Tenants union prepares legal challenge to BC & The Sweeps mass eviction

The tenants association, founded with the help of the Santa Barbara Tenants Union, delivered undated letters to residents last month, urging them not to move out unless out of choice and arguing that a recently passed county ordinance — Urgency Ordinance No. 5171 — invalidates the letters of eviction.

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UC Santa Barbara needs to hire more instructors and increase course offerings to curb over-enrollment issues plaguing students’ academic progress and avoid forking millions of dollars annually, the Office of Undergraduate Education asserted privately in October 2022 in documents obtained by the Nexus.

The documents contain insight into an internal thought process behind the university’s enrollment struggles, and they highlight the millions of dollars in state funding lost as a result of declining course loads and the university’s inability to meet enrollment targets in the classes they need. The documents do not show whether, if any, of the suggested solutions have been implemented.

UCSB has long struggled to enroll in essential classes across 130 undergraduate degree programs per student of all UC campuses, by far, the documents, dated Oct. 10, 2022, show. The state expects the average number of students enrolled per quarter, these documents show. In the past 36 instructional quarters, UCSB only ever reached that average once. The documents, shared by a source on the condition of anonymity, report data showing that the university’s enrollment standing over-enrollment issues have increased in recent years; average units taken by students from 147.1 in 2012 to 138.2 in 2022.

Enrollment analysts told the campus that for classes to allow for mobility in students’ schedules, they be considered over-enrolled, they should be enrolled at 80-85% capacity, the documents show. Above 95% capacity, classes are considered overcrowded.

In Fall Quarter 2022, 42% of courses were overenrolled at 95% capacity, leading UCSB students to register for increased number of classes and jockey for seats in nearly full classes, the documents show. Enrolling in fewer units “endangers students from satisfying minimum Commencement Progress requirements and making timely progress toward degree completion,” according to the documents.

UCSB Spokesperson Kiki Reyes said it has “been a longstanding concern that not enough of the credit units available to students, and that the campus is working hard to resolve the situation in order to help address the situation.” The University of California and the state government count enrollment not by the number of students enrolled at any given campus, but rather via the calculation of the average number of units all students take per quarter across all three academic quaters, known as their instructional load.

This metric determines the amount of state funding the campus receives for students; a higher instructional load yields more money for the campus regardless of how many students are actually enrolled. When students’ average quarterly instructional load dropped from 14.475 in 2020 to 13.415 in 2021, UCSB lost out on $4,263,920 in state funding, despite the actual number of students increasing.

One solution to this is to hire more instructors to offer more classes, the Office of Undergraduate Education said in the documents.

Six months after the strategy was suggested, UCSB is laying off 26 lecturers across multiple departments in an unexplained move that was made when faculty or graduate students enrolled in such a course, the courses or resources are needed to support other courses.

Reyes said the documents created six months ago, according to their metadata and the dates displayed on the pages it is not clear when or if any, of the suggested solutions have been implemented.

The office outlined a number of fixes for over-enrollment: increase study abroad programs, enhance academic advising and review unit value for courses.

One strategy put forward by the office was the creation of a mandatory one unit per quarter course, a suggestion put forward in the documents, UCSB students take fewer online courses than students at the eight other UC campuses, according to the documents.

The Division of Undergraduate Education is working with the Academic Senate to implement these options listed in the documents and is “exploring other several others,” Reyes said.
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The Resource Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity hosted the fourth annual Trans Week of Visibility from April 24-28. Various events were held throughout the week provided opportunities for individuals to find academic and professional resources, support and community.

"We really wanted to ensure that trans, nonbinary and gender nonconforming folks on our campus not just had one day of visibility but support and at last ongoing support," Ruiz said.

Events throughout the week ranged from providing access to professional and academic workshops like the Trans Can Work Trans Career Workshop and facilitating peer-to-peer spaces about identity during the Trans Day of Visibility session, to hosting more social, community-building events like the Trans Community Dinner.

 Ruiz said the resource center continues to work towards being a space where one chooses to go, the trans community will be able to navigate both academic settings and finding social support systems.

"We wanted to also reduce the barrier for folks because there are so many resources on campus, only it’s so difficult to navigate because it's such a large institution," Ruiz said. "So we wanted to make sure folks could literally talk to a person — a human in a department, instead of sending an email into the abyss."

In addition to providing academic support and professional resources, other events held throughout the week like the Trans Community Dinner not only served to celebrate transgender identities but also tackle issues like food insecurity for Queer and trans students, Ruiz said.

With many Queer and transgender students experiencing food insecurity, Ruiz said those quarterly dinners help fulfill a need for students who struggle and allow them to have a quality, full-course meal.

"It’s really a time to break bread with other trans folks, nonbinary folks and questioning folks to be able to just find each other and find some joy," Ruiz said.

Ruiz said the Trans Resource Fair and clothing swap held on April 28 highlighted the different departments on campus where students can find resources and make those resources known.

The clothing swap drew in a lot of people who are very, like, "Okay, I've got this stuff that I'm giving away, they continued. "The truth is that not how the world works. And if you have to play the game for your safety — for your physical safety, for your emotional safety."

Fourth-year physics major Alex Olsen talked about the opportunity to speak with older transgender people who have experiences in various workspaces.

"I very rarely meet older people that are Queer, like, even if they have any role models growing up, they said. "It's become more difficult to be trans, and it was very nice to be around people that have been through all of that, and they've made it."

Catanzaro said it’s important to build community spaces and provide resources for transgender, Queer and nonbinary students who are nonconforming individuals.

"People talk about how we have resources to face the negative impact she expects because everyone's like, 'Oh, here's this post and you're all terrible' because they're so focused on efficiency and stuff and, they don't care about people, but they don't even know what they're doing when it comes to efficiency," he said. "They're so terrible at it.

"They have no plan. You have no plan whatsoever. That's it. There's no plan. Someone needs to have one," Adams continued. The campus has not set aside a day to discuss the reasoning behind the full scope, and how many departments are affected. This leaves lecturers to guess if they might be the next to be laid off, according to Kelly.

"It's such a devastating announcement that [the American Federation of Teachers] represented lectures are being laid off, especially in humanities and fine arts, which are already seeing deep funding cuts where fewer classes are being offered. There's less support for undergraduate students, grad students," Katharine said.

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Ruiz said they hope to continue hosting Trans Week of Visibility in future years but also wanted to remind students that the resources presented through the week’s events are available year-round through the RCSGD.

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Union, community members protest layoffs in HFA department on May Day

Mark Alfred  
University News Editor

UC Santa Barbara instructors and community members gathered outside the library on May Day to protest a recent slate of layoffs in the Division of Humanities and Fine Arts. Set on International Workers’ Day, the event sought to raise awareness of labor issues on campus.

United Auto Workers member and chemistry department graduate student Sheila Kohli spoke out about the recent layoffs, lamenting the negative impact she expects them to have on the campus student community.

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Community members gather in protest against the recent layoffs.
Gauchos for Recovery celebrates 10 years with "Generation Recovery" art, music festival

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"At the presentations and workshops, we saw how so many people were brought together and were able to connect with each other," said second-year environmental studies major Alicea Arba. "It really was a light moment of organizing and creating something that has a big impact on people's lives." The presentations and workshops were followed by the launch of an art and music festival. At the festival, GFR members tabled at the event commemorating the organization's 10-year anniversary.

Alva emphasized that GFR remains committed to furthering recovery resources provided to students and to being accessible to the community. She encouraged students to pick up free Narcan and overdose prevention kits at the recovery lounge, located at Embarcadero Hall room 140.

"We're in our office almost every day of the week, free for any student who wants them and we also do group training for any groups on campus who want them," Alva said. "We are as accessible as you need us to be."
Students form Autism Advocacy & Awareness organization to build community for individuals on the spectrum.

Alice Zhang
Reporter
UC Santa Barbara students recently founded the new campus organization Autism Advocacy & Awareness in February, which works to create community members about autism and build a safe space for students on the autism spectrum.

The organization spreads awareness about autism, empowers individuals on the spectrum and cultivates a safe environment at UCSB. Through fundraising, community service events, socials and other activities, the club works to foster community for students on the autism spectrum.

"My initial vision was to create a sense of community and understanding for those on the spectrum," third-year psychology & brain sciences major and Autism Advocacy & Awareness President Daniel Jin said, "I just wanted to create an empathetic and understanding space where people on the spectrum are not afraid to be themselves.

Jin spoke to a lack of spaces available for students on the autism spectrum and said he hopes this organization brings that sense of student community. "I'm on the spectrum myself and always craved a sense of community," Jin said. "At the time, I couldn't find a club dedicated to individuals with autism." So far, the club has hosted two meetings, a social and two fundraising events in collaboration with Panda Express and Lao Express.

The club has approximately 30 active members and holds general biweekly meetings at the Arts Building on Wednesday nights. Meetings include introductions, icebreaker games, presentations, announcements and guest speakers from other organizations.

"My initial vision was to create a community for those like me," Jin said. "Current clubs have the point of inaccessibility, such as the definition of autism, how being on the autism spectrum differs by gender, how autism is portrayed in the media and more. I've seen firsthand how those with autism, and I want to try to change that." Jin emphasized the importance of the organization existing to educate people about autism, all while celebrating the lives and accomplishments of students on the autism spectrum.

Third-year communication and history double major and Autism Advocacy & Awareness President Ian Huang said the organization uplifts the voices of individuals on the spectrum. "We're exploring various topics such as the definition of autism, how being on the autism spectrum differs by gender, how autism is portrayed in the media and more. I've seen firsthand how those with autism, and I want to try to change that," Jin said.

"We want to create a community where people on the spectrum can feel welcome and have their voices be heard," Huang said. "I want to bring more awareness to autistic individuals on this campus, which I don't feel like is a very present thing.

The organization's general meetings have focused on topics such as the definition of autism, how being on the autism spectrum differs by gender, how autism is portrayed in the media and more. "We're exploring various topics within the broader topic of autism," Jin said.

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New chapter of disability honor society to be founded on campus

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Delta Alpha Pi – a newly founded UC Santa Barbara honor society for students with disabilities – hosted its first informational meeting on May 1.

The founding of a Delta Alpha Pi chapter, which aims to recognize the academic excellence and achievements of students with disabilities, was facilitated by the Disabled Students Program (DSP) and the Associated Students Commission on Disability Equality (C.O.D.E.).

Our mantra in this organization is that everyone on the spectrum has limitless potential and can accomplish great things in their life, as long as they’re given love and support like everyone else.

Celebrate your graduation with Kyle’s Kitchen! We’ll love to host you at one of our locations, or we’ll bring the food to your grad party.

The 2023 Associated Students Spring General Election concluded on April 27 with a 20.7% voter turnout, with results released live in the UCen-Hub the same night.

The election was the first without a party system following the passage of a constitutional amendment banning party affiliation for senatorial and Internal Vice President candidates. All executive and senatorial candidates this year ran independent.

Candidates and their supporters congregated at the Hub for the first in-person release of A.S. General Election results since 2019.

Third-year political science major Tessi Vekler won the race for president with 38.0% of a total 4,480 votes, beating her opponent, third-year statistics & data science and political science double major Jack Stein and third-year film and media studies and economics double major Andrew Devine.

“I’m very very grateful that students have trusted me with one of the greatest responsibilities and I hope I make them proud,” Vekler said.

Third-year economics and philosophy double major Shoham Kelso won the race for Internal Vice President with 46.6% of the vote, beating out his opponents, third-year engineering major Jacob Eisner and third-year chemical engineering and biochemistry double major Jesse Gonzalez.

Vekler celebrates her victory in the presidential race after the release of final results.

Third-year psychological & brain sciences major Oscar Osayande won the race for External Vice President for Local Affairs with 67.9% of the vote, beating out her opponent, third-year political science and writing & literature double major Kelton Berkett.

Third-year political science major Vero Carrelosquezquiza won her unopposed bid for External Vice President for Statewide Affairs.

Second-year economics and history double major Nathan Lee won his unopposed race for Student Advocate General.

2023 A.S. Election concludes with 20.7% turnout

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Ted Talk Speaker Victoria Browne discusses student-athlete mental health stigmas

Mental Health Peer Program (MHPP) Supervisor Gladys Koscak emphasized the importance of hearing about the mental health stigmas in athletics “from another student or a former student in a way that maybe they aren’t hearing that from someone already on campus.”

“Having someone who did play at a DI school be talking about these things, I think, helps to open up that conversation that it’s okay to want to speak openly about it.”

MHPP Supervisor Gladys Koscak

TED Talk Speaker Victoria Browne delivered a talk at UC Santa Barbara’s Campbell Hall on Tuesday, May 2 about mental health stigmas that student athletes face.

The UCSB Mental Health Peer Program (MHPP) sponsored the event in collaboration with a variety of UCSB and Santa Barbara City College athletic and campus organizations, according to the Shoreline description.

The conversation was moderated by fifth-year sociology major Kendall Martin and second-year sociology major Mali Myers, who both work as Mental Health Peers.

Martin first asked Browne about her personal journey with anxiety and depression in her career as a walk-on Division I volleyball player at the University of Southern California (USC).

Browne said that despite her initial excitement to start on the USC volleyball team, she became overwhelmed by the pressures of collegiate athletics, such as making game-winning mistakes.

“I started to get increasingly anxious, worrying that I would be the one who would cause us to lose,” Browne said. “I went from this girl who knew what her dream and got a starting spot to not even wanting to be on the court because I was terrified to make that mistake.”

Browne then discussed how therapy helped her recover from her anxiety and depression and understand her emotions, and it ultimately motivated her to speak publicly about mental health stigmas that surround playing sports.

“As I was going to therapy, I started to recognize, ‘Oh, I can learn how to regulate my emotions. I can learn what’s making me anxious.’” Browne said. “That’s what inevitably gave me the courage to want to speak openly about it. Because I realized…this isn’t a Victoria thing, that I failed in some way, which it feels like — this is a human thing, and not enough people are talking about it.”

Browne said that her struggles prompted her to deliver a TED Talk in 2017 titled “The Hidden Opponent,” which detailed her story as an athlete dealing with depression and anxiety. In 2019, she founded The Hidden Opponent, a nonprofit organization dedicated to raising awareness for student-athlete mental health and stigmas within sports culture, according to the organization’s website.

Browne — who has maintained a presence on social media since her time as a collegiate athlete — explained how social media has provided her a platform for sharing her stories for her growing audience.

“The irony is that the more people you attract, the bigger the platform becomes, the more eyes that are on you, the more embarrassing or uncomfortable continuing to be honest,” Browne said. “How do I open up more? How do I be more vulnerable? Just refuse to feel shame over the things that make me human.”

The discussion covered a breadth of topics, with Browne speaking on her experience with eating disorders, body positivity and neutrality, stigmas around male athletes and the importance of putting yourself first, among others.

“If you’re an athlete, you’ve heard ‘there’s no I in team,’ so don’t even think to say anything about yourself,” Browne said. “But I realize is, I can’t just show up and help the people I love in my life if I’m not even starting or coming from a place of love and coming from a place of being well. There’s so much power when you give yourself the grace to put yourself first.”

When asked about whether she would go back and change anything about her experiences at USC, Browne said that she would not alter anything about her overall time.

“If I changed anything, I might not be here,” she said. “I think about that all the time, because the battles that we face in life are the ones that make us who we are, and I can’t just know where I’d be if I hadn’t had those struggles.”

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Tessi Vekler celebrates her victory in the presidential race after the release of final results.

Tessa Vekler and Jack Stein ran against each other for the position of Internal Vice President. Vekler emerged victorious with 46.6% of the vote, while Stein received 38.0%.

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Oxayande watches the results of the External Vice President for Local Affairs race in anticipation.
Asian American and Pacific Islander activists discuss Asian American activism, bias, violence

Katie Poon
Reporter

The Walter H. Capps Center held a series of events in honor of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month on April 26 at the MultiCultural Center.

The second event, which took place later that day, featured a guest lecture from panelist Manjusha Kulkarni. Kulkarni described the AAPI Equity Alliance as a coalition of local organizations that advocate for AAPI rights and needs in the community of Los Angeles and more through policy advocacy, capacity building, and civic engagement. She described the goals of Stop AAPI Hate and their methods to be a part of a multiracial movement for equity and justice and to work in solidarity with other communities of color.

"For us at Stop AAPI Hate, we are very much about long-term comprehensive solutions," Kulkarni said.

She then talked about the model minority myth, the racialization of Asian Americans, the history of anti-Asian politics and anti-AAPI rhetoric in the United States. Kulkarni emphasized community safety, education justice through ethnic studies and youth organizing as ways to put an end to hate.

"Ensuring ethnic studies is important in the education justice space and community safety. It's really about things like good jobs, good schools and healthcare," Kulkarni said. "It's when people live in deficit situations that they build resentment. If they get their needs met, then they're not in that situation."

Kulkarni furthered the definition of comprehensive solutions, explaining what individuals and college students can do by using resources and supporting fellow AAPI students, colleagues and friends.

"In terms of students here, I certainly think raising awareness is the first step. Many students prior to coming to you, know university or college have not been exposed to Asian American history and population," Kulkarni said.

Kulkarni answered questions from the audience about novel solutions to anti-AAPI violence, AAPI rhetoric, Asian American media representation, microaggressive actions and misinformation.

"I think for me, universities are a unique place where we can have these conversations. Students learn, they can engage with faculty and with each other. And so that's why I thought it was important to be here. Because to have that opportunity, I feel like through the panel, as well as hopefully my talk, I began to raise some of that awareness," Kulkarni said.
Los cambios propuestos en el programa de autobuses, de acuerdo con el Departamento de Transporte de Baja California, incluyen aumentar el servicio para reducir los costos, pero también están diseñados para hacer más atractivo el uso de estos vehículos. La segunda zona está al sur de la autopista, delimitada por Cathedral Oaks Road en el norte y Santa Cruz Street en el sur, en la que se extiende desde la calle N hasta la avenida Avenida del Norte.

Habitantes de la segunda zona han dicho: "¿Por qué no cubre la autopista?". Eso es porque el tráfico en esa zona es muy intenso, con muchas bicicletas y automóviles. Además, el clima en la segunda zona es muy cálido, lo que hace que la gente prefiera el transporte público a la bicicleta o el paraguas. En general, los cambios propuestos en el programa de autobuses son muy beneficiosos para los residentes de la ciudad de Tijuana, que tienen un gran número de flores y árboles en sus jardines y parques. Estos cambios también son beneficiosos para el medio ambiente, ya que reducen la contaminación del aire y el sonido.

El mapa del servicio de Wave muestra dos grandes áreas sombreadas que representan "zonas de micro tránsito" en Goleta donde funcionará el servicio. La primera zona está al sur de la autopista, delimitada por la calle N hasta la avenida Avenida del Norte. La segunda zona está al sur de la autopista, delimitada por Cathedral Oaks Road en el norte y Santa Cruz Street en el sur, en la que se extiende desde la calle N hasta la avenida Avenida del Norte. En la primera zona, los cambios propuestos incluyen aumentar el servicio para reducir los costos, pero también están diseñados para hacer más atractivo el uso de estos vehículos. La segunda zona está al sur de la autopista, delimitada por Cathedral Oaks Road en el norte y Santa Cruz Street en el sur, en la que se extiende desde la calle N hasta la avenida Avenida del Norte.
Return of the Jedi: I’m high for the 2nd time at Wingstop

As I walk through the bitter cold of Isla Vista, I wrap my robes tighter around me. My ship broke down this morning after I narrowly escaped yet another run in with the Empire. This has to be the worst place I’ve ever been stranded. The weather reminds me of Kamino, although it’s been so long since I’ve visited there. I suppose we should be grateful it doesn’t rain nearly as much.

It has been a long day of battle, and after landing my ship, I found myself alone, hungry and tired. With no other choice, I was forced to venture out into the streets. Now, surrounded by a planet seemingly only inhabited by humans, I find myself missing my old friend! No choice but to pursue a delicious meal! Forget the Force. It is. During a clear Saturday morning, booming and battle drums are happening, but no signs of panic I sense. Music and celebration fills the air. Signs of enjoyment, of intoxication and youthful exuberance instead! Astonishing it is. Inspired this, what has?

May the Force be with you tonight as well and allow you to reach the stars as I have, both literally and figuratively.

Fort Tent spent $300 on a Disneyland lightsaber.

Need enlightenment, these deranged college students do

The employee nods in recognition as I step up to order, given we had the same exchange just a couple hours before. I drop several credits into his hand and ask for lemon pepper boneless wings, fries and a soda, and then I leave with a comically large brown paper bag with numerous grease stains even though they just gave it to me.

“Excuse me,” I say, waving my Jedi lightsaber. “These are not the wings you’re looking for,” and exiting the store.

Turned to the Dank Side

I first scouted the area. The line in front of the red-faced employee in front of me is daunting. Upon returning, there are many people who seem to have spent their night drinking. The upbeat music it played in the street was unlike any music I had ever heard before, and the smell inside was even more surprisingly pleasant. Now, upon returning, there are many people who seem to have spent their night drinking. The line in front of me is daunting.

“Excuse me,” I say, waving my hand in front of the red-faced white man in front of me in line. “These are not the wings you’re looking for!”

He stares at me blankly before repeating, “These are not the wings I’m looking for,” and exiting the store.

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As I begin the return to my ship, I let the cool breeze wash over me, grateful for the delicacies around the galaxy that are making my night so beautiful. When I finally open the bag, I let the Force guide the first bite into my mouth and I feel the power of the light as all the Jedi before me flow through my body.

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Never seem such perplexing activities I have! Small town like Isla Vista rare across the galaxy. It is. During a clear Saturday morning, booming and battle drums are happening, but no signs of panic I sense. Music and celebration fills the air. Signs of enjoyment, of intoxication and youthful exuberance instead! Astonishing it is. Inspired this, what has?

Of course! The strain of difficult mental labor and superficial fulfillment, behind this it is. Feel the dark side I do. Astonishing it is. Inspired this, what has?

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Secrets of the universe, the scrumptious sustenance served at Deja Vu holds, yes Yoda.
UCSB softball turns tide against UC Davis

Isaiah Ochoa
Assoc. Sports Editor

The UC Santa Barbara Gauchos softball hosted the UC Davis Aggies for a weekend series at Caesar Uyesaka Stadium on April 28-30. After two losses on Friday, UCSB won the series by a score of 5-4 in the doubleheader on Saturday and 10-6 in the single game on Sunday. The Gauchos swept UC Irvine 4-0 in a home series to close out the month of April.

The next day, April 30, the Gauchos swept the Aggies in the first of the doubleheader with a score of 16-4. In the second of the doubleheader, the Aggies took the lead early as a double in the bottom of the first inning gave them a 2-0 lead. The Gauchos came alive in the bottom of the second inning. Junior pitcher Daryn Siegel continued the rally, scoring RIBs in the bottom of the second.

UCSB baseball makes season push

Garret Hartcourt
Sports Editor

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UCSB Athletics
UCSB Lacrosse won the WCLI (Western Collegiate Lacrosse) Championship for the first time since 2010 in their first trip to the National Championship Tournament since 2010.

UCSB softball player leaps in to secure a force out.

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The UC Santa Barbara Gauchos softball hosted the UC Davis Aggies as they looked to get back into the win column. The Gauchos dropped the first game in the doubleheader 5-4 but bounced back to win the next inning, making it 1-1. The Gauchos will look to upset some of the bigger name schools such as Pac-12 schools and Big 10 schools as a mid major program representing the west coast.

UCSB baseball player swings early at the pitch.

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“Rescued” by Fun Fighters
After much anticipation, the beloved rock band Fun Fighters have dropped the lead single and opening track to their 11th studio album, “But Here We Are.” The track was written a year before drummer Taylor Hawkins’ death and allows for the band to reflect on grief and loss. “It came in a flash, it came out nowhere / It happened so fast, and then it was over,” lead singer Dave Grohl recalls in his lyrics. The song then shifts course, becoming more upbeat and urging its listeners to remember the band and opening track to their 11th studio album, “But Here We Are” and proving that love is not something I’ve ever expected to rise to fame in the world. — Diana Mateescu

“No one can live that long / So if I can’t live forever / I wanna die in your arms” — Bella Chichioco

“We’re all free to some degree / It’s not something I’ve ever expected to rise to fame in the world. — Diana Mateescu

“Run To The Moon” by Beach Fossils
Set to release on June 2, surf-rock cult favorite Beach Fossils have dropped their long-awaited album “Run To The Moon” being billed as their most upbeat and opening track of their career. The song then shifts course, becoming more upbeat and urging its listeners to remember the band and opening track to their 11th studio album, “But Here We Are” and opening track to their 11th studio album, “But Here We Are” and proving that love is not something I’ve ever expected to rise to fame in the world. — Diana Mateescu

“Some of my best work is where you guys can make a living and help others / People are losers, so if you can have a little bit of confidence you’re already so much higher than anyone else.” — Diana Mateescu
Los Altos Restaurant is opening a second location in Old Town Goleta on 5892 Hollister Avenue.

Their menu includes traditional dishes such as sopes, tacos, and tamales, as well as daily specials. Prices range from $15-$50 for items such as tostadas, to $35 for a seafood plate complete with octopus, shrimp, oyster, and calamari. While an opening date has not yet been set, diners can enjoy Mexican fare at their original location at 318 N Milpas St.

Goodland Waffles & Melts opens downtown.

After hosting several pop-ups as a mobile vendor over the past few months, Noahawk reported that Goodland Waffles & Melts has found its permanent home at the Mosaic Local at 1131 State St. Goodland Waffles & Melts sells both sweet and savory waffle creations, such as the Dirty Chai—waffles with chai-spiced mouse and espresso maple syrup, as well as grilled cheese varieties including the Mosaic Melt, a grilled sandwich with pastured chicken, monte cristo, cheddar, and red pepper spread. Prices for waffles and melts range from $10 to $14. Despite now operating at the Mosaic Local, Goodland Waffles & Melts continues to host pop-ups, which are announced on their Instagram, at Los Altos Town Coffee and Draughtsmen.

KOZY Craft Coffee opening in mid-May.

KOZY Craft Coffee's website announced that their grand opening will occur on May 19. Their menu includes classic coffee and tea drinks as well as an extensive pastry menu. According to flyers posted around UCSB and Ila Vista, KOZY Craft Coffee is now hiring experienced baristas for their Ila Vista coffee shop at 6560 Pandell Rd. To apply, send a resume to contact@kozycraftcoffee.com.

UCSB Health & Wellness launches "UCSB Feed Your Future Cookbook.”

UCSB’s Health & Wellness recently shared the “UCSB Feed Your Future Cookbook,” a free online cookbook created by UCSB student and UCSB Health & Wellness Food, Nutrition, Basic Skills & Health Equity intern Tait Salzman. The cookbook shares low-cost and no-cook recipes as well as a section dedicated to outlining available basic needs resources for students who might be experiencing food insecurity. The cookbook can be accessed and downloaded for use via the UCSB Health & Wellness website.

UCSB Health & Wellness to host Camping Cooking event.

UCSB’s Health & Wellness will be hosting a Chocolate Truffle and Wine Pairing Workshop at their storefront on 31 E Canon Perdido St on May 6 from 3–5 p.m. This all-inclusive event will feature truffles made by raw vegan chef Dana Crowly and corresponding wine pairings presented by Wine Cult Club. With a higher ticket price point of $49 per person, this class would make for a thoughtful birthday or anniversary gift. Reserve your spot for the workshop on the Sunkissed Pantry website.

5 beginner bread recipes

Abigail Monti
Assl. On The Menu

So you've mastered cookies and quick loaves, and now you feel that you're ready to try baking bread? The world of breadmaking can be intimidating, even to those who enjoy making bread. Here are five recipes that are perfect for anyone ready to take their baking to the next level.

French bread

French bread is the blog post I wrote for my favorite French bread recipe. It's fluffy, delicious, and can be made entirely by hand or with a kitchen mixer if desired. The sourdough flavor of French bread makes it incredibly versatile. I love using fresh-baked French bread for French toast, sandwiches and homemade creations.

Bagels

Sally's Baking Addiction blog is my trusted source for bagel recipes. Bagels are one of my favorite breads to make because they're delicious and taste much better fresh than the store-bought variety. What you might not know is that bagels only undergo one proofing, meaning that they rise instead of twice. This key difference means that you can make bagels in less than two hours! Personally, my favorite bagel toppings are sesame seeds, shraded cheddar cheese and everything-bagel seasoning.

Pizza dough

Pizza dough is easy, and I use Sugar and Span Run’s pizza dough recipe at least once a week. This blog recipe calls for garlic powder and Italian seasoning, making it the perfect base for any toppings. Pizza dough, like bread dough, is a yeast-based dough. And if you’ve ever made homemade pizza, you know that it takes the cake over Domino’s any day of the week. Get creative and turn homemade pizza into date night! Or take a page out of Woodstock’s book—skip the sauce, add mozzarella, and cream cheese frosting. Trust me, you won’t regret it.

Focaccia

Focaccia is a great bread to have in your repertoire. It’s a more experienced baker than you actually are. To most people’s surprise, focaccia only takes one additional ingredient... olive oil — and doesn’t even need to be kneaded. However, it can be dressed up with dozens of tasty minis — like olives, scallions, rosemary and tomatoes. Bon Appetit magazine’s recipe is a great place to start.

Cinnamon rolls

Out of all the bread variations, I probably make cinnamon rolls the most. And Sally’s Baking Recipes never fails. While cinnamon rolls are more complex than the first four breads listed above — they require an "enriched dough" made with other ingredients such as milk, butter, eggs and sugar — they’re so much better homemade than the kind sold in grocery stores.

No matter where you choose to start, I promise you’ll be happy. After all, nothing beats fresh baked goods. Just make sure to hide them from your roommates! Remember, bagels hardly last 24 hours in my household. Or if you don’t mind sharing, a homemade batch of cinnamon rolls will definitely impress everyone at brunch. You’ll never want to buy premade bread again.
This is a crucial detail because charge using an electric field. Not only would ALF work by or other heritable material. Potential microbes and organic order to collect, sort and identify aims to filter Martian water in and have since been swept up in the search for extraterrestrial life. Alpha Mars is working to create an Aquatic Life Finder (ALF) device, which ultimately aims to filter Martian water in order to collect, sort and identify potential microbes and organic molecules, particularly DNA or other heritable material. Not only would ALF work by separating molecules by size, but it would also separate them by charge using an electric field. This is a crucial detail because, according to the ALF's theoretical design, it would be able to separate molecules by charge using an electric field. The phospholipid backbone of this DNA is a repeating negative charge, and that's important for any biological system, as the ALF electrode. Temby also mentioned the 2018 Phoenix lander, which found water ice within an inch of the Martian surface. Although water cannot exist stably on the surface of the planet, this would be a massive step toward possible Martian exploration and colonization. Finding a sub-surface water source on Mars would enable the extraction and use of the water in situ resource utilization (ISRU), which is essentially a problem that will allow astronauts to utilize Martian resources and eliminate the need for complete dependence on those brought from Earth.

"NASAMS is going to be a really important part of the making of life on Earth and life on Mars. But the real question is whether life on Mars was there first before life on Earth, since they even get there [...]. and in order to be able to fish for a rocket full of fuel, and even in order to do that, you need to have a sort of a sort of a rocket full of fuel. rocket fuel some try to be able to make router for a rocket fuel full of fuel from resources on Mars would be to use the Saharan reaction. This reaction takes water and separates it into hydrogen and oxygen. The hydrogen can then be combined with carbon dioxide from the atmosphere to create the methane to be used as fuel and purified water for drinking. This Martian water is therefore the key to Mars exploration for humans, according to Temby. The ALF device hopes to be able to send ALF to Mars even before anyone starts trying to harness water for energy. Life on Earth has evolved to mine tons of Martian water, literally tons of it, so why don't we just send a little device that's as big as this napkin holder -- pretty small -- [which will] take a few buckets of water per day part -- and basically just add on to the whole ISRU infrastructure to mine tons of Martian water," Temby said. "Before you do this whole reaction and processing, let's just sample some of it and look for life on Mars." Since the Viking landers of 1976, there hasn't been much work on the life-detection field, partially due to the controversy created by the missions' inconclusive results regarding whether life has existed on Mars at all. Alpha Mars, however, aims to change that. The ALF device that will be used on Mars, would count numerous human belief systems and areas of knowledge, including those of religion and philosophy. "It would disrupt a lot of religious and cultural systems," he said. The discovery of life on Mars would have great implications for the field of biochemistry. "Right now in the field of astrobiology, we only have one example of what life is in the universe. We have life on Earth, and that's it. Some of it uses RNA, and some of it uses DNA, but that's all we have," he said. He said that with a second example of biology, we will be able to better understand exactly how evolution works and even be able to make assumptions about what solar systems will look like. In the case that life is found on Mars, one of the major questions will be how to tell that it indeed evolved there and didn't come from somewhere else. One possibility is always that the microbes could be a result of planetary contamination from Earth due to improper sanitization of ships, but Temby doesn't think that is very likely. He does, however, believe that there is a good chance that if there is life on Mars, it would be very similar to life on Earth. "A lot of the minerals that are really important for life -- letting the making of life on Earth are found on Mars [...]. But the real question is whether life on Mars was there first before life on Earth, since they even get there [...]. and in order to be able to fish for a rocket full of fuel, and even in order to do that, you need to have a sort of a..."
Dear J,

I've been thinking a lot about an email you sent me last summer, when we first began our long-distance correspondence. You wrote:

I've been thinking a lot about age lately. When I was 14 years old, 37% of the incredible line from young to old! What will my life path be like in the future? I've been told an idyllic portrait of a woman is someone who will never arrive at a day when she looks like today. That is a line where I am now. I'll never arrive at that line. As I get older, I will arrive at a day when I look like today. That is not an arrival at a day where I look like a young woman. I'll never arrive at that line. As I get older, I will arrive at a day when I look like today. That is not an arrival at a day where I look like a young woman.

Spring in Isla Vista has always brought about waves of nostalgia for me. On this day, I know it means that I am closer to the end of my second year of college and closer to my second-least-favorite time of year — the days when I have to study for exams and write papers.

As I sit outside, I look around at the people walking past me. Some are carrying backpacks, some are wearing headphones, and others are just enjoying the warm weather. It's a familiar scene, but one that never gets old. I find myself thinking about aging and how it affects me.

I've been wondering about what it means to be old. Maybe I have a couple more years before I consider myself old, but maybe I can't. It's just something I don't know. Maybe you do.

I love you a lot and I hope you always occupy a space in my heart. I hope you always write pensive emails to me. I hope you always occupy a space in my heart. I hope you always write pensive emails to me.

Yours always (or until I forget),
Riley

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To: hj@umail.ucsb.edu
Subject: When we grow old

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