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The Umbrella Group

A Recognized Staff Association of UCSD

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The Umbrella Group is the officially recognized Faculty/Staff Association for lesbian, gay, transgendered and bisexual employees at UCSD. Under the "Umbrella" are the UCSD Med Center Bisexual, Lesbian & Gay Network, the Lesbian Support Group and Queer University Employees.

How do you feel about adding "Transgendered"?

I would love some feedback on how you feel about this newsletter. For example, how do you feel about the addition in the subtitle? Personally, I don't know any transgendered people in the UCSD community...or then again, maybe I do, and they're really, really good at it! Or maybe they haven't finished up and want it to be a big surprise! Or maybe they don't feel safe being out about it because the existing environment doesn't seem to support it. I believe we need to be as inclusive as possible; divide and conquer and all that. Why don't you email me at rcoyote@ucsd.edu and let me know what you think. Or write me at Ruthann Coyote 0079 (Addressee only--out of courtesy to my sweet but religiously conservative colleagues!)

Speaking of religious conservatives, my two children were invited and are visiting my lesbian lover's parents house for two weeks; and they told the boys to call them grandma and grandpa! Such love and

acceptance makes me want to cry! Now if they'd only take the kids out of the basement...

Seriously, what would you like to see in this fabulous newsletter. Feel free to write and tell me how impressed you are with it. No really, I insist. No, really, be honest and tell me how great it looks. Comprendez-vous, pal?

Your Newsletter Editor,
Ruthann Coyote

Treasurer's Report:

Do you think making copies of this newsletter and mailing it out are free?! Currently, the treasury contains \$168.95. However, it will probably be vastly diminished by the time you read this; so renew your membership now! Please see order form at the end of this newsletter.

A San Diego Outlist?

Is this too radical? For those of you who don't know, UCLA publishes a voluntary (of course) list of out and proud members of the UCLA community--students, staff and faculty-- as part of the campus wide celebration of National Coming Out

Week. Past publications of the Outlist have been huge successes, with hundreds of names. This will be the third year they have done this. It will be published in the Daily Bruin (the campus newspaper) during the week of October 7-11.

What do you think about that?! I think it's nervy; but what a way to meet someone if you're single!

Do you think UCSD is too conservative? Would you sign it? It costs money to run an ad in the school paper...hmmm, the Guardian Outlist? Just a thought...well, let's dwell on that for a while.

On-line Lesbians:

Here are four On-line lists specific to lesbians on the internet.

The lesbian-news list is open to self-identified lesbians or bisexual women only, and serves the purpose of facilitating the exchange of news, announcements and information relevant to lesbians. This is an *information only* list, not a discussion list, and will cover lesbian news of a local, national and international scope (if there is a local lesbian news list in your area, please use that list instead for local news). To join lesbian-news, please send email to: majordomo@queernet.org And in the body type these words only: subscribe lesbian-news

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The lesac-net list is a networking list for lesbian and bisexual women who are academics, such as students, professors, librarians, researchers, and lecturers. For up-to-date information on the lesac-net mailing list, address email to: majordomo@queernet.org and in the body type ONLY: info lesac-net.

The lesbian-studies list is an academic discussion list for lesbians and bisexual women who do scholarly work in the field of lesbian studies. For up-to-date information on the lesbian-studies mailing list, address email to: majordomo@queernet.org and in the body type ONLY: info lesbian-studies

Lesbian-writers list is a networking, discussion and announcements list for lesbians who are or aspire to be published writers. List members frequently contribute works in progress for feedback and commentary, and discussion topics range from how to publish in mainstream journals to the ethics of editing a "lesbian only" publication. The lesbian-writers list also has its own webpage (<http://www.lesbian.org/lesbian-writers>) For up-to-date information on the lesbian-writer mailing list, address email to: majordomo@queernet.org and in the body type ONLY: info lesbian-writers

The ba-cyberdykes list is a general chat list for lesbians and bisexual women in the San Francisco Bay Area only. (For up to date information on ba-cyberdykes, address email to: majordomo@queernet.org and in the body type ONLY: info ba-cyberdykes

Write Your Reps!!

If you have web access, this site will give addresses for all kinds of government representatives.

<http://leginfo.public.ca.gov/>

Here are some addressesses I happen to have sitting on my computer...our hard-working California senators (who always write you back if you write them first.)

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Gay Visibility

One of the victims of the Trans World Airlines Flight 800 accident was 47-year-old Jed Johnson, an openly gay interior decorator from New York whose life partner was architect Alan Wanzenberg. Good Morning America host Joan Lunden delivered a memorial at the end of the popular morning show on July 19th. Her sensitive and heartfelt memorial to Jed Johnson and her acknowledgment of Alan Wanzenberg as his life partner afforded him the dignity and respect so often reserved only for heterosexuals spouses, particularly by the media. If you're so inclined, please thank Ms. Lunden for her wonderful memorial.

Good Morning America
147 Columbus Avenue, 6th Floor
New York, NY 10023, phone:
212.456.7777, fax: 212.456.6926

The Medical Center Diversity Team has created a display with a Lesbian, Gay, and Bisexual (Pride) education and awareness theme. The glass case is located on the hospital's first floor right outside of the cafeteria. If

you're so inclined, please call or email the Diversity Coordinator (Angie McGill-King X95014) and provide positive feedback related to the display.

OUT at Geisel Library!

The following titles of interest may be found in the Reference Room of the Social Sciences and Humanities Library:
*Lesbians in Print: a Bibliography of 1,500 Books with Synopses;
*Homosexuality and the Military: a Sourcebook of Official, Uncensored U.S. Government Documents; and
*Gay & Lesbian Online, a nifty guide to resources on the Internet. The local San Diego *Gay and Lesbian Times is located in the Current Periodicals section. For more information on library resources in g/l/b studies, contact Sam Dunlap at 534-6443 or by e-mail: sdunlap@ucsd.edu

Events:

The Umbrella Group is the official staff and faculty association for lesbians, gays and bisexuals at UCSD. All of our events are open to staff, faculty and students regardless of sexual orientation. Events listed below are subject to change so please call or e-mail the contact person to verify the events. Note that there is a monthly casual gathering at local lgb bars throughout the year.

Volunteer, participate, and organize; **help at National Coming Out Week!!** Call Richard Belmontez at 543-7577 or Patrick Dowd at 543-7192 for more information.

You can start planning now for the AIDS walk in Balboa Park on October 6! Registration packets for teams and individuals and information for this worthy fundraiser are available by calling 291-WALK. For those not

interested in walking, please participate by pledging to someone who is.

September 6th - "First Friday" at The Flame (3780 Park Blvd.) We'll be there at 6 p.m. Contact: Jack

September 7th - Saturday - Catch the revival premiere of the new 35mm scope print of "Barbarella", starring Jane Fonda as a "sexy, 41st-century adventuress." See the origin of the name Duran Duran. Bargain matinee showtime on Saturday is 2:45, so let's meet out front of the Ken Theater (4061 Adams Ave.) At 2:30. Contact: Sam

September 19 - PROGRESS/San Diego is hosting a National Coming Out Day (NCO) Planning Forum and Mixer for local LGBT Employee Groups on Thursday, September 19th at 6:30 PM. This event will be held at QUALCOMM's headquarters in Sorrento Valley at 6455 Lusk Blvd, San Diego, 3rd floor. Light refreshments will be provided. For more information or to RSVP, please contact Kelly Lyndon at 658-4414 or progress_sd@ax.com. Please feel free to pass this information on to others who may be interested.

PROGRESS is a network of corporate, governmental and educational Employee Resource Groups for lesbian, gay, transgender and bisexual people. PROGRESS is dedicated to making the American workplace safe and equitable for lesbian, gay, transgender and bisexual people.

September 21st - Saturday at noon - Picnic in Balboa Park. Details will be sent later. Contact: Jack

October 4th - "First Friday" at No. 1 Fifth Avenue (3845 Fifth Ave.). Get there early for bar food. We'll be

there at 6 p.m. Contact: Jack

October 6th - AIDS Walk in Balboa Park! Call 291-WALK for information.

Oct. 31st - Thursday - Celebrate Halloween at The Center's scary "Nightmare on Normal Street" (3916 Normal St). Meet us close to the entrance of the church just north of The Center. We'll be there at 8:30, perhaps even recognizable! Contact: Jack

Nov. 1st - "First Friday" at Bourbon St. (4612 Park Blvd). We'll be eating bar food on the patio at 6 p.m. and staying into the wee hours inside partying with Carol Curtis on the piano. Contact: Sam

Nov. 16 - Saturday - Gas up the car for a trip to Julian. We will plan to car pool from San Diego and arrive for lunch and apple pie around noon. After a stroll through town we will sniff out a local winery for a bit of wine tasting. Details and car pool info will be sent out in early November. Contact: Jack

Friday the 13th at Numbers (3811 Park Blvd), where there is always something happening. We'll be there at 6 p.m. Look for us at the front bar, the back video bar, at the pool tables, at darts, or on the side patio. Contact: Sam

Late December - No doubt there will be volunteers in late December to host a New Year's Party to ring in 1997. Details will be forthcoming in late 1996!

Please feel free to volunteer to "host an event" of your choice. Plan a camping trip! Visit your favorite watering hole! Organize an outing! Contact one of the social co-chairs with a short description of your event

and include your campus telephone and e-mail.

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Quakers

PACIFIC CONGRESS OF
QUAKERS FROM FOUR STATES
SUPPORT SAME GENDER
MARRIAGE

On August 9, 1996, Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends made the statement that follows. This body represents Quakers from California, Hawaii, Nevada and Mexico.

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Along for the Ride
Coming to terms with her dad was quite a trip for Lisa Kron

By James Hebert; STAFF WRITER

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Lisa Kron is chatting amiably outside the La Jolla Playhouse on a recent morning when -- whoooooosh -- a tiny, feathered torpedo goes screeching past, missing her nose by a wing's width.

The little visitor is either a) a disgruntled hummingbird, or b) an emissary dispatched straight from Metaphor Central.

Odd and random events, it seems, have a way of dive-bombing into Kron's life from out of the ether -- and Kron has a way of cobbling these experiences into monologues and theater pieces whose glue is confessional humor and a highly adventurous stage sense.

The latest example of Kron's solo tale-spinning is "2.5 Minute Ride," which premieres Tuesday at the La Jolla Playhouse. Directed by her onetime drama professor, Lowry Marshall, the piece is about the annual pilgrimage by Kron's family to an amusement park in Ohio -- but not exactly. It's about her brother's wedding, and her saucy dreams of Dean Martin, and being a lesbian in the Midwest -- but not quite those, either.

What "2.5" is really about, amid the laughs and the scattershot storytelling, is Kron's father, and her coming-to-terms with their relationship: "It's my way of making a legacy for him," as she puts it.

In the piece, Kron (pronounced "krone") tells of taking a trip to Poland with her dad to visit the Auschwitz concentration camp, where his own parents met their deaths at the hands of the Nazis. The Poland vignettes -- sometimes chilling, sometimes wickedly humorous -- bob around like mines in the narrative, and their impact, on paper anyway, draws deeply from their contrast with the rest of the material.

"Lowry and I always talk about what I believe to be the missing chip in my head; I have a hard time looking at a big picture," Kron says, explaining her writing technique. "I have a hard time constructing a plot, for instance. So I always tend to write in these short spurts and then layer them."

It's the same method that brought Kron success with "101 Humiliating Stories," her previous solo show, produced in her adopted home of Manhattan and nominated for a 1994-1995 Drama Desk Award. That show, though, was more whimsical, more campy, more . . . fabulous. It boasted story titles like "Geeky Celebrity Encounters" and "Embarrassing Behavior as a Temporary Employee," and had Kron biting nails over the prospect of returning to Michigan for her high-school reunion as a self-professed "big lesbian."

With "2.5," Kron and director Marshall have trimmed away much of the staginess. The show promises to be quieter and more meditative, yet in many ways cut closer to the bone.

"In previous performances, I've written as a vehicle for performing, and I've felt that my talents lay in that area, much more than as a writer," Kron says. "In our weeks of work, what I've come to realize is that the reverse is true here. The writing is sort of the point of this"

"We realized that the more we did -- the more staging we did, the more kind of physical illustration of the story I did in the telling of it, that we were actually losing by doing that, instead of gaining."

Marshall sees ample opportunity for Kron to exploit her physical-comedy talents in the show. "But I agree that what's important here is the story, and her relationship to it. . . . We've been sort of like Edison in our rehearsal period. We've discovered thousands of things that don't work in order to find out what does."

Family follies

Kron's script is laced with gentle sendups of her family ("They say they don't like to be depicted as eccentric, but secretly they love it, I think") and its adventures in Middle America. The annual voyage to the Cedar Point theme park, and Kron's attempt to document it as part of a video tribute to her dad, become recurring themes. The place is like the family's Lourdes; Kron's kin is, in their own slightly hyperbolic words, "so crippled up we can hardly walk."

"In addition to being crippled they are also in great, great pain," Kron tells us in the script. "They gasp and moan with pain all day. It is in this state that my family, once a year, tackles a 15-acre amusement park." The "sad truth," she also confesses in "2.5," is this: "My family comes to Cedar Point for the food." (A culinary tip: "Health food in the Midwest is anything in a pita. Like a Big Mac in a pita would be considered health food.")

An anxious moment in the story comes when Kron takes her father on the Mean Streak, "a new wooden roller coaster with a 2.5-minute ride." Problem is, midway through, dad doesn't look so well.

"2.5 minutes is a really long time on a roller coaster if you're having a good time," Kron writes. "If you think the experience is killing your father, it's a really, really long time. For a split second I can see Mary (Kron's videographer friend) selling the video to 'A Current Affair.' The lead-in will go: 'Bizarre murder! Lesbian forces blind Holocaust victim on roller coaster. Kills own father.'"

Her father survived just fine -- and Kron grudgingly acknowledges that by writing this piece, she stepped off the creative roller coaster perhaps better for the ride.

"It was therapeutic, although I hate to admit that," she says. "I dearly hope that the result is not that you see my therapy onstage. I think that's the most inexcusable thing in a solo performer."

She pauses for a moment, pondering the impulses that led her to create the show, as though not quite sure she can explain them. "I hate to say these things in an interview because they sound so grandiose in a certain way, but . . . there's work that you do because you're doing your work, and then there's other work you do that's sort of written in blood. This feels written in blood to me.

"I have this feeling that when I'm done with this, I'll never perform again, in a certain way, that it'll

be drained out of me. That the whole reason I ever needed to tell stories was to tell this one, in a certain way."

Then the self-satirizing comic in Kron bursts through all the knitted-brow seriousness: "It's horrible if you write that, because then the expectation is so, 'What the hell is this, "Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee?" Who the hell does she think she is?' She laughs heartily, and adds:

" 'You've never heard of her before, but don't miss her swan song!' "

Song and dance

Kron may not be a household name, but she's earned her share of notice in New York. She moved there in the mid-'80s after her college days in Michigan with a vague idea of becoming an actress, but "I'm just not cut out for the whole auditioning thing. It's just not in my personality."

Eventually, Kron hooked up with the WOW Cafe, a lesbian theater collective. For her first performance there, she did a schtick centering on a Victorian novelty song that Marshall (who now teaches at Brown University) had provided her. The show went over so well that Kron wound up bagging an engagement at the cafe, alternating with something called the "Hiroshima Beach Party."

"These shows were so magical, they were so great, and I thought, I'm so talented! I thought, all I have to do is stand onstage and talk off the top of my head. I have got the gift!

"And then about six months later, I booked another show, and it was a disaster. I really spent the next seven years trying to learn the skills to re-create what I had done spontaneously on those two nights."

Kron honed her solo skills with the works "Facing Life's Problems" and "All My Hopes & Dreams" (which she performed at San Diego's Sushi space in 1991), and became equally well known as part of the comedy troupe The Five Lesbian Brothers (which performed here, also at Sushi, in 1993).

It was through the Brothers' production "The Secretaries" at the New York Theatre Workshop, and through Kron's early reading of "2.5" there, that she became acquainted with Playhouse artistic director Michael Greif, paving the way for the world premiere in La Jolla. (Greif staged the original production of the Pulitzer Prize-winning musical "Rent" at the workshop before moving it to Broadway.)

Marshall became the director of "2.5" through another of those odd and random events: She and Kron share a birthday, and Marshall called her old student out of the blue on that day, just as Kron was in the middle of seeking someone to help guide her new show.

"I think we have complementary skills, and I have a great passion for what Lisa has written and for the ideas that are there," says Marshall, who is a playwright and lyricist in her own right.

Kron wanted to find a director who would resist "the real temptation to make it into something big and theatrical. Even though I was afraid of not doing that, somewhere I knew it wasn't the right thing. And Lowry knew that from the beginning."

The two are mostly mum on what the production will look like, although they nod a bit wearily when monologist Spalding Gray and his "Swimming to Cambodia" are mentioned.

"We're desperately trying not to pattern it after that, but I think that's an inevitable comparison people are going to make. I love 'Swimming to Cambodia.' I'm a big admirer of Spalding Gray. I don't especially want to be compared to him in that way. It's a person sitting there with a text, telling a story -- but there was nothing to do about that."

Physical similarities aside, though, it's hard to imagine anyone's sensibilities being quite like Kron's. Even in the darkest moments of "2.5," when she returns to the death camp with her father, her writing has an uncanny way of mixing chills with rueful chuckles.

"You all know what this looks like," the script reads at one point. "Why am I describing it to you? You've seen the movies. You saw 'Sophie's Choice.' You've seen the pictures of the bodies. Don't you people watch PBS? It's on every 15 minutes practically. I don't need to describe this to you. I feel like a cliché."

It's a daring mix, and she admits she's not entirely confident it'll all hang together. And for Kron, that's exactly the point.

"I think if I were feeling confident, there'd be a problem," she says. "For me to feel off-balance means I'm on the right track. If I knew where I was going, I would've been there before."

DATEBOOK

"2.5 Minute Ride"

Opens 7 p.m. tonight. Continues 8 p.m. Tuesdays-Fridays; 2 and 8 p.m. Saturdays; 2 and 7 p.m. Sundays through Oct. 27. La Jolla Playhouse, UCSD campus. \$19-\$36. 550-1010.

Caption:

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Caption: Serious laughs: "This feels written in blood to me," says Lisa Kron of her new solo show, "2.5 Minute Ride."

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SIVE WORK WITH Gay organizations, the campaign already knew he was Gay.

To this day, Castillo jokingly admits, "because the staff all talks among themselves, I don't think I've had to come out to anyone who comes on new yet."

So, while coming out to his colleagues doesn't play much of a role in Castillo's workday, lately, the fact that he is the only openly Gay member of Filner's staff has presented its own set of challenges.

Because the congressman voted in favor of DoMA, a federal bill that bans recognition of same-sex marriages, Filner's allegiance to Gays and Lesbians has been called into question. Never mind his vote to allow Gays to serve openly in the military, or his sponsorship of the bill that would have protected Gays from workplace discrimi-

man himself, Castillo has handled his burden well. "I have broad shoulders," the aid quipped, "figuratively at least."

In one instance, Filner was scheduled to address the San Diego Democratic Club, which was by perception an attempt to begin healing the rift that had been created by "the vote." However the congressman was summoned back to the Capitol for meetings with Pentagon officials. In his stead, Castillo was sent to apologize for Filner's absence.

In what turned into a large-scale kvetching session, the audience was at times hostile toward Castillo and angered at the Congressman's position. Castillo was put in the awkward position of having to answer for, then defend Filner's position on same-sex marriage. "It's an emotional issue. It's a high profile issue and people feel strongly about it, myself



Seen here in front of the Capitol in Washington, D.C., Victor Castillo is a legislative aide in the office of Congressman Bob Filner (D-50th).

included," he said in the crowd's defense. However, Castillo admits that even he was surprised at the crowd's vehemence. "I knew it was going to be a catharsis for some people. I just hope it helped."

Of his role of advisor on LGBT issues, Castillo says it's a job he doesn't have to do much. "Bob is very good on our issues. I make sure he has all the

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Closet Doors Swing Open In S.D. Schools

By **Fredric Ball**
Assistant Editor

SAN DIEGO — It's that time of year again when closet doors across the country are pushed (and kicked) open to commemorate National Coming Out Day on October 11. As is our yearly tradition here at *Update*, we decided to take a look at what area colleges and universities are doing to acknowledge this day.

Grossmont College got a jump on National Coming Out Day with a week's worth of activities that started on October 7 with a display on campus in the Quad area for Gays and Lesbians who have made a historical impact. Since October is National Gay and Lesbian History Month, we asked Tim Holmberg, head of Grossmont's Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual group on campus, if the display was something that would be up for the month. "No, we couldn't get the

school to do more than a week," said Holmberg. As of press time the group was planning on holding a rally on campus that would feature community leaders but preliminary plans had yet to be finalized. There will be a showing of *Torch Song Trilogy* on October 10 in room 220 starting at 6:00 p.m. The showing is free and open to all those interested. For more information on these activities or the Grossmont club, call Tim at (619) 465-1700, ext. 600.

The Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Association at UCSD will have an open microphone "speak out" on Thursday, October 10 where students and faculty are invited to come out to the campus in the Price Center. Lesbian author Lucy Silvey will also be speaking at the event. "We're not on Gay time," said Robert Nguyen, leader of the group, "We actually had to do the event a day early." Also expected to speak is a representa-

tive form Karibu, the African-American AIDS organization. The speak out begins at noon.

UCSD continues their recognition of National Coming Out Day with their "non-sexist dance" called "The Rave" that will be held at the pub on campus starting at 9:00 p.m. on October 12. "We call it an a non-sexist dance because people don't have to worry about gender at this party and there is no age limits so alcohol as well as non-alcoholic drinks will be served," added Nguyen. A live deejay will be at the pub. For more information, call (619) 534-4297.

San Diego State the free speech zone of the Aztec Center. Students and faculty will also have the opportunity to come before the campus starting at noon. The performance art group Queer Players are also scheduled to perform. There will also be tables set up nearby with related information. For more in-

formation, call the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Student Union at (619) 594-2737.

Mesa College is also planning a historical perspective in recognition of National Gay and Lesbian History Month as well as Coming Out Day activities. As of press time the Gay, Lesbian and Bisexual group on campus was planning on support from the community in terms of representatives from various community organizations to speak during Coming Out Day. For more information on their activities or on their group, call (619) 627-2903.

Out of all the school districts throughout San Diego County, only one has any events to honor Gay and Lesbian History Month in schools or National Coming Out Day. That school district is the San Diego Unified School District. In recognition of National Gay and Lesbian History Month a pictorial display was

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Student in Serious Condition After Fall

SEATTLE — An 18-year-old University of Washington freshman is in serious condition at the Harborview Medical Center, after falling from a third-story window at the Alpha Delta Phi fraternity house early last Wednesday. William Price, a pre-engineering major who recently pledged the fraternity, suffered fractures to his fifth and sixth vertebrae and faces permanent paralysis. Price was seen sleeping at 2:50 a.m. and appeared to be fine, although a witness heard him crying for help at 3:30 a.m. Although Price is conscious and talking, he has no recollection of the fall and details of the incident remain unclear.

— The Daily

Three OU Students Homeless After Fire

ATHENS, Ohio — Three Ohio University students are homeless after a fire swept through their apartment Thursday afternoon, causing an estimated \$60,000 in damages. The fire department believes the blaze started in the apartment's living room, and university officials said the cause was likely a lighted candle. The fire caused an estimated \$40,000 in damage to the structure of the building, and damage to the apartment's contents is pegged at \$20,000. The university offered the students temporary housing and food, which the students refused.

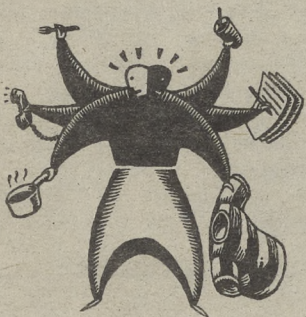
— The Post

Campus Shut Down After Power Outage

PALO ALTO, Calif. — Stanford University suffered a four-hour blackout Thursday after a 12,000-volt switch gear failed at the Cardinal Cogeneration Facility. The facility supplies electrical power and steam for heating to the campus. The failure occurred at 7:26 p.m. and prompted an automatic safety-system to trip all the plant's circuit breakers. The cause of the failure has yet to be determined, although the plant has since resumed operation.

— The Stanford Daily

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TG Turnout Not As Large As Expected

BEER: Officer says that recent 'no alcohol' policy is to blame

By Leena Shankar
Guardian Reporter

This year's first "Thank God It's Friday" (T.G.) concert, featuring The Untouchables and The Grass Ninjas, drew a smaller crowd than anticipated despite ample publicity.

According to several observers, the concert last Friday at the

Price Center Plaza had a smaller turnout than in years past. A.S. Programmer Cathy Lee attributed this decline in attendance to the show's earlier starting time.

"We moved the time from 7 p.m. to 5 p.m. in order to make it more convenient for the commuters to attend," she said. "We still need to make people aware of the time change."

Daniel Najera, a sophomore at Revelle College, also noticed that fewer people attended the concert.

"The A.S. did a great job of

planning this event, but there wasn't enough promotion," he said.

UCSD Police Officer Kristeen McCollough, on duty during the concert, explained another reason for the apparent reduction in the people in attendance.

"In years past, T.G. concerts had beer gardens and any students over the age of 21 could get two free drinks," she said. "Now that alcohol is rarely served here, the numbers have diminished."

According to McCollough, T.G.

organizers stopped serving alcohol on a regular basis because the funds for the drinks were coming out of student fees. This action sparked a controversy because most students are under the age of 21 and therefore not able to take advantage of this opportunity.

"I think it's fine to serve alcohol at these concerts to those who are over the age of 21," Warren freshman Stacy Carrilla said. "But, I don't think the drinks should be paid for with our tuitions — people

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OUT AND ABOUT



Claire Schneider/Guardian

Speaking out: Psychiatrist Lucy Silvey (above) said Thursday that supporters of homosexuality and bisexuality must overcome fear of retribution.

Coming Out Day At UCSD Part of a National Tribute to Sexual Freedom

DIVERSITY: An array of people rallied to show support for alternate lifestyles

By Paul Dodge
Staff Writer

Celebrating their sexuality and freedom of choice, people of all sexual orientations showed up for the UCSD National Coming Out Day event on Oct. 10 in the Price Center.

The UCSD Lesbian Gay Bisexual Association (LGBA) organized this year's event, while the Associated Students supported it through funding.

Lucy Silvey, a psychiatrist and consultant at the Lesbian Gay Bisexual and Transgender Community Center, addressed the crowd on the subject of homosexuality in

both her and today's generations.

"You are between two cultures... amidst bastions of homophobia," Silvey said. "Parents are still the same as when I was a kid, so you do not have the advantage of asking them how to come out in the open."

Silvey encouraged homosexuals and bisexuals to come out into the open and promote the visibility of the gay community.

Silvey also mentioned that many homosexuals and bisexuals were hesitant to "come out" because they were concerned about the issue of personal safety.

"Same sex couples are the only group that is stigmatized throughout the world," Silvey said. "They are not being socialized into the gay culture to which they belong."

Fred Vanhooze, a UCSD graduate with a

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Two Test-Prep Corporations To Merge Today

EXAM: Hyperlearning, Princeton Review announced today their intent to produce hybrid prep class

By Chris Schreiber
Senior Staff Writer

With the number of medical school applications far surpassing available slots, many students with an interest in attending med school look to Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) prep courses to improve their admissions numbers. Pre-med students at UCSD preparing for the MCAT have one less option for prep classes today than they did previously.

Hyperlearning, Inc., the largest provider of MCAT prep classes in San Diego, today announced its merger with The Princeton Review, which is the fastest growing national test-preparation company. Hyperlearning is now the medical division of The Princeton Review and will run Princeton Review MCAT test-prep classes at eight California locations.

"The new MCAT course blends the strongest areas of Hyperlearning's program — the intensive science review — with Princeton Review's test-taking techniques, verbal programs and large volume of old tests and review materials to create the finest review course out there," San Diego Princeton Review Director Sonya Petrie said.

Hyperlearning is currently the single largest provider of MCAT prep courses in California, with over 50 percent of the market here in San Diego. Prior to the merger, there were five companies in San Diego that offered MCAT prep classes, including Kaplan, Columbia Review, Princeton Review, Hyperlearning, Inc., and USD's test-prep services. Approximately 500 students from UCSD are now enrolled in Hyperlearning classes.

Offering test-prep classes is a big business nationwide. The combined revenues of the two largest national companies, Kaplan and Princeton Review, totalling in the hundreds of millions of dollars annually. Within test-prep services, MCAT courses are one of the fastest growing segments.

From 1990-95, the percentage of those applying to med schools who were accepted decreased yearly. In 1990, 54 percent of applicants were accepted. In 1991, the percentage shrank to 49, and last year, that number fell to only 35 percent.

The reason behind this trend is that the overall number of applications per year is rising, while the number of available slots has remained essentially constant. Pre-med students looking at this trend are turning to prep classes in ever-increasing numbers in

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Graduate Students Now Have Lounge

SPACE: Graduate students were awarded desirable location despite competition from the A.S.

By Sara Moosavi
Guardian Reporter

Despite competition with the Associated Students, an all-campus lounge has been set aside for graduate students in the space that was formerly occupied by the Women's Resource Center.

The lounge, sponsored partly by the Office for Graduate Studies and Research (OGSR), officially opened its doors on Sept. 1 to the nearly 4,000 graduate students at UCSD.

"Getting the space was not easy," Vicki Mayer, president of the Graduate Student Association (GSA), said. "Basically, [the decision to give the space to the GSA] was highly contested."

According to Mayer, the biggest opponent to the graduate student lounge was the A.S., who wanted the area for an Internet lounge.

A.S. President Coleen Sabatini was unavailable for comment.

The new lounge offers seating for 30 students, a kitchen, a Macintosh computer, two Internet terminals for free e-mail access, three magazines and a free fax machine.

The lounge also provides a place for posting flyers for student committees and organizations, conferences, job announcements and voter registration information.

In addition, a conference room is under construction, and the GSA plans to add a television in the near future.

The center provides "all the things people need to get ahead, even dental insurance plans," Mayer said.

The center's organizers also aim to facilitate graduate student interaction.

"Up until now, [graduate students] really haven't had a center of their own. Basically, they are expected to be in labs, in class teaching students or at home studying," Mayer said.

"Our purpose is to encourage different departments that never have any contact with each other to get together. For example, a literature major can get an opportunity to socialize with an engineering major," she added.

Graduate student Chad Harris has not visited the new lounge yet, but says he will "definitely look forward to visiting it and meeting fellow colleagues that I wouldn't normally have an opportunity to associate with."

Other organizations on campus are also allowed use the lounge for their own purposes. Currently, the Lesbian Gay Bisexual Association holds meetings there on Mondays at 7:00 p.m.

A grand-opening party for the lounge, open to administration and GSA representatives, will be held on Oct. 24 at 4:00 p.m.

The lounge is open on Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and can be pre-booked for other times. For more information, contact Vicki Mayer at 534-6504.



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— Vicki Mayer
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GREENING



Panel Will Discuss U.S. Elections

The International Center will present a panel discussion focusing on the U.S. election process on Oct. 15 from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the International Center Lounge.

Experts with varied backgrounds and nationalities will serve as panelists, discussing the impact of national elections on the world community and the role of the media in the U.S. election process.

The panel includes: UCSD Communications Professor Daniel Hallin; Hanne Narud, a visiting scholar from Norway; Shoichiro Kawamura, a visiting scholar from Japan; Vladimir Oboronko, a graduate student from Russia; and Mike Bodusznski, a UCSD undergraduate student.

The audience is expected to consist of U.S. and international students, visiting scholars and interested faculty, staff and community members.

Panelists intend to help the international audience understand the election process, give Americans a context to the elections from a world view and provide an opportunity for constructive discussion among the groups.

Town Meeting Will Spotlight Children's Health, Safety Issues

A town meeting concerning children's issues will be held on Oct. 15 at the Children's Museum/Museo de los Niños from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

The featured speaker will be Vice Chair of the UCSD Department of Pediatrics, Dr. Vivian Reznik. United States Senator Barbara Boxer will host the

meeting, which will address issues of children's education, health and safety.

Other panelists include San Diego City Schools Superintendent Bertha Pendleton, Director of the Department of Health Services Robert K. Ross, and the San Diego Chief of Police Jerry Sanders.

The town meeting is an open discussion — all are invited to attend. However, reservations are required.

Today is the last day to register for the event. To reserve a place in the audience, call the Museum at 233-8792.

Crafts Center Will Offer An Additional Steel Fabrication Class

Beginning Oct. 6, the UCSD Crafts Center is offering an additional section to the Steel Fabrication class. The new section will be on Wednesdays from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Aiming to impart an understanding and confidence in the use of steel-cutting and arc-welding in the participants, Felipe Gonzalez will instruct the class on the cutting and joining of steel and other metal alloys.

Safe use of typical fabrication equipment will be addressed among other topics.

Utilitarian design, fine art sculptural design, a variety of approaches and a brief history of the use of steel as a craft and art medium will be discussed.

For additional information — or to register for the class — call the Crafts Center at 534-2021.

Center hours are from Tuesday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

If you've ever written or wanted to write for the Guardian news section, come to our free writers' clinic Tuesday at 3 p.m.

If you've come to one of our earlier meetings and we haven't called you back, please don't give up — we want to talk to you, but we just haven't had the time to follow up with everyone yet.

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MERGER: Two companies plan for future projects

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an effort to gain an edge on the competition for coveted med school spots.

Hyperlearning was founded in 1988 by three UC students with UCSD connections in a garage off of La Jolla Shores Drive.

The Princeton Review was founded in 1981 and currently has 500 test-prep locations in over 60 cities. In addition to the MCAT, the Princeton Review offers classes on the LSAT, GMAT and GRE, among others.

According to Chris Volpe, director of Hyperlearning in San Diego, the new MCAT prep class that Hyperlearning will offer will differ from the current class in several ways. Most significantly, students will have greater flexibility in scheduling class hours, and will have the choice of either a 105 or 75-hour lecture schedule.

Hyperlearning will be offering a free multimedia presentation at UCSD on getting into medical school admissions in today's admissions climate from 5-7 p.m. on Tuesday, October 29, at the Liebow Auditorium on the UCSD Medical School campus.

"The Princeton Review is a fast-growing, aggressive company whose philosophy fits with ours," Smart said. "Both companies have long histories of innovation, and you can bet your butt that we're going to be coming out with a bunch of new stuff."

"You haven't seen the last of the MCAT wars," he added.

OUT: Gay activists also must deal with racism

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Ph.D., spoke on behalf the Karibu organization, a center for social support, education, and HIV-prevention that primarily targets African-Americans.

Vanhoose told his own story of racism in both the gay and mainstream communities.

"When I marched in a gay pride parade in 1977, our cry was 'Gay, straight, black, and white, same struggle, same fight,'" Vanhoose said. "When racism rears its ugly head in the gay community, many of us don't get the support we need."

After the speakers kicked off the event, the stage opened for audience members to give personal testimony.

"No one should feel isolated and closeted for their beliefs," said Robert Nguyen, a member of the LGBA. "This is a day where I am able to stand before you and say that I am completely proud of who I am. Every day is Coming Out Day!"

In addition to several gay and lesbian audience members who took the stage, heterosexuals also spoke.

"We are up here to support our gay friends," said one woman who attended the event with a friend. "We are straight but not narrow."

Coming Out Day has been in existence for over 10 years, with the goal of promoting openness and acceptance for the gay community.

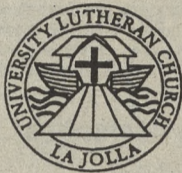
The celebration was held as part of a series of upcoming events organized by the LGBA, including an Oct. 12 dance at the Pub.

A Lutheran Invitation

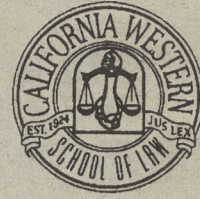
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• **Academic Internship Program.** Applications for local Winter and out-of-town Spring internships will be accepted Monday, October 7 through Friday, November 22. Students must have completed 90 units, 2 upper division courses, and have a min. 2.5 GPA. Literature Bldg., Room 3255. M, T, Th, F, 8:30-12:30 and 1:00-4:00; Wednesdays 8:30-1:00.

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Monday, October 14

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Wednesday, October 16

• **Wexner Series, Santa Barbara Room, Price Center, 12-1pm.** Miriam Robbins, the chair of the Community Relations Council at Federation, will share stories of her life in Mexico and why she is involved in the Jewish community. Sponsored by Hillel.

• **"Religion, Rebellion, & Daily Life in Late 19th Century Mexico,"** a talk by Paul J. Vanderwood, Ph.D., professor of Mexican history, SDSU, for San Diego Independent Scholars. Chancellor's Complex, Room 111A. Parking permits required; cost: \$3. Free & open to public. 454-1911.

Thursday, October 17

• The Center for the Study of Race and Ethnicity and the Ethnic Studies Dept. present Karen Mary Davalos, Ethnic Studies Dept. UCB. "Exhibiting Mestizaje: Cultural Representations at the Mexican Fine Art Center Museum." Social Science Bldg. Room 103, 12:00pm.

• **Come hear first hand about legislation that will open the space frontier to you, the American public.** See Rick Tumlinson at noon, Liebon auditorium, 2nd floor BSB (by Biomed. Library). Sponsored by the Space and Technology Club, see <http://sdcc3.ucsd.edu/nsat>.

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Ongoing

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• **FREE Anonymous HIV testing** at Student Health. Walk in toosign up at Health Education Annex- 1st floor of Student Health. Call 822-0085 for more info.

Clubs & Meetings

Ongoing

• **Chess Club Meeting** in the International Center Conference Room (other side of library walk from Center Hall) every Tuesday at 7:00 pm. No fee, almost everyone is welcome!! Limited boards and clocks so bring your own.

• **Lesbian Gay Bisexual Association** meets every Monday at 7:00 pm at Graduate Student Association (where the old Womens' Resource Center used to be) in the Old Student Center. Come out and get involved! For more info, please call 534-GAYS (4297).

• **Graduate Gay Mens Group** meets every Thursday at 6:30 pm in the Old Student Center "B" South Conference Room. Sponsored by Psychological and Counseling Services.

• **African-American Student Union (AASU)** General Body Meeting at the Cross Cultural Center every Monday evening (beginning Oct. 7) at 6:00 pm.

• Do you want to have fun, get in shape, and meet new people? **Join the UCSD Cycling Team.** Meetings are Thursdays at 7pm in the RIMAC Green Rm. Even if you don't have a bike, but you want to ride, join the UCSD Cycling Team.

• **Campus Crusade for Christ** invites you to our weekly prime time meeting, Tuesdays @ 7:30p.m. in Center 115. Come meet new friends and learn how you can have a personal relationship with our Lord, Jesus Christ.

• **Amnesty International** is a global organization dedicated to defending human rights. Come and make a difference helping one person at a time, Wednesdays at 6:30 in the Cross Cultural Center.

• **T.R.E.S. Club - Transfer & Re-Entry Students** Club meets every Wednesday at 4pm at Thurgood Marshall Deans Office. Check us out! Free food!!

• **International Club Meetings** at 6:30pm at the International Ctr. Lounge. "A Group of Global Proportions."

Monday, October 14

• **Jewish Spirituality Class.** Student Conference Center 1 upstairs in Old Student Center at 12-1pm. Rabbi Lisa Goldstein leads discussion about Jewish texts as a connection to God. Sponsored by Hillel.

• **Ice Skating with Hillel-** come and ice skate at UTC with other Jewish Students, we're meeting @ UTC Starbucks at 7:00pm.

Tuesday, October 15

• **The AS Internship Office** is holding an informational meeting on Tuesday October 15th at 6pm in the Price Center Cove. Come find out how to gain valuable experience through one of our 750 internship programs. Questions? Call 534-4689.

• **Hey, Hey, Hey!! PAHC (Pilipino Assoc. for Health Careers) meeting** at 6:00pm. Come to the North Conference Rm, right across from Soft Reserves and hear Sandra Kirk (minority admissions officer UCSD Med. School) speak. ALL are invited. Bring a friend!

• **Funky Fresh Pan-Ethnic Asian Girls-** Nationally touring Asian American Women's Theatre Troupe is looking for castmembers to tour cities such as San Francisco, Chicago, and Los Angeles in a show you create. No experience necessary. Come to our orientation meeting at the Women's Center, University Bldg. 407 (two offices behind the cashier's office near the Price Center). Call 822-2175.

Wednesday, October 16

• **Thurgood Marshall Commuter Board Meeting** at TMC Dean's Office at 1:00pm. Free snacks!

• **All UCSD cyclists are invited to attend a free Bicycle Safety Seminar,** conducted by the campus Bicycle Safety Officer. Classes are held monthly from 11:30am to 12:30pm in Bldg. 111A, Univ. Cntr. Please call 534-PEDL for additional information and to reserve a seat for today's session.

Thursday, October 17

• **The Ice-Skating Club at UCSD** general information meeting from 6pm-6:30pm. Sign up for the year and find out about our new sponsor-

ship. RIMAC conference room, 2nd floor. For more information call 457-1527.

Religious Services

Ongoing

• **Campus Crusade for Christ** invites you to our weekly prime time meeting, every Tuesday @ 7:30p.m. in Center 115. Come meet new friends and learn how you can have a personal relationship with our Lord, Jesus Christ.

• **The Navigators' Christian Fellowship** large group meeting (aka "Rally") @ The RIMAC Conference Room (4th floor) at 7:30pm every Wednesday.



Tuesday, October 15

• **Kyrie Eleison Catholic Bible Study:** Join us for fellowship and to know more about your faith. This week's topic is "Merry of God through the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist." Newcomers welcome! @ San Francisco/Santa Cruz Room in Price Center at 7pm.

Friday, October 18

• **Shabbat Services and Dinner.** International Center at 6pm. Please RSVP to UJS office (534-6244) or office of Religious Affairs (534-2521).

Saturday, October 19

• **Grad Student Havdallah** at Torrey Pines State Park at 4:30pm. Come relax, nosh, and welcome in new week. Call 534-2521 for meeting location.

Services and Workshops

Ongoing

• **Mentor - Receive job search help** from a professional in your field arranged by a career advisor. Pick up an application at Career Services Ref. Room.

• **SIGI Plus - Software helps you assess your values** and interests and generates career options. Located at Career Services, admission is \$10.00.

• **Professional and Graduate School Advising** at Career Services. Make an appointment for individual advising by calling 534-4939.

• **Free Tours of UCSD** are offered this fall. Both mini-van and walking tours are available on alternating Sundays starting at 2:00 pm from the South Gilman Information Pavilion. Reservations are necessary, and may be made by calling 534-4414.

• **Graduate Women's Group-** 1003 Galbraith Hall. Leaders: Equilla Luke, 534-0248 and PCS Intern. Call Equilla for a pre-group appointment. Wednesdays, 4:00p.m.-6:00p.m.

• **Latino/Chicano support group.** Wednesdays 3:00-4:00p.m. in the Half-Dome lounge in the Muir Apartments. Leaders: Reina Juarez, 534-3875 and Dan Muñoz, 534-0251.

• **Women Medical Students.** Will meet at the Women's Center Bldg. 407 University Center Wednesdays 12:00-1:00pm. Lead by Reina Juarez, 534-3875.

• **What's Love Got to Do With It?** Wednesdays 4:30-6:00p.m. at 3248 Lit. Bldg. Warren College. Leaders: Linda Young, 534-3987 and Byron Bloemer, 534-1725. Call Linda or Byron to sign up.

• **Breaking Up is Hard to Do.** Thursdays 4:00-5:00p.m. at 3248 Lit. Bldg. @ Warren College. Leader: Linda Young, 534-3987. Call Linda to sign-up and to get a start date.

• **Practice your Vietnamese speaking and reading skills** and learn about Vietnamese culture while meeting fellow students and having fun! Come to the Vietnamese language Table every Friday from 2-3pm above PC theatre.

Tuesday, October 15

• **"How to Have and Effective Meeting and Have More Fun,"** Student Organizations and Leadership Opportunities (SOLO) Leadership Seminar. Price Ctr. Gallery B at 4pm.

Wednesday, October 16

• **Lunchbox series: Assertiveness Training Workshop - Women's Resource Center, Bldg. 407 at 12:00pm.** Learn skills that can help you gain greater control over your life. Sponsored by Women's peer education. For further info., please call 534-6493. Drop in's and lunches welcome!

Events & Recreation

Ongoing

• **Join the Ballroom Dance Club** for weekly Fund Sessions every Friday starting Oct. 18 from 3-5 pm in the Rec Gym. Come to learn, practice but most of all to have fun. It's free and beginners are always welcome.

Monday, October 14

• **The International Affairs Group** Presents: "The New Deal Today: Is the FDR Legacy Dead? or Alive?" Pepper Canyon Lodge at 8pm. Speakers: Dr. Steve Eavle, Dr. Mike Bernstein, and Dr. Mike Parrish.

• **The UCSD Women's Center** invites you to our quarterly mini open house. Come by and see our Library, informational hallway, computer workbook, conference room, peer counseling room and common living room. Refreshments will be served and staff will give tours. University Center, Bldg. 407 (2 buildings behind the cashier's office) from 12-1pm and 4-6pm.

• **Men's soccer vs. Masters** at UCSD Triton Soccer Stadium at 3:30pm.

Tuesday, October 15

• **The Queensland Ballet of Australia,** touring for the first time in the United States, will present *Pirates! The Ballet* at 8pm in Mandeville Auditorium at the University of California, San Diego.

• **Olodum,** a 20-member power percussion troupe from Brazil, will perform at 8pm in Mandeville Auditorium.

Wednesday, October 16

• **The "New Writing Series"** at the University of California, San Diego will present seven contemporary writers who will read from their works beginning today. All readings are free and open to the public.

• **The University of California, San Diego** will hold a **Disability Awareness and Safety Fair** from 11am to 2pm in the Price Center Plaza. Bree Walker, former television news anchor, will serve as keynote speaker, and performances will be presented by talented persons with disabilities. Safety exhibits also will be presented. The event is free and open to the public. Call 534-6744 for further information.

• **Meet the Author, Quincy Troupe.** A UCSD instructor, this critically acclaimed author/poet will be at the Downtown Bookstore from noon until 1pm discussing his newest poetry work entitled *Avalanche*, which according to the *Los Angeles Times*, "combines mere words into phrases and paragraphs that sing the range of life's raw emotions."

• **Women's Soccer vs. Azusa Pacific** at UCSD Triton Soccer Stadium at 7pm.

Thursday, October 17

• **Gallery Talk with Keith Davis,** Fine Art Programs Director for Hallmark Cards, Inc. and curator for *American Century of Photography: From Dry-Plate to Digital.* Mr. Davis will offer a unique look at the exhibition, highlighting the aesthetic and technological development in American photography.

Friday, October 18

• **The Committee for World Democracy Educational Film Series** presents "Spirit of the Dawn," at Peterson 108 at 7pm.

• **Don't miss out on the second ballroom dance of the quarter!** It's happening tonight at 7:00pm in the Price Center Ballroom B. It's fun, it's free, absolutely no experience necessary so tell your friends!

• **Women's Volleyball vs. Chapman** at UCSD RIMAC Arena at 7pm.

Saturday, October 19

• **Cross Country-UCSan Diego Invitational** at UCSD North Campus Course at 9am.

• **Women's Volleyball vs. Tusculum** at UCSD RIMAC Arena at 7pm.

• **Women's soccer vs. Sonoma State** at UCSD Triton Soccer Stadium at 7pm.

• **New Music Forum:** A concert of works by UCSD Graduate Students. Free Admission. In Mandeville Recital Hall at 8pm.

Sunday, October 20

• **Enjoy kids? Volunteer** at a hospital Halloween party at La Colonia Park, Solana Beach from 11am-3pm. Benefits new moms, their kids and their families. For more info call Priscilla @ 558-3679 or 534-1414. Sign up at the Volunteer Connection, 2nd floor PC.

Other

Ongoing

• **SIGI Plus-** Software helps you assess your values and interests and generates career options. Location: Career Services. Admission: \$10.00.

• **Professional and Graduate School Advising-** Make an appointment for individual advising by callin 534-4939. Location: Career Center.

• **Mentor-** Receive job search help from a professional in you field arranged by career advisor. Pick up an application at Career Services Ref. Room.

Monday, October 14

• **Career Exploration Panel:** The Study and Practice of Medicine. A panel featuring professionals in the field discusses career options and graduate education in the field. Location: Career Services. Time: 4pm.

• **Resume for Technology and Physical Sciences.** Learn how to create a resume that will get you the interview in this hands-on workshop. Location: Career Center. Time: 11:30am.

Tuesday, October 15

• **On-Camera Practice Interviewing** for Health Professional School - Get feedback on interview techniques to improve you presentation. Location: Career Center. Time: 10:30am-12:20pm and 2-4pm.

Wednesday, October 16

• **Graduate Study in Economics and Finance-** preparation, school selection, admission criteria, application process, and more. Location: Career Center. Time: 2:30pm.

Thursday, October 17

• **Application Basics: Letters and Essays-** Graduate/Professional school applicants learn how to write application essays, obtain letters of recommendation, and use the reference list service. Location: Career Center. Time: 11:30am.

• **Science and Technical Job Fair-** Employers seeking science, engineering, computer science, and other technical majors talk informally about job opportunities with their companies. Location: Career Center. Time: 11am-2pm.

Friday, October 18

• **Identifying your career in Life Sciences-** Combines self-assessment with information about specific jobs in this occupational area. Location: Career Center. Time: 11am-12:30pm.

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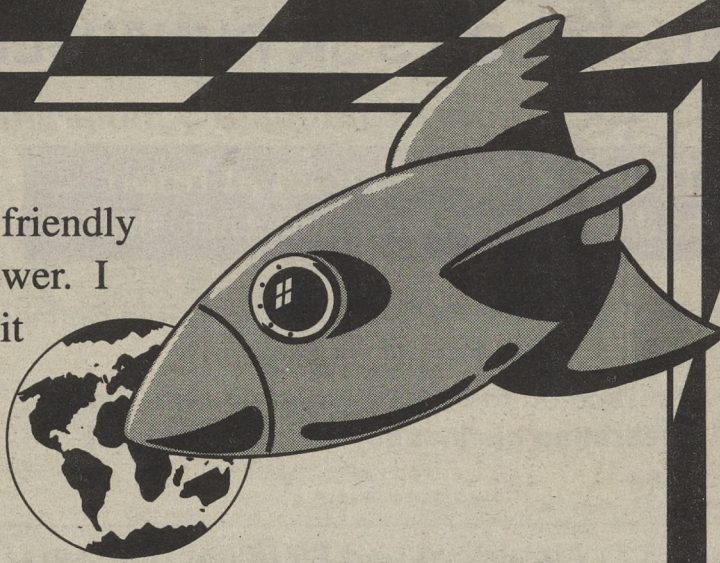
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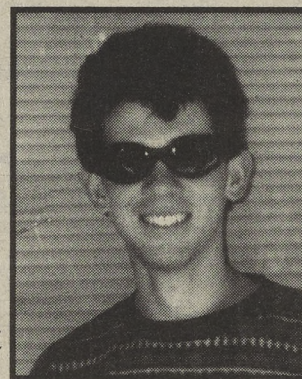


Hello Earthlings!

It's Gretchen again, your friendly on-campus restaurant reviewer. I thought I'd tell you a wee bit about myself today. As you may have already guessed, I'm not from this world. I come from the sixth planet from the sun in the seventeenth universe! En route to my cooking show on planet Zog, my cruiser was sucked into a time-space warp envelope, and *Voila!* I was on planet Earth, in southern India.



While adjusting to the new atmosphere and climate in India, I decided to attend a circus. I happened upon a saddened trapeze artist named **Side Dish Bob** who had broken his big toe in a frightful trapeze accident, ending his phenomenal trapeze career. We decided that he and his Roman appetite should accompany me around the globe on a tasty journey. We travelled the world over before stopping here at good ol' UCSD. Great picture, don't you think?



Lucky for you, we've tried just about every fantabulous yum-yum available at UCSD! Let me tell you a little about the delectable decisions you'll have to make.

Aye aye aye, the carne asada tacos at **La Casa** take me back to the days Bob and I spent in Baja soaking up the sun. Then there's the Pacific Rim cuisine at **Club Med** and **Plaza Cafe**. All those great dishes remind me of the luncheon we were served at the Bonsai Convention in Japan. After the convention, Bob and I travelled to Easter Island where we had ourselves a lovely picnic lunch. Don't tell Bob I said this, but I really think those yummy made-to-order deli and submarine sandwiches at the **Rathskeller** and **Oceanview** are even better than the ones Bob made for our picnic.

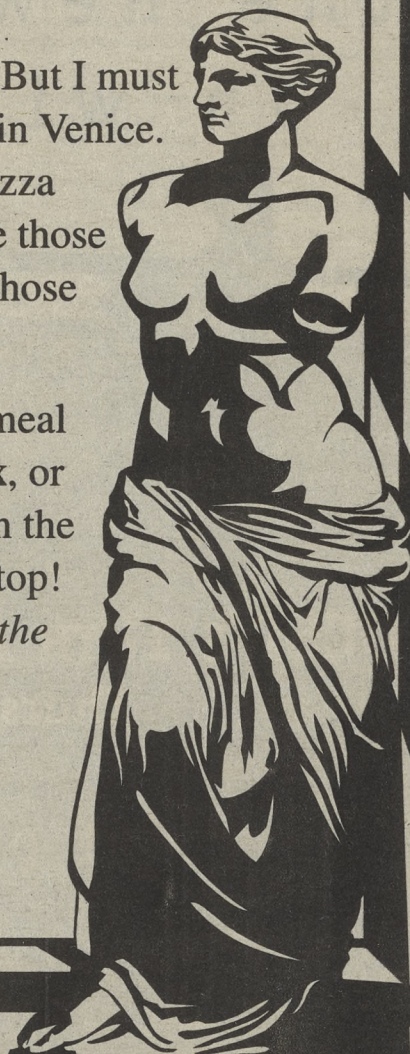


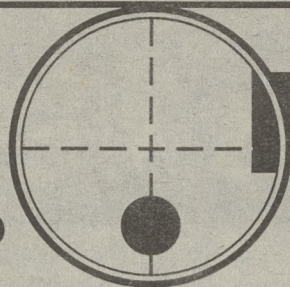
Oh my goodness me, I'm getting so hungry! But I must tell you about the time Bob fell off the gondola in Venice.

We found out that pasta sticks to more than just walls. And the pizza tossing in the park in Sicily... boy, was that a disaster. Bob tells me those savory pastas and pizzas at **Canyon Vista** always remind him of those good ol' days.

But if you're looking for a quick pick-me-up, snack, or snappy meal you should travel right on over to **Earl's Place** or the **Munch Box**, or let **Dining Express** come to you! I think they might be faster than the Alikazzam Meal Machine I had on my cruiser. Please make me stop! I could go on for days, but I'll have to wait for the next edition of *the Guardian*. See you then!

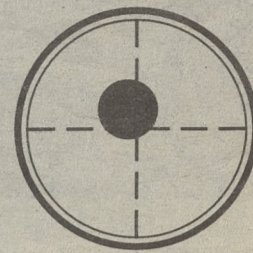
Love,
Gretchen





Battlefield UCSD

by Skinner



But then it turned ugly. The whole lot of fucking Che pinkos were marching over to the Plaza Cafe to try and set the deli meat slices free. Apparently they'd consumed a few too many organic beets and had finally snapped. I wasn't surprised. There'd been talk of something like this happening and I'd chosen a seat in the back corner just to be safe.

Fortunately the confused patrons had fled at first sight of those flea-bitten mongoloids, but the workers weren't so lucky. The Che motherfuckers spent no time wrestling power from the inept Cafe managerial staff and pretty soon they'd lined all the burger grillers up and were screaming obscenities and vegetarian propaganda at them. I remained inside, crouched behind a booth with its crumb-covered seat still butt-warm, a trusty .45 in my hand.

Unfortunately, just then a ray of sunlight reflected off my chrome dog tags and caught the attention of a militant Che thug.

"Come out from hiding you meat-eating Capitalist pig, or we'll deep fat fry a register jockey!" shouted one goon in my direction.

I rolled out from behind the seat and pointed my pistol at his head. "Eat hot lead you pansy-assed vegan bastard!" and with that I proceeded to unload round after round into his emaciated body.

But no sooner had his limp corpse hit the ugly carpet than two dozen Che militants whipped out AK-47s from their hemp jeans. Apparently these fuckers weren't on the gun-control bandwagon like I'd hoped. I rushed to the door and started sprinting toward Argo as a hail of gunfire erupted. The huge glass windows were no match for the flurry of bullets and began to shatter around me as I ran alongside the building. Thankfully my survival skills learned back in the streets of Irvine paid off and I escaped unharmed.

"Curses!" I could hear the leader swear violently. "After him, comrades!"

Fortunately for me, the militants' lack of dietary protein had made their endurance equivalent to that of an 80-year-old asthmatic smoker's, and it's tough to run in Birkenstocks, so I quickly outdistanced them. I knew I couldn't run forever though, and was deeply worried as to where I should go next.

Then I remembered what a seventh-year senior had once told me about a rumor of a large stash of powerful weaponry located in a hidden closet in the LGBA

office in the Student Center. I hightailed it over there post-haste. Something told me a wave of destruction was about to consume UCSD.

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I arrived at the Student Center, shoved my way through the Soft Reserves line, and flew up the stairs to the LGBA offices. Their cheap lock quickly succumbed to my heavy boot and the door crashed inward.

"Who ith *thith*?" lisped a fruity-looking man in silver pants and paisley scarf.

His friend behind the desk looked up from a Boys of Summer calendar and replied, "Beats me, but his hair is just a mess!"

"Get out, you salami-munching creampuffs. I have work to do," I muttered as I grabbed them by the necks and tossed their skinny bodies out the door.

The "hidden" closet consisted of nothing more than a sliding panel behind a large stack of Playgirl and Bondage Weekly magazines. As soon as I opened it, I gasped in awe and excitement. There, hidden in the recesses of the wall, were more fragmentation grenades than I could count, an unbelievable assortment of rocket launchers and RPGs, chainguns, and quick-detonation C-4 explosive. What these chuckleheads were going to do with supplies like this I didn't know and didn't care, so I quickly donned a camo flak vest, smeared green paint on my face, and grabbed as much weaponry as I could carry. I was ready to party.

Just then I heard commotion outside. Che members were interrogating passersby in an attempt to find me. Nobody would talk, so the goons began to execute Freshmen one by one. I'd had enough.

"LOOKING FOR ME???" I shouted, emerging from the LGBA office. I quickly made my way around the upper bannister with guns blazing, pumping hot lead into numerous trigger-happy vegans. I managed to off several of them before the others pulled out a rocket launcher and fired it at me. With lightning speed, I shifted my weight slightly and the rocket missed, shooting through the open door of the Guardian office. Split seconds later the whole place shook violently and the flimsy wood structure blew apart like a firecracker. Bits of flesh and bone rained down all around. The stench of burning newspaper stung my nostrils.

In the commotion, I leaped down from the second story and ran as fast as I could toward the Sun God.

The gun-toting Che staff was slow to follow. So, exploiting the extra time, I planted remote-controlled explosives around the monstrously ugly statue and in the bushes surrounding the Faculty Club. This would be a ride they'd never forget. After making sure all electrical connections were secure, I scampered off and laid low on the roof of Peterson Hall.

Thinking they could outfox me, the Che militiamen had gone around Mandeville and snuck between the Biology building and APM. But I knew where they were the whole time, them being upwind and all. So I shouldered the RPG and let loose with a missile as soon as I saw their tie-dyed uniforms emerge.

Unfortunately the rocket flew awry and exploded high up in APM, blowing the roof and top two floors off the structure. God only knows how many Engineering students were annihilated. The next two rockets did no better and turned the Bio building into a smoking pile of shattered glass and rubble. Meanwhile the Che'ers ran for cover behind the Sun God.

Chuckling loudly, I flipped a switch on the detonator and pushed one of the red buttons. In a brilliant flash of white and tremendous shock wave of sound, the Sun God burst into a billion burning chunks and sent a dozen Che bastards on a swift ride to hell. The remaining few fled into the Faculty Club.

I couldn't contain myself and laughed heartily as I pushed the other red button on the transmitter. With a thundering blast that knocked me backward, the Faculty Club building and little coffee stand in front erupted into a huge ball of fire that sent wood splinters flying like toothpicks. A giant mushroom cloud billowed up through the flames and floated over the parking lot. I shook my head and wiped the sweat from my brow.

After the smoke had cleared, all that remained was a smoldering crater and bits of the building's foundation sticking up through the mud. Muir had been turning into a flaming hellhole in fewer than two minutes. Not bad, I thought.

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Only minutes later, though, a maddening sight caught my eye. Apparently by some miracle a couple of Che pinkos had escaped the blast and were heading through the trees to the Price Center. I knew I must follow and put an end to them as well, no matter what terrible devastation would occur to our beautiful bookstore. But that story will have to wait until next time.

Republicans propose new stamps to commemorate the spirit of revolution

With the imminent passage of Proposition 209 in California, the post office has announced its plans to begin a new series of stamps to commemorate some classic moments from America's history. Since the Unabomber is now in jail and that wacky Old Elvis vs. Young Elvis debate is well under wraps, postal workers can now focus on less important issues like civil rights. And how better to do so than to celebrate police treatment of those zany civil rights protestors, hopelessly fighting for equality. Sure we're making giant leaps towards becoming a homogeneous society, but at least the people who can still read and write will have something cute to put on the corner of their envelopes.



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Gates was noticeably touched by this one. He explained, "We would still be practicing this method of dealing with those damn speeders, if hadn't been for Rodney and his videotape friend. Maybe I should join the boarder patrol."

PERSONALS

To the two tall, fucking, bitchy dykes who fence foil and their depraved, cunt slurping, dick licking ass pirate, monkey boy, two sock. We hate your bitch asses more than anything in creation. Stop trying to suck up to the coach while you're not all over each other like crazed, rabid nymphomaniac sex weasals. Get off your fucking power trip or we're going to rip your empty, useless, wasting space heads off, and skull fuck you through the sockets. Well, if shit throwing, wild monkeys wouldn't do it, then neither would we. We wouldn't want to get those damn STD's you've got. Love & Kisses, Five O P.S. you better watch your backs, cause we gonna open a can of whup ass on your sorry, skanky, ho-bag, felching, douche-free, unshaved, leperious, fur burger eatin, twats.

[ed's note: Isn't it wonderful how you can abuse all those adjectives, and still not say anything worth reading?]

Sam: You fucking dumbass toothpick wacking load of shit! I'm on my third bar of soap while you're on your slime infested one-fourth. Who's the funky smell pile of shit now beeeeach? Maybe if you stop spreading your gas around like your ass you'd smell a lot fucking better. You're a fucking fucked up liar, hypocrite and a wanna be RuPaul gorrilla-ass. Shut the fuck up next time you think about sending me e-mail, fucking bastard. Get the fuck out of my way!

"Luv Ya Lots", now who left this note in my bedroom when I wasn't looking?

Hey, shithead fratboy who spilled his Coke on me in the Price Center. Next time we meet, prepare to face my Rectal Rage!

BF -- You afraid of this? You afraid of this?!-- SM

Joser: I know you've been having an affair with Bob Dole. And don't deny it, it'll just make breaking up harder. Remember: He's Bob Dole. The presidential candidate. Bob Dole wants you. Bob Dole. When you are fucking, please ask him why the hell he speaks in the 3rd person!!! C.K.

To All Those Hunky, Beefy Studs Playing that "Magic" Card Game at Price Center Arcade

Every Night: I am Zamboni, High Priestess of Sex. I command all thee who playeth this lewd game to showeth unto me your massive daggers. Then take turns entering into me your scepter of love, which undoubtedly will be your first sexual experience with a female. I beckon you to cast upon me a magic spell so I can be forever your sex slave. Waiting and willing in earnest, Zamboni, High Priestess of Sex.

To that chicken: Thanks for everything. -Jesus

Judy & Bone-Bone: Hoof! Love, Chunko-Slut and Mutated Barbie

To all those motherfuckers in Spanish 2A, in case you're interested, UCSD in Spanish stands for "Un Culo Siempre Dispuesto." (Hint: refer to the front page of Volume 45 Issue #1 for a practice exercise) Sincerely, a muthafuckin gansta

To all the freshmen in VA84 -- You make me sick. Apparently you don't

realize what a great professor you have. I have to sit there and listen to you whine and bitch when he runs a few minutes over or talks a little too fast for you to take copious notes. Relax, you dipshits. If only you could see how

fucking stupid you look. This must be my punishment for being as retarded as you when I was a Frosh. So I give you this curse: In three years may you take a class that's full of 18 year olds. Only then will you understand how fucking pathetic you are now. How embarrassing that a guy who obviously loves the cinema so much has to teach you. If you're that bored, just get up and leave rather than bother those of us who grew up several years ago. You, my freshmen pals, are nothing. - Hatefully Yours, A thinking person

To all you Piece-of-Shit gum chompers: Do any of you have any idea how fucking annoying you are? Close your goddamn mouths and stop slurping.

Hiaaaieyeyiiai -Kevin

Kristin, I can't believe you're back after all these years!!! I still have a chance to make my fantasies come true, like doing it on your old roommate's couch while they're upstairs with their family... Oh wait, we all ready did that one. Raindrop #1

Batman...two nights were not enough.

To that pretentious bitch in BIBC 100 - If you don't stop asking so many dumb fucking questions I'm going to get Sam to shove my skateboard up your ass, and if that doesn't work, I'm going to shove you up the professor's ass. God knows there's room.

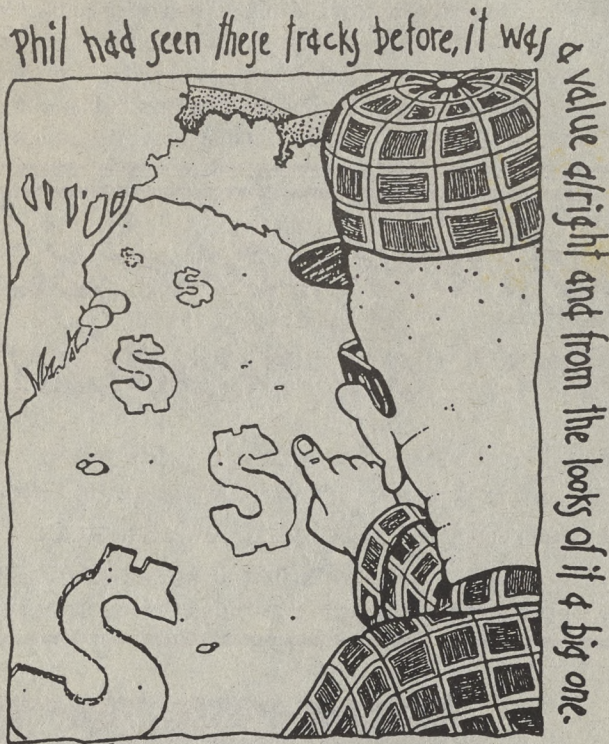
- A normal Bio major

My penis has a chewy fruit center

To every pager carrying, Accura driving, brand name wearing, uniform haircut, skank dating, dickless piece of shit. I laugh at your pathetic existence. - T.O.

We here at The Koala didn't write these personals, and would never use the words "fuck", "Jesus", and "chicken" in the same sentence. So there.

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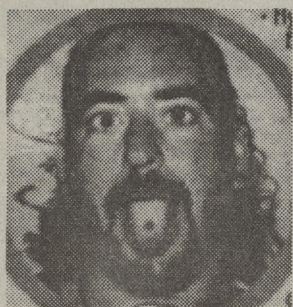
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GENERAL SHIT

It's time for Ed's Box Homey,

Seeing as how this is "The Fuckin Election Issue" I feel I must engage in a bit of debate and offer a rebuttal to The Guardian Hiatus article entitled "Surf City." In case you missed this brilliant piece of journalism, and I don't blame you for not reading the old guard dog, I'll summarize the argument contained within. Basically the article said, "Freshmen and freshmen, now that you live in San Diego learn to surf. It doesn't cost that much, it's fun, and there are plenty of places to learn." That said, I should inform you the Guardian article was a complete and total lie. Remember kids, Hitler always said, if you're gonna tell a lie, make it a big one. Fortunately the forces of good (the Koala) will always do battle with the forces of evil (Hitler, the Guardian, etc). So please, let me explain why the Hiatus staff is a bunch of lying fools.

Point 1: Surfing doesn't cost that much. Yeah, and it doesn't cost that much to buy that girl down the hall you've been stalking to make her your sex-slave. Figure on popping out \$400 bucks for a board and another \$300 for a wetsuit for starters. Plus there is the cost of new tires and paint, when you have to repair your fucked up car cause the locals decided to teach you where not to park. Plus surgery for when the

locals teach you how not too look at them the wrong way. I think we might be starting to get the idea.

Point 2: Get a surfboard between 7 and 7 and 1/2 feet, my ass. If you're gonna pay for a board you might as well make it a good one. Never mind, buy a board just like the article suggested, then when you come out to surf every one can see what a kook you are and it'll make it easy for them to pick you out of the lineup and beat the shit out of you.

Point 3: Surfing is fun. Not if I kill you first for snaking my wave. 'Nuf said.

Point 4: There are lots of good places to learn in San Diego, for instance La Jolla Shores. Think again punk. That's where I surf, and let me tell ya there are already far too many people there on beginner days. If you get in my way I'm just gonna have to run you over. Have you ever seen what a machete can do to a man's back? Have you punk? Well, let me tell you I've been sharpening my fins. Think about what I can do if I really try to grind on your backside.

In summary, fuckin' don't bother learning to surf, too many people already want to steal my fuckin' waves, and I'm not gonna stand for it anymore. Now don't make me inflict pain on your ass by ramming my stick up it, ok?

Letters to The Koala

I was looking at going back to school in order to continue climbing the bullshit corporate ladder, and took a few walks over the last couple of weeks thru UCSD. I like the Koala by the way. Being in my mid-twenties, I didn't think I would experience culture shock, but I did:

First of all, did every fucking oriental from Orange County decide to come to school down here? What is up with that? One out of three fuckin' cars on campus is a dropped Honda-and let me let you in on a little secret: You buy a used Accord for \$7000.00 (actually, Mama-san buys it), and you blow \$1000 removing the coil springs and putting a fat tailpipe on it (making it sound like someone farting with a kazoo stuffed up their ass), and do you know what you get? A really ugly used Honda! Teams of Japanese engineers in Japan spend years designing the suspension on those cars, and you fuck it up to look very uncool. It also pisses me off that these guys all play better pool than me. Lots of very baggy pants wandering around the Price Center....

What a shitty campus! Do I have to go all the way up to UC Santa Barbara to find a cool chick that likes to smoke pot and screw? I went over to State, and the women are cool and the guys are laid back, but having worked in the world for the last year, I know what a graduate degree from SDSU means: I majored in three-tiered bongos and 5 keggers. I won't even go over what I found at USD- I'm fuckin' writing from AOL and I'm cooler than anyone on that campus!

The women at UCSD are far and away the ugliest specimens I have ever encountered, and socially, they rank below City College students. Does anyone drink beer? And the guys-besides the greased hair and baggy pants, I spent an hour walking through campus and saw more assholes than a Turkish customs agent. None of the ten black guys on campus are cool-where did all the rastas go? And sorry, I am just not narcissistic enough to hang with the surfers. They smoke shitty mexican brown anyway 'cause they all have jobs that require hairnets at work. It's enough to make me want to go home and study. I never thought I could be at any school in the world and have some James Brown cranked up and have some asshole ask me what I was listening to. Too, bad, the school has so much unrealized potential, but hell, even the faculty is beyond lame.

Fuck, I think I'll save my money and go to USIU.

-Some dude at AOL

Hey Random Dude,

It's nice to see somebody manage to escape the grasp of USD. Now fucking chill out, you psychotic ball of hate.

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"Why? Why 143?"

History month.

Friday's rally was emceed by *Gay & Lesbian Times* Editor Corri Planck and International Daddy Bear '96 Sean Minogue, and featured music from Dixie Freedom & The Boys.

The program featured the coming out stories of key members of the gay community, including Tana Goodwin, Kevin Collin, Hilary Cook, Pedro Arista, Toné Puente, Jeff Palmer, Mark Knapp and David, Deena and Andy Birnbaum.

Following the program, Minogue, along

real exciting."

The evening got off to a shaky start with hecklers shouting insults from the next door parking lot at The Center's Executive Director Karen Marshall who welcomed the crowd, but fortunately the hecklers seemed to grow bored when it became obvious that their cat-calls were not going to succeed in causing a complete disruption.

"We have some company tonight," Marshall had said when she heard the hecklers, "which we always do." Then she proceeded with the program and the hecklers

could take a pill tomorrow and be straight, I wouldn't want him to," she told the rally. "He's a joy and he's Andy." For this, she received a loud and appreciative applause from the audience. David Birnbaum also garnered a loud crowd approval with his testimony. "The United States is a very big country," he said. "But Deena and I and the parents at PFLAG are able to make a difference because we're going to make parents who love their children for who they are the rule, not the exception."

seives are not going through it, but I do expect respect from people, just like everyone who is anyone deserves it here this evening. It is good to know that knowledge and acceptance are replacing ignorance day by day."

In closing, Arista said, "Ladies and gentlemen, I urge you to make it a goal within yourself to come out now that [the world] is more supporting and more safe. A friend of mine once told me that a goal is just a dream with a deadline. Let's meet that deadline together and let's start now."

UCSD Opens Doors For Those Willing To Come Out

by TRACY SAUNDERS

LA JOLLA — "Hi. My name is John and I am gay," announced third year Warren College student John Maze Thurs., Oct. 10. Standing before a yellow prop door representative of "the closet," on a raised platform, Maze celebrated National Coming Out Day by proclaiming his homosexuality to a crowd of approximately 200 peers gathered at the Price Center Plaza at the University of California-San Diego (UCSD).

Maze's point, along with the many others who came out, is simple.

"I want to tell you that it's not easy to get up here in front of all of you and tell you that I'm gay," he said, "but it's also not easy to watch this event year after year from the crowd instead of being here where I belong. It has taken me three years to get to this point. And now that I'm here, if there's one thing that I can tell you today, it would be to encourage you to try harder to embrace diversity."

Maze is one of four principle members of the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Association (LGBA), a campus student organization.

Commemorating its 20 year anniversary in January, the LGBA offers activities, information and friendship to homosexual and bisexual students at UCSD.

"National Coming Out Day is not only a day of announcing one's homosexuality," explained fourth year student Robert Nguyen, also a principle member of the LGBA. "But it is a day of showing support for homosexual and bisexual rights, a day centered around human respect. No one should be forced



Robert Nguyen participated in UCSD's National Coming Out Day festivities.

or conditioned to feel ashamed for who they are."

Although celebrated on Oct. 10, instead of the nationally established day of Oct. 11, the UCSD's National Coming Out Day ceremony embraced the founders' original message. By offering a safe setting and public arena, gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender students were able to speak out about their sexual orientations to some of the most important people in their lives, their peers.

As the late co-founder of National Coming Out Day, Rob Eichberg, once noted regarding the 1987 March on Washington, an event which inspired the founding of National Coming Out Day, "I asked people if they were out to their families, friends and co-workers... most weren't. We had six hundred thousand people marching who weren't getting support from their natural allies — the people in their own daily lives."

Maze may have best summed up feelings surrounding the school's National Coming Out Day event.

"I see a lot of different people out here right now," he said. "I see Caucasians, Asians, African Americans, Hispanics, Latinos, rich, poor, gays, straights and bisexuals. And I think it's these differences, as well as others, that make you the beautiful people that you are. So today, I encourage you to recognize that diversity is beautiful, and embrace it. The world is too small not to."

For more information about UCSD's LGBA, call (619) 534-GAYS.

Two San Diego Teams Place In Autumn Classic

by CORRI PLANCK

SAN DIEGO — San Diego's Bonjour Bagel took third place in the C Recreational Division and Hamburger Mary's took second in the Women's Competitive Division in the 1996 Autumn Classic softball tournament, which took place Oct. 12-13 in San Diego.

They were the only two San Diego teams to place in the top three in their divisions. San Diego's *Gay & Lesbian Times* team won the spirit award in the B Division, and Wells Fargo took the same award in the C Recreational Division.

For the fifth year in a row, the Los Angeles Stray Cats took the title in the A Division. The L.A. Big Sticks took second, and the San Francisco Rolo Golden Gators placed third.

The B Division championship title was captured by San Francisco Cafe, with the Long Beach Bullets taking second and the Orange County Bandits finishing third.

Seattle Cuff II took first in the C Competitive Division, followed by the second-place San Francisco Stormy Leather Hides and the third-place San Francisco Bears.

In the C Recreational Division, L.A. Rawhide took first, followed by the East Bay Funky Toons.

In the Women's Competitive Division, Long Beach Runner Blue took top honors, with Tucson's Ain't Nobody's Bizness taking third place.

San Francisco Petpouri took first in the Women's Recreational Division, followed by Long Beach Team Effort and San

Francisco Club Universe.

Other spirit award winners were L.A. Big Sticks in the A Division, San Francisco Stormy Leather Hides in the C Competitive Division, Tucson's Ain't Nobody's Bizness in the Women's Competitive Division and Long Beach Team Effort in the Women's Rec Division.

The sportsmanship award went to Dallas Dynamite, and the "Good Call, Blue!" umpire award went to Linda Powell of L.A.

Michael Portantino and the *Gay & Lesbian Times*, as well as Tim Barthell and Joe Letzkus of Flicks, were honored with special awards of recognition for their continued support of the Autumn Classic.

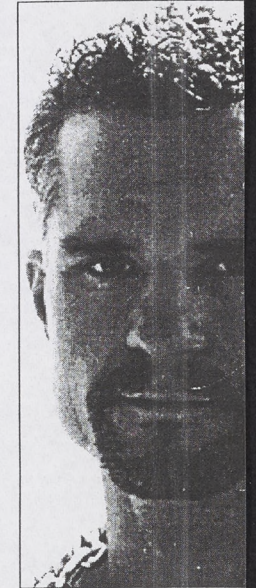


Five-time Autumn Classic champs, the L.A. Stray Cats.

tographed calendar photo record \$3,105. The remainder men will be auctioned in January.

All proceeds from the calendar and events benefit the AIDS Emergency Fund, a non-profit organization that provides financial assistance to AIDS or disabling HIV victims in need.

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Center To Host Series, Panel Discussions

SAN DIEGO — As part of the celebration of National Coming Out Day, The Lesbian and Gay Community Center will host a series of panel discussions and video screenings of *Question of Equality* on Oct. 21 and 28 and Nov. 4 and 11.

Each night a panel of speakers will follow the video, featuring local activists.

COMMENTARY: While politicians and some religious groups try to justify their intolerance of homosexuals using the Bible, true religion teaches us to love everyone regardless of how different they may be

GAY BASHING HAS NO PLACE IN RELIGION

By Aaron Chan

Contributing Opinion Writer

If this election season illustrated anything, it is that politicians are still too eager to pronounce on issues of personal morality and personal choice. Take the issue of homosexual marriage. On September 21, under cover of darkness, President Clinton signed the Defense of Marriage Act, which gave states the power to deny recognition to same-sex marriages sanctioned in other states.

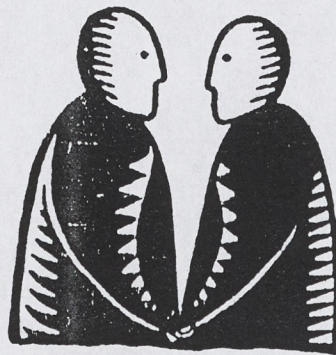
The bill also defined marriage as a union between a man and a woman, effectively denying partners of a homosexuals spousal Social Security benefits. Ironically, the government is quite willing to make all homosexuals pay Social Security taxes, but they are not willing to let homosexuals collect the benefits they are due.

Politicians claim that their views of marriage are backed up

by a Judeo-Christian religious tradition dominant in this country that monolithically condemns homosexuality. But does the Judeo-Christian tradition really condemn homosexuality?

I recently attended a meeting sponsored by Campus Crusade for Christ (CCC), the central theme of which was that homosexuality is a sin that can be remedied like any other. Much of the reasoning (or lack thereof) behind this gay-bashing stems from a false and distinctively American conception of Judeo-Christian ethics.

What does the Bible say about homosexuality? There are two references in the Holiness Codes of Leviticus. *Leviticus 18:22* states that it is an abomination for a man to lie with a man as he would with a woman. *Leviticus 20:13* states that if a man lies with another man as he would with a woman, he shall be put to death.



True religion does not divide people. We should aspire to attain "unity" rather than use religion to alienate and oppress others.

However, according to biblical scholar Bernhard Anderson, the holiness codes were intended as a

way for Jews to separate themselves from other nations, and to show they had a special relationship to God. Prohibitions against homosexuality among the Israelites were merely ways in which the Jewish people attempted to differentiate themselves from other nations.

Another argument used against homosexuality is that homosexuality doesn't lead to procreation. According to the Genesis creation account, God created males and females to multiply on the earth. Old Testament law views any male discharge as the spilling of life. Notice that the prohibition on the spilling of life doesn't condemn lesbian sex because women do not spill seed. But if we were to follow the Old Testament, both a heterosexual couple using contraceptives and any single man without children would be sinning.

If religious groups choose to

acknowledge these commandments, then why don't they acknowledge all the other commandments? There are over 600 more laws in the Old Testament that they should follow as well. Are we still supposed to stone adulterers? Should we kill everybody who has ever cursed out their parents (*Leviticus 20:9*)?

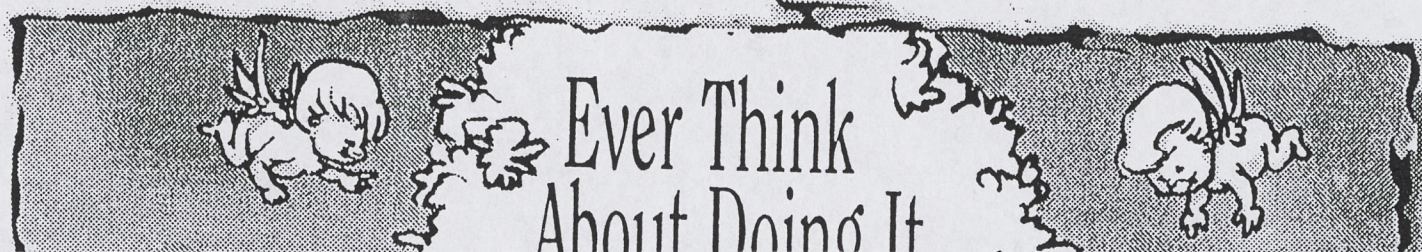
Christians also cite two ambiguous passages in the New Testament about homosexuality: *1 Corinthians 6:9-11* and *1 Timothy 1:10*. The Greek words used in these passages are unclear. Some, but not all, scholars translate them as "sodomite" or "homosexual."

New Testament scholar Robin Scroggs suggests that the words most likely refer to pederasty, where a man takes an active sexual role over a passive call-boy. Scroggs relates the words to pagan practices and male prostitution in

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What if Mrs. Clinton is indicted? What if the entangling web of Whitewater closes in on the president? The most intriguing question then is whether the president will pardon those involved in Whitewater to save his own skin. Given Clinton's capacity for denial and his tendency to brand attacks by his opponents as moral and political outrages, it wouldn't be surprising to see the president go on live national television and announce to the American people that he intends to prevent paralysis of the government by partisan persecutions by pardoning all those involved in Whitewater. However,

But Whitewater isn't the only scandal Clinton has to worry about. He still faces a sexual-harassment lawsuit from former Arkansas state employee Paula Jones. Jones claims that in 1991 Clinton invited her up to his hotel room and made unwanted sexual advances. Jones also claims that Clinton dropped his pants and asked for oral sex.

The interesting thing about this case is that there is significant evidence to back up Jones' claim. At least four people heard Jones relate this account within a day or two after it allegedly occurred, years before she actually filed suit. One witness, Pamela Blackard, was interviewed recently by *Slate* on-

still has the nerve to say, with a straight face on national television no less, that the Whitewater convictions are nothing but pure politics.

line magazine contributor Stuart Taylor, Jr., and she recounts seeing Jones "shaking" shortly after the incident. One of Jones' sisters says that although she questions Jones' motive for filing the harassment

lawsuit Jones claims that our president has distinguishing marks in his private area that corroborate her story. Imagine that!

And if these first four years are any indication, count on there being more special prosecutors appointed to investigate key members of the administration. A special prosecutor hounded Clinton's first Secretary of Agriculture, Mike Espy, from office two years ago after evidence surfaced that Espy accepted improper gifts from Don Tyson, head of Arkansas-based Tyson Foods. And, at the time of his death, the late Commerce Secretary Ron Brown was being investigated for questionable business dealings. A special prosecutor

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who told you it would be this way.

BIBLE: Homophobia is not a part of religion

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temples. Like the ancient Jews, these prohibitions are best understood as attempts by Christians to separate themselves from the practices of their Roman oppressors.

The New Testament references are prohibitions against abusing the sexual rights of others. The Bible probably refers to acts of sexual domination, rape, child abuse, lust and pagan worship. Biblical writers appear to have had no understanding of mutual, consensual, loving relationships between adults of the same gender

like those that exist today.

Still another argument against homosexuality is that it is physically and biologically wrong. Following this argument, our bodies should be treated like temples. However, we don't condemn people for eating junk food or staying in the sun too long. Why should we condemn those who find happiness in loving, homosexual relationships?

People wrongly use the Bible to substantiate their own prejudices. The Bible has been used to justify wars, anti-semitism, slavery, crusades, racism, discrimination against women and many other atrocities. The Bible must be read in context, with skepticism, using logic and experience. The Bible

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must be considered within the context of biblical writers' culture.

It is wrong for groups such as the Christian Coalition to abuse the Bible by using it as an authority to judge or condemn others who

are different. Instead, they should look at the other passages of the Bible that say to love God, to love others (even your enemies), to help those in need, not to judge others (because everyone has faults) and to act humbly.

The CCC meeting claimed that homosexuality is about destructive and unhappy behavior. On the contrary, many if not most homosexual relationships are loving and positive.

If homosexuals are unhappy it is only because society rejects them simply because of their sexual preference. If homosexuals fall into destructive behavior it is probably because they are made to feel guilty for being who they are. If homosexuals are happy with

themselves and love each other, how is that destructive? Why shouldn't they be able to marry?

We should not keep judging each other on the stereotypes of race, gender, sexual orientation or religious affiliation. Love should not be conditional on these factors.

I should point out that I attended another meeting about homosexuality and religion sponsored by Hillel, the campus Jewish organization. Their guest was Rabbi Sacks-Rosen, who is gay, and who commented that the word "religion" originates from a word "to unite." True religion does not divide people. We should aspire to attain "unity" rather than use religion to alienate and oppress others.

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