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Incumbents succeed in reelection bids down the ballot; local races decided by a handful of votes



Local resident uses one of Isla Vista Community Center's voting booths to cast an in-person ballot for the 2022 midterm election on Nov. 8.



Local residents line up inside the Isla Vista Community Center, serving as a polling location for this year's midterm elections, to vote on Nov. 8.



Voters turn in their completed ballots into secure ballot boxes that will only be opened at the end of the night by authorized counting officers.

Daily Nexus News Team

The Nov. 8 midterm election proved a successful night for Democratic Party candidates and incumbent officials seeking reelection down the ballot, from statewide to local races for Isla Vista and Santa Barbara County representatives.

Despite the many ballot issues at stake in this year's election notably, the race for California governor and a state constitutional amendment to provide abortion rights - voter turnout dipped to a recent low in Santa Barbara County.

Santa Barbara County voters cast 75,799 ballots of 237,759 voters, amounting to a turnout rate of 31.88%. This paled in comparison to the turnout rates of the 2018 midterm election, when a record-breaking number of voters participated.

Elections in Isla Vista demonstrated even lower turnout, resulting in two special district races being decided by a margin of under 50 votes.

U.S. Representative, 24th District

Congressman Salud Carbajal won reelection for U.S. Representative of the 24th District with 60.34% of the vote against Republican Brad Allen, a businessman, researcher and pediatric surgeon. Successfully protecting his seat in Congress, Carbajal will go on to serve a fourth term, representing Santa Barbara County and the Central

Carbajal celebrated his victory with fellow local officials at the Santa Barbara County Democrats election night party at Timbers Roadhouse in Goleta.

"I want to thank the voters for reaffirming our work and giving me another term to continue to fight for the values and the priorities of the Central Coast, to fight for women's rights," Carbajal said in a speech at the event. "To fight against climate change, health care, lower prescription drug costs, transition from fossil fuels to clean energy, making sure we have safer communities through gun safety laws."

State Assembly, 37th District Santa Barbara County 2nd District Supervisor Gregg Hart came out victorious in the race for State Assembly 37th District Representative, closing with 58.77% of the vote -13,006 more votes than opponent Mike Stoker.

Hart said he felt "bittersweet" about his victory, highlighting his appreciation for his colleagues on the Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors and the community he has dedicatedly served.

"I am very bittersweet, and I'm very proud of the support that I received from our community," he said in an interview. "I believe it's a reflection of the respect that the residents of the 37th assembly district have for the work that I

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UCSB researcher charged with felony child pornography possession defers preliminary hearing to January 2023



Matthew Peterson was put on leave and banned from campus "pending the outcome of the investigation" on Sept. 22.

Holly Rusch Lead News Editor

The UC Santa Barbara researcher charged with felony child pornography possession on a University of California laptop chose to defer his preliminary hearing to Jan. 13, his lawyer announced at his original preliminary hearing date on Nov.

Matthew Peterson, who pleaded not guilty to the felony charge on Sept. 26, remained employed by the university for several months following his initial June arrest for possession of child pornography. He was charged with the offense in July.

Peterson was put on leave and banned from campus "pending the outcome of the investigation" on Sept. 22, UCSB's Media Relations Manager Kiki Reyes told the Nexus.

Before he was put on leave, Peterson was employed by UCSB's Vision and Image Understanding Lab, a part of the Department of Psychological & Brain Sciences. He also served as a principal investigator on a National Science Foundation grant project to see how various groups of people recognize and encode faces.

Three UC unions prepare for Nov. 14 strike

Mark Alfred University News Editor Holly Rusch Lead News Editor

The largest higher education strike in the United States is set to begin on Nov. 14 as the three University of California unions organized under United Auto Workers prepare simultaneous strikes across all 10 UC campuses. Academic workers, organized across Student Researchers United (SRU), United Auto Workers (UAW) 5810 and UAW

compensate for an unsustainable rent burden brought on by the high cost of living in California.

The strike is based on allegations that the UC has engaged in unfair labor practices (ULP) throughout the process to negotiate a new contract for employees, including failing to bargain in good faith, failing to provide accurate bargaining information and denying the rights of bargaining unit members.

In a statement published online, the UC Office of the Joseph Costello has worked to

2865, have sought higher pay to President (UCOP) disputed the alleged ULPs.

> "We strongly disagree with the UAW allegations that UC has engaged in unlawful behavior," the statement read. "Throughout the negotiations, UC has listened carefully to the union's concerns and bargained in good faith, as illustrated by the many tentative agreements reached thus far including on topics underlying the UAW's allegations."

Fifth-year graduate student in the UCSB Department of Physics

organize the strike for SRU and spoke to the struggles workers represented by the union face.

"Cost of living generally has been rising very quickly, and the compensation towards graduate students, postdocs and researchers has not really kept up," Costello said.

The union is striving for a minimum graduate student salary of \$54,000 and \$70,000 for postdoctoral students to help alleviate the burden of high rent

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Student leaders advocate for greater physical accessibility of UCSB campus



Asumi Shuda Community Outreach Editor Melea Maglalang Staff Writer

On-campus advocates for the disability justice movement are evaluating the UC Santa Barbara campus' physical accessibility and working toward implementing better infrastructure to serve students with disabilities at the university.

The 1990 Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) prohibits discrimination against people with disabilities. To be in compliance with ADA law, UCSB is required to ensure that all of its programs, services and activities

are usable in an equitable fashion, according to the UCSB ADA handbook.

However, UCSB's guidelines "does not require that each of our existing facilities be accessible," the handbook read.

The lack of accessibility requirements has resulted in insufficiencies in several campus buildings, presenting barriers to students with physical disabilities, multiple students with disabilities told the Nexus.

The university did not respond to multiple requests for comment on the accessibility of campus facilities.

Fourth-year sociology major,

Disability Access p.4



Weekly Goings-on in and around Isla Vista

Asumi Shuda Community Outreach

ONDAS Student Center hosts game night to celebrate first-generation students

The Opening New Doors to Accelerating Success Student Center is hosting a game night for first-generation students in collaboration with the Transfer Student Center and the Educational Opportunity Program on Thursday, Nov. 10. The event is from 4-6 p.m. at Kerr Hall 1150 and will feature board games, food, painting and music.

L.E.A.D. hosts law panel with professionals and law school students

UCSB's Legal Education Association for Diversity is holding a law panel on Monday, Nov. 14 from 6-9 p.m. at the Mosher Alumni House. The networking event gives UCSB students the opportunity to meet local lawyers and students currently in law school.

Trans & Queer Commission hosts queer horror movie night

students on Sunday, Nov. 13 from colonization. 8-10 p.m. at the Isla Vista Theater.

The night will feature "Suspiria," an R-rated horror and thriller film about a dance company in Berlin.

Global Engagement hosts lecture about Cameroonian history and civil war

UCSB Global Engagement is welcoming Professor Elisabeth Resource Center for Sexual Ayuk-Etang for a lecture on Cameroonian history and civil war on Tuesday, Nov. 15 from 4-6 p.m. at Henley Hall 1010.

The event is co-sponsored by the Orfalea Center for Global & International Studies, the Department of Global Studies, the UCSB Education Abroad Program and the Office of International Students and Scholars.

Fund fellow at UCSB this year, and the recipient of the Janet Hennessey Dilenschneider Scholar Rescue Award.

The presentation will focus on the impact of the Cameroonian civil war on women and the environment, and Ayuk-Etang will

Associated Students Trans & lecture on the subject by taking Queer Commission is hosting a the audience through each phase horror movie night for LGBTOIA+ of Cameroonian history in light of

> Food will be provided, and a reception will be held after the lecture.

MCC welcomes Brandon Wolf lecture about real-world self-care as an LGBTQIA+ advocate

In collaboration with the and Gender Diversity, the MultiCultural Center is hosting a lecture led by Brandon Wolf about self-care and healing on Tuesday, Nov. 15 from 6-8 p.m.

Wolf is a LGBTQIA+ civil rights advocate, a leader for ending gun violence in America and a survivor of the 2016 Pulse Nightclub shooting.

"This presentation explores the Ayuk-Etang is a Scholar Rescue real life application of self-care; the challenges of caring for one's self in a world that prioritizes productivity; and the need for community when healing," the Shoreline description reads.

> Prospective attendees register for these events on Shoreline.

A Week in UC **Student News**

Sindhu Ananthavel Deputy News Editor

Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez speaks at UC Irvine 'Get Out the Vote' rally

U.S. Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez spoke at a "Get Out the Vote" rally at UC Irvine on Oct. 23, encouraging students to vote during the Nov. 8 midterm

The rally was hosted by Sunrise Movement Orange County, the Orange County Young Democrats, Planned Parenthood Generation Action at UC Irvine, the UC Student-Workers Union and College Democrats at UCI, according to the New University -UCI's student publication.

Ocasio-Cortez - a Democrat representing New York's 14th Congressional District - spoke before a large group of supporters, many of them chanting "A-O-C" and holding up signs with slogans, such as "pro-Roe" and "stand with Iran." Protesters were also present at the event and chanted conservative catchphrases, such as "Let's go Brandon" and "Build that wall" during the speech.

"By 2024, 45% of this electorate will be millennials and Gen-Z," Ocasio-Cortez said at the event. "Our time is coming. And that is why it's so important that we lay this foundation right now."

UCI biology professor and Irvine City Council candidate Kathleen Treseder, host of "Pod Save the WorldAmerica" and spokesperson

for former President Barack Obama, Tommy Vietor and Costa Mesa City Councilwoman Arlis Reynolds were all at the event as well and spoke before Ocasio-Cortez took the stage.

UCLA faculty launch Latina Futures, 2050 Lab

UC Los Angeles faculty and state legislators celebrated the launch of Latina Futures, 2050 Lab on Nov. 2, a project aiming to increase visibility and equity of Latinas in the workforce through policy research. The project received over \$15

million in state funding from the 2023-24 state budget, according to the Daily Bruin. The launch event featured the lab's cofounders, Director of the UCLA Chicano Studies Research Center Veronica Terriquez and Founding Executive Director of the UCLA Latino Policy & Politics Institute Sonja Diaz. California State Senator María Elena Durazo and state assembly members Sabrina Cervantes, Wendy Carrillo and Isaac Bryan were also in attendance.

"We are focused on Latinas' experiences in the labor market, their well-being and their civic leadership," Terriquez said at the event. "Our work is in part driven by the fact that Latinas remain extremely underrepresented in critical fields that will determine the future of our state, our country and our planet."

According to Diaz, the lab is still operating remotely and is seeking a physical location on campus,

but hopes to develop student engagement and partner with undergraduate and postgraduate students in its work in the near future.

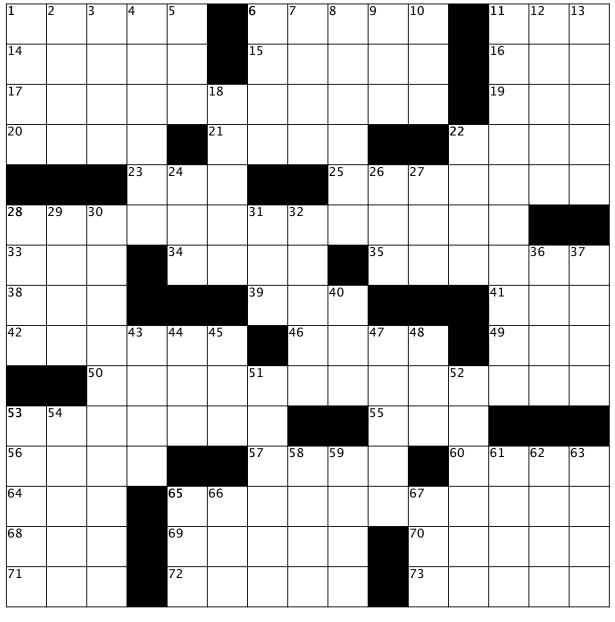
"We're thinking about the Latina Futures, 2050 Lab because we're thinking about the leadership that young women are going to hold in the future," Terriquez said. "And we want 2050 to look very different

veterans with yellow ribbons across campus

years-long tradition of honoring veterans by tying yellow ribbons around trees in the Quad ahead of Veterans Day on Nov. 11.

The tradition of adorning tree trunks with ribbons was first started by UCD student and veteran Felipe Grimaldo in 2011, according to the UCD newsroom.

with a bachelor's degree in political science in 2013 and is currently the associate executive director of the Fresno Teachers Association.



David Litman Crossword Creator

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- 1. Togetherness
- 6. Confess
- 11. Cheap place to stop
- 14. "Borat" creator ____ Baron Cohen
- 15. This and that 16. Nickname for Maurice
- 17. ST
- 19. Consumed
- 20. Nevada casino city
- 21. San ____, California 22. Chip in access cards
- 23. It always increases
- 25. Current chief justice of
- the Court 28. SC
- 33. Quarterback Manning
- 34. Don't go
- 35. Lure 38. Easy as
- 39. Companion for Tarzan
- 41. Color (as hair)
- 42. "Here have this" 46. Famous last words of an
- emperor 49. Impractical Jokers
- member 50. OC
- 53. Non-believer, to some
- 55. Code-cracking government organization
- 56. Be in love with
- 57. Covered in fire residue
- 60. Marvel trickster

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37. Electric animals

butterfly, sting like a bee"

68. Eggs Benedict ingredient

69. Regarding

70. Dark

71. Uno

65. CP

72. Candies, or brainiacs

64. He said "float like a

73. Easily irritated

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- 1. "Back in the ____" (Beatles
- 2. Kids comic strip "Big _ 3. A compass, for safari
- 4. Esophagus
- 5. Vomit, in slang
- 6. Simpson bus driver with a
- palindromic name
- there?"
- 8. Time of change
- 9. Employ
- 10. Each
- 11. "Unfortunately, yes"
- 12. Playground line in tag
- 13. Essential things 18. DVD player button
- 22. Monopoly money maker
- 24. Krypton or xenon
- 26. Shout at a soccer game 27. Trash container
- 28. Plane ticket assignment
- 29. Jessica of Hollywood 30. Last possible moment
- 31. Small battery
- 32. Aggressive, personalitywise

36. Greenish-blue

- 40. Dot dot dot meaning
- 43. Great Lake with a famous canal
- _ be my pleasure"
- 45. It helps you drive long
- distance ... in golf
- 47. Broadway awards
- 48. Stutter sounds
- 51. Pizzazz 52. Post
- 53. State shaped like a boot 54. Christopher who directed
- "Interstellar"
- 58. Tater
- 59. Primitive shelters
- 61. Avocado or olive products
- 62. Make an "ugly sweater,"
- maybe 63. ___-bitty
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- 66. "Honest" person
- 67. Place

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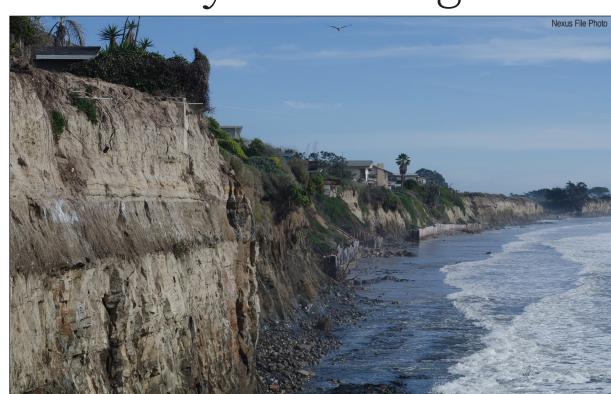


from what it looks like now." UC Davis commemorates UC Davis is continuing its

Grimaldo served in the Marine Corps prior to enrolling at UCD. In an email to the university, Grimaldo said he was "glad to know that this event is still ongoing." Grimaldo graduated

The project is part of the university's Veterans Week, which includes other events like a meetup of the veteran community on campus with coffee and doughnuts on Nov. 9 and the Veterans Luncheon on Nov. 10.

Isla Vista law enforcement, county officials look to address cliff safety following recent falls



Eroding I.V. cliffs prompt recently formed group of law enforcement, property owners and county officials to gather and discuss potential solutions to the dangers residents face.

Holly Rusch Lead News Editor

Two recent falls from bluffs in the Isla Vista area have renewed community conversations around cliff safety.

On Nov. 2, an 18-year-old woman fell 30 feet from the bluffs by UC Santa Barbara's Manzanita Village and sustained serious injuries, according to Scott Safechuck, Santa Barbara County Fire Department Public Information Officer.

The woman, who was transported to the hospital after her fall, is a UCSB student, UCSB Media Relations Manager Kiki Reyes confirmed to the Nexus. Reyes did not release the name of the student but said in a statement that the university wishes her a

"quick and full recovery." Two weeks earlier on Oct. 22, a man in his early 20s sustained major injuries after falling roughly 50 feet from the bluffs to the shore below, the Nexus reported. The man was also transported to the hospital following the fall, and his current condition - as - remains unknown.

These recent incidents follow a fatal cliff fall in May, when UCSB alumnus Chasen Alibrando died after falling from a cliff on alumni weekend.

"The recent incidents are incredibly concerning, and unfortunately, follow a pattern that we've seen over the past 15 years, where the bluff is becoming more and more unsafe," Isla Vista Community Services District (IVCSD) Board President and Director Spencer Brandt

"We're working to try and come up with solutions that are going to make those areas safer and also educate residents to the fact that there have been many deaths resulting from falls that have occurred over the last 10 years. These are dangerous places to be and places where basic precautions need to be taking

place," he continued. Brandt referenced a recently formed group of law enforcement, property owners and county officials who have gathered to discuss potential solutions to the

residents.

"There have been two meetings so far, and there's been participation from at least one Isla Vista property management company that wants to be a part of solutions. They have been discussing various solutions and how to get there through the governmental process," Brandt

After Alibrando's death in May, Brandt and other community leaders discussed the dangers that Del Playa Drive properties can pose to residents, noting that the lack of balcony safety regulations on oceanside houses can often lead to injury or even death.

The issue of cliff safety in I.V. is ongoing. At least seven community members have died from cliff falls since 2005.

In 2018, second-year UCSB student Alessandro Esquivel died after falling from the Del Playa bluffs. In 2014, 20-year-old UCSB student Sierra Markee-Winkler died after sustaining injuries consistent with falling from a cliff. In 2013, 18-year-old Cal Poly San Luis Obispo student Giselle Ayala well as that of the UCSB student dangers that I.V. cliffs pose to fatally fell during the weekend of

In 2012, 21-year-old UCSB student David Propp died after a tragic fall, and 22-yearold UCSB student Noah Krom died after a fall in 2009, a week before graduation. Twenty-yearold Santa Barbara City College student Tyler VonRuden fatally fell in 2005.

Following the Nov. 8 injury of the UCSB student who fell from the bluffs, Krom's mother – former Irvine Mayor Beth Krom – spoke to KEYT about the dangers that UCSB students and community members continue to face from the eroding cliffs.

"Having lost our son, Noah in 2009, to a fall from the cliffs in Isla Vista, every subsequent death or injury on the cliff has been hard for us to learn about," she said to the news outlet. "I implore all of the authorities in Santa Barbara County and Isla Vista to do more to make sure that the cliffs are safe and that the students are safe."

IVCSD Director Jay Freeman said that the issue of cliff safety has often proved difficult for local government officials, particularly the CSD, to address.

"The problem, though, is that we do live on a cliff; it's our geographical reality," Freeman said. "It's a particularly dangerous cliff because it's crumbling."

Freeman said that public information campaigns about the potential dangers of I.V.'s cliffs is one way the CSD could tackle the issue.

The fencing put up in I.V.'s parks to address the issue of potential falls is under the jurisdiction of the I.V. Recreation & Park District. The district was sued in 2017 - alongside the county and the University of California Regents - for Markee-Winkler's death and sued again for Esquivel's death in

According to Freeman, a meeting will be hosted on Nov. 15 at the Isla Vista Community Center to discuss cliff erosion and sea level rise from a UCSB student perspective.

Santa Barbara County Public Health Department announces new medical director



Doohan will oversee the county's five Federally Qualified Health Centers and three shelter-based Health Care for the Homeless Clinics. according to an SBCPHD press release.

Sindhu Ananthavel Deputy News Editor

The Santa Barbara County Public Health Department appointed Dr. Noemi Doohan as its medical director on Oct. 31.

Doohan will oversee the county's five Federally Qualified Health Centers and three shelter-based Health Care for the Homeless Clinics, according to a Santa Barbara County Public Health Department (SBCPHD) press release.

"We are thrilled that Dr. Doohan will be our Medical Director leading the exceptional Health Centers physicians, clinicians and quality teams and as we pivot from pandemic footing back into our privileged role as a key provider in our County's Health Care Safety Net Delivery System," said Deputy Director of the Primary Care and Family Health Division Dana Gamble in the press release.

Doohan graduated with a doctorate in molecular biology from UC Santa Barbara and earned her medical degree at Stanford University following a residency in family medicine at the Contra Costa Regional Medical Center.

Previously, Doohan was the Mendocino County public health officer during the first year of Public Health team."

the COVID-19 pandemic, and a medical officer for the California Department of Public Health focusing on COVID-19 and other public health emergencies.

"Dr. Doohan brings extensive experience in all aspects of healthcare and is exceptionally well equipped to guide our healthcare teams in providing excellent care to our patients," Gamble said.

Doohan's local involvement began in 2005 when she co-founded Doctors Without Walls - Santa Barbara Street Medicine, a volunteer program that provides free medical care to the houseless community. The program was recognized by the Association for Community Affiliated Plans for its healthcare work with the houseless population in Santa Barbara during the pandemic.

Doohan also aided with the development of the Santa Barbara County Medical Reserve Corps, a backup medical response team that SBCPHD activates during disasters.

"To return home and serve the Santa Barbara County Health Care Centers as Medical Director is a great privilege and an honor," Doohan said in the press release. "I am humbled by this opportunity to help lead such an exceptional

National Weather Service issues wind and flood advisories for Santa Barbara County

Asumi Shuda Community Outreach Editor

The National Weather Service issued wind and flood advisories for Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo Counties on Tuesday,

The flood advisory was sent at 11:30 a.m. and remained in

The advisories warned recipients of minor flooding in lowlying and poor-drainage areas and roadways, according to

Noozhawk. "Moderate to locally heavy rain is starting to make its way into SLO [San Luis Obispo] County and Santa Barbara north county will follow suit shortly," a tweet

"Be sure to avoid flooded roads and slow down out there!"

A wind advisory was also issued and was in effect until 6 p.m., announcing south winds of 15-25 miles per hour (mph) and gusts of over 40 mph along the South Coast and mountainous areas at the time, according to Noozhawk.

As of Tuesday, showers and from the National Weather a possible thunderstorm were

on Wednesday morning, with chance of precipitation, according a slight chance of showers and thunderstorms after 4 a.m. There

If you want to drink,

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to the NWS. Tuesday's advisories followed was a west-southwest wind at a general rain advisory issued around 10 mph, with gusts as by Santa Barbara County high as 15 mph, with an 80% Environmental Health Services on Nov. 7 after the day's rain

There are no active hazardous weather conditions issued by the NWS in Isla Vista or Goleta as of

Wednesday.



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The flood advisory was sent at 11:30 a.m. and remained in effect until 1:45 p.m. on Tuesday.

Commission of Disability Equality (C.O.D.E.) Co-Chair and External Affairs Coordinator Sophia Lee-Park said numerous facilities on campus are difficult to access whether due to distance, narrow passageways or an inaccessible entryway - as a student with a physical disability who uses a wheelchair for mobility.

Lee-Park said she faced difficulty in accessing lecture halls during her time at UCSB, specifically speaking to her experience in having lectures in Lotte Lehmann Concert Hall, the Physics Building, Phelps Hall, Isla Vista Theater and South Hall.

"My first sociology class [was in I.V. Theater] and, in that class, when you go down the ramp, there's a door in the way that leaves you in the dark," Lee-Park said. "So you have to open the door, and then there's no desk because there's a stage.'

"And, sometimes, it's not the room itself – it's the furniture," she continued. "I have an education class right now where the room is pretty big but they put a bunch of desks and chairs in there, so I have to ask my professor or instructor, 'Can you please remove this desk so I can get to the front?"

Certain facilities on campus have been making efforts toward greater physical accessibility. For instance, following the completion of the Addition and Renovation Project in 2016, the UCSB Library is now fully up to date with ADA building standards, according to Deputy University Librarian Alan Grosenheider. The project implemented ramps for internal elevated walkways throughout the building, adjusted bookshelf areas for wheelchair accessibility and updated restroom stalls.

"We hope that the entire building, particularly the grand new building, and renovated building is accessible to people with disabilities," Grosenheider said. "We're removing as many barriers as possible."

Grosenheider explained the possibility of unintentional barriers impeding the library's accessibility, like when visitors move furniture around - which blocks aisles – or run power cords across walkways.

"Students always ask for more power outlets to charge laptops or other devices, but that also means tripping hazards for people that have mobility issues or are in a wheelchair when they're crossing aisles," he said. "There's some spaces, because of the congestion of furniture and people trying to find power which isn't necessarily where they want to be, that there's maybe some unintentional barriers that occur."

Grosenheider also expressed concern about obstructions for the ramps outside the library, like those tabling in the Arbor potentially blocking access to

In addition to updating the library according to ADA building regulations, Grosenheider said there are further improvements to be made that may not have been necessarily a part of the standards, such as installing automatic door

Lee-Park said that although buildings like the library have greater accessibility in comparison to other facilities on campus such as the two elevators with buttons on either end – elevators are often being used by the majority of students accessing the library, resulting in long wait times for students with disabilities who require the elevator to access the upper floors.

"Most of the people that are in the library are using elevators, and it's not like they have the adequate training to know to get off [for a student with a disability], Lee-Park said. "It's better, but it's incomplete."

In partnership with the Disabled Students Program (DSP), the library also implemented the Adaptive Technology Center (ATC) which is located on the oceanside first floor to provide supportive resources for students with disabilities. However, student organizations like C.O.D.E. and UCSB student leaders, like fourth-year sociology and Asian-American studies double major and Associated Students External Vice President for Statewide Marvia Cunanan, have voiced concerns over the accessibility of the center.

Lee-Park noted that the center is difficult to access due to its location in the back of the library. "It wasn't specifically designed, in my opinion, for people who use wheelchairs, as it is in the back of the library," she said. "And, you have to open [the door] with your access card, and they can't open it for you on the other side, which means that you have to be the one to open the door."

"Is it a good space? Yes, and I would use it more, but the process to get there and actually use it is inaccessible," Lee-Park continued.

over the entrance to the ATC has been discussed with Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Margaret Klawunn and is in the process of being addressed.

"The technology center doesn't have a door actuator and it's a barrier that we think needs budgetary commitment towards installing," Cunanan said.

University housing another infrastructural sector brought up by fourth-year statistics and data science major and C.O.D.E. Internal Affairs Co-Chair Jay Shreedhar, who said that apartments like Westgate a building typically reserved for students with disabilities, according to Shreedhar - do not have elevator access despite having two floors.

"They do not have an elevator, and the only way to get to the second floor is stairs, and the ramp outside is pretty narrow as well," Shreedhar said, noting that he's also heard most of the dorms are not ADA-compliant.

Beyond specific facilities, Cunanan said that the campus itself is oftentimes difficult to maneuver around if you do not have access to a car or an adequate parking permit, especially for students with mobility issues.

"There's a limit in how many parking passes the school gives, and I'm just lucky enough to have a parking pass that lets me park around campus, and I wouldn't be able to get around campus as easily if I didn't," Cunanan said.

To make the campus easier to navigate and access, C.O.D.E. is working towards implementing a golf cart transportation service at UCSB – mirroring UC campuses like UC Davis, among others – to provide students with mobility issues a quicker way to maneuver around campus.

The project has just secured funding and is being discussed between UCSB student leaders and administration, according to

The project has been in the works for several years, according to Shreedhar, but concerns over logistics like funding have delayed the implementation of the service. Regardless, with urgent advocacy and a continued push to consider transportation service, Shreedhar said the project is likely to be furthered in the near future.

"If people didn't have to walk across campus to get to a class with their 10-minute passing Cunanan said that the concern period, things would be a lot

easier for everybody," he said. "If wheelchair users didn't have to cross bike paths and get hit by bikes, as Sophia has suffered many times this year, it would be a lot easier."

C.O.D.E. is now recruiting for an ADA coalition, which will be made up of focus subdivisions like the Facilities Maintenance and Accessibility Team, the Disabled Student Program Liaison Team and the UC Campus-Wide Networking and Building Solidarity Team, among others.

Once established, the group aims to assess the physical accessibility of UCSB's campus and utilize the data to commence conversations around protocol and violations with administration and housing staff.

"They will essentially work in teams - there will be a team that does campus walks to determine whether certain buildings are physically accessible," Shreedhar said. "And, there'll be another team that would be a liaison between C.O.D.E. and admin, so that they could communicate all the issues that C.O.D.E. has been gathering from the disabled community."

Cunanan said that there is still much to be done to ensure that existing facilities on campus are accessible to all students, regardless of ability, and highlighted the hypocrisy of such infrastructural deficiencies as a university that spotlights its efforts toward diversity, equity and inclusion.

"There's a lot of hypocrisy that goes on when it comes to the UC system, and they should be a little bit ashamed," Cunanan said. "This institution prides itself in inclusive excellence and diversity and equity but, in practice, what does this look like? It's hard to

Cunanan said that in order to create tangible progress toward disability justice and equality, the administration must talk about issues the disability community faces and include individuals with disabilities in the conversation.

"When we don't talk about ableism, and we don't talk about the experience of the disability community, we exclude people, and it becomes a higher education equity issue," she said. "How do we expect disabled students that want to be a part of this community to be a part of this

community when we don't prioritize accessibility?"

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its members face, according to

"The UC has been really intransigent on negotiating with this for cost of living or salary," he said. "I don't view the UC as being particularly rational or really understanding anything, which demonstrated a real lack of long-term planning because this is not something that snuck up on them."

In its statement, UCOP said that "affordable student housing is a top UC priority" and that it had offered wage increases for all UAW members over the course of negotiations.

"On average, UC rents system wide are 20-25% below market rates, with some campuses providing even deeper discounts," the Nov. 4 statement from UCOP stated. "UC has offered wage increases for all UAW members which would further help them meet their housing needs."

The proposed increase to wages - ranging between 6% and 10% - falls tens of thousands of dollars below what the union is seeking, Costello said.

On campus, an SRU strike would see student researchers withhold their labor, halting ongoing research work.

"It would mean a stop to the research in general that is going on in the university, which is half of the university's mission statement," Costello said. "It would mean big picket lines everywhere to very visibly show that we're not going to put up with this anymore."

In addition, the union could prevent the delivery of research equipment to the university by picketing equipment drop-off zones, according to Costello.

"We could picket various areas including drop-off zones like shipping and receiving, and most delivery drivers are Teamsters, which are unionized, and won't cross picket lines, so we could stop delivery of research equipment to the university."

Andrew Norris, professor and vice chair of UCSB's political science department, helped organize a unanimous statement from the department, affirming student workers' rights "to engage in lawful strike activity, which may include picketing, cancellation of sections, or stopping grading.

The statement was sent UCSB Chancellor Henry T. Yang on Nov. 1.

"I think that we all agree that the situation of the graduate students is just untenable. They're simply not being paid enough to rent houses or apartments or even rooms in this area," Norris said.

"Graduate students ... make an enormous contribution to life on this campus and to undergraduate education and to research and that they should be made a living wage. I think that's the basic impetus behind our statement. That's the basic truth," he

continued. Norris said that faculty members were comfortable issuing the statement because the strike would be legal per union standards, unlike the previous wildcat cost-of-living-adjustment strikes of 2019, which were not supported by union leadership authorization.

The upcoming strikes will be legal, as they were authorized by all four bargaining units across the three unions with a decisive 97% "yes" vote last week.

Norris acknowledged the impact that a potential strike could have on undergraduate students - including a possible lack of course grading - but said that engaging in the strike is one of the only effective methods of recourse student workers have to create tangible change. "I recognize and I'm very alive

to the way a strike, if it goes forward, could disrupt the lives of people who I'm very concerned with, and I care a lot about. That said, workers really only have one way of expressing power in disputes with management," he

"If workers are unhappy, their only recourse is to band together and create a union – that is to say, one body - and withhold their labor," Norris continued. "And that in this situation, that means that in order to put any pressure at all on the administration, on the university, to give them a living wage, they have to disrupt the education of the people that they're helping to teach."

UCSB postdoctoral student and UAW 5810 Santa Barbara Campus Chair Evan Plunkett said that the striking of postdoctoral students and academic researchers represented by the union would also disrupt campus research and the grants related to them.

A majority share of money delivered in research grants goes directly to the university, Plunkett said, and disruption to ongoing research could pose a threat to the university's incoming grant

UCOP said in its statement that the planned strike could negatively impact students and that every UC campus is prepared to continue instruction should it

"The UAW is asking bargaining unit members to go on strike later this month beginning Nov. 14, which could adversely impact students and other UC community members," UCOP said in their statement. "All campuses will be prepared to ensure continuity of instruction and research in the event of a UAW strike."

For Costello, the strike is set to be a historic opportunity to win concessions from the UC and set an example for future movements.

"This is our chance to really do something," he said. "This is going to be the largest higher-ed strike in American history. We could really set a precedent for what it means to have a public university and have a university for the people, and have education which

aims to preserve Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program amid court scrutiny Texas courts that challenges the legality of the program. "This final rule is our effort to preserve and fortify DACA to the fullest extent possible," of Homeland Secretary Security Alejandro Mayorkas

New Department of Homeland Security rule

Eligible DACA recipients are required to renew their status under the program every two years.

Asumi Shuda Community Outreach Editor

A new version of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program went into effect on Oct. 31, aiming to fortify the program against future legal challenges and secure protections for undocumented residents.

This version of Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA) was established through the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), as opposed to a presidential executive order, as was with the Obamaera iteration of the program. Because the lawfulness of the executive order has been called into question in several federal courts, the new program ruling aims to more permanently protect the rights of residents who utilize DACA.

While U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) is able to process and accept the applications of current DACA recipients under the new DHS rule, they are inhibited from accepting new applications because of ongoing litigation in said in a USCIS press release. "Ultimately, we need Congress to urgently pass legislation that provides Dreamers with the permanent protection they need and deserve."

There are nearly 3,460 DACA participants enrolled at a University of California campus (UC) annually, approximately 3,300 undergraduate and 160 graduate students were DACA participants as of 2021, according to a letter from the UC Office of the President and UC chancellors.

The new, formal regulation from DHS affirms that current DACA recipients' deferred action, employment authorization and parole advancement will be recognized as legitimate, the press release said. DACA recipients who are considered "lawfully present" and eligible non-citizens who are found to be given favorable exercise of

prosecutorial discretion, as well

as clear national security and

public safety assessments, can receive DACA benefits.

The Obama administration established DACA in June 2012 to provide undocumented children who came to the U.S. with legal protection, shielding them from deportation and granting work authorization. Eligible DACA recipients are required to renew their status under the program every two years.

In recent years, the fate of DACA has been uncertain, receiving scrutiny from courts and government attempts to terminate the program. The Trump administration ended the program in 2017 – a decision overturned by the U.S. Supreme Court in June 2020. "While court orders prevent us

from adjudicating requests from initial applicants, we will continue to carry on the important work of renewing and continuing protections for current DACA recipients, as outlined in this final rule," USCIS Director Ur Jaddou said in the press release.

This final rule results from the review of over 16,000 comments received by USCIS during public comment and codifies the policy from 2012 with limited changes.



UAW 2865 members march to raise awareness for their housingrelated demands.

IN PHOTOS: MIDTERM ELECTIONS 2022



Newly elected 37th district California state Assemblymember Gregg Hart speaks with his supporters during election night at Timbers Roadhouse.



Salud Carbajal discusses his election win leading to a fourth term in the U.S. House of



Incumbent Spencer Brandt discusses his recent win in his reelection campaign for Isla Vista Community Services District Board of Directors.



Campaign staffers, college students and local officials gather at Timbers Roadhouse in Goleta on election night to celebrate with Santa Barbara Democratic Party.



Rose Muñoz gives a speech after her decisive win against challenger Phebe Mansur in the race for Santa Barbara Unified School District trustee.



Hart, surrounded by press and community members, applauds local candidates as they deliver election victory speeches.

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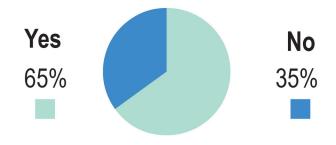
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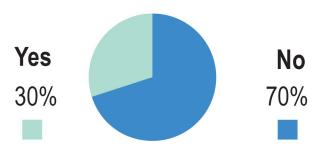
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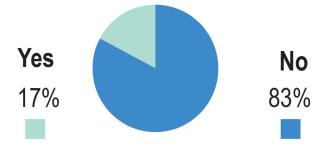
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Prop. 27

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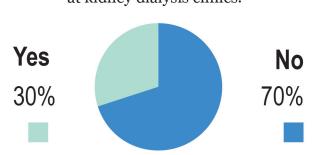
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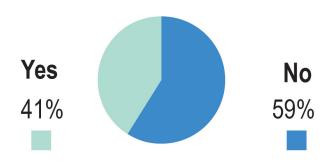
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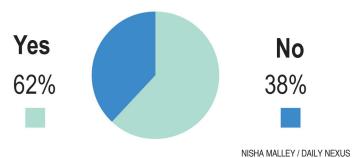
Prop. 30

provides funding for programs to reduce air pollution and prevent wildfires.



Prop. 31

prohibits the retail sale of certain flavored tobacco products.



Get out the vote: Campaigning efforts occur across campus

Nisha Malley County News Editor Vikesh Dheeriya Staff Reporter

Local Democratic Party candidates and campus organization Gauchos Vote Coalition engaged with UC Santa Barbara students through various mediums leading up to and on election day to encourage student voter turnout.

Congressman Salud Carbajal, alongside Isla Vista Community Services District (IVCSD) Board President Spencer Brandt, campaigned on the corner of Pardall Road and Embarcadero del Norte on Nov. 8, handing out voting flyers and speaking with local residents.

Carbajal's Get Out The Vote Campaign reached out to UCSB students to vote through texts, phone calls, door-to-door outreach and tabling at the UCen.

"We've been doing everything possible to make sure that we're educating everyone about the election and what's at stake," Carbajal said. "To encourage them to not only register to vote, but to actually turn out and vote."

Gauchos Vote Coalition, a nonpartisan student-led effort to increase voter registration numbers formed in 2019, has since worked with the UCSB Student Engagement Leadership (S.E.A.L.) to promote civic participation. Coalition volunteers held tabling events and educational sessions about voter issues and races at stake for the Nov. 8 general election.

Fourth-year English major Peyton Dilday coordinated the group's efforts this year alongside S.E.A.L. Director for Civic and Community Engagement Viviano Marsano.

"It's important to have increased voter turnout rates because when you vote more, you're telling the government that they should care about the issues that you care about," Dilday said.

On election day, volunteers set up a tent booth near Lot 22, opposite the Student Resource Building, to inform students about nearby polling and ballot drop-off locations and same-day voter registration.

"It's been educational and informational, trying to help people give them more of an opportunity to learn about voting," Dilday said.

Dilday said that this year, election conversation amongst the student community has centered around the governor race and Propositions 1 and 29 – the latter of which would require an on-site medical professional at kidney dialysis clinics.

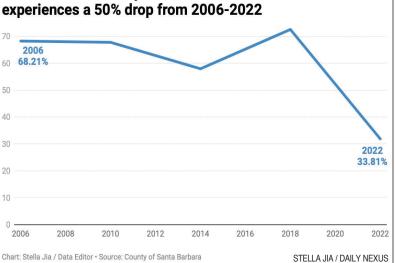
Dilday also noted local races of importance to Isla Vista voters, including the three available seats on IVCSD Board of Directors. Dilday affirmed that engagement in local politics through registering to vote in Santa Barbara County contributes to shaping Isla Vista and its governance.

"Most people are going to be living here three or four years, if not more," Dilday said. "So if you vote in local stuff, it can actually affect your time here because you'll be voting on issues that affect what will Isla Vista be represented by and what will that look like for the upcoming years."

UCSB Campus Democrats and Santa Barbara County Democratic Party are two groups that have similarly worked to promote voter education and registration among I.V. residents and students.

"[The Get Out The Vote initiative] has been very successful in the sense that voter registration was significant this year," Carbajal said. "Certainly not the numbers that we've seen before COVID-19, but it's back

Santa Barbara County voter turnout in US midterm elections



on track and trending towards normal."

Because COVID-19 caused universities across the country to adopt remote instruction, numerous UCSB students chose to register to vote in their hometown rather than in Santa Barbara County for the 2020 election, according to Carbajal.

Nonetheless, Carbajal said that students can contribute toward a sense of community by registering to vote in their college town.

"I think there's an effort to get students to also consider voting here in this area since their everyday life is impacted by local decisions," Carbajal said.

Carbajal identified Proposition 1, a measure to amend the state constitution to ensure abortion rights and reproductive freedom, as a critical issue for voters in the upcoming election.

"[Prop 1] is extremely important because when you consider all the decisions that are being made at all levels of government, it impacts our lives," Carbajal said. "It's important that we're cognizant and we vote in all of those elections for all of

those seats." Along with the loss of reproductive rights, a Republicanled Congress could overturn climate change investments and health care acts, as well as phase out Social Security, according to Carbajal.

"They will continue to move legislation forward in the house that will take away rights from women access to reproductive health care and an abortion," Carbajal said. "They will take us back on climate change investments. They will try to undo the Inflation Reduction Act that we just passed."

"Everything we make progress on, I see a Republican Congress backtracking on all of it," he continued.

Carbajal urged young people to vote and lauded the UCSB student community for the university's decades-long history of especially high levels of civic engagement and voter turnout rates.

"It's important to be engaged. I know sometimes we get the feeling that, 'Does one vote really count?' There's been elections that have been determined by one vote, by five votes, by 10 votes," Carbajal said. "It's so important for people to be civically engaged because our democracy is at stake, to make sure that they vote to make a difference and that their views and values are represented."

ELECTION NIGHT IN PHOTOS: CONTINUED



On the Timber Roadhouse stage, UCSB student Olivia Craig acknowledges her recent victory in the race for the two-year term on IVCSD's Board of Directors and thanks her supporters.



The Loma Pelona Center located near Manzanita Village became a



Signs for local candidates advertise the campaigns of Congressman Salud Carbajal, Gregg Hart for State Assembly and Luz Reyes-Martín for Goleta City Council.

2022 MIDTERM ELECTIONS CONTINUED

Local Races

For elected officials representing Santa Barbara County and Isla Vista residents



WINNERS

Spencer Brandt, Jay Freeman win Isla Vista Community Services District race.



*The two candidates with the highest number of votes win the two open seats.

Spencer Brandt	INCUMBENT	42.08%
Jay Freeman	INCUMBENT	30.90%
Julia Barbosa	IVRPD DIRECTOR	26.25%



WINNER

Olivia Craig wins race for the two-year term seat on IVCSD.

Olivia Craig	UCSB STUDENT	67.47%
Enrique (Henry) Sarria	ENGINEER	32.21%



WINNER

Rose Muñoz wins Santa Barbara Unified School District seat.

Rose Muñoz	INCUMBENT	81.37%
Phebe Mansur	BUSINESS OWNER	18.17%

*Semi-official election results as of Nov. 9, with 100% precincts reporting. Visit dailynexus.com for the most current updates.

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WINNER

Salud Carbajal wins race for U.S. Representative 24th District.

Salud Carbajal (Dem.)	INCUMBENT	60.34%
Brad Allen (Rep.)	PEDIATRIC SURGEON	39.66%



WINNER

Gregg Hart wins race for State Assembly 37th District.

Gregg Hart (Dem.)	INCUMBENT	58.77%
Mike Stoker (Rep.)	BUSINESS OWNER	41.23%



WINNERS

Brendan Hutchinson, Thea Neushul win Isla Vista Recreation & Park District race.



*The two candidates with the highest number of votes win the two open seats.

Brendan Hutchinson	LOCAL ORGANIZER	30.39%
Thea Neushul	UCSB STUDENT	27.21%
Scott Ball	LEGAL CONSULTANT	22.54%
Heidi Diaz	SUBSTITUTE TEACHER	18.97%

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have done for many years as an

Hart prided himself in the efforts he has put in his current position as 2nd District Supervisor and hopes to continue advocating and representing his community in his upcoming position as the 37th District Representative.

Hart said that his approach to campaigning, by avoiding negative attacks on his opponents, likely resonated with his voters.

"I ran a scrupulously positive campaign, never attacked my opponent, and I think that the voters respected that approach," he said. "That's how I want to be as an elected official - bringing people together and finding common ground and respectfully disagreeing when we do, but always leading with

integrity and respect." Entering office, Hart's priority is to focus on economic issues, particularly on sectors of education, housing and energy.

"The economy is at the top of mind," Hart said. "Prices are increasing, and that's a real challenge on family budgets, so making sure that the state invests taxpayer dollars efficiently and prudently and with an eye to growing the economy is the first order of business for the legislature."

Hart noted that investment decisions must be "strategic" to ensure that the legislature is heading in the right direction on issues regarding education, environmental conservation and houselessness, among others.

"We need to invest in education because that prepares the workforce for the future jobs that we need. We need to invest in renewable energy to protect our climate, and to make sure that we're respecting the environment for future generations," Hart said.

Regardless, Hart was melancholy about leaving his position of 2nd District Representative, reminiscing on the weekly meetings he's had with his colleagues during his previous term.

"I really respect my colleagues and

the relationship that we built together and the work that we have done together, and I will miss seeing them every Tuesday," Hart said. "But know that we're going to stay close allies and partners in the work ahead because the relationship between the county, all the cities in both counties and our state

representatives is crucial." Isla Vista Recreation & Park

In local elections, the Isla Vista Recreation & Park District (IVRPD) and the Isla Vista Community Services District (IVCSD) both had vacant seats

In a remarkably close four-way race for two open IVRPD director seats, candidates Brendan Hutchinson and Thea Neushul rose to the top, winning 30.39% and 27.21% of the vote, respectively. Scott Ball came third in the race with 22.54% of the vote, followed by Heidi Diaz with 18.97%.

Only 794 people voted in the IVRPD race, far below the 5,894 registered voters in Isla Vista. Ball earned just 47 votes less than Neushul, who won her

election bid. None of the candidates for IVRPD Board of Directors were available for

comment. Isla Vista Community Services

In a three-way race for two available seats, challenger Julia Barbosa failed to unseat incumbents IVCSD Board President Spencer Brandt and Director Jay Freeman. Brandt ended election night with the most votes at 42.08%, followed by Freeman with 30.9% of the vote and Barbosa with 26.25%. Barbosa is currently serving her term as Isla Vista Recreation & Park District Director, which is set to expire this December.

University of Santa Barbara secondyear environmental studies major and IVCSD candidate Olivia Craig won the two-year seat with 67.47% of the vote. Craig beat out Henry Sarria, an Isla Vista resident of over 35 years, who received 32.21% of the vote.

Craig's victory comes after extensive over a month, she told the Nexus. She also received an endorsement from the Santa Barbara County Democratic

"The only campaign funding I had was \$250 from the Santa Barbara Women's Political Committee. Besides that it was volunteers and people who were taking the time to speak to me, and that was incredible," Craig said.

Craig attributed her win to her campaigning efforts and student status, with the appeal of a student voice in local government galvanizing the student vote.

"I think that when I go out and I knock on doors and I tell people that I'm running [for IVCSD], and they see someone who looks like them, that is something that gathers support - the fact that I'm a student," Craig said

Craig and Sarria both voiced disappointment in the voter turnout.

"The only thing I'm disappointed about is there were only 791 ballots including mail-in," Sarria told the Nexus. "But people got out and voted, they voted their way, and I think that's a good thing.

Sarria praised Craig's strong campaign and offered his support in future endeavors.

"Ms. Craig is a wonderful candidate. She'll do fantastic with the job and whatever support she needs from me is there," Sarria said.

Freeman – a resident of I.V. since 1999 and one of the IVCSD'S original board directors - defended his IVCSD seat against challenger Julia Barbosa. Freeman underscored the closeness of the race, with only 42 votes separating him from Barbosa as of 2 p.m. on Wednesday.

"I don't think sometimes people realize how close these elections are. The difference between Julia and I was 42 votes," he said. "That's like, you get your friends together and go to the ballot and you can influence that."

Freeman said that the tight race

underlines the importance of voting canvassing and tabling on campus for in local elections, which often see less turnout and enthusiasm than national and statewide elections.

> "These are close elections because we have such little turnout. But because of that every vote matters," Freeman said. "So if you ever think that 'You know what, why am I bothering to vote it doesn't make any difference' - it

> really does." Spencer Brandt, IVCSD's other reelected four-year board member, won his election with 42.08% of the vote and said he was looking forward to continuing his work for the constituents

> "I'm really honored that it looks like I'll be reelected by the voters to continue to serve our community for four more years," Brandt said. "I'm excited to continue to work with my colleagues to improve Isla Vista, work with our partners to take on new pressing challenges like transportation and infrastructure, and continue working to make Isla Vista cleaner, safer and more sustainable."

> During his time campaigning for the seat, Brandt said voters reinforced the importance of political representation at a local level.

> "The things that I heard most from voters is that representation for our community matters. And what that really means is that students and residents need to be involved in our local government, they need to have a seat at the table to be able to effect change in our community," he said. Brandt attributed his victory

and similar election night wins for progressive candidates across the nation to younger, college-aged voters like the ones that reside in I.V.

"I think that in large part, that enthusiasm is driven by this generation of voters that live in Isla Vista that overwhelmingly are voting for progressive candidates. They're the ones that can take credit for really aiding the progressive candidates across the nation," Brandt said.

California Races

Governor

Gavin Newsom (D)	57.6%
Brian Dahle (R)	42.4%

Lieutenant Governor

Eleni Kounalakis (D)	57.7%
Angela Jacobs (R)	42.3%

Secretary of State

Shirley Weber (D)	58.0%
Rob Bernosky (R)	42.0%

Controller

Malia Cohen (D)	53.6%
Lanhee Chen (R)	46.4%

Treasurer

Fiona Ma (D)	53.6%
Jack Guerrero (R)	46.4%

Attorney General

Rob Bonta (D)	57.1%
Nathan Hochman (R)	42.9%

Insurance Commissioner

Ricardo Lara (D)	57.2%
Robert Howell (R)	42.8%

State Equalization Board Member, 2nd District

Ricardo Lara (D)	57.9%
Robert Howell (R)	42.1%

U.S. Senator, Full Term

Alex Padilla (D)	59.0%
Mark Meuser (R)	41.0%

U.S. Senator, Partial or **Unexpired Term**

Alex Padilla (D)	58.8%
Mark Meuser (R)	41.2%

State Superintendent of Public Instruction

Tony Thurmond	62.7%
Lance Christensen	27.2%

*Unofficial election results as of Nov. 9, with 100% precincts partially reporting. Visit dailynexus.com for the most current updates.

Amores eternos: Altar comunitario para celebrar el Día de los Muertos

Escrito por: Mari Villalpando - Ortega y Pricila Flores

Para honrar a nuestros queridos fallecidos, le preguntamos a nuestra comunidad si tienen a alguien a quien amaban y quisieran recordar en la celebración del Día de los Muertos. Nuestros corazones están con ellos y con todos los quienes han perdido a alguien importante. Durante estos tiempos es importante rodearse de personas amadas y La Vista honrará esa declaración con este altar de comunidad. Que descansen en paz.





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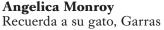
Gemma Sierra Recuerda a su tía Valentina Diaz

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Maely Lopez

Recuerda a su abuelo, Federico Sanchez

Cuando íbamos a México, mi familia y yo nos subíamos a vuelos tempranos para llegar allí alrededor de las 7 a.m. La única vez que vi a mi abuelo, o como lo conocí mi Papi Fede, cocinar, era cuando hacía sus papas. La única razón por la cual los hacía era porque supo lo cuánto que las amaba. Así que siempre me acuerdo de cuando pelaba las papas sentado en el sofá mientras que me acostaba miedo dormido. A veces desperte y lo vi pelando papas y supe que iba a hacer sus papas famosas. (Derecha)



En el día de los muertos también recordamos las vidas de nuestros amigos de cuatro patas. El se llamaba Garras, quisiera decirle que siempre la tengo en mi corazón y me hace mucha falta. Te quiero Garras.





Melissa Damacio Recuerda a Ramiro Damacio

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La declaración - emitida por unanimidad del departamento -

afirmó que la facultad de ciencias

políticas no tomará represalias contra los estudiantes licenciados

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estará trabajando para proteger

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muchos que son necesarios para

trabajar para quedarse en el país

"Insistamos a la universidad

legalmente.

comunidad intelectual."

Yang el noviembre 1.

Fatima Aguilar Recuerda a Marcos Aguilar (Izquierda)

Tres uniones de UC se alistan a empezar de noviembre

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Los trabajadores académicos de la Universidad de California se organizaron tras tres uniones - Investigadores Estudiantiles Unidos, UAW 5810 y UAW 2865 están preparados a empezar una huelga estatal colectiva el noviembre 14 tras los diez campuses de UC siguiendo el éxito de votos autorizando la

huelga. Una huelga vería los 48,000 trabajadores de UC organizados bajo Trabajadores de Auto Unidos - incluyendo maestros auxiliares, estudiantes de posgrado e investigadores académicos, trabajadores académicos estudiantiles y otros - detener su labor en la universidad.

Más de 36,500 trabajadores de UC votaron por la autorización de la huelga organizados por sus unidades respectivas, las cuales recorrieron desde octubre 26 a noviembre 2.

Los votos determinaron si los líderes de las uniones tendrán el poder de llamar una huelga sobre varias prácticas injustas de labor nivelaron contra la UC.

Las uniones anunciaron el noviembre 3 que el 98% de los que participaron en las elecciones votaron a autorizar la huelga.

Una huelga estatal está planificada para el noviembre 14 a menos que la UC remedié sus alegadas prácticas laborales injustas, la unión anunciaron el día siguiente.



Los trabajadores académicos de la Universidad de California se organizaron tras tres uniones - Investigadores Estudiantiles Unidos, UAW 5810 y UAW 2865 marchan en el campus escolar de UCSB.

adelante con su huelga o no, y que tan largo la huelga seguirá, depende de la universidad, candidato de doctorado en historia de cuarto año de UC Santa Barbara y maestra auxiliar Janna Haider, quien es también secretaria de registros de UAW

Ya sea que las uniones siguen 2865 en UCSB, le dijo al Nexus en una declaración.

"Hemos satisfecho nuestra obligación legal de notificar al empleador y estamos preparados para parar toda labor delineada en nuestro contrato el 14 de noviembre del 2022," dijo en su declaración. "Depende de la

universidad cuánto tiempo tarda esta huelga. Lo único que tienen que hacer es parar sus prácticas buena fe."

de trabajo injustas y negociar de La huelga planeada sigue meses de negociaciones entre

tres uniones y la UC, la cual

aún no se ha acordado con

declaración apoyando a los derechos de los trabajadores

alineadas con lo que la unión está buscando. El departamento de ciencias políticas de UCSB mandó una

estudiantiles a "participar en

actividades de huelga legales,

alojamiento y pagar policías

que tome todas las medidas para proteger a los estudiantes internacionales si hay una huelga, y nosotros mismos tomaremos todas las medidas en nuestro poder para proteger nuestros estudiantes internacionales. Responderemos a las

preocupaciones de los estudiantes universitarios de la disrupción en su educación con compasión mientras afirmando el derecho de los estudiantes licenciados para hacer una huelga para mejor salario," la declaración dijo.



Lamar Jackson shows his brilliance again as the Ravens put on a show against the Saints. Patrick Mahomes was as good as ever throwing the ball about as many times before his arm could fall off.

UCSB Athletics

UCSB dominace was on full display this weekend with success across the board. In soccer, the men's team advanced to the Big West Final. Men's and women's basketball opened with victories. Swimming took two victories in back-to-back meets.

UCSB men's, women's swimming outmatch UCSD, Pepperdine

Alex Levin Copy Editor

The UC Santa Barbara men's and women's swimming teams handily defeated UC San Diego on Nov. 5, with the men decimating the Tritons 187.5-74.5 and the women prevailing 134-128.

UCSB also faced off against Pepperdine University, and while the school does not have a men's swim team, the Gauchos beat Pepperdine's women's team by a commanding 221.5-39.5 final score.

The Tritons performed exceptionally well against UCSB in their last matchup both of UCSD's teams won by significant margins in 2021 but UCSB was determined to bounce back against their rival, and this year they did so in an impressive fashion.

"You can just tell by our record ... this year as compared to last year; we just came to win this year," sophomore Austin Sparrow said. "[UCSD is] also a very, very fast team and very competitive with us, but we wanted to show that we were the better team this year and hopefully [will be] for years to

While the team experienced a collection of individual successes throughout the meet, such as sophomore Matthew Driscoll and freshman Nina Statler's respective first-place finishes in the 50-yard freestyle, the team's triumphant relays are what ultimately secured a victory for the Gauchos.

Sparrow, Driscoll, junior Sean Gutowski and sophomore Justin Wong, won the men's 400-yard freestyle relay with a time of 3:00.51, in addition to Gutowski, Wong, Driscoll and senior Alec

200-yard medley relay.

freestyle relay, which placed first against the Tritons in 2021, was victorious for the secondstraight year. The group, consisting of Statler, sophomore Tyryn Empremsilapa, junior captain Reagan Nibarger and freshman Samantha Banos, finished with a 3:26.84 time, outswimming last year's relay by 4 seconds.

"Our relays have been really strong," Nibarger said. "We have a really big freshman class right now – they basically outnumber our returners - so it's been really, really fun to have a really strong women's team to race with and to be able to win those

"Our saying this year is 'only Gauchos beat Gauchos," she

who touches the wall, if it's and women are able to race The UCSB women's 400-yard me or a friend or any of my teammates. All that matters is that Gauchos are scoring points for the Gauchos."

Like most other collegiate sports teams, UCSB swimming requires a supportive, convivial team culture to be successful. One measure the organization takes to maintain a sense of camaraderie between swimmers is to combine the men's and women's practices, as opposed to keeping the two teams separate for training.

"A lot of practices on other collegiate teams are split between men and women ... but we don't do it like that," Nibarger said. "We have the women race the men, the men race the women and so on, and it's just a very strong and cheer on each other and encourage each other."

After Saturday's meet, the men's team holds a 2-0 record, while the women similarly stand at 2-1. With their respective strong starts to the season, both Gaucho teams will look to win the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation Swimming Championship (MPSF) later this season.

"The goal is always to win the [MPSF] conference," Sparrow said. "I'm really excited to see what [times] everyone goes at our upcoming midseason meet and then I know that however fast we go, it'll carry on to our conference meet."

The Gauchos' next meet is the Utah Tech Invite in St. George, Utah, which will take place from Nov. 16-19.



Cullen also placing first in the The UCSB swimmer begins her attempt in the backstroke event.

Men's soccer triumphs in double OT thriller, earns spot in Big West Final

Garret Harcourt Sports Editor

Saturday night saw the No. 2 seed Gauchos take on the No. Big West Semifinals. UC Santa second overtime and secured a

moving onto the Big West Finals.

The scoring was kicked off in the 28th minute, thanks to junior 3 UC Irvine Anteaters in the midfielder Nemo Philipp. After drawing multiple fouls in the Barbara broke through in the first half because of his reliable



The opposing goalie stops a through ball from midfield.

2-1 victory and is consequently to earn a free kick. The crafty in the regular season with UC lefty was able to set up and place the free kick from 23 yards out into the top right corner.

> In the 42nd minute of the match, the Gauchos had another great chance in the second half as senior defender Henry Davies forced a solid save out of the UC Irvine's goalkeeper, sophomore Luke Pruter.

Despite the Gauchos' success in the first half of the game, the Gauchos stumbled during the second. With much of the midfield being dominated by the Anteaters, they were able to control a majority of the possession. The Gauchos felt the absence of senior midfielder Sam Fletcher and subsequently weren't able to control the attacking third of the pitch.

After a slew of shots in the second half from UC Irvine, they were finally able to equalize in the 57th minute of the match. Outshooting the Gauchos 12-0 in the second half led to a breakthrough from graduate student forward Robert Mejia. A cross from sophomore midfielder Francesco Montanile was met with a powerful header from Mejia into the back of the net.

In the 62nd minute, UC Irvine sophomore midfielder Samuel Atiye took a shot from just outside the box that warranted a full-stretch save from the UCSB sophomore goalkeeper Leroy

Much like their first meeting

Irvine, UCSB gained the upper hand in the match before losing a majority of the possession. Unlike their first meeting, UC Irvine and UCSB weren't able to score again in regular time, forcing the match to go to overtime.

Just before the end of regulation, sophomore defender Caden Vom Steeg looked to be taken down inside the edge of the box, but UCSB was ultimately only awarded a corner kick for the Gauchos.

Finally, with just over a minute to spare in extra time, Vom Steeg sent in a cross from the right side of the field that took a flick from redshirt sophomore midfielder Lucas Gonzalez's head before deflecting into the back on the net off of a player on UC Irvine. In the final moments of the

game, UC Irvine sent in a cross that found the head of an Irvine player, but was easily held by Zeller in goal. A final kick from Zeller

ended the game and sent UCSB onto the finals of the Big West tournament. The Gauchos are looking to

repeat as champions and will have to go to UC Riverside to complete the task. UCSB last lost to the Highlanders on Oct. 29 to cede the Big West No. 1 seed. The Big West championship will take place at UC Riverside on Nov. 12 at 7 p.m.

Gauchos cruise through basketball openers

Garret Harcourt Sports Editor

The women's team got off to winning ways on the road against Santa Clara University, taking them down 73-61. The men's team opened their season in the Thunderdome, beating the San Francisco State Gators 75-59.

In the women's matchup, the Gauchos got off to a slow start, picking up their first points of the game two minutes in, a 3-pointer from junior guard Anya Choice. The first quarter remained back and forth until the Gauchos were able to go on a 5-0 run to end the period up 18-14.

The second period is where the lead grew as the Gauchos only allowed 10 points in the quarter, while extending their lead to 41-28. Senior center Ila Lane led the charge in the second quarter, scoring a team high of 7 points in the second quarter.

Following the second quarter, the third quarter produced much of the same results, as the Gauchos were able to go on another run and end the quarter with a 59-43 lead which they would hold until the end of the

The performer of the night was Lane, who dominated in the paint, putting up a double-double with 17 points and 11 rebounds. Even more impressive was Lane picking up 7 offensive rebounds and shooting above 50% from the field.

Off the bench, sophomore point guard Callie Cooper had an impressive all-around performance, having a team high of 2 steals, along with 6 points, 5 rebounds and 4 assists.

The squad will take on Pepperdine next on Nov. 10 at home for Fansgiving.

As for the men's team, they got off to a fast start in their matchup, going on an 11-0 run to start the game. Within the team's first 9 points there were four different starters to score for each of the

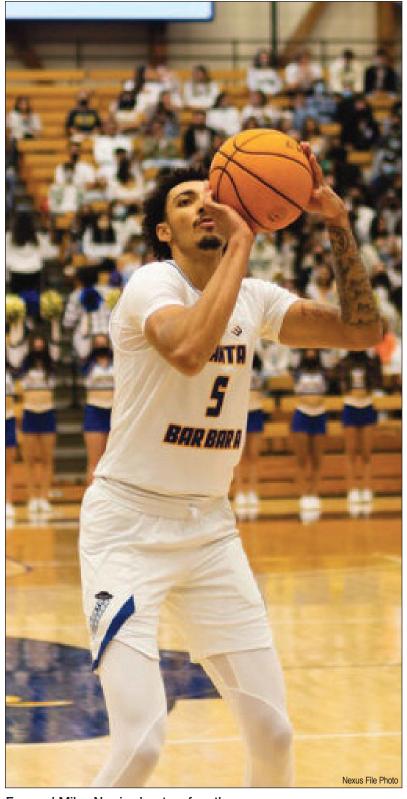
At the end of the first half the Gauchos were in a tight contest, leading by only a score of 32-27. At the 10-minute mark of the second half, the lead was cut to 56-53 in the Gauchos' favor. With eight minutes and 30 seconds remaining in the second half, the Gauchos went on a much-needed run, and extended their lead to 68-57 with five minutes and 12 seconds remaining in the game. The Gauchos' defense stepped up big in the end, allowing just 2 points in the closing five minutes of the game.

UC Berkeley transfer and graduate forward Andre Kelly started at the forward position and put on a dominant performance on the glass, securing 14 rebounds in the game.

Sophomore guard Cole Anderson is a player to look out for this season, putting up a game-high of 25 points to go with 50% shooting from the three-point line.

Returning starters, sophomore guard Ajay Mitchell and senior forward Miles Norris showed their experience on the court. Norris put up an efficient 21 points on 9-11 shooting. Mitchell had a rough shooting day going 3-10, but still had a major impact putting together a double-double

with 10 assists and 10 points. There will be room for improvement for the Gauchos as the bench only managed to score 4 points on 1-5 shooting. They will have a quick turnaround as they will take on the 1-0 Fresno State on Nov. 11 in Santa Cruz.



Forward Miles Norris shoots a free throw.

IS DÉJÀ VU A GLITCH IN THE MATRIX?

Olivia Teague Staff Writer

Chances are, you've experienced déjà vu - French for "already seen" - at some point in your life. Maybe you've heard a friend say something you've sworn they've said before or you've come across a place that seems eerily circumstances, the sensation otherworldly in some cases.

In many cultures, déjà vu is perceived as spiritual in nature. be a premonition, while others they had already lived through these feelings are misplaced.

memory events."

researchers

itself. These decision-making O'Connor said. regions will then check whether or not this signal is accurate. As O'Connor would argue, "If you have actually been in that place before, you may try harder to retrieve more memories. If not, a déjà vu realisation can occur."

It's true our understanding of déjà vu is limited, simply because it's so difficult to study familiar. Regardless of the in a laboratory. The good news: O'Connor has determined that can feel unsettling, or even this memory illusion isn't a sign of an unhealthy brain. In fact, it suggests quite the opposite. When déjà vu takes place, the Some believe the experience to frontal regions of the brain attempt to correct an inaccurate suspect it to represent a moment memory, which prevents you from misremembering events. in a past life. Despite lacking a This indication of good health have also

topic, what actually happens in the brain during déjà vu remains unknown. According O'Connor and Chris Moulin, competing theories suggest the phenomenon occurs when the temporal lobe feeds the brain's frontal regions signals that a past experience is repeating

So, why else might some people experience phenomenon more than others? With an estimated two-thirds of people, as reported by Richard Redgard of the University of Skovde, Sweden, in good health having some form of déjà vu during their lifetime, there's no doubt it's a common experience. However, according to a paper by Alan Brown of Southern Methodist University, an increased likelihood of experiencing this "glitch" in the brain can be attributed to stress and fatigue, which often cause an imbalance of neural circuitry. When taken together, certain pharmaceutical drugs been found,

Finnish researchers Tero Alan S. Brown and Elizabeth J. Taiminen and Satu K. Jääskeläinen, to induce déjà vu. Additionally, according to research by professors Charlotte Warren-Gash and Adam Zeman from Peninsula College of Medicine and Dentistry and University of Exeter on epileptic patients, this phenomenon is particularly common among individuals with temporal-lobe epilepsy. That said, while frequent déjà vu may indicate seizures, this is considered rare.

In 2010, the "Psychology of Motivation and Learning" journal published a study, produced by researchers

Marsh, in which three potential mechanisms were suspected of triggering déjà vu.

The first mechanism, split perception, is thought to cause the phenomenon when an individual briefly glances at an object or scene just prior to giving it a fully aware look. Authors of this study suspect the first input experience may involve shallow processing, so one's perception is "split into two parts and appears to be eerily duplicated."

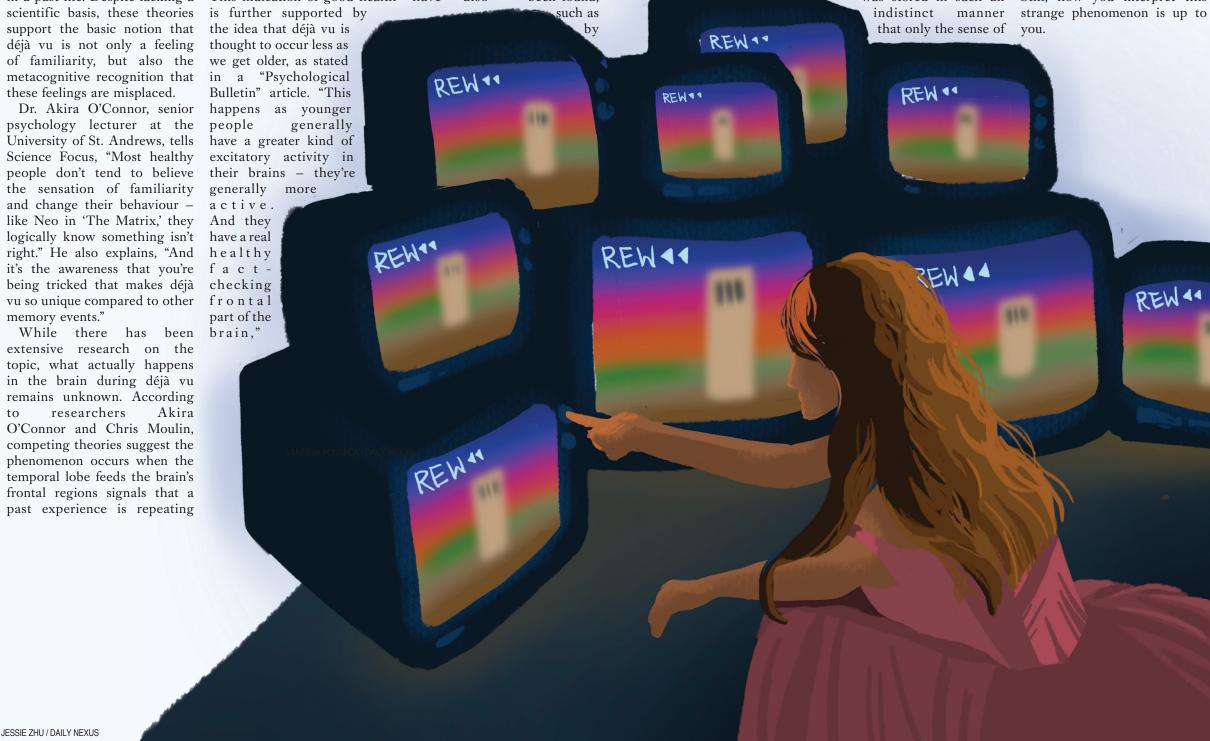
A second mechanism specified in the study is implicit memory, in which an individual has indeed experienced a prior

setting before, but the memory

familiarity is restored. The third mechanism,

gestalt familiarity, specifies that the present setting "closely resembles something experienced before in outline but not in specifics." So, while implicit memory may indicate part of a larger scene feeling familiar, gestalt familiarity suggests the larger scene, itself, feels familiar even when the specifics do not.

Although déjà vu remains somewhat of a mystery, contemporary neuroscience research proposes this phenomenon is not a glitch in the matrix, but rather, a temporary glitch in the way we encode things as memories. was stored in such an Still, how you interpret this



ShakeAlert warning system proves effective during recent Bay Area earthquake

Olivia Talley Staff Writer

San Francisco Bay Area residents were shaken by a 5.1 magnitude earthquake that struck about 12 miles east of San Jose, two weeks ago on Oct. 25. The quake, which occurred at 11:42 a.m., did not cause any injuries or damage to property, according to local officials. Seismologist Lucy Jones, who has a doctorate in geophysics, said in a tweet that it was the largest earthquake to hit the Bay Area since August 2014, when a 6.0 magnitude earthquake rocked Napa.

Through the U.S. Geological Survey's (USGS) "Did You Feel It?" questionnaire, people who felt shaking were able to report what they felt, when and where. The USGS concluded in a tectonic summary the earthquake occurred on the Calaveras fault, which runs to the east of its better known

neighbor, the Hayward fault. The compiled responses showed that most residents shaking, and maps of the survey responses showed that the earthquake was felt as far south as Salinas and as far north as San Rafael.

These reports helped seismologists better understand the impacts of the earthquake with the sheer abundance of data they collected. In fact, since its launch, the USGS estimates that almost 1 million people have used it to share how they experienced an earthquake.

The shaking didn't come out of the blue for some residents who received ShakeAlerts in the moments before they felt it. These alerts come from the earthquake early warning system that was developed in California, Oregon and Washington in partnership with the USGS and multiple he received an alert "about 5-10 research universities along the West Coast.

The USGS ShakeAlerts website explains that the damage from an earthquake comes from the seismic waves, or S-waves, which propagate out

from an earthquake's epicenter.

experienced light to moderate However, early warning and detection systems pick up on the P-waves, which propagate faster than S-waves and are often harmless, to estimate where an earthquake is and how intense it'll be.

> Networks of sensors across the West Coast can now use and process this data so fast that hospitals, utility and military facilities, first responders, and the general public have valuable time to prepare for shaking moments before it happens.

> On Oct. 25, many residents were warned via cell phone notifications. According to USGS officials, these came through like Amber Alerts for some, and through an app called MyShake for others. One Berkeley resident tweeted that seconds before the shaking reached us."

> A day after the earthquake, the Oregon Hazards Lab at the University of Oregon reported that over 2.1 million people were alerted. These early-alert

> systems were rolled out on the

West Coast in 2018 in California. Since then they have continued to grow in sophistication, implementing techniques like machine learning to improve accuracy and have expanded to reach more and more people.

The warning programs like the ShakeAlerts and reporting methods, like the "Did You Feel It?" survey, are creating a vital back-and-forth between scientists and the public. This will improve both the scientific understanding and the public's safety during a seismic event in coming years.

Improving understanding of seismic activity is increasingly important in California because earthquakes are a serious risk here. The USGS conducted a study called the Uniform California Earthquake Rupture Forecast 3, which tried to predict the likelihood of major earthquakes in California in the near future. The worst case scenario describes a magnitude 8.0 earthquake or greater – it's

often referred to as the "Big

One" - and scientists, first

responders and the public have begun to prepare.

In 2015, seismologists at UC Berkeley found that the Hayward fault is in fact a branch of the Calaveras fault and could potentially cause larger earthquakes because of it.

The Berkeley seismologists calculated that there's about a 30% chance the Hayward fault could produce a magnitude 6.7 quake or greater in the next 26

They explain that because the fault extends south and connects with the larger San Andreas fault in Hollister, if an earthquake were to rupture that far south the impact could be much larger.

The famed San Andreas fault, which forms the boundary between the North American and Pacific continental plates, stretches the length of the state and presents risks to both Northern and Southern California. It produced the Loma Prieta earthquake in 1989, whose 33rd anniversary just

passed on Oct. 17.

It presents seismic risk for Santa Barbara as well. The Santa Ynez fault system, which intersects the San Andreas fault east of Santa Barbara, has produced major earthquakes in the past. The most notable was in 1925, and at approximately 6.8 magnitude, it killed 13 people, according to the Southern California Earthquake Data Center at Caltech (SCEDC). The SCEDC estimates the fault is capable of producing between 6.5 and 7.5 magnitude earthquakes, which could impact Santa Barbara, Santa Ynez and the surrounding areas. To get ready for the "Big One"

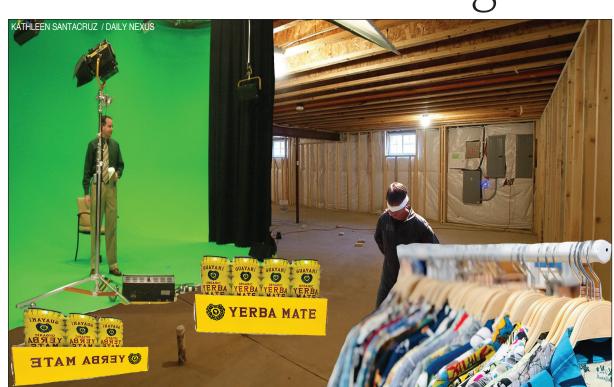
or another major earthquake, the USGS advises residents of the West Coast to prepare an earthquake kit if possible and make a plan with family and friends for how to communicate in case of a disaster.

Wireless Emergency Alerts (like Amber Alerts) are a service that delivers notifications when an earthquake is detected, and the MyShake app is available on the App Store or Google Play.

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It's Satire, Stupid.

Breaking: Hot Ticket UCSB Thanks for bringing your holding group of average moms this weekend holding group of average white men hostage



Theresa Harris-Olson Taylor True Criminal

In a recent raid upon a Goleta family home, it was revealed that nine, reportedly "painfully average-looking" white men were being held hostage in a

cellar-turned-VSCO hangout. "It was truly a disturbing site to see," leading detective Gemma Rodriguez explained. "They were using their thrifted pants - that were luckily multiple sizes too big - to retain body heat."

Upon completing a thorough combover of the room, it was determined that the only items the young men were left with to occupy themselves with were a few Tech Decks and a stick-and-poke kit.

"Oh, it was absolutely Rodriguez described, they weren't even allowed their Sony headphones." Upon inquiring about what the worst part of their nightmarish reality was,

it was revealed that the young men's ruthless captor was none other than @hotticket_ucsb.

@hotticket_ucsb is a popular Instagram account because the admin believed amongst UC Santa Barbara students, featuring the selfproclaimed "finest fits" that a wistful Brent explained. UCSB students are spotted flaunting at the Arbor. Once @hotticket_ucsb was brought into police custody, the admin calmly explained the reasoning behind their hostage situation. looking most forward to when didn't notice if we posted the same underwhelming white Bull brand ambassador" or man multiple times, so we even "continuing my local DJ really latched onto this business model." Upon exploring the said. "From what Detective to Rodriguez that these green now," Bacon said. screens were used to construct Arbor backdrops and that the merely being superimposed onto these backdrops.

"Every morning, we were given a keg of Yerba mate to share and consume in order to 'perk up for the shoot,' it could reverse the effects of extreme sun deprivation," "Then, we were given our Sony headphones back for 10, precious minutes, or the typical duration of the shoot."

When asked what they are "Early on, we realized that, for returning to normal life, they whatever reason, our audience had answers like "launching my startup," "becoming a Red career."

"We at the Goleta Police cellar-turned-VSCO hangout Department are thrilled where the young men were these young men are free to held captive, multiple green express themselves and share horrible," the Goleta Chief screens were found. Brent, one themselves with this vibrant of Police Owen K. Bacon of the nine victims, explained community on their own terms

> Theresa Harris-Olson Taylor Caucasian youngsters were recently learned that the Goleta Police Department has 1.9 stars on Google reviews.

Isaiah Rashad gave me COVI

Inma Hole Sick

Hello, outside-worlders. I am coming to you live from my fifth day of quarantine madness. You might be saying to yourself, "A COVID piece? In November of 2022?" to which I respond: Fuck you. I'm sick, you have to be nice to me. Like any God-fearing Gaucho, I went to Delirium over Halloweekend and I had the time of my decrepit 21-year-old life. The speakers were blaring, the crowd was jumping, but alas, so were the germs. I thought that if I pretended COVID-19 didn't exist that I would be safe, but my vaccines and boosters weren't enough to keep me from

(While I'm here I have another thing to say about that night. TALL MEN NEED TO STOP GATEKEEPING ISAIAH RASHAD. They just stood at the front, unmoving, like troops protecting their leader. No wonder the entire crowd was jumping, we were just trying to see the stage over your big

her tight grasp.

WHY AM I SO SICK! **PLEASE** RELEASE ME **FROM** THIS

HELL

fucking heads!)

Anyway, the energy that I thought was the bone-rattling bass running through my body turned out to really be Miss Rona, creeping her way into my soul and ruining my life. I have been stuck in my room for the last week, making the worst decisions imaginable out of boredom. I deleted Twitter because I hate Elon Musk. I texted an old friend I hadn't talked to in two years. I redownloaded Twitter because I have a crippling social media addiction. I got ghosted by said friend and felt really sad. It's been a rollercoaster ride and I blame Rashad. It just goes to show: The most talented and popular people are always out to get us. Stay vigilant, Gauchos, or you'll end up like me. Here I am, six days later and still testing positive. Who knows what I might do next? Oh wait, hold on, I'm getting a call from my ex.

Inma Hole thinks anyone who went to Delirium should probably get tested for COVID-19 and STDs.



Fart Tent Horny

Every year, we are blessed with a wonderful campus holiday here at UCSB. While it's not celebrated nationwide, or even written on everybody's calendar, it is a holiday I cherish with all my heart. This year, I especially want to thank everyone who invited their mom for Parents' Weekend, and I want to assure you that we had a lovely time together last night.

"Hi sweetie!! I'm going to be in an article!!!" your mom said when I interviewed her after our long, long night together. Weekend!"

followed by beautiful mothers just about all of your moms. I rest of you

that are surely pestered by their smelly children. I feel bad for them as I watch them pursue the sweatshirt choices at the Campus Store, especially when I watch their dumb little college student rushing them through the aisles. Personally, I would let your mom take as long as she'd like in any store, and I'd of course pay for whatever she wanted. It would be my treat. This is just one of the few things I would love to do so that your mom starts to feel like the queen she is. Getting to even be in their presence has lit my heart with joy.

I've been especially honored "I can't wait for next Parents' this time with Parents' Weekend, as I so happened to recently Wandering around campus come into some new particularly this weekend has been a nice con versation starters blessing. Everywhere I go I am that worked like a charm on warmed up for months before this weekend practicing in the mirror, to ensure that I was ready and able to approach even the baddest moms (your mom) at the function.

"What's up ladies," I'd start, "I like your boobs - I mean ...

That got me a kiss like, every time. While I do appreciate the love I get from your moms, in a way, I have started to envy you. It's not everyday you get to say you gained a stepmother, especially one as magnificent as myself. Anyways, go ahead and clean your room for me, and make sure to finish your homework before 8 p.m., or I better not see you on any video

Fart Tent won't leave any for the

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Spice up your breakfast rotation with shakshuka

Abigail Monti Staff Writer

Are you tired of eating avocado and eggs on toast every morning? Are you bored of bland breakfast staples like pancakes and cereal? Are you constantly telling your housemates you want to try cooking new things? Even if you answered "no" to all of these questions, I'm still going to tout this shakshuka recipe because I promise it will raise your quality of life after just one bite.

Originally North African, yet often claimed as Israeli due to mid-20th century migration, shakshuka is a dish with poached eggs in a sweet and tangy tomato sauce. In recent years, social media has begun popularizing shakshuka in Western countries, too. While not many restaurants nearby serve this unique dish, shakshuka is made with kitchen staples and takes less than 30 minutes to whip up, meaning cooks of any skill level are guaranteed to succeed.

I first tried making shakshuka based on the popularized New York Times recipe, but I have gradually tweaked it to fit my preference: My version is individually sized, more heavily spiced and features spinach. Though I prefer serving it for breakfast, this vegetarian dish can also be eaten for lunch or dinner. My personal favorite pairing is shakshuka and sourdough bread, but in a pinch, wheat or white bread - or even a bagel - can act as the perfect vessel. Trust me, there's nothing homier than the lively, sweet aroma of this gorgeous dish. Do yourself a favor and spice up your breakfast rotation with

Ingredients:

- 1/2 cup yellow onion, sliced
- 1/2 cup red bell pepper, julienned
- 1 can crushed tomatoes
- 2 cups baby spinach
- 1/3 cup crumbled feta • 3 garlic cloves, minced
- 4 eggs
- 1 tablespoon paprika
- 1 teaspoon cumin
- 3/4 teaspoon salt 1/4 teaspoon pepper
- A dash of ground cayenne
- 1 tablespoon olive oil

Directions:

- 1. Heat the olive oil in a large skillet. Once the oil is hot, toss in the bell pepper and onion, and sauté until the onions are tender and browned. Add in the garlic and cook for another minute until fragrant.
- 2. Pour in the canned tomatoes and season with salt, pepper, cumin, paprika and cayenne. Bring to a simmer, then mix in the spinach. Cook until the spinach has wilted.
- 3. Make four small wells in the sauce, and gently crack an egg into each one. Cover with a lid and simmer for 7-8 minutes until the eggs have been cooked through.
- Remove the lid and remove the pan from the heat. Sprinkle with feta and serve warm!



Serve your shakshuka skillet with your bread of choice, or even a bagel.

The flavor is: Naan Stop



Paneer tikka masala with garlic naan from Naan Stop.

Pihu Jain Reporter

Coming to UC Santa Barbara, I never expected to find – let alone stumble upon – an Indian restaurant so close to campus. Late at night within the first week of moving in, sitting under the harsh glow of the Rosarito sign, I suddenly found myself back at home: sizzling garlic naan in the oven, bubbling paneer butter masala in the pot, transported by a smell so familiar to my nose that suddenly bombarded me. I watched two people walk by with stacked styrofoam containers and a familiar foil shape on top, and instinctively knew what they had just ordered.

On the other end of the complex housing Rosarito, in a small, unassuming building with no flashy lights or hubbub, I desserts - the usual that I expected - but I was surprised by the selection of drinks. limit their beverage options to the quintessential options: lassi, masala chai, water and perhaps soda. But boba tea? It was outside of their niche. Yet Naan Stop

offers a variety of boba teas, including, but not limited to: Thai tea, green tea and snow bubble. Still, I opted for the classic mango lassi, which was a little thicker and more yogurty than expected but not unpleasant in the slightest, since the freshness of the mango carried through every small sip.

The serving style resembles Chipotle, with the option of assembling a rice bowl or combo plate with assorted curries on display to the customer. Alternatively, diners can simply order a curry itself to accompany a bread of their choice.

That night, I was told the full menu was off the table. I was only slightly disappointed that their extensive menu was reduced to the eight colorful curries before my eyes. However, this made the decision-making process a lot found Naan Stop: Indian Food easier, since I knew beforehand & Boba Tea. Their menu offers what each curry looked like a tremendous variety of fried and smelled like, and I could entrees, curries, breads, Indian imagine myself ordering it. I immediately gravitated toward the paneer tikka masala, a creamand-tomato-based Indian curry Typically, Indian restaurants with a nutty fullness and soft cubes of cottage cheese. I found the curry to be more watery in consistency than I was used to, but not at a cost to flavor. Other curry options the restaurant

typically offers include chicken tikka masala, chana masala, lamb korma and fun Western varieties catering to the locale, such as shrimp tikka masala.

As a vegetarian, I never once felt alienated throughout my visit. Naan Stop caters to all diets in full: Vegetarians, non-vegetarians and vegans alike can find ease in ordering here. Even various spice levels can be managed. What I missed from back home the most were my green chilis and hot sauce. Here, the bread options ranged from the classic naan bread, aloo paratha and roti, to cheese naan, garlic naan and the ultimate combo that I ended up choosing: chili garlic naan. The kick was undeniable. Furthermore, while the menu items don't clearly indicate if there are nuts or common allergens in the dishes, asking the staff can satisfy any questions on

I left a little less homesick that night, the rich paneer, soft, pillowy naan and thick mango lassi a memory on my lips that I knew would lure me back every weekend - all at a cost under \$20. If you're looking for relatively affordable and aromatic Indian curries with multicultural deviations to surprise, make Naan Stop your next stop.

that matter.

"Medium Raw:" A Memoir by Anthony Bourdain

Max Yim Reporter

Published in 2010, "Medium Raw" accounts the late Anthony Bourdain's journeys in a series of confessions, criticisms and interviews of some of the most contentious figures in the culinary world. "Medium Raw" gives the reader an insightful and mature perspective of the industry while still maintaining the brutal honesty and vividity that makes his writing so engaging.

"Medium Raw" opens with a secret dinner party of the top culinary minds akin to a James Bond movie where they consume the highly illegal ortolan, an outlawed French songbird delicacy, showcasing Bourdain's candor and dedication to the truth, which runs through the entire novel. Few culinary authors would have the audacity to willingly expose the secrets and idiosyncrasies that make the restaurant industry what it is; Bourdain enlightens the reader with rich travels, blood-sucking journalists, bad meat and so much more, all without sugarcoating. His love and respect for the

industry are apparent throughout

prevents romanticizing it at the same time. In the

chapter "So You Wanna Be a Chef," Bourdain informs readers about what it actually takes to be a chef and the physical and mental tolls that chefs undergo daily, crushing many dreams in the process. Bourdain isn't actively deterring anyone from being a honest. And while some readers may dislike his strong voice, I find it refreshing to read.

One of my favorite quotes is his explanation of the "Grandma rule," in which he explains, "You may not like Grandma's Thanksgiving turkey. It may be overcooked and dry - and her stuffing salty and studded with rubbery pellets of

extreme. You may not even like turkey at all. But it's Grandma's turkey. And you are in Grandma's house. So shut the fuck up and eat it." Bourdain knows how to entertain with his writing, and within "Medium Raw," there is rarely a dull moment.

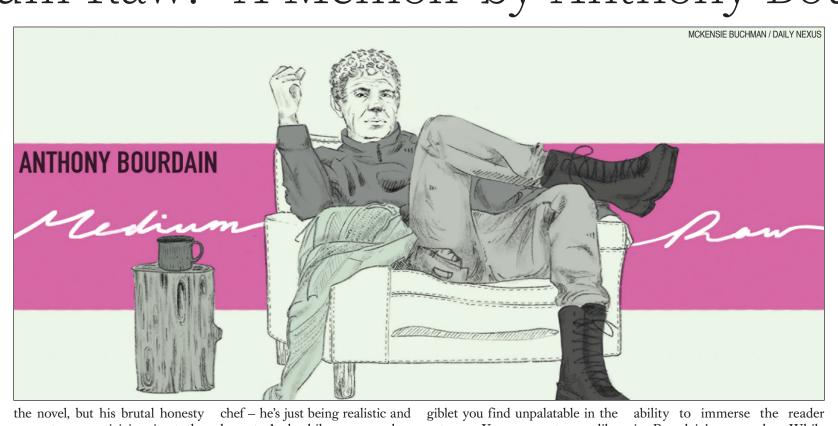
The hallmark of "Medium Raw," in my opinion, is its

ability to immerse the reader in Bourdain's escapades. While reading, I found myself in Bourdain's shoes: interviewing David Chang, eating oysters and pearls at The French Laundry or slurping down pho on the streets of Hanoi; this is the power of his descriptive writing. On multiple occasions, I got up and grabbed

something to eat because reading

of the yakitori in Shinjuku, the pastrami on Houston street and the pain aux raisins of Paris all made me insatiably hungry. One of the best chapters I've ever read was literally about cutting fish – to be fair, it was at a Michelin Star restaurant – but I digress; he wrote 20 pages about someone cutting fish, and I never lost a bit of interest. The supposedly mundane task of fileting fish is transformed into a detailed account of someone's livelihood and the various specifications and mannerisms that are undertaken. Bourdain takes nonfiction, a genre typically not known for its expressive capabilities (trust me, I'm a history major), and paints a vivid, riveting picture of the culinary world that never fails to capture your attention. If you have any interest in

the culinary arts, whether you're a full-on foodie or just getting started, I strongly recommend this book to you. Bourdain's writing is for everyone and, sure, it may help to know a little French, but that won't stop you from enjoying "Medium Raw." If you decide to pick up "Medium Raw," I hope that you will be as deeply enthralled in Bourdain's adventures as I was.



ARISWEEK

Staying up past midnight with Taylor Swift

Co-Copy Chief

In her 10th studio album, "Midnights," Taylor Swift takes a step back from reinventing her image in the present and instead shifts to reflecting on the past. Her introspective angle invites listeners to join her on a contemplating - and at some points self-loathing – journey.

Early in October, the singersongwriter took TikTok by storm with an unconventional tracklist reveal for "Midnights" by releasing track titles at, well, midnight. Swift admits to having a "habit of dropping cryptic clues and Easter eggs." She is not here to "deny" such claims but rather to "defy" them with the new series she dubs, "Midnights Mayhem With Me." In typical Swift fashion, Swift completes the series 13 nights before the official album drop, which was on Oct. 21. The artist incorporates the number 13 in her work often because "whenever a 13 comes

up in [her] life, it's a good thing." The new album, "a collection of music written in the middle of the night, a journey through terrors and sweet dreams," as described by Swift, returns to her previous autobiographical approach, which the singer had strayed from with albums "Folklore" and "evermore." Swift's lyrical artistry proves her ability to display a wide range of emotions, and her discography remarkably covers many music genres, as the singer-songwriter has dabbled in country, pop, indie and even soft rock. This distinction has earned Swift both praise and criticism for her groundbreaking work and

trendsetting pattern. Meanwhile, "Midnights" separates from the precedent approach, Swift sasses the an old love if she had stayed, she set by Swift's other genreconforming albums. Instead, the collection bounces around, embracing an array of references to her previous work. The album is meant to show us the whatifs and the what-could-havebeens. Swift relives moments at a crossroad. Life may work out in the present moment, but what if she had made another small yet monumental choice?

The album begins with the track "Lavender Haze," a phrase which represents an "all-encompassing love glow." Singing over a synth pop beat, Swift expresses from the get-go that she is not here for any of that "1950s shit they want" from her.

Swift illustrates the feeling of love again in the highly anticipated collaboration with Lana Del Rey in "Snow On The Beach (feat. Lana Del Rey)." This time, the two explore the rarity of true love. The track itself is very Lana-esque; "Weird, but fuckin' beautiful" has Del Rey written all over it. It would have been nice to hear more of Del Rey's signature melodic voice. She undoubtedly adds another eerie dimension to the song, and it's not hyperbole to say the track would be incomplete without Del Rey's backing vocals. She brings a depth to the song that Swift would not be able to achieve on her own. Another landscape, perhaps like the "aurora borealis green" mentioned, would be more conducive for snow, but instead, Swift and Del Rey choose to set the scene at the beach, a place typically seen as tropical and warm. Like "snow on the beach," true love is not impossible, and

that's the beauty of it all. In a more confrontational After reconsidering the fate of

media with "Karma," a track that emulates more of her dramatic lyricism reminiscent of the "reputation" album and boasts over-the-top synths. She warns those who indulged in watching her downfall that "it's coming back around." The tables have turned - or they will, at least. In the meantime, Swift acknowledges her cats and her boyfriend, Joe Alwyn, who both play integral characters in her snappy comeback: "Cause karma is my boyfriend ... karma is a cat / Purring in my lap 'cause it loves me." "Vigilante Shit" and "Bejeweled" - three and two tracks before "Karma," respectively - run parallel to the fuck-around-and-find-out attitude.

On the flip side, the track "Anti-Hero" earns the privilege of being the insecurity anthem of the album. Swift dubs it "one of [her] favorite songs [she's] ever written." She thinks "it's really honest," thereby reaffirming that honesty and reflection are the hallmarks of this album, and the other songs follow suit.

While morphed vocals in "Midnight Rain" echo the melody of "1989" song "All You Had to Do Was Stay," the lyrics take on a new perspective of a similar story. The previous song had chastised a lover for not staying and instead leaving her behind, but in "Midnight Rain," she's the one doing the leaving. After the release of her fifth studio album, "1989," Swift was undeniably catapulted into stardom, and she admits her prioritization of her career: "He wanted a bride, I was making my own name / Chasing that fame, he stayed the same."

concludes that "we all get / Just what we wanted ... And [she] never think[s] of him / Except on midnights like this." That line, right there, is the whole point of the album.

following The 'Question...?" references "Out of the Woods," another "1989" song, with the intro, "I remember." Swift also makes the connection through color, declaring that the "rest of the world was black and white / But we were in screaming color" in the earlier song, and revitalizing the theme in "Question...?" with "Before you painted all my nights / A color I've searched for since." Swift's references to her old styles is one of her strong suits, and she capitalizes on it at the core of this album. The rest of the lyrics continue to mirror each other, framed in questions that allude to the failure of a relationship. Both songs ask questions that Swift doesn't have answers to, so it looks like we won't be getting answers any time soon either.

What we do get – three hours after the album release - is "Midnights (3am Edition)," which contains seven bonus tracks. Just like her "From The Vault" tracks, Swift decides to gift us with more songs that almost made the album. They, of course, show the same wistful side of Swift. "Would've, Could've, Should've" stands out among the tracks, as it takes another angle on her midnight fantasies. Swift admits, "I wish you'd left me wondering / If you never touched me, I would've / Gone along with the righteous." She laments her girlhood, taken by a regretful relationship. She doesn't need to play out a what-if scenario for



this song; she already knows the

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ending, and she doesn't like it. The contemplative style is balanced with the more intimate "Sweet Nothing," co-written by Alwyn. Swift paints a picture with a mundane yet affectionate anecdote, singing about a poem she wrote. In response, Alwyn supposedly responds, "What a mind." The twinkling notes combined with the quotidian lyrical word choice describe her day-to-day life. If all the other songs contemplate alternate timelines, "Sweet Nothing" encapsulates the current one Swift is on – and she seems to be perfectly content with that

outcome. "Mastermind" continues the same train of thought from "Sweet Nothing" but more like a precursor to the love story. Swift claims to be a "mastermind," orchestrating the whole affair from the beginning. She starts

to sound remorseful, almost as if there would be no relationship without her meddling. Swift then adds a twist in the last chorus. Her lover has actually seen through her ploys: "You knew the entire time / You knew that I'm a mastermind." In the last track, Swift's desire to be seen and accepted culminates into the ending of a reverie and the album; her life is a dream come true. "Mastermind" leaves "Midnights" - and us - on a satisfactory note.

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At the end of the day, we still find ourselves staying up in the middle of night rethinking our choices in those pivotal moments. We can't restart our stories like one of those chooseyour-own-adventure books; there are no redos. We just sit there watching the clock hit midnight and wonder about the

life that could've been. Rating: 8/10

Dead Set awakens Isla Vista with '70s rock



In early 2022, Dead Set performed at Concert for the Coast, held in Anisq'Oyo' Park.

Stella Mullin Reporter

Voted "Best of I.V. Bands" last year by the Daily Nexus, Dead Set encapsulates the image of iconic rock band, the Grateful Dead, with their uniquely Americana sound rising out of packed backyards and into the Isla Vista night. Girls in white skirts and guys in tie-dye tees dot their crowds, and the barefoot fans spinning on stage capture that carefree '70s feeling.

Dead Set vocalist and rhythm guitarist Cassidy Fragakis and drummer Gavin Mentz discussed their perspectives on the Grateful Dead and their experiences within the I.V. music scene with the Nexus. Fragakis - named after the canonical Bob Weir (the Grateful Dead founder)

song "Cassidy" - was raised

listening to the band, and Mentz discovered their unmistakable sound after hearing the early '70s classic "He's Gone." From there, they were hooked.

The band played their first show in the fall 2021, brought together by one of the guitarists, Justin Memenas. Dead Set has since gained, lost and replaced members, but the core group has stayed the same - living up to their Grateful Dead heritage. With band members constantly cycling through, familiar faces have shifted from instrument to instrument. Fragakis, who was originally only the vocalist, now plays the guitar.

"I took over the role of rhythm guitar. I'm not really sure what it's going to look like when [Memenas] gets back, but for right now, I am the rhythm

guitar," Fragakis said.

Some members of Dead Set are studying abroad this quarter, which has made room for new musicians to lend their own take on the band's sound.

"[Memenas] has been the lead guitarist and now he's been abroad for two months and we've had a different lead guitarist come in - his name is Jordan [Russo] – and [they] definitely [have] two different styles of playing," Fragkis said. "Jordan has more bluesy licks to him, and Justin is way more psychedelic and loose."

If there's one thing to know about the Grateful Dead, it's that their music is improvisational at its core, more akin to jazz than psychedelic rock. Three minutes of lyrics turn into 20-minute songs, solely because of Jerry Garcia's iconic guitar lead treating

your ears between choruses.

song, but there are moments to

"In the ethos of the Grateful Dead, we try to jam," Mentz said. Jamming is what the Grateful Dead does best. It's difficult to put the Grateful Dead into a genre, but anything they do is an exploration of music itself. From rock to folk to country to blues, the Dead expands across almost all eras of music – the psychedelic and saloon country sounds being Mentz's favorite and the Garcia ballads ("Stella Blue," "China Doll," "Peggy-O" and "Ripple")

being Fragakis' favorites. "[The Grateful Dead] have so many hands in different pockets. They play so much different stuff. And so does Jerry. And every member has their little things -

it's like a web," Mentz said. On the topic of Garcia and members of the band, Fragakis and Mentz had their hypothetical pick on a member to eat lunch with. Over the 11 members that cycled through the band, Fragakis chose guitarist Garcia, while Mentz opted for drummer Bill Kreutzmann.

"I would have lunch and then guitar lesson," Fragakis said. "That's like the classic answer, but I think I would honestly want a guitar lesson from Jerry."

"I would probably hang out with Billy, the drummer. I would just geek out with him about drum stuff and where his mind is. He's crazy, he's such a good drummer. Billy's way cooler [than Mickey Hart]," Mentz added.

The Dead lives on in people's perceptions of music, and when their music is replayed it reflects whoever is playing it. Fragakis

spoke on this, saying, "The cool

thing about the Grateful Dead

expression and interpretation of the music, so it's easier to add

I asked Fragakis how students wanting to join a band can get involved. The answer: "If you hear music just walk in and be like 'Let's jam."

"Joel [Jaffe] ... the original bassist for Dead Set ... started playing [when] he heard [the band Happy Medium practicing next door and he hopped the fence and was like, 'Hey, guys, can I play bass?" Fragakis said.

Jaffe now plays bass for multiple I.V. bands.

"There's so much music happening in Isla Vista and there's so many talented musicians that aren't playing that should be playing," Mentz said.

"I think anything blocking you from taking the step into playing music with other people and starting a band and playing a show - those are all mental blocks. You just have to take that step and put yourself out there a little more than what's comfortable and you'll figure it out. And the reward is unreal. Playing music is the best feeling I've ever felt," Mentz continued.

Mentz added that once you find the group of people to play with, you should make music with love: "We're all really good friends. I love everyone in the band so much. When you approach making music with love, things get figured out and you don't hold grudges. You do it one way or you do it another way and if it's not your way you let it go." Fragakis and Mentz not only

write their own music.

play for Dead Set, but they also

"We've spoken about maybe

@deadsetlive for

Dead Set is no different. They music is even though it's a cover playing as the Dead Set group have a general roadmap for each song, each cover band has its own but under a different name with original stuff, or mixing in original stuff to Dead stuff and your own flair." that would be sick," Mentz said.

However, it seems as though they love being in a cover band more, playing iconic songs that attract people from all generations.

"Playing in a cover band is different and exciting, because the music is really good off the bat. You don't have to worry about it being good, you just have

to play it well," Mentz said. And they do play it well. Their show on Oct. 15 attracted students from all over Isla Vista. People crowded the front of the stage, closing their eyes, swaying and embracing the music right alongside the band.

The Nexus asked the two band members for suggestions for people wanting to listen to more Grateful Dead and learn more about this uniquely American experiment. They suggested live shows over studio albums - specifically, the "Veneta, OR 8/27/72: The Complete Sunshine Daydream" and "Cornell 5/8/77" shows.

The Grateful Dead's archivist

David Lemieux compiled shows

known as "Dick's Picks." Out of these compilations, Mentz recommends the eighth volume recorded in Binghamton, New York. And finally, they suggested downloading the app Relisten, which contains every Grateful Dead show posted. "Just take the time to listen to the different shows, different

albums. There's definitely something for everyone," Fragakis recommended. Follow their Instagram

show announcements and highlights.

NOT SO SEAMLESS: TRANSFERRING AS A NON-TRADITIONAL TRANSFER

Riley Burke Staff Writer

When I made the decision to transfer schools, I figured things would be easy.

It was the end of my sophomore year at a private East Coast university that wasn't right for me. I missed registration and decided to withdraw my enrollment. I had high hopes for admittance to a new school, a University of California (UC) where I fit in. I didn't know much about transferring. I had seen family and friends do it, seemingly with ease, but I had no idea about all the ins and outs of strict course requirements and articulation agreements. In my head, it was going to be seamless. Then, in April 2021, I received a rejection letter from every single school I applied to.

Suddenly, I was schoolless, and things began splitting at the seams.

In Oct. 2021, California Gov. Gavin Newsom passed a slew of legislation with the aim of simplifying the transfer process from California Community Colleges (CCC) to the UC and California State University (CSU) systems. From requiring a common course numbering system, to the establishment of a UC and CSU-wide general education transfer process that expands and clarifies transferable courses, these laws attempt to reduce the confusion that is present within a disparate system of over 100 community colleges and two vast university networks. Despite these efforts to streamline the CCC transfer experience, there is still much work to be done in easing the vague and complex process required of more "nontraditional" transfer students - students who are outside of the CCC system and students who may not take the traditional fouryear path toward graduation.

One-third of UC students begin at CCCs. In 2021, over 21,000 transfer students enrolled at a UC. CCC transfers are vital in the makeup of our UC community. Transferring itself, particularly within the CCC to UC and CSU pathways, opens up higher education opportunities to students who otherwise may not be able to gain access to such institutions. A 2021 RP Group study reveals that among CCC transfer students, lowerincome students and particularly students of color cite university affordability as a major challenge in completing a fouryear degree. Transferring can serve as an affordable solution to this barrier. Access to an easily navigable transfer program from CCCs to the UC is imperative in achieving equitable educational opportunities for all students.

Already, a robust agreement exists between UC and CSU campuses with the CCC that is meant to prioritize admission



for CCC students. This system, however, has grown into a vast maze criss-crossed with bureaucratic red tape.

With programs meant to guarantee admission, such as the UC Transfer Admission Guarantee (T.A.G.), students to a quick and easy transfer experience. However, every UC that offers T.A.G. has vastly different completion requirements. Other resources, like the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC), a specified course of study that allows students to waive any general education requirements once enrolled at a UC or CSU, is a vital tool in transferring, but often unclear in its variable course requirements. Even sites like assist.org, that allow CCC students to handily view each articulation agreement between

each institution, can be overwhelming to navigate due to the vastly differing articulation agreements between community colleges, universities and major departments.

Newsom's legislation helps simplify the in-state transfer process, which is extremely important.

Still, there exists another population of transfers: nontraditional transfers who come from outside the CCC system. Though our numbers are small - non-CCC transfer students make up about 8% of transfer students within the UC - we are just as deserving of an accessible, streamlined path to the UC system as those in-state.

After finding myself without a school,

I knew I wanted to reattempt transferring to a UC. But, as a nontraditional transfer student, I had no idea where to begin. UC websites were vague about transfer qualifications for students coming from It's clear that this massive network outside CCC's. As a student attempting to should find a standardized course of study of in-state transfer opportunities and transfer from a private university, I wasn't that, when completed, opens up the door resources needs a massive overhaul. given the tools to even qualify for UC admission the first time around.

> In order to qualify for transfer, students are required to complete a seven-course pattern of general education courses, 60 UC-transferable units, maintain a GPA of 2.4 and complete all prerequisite courses for their intended major. This is doable for community college students with goals of transferring to a UC and access to resources that, theoretically, should map out a pathway toward the completion of these requirements. However, those who wish to transfer from an outside university

are not afforded these same resources.

For me, there was no assist.org, there was no T.A.G., there was no IGETC, there was no way to determine which of my classes were UC transferable - there was nothing. I searched Google endlessly and struggled with the ambiguous language on the UC transfer website page that included little to no information for noncommunity college transfers. I called UC advisor offices, but I learned nothing. Even if these resources for CCC students are maze-like and in need of simplification, their existence is still important and helpful in navigating the complex in-state transfer requirements.

My hopes were high before receiving my first round of transfer rejections. But, tucked away in the back of my head, there was still a sense that I knew I didn't have a shot in the first place. And how could I? I didn't have the same resources or chance to qualify for transfer.

I flew home and enrolled at my local CCC. It would now take an extra year to graduate. I met with a counselor who advised me to take a full load of gened courses. I had already taken these classes at my university, but they were not transferable to the UC system. I felt like I was being punished for choosing the wrong school, for realizing the out-ofstate experience wasn't right for me and asking to come home.

My second round of transfer applications was not so painful. I had more resources and two semesters worth of UC transferable courses. Still, I experienced the ambiguity and confusion that exists within the CCC transfer system. Despite meeting with counselors on multiple occasions, I was not given any information about the IGETC. It wasn't until I attended orientation at UC Santa Barbara and asked an advisor how I might mitigate the 10 general education courses I was being told I was required to take, that I even heard it mentioned. Without the IGETC, it would have taken me at least six years to earn my degree.

The recent legislation is a positive first step in remedying a broken transfer system - a system vital in facilitating higher education for low-income students. students of color and first-generation students. Still, there is more work to be done, inside the system and out. My experience does not exist in a vacuum. Other nontraditional transfer students, like myself, are bound to experience a complex, opaque system that affords them few resources. They deserve better. They deserve a system without so many seams.

Riley Burke remains optimistic about the reform of the transfer system. But not too optimistic.

U MAIL: NEW MESSAGE!

To: S <s@umail.ucsb.edu> Subject: A map of Isla Vista

Dear S,

Yesterday I met a geography major at my friend's 21st birthday party, and I was utterly charmed by this man who plays Dark Souls and wants to code maps for a living. To my surprise, I learned that cartography is done on computers nowadays. I guess it makes sense that – like most things in life – the manual labor has been replaced by technology, but I was still envisioning something like Lewis and Clark: walking around the terrain and intermittently sketching the topography. I was a little less charmed by the idea of putting some numbers in a computer and coming up with a map, but I think it's still a unique interest to have.

I asked him if he could make me a

I don't know if he'll keep his word, but I've been giving a lot of thought about what kind of map I would make if I was so inclined. I think it's sweet that a map of I.V. would probably look a little different for everybody. If there was one true and objective map of any place, we wouldn't have a need for cartographers, right? If he ever gets around to making my map, I wonder if it'll differ from how I see things here.

Ithink there's something very intimate about knowing a place so well that you could create a map for it. I'm sure there's also an unbelievable amount of talent involved (which I unfortunately don't have), but I'm supremely jealous of those old cartographers whose job it was to canvas new terrain. I wonder

map of Isla Vista and he agreed to it. if they left whatever place they were mapping with a certain fondness for the landscape. Did they feel like they knew it better than the average person? Could they look back at all the different places they've mapped and pick out their favorites with a reason why for each? I should probably have asked the geography major about this, but I felt like it wasn't the appropriate time to pick his brain about his career. So I'm asking you instead!

As for my personal map of Isla Vista, I think that there are a lot of places I would disproportionately display because of my internal biases: South Hall, the UCSB Library, IV Bagel Cafe, Carrillo Dining Commons, my apartment. I think I would even include (as a very important landmark) the bus

stop in front of the road to Albertsons, where we sat for 45 minutes on the curb waiting for public transportation that never actually came. Or maybe I'd highlight the walk to T's house: a route so engrained in my memory that I could probably make it there blindfolded and walking backwards. If I could make it as impossibly detailed as I wanted, I would mark the uneven piece of sidewalk that I always trip over while walking down Pardall Road, so that our new freshman would be prepared for the treacherous journey to class. And the trees that tower over you in the little alcove between South Hall and Girvetz Hall would have their own special spotlight.

The more I think about it, the more I can visualize my map of I.V. and all

the routes to my friends' houses, my workplace, my classes. I wish I could draw it out for you, so you could see how I view I.V. too. I think you'd like it, even if it might seem a little inaccurate to you.

I think I'd like it if you drew me a map of Isla Vista too. I'd want to see our college campus through your eyes and trace the routes you walked the most. Do you think our maps would look very different?

Your new cartography enthusiast, Mindy

Send