The Santa Barbara County Sheriff’s Office has administered Narcan, an opioid overdose treatment, nine times since the start of its Naloxone Program in April 2017, five of which occurred in Isla Vista. Of the five incidents in Isla Vista, two were “unsuccessful,” according to Craig Bonner, operations support division commander for the Santa Barbara Sheriff’s Office (SBSO). The second subject was unconscious, but he survived the incident and woke up soon after the spray was administered.

Police then administered naloxone to two other victims in Isla Vista in December, the Sheriff’s Office reported. The first victim was a 23-year-old male and the second was a 28-year-old man. In both cases, the victims were found struggling to breathe before police administered naloxone. In 2017, there were 77 opioid overdose deaths per 100,000 residents in the county. The number of 911-emergency calls where a first responder used naloxone increased in 2016 to 260.

According to an SBSO press release about the Naloxone Program, sheriff-patrol personnel were trained to know when to give Naloxone to a patient who is suffering from an apparent overdose in I.V. was administered naloxone to two other victims in Isla Vista in December, the Sheriff’s Office reported. Police found the subject unconscious, but he survived the incident and woke up soon after the spray was administered.

The board was asked to connect with their campus Title IX liaisons for the UC Title IX Student Advisory Board to advise the system-wide office on Title IX policies and procedures. Stephany Rubio
News Editor

UCSB Title IX Student Advisory Board Selected attends First Meeting

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The current ordinance allows non-storefront retail and has little effect on UV Elementary School, which is located nearly a mile away from the downtown commercial area.

According to the final Environmental Impact Report, the ordinance created an unsafe situation to “prevent impacts of cannabis activities on children, sensitive populations, the natural environment, and public health.”

This was a controversial issue and public forum took several hours at Tuesday’s Board of Supervisors meeting. Many Carpinteria residents took issue with the agricultural side of the ordinance, citing concern over the noxious odors and concerns about fires or crowds. These areas are largely irrelevant to Isla Vista; although growing marijuana would be restricted due to the mostly residential zoning, there is little open space suitable for agriculture.

Some UC Santa Barbara students who oppose the ordinance spoke at last week’s Associated Students Senate meeting, sharing their experiences with consuming contaminated marijuana, which created an unsafe situation to “prevent impacts of cannabis activities on children, sensitive populations, the natural environment, and public health.”

Spencer Brandt, Board Secretary of the I.V. Community Services District, authored a letter in support of maintaining the 600-foot buffer zones. The letter gathered 60 signatures.

“Cannabis dispensaries in Isla Vista would allow residents that are of age to legally purchase marijuana, rather than buying unregulated, untested marijuana on the black market,” reads the letter. “Bringing these activities out from the underground, where they can be monitored and regulated, safely purchased, and responsibly used.”

The Santa Barbara County Planning Commission passed a Cannabis Land Use Ordinance on Tuesday that creates a 750-foot buffer zone between medical marijuana dispensaries and areas with schools or daycare centers.

The ordinance limits the growth, distribution and processing of marijuana products throughout the county.

The commission had considered increasing buffer zones from 600 feet to 1,000 feet, which would have encompassed a majority of the commercially zoned properties in Isla Vista.

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Land Ordinance Limits Marijuana Sales in I.V., UC Students Opposed

Tamari Dzotsinide News Editor
In a spoken word poetry show, film screening, and artist talk, Jess will talk about how she created a home for herself in her art and story-telling. She will share her coming-of-age journey as an artist as well as how after the rootlessness and migrations that marked her childhood, she developed a stutter which she overcame through her discovery of visual and written language. Through her poetry, she channels the spirit of queer Chinese photographer Ren Hang, her immigrant mother, her ancestors and explores the creation of love and safety in the time of Trump America.

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Elliot Rodger, who in May 2014 murdered six UC Santa Barbara students and wounded 14 others before taking his own life, was named a member of the alt-right in a report published Monday by the Southern Poverty Law Center (SPLC).

Investigations into Rodger’s internet posting history, along with his manifesto and the videos he uploaded to YouTube, led the SPLC to designate Rodger as a member of the alternative right, which is typically defined as a far-right ideology that blends racist and white nationalist ideals.

The SPLC cites excerpts of Rodger’s manifesto and various posts on online forums. In his writing, Rodger bemoans his “ability to find a girlfriend,” condemns interracial couples and laments that a black man “descended from slaves” can’t “get a white girl” while he cannot.

On May 23, 2014, Rodger, then a second-year student at Santa Barbara City College, stabbed three of his housemates before driving through Isla Vista and opening fire on street-geeks. In the years since, he has become an internet meme on alt-right forums. Posters frequently invoke his memory to highlight misogynistic, anti-feminist ideology.

Rodger’s link to Nazi ideology was established as early as Feb. 2015 when the Santa Barbara Sheriff’s Office (SBSO) released its full report on Rodger’s killing spree. Rodger searched the internet for phrases like “Aryan Hitler” and the law of attraction,” “Nazi cebuano” and “HailCaucasian.” He also posted a picture of himself on a black background.

Influential white nationalist Richard Spencer coined the phrase “alt-right” as far back as 2008, but since the turn of the decade, the ideology has gained prominence, especially with the rise of meme culture and a surge in far-right sympathies in global politics.

In all, the SPLC listed 13 alt-right killers, including Delano Ross, who in 2015 killed nine people in a historically black church in Charleston, South Carolina.

Father Jon-Stephen Hedges, an elected I.V. official who helped in the direct aftermath of the massacre, found the latest news about Rodger confusing, saying he felt unsure what purpose it serves. Hedges took part in community healing events as a relief-neighborhood victim to recover.

“I there really needs to be caution when you start making connections like this,” said Father Hedges. “The main thing we want to get this right. We don’t just want to start confusing the dots. We want to put together something that builds another hysterical knee-jerk reaction; we want to get this right. We don’t just want to see the dots, we want to make connections like this,” said Father Jon-Stephen Hedges. “We don’t just want to see the dots, we want to see the dots,” he added.

By late May, 2015, the SBSO’s report was released, including Dylann Roof, who in 2015 killed nine people in Charleston, South Carolina, and the videos he uploaded to YouTube, including a manifesto titled “The Inception.”

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“I wish we’d had a chance when he was still alive. What do we have left now that we can’t talk to him? We’ve got everybody passing over his body trying to make a point, but we’ve got something way more important here: How can we give people a chance to live!” said Hedges.

“Alt-right” is a term coined by Richard Spencer in 2008. The term refers to a far-right ideology that blends racist and white nationalist ideologies.

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Jasmine Moreno
Reporter

Associated Students Senator Jorge Santos decided to help his sister by selling bracelets inscribed with the words “No One Fights Alone,” first promoting his efforts on the Free & For Sale page. Santos described feeling a weight on his shoulders, like his family was facing the battle alone. As an on-campus senator and peer advocate for the Guardian Scholars program, finding a balance was challenging.

“What I was trying to make profit to make profit, I am selling so that I can send the money to my sister and she has one less thing to worry about,” Santos said.

The meaning behind the bracelets is simple — no individual is alone in the fight against cancer, Santos said.

Juarez had pushed Santos to be the first in his family to attend college, and now she encourages him to stay enrolled in school. When he learned of her diagnosis, Santos wanted to help in some way.

“I was already sending my paychecks, but I felt it wasn’t enough,” he said. “My sister has two other kids, and while we have family and friends, I needed to do my part.”

Santos explained that this encouragement allowed him to focus on helping in the ways he could, rather than focusing on the worst. To him, each bracelet represents support from the UCSB community.

“I am so passionate about [this] because it represents the support from friends, family and especially the community that I was lucky enough to be a part of because of my sisters sacrifices,” Santos said.

Currently, Juarez is in the most difficult stage of treatment with five weeks of chemotherapy and radiation to come.

Santos said his focus is on the road ahead. He aims to use his experiences to pay it forward to others facing similar situations. His ultimate goal is to help the community create proper resource centers for students dealing with a loved one with cancer.

“I feel that if there had been a center or place, not including C.A.P.S., where people could simply go and get help … it would have made things a little easier,” Santos said.

“I want to use my platforms and simple organization to get people together and see what we can do at UCSB. I believe that having a proper resource center for situations like this would help immensely because the biggest problem I had was that I did not know what to do or how to feel because it was such a new experience,” he added.

A.S. Senator Raises Money for Sister with Cancer with Wristband Fundraiser

Jorge Santos felt that the support from the community helped him focus on helping to his fullest extent

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A second sexual assault town hall will take place on Thursday, Feb. 8 from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. to discuss the university's progress in preventing sexual assault and providing resources to survivors.

UC Santa Barbara's nowUCSB initially presented a list of 12 demands to address sexual assault on campus and held a sit-in at Isla Vista on May 20, 2017. These demands elaborated on a previous list seen on May 12, submitted by Chancellor Henry T. Yang about helping survivors of sexual assault.

During the May meeting, Earvin and nowUCSB presented the list of 12 demands which included having Earvin's tuition paid in full and a summer and fall UC appointment.

More UC-wide demands included the creation of a Survivor Resource Center, an update of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOUs) between UCPD and Isla Vista Foot Patrol and that Chancellor Yang and his office continuously update students about the progress being made on the demands. Earvin held a vigil in solidarity of survivors of sexual assault on Oct. 26, 2017, during which she once again addressed the demands given to the university.

In October, the university appeared to meet several of the demands, which included providing mandatory sensitivity training for the UCPD and changing jurisdiction and protocol for how cases are managed.

"I did not have justice. I am using my voice today, and I pray that you all continue to use your voices to change somebody else's life," Earvin said during the vigil.

The first town hall was then held on Nov. 14, where administrators reviewed the status of the demands. Go is dailynews.com for the rest of this story.

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"I definitely think we'll get something out of it," she said. "How many victims, how many somethings, I don't know yet." Tanaka said that as an undergraduate, she hopes the Student Advisory Board will be a way for other undergraduate heroes who have heard about how the Title IX Office handles cases feel comfortable approaching the board with their concerns and feel heard.

"My freshman year, I had a friend who come to me with her sexual assault and I said, 'I don't know what to say. I didn't know how to help her,'" Tanaka said. "I went and talked to the C.A.P.S., saying 'What is supposed to do? How is it supposed to help me?'"

Tanaka went on to do training with the Santa Barbara Rape Crisis Center and worked as an advocate for their crisis hotline, directly advising survivors.

Last Winter Quarter, Tanaka interned with C.A.P.E. through the Violence Intervention and Prevention Program.

"We set up a campaign in IV to help educate customers about the alcohol-serving establishments to spread the right kind of information in a situation that could be potentially dangerous, as far as sexual violence goes because we logged a lot of the times out here, alcohol is involved," Tanaka said.

The advisory board will be meeting again in April and will be holding a series of phone calls in between regarding specific policy issues.

"I think in terms of system-wide policy issues, students at UCSB should use their student advisory board representatives as a way to communicate those concerns," Salvidge said. "If it's a campus-wide issue, I hope they bring those up, too because I think it might be more helpful to come to us from a system-wide level and see if we can solve it as a system."
Battle of the Big West Alpha Dogs: Gauchos Travel to UC Davis

By Spencer Ault

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For a couple of weeks now, the UCSB and UC Davis men’s basketball teams have remained deadlocked at the top of the Big West standings. That will come to an end on Thursday night in Davis.

Neither team has been able to edge ahead of the other in conference play, with both sides lacking up 7-2 records thus far. Santa Barbara does hold the advantage in the overall mark, boasting an 18-5 record compared to Davis’ 16-7 mark.

On Thursday, they’ll have their first head-to-head meeting in a clash for conference supremacy.

The Gauchos will be coming in hot as winners of their last six games. It’s a streak that includes victories over some of the top teams in the conference, such as Hawaii and UC Irvine.

UCSB will have a chance to take control of the Big West Thursday, but they’ll do so away from the friendly walls of the Thunderdome.

The Gauchos are 11-0 at home this year, the longest such streak to start a season in school history, but they are just 6-5 on the road.

Some of that disparity is attributable to the top-25 school UCSB has played on the road, but an easy win over a top Big West competitor would do wonders for the team’s confidence as it heads into the postseason.

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Strong defense will be especially important against a UC Davis team that’s coming off a 100-point performance, albeit in double overtime, against Long Beach State on Sunday. The Aggies won that game on a running 3-pointer by DJщит Siers II with just two seconds to go. That’s a major high, and one that the Gauchos might be able to take advantage of on the come down.

To do so, UCSB will only have to opposite guard Max Heidger and graduate transfer Leeland King on offense, just as they have all season. King has been particularly potent as of late, as he’s double double average over the Gauchos’ two most recent contests. He’s averaged 18.5 points and 10.6 rebounds on the year and is knocking down about 3.5 three-pointers a game at a 42.3% clip. That’s almost as good as Heidger’s 42.4% from distance, a sparkling percentage that has propelled the sophomore to team-leading 20.9 points per game.

The major question mark heading into Thursday’s game is the status of King’s teammate, senior forward Chima Moneke. He’s averaging about 13 points and eight rebounds per game. As of Monday night, the team had made no announcement due to a suspension for violation of a team rule, is averaging about 13 points and eight rebounds per game. As of Monday night, the team had made no announcement about Moneke's status for Thursday's game.

UCSB isn’t alone in dealing with questions regarding a suspended big man. UCD sent senior forward Chima Moneke home before Saturday’s game in Long Beach and also made no announcement as to whether or not the big man will play.

If Moneke is out, that’s a major blow to the Aggies. The 6’6” forward is averaging 16.2 points and 10.6 rebounds on the year and is knocking down 8.3 three-pointers a game at a 32.3% clip.

Strong defense will be especially important against a UC Davis team that’s averaging more than four rebounds per game, and it’s likely that UCSB guard Michael Onyebalu will struggle to replicate his 13 rebound performance from Thursday night.

Without Moneke, the offensive burden would likely fall junior guards Shorts and Heidegger. Both players were successful in doing so against Long Beach State on Saturday.

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In worst weeks, I managed to catch up with former UCSB men’s basketball point guard Eric Childress. Childress, a Class of 2017 graduate, was the team’s only senior last season. The final chapter of his collegiate career was the biggest farewell as the Gauchos went out 10-23, 3-12 in Big West play.

Since departing from UCSB, Childress has continued to play overseas.

A native of Hawthorne, Calif., Childress is a long way from home. But his passion for basketball is the drive that keeps him motivated to continue to chase his dreams of playing basketball. Although I was unable to conduct an in-person interview with Childress due to his overseas travel, being able to complete this Q&A session with him was an experience in itself.

SW: How was your experience playing in the British Basketball League? How was the transition from college to overseas? 

EC: Playing in the British Basketball League was pretty difficult. I say this only because I think the club was one that had the potential to be very talented, but we underperformed. The transition from college to overseas is difficult. You kind of watch film of the league and past seasons, but ultimately the guys you see from the last season are likely gone to another country or [have] signed with another team in the league. When I got to Leeds I had no clue what I was getting myself into. We had, of course, your local players for the team, and many import, as they call them, from different places such as Nigeria and Turks in the future, then a player from Greece, one from Switzerland, one from Lithuania and one from Germany. So it’s more on the club to make sure your playing style accommodate each other when they offer you a contract. My choice to go to Leeds was made by my agent and too. We felt like the U.K. was a good starting place for me to go because of the similarities to the U.S., and the British Basketball League (BBL) is a good league with many talented players.

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EC: EC: EC: EC: This year’s team has been amazing. I’m really happy for those guys that had to go through that tough season last year and [am] proud for Gabe [Villacrin] to be out there performing great after that injury last year. But for UCSB, it worked with those guys with getting them to agree?

EC: Yes, prior to leaving I talked to players like Jason Williams & Orlando Johnson, who came back to Santa Barbara during the summer and kind of picked their brains about the whole overseas experience.

Also, it’s easier for me to get in contact with Alan Williams, Nate Garth, Zalmico Harmon and Michael Bryson, so whenever I have a big question that I feel like I can’t really get on my own I’ll reach out and see if they can offer me some advice from their experiences.

SW: How was your experience playing in the British Basketball League? How was the transition from college to overseas? 

EC: Playing in the British Basketball League was pretty difficult. I say this only because I think the club was one that had the potential to be very talented, but we underperformed. The transition from college to overseas is difficult. You kind of watch film of the league and past seasons, but ultimately the guys you see from the last season are likely gone to another country or [have] signed with another team in the league. When I got to Leeds I had no clue what I was getting myself into. We had, of course, your local players for the team, and many import, as they call them, from different places such as Nigeria and Turks in the future, then a player from Greece, one from Switzerland, one from Lithuania and one from Germany. So it’s more on the club to make sure your playing style accommodate each other when they offer you a contract. My choice to go to Leeds was made by my agent and too. We felt like the U.K. was a good starting place for me to go because of the similarities to the U.S., and the British Basketball League (BBL) is a good league with many talented players.
Six actors were honored for their break through performances in film at the Santa Barbara International Film Festival (SBIFF) Virtuosos Award ceremony this past Saturday.

The recipients of the 2018 Virtuosos Award, the American actor, nominated for an Academy Award this year, was recognized at the SBIFF for his roles in “Call Me By Your Name” and “Lady Bird.”

Melody Pezzeski
Reporter

Months ago when I first brought my car up to UCSB, I was driving up the 101 and hit the radio station isn't airing tunes, they have great rhythms and melodies. When they started playing, I couldn't help but dance to the music. I was immediately caught up in the electric music. If you have an open mind to listening to a station that plays a mix of popular hip hop and classic rock songs, you'll find that the music is fantastic! My favorite song on the station is probably "Bennie and the Jets" by The Who.

2: KRTT 101.1

KRTT is sure to play oldies that you know and will want to sing along to. To give you a taste of their music, they've played classic hits like "Dreams" by Fleetwood Mac.

3: KLOS 93.1

KLOS has a great collection of rock songs. The station plays a mix of classic rock, alternative, and punk music. If you're looking for a station that plays a wide range of rock styles, KLOS is perfect for you.

If you're from the greater Los Angeles area, you may already be familiar with 93.1, more famously known as Jack FM. Jack FM plays a mix of popular music, alternative rock, and talk radio. If you're looking for a station that plays a mix of genres that is perfect for everyone, you should definitely check out Jack FM.

SB in Sound: Radio Stations To Look Out For

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Surfing in Poop Water Is the Shit!

Carly Kay
Staff Writer

Although official warnings to avoid recreational activities in the ocean due to high levels of contamination from the landslides were issued, UCSB's surfing community continues to shred the gnar.

Professionals suggest that the runoff largely composed of sewage may increase risk of contracting illnesses; however, fourth-year film and media studies major Koa Corby remains unconvinced. Corby is confident that he has built up the essential antibodies to protect him against the contamination through the constant exposure to toxins from peeing in his wetsuit.

"Honestly, I'm like already pretty sick," stated Corby, throwing up a condensed shaka. "Only a nonloc wouldn't full send because of a little dirt.

Despite Corby's incredulousness, the ripper has found the warning signs advising against entering the water to be very beneficial. He claims that the last time he remembers catching so many waves in one sesh was back during the great Costco strike of 2014.

"A part of me misses carving through gnarly groups of kooks," said Corby after pouring brown sludge out of his booties. "But then I got pitted a couple times and I thought otherwise.

Other members of the surf community were asked their opinions on the contamination.

"Yew!" they responded, running past the interviewer with their boards in an aggressively stoked manner.

Carly Kay is queen of the kooks and is only writing this article to contribute to her Wavestorm fund.

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Raccoon Accused of DP Theft Not Sorry, Says Victims ‘Had It Coming’

Christina Muoio
Staff Writer

A robbery was reported this past Thursday on the 67 block of Del Playa Drive, according to the Isla Vista Foot Patrol.

According to Todd Toddson, an unknown assailant stole his size-11 Sperry's while he was black-out drunk at a party. The Isla Vista Foot Patrol (IVFP) investigated the matter and determined that the perpetrator is none other than Ricky Raccoon, an Isla Vista native.

IVFP was able to locate Mr. Raccoon after a post went viral on UCSB’s Free & For Sale Facebook page. Initially, they were looking for a human perpetrator, but upon coming across a picture of the furry creature wobbling along the streets of DP in shoes too big for him, IVFP decided to take action.

"This isn’t the first time a raccoon has done something like this. A number of shoe thefts have been attributed to the raccoon community, although we aren’t certain as to why raccoons are committing these crimes," an IVFP spokesperson said in a statement earlier today.

Although elusive, Mr. Raccoon has been arrested and is being held at the Santa Barbara County Jail. His bond is set at $1 trillion.

"It’s what he deserves, you know? He can’t just go around stealing people’s shoes without their consent. It’s just a really shitty thing to do," Toddson said.

Mr. Raccoon’s trial is set for mid-February.

Upon questioning by a very adamant Daily Nexus reporter, Mr. Raccoon had just one thing to say.

"Aoeirjeowijlksfj, ydskjweoirucnsiow. Kfsdkjfsdkhdff," he said.

His statement was translated by his lawyer, Larry Thelobster.

"My client wishes to inform the press that he is not at all sorry for what he did and that frat boys ‘have it coming to them’," Thelobster said. "If we [the raccoon community] aren’t allowed to drop it like it’s hot at parties, neither should frat boys.

If anyone affected by this shoe theft wants their belongings back, they need to visit their local dumpster. Any leftover shoes will be donated to the author of this article, who desperately needs a new pair.

Christina Muoio is a staunch advocate for raccoon rights.
The restaurant's menu focuses heavily on Californian cuisine, specifically its fresh and diverse components. The executive chef Marissa Ratchford finds a clever and unique way to fuse Asian and Latin inspired flavors into a dish that will wow the senses and inspire creativity.

I had the unique opportunity to sample a wide range of options from the menu to give you a better chance of finding the perfect dish on your perfect night. I started the night with one of their seasonal cocktails called The Good Mule, consisting of Grey Goose vodka, Meyer lemon lavender cordial and ginger. It’s safe to say that the cocktail was one of the most delicious things I’ve ever had in my life. Unfortunately for you this was the Autumn and fruit on at their finest time on the menu, but even if you were looking to imbibe, I suggest one of their other cocktails, The Aviation, Bitterscotch gin, Lanzardo aromatico, fresh lemon and cinna de violet.

On to appetizers; I tried a few options, and my two favorites had to be the burrata plate—which consisted of a blend of fresh tomato, dill and valeriy and complemented by a central jam—broccoli salad, pumpkin posts and toasted bread. The sweetness of the jam was pleasant and a different taste than my normal cravings. It was light enough to have room for the rest of the meal but substantial enough to quench your hunger. I hate to say that the fried cauliflower was the best part of the dish, however the crispy, garlicky texture was something that I need to see more of.

If you're willing to shell out the big bucks, though, then get grubbin’. Luckily for you, if you're looking for a restaurant with flare and flavor for your special someone, check out the Outpost at the Goodland Hotel.

Dinner Date at Outpost

Next Wednesday is the time to wine and dine your love. Although most of us consider splitting nachos a bit of a cop-out, sometimes it’s necessary to class it up a bit. You and your partner need to get snazzy and then get grubbin’. Luckily for you, if you’re looking for fine dining, Santa Barbara has a myriad of options to choose from. In fact, there are so many options that it can almost instantaneously you. So I’m here to bust my all my dining expertise and give you my ultimate date night location. Whether be for Valentine’s day or another special occasion, it’s tasty looking for a delicious and pricey restaurant.

Located just up the street from the Cafe Real Center, it’s close by while still allowing escape from the drab of Isla Vista and providing a separate and more sophisticated ambiance. The restaurant has a beach huts vibe and not just the perfect touch of retro flair. With dim lighted dining room, clay pottery and bar top from 1950s yet vibrant color of the restaurant alive, hot cocktails help build up the senses and curate while maintaining that hip Beach Boys vibe. The patrons are both formal yet lax, allowing for a blend of romance without feeling stiff. The dining area for 2 could be just perfect but open and airy. In the centerpiece is the fireplace as an ever-changing, locally sourced and artistically fresh cocktail menu along with local crustaceans and beer for the 21+ crowd.

Marissa Ratchford
On The Menu Editor

The Sweetest Story

Is that a chocolate bar in your pocket or are you just happy to see me?—Richard Cadbury

Mari娟 Bakowski
Reprint

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Although we consider chocolate to be a treat, it has been associated with romance since ancient times, especially on special occasions such as marriage. Typically, it was consumed in a way similar to modern hot cocoa, except it was made with chocolate instead of sugar. The drink wasassociated with the Aztec goddess of fertility, Xochiquetzal, so it was drank by newlyweds to increase conception and fertility.

A Match Made In Heaven

Tiffany Velazquez
Asst. On The Menu Editor

Dinner and a movie: the quintessential date night routine since the dawn of time. Just as couples come in all shapes and sizes, so too do the movies they watch. The movie sets the tone, dictating what will be on the menu and how your evening will play out.

The Tearjerkers

Cinema — “Wait till You Remember.” “The Vow.” “Me Before You.” You know the ones, the films that will have you reaching for the tissue box and a tub of ice cream to drown your sorrows. Movies like this, while powerful and romantic, rarely help you to counteract the heart-wrenching emotions they evoke. Most иные и пожалуйста, a glass of red wine. Extra points if the meal is homemade and you manage to pull off a “Lady and the Tramp” moment with a shared noodle. Maybe even go the extra mile with some chocolate-covered strawberries. Not only do they look like you really care but it’s also an easy way to show your partner what country you have in the kitchen.

The Swoon-Worthy

Inquire into your box over calls for the official clash of the “Presley Bride.” “The Notebook.” “Pretty Woman.” “Casablanca.” Now, if you’re going to bring the classic love stories and send some not-so-subtle hints as to what you’re hoping for in your relationship, you’re going to need your own brand of romance. Literally.

The Lighthearted

Sometimes you just want to have a good laugh and watch something guaranteed to elicit grand declarations of love. Whether you’re hanging with your girls or cuddling up with your significant other, happy endings come to the fore in the form of “Chocolat,” “10 Things I Hate About You,” “D-Going On 30” and “Crazy, Stupid, Love.” Tooth-rotting romance calls for all things sweet, whether that be cookies, brownies or just some handfuls of candy. Pop a few chocolate chips in your popcorn and pull your loved one a little closer.
Elevated Levels of Potassium, Other Metals Found in Ash From Thomas Fire

Mika Kaczmarz
Reporter

Part of the ash left over from the Thomas Fire was studied for its composition and harmful elements. According to UCSB researchers, some of the ash contains unexpectedly high levels of potassium and other metals, such as calcium, aluminum, potassium, iron, magnesium, sodium, and phosphorus, according to their tests. According to UCSB Environmental Science and Management Professor Arturo Keller, these levels were “higher than usual.”

Keller, along with graduate student Jia Minakata, postdoctoral student Xuesong Huang and graduate students from the UC Santa Barbara\textsuperscript{a} Geology, UC Santa Barbara\textsuperscript{b} Environmental Science and Management, UC Santa Barbara\textsuperscript{c} Geology, and UC Santa Barbara\textsuperscript{d} Geology, examined samples of ash from the Thomas Fire to determine if the remaining ash was a concern to people in Santa Barbara County.

Approximately 20 percent of the ash was a mixture of fine ash and silt-sized elements such as calcium, aluminum, potassium, iron, magnesium, sodium, and phosphorus, according to their tests. Approximately 80 percent of the ash was a mixture of coarse ash and dust-sized elements such as calcium, aluminum, potassium, iron, magnesium, sodium, and phosphorus, according to their tests.

The researchers then compared the elemental composition of the ash to the levels of toxicity of the various elements in ash. The results of their analysis showed that the ash contained unexpectedly high levels of potassium and other metals, but Keller noted, “We do not think we will see those becoming a major problem.” Keller said, “I think they are more of a concern in terms of inhaling the ash at that point than now on the soils.”

However, there is still some concern about UCSB students and others breathing in the remaining ash.

“Keller advised anyone in areas affected by the Thomas Fire to clean up any remaining ash, as there is a risk of ash exposure leading to inhalation.”

The Santa Barbara County Public Health Department also showed some concern for the remaining contaminants from both the Thomas Fire and the mudslides.

“Using leaf blowers stirs up ash and dust,” the department said in a Feb. 2 press release. “Ash and dust are larger particles, but over time, they break down into smaller, more harmful particles that can lodge deep into the lungs and cause serious health effects.”

The drying mud from the mudslides in Montecito is also problematic because the contaminants that may be concentrated within it. Contaminants can range from gasoline to sewage, since these products were picked up by a rapidly moving mixture of water and debris, according to Keller, who reported. There is still some concern to residents of Santa Barbara, where these particles can be transmitted and inhaled, causing adverse health effects.

As particles continue to surface due to the drying mud, the Air Pollution Control District (APCD) has administered portable monitoring devices to read for particulate matter in the air. These devices make it easier for those affected to judge the pollution concentration in the air and make smarter decisions about the time they spend outdoors.

Goleta is measured to be between 0.5-2.5 PM 2.5, which means the area’s air quality is “good,” according to the APCD. Fire [has] this property of redistributing nutrients in our ecosystem. There were other metals, not very much, that we don’t like to have,” Keller said. “What we don’t want is for them to increase in our soils.”

UCSB Researchers Repair the Riparian Forests

Aimee Miller
Staff Writer

Riparian forests are ecosystems that are rich in life and biodiversity, providing a critical habitat for a range of organisms spanning from aquatic to terrestrial and mammals. However, climate change threatens the functionality of these environments, as less rainfall and warming atmospheric conditions endanger the life of the trees and consequently, the numerous species that rely on them.

One of the scientists collaborating on all three projects, Michael Singer from UC Riverside Research Institute (REI), highlighted these benefits to the broader ecosystem are only provided by the forests as the water in those areas is readily available and the trees remain healthy; factors which are typically influenced by climate change.

“With less rain falling and therefore less water being infiltrated into the soil, the water table will be lower and the trees will suffer,” Singer said. “Under warming atmospheric conditions, the water that arrives at the surface will evaporate at higher rates,” Singer said. “If the environment starts drying up or the water source to the particular tree species begins to disappear, then the trees start to suffer, dropping branches and leaves and ceasing photosynthesis.”

The first of these projects focuses on the Santa Clara River Valley, which is a multiple-use basin with conflicting interests between ecological, agricultural and urban uses. Funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) Geography and Spatial Sciences Program, the results highlight the dependence of groundwater-dependent areas on the river's ability to sustain healthy riparian ecosystems.

Singer and his colleagues, UC Riverside professor Dar Roberts, UC Riverside associate professor of Environmental Science and Forestry, and John Stella, are utilizing a network of stress indicators to determine whether the trees are performing with respect to the water table elevations and trends through time.

These indicators include remote sensing metrics, which utilize satellite radiances to reveal greenness index changes, indicators of forest health via ground perspective and airborne sensors, among others. These indicators are used to monitor tree health via ground perspective and airborne sensors, among others. The results highlight the dependence of groundwater-dependent areas on the river's ability to sustain healthy riparian ecosystems.

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“The DoD has bases located all over the U.S. and abroad, and those bases tend to be in hot and dry environments,” Singer said. “If the environment starts drying up or the water source to the particular tree species begins to disappear, then the trees start to suffer, dropping branches and leaves and ceasing photosynthesis.”

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Every one of us remembers this moment: You were filling out your UC application in mid-November when you got to a page that had you scroll down a long list of majors with an open box waiting to be checked next to each one. Maybe you were one of those lucky few who knew exactly what they intended to study for the next four years. Maybe you checked that certain box, submitted your form and shook the hand of Chancellor Yang four years later as he handed you a diploma with that major written on it in crisp black script. If so, congratulations, you’re a genius. However, if you’re not one of these single-minded wunderkinds, you’re probably familiar with the frustration that accompanies major-related confusion. After all, the university is essentially asking 17-year-olds to decide the foundation that their life will be built upon.

Sure, perhaps you really enjoyed your history class junior year. Does that mean you are ready to commit yourself to the academic rigor of pursuing a degree in history? The difference between high school classes and college classes is vast. It’s impossible to gauge what studying something in college will be like based on what you learned in high school.

What’s more, you shouldn’t have to. College is supposed to be a time of self-discovery, of finding out who you are and what you want to do in life. The implicit expectation that you should already know your passion is detrimental to the very core of that philosophy. By asking students to declare their major years before they know what they want to do, the university risks pushing students in a box. Are students tempted by the thrill of partaking in the Cinnamon Challenge, involves other snacks too tempting to deny. The candy-like visual appeal of bright blue and orange Procter & Gamble (P&G) detergent pods are packaged at concentrations far higher than standard liquid or powder detergent, making them far more toxic than people love attention, and groupthink results in dysfunctional decision-making by getting the whole group to do something...