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PUFF

The event of the year

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This year a new event will be taking UCSD by



storm. The Psychedelic Unified Funk Fest (PUFF) will be celebrated the day following the Sun God festival, Saturday, May 20, on the Warren Engineering Mall. Admission is free. PUFF, an ambitious project headed by a group of Revelle students and students from all five colleges, was developed to unify the five colleges of UCSD as well as to extend the festivities of Sun God. PUFF will be an afternoon and evening festival that features bands, cultural programming, foods, crafts, vendors, college sponsored events, and much more. Revelle committees are sponsoring fun activities, like a fake tattoo booth, face-

The Watermelon Drop is back

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On the very last day of the school year, at around noon, a crowd begins to form around the base of Urey Hall. The excitement mounts as DJ's and bands begin to play. The area directly in front of the stairs is cleared of people and soon the real excitement begins. The Watermelon Queen or Queens, chosen in a talent show, perform their acts in the festival. It begins several weeks earlier with the search for the Watermelon Queen.

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A talent show is held to find the funniest or most talented person or people to be Watermelon Queen(s). These people then perform their act at the Watermelon Drop festival in front of Urey

Hall. Upon the completion of the act they proceed up the steps of Urey to the roof. Once they reach the top, they perform the honor of throwing the watermelon to the ground several stories

below. After this there is much rejoicing and watermelon slices for all. The Watermelon Drop, an annual event at Revelle, sponsored by RPB, signals the end of the school year for Revelle and all of UCSD. It is one of Revelle's longest standing traditions as well as one of the most often mimicked. The Watermelon Drop is always a time of excitement at Revelle and this year will be no

exception. So come out and enjoy one of the last on-campus events of the year and probably your last chance to party before finals. See You There!!

painting, a dunk tank, hair sculpting, and a fashion show featuring cultural dress and music.

Headlining at PUFF will be "Midnight Voices", a rap/raggae ensemble featuring african dance and theatre. Their music is said to "take you on a journey" Pretty psychedelic! Pretty funky! You won't want to miss "Midnight Voices," because the lead singer is Mohammed

from MTV's *The Real World*! He is on his way up and rumor has it that MTV might be on hand to take some footage of their performance at PUFF to put in the Real World Reunion Show scheduled for August!

PUFF has something for everyone. So drop the physics book and put away the chem notes and come to UCSD's first annual Psychedelic Unified Funk Fest.

Parting Thoughts

ANDREW K. ROORDA
Revelations

Along the snake path at Central Library is a gigantic stone replica of Milton's novel, *Paradise Lost*. It bears the inscription "Then wilt thou not be loth to leave this paradise, but shall possess a paradise within thee, happier far." When I first toured UCSD I passed this obscure landmark without taking much notice. Now, as graduation rapidly approaches it takes on greater significance to me. I'm certain that many of my fellow graduating seniors would think that I'm crazy to liken UCSD, or Revelle College, to a paradise, with the rigorous academic toll that it has exacted upon us. But to me, the life experi-

ences and personal growth I've had while at UCSD have been utopian.

When I first entered college, I had a very apathetic and complacent attitude towards my studies. However, this frame of mind began to change after I transferred to UCSD. Being immersed in the dynamic atmosphere of UCSD soon led to a realization of my true potential. I began to excel in my coursework at an unprecedented level. This can be attributed in part to being around friends and classmates who were highly motivated. These people have helped sustain me during those stressful times around midterms and finals. One thing which I undoubtedly miss the most is the camaraderie we developed out of our shared experiences in the classroom on the playing field, and in other venues.

It would be a daunting task for me to recount all of the life experiences I have enjoyed

while at this university. But, I will say that they have left an indelible imprint on me and will influence my future endeavors.

My parting words to you are that I am better off for having been here and as I grow older my memories of UCSD will stay with me, happier far.

We at Revelations feel proud to be associated with someone as talented, hard-working, and dependable as Andrew Roorda. We thank him for his great contributions to the newsletter and wish him the best of luck in his future endeavors. Congratulations Andrew.

Freedom Of Speech

Wise Words or Weirdos?

AMIT ASARAVALA
Revellations

Who are all these people running around campus with their signs, their pamphlets, and their slogans? Who are these men, wrapped in pink cloth, beating drums by the Price Center? No, they're not art majors. They're part of a standing tradition. They're the "campus prophets" who stand on the Hump, or in the Plaza, shouting their views and their moral slogans at you and your friends.

How do we get rid of them? We don't. They're protected by the First Amendment. Whether you agree with them or not, telling our "unpaid professors" to leave goes against their Constitutional rights.

So you've already heard so much about censorship and the Constitution that you're about to spend some time paying homage to the porcelain throne, right? Well, even if you were to hook up with someone in Congress and amend the Bill of Rights, that family would still be in the Student Center reading from the Bible.

The scruffy guy with the "Masturbation is Fun" shirt would still be around, too. Why? Because this is a university. And any institution that calls itself a university must credit itself with "academic freedom and the pursuit of truth." It is everyone's right to search for what he or she believes is true. It is also everyone's right to advertise that truth if he or she finds it.

There's no difference if one person plays a guitar by the Fountain and another preaches the beauty of pagan rituals near Stonehenge. Both are expressing themselves without harming anyone else. Anyone on this campus is protected not only by the Constitution, but by university ideals. Carry on Masturbation Guy. Carry on Hare Krishnas.

Comments, Suggestions, and other points of view on this subject are welcome, and can be submitted to the Revellations mail box, in the Dean's Office.

A Step Beyond Freedom of Speech

RAMIN AMIRNOVIN
Revellations

Despite the fact that the freedom of speech, expression, and thought are essential for the existence of a free society, as every Mill-influenced American can tell you, there is a limit to such freedoms. Many feel that everyone should be allowed to state or express that which he/she wishes, as long as they do not physically harm others in doing so. This philosophy is flawed in assuming that the only way that one can harm another being is through physical actions and that words, ideas, and the like cannot be harmful. The truth of the matter is that words and ideas can have much more pronounced affects on the society, specially the moral fabric of the society, than actions. The difference which exists is that the affects of actions are visible in the short run whereas those of ideas and words take years or perhaps ages to show their true negative outcomes.

For instance, the university is seen as a place for freedom of thought and expression and everyone is allowed to state and verbalize that which they think, despite its content. Such persons as "Brother Jed" are the consequences of this excessive liberal policy. This man is not content with simply and quietly voicing his opinions on the subject of religion (Christianity), but rather finds a perverted sort of enjoyment in demoralizing females whose appearance defies his moral beliefs. Jed has stepped beyond the simple and humane soliciting performed by such groups as the Jehova's Witnesses and continually makes demoralizing and sexist comments about females. Although such statements might seem harmless, their affects are unpredictable unless you are the subject of these comments and unfounded remarks. Simply put, freedom of expression and thought should be limited to the freedom of expression to the point that the expression is unable to harm another person either physically, mentally, whether directly or indirectly (as with Brother Jed or the white supremesist groups). The complexity and problems of such a method are too much to be discussed here, but if this form of "expression-management" is performed with its own correct bounds, it will provide for a society more conscious of its surroundings and members, rather than the current society in which complete freedom of speech yields the growth of hate, demoralization, and the like.

Student Poetry Corner

The Unfathomed

HELENA TANG
Revellations

In between the trees, your glittering eyes,
like exquisite dew gracing a petal
or soft beams of light glowing at sunrise,
rest upon my face with glances gentle.

Eyes that reflect the color of the skies,
a face of the beauty of an angel,
smiles joyful as a bird's resounding cries,
kindle flames to illuminate my soul.

You drew me out of barren wilderness,
breathed life into this shriveled existence,
shared ethereal dreams with warm kisses,
enchanted this dead heart with your entrance

To this void, you granted unfathomed sight.
Not even the stars give such gentle light.

Revelle 1995 Commencement

Sunday, June 18, 2:30 p.m.

GRADUATION

Thurgood Marshall College Field
See Dean's Office for more information

Financial Planning for Seniors

Graduation is upon you, either plan your finances or be forced to move back in with Mom and Dad...

After spending four years budgeting meal plans, housing, tuition, and committee finances, Revelle's Dean's Office wants you to feel comfortable with the education or the work-consultant will be on how to juggle the incumbant upon overdrawn, come to the Informal Lounge at 4:00 pm on WEDNESDAY, MAY 17 and meet with Robert B. Jorgensen, Senior Investment Management Consultant, Smith Barney Inc.



UCSD Summer School

Over 300 courses are offered this summer

Over 300 courses ranging from marine biology to the history of jazz will be offered by the University of California, San Diego, at its summer sessions July 2 to Sept. 8.

University students, including those from other countries; high school students who have completed their junior year, and adults willing to make a commitment to serious study, are eligible to attend. There are no admission requirements and no transcripts needed.

The sessions will run from July 3 to Aug. 4 and from Aug. 7 to Sept. 8. The average fee is \$300 per course, with a \$40 application fee.

Additionally, UCSD will offer a Summer Scholars program for high school students interested in marine biology or environmental science. The two four-week sessions will provide them an opportunity to sample college life.

Students will attend classes, spend a day aboard a Scripps Institution of Oceanography vessel, take a number of field trips and live on campus during the session. The \$2,200 fee includes room and board, tuition and expenses.

An archaeology expedition to Israel is being offered this Summer by the university. The nine-week excavation program, from July 2 to Aug. 30, includes participation in the new UCSD Nahal Tillah Regional Archaeology Project in Israel's northern Negev Desert. Students and faculty will live in a tent camp near the excavation site.

Following the excavation, students will learn the basics of archaeological data analysis by helping process artifacts in the Nelson Glueck School of Biblical Archaeology at the Hebrew Union College in Jerusalem. The total fee, including air fare, room and board and tuition, is \$2,756.

An Intensive Language Program will be held on the UCSD campus from July 3 to Sept. 1. Classes will be offered in Chinese, French German, Italian, Spanish, Russian, Japanese, Latin and Greek, and will range from six to nine weeks. The average fee is \$350 for five units, plus the \$40 application fee.

The deadline for receiving applications is June 28 for the first session and Aug. 2 for the second. For additional information call the Summer Session office at 534-7074.

Career Services News

JOB SEARCH CLUB, June 26, 28, 30, July 5, 7, 10, 12, and 14.

Graduating seniors will find plenty of support and instruction as they look for a job during this 3-week workshop. How to network, use the telephone effectively, and conduct a successful job search along with many more tips are all covered in this hands-on program. Enrollment is limited, so students should sign up as soon as possible.

ACCESS (Accessing Career Employment for the Social Sciences), May 18, 1:30-4:00 pm. This is a job information and networking program that brings together graduating seniors who have an interest in careers related to the social sciences and professionals in the field for generating contacts, leads, and job search tips. Students must complete the application process by April 21. Enrollment is limited.

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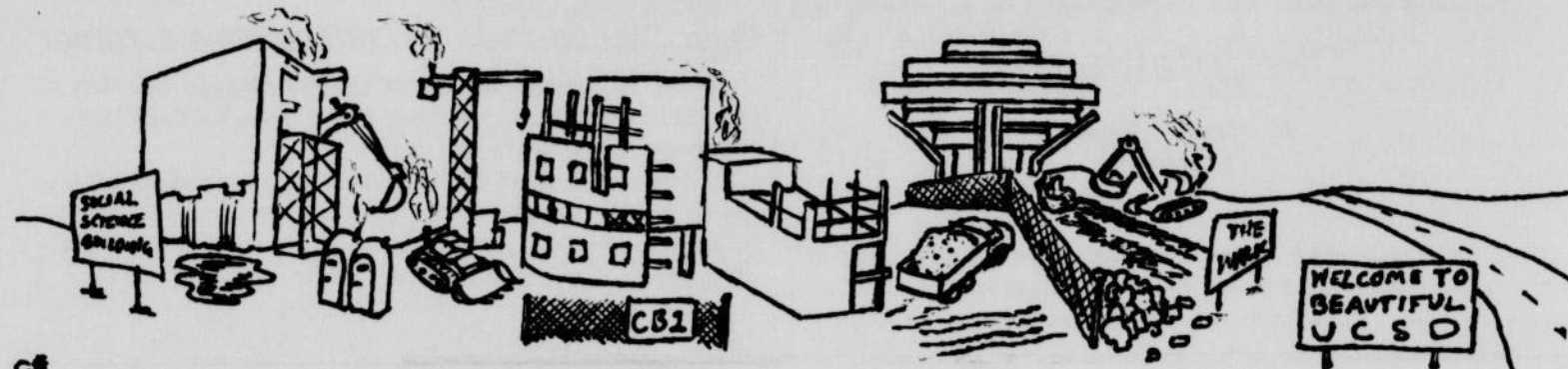
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Getting Involved at Revelle College

CHRIS IWAY

Revelle College Council

As a Revelle student, you've probably always been interested in learning about the many different committees and organizations that Revelle College has to offer, but you just haven't been able to find time. Well, here's your opportunity to learn what each student group does and how you can get involved, making your own lasting mark at Revelle.

Not many students are familiar with Revelle College Council (RCC), but as the student governing body of Revelle, RCC plays an integral role in many aspects of the college, including activities coordinated by Revelle's student organizations. Comprised of six elected representatives, three elected A.S. senators, one appointed freshman senator and freshman representative, the Assist. Dean of Students, and the Dean of Students, RCC deals largely with financial matters and in executing policy. Also, RCC provides students with the chance to represent Revelle on campuswide organizations. Yet, more importantly, RCC's main purpose is to answer the questions and voice the opinions of Revelle students. By attending the council's weekly meetings, you can make your voice heard and just hang out with a bunch of really cool people.

In conjunction with RCC, there are six standing committees which plan activities for Revelle students. Most of these committees meet on a regular, usually weekly basis, and always welcome new members and fresh ideas (for meeting times visit the Dean's office).

The Revelle Program Board (RPB) plans many fun events throughout the year such as BBQ's and bands on the Plaza, the

Watermelon Pageant, and the highly anticipated Battle of the Bands.

The Revelle Faculty/Student Program Board (FSPB) is a great way to meet UCSD professors. Through informal settings, like brown bag lunches, students can get to know their professors on a more one-on-one, personal level.

The Cultural Awareness Network (CAN) supports an increased awareness of ethnic, cultural, and racial issues. In holding discussions, visiting museums, or experimenting with different cultural foods, CAN expands Revelle students' knowledge far beyond books and lectures and into the diverse world surround us.

Community Outreach (CO) is perfect for students who receive their greatest satisfaction in helping others. Volunteering in soup kitchens, tutoring elementary students, and cleaning up the beaches are only a few of the ways that CO dedicates its time to serving the needs of the community.

The Commuter Activities Board (CAB) is specifically aimed at reaching out to commuter students so that they can share in all the fun and excitement of Revelle. Activities sponsored by CAB include breakfasts and interesting trips.

"Revellations," Revelle's college newsletter, is what you're reading right now, and it's open to any and all aspiring journalists, photographers, and just about everyone else. "Revellations" keeps Revelle students on top of current matters and acts as an outlet for students to display their creative capabilities.

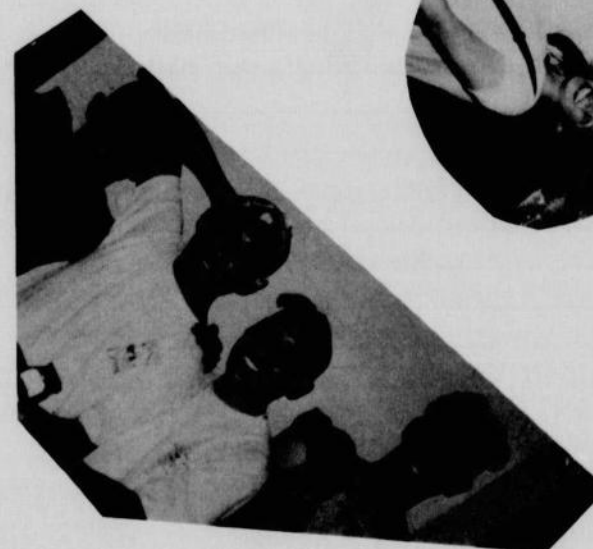
There are also 4 special event committees which coordinate one, big event for the year: the Renaissance Faire committee, the Semi-Formal Committee, the Graduation Committee, and the College Bowl Committee.

Now that you've gotten a glimpse into the wonderful world of Revelle College committees and organizations, there's no excuse to stay uninvolved. Each student group not only creates a common bond among its members, but collectively, the groups achieve a greater sense of unity among all Revelle students. So, with the countless ways to make a difference at Revelle, you'll definitely find your own niche in at least one of its organizations.

Help Revelle Students! Be a One-on-One Student Mentor and help incoming students adjust to college life. Come to the Revelle Dean's Office to fill out an application. Call 534-1580 for more info.



Rockin' at Revelle
PHOTOS COLLECTED BY CONNIE SZETO



REVELLE COLLEGE COUNCIL
CAMPUSWIDE COMMITTEE APPOINTMENT APPLICATION
1995-1996

Submit to the Revelle Administration Office by May 22, 1995

NAME _____ PHONE _____
CURRENT ADDRESS _____
SUMMER ADDRESS _____
YEAR IN SCHOOL (Circle one): 1 2 3 4 5 MAJOR _____
COMMITTEES FOR WHICH YOU ARE APPLYING

Number by order of preference:

- _____ On-Campus Residential and Food Services Advisory
- _____ Transportation and Parking Advisory
- _____ Financial Services Advisory
- _____ Student Regulations Review
- _____ Alcohol and Substance Abuse
- _____ Bookstore Advisory
- _____ Registration Fee Advisory
- _____ University Center Advisory Board
- _____ Human Resource Committee
- _____ A.S. Cultural Programming Finance Board
- _____ A.S. Judicial Board
- _____ A.S. Sun God Festival Committee
- _____ A.S. Student Organizations Finance Board
- _____ Student Health Advisory Committee
- _____ Oasis Committee
- _____ A.S. Elections Committee

PLEASE BRIEFLY DESCRIBE YOUR EXPERIENCE/QUALIFICATIONS

PLEASE LIST CURRENT ACTIVITIES/COMMITTEES/ETC.

HOW MANY HOURS PER WEEK CAN YOU CONTRIBUTE? _____

Applications will be reviewed by the Revelle College Council and applicants will be notified if appointed

Congratulations to the New OLs and RAs

Congratulations to the new Orientation Leaders and Resident Advisors for the 1995-96 academic year.

Orientation Leaders:

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| Jocelyn Alexander | Laxmi Acharya |
| Amit Asaravala | Pamela Cheng |
| Normy Chiou | Amanda Coltes |
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| Christine Iway | James Lin |
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Resident Advisors:

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| Blanca Bayardo | David Bronstein |
| Kim Brower | Oliver Butterick |
| Laurie Camitchel | Will Frey |
| Joon Han | Jeff Praught |
| Miguel Rodriguez | Long Tran |
| Stanley Yu | |

GRADPACK '95 needs volunteers

Would you like to participate in commencement but are not graduating this year? **GRADPACK '95** needs volunteers to help out at the ceremony. Sign up in the Dean's Office. It's a great way to get information and experience for next year's graduation committee.

Volunteer leadership positions

- Expose yourself to the rewarding experience of becoming a Revelle College Volunteer Student Affairs Intern.
- Have fun while you learn how to program an event, review policies, and collaborate with the Dean's Office Staff in leadership opportunities.
- Don't miss this great chance. Make an appointment to meet the Assistant Dean to learn more about the endless possibilities that being an intern offers. Call Liora K. Gutierrez at 534-3492! Make that call today.

E.L.P., the Leader Factor

DANNY LEONG
Revelations

Though a common belief, E.L.P. (Emerging Leaders Program) is not a factory for mass-producing a horde of carbon-copy, soldier-like leaders, who go about performing important and unknown tasks in their high-society meetings. On the contrary, E.L.P. trains its leaders to make a direct impact in the lives of students at Revelle and at U.C.S.D. by their direct involvement in the lives of their fellow students. Moreover, E.L.P. instills respect for cultural, ethnic, and religious differences, responsibility for self, and reliability to society. Our future leaders learn how to share and work with each other while learning to be diligent and compassionate leaders.

The second year in its existence, this baby organization has been successful in preparing Revelle's future leaders. E.L.P. seeks to train incoming freshmen by refining their leadership skills early on in their college careers. Although a program targeting freshmen, there are numerous spots available for second year students. At the weekly meetings held on Thursdays, they discuss selected leadership topics on conflict resolutions, corrective criticism, and effective teamwork skills. These forty students learned that leadership is a process whereby an individual helps a group to envision and achieve mutual goals. Although leadership styles vary for everyone, it encompasses altruism, integrity, confidence, compassion, and humility. By identifying individual styles conflict management with certain animals, each person was able to understand each other by understanding the characteristics in that animal that best corresponded with that person. By identifying these different leadership characteristics in each person, they were able to strengthen group dynamics by realizing and accommodating for the different methods employed to manage conflict and handle situations.

In addition to the weekly meetings, E.L.P. holds interactive activities to help its leaders explore their leadership potentials. Last quarter, they spent a weekend at Isomata, Idyllwild to discuss cultural diversity and group cohesiveness. Hardly a retreat, this weekend drilled unity into the members. Despite the rigorous pace, the leaders were able to become a close-knit family by sharing common experiences and overcoming the same obstacles together. For example, they had to climb up and walk across a huge tree trunk as part of a physically and mentally draining ropes course. Although the activities on this retreat proved to be tiring and often terrifying, by working together, they were able to complete a fun-filled and challenging weekend that inspired confidence in each individual, and unity and trust in the group.

On May 20, the fruits of their labor will become evident, as they will put on the P.U.F.F. Festival. The E.L.P. leaders have poured all their hard-work and resources into this event, often sacrificing sleep for making P.U.F.F. extra special. Choosing bands, looking for vendors and sponsors, selecting the ideal location, and getting publicity, they have channeled all their energy and fervor in preparation of this day, a day of blaring bands, fabulous food, and festive fun.

To All Students Interested in Being 1995-96 ELP Members: Slots still available for 2nd-year students next year. All who are interested, please see Dean Renee Barnett at the Dean's Office.

THE 1994-95 UCSD SENIOR GIFT

LINDA BONILLA
Senior Gift Committee

Hey Students! For those of you who do not know, Senior Gift campaigns have traditionally fulfilled graduating students' desire to leave their mark at their alma mater with a meaningful contribution. In the past, UCSD seniors have donated money for such worthy projects as the Eucalyptus Irrigation Projects, Recycling Program, Triton Pub Renovation and Library computers, with class gifts ranging between \$12,000 - \$36,000 in pledges.

This year's Senior Gift will help to acquire computer hardware and software for UCSD students with disabilities. More specifically, this gift will include two complete Intel Pentium computer systems with DOS & Windows, voice-activated computer operation and furniture to accommodate the equipment and the users. These advanced computer systems would meet the needs of and benefit 150 currently enrolled students and many future students with

disabilities. Given today's computer dependent environment, this equipment will make a tremendous difference in the lives of our fellow classmates.

However, such equipment is not cheap. Because of extreme financial constraints, the Office for Students with Disabilities is unable to provide these computers to students. The goal of the 1995 Senior Gift Committee is to set a campus record high in total pledges and participation rates. In Order to attain this, we are asking every senior to contribute \$50

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or more. These donors will receive individual recognition on a Senior Gift plaque to be displayed in the Price Center. In addition, donor of \$100 or more will receive a one-year complimentary membership in the Alumni Association. No, you do not have to be a senior in order to contribute to this worthy cause. Remember, it is going to take a united effort from

all of us to make this vision a reality. For further information on how to participate as a volunteer caller or to make your gift, please call the Development Office at 534-7140.

Free Practice Test-- May 14 at UCSD
Free Test Strategy Seminars at UCSD-- May 22-25

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