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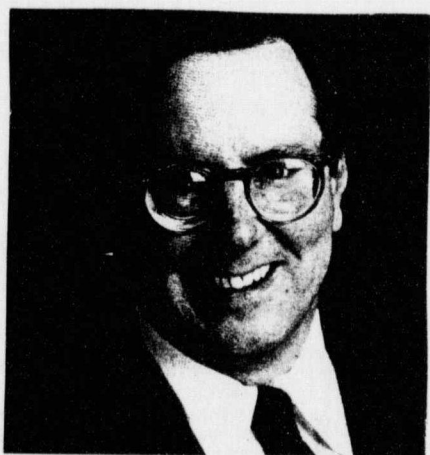
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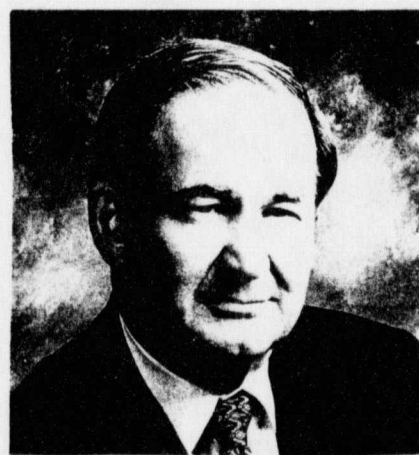
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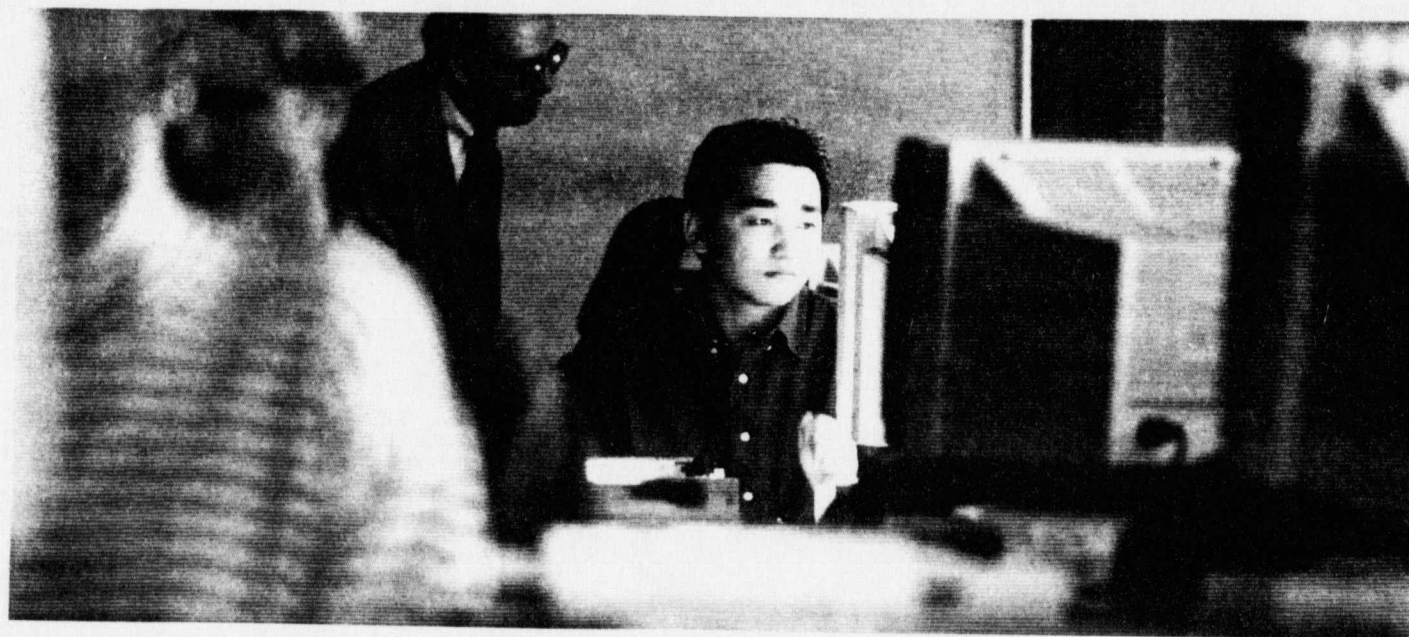
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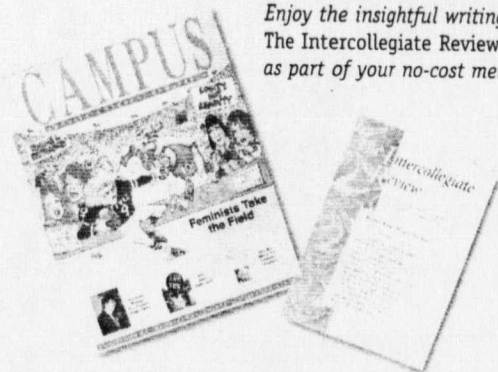
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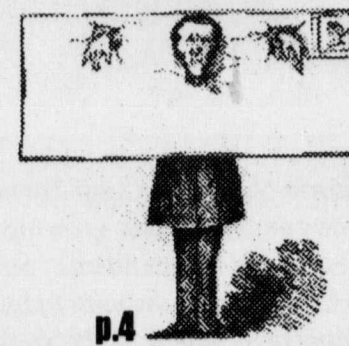
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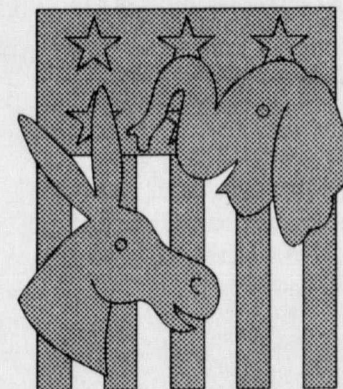
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## Independents on the Rise

### Editor:

Celebrate the decline of the Democratic Party while you may. The turn of the Republican Party will come soon enough.

The fastest-growing class of voters are non-partisan independents. They're supposed to mark "Decline to State" when they register; though some, wanting to be "independent," mistakenly register in the American Independent Party.

Please begin now to plan a special issue for the August 1996 visitors to San Diego, as your last issue of spring quarter. Like, "A Reactionary's Guide to America's Phoniest Suburb."

**Geoff Tortuga**  
La Jolla

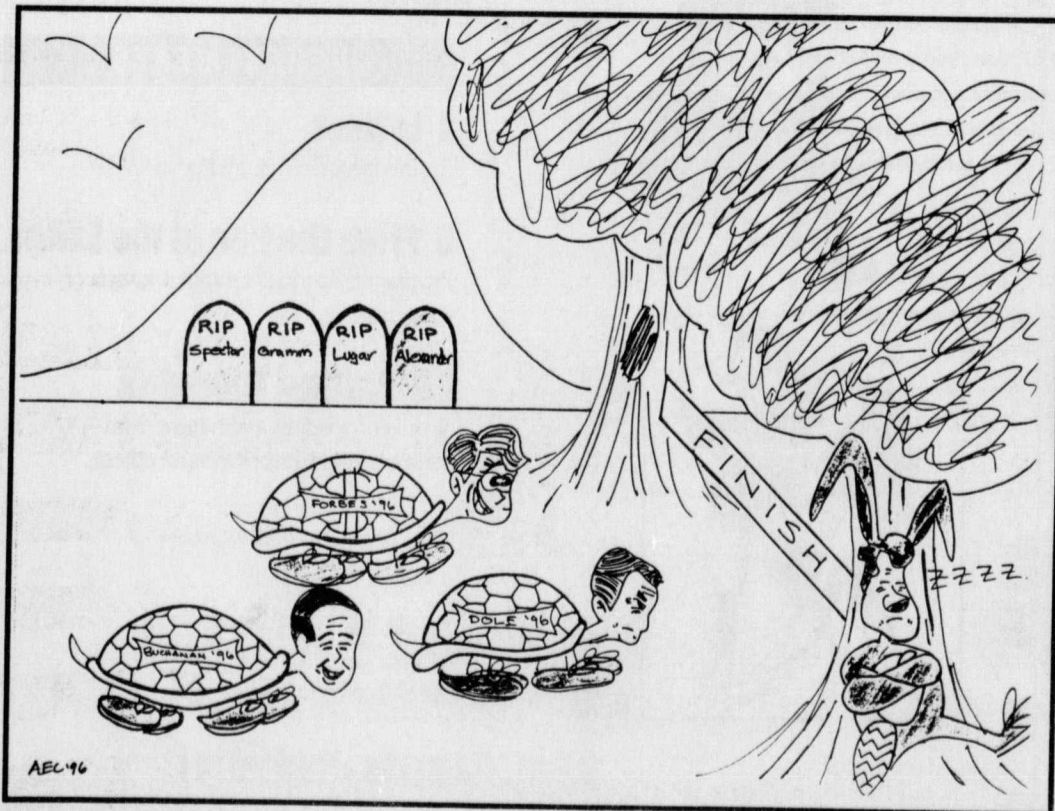
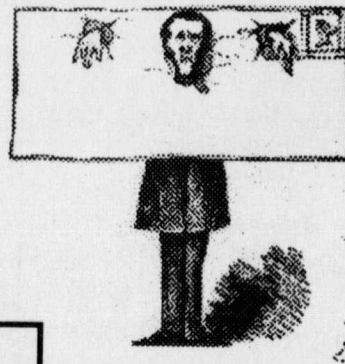
*Editor's Note: Mr. Geoff Tortuga is correct that the fastest-growing class of voters are independents. San Diego County holds the most amount of independent voters in the state. In 1992, the voters gave Ross Perot in large numbers. CR appreciates Mr. Tortuga's insightful comments and loyal readership to the California Review.*

### Editor:

Wanted to congratulate you guys on your first issue. I got it in the mail a couple of days ago. Kudos for dedicating it to Luis Santiago. What the *Voz* did was beneath contempt. I hope you got our last issue. Take it easy.

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## FROM THE PEN OF THE EDITOR

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**T**he race is on.

There have been many candidates and many casualties, which makes this one of the best years to watch the Presidential race. Many candidates claimed to have the "fire in the belly." Many potential candidates did not. And there are surprises yet to come.

So many potential candidates decided not to run, which would've made this race much more interesting. Dick Cheney, Dan Quayle, William Bennett, Jack Kemp, and Colin Powell all decided not to go after the Presidential torch. Money and smear campaigns prevented these candidates from running. The pressures of Presidential politics took its toll on many good candidates — Phil Gramm, Lamar Alexander, Arlen Specter, Dick Lugar, and even San Diego's favorite son, Governor Pete Wilson. Today, it's down to the wire as Bob Dole of Kansas looks like the probable winner of the Republican nomination. But Steve Forbes and Pat Buchanan will remain in the race for the full duration. Bill Clinton will be the Democratic nominee, but he must prove that he will not be a lame duck come November. And will Ross Perot enter? Who knows!

On March 1-3, conservative journalists met in Chicago for the Collegiate Network conference to share ideas on improving conservative campus publications. A straw poll was taken in which Steve Forbes barely edged out Pat Buchanan with Bob Dole not far behind. Even to show that Bill Clinton was sort of conservative, someone actually voted for him the straw poll. This will indeed be an

interesting Presidential year.

There are even rumors of an independent candidate for President. Ross Perot and Bill Bradley of New Jersey might consider running if both political parties do not address their issues. Pat Buchanan's supporters are urging their fearless leader to run even if he doesn't get the Republican nomination. In California, consumer rights advocate Ralph Nader is running on the Green Party ballot.

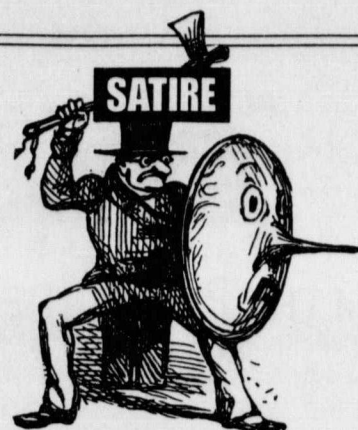
Everyone's caught the Presidential bug. In San Diego, UCSD students are interning to participate in the Republican National Convention. Liberal students are trying to organize protests and turn the San Diego convention into a repeat of the 1968 Chicago Democratic Convention. UCSD students, conservative and liberal, will be involved in this year's Presidential politics.

Whoever the next President might be, it will be a victory for conservatives. Bill Clinton already declared, "The era of big government is over." Newt Gingrich made history and returned power back to the states. Liberals are defeated no matter what happens in November.

In this issue, CR reviews the remaining three candidates. The CR will not make any endorsements — we can only provide information for your pleasure. There is only one thing that CR asks of every loyal reader: Vote! It's your right, don't throw it away.

—Goon Pattanumotana  
Editor-in-Chief





A GRAND DRAGON'S VIEW  
OF AFFIRMATIVE ACTION

# How the KKK sees Affirmative Action

By Peter Chang

*I have no intention of explaining how the following correspondence fell into my hands. As a columnist, I am at the nexus of the strangest flow of news, letters, and e-mail from a most eclectic collection of individuals. It is often said that learning involves forcing students to see the world from a different perspective: thus, a new perspective on race relations. And a hope that those with open eyes will learn.*

Grandson:

Doubtless you are surprised that the man whose funeral you attended but a month ago (and whose title you now hold) could possibly perform the mortal deed of writing a letter. Do not think for a minute that the dead can return to the land of the living. While I am not at liberty to discuss my current whereabouts, suffice it to say that an eternity awaits for the souls to walk the earth.

It is painfully clear from your disorganized inauguration speech at the Trial of Initiation that your understanding of Klan ways is more a product of media caricatures than factual reality. Your relentless tirade against affirmative action, among other things, betrays a

deep ignorance of the struggles your predecessors endured to preserve our culture of racial purity and White supremacy. As a former Grand Dragon of the Klan, I refuse to allow decades of our work to be destroyed by hand-learned, upstart whelps like yourself.

Like most of the ignorant masses, you are probably amazed to

hear a fellow Klansman endorse preferential and favorable treatment of our sworn enemies. Considering the depth to which we obscure our motives to the public and even to junior members like

yourself, this is not surprising. But because you are the new Grand Dragon, parroting and believing lines we feed our hot-headed brethren will surely undo years of painful work. A history lesson is therefore in order:

In the bygone days of slavery and the Jim Crow laws, our methods were decidedly crude: lynching, kangaroo courts, vandalism and cross-burning. With the passage of time, these practices became less and less acceptable, even in White company. We could no longer rely on the cooperation of good White judges, jurors or policemen to turn a blind eye to our public campaign against the coloreds. The grand council (your predecessors) met 40 years ago to tackle this question: what direction, then, for the modern Klan?

## The Challenge of the Modern Klan

The days of lynching, random beatings and cross-burnings are over. Klansmen who look fondly at those admittedly fun and direct

expressions of our rage against coloreds cannot serve in the leadership of the modern Klan. On July 22, 1955, the grand council decided to move our public campaign against the coloreds underground. As you might expect, the decision was not without resistance - traditionalists who left the Klan suggested that our motiva-

tions were rooted in cowardice and nascent sympathies for the coloreds.

Nothing, of course, could be further from the truth. Our motivations are strictly practical. Our mission remained ever the same: the discrediting of colored scientists, scholars and talent. Our methods, however, are far more pragmatic and elegant. In my opinion, it is supremely more satisfying to see a successful black businessman, chemist or Supreme Court justice be maligned and destroyed by his own people as a "sell-out" or "Uncle Tom" than for any of us to raise a finger to hurt him.

To this end, one of our crowning triumphs was (with the assistance of some well-placed infiltrators in the colored activist groups) the concept of affirmative action. One of the challenges we faced was the college campus, where Whites and blacks were interacting in alarming numbers. While we firmly believe that our genetic legacy stands above all others, we are keenly aware of the divergence of intellectual potential, both in our own White race and in the other races. Unlike some of our more jingoistic junior Klansmen who believe that all coloreds have not worth, we understand there exists a formidable number of intelligent coloreds whose minds would easily eclipse many of the mediocre Whites we grudgingly count as our own. We thought long and hard about this problem and formulated a two-pronged attack.

## Affirmative Action

Whatever mild, xenophobic or nascent racist inclinations White students may have about the coloreds quickly erode when placed in a situation where they are consistently bested by colored peers or whose intellect matches their own. With the assistance of the puppets (under our direction) in college campuses around the nation, policies were enacted to ensure a systematic mismatch of intellectual potential of coloreds and the appropriate schools. The administrators we have successfully deluded into thinking they are "helping" non-whites send the mediocre coloreds to colleges for the "bright" the bright coloreds to the schools for the "exceptional" and the exceptional coloreds to the universities of "geniuses."

The purpose of this systematic mismatch, of course, is twofold. First, we separate Whites from their colored intellectual equals. Thus, even those not sympathetic to our racist beliefs will find that, on average, the colored they talk to are their intellectual inferior, amplifying whatever small prejudices they already have and moving them ever closer to our beliefs. The second purpose is to overwhelm the misplaced colored by putting him in a school where he is bested regularly by Whites.

The success of this program can be witnessed in the high dropout rates among coloreds in elite universities around the nation. As a follow-up, our propaganda campaign encouraged our puppets in college campuses to parrot the refrain that university life was "hostile" to colored students. Admittedly, we were worried that students in universities which were 20 to 40 percent non-white would not buy such an outrageous lie, but it appears as if non-whites

are even less intelligent than we anticipated.

I tell you, grandson, nothing terrifies me more than the prospect of coloreds going to schools which match their intellectual potential. This would allow them to study hard and earn credibility in the eyes of Whites as engineers or doctors and thus be accepted as our equals. Nothing is more frightening than the idea of non-whites earning degrees without affirmative action and taking their wrongful place in command of our society. As long as we can maintain a system that coddles them, nurses them and weeps over every perceived "hostility," there will always be a question mark hovering over the heads of non-white college graduates.

## Ethnic Narcissism

You might be surprised to learn that terms like "race traitor" and the (modern) use of the expression "Uncle Tom" were engineered by us. We wanted the coloreds to wallow in their race, be consumed with it and invest their entire sense of self-worth in being "ethnic." This way, they will define themselves not by what's between their ears, but rather by the particular shade of their skin.

To that end, we have secretly funded militant ethnic activists like the Chicano Moratorium Committee and the Black Panthers. We have encouraged them to be publicly brash and menacing and to privately cultivate an environment which accuses non-militant cultural members of being "sell-outs" or "white sympathizers," knowing full well that it will ultimately frighten otherwise sympathetic Whites to our side. The last thing

we want is open dialogue between our people and the colored.

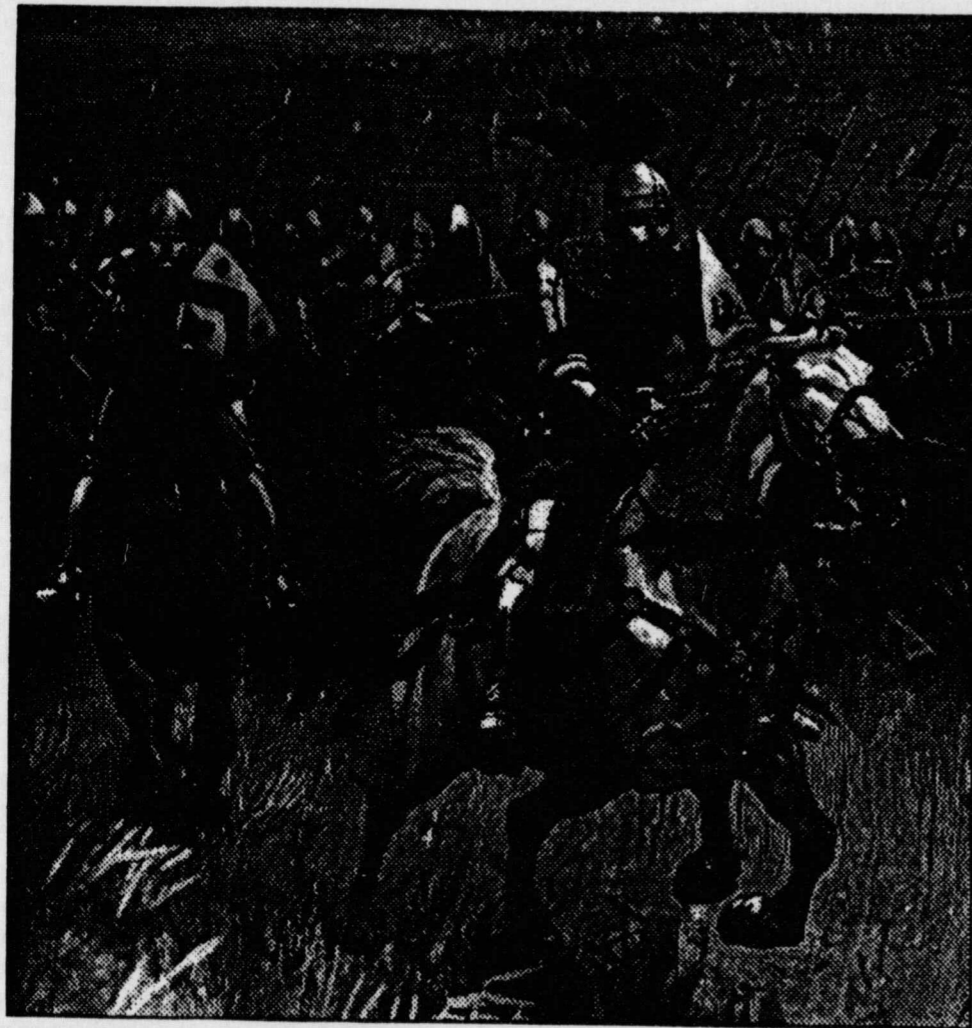
We must maintain, at all costs, a paranoid black culture which believes society is rigged against them, and which accuses those who work hard academically of "acting White." More importantly, we must impart upon this culture the curious species of blindness which allows it to simultaneously believe it is racist to generalize and say things like "Blacks youths play basketball," yet at the same time find nothing wrong lambasting "Euro-centric" values (as if the French, Swedes, Italians, Spaniards and Greeks have anything in common, aside from sharing a continent). The destruction of colored ambition is most effectively brought about when the colored ear their own and believe themselves to be victims of a hopelessly racist society. We know that racists like ourselves occupy only a tiny minority in society; your job is to ensure that they never find this out.

Grandson, you were selected over your father to lead the Klan because we believed you were open-minded enough to see beyond the face we show to the outside world. Understanding our mission and our methods is the first step to our continued dominance in this society.

Warmest regards,  
(the late) Grand Dragon

*Peter Chang is a senior opinion writer for the UCSD Guardian. This article was reprinted with permission.*

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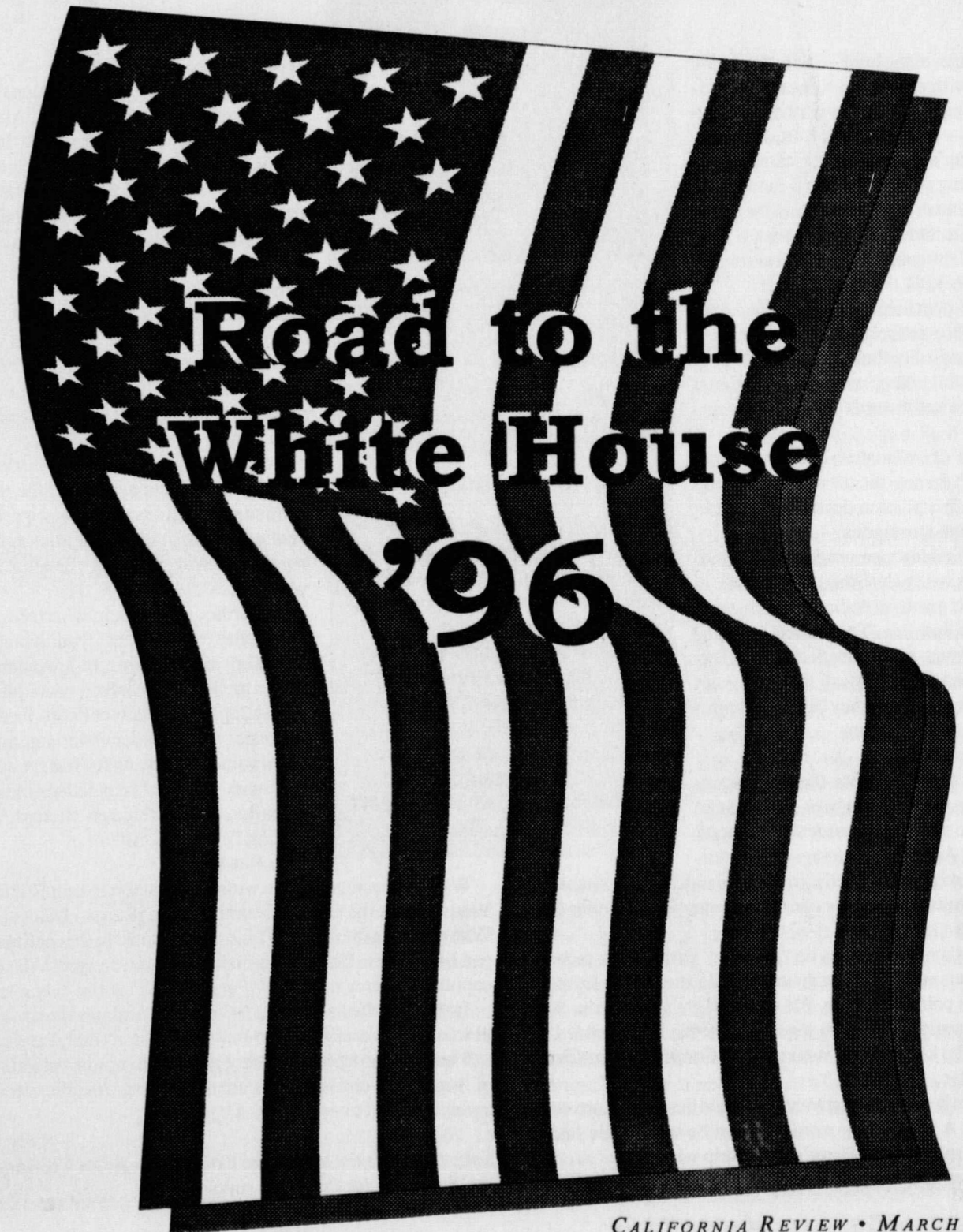
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THE RACE FOR THE WHITE HOUSE



## Pat Buchanan



**Syndicated Columnist**

**BORN:** November 2, 1936

**EDUCATION:**

Georgetown University, BA, 1961  
Columbia University, MS, 1962

**HOME:** McLean, VA

**FAMILY:** Wife, Shelley

**CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:** Senior Advisor to President Richard Nixon, 1969-1974; Syndicated columnist, 1975-1985; Communications Director, President Ronald Reagan, 1985-1987; Co-host, CNN's Crossfire, 1987-present; Moderator, CNN's Capitol Gang, 1987-present; Panelist, "The McLaughlin Group," 1987-present; Host, "Buchanan and Company," 1987-present.

**T**he man of the hour — with the vision — with principled conservative values representing mainstream America — that's Patrick J. Buchanan.

Buchanan's *America First* campaign is the compelling story of the 1996 Republican presidential race. This election is the battle for the "heart and soul" of America — the extension of the grass roots political revolution begun in 1994.

With forthright conviction, only Buchanan, "the conscience of the country," addresses the fatally flawed collectivist path America is following, away from national independence and towards one world government.

Buchanan's combination of economic patriotism with strong moral values has won him several first place and a close second in the earliest state primaries.

Despite modest campaign expenditure, Pat's success is his charismatic attraction to an evergrowing army of dedicated grass-roots volunteers nationwide. These fired-up, committed followers give sacrificially of their time and resources to elect the only man whose leadership plan, they believe, can restore the American Dream.

### Leadership

Pat's plan covers an across-the-board agenda — from immigration reform, to economic patriotism, to using the presidential "pulpit" to celebrate America's heritage and traditions. Pat is grounded in a belief in national unity — that Americans must come together again as one nation, one people, under God.

### Experience

Buchanan's experience as an "outsider" with a track record in politics attracts voters. He has spent three decades on the frontlines of America's political battles. Pat served eight years in the White House, as a senior advisor to three Presidents, and attended five summits, so he knows what it takes to be Commander-in-Chief.

### Consistency

Supporters see the consistency of his politics, which are rooted in principle. A man of his word, Pat can be trusted. He had the courage to stand up to his Party's leadership when it was wrong — when it raised taxes in 1990, passed a quota bill in 1991, and

approved NAFTA in 1993.

Since his stunning New Hampshire primary victory, following a win in Alaska and Louisiana, and a close second in Iowa, the political establishment has leveled vicious smears to vilify "outsider" Buchanan. The liberal media quickly joined the political elite in an effort to stigmatize Buchanan as the dangerous extremist. These falsehoods have only intensified his campaign efforts.

### America First

Under *America First*, Buchanan will pursue a new foreign policy that ends foreign aid and ensures that American military forces will participate only in wars deemed vital to our national interest.

Buchanan's *economic nationalism* means that all trade deals must meet the test of a) maintaining U.S. sovereignty, b) protecting vital economic interests, and c) ensuring a rising standard of living for all American workers.

Other key issues include restoring financial liberty, restoring the 10th Amendment, campaign and lobbying reform, judicial reform, immigration control, equal justice under law, opposing interventionist foreign policy, restoring our national heritage and traditional values, balancing the budget with strict tax limits, parental (not federal) control of education, peace through strength and installing Constitutionalism.

### Can Pat Win?

Who can put together the winning coalition to beat Bill Clinton? Who can win the Catholic, ethnic, urban, Reagan Democrat vote? Who can bring the rank and file union member to the coalition? Who can best win the Democrat social conservative voter? Who can best capture the Perot supporter? Pat Buchanan is the only one.

In the Presidential debates, who best articulates the conservative positions? Who can go one-on-one with Clinton? Only Pat Buchanan.

You may not agree with every position he holds, but Pat is a man of integrity — and the voters are responding. Just the voters. They are determined to get America back.

—Sally Cruver

Sally Cruver is the San Diego County Campaign Coordinator for the Buchanan for President campaign.

## Bob Dole



**Senate Majority Leader**

**BORN:** July 22, 1923

**EDUCATION:**

Washington Municipal University, BA, JD, 1952

**HOME:** Russell, KS

**FAMILY:** Wife, Elizabeth, one daughter.

**CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:** Infantryman, U.S. Army, 1942-1945; Kansas State Representative, 1952-1953; Russell County Prosecutor, 1953-1961; U.S. Congressman, 1961-1969; U.S. Senator, 1969-present; Chairman, Republican National Committee, 1971-1973; Vice Presidential nominee, 1976; Senate Majority Leader, 1982-1984 and 1994-present.

**W**hether you're politically active or not, you've most likely heard of Senator Robert Dole. Bob Dole is one of the most powerful Republicans in the country. He is currently the Senate Majority Leader and the front runner in the presidential field. Bob Dole has the best name recognition among Republican presidential candidates and is arguably the most experienced.

Robert Joseph Dole was born on July 22, 1923 in Russell, Kansas to Doran and Bina Dole. Bob Dole worked hard his whole life to help support his family. Through high school he delivered newspapers before dawn and worked a drug store soda fountain late into the night.

Prior to World War II Bob Dole attended the University of Kansas. Before his sophomore year was out, Dole was in uniform with a rifle in his hands. On April 14, 1945 he was shot in the back at the Po Valley in Italy. He was awarded two Purple Hearts and a Bronze Star with a cluster. Bob Dole was sent home a quadriplegic but his hometown was very supportive and helped him to put his life back together and eventually regain use of his legs and left arm.

In 1949, Bob Dole married Phylliss Holden, a physical therapist who he met during his convalescence. The two had one daughter together, Robin Dole. He divorced Phylliss Holden in 1972 and in 1975 was wed to Elizabeth "Liddy" Hanford.

Bob Dole earned dual B.A. and law degrees from Washington Municipal University in Topeka in 1952. He then began his career in public service by being elected to the Kansas Legislature. He served there until 1953. From 1953-1961 Bob Dole served as Russell County prosecutor. He was then elected to the United States House of Representatives in 1961 in which he served until 1969. In 1969 he was elected to the United States Senate in which he has served to present day.

Bob Dole is not new to the national political scene. He served as Chairman of the Republican National Committee from 1971-1973 and was President Gerald Ford's running mate in 1976. Bob Dole was also a candidate for the presidency in 1980 and 1988. Now at 72 years of age this is most likely the last chance for Robert Dole to attain the highest office in the land.

Since Bob Dole announced his intent to run for the Presidency of the United States he has emphasized his leadership and many years of experience. Bob Dole's main campaign theme is reigning in the federal government and giving more power back to the states. Bob Dole plans to eliminate four of the "most meddlesome" cabinet departments; Education, Energy, Commerce, and Housing and Urban Development. Bob Dole also supports Welfare block grants to the states and wants to freeze them for five years at 1994 spending levels. Finally, Bob Dole ardently supports the Tenth Amendment, which states that all powers not expressly granted to the federal government shall be reserved for the states.

Senator Bob Dole has also staked out some key positions on various issues. On abortion, Bob Dole can best be described as being "pro-life." He supports restricting abortion to cases of rape, incest, or to save the mother's life. Bob Dole is opposed to affirmative action, gun control, and giving social services to illegal immigrants. In addition, Bob Dole supports term limits, tax cuts, and a balanced budget amendment.

Senator Bob Dole, the clear front runner, is poised to win the Republican nomination for the presidency of the United States of America. Whether or not Bob Dole wins his party's nomination, he can be considered an American hero and a true statesman and his service to this country may just be beginning.

—Paul Mim Mack

Paul Mim Mack is a staff writer for the California Review.

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## Steve Forbes



**President & CEO of Forbes Inc.**

**BORN:** July 18, 1947

**EDUCATION:**

Princeton University, BA, 1970

**HOME:** Bedminster, NJ

**FAMILY:** Wife, Sabina, five children.

**CAREER HIGHLIGHTS:**

Chief Operations Officer, Forbes Inc., 1980-1990; Deputy Editor in Chief, Forbes magazine, 1982-1990; Chairman, Forbes newspapers, 1989-present; Editor in Chief, President and CEO, Forbes Inc., 1990-present; Trustee, Princeton University, 1992-present; Chairman of the board, Empower America, 1993-present.

**A** political outsider.

Steve Forbes is running for President to present optimistic views and platforms into the Republican Party. He is running against the anti-Washington crowd.

Forbes knows that America needs a vision. America needs solutions, values, and results for tomorrow. America does not need soundbites, mudslingings, and delays anymore. There needs to be policies that will expand opportunity for all Americans by the encouragement of growth. Forbes is that individual who can deliver.

The first issue that Forbes released and now everyone is talking about: the flat tax issue. Several polls already indicated that more than half of the people in American supports a flatter tax system. Forbes will propose a 17% tax rate and expanded exemptions so that a family of four would pay no taxes on the first \$40,000 of their income. This new flat tax system will be more fair, honest, and simple. Our tax rate code, as Forbes indicated, is now more than 2,000 pages, which is more than the Bible itself. The tax code is still growing everyday.

Everyone in this country is talking about this new flat tax. It is a solution that is presented to the American public. Many other politicians today seen that this is a valid solution. Former Housing Secretary Jack Kemp, who endorsed Steve Forbes for President, looked into the flat tax issue within the Tax Reform Commission. Phil Gramm, Arlen Specter, and even Pat Buchanan discussed the flat tax issue within their campaign speeches. Already, Congress is discussing Majority Leader Dick Armey's 17% flat tax. In California, Assemblyman Howard Kaloogian is proposing a flat tax for Californians too. The flat tax fever hit America, and the American people will be happy with solution.

Like any other conservative, here must be a call for less

government. Many governmental departments provide useless bureaucracy which is not needed anymore. Forbes will eliminate the departments of Commerce, Energy, Education, and HUD. This will eventually eliminate the alphabet soup agencies of Franklin Delano Roosevelt's New Deal which are outdated for today's society.

Social Security is becoming a hassle in order to balance the budget. There must be a need to reform the social security problems that the future generations will have to face. Privatizing the parts of the social security system will solve the problems that the next generation must face. A new system of social security is needed to provide security to younger individuals. There will be a set aside to private accounts in which it will collect interest. There must be a new system for social security in which the United States government should not be able to borrow money out of the system to pay for other debts and programs.

Unlike any other candidates, health reforms will be discussed by Forbes. Bill Clinton's solution to convert our current health care system into the socialization system is not the solution. It is the time to put the consumers in charge, with private MSAs coupled with insurance policies that provide seamless and complete coverage. This will be a popular solution for America.

Forbes will not drop out of the Presidency. Solutions must be discussed among the American people. And later adopted into results in the future. Already Forbes is running second to Bob Dole, and won all of Delaware and Arizona delegates. Forbes made an impact into politics whether he wins the nomination or not. His solutions will virtually change history.

—Goon Pattanumotana

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# Your Money is Being Wasted

By Tedd Ladd

**D**uring my freshman year, whenever someone in my stuffy Revelle suite would bring up the topic of the U.S. government — in between discussions on socialism, sexuality and religion — I always brought up the following scenario:

Just imagine you've got a very important package, I mean, a *very* important package — a package containing your recently removed kidney, which must be delivered to your dying sister by early the next day. Do you send it through the Postal Service, or do you send it Federal Express?

Well, if you want your sister to live, you send it through Federal Express. The reason is simple: The Postal Service could care less if the package is there on time, but Federal Express' survival depends on it.

The same reasoning can be applied to the U.S. government as a whole. Of course, we want government. All of us *want* nice roads to drive on, national parks to enjoy and welfare checks to cash, should we fall on hard times. But we certainly shouldn't *depend* on it.

And this dependency is the problem with our own little bureaucracy right here at UCSD, the Associated Students.

Because the A.S. doesn't create the roads which go through campus and doesn't meet in the interests of national security, I have a hard time believing it is really needed at all.

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That probably sounds drastic (and I know the A.S. public relations department, another branch which does absolutely no good for UCSD students, will be angry), but consider another, somewhat longer scenario.

Imagine a six-dollar Student Activity Fee, less than half of what you are paying right now. Six dollars versus \$13.50 — some difference, right? Let me continue....

Imagine a drastically scaled-down student government. Imagine the A.S. relocating to the Old Student Center in a half-empty student organization cubicles; instead of occupying a shiny, administrative-built ivory tower in the Price Center. Imagine the A.S. actually having some clout because it is not perceived as a puppet of the administration.

Imagine not spending \$50,000 of student money on the stacks of unread A.S.-sponsored publications. Imagine not spending \$24,000 on a radio station no one listens to. Imagine not spending additional thousands of dollars

on top-of-the-line equipment for these media outlets. After all, you don't need Pirelli tires on a Pinto.

Imagine instead these media groups being funded solely by advertisements. If the *Koala* is indeed the most-read paper on campus, advertisers would flock to it and A.S. money — *your money* — would no longer be spent on a bad publication and good beer.

Imagine Soft Reserves not being run by the A.S. Imagine lower prices and shorter lines for class packets by avoiding the A.S. "middle man." Imagine instead going directly to Pulse Copiers, which does all the work anyway.

Imagine ending the A.S. monopoly on lecture-note services. Imagine better notes, better graphics and better explanations — for less money. Some of you probably remember Notables, a superior note-taking service which tried to establish itself at UCSD two years ago, but ran up against the A.S. brick wall. It seems the A.S. has a free reign on paid note services.

Imagine using the airport shuttle service to return to campus after the holidays, a service which would be run by UCSD's Transportation & Parking Services Department — the department which is most qualified to run the service in the first place. Imagine the Warren late-night shuttle also being run by the TP & S.

Imagine \$20,000 of student money not being spent on the Committee for World Democracy. Imagine over \$100,000 of your money not going to every possible student organization under the sun. Instead, imagine members of each organization having to pay minimal dues, certainly less than \$13.50, to keep it running. And imagine that, if there are not enough people to support the club's activities, the organization would not exist.

It would therefore not be given free office space, free Web pages and free access to brand-new A.S. computers, which are funded with *your* money. Students would only pay for organizations they *want* to support.

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Imagine not giving \$17,000 of student money to the University of California Students Association so that its members can put on foolish protests and have free transportation to regents' meetings, where they whine incessantly, all the while trying to appear mature enough to discuss important issues.

Finally, imagine that in place of the current A.S. bureaucracy, a revamped A.S. Programming Office remains. The new programming office has student representatives, as well as professional promoters, to ensure quality work. Imagine a majority of you new six-dollar fee going toward large, well-attended concerts. Imagine the remain-

der of your fee going toward establishing something which would *really* help students: scholarships.

I realize that I asked you to imagine a great deal. I also realize that the above scenario would *never* take place because government, especially student government, tends to perpetuate itself. But the fact of the matter is, we don't *need* student government; this "learning process" should be reserved for high school.

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**CLASSES LIKE DOC ARE PART OF THE PROBLEM, NOT THE SOLUTION**

# Discrediting DOC

## Marshall College's cure for Social Inequality

By Michael Georgino

Each of the five colleges here at USCD has its own set of unique general education requirements. Some of the colleges have more conservative, traditional requirements while others stress the more liberal. Thurgood Marshall College would be placed in the latter group. "...About a third of all men predict that they would rape, and half would force sex on a woman." — an excerpt from Catherine MacKinnon's: "Pornography, Civil Rights, and Speech." Freshmen enrolled in Thurgood Marshall College are required to read articles containing this and similar material as part of the curriculum in their Dimensions of Culture (DOC) 1 general education class.

Dimensions of Culture's curriculum is composed of writings taken from several authors on the subjects of gender, race, homosexuality and pornography. According to a DOC handout given to all students who attend Thurgood Marshall, the DOC sequence is meant to serve two purposes: 1) to provide "a common intellectual experience" for Marshall students, and 2) to offer "writing instruction that is fully integrated into the learning of challenging course materials." My critique of the course DOC 1 is

based on the initial purpose. My perception of a "common intellectual experience" is one in which the collective students are learning new, reasonable ideas that they are able to relate to and discuss freely. The curriculum taught in DOC 1 is inconsistent with this type of experience.

Many of the assigned readings merely reinforced what most students already knew. It seems to be indisputable common knowledge that women, homosexuals and minorities have been treated unjustly in the past and in some aspects are still struggling for equality today. Moreover, much of the material, such as the opening quote do not represent reasonable, nor fair opinions. I would say that they spark more antagonistic thoughts than intellectual ones. Here is another example of DOC material, quoted from John Stoltenberg's "How Men Have (a) Sex": "The Nazis believed in the idea of

an Aryan race"... they "inferiorized and exterminated those they defined a non-Aryan ... The male sex is very like that." Comparing the male sex to the Aryan race is extremely offensive and unnecessary for DOC curriculum. One of the main themes of DOC 1 was to identify and discredit false

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notions about groups in society, not to create new ones.

Acknowledging that opinions in the writings presented are subjective accounts, it seems to be that the majority of the course is based on forms of accusations. How then does it serve to benefit Marshall College? Many times I found myself either in section or with peers, arguing against the theories of these authors. I was often met with harsh criticism and even anger for not agreeing with what was being taught. The complete subjectivity of the course became objective in the translation of its material by students and T.A.'s alike. Is this what intellectual learning is all about? It seems more to me like brain manipulation; agree or you are wrong! I do not believe that the articles chosen by DOC administrators were in any way intended to be offensive toward anyone. However, I do feel that papers such as Stoltenberg's are not expressing viewpoints that satisfy the studies of a course such as DOC. Perhaps a course in feminist theory would be more appropriate.

My overwhelming feeling is that this class emphasizes nothing more than past and present injustices dealt by white males towards all sectors of society. DOC inspires no positive solutions nor does it touch on the possibility of males transcending beyond their oppressive acts. How can we as a society ever hope to progress toward equality of all people when we only focus on teaching past injustices? We should work to recognize positive advancements in society which can be expanded upon. By not acknowledging the social growth of specific groups in society and dwelling on their irreconcilable past, DOC 1 has become

just another liberal class which furthers the antagonistic feelings in all of us. I will admit that DOC did spur thought toward a more contrary view of our traditional society.

However, as I have shown, the majority of the course material was found very questionable, and sometimes offensive. This opinion however is held by many other students than just myself. Midway through the quarter, Provost Lytle of Thurgood Marshall College held two successive meetings with DOC 1 students to discuss problems relating to the course. DOC 1 became a rallying call for sexism and racism throughout the Marshall Residence Halls. It's no wonder why the Provost was concerned, his students were rebelling over the very course that was established to bring them together.

To consider this course a success, I feel a few changes should have been apparent at the end of fall quarter. One would be that students left DOC 1 with a new-found comprehension of society and how our culture has affected it. Another would be a prevailing understanding that DOC 1 taught us a perspective of society that a "normal" curriculum would not have. The truth is that Dimensions of

Culture 1 accomplished neither of these. By the end of last quarter I remember spending time evaluating DOC and asking myself what I learned and what I could take from the course. I still find myself unable to answer either question.

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# 7 Bucks?

Quick reviews for the busy student.

By Rob Miranda

## Rating System:

7 Bucks = Worth seeing at regular theater price.

4 Bucks = Worth seeing at a matinee.

3 Bucks = Worth renting on video.

Doughnut = Don't waste your time.

## Dave and The Candidate

In keeping with our candidate reviews in this issue, I decided to review two excellent films about politicians that are available at your local video store. *Dave* and *The Candidate* both tell the stories of ordinary men that are thrust into the political arena, though the moods of the films are very different.

*Dave* is a light-hearted tale about a temp-agency manager and the occasional presidential impersonator, Dave Kovic (Kevin Klein). He is hired by the Secret Service to impersonate President Mitchell in a situation that may have been unsafe for the real President Mitchell. Soon after, the real President Mitchell has a stroke and Dave is forced by Chief of Staff Bob Alexander (Frank Langella) to continue the impersonation for Alexander's own political gain. This sets off a hilarious series of events where Dave is shown as the everyman in an extraordinary situation, in the spirit of *Mr. Smith Goes To Washington*.

The premise of *The Candidate* is much the same. In it, a young, idealistic (read liberal) lawyer named Bill McKay (Robert Redford) is persuaded to run for the U.S. Senate

in California against the "unbeatable" Republican incumbent. McKay initially resists, but agrees when promised that he can take whatever stands on the issues he wants, since he is going to lose anyway.

McKay starts out on the campaign trail spouting every liberal message he can think of. He gains a following of people that are tired of the usual rhetoric and glad to hear honesty from a candidate. Things change, however, when McKay wins the Democratic primary and becomes a viable candidate. What follows is a depolarization of McKay that he has no control over. His analysts and advisors transform him from a voice for change into another mediocre centrist.

Both films are portrayals of average men thrust into positions of political power. But the characters' developments take opposite routes. Dave Kovic goes from being a seemingly weak presidential doppelganger to a man of real moral character and strength. In his climactic speech to Congress, Kovic declares, "I should care more about you than I do about me. I should worry more about what's right than what's popular. I should be willing to give this whole thing up for something I believe in." *Dave* becomes more than a comedy, it makes a serious statement about the American political nature.

*The Candidate* also makes a strong statement during McKay's journey to the Senate, though McKay is Kovic's opposite. At the outset, McKay is confident about who he is and what he is saying, and this unique quality appeals to people. The public wasn't used to having a candidate tell them what he really thinks. After McKay's advisors get their hooks in him though, they take the campaign and the message away from him. In doing so, they betray the very people that gave McKay his power base to begin with. As McKay comes closer and closer to winning, he realizes that he never wanted to. The man that he was is gone; only a politician remains.

So no matter who you like in the presidential race, go down to your local video store and rent these movies. They will entertain and absorb you, but most of all they'll make you think.

**Rating (both movies): 7 Bucks**

## Broken Arrow

John Woo's second American effort, *Broken Arrow*, is a better than average action movie. It pits Vic Deakins (John Travolta) against Riley Hale (Christian Slater), both of whom are Air Force pilots. They are allies and

competitors at the same time. Their rivalry comes to a head when Deakins attempts to steal a couple of nuclear warheads in order to extort money from the government. Hale and Deakins confront each other in the Utah desert in a battle for the warheads.

There is one big problem that I had with this movie. It wasn't Woo's direction, which was great. From the beautiful location shots to the gun-in-each-hand shoot-outs, Woo was in great form. It also wasn't Travolta's acting which was fun to watch, though one-dimensional to be sure. But the flatness of Travolta's character didn't matter. He's such a good actor that it's a blast to see him in his maniacal cockiness. No, the problem here is Christian Slater. Whomever did the casting for *Broken Arrow* needed to think a lot harder about whom to cast as the hero. To be honest, when one thinks of Christian Slater, do they think of someone flying jets and shooting bad guys?

Despite the fact that Slater bulked up for this part, he still looks like a little kid out there against the guys. He is acting with John Travolta, a man who eats up the screen like candy, and Howie Long, who is six-feet-five and weighs about 250 pounds. No amount of bulking up will be able to compensate for that. But it isn't only Slater's stature that makes him wrong for the part, it's his lack of wit. Riley Hale is way too dumb to beat Vic Deakins. The only reason he stays alive is because a park ranger (played well by Samantha Mathis) that he meets keeps getting him out of trouble. Mathis comes off way better than Slater. I kept forgetting that he was supposed to be the hero, not her. After all, her character is smarter and braver than Slater, though that isn't saying much.

And that's what *Broken Arrow* boils down to. From the first scene where Deakins is beating Hale up in a boxing ring, through their conflicts in the desert, and to their final fight, I kept wanting Deakins to win. Not because I wanted him to nuke the country, but because Travolta was a thousand times more interesting than Slater. If John Woo had given Samantha Mathis the two guns instead of Slater, I would have been inclined to root for the good guys.

**Rating: 4 Bucks**

## Rumble in the Bronx

Let's get something straight before we begin. This is a Jackie Chan movie we're dealing with here. Don't go to the theater expecting Shakespeare. The writing isn't very good, the acting is terrible, and the English dubbing becomes the running joke in the movie. But none of these things are the point of the movie. The point is that you are going to see Jackie Chan beat up the bad guys and jump off of buildings for an hour and a half. And in that respect, *Rumble* delivers.

The plot, and I use that term loosely, is as simple as you would expect. Jackie Chan gets on the bad side of a motorcycle gang, motorcycle gang and Jackie Chan fight for a while. Jackie Chan finds a bunch of stolen diamonds. Jackie Chan and the thieves fight for a while. No big surprises there. The surprises come from Chan himself. There is no one working in action films today that can do what Jackie Chan does. As an actor, he is more likable than he has a right to be. He is an excellent martial artist, especially in terms of interaction with his environment (it's not everyday that you see someone using a refrigerator to beat someone up), and he has great

comedic talents. He isn't afraid to make fun of himself, something rare in the testosterone effused world of action films, and this makes him an appealing hero.

The action sequences are well done and Chan's stunts are amazing. There's something about having the actor do his own stunts that makes the movie so much more fun to watch. It makes you see that the actor is really making an effort in the film. And since he cares that much about the movie, you care more about it too.

**Rating: 4 Bucks**

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# Parting Thoughts...

Clinton's an unusually good liar. Unusually good. Do you realize that?

—Bob Kerrey



The greatest dangers to liberty lurk in insidious encroachment by men of zeal, well-meaning but without understanding.

—Louis D. Brandeis



The nearest thing to immortality in this world is a government bureau.

—Hugh S. Johnson



If you *have* to have a policy manual, publish the Ten Commandments.

—Robert Townsend



You can fool all of the people all of the time if the advertising is right and the budget is big enough.

—Joseph E. Levine



Beggars should be abolished. It annoys one to give to them, and it annoys one not to give to them.

—Frederich Nietzsche



Nothing is more powerful than an idea whose time has come.

—Victor Hugo

To see what is right and not to do it, that is cowardice.

—Confucius



It is much safer to be feared than to be loved, when you have to choose between the two.

—Machiavelli



Trust in God but lock your car.

—H. Jackson Brown, Jr.



Politics is perhaps the only profession for which no preparation is thought necessary.

—Robert Louis Stevenson



I have come to regard the Law Courts not as a cathedral, but as a casino.

—Richard Ingrams



The object of war is not to die for your country but to make the other bastard die for his.

—George S. Patton



The government deficit is the difference between the amount of money the government spends and the amount it has the nerve to collect.

—Samuel Goldwyn

Congress is so strange. A man gets up to speak and says nothing. Nobody listens — and then everybody disagrees.

—Boris Marshalov



The better part of valor is discretion.

—Shakespeare



Any kiddie in school can love like a fool — but hating, my boy, is an art.

—Ogden Nash



The vast wasteland of TV is not interested in producing a better mousetrap but in producing a worse mouse.

—Lawrence C. Coughlin



Politicians are like diapers. They both should be changed often. And for the same reason.

—John Wallner



Prison will not work until we start sending a better class of people there.

—Lawrence J. Peter



Nothing is easier than spending public money. It does not appear to belong to anybody. The temptation is overwhelming to bestow it on somebody.

—Calvin Coolidge

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