After the Associated Students Elections Board called for a “re-vote” of the entire Spring Election ballot on Tuesday, pointing to alleged bribery by the Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC), a packed room of students at Wednesday’s A.S. Senate meeting presented contrasting opinions.

In an “unsolicited letter” from the IFC president, the board said it found information that the IFC gave “monetary incentives” to students who voted in the Spring Elections by awarding philanthropy grants to chapters that received high voter turnout.

Brendan Gonzalez, IFC president, submitted a letter to the Nexus Wednesday in which he said that the IFC consulted with the Office of Student Life prior to developing the grant program. In the letter, Gonzalez said, “The IFC has been unequivocally transparent about these grants,” and said he received information from administration that “many other UCSB campus organizations have used similar programs.”

“We made this clear … this grant was not based on who you vote for,” Gonzalez said on Wednesday evening. “I encourage people to look at both sides.”

As of Wednesday’s Senate meeting, the Elections Board is still recommending that all executive and Senate positions, fee initiatives, fee reaffirmations, constitutional amendments and Campus Elections Committee initiatives once again go through the voting process, potentially modifying the results of last week’s election.

According to Kimia Hashemian, A.S. internal vice president and fourth-year sociology major, the senate does not currently have the power to call for a “re-vote.” If they choose to pass such an amendment, the senate would have to draft a new policy within a week to create guidelines for future use.

“I personally don’t see that the constitution has been broken. It does say in the constitution that all students have the right to vote in the election,” Hashemian said. “There is no precedent to this, and there’s no policy at all; in a sense it could be argued that it comes down to whatever the senate decides.”

However, Hashemian said students could separately present the issue to A.S. Judicial Affairs and the A.S. Elections Committee. If a student petition were to be created, Hashemian said the Elections Board would have “full jurisdiction” in taking further action.

Miles Ashlock, assistant dean and director of the Office of Student Life, received a copy of the letter Gonzalez sent to the Elections Board.

“Personally, if I thought that what they were discussing were a bribe, that’s something I would have intervened upon,” Ashlock said on Wednesday.

During a Senate meeting on Wednesday evening, Avery Chamberlain, chair of Elections Board, said the IFC’s plans were unethical, because they created measures to hold students accountable for their actions.

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Surveys conducted by teenage students show that many I.V. residents complain about noise and alcohol.

Nicholas Bogel-Burroughs
County News Editor

Middle school and high school students convened Tuesday in Isla Vista, asking community leaders to acknowledge the need for a safe, peaceful community conducive to their busy schedules.

About 35 teenage students from schools throughout Santa Barbara County presented findings from their survey of 200 I.V. residents indicating that Isla Vistans are overwhelmingly concerned about alcohol, drugs and noise in the community.
**Weather**

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SBCC Program To Cover 2 Years of Students’ Tuition

SBCC’s College Promise excludes housing and transportation fees, as many of its students are locals to Santa Barbara living at home.

Madison Hechler
Staff Writer

Vice President Joe Biden announced Monday a $100 million expansion of free tuition programs similar to Santa Barbara City College’s (SBCC) newly instituted “College Promise.”

These funds will be used for initiatives that include tuition-free partnerships with community colleges, as well as training programs between employers and students.

This money is part of President Barack Obama’s College Promise to further bridge students’ educational opportunities and employer needs, making education and work force training attainable to middle and lower class students.

The SBCC Board of Trustees enacted its own resolution in January, deemed SBCC’s College Promise, to support Obama’s plan. The resolution provides incoming students with two years of fully covered tuition, as long as the students are from local high schools.

SBCC Board of Trustees member and UCSB graduate Jonathan Abboud said SBCC’s College Promise is the most ambitious resolution of any community college in the country. He said the city college’s resolution also covers books and fees, although students would need to pay for their own housing and transportation.

“The assumption is that most students will be living at home during this time, as they are local,” Abboud said.

Following Obama’s 2015 State of the Union Address, in which he furthered his goals for America’s College Promise, 27 new free community college programs have launched nationwide, including SBCC’s.

Abboud said the federal government has not yet funded SBCC’s resolution, which is currently being funded through local, private philanthropy.

The goal of making the first two years of college virtually free is to make the concept of college less daunting and easily attainable for students, according to Abboud. He said once students get this crucial jumpstart, they could either transfer to a four-year university or enter into the workforce having learned necessary technical skills for many entry-level jobs.

“This plan is part of our effort to fulfill our role in California’s master plan: Get people into college and off to higher education,” Abboud said. “This kick start is crucial for many students who would otherwise not have the means to do so.”

Emily O’Kelly, a second-year at SBCC who will be transferring to UCSB in the fall, said she could have benefited greatly from the benefits of such a program at SBCC.

“I think that supplying an increased number of community colleges with free tuition would be a wise investment in our own economy,” O’Kelly said. “Breaking down the monetary barrier to higher education translates into an increased number of students, which in the end supplies our work force with a larger amount of capable and trained individuals.”

All-Freshman Team Makes it to Startup Fair

The New Venture Competition lets student startups compete for money and exposure

Sierra Deak
Assistant News Editor

UCSB’s Technology Management Program (TMP) will host the New Venture Fair Thursday evening at Corwin Pavilion, allowing student teams to present startup business plans as part of the 17th annual New Venture Competition.

The annual competition begins in Fall Quarter when teams are established and ends in Spring Quarter with the presentation of the top six startups. This year, the first all-freshman team has made it to the New Venture Fair with their business idea, SNTRY, a new bike lock that incorporates both a U-lock and Y-lock to make it more secure and easy to use.

Karan Maira, SNTRY team member and first-year mathematics major, said he and his team had begun designing their product on their own in response to bike theft on campus before they knew about the competition.

“When we designed it, we didn’t know about the New Venture Competition,” Maira said. “We took it to Chancellor [Henry T.] Yang, and he introduced the people in charge of it and we took off from there.”

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According to Yash Agarwal, SNTRY team member and first-year economics major, he and his team were at a slight disadvantage due to lack of experience, but with the success of their product, they were able to overcome that obstacle.

“Being freshmen, we don’t have much experience in all the areas,” Agarwal said. “One of the criteria on which judges judge upon is the experience of the team, and on that we are severely lacking because we’re all freshmen.”

Don Lubach, associate dean of students was impressed by SNTRY’s product presentation, especially since the designers are both freshmen, and praised the New Venture Fair for its focus on helping students gain early exposure in a variety of fields.

“Two of the Venture Fair contestants dropped by my lecture and shared their product and enthusiasm with my class,” Lubach wrote in an email. “Karan and Yash looked so confident, I was ready for them to ask me for a check. And they are first-year students.”

“TMP and events like this fair are perfect counterweight to a research university,” Lubach wrote. “Our faculty focus on new knowledge and daring technology and this keeps our students a few years ahead of the market. It’s like our students have a lens into the future.”

For Agarwal, the potential reward money is secondary to the exposure his team’s product has garnered over the course of the competition process.

“The main thing everyone is fighting for is exposure,” Agarwal said. “There are going to be six teams going into the finals, and every team is going to get at least $2,500 … but the main thing is having exposure to the public and investors, so grabbing their attention and getting them to invest in the startup.”

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Ways into Waze: Researchers Find Method To Hack App

By intercepting the popular traffic app’s communications, hackers could produce fake accounts to track real users.

Researchers at UCSB have discovered a way to hack the Waze application to create thousands of “ghost drivers” that have the ability to closely monitor the locations of users.

Waze is a traffic and navigation app that allows users to update maps with information about traffic collisions and slow traffic. When opened on a smartphone, the app shows the location of anonymous users nearby.

Researchers from the computer science department at UCSB found that they could intercept the way Waze’s computers communicate with individual smartphones. In doing this, hackers could write computer script that could track thousands more Waze users on multiple grids in a map.

“We can follow people in the whole city, or even people in the whole U.S. country,” said Gang Wang, computer science graduate student and one of the study’s main authors.

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The applications for this method, Zhao said, could go far beyond Waze. According to Zhao, hackers could hack systems for apps like Yik Yak, Whisper, Foursquare, Yelp and Uber using this method.

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The study’s findings shed light on the vulnerability of crowdsourcing apps like Yik Yak and Waze; they imply that users must be “careful,” Zhao said.

“You have to be very careful about what it is that you’re reporting from your phone,” Zhao said. “Once you send the information off the phone, it’s nearly public knowledge.”
Former Speaker of the House Sentenced in Cover-Up of Sexual Abuse

Dennis Hastert, former Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, was sentenced to 15 months in prison for executing banking transactions in a specific pattern to conceal the sexual abuse of students he had coached in a high school wrestling team. The alleged abuses happened decades ago; many of the victims are now in their 50s. In consideration of Hastert's numerous health problems, the judge that convicted him recommended that Hastert be sent to a prison hospital. The court could not charge Hastert for the sexual abuse because statutes of limitation for acts in the 1960s and '70s have run out. The former Speaker was first elected to the house in 1986 and became speaker in 1999. nytimes.com

JetBlue Pilot in Court for Allegedly Flying Drunk

Dennis Murphy, former JetBlue pilot, was in court Wednesday after failing an alcohol test that he was randomly selected to take on April 21 after flying two flights between JFK International Airport in New York and Orlando International Airport in Florida. The airline has since removed his flight status and he has resigned. According to the complaint filed in the Eastern District of New York, he registered a 0.111 and 0.091 on a breathalyzer test, both of which are over the legal driving limit of anywhere in the United States. He faces a maximum penalty of 15 years if convicted. abcnews.go.com

Tom Brady's 4-Game Ban Reinstated

The United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit ruled Monday to reinstate Tom Brady's four-game ban in the "Deflategate" scandal. The ban was originally imposed by NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell, but has been challenged. The NFL says it is happy that the court ruled in their favor, claiming Goodell used his authority properly when issuing the ban. The NFL Players Association (NFLPA), which was representing Brady, said it is disappointed with the ruling, claiming Goodell didn't serve as a fair arbitrator and that players rights were violated. The NFLPA says it will continue looking to defend Brady and the rights of other players in the league. cnn.com

Austria Passes Strict Asylum Law

Days after an election put many far-right wing politicians into office, Austria has passed controversial asylum laws aimed at severely reducing the number of people who can be granted asylum in the country. The law allows for most asylum seekers to be rejected at the border and limits successful claims to three years. Interior Minister Wolfgang Sobotka, proponent of the law, said Austria was forced to act after other European Union member states had failed to act on their own and that Austria cannot bear the full burden of asylum seekers. Opponents of the law say it undermines the principle of protection from war and persecution. bbc.com

Paris Attacks Suspect Handed Over to France

Salah Abdeslam, the only alleged living direct participant of the terrorist attacks in Paris last November, was extradited to France from Belgium Wednesday and was later charged in a French court with murder connected to terrorism, participation in a terrorist conspiracy and possession of weapons and explosives. He was brought to the country using a heavily guarded helicopter and will be detained in a French unit designed specifically to hold individuals known to be dangerous in isolation. Abdeslam is a French citizen of Moroccan descent and fled France on Nov. 14 of last year, leading to a manhunt that ended in his capture on March 18 in Brussels. nytimes.com

Australian Man Hospitalized after Redback Spider Bites His Penis

A tradesman, whose name has not been made public, took himself to the hospital after being bitten by a redback spider Wednesday in a portable bathroom in Sydney, Australia. The redback spider could not be reached for comment as his current whereabouts are unknown. Its species is closely related to the black widow spider and can be distinguished by a long red stripe on its abdomen. Venom released from its bite causes severe pain, sweating and nausea. There are recorded cases of its bite being fatal, but none since the development of an antivenom in 1956. The man has since been discharged in a stable condition. bbc.com
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Senior Staff Writer

The Entrepreneurs Association (EA) is hosting the first ever Startup Symposium Career Fair on May 4 from 1-4 p.m. in Corwin Pavilion.

The event, sponsored by UCSB’s Associated Students, is free and open to all students and alumni. Santa Barbara startups will be hiring for job positions and internships within sales, marketing, business development, engineering, human resources and more.

The UCSB EA President Navjot Brar, fourth-year mechanical engineering major, said the organization expects 500 people to attend throughout the day. After speaking with a previous president of the Cal Poly Entrepreneurs Club, Brar thought a career fair could help UCSB students as well.

"The Startup Career Fair was just a perfect way to help students … After talking to multiple startups in town, they all voiced their concern that they needed to hire UCSB students. That got me thinking, 'Well that's weird, I know a ton of students looking for jobs at UCSB,'” Brar said in an email.

According to Brar, EA “created some hurdles” to ensure that companies will engage with students for immediate hiring rather than simply increase their reach or company.

"I always hated going to other career fairs and hearing the big companies tell me to just apply. I think this will become an annual fair since everyone on our leadership team wants to continue the event for future years. Also the involvement of students in entrepreneurship has never been better,” Barney said in an email.

Attendees are encouraged to bring a student ID, or perm number and resume copies. More information can be found on EAs Facebook event page, facebook.com/events/223051043618480.
The recent veganism trend has led to an increase in vegan options in UCSB dining commons. However, this will not lead to abandoning meat altogether anytime soon.

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Staff Writer

Veganism is trending in both the food industry and in student requests for more vegan options on the menu, and the dining commons have heeded the call.

Dining Services Dietitian Danielle Kemp said the increased popularity of plant-based foods has been relatively recent.

“It’s been in the last few years, but it becomes more and more apparent,” she said in an interview on Tuesday. “I keep getting more stuff in magazines and from manufacturers about products that they’re making.”

Vegan and vegetarian options have greatly increased within the past seven years, starting with the student-led push for Green Monday in 2009, a couple of years before Kemp started working with UCSB.

“There was a need from the students for vegan and vegetarian options that probably happened before my time,” she said, adding that this was followed by another push from within the administration itself.

A few years after the launching of Green Monday, the executive chef of the dining commons headed the development of more vegan and vegetarian entrée options. In one summer, he developed a menu and started tastings for the management staff, creating much of what the dining commons offer today.

“We offer a vegan and a vegetarian entrée at each dining commons,” Kemp said. “So there are available options, usually all the time.”

However, the options are never provided at all the commons for any given meal.

“A student may have to go to a different dining common to find a vegan option,” she said. “So they have to kind of figure out where they need to go depending on who’s serving what.”

Kemp said although there are not always entrée options available, the design of the menu allows for more flexibility.

“There are other staples like baked potatoes, sweet potatoes, rice and beans that are offered all the time,” she said. “So you can be pretty creative.”

Several other sources of inspiration for the food at the dining commons include conferences, magazines and food conventions. These sources serve as tools to keep the staff up to date on health discoveries, new recipes and new products.

“I do think the plant-based [trend] has been growing,” she said of the current patterns within the food industry.

Kemp said she is pleased about the trend and about its influence in the dining commons.

“As a dietitian, you want to incorporate more plant-based foods into your diet,” Kemp said.

She is sure to add that this is all about balance, and while they are providing more options for vegans, the dining commons will not be abandoning meat anytime soon.

“If you're not feeling well, this is a really great place to learn how to program.”

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For several weeks, the students split into groups and canvassed I.V., asking 200 residents — almost half of which were college students — what they found problematic in the area.

Of the 200 residents surveyed, 88.5 percent said alcohol is a problem in I.V., 84 percent said drugs are a problem and 85 percent said noise is an issue on the weekends.

“Some of my nights when I’m in Isla Vista doing my homework, it can be really noisy,” said one 15-year-old who presented some of the findings Tuesday. “I am a student, too.”

Named “I’m a Student, Too,” the event sought to remind UC Santa Barbara and Santa Barbara City College students that there are younger students in I.V. who attend middle schools and high schools in the county. In addition to the 200 residents surveyed, the students also asked 100 locals for their favorite thing about I.V., recording responses including the beach, the warm weather, Freebirds and the Children’s Park. Nearly 80 percent of participants said they love living in I.V.

The students spoke to a crowd of about 45 in the St. George Family Youth Center (formerly the I.V. Teen Center), which co-hosted the event with Future Leaders of America (FLA), a local nonprofit that works with low-income Latino/a youth.

“As youth, we want to reduce drugs and alcohol and drug consumption in I.V.,” said Oscar Rojas, 16, a sophomore at Dos Pueblos High School and a member of FLA. “We believe that the best way to deal with these issues is to work as a collaborative team with UCSB, SBCC, the County of [Santa Barbara] and community nonprofits and our families.”

Leonor Reyes, director of the St. George Family Youth Center, said the “general party culture” blinds some students to the families living in I.V.

“I work with a lot of college students who come in [the center] and it’s the first time they realize there are students and teens in Isla Vista,” Reyes said.

The student group recommended three means by which to alleviate the party culture that, at times, hinders students from focusing on homework or falling asleep.

First, make I.V. residents aware of children and teens who live and study within the community; second, increase the media coverage of positive I.V. activities; and third, add classes or programs focusing on cultural awareness to UCSB’s curriculum that educate students on the composition and history of the area.

Eder Gaona-Macedo, the executive director of FLA, proposed the creation of “cultural sensitivity training” for UCSB students during freshman orientation, telling them that there are families in I.V. and that “the party isn’t conducive to everyone, especially the young kids.”

Nicole, 15, was born and raised in I.V. and now attends Dos Pueblos High School. She said the noise is the most difficult part of living in I.V., adding that she often sees people smoking and drinking at a park near her house, although the problem is improving.

“Sometimes I’m not able to go outside to enjoy the park,” she said. “I hope it gets better. It’s gotten way better in the last few years.”

María, a 13-year-old student at Goleta Valley Junior High, said she enjoys the beaches and getting food with friends in I.V., but gets annoyed by the noise from parties.

“On weekends or holidays — Halloween or Deltopia — it gets really loud, but other days I like living here,” she said, adding that the noise “is frustrating and sometimes keeps me from sleeping.”
Unanimous Decision: Boxing Reigns Supreme

Xavier Cardenas
Staff Writer

After Gennady “Triple G” Golovkin made quick work of the previously undefeated Dominic Wade via a second round knockout this past Saturday, earning his 22nd consecutive knockout victory to improve to 35-0, there were two things that were inevitably clear.

In typical fashion, Gennady walked down his opponent and did not show much head movement in the early parts of the round, but Wade was unable to capitalize on Golovkin’s lax defense.

With regard to the vulnerability of all fighters in both MMA and boxing, it’s difficult to surpass the reality that the elite fighters of the UFC and MMA still make just a fraction of the pay day’s top prize fighters in boxing currently make. A fair question would be, why is it that there is such a disparity between combat athletes? I would propose to take a look at the populartiy of the sport as a primary indicator as to how much each sport can afford to pay its fighters.

The more paying viewers open to patronize the sport, the more the promotion has in profit, which in turn can find its way to compensate the fighters.

For the sake of boxing, we hope so.

As previously mentioned in my colleague Sean White’s “Rebirth of The Ringside, Thurman Vs. Porter,” boxing is due for a major facelift. As the career of Manny Pacquiao nears its ending, following the retirement of Floyd Mayweather Jr., the boxing industry is in need of a new ‘poster boy.’

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With regard to the vulnerability of all fighters in both MMA and boxing, it’s difficult to surpass the reality that the elite fighters of the UFC and MMA still make just a fraction of the pay day’s top prize fighters in boxing currently make.

A fair question would be, why is it that there is such a disparity between combat athletes? I would propose to take a look at the populartiy of the sport as a primary indicator as to how much each sport can afford to pay its fighters.

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A Risky Plunge Rewarded

Committed to enhancing her performance in the pool, Lauren Martin’s intentional redshirt decision has resulted in a career year for the center thus far.

Martin led her team to three consecutive Tri River Athletic Conference titles and individually won consecutive CIF championships in 2008 and 2009. It was no surprise that after all of those merits, the freshman went on to play in all 35 games in her first season, generating 29 goals and 13 assists for a count of 47 that year.

The two following years were as productive as the first, contributing 24 and 33 goals her sophomore and junior season, respectively. Playing time was not a problem for Martin who had certainly earned her spot as the team’s center player; however, coming into her fourth season she decided to take a year off.

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Even after her outstanding performance that weekend, it remained unpredictable just how “great” she would continue to do throughout the season and how much of an influence she would have on the team.

“I didn’t really have the mindset of ‘Oh I hope I do well,’” Martin said. “It was just what was expected — out of the whole entire team, even — not just myself.” The 5’10” center finished her last season with UCSB as the team’s leading scorer with 45 goals and a striking shooting percentage of .517, feats that helped her to earn Big West Player of the Week honors twice this season.

However, the importance of her contributions to the team were not only in the amount of goals that she put away each game but also in their timing.

On several occasions, Martin came in clutch when the team needed her the most. She had a couple of game-winners, some occurring in overtime, which gave the Gauchos the victory in addition to being a catalyst that occasionally sparked the team when it needed to recoup in dire situations.

“Whenever I go in the game, it is my job to get a goal or set a teammate up with a really nice pass or earn an ejection so that someone else can score,” Martin said modestly. “My mindset going [in] is to give 110 percent every time I go in the water.”

Nonetheless, the senior might attribute some of her collegiate success both in and out of the pool to her earlier years when she participated in the Olympic Development Program.

With such high expectations and the effort that is required of all athletes, the experience was beneficial beyond the depths of the pool, helping individuals improve as everyday people.

“It showed me commitment, and just going into those practices knowing that you have eight hours of practice ahead but knowing that it will all pay off in the long run teaches you determination,” Martin said. “It also helped with time management: knowing that I had a long practice ahead and I had to plan for school and other stuff I had to do.”

While her career at UCSB might be over after the Big West Tournament, Martin hopes to continue doing what she loves in the future. While nothing is set in stone yet, word has it that this powerful player will be taking her talents overseas.
Chilla Vista Returns for Earth Day Celebration

Kara Newman  
Reporter

Last Saturday, Isla Vista’s annual music and arts festival melded with Earth Day spirit in Chilla Vista X Earth Day in Anisq’Oyo’ Park. Isla Vista Community Relations Committee (IVCRC) and the Environmental Awareness Board (EAB) collaborated to put on an event that brought community and environmental consciousness together through art and activities. Not even the fierce winds could keep the hundreds of students and community members from coming out to enjoy live music, art and dance.

IVCRC events coordinator Jennifer Kim described the purpose of the festivities.

“Our main goal is to bring the community together and make sure people know about all of the resources that are available to them. We want to let people know who we are and what we do,” Kim said.

A wide variety of groups tabled in the park, including Save the Mermaids, Life of the Party, Adopt-a-Block and Health and Wellness, providing information about campus resources, how to maintain personal health and safety and environmental awareness. Carolina Castillo, EAB’s Chilla Vista coordinator, explained the important history of the event.

“Earth Day was started here in Santa Barbara after the 1969 oil spill, and it’s spread all over the world,” Castillo said. Bringing together Santa Barbara’s rich history of activism with the people of Isla Vista proved to be an important undercurrent of the event. The art walk in particular embodied this sense of community and consciousness as passersby could witness UCSB alumnus Huicho Mata spray-paint a powerful live mural over the course of the day. Interactive art, such as “Draw on Me” blackboards and the “hope” exhibit in large white letters were popular attractions that allowed for community members to fill the space with positivity, goals, dreams and pride.

In the kid’s corner, people flocked to the Isla Vista Food Co-op and Capoeira to enjoy locally grown produce and engage in Brazilian martial arts. As always, Chilla Vista brought out a wide selection of bands including Feral Vida, Walter Lewin’s Dotted Lines and a variety of local Isla Vista students and faculty, including UCSB’s environmental philosophy professor Tamsin German. The day came to an end with The Crash Landings, UCSB’s a capella group Naked Voices and the iconic Olés. Students and community members gathered on the grassy hill next to the art walk to dance and relax while getting a taste of I.V. culture. Children, dogs, students and community members all made an appearance to get their daily dose of good vibes.

Both Castillo and Kim commented on the fusion of Earth Day with Chilla Vista in one event as a great way to bring about positivity and unity to the town.

“They both [Chilla Vista and Earth Day] have the same purpose,” Kim commented. “I think it worked really well to do the two events together.” This new fusion of Chilla Vista X Earth Day proved to be a great way to carry on I.V.’s tradition of supporting community values, raising environmental awareness and celebrating through art.

Sam Feldt Spins Mid-Coachella SOhO Set

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Extraordinary, phenomenal, unreal, rare and unimaginable are a few of the words that I sifted through in an effort to describe this experience, but these words alone could not even begin to do the night justice. As a method of reference, I looked to a review I wrote on The 1975's performance at the Hollywood Palladium in 2014, but it was almost as if I were writing about a completely different band. There is no questioning that they have endured a grand artistic evolution as a band, but for those fortunate enough to attend the show, they were able to get a glimpse of just how much their change in persona has fed into their performance.

The Japanese House took the stage to start the night off and even in a venue crowded with anxious teenagers in broad daylight, she was the focal point of the place in its entirety from the minute she walked out. The mind behind the music, Amber Bain, quickly surfaced within the music scene after numerous forms of recognition from The 1975 band members and after their thrilling fan base sought answers to who exactly The Japanese House was and what about her music made her so infatuating. Bain's melancholic melodies are mysteriously tranquilizing, and they served as an ideal preparation for a long night to come. Their formative years were spent in small pubs to gain their migain under their belt, a different sound for each gig. Their music has been heavily influenced by a multitude of artists, including Prince, whom they paid tribute to during an intermission by projecting his face surrounded in purple onto a large screen while his song, “I Wanna Be Your Lover,” rang proudly through the speakers.

With this, the show as a whole consisted of songs off of their self-titled debut album and their sophomore album, I Like It When You Sleep for You Are So Beautiful yet So Unaware of It. The 1975 live will make your heart ache for days to follow, but that pain is comforted by a sort of understanding that you could only receive from attending a show of this sort.

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A familiar ringing pierced the air, and the crowd grew silent as they recognized the tone as the cue for the beginning of what may become the best night of their lives. Rather than just gracing the stage, frontman Matty Healy went the extra mile and rode a bike onto the stage, which Santa Barbara—a bike-friendly community—definitely appreciated. As someone who has attended several of its shows, I can say that the band’s overall aesthetic is overwhelmingly alluring and timeless with each passing show. This aesthetic breathes into their stage presence and produces a combination of sounds that words can’t describe accurately alone. Its members make this evident in their music, their performance and their constant effort to give people the opportunity to understand them as musicians. They have been heavily influenced by a multitude of artists, including Prince, whom they paid tribute to during an intermission by projecting his face surrounded in purple onto a large screen while his song, “I Wanna Be Your Lover,” rang proudly through the speakers.

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**ON THE MENU**

Christmas in April: Buddy’s Bites

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Once upon a time, there lived a baby who wound up crawling into Santa’s magical bag of gifts and was later dumped out into the dazzling world of the North Pole. He grew enormously fast and towered over the tiny elf community, but his Papa Elf was kind enough to squeeze him under his wing as his own.

With Buddy the Elf as his new given name, the boy grew up with a North Pole lifestyle, soon discovering the savory main elf food groups consisted of candy and syrup. Swirls of candy canes, fun-shaped cookies, squishy sugar gummy drops and fluffy vanilla frosting filled his bubbling thoughts. Some may call it an addiction, considering the fact he stored a travel-sized bottle of maple syrup in his back pocket in case of an emergency, and it sounds pretty reasonable to me.

Luckily (or maybe not so luckily) for us, Buddy carried over his sugar obsession to the bustling scene of New York City when he was in search of his long-lost father. His bedazzled spaghetti creation was a jaw-dropper. Sticky maple syrup, Frosted Chocolate Fudge Pop-Tarts, M&M’s, mini-marshmallows, Hershey’s chocolate syrup and a pool of colorful sprinkles all twisted and tangled into the wiggly locks of stringy spaghetti. Buddy the Elf only received bug-eye stares and awkward smiles for his artsy, fun masterpiece, but honestly, my first reaction would have been a curious question as to how it tastes. Thus, I took the challenge upon myself to scour the grocery store for every last ingredient and follow the expertise of an elf.

First of all, let me clear the air with these three points: One, I was completely uneasy and very unsure about this meal; two, I did not wear an elf costume at any moment of this experience (I do not own such a thing); three, I chinned out by using a fork instead of my hands like an animal, which Buddy courageously did in the film.

I will say that the preparation period was incredibly simple and, not to mention, TOTALLY FUN! It was like finger painting, except that you get the added bonus of devouring it once it is complete. Embarrassing as it is to admit to you and to myself, I honestly enjoyed it. Since the plate was dripping with syrup and overflowing with toppling sweets, I was forced to skip the formal twirling etiquette of eating spaghetti and instead shoveled the mess into my mouth repeatedly with my back hunched over to get a taste of every single ingredient. The way I illustrate this experience makes me seem like some ravenous goblin, so good thing you were not there to witness it and judge me. Keep in mind, however, that you can only judge me once you have successfully attempted this colossal pile yourself.

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Ike’s, Ike’s Baby!

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Reporter

Two weeks ago, the San Francisco-based sandwich shop Ike’s Place arrived in Isla Vista, making it the newest bite in the local food circuit. Located next to the recently departed Shave It on Seville, Ike’s Place has sparked lots of excited chatter along with a few disappointed murmurs. Though a SoCal native and a sandwich novice, I decided to check it out and let the food speak for itself.

Walking into Ike’s, I am struck by the sheer amount of customers. They are everywhere. The vibrant green metal chairs and tables are filled to capacity and the line to order is nearly out the door. It’s around 3 p.m. on a Sunday afternoon, which doesn’t strike me as a particularly popular time to order food, but then again, it is the weekend.

When my order arrives, I eagerly dig in. The bread is warm and soft with the perfect amount of crunch. As I wade through the layers of this concoction, I come across its delicious meat core. Although there’s a little too much shredded chicken for my liking, the chicken pairs well with the honey mustard and BBQ sauce. This sandwich is rich and creamy while simultaneously sweet and savory. It is also a mess to eat. Not used to the oozy sauces and bits of shredded lettuce that accompany sandwich consumption, I quickly devour my first half and move on to the next. When everything is done, I sit back in my chair, perfectly satisfied with this meal. It more than hits the spot.

A newcomer to the I.V. food scene, Ike’s Place is already making a name for itself in our local community. Though already a prominent name in the Bay Area, it appears to be becoming an I.V. hotspot. With great food, good vibes and a convenient location, Ike’s Place might just be I.V.’s newest crowd favorite. While its long-term success remains to be seen, Ike’s Place is on the rise. As for me, I can’t wait to go back.
Research Reveals Lack of Marine Biodiversity

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Kimberly Selkoe, who has been investigating the genetic diversity of coral reefs across 13 Hawaiian Islands, published findings of a UCSB Marine Science Institute study on Wednesday.

Selkoe and the group of researchers discovered that large areas of coral reef that had not been disturbed by humans or large marine reserves have never truly happened.

None have focused on a sample that includes representatives from multiple organisms from different ecological groups. Thus, the debate on whether conservation should be directed toward small or large marine reserves has never truly happened.

These new findings suggest that although Paphiānaumokūkūkea Marine National Monument (PMNM), which surrounds the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands, protects the majority of Hawaiian reef biodiversity, populations in the main Hawaiian Islands (MHI) are genetically distinct and call for additional protection.

“Our study provides support for campaigns — such as the Big Ocean initiative — which seek to protect large areas of pristine coral reef habitat,” said Robert Toonen, co-author and researcher from the Hawai’i Institute of Marine Biology.

Selkoe hopes the study provides a foundation for new strategies for monitoring and preserving the genetic diversity of entire reef ecosystems.

“While we have known about genetic diversity patterns for some time, it is only in recent years that we have been able to measure the levels of diversity,” Selkoe said. “We are able to do this because of advances in DNA technology.”

Selkoe and her team of researchers have discovered that Pacific reefs have experienced thermal stress up to 240 percent higher than Hawaiian ecosystems.

Due to this, current conservation strategies are heavily directed toward preserving large areas with high genetic diversity.

Prior landscape genetic studies have focused on, at most, a handful of species at a time.

To date, few studies have explored the range of genetic diversity patterns across a large sample of distributed species and the role of life history in mediating these patterns.

The project is aimed at developing technologies that may one day allow for humanity’s presence in interstellar space.

Karan Maitra
Reporter

As private companies such as SpaceX begin launching efforts toward space exploration, UCSB has joined ranks with industry giants now leading development for interstellar travel.

Philip Lubin, professor of physics, is currently working on a model to reduce the interstellar travel time to nearly 20 years, potentially creating the first man-made presence in interstellar space.

In his research project, Starshot, Lubin is researching the use of photonics in space travel. The concept is to use a very powerful laser to launch many lightweight and compact satellites with an initial acceleration.

Once a satellite is accelerated to about 20 percent of the speed of light, it maintains its velocity as it cruises through space. These small satellites are packed with as many tools as possible to read and transmit data back to Earth once it reaches its destination.

“The fastest things we currently have in space right now are things like the Voyager spacecraft which is traveling at about 17 kilometers per second after 38-plus years in the solar system,” Lubin said.

The Voyager is more than 11 billion miles away and travels at 0.00005 percent the speed of light. Intertellar travel at such speeds is still only a dream, as it will take more than 70,000 years to get to the nearest star.

Research of this nature can easily cost millions to fund, but Lubin was able to find inventors who shared his goals.

“On April 12, the Breakthrough Foundation pledged $100 million to support this effort,” Lubin said.

Investors include Yuri Milner, a Russian entrepreneur, venture capitalist and physicist, in collaboration with renowned physicists Stephen Hawking and Frank Drake as part of the Breakthrough Prize, which invests in the most extensive search for intelligent life beyond Earth to date.

According to Lubin, “this technology is achievable with today’s tools.” The project will not be using a single laser, but instead an array of lasers concentrated at one point. While technology of this nature exists, Starshot is proposing it at a scale that has never been done before.

“Sending humans doesn’t really make sense, in my mind, for interstellar flight for many reasons. It is highly problematic,” Lubin said. “I don’t think we’re designed for that kind of voyage. If you want to get to the stars in a human lifetime, you’re going to have to have greater than 5 percent the speed of light, which would be around 88 years to get to the nearest star.”

Although, ideally, having the laser unit in orbit would be more effective functionally, it is not cost effective. When developing the technology, researchers had to consider many things, such as finding a power source.

A trip to Alpha Centauri, the closest star system to us, would take nearly 100 Giga Watts of power for only a few minutes. For comparison, the typical nuclear reactor only produces between 1 and 1.5 GW. Currently, the proposed nano-craft in Lubin’s Starshot project has no way of slowing down, so even if the craft reaches Alpha Centauri, it will only fly by for about two hours after an over-20-year journey.

“It is not clear yet if Alpha Centauri has planets. If it doesn’t have planets we would still go there anyway just to see, but if it doesn’t we would go to the many other stars available,” said Lubin.

Considering that the final project is capable of launching hundreds of mini-satellites a day, if power restrictions aren’t in place, this is a small set back in an otherwise grand project.
Students, Professor of UCSB for Bernie
To Run for Delegate Positions

I want to start this article with a question: Do you know how the democratic delegate selection process works? No! Don’t worry, neither do most democratic voters. It varies state by state and sometimes each congressional district can have their own rules. The Democratic Party is not a government agency. For lack of a better description, the Democratic Party is an elite group of party officials who have maintained the organization of their private club. The party elites typically maintain a status quo of power because power typically tries to stabilize comfortably. Every so often someone — or some group of people — comes in to shake that process up. They expose issues within the framework of the Democratic Party, such as how delegates are allocated and distributed. This exposes the disconnect between the popular vote and the actual election process. Bernie Sanders and his political revolution are the group challenging the system in 2016. If you are upset that the United States government does not do everything it can to make sure that your vote matters, then it is time to show them.

UCSF for Bernie Sanders is formally announcing that we will be running three students and one professor for the 24th Congressional District’s Elected Delegate positions pledged to Bernie Sanders in the Democratic Party. This is a chance for UCSF students to have their voices directly heard by the California Democratic Party. We are calling out to the campus to recruit 500 students to come caucus on May 1 at Trinity Episcopal Church, 1500 State St. from 1-3 p.m. We will provide rides from UCSB Bus Loop.

This May 1 caucus is important for two main reasons. First, it is a chance for UCSF students to rally together to collectively show the Democratic Party that we are willing to be engaged in the process of politics. Second, if we win the top seeds and Bernie Sanders wins at least 50 percent of the popular vote in our district, then we will be sent to the Democratic National Convention in July to sit in front of other elected delegates and super delegates to have our voices heard and show the ways in which we can affect change. Too often do older generations turn their noses up at millennials and the youth for our inexperience. Too often do older generations criticize our lack of participation as an unwillingness to engage. Now is the time for UCSF students to tell the establishment politics that we have experience and our knowledge is of worth. Now is the time to demonstrate that the disenfranchisement that millennials and youths have been experiencing throughout the decades will no longer result in a lack of participation, but an eagerness to engage.

Let’s quickly run through the delegate selection process in California and what this means for us in the 24th Congressional District. Harri Ashby, Michael Riley Brann (myself), Michael Kile and professor Bob Samuels are all running to be elected delegates pledged for Bernie Sanders in the 24th Congressional District. Our district will vote in the June 7 Democratic California Primary. There are 475 elected delegates in California that will either be allocated to Bernie Sanders or Hillary Clinton based on the popular vote. Our district, the 24th Congressional District, allocates six of the 475 elected delegates: three females and three males, plus one alternative male. We are running one female and three males total. The May 1 caucus is to vote for the “seeds” of these positions in our congressional district. As we understand it, caucus goers will receive one vote for the amount of spots: six. So, each voter gets six votes. This means that on May 1, at 1500 State St. from 1-3 p.m., we will be able to allocate enough votes to each of our UCSB students and professor.

At the caucus, we want to completely and utterly flood the system with UCSB students, millennials, Bernie supporters and people from all facets of our community who want to demonstrate to establishment politics that we are not satisfied with the current system and will not halt our efforts until we are heard. All around the country, millennials, Bernie supporters and activists are taking to elected positions to show their support for Bernie and his political revolution. Erin Schrode is a 24-year-old woman, recent college graduate and environmental activist who is running to be the elected congresswoman for the second district of California. She admits to being a non-traditional politician and thinks that is just the reason she is the right woman for the job. John Fetterman has become vehemently disgusted with the political framework of his home state, Pennsylvania, which has yielded high levels of income inequality. Fetterman is currently the mayor of Braddock and is running for the Senate position. Pennsylvania’s Democratic Primary is next week, and you better believe that Fetterman will be vocal during this election time in his home state. From the East Coast to the Best Coast, people all over our nation are beginning to stand up to the stigmas of being nontraditional politicians and have their voices heard. It is time for UCSB to follow in step and ensure the security of our democracy.

UCSB For Bernie is a group representing UCSB students to tell the Democratic Party all of UCSB’s students involvements with politics in and around campus. We want to sit in front of other elected delegates and super delegates and tell them how we have already registered over 2,500 people to vote. We want to tell them that we have been working collaboratively with other groups on campus to register students and community members in the Santa Barbara, Goleta and Isla Vista communities. We want to announce to the DNC that I.V. voter registration has plans to register 15,000 people before the November election.

UCSB For Bernie and Riley Brann think that 36 years old is a little too old to be considered a “youth” by the Democratic Party. We are going to caucus May 1, at 1500 State St. from 1-3 p.m., for our fellow students to put them in positions to speak with party officials and democratic elites, and we hope you’ll help. Check Facebook or the QR for how to get involved.