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Committee to select Hoover tenant

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Staff Writer

Discussion continues among members of the University of La Verne Space Committee as the group strives to reach a consensus over which department will move into the Hoover Building once the College of Law relocates to Ontario.

The Space Committee, comprised of faculty and administrators, has been assigned the job of making a recommendation to President Stephen Morgan on whether it believes the behavioral sciences, communications, education or music departments will function best in the Hoover Building. This decision is difficult because all four departments aspire for the space and have legitimate needs for it.

"All four of those departments really want the Hoover Building and so I think when the final decision is made, there will be three unhappy departments and one happy department and I don't know how to avoid that," Dr. Morgan said.

The committee, which meets monthly, has several factors to evaluate before making its decision. Two-page proposals were requested from all departments that showed interest in acquiring the space. An extended version of the Space Committee was asked in a January retreat to rank which, among the interested departments, had the greatest need. The list of selection criteria was:

1) Growth of enrollment in the program (historic and projected trends); 2) Financial impact, i.e. revenue growth, cost of renovation, donor opportunities; 3) Enhancing the reputation of ULV: adds distinction and quality to a program or to ULV; furthers the mission statement; 4) Carries forward the University or Department Strategic Plan; 5) Intensity of use and multiple integrated uses; 6) Tied to accreditation requirements; 7) Special space needs; unique fit; 8) Centrality as the use as a campus hub; 9) Current impacted space; crowded, congested; 10) Provides additional classrooms.



Jaime Ortega

In 1951, the W.I.T. Memorial Library was dedicated to William I. T. Hoover. Hoover worked at La Verne College for more than 20 years as a professor, dean and president. He was president from 1899-1901. Since 1977 the University of La Verne College of Law has occupied the Hoover Building. This December the law school is moving to the city of Ontario where the University purchased property for the school as it seeks American Bar Association accreditation.

The voting resulted in communications receiving the No. 1 vote followed by music, behavioral sciences and education.

"We believed that put us in a good position to try and get that space," said interim Communications Department Chair Don Pollock.

However, according to Pollock and other University administration, the communications and music departments are least likely to acquire the Hoover Building. Pollock said one reason is that both communications and music would have to make major renovations to the Hoover Building in order to properly accommodate their programs; especially the Hoover Memorial Library which has a high ceiling that could be transformed into a television studio or recital hall.

These renovations would limit potential classroom space, which appears to be the motivating factor in making the final decision about which department will occupy the vacant building.

"We have a growing need for classroom space so we are looking at proposals that would allow us to continue to have several classrooms in the Hoover Building," Dr. Morgan said.

As of July 1, the Departments of Education and Educational Management will officially come together to form the new School of Education. Education Department Chair Tom McGuire said that if the new School of Education were to move into the Hoover Building, they would add approximately six to eight classrooms, 16 offices and a combination curriculum/technology lab.

Alternative options are being considered to meet the needs of the communications and music departments.

According to Dr. Morgan, the Art Building is being considered as a new location for the Communications Department mainly because the majority of space in the building is underutilized. Art would continue to use part of the top floor and

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Student's letter questions Mexico trip activities

Enrique Gutiérrez
Staff Writer

After what he thought was an unorganized study trip to Mexico, senior Lehi Dowell made sure his concerns were heard.

Dowell was one of 12 students who took part in the Mexico Study Trip during the January Interterm which was directed by Protestant Campus Minister Debbie Roberts and co-instructor David Román.

After attending the trip, Dowell wrote a letter of complaint to the Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences John Gingrich in which he explained various difficulties the group faced during its stay on Mexican soil.

"There wasn't any evaluation process for the class so therefore I had to write to the dean," Dowell said. "I had no other choice because Debbie wasn't listening."

Wrote Dowell, "I do want to state that I have tried several times to talk to Mrs. Roberts about my concerns in person. Each time I was thwarted, ignored, or threatened with my grade."

"I'm sorry Lehi remembers it that way," Roberts said. "I'm not a person who threatens people. I do not consider myself as a person who relates to people that way."

Dowell raised three main issues he considered to be important for further revision to improve the course in the future.

"I was concerned with the organization and leadership that was provided as far as Debbie and David, which there wasn't any," he said. "They were very unorganized. They never knew where we were going to stay. They never knew where we were going to eat lunch or dinner. It was just bad organization as far as I'm concerned."

In regard to the trip's organization, students agree it could have been planned better. However, they said that did not take anything from the experience.

Senior Eddie Casarez who went on last year's trip as a student, traveled with this year's group as an aide for the instructors. He said the trips were planned similarly.

"The trip was planned as best as it could have been," he said. "There are just some things, a matter with going with the flow, not all things are going to work

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Science fiction law society formed

Crystal Apilado
Staff Writer

The University Of La Verne Law School is inviting students to become part of the first-ever Science Fiction Law Society.

Jeff Koehn, the society's first president, said that the organization was inspired by and structured after other law societies at larger universities such as University of California Los Angeles.

Science fiction is a big part of the imagination; exercising the imagination with the publication of a law journal devoted to science fiction will be a valuable asset to members of the society. Koehn hopes that the publication of the society's law journal will begin sometime in the near future.

At the meetings, members will be viewing and discussing movies such as this week's feature, "Blade Runner."

The society will also be hosting guest speakers who will speak on issues concerning the society's science-fiction base. Members will then be able to speculate on how future developments in society will affect law.

"Imagination is a good skill for a lawyer to have," Koehn said.

The society will introduce new situations that members may encounter in the law field. Members will then discuss and exercise any first impressions on the situations and how to handle them.

> 'One cannot study law in isolation. When we study law, we also study science.'
> —*Dr. J.M. Spectar, professor of law*

Dr. J. Monomo Spectar, ULV professor of law, believes that the science fiction society will benefit its members in many ways. He believes that the interdisciplinary approached to law are valuable.

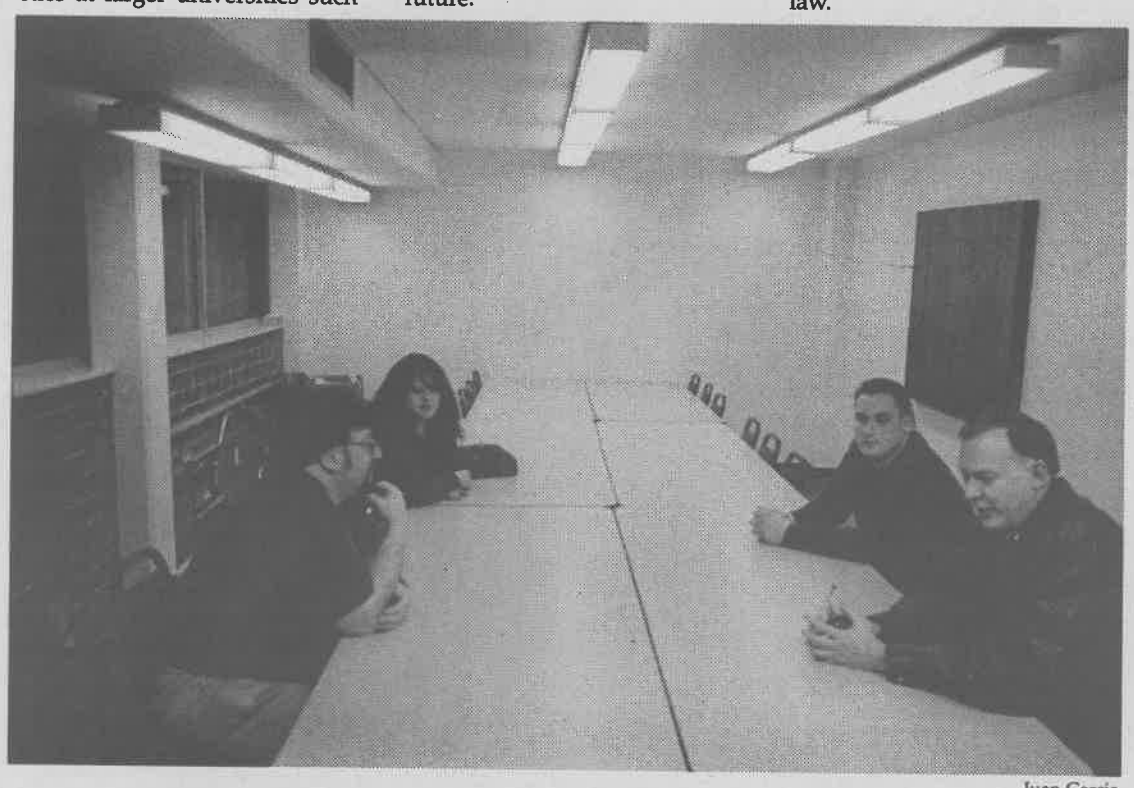
"One cannot study law in isolation," Dr. Spectar said. "When we study law, we also study science."

He teaches a jurisprudence course at the law school in which his students try to integrate law and legal analysis with knowledge of interdisciplinary natural sciences. Dr. Spectar would like to see other interdisciplinary approaches like literature and history be introduced as well as science fiction.

The law society's founding members are Koehn, Gabriela Marquez-Broyles, Richard Coberly and University law professor John Hultman. The society will soon be electing other officers such as a secretary. Officer elections will be held in August of 2000.

With the moving of the law school to downtown Ontario, the society hopes to accommodate more potential members as the space for and the number of students increases with the new facility.

Students with an interest in law and who like to speculate on new issues are encouraged to attend the meetings. The society currently meets on the third Thursday of each month at 6 p.m.



Juan Garcia

Founder Jeff L. Koehn and members Gabriela Marquez-Broyles, Richard Coberly and John Hultman, associate professor of law and the faculty adviser, meet for the first ever Science Fiction Law Society. The society's goal is to publish a yearly, self-funded, journal in which the members write speculative articles on what the future might hold for law and how current law might be affected by science fiction.

ULV recognizes eating disorders through activities

Damien Alarcon
Editor in Chief

The Counseling Center provided free screening at the University of La Verne last week for the general public with potential eating disorders.

The program was performed during the nationally-recognized Eating Disorders Awareness Week, an annual event created by the National Mental Illness Screening, a non-profit organization. This is the first year that the Counseling Center has participated in this annual program, and hopes to host it in years to come.

People filled out a survey that contained questions that would reveal whether they may possibly have an eating disorder.

"Based on the information that was given to us, at a certain point we would refer them if we thought we needed to consult with them," said counselor Paige Bunch, who coordinated the event.

All surveys, nationwide, will be collected by the National Mental Illness Screening and the results will be accounted for statistics.

The screening, which was open to the public, was available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday through Friday at the Seal. On Tuesday, however, it was available from 1-3 p.m.

On Wednesday night, there was a group of speakers covering important topics relating to eating disorders in the President's Dining Room. The group consisted of Dr. Debra Adler, Dr. Karen Greenbaum-Maya, Bette Ozburn, registered dietician Lorraine Lubanski and a college student who is currently in recovery from an eating disorder.

According to Bunch, eating disorders are not often heard of because "it is not something people go around saying."

"There were an equal amount of males to females that filled out the survey. Eating disorders are predominately female," she said.

She said the reason for the existence of eating disorders is brought about by the images being presented through the media.

"The response to the panel was somewhat disappointing, but for the first time doing this, I think it accomplished what I set out to do," said Bunch. "All that we were trying to do was make this [issue] aware to people."

WASC visit leaves positive evaluation

Leslie M. Estrada
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Last week, the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) concluded its visit to the University of La Verne campus to evaluate its potential for continuing accreditation.

As a part of the evaluation, several panels, including one comprised of students, discussed issues related to the university with representatives of WASC last Thursday.

"The WASC committee was very pleased with our campus from the last time they were here 10 years ago," said Dr. William Cook, vice president of academic affairs. "The campus is a premium quality of insurance that is new and in control of itself.

"They [WASC] gave a positive review that should re-issue the school's accreditation," said Dr. Cook.

After a month long visit to the University, WASC had the chance to visit all other off campus branches of the University.

The team of 11 local representatives including a single member of WASC visited the ULV campus in Greece and Alaska, as well as in cities of Ventura, Orange County and Bakersfield.

Representatives of the WASC committee included: Bob Caret, David Fike, Nancie Fimble, Phil Friedman, Melvin Hall, Pam Jolicoeur, Susan Mancuso, Bob Sherwood, Stan Gade, Keith Swigger, George Taylor, and Judie Gaffin Wexler, chairperson of the WASC office.

The members brought out the positive aspects of the campus, as well as focusing on areas needing improvement.

Areas that were stressed for enhancement were career services, facilities and space, as well as an increasing faculty and staff.

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ASF Minutes

The University of La Verne's Associated Students Forum met Wednesday, Feb. 23 in the West Dinning Room at 9:12 a.m. The forum attended to the discharge of business and largely therein to the passing of two resolutions.

Elections

Due to technical difficulties in printing candidate applications, President Frank Tolentino said that students seeking vice-presidential or secretarial positions in the forum will have until Tuesday, Feb. 29, to submit their information.

Junior Mario Guerrero was present at the meeting as the only current candidate for the position of vice-president of activities.

Resolutions

The Forum voted to allot $4,500 to allow for up to 10 students to travel to New York to take part in the Model United Nations conference.

After a request was presented by Interfraternal Council and Panhellenic Council representative Manuel Escalante, the forum voted to co-sponsor the attendance of student delegates at the Western Regional Greek Conference in April. ASF allotted $650 to help allow one member from each greek organization at ULV to attend the conference.

—*Danny Craig*

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Communications would move into the bottom floor and possibly part of the top floor.

"We have been working with an architect and talking for several years with the Communications Department about the possibility of remodeling space in that [Art] building," Dr. Morgan said.

Conflicting opinions about which department should get the Hoover Building are anything but hard to find. John Gingrich, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences currently has three departments from his school that are vying for the space.

"It's not a popular thing for me to say that one [department] is better than another, but my opinion is that the building lends itself best to behavioral sciences," Dr. Gingrich said. "This in no way diminishes the need of Music or Communications, and it is my strong position that certainly if Behavioral Science gets in there, we can't just sit and do nothing about communications and music."

Dr. Gingrich said that the Music Department has conceded that the Hoover Building is probably not the best space for them, but "wanted to use this opportunity to get their needs in front of a group of people which was a very good thing to do."

Pollock said he is concerned that the space in the Hoover Building will not be used to its full potential. He believes the high ceiling in the law library makes it a prime location for a television studio as opposed to classrooms that would waste the space.

"My feeling is that administration has made a decision to not seriously consider Communications for that [Hoover Building] space," Pollock said.

Associate Professor of Psychology Glen Gamst said that if behavioral sciences moved into the Hoover Building, space would not be wasted because they would like to add a second floor in the law library. The University counseling center, currently in the Hanawalt House, would move its services into the Hoover Building as well.

In regards to the expense that would be required to make renovations for the Communications Department, both Dr. Morgan and Pollock agree that despite where communications relocates to, the building renovation cost will still remain.

"No matter where they are put, it will be expensive," Dr. Morgan said.

Dr. Gamst said that the main reason he believes that behavioral sciences should move into the building is because they would be able to utilize the building year round. "Our doctoral programs go throughout the summer so we envision using that building around the clock."

An issue currently at hand is that some departments feel as though education should not be moving into the Hoover Building because the Barkley Building, which they currently occupy, is less than two years old.

However, Dr. Morgan said that space is needed for the Education Department as well because they are "already pushing the limit on that building."

"One of the issues with the Education Department is how long would it be before they outgrow the Hoover Building? There might be another department where if we moved them into the Hoover Building, we would see our way clear to keeping them in there for 10 years and they'd have room for expansion and not have to move again," Dr. Morgan said.

"We have the overreaching goal to make use of the space that serves students most," Executive Vice President Philip Hawkey said.

"We're interested in serving all our students well, but if they're more students who might benefit from the move, that will be a part of the consideration," Dr. Morgan said.

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> *—Philip Hawkey, executive vice president*

In response to the argument that the Education Department might rapidly outgrow the Hoover Building as they have the Barkley Building, Dr. McGuire said, "I would like to think that any program that moved in there would eventually outgrow that [Hoover] building, because if they're not, that means they're not going anywhere."

Dr. McGuire said that the main reason he believes the Education Department should move into the Hoover Building is because it "would allow the fastest growing programs on campus to continue to grow."

Regardless of which departments swap building space around campus, the University has expressed the need to acquire additional space off campus. Dr. Gingrich said, "No matter what, we're going to have to get some space off campus in order to accommodate all the classes that we have."

Dr. Morgan said the University is exploring the option of acquiring property south of Arrow Highway that could be used in a variety of ways. If land is acquired, it could be the new, permanent home for the baseball and soccer fields.

Another option the University is looking at would be to develop the La Verne campus as a traditional undergraduate campus and move some of the adult programs to a new location south of Arrow Highway or to potential new property in Ontario.

Dr. Morgan said that the city of Ontario is "delighted" that the ULV College of Law is moving to Ontario and would be willing to work with the University should the decision be made to purchase additional land in that city.

The financing for these developmental projects would come largely in part from bonds

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out the way you planned them."

The trip wasn't exactly organized," said sophomore Kristine Werthwein. She also said it was the "chaos" that made the trip so special to them.

"I would not trade it for anything," she said.

"Spontaneity can be beneficial," Casarez said.

Roberts explained that since Román is in Mexico, it was more difficult to plan the course as they did last year.

"Sometimes we had to deal with things we weren't planning," said sophomore Anna Roy.

According to freshman Jennifer Contreras, the instructors took some decisions without considering the opinion of the students.

"When [the decisions] were presented to the group, we all disagreed," she said.

Junior Maria Muñoz said, "The professors in charge decided to cancel two really good lectures because they thought we couldn't handle it.

"It was kind of unfair of them to make that assumption and not even consult us about making that decision," Muñoz said.

For instance, a museum visit was cancelled because "they decided that we weren't prepared or capable of going to the museum," said Contreras.

But Dowell feels the cancellation of the museum visit was due to a lack of effort by Román.

"We tried three times to get into the same museum, but never once were able to enter," he wrote in his letter. "The excuse was that the museum closed at different times on different days. Why he [Román] didn't bother to get the business hours on the first day is still a mystery to me. This was a waste of three afternoons."

Dowell also said he thought the instructors had made some adjustments from the experience of a year earlier.

> 'We thought it was like a trip because we were going to waterfalls and ruins and we didn't realize it was a war zone.'
>
> *—Lehi Dowell, senior*

"By talking to some of the students who went last year, it became evident that some of the same problems re-occurred this year, and that no effort was made to identify/fix those problems," wrote Dowell.

Georgina Negrete, a junior, was one of the students who went last year. She said last year's trip presented no major problems.

Dowell's letter also addressed his concerns regarding the safety of traveling through Chiapas, one of the states the class visited during the 17-day trip. "Debbie and David never told us it was a war zone."

Chiapas is the state where the Zapatistas started the insurgent movement that came to the public in 1994. Ever since, Chiapas has been considered a zone of conflict. When the group arrived students had a chance to witness on a first-hand basis the tension that is lived there.

Before leaving to Mexico students were told to read the book *First World, Ha Ha Ha!* for them to be, if they were not already, aware of the political situation in Mexico, but specifically in the state of Chiapas.

"I figured that [after reading the book] you decided whether or not you still want to go," Negrete said.

In the introduction article of the book, it states, "The Zapatista rebellion has not ended, and Mexico continues to be shaken by it."

Dowell admits the book "clearly defines the struggle," but he also wrote that most students did not read the book until they were already in Chiapas.

That perspective was not shared by Roy who said, "We had to do the readings before, so we were going into Chiapas informed."

Negrete agreed, "You're not going to Cancun, you're going to freaking Chiapas," she said. "It's your fault if you didn't read the book."

In Chiapas and elsewhere, the class also visited non-governmental organizations (NGOs), which Dowell also wrote of, "These organizations allow for foreigners to be present and to make available, information regarding the government and how it is trying to exterminate the indigenous population.

"By doing that we were considered a threat to the Mexican government," Dowell wrote.

It was also there that the group was stopped by Mexican immigration agents. Some students said they felt scared of being, in the worst case, deported back to the United States.

"There is a lot of traffic of people...therefore it is understandable that they would check our documents as a routine," Román wrote via email.

He also wrote they were never in danger because "we didn't violate the national laws, also every foreigner, by entering Mexico, has individual rights like any citizen."

Although the instructors told students it was a routine inspection, some students confessed of being afraid, especially because some did not carry identification with them.

"We thought it was like a trip because we were going to waterfalls and ruins and we didn't realize it was a war zone," said Dowell.

> 'It's kind of basic, if your are going to Chiapas, if you're visiting NGOs [non-governmental organizations]. The government wants to suppress information, I think it was clear there were some risks.'
>
> *—Anna Roy, sophomore*

Opinions on the subject are divided among those who were involved in the trip, some students believe it was clear where they were going.

"It's kind of obvious it wasn't going to be like a trip," Roy said. "It's kind of basic, if your are going to Chiapas , if you're visiting NGOs. The government wants to suppress information, I think it was clear there were some risks."

"There are so many different factors that you have to account for when you are dealing with NGOs and people who have their own scheduling constraints," said Casarez. "The key is to be as flexible as you can."

Casarez said that the incident helped some students to understand how politics are played in Mexico.

"Our knowledge was dangerous to the Mexican government. To some people it really helped to crystallize that there are things that are going on in Mexico that are horrible atrocities being committed by the Mexican government and they are trying to hide them the best as they can," he said.

In regard to the safety issue, Dean Gingrich said, "I don't like to put students in danger, but you can't avoid danger. It's whether or not you can avoid excessive danger.

"The year before they were there and they didn't experience any incidents at all."

The third issue Dowell raised was a change on the syllabus regarding intoxication after the class was over.

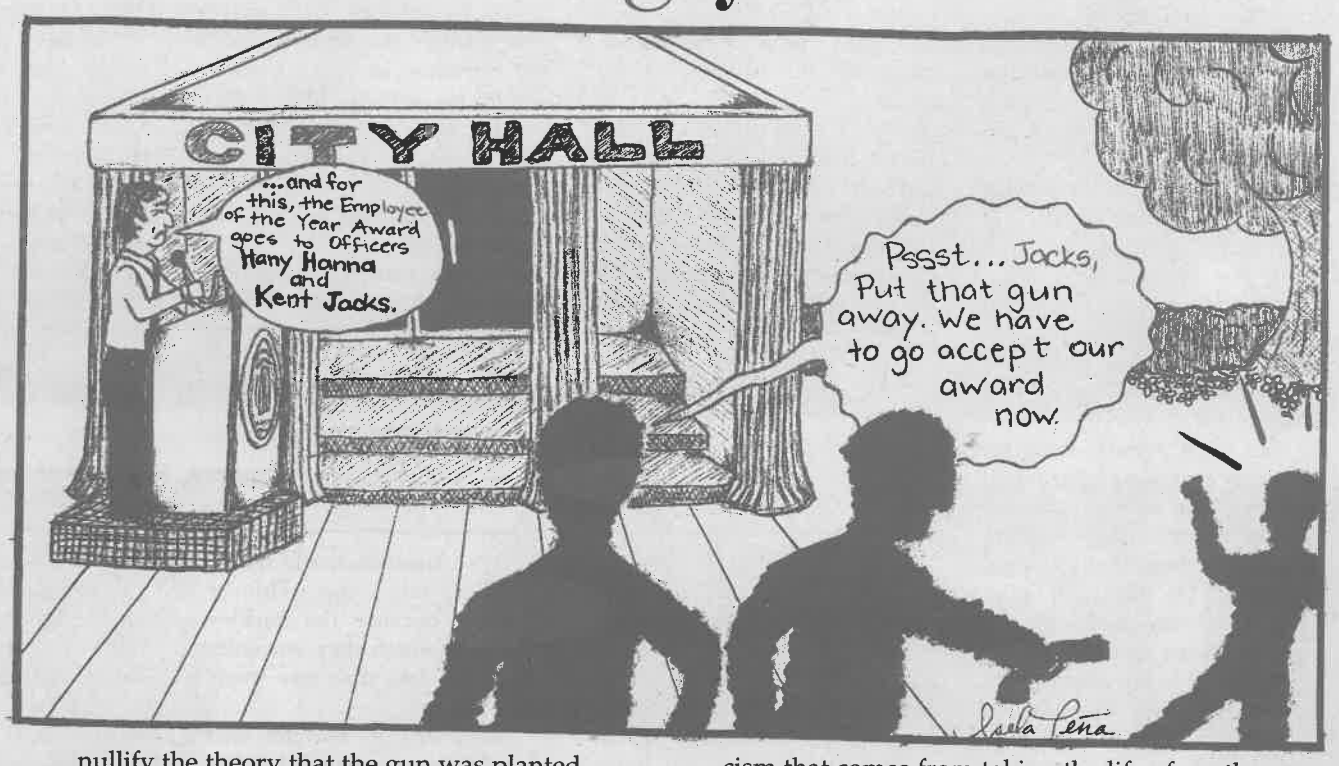
According to him, Roberts "said some of us overimbibed." Dowell wrote about a letter each student got when they turned in their required journals on Jan. 27, four days after arriving in the United States.

"In this letter I found the new syllabus," Dowell wrote. "I was personally insulted, offended, and completely dumbfounded that a professor would think this was acceptable."

According to Dowell, the changed in the syllabus was "in order to include 10 percent of the students' final grade...on whether or not we were sober during the trip."

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Officers' actions wrongly rewarded



More than a year after the incident occurred, questions remain unanswered and protesters continue to march over the perceived injustice in the killing of an 18-year-old Rancho Cucamonga man.

But one thing seems certain. There are too many uncertainties for anyone to claim that justice has been served.

Irvin Landrum Jr., an African-American man, was shot three times on Jan. 11, 1999, by Claremont police officers Hany Hanna and Kent Jacks.

Landrum was pulled over for speeding. When the officers learned he was on probation, they began patting him down. And that is where the story becomes uncertain.

According to police reports, Landrum refused to be patted down. He drew a Colt .45 revolver and, Hanna reported, fired it at the officers. It was then that the officers took cover and returned fire—fourteen shots. Jacks fired 11 times and hit Landrum once in the ankle. Hanna fired three shots, hitting Landrum in the chest and neck. Landrum died six days later.

Although 15 shots are heard on tape, only 14 shell casings were found. Hanna said he saw a muzzle flash and heard a gunshot. But the gun allegedly found on Landrum's body had not been fired, according to a report from the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

And the gun allegedly fired by Landrum was last registered to former Ontario Police Chief Wayne Simmons, who died in 1988.

It is possible the gun came into Landrum's possession, and his ex-girlfriend, Teresa Ramirez, reportedly told a Sheriff's investigator she had seen a gun in Landrum's car. But when questioned by reporters, she denied speaking with Sheriff's deputies and denied seeing a gun in Landrum's car.

At this point, the gun remains the focal point of the argument, for both sides.

Protestors say if the gun is traced to someone in law enforcement, it proves the police were trying to cover up an unjustified shooting.

But if the gun were traced to Landrum, it would nullify the theory that the gun was planted.

Some would argue that Landrum's civil rights were violated the instant he was pulled over. The report said he was going 63 miles per hour in a 40 mph zone. There have been claims of widespread racism in the Claremont Police Department, and that the tactic of racial profiling is widely used.

Of course Police Chief Robert Moody backed his officers the entire time. Claremont City Manager Glenn Southard said he felt the shooting was justified. In October, the two officers were cleared by the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office.

Then, on Dec. 10, Hanna and Jacks were named Claremont's Employees of the Year. And here's a shocker: Southard made the final selection. As if that was not enough of a slap in the face to Landrum's family, the two were additionally named officers of the year.

The reason given for the first award: Jacks and Hanna "have had a very difficult year and they've handled themselves very well," Councilwoman Suzan Smith said in the *Daily Bulletin*.

So one might say Jacks and Hanna each received checks for $1,000 because they dealt with the criticism that comes from taking the life of another.

The same goes for the recognition received by the two as officers of the year.

"A big part of why they got this award, I think, is they faced the negative criticism and carried on and did their jobs in a professional manner," said Lt. Robert Smith.

Well, how brave it was of Jacks and Hanna to endure such criticism.

Undoubtedly, being a police officer is difficult. It is admirable that one person would risk his life for another. Jacks and Hanna may be two such individuals.

But considering that Irvin Landrum Jr.'s two children are now without a father they get no sympathy and deserve no awards.

City disregards University's needs

The college town. Every institution of higher learning has one surrounding its campus' boarders. And every college or university hopes to pride itself on a supportive community backing its growth and expansion.

But that simply is not the case in La Verne.

The university of La Verne has been proud to announce an increasingly larger undergraduate population over the last few years. With that comes an acceptance that certain things will change.

In this case, the ever constant issue of university parking has shown its ugly face once again.

This week, the La Verne City Council voted 3-0 to prohibit ULV students from parking on Third Street between A and B streets.

The concern was raised from 12 residents who in the *Inland Valley Our Times* said, "constant traffic, noise, trash and exhaust fumes in front of their homes," was a result of students parking in front of their residences.

So now, as it stands, there are 12 La Verne residents with pastoral, smogless yards and countless ULV students who will be out of luck if they are running late to class.

The problem is coincidental, but the issue is typical.

The essence of the "all-American college town" has always been a struggle within the city limits of La Verne.

Most decisions, whether made by planning or city council, seem to give off a "those darn college students" sentiment rather than a "glad you're here" feeling.

In 1998, the city passed an ordinance disallowing students from parking on B Street between Third Street and Bonita Avenue. The reasons were similar, and so were the results for the students.

It becomes a difficult task for students to call ULV their home when the surrounding community prefers to limit their presence.

The city of La Verne does not seem to concern itself with the convenience of those affiliated with ULV. With 112 years of existence and approximately 1,200 traditional undergraduate students, it is little wonder that they are finding it difficult to dismiss the University's needs.

And Marcy Garcia, administrative assistant for the ULV International Student Center, who will soon be prohibited from parking in front of her workplace, does not hesitate to say, "Without the University of La Verne here, the city would not be where it is."

The University will continue to grow as it has for the past century. The city will soon need to realize that it is quite possible for the needs of 1,200 students to outweigh their intent to try and guarantee residents clean air and quietness in Los Angeles County.

Letters to the Editor

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From the Editor...

Getting their just desserts



Damien Alarcon

Attention: the University of La Verne's debate team recently placed second at the World Debate Championship in Australia. The duo of senior Justin Jones-Rodriguez and junior Sean Krispinsky is the second best team IN THE WORLD!

This is the second attempt by a *Campus Times* member to inform the general community about the incredible accomplishment that will be remembered for years to come. But, as it seems, hardly anyone cares.

But this is not the first time that such a case has occurred.

Last year, the men's volleyball team won the Molten Division III National Championship title. Many were happy for the team, but nothing was really done to show team members any gratitude or appreciation for helping the institution become recognized outside of the La Verne spectrum.

The Athletic Department did, however, provide video footage of the championship match for the ULV community to see last year in the theater. Food and drinks were even served as an extra incentive for all to come. But the majority of those in attendance were members of the volleyball team.

When the UCLA men's basketball team won the NCAA National Championship five years ago, the school went into absolute mayhem and partied like there was no tomorrow.

I am not saying that we should riot and get the police involved, but a party sponsored by the school in honor of teams that perform extraordinary feats would be nice.

Thank goodness the volleyball players threw their own victory celebration. Otherwise, I would have baked them a cake or done something else for their much-deserved victory.

When milestones like those of the debate team are accomplished, students and alumni need to give more attention and recognition to those participants.

I hope people did not come to ULV strictly because it offers specific majors. If some people did, those persons should acquire a love for the school and its people.

Pride should be carried within members of this University. When people are doing things that make this school stand out and gain respect from others, they are also making us look admirable through their representation.

The debate team was the only non-Ivy League school to qualify for the semifinals at the tournament. Yale, Harvard, Brown, Dartmouth, Princeton and Columbia could not compete with the University of La Verne. Damn, that sounds good, considering the Ivy League is probably the most prestigious and academically-inclined group of schools in the nation and world.

"I just hope that this will lead to future recognition," said Krispinsky. With this accomplishment, he said that the team is "just shooting for awareness."

Sean, stop being modest. Something else would be more suitable and well deserved. Feats such as this are very rare and do not happen often.

Coaches impound athletic teams with having pride for the team and for the school. Why should this pride in the school even exist in an athlete or debater's mind if no one else has pride for the school?

I am not insisting, nor am I going to the extreme of saying that no one has pride in our school. But people need to show more enthusiasm in its accomplishments.

It is not everyday that major accomplishments outside the realm of the classroom, both nationally and across the world are achieved, but there needs to be some recognition.

After all, it is not every day that you can be ranked as one of the best in anything. If I was, nationally, the top-ranked contender in marbles or Go Fish, that is a major accomplishment. To be one of the best in anything is something that should bring celebration.

But I apologize to the debate team about the baking-a-cake thing mentioned as a gift to the volleyball team. I did not mean to slight them. To be honest, I cannot even bake or cook.

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'Who wants to ...' lowers societal values?



Alisha Rosas

Twenty three million viewers. If it ever were true that strength is in numbers, then it should be obvious that any network would jump at the chance to have such figures and would air practically anything to get such attention.

The recently-aired show "Who Wants to Support Prostitution?," I mean, "Who Wants to Marry a Multimillionaire?" is a perfect example of a show that made Fox executives jump for joy in one night over ratings and hide in embarrassment over truth the next.

The show, which not only kills any traditional idea or value of marriage, also proves how network officials only show society the smut they want to see.

What ever happened to wanting to see people in love marry? Nowadays society seems pleased to support the holy bond of marriage between people who meet in between commercial breaks.

Aside from that, here is a rational question for either Rockwell or any of those 50 gold diggers—why would you go on national television to marry a stranger? Being on television for many may be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity but should not marriage also be a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity?

I cannot complain too much about what network officials choose to air. They will only air what they know society members will watch. I think though, that my main problem deals with the people who watched the show. If it were titled "Who Wants to Contribute to the Divorce Rate?," would everyone be so apt to watch? I just do not understand the way in which people think. The United States has a 50 percent divorce rate and people complain about "our" nation's lack of family values and "our" problem with this and that. I think that a new values problem is watching a show that uses two dangerous powers: sex and money and tangles the sacred bond of marriage up in the process.

Now Fox officials have their stomachs in knots over the latest news that their millionaire prince Rockwell was not only a burned-out comedian, but also a man with some ugly history. Recently the executives have found themselves pushed into a corner trying to provide an explanation why their investigative reporters could not uncover the tiny detail that a former girlfriend of Rockwell's had once obtained a restraining order against the millionaire groom. According to the *Los Angeles Times* the allegations against him are serious. Rockwell was not only accused of hitting, but also of threatening to kill his ex-girlfriend. Now what would happen, let say if Rockwell went psycho on his romantic honeymoon with new wife Darva Conger and sliced up his chosen bride and buried her in those Caribbean sands? What would the network do then? I wonder if officials would still consider airing materialistic women flaunting themselves to wed accused abusers—I guess it would depend on the ratings and if it were sweeps month.

I do not feel sorry for the little woman of the picture either. No one made her kiss and agree to love and to cherish a man she hardly knew. She decided to keep that $35,000 wedding ring and the new car that were guaranteed to her despite whatever outcome resulted from the marriage. She wore the bathing suit and sold herself for big bucks.

I guess what it comes down to is how little progress society makes in terms of what its people preach. The excuse that watching the "Who Doesn't Have Anything Better to Do?" show for its entertainment value just does not hold upright either. Marriage is sacred. How long ago was it that people started to forget that?

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La Verne, 91750, offers lots of gossip



Erica Paal

The social structure of ULV is no better than a sewing circle full of 80-year-old women. In the two years that I have spent here, I have seen the best and the worst of the dirt slinging and even at times been part of it. The question that repetitively comes to me is, Why? Why is everyone so damn interested in everyone else's life but their own?

In all reality, it is not your business who is sleeping with whom nor should it be the main concern of your day. It has gotten to such an absurd point that a person cannot even have a friendship with someone of the opposite sex without the rumors flying and innocent situations turning into the most torrid love affairs of the year. Even looking or acting a certain way can seal your fate with these people.

I would have to say that my first run-in with the ridiculous network of ULV rumors was the all-time favorite for me. For those of you who have not noticed it, half of my right arm is covered in tattoos. So what, right? When I came to ULV last year, the fact that I had a free-standing devilgirl on my arm turned me into a Satan worshipper. No one in this school knew a thing about me, but hey, I love Satan, whatever.

Later that week a female friend comes to see me, and when I said hello to her I gave her a kiss. I did not cram my tongue down her throat, I did not grab her ass, I gave her a closed-mouthed kiss. I was a lesbian within two or three hours.

By the end of my first week at ULV, I was labeled a raging, Satan-worshiping, lesbian slut. Sweet. That is how people who did not know me referred to me. That is what stuck to me and probably still does, for all I know. The funny thing is that no one took any time to talk to me before making these assumptions. I was just "that devil bitch" to them.

Then the Claremont Inn made Tuesday nights a feeding frenzy with the hard body contests. Lets face it folks, if the girls there decided to show everyone their breasts and back sides and it got video taped and photographed—who cares? It is an ass, I have one, you have one and it probably will not be the last time you ever see one, either. Yet for some reason it was the biggest thing that has ever happened on campus and it was yet another reason for someone to get involved with a life that was not his so he could have something other than his cat mittens to talk about that day.

An incident two weekends ago can serve as a perfect example of how friends of the opposite sex cannot be just that, friends. I went to the SAE party and ended up hanging out with my friend, who happened to be a male, the whole time. We eventually left the party together along with another friend to go eat. I suppose the people who saw us together all night saw us leave together and decided that we were the hottest new couple on campus.

By Monday afternoon three different individuals questioned me on my relationship with this guy. Is it really anybody's business? Are you guys worried that if I am dating this guy that I am not going to get my underwear back the next day or what?

What I am getting at is how terribly silly this place is with all of its scandal. One thing that people our age tend to forget to ask ourselves is, how is any of this going to effect our lives in 20 years? It is not, let it go. If people are not entertained by their own lives, should others have to suffer slander for it? Go get a hobby and get over it. The only reason why any of us feel it necessary to talk about other people is to compensate for the insignificance of what we are currently doing.

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Eight Leos participate in pageant

•Acosta named Miss La Verne

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Photographs by Natalie Fowle

Liana Acosta, a freshman, was crowned Miss La Verne Jan. 20. Acosta volunteers at her local blood bank and at her family church. Acosta also spends time taking care of her nephew Paul Lozano, as seen above. First runner-up, Deja Collier is in her second year of cheerleading and Eboni Stanford is currently a program assistant for housing and residential life.

After 10 weeks of rehearsal, including being judged on swimsuits, evening gowns and talent and being interviewed by a panel of six judges, the "Miss La Verne" pageant is over. A group of nine women, eight of who were University of La Verne students, competed in the Miss La Verne beauty pageant.

Freshman Liana Acosta was crowned this year's Miss La Verne. The first runner-up was sophomore Deja Collier, and the second runner-up was senior Eboni Stanford.

The pageant, which is an official preliminary to Miss California, took place on Jan. 20. Acosta will move on to the Miss California pageant, which will be held this June.

"It was more than a beauty pageant," said Acosta. "It was a scholarship pageant."

The women competed for the first place scholarship of $1,000. The runner-up received a scholarship for $400. The second runner-up received a $300 scholarship, and the other women received a $100 scholarship for participating.

"I had nothing to lose," said Collier about why she joined the pageant.

Thirty percent of the contestant's score was based on the personal interview done with a panel of judges. The women were asked about educational and career goals, their opinions on current events and social issues, and their favorite hobbies and extracurricular activities.

Contestants also performed a two-minute routine that showed one of their talents. Collier's talent was dance. She has been dancing since she was a child.

For the pageant she danced to a lyrical opera-style song. The piece was, to her, "powerful, slow and uplifting."

The talent portion made up 40 percent of their score. Scoring is based on the woman's skill, interpretive ability and stage presence.

Each contestant appeared on stage in a formal dress of her choice. The score from this portion was 15 percent, based on overall first impression, sense of confidence, personality and stage presence, walk, posture and appropriateness of attire.

The evening gown portion of the competition taught Collier how to hold and present herself in a respectable manner, she said.

The last 15 percent was based on physical fitness in a swimsuit. The judging criteria for the contestants was based on physical fitness and health, overall physique, posture, grace, sense of confidence and presence on stage.

Collier said, the Miss La Verne Pageant helped her learn something about herself.

"I learned to be competitive," said Collier, "but, I still had fun. It was a nice environment."

Acosta, Miss La Verne 2000, said that the pageant has helped her to "stay calm in stressful situations." She is excited about the upcoming Miss California pageant. Acosta said she will not be extremely disappointed if she doesn't win.

"I understand that there are a lot of qualified girls out there," she said.

In addition to competing for Miss California, duties for Miss La Verne include ribbon cutting ceremonies and appearances at city related events throughout the year, including the city's annual Fourth of July parade.

Ashland offers idyllic setting

Angelique B. D'Silva
Staff Writer

A week of fun, culture and excitement best characterizes the annual Ashland Shakespeare Festival.

"Mix exemplary theater experiences with lectures, music, dance, sports and sightseeing. Add our diverse group in that idyllic setting, and 'it' happens!" said Dr. Kachuck.

She has been taking students, alumni and people from the community to Ashland, Ore. for 21 years. It is a trip that people enjoy going to and have made it into a tradition.

This trip is not only for English majors, but also for anyone interested.

The Ashland Shakespeare Festival will take place on July 1-July 9, 2000. It will consist of seeing nine plays in nine days. A few of the plays include "Hamlet" and "Henry V" by William Shakespeare; "Force of Nature" by Steven Dietz; "The Man Who Came to Dinner" by George F. Kaufman and Moss Hart; and "Stop Kiss" by Diana Son.

The trip not only entails going to plays, but participants will also enjoy park talks, picnics, potlucks, rogue river rafting, story tours and cabaret. The trip, according to Dr. Kachuck, is not only to learn and broaden one's horizon but also to relax and get away from it all.

People from many realms of the ULV community and La Verne participate. It gives one a chance to experience a world unknown to many, and see what it has to offer. This trip is an opportunity to discuss the plays in a calm setting. It gives everyone a different perspective and or outlook of how each person interpreted the plays.

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> —*Dr. Valerie Jordan, ULV professor of psychology*

"The trip transcended my most fantastic expectation," said Andre F. Bourque, ULV alumnus '99.

"The energy, excitement and emotional intensity have been exhilarating," states Dr. Valerie Jordan, ULV professor of psychology.

There are still 10 spaces left for the trip. ULV students also have the opportunity to apply for scholarships. Students can go on this trip and take it from zero to four units.

Units may be taken during the spring semester to allow students to include registration fees among regular tuition. Lodging, tickets and all events will cost $625 total for double occupancy or $715 for single occupancy. The initial payment installment is due March 15. The deadline for the final payment is May 15.

If taking either spring or summer course for credit participants must pay for registration. If not taking the course for credit, the fee is $145. Those taking it for credit will complete a paper to be submitted in increments and the final paper will be due in the fall semester.

Travel accommodations will be based upon the preference of the participants.

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Kahan revives Shakespeare at ULV

• Professor teaches via laughter

Deanna Reyes
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Who would most likely be seen walking around the University of La Verne campus wearing a red ski jacket, goggles, carrying a snowboard while listening to Jethro Tull? That would be none other than Dr. Jeffrey Kahan, a part-time ULV professor who teaches Shakespeare Studies.

Dr. Kahan prefers to use no formal title, such as doctor or professor, but would much rather be addressed as Jeffrey by his students.

"Titles are like shoes. You use them a lot when you first get them, after you break them in, you stop noticing them," he said.

Originally from Montreal, Canada, Dr. Kahan completed his humanities, or bachelor's, degree and the first of two master's degrees before coming to the United States.

Dr. Kahan basically "stumbled" into his interest in Shakespeare's work while on his first vacation to England while in his early 20s. His travels took him to Stratford-upon-Avon, which is the city where Shakespeare was born, and a place Dr. Kahan had never heard of before.

He wandered into a place called the Shakespeare Institute and asked for an interview; although he was unaware that it was the most prestigious institute in the world to get a degree in Shakespeare Studies.

"I walked in and said, 'Uh, do you do master's here?' I think I was wearing ripped pants and a Black Sabbath T-shirt, and the lady behind the counter sort of sniffed at me and said, 'Yes, Stanley Wells is the director here,'" recalls Dr. Kahan.

After a five-minute interview over a cup of English tea, Dr. Kahan was accepted into the Shakespeare Institute. The next thing he knew, he was on his way to England to get a master's degree, and he eventually completed his doctorate in Shakespeare Forgeries.

Dr. Kahan, who is also a professor at the University of California, Riverside [UCR], has extensive worldwide teaching experience.

"After teaching in southern France, Canada and Hong Kong, I was well adjusted to the multicultural pursuit of Shakespearean Studies," he said in regard to his teaching experiences.

After comparing UCR, to La Verne he said that ULV seems to be extremely multi-cultural.

"It's obviously a little more quaint in it's architectural styles, and deliberately so. I think it's trying to foster sort of a Mayberry feel," said Dr. Kahan.

He noticed a significant difference between ULV and most other universities—the fact that both staff and students appear extremely happy to be at La Verne.

Dr. Kahan sent in his application to ULV over two years ago when he first arrived in California, and he said that he is happy that the English Department kept him on file and gave him a call.

"I think he is wonderful," said David Werner, chair of the department of English. "His level of scholarship and enthusiasm is outstanding."

Dr. Kahan expresses his gratitude and appreciation toward his colleagues and Werner for their support.

"Dave Werner is the kindest, most intelligent man who walks the planet," he said.

Teaching Shakespeare can be a trying subject, however Dr. Kahan chooses to use an unusual approach while in the classroom.

"I believe that all learning, but especially something that's possibly dull as Shakespearean Studies, should be approached in the same way that Jay Leno approaches politics. If it isn't fun, and people don't laugh, then people don't learn," he said.

While he attended college, Dr. Kahan dabbled in stand-up comedy, and he brings this humor to the classroom.

His main priority when teaching is to have his students not fall asleep, and most importantly—to learn. He said that he would not want to be doing anything other than teaching as a career, and his enthusiasm proves it.

"If there were something that I liked doing more than what I'm doing now, I'd be doing it—except I'd like to be the lead guitarist for Jethro Tull," he said with a smile.

The only drawback he finds in teaching is the marking. He said that it is time consuming, laborious and often disappointing. Yet, he said that the benefits of teaching override his disappointment.

"When you pick up your face from your lecture notes and somebody's paying attention and they have this look on their face which indicates grave interest, that is what's rewarding," he said.

Dr. Kahan has concern regarding today's education system. He said by the time students get to the university level, "it's sadly too late." He feels that the basic writing and grammar skills seem to be a problem and he said it leaves professors in a difficult situation.

"Are we to punish you for problems that really should have been rectified a long time ago, or do we just discretely look the other way and give you A's even though it's not at the university level?" he said.

He feels another problem is that fact that students do not like to read anymore.

Dr. Kahan said that all media changes and it is now time to accept the fact that both the written and printed word are going the way of the scroll and the hieroglyph.

His solution: "we could destroy the Internet and blow up all video games; other than that I really can't see the problem being rectified."

Dr. Kahan has published his first book entitled "Reforging Shakespeare," which is available at **www.amazon.com** and most bookstores. Despite his many academic degrees and much deserved success, what he considers his greatest accomplishment has nothing to do with his career.

"My greatest accomplishment thus far is getting engaged to the most beautiful woman in the world. I've already located her, so that's a good start," he said.

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Hoover ...

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issued by the University, which would eventually be paid back.

An alternative method to fund the development would be to seek gifts and perform fundraising.

Construction on the Hoover building would begin as soon as the Law School moves out in December of 2000. The construction is expected to take eight to nine months and would hopefully be completed by September 2001.

If the decision is made to move a department into the Arts Building, Dr. Morgan said it is possible that both buildings would be remodeled at the same time.

Following the January vote, an architect met with each of the four departments to determine what renovation needs would be necessary for their occupation of the Hoover building.

At the Space Committee meeting this month, the architect gave his report to the committee discussing the different options for all four departments. At the next meeting in March the committee will most likely reach a decision in order to make a recommendation to Dr. Morgan.

"I think it will be decided by the end of March," Hawkey said.

Aside from the many details and extensive planning that must occur, Dr. Morgan said he is optimistic about the future expansion possibilities for the University.

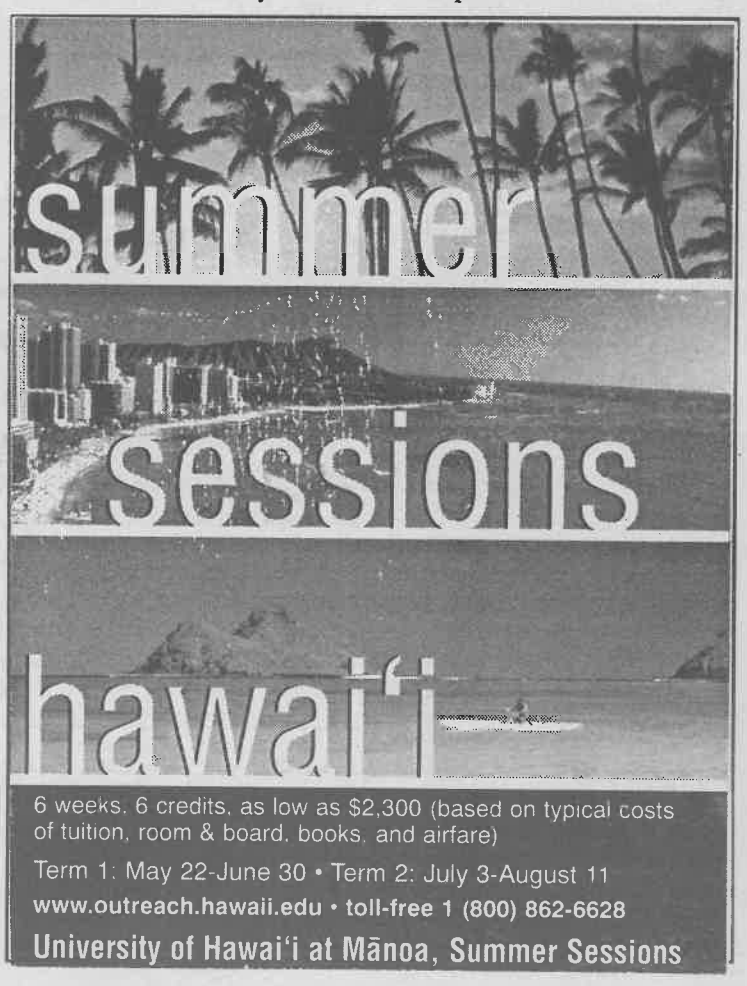
He said, "Anyway we look at it, we're going to gain some space here on campus and we have some immediate needs for that space."

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•"Reindeer Games" stars Ben Affleck as an ex-con who gets suckered into pulling one last heist with his girlfriend's brother. Gary Sinise, Charlize Theron and Dennis Farina also star.

•"Wonder Boys" stars Michael Douglas, Frances McDormand and Tobey Maguire. The story revolves around a college professor's life and his relationship with one of his students. Katie Holmes and Robert Downey Jr,. also star.

Brea Improv

"Whose Line is it Anyway?" star Wayne Brady performs stand-up today through Sunday at the Brea Improv, located at 945 E. Birch St. Tickets are $12-15. For more information, call (949) 854-5455.

Margaret Cho

Comedian Margaret Cho performs her one-woman show at the Wiltern Theatre tomorrow. For information call (213) 380-5005.

Tickets on sale

•Tickets for Tracy Chapman's April 18 performance at the Wiltern Theatre go on sale Sunday at noon.

•Tickets go on sale Sunday for Britney Spears' July 29 show at the Irvine Meadows Ampitheatre and her July 31 concert at the Hollywood Bowl.

•Tickets are currently on sale for Save Ferris and Lit April 7 at the Hollywood Palladium.

'Sleeping Beauty'

The Cerritos Center for the Performing Arts presents "Sleeping Beauty on Ice" tomorrow and Sunday. Tickets are $32-47 for adults and $16-23.50 for children. For tickets and information, call (800) 300-4345.

—Jazmine Ponce

Pomona Arts Colony Presents live jazz, blues

by Julia Carachure
photography by Jason Cooper

For those in search of local jazz concerts or entertainment, look no further than the Pomona Arts Colony where the clubs Yesteryears, the Vault and the Tiki Room feature music.

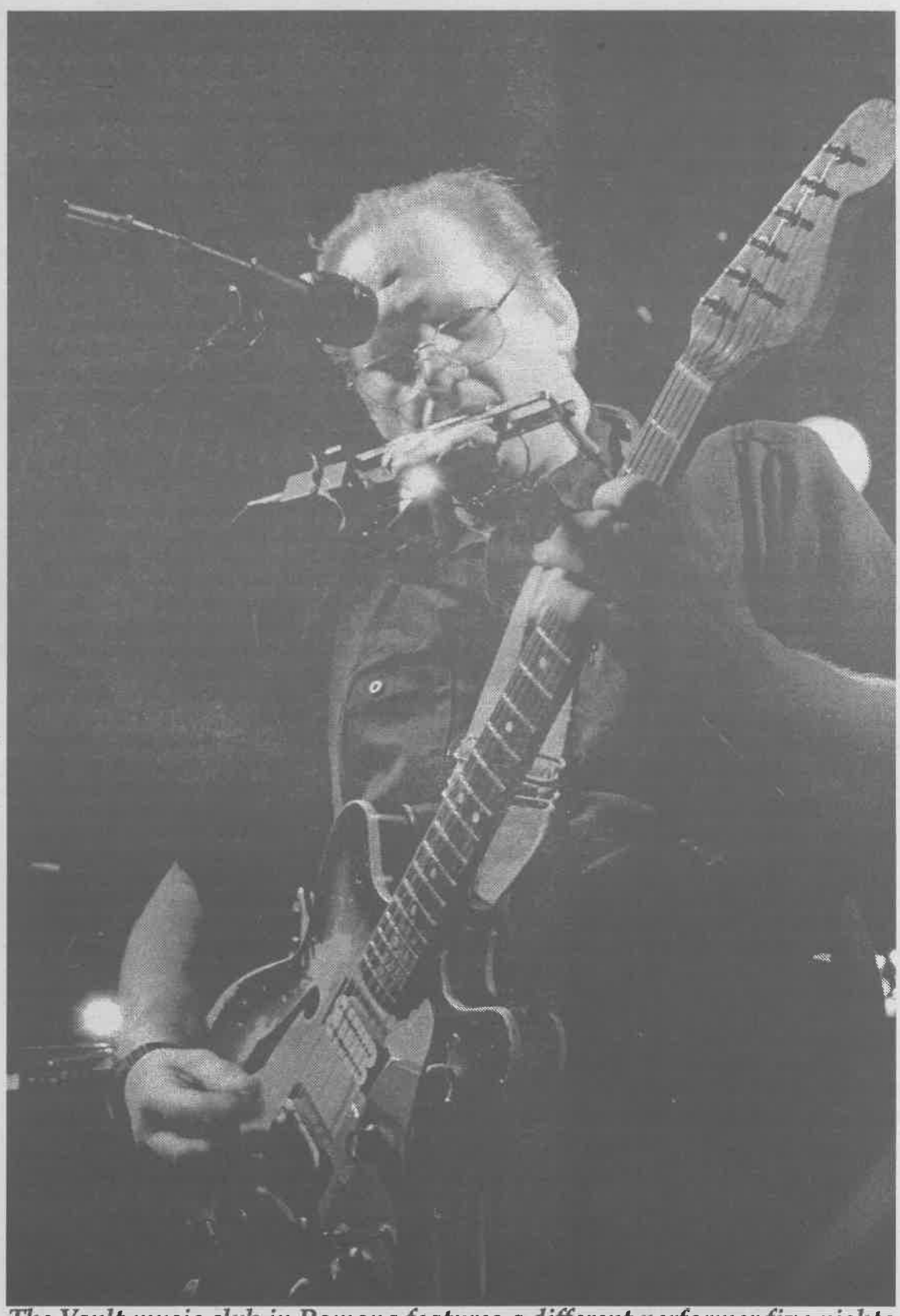
Yesteryears has four regularly scheduled bands playing free of charge throughout the week. Pro-Blues Jam take the stage Wednesdays at 8 p.m., Thursdays feature classic jazz with Electrophobia at 7 p.m., and Fridays host Bobby Bluehouse and guests at 9 p.m.

Yesteryears has a feeling of being inside a jazz club of the old days in the 1920s and 1930s, when jazz music began gaining popularity. The club is mostly dark except for several Christmas lights hanging from some of the walls. Several couches are spread out through the club to give people an opportunity and the feeling of being able to sit back, relax and enjoy the music whether by themselves or with several friends. Candles are also placed at every table and some are lighted to give the place a classy atmosphere.

"It's nice and spacey. It has an antique feeling to it," said freshman Kirsten Johnson.

Other things include flowers throughout the club and portraits hanging all over Yesteryears club.

The Vault music club presents "Iron Man" Mike Curtis Friday at 6 p.m. Later at 10 p.m., Dale Peterson and The Rhythm Lords will be performing. Both shows are on the house.



The Vault music club in Pomona features a different performer five nights a week. "Iron Man" Mike Curtis, who plays the guitar and harmonica in a solo act, brings rhythm and blues to the club every Friday.

Grammy Award nominees Howlin' Wolf, guitarist Hubert Sumlin and the legendary pianist for Muddy Waters, Pinetop Perkins, will be at Yesteryears tomorrow, beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets for this show are $18 at the door.

This concert also encompasses Just Dave, the New Family and Jessie and the Raindogs.

On March 3, Larry Jackson and the Holics will also be playing at Yesteryears at 7 p.m. Kid and Nic, LA Jones and Nighttrain will be playing at 7p .m.

The Tiki Room will also be featuring James Intveld, Stan West, Kid and Nic and Eric Sardinas.

For more information, call (909) 629-5264. The Vault is located at 301 W. Second St., and the Tiki Room and Yesteryears are located at 235 W. Second St.

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Oxy snaps ULV 5-game win streak

Enrique Gutiérrez
Staff Writer

A five-game winning streak for the University of La Verne men's basketball team was snapped Monday night at the hands of Occidental, 94-89.

"It was a bad game to lose," said junior Kevin Gustafson. "It was a exciting game. It was wire to wire the whole game. Toward the end they played a little bit better than us and they were able to pull it off."

Gustafson is the leading scorer in the Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC), but his 24 points at Occidental were not enough to lead the Leopards to a victory.

It was Occidental's Finn Rebassoo who made the difference in the game. Rebassoo posted game highs of 31 points, 15 rebounds and five assists to pave the way for the host team.

"They really beat us bad on rebounding," Gustafson said. ULV finished with 24 rebounds, but Occidental had 42 for the game.

Dropping that game left the Leopards in third place in SCIAC with a 8-5 conference record and the hopes for a championship mathematically out of reach.

La Verne held a two-point lead at intermission, but the Tigers exploded for 52 points in the second half.

"They just wanted it more than us," said freshman Josh Johnson. "They were more ready to beat us at their home [court]."

With the triumph, Occidental improved to 7-6 in conference competition and avenged a loss to the Leopards three weeks earlier.

Nonetheless, a series the Leopards did sweep was the one against Redlands.

The Leopards defeated the Bulldogs on Saturday for the second time this season.

Although it took an overtime period, La Verne ended up on top with a thrilling 99-93 win.

"It was a hard fought game," said Gustafson.

La Verne was down 54-39 at the end of the first 20 minutes.

Sophomore Jamal Washington said, "In the first half we couldn't play any worse. We had turnover after turnover. We had enough turnovers to complete a game, so we felt like all we had to do is take care of the ball."

Head coach Dan Mulville talked to his pupils during halftime and the Leopards went back to the court to execute their game.

"We had to make major adjustments," Washington said.

"Basically we got yelled at for our defense," said Kevin Gustafson, who finished with a team high 29 points. "We had to stop them and then our offense would be better."

At the end of regulation the scoreboard showed an 81-81 tie.

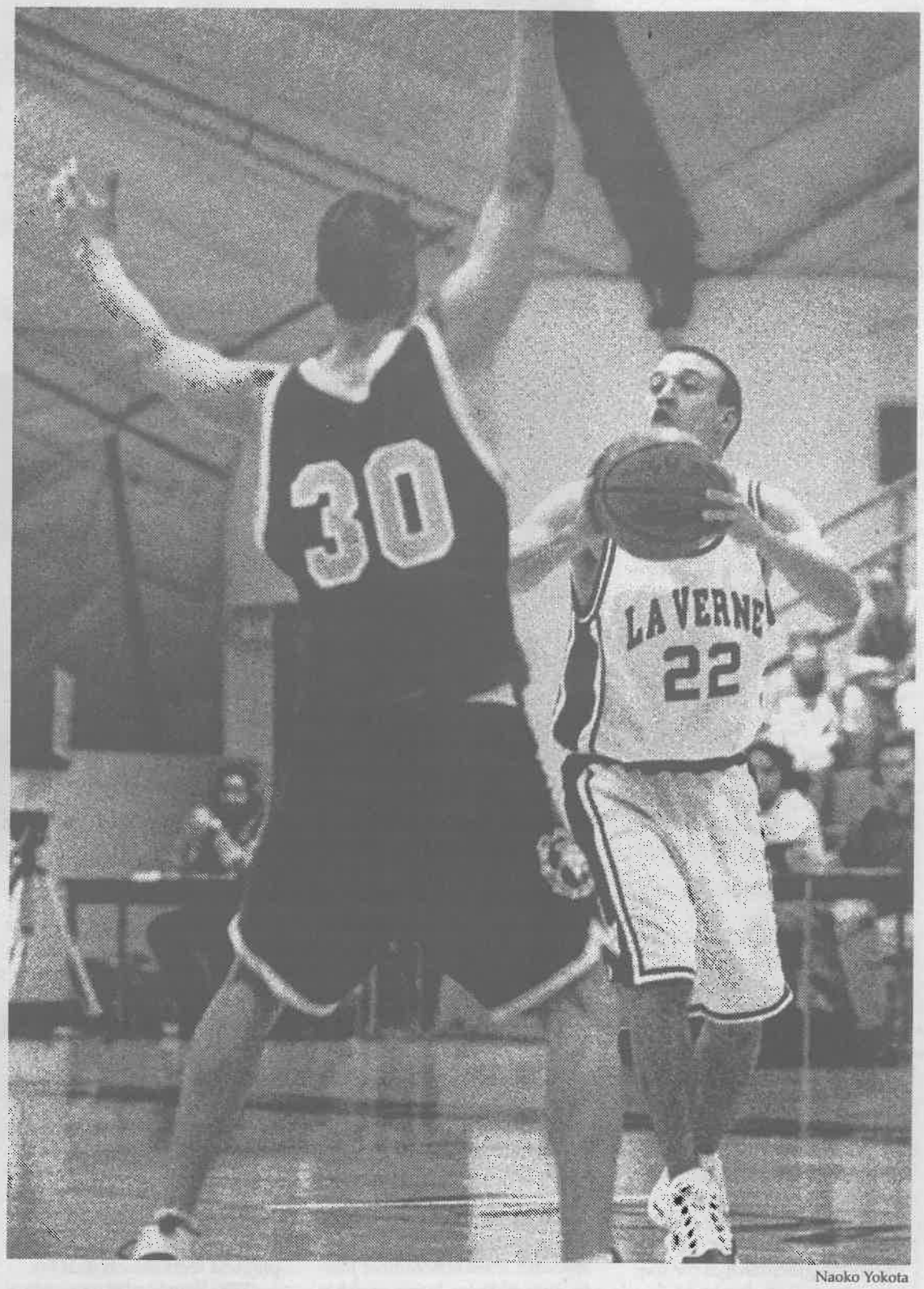
"In overtime we had players step up," Gustafson said. "Robbie Leark made a couple of threes and free throws and we were able to beat them."

Leark finished with 20 points, shooting 4-of-7 from 3-point land in a game in which 28 3-pointers were made.

Gustafson had five of them in eight attempts, but it was the Bulldogs' Robert Wurtz who scored eight times from beyond the arc and poured in a game-high 31 points in Redlands' losing effort.

The Leopards dominated almost every statistical category, collecting 22 assists compared to six by the visiting team. La Verne also had seven blocked shots, five of which were by the hand of Gustafson. Redlands had none.

In the meantime, junior Greg Gustafson had 13 of La Verne's 50 rebounds, whereas the Bulldogs obtained 31.



Naoko Yokota

Freshman guard Robbie Leark ball fakes against Rick DiFlorio of Redlands during Saturday night's game. The second half ended tied, 81-81. The Leopards went on to defeat Redlands, 99-93, in the five-minute overtime period. Leark scored 20 points in the victory.

Women's basketball ends on low note

Reginald Miller
Staff Writer

The season has come to a close for the women's basketball team. The Leopards wrapped up their season on Monday in front of a packed house at the Supertents.

Seniors Michele Ballard and Michelle Geiger were honored before the game in a senior's ceremony.

"I think that we are losing two girls who have been examples to the team as far as their work ethic," said head coach Julie Kline. "They're going to be winners because of it off the court, and for the rest of their lives."

Unfortunately, the night that started on such a high note did not end that way, as the Whittier Poets spoiled the night for La Verne, winning 73-56. The loss capped off a 1-9 slump for ULV, a team with nine freshmen on its roster. The Leopards finished the season and 8-17 overall, 2-10 in SCIAC.

In the most recent loss to Whittier, the Leopards held the game close for most of the first half until the closing minutes, when the Poets went on a run, taking a 11-point lead into the locker room.

Taking the floor in the second half, the Leopards put together a brief run, and scored the first six points to pull within five.

"We needed to screen out a little bit better in the second half," said Kline. "I thought that would help us out in transition because they were trying to slow up the game, and the only way we were going to speed up the game is to get our rebounds and try to move the ball up the floor."

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Team van involved in accident

Danny Craig
Features Editor
and
Agke Grow
Sports Editor

A van carrying eight individuals affiliated with the University of La Verne basketball program was involved in a multiple vehicle collision on the 210 freeway returning to the main campus from Occidental College at approximately 9:30 Monday night.

Junior Kevin Gustafson, who was one of six team members in the van when the accident occurred, said the collision happened right before the team vans approached the Myrtle Avenue exit.

"We were probably going between 55 to 60 miles per hour," said Gustafson.

Sgt. John Tapia, the investigating officer for the California Highway Patrol, said five vehicles were involved in the crash. Vehicle one ran out of gas in the far right lane. Vehicle two rear-ended the first vehicle and subsequently spun into the far-left lane, where it was hit by vehicle three, the ULV team van. Vehicle four collided with the team van and drove away. The ULV van then ran into vehicle five, and came to rest.

Tapia said the CHP believes the ULV van and vehicle five were victims of circumstance, and the initial collision between vehicles one and two is currently under the greatest scrutiny.

Sophomore James Morrison had previously arranged to return home separately to ULV. While driving home, Morrison passed by the scene of the accident and said he was shocked by what he saw.

"We saw the wreck and then I saw the University of La Verne van," said Morrison. "My heart sank. I mean, those are my teammates."

Tapia said he hopes a witness will come forward with information that will help to identify the driver of vehicle four, which committed a hit-and-run.

"Sometimes people go home, go to sleep, and then realize, 'Hey, I saw something,' " he said.

Kyle Killam, who was a passenger in the ULV van, said of the hit-and-run vehicle, "they just kept on going."

Gustafson, who was sitting in the front passenger seat, said he suffered a severe contusion and strained hip muscles. After being helped out of the vehicle by fellow team members, he was taken to Arcadia Methodist Hospital by ambulance approximately 45 minutes after the accident occurred, and was released shortly after.

There were no serious injuries, and the entire basketball team was able to practice this week.

Junior athletic trainer Nathan Swift, seated directly behind Mulville when the accident happened, said, "Everybody was really shook up."

Women's tennis off to slow start

•Team, 0-5, looks for first win today

Melinda Sanchez
Staff Writer

The rain let up and cleared a path for the women's tennis team to play against Cal Lutheran on Saturday. But Cal Lu poured down hard on La Verne and claimed its victory by winning every singles and doubles match, resulting in a 9-0 final score.

Under the instruction of ULV's new head coach Steven Bergovoy, the women's tennis team came out confident and strong.

"Looking at this team, I see them a lot better than the past few years," said Emanuel Howard, the United States Tennis Association official who refereed Saturday's match.

The teams split and began the competition by playing three matches of doubles. No. 1 ULV singles player Lynette Lucas and No. 3 singles player Sara Gifford teamed up to take on Kaarin Benson and Jen Stoltenberg of Cal Lu. The eight-game set concluded with Cal Lu on top 8-2, dampening ULV's spirit.

Lucas, referred to as "the backbone of the team" by Bergovoy, displayed perseverance and upheld her reputation for keeping "the tension down and spirits high."

Although drained from their defeat in the doubles matches, the ULV women came out and gave their all for the six singles matches.

Bergovoy said that they keep their strength because "they have the fighting spirit."

That warrior ethic shined through when Gifford, playing the last singles match of the day, was cheered on by her teammates in the stands.

According to freshman team captain Christan Krusic, Gifford

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Matt Wright

La Verne women's tennis team members freshman Christan Krusic (foreground) and sophomore Emily Hofer teamed up Tuesday afternoon to take on Biola's No. 2 doubles team. Biola's team came up victorious in the match, as they did most of the day. Biola won the day's event with a score of 7-2. The women's tennis team plays today at Redlands at 2 p.m.

Golf team struggles to find groove

Brice Nixon
Editorial Director

Four matches into the season, coach Rex Huigens sees room for improvement for the University of La Verne golf team.

The Leopards started the season with three consecutive losses, two of them home matches against Southern California Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SCIAC) opponents.

After a season-opening loss to Chapman University, ULV fell to Claremont-Mudd-Scripps 319-328. The Leopards followed up with a disheartening loss to Pomona-Pitzer, 330-338.

Huigens said La Verne should have defeated the Sagehens, but they experienced the same difficulty that has plagued their season thus far.

"The Pomona-Pitzer match is very disappointing to us," he said. "We just played about as bad as we're going to play."

Said sophomore Justin Poore, "If one guy has a bad day, everybody has a bad day. There hasn't been one guy that really just stepped up to the plate yet and said, 'This is how it's going to be.' We don't really have any standards yet."

'We're a real frustrated team right now. Most guys have shown times where they've played well, but we're just not consistently doing it. Hopefully, in the next week or so, we can get it going again.'
—Rex Huigens, head coach

"We're a real frustrated team right now," said Huigens. "Most guys have shown times where they've played well, but we're just not consistently doing it. Hopefully, in the next week or so, we can get it going again."

The team returns two four-year players in seniors Jim Brooks and Scott Garrison. Senior Steve Lewis, a third-year player named Second-Team All SCIAC last year, also returns.

"Overall this year, we have a lot of good players," said Poore. "But yet, when it comes down to the pressure, we're not performing."

Poore, the team's third-best player last season, and junior Paul Gomez, who returns from a one-year absence, are joined by freshmen Joey Gill and Mario DiCarlo.

"The thing I like about my team is that they're all very even," said Huigens. "They're all within three or four shots, it seems like, every time we go out. So there's a lot of team competition, too."

Huigens said ULV should finish in the top four in SCIAC, if they play as well as they are able. Huigens expects Redlands, Cal Lutheran and CMS to occupy the top of the standings.

"If everything would go as planned, I mean favorites win all the matches, I think we could finish fourth," Huigens said. "I still think that we could possibly knock off a couple of teams."

Huigens said the Leopards should have a say in the final standings.

"I think we're going to have a factor in it," he said. "We could knock one of them off, or two of them."

But he added that if the team continues to play the way it has been playing, ULV could easily finish as low as sixth.

"We're all finding a way to struggle right now," he said. "Somewhere down the line here we have to start playing well."

Huigens explained what it would take for the Leopards to start playing well.

"It's staying focused and concentrating every shot," he said. "It's mental toughness. And we do have to work on our games a little more. One little lapse in concentration can cost you a few shots.

"We're not on top of our game yet. We're not in a groove. We've got to get more consistent, and that comes through practice and concentration."

La Verne hosted Caltech yesterday, a match which, beforehand, Huigens said the Leopards should win. ULV plays Occidental at Annandale Country Club Monday. Occidental is a team Huigens said the Leopards must beat if they expect to finish in the top four, although they must contend with a difficult course at Annandale. Huigens said it is not uncommon for a player's score to increase by three or four shots on that course.

But he pointed to the next few matches as an opportunity for improvement and a chance to get on track.

"Once you start playing well, you get excited about playing and you think you can play well. And you do," Huigens said. "We've got to get over that hill,

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"Although the areas mentioned are things that need to be addressed in improvement, they are still considered as indicators of success as a whole for the university," said Dr. Cook.

Some of the areas that made an impression were the responses on diversity, the University's mission statement, general education program and topics such as housing, parking and space.

The student panel was to assist the committee in familiarizing itself with the school.

"Professors know how to work with students because classes are small in size," said sophomore Chris Golden.

Sophomore Ross Matthews was also one of the panelists.

"Because the school is so small in size, it's a lot more hands-on, building the whole integrity of the school," he said.

In addition to the informative student panel, ULV officials met with members of WASC in order to discuss the University's rank for being an accredited institution of higher learning.

Concluding its visit was the exit interview which finalizes all evaluation of ULV as a whole, conducted by Dr. Cook.

Tennis...

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finds her opponent's weakness and fights until she wins.

"She always wins her matches," Krusic said.

But this time Cal Lu came full force and flooded the team with long volleys and tough serves that even Gifford eventually drowned in.

Bergovoy said that he wants to see the team "have fun and enjoy themselves," but he also hopes to "take the team as far as they can go, and put ULV on the map."

Going into their fifth match of the season and second of league, the team has come together, reflecting Bergovoy's main goal, "to get people to pull out their potential and gel as a team."

After Saturday's match, Cal Lu left La Verne hoping for sunny days and clearing rain from their 0-2 SCIAC, 0-5 overall record.

ULV has a chance to chase away the clouds when they visit Redlands today at 2 p.m.

Women's basketball...

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Unfortunately, the adjustments that were made did not make much of a difference other than a couple of second half scoring bursts by the Leopards, who fell short of victory, 73-56.

"All season we've been a great team pressing, when we press," said assistant coach Richard Reed. "The other teams are always bigger than us, so we decided to press, and we got killed on the boards."

He added, "The girls gave their best effort, and always give a great effort."

In a game prior to Monday's season finale, the La Verne got blown out by the Claremont Athenas on Feb. 18, 71-34. The Leopards are finished in sixth place in SCIAC, and had a bye Wednesday, the last day of scheduled games.

Looking into next year, Kline said, "It's exciting to have nine freshmen, but we need to get a couple of JC transfers in here hopefully to balance out the freshmen and provide some leadership and some experience. We need to get some people that can put the ball in the basket consistently."

Mexico...

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Roy said the issue of sobriety was discussed before the trip. "We talked about it before the trip. I just wasn't aware that it was 10 percent of our grade," she said. "That was never made clear."

Muñoz had a different feeling as she said the issue was touched throughout the trip.

"It was addressed several times. It was not something that was ignored," she said, "and both sides presented arguments."

Sophomore Nancy Morales said, "I heard students were drunk, but I didn't see it."

Roberts said she undid the change and explained that the original syllabus indicated "part of the evaluation of this trip comes from your attitude, your embracement of the culture, your willingness to expand yourself and also your respect both for being an American in another country and also representing the University of La Verne."

Roy admitted she drank when, "We were invited in to people's homes and they offered us beer. We were told that that was OK because that was drinking responsibly, and you're being polite."

Roberts wanted to avoid the stereotypical image of American people. "The United States has a reputation of being loud and loose and arrogant," she said, "and that's the kind of reputation you don't want to have play out when go on a trip like this."

However, to Contreras, that did not seem to be really important. "Who really cares what we're doing as far as image goes? In Cuernavaca there are so many Americans," she said.

"I'm more embarrassed about our political image," Roy said.

In order t o help prevent confusion over behavior for future trips, Dr. Gingrich suggested "that she [Roberts] have a frank discussion with all of the participants before the trip and perhaps even have them sign a contract about the behavioral expectations."

"The issue of drinking and inappropriate behavior is secondary to the primary effect of the trip," Casarez said, "which I think most students will agree it really helped to broaden their horizons and understanding complex issues in terms of international relations and human rights struggle."

Nonetheless Román wrote they will "establish more strict rules."

As for Dowell's letter, Dr. Gingrich said, "I thought both Lehi's letter was professionally done and I think that Debbie's response was very professional, too.

"I'm an optimist about the fact that two people who have different perspectives maybe can have a good relationship if they talk this through," he said.

"I would say that Debbie probably has learned some things about organizing a trip that would be helpful to her for future trips," said Dr. Gingrich. "I also think that what she provided was an excellent educational experience for the students who went with her."

"I think the trip was what you personally made it. I had a great time," Muñoz said. "I learned a lot."

Roy agreed and said, "It was the best three weeks of my life."

"The trip was by far more beneficial than harmful," Casarez said.

For now, other instructors are preparing for upcoming trips.

Catholic Campus Minister Elena Cardeña and Anthropology Professor Dr. Kimberly Martin will take their human condition class to Mexican territory during spring break.

Cardeña said they will be "more careful and much more clear" in order to avoid such misunderstandings.

Cardeña said sometimes people don't say things because they consider them to be obvious, but that she will make sure to say everything she needs to say regardless if students know.

"There are some things you wouldn't do in downtown L.A.," Cardeña said, "much less in Mexico City. That's common sense, but we'll go over it."

'I'm an optimist about the fact that two people who have different perspectives maybe can have a good relationship if they talk this through.'

—Dr. John Gingrich, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences

Golf...

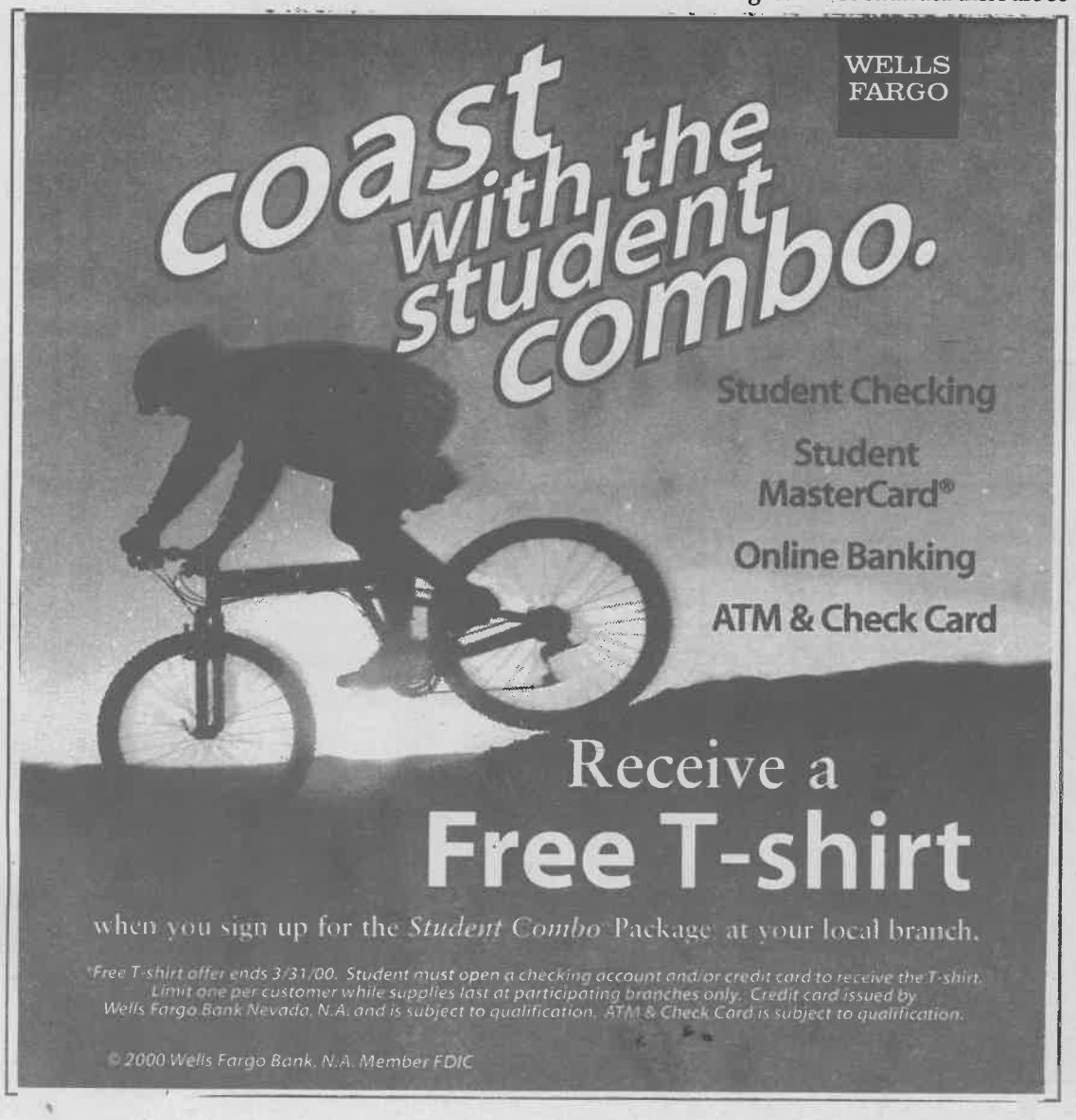
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right now, we're kind of clawing up."

Poore agreed that the Caltech match is an opportunity for the team to take a step in the right direction and change the outlook of their season, which has been a disappointment.

"Until we win a match, we won't have any momentum," said Poore.

"If we all can get together and play a solid round of golf, we can get some ... push and say, 'You know what, we didn't play against a strong team. But all of us stayed together and we all went out and played for the same purpose," he said.



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For the Record

In last week's issue the story entitled "Debate Makes History in Australia," failed to recognize the University of Monash, in Melbourne, Australia as the first-place champion at the World Debate Championship.

ASF EVENTS TO COME

***MARCH 2, 2000** - Political Debate on Proposition 22. Featuring the debate team. Register to vote, and visit with different political parties. 11:30 -1 p.m. in the Quad.*

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Track to make run at SCIAC title

•Pitzer invitational opens season

Matt Cresto
Staff Writer

Head coach Pat Widolff hopes to rebound from the disappointing season of a year ago. The University of La Verne track team has attended four preseason meets, preparing them for a run at the conference championship starting March 4 in Claremont.

"Our goal as a team is to always shoot for the top three spots in our conference," said Widolff.

Widolff has seen much improvement from last year, and attributes a great deal of it to assistant coach Katrina Hall.

Hall is an All-American and former SCIAC runner of the year. She holds the women's school records for the triple jump and the 4x100 meter relay. Hall not only coaches, but is also working on her master's in education.

"Katrina coaches the middle distance runners, does the recruiting and goes to school. She is a huge contribution to the team," said Widolff.

Widolff has seen good things from his runners already, and has a potential record-breaker this year in senior Dan Eckardt.

Last weekend at Pomona-Pitzer, Eckardt ran the 800 four and a half seconds off the school record of 1:57.33.

Freshman Amber Clayton ran a 12.87 in the 100, and 27.40 in the 200. Sophomore Kephyan Wright-Sheppard ran the 100 in 11.25 seconds, and the 200 in 22.82 seconds, and is a top contender in both events for ULV.

This year's squad is filled with underclassmen. Twenty-three out of the 45 participants are freshmen, and only six seniors lead the team.

The Leopards will take on Whittier, Cal Lutheran and the host, Claremont-Mudd-Scripps, for their first scoring match of the year on March 4.



Erica Paal

Freshman Elizabeth Lucsko (second from left), placed third in the women's 100-meter hurdles on Feb. 19 at the Pomona-Pitzer Invitational. The meet started at 10 a.m. and the results from this meet will not be taken into account for national qualifying, which begins in March. Claremont-Mudd-Scripps will host La Verne, Whittier and Cal Lutheran on March 4.

Softball merciless to visiting Sagehens

Stacey Mleczko
Staff Writer

Victory times two. The University of La Verne softball team began it's 2000 season without mercy.

On the contrary, the squad played Pomona-Pitzer in their first doubleheader Saturday. Both games concluded when the umpires called mercy.

ULV returning right-hander pitcher Robin Haaker, a junior, pitched a dominating first game, and wound up with a 10-0 shutout for five innings.

"Having a mercy ruling your first game is cool. You couldn't ask for anything more," said Haaker.

Assistant coach Sophia Garcia said she favors the mercy ruling. "You don't want to raise the score up too much. It was a good call."

In game two, pitched by Mandy Tillema, ULV was not quite as overpowering. But La Verne still dominated enough to force the umpires to again invoke the mercy rule, escorting Pomona-Pitzer off the field and finalizing the score at 13-1.

"Starting the season with two back-to-back wins against Pomona-Pitzer will set the morale for the team and the season," said sophomore outfielder Katie Andrews.

The 2000 season for ULV softball features 10 fresh faces. The team, now dominated by freshmen, is strong now, but also has tremendous potential.

"We're a lot younger this year, which is good. The upperclassmen have really come around. It'll take time, but we're going to be a great team," said Garcia.

> 'There's a lot of pressure [for returners] to teach the freshmen, but it's great. We all get along so well. It will be awesome to see the team grow over the next couple of years.'
>
> —*Robin Haaker, junior pitcher*

Andrews said, "Now that we've finally played in a game situation, we can pinpoint our weaknesses and strengths."

The coaches say they credit the returnees for teaching the newcomers maturity and teamwork.

Haaker agreed and said, "There's a lot of pressure [for returners] to teach the freshmen, but it's great. We all get along so well. It will be awesome to see the team grow over the next couple of years."

Saturday's games not only christened the softball season, but also put the new field to bat. The fall of 1999 left last year's field up in a cloud of dust, or rather beneath the blacktop, when a new parking lot was installed over the old field.

The Leopards now utilize a local city field located on First Street and Wheeler Avenue. They said they recognize its inconvenience but justify the move by acknowledging the potential benefits to the team.

Both ULV and the city will contribute to its upkeep and now regulation standards can be met.

Wednesday afternoon was scheduled to host the teams second opponent, Biola University. Due to storm watch 2000, the postponed games will be rescheduled for March.

The next opportunity to support ULV softball is tomorrow, when it visits Whittier at noon, weather permitting.

Leopard Scoreboard

At the buzzer...

Swimming

National Qualifiers*:

Tiffany Yates, So., 50m freestyle, 200m freestyle relay
Katie Aimone, So., 100m backstroke, 200m freestyle relay, 400m freestyle relay
Tandis Morgan, So., 100m backstroke, 200m freestyle relay, 400m freestyle relay
Katie Lyons, Fr., 400m freestyle relay
Summer Hammons, So., 200m freestyle relay

*Women's National Championships held March 9-11, Atlanta, Ga.

Schedule

Today
Women's Tennis @ Redlands, 2 p.m.
Men's Tennis vs. Redlands, 2 p.m.
Baseball vs. Whittier, 2:30 p.m.
Tomorrow
Women's Water Polo @ UCSB Tourney, TBA
Track & Field @ Claremont Relays, 10 am.
Men's Tennis @ Claremont, 9:30 a.m.
Women's Tennis vs. Claremont, 9:30 a.m.
Baseball @ Whittier (2), 11 a.m.
Softball @ Whittier (2), noon
Sunday
Women's Water Polo @ UCSB Tourney, TBA
Monday
Golf @ Occidental (Annandale CC), 1 p.m.

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Swimming

Ryan MacDonald, So., 100m breast stroke
Tiffany Yates, So., 50m freestyle, 200m freestyle relay
Katie Aimone, So., 200m freestyle relay
Tandis Morgan, So., 100m backstroke, 200m freestyle relay,
Summer Hammons, So., 200m freestyle relay