $527.50 for Senior Retreat, an important ULV tradition. What is $527.50 from a $57,051.86 budget? Why didn't ASF allocate at least $527.50 for Senior Retreat, when they allocated $6,000 for a gym floor and $5,000 to KULV for transmitters?

The theme for this year's Senior Retreat is "Looking back...Looking forward..." Let's just hope the Senior Retreat Committee will acquire the rest of the funds for Senior Retreat so that the seniors will have something to "look forward" to.

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From the Editor...

# ULV should liven up weekends



Laura Czingula

Being the small university that La Verne is, it would be expected that more activities involving students would go on; that there would be more students interacting with each other, especially on the weekends when there is a lot more free time for students.

But, unfortunately, there is not much to do around campus on the weekends and ULV students are forced to find something, anything, to do.

Intramurals Coordinator Matt Durant has done his part trying to bring students together for activities involving each other, but he cannot do it all by himself.

Here is an idea to make La Verne a little bit more entertaining for students with no transportation or money and for students who do not really want to leave campus, when there is really nothing else to do.

Why not keep the Student Center open on the weekends and have activities for the students throughout Saturday and Sunday?

There are already ping pong tables, the Spot, a lounge area and a huge television for viewing, not to mention the gym upstairs, a couple of treadmills, step climbers and some exercise bikes to keep in shape. And all of those are wonderful, so let students take advantage of them on the weekend and not keep the Student Center on lock down.

So many students use the Student Center during the week for their free time. Sometimes, the place is so packed you cannot even find a place to sit and watch "Jerry Springer." I am sure more students would come on the weekends if the Student Center was open and there were activities going on, especially when there is nothing else to do, which is usually every weekend. Why should such a great place be closed down at 10 p.m. and on the weekends, just because school is not in session? People do still live here on the weekends and would probably rather do something than just sit in their rooms.

Keep the building open. It is for the students' enjoyment, so let them enjoy it. The Student Center should be opened at least until midnight during the week and on the weekends. We all know that college students do not ever go to bed until 1 or 2 a.m. anyway.

Plus, just think if there were a few more things in the Student Center for students. Why not add a couple of video games and pool tables? How about a built in VCR for the TV area and every Wednesday and Sunday night, have some sort of movie viewing for the students? Students could request what movies they would be interested in watching. Activities such as these would allow students to do something else once in a while and interact with each other, other than in class.

Or what about the area right next to the Hanawalt Fitness Center? What a waste of space that place is.

I have been here for four years and that so-called courtyard of rough sand, a bunch of old benches and some beat up exercise circuits, have just sat there wasting away.

I once saw an old recruiting video for prospective students for La Verne and it showed a bunch of kids playing volleyball in the sand having barbeques and listening to music. What happened to those days? I am sure if barbeques and volleyball were going on over there now, there would be students participating, having a great time. Let's bring back those good old times.

But for now, it is just another area that, even if people wanted to do something there, is locked up tightly like the Student Center, and students could not use it unless they climb the fences.

There is no reason why we should not be able to have these things for our enjoyment. They really do not cost that much. With a budget like the Associated Student Federation (ASF) Forum has, it would not be that big of a setback for them to spend a little money on students' weekend needs. It would be a better way to spend that money, rather than having Fun Flicks.

Well I guess for now, students at La Verne will have to resort to what they have been doing all year long—sitting in their dorm rooms or apartments looking for something to do.

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# Commuters deserve respect they pay for



Angelica Martinez

Commuters lack the respect they pay for at this University. There have been numerous occasions, when commuters wish only to be inside Davenport, shielded from the cold, with no intent of eating, but are denied this right. Why?

If commuters pay tuition to attend the University, they are paying for the right to use any facility. Granted, resident students pay added fees, which entitle them to delicious meals at Davenport, as well as other necessities in the residence halls.

However, paying $2,275 does not pay for a building. It pays for food and services rendered by the Davenport staff. Moreover, if that is what we are paying for, why then can't commuters sit inside and eat their own food?

It was a regular Wednesday afternoon when a few of my friends and I walked into Davenport in search for something to eat. The four of us walked up to the counter and presented our identification cards.

Meanwhile, our commuter friend walked behind us and found a place for all of us to sit. She neatly pulled out her brown paper lunch bag with her sandwich and her drink.

As we placed our red trays down on the table, a Davenport employee walked up to my friend and asked for her meal card. When she explained she was not a resident, she was asked to leave the premises. Awed, we angrily picked up our trays and sat in the cold, outside Davenport, wishing we could be inside.

It sounds ridiculous that having a person inside or outside a building can make any difference. It is true that having a person outside diminishes the chances of them being able to eat free food. But, if resident students are allowed to enter and exit Davenport numerous times during the meal hours, couldn't they easily pick up a second tray for their commuter friend? I know it is possible, because I have seen it done.

Employees at Davenport must surely realize this is happening. It is common and useless for them to enforce their rules with students who are not even using their services, nor eating their food.

I have always been with the idea that if someone treats me with respect, I will be more inclined to give that respect back and to take advantage of it.

Instead of using this approach, Davenport punishes students who openly admit they live off campus.

Armen Ananian, food services director for Aramark, said the reason for doing this is because students "can't be controlled. Once you open that door, it is all you can eat."

I understand this, but Davenport is losing by kicking students to the outside tables rather than allowing them inside with their own lunches. At least inside, these students can be monitored.

Ananian's next reason was that "allowing brown paper lunches," would "take up the space" of dorm students. Even if this was true, not all dorm students head to Davenport.

When students enter dorm rooms, they are not kicked out because they are commuters. An example is Interterm when a group of chemistry students, including myself, met at the Stu-Han study lounge to prepare for our chemistry tests. Among those students were commuters.

These students were not spending the night, using the showers, or any other utilities dorm life offers. This same example could be applied to Davenport. In both cases, students simply walked into the facilities and exercised their right to be there.

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# Lakers need to shoot for stars



J.R. Gonsalves

The Los Angeles Lakers, one of the most storied franchises in NBA history, are finding themselves in a slump.

The team's record seems to be strong at 35-15 and the second best in the league, but if you take a closer look at the loss column, you can see where it is that this young team needs improvement.

The season for the Lakers started out in storybook fashion, when the team set a franchise record for the most consecutive wins to open a season at 11. Then there was the All-Star Game on Feb. 8, where the Lakers sent four players—Eddie Jones, Shaquille O'Neal, Kobe Bryant and Nick Van Exel—to showcase their talents.

The Lakers are also the highest scoring team in the league, but their defense has fallen of late.

These are solid accomplishments for any team, but when you look past the surface, you see a team that has not found a way to beat the teams it needs to beat.

The Lakers have lost to the Seattle Supersonics twice in two tries this season.

The Sonics have the best record in the league at this point and are in the Lakers' division, which means the Lakers must beat them to be the best in the west.

Since the All-Star break, the Lakers have been in a funk, losing to three playoff contenders of the western conference—Seattle, the Portland Trailblazers and the Houston Rockets. The Lakers must beat these teams to be on top.

In all of these losses, O'Neal has been there at the end when the game has been in jeopardy, but the rest of his teammates have been on a mental vacation of sorts. Through everything, the Lakers' second best player so far this season has been the 19-year-old Bryant, who just a year ago, almost singlehandedly removed the Lakers from the playoffs with three consecutive air balls from behind the three-point line.

Van Exel has had his moments and has amazingly kept his emotional cool with the referees and the coaching staff, but he is sporadic. Jones does disappearing acts when the game is on the line, and Robert Horry went three games without a single point at one stretch. Rick Fox has been a good addition, but even he has not played up to his potential.

Then there is Elden Campbell, who makes $7 million a year and has not figured out how to play with O'Neal in their second season together. Campbell is a player that the Lakers should definitely reconsider before signing him to another contract.

One has to wonder why Bryant comes off the bench; he leads six men in scoring. Imagine what he could do if he started or got more then 27 minutes a game. Head coach Del Harris and the Laker organization want to bring Bryant along slowly, but when does one draw the line?

The Lakers seem to be all hype midway through the '97-'98 season. Fans should not be satisfied with the team's performance thus far. Second place would be acceptable if the first place team, Seattle, was not in the Lakers' division, but that is not the case.

The Lakers have also fallen to the level of their competition, getting swept by the Philadelphia 76ers this season and losing to the Golden State Warriors, the worse team in the league. These mental lapses should not happen to a supposed title contender.

When the Chicago Bulls made their championship runs of late, they did not lose to teams that were below the .500 mark. The Lakers have yet to figure out that they must come to play every night, in order to get that title and that ever impressive ring on their fingers.

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# Arts & Entertainment



## Entertainment Briefs

### Black History

The Southwest Museum in Los Angeles celebrates Black History Month tomorrow at 1 p.m.

Dr. Edgar Love, a professor at El Camino College, will show a slide-illustrated lecture, "Blacks in Mexico." Dr. Love has researched Mexico's Black population for the past 30 years in Ometepec, Maldonado, Cuajinicuilapa and San Nicolas.

The Southwest Museum is located at 234 Museum Drive, Los Angeles. Admission is $5 for adults, $3 for students and seniors, $2 ages 7-18 and children under 6 are free. For more information, call (213) 221-2164, ext. 221.

### Scholarships

The Music Department is holding auditions March 7 and 14 for music scholarships. Applications can be picked up from Dr. Reed Gratz, professor of music. The deadline is March 1.

### Getty Museum

The following exhibitions are on view in the Museum's galleries.

"Incendiary Art: The Representation of Fireworks in Early Modern Europe." Open through March 1.

"Capturing Time: A Celebration of Photography." Open through March 22.

"Masterpieces of Medieval Renaissance Manuscript Illumination." Open through March 22.

"A Matter of Taste: Alexis Smith's Commission for the Getty Center Restaurant." Open through April 12.

The Getty Center is located at 1200 Getty Center Drive, Los Angeles. Admission is free and parking is $5. Reservations are required. Call (310) 440-7300.

*—Erica Aguilar*

# Acetone (as´-ĕ-tohn´) Defies categorization

*by Araceli Esparza*
*photography by Christie Reed*

During a time in which musical expression is instantaneously categorized, or when popular trends engulf the music industry, a band named Acetone prefers to pursue its own image.

Acetone's blend is comprised of vocalist/bassist Richie Lee, guitarist/vocalist Mark Lightcap and drummer Steve Hadley. The band's sound and style is unique, making it difficult to categorize at all.

"When you categorize yourself, you may as well quit," said Lee. "That's probably one of the worst things you can do. If you can describe yourself before you start [something], why do it?"

Such attitudes are what have kept Acetone strong and ongoing for 11 years. Last Saturday, Feb. 14, the band appeared for a live in-store performance at Rhino Records in Claremont.



*Acetone, a retro rock group from Los Angeles, headed by Mark Lightcap on vocals and guitar, performed at Rhino Records in Claremont last Saturday. The trio also includes Richie Lee on bass, vocals and an occasional guitar; and Steve Hadley on drums.*

The trio has some history behind them, working together since 1987, when Lee and Lightcap studied together at California Institute of the Arts in Valencia, Calif.

"We felt irresistibly drawn to one another," said Lightcap, sarcastically. "We realized we liked to play and so we just figured we should play together."

Hadley, a high school acquaintance of Lee's, joined the band as its drummer during that time.

Agreeing to pursue a spot in the music industry, the band was challenged to choose a name for itself.

"We made it up," Lee said. "To us, it was not a real word, so we played around with ways to pronounce it."

"We stayed with Acetone (pronounced as´-ĕ-tohn´), but it's funny to hear the way some people pronounce it. Some people say Acetone (ace-tohn), but others say Aketone (ak-tohn)," Lightcap said.

Whatever its pronunciation, Acetone has struck the industry and its public with popularity.

When it introduced its first album in 1993, the band named the LP "Cindy," introducing the personalities and statements of its members.

On "Cindy," some of their first songs were featured, including those primarily written by Lee.

"We write our own songs," said Lee. "Usually I get ideas from watching movies. I rent a lot of movies.

"I write the songs based on experiences of one of the movie's protagonists."

According to a press release, the first album was released by the Vernon Yard label, and "ranges in style from evocative pop to garage-inspired rock and low-end drone."

"I enjoyed 'Cindy' the most," said Greg Velez, 31, who learned of Acetone when they opened for The Verve two years ago. "They use words that blend. I notice some rock and blues in their music, and some jazz."

Following their debut, Acetone began work on their next project, the 1994 EP, "I Guess I Would," and soon produced a second LP entitled "If Only You Knew," also from the Vernon Yard label.

Lightcap said the two albums sold a projected 60,000 copies together, and have encouraged the band in their overall growth.

Along with The Verve and, most recently, Spiritualized, Acetone has also toured with artists such as Garbage, Oasis and Mazzy Star.

"We get more better at what we do," said Lee. Joking about his grammatically incorrect response, he added, "We also get worse at speaking."

Last last year, Acetone produced yet another album, introducing it as a self-titled release under Neil Young's Vapor Records.

Because "Acetone" was released through Vapor Records, the band hopes the collection will sell at a greater rate than their other projects have.

Lightcap is aiming to sell 100,000 copies.

"Acetone" includes "Might As Well," "All The Time" and "So Slow," as featured songs.

"They are not my favorite band, but I do appreciate their music," said Velez, who arrived at Rhino Records specifically for the purpose of seeing Acetone perform once again.

"Their last album is on my list of albums to get," Velez added. "They seem like very trained musicians and professionals. I see them lasting a long time, either as a band or going solo."

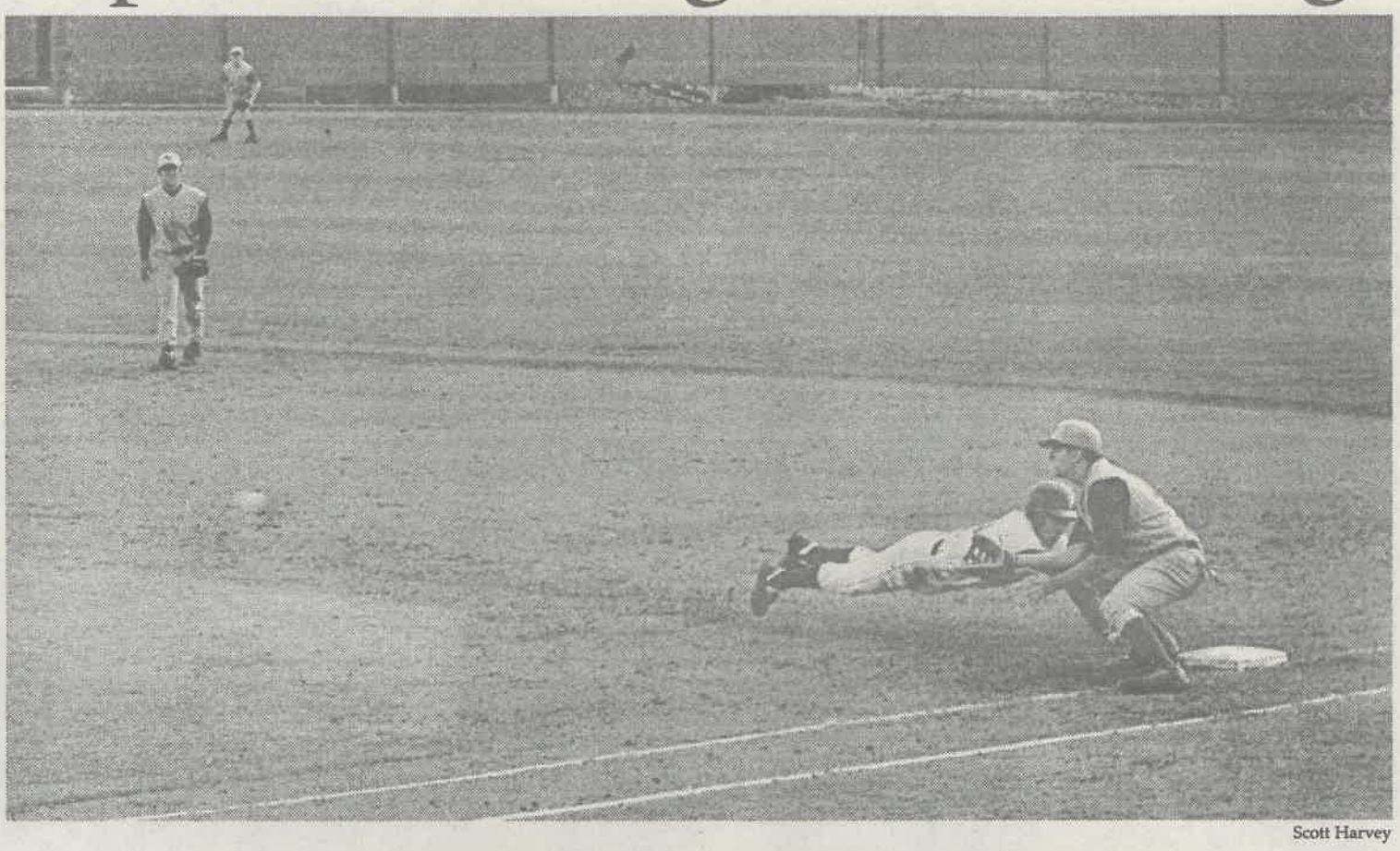
Acetone has no limitations to the art of music and language. Growth and success come from loving the profession and accepting the challenge, not from being greatly recognized nor popular.

"Not quitting is sometimes a challenge," said Lee. "Being together for 11 years, we've got some heavy down spots, but aside from that, the music is so rad it keeps us together.

"You need to weather some serious insult to do this job."

# Baseball opens with Sagehen roasting

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Scott Harvey

*Junior first baseman Kris Jensen waits for a throw from sophomore pitcher Saul Hardin in an attempt to pick off a Pomona-Pitzer runner at first base. The Leopards and Hardin went on to win the first of two games in a doubleheader, 18-9.*

After a disappointing defeat against Biola in its season opener, the Leopards baseball team rallied to defeat Pomona-Pitzer for a clean three game sweep last weekend to begin Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) play at 3-0.

The sweep also gave head coach Owen Wright his 600th career coaching victory.

Last Friday marked the first of three games as the Leopards held host to Pomona-Pitzer to commence conference action.

With the game tied at two, the Leopards began a rally in the bottom of the eighth inning which resulted in three runs. Third baseman Armando Hernandez, right fielder Juston Dospital and left fielder Eddie Hernandez, all juniors, each had an RBI that inning.

In the ninth inning, the Sagehens were unable to score or show any signs of comeback against freshman pitcher Mario Chaffino, who threw four strong innings giving up no hits.

Pomona-Pitzer pitcher Jack Ramirez threw a strong game, but could not contain the Leopards in the end, while senior La Verne pitcher Maynard McClarrinon picked up the win.

"After Friday's game, we were confident that we could beat Pitzer in Saturday's doubleheader," said sophomore center fielder Andrew Woolsey. "The only way we could lose is if we mentally beat ourselves."

Saturday's doubleheader at Pomona-Pitzer was rescheduled for the next day due to rain.

The emotional high of Friday's game carried over to Sunday's games in Claremont.

In the first game, La Verne offensively dominated the Sagehens, pounding out 20 hits in their 18-9 victory.

Junior shortstop Justin Ott went an impressive 5-for-5 including a walk and scored four times. Hernandez went 4-for-6, had five RBI and scored three times.

"Our hitting was there [that game]. I believe we have a good hitting ball club," said junior catcher Vince Zavala.

La Verne abused all three Sagehen pitchers with its swift bats, as each hurler gave up six runs a piece.

With Wright just one win away from reaching the 600 win mark for his career, the team did not feel any pressure into achieving that goal.

"We only wanted to play that game like any other," said Woolsey. "We wanted to focus on winning even though it was in the back of our minds. Plus we wanted to win because it was a conference game."

Chaffino said, "It did not put any pressure on us, it only gave us an incentive and made us hungrier for a win."

La Verne led 5-0 going into the final inning. Hernandez stepped up big as he threw eight innings giving up no runs, three hits, and had six strike outs.

"Armando [Hernandez] pitched a beautiful ball game, better than I thought he could. I was really pleased with his performance," said coach Wright.

Down by five runs, the Sagehens were not about to bow down. With Hernandez out of the game, Pomona-Pitzer nearly came back to defeat the Leopards scoring four runs as junior pitcher Matt Johnson struggled.

With the score 5-4, the pressure was on as the tying run stood on third base and the winning run was on second base with two outs.

Pomona-Pitzer first baseman Kevin Hickey hit a pop fly to right-center field, but Woolsey ended the game with a spectacular diving catch.

The catch marked coach Wright's 600th win and celebration broke loose for the Leopards.

"It was a great win and a good feeling," said sophomore catcher David LaPeer. "We stayed positive and we had a lot of guys that stepped up and were ready to play."

Taking a modest approach to the victory, Wright said, "It was just a milestone that is nice to have. I am more pleased with the simple fact that we won and swept Pomona-Pitzer in three games."

The next game will be today as La Verne will host conference rival Redlands at 2:30 p.m.

# Softball will rely on unity, experience in '98 campaign

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Softball is a team sport, and in 1998 the University of La Verne has a program with a team attitude.

The Leopards have seven returning starters: senior outfielder Jamie Anderson; senior outfielder Teresa Garcia; senior pitcher/first baseman Amber Hall, senior third baseman Liz Lomeli; sophomore second baseman Jamie Poole; junior outfielder Jennifer Thompson; and junior outfielder Lindsey Weber.

Last season, the Leopards were 17-22 overall and 9-15 in the Southern California Intercollegiate Conference (SCIAC), but this season promises to be better, according to head coach Julie Kline.

"We are fortunate to have a team skilled and talented enough to contribute in every aspect of the game," said Kline.

The Leopards figure to be one of the top teams in their respected conference this season, along with Cal Lutheran and Claremont-Mudd-Scripps.

Kline said Redlands and Whittier will surprise some teams. Kline is entering her sixth year as head coach and comes in the 1998 campaign with a career record of 105-85.

This season Kline sees the playoffs as a possibility for the Leopards.

"If we continue to work hard and execute, we will do very well in league and possibly go further—playoffs maybe," said Kline.

La Verne is solid from top to bottom. There are 12 players on the Leopards' roster that can hit and play the field according to Kline. This will be a welcome addition to a team that scored 187 runs but committed 90 errors a year ago.

Overall, ULV hit .334 and compiled a 3.72 team ERA in 1997.

The Leopards must play to their strengths in 1998 and the possibilities might be endless for this team.

"I think we look really good so far," said Hall, who studied abroad last spring. "We have a lot of new players and how good we are will depend on how well we mold together as a team."

Hall said the team will not know where it is as a unit until its season begins. The big test for La Verne will be when it plays the stronger teams in its conference.

The Leopards open their season tomorrow at home against SCIAC foe Cal Lu at 2 p.m.

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# Lady cagers upend undefeated Regals

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*Senior center Laura Czingula pins Cal Lutheran's freshman forward Brandie Murrish against the baseline while Cal Lu junior center Missy Rider (#32) battles senior guard Alicia Gibson, (#32) for the pass. La Verne (1-8), beat the SCIAC leading Regals (8-0), in the final minutes of play 70-63. ULV continued its wining ways on Tuesday beating Whittier 59-51.*

Who says only bad things happen on Friday the 13th?

For the University of La Verne women's basketball team, this traditional bad-luck day brought a bright spot to their season.

Heading into Friday's contest, Cal Lutheran harbored an 8-0 conference record, sitting alone atop the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) in first place.

La Verne on the other hand, was a painful 1-7 in conference play and coming off two 20 point losses to Redlands and Pomona-Pitzer. In their prior meeting, Cal Lutheran ran over the Leopards by a 30-plus point margin. Friday night's contest was another story with the hard fought victory going to the Leopards, 70-63.

From the opening tip, the Leopards came out with great intensity and revenge on their minds as they managed to keep the game close and eventually grasping the victory.

The first half saw the Leopards take an 11-6 lead with 12:15 left. Both teams traded baskets for most of the first half, with La Verne's biggest lead of the game being 28-20 with 4:30 remaining. Suddenly, Cal Lu began to turn the tables going on a 10-0 run to close out the first half with their first lead of the game, 30-28.

Leading scorers at the half included the Regals' Nicole Sanchez, who led all scorers with 11 points. La Verne's junior guard Heather Johnson topped the Leopards stat sheet with nine points on 3-for-3 shooting from behind the 3-point arc.

"The keys to the match-up will be execution and to play hard for 40 minutes," Heather Johnson said prior to the game. For La Verne, the battle was only half over.

In the second half, La Verne came out again with the same intensity they started with. For at least half of the second half, the game was neck and neck with the score differentiating by no more than three points.

At the 9:20 mark, the Leopards took the lead 49-48 on a basket underneath by sophomore forward Lori Johnson. After that point it seemed as though the Leopards were in contention to pull off the upset.

With under a minute left and still within striking distance, ULV's Lori Johnson was fouled, ULV leading 64-63. Cal Lu then called a time out in hopes of decreasing Lori Johnson's chances for making her free throws. She made the first attempt of a one-and-one, missed the second, but a huge offensive rebound by junior forward Jennifer Spring allowed ULV to regain possession. Heather Johnson was fouled and sent to the line where she missed the free throw, but once again the rebound found its way into Spring's grasp to seal the win.

Tuesday, the Leopards traveled to Whittier to face the Poets. Following the previous win, they looked to improve their record, and when the smoke cleared, it was ULV raising the victory flag 59-51.

A poised La Verne team came out looking to establish control early and did just that with a 32-27 halftime lead. Part of the reason for the half time lead was an effort fueled by the added confidence the team gained from the Cal Lu win. The Leopards dominated the Poets in the second half, outscoring Whittier 27-24 for the final score of 59-51.

The second half score was cushioned by a 4-of-5 shooting from the free throw line as well as 10-of-27 field goal shots falling for the Leopards. Heather Johnson's 24-point attack led the way for the Leopards.

"We had consistency for a longer period than the game before," said senior forward Tamara Loyd. "It felt good working as a team."

They did work as a team, even though the Leopards were out rebounded 50-36.

The win moves the Leopards to 3-7 in SCIAC and 8-14 overall. ULV will host Claremont tonight at 7:30.

# ULV drops Bulldogs to continue title chase

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As the winning season progresses for the University of La Verne men's basketball team, so do its high hopes of going to the playoffs.

This week, the Leopards were chosen as an honorable mention pick for the NCAA Division III men's basketball west region poll. But before that happens, La Verne has to end its regular season in a good standing and beating the Caltech Beavers (94-46) and the Redlands Bulldogs (82-77) in the same week was a good start.

The Leopards went head-to-head Wednesday night with the Bulldogs, practically trading baskets the entire first half.

Only 40 seconds into the game, La Verne was on fire and far too quick for Redlands, starting out in its usual full-court press and scoring the first two baskets of the game.

"I didn't make any new adjustments, I just wanted [the players] to go out and play," said head coach Terry Boesel.

Although La Verne did put tight pressure on the Bulldogs, a few times they were able to break the press which led to a couple of easy layups and kept them within striking distance of La Verne.

Leopards junior Jess Pena stepped up his composure on defense, stole the ball from the Bulldogs then passed it up court to junior Ryan Burchfield for an easy bucket bringing the score to 22-18.

"We won because a lot of people stepped it up tonight," said Pena, he finished the night with three assist, three steals and 10 points.

Although ULV stepped it up, Redlands would not give up. With 9:55 left in the first half, Mac Clark from Redlands pulled up for an open 3-pointer and made it. Redlands then stole the ball on defense and Page Boudreau was wide open in the middle of the key for an easy two points, 23-22.

Senior Paul Celaya tied up the game with a 3-pointer but Clark answered right back with one himself, keeping the crowd on its toes.

With 4:20 left in the first half, senior point guard Gabe Duran came out of the game due to a left knee injury and was not seen on the court the rest of the night. The half ended, 43-43.

After the halftime fair well to the old Bulldog mascot, ULV came out ready to play.

ULV finally got its biggest lead of the night due to their full court pressure, 75-58. However, the Bulldogs kept on biting and eventually broke the big point gap keeping the game close, 77-69, with only 1:54 left to play.

Redlands senior Peter Lauer stepped up with less than a minute to go and sank a 3-pointer, bringing the game to within five points.

After a Redlands' time out, ULV senior forward Eric Noyes was fouled sending him to the line for two. Noyes made both shots putting ULV up by seven.

"The bench play was definitely a contributor tonight. It just goes to show that the deeper the bench, more wins are produced," said junior Kenny Cauley, who had eight points and freshman Kevin Gustafson finished with 10 points.

Some how Redlands found an open lane in ULV's tight defense as the seconds ran down and freshman forward Jon Allen banked a basket with 23.9 seconds left, 79-74.

Once again La Verne was fouled this time, sending senior guard Chad Duggins to the line. Duggins made 1-of-2 shots from the foul line and ended the game with 11 points.

Redlands kept on fighting, attempting for a 3-pointer that was good which left ULV only three points ahead.

Redlands stopped the clock again at the 10 second mark and fouled Burchfield in the open court, hoping for another chance at a victory. Burchfield crushed their hopes and made both attempts at the line, putting La Verne up by five to win the game. Burchfield finished with the team high of 15 points and was 4-of-4 from the line.

When asked on how he thinks they won the game Pena said, "It was definitely team ball and clutch free throws in the stretch."

Last Saturday, ULV defeated Caltech, 94-46. Gustafson and Moreland had 12 points a piece.

"In my opinion, it was the best game we have ever played against Caltech since the three years I've been here," said Boesel.

ULV is now 17-4 overall and 9-2 in SCIAC. ULV's next game is tomorrow against Whittier at 7:30 p.m.