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Debate makes history in Australia

•Team finishes 2nd in world

Stacey Mleczko
Staff Writer

La Verne's finest debaters brought back extra cargo in the form of victory to the University from the World Debate Championship last month in Australia.

Senior political science major Justin Jones-Rodriguez and junior international studies major Sean Krispinsky, placed second at the tournament.

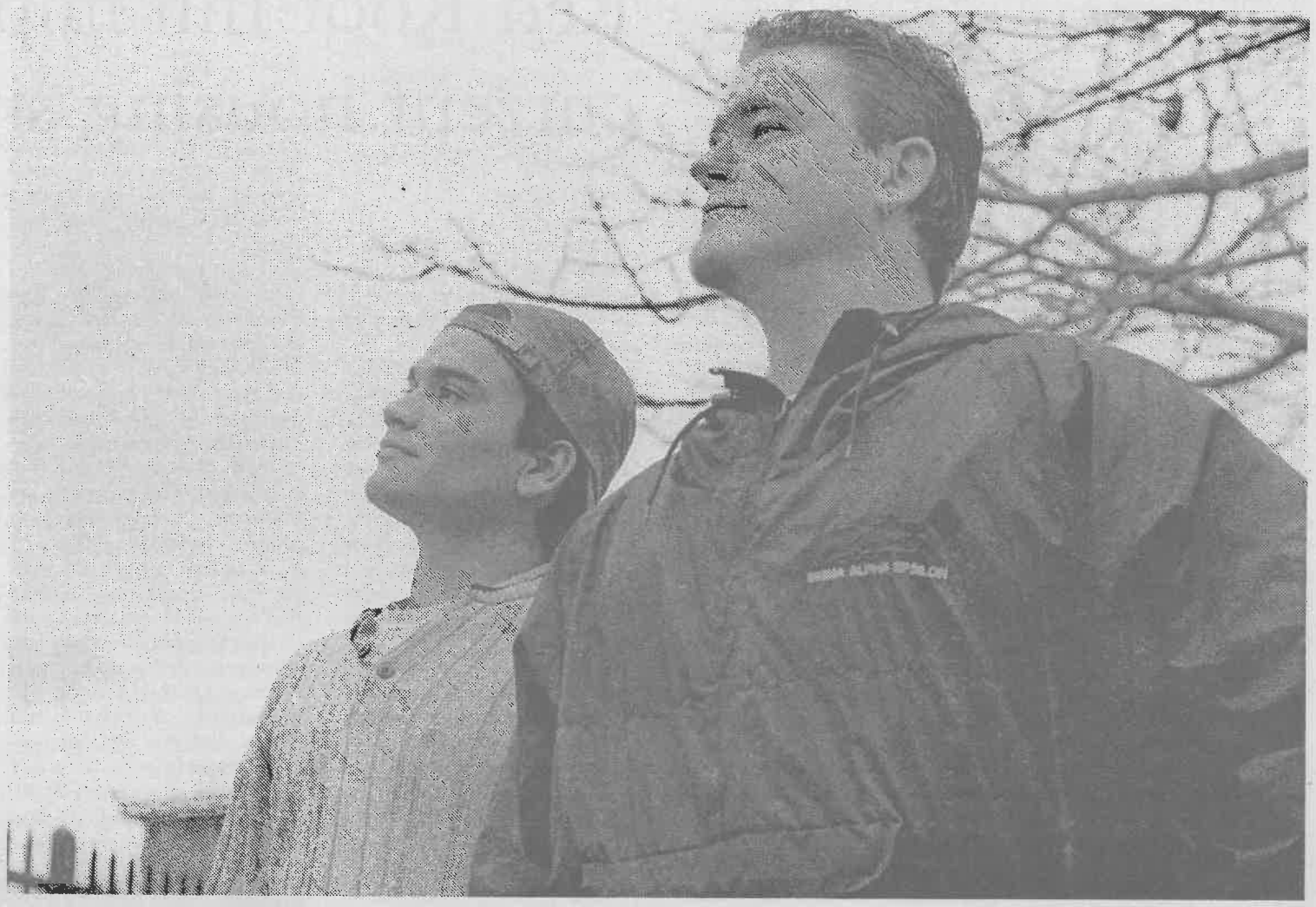
The two-man team established ULV in the world of debate when they disqualified Oxford University in the semifinal forging ahead to the grand final. This advance boosted La Verne to one of the top four positions in the world and recognized ULV as the only non-Ivy League school to ever proceed to the grand final.

"To make it to the grand final is an amazing accomplishment," ULV debate coach Ian Lising said of his team, the first American team to capture such a victory since Vasser College in 1994. "Nothing short of phenomenal."

For those unfamiliar with the importance of such a tournament, the grand final is equivalent in debate to the World Series in baseball or the Super Bowl in football.

More than 200 teams from 100-plus universities and more than 30 countries attended the 20th Annual Championship in Sydney during January.

"It [the competition] was very rough, one of the most competitive World Championships I've ever attended. This is my seventh," Lising said.



Naoko Yokota

Senior political science major Justin Jones-Rodriguez and junior international studies major Sean Krispinsky placed second at the World Debate Championships in Sydney, Australia. The debate competition was held among more than 200 teams from 30 countries. Rodriguez and Krispinsky debated 13 topics and on the final round they debated before an audience of 2,000. Each topic was given to them 15 minutes before each debate.

Jones-Rodriguez and Krispinsky were not the only La Verne contestants. Lising also accompanied ULV's second team, Stefan Chacon, a junior economics major, and Ernie Minner, a junior philosophy major, who placed 88th out of 197 participants in the preliminaries.

"There was a buzz about Sean and Justin. People weren't shocked they took second place, they were shocked at who didn't," said Chacon of his teammates' success. "We've made a name for ourselves. From now on they'll see us coming."

Now that the World Championship is over, National and Regional tournaments are the next challenge for the debate team, Lising said.

Being ranked No. 2 in the world might bring on intimidating expectations for most competitors, but Chacon said "it's motivating."

Krispinsky and Jones-Rodriguez sustained their title last weekend taking second place at the Point Loma Nazarene University Invitational. "I don't see any reason why those guys can't win Nationals and I have pretty high hopes for myself," Chacon said.

The debate team is not just international, national or regional. It wants to focus locally as well. "We want to do things inside of school. When we hold debates, go watch. If your interested, get involved," said Chacon.

Lising and the team welcomes all new members. Visit the debate office inside the student center for further information.

Proposal to aid Morgan in permit enforcement

Alisha Rosas
Managing Editor

A proposal will be presented this month to President Stephen Morgan to determine whether or not to enforce the parking permits issued to University of La Verne students last semester.

The proposal, which will be written by John Lentz, director of Campus Safety and Transportation, will address many of the concerns brought to his attention in regard to using the permit system.

"There is a slight possibility [that they will be enforced this semester]," said Lentz.

The issues that Lentz is attempting to address focus mainly on visitor parking. Various department members, along with the president, expressed the need for answers to problems such as what to do with visitors attending art or photography exhibitions, athletic events or theater performances.

According to Lentz, the proposal will provide answers to the concerns of the University staff.

He said the proposal will contain the solution of suspending permit enforcement for specific events. For example, tickets would not be issued during athletic events or theater performances.

Lentz said that he also plans to have a form made available for employees of the Office of Admissions to issue to visitors that park in the 20 minute spaces in front of Miller Hall, and need more time. The form would permit them to extend that limit to 90 minutes.

Another idea that has been considered as a solution for the visitor parking issue is for visitors to purchase a daily parking permit from a machine. However, Lentz said that, due to the expense of such a machine, no details have been made.

The permits, which were issued to students last semester, are currently available 24 hours a day from Campus Safety employees.

"We are now requiring student or employee identification [to obtain a permit]," said Lentz.

"When we did this initially, it was kind of a last minute decision, so we had to rush through getting our permits and then rush through the process because we didn't have them here and didn't have the process in place by the time school started," said Lentz. "We wanted to make it as easy as possible. When people were coming in, we didn't require that they have a student ID or those kinds of

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Argenbright released by University

Angelique B. D'Silva
Staff Writer

After bringing in a private company to the University of La Verne, John Lentz, director of Campus Safety and Transportation, decided that Argenbright employees were not meeting to his standards.

Since ULV security was understaffed for big events such as Commencement, Orientation and dances—and Lentz's security workers had to work extra hours—there was a need for additional help. Especially since Lentz was also notified that he had to provide security for the Claremont Inn in addition to being drivers for the shuttle. Lentz needed four people at the Claremont Inn and two shuttle drivers to commute students from the Inn to ULV daily.

After doing some research, Lentz realized it would be beneficial to choose Argenbright because of how responsive it was to take the position. It was on Sept. 4 that Argenbright went on board with ULV.

Having Argenbright on board, Lentz began to foresee that problems would occur.

"I don't think any private security company realizes the perplexity of providing security to a complex campus," he said.

"Argenbright is good when it comes to doing security at a bank, parking lot or guarding one building," said Lentz. Argenbright did not want to make the initiative for special instructions, and Lentz had seen that he was working harder to get Argenbright employees' problems resolved before they were even hired.

Lentz said Argenbright employees were unwilling to commit to the amount of time needed to learn their way around.

According to Lentz, the problem was they were not trained to work a college campus. Second, Argenbright is not accustomed to the relationship ULV's security has made with the school.

He explained how employees did not like opening the doors to offices nor escorting ULV students and faculty to their cars or residence hall.

Lentz said he called several meetings with Argenbright officials for their breach of contract but was not satisfied with the quality of people they sent to the University.

ULV and Argenbright had made an agreement that no one could be replaced without Lentz's authorization. The company disregarded the agreement and sent a security guard to the Claremont Inn, sending a rover to fill the vacancy.

Several incidents occurred, and Argenbright would just look the other way and continue violating ULV policy, Lentz said.

Argenbright employees also had major issues within the company, which were hard to resolve because the company is based in Atlanta, Ga.

"My expectations of Argenbright was that they were going to have a pool of people that I could just draw from, whenever I had a need," Lentz said, adding that Argenbright brought on more problems rather than solving any that ULV had attempted to correct.

These issues were handled by Lentz, which hindered him from completing or creating future projects.

Lentz said he was not willing to commit to more time. "I was afraid I would lose more employees because they would get fed up with the company and go somewhere else."

Lentz is now looking to hire a supervisor who will take care of staffing issues, which will allow him to proceed with other projects relating to his department.

Red Roof Inn improves current housing situation

Danny Craig
Features Editor

Housing administrators and residents of the Red Roof Inn said the transition to move to the hotel has been a well greeted change.

"It has been going fabulous," said Julie Thurman Francisco, director of Housing and Residential Life. "The move from Claremont to the Red Roof was very smooth," she said.

Thurman Francisco said the students have appreciated the Red Roof's central location and the many amenities that were not available at the Claremont Inn.

Freshman Jason Purvis said that living at the Red Roof allows him to be within walking distance of his workplace at Hollywood Video in San Dimas.

Although content with the size of his room, Purvis shared the sentiment of many residents when he said he was displeased with the closets. "That's not a closet, it's a hanging bar," said Purvis.

"I like having my own private space," said resident Ron Fauntleroy of his new living environment. He explained that as a biology major he prefers the Red Roof Inn for his studies over what he feels would be a distracting main campus.

Sarah Strahal, housing services coordinator, is one of the five housing staff members who reside at the Red Roof Inn.

"It's a little farther away from the main campus, and I think that's a positive thing," said Strahal. She said that many students enjoy the sense of separation from the main campus.

Thurman Francisco and Strahal said that the four resident assistants living at the Red Roof Inn have been pleased with their new surroundings and responsibilities.

"They're required to do things a little differently," said Thurman Francisco of her staff.

Senior Teriy Castro is serving at the Red Roof Inn as one of the resident assistants. Castro said she likes the closeness of the rooms at the new location.

With questions arising as to what the Office of Housing intends to do for the 2000-01 school year, Thurman Francisco said "it is probable" that Housing will renew the contract with the Red Roof Inn.

"We've actually heard from students in December that they would stay there again next year ... I'm not too worried about filling spaces," said Thurman Francisco.

The Housing director said that the department intends to place students at the Red Roof Inn until December of 2000 when they expect to have completed a new housing structure in the Oaks residence halls.

Permits ...

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things, and later we heard feedback that people who were not students had obtained permits and were parking in our lots.

"We've caught a couple of those. A couple of people who worked in the downtown area who were using our lot with those permits."

However, Lentz said that the permit system has its benefits, for both the future of the University and what the system has already accomplished.

He said that it has helped to identify property zones for the Stu-Han parking lot, which is owned by both the city and the University of La Verne. "This system has helped to define where that line is drawn," Lentz said.

Lentz also said that he finds the system helpful in regard to identifying and then locating owners of vehicles parked on campus by using the number on the permit.

The use of the Wilson Library parking lot, which was used by many members of the La Verne community as a parking space for turn-around trips to Las Vegas and such, is no longer used for such proposes due to the issuing of the parking permits.

"We're better able to control our parking because we're able to restrict parking on our lots to the people who need to park on our lots, and we're able to identify those who don't, so I think it's helped. It's been a real low-key way, but it's helped," Lentz said.

If the proposal is accepted by the president and the permit system is enforced, tickets will cost $20 for not having a permit visible in vehicles.

The money that is acquired from the tickets will go the La Verne Police Department since it is LVPD employees that complete the process for parking ticket procedures for the University.

Lentz also addressed a concern that many students have toward the permit system. Many students question having a permit for a space that is nonexistent due to the limited parking at ULV.

"People tell me that," said Lentz. "We're a 16-hour-a-day university. We have people who go to class at 7:30 in the morning and who go to class at 7:30 at night. If everyone came at once to park, there is no way.

"No school that I know of though, guarantees you a place to park if you have a permit. All that permit does is is give you the right to park on university property, if you can find a space."

If the permit system becomes mandated this semester, students will be notified. Lentz said that he will distribute a memo, along with sending out campus-wide voice mail messages. Fliers will be displayed and a two-week warning period will be used to warn students of the need to have a permit visible in their vehicles.

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Award of Year

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—Alisha Rosas

ASF Minutes

The University of La Verne's Associated Students Federation (ASF) Forum met in the West Dining Room on Wednesdays Feb. 9 at 9:06 a.m., and Feb. 16 at 9:10 a.m. The Forum devoted the meetings to the discharge of business and largely therein to the election of the president and secretarial positions.

Elections

After questioning candidates Frank Tolentino, vice-president of activities, and Eddie Casarez vice-president of advocacy, members of the forum voted to fill the vacancy of the Presidency. After a tallying of the secret ballots, Tolentino took the majority landing him as the new ASF president.

The Forum stated that for the positions of secretary and vice-president of activities, applications will be extended to the student body followed by a closed election.

Resolutions Passed

After a request presented to the Forum by Phi Delta Theta vice-president Manuel Escalante Jr., members voted to allot ASF funds to Escalante's organization for its spring formal. The Forum allocated a total of $650 from the club, activities, and advocacy budgets to help sponsor the event.

The Forum voted to allocate $350 from both the advocacy and activity budgets to help sponsor the fota Delta Sorority's spring formal.

International Student Services Director Phil Hofer submitted a written request to the Forum for the expenditure of $5,000 to have Nobel Peace Prize recipient Rigoberta Menchutum speak at the University. The Forum allocated the funds from the advocacy budget for the speaker.

ASF additionally carried the motion to allot $500 from the advocacy budget for the Multicultural Fair on April 26-27.

Winter Photos

All professional photographs taken at the Winter Extravaganza are available to claim now at the ASF office.

—Danny Craig

Jones-Rodriguez abandons Forum

• President steps down from office

Deanna Reyes
Staff Writer

University of La Verne Associate Student Federation (ASF) President Justin Jones-Rodriguez resigned from the Forum by issuing a memo to its members Jan. 24.

Jones-Rodriguez said he knew almost immediately that fulfilling the presidency would be a challenge. He said that there were many reasons why he resigned, but the main reason dealt with what was expected from the president, and he considers himself too opinionated to comply.

"I like to shake things a little too much," said Jones-Rodriguez. "Things should be shaken from the bottom up, not from the top down."

Jones-Rodriguez said that the main role of the president is to serve as the voice of the students.

However, he said there was a lack of enthusiasm on the part of the student body.

"I had a vision to increase student awareness about politics, but it's a hard task. Most people don't care unless they have something to lose; I just lost my inspiration," he said.

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—Justin Jones-Rodriguez, former ASF president

Michael Houdyshell, ASF adviser, said he does not feel there was a negative effect on the Forum, but that it definitely did effect its members.

"You don't want to see the president leave in the middle of the year, but things change," said Houdyshell.

According to Jones-Rodriguez, even though he left his position, he knew his voice would not be lost among Forum members.

He said that his political voice will continue to be heard through his position as captain of the ULV debate team.

"The debate team is where my heart is," said Jones-Rodriguez.

A plan to fill the position is currently underway. In the Forum's Constitution, Article IV, Section 8, Clause 2, states: "If the position of the president is vacated one of the vice presidents, as determined by special election, shall fill the position within one week." Houdyshell said that a Forum meeting will take place next week to discuss the details of the election.

"What I want people to know is that I resigned not only for my own benefit, but because I feel someone else could do a better job. My strength is my political voice, and as president I don't have one," said Jones-Rodriguez.

LV residents seek answers to parking concerns

Leslie M. Estrada
Staff Writer

Since an overcrowding of cars is an increasing issue on campus, as of this past summer the residents on B Street between Bonita Avenue and Second Street have obtained "Resident Parking Only" privileges.

In the fall, the residents on Third Street between A and B streets requested the same privileges. Due to the new First Street parking lot being constructed, the city postponed the residents' proposal.

Constant complaints from residents and the possible threat of restricted parking on the 1800 block of Third Street were brought to the attention of John Lentz, director of the Campus Safety and Transportation.

"We prefer the notion of resident parking only not to follow through because that would only add to our on-campus parking problem, limiting even more space to students," said Lentz.

Aside from the new parking lot recently built on First Street, students continue to park on residential streets, Lentz said. The First Street parking lot was not intended to solve the parking issue, but to somewhat alleviate the problem.

"We, as a school, have no defense if the parking lots aren't full," said Lentz. "The parking restriction on Third Street is more likely to happen if students don't use the space that is already available."

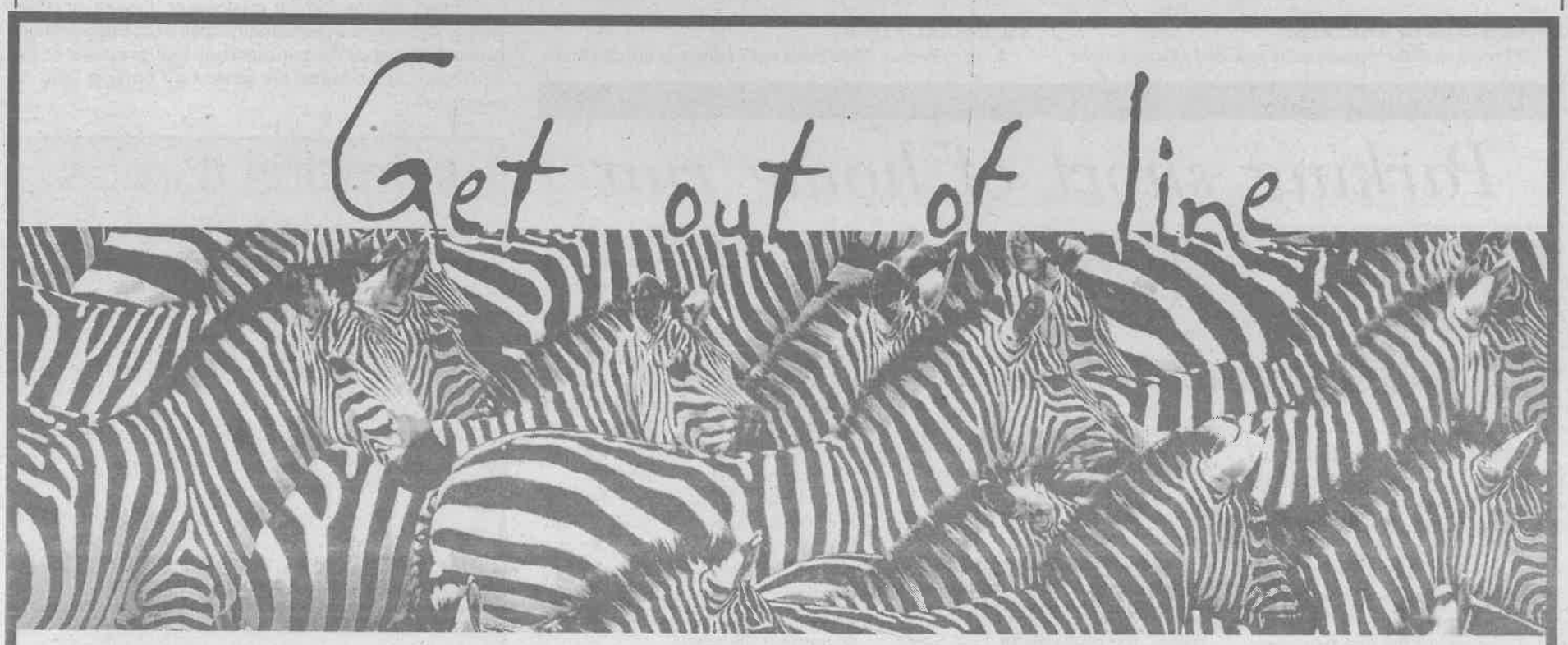
Lentz, along with the city's Downtown Parking Committee, recently began to focus on the La Verne parking situation.

"Nighttime parking seems to be a lot worse than during the day because of adult students," said Lentz. "By the time the day is done, all lots are usually full, so Third Street is one of the only alternative parking spaces.

"At the current moment, the Downtown Parking Committee is planning to meet in the near future to discuss the parking situation and concerns of La Verne residents. The whole idea is to notify students and faculty to park somewhere but Third Street," said Lentz.

Lentz said there are a few ideas for a long term solution of the parking situation on campus.

"The problem is not necessarily money wise, but rather the need for space to build potential lots," he said.



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

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

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IX. AMENDMENTS

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From the Editor...

Parking short of home run



Damien Alarcon

The new parking lot has clearly affected the greater part of the University of La Verne community in positive ways and has opened a door for further improvement. For this year's softball team, however, it has altered the routine of previous seasons.

At the end of the first two weeks of the spring semester, something seemed drastically different in comparison to previous semesters.

Every school day since my return to the hard life of books and classes, I have been able to find a parking space rather quickly. So far, the hassle of roaming the campus for 10 minutes or more seems to be a thing of the past.

The completion of the now functional parking lot, south of the Supertents, has eased, though not solved, the parking epidemic throughout the campus.

The 91-space lot, which includes four handicap spots, took the place of the softball field, which could no longer be used to host NCAA competition because the dimensions failed to meet regulation.

Now, since the school has put forth the effort to produce such an accomplishment, a little more effort should be placed to make a proposal to the city government to repave First Street, the street that allows access to the parking lot.

Since students and staff mainly used Third, B and C streets in the past to commute to and from the school, the problems of First Street could and have been overlooked. Now that First Street is more utilized by the ULV community, the countless number of pot holes and the fact that the street itself is two feet in width should lead to reconstruction.

Turning the corner from First Street to B Street with a vehicle traveling the opposite direction is a little frightening. The thought of an accident converts from being a possibility to an expectation.

However, most if not all of the students undoubtedly appreciate the new lot, but how about the softball members themselves?

The players, who at one point could walk from class to the field in less than five minutes, now have to drive to a new home field.

It may be labeled as their home field, but doesn't change the fact that the field, which is located at Wheeler Park on the corner of Wheeler Avenue and Arrow Highway, is owned by the city and open to the public. Since absolutely anyone can use the field, that takes away from this home-field mentality.

"The new field has two pitcher's mounds. One for [ULV] and one for the little league teams that use the field," said senior designated hitter Jennifer Thompson. "The field is used by all of these people, but yet it's supposed to be *our* field."

Not only the team, but the students and faculty members also had the convenience of stopping by the softball field between classes to give the team support. It is important that people now make the effort to go support the team.

The 2000 season has not yet begun aside from practice, but has already had many problems.

Practices have been delayed for the installment of grass. At times, the team could not utilize the entire field because a tractor remained in the outfield. Aside from that, fertilizer also kept the squad from using parts of the outfield.

This column is not designed to get the field back on campus since the possibility to do so is very slim. It is to show sympathy for the players and coaches involved.

The University is expanding and, ultimately, features must be altered to adapt to the number of students attending. Bottom line is that the additional lot has aided our parking problem.

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Fine dining, romantic candle light and a piano serenade at the Ritz. It sounds like something left over for Valentine's Day. This was no celebration of love between a man and a woman, but rather a celebration for the couple's love and contributions to the University of La Verne.

Program participants Rob Fukuzaki of KABC Sports, President Stephen Morgan, members of the Board of Trustees and several Landis scholarship recipients gathered on Feb. 9, to honor Beth and Richard Landis for their life long contributions to the University.

The Fifth Annual President's Dinner was held at the Ritz Carlton Huntington Hotel in Pasadena.

"I got a chance to meet the Landises and Mr. Landis was very warm and kind. He made me feel at home," said Alicia Southorn, a sophomore L.E.A.D. (Leadership Education and Development) scholarship recipient.

The Landis family has contributed to the University for many years and have shared a history with it as well. According to Richard Landis, being alumni and having had several family members attend, the couple feels a special attachment to ULV and refer to the community as home.

The Landises had a couple of their grandchildren present at the dinner, and seemed as grandparents to ULV students also.

Beth Landis said, "In the big cookie of life, our friends are the chocolate chips."

The Landis couple can ironically be compared to the grandparent icon because of their generous gifts and love for ULV. Through their activity on the Board of Trustees, the Landises have contributed a $3.2 million charitable trust. The couple also expressed a heartfelt interest in students at ULV as a body, and individually.

Ruby Montaño-Cordova, associate dean of student affairs said, "Beth and Richard Landis have been very supportive to student life, and have shown direct support through the L.E.A.D scholarship."

Through this interaction with the students, the Landises strive to be more like real people, not just a name frequently heard.

To help create a personal atmosphere, L.E.A.D. scholarship recipients assisted in seating guests and had the opportunity to meet the Landis couple and other contributors through out the evening. Sixteen esteemed students were chosen to participate in the program and attend the dinner.

Social Chair of Phi Delta Theta fraternity and a L.E.A.D. scholarship recipient Frank Tolentino said he was "looking forward to meeting the contributors of scholarships to ULV, and as vice president of activities on ASF, it's good to see who they are and give personal thanks."

First generation students Maria Sandoval, senior, and Mario Guerrero, junior, each gave a speech expressing their sincere thanks to their parents and the Landises for their undying support through their college years. As members of the First Generation Student Success Program (F.G.S.S.P.) the two students gave a special meaning to President Morgan's statement, "The Landises have helped in lifting ULV to a new level of excellence."

Richard Landis expressed his desire to see students advance and succeed when he said, "The opportunity for the future is up to the students who want to adhere their optimum potential."

The L.E.A.D. scholarship is typically awarded to students who demonstrate a desire to excel and be examples in their leadership roles on campus.

According to Deborah Mandabach, public relations director, there have been approximately 500 L.E.A.D scholars over the past 15 years. Most of these students were O.W.L.s, officers in student government, club presidents, or held positions on campus publications, such as *Campus Times* or *La Verne Magazine.*

Master of Ceremonies Fukuzaki said "I really enjoy getting involved in the ULV community events, and that's what makes this all so rewarding."

In reflecting on the course of events throughout the evening he said that he believed it went rather smooth.

The Landises expressed that they considered everyone at the dinner personal friends, and Fukuzaki stated clearly that "Beth and Richard Landis are the Godiva chocolate chips of our lives."



Jason Cooper

Richard and Beth Landis were honored at the Fifth Annual President's Gala for their generous support at the University of La Verne. President Stephen Morgan accompanied by senior Maria Sandoval and junior Mario Guerrero present the Landises with the President's award. The $125 a plate, black- tie dinner raised more than $100,000 for the ULV.

Local spots prove friendly for college couples

Brice Nixon
Editorial Director

If that Valentine's dinner has emptied your wallet, the cities of La Verne and Claremont are home to numerous privately-owned restaurants that provide the desired atmosphere at a reasonable price.

Cappuccino Charlie's, located at 2445 Foothill Blvd. in La Verne, is one such place.

"We have everyone tell us we have the best food in La Verne," said Charlie Parker, owner of the family-operated Cappuccino Charlie's, which roasts its own coffee.

Parker said the restaurant, his namesake, is a great place for a date because it has a relaxed atmosphere, not to mention great food.

"No one else has a wood-fired pizza oven," said Parker. That oven is where one of the restaurant's most popular dishes, barbecue chicken pizza, is made. A large portion of the barbecue chicken pizza costs $13.95.

Another of the more popular entrées is the chicken marsala, which is $12.95. Cappuccino Charlie's is open from 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday through Thursday. It is open until midnight Friday and Saturday.

Claremont's downtown area, near the Claremont Colleges, has numerous restaurants, many of which provide an opportunity to try food from different cultures.

'We have everyone tell us we have the best food in La Verne.'
—*Charlie Parker, owner of Cappuccino Charlie's*

Afghanistan natives Nangy and Fahima Ghafarshad operate Walter's, located at 316 Yale Ave. It offers what Fahima Ghafarshad called "fusion cuisine," meaning a wide variety of food choices.

Friday's and Saturday's menus feature Afghan dishes, such as lamb. Dinner runs from $12-18 and lunch from $6-9. The food is all homemade, with nothing artificial, Ghafarshad said.

Walter's has a patio, a large dining room and a room with a fireplace. It is open from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Sunday.

A few blocks from Walter's is Yiannis Greek Restaurant, family-owned since 1962.

Greg Gianakos, one of the owners, said the establishment is perfect for dates because of its dark ambience and the flowers and candles on each table.

Photographs of Greece, Greek warriors and other Greek artifacts decorate the walls of Yiannis, which is open from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday, with lunch served until 5 p.m. A Sunday brunch runs form 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. and the restaurant is closed Monday's, although it was open Valentine's Day.

The dishes cited by Gianakos as the most commonly ordered were the Greek dishes, which are served with Greek soup, Greek salad, Baklava for dessert and Maurodaphne, an after dinner drink.

Gianakos said many patrons start with saganakie, a fried kassori cheese appetizer, and follow that with one of the authentic full-course Greek dinners: movsakka, sliced zucchini, eggplant and potato with ground beef; dolmathes, stuffed grape leaves with ground beef and rice; podarakia Arniov, braised lamb shanks; and souvlakia, Greek shishkebab.

Among the lunch specials, gyros and calimari (baby squid) are very popular.

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January brings world perspectives

Mike Lawson
Staff Writer

The average University of La Verne student spent the January Interterm taking a light load of classes or spending time at home.

However, for some students, January 2000 was nothing close to "average." A few students found themselves climbing through the canopies of a tropical rainforest, touring a television set, serenaded in a gondola or learning first hand about political suffering in Mexico.

Dr. Jeff Burkhart, professor and Fletcher Jones chair of biology, traveled with eight students to Belize, a small country sandwiched between Mexico and Guatemala. All of the students were biology majors, with one exception.

Dr. Burkhart said he hoped to expose students to the two richest biological habitats on the earth with the class titled "Natural History of the Tropics." Plus, he wanted "to expose students to a different culture."

The students were away from home a total of 17 days. One week was spent in a rainforest. The second week was spent on the biggest barrier reef in the Western Hemisphere, about 10 miles off the shore.

"The entire experience was amazing," said junior Gloria Ramirez. "We did so many activities that I never thought I would have the chance to do." Some of those activities included trapping bats, catching iguanas, climbing mountains and finding jaguar footprints.

Of course, students did not just lounge around in paradise. They were required to participate in a research project on seahorses. The students also got graded on daily journals and exams.

Dr. Burkhart said he felt good about the trip. "We accomplished everything I set out to do," he said.

Students enrolled in the "Media Across the Nation" trip had the chance to see media facilities all over the nation in 17 days.

"We wanted to give students the opportunity to see and learn about different mass media outlets across the country," said Mike Laponis, associate professor of communications.

The trip started with tours in Los Angeles. The group took a tour at Los Angeles Times headquarters and KFWB. They also went to the Museum of Television and Radio in Beverly Hills. The students departed from LAX to New York on Jan. 7.

In New York, where they spent four full days, students saw several media facilities, including the "Today Show" set, the "Good Morning America" set and the ABC Network Operations.

"The experience," said junior Chakwan Turner, "made my career become a reality."

After New York, students traveled to Washington, D.C. by train. There, the group took a tour through the White House, Senator Diane Feinstein's office and the FBI Headquarters.

"A lot of things you read in books," said junior Verónica Garcia. "But you never completely understand until you see them."

When they arrived in Atlanta, students toured CNN and watched a live performance of the show "Talk Back Live." They also visited the gravesite of Martin Luther King Jr. and his birth home.

Although he came home exhausted, Laponis said the trip was "very worthwhile and fun. Everyone learned a lot."

The 12 students who enrolled in the Mexico study trip traveled with Debbie Roberts, Protestant campus minister and peace studies director, to Mexico. The students examined the history of the neighboring country and the relationship of the United States evolvement with Mexico's history.

"We were looking for students with an interest in the politics and social context and historical context of Mexico and United States involvement," said Roberts.

The 18-day trip gave the students a chance to interview political figures and attend lectures. But, one of the most mind altering experiences, according to sophomore Juan Garcia, was the volunteer work done on an ejido. "The word ejido," Garcia explained, "can be roughly translated as community land."

There are different types of property ownership in Mexico. Because of North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), Mexico is privatizing a lot of their land. An ejido cannot be bought or sold. The land is given to groups of families on which to do their farm work.

Students went to an ejido and learned a lot about their political suffering and helped residents. The students carried heavy buckets of water and stones under the hot sun. The work they did in one hour on the ejido could have taken the man who owned the land almost five hours.

The cost for the trip was $1,350. "I didn't have the money," said Garcia. "I had to take out a loan, but the money I am going to be repaying won't come close to what I experienced."

He felt the trip changed him. "I've been to Mexico a couple of times, but never have I been impacted this way. I have never gotten involved. I know that things here aren't different, I just perceive everything differently," Garcia said.

There were two required books to read, and everyone had to dedicate some time working on the ejido. Some students also volunteered in a day care center, and a convalescent home. Plus students participated in group discussions.

"Each student had to decide on an issue or event that happened," Roberts said. In the group discussion, explained Roberts, students were supposed to talk about "something that was moving to them, something that they learned that was important that stayed with them, and they had to present it to the rest of the class.

The class was responsible to respond to whatever they presented."

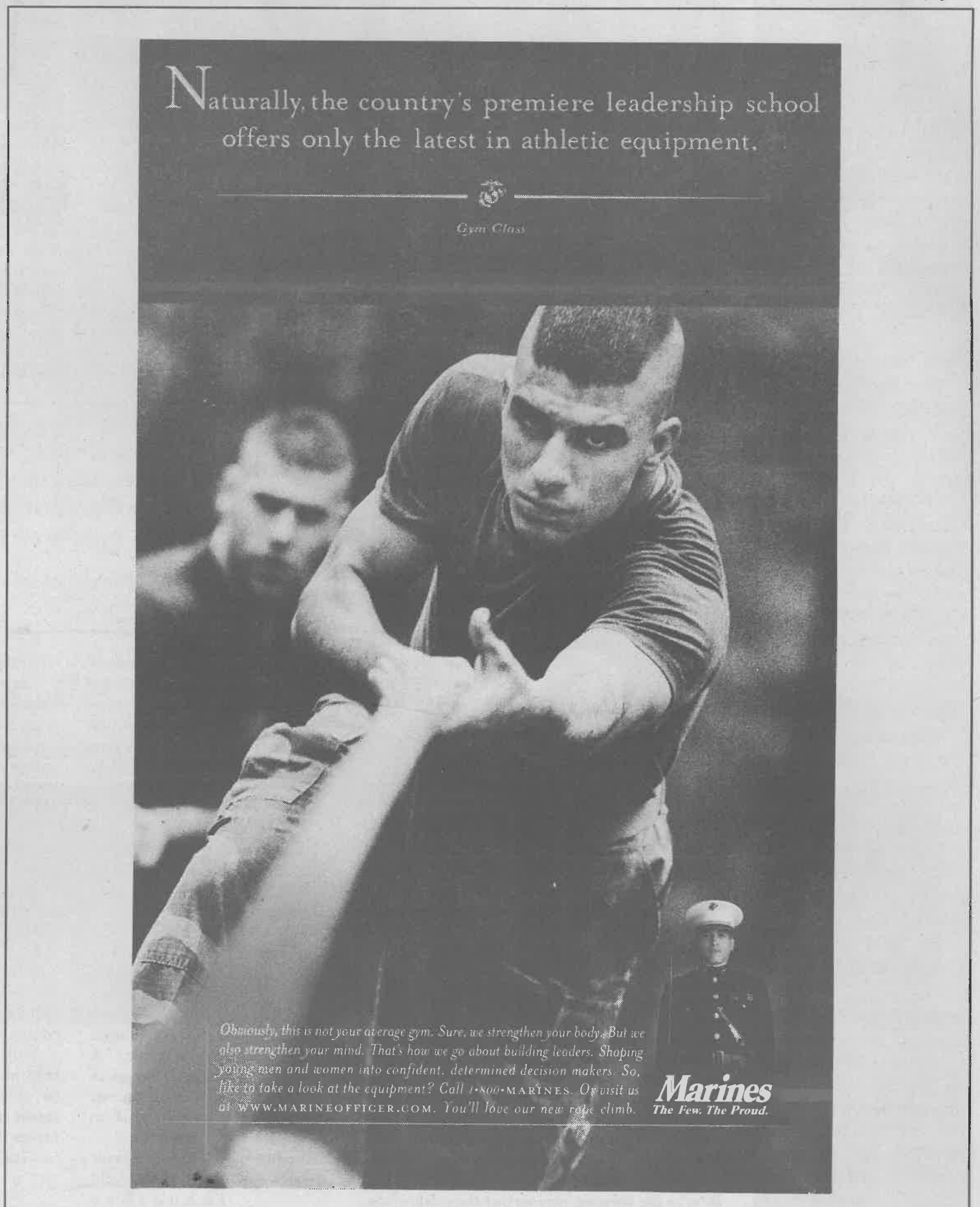
Roberts hoped her students not only learned a lot about the United States influence on Mexico, but that they also did something about it.

"It's not a class that just ends with the return of the trip. You know things that you didn't know before, your life is changed. You have experienced things that are so profound," she said.

While some students were walking in rain forests and working on farms in Mexico, others were riding in the gondolas of Italy. Ten students traveled with Ken Scambray, professor of English, in a trip titled The Interterm in Italy. Scambray said his objective was to "allow students the opportunity to have an international and intercultural experience abroad."

Participants were encouraged to travel in small groups so they could absorb the most culture. Scambray said that when

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Arts & Entertainment

Entertainment Briefs

Now Playing

•"Hanging Up," starring Meg Ryan, Lisa Kudrow and Diane Keaton as sisters and their relationship with their father.

•"Whole Nine Yards," starring Bruce Willis as a former mob hitman who moves next door to suburbanite Matthew Perry.

•"Pitch Black," a science fiction thriller revolving around marooned space travelers fighting an unknown force.

Tickets on sale

•D'Angelo at the Universal Ampitheatre April 7 go on sale tomorrow.

•Ani DiFranco tickets for her April 17 performance go on sale also.

•Also on sale tomorrow is 311's show on April 3 at the Hollywood Palladium.

Bob Marley

Tomorrow and Sunday the 19th annual Bob Marley Festival will be held at the Long Beach Arena. The lineup features KRS-One, Burning Spear and the Long Beach Dub Allstars. Tickets are $33 and $38 day of the show and $28 and $35 in advance. For information, call (310) 575-3322.

Etiquette dinner

An etiquette dinner sponsored by the Career Development Center will be held in the President's Dining room at 5 p.m. There is a $15 registration fee. R.S.V.P. at ext. 4054. The deadline is today.

L.A. birthday

Los Angeles County celebrates its 150th birthday with free admission to all county museums on Sunday. A festival at the Page Museum will be held at 11 a.m. and a parade on Wilshire Boulevard at 2 p.m.

—Jazmine Ponce

Static Siege celebration

Zaps mind and senses

by Jazmine Ponce
photography by Matt Wright

A roaring multimedia explosion of entertainment best depicts Saturday's first ever Static Siege, a launch party for new software created by Internet software developer Static.

Static Siege took place from 1 p.m. to 2 a.m. at the Variety Arts Center in Los Angeles where each of the five floors were designated to several types of multimedia.

Static Siege is the first event to combine live bands, interactive video gaming, independent short films and documentaries and club atmosphere.

In the main theatre, audience members were able to see a plethora of independent bands such as Distortion Felix, Buck, Bluebird, Les Beaux Peeps, Imperial Teen, the Muffs and Hepcat. and a special presentation from former Jane's Addiction and Porno for Pyros front man Perry Farrell.

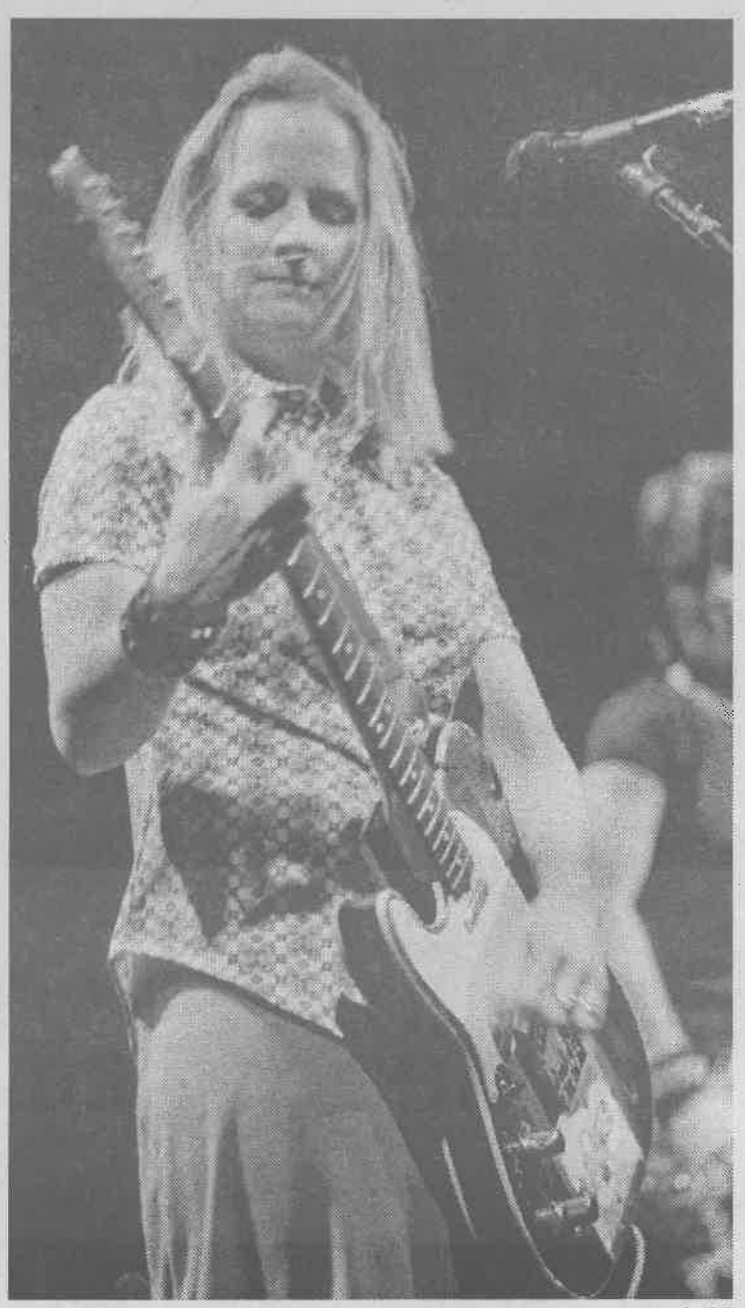
"We are pretty much doing what we like. We didn't ask Perry Farrell to play our show, we didn't go out and get him. He is just coming to play it because he likes some of the other smaller bands, so we are happy about that," said Brian Morrison vice president of marketing.

On the third level the popular side show act Shock Value—best described as a hipper, more alternative Penn & Teller performed strange and unbelievable feats that both amazed and sometimes disgusted the audience.

"I really liked it. It was a cool way to introduce people to non-mainstream bands and a variety of different things," said San Diego resident Fermin Muro.

The bottom floor housed Regeneration TV. A collection documentaries on world politics were shown. As well, spoken word acts and disc jockeys from 92.3 The Beat were on hand spinning R&B and alternative music.

Popular radio personality and Jason Bentley from KROQ 106.7 and Club Bossanova disc jockeys were in attendance creating pulsating sounds for people to dance to in between sets and housed their own Club Bossanova on the third floor.



Static Siege, an all-day multimedia celebration, was held Saturday at the Variety Arts Center in Los Angeles. Static Siege is the first event of its type to link live music, interactive video games, independent film and club culture. Les Beaux Peeps, lead by front woman Michelle Stevenson (Woody), opened the event. Headliners Hepcat and the Muffs performed later in the evening, closing out the celebration.

On the second floor people were able to buy special merchandise from a variety of the bands. L.A. style magazine *Gluě* gave out free gift bags and copies of the magazine.

The game floor aptly titled the "gore fest" was where over a hundred of the best Quake players from all over the world competed for 48 hours. A special anti-tank rocket launcher was awarded to the winner.

One player was 16-year-old Johnathan Wendel who plays under the name Fatality. He recently won $40,000 from a tournament in Stockholm, Sweden.

One may ask why a Internet software company would hold a blowout event like this? For Static it is a way of getting its name out to a variety of people and having a good time.

"The main thing we are trying to do is, through grass roots, have a cool fun event that people in L.A. can come to, not because it is a big company throwing it, but because it is a cool event. We don't really like hitting people over the head with the fact that we are a software company," said Morrison.

"The whole point of what we are doing here is we have bands, we have films, we have local area network video games and we are trying to show that all of these are just media that you can serve on the Internet," said Damien Stolarz co-founder of Static and chief technical officer.

The party was to launch a new software the static tracker and static server which is designed to turn any computer into a "desktop broadcasting station." The static tracker software is described as a "search tool that enables users to find a wide variety of multimedia content in an eye-catching and user-friendly environment."

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" It is a unique technology in that we have the server that lets you become your own desktop broadcaster. You can have your favorite music and favorite videos and whatever else you want and let others listen to it, and it makes it very easy to use," said Morrison.

The software will enable people to easily host real-time online multiplayer games, broadcast video and audio, share files and have a live interaction between site-visitors.

"Desktop broadcasting is the next thing. College kids, young professionals with computers produce stuff that is way better then what is on TV and this will enable them to reach their audience completely," said Stolarz.

With their software Static hopes to help in having the young professionals be able to share and promote films, music and other media available to future fans and clients.

"The key is the college kids who have

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Movie Review

'Scream 3' stabs into theaters

•Trilogy promises terror

Julia Carachure
Staff Writer

More bloodshed, new characters and unknown elements from the first two films are revealed in "Scream 3," currently playing in theaters.

Director Wes Craven definitely guarantees that by the end of the third installment of the Scream trilogy, all the missing gaps will be sealed. Everything that was unknown through the first two will be revealed, all of which falls back on the original "Scream" movie.

The movie begins with Cotton Weary (Liev Schreiber), who was jailed for murder in the first "Scream" and is now the host of his own television show.

While driving on the freeway one night, he gets a mysterious phone call from a female voice, which eventually turns to the infamous scary voice of the killer. The killer demands to know where Sidney Prescott (Neve Campbell) is living.

Within the first five to 10 minutes, two people are snuffed by the killer. This time the killer leaves a picture of Maureen, Sidney's mother, as a young girl on its victims.

Next, we find Sidney living in northern California under an alias, working as a phone counselor for abused women.

Meanwhile, backstabbing reporter Gail Weathers (Courteney Cox Arquette) is now an anchor of the show "Total Entertainment," a cheap version of "Entertainment Tonight."

After a visit from Detective Mark Kincaid (Patrick Dempsey) informs her of the murder, Weathers finds herself investigating the set of "Stab 3: Return to Woodsboro."

Once Weathers arrives at the set, she meets up with her old flame Dewey Riley (David Arquette), who is technical advisor for the "Stab 3" set. She also finds that he is romantically involved with actress Jennifer Jolie (Parker Posey) who plays Weathers in "Stab 3."

In order to draw Sidney out of hiding, the killer murders not only Weary and his girlfriend Christine, he also proceeds to kill the cast of "Stab 3" one by one, which includes Angelina Tyler (Emily Mortimer of "Notting Hill") as "Sidney," Tom Prinze (Matt Lesslar) as "Dewey", Sarah Darling (Jenny McCarthy) as Candy the bimbo, Tyson Fox (Deon Richmond), as a character designed in memory of Randy Meeks (Jamie Kennedy) who was killed earlier in "Scream 2."

Finally, Sidney emerges from hiding, ready to face the killer one more time and once again find out more about her mother's dark secrets.

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While Sidney reappears, so does Randy through a videotape delivered by his sister Martha (Heather Matarazzo), which warns his surviving friends about what happens in the third film of any trilogy, which basically involves a very strong killer, anyone can die, and all the rules from previous episodes are off.

No matter what, the past keeps coming back to haunt everyone in its path.

Other characters include John Milton (Lance Henriksen, formerly of TV's "Millenium"), producer of all the "Stab" films, Roman Bridger (Scott Foley of TV's "Felicity"), the "Stab 3" director, and Steven Stone (Patrick Warburton, Pudy of TV's "Seinfeld"), Jennifer Jolie's bodyguard.

This last movie proves to be quite scary, even more so than the original "Scream." However, it definitely had its funny moments, especially the interaction between the "actors" in "Stab 3" and "the real characters" which is seen in the case of Gail and Jennifer, who are constantly bickering through out the film.

There are also other surprises in the movie as well. Some are surprising; others are shocking. Don't wait until it comes out on video, see it for the fun and the sheer excitement of getting scared. Make sure to have a friend there, this movie is 100 percent guaranteed to give anyone a fright.

'Lucy' exhibit unlocks treasures

Christine Owen
Staff Writer

Young and old "I Love Lucy" fans alike have the chance to view rarely-aired episodes at The Unseen Lucy and Desi: Treasures from the Vault, an exhibit currently showing at the Museum of Television and Radio in Beverly Hills.

The Museum has retrieved unusual footage of Lucille Ball and Desi Arnaz in their roles as Lucy and Ricky Ricardo. The clips include familiar "I Love Lucy" segments in addition to guest appearances on other television shows and old sponsor's commercials.

Another part of the exhibit was a live recreation of Ball's first radio show "My Favorite Husband" performed by Marilu Henner on Feb.9.

Retired Los Angeles residents Tom and Joan Antonacci attended the screenings after winning tickets to the museum from a local radio station. Joan Antonacci, who grew up watching the eccentric redhead, said the episodes she viewed were "wonderful to see."

According to museum officials, "I Love Lucy" is possibly the most famous and influential situation comedy (sitcom) of all time. This could explain why it is one of the only black and white shows to still be rerun on mainstream television.

Scholar David Marc labels it "a watershed in the history of television, and specifically in the development of television comedy."

One episode showing at the museum features a guest appearance by Milton Berle. Berle, who referred to Lucille Ball as the "greatest comedienne in the world," acts alongside the couple as they become entangled in a jewelry heist in Las Vegas. As always, there are plenty of laughs and ridiculous moments wrapped up in the episode.

"I thought it was excellent, very good. It gave me a good number of laughs," said Tom Antonacci of the episode with Milton Berle.

The Museum located all of the "I Love Lucy" episodes in order to keep within museum tradition by collecting and preserving television and radio programs and making them available to the public. Opening its doors in 1976, the Museum now boasts a collection of more than 100,000 programs comprised of news, drama, public affairs, documentaries, the performing arts, children's programming, sports, comedy, and advertising.

The episodes are shown in a theatre environment with an approximate time of an hour and a half with one to three episodes shown.

However, for the restless one who finds himself tired of sitting, there are plenty of spaces to stretch legs as trademark Beverly Hills shopping is nearby. Within one block's walking distance from the museum it is possible to find shops and restaurants such as the Cheesecake Factory, the Coffee Bean and Tea Leaf, Victoria's Secret, Bebe and Pottery Barn.

For the individual low on cash but wanting to take the significant other on a date, the Museum could very well be the perfect place. Admission to the Museum is free. However, a donation of $6 for adults, $4 for students and seniors, and $3 for children under 13 is the suggested contribution. Street parking around the facility is scarce, but nearby parking structures offer free parking for the first two hours.

The Museum will run screenings of "The Unseen Lucy and Desi: Treasures from the Vault," Wednesdays through Sundays at 12:15 and 3 p.m., with an additional screening Thursdays at 7 p.m. The exhibit ends March 5.

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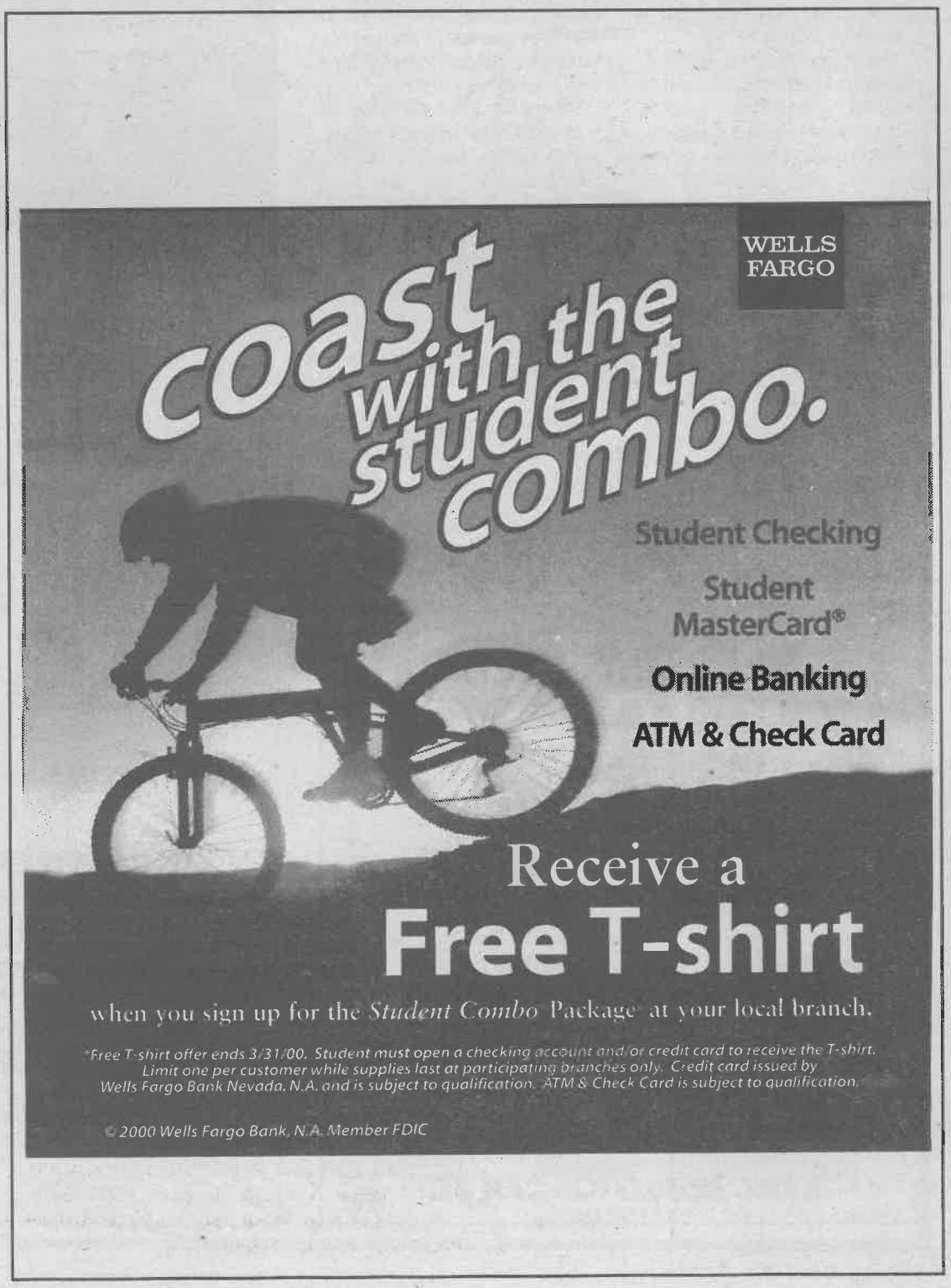
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the next "Blair Witch" or who is trying to run a "Twilight Zone" marathon, run a pirate radio station anything like that," said Stolarz.

The version is free and is available at **www.static.com.** The software is cross-platform, meaning any Windows, Linux or Macintosh system can use it.

The hopes of future Static Siege-like events featuring bands and live webcasts are in the works for the future. One venue in consideration is the Glass House in Pomona

"We want to turn it into kind of like a digital circus we throw a couple times a year," said Morrison.



Leopards beat CMS, Whittier

Vince Zavala
Staff Writer

Kevin Gustafson and Jason Riley helped the University of La Verne Leopards overcome a 43-34 halftime deficit en route to a 83-75 away victory over previously unbeaten Claremont-Mudd-Scripps. Four days later, ULV downed Whittier in overtime in the Supertents to improve their record to 13-9, 7-4 in Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) play.

Gustafson and Riley combined for 45 points in the upset win at CMS on Saturday night.

Coming into the game, head coach Dan Mulville felt that his team would have to make the Stags play an up-tempo game.

"We felt that they would get tired and would miss a lot of shots in the second half," said Mulville.

The Leopards jumped ahead quickly to a 23-14 lead to open the game, but let the lead slip away.

CMS' Hans Meyer dunked with 7:40 to go in the first half, making the score 28-22, but more importantly it brought the home crowd to its feet. Aiding Meyers in the Stags' first-half comeback was Jason Nicholas, who netted one of his five three-pointers. He finished with a game-high 32 points.

The Stags went on to complete a 15-4 run before the end of the half, giving them a 43-34 halftime lead over the Leopards.

Fortunately, Mulville's strategy of a running game to tire out CMS in the second half was effective.

Behind a full-court press and rotating line-up, the Leopards started the second half with a 20-11 run.

Riley then hit a big three-pointer, closing the gap to 54-52. Gustafson followed with a 15-foot jump shot that tied the game and silenced the home crowd with 11 minutes left in the game.

Nicholas hit a three-pointer, giving the Stags the lead once again, but the Leopards fired back when freshman guard Josh Johnson hit a three-pointer of his own.

Meyers again ignited the Stags fans when he was fouled on a successful dunk attempt. He went on to make his free-throw and give the Stags a 61-57 lead with eight minutes remaining.

La Verne tried to make a run shortly after, and defense forced the Stags into a shot clock violation. Gustafson then hit a three-pointer at the six-minute mark, giving the Leopards a 62-61 lead and the momentum they needed.

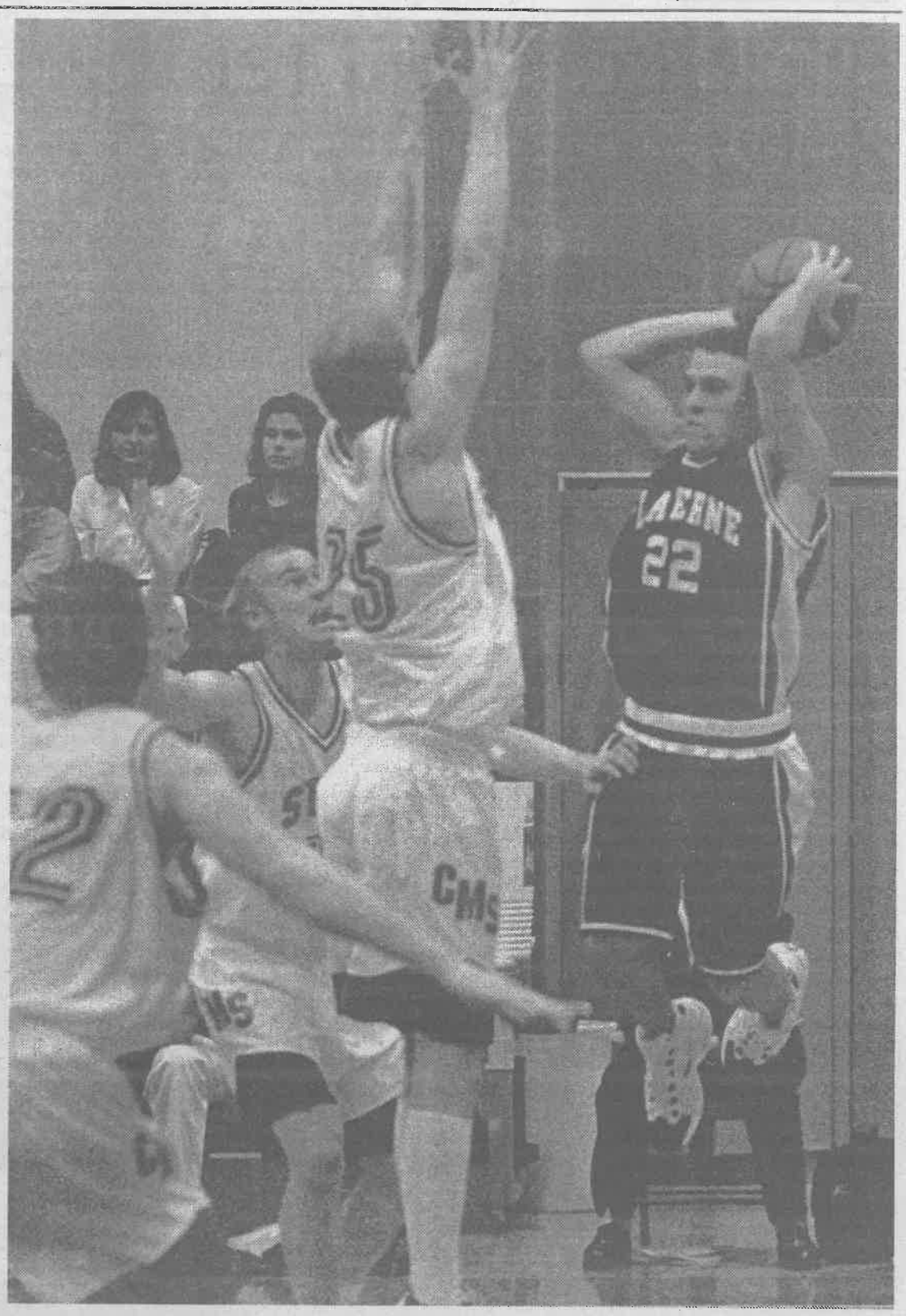
The score was again tied at 64 when the Stags' Bob Donlan hit a three-pointer.

The crowd tried to cheer their home team back into the game with chants of defense, but the Leopards would prove to be too much for the Stags. Gustafson scored back to back to back buckets and had time to mix in four free throws in the last six minutes, and La Verne pulled away down the stretch.

Riley added two easy lay-ups and three free throws in the games last six minutes, helping the Leopards put the final touches on the first SCIAC loss for the Stags.

La Verne continued their win-

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Jaime Ortega

Freshman guard Robbie Leark beats the press against previously unbeaten Claremont-Mudd-Scripps on Saturday night. The Leopards defeated the Stags, 83-75.

Divers fall short in bid for finals qualification

Crystal Apilado
Staff Writer

University of La Verne dive team members competed for spots at the the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference Diving preliminaries, which ULV hosted on Saturday.

"We're the largest Division III conference west of the Mississippi," John Hallman, head swim coach, said. Participating schools in the preliminaries included Redlands, Pomona-Pitzer, Claremont-Mudd-Scripps, Occidental, Caltech, Whittier and the Leopards.

Sophomore Debbee Lewis and freshman Jaime Sanchez represented ULV. Lewis placed 11th in the women's one-meter and 10th in the women's three-meter. Lewis was recovering from a back injury during the preliminaries. "Her injuries kept her from performing as well as she thought she would," Hallman said

Sanchez, who has only been diving for the past four months, placed 9th in the men's three-meter and 7th in the the one-meter. "I was surprised," he said of his standings.

"Jaime had a great dive meet," said Hallman of Sanchez's performance. Sanchez fell shy of the finals cutoff by eight tenths of a point in the men's one-meter.

The diving team has been without a coach for the past couple of months, following the resignation of Justin Borba. The week before the preliminaries, dive team members attended the Rose Bowl Aquatic Clinic.

"We are still going through growing pains," said Hallman of the two-year-old diving team.

ULV may have fell short of qualifying for finals, but did place in the conference standings. The top 16 women and the top 12 men become competitors.

Lewis and Sanchez performed well enough to qualify for the conference standings.

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Women's basketball defeated, 75-51

•Sagehens too tall for Leopards

Matt Cresto
Staff Writer

Women's basketball head coach Julie Kline should chalk Friday's game up as a learning experience. The undersized and less experienced Leopards took a 75-51 visiting loss to a dominating Pomona-Pitzer squad, 75-51.

The Leopards were beaten in every aspect of the game during the first half. The Sagehens out rebounded the Leopards, and beat them down the floor in fast break transitions.

"Height had a lot to do with tonight," Kline said. "We just got beat by a better team."

Cold shooting during the first half contributed to the Leopards' problems. They were 6-of-26 from the field and 0-of-10 from 3 point range during the first half.

The Leopards (8-14 overall) did see offensive improvement during the second half. La Verne improved to 14-of-31 from the field and 4-of-10 from the behind the three-point arc.

Senior guard Michelle Geiger drained back-to-back three-pointers to cut down the lead early in the second half, but every time the Leopards made a run, the Sagehens responded with overpowering play under the basket, creating easy lay-ins and increasing their lead.

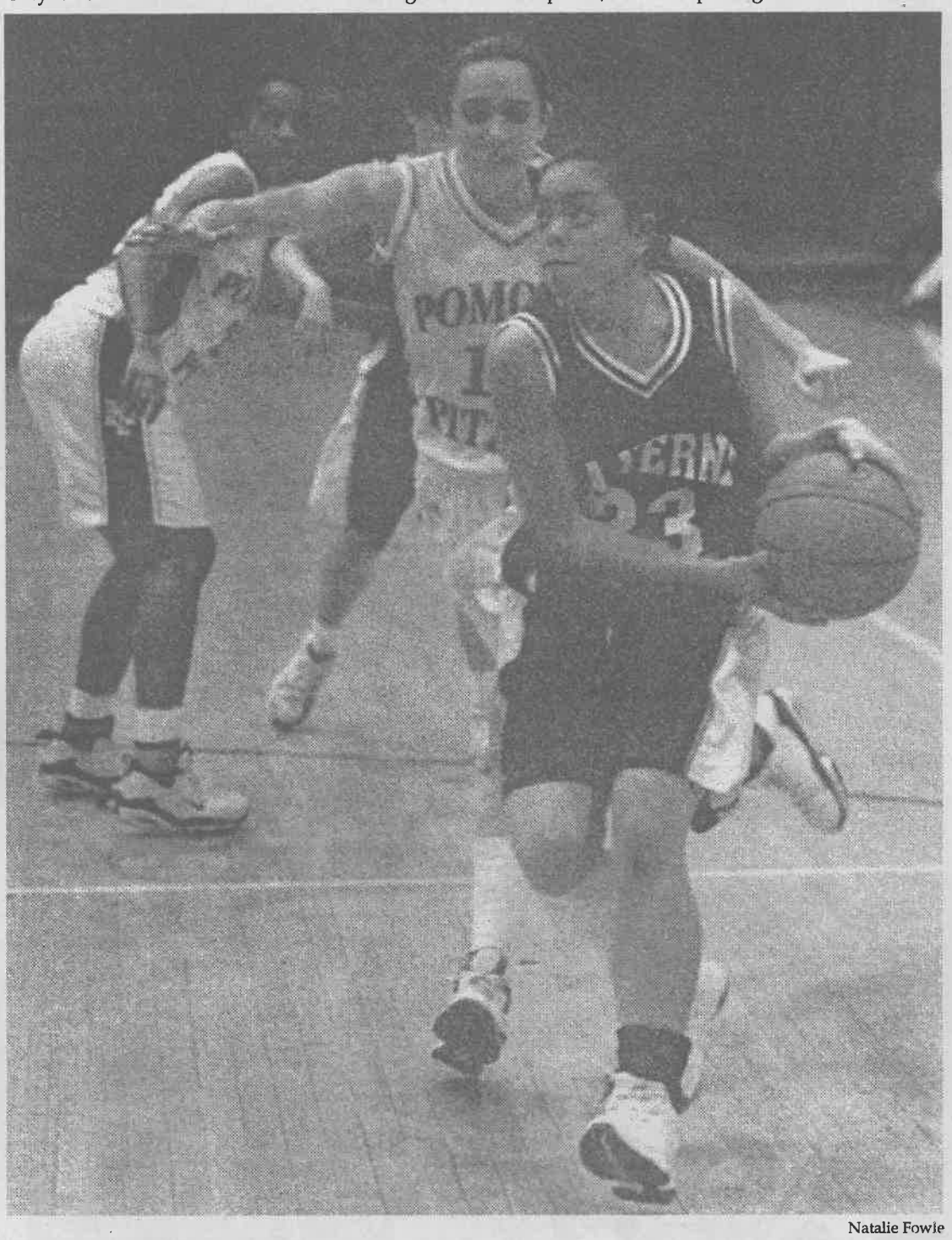
Late in the second half, the Leopards created a six-point swing started by a fast break basket from sophomore point guard Kelli Obrero to freshman guard Jasper Gary. Obrero then broke down the Sagehens' defense for two points. It was capped by a steal and basket by Gary off a deflection from the Leopards' pressure defense. However, it was a little too late, and the Leopards saw their conference record drop to 2-8.

Obrero led the Leopards with 17 points and three assists. Geiger and Gary contributed six points apiece.

"We are still in the welcome to college basketball phase," said Kline. "They are just beginning to understand the game."

Nine of the 13 players on the La Verne roster are freshmen this year. Only two seniors returned to the team this year in guards Geiger and Michelle Ballard.

ULV plays at home tonight at 7:30 p.m. against CMS.



Natalie Fowle

Sophomore guard Kelli Obrero drives past a defender and under La Verne's goal during last Friday's game against Pomona-Pitzer. Despite Obrero's 17-point contribution, the Leopards lost the road game to the Sagehens, 75-51.

Diving assistant Borba resigns

Damien Alarcon
Editor in Chief

Justin Borba, graduate assistant for the swimming and diving teams at the University of La Verne, resigned Jan. 11 after an incident that occurred during one of the team's tournaments.

A number of team members participated in the consumption of alcoholic beverages in their hotel rooms in Davis, Calif., on Jan. 8. The squad had competed in the UC Davis tournament earlier that day.

Borba was said to have "not exerted his authority to prevent it from happening," according to Jim Paschal, ULV athletic director. Paschal was informed after head coach John Hallman learned of the incident.

Hallman, who was unaware and disturbed by the events, told Paschal of the occurrence the following Monday.

"When we came back from our trip, a couple of our athletes approached me and told me that they were uncomfortable by the lack of actions by the coach," said Hallman. "I was very disappointed with the situation."

"We have certain guidelines that coaches and student-athletes must adhere to when on road trips," said Paschal. The main guideline that was broken was the school's no drinking policy.

Paschal said the same rules and policies of the campus also apply for student-athletes on away trips.

"Road trips [for athletic teams] are extensions of the campus," said Paschal. "We expect the best behavior from our student-athletes because they represent the team, our school and themselves."

Paschal said that, since Borba only allowed them to drink the alcohol and did not purchase or sell it, police involvement was unnecessary.

The athletes involved in the incident have been handled through the University's judicial board. None of those students have been suspended or expelled from either the team or the school.

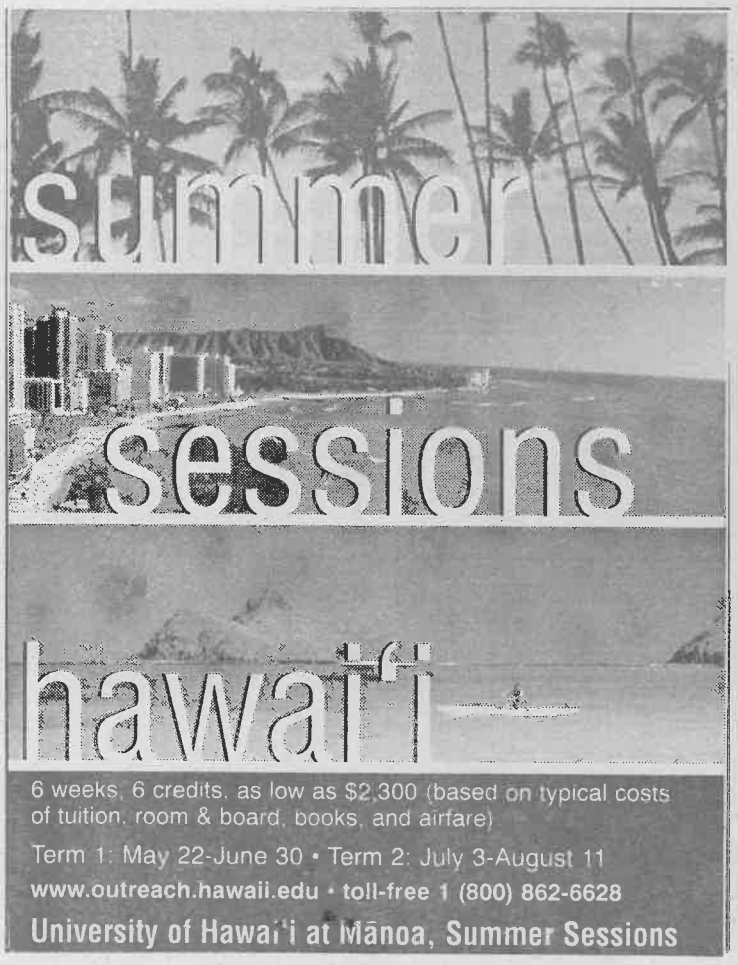
"They made a mistake, and they realized that what they did was wrong," said Paschal. "I would like to use this situation as a teaching point in terms of correct behavior."

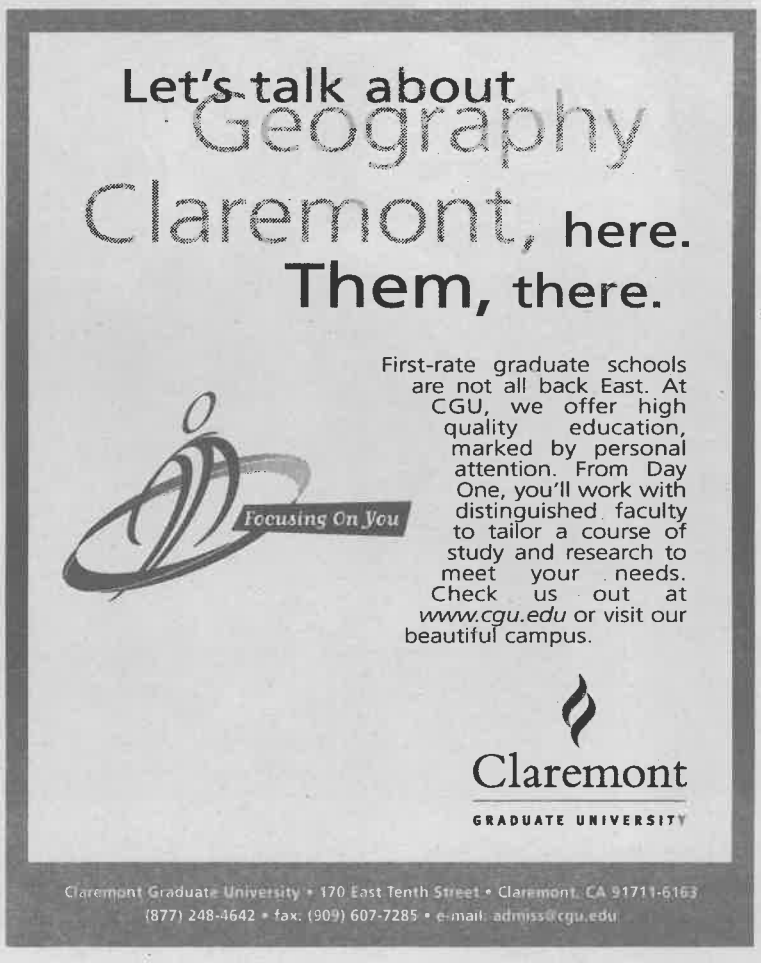
Because of the incident, the team was unable to participate in the UC San Diego tournament, which took place the weekend following the incident. The denial of allowing the team to play was not set down as a punishment, but Paschal did not feel that responsibility could be placed on the team.

Borba is a graduate of UC Santa Cruz and had been a part of the ULV staff since last September.

Currently, the athletic department is looking for a replacement for Borba, who assisted in recruitment and coaching the divers.

"It was a great learning experience [for the athletes] in the end, but at the time, it was frustrating on a lot of people," said Hallman.





Baseball takes 2 from Oxy in initial series

Agke Grow
Sports Editor

Baseball season is here, and excitement is in the air. Maybe too much excitement, as far as the University of La Verne baseball team is concerned.

"There was some first ballgame nervous energy," said head coach Bobby Lee.

The Leopards took the field at Occidental College for their season opener last Friday, and first game jitters were evident. Anxious swings of the bat produced only four hits for ULV, and La Verne lost, 5-4.

"They threw a no-hitter through six (innings)," said senior Garren Injijian, an All-SCIAC Second Team outfielder last year. "We were a little tight."

"We came out flat," said senior second baseman Corey Rooper "We weren't expecting much. We weren't ready to play, and no matter how strong your opponent is, you have to play up to your ability. We didn't do that."

The butterflies settled down for La Verne when they met Occidental the next day, and the contest at Ben Hines Field was a completely different story.

La Verne played a relaxed, focused game, and a 13-2 victory was the result.

Junior Jon Cruz pitched six scoreless innings, gave up only five hits, and picked two runners off at first base in a winning effort.

The Leopards collected 14 hits, including a two-run home run by junior infielder Aaron Hill and a grand slam by freshman outfielder Ray Podesta.

Occidental only managed six hits before the game was called due to darkness in the middle of the eighth inning.

"We played our own game," said Injijian. "We were a bit looser."

"We actually swung the bat today," said Lee. "When we try to do too much, that's when we get in trouble."

Saturday's game, scheduled as the first of a doubleheader, began late due to a wet field, and darkness delayed the second game of the doubleheader until Tuesday at 2:30 p.m.

When the game was finally played, La Verne proved that they had overcome any nervousness that held them back in the first game of the series. The Leopards executed well, and exploded offensively en route to a 19-8 win.

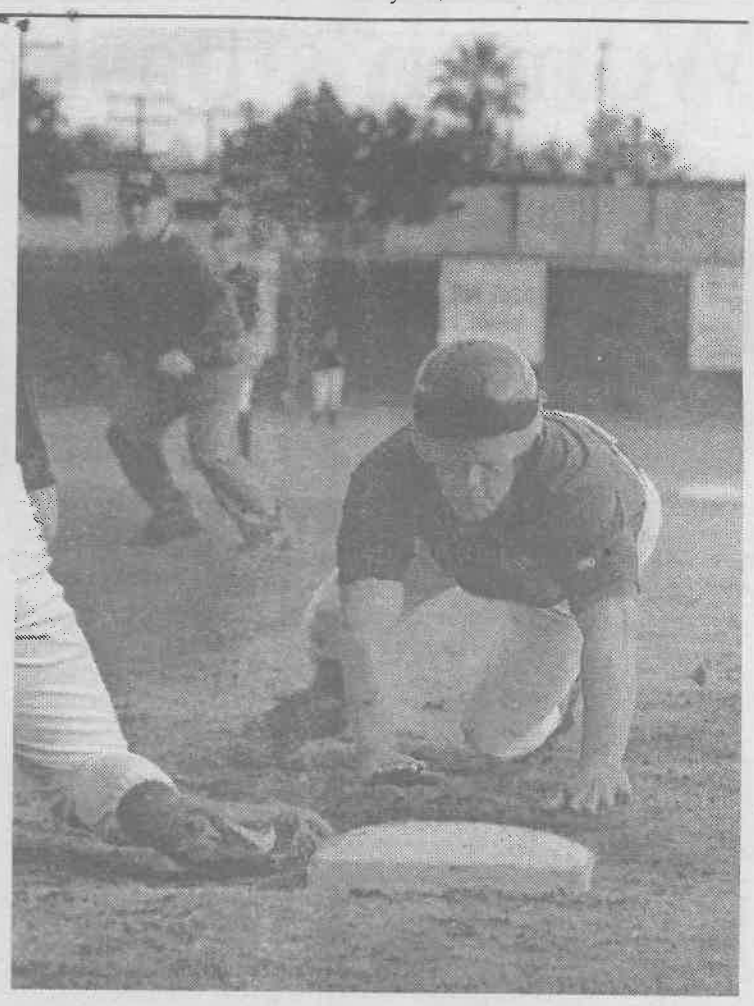
Patient at-bats and erratic pitching from Occidental resulted in 12 walks and 17 hits for La Verne, including a three-run double in the second inning by junior first baseman Nathan Devine. ULV loaded the bases in each of the first four innings.

Senior Bo Balzar started on the mound for ULV, and pitched five solid innings for the win. Senior Brett Kalcevich and freshman Neal Houska came out of the bullpen to finish the game off.

Said Lee after the victory, "We learned not to take things for granted, and no matter what, don't forget to compete."

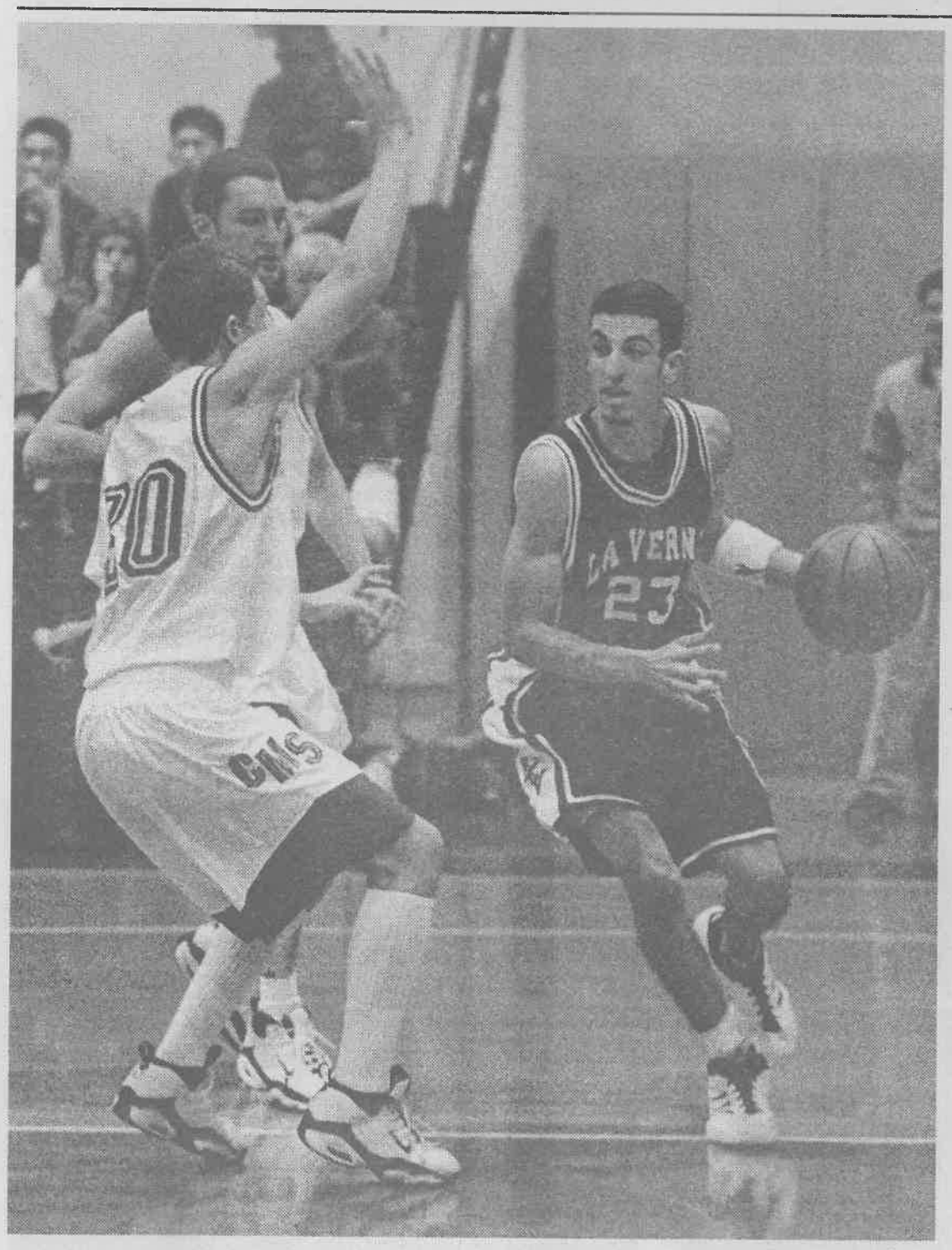
The Leopards won the first series of the season, and advanced to 2-1 overall, 2-1 in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC).

ULV opens a three-game series against Claremont today at 2:30 at Claremont.



Erica Paal

Senior outfielder and second-year player Brett Kalcevich dashes back to first base during Saturday's home game against Occidental. The match-up was to be a doubleheader, but due to weather only one of the games was played on Saturday, with ULV taking the game 13-2. On Tuesday, ULV and Occidental faced off for the second game at home, ending with another victory for ULV by the score of 19-8. ULV is scheduled to play today against Claremont at 2:30 p.m. away, and again on Saturday in a doubleheader at home at 11 a.m.



Jaime Ortega

Driving the baseline against Claremont-Mudd-Scripps on Saturday night, Freshman Shawn Keilty helped steer the Leopards to a 83-75 victory. La Verne followed up their big win with a thrilling 74-67 overtime victory against Whittier at home Wednesday night.

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ning ways in conference on Wednesday night by coming an from behind to defeat Whittier in overtime, 74-67 at home.

Although the close game was thrilling for the fans, Mulville was unenthusiastic about his team's performance.

"We were terrible tonight,," he said. "We didn't make any shots in the first half. Mentally, we weren't very focused."

The mental letdown from the big win over CMS played a part in La Verne's slow start.

Freshman guard Robbie Leark said, "It was tough to stay focused coming off a big win. But we started passing the ball and getting good stops on D."

Mulville's initial strategy was to try and play a running game.

"We were going to sub five at a time and keep more energy on the court."

However, turnovers were a problem in the uptempo offense, and La Verne began running a half-court offense.

"Our turnovers killed us in the first half," said freshman guard Shawn Keilty.

ULV's turnovers kept the team out of the game, and they trailed well into the second half until a technical foul assessed to Mulville ignited his players Almost immediately, the Whittier lead of nine evaporated, and clutch free throw shots by La Verne tied the game at 59 with 52.5 seconds remaining.

The Leopard defense held on for the final seconds, and the game went into overtime.

La Verne's offense then kicked into high gear, and they pulled away from hittier for a comfortable seven-point win.

"It was a good comeback, but we play behind almost every night." said Mulville. "Tonight was our worst effort in a while."

The win, avenged an 86-80 loss to the Poets suffered on Jan. 22 in Whittier

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students travel in large groups every person within the group does not get an equal chance to interact with the citizens. Because of the small groups, every student saw different things. Some major sites included the Leaning Tower of Pisa, Rome, the Vatican and St. Peter's Cathedral.

Students also saw a lot of art. "Art was everywhere," said sophomore Andrea Salcido, who went on the trip. Students got the chance to see many famous works of art, including Michelangelo's David.

However, all of the books and money for the voyage were well worth it, said Salcido. "It was a mind opening experience," she explained. "In America, we tend to think that where we live is the best place. It's not until you have gone somewhere else that you realize what you are missing."

Each student saw a culture different from the one in which he or she lives. Instructors for all of the courses seemed tired, and happy. But not tired enough to delay planning for a trip next January. Scambray said there are already 15 people signed up for next year's Inferterm in Italy.