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UCSB Jewish students organize rally, vigil in support of Israel



Vigil participants recited a prayer, followed by "Hatikvah," Israel's national anthem.

Alex Levin University News Editor

Members of the UC Santa Barbara Jewish community gathered on Monday for a vigil and rally in solidarity with Israel following the Oct. 7 launch of surprise attacks from Hamas – a militant group based in the Gaza

At least 900 Israeli citizens were killed, leading Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to formally declare war on Hamas. Following the declaration, Israeli

Defense Minister Yoav Gallant ordered a "complete siege" of Gaza, halting supplies and killing at least 687 Palestinian citizens.

More than 100 students, faculty and administrators - Jewish and non-Jewish – assembled in front of Storke Tower at 7:30 p.m. for the vigil. The rally - organized by various Jewish community members - took place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. outside the Arbor. Organizers include Students Supporting Israel (SSI), the Associated Students (A.S.) Jewish Commission, Santa

Barbara Hillel and Chabad at UCSB, as well as dozens of Jewish students not affiliated with a group.

Those participating in the rally wore blue and white - the colors of the Israeli flag - and many brought meaningful Israeli symbols, such as Israeli flags, kippot and tefillin, among other items.

"Over the weekend, the most Jews were killed in a single day since the Holocaust," said A.S. Jewish Commission co-founder and event organizer Ephraim Shalunov. "It's the worst violence the Jewish people have faced in over 50 years since the end of the Yom Kippur War, and we're here to unequivocally take a stand for the Jews and others who lost their lives in Israel."

Leaders of the vigil distributed candles and prayer sheets to attendees. After Shalunov shared a few words, participants recited a prayer listed on the sheet, followed by "Hatikvah," Israel's national anthem.

Several attendees then shared how they have been personally affected by the violence in Israel. Chabad at UCSB Rabbi Gershon Klein also spoke at the event, urging participants to take 10 seconds to reach out to someone directly affected by the attacks.

Several UCSB administrators attended the vigil, including Chancellor Henry T. Yang and Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Margaret Klawunn.

"As a campus, we are heartsick by the devastating loss of life that

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S.E.A.L. hosts second annual Cultural Identities Fair

Anushka Ghosh Dastidar Community Outreach Editor

Student Engagement Leadership hosted their second annual Cultural Identities Fair on Oct. 6 as an opportunity for cultural organizations and fraternities to recruit new members, put on performances and share their culture.

The fair – which took place in the Student Resource Building from 2-4 p.m. – featured a number of clubs including Los Ingenieros, Black Student Union, Ready Beat Go! and Lambda Sigma Gamma, a female-empowerment-centered sorority, among others. Many organizations were fundraising by selling horchata, churros and fruits.

Fourth-year biology major and Southeast Asian Union (SEA-U) cultural chair Ashley Chun said

the SEA-U to spread its message about uplifting the Southeast Asian community while being open to accepting and educating individuals from other cultures.

"Anybody is welcome to join, we're a cultural organization and we're dedicated to spreading awareness about Southeast Asian culture. A lot of our meetings and events have a lot of educational components about the culture and it's also a social club too," Chun said.

Performances at the event included a traditional dance number by Iaorana Te Otea, a salute by the Lambda Theta Alpha Latina sorority, a classical erhu production from Jasmine Echo Chinese Ensemble and

Jaelyn Negranza, third-year linguistics major and Co-President of the Polynesian dance and drumming club



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EVPLA hosts Back-To-School Night event with local food, fashion vendors, live performances



Several local food trucks and jewelry and clothing vendors were stationed around the park at the event.

| Lizzy Rager Reporter

The UC Santa Barbara Office of the External Vice President for Local Affairs hosted its firstever Back to School Night on Oct. 6 at Little Acorn Park.

The Office of the External Vice President for Local Affairs (EVPLA) partnered with the Isla Vista Recreation & Park District to welcome in the new academic year with a community-centered celebration.

From 5-8 p.m, several local food trucks and jewelry and clothing vendors were stationed around the park at the event. I.V. bands Dead Set and Dawn Patrol performed throughout the night as students huddled around a main stage.

Back to School Night was the second EVPLA event of the school year following the office's Know Your Resources Fair on Oct. 2.

EVPLA and fourth-year psychological & brain sciences major Osaze Osayande hopes this will become an annual

EVPLA tradition. "The aim when I was thinking this up was to have a really positive, fun, welcoming and warm environment to welcome and community students members back," Osayande said. "Isla Vista is such a beautiful community and I think this

event really highlights it."

was a major component of the event, as fashion booths were flocked by community members trying to get deals on clothing and jewelry.

Ayslin Nungaray, a Santa Barbara City College first-year biology major, hosted a fashion booth she ran with her mother and sisters at the event.

"I love the people here. Everyone here is so positive I

love the vibe," Nungaray said.
One jewelry vendor, fourthyear economics major Lolo Stevens, sold affordable 24-karat gold-plated and sterling silver basics and statement jewelry for her business Layered by Lolo.

"It's an amazing event. Osaze has put so much work into it. It's super cool to see the energy, everyone dancing and all these businesses being supported by it," Stevens said.

A table hosted by UCSB Fashion Club gave away free glitter tattoos along with stickers and patches. Fashion Club's Assistant Event Director and third-year communication major Victoria Doretto said the club "wants to create a community that really inspires people and [gives] a space to talk about fashion and art and all things related."

EVPLA Back-to-School Night



Vista Point: Weekly goings-on in and around **Isla Vista**

Asumi Shuda Deputy News Editor

RCSGD holds three-day open house tour

The Resource Center for Sexual and Gender Diversity (RCSGD) is holding its threeday open house tour from Oct. 11-13 at the RCSGD lounge.

The front desk team will facilitate a tour of the lounge and share resources the center provides by its front desk team.

UCSB Sustainability hosts workshop on growing food with recycled materials

Sustainability UCSB featuring a workshop for students on growing their own food with recycled materials on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 1-2 p.m. at the St. Michael's Community Garden on Picasso Rd.

"Learn how to make the most out of your containers and recycle them into pots to grow your own food," the Shoreline description read. "This practice is beneficial to help you know the basics about planting and growing your crops as well as a

good sustainable practice!"

The event is free, and prospective attendees must register through a Google form to participate.

Recreation Center holds climbing night for womenidentifying students

The Department of Recreation is hosting a rock climbing night for women-identifying students on Saturday, Oct. 14, from 6-8:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center Climbing Wall.

"This event is for any woman who wants to get into climbing, as well as for anyone who already climbs and is looking for a fun night of socializing and beta swapping," the Shoreline description read.

Harnesses and shoes will be provided, and there will be a designated top rope and autobelay section for this event only.

Graduate Student Center Resource hosts workshop pronoun on anxiety

Graduate Student The Resource Center is hosting a discussion-based

graduate LGBTQIA+ students on pronoun anxiety in professional settings, as well as on application materials and during interviews. The event will take place on Monday, Oct. 16, from 4:30-6 p.m. The location is private until registered.

"Our intention is to foster a safe space to discuss experiences and anxiety related to pronouns in career and professional spaces, application materials, and interviews," the Shoreline description read. "We hope to affirm and learn from one

Food with vegan and glutenfree options will be provided.

Women's Center holds workshop on campus contraceptive options

The Women's Center is hosting a workshop on UC Santa Barbara's contraceptive options on Wednesday, Oct. 18, from 3-4 p.m. at the Women's Center Community Room.

The workshop will be led by UCSB-affiliated providers Angie Magana and Kellie DeLozier.

Pizza will be provided.



A week in UC student news

Alex Levin University News Editor

UCLA housing residents report bed bugs, ants upon move-in

Several students living in Hedrick Summit, Weyburn Terrace and Levering Heights residential complexes at UC Los Angeles reported infestations of ants and bedbugs upon moving in, the Daily Bruin reported.

These claims come after several accounts of unsafe living conditions in UCLA-owned apartments during the 2022-23 school year, including exposure

First-year biochemistry major Joline Siu told the Daily Bruin that she discovered swollen, red bites on her legs and neck a few days after moving in.

"I was ... very frustrated because we do have to pay a lot for housing," Siu told the Daily Bruin. "I wish that they (Housing) had cleaned the rooms and the bedbugs before we moved in so we didn't have to face this problem."

UCLA Housing said that the move-in process could have contributed to the increase in pests in the university

residences. "As with any apartment or housing unit, pests may at times get into the unit," UCLA Housing said in an email statement. "Especially during times like move-in, when doors may be left open for extended periods of time, or luggage is being brought into units, there

may be an increase of pests." **UC** Merced introduces writing major, launches first cohort

UC Merced added a Writing Studies major within the School of Social Sciences, Humanities and Arts (SSHA), with its first cohort of students starting Fall Quarter 2023.

Students in the major will learn a variety of different writing techniques, including professional, fictional, factual and creative writing, the UC Merced Newsroom reported.

previously The campus offered a minor in writing studies.

"We had a minor and students would take the classes and say, 'I wish I could just major in this," writing studies teaching professor and associate dean for student services and academics for the SSHA Anne Zanzucchi said.

According to teaching professor of writing studies Paul Gibbons, the major was created due to the importance of writing and communication in the world.

"Writing is crucial in that it's both a product and a process. It's in the fabric of what we do," Gibbons told UC Merced Newsroom. "Writing is a way of doing things in the world, of asking for things. It's still a major coin of the realm."

Berkeley Lab opens two centers to fight climate change

The Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (Berkeley Lab) plans to open two new centers to advance clean energy technologies.

The Center for Ionomerbased Water Electrolysis (CIWE) and the Center for RESTORation of Soil Carbon Biological Precision Strategies (RESTOR-C) will address two of the seven goals of the Department of Energy's Energy Earthshots initiative, the Daily Californian reported.

Each center will receive \$19 million in funding over the next four years, according to a Berkeley Lab press release.

Division director environmental genomics and biology systems Susannah Tringe, who was appointed as the director of RESTOR-C, spoke to the opportunities in carbon research that the new centers provide.

"For me, it's an opportunity to combine my expertise with the wide-ranging expertise of our other team members and have a larger impact than I could by performing research only in my own research group," Tringe said in an email to the Daily Californian. "Having these two centers based here will further highlight the Bay Area as a major hub for soil carbon research."

Regents reject proposal for new home for UC President

Sindhu Ananthavel Lead News Editor

Board of Regents rejected a proposal." proposal to purchase a new residence for UC President Michael V. Drake at a Sept. 13 Regents meeting following security breaches at his home in Berkeley.

The property reportedly cost \$12 million. The Regents rejected the proposal in a 13-7 closed-session vote, with dissenters citing the high price tag as an issue.

Drake faced security breaches such as a break-in, trespassers and racist graffiti spray painted this May.

Though the proposal was rejected, the Regents said they are committed to increasing safety for Drake and are considering a myriad of alternative options.

"We are very concerned about making sure President Drake and his family are safe and secure based on the horrific attack that occurred,"

UC Board of Regents Chair Richard Leib said to the Los to Nexus inquiries on what Angeles Times. "But we will safety upgrades are being The University of California not be going forward with this

The Regents did not respond considered, and are being taken.



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New assembly bill streamlines financial aid for undocumented students



Asumi Shuda Deputy News Editor

California governor Gavin Newsom signed California Assembly Bill 1540 on Oct. 8, streamlining the financial aid eligibility process for undocumented college applicants.

Previously, students were required to fill out the California Dream Act Application (CADAA) to determine their eligibility for financial aid, then submit an AB 540 affidavit with their college to verify their residency status and be given a nonresident tuition exemption, according to a press release by California Student Aid Commission.

This barrier coupled with only about 62% of CADAA applicants who were offered financial aid getting paid, according to California Student Aid Commission (CSAC).

"This process varies by campus, [and] often leads to a convoluted and complex process that can result in financial aid being delayed, or even denied," the press release read.

The new bill – signed by California state representative Mike Fong – will integrate the financial aid process of the AB 540 affidavit into the CADAA, allowing undocumented students to submit one application to apply for

university and become eligible for financial aid at once.

"The Commission will provide the institution of higher education with the affidavit, removing administrative barriers for students and ensuring there is no miscommunication or confusion for students," the press release read.

The signing follows the release of a Renewing the Dream report that discussed how to expand access to financial aid for undocumented students and was completed in partnership with the CSAC.

The bill ultimately aims to increase accessibility to financial aid for undocumented students by removing pre-existing administrative barriers to the application process.

"AB 1540 is a critical policy that will help close educational equity gaps and streamline the California Dream Act Application to make financial aid available to some of our most vulnerable students," CSAC Executive Director Marlene Garcia said in the press release.

The change in the CADAA will take effect when financial aid applications open later this year.

"We applaud Governor Newsom for signing this bill and thank the Legislature for their continued support to our students," Garcia said in the press release.

A.S. Senate convenes for first meeting of the year

Sindhu Ananthavel Lead News Editor

The UC Santa Barbara Associated Students Senate convened for the first time this academic year on Oct. 4 in the University Center Flying A Studios Room but did not pass new legislation.

Fourth-year biochemistry major and Internal Vice President Sohum Kalia served as chair.

Senators discussed cliff safety in Isla Vista and plan to dedicate Associated Students (A.S.)

funds to preventative cliff safety measures like fencing following numerous student deaths from cliff falls.

Off-Campus Senator and First

President pro-tempore Ephraim Shalunov reported speaking with county entities including the I.V. Community Services

to contribute funding.

Discussion around what specific measures will be funded is ongoing and has yet to be finalized

District and Santa Barbara City

College, both of whom agreed

"There's big open questions, like where would our money be best spent? How do we avoid rewarding landlords for having unsafe conditions by paying them to make them safer?" Shalunov said at the meeting. "I just wanted you all to be aware of it, it's an ongoing project."

The Senate accepted the resignation of Leon Barhoum as a senator and tabled all remaining Boards, Committees and Units (BCUs) until the meeting of the Internal Affairs Committee.

UC acknowledges Newsom's signing of bill to implement transfer student pilot program

Alex Levin University News Editor

The University of California Office of the President released a statement recognizing California Governor Gavin Newsom's signing of AB 1291, which will create an Associate Degree for Transfer pilot program at UC Los Angeles.

The program will initially include eight majors by the 2026-27 academic year in collaboration with several California community colleges chosen by the campus. By the 2028–29 academic year, the UC plans to expand the pilot program to include 12 additional majors, four of which will be in S.T.E.M. fields.

The bill will also guarantee admission for transfer students who meet necessary requirements and are not offered a space at their first-choice UC campus.

"I am proud that 27 percent of University of California undergraduates begin their educational journey at a California Community College and go on to thrive on our



Newsom said in the statement that AB 1291 will improve California's world-leading higher education systems and make attending college easier and more attainable.

campuses," UC President Michael V. Drake said in the statement. "The University is committed to attracting and supporting transfer students, and we look forward to continuing to partner with transfer advocates such as Governor Newsom, Assembly member Kevin McCarty, and others in the state legislature on streamlining the transfer process."

The bill will not affect independent admissions

for the 2024-25 or 2025-26 academic years.

Newsom said in the statement that AB 1291 will improve California's world-leading higher education systems and make attending college easier and more attainable.

"With this new law, the Golden State is streamlining the transfer process, making a four-year degree more affordable for transfer students and helping students obtain high-paying and fulfilling careers."

UCSB chosen to take part in C.H.I.P.S. and Science Act



This act is projected to create 100,000 new jobs in technological manufacturing and in general S.T.E.M.-related fields.

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Asumi Shuda Deputy News Editor

UC Santa Barbara was chosen along with 15 other institutions partaking in the Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors and Science Act, an act that appropriated \$52.7 billion for semiconductor manufacturing, research and development, workforce training and education for fiscal years 2022-27.

The bipartisan act was written by U.S. Congressman Salud Carbajal and passed by Congress in July 2022 to support regional technology hubs, diversify the national S.T.E.M. workforce and expand access to American-made 5G technology.

UCSB belongs to the California Defense Ready Electronics and Microdevices Superhub, one of eight microelectronics common regional innovation hubs that will be funded through the Creating Helpful Incentives to Produce Semiconductors (C.H.I.P.S.) and Science Act.

Of the \$52.7 billion, \$27 million will be awarded to the California Defense Ready Electronics and Microdevices Superhub that includes 15 other institutions alongside UCSB. This hub is one of eight Microelectronics Commons regional innovation hubs, and the award for all eight hubs totals to \$238 million – the largest award to date under the

C.H.I.P.S. and Science Act.

"I am proud to have worked with my alma mater to ensure that UC Santa Barbara is part of this critical research," Carbajal said in a press release. "UCSB will be part of our efforts to once again put our nation on the cutting edge of semiconductor R&D – driving innovation in America and helping ensure critical components like these are immune to international supply chain shocks like we saw

last year," he continued.

The hubs are tasked with accelerating domestic hardware prototyping and semiconductor technologies, helping mitigate supply chain risks and expediting domestic access to microchips and building educational opportunities for the future workforce in microelectronics research and development.

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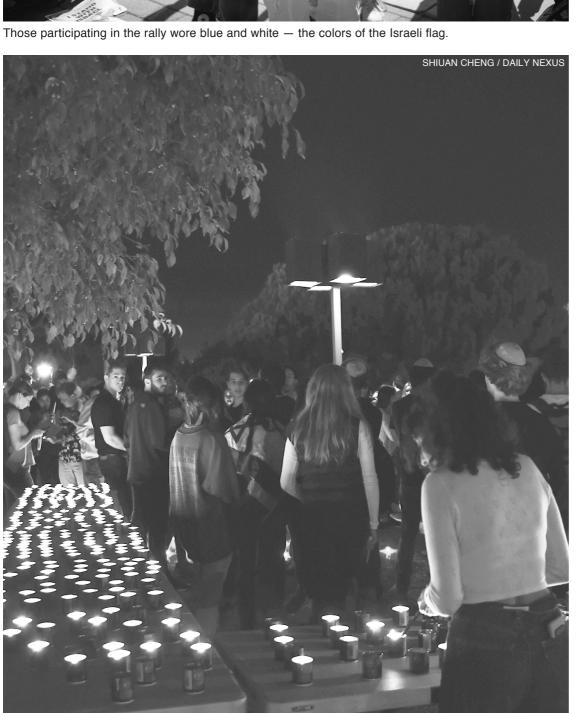
"The UC Santa Barbara NanoFab has served as an innovation center for years by supporting the research of hundreds of users from academia, industry and the government, and fostering an ecosystem of startups and innovation in the Santa Barbara community," UCSB College of Engineering Dean Umesh Mishra said in the press release. "We possess the knowledge, experience, world-class facility and expert staff to do that at a grander scale and expedite the lab-to-fab process to deliver impactful technologies solutions."

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Storke Tower for the vigil.

support Jewish students. More than 100 students, faculty and administrators — Jewish and non-Jewish — assembled in front of



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has resulted from the escalation of violence and the magnitude of pain and suffering," Yang said in a statement to the Nexus. "Our collective thoughts and prayers are with those who have lost loved ones, as well as with all who are impacted, near and far."

"Many here on campus and in our UC Santa Barbara family have deep ties to the region and are faced with fear and uncertainty," the statement continued. "We stand with you in this dark hour and join together in a hope for peace.

UC President Michael V. Drake and Board of Regents Chair Richard Leib echoed Yang's sentiment in an Oct. 9 statement.

"What should have been a quiet weekend of rest turned into days of unspeakable terror and shock," the statement read. "The violence is sickening and incomprehensible, and as of this moment we still do not know the fate of the hostages. This act deserves and requires our collective condemnation."

"As a University community, which includes people from all different nationalities, faiths and political beliefs, our expressions of grief extend to all innocent people affected by this ongoing conflict."

In an interview with the Nexus, A.S. President Tessa Veksler said that a goal of both the events in addition to providing Jewish students with an opportunity to be together during a difficult time - was to inspire non-Jewish community members to demonstrate Jewish allyship and

"Jewish students feel and have

always felt when we go through times like this, that our only allies are ourselves," Veksler said. "The goal is that with something like a rally, with something like a vigil, that it can spark even a little bit of allyship and a feeling that our non-Jewish peers and classmates and professors will support us."

The UCSB chapter of Students for Justice in Palestine (SJP) said in a statement to the Nexus that the organization hopes students remember the longstanding struggles of Palestinians in an occupied state.

"Students for Justice in Palestine at UCSB wish to stress that it is imperative to understand that Palestinians have suffered under occupation for decades, and resistance is a response to the daily violence, dehumanization, and colonization that Palestinians face," the statement read.

SJP, along with many other similar student organizations at other universities, also co-signed a statement written by Bears for Palestine (BFP) at UC Berkeley.

"We support the resistance, we support the liberation movement, and we indisputably support the Uprising," the BFP statement read.

Veksler said the event allowed UCSB's Jewish community to collectively mourn the loss of life in Israel amid ongoing war

"This is about loss right now. So the best that we can do is deal with what's happening at this current moment, which is that the Jewish community here and around the world is in mourning," Veksler said.

EVPLA BACK-TO-SCHOOL NIGHT



I.V. bands Dead Set and Dawn Patrol performed throughout the night as students huddled around a main stage.

There were also various Isla Vista-based businesses at the event. Elubia's Kitchen, a food truck selling gluten-free Latin American cuisine, is co-owned by Goleta-native and UCSB alumn Ruben Orozco.

"The most important thing is to get the new students and the current students together and [that] we introduce our food to them so they can try something different." Orozco said.

Students also sat on blankets or stood up to watch the live performances of Dead Set and Dawn Patrol.

"I've never heard of this band before, but I'm a big fan of the Grateful Dead, so I figured I'd come down and check it out," Rowan Steger, a thirdchemical engineering major, said during the Dead Set performance. "Everyone's dancing. It's a good time. We're all enjoying ourselves out here."

"In terms of EVPLA, definitely look out," Osayande said. "We've been working a lot over the summer, and we have some really engaging and powerful events for the rest of the school

CULTURAL IDENTITIES FAIR

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Iaorana Te Otea, discussed how her passion for Tahitian and hula dancing has pushed her to share more of her culture with others.

"I just really like being able to share or spread some awareness about Polynesian culture. We are not only a cultural club, but we also appreciate culture, so a lot of our members aren't necessarily Polynesian, but we do appreciate and love everything about the Polynesian culture," Negranza

Lambda Theta Alpha also holds the sentiment that everyone is welcome.

"Our organization focuses on social, community and social activism and just being there for each other. And everyone is welcome to join ... we actually have this thing called Latin by tradition not by definition, and that's because we like to open our doors to anybody and everybody," third-year history of nice performances," Murray public policy and law major and Lambda Theta Alpha chapter president Amanda Salcedo said.

Salcedo also shared that her sorority finds support from multicultural Greek-life organization.

"We are part of a council here on campus called United Fraternity and Sorority Council, and that is the umbrella that all multicultural Greek communities fall under. We meet once a week and we all support each other. We call it Greek unity," she said.

Fourth-year psychological & brain sciences major and Student Engagement & Leadership student life intern Jordan Murray said that, ultimately, the fair was a success as many people came out in support of the event.

"It was really nice to see everyone come out and support so many of the different cultural groups that we have on campus. And I just thought it was a lot of fun, there were very said. "The Nigerian Student

Student Veterans of America fosters supportive community of veterans

Anushka Ghosh Dastidar Community Outreach Editor

Student Veterans of America provides a community for student veterans to find support, advice and friendship from other people of military backgrounds.

Third-year physics doctoral student Crystal Kim enlisted in the Marine Corps when she was 19 years old and spent five years as an embassy security guard before returning to school. She recounted feeling different from her peers and wanting to create a community for those. She now is president of the organization, Student Veterans of America (SVA) to find people like herself.

SVA provides a community for student veterans to find support, advice and friendship from other people of military backgrounds.

"We're not scary. A lot of people like to see veterans as mean, ruthless, unpredictable, disturbed types of people. But we're just here to study, get our degree and get into the real world," Kim said. "A lot of us feel alienated. We're maybe a little bit older or feel like we're not the typical students. We're classed as nontraditional students so [SVA] is really just a safe space to get together," she continued.

Fourth-year global studies major and SVA Vice President Logan Wakefield expressed similar concerns about feeling older than his peers when he returned to school after five years as a cryptologic linguist in the Marine Corps.

"Most of us are significantly older than a lot of our peers, just kind of in a different place in life. So that's one of the reasons why the veterans center here is so nice, because you have people of a similar age group and experience that you can interact with in a more comfortable



"If there are student veterans on campus who need help, who need someone to advocate for them, for example, housing issues or financial issues, especially regarding benefits, we can help get them connected to the right people,"

veterans can depend on SVA for

any needs they may have.

While the group has a lot of overlapping events and services with veteran and military services, SVA is more focused on connecting students with one another and encouraging them to feel supported by each

"We're the student club side, so we like to do the fun events that get veterans together, get them to know each other and also for regular UCSB students to get to know us," Kim said.

Some of the social events hosted by SVA include barbeques, haunted house outings and game days that bring the community of both veterans and dependents together.

"Last year, there was a cornhole event that we did for veterans and dependents because a lot of the time we like to include dependents whenever possible just so they feel like they're part of the family," Wakefield said. "There was also Association made really good environment," Wakefield said. a veterans barbeque that we did resources as possible available

sort of a meet and greet for the beginning of the year."

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As for future plans, SVA would like to expand their community outreach efforts by collaborating with other local veterans organizations and doing charity work involving veterans in need. He specifically mentioned advocacy for veterans without

"I've been looking at the idea of, possibly assisting with veterans homeless shelters ... because homelessness is a really big problem in the veteran community. So being able to do something like that would be really rewarding," Wakefield

Kim shared similar sentiments about veteran volunteerism.

"We also want to do volunteering and advocacy for the wider Santa Barbara community because there are veterans out there and we can do volunteer work for them such as fundraising or volunteering at the shelter," Kim said.

Ultimately, SVA's goal is to uplift the student veteran community and help them find support both throughout their university experience and in preparation for beyond college.

"SVA is all about providing resources to veterans in college environments because sometimes it can be kind of difficult to transition from military to going back to education, so just trying to make sure that veterans have as many SVA exists to help veterans at the beginning of this year, to them," Wakefield said.



Halloween 2023

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4 VISTA

Gauchos y vaqueros: Los "Cowboys" tienen influencia latinoamericana

Escritora

Todos conocemos las historias de los "cowboys" tejanos o "cowboys" estadounidenses, pero nunca les prestamos la atención suficiente a los orígenes de esta identidad.

Siendo de familia Mexicana. entiendo las costumbres vaqueras y que empieza con el contacto con los Españoles, resultando en la importación de caballos y creación de los ranchos dentro de Mexico.

Sin embargo, yo nunca habían otros que latinoamericanos que forman parte de la ranchería. Y al ser estudiante de UCSB siempre uno se pregunta, ¿qué es un gaucho?

Durante mis estudios en Argentina como estudiante de intercambio, aprendí mucho sobre la cultura gauchesca y lo relaciono mucho con la cultura

Este tema no escapaba de mi cabeza y empecé a realizar investigaciones sobre otras regiones y el estilo ranchero dentro de otros países latinoamericanos. Encontré que hay llaneros en Colombia y Venezuela y también huasos en Chile. Todas estas identidades eran distintas y todo tenía gran parte en crear la imagen que hoy en día conocemos en los Estados Unidos como el "cowboy."

El Gaucho

Mariana Benitez Arreola la palabra quechua y mapuche "huacho", lo cual significa huérfano. Los gauchos eran mestizos y a veces mulatos de Uruguay, Argentina y el sur de Brasil, los cuales eran expertos de la caballería. Usaban cuchillo, el lazo y "boleadoras" (tres piedras ligadas por una cuerda para enredarse en las patas de los animales) para capturar, matar o mover vacas. El vestuario de los gauchos eran panchos hechos de lana, sombreros anchos, chalecos, pañuelos en sus cuellos, cinturón con hebillas de plata y "bombachas" (pantalones anchos ceñidos a los tobillos).

> La identidad gauchesca tenía mucho que ver con la libertad, el amor de su tierra y sobre todo ser hombre del campo. Parte de la cultura gauchesca es contar historias, cantar canciones, bailar malambo y tocar la guitarra. Durante el siglo mil novecientos, la privatización de la tierra y las estancias empezó y esto creó muchos problemas para los gauchos. Ellos eran nómadas y tenían la ideología de que nadie tiene derecho a adueñarse de la tierra. El gobierno empezó a identificar a los gauchos como bandidos o vagabundos porque no tenían trabajos fijos y no eran dueños de ningún territorio. El gobierno sabía que los gauchos tienen habilidades muy distintas y tomaron ventaja para capturarlos y a fuerza alistarlos en el ejército.

Hoy en día, el gaucho es La palabra gaucho viene de una figura representativa y es casi mitológica. Sin embargo, todavía hay mucha gente que se identifica como gauchos porque han continuado los hábitos, las costumbres o son ancestros de la cultura gauchesca.

El Vaquero

rápido

charrería.

como

Como mencioné anteriormente, después de que llegaron los españoles a México en 1519, se establecieron los ranchos. En este a contexto la gente nativa de México aprendió m u y

montar caballos. Había una separación entre los caballeros Españoles y los vaqueros, los cuales eran nativos. vaqueros desarrollaron habilidades de cuerda hacían trenzas d e cuero crudo. De todo esto empezó lo que se conoce como la cultura vaquera y

manejar las vacas y

la época de mil ochocientos, en ocurrió la batalla Mexicana y Americana en los años 1846 a 1848, más Anglo-Americanos empezaron a mudarse a tierra que antes pertenecía a México, empezaron a adaptar el estilo vaquero. De esto salió

la cultura "cowboy" y empezó a expandirse dentro de varios países de los Estados Unidos. Usualmente los vaqueros

tienen puesto su cinturón de cuero, su sombrero hecho de heno y sus botas. Tienen puestos pantalones ajustados de arriba y anchos en los tobillos, chalecos

cantar canciones,

tocar

guitarra.

Además

boleros y fajas. _ los Como a gauchos también les gusta bailar, contar cuentos,

de la charrería incluye las escaramuzas las cuales son damas montadas en caballos dirigiendolos en coordinación con el sonido de la música.

Es muy importante saber que el "cowboy" estadounidense que hemos conocido es producto de influencias Latinoamericanas. Todo empezó con introducción de caballos en las américas y ahora hay varias culturas rancheras por todo latinoamérica.

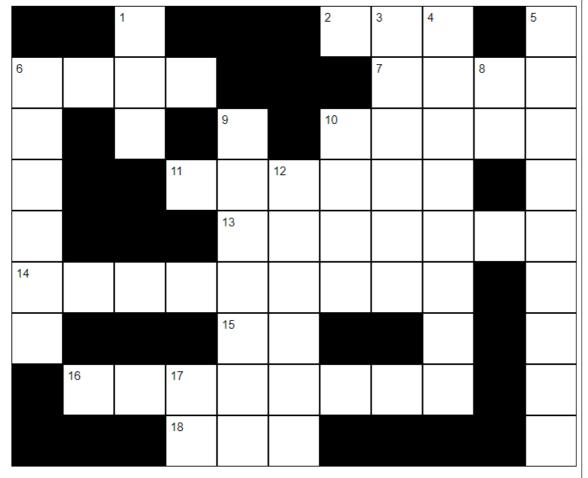
Entonces la próxima vez que te pones las botas, cinturón y sombrero, acuérdate de la historia detrás de estas piezas. Representan características latinoamericanos han trabajado la tierra por generaciones.

de esto tienen deporte distinto de la charrería en donde hacen eventos llamadas charreadas para demostrar y competir en eventos demuestran

habilidades

vaqueras. Una variante

Crucigrama del día



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HORIZONTALES

- 2. Palabra abreviada para decir papá
- 6. Evento cuando los padrinos avientan dinero
- 7. Nombre propio que rima con "firma" 10. Se le dice asi cuando haces algo malo ante
- dios
- 11. Insignia que también significa un objeto hecha para proteger el cuerpo de golpes
- 13. Se le dice así a una mujer que sea muy cercana a ti afectivamente, Título de una canción famosa de Juan Gabriel

- 14. Le haces esto al pollo cuando cocinas antes
- 15. Moverse de un lugar hacia otro apartado 16. Insecto largo con muchas patas
- 18. La primera palabra de una de las ciudades más conocidas de Brasil

VERTICALES

- 1. Frase que se dice al esquivar un toro con una capa en las torerias
 - 3. Versión más pequeña de una roca
- 4. Fenómeno que ocurre después de la lluvia con un poco de sol
 - 5. Grupo de músicos que hacen serenatas
- 6. Lo tomas para calmar la sed 8. Palabra coloquial para referirse a mamá
- 9. Lugar típico en una colonia para poner una tiendita
- 10. "Tch mmm
- 12. La parte física de un ser 17. Una forma del tiempo presente de ser

¿Sabías que...?

Las crucigramas en español se forman de manera diferente a las de inglés. En español se usa la estructura libre mientras que en inglés se usa la forma de simetría rotacional. Si le das vuelta 180° a un crucigrama en inglés se miraría igual. Lo hacen así para atraer a la audiencia con su simetría en los Estados Unidos, la India y el Reino Unido.

¡No pueden sentarse con nosotros!



El Mariachi

Que irónico es que la celebración del Mes de la Herencia Hispana incluye a la razón por la cual esos países latino americanos tienen que independizarse.

¿Digo? No es suficiente que tengamos que aprender conjugaciones inútiles en la preparatoria o que algunos artistas españoles traten de apropiar la cultura latina? Por fortuna ha llegado nuestro salvador.

El señor Newson nos dio un anuncio alegre el día 14 de septiembre del 2023. ¿Cuál fue? Nombrar este mes como el Mes de la Herencia Latina. Pero tal vez se preguntan, ¿y qué? Bueno mi amigis mal informado, quiere decir que por fin nos liberamos

de la influencia española. Es el tiempo de latinoamericanos. Que levanten los brasileños quienes no son hispanos porque su idioma oficial es portuguese. Los de Belice quienes idioma es inglés y otros países en latino america quien han sido aislados por no ser hispano hablantes. El término Hispano desafortunadamente es una palabra la cual incluye a España por ser un país cuya lengua oficial es español a pesar de la forma rara en que lo hablan. Una y otra vez tenemos que pensar

en España y la gripe española que trajeron. Sin embargo, ahora entramos en una época nueva donde se reconoce la locura que es celebrar junto a los colonizadores.

"Es algo muy tonto creo yo, en especial porque recuerdo que en mi preparatoria celebrabamos los latinos durante este mes aun cuando nuestra mascota eran los Conquistadores," dijo estudiante de cuarto año Zoila Torpe.

Una de las razones por la cual celebramos es la independencia de los países latino americanos. Pero en qué mundo también tenemos que celebrar el país que hizo la colonización? Gracias a Newman, no tenemos que pasar esa vergüenza de validar a España. Otra vez vemos lo genial que es vivir en California. Aunque algunas veces suceden eventos desafortunados como la existencia de Huntington Beach o la persistencia de la xenofobia en lugares con nombres en español, al menos el "vosotros" no se toma en serio y el calor es favorable (en algunos lugares). Oficialmente digamos que ya no pueden juntarse con nosotros. Si me hablas en español debe ser sin ceceo, y como dijo Mana, "Me Vale". Lo siento ROSALÍA, pero es hora de sentarte.

El Mariachi se opone a enseñar su música más escuchada.



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THE DAILY STENCH

It's Satire, Stupid. —



Soggy Freshman

Foreseeable by no one and absolutely unprecedented, Isla Vista residents were stunned on Oct. 6 when the raucous college town suddenly fell into the Pacific Ocean.

While it was difficult conduct interviews and remain afloat, your dependable Daily Stench correspondent still headed to the scene by swimming out of their apartment and into this modern-day Atlantis to gather thoughts and reactions from fellow I.V. residents.

I can only describe the scene as chaotic - water and waves stretching beyond the eye can see - though there is consistency to the litter and trash floating around: bikes, furniture and questionable recreational objects and paraphernalia. The occasional handle of alcohol and piece of food floated alongside more troubling objects like cars and electrical appliances. There is a clear line between what has fallen into the ocean and what remains, and a group of students living on Picasso Road expressed excitement at the prospect of finally having

a nearby beach that didn't "fucking suck ass."

Some students banded together with various wildlife creatures in order to forage for food, others merely drifted about on surfboards (whether real or makeshift), while some still headed to work, as they couldn't afford to miss their shift. One Isla Vistan noted that they tried to call out and told their manager of what was occurring only to be told, "Make sure you're dry by the time you start your shift."

One student said he was enjoying a dayger when the event occurred: "I just thought it was like Floatopia 3.0 or something, but then I swam home and realized my apartment, the whole street and everything around me was still underwater. Do you think classes will be canceled?"

different resident expressed their shock, saying, "It's just totally crazy. Like, yeah, parts of DP houses have been falling into the ocean every now and then, and yeah, climate change and rising sea levels and all of that, and I guess I DID make that pact with that eldritch entity, but, like, I didn't think it would actually happen, you know? I thought maybe it was some kind of early Halloween prank or that they were filming a movie here."

Once they began to swim away, I overheard someone from the administration joke, "It looks like we'll have to change our ads from saying beachside to oceanside." When pressed for a comment, UC Santa Barbara stated that they had "no intentions" of canceling classes as "U Can Study Buoyantly."

Soggy Freshman ordered underwater Duffl.

Student only displays clock in lecture

Faith Talamantez Timely

warm Week 1, students are absolutely exhausted going into their second full week of classes. Many are so sleepy that they can barely last through a single lecture. Fortunately for those tired students who want nothing more than to be back home sitting in front of a screen of sorts, there is a useful feature available on your laptop that a fellow student has recently uncovered.

"Yeah, I usually just have a clock open during class. I don't really need to take notes on the lecture or anything; I am studying the time. I've got to get out of here actually," said second-year economics

major Helena Martinez.

slung her backpack over feelings," said professor Kri Yeesh! After a long and her shoulder, hitting three Baybee, watching students students behind her in the face. She hurdled over a firstyear student who was just starting to get out of their seat, sending them toppling over behind them. Though our reporter tried to keep up, it was impossible to catch Martinez as they sprinted out of the Humanities and Social Sciences Building and towards Isla Vista, pushing people out of their way as they went.

> "Yeah, it sucks knowing that everyone is just waiting for the minute they can leave the moment they sit in my class. I was hoping that students would be as passionate about this as I

am, but I guess not everyone At 3:45 p.m. exactly, she cares about my little old tripping over each other in the doorway.

Although it saddens professors across all departments, students like Martinez continue to pack up before they can even say "See you next time." Getting in that crucial screen time for the day is sometimes the only thing on a student's mind, and, honestly, it's hard to blame them. So, Gauchos, if you notice a student with the time filling their laptop screen, be sure to sit a couple rows back to avoid the swing of their backpack.

Talamantez loves Faith







MOVIES AND SHOWS TO WATCH DURING HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Lauren Chiou Artsweek Editor

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While National Hispanic Heritage Month is almost over (Sept. 15 to Oct. 15), representation is always worth celebrating year-round. Here are 10 movies and shows that you should watch to honor Hispanic heritage and culture!

1. Selena (1997)

Starring Jennifer Lopez as Selena, this biopic follows the American-Tejano singer's beginnings, height of fame and tragic death. The film serves as a touching tribute to the "Queen of Tejano Music," honoring her life and legacy. In 2021, "Selena" was selected to be preserved in the United States' National Film Registry by the Library of Congress as being "culturally, historically, or aesthetically significant."

2. Real Women Have **Curves (2002)**

In her feature film debut, America Ferrera stars as Ana García, a first-generation, Mexican-American Poignant and meaningful, the coming-of-age film follows García as she journeys through womanhood and struggles to balance her culture with her dreams.

3. Ugly Betty (2006-10)

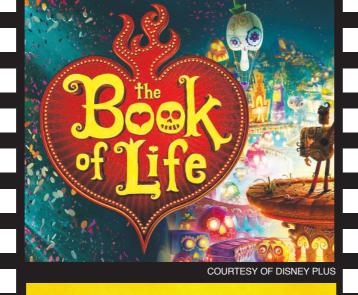
When quirky, naive and painfully unfashionable Betty Suarez lands a job as an assistant at a high-fashion Manhattan magazine, she is thrust into an unfamiliar world. Starring a more seasoned Ferrera in the Emmywinning titular role, "Ugly Betty" is a hilarious comedy about family, friendships and fashion.

4. The Book of Life (2014)

Drawing inspiration from Mexican folk tales, "The Book of Life" follows an adventure through the afterlife on Day of the Dead and a tense love triangle between childhood friends. The masterful storytelling is complete with stunning animation and a creative soundtrack, making for an entertaining watch.

5. Jane the Virgin (2014-

When iAy, dios mío! hardworking, religious and Villanueva, virginal Jane played by Gina Rodriguez, is accidentally impregnated, she is catapulted into her own reallife telenovela. Complete with a







love triangle, corrupt business dealings and family drama, Villanueva must navigate this unexpected chapter of her life.

6. Coco (2017)

Would this list be complete without one of the biggest Pixar movies of all time? "Coco" follows a young boy, Miguel, who dreams of becoming a musician, despite being born into a musichating family. After accidentally ending up in the Land of the Dead, Miguel seeks help from his great-great-grandfather to change the minds of his family members and pursue his dream. Winning two Academy Awards, Best Animated Feature and Best Original Song, "Coco" is a heartwarming film that celebrates Mexican culture and emphasizes the importance of family.

7. One Day at a Time

A reboot of the 1975 series of the same name, "One Day at a Time" tells the story of a modernday Cuban-American family navigating the difficulties of life

and tackling 21st-century issues. The 2017 series stars Justina Machado and Rita Moreno as mother and grandmother, and it has been critically acclaimed for its representation.

8. Cassandro (2023)

"Cassandro" tells the story of gay, Mexican-American wrestler Saúl Armendáriz, also known as Cassandro. As he rises in the world of lucha libre, Cassandro also learns to accept and embrace his true self. Feelgood and entertaining, this biopic is a must watch.

9. Blue Beetle (2023)

Released in the summer of 2023, "Blue Beetle" is a familyfriendly blockbuster hit. The superhero movie stars Xolo Maridueña as Jaime Reyes, a recent Mexican-American college graduate who is thrust into the role of the Blue Beetle. With the help of his family, Reyes grapples with his new identity and accepts his destiny.

10. A Million Miles Away

(2023)Based on the true story of NASA astronaut José Hernández, "A Million Miles Away" is a biopic about Hernández's life, from working on farm fields in Mexico to traveling through outer space. Starring Michael the Peña, film emphasizes the importance of determination and family support, truly making an inspirational story.

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SCIENCE & TECH

Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary enters final quarter of public comment phase



The proposed sanctuary would encompass over 5,000 square miles of marine waters off the central California coast.

Lizzy Rager *Reporter*

The Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary is nearing the close of its public comment phase, making it one step closer to official designation.

The sanctuary entered the designation last year. So far, it has seen tremendous support, according to key stakeholders. Distinctively, the Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary (CHNMS) is the first sanctuary designation to use a collaborative management initiative between an Indigenous group – the Northern Chumash Tribal Council – and federal agencies – the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the state of California.

"The United States, for the first time, is acknowledging that indigenous people have a deep connection to our oceans as well as our lands," Kenneth Kahn, tribal chairman for the Santa Ynez band of Chumash Indians and one of the collaborative managers of CHNMS, said in an email statement to the Nexus.

"That's a paradigm shift. Until now, all U.S. laws and policies have focused on land-based governance. I hope our tribe is paving the way for others across the nation to also regain their maritime culture."

CHNMS concerns the preservation of culturally important sites for the Chumash people and an important ecological transition zone that supports a diverse array of marine life.

The sanctuary would connect the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary (NMS) to the Monterey Bay NMS.

In August, NOAA released its preferred boundary alternative that redacted some parts of the original boundary that the Northern Chumash Tribal Council proposed back in 2015.

NOAA's boundaries span 134 miles of coastline from San Luis Obispo County to Naples, encompassing 5,600 square miles.

It leaves out 22 more miles of coastline and 2,100 more square miles of water from the Chumash-preferred boundaries but expands coastal land to entirely include state parks.

A large corridor of land was redacted due to industrial development, said NOAA West Coast Regional Policy Coordinator Paul Michel.

Specifically, there are 30 cables from the Morro Bay Wind Energy Area to shore

that could cause disturbances with preservation efforts.

Though most of the public comments have shown support for the NOAA proposal, the biggest concern has been the removal of this land, said Michel.

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Some of the concerns posed in the public comment section about Morro Bay were that wind turbines should not be in the same environment as marine life and that they contribute to pollution. Additionally, some proponents noted frustration with the Chumash tribe getting the primary recognition and role in the sanctuary designation, which leaves out other relevant tribes.

Kahn said that it has been difficult to navigate the relationship between their tribe

and other tribes. The Santa Ynez band of Chumash Indians are the only federally recognized Chumash group in the nation.

"We have tried to use our status as the federally recognized group to uplift the voices of others and make sure these groups have the ability to be involved in the process," Kahn said in an email statement to the Nexus.

"But also we have been careful to protect the special government-to-government relationship we have with the U.S. as the only federally recognized tribe in the region."

Kahn also said the collaboration process between the Northern Chumash Tribal Council and NOAA has evolved positively.

"When this process started, NOAA and the Department of Commerce as a whole did not take tribal co-management seriously. That's changed," Kahn said. "It took staff really spending time getting to understand the nuances of the federal trust responsibility."

The Santa Ynez band of Chumash Indians, Kahn said, have served a few key roles under the draft management plan for the CHNMS, proposed by NOAA. The tribe serves as collaborative managers, working closely with the state of California and the sanctuary director to "set broad policy objectives and provide oversight" with the daily work of sanctuary staff.

They also serve on the Sanctuary Advisory Council, "which provides the sanctuary director more concrete guidance on the day-to-day operations." This includes advising on ways to incorporate Indigenous cultural issues.

Stewards of the land, the Chumash and Salinan people seek to preserve their cultural heritage as one of the few ocean-going bands among the First Peoples of the Pacific Coast.

Moreover, the designation helps preserve natural resources these tribes once lived and thrived off of.

Offshore energy development, pollution, vessel traffic, coastal development and other stressors are threats to the land.

Achieving sanctuary status would mean research and education efforts could be invested into the land and certain prohibitions would prevent the former threats.

Michel said NOAA has been conducting research to build baseline data for the sanctuary. "[Recently,] we've been doing soundscape monitoring. Characterizing what are the natural and man-made noises in the ocean of this coast," Michel

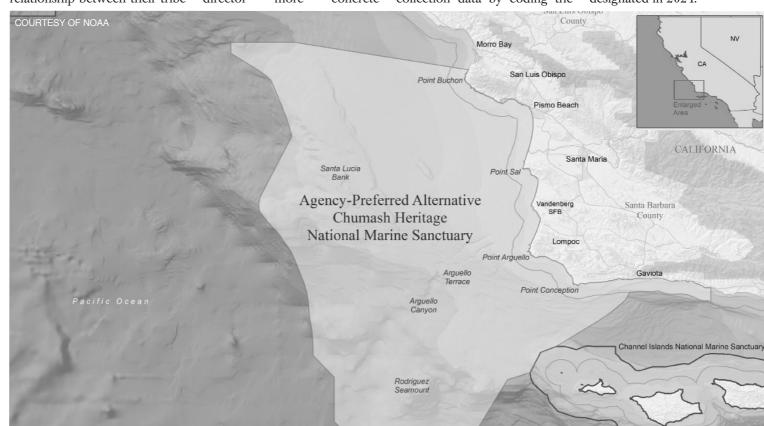
A graduate research project for UC Santa Barbara's Bren School of Environmental Science & Management worked for NOAA over the summer to gather data on assessing and controlling marine debris in the proposed designation.

Eleri Griffiths, the project manager and second-year environmental science and management graduate student, said the research fills in the gaps on existing marine debris collection data by coding the amount of debris recorded along areas of the coast for a Geographic Information System map.

They plan to finish the data collection by winter quarter. "[The sanctuary is] part of this convergence zone of both currents coming from north to south and south to north. That creates a really dynamic ecological environment for marine life," Griffiths said in a Nexus interview. "And this will be interesting as we start to analyze our data and look at results to just see how converging currents and different types of ocean dynamics may affect marine debris distribution across the region."

Once the designation is officiated, there is potential for more research and education efforts, along with economic benefits. Research indicates that the designation could create 600 new jobs and generate an estimated \$23 million in economic activity. Furthermore, Michel said that the sanctuary may count toward the Biden-Harris 30x30 initiative, which aims to protect 30% of land and water by 2030. While Michel is not sure how sanctuaries fit into the initiative at the moment, he believes they will count going forward.

Anyone may submit public comment through Regulations.gov until Oct. 26. After the public comment period closes, final designation documents will be prepared throughout 2023, and the sanctuary is slated to be officially designated in 2024.



Map of the proposed area for the Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary.

Armchair QB The Baltimore Ravens missed opportunity after opportunity in

their 17-10 loss to not only put away the Pittsburgh Steelers, but to also cement themselves as one of the best teams in the AFC.

SPORTS

UCSB Athletics

On Friday, the women's volleyball team will take on the University of Hawai'i, while men's and women's soccer will take on Cal State Bakersfield and Cal Poly SLO, respectively, on Monday.

Aguilar scores twice as men's soccer beats UCR 2-1

Andrew Tannourji Staff Writer

The UC Santa Barbara men's soccer team adds another win to their record this season after a victory over UC Riverside on Oct. 7.

This victory not only improves their overall record to 7-5-1 but their conference record to 2-1-1 in the Big West. After starting this season in a very mediocre fashion, the past two wins against UC Davis and UC Riverside helped the Gauchos build momentum going into the back stretch of the

match was very level between the Gauchos and Highlanders. Both teams held possession for an equal time, and for the first 20 minutes, neither team registered a shot.

struck first with a cross from the left side of the field to a Highlander who scored the leading

For the remainder of the first half, the Gauchos had complete control outshooting the Highlanders, and to capitalize on their offensive dominance, junior forward Salvador Aguilar equalized the

with an assist from senior midfielder Nemo Philipp.

After halftime, the Gauchos came out firing with a few shots on goal from Aguilar. Unfortunately, Shortly after, UCR none of them resulted in the goal, but match the momentum was on UCSB's side.

> In the 51st minute, Aguilar scored another goal off a cross from junior defender Caden Vom Steeg to put the Gauchos at a 2-1 lead. Not only was Vom Steeg crucial to the Gauchos' success offensively, but he played clinically on the defensive side.

The first half of the game in the 40th minute UCSB "battled back and competed hard" for the remainder of the second half, coach Tim Vom Steeg said, and the Gauchos won the

2-1. This victory helped

the Gauchos get back into form for the remainder of the season.

After the game, Aguilar said he had ease scoring his first goal due to UCR "playing in a 3-back defensive formation," allowing "a lot of space offensively" for him to work with after he was substituted on.



Men's water polo 1-0 in



UCSB goalkeeper makes the save

Fiona Gillearn Staff Writer

UC Santa Barbara men's water polo defeated California State University, Fullerton to earn their first Big West win last Saturday. The game was the first Big West match for the Gauchos and they got off to a strong start. Junior center Dash McFarland continues to stay hot this season as he scored 4 goals in the contest.

In the first quarter, the Gauchos seized an early lead. McFarland demonstrated exceptional skill by scoring a powerplay goal in minute 6, giving his team a 1-0 lead. McFarland continued to shine, finding the net again in minute 4 with a crucial assist from junior defender Henry Allen, extending the lead to 2-0. UCSB's dominance continued as junior attacker Adam Gyenis executed a well-orchestrated play assisted by graduate attacker Mason Chambliss, resulting in a goal and a score of 3-0. With a 5-meter attempt, Gyenis struck once more, elevating UCSB's lead to 4-0. However, California State University, Fullerton managed to break through UCSB's defense, preventing a shutout. The first period concluded with a score of 4-1 in favor of UCSB.

The second period began with UCSB's graduate attacker Logan Sutter making a significant impact, scoring a 6-on-5 goal in minute 7 and widening the gap to 5-1. Gyenis contributed again in minute 5, this time assisted by sophomore attacker Brock Zamanian, increasing the score to 6-1. McFarland continued to be relentless, finding the net during even strength play, with Gyenis providing the assist. UCSB's lead extended to 7-1. CSUF then responded with

a powerplay goal, making it 7-2. The first half concluded with graduate center James Oriskovich's impressive shot assisted by Allen, resulting in a score of 8-2 in favor of UCSB.

The third period of the game continued to showcase UCSB's offensive prowess. UCSB's sophomore attacker Leo Ohannessian started the period with a 6-on-5 goal, extending the lead to 9-2. UCSB maintained pressure, with McFarland scoring in minute 6, assisted by Chambliss, making it 10-2. Soon after, another powerplay opportunity for UCSB led to Gyenis finding the back of the net, assisted by Chambliss, with a score of 11-2. CSUF responded with a goal during even strength play, making it 11-3. The Gauchos regained momentum when Oriskovich scored, assisted by Gyenis, with a score of 12-3. CSUF countered with a goal in minute 1, narrowing the score to 12-4. The period concluded with sophomore utility Sam McKenzie's goal in the last minute, assisted by junior defender Shane Hoover, resulting in a score of 13-4 in

favor of UCSB. CSUF made a strong comeback effort in the fourth quarter, scoring 2 goals within the first 2 minutes to make the score 13-6. CSUF continued their offensive efforts, adding another even-strength goal in minute 5, reducing the score to 13-7. They scored once more, making it 13-8. Despite CSUF's spirited performance in the fourth period, UCSB's early lead and strong offensive showing in previous periods secured their victory with a final score of 13-8. The Gauchos are now 1-0 in the Big West Conference and are preparing for their next game on the road against UC Davis on Oct. 14.

UCSB men's water polo defeats UC Merced 30-10



A UCSB attacker looks to make a pass in front of goal.

Fiona Gillearn Staff Writer

UC Santa Barbara's men's water polo dominated the UC Merced Bobcats in a home game on Oct. 7. From the first whistle, the Gauchos showcased their impenetrable defense, generating numerous steals in the first quarter that deflated the Bobcats' offense. Junior center Dash McFarland kicked off the game with UCSB's first goal, and their offense was unstoppable for the rest of the quarter. By the end of the first, UCSB was ahead 10-1, a commanding advantage that UC Merced struggled to overcome for the

rest of the match. The halftime score of 16-5 was a testament to UCSB's relentless speed and strong defense. UC Merced (UCM) found it challenging to mount a comeback against a UCSB squad that was firing on all cylinders.

Sophomore defender Zac Green emerged as UCSB's leading scorer, netting an impressive 4 goals. Right on his heels were McFarland, freshman attacker Griffin Pieretti and freshman utility Kyle Rosenblatt, each securing a hat trick. Their individual contributions, along with the team's cohesive play, kept the pressure on UCM throughout the game.

A main area the Gauchos shined in this game was their ability to capitalize off of their offensive opportunities. They put away 68% of their shots taken. Sophomore goalkeeper Leif Lacy and freshman goalkeeper Wyatt Pieretti, who came in at halftime, proved

formidable opponents to the Bobcats' offensive attempts. A crucial factor in any water polo game is the 6-on-5 defense. While UCM drew 6 exclusions, they struggled to score on them and only converted 1 goal. In contrast, UCSB seized 3 out of 8 similar 6-on-5 opportunities.

As the final whistle blew, the scoreboard read 30-10 in favor of UCSB, reaffirming their dominance in this men's water polo matchup. The victory showcased UCSB's superior offense, skilled goalies and ability to capitalize on power play opportunities. The Gauchos look onward now to games both within their Big West Conference and outside of it, against polished teams like UC Davis and the University of the Pacific on their schedule for this month.

ON THE MENU

Buena Onda brings a piece of Argentina to Santa Barbara with community events and handcrafted empanadas

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Up until a decade ago, it was next to impossible to find Argentinian-style authentic empanadas in the Santa Barbara area. When Matias Requena and his family moved to Santa Barbara from their coastal hometown of Mar de Plata, Argentina, in 2002, the coastal California environment felt reminiscent of home but the absence of this Argentine staple was certainly present. Even if empanadas were available in the States, they strayed from the Argentine, authentic flavors that the Requena family enjoyed eating; they were Americanized, made from corn instead of flour and fried instead of baked.

Acclimating to his new home, Requena spent his first 10 years in Santa Barbara working in the local restaurant scene at establishments such as seafood restaurant Brophy Bros. and the now-closed, high-end Mexican restaurant Cielito.

Requena said

Recipe testing began at home that year in the family's kitchen while the family waited to find a larger, commercial space in which to make and sell their empanadas. With their friends acting as their taste testers, the Requenas perfected the family empanada recipe just in time for a larger kitchen space to become available. In 2015, Buena Onda rented out the kitchen from the now-shuttered American breakfast-and-lunch restaurant Goodland Kitchen in Old Town Goleta on Magnolia Avenue, allowing their business to finally take off. Once Goodland Kitchen stopped meal service for the day, Buena Onda would take over the space, serving their empanadas and playing lively Argentine music into the evening. The after-hours pop-up only lasted three months, but was an instant success, resulting outpouring community support for Buena Onda.

The original vision was always to open a restaurant space, but



Preparing the empanadas is a multi-day process.

purchase. The cooperative concept was also aimed to revive State Street as the downtown area was facing complaints from residents for feeling sleepy and unexciting. Buena Onda's station at Mosaic Locale helped get their name out there and drove traffic to their newly established restaurant on Haley Street. While Buena Onda eventually outgrew the Mosaic Locale space, the business still facilitates wholesale orders of empanadas for Draughtsmen Aleworks' outpost in the mini food hall downtown.

Once Buena Onda began to expand, Requena described updating their recipes as a "team effort" among members of the family and the kitchen staff. Basing their core empanada recipe off of the tried-and-true variation developed by Malena in Argentina, head chef Lupe Donjuan, chef Tomás Baistrocchi and Requena collaborated on the empanada flavors and chimichurri recipe, a dipping sauce made from parsley, garlic, olive oil and various spices that is paired with all empanadas.

Crafting Buena Onda's signature empanadas is a multiday process to ensure the business can regularly produce thousands every week. Mondays are dedicated to making the empanada fillings – seasoning

to the country's sizable Italian population. These influences result in dishes such as their caprese empanada which is crafted with organic roma tomatoes, mozzarella, basil and olive oil. In an effort to make their menu accessible to those with dietary restrictions and speak to plant-focused, Californian preferences, Buena Onda's menu also features vegan versions of their signature empanadas made with special vegan dough and fillings such as kale, quinoa and vegan cheese.

As the Buena Onda name throughout spread Santa Barbara, the motivation to do more than just empanadas grew. Input from fellow restaurateur Ramon Velazquez, who owns Corazón Comedor, helped Requena decide to serve something green with their empanadas which manifested itself through serving salads, potatoes and grilled vegetable platters at the restaurant. In their catering days, Buena Onda would typically feature specials at such events alongside their baked empanadas. One of these specialties included Argentine asado, or barbecued meat, and milanesas, breaded steak, which is now served at the restaurant in a sandwich or on a plate with fries and salad. Frequently, Requena travels back home

"It really made us pivot in a very fortunate way," Requena said regarding how the pandemic opened up new opportunities for wholesale distribution that Buena Onda has continued since the pandemic.

In post-pandemic times, the Requenas were eager to use their restaurant space as a venue for events to share Argentine music and culture. Since the opening of their restaurant in 2018, Buena Onda has hosted various performances by both Latin and non-Latin musicians for patrons to enjoy. After a year devoid of large gatherings, Buena Onda made an effort to host community events and help members of the community reconnect with each other. The restaurant's outdoor patio is frequently used as a dance floor in collaboration with Nomad Tango, a nonprofit that organizes Argentine tango nights.

Requena's dream since the restaurant opened was to host his own World Cup watch party for the Argentinian and extended community. When the Argentina men's soccer team entered the World Cup final, Requena organized a series of watch parties on the patio to cheer on his home team among other devoted fans. The event series was incredibly successful, with over 100 people gathered





Buena Onda's World Cup watch party celebrated Argentina's victory.

To us, the name not only represents people we love but also providing good food with a whole lots of love behind it.

MATIAS REQUENA

"I think the combination of having [restaurant] experience myself and wanting to share my culture with guests made me want to bring our cuisine to Santa Barbara," Requena said.

Yet, it was a family road trip in the Patagonia region of Argentina in 2012 that truly solidified Requena's idea to share authentic Argentine empanadas with the population of Santa Barbara. Requena's mother, Malena, was living in Argentina at the time and had cooked four dozen chicken empanadas for the family to fuel their cross-country excursion. After subsisting on empanadas for several days, Requena gained more appreciation for the easy, handheld nature of the food. He also didn't realize how much he missed the taste of his mother's handmade empanadas and knew others would love them as much as he always had.

Once Malena moved back to Santa Barbara in 2014, the process of establishing Buena Onda, the family's empanada business, began.

Buena Onda, which translates to "good vibes" in English, is a way of expressing that you get along with someone right away – that you 'vibe' with someone's energy. The phrase was not only a part of Argentine vernacular, but it also embodied the type of environment and community that the Requena family wanted to build.

finding such a location in Santa Barbara was difficult and costly. The Requenas rented another kitchen space from a catering company at 724 E. Haley Street to produce empanadas for takeout but purchased a mobile wood-fired oven to use when catering special events like weddings and corporate gatherings. For three years, Buena Onda operated as a catering service until the catering company from which they were leasing offered to sell the Haley Street building to the Requenas in 2018. This allowed the family to further focus on how to curate a cozy restaurant vibe to accommodate their comforting

dishes that tasted like home. Since the beginning, collaborating with other small food and beverage businesses in Santa Barbara has been a helpful tool in growing Buena Onda's already very enthusiastic customer base. So, it felt like a no-brainer when Buena Onda was approached about selling their empanadas at Mosaic Locale on State Street in 2018 alongside other businesses Draughtsmen including Aleworks and Old Town Coffee.

"It was like having roommates in a house," Requena said about the early days of selling his empanadas at Mosaic Locale alongside so many friends in the same industry.

Customers could pair their empanadas with a cup of



Matias Requena started Buena Onda with his mother, Malena.

"To us, the name represents not only people we love but also providing good food with a whole lot of love behind it,"

coffee or a pint of beer from other participating businesses, supporting several local restaurateurs with a single the beef, chicken and vegetables that will later be inserted into the pockets of dough - and hand kneading the dough. Tuesdays are spent feeding the dough into a machine that thins the dough to reach the perfect consistency, cutting the dough into disks, adding the filling to the empanadas and closing the empanadas. After these two days of preparing and assembling the empanadas, they are placed in a fridge and chilled; each batch of empanadas is baked to order, resulting in the ultimate freshness and best flavor.

Buena Onda's empanada varieties stay true to the flavors of Argentina while also acknowledging other global influences. Requena grew up eating beef empanadas, which he considers to be the most authentic Argentine flavor present in Buena Onda's empanadas, yet also wanted the business to appeal to the California palate and Italian cuisine, which is widely consumed in Argentina due

to Argentina both to connect with his roots and gain recipe inspiration for Buena Onda's latest menu items.

The pandemic was a challenging time for Buena Onda, especially since the restaurant had only been operating for two years. With the announcement of the shelter-in-place order, Requena quickly brainstormed ways to keep the business afloat and came up with the idea of offering no-contact deliveries throughout the Santa Barbara area of frozen empanadas that customers could bake in their ovens at home. COVID-19 also sparked several unexpected partnerships with local bars. In order for bars and clubs to continue operating during the pandemic, Santa Barbara County required such establishments to serve food. Cocktail bars, The Good Lion and EOS Lounge started to place wholesale orders from Buena Onda during this time, which in turn helped Buena Onda's empanadas reach

a wider audience.

around a single flat-screen to watch every game, decked out in their blue-and-white striped jerseys. Buena Onda's patio on that Sunday in December at 6 a.m. felt like being transported to an actual stadium with a lively celebration complete with confetti, drums, drinks and waving flags that followed Argentina's victory.

Requena doesn't deny the immense challenges of operating a restaurant, especially one that tapped into the niche of Argentine cuisine, with which Santa Barbara residents were less familiar. But witnessing the public participate in celebrations of Argentine culture through tango nights, soccer match screenings and, of course, dining on authentic Argentine fare made all of the past setbacks worth overcoming.

"Building a family here within the business and all the people you meet, and all the people you feed is something great that came out of all of this," Requena said

OPINION

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

STRONGER TOGETHER: AMALGAMATION WILL INCREASE WORKER POWER AT UCSB AND BEYOND



Note from the Editor: We did not change the content of this piece and solely edited it for clarity.

Trevor Arp UCSB Postdoctoral Researcher

This October, unionized graduate students represented by United Auto Workers Local 2865 and postdocs and academic researchers represented by United Auto Workers Local 5810 will vote on amalgamation – that is, we will vote on whether or not to form a combined union. This is an important step in building power, but to understand why, let me tell you about my experience as a unionized worker at the University of California.

I was a graduate student at UC Riverside before coming to UC Santa Barbara as a postdoctoral scholar. As a graduate student at UCR, I joined United Auto Workers (UAW) 2865 while I was working as a teaching assistant, but as my doctoral studies progressed, I started working as a graduate student researcher, which at the time that meant I was no longer represented by a union contract. Many graduate students engaging in scientific research are subject to the whims of the grant cycle: one quarter you might be a teaching assistant the protections of that contract and then the next quarter you might be a researcher with no contract sometimes taking a pay cut. It was not a good system, and it kept me and many other graduate students on the sidelines of union activism.

Around the time I was graduating, people started to change that, laying the

groundwork for the campaign to organize student researchers and win a contract. This culminated in Student Researchers United (SRU), which would later join UAW Local 2865. Now all graduate student workers were represented by a union but not the same one that I, now a UCSB postdoc, was in. In fact, coming to UCSB I didn't even realize there was a postdoctoral union. But during my time here, our union was working to ensure that all of us working in research and teaching were represented and engaged.

Then came the strike. In November 2022, all UAW bargaining units (i.e. job titles), academic student employees, student researchers, postdoctoral researchers and academic researchers went on strike after months of stalling and unfair labor practices by the UC. When I chose to strike, I considered not just our own postdoctoral interests but also my experiences as a graduate student and the interests of the graduate students I work with every day. That solidarity was what allowed us to have a successful cross-union, cross-unit strike that secured us good contracts.

Some of our wins were in all the contracts. For example, in the latest contracts, all four bargaining units have the same strong language to protect them from abusive conduct. One of my graduate school roommates was forced to leave his program after enduring his advisor yelling at him almost every day for years, and without a student

researchers' union he had no recourse beyond UC-controlled mediation that is widely known to be useless. Nowadays the student researcher contract would protect him and provide a speedy timeline to resolution. Everyone, graduate student, postdoctoral researcher, knows someone affected by abusive conduct; it is unfortunately common in academia. That's why it's so important we all have strong contractual protection against abusive conduct, and when we stood up together we got it!

So why do we have separate unions in the first place? The answer, sadly, is that former leadership of the International Executive Board of our own union is to blame. When postdoctoral researchers originally organized as part of the UAW 15 years ago, we expected to join 2865. Postdoctoral and graduate students have obvious shared interests, especially since most postdoctoral researchers come right out of grad school and work in offices and labs with graduate student workers. Despite this, our request to join 2865 was denied by the leadership of UAW Region 5. It was a strange decision, given that UAW has a history of wallto-wall organizing that would support having one large union. But it soon became clear that Region 5 officials felt threatened by a large, progressive, West Coast union and that this decision was a political move. In the years since, many of these officials have been ousted as part

of ethics reforms within UAW, some have even gone to prison and Region 5 itself has been dissolved.

Meanwhile, many other academic unions, such as UAW Local 4121 at the University of Washington, have formed structures representing multiple job titles, to great success. In fact, a single union representing multiple job titles is the norm across the wider labor movement. The model of multiple bargaining units within a larger union increases the power of the union and allows a diverse array of workers to help each other out of solidarity, but it still allows each specific bargaining unit to choose their priorities and work on issues that affect them.

Theseparation of postdoctoral and academic researchers from graduate student workers was a mistake, and it's time to correct it. So I hope that this October my siblings in UAW 2865 and UAW 5810 will join me in voting "yes" on amalgamating our unions. Let's stand together and make the UC a great place to work!

Trevor Arp says that graduate student workers, postdoctoral and academic researchers need to stand together to build a better UC.



KAYLEE HEARTM / DAILY NEXUS

Subject: Good Bones

Dearest P&A,

I miss you terribly, and you're sitting right next to me. I'm caught up in a dictionary of those stupidly complicated German words that have meanings of feelings that only old people experience. Find me a word, please. Find me a word for future nostalgia, for why my heart is heavy when I know it should be full.

Will you remember our dorm room – the way it smelled when it rained or when the morning sun would stream in? Will you remember us – our rituals, our routines, the way we knew each other

better than ourselves? I never want us to part ways, even though we spend every waking moment together right now

U MAIL: NEW MESSAGE

I live in the moment with you - but I can't help but feel that ache in my chest for when you leave. You know that poem, "Good Bones" by Maggie Smith – I'm sure you do, it's everywhere now. There's a part that goes like this: "I am trying / to sell them the world. Any decent realtor, / walking you through a real shithole, chirps on / about good bones: This place could be beautiful, / right? You could make this place beautiful."

You could make this place beautiful. It's always gone over my head; I'm a realist, and the world will always change for the worse. Will it? Doesn't it change in the way we laugh together and my vision suddenly clears or in the way I have never slept better without you two around? Doesn't the world adopt new color, new dimension? Or, rather, is the dimension I discover hidden in your one-cheeked dimple, your dotted freckles? Sorry for sounding so romantic; I promise this isn't a love love letter. You guys aren't my type.

I'll miss you at 50, when we're old and

grown and cynical and claim that the world will never be beautiful again. I'll miss you even though we say we'll live together forever. I miss you now, when you're sitting next to me. You make me believe that the world will be good, even though I know it isn't.

Thank you for selling me on the good bones.

Love you until I die, Kayu

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