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Flames engulf office in Davenport

Michelle Thornton
Features Editor

A fire broke out in the office of Frank Crescenzo, executive chef, in Davenport Dining Hall in the late evening hours of Oct. 2. It will now cost the University of La Verne between $60,000 and $70,000 to repair the damages.

It was approximately 10:30 p.m. when Tom Erickson, campus safety agent, let Randy Alvarez, an exterminator from Cal-Western Termite and Pest Control, Inc., in to do a routine preventive care spray.

When the two entered the building Erickson turned on the breaker to light the building.

Alvarez asked Erickson if there was a phone available for use, so that when he completed spraying he could notify Erickson who could then lock the building.

Erickson opened Crescenzo's office so that Alvarez could phone him from there.

When entering the office a switch, believed to be for the lights, was flipped, and by whom is uncertain.

"Tom is certain that he did not flip that switch," said John Lentz, director of campus safety and transportation.

The switch, however, was not for the lights, but a heater mounted on the wall, that had not been used in awhile.

In front of the heater sat a chair that was being used to prop up a cardboard box that contained a glass mirror.

It was the heat from the heater that ignited the highly flammable box, sending the office up in flames.

Alvarez, who was wearing a mask could not smell the smoke from the fire, but discovered it as he turned the corner to continue to spray the area.

"Basically, I saw a huge ball of fire in the office," said Alvarez.

He then left the building, running across the lawn in front of Wilson Library to call Erickson to warn him of the fire.

Upon receiving the call ,Erickson drove his cart from Brandt Residence Hall to Davenport, as Adrian Bean, campus safety agent, who overheard the call from the office, came to assist.

Erickson was going attempt to extinguish the fire through the window with the fire extinguisher that comes equipped with the cart, when he saw that the blaze was already to large for him to handle.

Erickson withdrew and phoned the fire department from his hand-held transmitter at 10:46 p.m. and they responded in less than a minute.

The fire department pulled their hoses to the rear of the building and began to extinguish the fire through the window which had been blown out due to the intensity of the blaze.

The fire, which had not traveled past the office, was contained in minutes, minimizing damage to the structure.

The West Dining Room, the main dining room and the President's Dining Room were only slightly damaged by the smoke and are in the process of being cleaned. There was also minimal damage to the pipes as well. Repairs are expected to be completed in 10 to 14 days.

Erickson contacted Lentz, who in turn contacted several University administrators and faculty to notify them of the incident.



Michael P. Bailey

La Verne Firefighter Mark Horine, Captain Alan Chandler and Paramedic Robert Morales investigate the cause of the fire that occurred the evening of Friday, Oct. 2, in chef Frank Crescenzo's office in Davenport Dining Hall. Captain Chandler examines the wall heater switch after tearing the surrounding wall down with an ax.

University handles emergency properly

Jennifer Parsons
Editor In Chief

Response to last Friday night's fire in Davenport Dining Hall was "excellent," said John Lentz, director of campus safety and transportation.

"I don't think we could have done any better," Lentz said.

Members of campus safety, along with resident assistants and program assistants, are trained to deal with emergency situations, including how to use a fire extinguisher.

Tom Erickson, campus safety agent, was notified of the fire and contacted the fire department and Lentz. Erickson realized the fire was much to large to be put out with an extinguisher.

Once Lentz received information of the fire, he called President Stephen Morgan, Dr. Loretta Rahmani, dean of student affairs; Brian Worley, director of facilities management; Armen Ananian, food service director; Deborah Mandebach, public relations director; and Julie Thurman-Francisco, director of housing and residential life.

Fire Investigator Ron Sillo concluded that the fire began because of a cardboard box leaning against the wall heater that took only minutes to ignite.

Davenport Dining Hall is considered to be an "awake" building; therefore smoke detectors designed to alarm sleepers of a fire are unnecessary.

Regarding safety precautions, Lentz said, "There will no longer be a wall heater in the office."

"The key is not the matter of eliminating heaters. Fire safety or any safety is just an on going thing. It takes everybody's concern—including students—on a daily level to minimize fires. Fire safety training is a matter of doing the best you can," said Sillo.

Dr. Morgan said in a memorandum to the University community, "I want to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to our emergency response teams for their timely and professional responses.

"The incident on Friday night reminded us how unexpectedly and quickly disaster can strike and how important it is to rehearse and prepare for emergencies on our campus."

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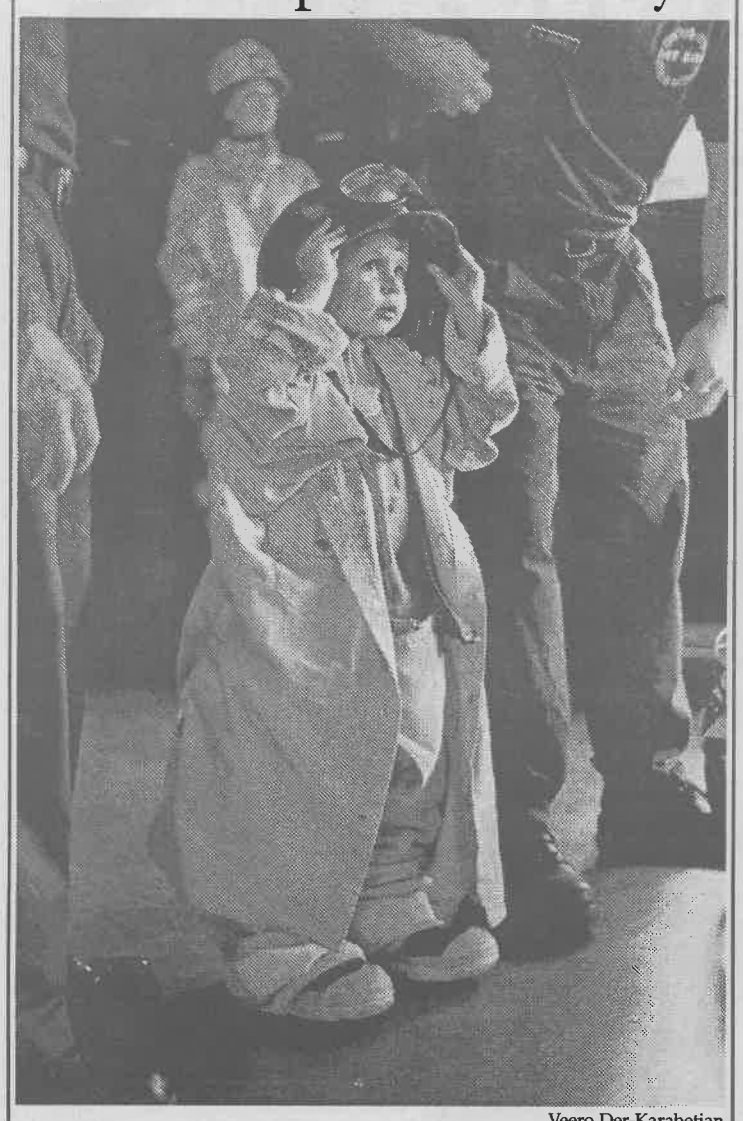

Veero Der-Karabetian

La Verne's Police and Fire Departments held their annual Open House Saturday. Young children attended and enjoyed the live demonstrations, including car fires and mock arrests. Several children spent their day trying on the firemen's turnout jackets, including Ian Graham who looks up at his mother from under the heavy weight of a captain's helmet.

Professors plan trip

•January class off to Amazon

Shiva Rahimi
Managing Editor

"A Bizarre and Beautiful Amazon" informational meeting/slide show was held Tuesday in the KULV room for people who are interested in a two-week boat trip up the Amazon River.

The trip will begin Jan. 5, and will be led by Dr. George Keeler, professor of journalism, and Don Pollock, associate professor of communications. It will last for 12 days and count towards four units of upper division credit. The fifth unit will count toward the international/intercultural experience core class.

Dr. Keeler and Pollock have already experienced a similar Amazon adventure during Interterm of 1993. The students produced video documentaries, magazine and newspaper articles, slide shows and other research.

The group will be taking a domestic airline to Miami, Fla., and fly out of Miami to Manaus, the heart of the Amazon. Manaus is a city in the center of Brazil right on the equator. "It is a city trapped in the 19th century," Dr. Keeler said.

From Manaus, the group will travel by boat, the Tucano, west toward Columbia, which is approximately a 200 mile boat ride. Mark Baker, Pollock's college roommate at Duke University, is now the owner of Ecotour Expeditions. This is the business that will provide the boat and the scientist guide. The boat will be equipped with bunkbeds, air-conditioning, hammocks and have food catered by a group run by an American company.

During the boat ride, the group will do a lot of observing and sightseeing. They will have a chance to purchase souvenirs in the city of Manaus as they go to museums, the Opera House, the zoo and the fruit market. They will take a van about 20 miles away from the city, and look at nearby caves.

They will also have the opportunity to go out into the South American rainforest and "observe monkeys swinging in the trees, hear the jaguars, look at footprints and have the chance to see some exotic birds," Dr. Keeler said.

"The students will have the chance to see both the decay of the jungle and the genesis of things waiting to be born," Dr. Keeler said. "They can smell both birth and death in the jungle, because the rainforest is alive ecologically."

Dr. Keeler also commented on the weather students should expect on the trip.

"The weather during January in the Amazon will be like La Verne weather in August," Dr. Keeler said. He said that the weather should be fairly calm and should not go above 90 degrees, but will probably have high humidity.

Some health precautions were also explained to the prospective students. Dr. Keeler said that when he went on the trip to the Amazon in 1993, the Brazilian government required them to get the yellow fever shot. Taking a malaria preventative, and a Hepatitis A shot were also recommended, as were the needs of updating the polio and tetanus shots.

"It's common sense to take these precautions," Dr. Keeler said. "Not just for Brazil, but for any third world country. Brazil could potentially pose a risk with its mosquito borne diseases."

Dr. Keeler said that he is trying to hold the total cost, which includes the cost of meals and both international and domestic airfare, at $2,500. The deadline for a deposit is scheduled for Oct. 30.

The next Amazon informational meeting will be Tuesday Oct. 20 at noon, in the KULV room. For additional information contact Dr. Keeler at ext. 4294 or Pollock at ext. 4277.

Language Department offers Mandarin Chinese

Nune Gazdhyan
Staff Writer

Starting this semester, the University of La Verne has added Mandarin Chinese to its list of foreign language classes being offered to students.

Since Chinese is one of the world's major languages, spoken by more people than any other, taking Chinese is a good investment for the future.

The class is offered Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 9:30-10:30 a.m., and is taught by Jill Jian, part-time faculty member.

"When students heard about the class they were intimidated because many think that learning Chinese is very hard, but in reality it's not that difficult," said Jiao.

According to Dr. Gerard Lavatori, chair of the Language Department, the class was started after the department attended a conference where it was revealed that taking Chinese is becoming a trend among college students.

"There was a Language Department meeting where it was decided to start offering the class. The majority felt it's a good idea," said Dr. Lavatori.

He also said that the class did not appear in the fall catalog because the department was still finishing up with the scheduling of the class and missed the catalog deadline.

ULV's curriculum requires traditional students to take two semesters of foreign language. Therefore, taking two semesters of Mandarin Chinese will fulfill the foreign language requirement. Another advantage of taking the class is that there are no placement tests to worry about.

"I spend the first few weeks familiarizing students with pronunciation and how to write Chinese characters. I also adjust the class to the pace of the students and how much they are able to learn," said Jiao.

Jiao has a degree in Chinese Literature and taught Chinese in China for several years before moving to America.

"Students here are very different, because they don't have a background in the language unlike students in China," said Jiao.

This is Jiao's first semester at ULV. Previously she taught Chinese at Riverside Community College.

This semester, the class consists of four female students, but Dr. Lavatori hopes this will change next semester as more students become aware of the course.

"Learning Mandarin Chinese is like learning to draw. The chinese characters are very beautiful," said Quyen Nguyen, a senior math major enrolled in the class.

Jiao said if one takes two semesters of Chinese, it will not be difficult to create simple sentences to communicate with others. She also said that learning Mandarin Chinese does not happen overnight—it requires commitment.

"It's easy to pass the class. The real challenge is passing the class with the satisfaction of knowing that you learned something," said Jiao.

San Dimas provides town western flavor



Veero Der-Karabetian

The annual San Dimas Western Days flea market was held Oct. 3 and 4. The weekend included a rodeo, a staged shoot-out, live bands and a bicycle/skateboard stunt show. Among some of the smaller attractions was a pony ride. Above, operator Jason Pierce waits for Christian Palomino to finish his ride. Pierce and his family own a 2.5 acre farm in Chino where they raise animals for petting zoos and children's rides.

ASF Minutes

The Associated Student Federation (ASF) Forum met in the ASF Conference Room Wednesday, Oct. 7, to review election results, announce the Homecoming court, and reiterate plans for the Homecoming.

Election Run-off

Following a second run-off for Freshman Representative, Rattana Kim was introduced as this year's newly-elected representative after receiving a majority of the votes.

Scary Farm

A limited number of tickets for Knott's Scary Farm are available at the University Bookshoppe. Tickets for Oct. 16 and 25 will be sold for $18 each, and those for Oct. 28 will be available for $15 each. Availability is restricted to 30 tickets for each date, and purchases are limited to two per person.

Court Announced

Ten candidates, five men and five women, have been elected as finalists for the Homecoming court. Seniors Lynsey Best, Tamar Garabedian, Amber Prince, Cecilia Torres and Desiree Yoro are candidates for queen; and seniors Ryan Allen, Mohammed Ghorim, Chris Perez, Kevin Walker and Ordell Williams, king candidates.

The court will be presented to the University Monday, Oct. 19, at Illumination.

—*Araceli Esparza*

Fire damages move services to Spot

Shiva Rahimi
Managing Editor

Reconstruction of Davenport Dining Hall is under progress due to last Friday's fire. The University has contracted J.A. Bradley Construction & Restoration, to handle reparation of the damages.

The revenue for the reconstruction will come from two different insurance companies. One will cover property and equipment, while the other covers the food and other contents.

Armen Ananian, food services director, said that the cleaning processes have already begun. The dining area, West Dining Room and the Presidents Dining Room will be cleaned due to the smoke damage. The final area to be cleaned will be the carpeting in the dining hall.

Ananian said that the windows are being cleaned inside and out, the deli area is being sanitized by removing smoke particles and odors that have been left over and the plant leaves are being dusted "one leaf at a time."

Ananian also said that a sealer is expected to be placed on the ceiling and the air-conditioning duct is being cleaned. The purpose for the sealer is to prevent remaining odors from escaping from the vents of the ceiling.

Sheila DeGraw, director of support services, said "We need to completely rebuild the office." The office, located in the rear of the building, is where most of the damage took place.

DeGraw said that they are reconsidering the format of the electrical wiring in the Dining Hall. This would mean that they would use lighting instead of breakers on the switches.

"The kitchen area is definitely not usable for two weeks," said DeGraw. The appliances are not going to be replaced, but the area is in need of thorough cleaning due to high amounts of smoke damage.

Since there will not be any cooking in Davenport for the next two weeks, the Claremont Colleges are assisting the University with students' dining needs, through Aramark Dining Services. They are providing lunch and dinner meals for the University that are being served at the Spot until the reconstruction process is finished in Davenport.

Freshman Dale Goneztrejo commented on the move to the Spot, "The location has not been that much of a difference, and it is probably even better because it has a TV."

However other students seemed to disagree.

"The meals aren't as convenient, and it's kind of like there's not as much food to go around," sophomore Kyle Young said about the meals being transferred from Claremont.

"By the time I get to go to the Spot they are out of food to eat, because they are having to feed the whole school the entire day," Young said.

Dean of Student Affairs, Loretta Rahmani, said, that this reconstruction should not affect the remodeling of the Spot.

"We are asking for everyone's understanding, patience, and collaboration," Dr. Rahmani said.

Staff writer Danny Eckardt contributed to this story.



Michael P. Bailey

All meals will be served in the Spot, located inside the Supertents, while the reconstruction and cleaning at Davenport take place for an additional two weeks. Director of housing and residential life, Julie Thurman-Francisco waits for the preparation of her meal.

Chef's precious medals, photos ruined in fire

Araceli Esparza
Editorial Director

After La Verne Fire Department firefighters determined that Davenport Dining Hall's blaze was under control, fire officials entered the facility to investigate the extent of damages. In doing so, it was evident that the concentration of the blaze was at the office of Frank Crescenzo, executive chef for Davenport.

Crescenzo, who had been working at the dining hall that evening, left and locked his 7 foot by 10 foot office at about 5:30 p.m. By 7 Saturday morning, he received a call from Armen Ananian, food services director of Aramark Dining Services, and was informed of the situation.

"Armen said that the heater was on, and that's where the fire started," said Crescenzo. "I got to Davenport about 9 a.m. and I was just shocked."

"I thought maybe something had survived, and I got down on my knees and started rummaging through [the remains] to see if I could find something," he said. "There were a lot of melted coins, medals and sports memorabilia."

Among the items Crescenzo lost were a number of personal and meritorious belongings, including framed military medals and certificates, a collection of sports memorabilia, and framed college medals and degrees. He also lost gourmet cutting tools, cooking supplies, cookbooks, chef uniforms and a Zenith lap top computer.

The aftermath of the fire proved that even these items could not be salvaged from any damage. Crescenzo said he rummaged through one of the trash bins outside the dining area and found his knife set, yet "the handles of the knives were too deformed to be used again."

"A mechanic without tools is not a mechanic," he said. "And I am a chef without tools."

According to Ananian, an estimated cost of office contents which were damaged in the fire totaled up to $10,000. However, a detailed list of the specific items lost totaled $5,224.

"It's not like I lost everything that I have. I have health, family and a place to live," said Crescenzo. "My main concern was 'Do I still have a place to work?'"



Michael P. Bailey

Firefighter Mark Horine and Paramedic Robert Morales begin to discard damaged materials from Executive Chef Frank Crescenzo's office. The office is where the majority of the damage occurred. Crescenzo lost many of his valuable and personal belongings such as military medals and certificates as well as cooking supplies and cookbooks, to the blaze.

In The News

Facility Hours

The Athletic Department has provided a schedule of the days and times the University's workout and fitness facilities will be available for use for students staff and faculty members. The following is a list for the various facilities on campus.

The Old Gym is open Mondays 7-9 p.m., Wednesdays 8-9 p.m., Fridays 6-8 p.m and Sundays 4-7p.m.

The Weight Room will be open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10:30 a.m. to 10 p.m., and Sundays 1-7 p.m.

The Fitness Area will be open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Proper attire and student identification are needed for use of any of these facilities.

For additional information on the use of these facilities contact Pam Maunakea, athletics activities coordinator, at ext. 4261.

—Shiva Rahimi

Opinions

Board makes suggestions to Forum

In the past, the *Campus Times* has been critical of the Associated Student Federation (ASF) Forum. This year, to be more helpful and our suggestions more effective, the Editorial Board felt it would be in the best interest of the students to voice issues with this year's Homecoming now rather than later.

The first concern is with the nomination process, which incorporates several smaller concerns. For instance, if any student could nominate any senior, it would be possible to have the entire senior class on the initial ballot, correct? Rather than having open nominations up, ASF should leave the nominations to the departments and clubs as it has done in the past.

Second, regarding nomination forms, in the past they have been sent to the departments and clubs that needed to vote; unfortunately, this year people had to retrieve the forms themselves. This would not have been a problem had there been better advertisements about the new process. A simple memo or several posters might have helped with that.

The third concern, with the recent fire in Davenport, where will Monte Carlo Night be held? It is a reasonable possibility that the clean up and reconstruction will not be complete. Therefore, an alternative location should already be in the works.

The fourth concern is regarding the traditional parade. It is no longer in the works for this year's festivities and the question is why?

Tradition at ULV is strong, and it should be left alone. ASF is trying to boost participation among the students and alumni, but canceling the parade and giving a halftime show, which only allows each organization to perform for a minute, does not boost participation any further. There is still time to have the traditional parade.

A suggestion might be having the parade on the track during the halftime. That would help boost viewer and community participation, while at the same time keeping the University's tradition alive.

It would also give the students who chose to participate in the halftime show a longer performance time.

The final suggestion is that, before making decisions which affect the student body, the Forum could conduct a survey to find out what students want, vs. what ASF wants to give them.

It is not too late to take to heart any suggestions. After all, everyone is working hard toward the anticipation of a great Homecoming.



Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor,

This morning, I read the column, "Accept rejection, get over it" [Oct. 2] in today's *Campus Times*. I was impressed that you decided to write about that! Like you, I have gotten offers previously to set people up which I have always declined because I hate the role of matchmaker. Guys need to take a hint when a girl says she is not interested at all. But you also have to realize that some girls don't get the hint that guys aren't interested either, so it goes both ways sometimes. Basically, both sides have to accept what the other person says or it can escalate to bigger problems. All I have to say is: About time!

Julia Carachure
Freshman
via Internet

Dear Editor,

"New club creates political awareness among students" [Sept. 25] fails to identify the "new" Marxist, Leftist, Anarchist Collective for Political Activism and Education for what it is—another attempt to repackage a proven failed social, political, and economic agenda in the guise of an action committee that supports human rights.

I find it ironic that such a club establishes itself as a human rights advocate on one side, and then links itself to the Marxist left. Have we forgotten that Stalin brought us the death of 22 million Russians, and 3 million dead on the "killing fields" of Cambodia and Laos? This club also plans to protest human rights in China. Have they forgotten what political agenda is in power in China? Members of this club should remember that the name of "Marxism" and Communism are responsible for more murder than all the wars fought in history. Mr. Casarez compares the idealism of Marxism and Anarchism with the political philosophies and religion (and find nothing wrong with it). I find this offensive. The political aims of these organizations are about total political, social control and then financial control. There is no discussion about the rights in a Marxist state as Vladimira Chavez suggests in her quote. If you have any doubt at all, all you have to do is look back to history or the newspapers of today.

I believe in a fare and open discussion of the issues. The will of majority rule, and accountability of the majority to the minority to be fare and just. I also believe, "question not only the teacher, but anyone," but with respect and consideration of the teachers rights. Marxism and Communism as it has demonstrated in history leaves rights for no one.

If you are a member of this organization, I would strongly suggest you re-think your membership. Seniors Valancy Rasmussen and Eddie Casarez, advisers Dr. Reed and Mr. Lord, I strongly suggest you re-consider your marketing plan.

John W. Dietz
Graduate Student
via Internet

Dear Editor,

As an educator, and as a baby boomer, the events in Washington (my hometown) have made me both ashamed and appalled. Ashamed that the first "boomer" President of the United States would let us down, would ignore the integrity and leadership that our leaders must have. Appalled that this example is being seen by the entire World. But I am not currently interested in the entire World. I am interested in my students, the students whose learning has been entrusted to me. Upholding the trust of their parents, and, I hope, of them as well, is the most important job I have. I take it no more lightly than I did the necessity to use proper judgement when dealing with customers in my former career. Belief in ideals is what planted the seeds of this great country, and it is the result of the struggles endured during the planting of those seeds that we have inherited, some of us via Ellis Island. That result holds a responsibility to maintain our position as the greatest power in the world, a world in which we compose only 5 percent of the population.

In a well-written piece on Sept. 25 ["Mission provides invaluable education"], Shiva Rahimi pointed to the importance of our Mission Statement. Dr. John Gingrich was impressed, as I was, when he commended Shiva this past week ["Letter to the Editor," Oct. 2]. In the light of my disgust at what our government is going through with regard to leadership and integrity, I looked up our Mission Statement. There are four major concerns addressed in the Mission Statement: A values orientation, community and diversity, lifelong learning, and community service. Yes, the general education courses to which Shiva was referring help to fulfill these mandates. But we must carry the need to promote the importance of values throughout all of our classes. As baby boomers, we have benefited from being part of the most educated generation in history. And now that we are entering our "golden years," we owe our students, many of whom are our children, an example that is above question, which portrays honesty and belief in high ideals of conduct.

To our students and to their parents: I promise you that I will uphold the ideals of this University with integrity and the high standards for which you are paying. You deserve nothing less. I'm sure I am not alone.

Dr. Janis Dietz
Assistant Professor of Business Administration
via Internet

Dear Editor,

This letter is in response to Jennifer Parsons' column in last Friday's edition of the Campus Times. In her "Accept rejection, get over it" piece she resorts to her "men are dogs" complaint yet again.

Jennifer, "men are dogs" is not a take. It stopped being funny a long time ago. Hell, it never was funny in the first place. Every two or three weeks it's the same thing from you—men are dogs, men suck, the evils of men. Blah, blah, blah. Enough already. Since you have so much knowledge on this subject I guess you felt that by only quoting Duke Kell you could get everyone to sympathize with you. Well, Jen, you're wrong. Feel free to mix in someone else's opinion. Actually, do us a favor and stop taking up space with these lame views.

Everyone knows guys are dogs—all you are doing is stereotyping a group and in your profession, I think that's a dangerous thing to do.

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Senior

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From the Editor...

Monopoly leaves no options



Jennifer Parsons

There is one word that bonds together the food and phone service at the University of La Verne—monopoly.

Monopoly is the exclusive control of a commodity or service in a given market, or control that makes possible the fixing of prices and the virtual elimination of free competition.

At ULV, a school of higher education, located in the United States of America, home of the free, students are given no options as to who or what serves their needs.

Being forced to purchase a $1,100 per semester meal card on campus (the cheapest available) is completely unfair. Automatically, Aramark is raking in a minimum of $440,000 (400 students living on-campus, paying $1,100 per semester) in one semester. Regardless of customer satisfaction, the school makes bank.

Another corrupt deal is Campus Link. Complaint after complaint is heard from students about our on-campus phone company. I personally dealt with the company on a daily basis from the end of August through the middle of September.

Because I became an expert in the area of customer service, I can say that Campus Link (besides one representative, Miranda, who attempted to help me out) is rude and unhelpful. The only way my problem was solved was after more than 20 phone calls, a demand to speak with the manager and finally a conversation with the president of the company, which still took a few weeks.

The point is, if I go out to a business and employees treat me rudely, I do not go there to give them my business. If those same people are rude to other customers, eventually they will pay in their loss of profit.

At La Verne, students do not have that option. There is no say in who they give their "business" to and complaints tend to be futile. We are pushed to voice our concerns, but little if no action is taken. Students are told to take their problems to representatives in the Office of Housing and Residential Life or University deans. The end result is never satisfying because we know these companies will win and we will still be forced to deal with them. If these companies the University is sponsoring met customer needs, there would be no reason to force students to give them business.

What is the purpose in forcing residents to purchase a meal card? Are we not adults of sound, mind and body able to make decisions on what to eat? I sure hope so. I have gotten this far in life, able to dress myself, brush my teeth, speak, read, write and choose a college, but now my ability to make decisions on what to eat is taken away?

It is expensive to attend ULV and an extra $1,100 sucked out of me does not help money matters, especially when I, as do most students, still eat out. Some off-campus students complain that the mandatory meal card is what is holding them back from being able to experience on-campus life. The cost to live on-campus is only $1,300 (double in the Oaks) but having to purchase a meal card almost doubles that price.

It is understood that Campus Link deals with many students a day, all with frustrations of their own, but that does not give them the right to be rude and non-communicative.

If I had my choice right now (which I do not), I would be using a different phone company and passing the word along to other students. No complaints of Davenport would be necessary either because I would have the option to not eat there.

I, as an American, do not like being told that this is the land of opportunity and freedom, and then have to march into the dining hall knowing that this is where my parents' money or my loan is going, whether I like it or not.

Aramark and Campus Link should not receive automatic business or revenue from the ULV students. Like any other business, customer service and quality should be the reason these companies gain a profit from us. Give students options like the real world has to offer. Stop telling us how much effort these services put into ULV and let us decide on our own.

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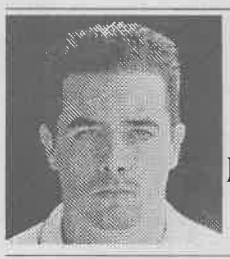
NFL may grant new team to same old place



Greg MacDonald

When National Football League (NFL) team owners meet later this month to determine which city or cities are granted a new franchise, the greater Los Angeles area will have two representatives present to make a case for the city.

One panel, the Los Angeles Coliseum Commission, is led by developer Edward Roski. Roski and his partners are seeking exclusive rights for an NFL team to return to L.A. and call the remodeled Coliseum home.

The other group, led by former Disney executive Michael Ovitz, is preparing to make a proposal for a new stadium in Carson near the Harbor and San Diego freeways.

Making myself an owner for a day, I can see the NFL would be more profitable in a new stadium, which, in comparison to other new ballparks, would attract far more attention and revenue than the tired Coliseum.

The owners are not going to grant Los Angeles a new team to play in an old place. Roski and his partners know this and are planning to commit $200 million or more on renovation of the Coliseum. The process would produce 67,000 seats, expandable to about 80,000 seats, including a luxury seating concourse providing up to approximately 15,000 club seats and up to approximately 150 suites.

But this is L.A. we are talking about. Southern Californians do not want the polished dreams of yesterday. They want new ideas, new seating and a new location. They know that no matter how much Roski garnishes the Coliseum, it is still old.

Really, who wants to go to the Coliseum and watch an expansion team, assuming the NFL would expand, lose all eight home games when there is so much more to do in L.A. This concept of recycling only works with aluminum, paper and glass.

At least with a new stadium, fans can not only go to watch the new team, even if it does not fare well on the field, but also go to take in the atmosphere of a new complex.

But imagine what kind of activities a new stadium could feature. Picture this: two hours prior to the kickoff of the season, fans pour in from every corner of L.A. Yes, the crowd would include the fat guy with the painted belly. But instead of the usual tail-gate parties in the parking lot, visitors are drawn in to dine on exotic and classic foods, while testing their skills of football in a permanent NFL Experience complex, complete with an arcade.

So not only would the die-hard football fans come for the action, but children would beg their parents to bring them to the carnival-like scene.

Los Angeles has been without football since 1995, when both the Raiders and Rams left for greener pastures, allegedly. But more football games are shown on television, so who knows, maybe no NFL team in the L.A. area equals more football in the long run. The owners will decide whether Los Angeles can enjoy the NFL in person or on the big screen in some sports bar.

Clearly, the Coliseum group has an uphill battle to fight. They need to improve more than just the appearance of the old stadium to improve attendance and revenue. But miracles can happen, right?

And as for the Carson site, the sky is the limit. New is always better: new cars, new clothes, new stadium. If the NFL owners approve Ovitz's proposal, Sunday will be a day of gathering in Los Angeles.

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Precautions may not prevent spread of HIV



Shiva Rahimi

A young girl was dancing at a nightclub when she suddenly felt a sharp stabbing pain in her leg. She did not think anything of it, until she looked down and saw a large syringe injected in her leg. She started to panic and noticed that the syringe had a tiny note attached that read, "Welcome to the world of HIV." The girl was tested for the virus and was later found to be HIV positive. She had now truly entered the world of HIV.

This story was told by my best friend last weekend. Her younger sister called her from Portland, Ore., and told her about the incident that was all over the news channels. It was completely shocking to hear. I used to go to this same night club when I was back home in Portland and never would have imagined hearing this type of news from such a small city, because it was always thought that these sort of incidents were common in much larger cities, like New York or Los Angeles. However, these type of incidents are no longer limited to when and where they happen. The news was so disturbing. When retelling the the story, many others responded by saying that they had heard of the similar syringe incident at movie theaters and other public places.

What type of world are we living in? One would think that someone who is going through the pains and discomfort of living with a deadly virus would try to prevent it from happening to others. It just seems that these people are doing this strictly out of anger.

The virus that is being spread in this manner may spread at such an unpredictable rate, because there is no way of preventing it from happening. What precautions would the nation be required to take? Would everyone be told not to leave their homes or enter public places that may pose a risk of contracting the virus?

It was just last year that Nushawn Williams infected 11 young females in western New York state with the HIV virus. Williams was fully aware that he was HIV positive, but continued to have unprotected sex and directly infected these women.

This goes right along with the same idea of people purposely giving the virus to one another out of anger of having the virus to begin with.

The incident with Williams could have placed a risk on any individual who may have crossed his path. He already knew he was in the later stages of the virus and that there was a low chance for his own survival. So, basically, he thought it was logical to inflict his own pain on these innocent females.

The tragedy of the whole syringe story also depends on being in the wrong place at the wrong time. If the girl at the night club did not decide to go out that night she could have still been living a lifestyle that was free from the HIV virus. Then again, who and what determined her to be the one that was chosen to get stabbed with the syringe?

When living in Portland, I went to this particular night club. This could have happened to me, my family members, my best friend or even her sister on that same evening. It is really disturbing that in the future, going to a crowded night club, or sitting next to anyone in a crowded movie theater or any other public venue will be thought about twice.

There are some deadly diseases that cannot be prevented, but AIDS has been something that people have had the opportunity to prevent by taking simple precautions. That was until a group of people decided to make decisions for the majority by inflicting innocent victims with a deadly disease.

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Obergon challenges ULV diversity

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He cruises the campus with a visual aid walking stick. Daniel Obergon, 19-year-old freshman, is legally blind.

Being the first in his family to attend college in the United States, Obergon said he is really excited. He is majoring in Spanish and hopes to work as a translator upon graduation.

"To my knowledge, ULV has accommodated students with lesser levels of visual impairment. Daniel is the first student we are accommodating with special equipment," said Cynthia Denne, director of student health services.

Obergon does not feel left out because of his disability; in fact, an observer would not even realize that he is blind if he did not carry his visual aid walking stick.

"When I got accepted to ULV, my mobility instructor came out here with me and showed me how to get around," said Obergon.

Vince Fazzi, Obergon's mobility instructor from high school, came out to ULV and guided him on getting around campus. With the help of his visual aid walking stick, he walks to his classes and around the campus on his own.

Obergon was not born blind, but he was born with hydrocephalus, which is the accumulation of fluid in the brain. Within 24 hours of birth, a shunt was inserted into his head to help drain out the excess liquid.

When Obergon was 5 years old, he was playing on a brick wall and fell down, hitting his head. The shunt was knocked out of place. At the time there were no immediate injuries, because doctors did not realize that the shunt was out of place. The misplacement of the shunt caused liquid to penetrate his brain applying too much pressure on his optic nerves. The pressure gradually contributed to his loss of vision.

By the time his parents and the doctors discovered that Obergon was going blind, it was too late for treatment. As a result, he was considered legally blind at the age of 5.

Since there was not much the doctors could do in Mexico City, Obergon's family moved to America in hopes of getting better treatment for him.

The doctors in America could not help Obergon as well. Despite the advancement of technology and the new surgical methods, his blindness is irreversible. However, his blindness is stable and does not progress.

Realizing that there was nothing he could do to see again, his parents enrolled him in a school for the visually impaired. At the age of 6, Obergon learned to read in Braille.

Obergon is the eldest of three. He has a younger sister and a brother, who both have normal vision. He does not consider his blindness as a disadvantage; in fact, he said that his blindness has made him a much more well-rounded individual because he is very open-minded toward others.

"I first saw Daniel at freshman camp; at first I didn't even realize that he was blind. Later on that day I found out that he is in my University 100 class," said Richard Rose, assistant professor of religion and philosophy.

Dr. Rose said that, in his University 100 class, which is a class geared to assist freshman and transfer students to help them get acquainted with the school, Obergon is very enthusiastic and eager to participate in class discussions and does not seem to feel left out because of his blindness.

According to Dr. Rose, the other students in the classroom do not feel intimidated or uncomfortable around Obergon.

"I really thought that Daniel would feel left out but he doesn't. He is very positive," said sophomore Alena Vlna, Orientation Week Leader and co-facilitator of Obergon's class.

The task of providing Obergon with all the proper accommodations is challenging for ULV, according to Denne.

Most of Obergon's books are in Braille or on audio tapes. For the few books that are not available in either of the needed forms, special accommodations are made at the Learning Enhancement Center, which provides him with a reader.

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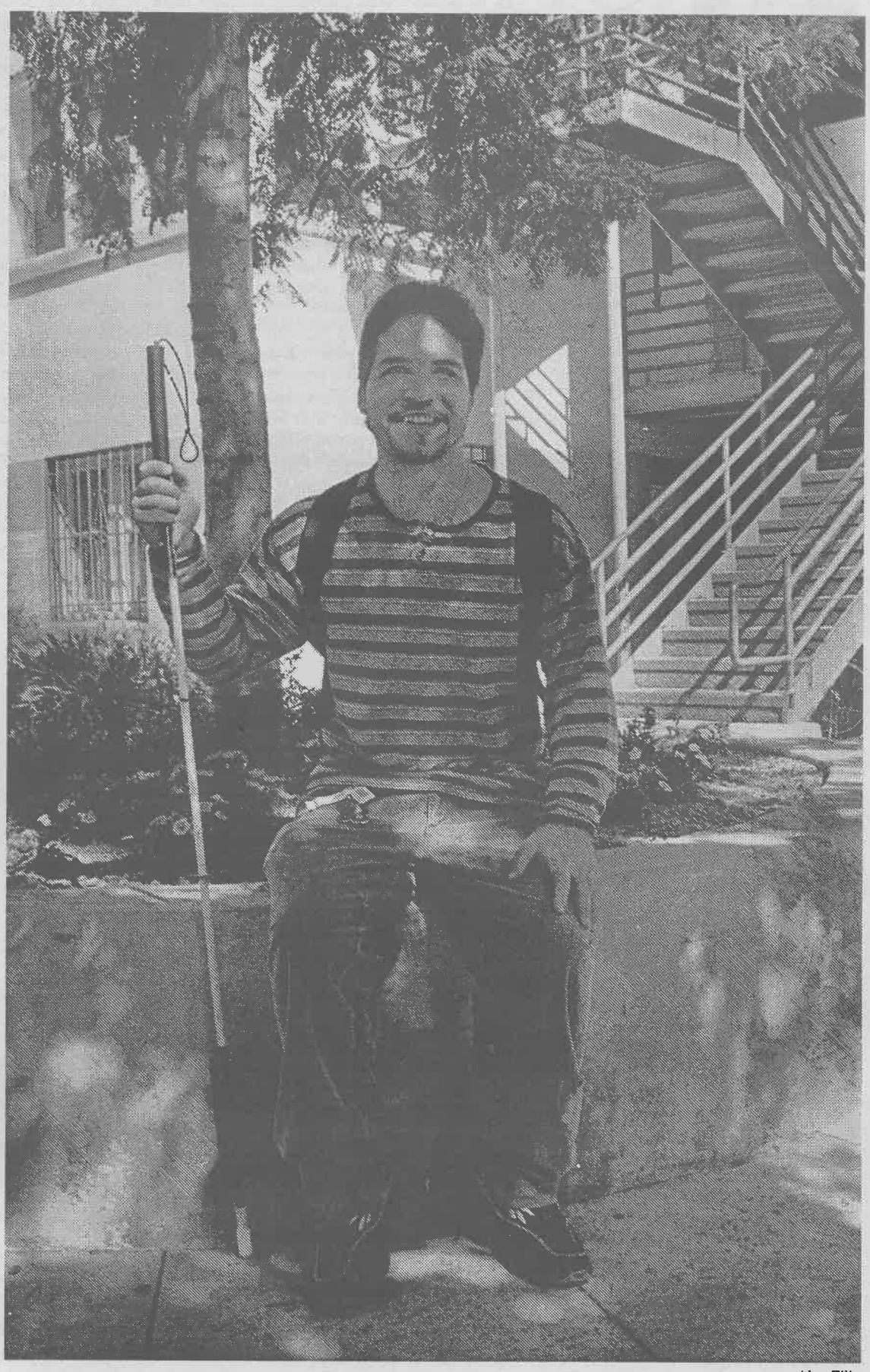

Alen Zilic

Along with more than 440 other new students, Daniel Obergon joined the diverse University of La Verne student body in the fall. Born in Mexico City, Obergon spent his last 14 years living in community of San Dimas from where he commutes to La Verne. Despite his visual impairment the 20-year-old soccer fan is inspired to became a Spanish translator and hopes to earn his bachelor's degree from ULV.

Housing starts semester with fresh, new faces

Shiva Rahimi
Managing Editor

Three new female staff members — Catie Mccorry-Andalis, Lorena Gomez and Laura Lopez– have filled positions in the University of La Verne Office of Housing and Residential Life as Program Coordinator, Housing Services Coordinator, and Area Coordinator, respectively.

Not only do they all work in the same department, but they are all experienced, hard working individuals who are willing and determined to make a difference at ULV. The Office of Housing and Residential Life has greatly benefitted from their assistance with the largest enrolling class, but these three women have plans for the housing department that will benefit the University for future years.

Director of Housing and Residential Life, Julie Thurman-Francisco, said that every year the department goes to a conference where they select several prospective candidates. A search committee then looks through resumés, and interviews the applicants until they make a final decision. This is the process that Mccory-Andalis and Lopez experienced.

Gomez, on the other hand applied through Human Resources and "her resumé rose to the top," said Thurman-Francisco.

After experiencing with different housing programs in a few different regions of California, Mccory-Andalis now serves as the new program coordinator at ULV.

She has had five years experience at Cal State Hayward, near San Francisco, as the assistant director of housing. From there she was a residence hall director at Marymount College in Rancho Palos Verdes for two years, and then she set off to get her bachelor's and master's in Northern California at the College of Notre Dame. Mccory-Andalis worked there for four years running the conference programs in the residence halls.

"My first year at La Verne is going to be a learning experience to see what is happening around campus," Mccory-Andalis said.

As a program coordinator, she oversees the programs and activities in the residence halls. She also oversees the Homecoming committee, the Leadership Education and Development Program (LEAD) committee, and New Student Orientation.

Senior Elizabeth Rodarte, a program assistant in Stu-Han, said, "Catie has a strong background in housing. She puts in her own ideas and helps the PA's develop those ideas. Catie is also very supportive by attending our programs."

Mccory-Andalis said that she would like to see more faculty involved with the programs in the residence halls. The department hopes to have cosponsorships with Davenport Dining Hall, campus safety, and the Health Center.

Making the move from Seattle to sunny Southern California is exactly what Lorena Gomez had to do.

After attending the University of Washington, she worked at an architec-

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La Verne jams to sounds of steel drums

Michelle Thornton
Features Editor

Crystal blue waters float bellow the cruise ship as it docks on the tropical island of Trinidad.

Disembarking from the cruise ship, flavorful sounds of the Trinidad Steel Drum Band greets and dances into the ears of the ship's passengers.

The Trinidad Steel Drum Band will put the island rhythm into a person's feet and a smile on their face.

Their Oct. 1 performance put smiles on the faces of the some 50 University of La Verne students in attendance, who were magically transported from ULV to the private beach at an exotic resort.

Steve Biondo, Music Department assistant, introduced the band as part of the department's Fall Concert series.

The five men, clad in matching stripped shirts, crowded under the yellow lights of Dailey Theatre with their different drums.

The men, all related with the exception of one, swayed like palm trees in the wind as they jammed out song after song.

During their performance they did covers on songs like Jimmy Buffet's "Margaritaville," UB40's "Red Red Wine" and the Bangles' "Hazy Shade of Winter."

Before a short intermission, the band allowed the audience to participate with them on stage as they played an informal song so that the audience could see how different strokes make different sounds.

The steelpan is a pitch instrument in the Idiophone class.

The instrument is traditionally made from a 55 gallon drum with 22 3/4 inch diameter ends.

The flat circular end of the drum is sunk concavely (like a bowl) and elliptical, convex portions are raised in a predetermined pattern with specific dimensions. These raised areas are marked by grooves which isolate each from the rest of the surface and represent the notes of the instrument.



Michael P. Bailey

As members of the audience danced in front of the Dailey Theatre stage, Garend Lawrence, performer in the "Trinidad Steel Drum Band," pounds on his six-base homemade steel drum. The 40-year-old interchanged band has produced four albums.

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ture and accounting firm. Gomez said that she had no past housing experience, but she does have office administration experience which helped her get the housing services coordinator position.

"It was a good opportunity for me to move down to La Verne," Gomez said. Her cousin, Claudio Muñoz, works as associate professor of accounting at the University. Two of her other cousins have graduated from the University's College of Law.

As a housing services coordinator, Gomez works closely with student assistants and takes care of the basic administration duties. Gomez is replacing Joel Perez who was the coordinator last year.

"I had to go in there and get my hands wet. It was overwhelming and frustrating at times, but the help I had was incredible," said Gomez. "So far this has been a great experience and it has taught me a lot."

Laura Lopez, area coordinator, attended Mt. Saint Mary's College in Santa Monica. While attending, she moved her way up from a resident assistant to a program assistant to a summer housing supervisor. Her last year attending the college, she was the acting director of housing. Lopez also attended Azusa Pacific University and Scripps College and continued to involve herself with various housing positions.

"Overall, I want to be more visible than the area coordinators have been in the past," Lopez said. "I would like to attend more of the programs and activities."

"She's really professional about her job, but at the same time she is a really nice and caring person to be around," said Maria Muñoz, a sophomore resident assistant.

Lopez said that she had interviewed for the assistant area coordinator two years ago,

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Shakespearean Creep Show

In keeping with the spirit of ghosts, witches, spirits, and Halloween, the Shakespeare Festival in Los Angeles presents "A New Halloween Tradition, Hauntings A Shakespearean Séance." Eugene Burger will be the spirit guide Oct. 9-Oct. 31, Thursdays through Sundays at 7:30 and 10 p.m. at the Pacific Design Center's Center Green Theatre, 8687 Melrose Ave., West Hollywood. For tickets ($25) information, call (213) 489-4127 (Friday, Oct. 16, is sold out).

L.A. Concert Event

Tickets are now on sale for the Dave Matthews Band at the Great Western Forum box office. The Dave Matthews Band will be performing at the Great Western Forum on Oct. 27 at 7 p.m. To charge by credit card call (213) 480-3232 or order tickets through the world wide web at **www.ticketmaster.com**.

KULV, Knott's Giveaway

The University of La Verne's radio station, KULV, will give away tickets to Knott's Scary Farm's 26th annual Halloween Haunt, today for selected dates only. To win a pair of tickets just listen to 107.9 FM or 550 AM KULV and if you hear the "scream," be the announced caller at ext. 4777, then the lucky caller and a friend are going to the oldest Halloween theme park in Southern California.

Openning Day

Movies opening today in general release include:

- Holy Man
- One Tough Cop

–Ryan Allen

Local theme parks
Scare audiences away

by Ryan Allen

photography by Laura Ambriz

October has long been associated with All Hallow's Eve at the end of the month. Why wait to the 31st to celebrate one of the most popular holidays in the world?

Halloween came early to Southern California this year in not one form, but two. Both Universal Studios, Hollywood, and Buena Park's Knott's Scary Farm are getting into the act as they, in an attempt to bring people in, will try to scare them away.

Both have a number of brand-new features and events this year, as well as some of the old favorites.

Knott's Scary Farm's Halloween Haunt opened last Friday and will continue through Nov. 1. The regular haunt nights are Oct. 9-10, 16-18, 22-25, 28-31, and Nov. 1. This will be the 26th year of fear for the Halloween Haunt, and definitely not the last.

A number of familiar scary attractions are back to attract those people who have never been, along with some brand-new shows and mazes, to entice returners.

Knott's has converted almost all of its entire park for the weekend hauntings. Some of the attractions include three new mazes which consist of Alien Attack, Dead Man's Wharf, and the Horrorwood Hotel.

Alien Attack allows guests to experience a cross between the Twilight Zone and X-Files as they can make a close encounter of a galactically gory kind.

Dead Man's Wharf places visitors on an abandoned shipyard which is inhabited by a madman who is not too excited about guests.

The Horrorwood Hotel puts people face-to-face with some of the scariest villains of all time. It seems to be the perfect place to rest after a long day at a theme park, forever.

Along with the themed haunt attractions are the haunt entertainment shows which include Elvira, Mistress of the Dark, who returned for her 12th year as Knott's "hostess with the mostess." Elvira stars in her Haunted House Party, an all-new monster music and dance review, which packed the 2,100-seat Ghoul Time Theatre for each of her four shows on Saturday.

Another popular show can be found in Calico Square, which is "dead" center in the middle of the amusement park.

The new show called "The Hanging '98," attacks the year's most infamous people who made it into the top headlines. Of course that

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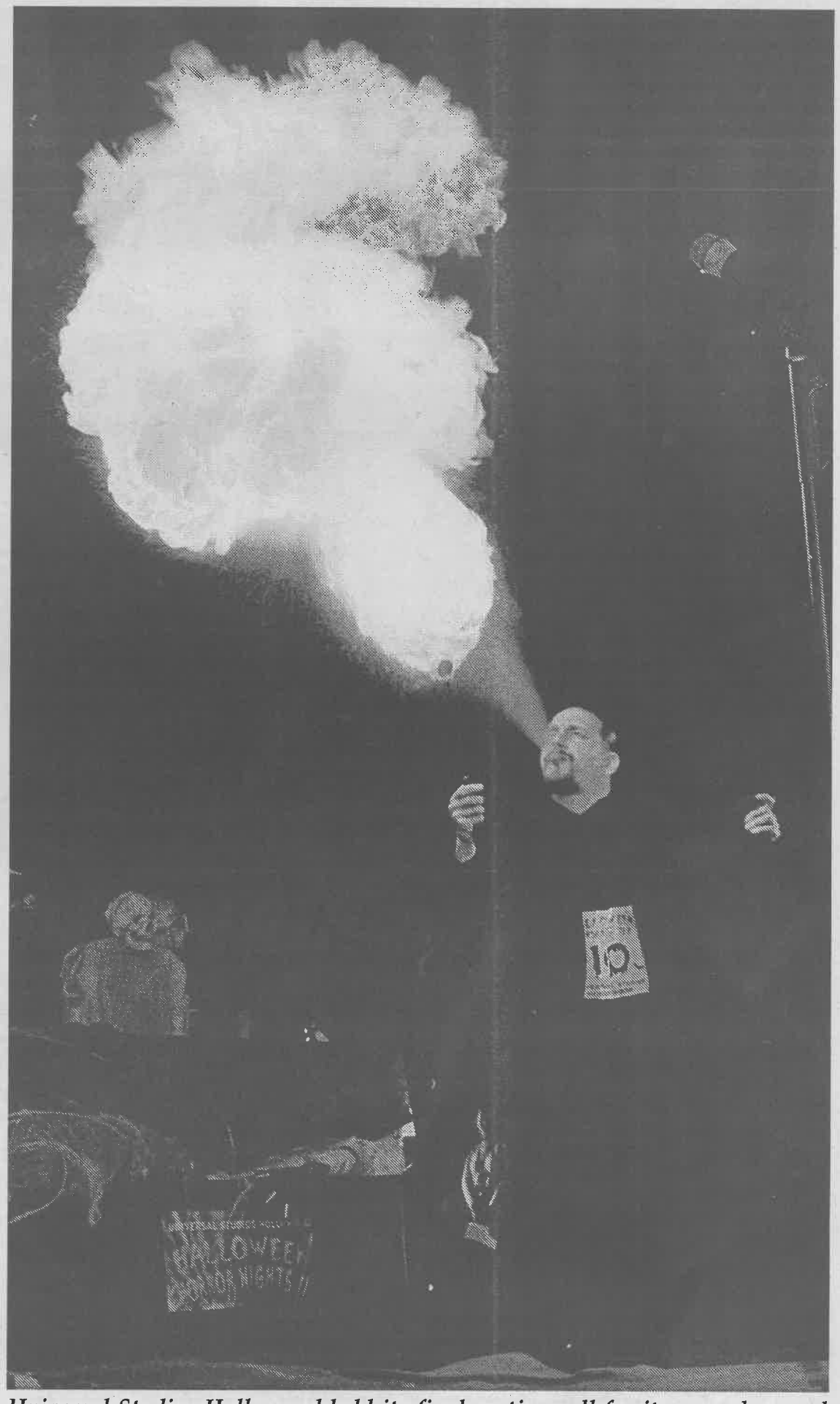

Universal Studios Hollywood held its final casting call for its second annual Halloween Horror Nights Sept. 22. Celebrity judges, including flimmaker Clive Barker and KROQ DJ "Jed the Fish," saw auditions from howling dogs, sword swallowers and fire blowers like Michael "Blackhead" Morena. The Horror Nights are on weekends starting Oct. 16, through Oct. 31.

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includes Monica Lewinsky and Bill Clinton. This comedic, stunt filled, special-effect engrossed, no-holds-barred show also incorporates the scariest movie villains of our generation.

If someone absolutely needs to be amazed then "Ed Alonzo's Magic and Mayhem" is the show for them. Alonzo's slight-of-hand-mouth and mind will surprise and intrigue. The show includes everything from farm animals, to a pretty girl, to a Lewinsky joke.

Knott's Haunt producer Matt Schliesman said, "Little did we know in 1972 that we would be giving birth, not only to the 'granddaddy' of Halloween parties—but to a whole industry of scare events patterned after the Scary Farm original."

Not to be outdone, Universal Studio's, Hollywood, will present its second annual "Halloween Horror Nights II," which will be showcased on three consecutive weekends Oct. 16 through Oct. 31.

This year, Universal decided to bring out a big gun of the horror industry. This big gun came in the form of noted filmmaker and author Clive Barker, creator of horror classics "Hellraiser" and "Candyman." Barker has been asked to create his own personal horror show in the form of "Clive Barker's Freakz."

"It is my attraction so I will be judging all the talent," said Barker.

Final auditions for Barker's show were held on Sept. 22, and the other judges were KROQ deejay Jed the Fish, "The Mask of Zorro's" Julieta Rosen, the vice-president of entertainment of Universal Studios Hollywood, Norm Kahn, and the Mummy.

Among the "freaks" auditioning were fire-eaters, sword swallowers, bug eaters, a contortionist, crazy pyromaniacs and blood-curdling screamers.

George "The Giant" McArthur is a sword swallower who also just happens to be a 7'2" insect eater.

"I saw a sword swallower at a side show and fell in love with the art as a kid," said McArthur, "Now it is dying and I won't let it die without a fight."

His partner for eight years, Micheal "Blockhead" Morena, got his unusual nickname because of his need to hammer two-inch nails into his nose and skull. Not only that, but on his spare time he enjoys breathing fire and feeding McArthur a variety of insects.

Barker said, "Audiences have come accustomed to images of extreme intensity and graphic violence and gore, so we've had to go in a more dramatic and unique direction to create this environment for Universal."

Barker's main goal is to make the audiences "adrenaline rush," and put them in a real state of fear.

"It's about projecting ability [from the actors]," said Barker. "Make up only does half the job, we're looking for energy."

Universal Studios will not only feature Barker's "Freakz" but will have a number of other shows and mazes. The classic Universal monsters which will "still have a place in our hearts," added Barker, are showcased in a classic creature feature.

There will be an Alien Assault, a Halloween tribute to KISS, The Cryptkeeper's Screaming Room, Chucky's Wedding Chapel, Slaughterworld, Bill and Ted's Excellent Halloween Adventure II, and a Carnival of Carnage.

Knott's Scary Farm opens each weekend evening at 7 p.m. and fear continues until 2 a.m. Advance tickets are on sale for $34 and $39 the day of the event. They can be ordered by calling (714) 220-5200. The University Bookshoppe is selling tickets for Oct. 16 and 25 for $18, and for Oct. 28 for $15. They can be reached ext. 4280.

Halloween Horror Night tickets are $34 regularly and $24 for advanced sale tickets. "Halloween Horror Nights II" is open 7 p.m. to midnight Thursdays and Sundays; 7 p.m. to 1 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

Tickets can be purchased through Ticketmaster locations, at Universal Studios, Hollywood, at Spencer Gifts, or via the Internet at **www.universalstudios.com**.

It is up to each individual to decide which attraction he or she would rather attend, or for the truly brave, some might visit both. Either way, there is no excuse for the scariest month of the year to pass unnoticed.

"I will use darkness when appropriate," said Barker, "but when I want to show the gore, damnit I will."



Back for another year at Knott's Scary Farm, Elvira, Mistress of the Dark, presents a Las Vegas style show, with dancers, singers, costume changes and a trivia game. Tickets for Knott's Scary Farm are available in the Bookshoppe.

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geted special equipment. On a loan basis, he has a Braille & Speak, which looks like a small laptop, allowing him to take notes during. He was also loaned a Braille printer, which can be attached to the Braille & Speak and print out Obergon's notes and papers in Braille so that he can review them.

In addition, an adapter printer has been set up at the Student Resource Center for him. It converts Braille into text so that Obergon can turn in his assignments. There is also an order in place for a Manual Brailler, a device to help Obergon do math problems.

Denne said that the University is new at providing special care for a completely blind student.

"We are learning as we go. It's really nice that Daniel is committed to education," said Denne.

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but did not get the position. There was an opening for the area coordinator position this year searching for a replacement for Chris Freeman, and Lopez became one of the two finalists after interviewing with both students and faculty.

"All three of them work very well together, because they have different attributes," said Thurman-Francisco. "Lorena has brought us a business prospective. Catie has brought us her many years of experience and different perspectives from the different institutions she has attended, and Laura has brought her appreciation for the culture at ULV and her belief in the Mission Statement. She is very holistic which is important to our services."

'All three of them work very well together, because they have different attributes'
—Julie Thurman-Francisco

Leopards rally to defeat CMS

Damien Alarcon
Staff Writer

After losing the first two games of the match, the University of La Verne women's volleyball team improved its offensive attack to defeat the Claremont Athenas last Friday in the Supertents.

The Leopards won the rest in the best of five, 13-15, 12-15, 15-6, 15-11 and 15-9, respectively. The win improves their record to 5-10 overall and 2-1 in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC).

Concerning the first two games, head coach Don Flora said, "I was looking for the right offense. We didn't quite have our offense going. I thought we should have beaten them in those games since we were up in both of them." Flora is serving his first year as head coach, replacing Jim Paschal.

As expected, La Verne had a dominating lead in the first game, 9-3, until Claremont middle blocker Michelle Emmert blocked an attempted kill by junior Sarah Henry to get the Athenas a side out.

Claremont rallied to tie the score at 9-9. From there, both teams exchanged serves and kept the score within a two-point difference. Claremont won, 15-14, after freshman Adriana Contreras hit the ball out of bounds.

Game two began with a slow start for La Verne, as the Leopards quickly found themselves at a disadvantage, falling behind, 7-1. Contreras and sophomore Kim Bell had three kills apiece to help bring La Verne ahead 11-9. However, Claremont managed to win the game 15-12.

"We knew we could have won both of those games," said junior middle blocker Allison Moore, "so going into the third game, we were confident we could win as long as we played hard."

That is exactly what happened. The Leopards dominated the next games, winning 15-6, 15-11, and 15-9.

"I think we are a better team overall," Flora said. "We have more experience and better offensive attackers."

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> *—Allison Moore, junior middle blocker*

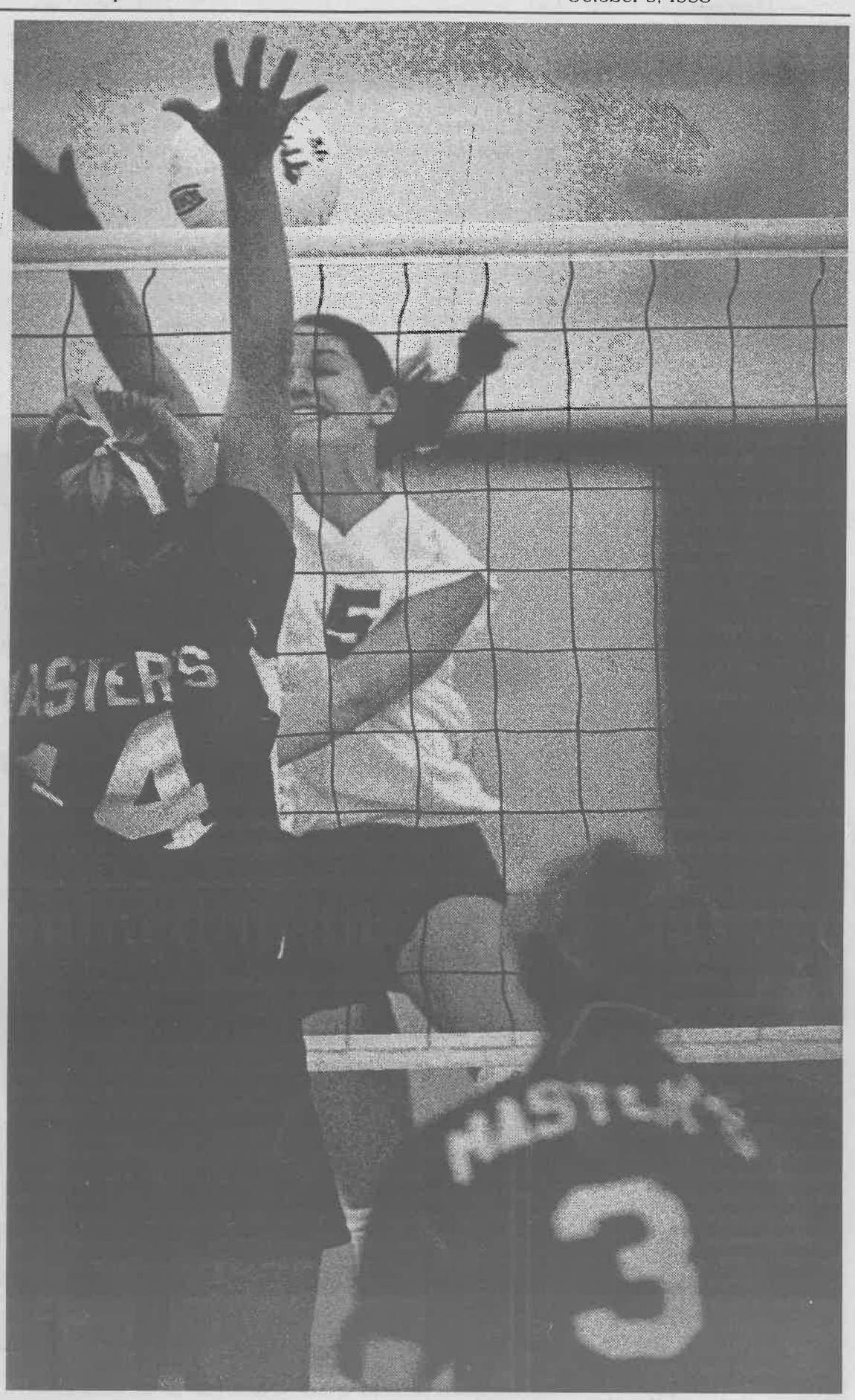
Henry led ULV's offensive attack with 14 kills. Contreras followed with 11.

Unfortunately, with Henry out most of the game due to an illness, the offensive attack and defensive front was not up for Wednesday's night match against Master's College.

ULV fell to Master's, as the Mustangs won in a three game sweep, 15-7, 15-13 and 15-3, respectively.

"We simply had a bad night. We came in the match not intense and it showed," said freshman defensive specialist Jessica DeHorta. "That game needs to be kept in the past. We just got to look forward to Friday."

The Leopards are going to look forward to Pomona-Pitzer tonight at home scheduled for 7:30, as they try to improve their SCIAC record to 3-1. After Pomona, ULV plays at Cal Lutheran tomorrow at 7:30 p.m



Ian Gratz

La Verne senior outside hitter, Lynsey Best (#5), hits over Master's College middle blocker Kati Lehr (#14) during the first game on Tuesday night, at Master's College in Santa Clarita. Stacey Hudson (#3) looks on for Master's College. La Verne lost their match in three games, 15-3, 15-13, 15-7 to move their record 5-10 overall.

La Verne upsets Davis in Santa Cruz tournament

Danny Eckardt
Staff Writer

Do not tell the University of La Verne men's water polo team, which is in its inaugural season, that it is not supposed to be able to beat nationally ranked teams, as it did in one of three games in Saturday's Slugfest tournament at UC Santa Cruz.

"It's kind of fun being a little bit of a giant killer as a first year program, by going in there and surprising people with our little team," said first-year head coach Tim Hugar.

The Leopards, who have only nine players in a game that requires seven to play, handily beat 19th ranked (in the nation) UC Davis by a score of 14-6 as well as Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) rival Whittier (12-8).

"We played well and we played as a team, especially for the small numbers we have," said freshman holeman Jace Crispin.

The Leopards had two weeks without competition coming into the tournament, but Hugar believes that the time off helped better develop the team.

"Sometimes I think it's good to take some time off [from competition] anyways, because you just get back to working hard and don't have to worry about resting for games," said Hugar.

La Verne did lose one of its three games, but it came in a 9-6 shootout with 15th ranked UC Santa Cruz (the host of the non-trophy tournament).

"Obviously we are playing well, it's just that we have less depth than most teams, and we are probably able to work on less things [game situations] in workouts than other teams, because we can't scrimmage a full six on six," said Hugar.

In the UC Davis game, the Leopards jumped out to an eight goal first half and stunned the helpless Aggies. La Verne would not look back on its way to an impressive victory.

As for the Whittier and UC Santa Cruz match-ups, La Verne struggled a bit more. But the team found it could manage to have every starter, except for team captain junior goalie Mike Miles, score between the two games.

The team consists of six juniors and three freshmen, which is an attribute that brings a sense of experience to a group of players that have never played water polo together.

In fact a feeling of unity has already started to form among the players, because there are no pre-conceived notions about the way each player plays and acts.

"Everyone coming in new made the circumstances easier to deal with, and no one has their set ways," said Crispin. "In the pool we play hard core water polo, and outside [of the pool] we are family."

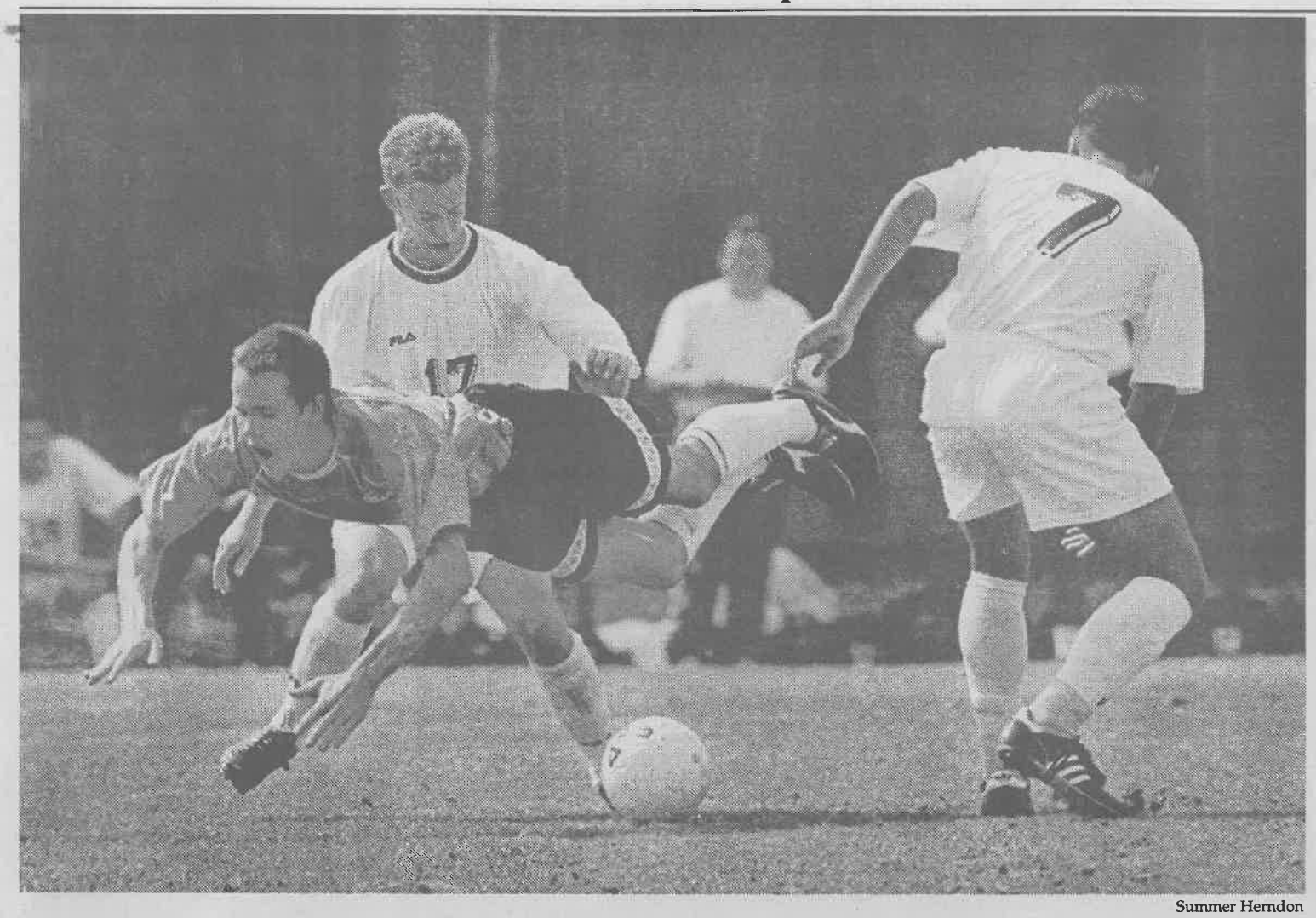
Hugar previously coached at Princeton for six years, UC Santa Barbara for one year and Slippery Rock University in Pennsylvania for two years before coming to La Verne. He believes the team's strengths are its character, hard play and a will to win.

Besides its obvious deficiency in depth, ULV lacks in its half-court offense and defense, as well as its transition game, Hugar said.

To compensate for their depth problem, the Leopards do a lot of conditioning.

The team must pay attention to the physical strain that intense training will place on each player, otherwise the burn-out factor may play a major role this season.

La Verne's next match will take place at home in the Claremont Convergence tournament next Friday and Saturday, all day.



Summer Herndon

Freshman defender Matt Stone (#17) takes control of the ball from Occidental as junior middle fielder Jorge Macia (#7) is there to assist. La Verne beat the Tigers, 2-1, on Saturday in its SCIAC opener.

La Verne's defense feeds on CMS; Allen has game-winning touchdown

Greg MacDonald
Sports Editor

Coming off a 48-8 loss to Howard Payne, the University of La Verne football team was hungry for a victory.

Wait a minute, or were the Leopards just starving because they missed their team meal before Saturday's match-up with Claremont-Mudd-Scripps (CMS) due to a fire in Davenport Dining Hall?

In one form or another, ULV received its meal with a 13-10 Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) win over the Stags at Claremont.

The Leopards used junior running back Rickey Allen's 5-yard touchdown run with 10:16 left in the fourth quarter and combined it with a strong 60 minutes of defense, which allowed only 122 yards of offense to CMS, to improve to 2-1 overall and 2-0 in SCIAC.

"Our defense is playing great," ULV head coach Don Morel said. "Right now, we just struggle on offense week after week in various ways. The bottom line is—it's a win and we will take it."

La Verne's troubles on offense were evident for the first three quarters, as the Leopards managed just two field goals. And on the first play in the fourth quarter, junior quarterback Dan Blahy fumbled a snap in his own end zone, which was recovered by the Stags' freshman defensive back Douglas Kidney for a touchdown.

Five minutes later, CMS returned the fumble favor, as Stags sophomore quarterback Max Woods was sacked by junior linebacker Mike Barreiro, forcing a fumble that was recovered by ULV junior nose guard Mike Perez at the CMS 22-yard line.

Four plays later, Allen scored the deciding touchdown for the Leopards.

When asked about his offense's ability to move the ball after CMS had taken the lead, Morel said, "I guess we need that kind of pressure to do anything."

The pressure to score is a madding thing for the ULV offense these days, but the kind of pressure the defense was putting on the Stags' offense resulted in numerous sacks and tackles for losses.

La Verne's defensive front tallied nine sacks, forced two fumbles, recovering one, and intercepted one pass. Barreiro led the way for the Leopards with four sacks, while junior defensive end Mike Merrill had three.

"Defensively, we did what we were supposed to do," Merrill said. "We made a few adjustments, [and] we were able to get penetration that helped out our secondary."

"It was the whole defense, it wasn't a single person," said sophomore nose guard Manny Rodriguez, who had one sack.

Although ULV's offense was not in sync for most of the game, Blahy still threw for 187 yards, completing 19 of 28 passes. He connected with junior wide receiver Andrew Woolsey eight times for 107 yards and junior wide receiver Kenny Fredeu eight times for 61 yards.

"In any type of situation, you are always going to be faced with adversity, and obviously Claremont's defense was ready to play tonight and our defense was as well," Woolsey said. "When things like that happen, you have to calm yourself down and take one step at a time. Offensively, we weren't on tonight, but we got going and came back and got the win. That's what is important."

Woolsey made two key grabs on the Leopards' touchdown drive, one for four yards and another for 15, which was good for a first down on a third-and-eight from the CMS 20-yard line.

"I realized that they were playing off. It took us, Dan and me, time to adjust," Woolsey said. "Eventually, we got it going and good things happened."

More good things will need to happen for La Verne, as the Leopards will take the field at Whittier College in a key SCIAC game tomorrow at 7 p.m.

ULV needs to find some way to score against the Poets, who, like the Leopards, have a strong defensive front. Aside from Blahy putting up numbers, senior running back Ordell Williams and Allen may see more action to balance the La Verne attack.

"We need to develop something on offense," Morel said. "We are putting way too much pressure on our defense."

La Verne does not get a break in emotional games, as the Leopards travel to Azusa Pacific University (APU) in two weeks.

The Cougars are a strong NAIA team, which has been winning in the final seconds of its games.

So La Verne may need more fourth quarter heroics at APU, and maybe tomorrow night at Whittier.

ULV drops Tigers

Greg MacDonald
Sports Editor

In what has become a bitter rivalry, the University of La Verne and Occidental College men's soccer teams continued their battle on Ben Hines Field on Saturday.

The two teams combined for eight yellow cards and one red, as the Leopards began Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) play with a 2-1 victory.

ULV freshman defender Matt Stone received a yellow card for unsportsmanlike conduct, while the Tigers' Xhino Hideki got a yellow and a red card for unsportsman like conduct.

Sophomore middle fielder Mike McClintock scored both goals for the ULV after Occidental had taken the lead in the 44th minute.

McClintock answered the Tigers' goal one minute later with a scoring strike in the 45th minute past Occidental keeper Efran Paniagua.

McClintock scored the deciding goal, his second, in the 83rd minute on an assist from junior middle fielder Ryan Graham.

Freshman Mike Rosen, who made 10 saves, and senior Jon Tunstall teamed in goal to earn the victory for La Verne. Paniagua saved five shots for Occidental in his losing effort.

On Wednesday, the Leopards lost to Whittier College, 2-1. It sent their record to 3-3 overall and 1-1 in SCIAC. Claremont-Mudd-Scripps (CMS), Redlands and Whittier all won their first games in conference. Occidental remained winless after losing to ULV and stands at 0-5-1 overall.

The Leopards continue in their SCIAC action tomorrow as they host Caltech at 11 a.m. on Ben Hines Field. Next Wednesday, La Verne plays at CMS at 3 p.m.

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Women close book on Poets, 3-2

Matt Durant
Staff Writer

The inexperienced University of La Verne women's soccer team is getting better.

Wednesday night the team came out and beat the lady Poets of Whittier 3-2 in Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference play.

"We are getting better each time we come out to play," said head coach Wendy Zwissler, whose team is composed of 12 freshman and sophomores, and only two upper classmen. "This isn't that bad for as young as we are."

La Verne's scoring was led by freshman Heather Cooper at the 17:49 mark. She got an assist from freshman Erica Borbon. La Verne came right back and scored in the 19th minute on a Borbon shot with an assist from freshman Heather Cooper. Zwissler was happy with freshman sweeper Nancy Santana's performance Wednesday.

Whittier got on the scoreboard with a goal from Megan Boisineau in the 23rd minute. Still in the first half, La Verne came back and scored on a header from junior Deanna Kodana at 28:57 in the first half. The scoring was closed out by Whittier's Kelly Kaitanjian with 39:00 minutes left in the game.

"A win is a win," coach Zwissler replied after the game. "We are young and need to get used to playing with each other and we need to grow as a team and as players."

ULV travels to Orange tonight and plays Chapman at 7.



Michael P. Bailey

Slowing her step, freshman forward Noelle Hughes positions herself to pass the ball, while Staci Henders of Whittier College attempts to defend the play. The Leopards defeated the Poets, 3-2. On Saturday, La Verne scored eight times at Occidental and defeated the Tigers, 8-0. ULV is 6-4 overall and 4-2 in SCIAC play.

Youthful runners preparing for conference

Damien Alarcon
Staff Writer

Last weekend, the men's and women's cross country teams traveled to the Biola Invitational Meet to exercise their abilities in preparation of the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) meet on Oct. 17.

A total of 18 schools were competing at the meet held at the La Mirada Regional Park. Included in the competition were traditionally strong NAIA teams such as Concordia, Biola, Fresno Pacific and other SCIAC teams such as Cal Lutheran and Claremont-Mudd-Scripps.

NCAA schools present, but only competing against each other, were University of California, Los Angeles, and Pepperdine.

Head coach Pat Widolff was pleased with both teams' performances by simply saying, "They did good."

Although neither squad placed in the top 10, some runners showed a lot of promise. To lead the squad in the men's race, sophomore Mario Guerrero placed in the 62nd spot out of 138 runners with a time of 29:17.6.

"I think it is awesome that we actually have a team this year and we are pretty young," said Guerrero. "The next couple of years we should be getting more and more competitive."

Freshman Hermes Iribe had the second best of the team with 30:06.5, placing 77th. Other individual performances include sophomore Faust Obeso with 30:55.8 (92nd place) and sophomore Dan Kiminiki with 36:27.9 (134th place).

Biola University ended up taking the meet (60 points) followed by Glendale College (63). Fresno Pacific took third with 65 points.

As for the women's meet, junior Maxine Mitchell had the team best with 23:12.7 (72 place) while freshman Quency Long ran a 24:36.7 (96 place).

Others include sophomore Mary Terry with a time of 26:41.7 (109 place), freshman Trisha Garcia with 27:27.0 (112 place) and freshman Stephanie Adams with 29:29.0 (119 place).

ULV will travel to Thousand Oaks tomorrow to compete in the Cal Lutheran Invitational.

Leopard Scoreboard

At the buzzer...

Volleyball, Oct. 2

La Verne	**13 12 15 15 15**
CMS	15 15 6 11 9

Football, Oct. 3

La Verne	**13**
CMS	10

Men's Soccer, Oct. 3

Occidental	1
La Verne	**2**

Women's Soccer, Oct. 3

La Verne	8
Occidental	0

Schedule

Tonight
Women's soccer @ Chapman, 7 p.m.
Volleyball vs. Pomona-Pitzer, 7:30 p.m.

Tomorrow
Men's & women's cross country @ Cal Lutheran Invitational, TBA
Men's soccer vs. Caltech, 11 a.m.
Football @ Whittier, 7 p.m.
Volleyball @ Cal Lutheran, 7:30 p.m.

Tuesday
Volleyball @ Redlands, 7:30 p.m.

Wednesday
Men's soccer @ CMS, 3 p.m.
Women's soccer vs. CMS, 4 p.m.

Did You Know?

The University of La Verne football team has allowed 181.7 yards per game—90 yards per game rushing and 91.7 yards per game passing this season. The Leopards also have forced eight turnovers—five fumbles and three interceptions.