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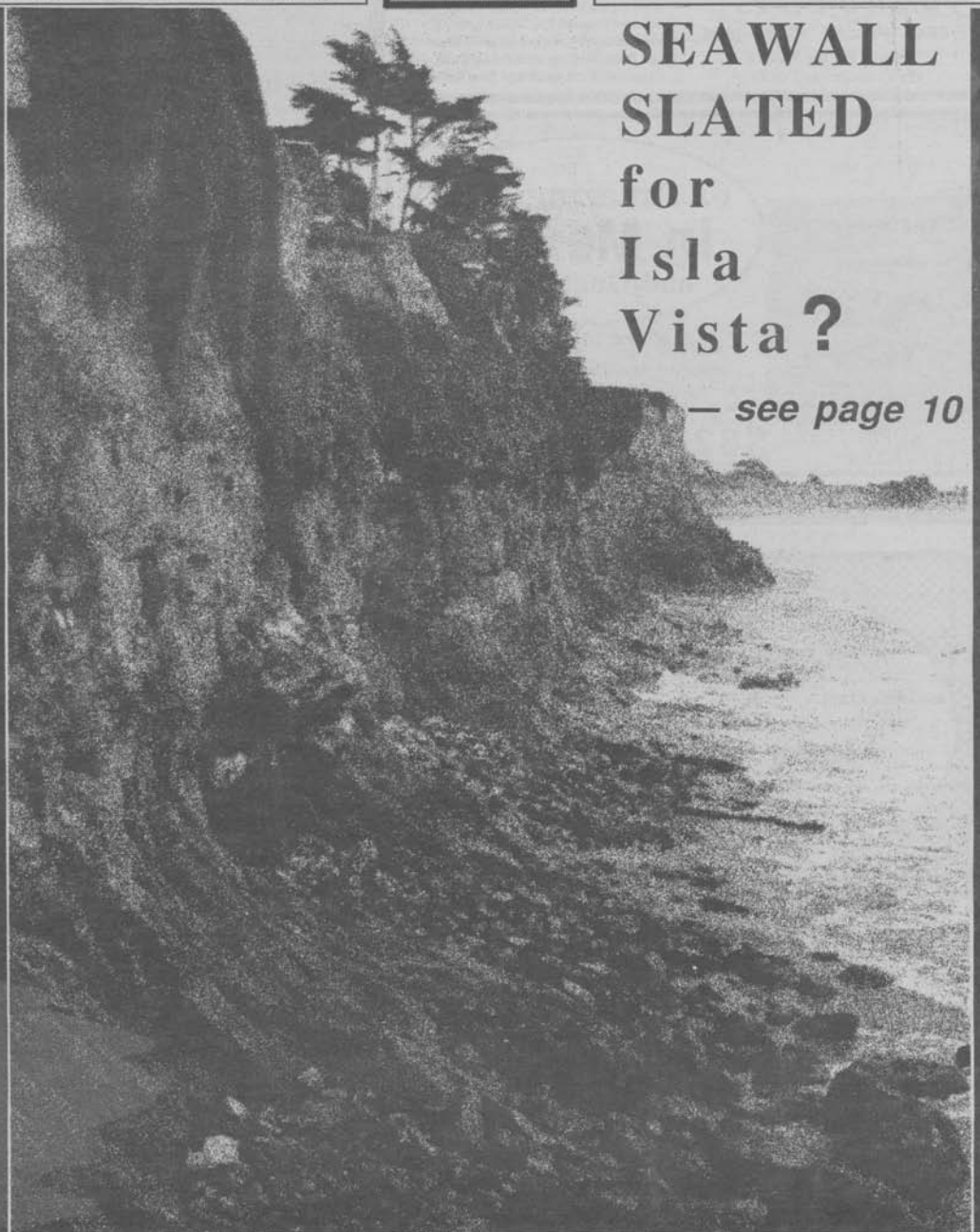
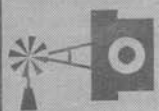
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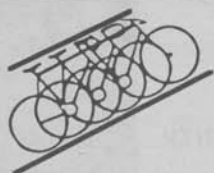
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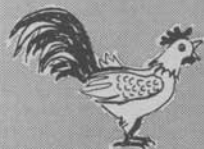
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Regarding Expanding Enrollment to 22,000

COUNTY ASKS TO MEET WITH UCSB

On April 11th, the County Board of Supervisors unanimously passed a resolution requesting a meeting with UC Santa Barbara Chancellor Barbara Uehling regarding the University's announced goal of expanding its enrollment by an additional 4,000 students over the next dozen years.

The resolution asked that two members of the board plus two members of the County's planning commission and representatives of the Santa Barbara City Council meet with designated members of the UCSB administration "to discuss the coordination of the updating of the various plans." The "plans" referred to include the work currently in progress on updating both the City's and the County's Comprehensive General Plans (including a growth management element for the Goleta Valley), a Master Plan for the Airport, and the University's Long Range Development Plan.

The resolution also points out that the University's enrollment expansion has "the potential to adversely affect the County's Comprehensive Plan effort regarding the resolution of resource restraints in the Goleta (and Isla Vista) area(s). The County estimates that the 4,000 new students will result in 10,000 new residents in Isla Vista

and Goleta.

Better Communication

In a cover letter sent with the resolution, County Supervisor Bill Wallace (Isla Vista, Goleta, Santa Ynez Valley) says that "communications needed to be improved," and he asks that the membership of the Community/Campus Committee be expanded to include elected officials from the communities surrounding the campus.

The Committee, which has been meeting monthly for almost two years to review the enrollment expansion plan, previously excluded elected officials at the direction of former Chancellor Robert Huttenback. Since the committee included staff members from city, county, and state elected officials, Huttenback's move was seen as an effort to exclude representation from the Isla Vista Community Council which was still meeting at the time.

At first, Huttenback refused representation on the committee from the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District, too. After an appeal by the Park District to other members of the Committee, a Park District official was admitted to the meetings.

**LANDLORD BUSTED FOR
CODE VIOLATIONS**

Judith Evered, owner of a home in the 6600 block of Del Playa, is being taken to court this week by the County for building code violations resulting from renting her garage and two garden sheds to five UCSB students. According to an account in the Santa Barbara News-Press, Evered admits she continued renting the units after the County told her to stop the practice a year ago. The students are concerned that they may be without any housing as a result of the County's action.

"There are probably hundreds of cases like this one we don't know about," zoning enforcement officer Cathy Vogel said in the News-Press. "But we can only inspect property when someone complains..." A complaint was filed by the UCSB Community Housing Office following a request for assistance by the students.

A long-time anti-nuke and anti-war activist, Evered does not currently reside in her Del Playa home. She told the News-Press she rents the home, the garage and sheds as a "public service" because of the severe housing shortage in I.V. — especially "affordable" units such as hers. She has been charging \$300 per bedroom.

**STATE SENATE PANEL OK'S
LAFCO REFORM BILL**

The Local Government Committee of the State Senate approved a bill last week reforming the State legislation controlling the formation of new cities.

The bill (SB 2277), authored by Sen. Ed Davis (R-Northridge), is intended to decrease the amount of influence county governments have in preventing citizen-sponsored cityhood issues on the

ballot. Last year, Santa Barbara County rejected a citizen petition for an election on a Goleta-only city and instead placed on the ballot a combined city of Goleta and Isla Vista. The bill also increases the importance of citizen self-determination in the review process. Isla Vista cityhood proponent Mike Boyd spoke in favor of the bill during the Senate hearings.

**Jackson, Dukakis, Gore
Delegate Caucuses May 1**

Registered Democrats wanting to participate in the selection process for delegates to the National Democratic Convention will gather this Sunday, May 1. All registered Democrats present at the caucuses are eligible to vote in the delegate selection process or to run as a delegate themselves. The same selection process holds at all of the caucuses. Delegates pay their own expenses to the National Convention in Atlanta in July.

The number of delegates from each California congressional district allocated to each candidate depends upon the percentage of the vote each receives in that district in the June 7th primary. A total of four delegates are up for grabs in this district.

Supporters of Jesse Jackson in this congressional district will gather at 2 PM at the Teamster's Hall, 6185 Carpinteria Avenue in Carpinteria. The Dukakis caucus is at 2:30 PM at the International Union Hall, 3994 Main Street, Camarillo. The Gore caucus will be at 3 PM at 24 Calle Capistrano, Santa Barbara.

The Republican Party delegate selection process is controlled by state party officials. If you are interested in being a delegate, call Republican Headquarters at 687-6766 to secure an application which must be mailed to Los Angeles by mid-May.

\$407,000 BUDGET PROPOSED

I.V. PARK BOARD APPROVES PRELIMINARY BUDGET

OFFICIAL ADOPTION SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 16TH

The board of directors of the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District approved a "draft" Preliminary Budget for the fiscal year 1988-89 beginning July 1st at their April 21 meeting.

The budget calls for an expenditure of \$407,105, a 10 percent increase over last year's final adopted budget of \$371,559. The 1988-89 budget still has two public hearings (June 2 and June 16) until the "official" Preliminary Budget is adopted. The Final Budget will not be approved until two months into the next fiscal year when all revenue sources will be officially accounted for.

Actually, the \$407,105 for 1988-87 represents a 16% increase over what was spent in 1987-88 because the District will carryover a \$25,586 surplus of unexpended funds from the current fiscal year. The total increase in expenditures will be \$61,132 if this draft budget holds.

New Staff Benefits & Projects

About one-half of this total increase is planned for employee compensation (\$30,968), with \$13,300 of it intended for a retirement program which workers currently do not have. Most employees will receive merit increase of 5% of their hourly pay in line with previously adopted personnel policies.

Most of the rest of the increase will be for new development projects associated with the addition of water to several parks during the coming year and the development of Greek Park at Segovia and Embarcadero del Norte into a major recreational area.

The general manager's report on the draft Preliminary Budget states that, while the hourly cost for park maintenance personnel (including fringe benefits) will decrease 30% because of the substitution of work study staffing for a resigning regular worker, the total number of hours in the maintenance function will actually increase by 14%. In addition, administration staffing

hours will also increase somewhat because the board is asking that the Park District office be open during the noon hour to better facilitate citizen access. The office is currently open from 1 to 5 PM. The increase in employee compensation (including benefits) will be about 13% over last year.

Subsidy for Juggler's Festival

The only significant change the Board made in the budget during the hearing was to add \$1,000 to both expenditures and revenues by agreeing to supply the upfront money for the T-shirts for next year's Juggler's Festival. It is anticipated that the District would receive back \$1,000 in revenues through the sale of the T-shirts. Longtime District employee and juggler Charlie Jones made the presentation which received the unanimous support of the three directors present, Mike Boyd, Laura Price, and Bettina Stockton. Director Phil Campbell missed the meeting, while Director Lisa Rothstein missed her fourth consecutive meeting because she is out of the country.

The Juggler's Festival organizers have also asked for a \$1,500 subsidy for staffing and other projects; this request will be considered at the June 2nd hearing.

Criticism of Increases

John Sommer, one of the few people who sat through the April 21 presentation, was quite critical of the proposed budget increase. "I found the increase to \$407,000 mind-boggling," Sommer told the *Free Press* after the meeting. "I think that the town wants to know why these increases are necessary, especially increases in administration costs." Sommer is a community activist with the St. Anthanasius Church who attends most Park Board meetings and represents the Church at meetings of the Isla Vista Federation. Sommer ran unsuccessfully for the Park Board in 1980.

Benefit Assessment Decrease

The budget calls for a 15% decrease in the Benefit Assessment which is currently \$30 per household. This special charge paid by property owners was assessed last year by direction of the District's board of directors. The District is planning a June election as to whether or not this Benefit Assessment should be continued. If Isla Vista voters reject continuation of the Benefit Assessment, the District will have to cut back its revenue estimates by \$139,185. While the June election on the Benefit Assessment is an advisory election not legally binding on the Board, a majority of the board has said it would abide by the results of the election.

The next public hearing on the 1988-89 budget will be on June 2 at 8 PM.



ArchArt Architect Cheryl Jensen at public hearing with redesign of Little Acorn Park.

ATTEMPT TO EXPAND ACCESS TO ALL RESIDENTS REDESIGN OF LITTLE ACORN PARK

At their April 7th meeting, the board of directors of the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District approved a plan prepared by a professional architect to redesign Little Acorn Park. The Park, located between Sabado Tarde and Embarcadero del Mar where these streets meet El Embarcadero, is one of only three the District owns which currently has a water meter.

Responding to several complaints that many residents, especially women, are concerned for their safety when considering passing through Little Acorn Park after dark, and that the Park in the day time is used primarily as a hang out for "street people," the board examined several alternative redesign plans presented by architect Cheryl Jensen of the firm ArchArt at three public hearings in March and April. The intent of the adopted redesign plan is to make the Park more inviting for all residents.

The major changes will be the removal

of the old tool shed in the center of the property, an expanded sidewalk system through the park, removal of one side of the wooden arbor, and the placement of shrubs so as to both make entrance to the Park more inviting yet blocking the sight of most parked and moving cars along the periphery.

The issue of adding lighting along the West edge of the property (next to the three-story building which houses the UCSB Women's Center as to whether this would add to or detract from the safety of the walkway after dark.

The redesign will cost an estimated \$13,000 and be completed by July 1st. The funds for the redesign came from the Benefit Assessment approved by the board of directors for the 1987-88 fiscal year. Property owners paid \$30 per household for the Benefit Assessment this past year.

GOLETA ACTIVISTS KICK OFF NEW PETITION DRIVE FOR CITY OF GOLETA WITHOUT I.V.

Goletan Organized for Orderly Development (GOOD) will kick off their second petition drive to secure an election on bringing city government to Goleta with a meeting Friday, April 29 at the Goleta Library, 500 North Fairview.

This cityhood plan, like their previous one three years ago will not include Isla Vista and the UCSB campus with in its boundaries, but it will extend three miles into the Pacific Ocean in order to gain control over offshore oil developments.

John Watson of GOOD told the *Free Press* that "We aren't certain how many total signatures we will need at this point, but even if we need 25,000, we'll get them." Twenty-five percent of the registered voters

in the area proposed to be incorporated must sign the petition before the Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCO) is required to begin the public decision-making process.

GOOD's previous effort was derailed by Bill Wallace and the other County Supervisors who instead placed on the ballot a combined city of Isla Vista and Goleta. This plan was rejected 2-1 by area residents last November.

No one in Isla Vista is currently talking about a new effort to place an independent City of Isla Vista on the ballot. LAFCO has rejected an Isla Vista city election three times (1974, 1976, and 1984).

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And to Larry Riley A Farewell to the Shack

by Fear Heiple

Isla Vista Free Press Entertainment Editor

It was a rainy Tuesday night and I didn't think fifty people in this town would venture out for the Second Coming of Christ, let alone for the closing of a backstreet bar in Goleta. But to my surprise and delight, over a hundred people were packed into the place and more continued to arrive as the Shack's closing party wore on into the night.

Last Tuesday night was not the actual closing night of the Shack. That will be April 30. The Shack's beloved manager Larry Riley is 69 years old and in failing health. He has to retire and the landlord will not continue the lease with anyone else. Apparently he has other plans for the building, and those plans do not include continuing the bar.

How It All Began...

Earlier, I had a chance to ask Larry how it all began.

"It started thirteen years ago. My brother John had a place downtown called the Tradewinds. It was a Polynesian-type bar and

*"I never met a
musician
I didn't like"*

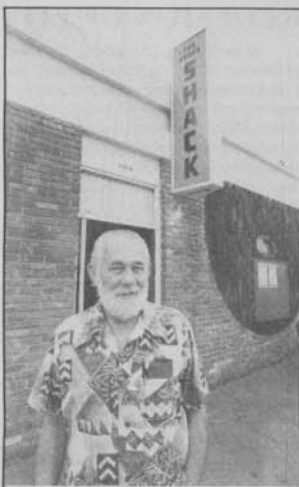
— Larry Riley
The Grass Shack

we decided to do the same sort of thing in Goleta. My son Pat was the owner. So we called it Pat's Grass Shack. I managed it. It originally had all this Polynesian stuff in it, tiki dolls, you know, but we gradually removed it because it didn't blend with the rock scene."

I looked around the dark, cluttered bar. A huge free-form sculpture of beer cans twisted its way through the air above our heads like the creation of Andy Warhol on acid. Probably-stolen signs directed visitors to the space shuttle launch. And a collage of broken cymbals, dried starfish, and tacky plastic beer advertisements decorated the walls. This blends with the rock scene?

A Backstreet Bar in Goleta?!

"Originally we had everything," continued Larry, "Polynesian dancers, country, blues, and jazz. But mainly it's



Larry Riley in front of the Grass Shack

been rock and roll. It just sort of worked out that way. To get people to go to a backstreet bar in Goleta you had to go with the rock scene. And they were the only bands who wanted to play here anyway. We needed each other."

"I guess we have had 3,500 bands. In the punk days you could have four or five bands a show. Of course some of them played a lot of times. Our first house band was the Rickies, and then the Puppies, and the Spoilers. You remember the Spoilers, don't you? And the Neighbors, the Generics, Norman Allen, the Tan, Keene White, um, the Rotters, the Surging Monkey Preps, um, recently, Toad the Wet Sprocket and the Crashing Plains. I hate to leave so many out. They've all been so good for the place. It sounds like Will Rogers but I mean it when I say that I've never met a musician I didn't like."

The Closing Party

And the feeling is mutual. At the closing party musician after musician took the mike to pay tribute to him as the bands moved on and off the stage like wrestling tag teams. Included in the procession were locals Toad the Wet Sprocket, Isla Vista's wacky Shawn White, Ventura's Crashing Plains, Mudheads, and I-Rails. (Indeed the many



Toad the Wet Sprocket from Isla Vista was among the five bands who played at the Grass Shack's closing party, April 19. (Photos by Keith Madigan, Isla Vista Free Press)

Venturans present made one realize how important this place was to musicians throughout the South Coast). Numerous other musicians were in attendance. Troy Thacker, former Stingrays drummer who made his singing debut just one week earlier at the Shack, lamented the impossibility of ever singing there again. Newcomer to the music scene Anita Visser was at the Shack for the first time ever and far too late to have either of her two bands play there. And local rock veteran Robin Caston, who has played there as much as anyone else, summed it up for all, "It's really a sad thing, you know?"

Indeed, with the closing of the Shack is the extinction of a species. There used to be a number of places that catered to original, experimental, and local musicians. One in the Ellwood Beach area called FUBAR closed in 1979. George's in downtown Santa Barbara closed in the fall of 1980. And Baudelaire's downtown closed about three years after that. What is especially sad about the Shack closing now is that the local music scene is quite active right now and Larry has become known throughout the nation for having a place where small bands on tour can play. "I've never gotten so many calls from so many bands all over the country," explained Larry.

"The Last Place on Earth"

Recently the Shack has been nicknamed "The Last Place on Earth." I asked Larry about it.

"We started getting called 'The Last Place on Earth' because of some beatnik film that was made here a year ago. Some student thing. I never saw it, but it was shot here and they changed the name to 'The Last Place on Earth' for the film. I liked it and considered changing the name to it."

Larry's originals-only policy for the bands that play there came about by default. Larry learnt about the music publishing companies ASCAP and BMI, who hold copyrights to most songs and demand a royalty when those songs are played. By joining the groups, cover bands could play at the Shack. But Larry's inquiries resulted in ASCAP asking him for several year's back dues and BMI went so far as to put a lean against the business.

Originals-Only

That was seven years ago and Larry has requested originals-only of his bands ever

since then.

There is no shortage of original bands. In fact, the independent music scene worldwide is exploding and it is exploding in the face of an increasingly entrenched and recalcitrant music industry that continues to protect its own turf against all challenges. Musicians trying to do anything at all different from what is known to be marketable are completely left to their own devices. And whereas top 40 cover bands and vapid clones of the current pop fads will always find some support in the generic nightclubs, special bands need special venues to develop and get their music together. It is impossible to calculate how much will be lost by the closure of the Shack.

We'll miss you Larry.

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Ziggy Marley and the Melody Makers, Conscious Party (Virgin)

It is often hard to separate the hype from hope when presented with the son of a famous father. I was sceptical when I went to the *Legend* tour in November 1984, featuring Ziggy Marley and the I-Threes. But Ziggy, then 16, shocked the crowd. He looked like his father. He sang like him, danced like him, and talked with the audience like him. He closed the show by banging out a solo version of "Redemption Song" on an acoustic guitar, which was a favorite way of Bob's to end a show. I was one of many who had the eerie, almost frightening feeling that they were witnessing Bob Marley reincarnated as a teenager.

People expect too much of Ziggy. This is a great album. But it is not the breakthrough album that will return reggae to a world force in music. For that to happen there will have to be major political and economic changes in Jamaica. The staggering inflation and poverty have virtually wiped out all domestic production studios. It is no coincidence that this album was produced in New York by Chris Franz and Tina Weymouth of the Talking Heads. Fellow Head Jerry Harrison contributes keyboards to a couple of tracks. And Rolling Stone Keith Richards adds the lead guitar licks on "Lee and Molly," an intense song of interracial love and one of the album's best tracks.

Some of the songs are very much like



the roots rock reggae of Bob Marley and the Wailers. "Tumblin' Down," for example (co-authored with Ziggy by Wailer Tyrone Downie) has the same basic one-drop sound. But other tracks, such as "Tomorrow People," are developed in ways virtually unprecedented in reggae. And working in the opposite direction, Ziggy also added a ska track, "Have You Ever Been to Hell?" and a nyabinghi song, "Dreams of Home." (Reggae historians will note that both ska and nyabinghi predate roots rock reggae and that Bob Marley was originally a rude boy in a ska band called the Wailing Wailers.)

This album is a breath of life into the malaise currently besetting reggae music. While Ziggy still has some growing to do before he can fill his father's shoes, this record is yet another indication that he will fill those shoes someday. And soon.

—Fear Heiple

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Wednesday 4/27

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The Damage Done (from Germany), Cactopussy, the Shack, 5796 Dawson, Goleta.

Mirage (jazz), Borsodi's, 938 Emb. del Norte, Isla Vista.

Certain Echos at the Lagoon (weather permitting), 2 PM, USCB.

FILM

Carved in Silence, Sewing Woman (documentaries), Asian American Film Series, 7 PM, Girvetz 1004, UCSB.

Thursday 4/28

MUSIC

Kelp Moose, Free Beer (a band), at the UCen Pub, 8 PM. UCSB.

Jump the Fence (from Santa Paula), Crashing Plains, the Shack, 5796 Dawson, Goleta.

Confusion (jazz fusion), Borsodi's, 938 Emb. del Norte, Isla Vista.

FILM

Battle of San Pietro, Let There be Light, by John Huston, 7, 9 PM, Campbell Hall, UCSB.

RADIO

Isla Vista Today & Tomorrow hosted by Mitch Stockton & Glenn Lazof. 9-10 AM, KCSB 91.9 FM.

Friday 4/29

MUSIC

Toad the Wet Sprocket, the I-Rails, The Shack, 5796 Dawson, Goleta.

The Julie Miller Band (sounds of the '60's), Borsodi's, 938 Emb. del Norte, Isla Vista.

Saturday 4/30

MUSIC

Reggae Dance w/Crucial DBC, Borsodi's, 938 Emb. del Norte in Isla Vista.

Actual, for real, closing night featuring Hyacinth, Reckoning, and (appropriately) Last Rites, the Shack, 5796 Dawson, Goleta.

SPECIAL EVENT

Isla Vista Spring Festival, with music, arts and crafts booths, food, and fun from noon until sundown. Anisq Oyo Park, Isla Vista.

THEATER

Frankenstein, 8 PM, Campbell Hall, UCSB.

Sunday 5/1

RADIO

60's Revisited hosted by Gerry DeWitt.

9 AM to Noon, KTYD 99.9 FM.

Fear of Music — Progressive rock hosted by Fear Heiple. 8-11 PM, KTYD 99.9 FM.

THEATER

Frankenstein, 8 PM, Campbell Hall, UCSB.

SPECIAL EVENT

Isla Vista Spring Festival, the next day: more music, arts and crafts booths, food and fun. Noon 'til they make us stop. Anisq Oyo Park, Isla Vista.

Monday 5/2

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Tuesday 5/3

MUSIC

Francine & Elizabeth "Just Us," Borsodi's, 939 Emb. del Norte, Isla Vista.

SPECIAL EVENT

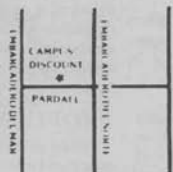
Storke Crafts Faire/El Mercado, 10 am-4 PM, Storke Plaza, UCSB.



Roy Buchanan played a blistering blues guitar at the Graduate in Isla Vista during a recent concert. Future blues shows at the Graduate include the Neville Brothers on May 5, Pat Travers on May 16, and the Santa Barbara Blues Fest II on May 17 with John Lee Hooker and Charlie Musselwhite. (Photo: Keith Madigan, I.V. Free Press.)

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HEALTH and Your HAIR

by Cynthia Palmer

My hair won't grow! ... It's dry and brittle! ... Where's the shine?! ... And on and on come the complaints and questions on how to achieve healthy, shiny, and more manageable hair.

There are many factors that contribute to hair growth, such as proper nutrition, shampooing, conditioning treatments, and a healthy scalp.

BASIC HAIR CARE

It is extremely important to cleanse the hair and scalp regularly. Shampoo removes debris, excess oils, sprays, gels, mousses, and other styling aids from the hair and scalp. It is best to lather the hair twice during shampooing. The first loosens the debris and the second is much richer and enables you to massage your scalp while cleansing it.

Be sure to use a proper pH-balanced shampoo; about 5.5 or 5.6 is considered to be pH-balanced. Your hair and skin need the same pH, and you can use a shampoo formulated specially for your condition. Some manufacturers of shampoo products will list the pH, but all will list the type of hair the product is to be used on.

Shampooing daily may be necessary if you are very active or have an oily scalp. However, be careful not to over do shampooing with a shampoo specifically made for oily hair; you may find it beneficial to alternate with a regular formula if you shampoo daily.

Ask your stylist for guidance and their professional advice when selecting hair care products.

TOP CONDITION

Everyone should include a conditioning regime, whether you have dry, normal, or oily hair. There are four basic types of conditioning. Your selection depends on texture, condition of your hair, and the results to be achieved.

After you have shampooed the hair, use either a conditioning rinse or a "leave on" conditioner; this should be done daily or after each shampoo. These types of conditioners do not penetrate into the hair, but they add manageability and moisturizing shine to the hair. They also help protect the hair during any blow dry styling and other heat-induced techniques of styling.

Protein and Reconstructors are formulated to pass through the outside layer of the hair into the inside layer — the cortex. The cortex layer contains the keratin which accounts for the strength or elasticity of the hair structure. Protein and Reconstructors go into the hair, replacing keratin that has been lost due to damage to the hair. Keratin is essential to the structure of the hair and when the keratin is lost, it must be replaced, otherwise you will have dull, lifeless hair. Protein and Reconstructing conditioning treatments will rebuild the hair back to a more manageable and healthy state.



These services can be obtained by your stylist; prices range anywhere from \$10 to \$25, depending on the product and technique used. Also, be sure to consult with your stylist regarding your home conditioning regime and to see if your products are appropriate for your individual hair care needs. According to most stylists, your hair care products should be updated seasonally. Chemical services, the environment, and your lifestyle all dictate your hair's individual and changing needs.

SCALP STIMULATION

Brushing and scalp massage both stimulate blood circulation and improve the flow of nutrients to the hair follicles, thus encouraging natural hair growth. You should thoroughly brush your hair twice a day, and massage your scalp nightly. And once in awhile, pamper yourself with a salon scalp treatment using special oils and a heatlamp.

PROPER NUTRITION

Just as poor food makes poor bodies, poor blood makes poor hair. Many cases of dry, lusterless hair which falls out easily are due to nutritional deficiencies. Improved hair growth can be achieved with proper diet and supplements.

Protein is the material you are made of and is the number one material aiding in the growth of hair. Inositol (a B vitamin) has a direct relationship to the growth of hair and its color. If you have an abnormal loss of hair, a supplement of pure Inositol would be of benefit; consult a nutritionist on the appropriate dose in your situation. Most whole grains, brown rice, and fresh vegetables contain B vitamins and are a good source of Inositol.

If you have questions regarding your hair care needs or anything else pertaining to HAIR, please write me c/o the *Free Press*, 6659B Abrego, I.V., 93117, and I will be happy to answer them in upcoming articles.

Palmer is a licensed cosmetologist working in Santa Barbara. She taught and worked with models in Ventura before moving to Isla Vista last Fall.

Peacekeepers

My wife looked at me with eyes of fearless vengeance, her hand stroking the deadly missile — a Pri-Wex II — a sound-seeking, multi-warhead peacekeeper.

I nodded slightly, oozing with confidence, letting her know that everything was in order to begin our attack. I had the enemy planes within radar sighting. Two of them were there on the screen as the tiniest of blips, moving in fast, tight circles. I sneered at them, "This is your last flight, creeps!"

I looked at my watch — 8:32 AM. The Sunday morning air was crisp and clear. A good day for a battle.

Making one more round of calculations and fixing the trajectory over Storke Field, I moved to the launch control panel. The red button (they're always red) stood by itself near the top of the panel, testimonial of its awesome importance.

Laura began the countdown — "5-4-3-2-1. Fire!!"

I pressed the launch button and heard the *woosh* as the rocket blasted out of our bedroom window in pursuit of its prey.

We followed the progress of the missile with our binoculars as we heard the targets — two miniature, obnoxiously buzzing planes, engine noise fading in and out as they circled. *mZZZZZZZZZZ...*

Our hatred grew, and thus our delight with their impending doom, with each high whining buzz of their engines.

We held the glasses onto the spot of projected impact, waiting for the sighting of our missile. After just a few moments — much to our delight — we saw it. As planned, the warhead split in two. Then came the sight (and a moment later the

sound) of one blast, then the other. Just like that, it was over.

I felt at peace. The noise was gone and the quiet was beautiful to hear. I turned to hug Laura when I ...

"Wake up, Scott!"

"Huh — what's wrong?"

"I can't sleep. It's those damn miniature planes over at Storke Field. They're driving me crazy!"

mZZZZZZZZZZ...

I heard them now.

So much for the pleasure of dreams.

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Residents in the 6600 block of Abrego display their displeasure with the roaches who visit them constantly. "It's so bad that we can't sit for dinner anymore, because the roaches take our food off the table while we're sitting there!" one told us. "We've used up whole boxes of RAID, but they just ignore it now," said another. The landlord removed the signs the next day.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

UCen, I.V. Control and Socialism

Your editorial of April 13, 1988 on UCen control is obviously attempting to confuse this issue with others such as I.V. cityhood and your favorite project — rent control.

But perhaps there are more similarities here than meet the eye. Isla Vista property owners including I pay for services they do not control and in some cases even do not receive.

The sad condition of most of the "parks" owned and "maintained" by the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District (IVRPD) is there for anyone to see. Yet the manager of this colonial system, whom you refer to as a "Socialist Activist", draws a salary in excess of \$30,000 plus fringes. We have no information as to his qualifications or any previous management experience warranting such a generous salary. But perhaps he is gaining "important self-development" skills at the expense of I.V. property owners and their tenants. The other employees of the IVRPD are likewise overpaid in comparison with the prevailing wage scale in I.V. They receive between \$8.68 and \$13.60 per hour plus fringes!

And yet the IVRPD wants to spend even more of our money to acquire more weed patches, hire more "help" and strengthen their grip on the community to ultimately turn I.V. into the socialist utopia these socialist activists dream of.

Before they impose rent control on us, let's put some controls on the self-serving bureaucracy of the IVRPD. Better yet, ship them off to a socialist country behind the Iron Curtain for some hands-on experience in real socialism.

Sincerely,

Herman Pfauter
Isla Vista

Editor's Note: The board of directors of the IVRPD is elected by the consumers of its services (residents of I.V.) and is fully in charge of determining the cost (taxes) and quality of those services; the UCen board is not.

URC Says Thanks, Explains Exit of LIVE

We would like to thank you for your mention in the April 13-19 issue about LIVE's up-coming need to relocate. We appreciate the opportunity to spread the word of this need — hoping an organization or building with a larger, better suited facility than the University Religious Center's will be able to offer space to Let Isla Vista Eat.

URC has been able to grow with the program some. In 1985, LIVE constructed a storage shed on the URC patio. In 1986, the URC remodeled the kitchen with new sinks, and purchased a new stove and additional freezer in 1987. During URC office hours, we often are called on for tasks

such as receiving food and paper good orders and food donations. Also, we act as a referral source for persons needing assistance. Usual referrals are to Transition House, a local church pantry and to any work opportunities which have been called to our attention.

After five years, though, URC is seeming too small. We don't have shower facilities. We barely have adequate bathroom facilities. To operate smoothly and efficiently, it seems LIVE needs access to a facility for more than 3.5 hours/day. The program needs more storage space than we can offer. The building was not designed to accommodate this kind of program over an extended period of time.

As an organization responding to the spiritual and ethical needs of UCSB students, faculty and staff, supporting and subsidizing LIVE has been one of the ways the URC has been in ministry with our community. This program has provided students with the opportunity to be of service and there has been much cooperation between the two organizations which has benefitted both. Now, the conclusion has come to both parties that LIVE has outgrown the space and services URC can provide. The URC board of directors asked LIVE to find a new location by June 1989. We have over a year to facilitate this move and will keep you informed of our progress.

Sincerely,

Susan Lombardo,
Office Manager

The Rev. Fran Cooper,
Director, Community Relations

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DO WE NEED A SEAWALL?

This is a most interesting question.

The heart of the matter, of course is SHOULD WE ALLOW PROPERTY OWNERS WHO REAPED EXTRA PROFITS BECAUSE THE COUNTY ALLOWED THEM TO BUILD TOO CLOSE TO THE BLUFF, TO NOW FURTHER INCONVENIENCE THE TOWN BY BUILDING A SEAWALL TO SAVE THEIR INVESTMENTS?

While it is easy to say enough is enough, and that these rapacious property owners shouldn't be allowed to carry this disgrace any further, I have witnessed rabid anti-seawall residents become converted to supporters when they became property owners themselves.

However, the relocation inland of bluff top properties through the formation of a redevelopment agency holds enough promise that it should be examined in the environmental review process — current County officials owe us at least that much to partially compensate for the misdeeds of their predecessors in allowing the Del Playa situation to occur.

Because, if the seawall is eventually built, there should be no illusions as what it will be — a monument to greed.

WHAT WE'RE LOOKING FOR IN A COUNTY SUPERVISOR

The *Free Press* will be endorsing a candidate for Supervisor in the upcoming June election, which will require a November run-off if no candidate receives 50% of the June vote. Three term incumbent Bill Wallace (an Isla Vista resident since 1970) is being challenged by ten year I.V. resident Mike Boyd and Goleta residents Jim Thompson and Suzie O'Rourke.

If this election is a rerun of the past three, growth in Goleta will be the dominating issue. But, there are many other issues which are of equal or greater importance. Both to better prepare our readers for this election and to inform the candidates what to expect if they are seeking the endorsement of the *Free Press*, I will state what the issues are in County government from my perspective.

(1) **Landlord/Tenant Relations.** More than 50% of the residents of California live in a jurisdiction which has some form of rent control. With its 96% renters, in a situation of almost no-growth in housing construction (which I.V. voters continue to support because this town is already over-crowded) coupled with the University's expansionist enrollment policy, Isla Vista is in desperate need of a reasonable rent control ordinance — even one drawn up by landlords. As proof of this, 2-3 bedroom houses and duplexes in Goleta currently rent for 30-50% lower than in I.V. How rent control is best accomplished (by becoming a city or by special legislation) is less important than that it is accomplished. We also need a "just cause eviction" ordinance, a universally-used "model lease," a landlord/tenant arbitration board, and a law requiring landlords to pay interest on all deposits.

(2) **Improved Living Conditions.** UCSB should have stopped its enrollment at 15,000 students, as opposed to the current 18,000 and the projected 22,000. Even more than a growth management plan for the Goleta Valley, we need a comprehensive mitigation plan to deal with the problems associated with UCSB enrollment being above 15,000. Some of the elements of such a plan include adequate parking, litter control, bikeways, open spaces, parks, plus recreational and social services in I.V., and additional on-campus housing. We also need redevelopment of Isla Vista's commercial district in order to make it more attractive and user-friendly, a community center, adequate street and bikeway maintenance, cleaner beaches, and a police force which is better trained to deal with this population without the use of force. The implementation these plans should be fully funded by the University and the County — and not by raising taxes, unless we specifically vote to enact them.

(3) **Citizen Participation.** Isla Vista, a remarkably homogeneous community of 18,500, needs elected community government, whether this is an empowered city government or an advisory board to the County — as long as the Supervisor agrees to pay attention to the advice. To the extent we remain under the direct jurisdiction of the County, Isla Vistans should be represented on County advisory boards and commissions to the extent we make up the population of the county. Overall, we need local government representatives who are willing to design and support outreach programs to encourage this overwhelmingly young and highly mobile population to be involved in the public decision-making process that affects living conditions in Isla Vista; currently, that process is dominated by property-owners.

There are also several things we don't need — which is often just as important as getting the things we do need. We don't need any more off-shore oil rigs, housing either on West Campus or in Isla Vista, over-drafting of the Goleta Valley's water table, or the "redevelopment" of existing low-cost housing in Isla Vista.

We wish all of the candidates good luck, and hope that the campaign will feature an earnest discussion of the issues (these issues, hopefully) and not the kind of negative mud-slinging which voters have never quite become accustomed to.

SLATED FOR THIS FALL COUNTY TO ALLOW SEAWALL?

by Carmen Lodise
Isla Vista Free Press Publisher

A seawall along much of Isla Vista's shoreline moved one step closer to reality as a result of a public hearing March 23rd on a draft environmental impact report (EIR). The next hearing on the sufficiency of the EIR before the staff of the County Environmental Resources department will be held April 28th, 9:30 AM in the Planning Commission hearing room, first floor of the County Administration building, 105 East Anapamu Street in Santa Barbara.

The project which was first proposed in 1976 by a group of Del Playa property owners has changed considerably through the years. The initial plan called for an eight foot tall cement structure which extended six to eight feet out from the foot of the cliffs and ran the full length of Isla Vista. Several Town Meetings and Isla Vista Community Council advisory votes in the late 1970s strongly opposed the construction of such a seawall.

Seven Foot Timber Pilings

The current plan has been scaled back considerably. As outlined in the draft EIR, Isla Vista's seawall would be a seven foot tall timber piling wall extending an average of 3.5 feet away from the foot of the seaciff and stretching 1,130 feet from about halfway between El Embarcadero and Camino Pescadero through a little more than halfway between Camino del Sur and Camino Corto. The seawall as planned will not be continuous; it will be broken in three places where some property owners declined to join the project.

Fourteen foot creosoted timber pilings will be cemented into a seven foot deep trench which must be dug along the toe of the cliff. Thus, the timbers will extend seven feet above the bedrock. Rocks approximately one foot in diameter will be back-filled between the cliff and the pilings.

The report states that the seawall will closely resemble the one which currently exists at 6741 Del Playa.

Opposition & Support

Mike Boyd, a member of the Isla Vista Recreation and Park District's board of directors and candidate for County Supervisor, told the *Free Press* that he still opposes the construction of this seawall because "it doesn't mitigate the real problems — buildings which are too close to the edge of the bluff and surface run-off. And, I don't like it that the cost of the seawall will be passed on to renters in these buildings."

Park District general manager Glenn Lazof said that, "The last time the District had a hearing on the seawall, the Red Barn was packed with people who opposed it. The District is officially opposing it, but we have permitted one of our bluff properties to be included in the project because we were afraid we could be drawn into a costly legal conflict if we remained out."

The Park District also received a \$20,000 payment from the property owners as compensation for their reluctant participation in the seawall project, according to Lazof.

But Nigel Buxton, a Del Playa resident and landlord who has been hired as an agent by the property owners to secure the required permits, told the *Free Press* that there will be very little impact on rents and that "without the seawall, the County says it will begin condemning several properties along the bluff."

Incumbent County Supervisor Bill Wallace, who has opposed previous seawalls for Isla Vista, told us that, "It is too early for me to have a position on this one. The EIR hasn't even been certified yet."

Final Decisions in June, July

Wallace expects that the County Planning Commission will act on this project in late May, with a final decision by the Supervisors in June if the Planning Commission's decision is appealed to the Board. Buxton is hoping for a June decision by the County and a July or August decision by the State Coastal Commission.

"While the draft EIR says an August construction schedule would be best because most people are out of town then, for us it really depends on the tides," Buxton told the *Free Press*. "We might better construct the project in November or December."

Bluff Erosion

The seawall is being proposed by property owners in this area who are desperate to end the cliff erosion which has seen about 90 feet of the bluff disappear over the past sixty years. Studies quoted in the draft EIR indicate that bluff erosion in Isla Vista proceeds at about three times the six inches a year rate which prevails for the stretch of California coast from Point Conception to the Mexican border. Buxton says that four apartment buildings in the 6700 block of Del Playa have already been forced to add caissons to prevent the buildings from falling into the ocean as the cliff crumbles below them.

Indeed, the two major benefits of the proposed seawall stated in the report are that it will "increase the longevity of cliff-top structures," and "improve safety and property values."

Rent Increases from Seawall

The property owners themselves will pay for the construction and maintenance of the seawall, but it will be their tenants who ultimately pay the bill for this construction. The draft EIR indicates that, based on a ten year write-off of their investment, property owners will raise rents in the 84 dwelling units affected approximately 5% to pay for the project. But Buxton says that the IRS write-off schedule has recently changed to 27

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ALTERNATIVE TO A SEAWALL?

E.I.R. FAILS TO CONSIDER MOVING ENDANGERED BUILDINGS INLAND

Create New Park, Bikeway the Length of Del Playa

Seawall Public Hearing on Draft E.I.R.

Thursday, April 28, 9:30 AM
1st Floor, Co. Admin. Bldg.
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It is conceivable that the County Planning Commission or the Board of Supervisors will reject the construction of this proposed seawall if there is a massive turnout of Isla Vista residents opposing it at the appropriate meetings in late May and/or early June. However, such a rejection doesn't seem likely at this point.

Even if the seawall were to be rejected

The 1982 IVCC report postulated that the bluff could not be completely stabilized by the construction of a seawall, thus this relocation option was in fact superior to the seawall and it had many more positive benefits to the community.

by the County because it did not conform to present County policies, it may not be possible to stop the State Coastal

Commission from approving individual seawalls on all of the separate properties desiring one — unless there is a viable alternative to the proposed seawall that adequately addresses the concerns of the property owners.

A Viable Alternative?

The *Free Press* has discovered two studies completed in 1982 on a seawall proposed at the time. These reports examined the potential of relocating the endangered housing on the bluff to secure parcels interior to Isla Vista.

However, the draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) being considered by the County's Department of Environmental Resources has not considered such an alternative to the proposed project. Instead, the County appears to have joined in an alliance with the property owners to justify a seawall.

The California Environmental Quality Act guidelines (SEQA) requires that all feasible alternatives to the proposed project be considered in the EIR. The draft EIR considered only three alternatives to the proposed project: different types of seawalls; importation of sand for beach replenishment;

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WILL COUNTY HOLD TO ITS ADOPTED POLICIES IN REVIEWING THE PROPOSED SEAWALL?

Just as Isla Vista was built up during the 1960's from a few cottages to the most densely populated town West of the Mississippi, the construction of this seawall will only receive the necessary Major Conditional Use Permit from the County if the property owners are excused from policies which hold for other areas in the county.

The County's adopted Local Coastal Plan (LCP) states that "...the County prefers and encourages non-structural solutions to shoreline erosion problems, including beach replenishment (and) removal of endangered structures...." In addition, the LCP states that seawalls "... shall be permitted when designed ... so as not to block lateral beach access." The proposed Isla Vista seawall would appear to violate both of these policies.

Beach Access for Pedestrians

Wallace told the *Free Press* that this seawall "...does not bend these rules very much because it's only a few feet out from the cliff, detracting only about 5% of the access, and that there is no alternative to

saving these structures."

The draft EIR points out that because of tide action, the bottom of the cliff is already inaccessible 39% of the time. The construction of the seawall is expected to leave the base of the cliff inaccessible 44% of the time.

Adequate Set Backs from Bluff

* The County LCP also states that dwellings built on bluff properties must be far enough back from the bluff to allow for 75 years of erosion, or if that makes the lot unbuildable, at least 50 years. Since the draft environmental impact report on the proposed seawall in Isla Vista indicates that the average erosion was 18 inches in Isla Vista between 1928-83, this would mean that any new buildings must be at least 75 feet back from the bluff but preferably over 110 feet.

With the passage of Measure T in last November's election, several permits for construction of houses on Isla Vista's bluff have been applied for or will be in the near future. Few of the bluff top properties are

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The surf pounding on the Isla Vista cliffs during last Winter's storms. Property owners want to build a seawall to contain the erosion threatening their properties.

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years, and the total impact on rents will only be 1%.

"Besides, rents are determined by the market, not the ups and downs of expenses," Buxton told the *Free Press*. That is, rents are already as high as the market will bear, and increased expenses are unlikely to drive them higher.

Sources of Erosion

Without citing a source, the draft EIR asserts that 50% of the bluff erosion in Isla Vista is attributable to wave attack at the toe of the bluff, while the remainder results from sources nearer the top of the bluff, much of it presumably from water run-off. The report says that the property owners have agreed as part of the project to contain as much of the water run-off as possible by regrading the surface areas of their properties where appropriate and installing rain gutters on their apartments to redirect run-off water to the street, and to change the flora from the present type of ice plant which destabilizes the cliffs.

This still leaves below surface water seepage into the face of the cliff (estimated in itself to account for 5% of the erosion), and several other natural causes (salt weathering by salt crystals, burrowing by rodents, root wedging in fractures, etc.) which will not be addressed by the measures proposed.

A 1981 plan on which an EIR was completed and certified called for the insertion of a six-inch perforated drain pipe 15 feet below the surface along the South edge of Del Playa in order to lower the water table sufficiently to prevent water seepage into the face of the cliff. Sidewalks would have then been built over this section, giving pedestrians the ability to walk out of the street.

Buxton says that this pipe has been dropped from the current project because, "The County didn't require us to do it." It

also would have added significantly to the total cost of the project.

Seawalls Cause Problems, Too

Three major problems associated with seawalls ("scouring" below and at the ends of the wall, and an accelerated removal of sand due to increased turbulence) have been addressed in the draft EIR. The report asserts that two of the problems don't apply here, while the third appears to have been mitigated.

Because there is so little sand at the base of the cliffs now, the report states that the natural bedrock will prevent wave action from digging below the surface (scouring) and undercutting the seawall. The report also states that the ends of the wall should be "faired into sound mudstone bedrock in order to minimize bluff erosion" at those points.

Beach Sand Depletion

The 1981 EIR called for a cement shelf extending out a couple of feet on top of the bedrock in order to prevent scouring at the base of the seawall. Evidently there isn't enough sand left at the present time to warrant this precaution. The 1988 report states that it might be possible to require the project developers to replenish 2,000 cubic yards of sand annually to allay any concerns on this point. The lateral movement of sand in an easterly direction along Isla Vista's beach has been quite significant over the past decade. At one point, so much sand was being carried past Campus Point to Goleta Beach that the pier there had to be extended several hundred feet in order to continue to be able to launch boats. The report indicates that the seawall would have little or no impact on this lateral movement of sand.

Buxton told the *Free Press* that "I.V. is not a place that sand remains — it just goes by here. Why spend the money and put up with the big diesel trucks needed to bring this sand here if it's just going to pass on through to Santa Barbara?"

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and, construction of groins.

Nigel Buxton, agent for the property owners seeking the current seawall dismissed the relocation option as "ridiculous." "With the current zoning, you couldn't find enough property in Isla Vista to rebuild this number of dwelling units," he told the *Free Press*. "Besides, comparing ocean front property with inland property is like comparing apples and oranges." Buxton said that his group did not consider the relocation option in their deliberations and that "it is unlikely that the County would force us to pursue this option."

IVCC Planning Commission

A great deal of work was completed in the early 1980s by the Isla Vista Community Council's Planning Commission on the "redevelopment agency" alternative. The project calls for the formation of a redevelopment district under State law which would sell revenue bonds to buy up existing blufftop properties and relocate them inland. A park could then be established along the bluff. The bonds would be repaid over forty years through tax-increment financing. This method is designed to revitalize "blighted" urban areas which are the product of faulty

planning decisions that have resulted in over-crowding and unsafe living conditions.

Formation of Agency

The redevelopment agency would have a board of directors, at least 2/3rds of whom would be residents of the affected area. A petition containing the signatures of 20% of the renewal area's residents is required in order to begin consideration of a redevelopment agency. The County must determine that such an approach to urban renewal is appropriate before a redevelopment agency can be established.

The IVCC Planning Commission's June, 1982 report was a response to a 1981 plan to have a 3,686 foot seawall running from the border of the UCSB Main Campus to Camino Corto which would include a sunken perforated drain, a one-way of Del Playa auto-traffic, the addition of a protected bike-way, and sidewalk development — a much more expensive and extensive plan than is currently contemplated.

Bluff Can't be Stabilized

However, their estimate indicated that the total cost of the 1981 project (above \$9 million) was at least equal to the value of

the blufftop property being "saved" by a seawall according to County tax records. The 1982 IVCC report postulated that the bluff could not be completely stabilized through the construction of a seawall, thus this relocation option was in fact superior to the seawall and that it had many more positive benefits to the community.

The County Public Works department is currently considering the establishment of a redevelopment agency to deal with several

Isla Vista problems such as lack of off-street parking and purchase of open space, but the bluff erosion question has not been mentioned to date in these discussions.

The 1982 Planning Commission reports were done by Barbara Zeid and Marc Borgman. It was partially based on the work of eleven students completed in a UCSB Environmental Studies class under the direction of Professor Tony Dominski during the Winter quarter, 1982. — C.L.

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deeper than 150 feet, making their conformance with this requirement questionable at best.

Results of Earlier Exceptions

Will the County permit exceptions to their policies for this new construction in Isla Vista? It was by making such exceptions in a wholesale manner that much of Isla Vista — especially along Del Playa — was built to its current density. For example, instead of requiring buildings to be set back a specific distance from the edge of the cliff, the County in the 1960s permitted the set back to be from the edge of the property line, that is from the mean high

tide line which is several yards beyond the base of the cliff into the ocean.

It is also because these exceptions were permitted at the time of construction that several of the bluff top buildings are currently in danger of falling into the ocean.

Emergency Permits

The report indicates, however, that if this seawall is not built, each property owner could build a seawall under the Coastal Commission's emergency guidelines, thus by-passing an environmental review. Several such individual seawalls have been built over the past decade. — C.L.



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