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Quote of the Quarter

"In the name of Allah, the merciful and the gracious, McDonald's Indonesia is owned by an indigenous Muslim Indonesian."

— Poster in a McDonald's restaurant in Jakarta, Indonesia, where anti-American protests have erupted since Sept. 11.



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The Right Stuff in Tough Times

President Bush exceeds expectations, meets needs of American People

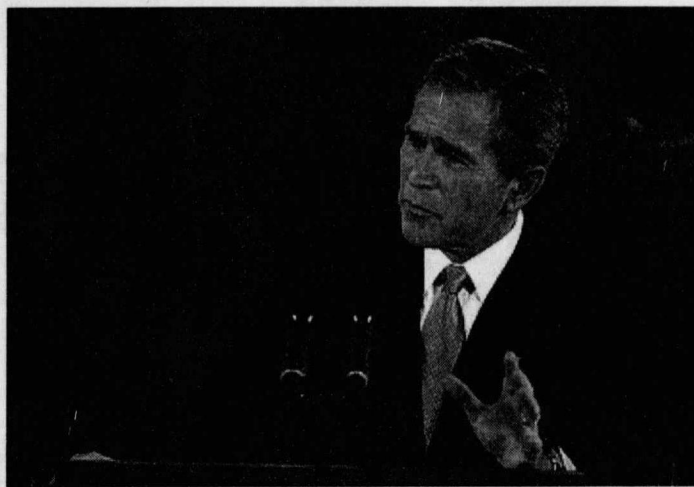
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President Bush once again clearly demonstrated his keen understanding of the gravity of a confluence of complex factors within which he is commanding the prosecution of the War on Terrorism.

At a White House prime-time press conference on September 11th, the president reiterated his determination and firm commitment to take the war to the terrorists on a number of key fronts, simultaneously.

By freezing Taliban and Al Qaeda financial assets — some \$24 million thus far — the U.S. and its allies are beginning to put the squeeze on the ability of these murderous enterprises to conduct their evil deeds.

On both the diplomatic and law enforcement fronts, the U.S. is engaged in fruitful efforts to seek out and apprehend



White House photo by Paul Morse

terrorists across the globe, with scores of arrests by governments in every corner of the world.

In issuing a Most Wanted Terrorists list, the spotlight is now being placed on the very worst leaders and perpetrators of terrorist activities, with the added assistance of the Fox television show *America's Most Wanted*, hosted by John Walsh, in a special to air Friday evening. The program has a worldwide audi-

ence.

Domestically, the president presided over the swearing-in of Tom Ridge, by Justice Clarence Thomas, as director of the newly created Office of Homeland Security, whose charge is to coordinate and unify some 40 agencies of the federal government with the activities of some 18,000 state and local law enforcement departments.

The Senate passed legisla-

tion to address both air travel safety and amendments to U.S. law to enable more effective surveillance and pursuit of suspected terrorists here at home. The first bill would allow qualified commercial pilots to carry pistols and requires reinforcement of cockpit doors.

The second provides for roving tracking of an individual rather than a specific telephone line, and also would provide additional tools to federal law enforcement officers as requested by Attorney General John Ashcroft some weeks ago.

As commander in chief, President Bush is firm in his belief that a full onslaught is the only effective means to achieve his stated goals of bringing the Butcher bin Laden and his Taliban hosts to justice.

Unlike his predecessor, this president is committed to using the maximum force necessary from the full range of the U.S. arsenal of assets, giving the mili-

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"Stop the Hate" Rally Hits on a Few Points, Misses on Most Speakers unfairly associate patriotism with hate

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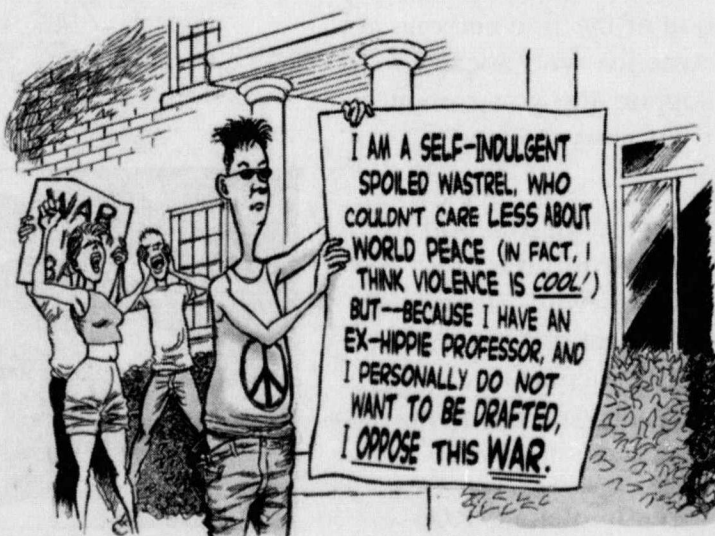
Multiculturalism and diversity are things that UCSD cannot stop promoting, and the peace rally on Thursday was no exception. In the past, I may not have been too sensitive as to the nature by which we are inculcated with such ideals, but in light of recent events it only seems logical to at least give ear to them. So I attended the peace rally in expectation of answers to questions why this event was a promoted by a multicultural coalition and with little expectation of agreeing.

But I found that I did agree with some of what the student speakers were saying. If this surprises you to find this statement in the *California Review*, let me emphasize the word 'some' (and let me also introduce our kinder, gentler side).

I agree that attacks on Americans since September 11

because of their appearance as Arab-Muslims or even Indian-Sikhs is disgusting. This shows that there are ignorant people in our country who do not know the first thing about diversity even within the American Middle-Eastern community. But my patience waned when one speaker mentioned that when you see Americans their waving flags "you can see the hate in their eyes." To insinuate that hate characterizes the whole nation's patriotism is to err. Hate characterizes American patriotism as much as the terrorist attacks characterize the Muslim faith. There definitely needs to be a greater understanding and tolerance of those who makeup that community, but that being said, this is a time when patriotism is needed most. So I echo the chant, "Up with unity, down with hate."

While on the subject of understanding and toleration, I do not see the utility in rationalizing, understanding, or tolerating the



A Truthful Protest Sign

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evil displayed by terrorists. That is exactly what pacifists do without knowing. Some speakers cited the United States' history of racial, sexual, and economic injustice as reasons that they would not join in support for this war on terrorism. One of the Jurassic 5 even mentioned the word 'karma.' I would never pretend to defend our

nation's past policies as flawless, but to suggest that America had it coming to her is not only absurd, it justifies the acts of September 11. America was raped and they are blaming the victim. We do not understand nor will we tolerate such actions, much less justify

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In Review...

- "Reuters news service and CNN are telling their reporters they can no longer refer to bin Laden and his people as 'terrorists' because in their minds they are freedom fighters. They have to use the term 'alleged hijacker.' This is according to their spokesman - an 'alleged idiot!'" - Jay Leno

- According to London's "Sunday Telegraph", Mullah Mohammad Omar, the leader of the Taliban suffers from "bouts of childlike behavior in which he sits in the driving seats of one of his cars turning the wheel making the noise of an engine." Where he's going he better remember to roll down the windows.

- According to Ananova.com, bin Laden has undergone plastic surgery to avoid being caught by the United States. All the money in the world won't save him now.

- The California Review's Web Site of the Quarter: www.osamayomama.com. Exciting features include Osama Yo Mama products, jokes, chat rooms, and every Photoshop job on Bin Laden on the internet.

- Recently Tom Brokaw said, "I don't think a journalist ought to be wearing a flag because it does seem to be...a sign of solidarity toward whatever the government is doing, and that is not our role." Tom must be one of the five persons in America who doesn't support the government right now.

- According to a poll by the Detroit Free Press 61% of Arab Americans think that extra questioning or increased scrutiny of Arab Americans is justified.

- The intolerant, P.C.-crazed college town of Madison, Wis., has banned recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and is also censoring the lyrics to boot. "We do have staff members that are as adamantly opposed to the national anthem, as they are to the pledge," Superintendent Art Rainwater said. Perhaps these anti-American staff members would rather pledge allegiance to the Taliban.

- Throughout the crisis, the embarrassing silence of Senator Hillary Clinton has proven why we've said all along that she doesn't belong in office. Mayor Giuliani, on the other hand, has represented the courage and resilience of New York and proven why he should be a Senator.

- The marquee outside Breen Elementary School reads, "God Bless America." The school is under fire from the ACLU, which says that, "It broadcasts a hurtful, divisive message...." Looks like the ACLU will be busy prosecuting those types of cases for the next, oh, millennium.

-According to the O'Reilly Factor, the United Way has received \$87 million for its September 11th Fund, but so far, only \$5.9 million has been allocated. O'Reilly is trying to get them onto the show for an explanation.

- President Bush's approval rating is currently hovering around 90%. It is believed that the other 10% attend UCSD.

- One Florida man has contracted and subsequently died of a particularly deadly, rare strain on Anthrax. Some of his co-workers at the *Sun*, a nation-wide tabloid newspaper, reportedly have also contracted the non-contagious virus while hundreds of others are under medical observation. Doctors and investigators are certain that foul play was involved. Employees told investigators they received a peculiar letter accompanied by a

soapy substance and a Star of David, although no correlation has been established.

- How to deal with naive, hemp-shirt-wearing college idiots at a peace rally:

- 1) Approach the dumb, well off, ignorant student shouting "peace" and saying there should be "no retaliation."
- 2) Engage in brief conversation, ask him if military force is appropriate.
- 3) When he says "No," ask, "Why not?"
- 4) Wait until he says something to the effect of, "Because that would just cause more innocent deaths, which would be awful and we should not cause more violence."
- 5) When he's in mid-sentence, punch him in the face as hard as you can.
- 6) When he gets back up to punch you, point out that it would be a mistake and contrary to his values to strike you, because that would, "be awful and he should not cause more violence."

7) Wait until he agrees that he has not pledged not to commit additional violence.

8) Punch him in face again, harder this time.

Repeat steps 5 through 8 until you stop enjoying yourself or he admits his ignorance.

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POLITICALLY CORRECT By Jim Huber



From the Pen of the Editor:

I recently had a great conversation with a member of the College Democrats about all things political at UCSD. Inevitably we started talking about the events of September 11th and upon sharing our insights with each other we surprisingly struck a chord of agreement about the job our president has done following the atrocities on the East Coast.

We concurred that we both support President Bush's leadership of our nation into the fight against terrorism abroad and at home. My friend, stressing her disagreements with Bush on policy issues not pertaining to the war on terrorism, feels that President Bush is doing a good job so far.

I should not have been surprised because, after all, President Bush received a 90% job approval rating following his State of the Union Address and a 92% approval rating after the initial bombing of terrorist training camps in Afghanistan. Congress has rallied behind him with unprecedented bipartisanship while pundits across the country continue to affirm the President's guidance of the American people in our resolve to stand united as a nation.

Then why was I surprised when a College Democrat expressed support for President Bush? Well, in three years of political science classes at UCSD I have seen the Republican Party, Republican politicians, prominent conservatives, and generally any opinion right of center trashed on campus by professors, adminis-

dent.

In light of this dramatic turnaround I realize that politics, policy, and partisanship mean nothing when a nation that enjoys unsurpassed freedom is given the task to protect that

political debate is a privilege and look forward to continuing our parley of ideas with students at UCSD this year who genuinely revere the Constitution but interpret it differently. We count them as friends and applaud

"Truthfully, conservative students are the most discriminated against voice on campus."

freedom from those who jealously and maliciously try to take it away. Right now we are all Americans fighting to preserve our nation under the common belief that our freedom is sanctioned by God so that no man or group of people, no matter how steeped in evil, can abolish it. We are a people bound by love for the American way of life and for each other.

Well, 92% of us are, which begs this question: what element of our society comprises the 8% of Americans who refuse to join the rest of us in uniting behind our flag? They are not Democrats, they are not even liberals. They do not contribute constructive dialogue in our cities concerning public policy is-

them for respecting the office of the President of the United States.

The California Review also proudly supports President Bush and offers prayers to the men and women of the armed forces serving our country in its time of need. We send our condolences to the victims in New York, DC, and Pennsylvania and honor the heroic actions of the FDNY and NYPD immediately following the attacks, especially those who died trying to save others.

Finally, we encourage all our readers to display American flags and wave them proudly and freely. Americans belong to a tradition of freedom that did not end on September 11th. Instead, freedom will endure here for many generations through the grace of God and by the strength of our people.

- Terrence Morrissey

"We are a people bound by love for the American way of life and for each other."

trators, and leftist student organizations. In fact, as a sophomore taking my first political science class the professor quickly set the standard by making fun of Republican students in his very first lecture. I have even heard of professors taking shots at conservative classes.

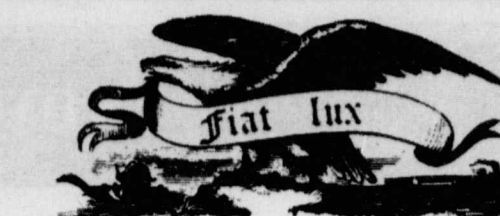
Truthfully, conservative students are the most discriminated against voice on campus. We should hold a "Stop the Hate" rally in honor of ourselves and make AS pay for it! But concentrated attacks on conservative ideas are to be expected at any college campus, especially at a public university, and even more so at the University of California. However, after September 11th that sort of criticism has eroded into a comfortable silence as most of America, including college professors, have taken a unified stand behind our President.

The staff of the California Review recognizes that po-

Unfortunately, these people loudly and aggressively attack America at UCSD and some groups even receive funding to do so. I think their kind can best be represented by something I saw at Café Roma in the Price Center the other day. I noticed a poster which originally read "We support our president" that had the word "supported" crossed out and replaced with the word "hate". To the person who wrote that I say this: you are so out in left field that you no longer have a place in the lineup, so give it up already.

Fellow citizens, we'll meet violence with patient justice — assured of the rightness of our cause, and confident of the victories to come. In all that lies before us, may God grant us wisdom, and may He watch over the United States of America."

- President Bush



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News and Opinion

Reflections on the UN Framework Convention on Climate Change

Lucas Simmons travels to Germany to get the full scoop

Lucas Simmons
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This past summer over thirty college students paid their own way and traveled to Bonn, Germany to protest the Kyoto Protocol and support their President at the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. The trip had been organized by groups such as Committee for a Constructive Tomorrow (CFACT), The Leadership Institute, and the Science and Environmental Policy Project. On our way to our final destination we traveled through Washington D.C., London, and Brussels to hear speakers and see presentations from conservative organizations.

Our initial stop was Washington D.C., where we heard speakers from Congress, the White House, and the Heritage Foundation talk on the subject of global warming. One representative we heard from was Joseph Nolenberg (R-MI) who told us that the "Kyoto Protocol is not just flawed, it's a pile of loose parts" and echoed Bush's position when he said, "The Kyoto

We then traveled to London, where we heard speakers from the Institute for Economic Affairs. One of them, Richard Courtney, was a socialist but was opposed to the Kyoto protocol because he saw through the rhetoric and demagoguery perpetuated by his colleagues on the left. Next, in Brussels we heard from representatives for the Center for the New Europe who also believed that the Kyoto Treaty would be economically devastating for the world.

We finally arrived at our final destination of Bonn, Germany. This was the city that the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change was being held. We were allowed to wander through the conference site and listen to some of the meetings. However, the majority of these meetings were closed off to the general public. One conference we were able to attend was an Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) briefing where they were explaining some of the "science" behind the Kyoto Protocol and at one point remarked, "The science isn't per-



Former 'Greenpeace' Activist Now Says Earth Healthier Than Ever

Dutch prof sees light after doing his own research

By Marc Moran
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(CNSNews.com) - Danish Professor Bjorn Lomborg was a former Greenpeace member who truly believed the earth was in dire condition and that humans were ruining the environment until he was challenged to check the facts for himself.

"I never doubted the environmental myths. I used to be a very concerned Greenpeace kind of leftie," he said.

In 1987, he read an article by Economist Julian Simon who said the earth's environment was getting healthier. "I said no, no. That's got to be right-wing American propaganda," he stated.

Lomborg then set out with some of his students from the University of Aarhus to debunk Simon's contention. But it was Lomborg who was in for a surprise. "As it turned out, we were the ones getting debunked. Things are actually getting better and better on pretty much all accounts. We are actually leaving our kids a better world," he said.

Lomborg is in the U.S., promoting his new book the *Skeptical Environmental-*

ist. At a Cooler Heads Coalition luncheon on Capitol Hill, sponsored by the Competitive Enterprise Institute (CEI), Lomborg said that since he began criticizing the green movement, he has been accused of being a "right winger" or at least a "messenger boy for the right."

But an excerpt read from his book clearly refutes any

the air in London is cleaner today than it was in 1585. He also insisted that world hunger is a rapidly declining problem, dropping in half since 1970 and projected to drop dramatically lower in the next 30 years.

He criticized the alarmism and misinformation with regard to most environmental issues and suggested that myths are designed to force immediate action. "If you feel you painted yourself into a corner, you are willing to do pretty much anything," he asserted.

Lomborg noted that since the 1920s, the world has been told how there is only a "10 year supply of oil" left in the world. He quoted an old professor who said, "We have been running out of oil ever since I was a kid."

"It's like going home and looking into your fridge and saying 'whoa, you only have food for three days, you are going to die in four,'" he joked.

Lomborg explained that we continue to consume more oil while at the same time producing greater quantities of the fuel. He quoted the former head of OPEC, who once said, "The oil age is not going to come to an end because of a lack of oil, just like the stone age did not come

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Protocol is dead." Another representative, Joanne Emerson (R-MO) spoke on the issue of the inflexibility of Kyoto (article 26 says that it cannot be altered) and the exclusion of major developing countries such as China, India and Korea. Representatives from the White House Council on Environmental Quality who said that Kyoto only binds 20% of the world to reducing emissions re-emphasized this point. A global problem (assuming that global warming really is a problem) should require a global solution, and Kyoto is definitely not a global solution.

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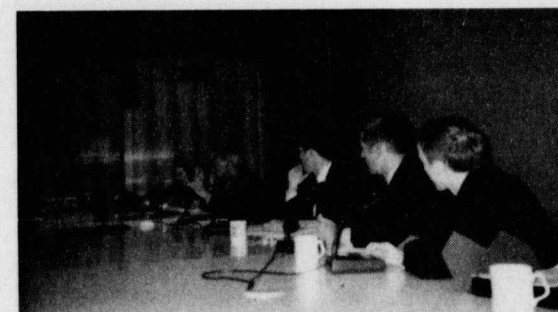
Kyoto, cont...

the night prior some of the Greenpeace people had been out protesting shouting "Down with the USA!" None of the representatives at the debate attempted to deny or separate themselves from anything having to do with such a demonstration and did not seem at all

vent environmental degradation."

We cannot even correctly forecast next week's weather or create computer models that accurately calculate the climate one year into the past. Yet somehow, the United Nations has the next hundred years worth of weather forecasts ready to go for The

Weather Channel to broadcast. Additionally, thirty years ago some of the same people were spewing theories that the



CFACT and Greenpeace students debate

perturbed to be accused of such a thing. Greenpeace surprised me again when they said basically the same thing as the IPCC briefing, that the science regarding the issue is not perfect. If the science is not perfect, why are we gambling our economic future on such an unsure situation? Unfortunately, most of Europe and leftist environmental groups abide by the Precautionary Principle which can be best summed up by Principle 15 of the Rio Declaration, "Where there are threats of serious or irreversible damage, lack of full scientific certainty shall not be used as a reason for postponing cost-effective measures to pre-

Earth would cool by ten degrees Fahrenheit because of CO2 emissions, now it is the same cause but the exact opposite result. It must be realized that the majority of the groups involved in negotiating treaties such as Kyoto do not truly care about sound science. With these groups, the Precautionary Principle always prevails in environmental policy negotiations. If there is the smallest chance something could happen - no matter the outstanding scientific evidence against it - it is worth preventing even if there are dire consequences to the people inhabiting the Earth. To me, this is sheer lunacy.

Greenpeace, cont...

to an end because of a lack of stone." He believes that solar energy will emerge as a primary energy source over fossil fuels by the close of this century.

Lomborg asserted that the Kyoto global warming treaty would be an economic disaster for the world while having only minimal effects on climate change.

"The cure is more costly than the disease," he said. According to Lomborg, even if the Kyoto Protocol were fully enacted, the world would have "simply postponed the problem [of climate change] for six years. We will basically say the temperature we would have reached in 2094, we have now postponed until 2100."

He believes the money Kyoto would cost the world's economy would be better spent investing in cleaner drinking water and improved sanitation for the developing world.

"We do not fix all problems. Some problems we simply say we would rather spend our resources elsewhere."

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The Bush Administration "Dream Team": Highly Qualified, More Diverse Than Any Other Presidency

Bush has some of the most respected politicians and military leaders in the country

Bryan Gragg
Staff Writer

Many political pundits and analysts have stated that President George W. Bush has surrounded himself with an all-star team comprised of the most qualified and diverse people our government has ever seen. Unlike the previous administration, this President has surrounded himself with an honest, qualified and hard working staff needed to most effectively serve the American people. Also, our government is the most diverse in history, with the first ever African-American to serve as Secretary of State, Colin Powell, and the first African-American woman to serve as National Security Advisor, Condoleezza Rice.

We all should be aware of those individuals who will shape the history of our nation

in this time of crisis. The hunting down of Osama bin Laden, the bombing of Afghanistan, and the downfall of the Taliban government is in the hands of our National Security "Dream Team" hand picked by President Bush. Their mission is to design a plan of attack that will achieve the specific goals of Operation Enduring Freedom. To attain a better understanding of those who hold our lives in their hands, we will look at four key members of the current Bush administration and analyze their role in shaping the outcome of this war on terrorism.

Vice-President Richard B. Cheney has one of the most distinguished careers in Washington. His career in public service began with the Nixon Administration in 1969 serving in a variety of positions at the Cost of Living Council, the Office of Economic Opportunity, and

within the White House. When Gerald Ford assumed the presidency in 1974, Mr. Cheney served on the transition team and later as Deputy Assistant to the President and in 1975 was named as Ford's Chief of Staff. After returning to his home state of Wyoming, Cheney served as the state's lone congressman for six consecutive terms. He was elected Chairman of the Republican Policy Committee from 1981 to 1987. In 1987 he was elected Chairman of the House Republican Conference and Minority Whip in 1988. As Secretary of Defense from March 1989 to January 1993, Cheney coordinated two of the largest military campaigns since Vietnam: Operation Just Cause in Panama and Operation Desert Storm in the Middle East. For his leadership during the Gulf War, Secretary Cheney was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom

by President George Bush Sr. on July 3, 1991. He is considered the most highly qualified Vice-President in history and will be instrumental in advising the President on military actions that should be taken by the United States.

National Security Advisor Condoleezza Rice graduated from the University of Denver at age 19 with a bachelor's degree in political science (cum laude). She earned her master's at the University Of Notre Dame and a doctorate from the University of Denver's Graduate School of International Studies. In 1986, Rice went to Washington D.C. to work on nuclear strategic planning at the Joint Chiefs of Staff as part of a Council on Foreign Relations fellowship. Returning to Washington in 1989 as director of Soviet and East European affairs with the National Security

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Pro-America Rally

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"All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." Edmund Burke

Book Review

James Madison, Writings
Edited by Jack N. Rakove
The Library of America, 1999.
Hard Cover, 950 pp. + index,
\$40.00

Reviewed by Brandon Crocker

Through his efforts to craft the Constitution, and his promotion of it through the ratification process, James Madison secured the triumph of the American Revolution. Yet, strangely, he receives relatively little attention these days. The Library of America has helped to address this situation with its new, quality edition of the most important writings of the "Father of the Constitution."

The Library of America describes itself as "dedicated to preserving America's best and most significant writing in handsome and enduring volumes." With *James Madison, The Library of America* has fulfilled its mission wonderfully. The edition is, indeed, handsome (featuring a youthful portrait of Madison on the cover jacket, rather than one of those elderly portraits in which he looks downright scary) and is printed on acid-free paper. The contents include his 29 contributions to *The Federalist*, speeches to the Constitutional Convention, several interesting essays (including his little gem *Property* printed in 1792), letters to Jefferson, Hamilton, Monroe, Edmond Randolph, and others, his two Presidential Inaugural Addresses, and more.

Except for a short section of notes, and a chronology, this volume is just original source material. There is no editor's introduction or historical commentary. If you are looking for that, I enthusiastically recommend James Morton Smith's remarkable *The Republic of Letters*:

The Correspondence Between Jefferson and Madison, 1776-1826 (W.W. Norton, 1995).

Spanning the years 1772 to 1836, the writings in this volume touch on all of the great issues surrounding the foundation of the United States and of its early history—including the Constitutional Convention, western expansion, the War of 1812, slavery, and the sectionalism that would eventually erupt in the Civil War.

Whereas some writers have argued the constitutionality of secession, Madison was clear in his disagreement with such a stand. In 1788 Madison wrote



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them.

We need to see that there are those in the world that hate the United States and want to engage us in war as a crusade or 'jihad.' They do not want to understand and tolerate. They burn American flags and have hate in their eyes. They don't believe in karma, they believe that God is on their side. I would never suggest that because they hate the United States we should counter with military action (the United States even fights to shelter the freedoms of those who hate their own country and burn their own flag). Nor would I ever suggest that this war is against Islam, because it is clearly not. However, when the terrorists' hate festered into action on September 11, the line was definitely crossed. They have proven themselves to

be the aggressor. To not act would jeopardize the stability and legitimacy of our government—the very democracy which allows students to hold peace rallies.

Appeasing and tolerating terrorists will not work, but that is just what anti-war sentiment is saying should be our response. Michael Kelly of the Washington Post wrote On October 3:

Do the pacifists wish to live in a United States that has been defeated by Osama bin Laden or Saddam Hussein? Do they wish to

Alexander Hamilton (who was fighting the proponents of a conditional ratification of the Constitution in New York) "[c]ompacts must be reciprocal....The Constitution requires an adoption *in toto*, and *for ever*." Hamilton, who would become a political nemesis to Madison, was of similar mind, having written in *Federalist* 22 that the notion that "a party to a compact has a right to revoke that compact" was "heresy."

It was, in fact, his friend and close political ally, Thomas Jefferson, with whom Madison found himself in conflict on issues of the permanency and su-

premacy of the federal government. Madison expunged Jefferson's references to a state's "right" to "nullify" federal laws it disliked in Jefferson's draft of the Virginia Resolution (written to protest the egregious Alien and Sedition Acts). And Madison took issue with one of Jefferson's most famous revolutionary political views.

In 1790 Jefferson penned to Madison his idea that "the Earth belongs to the living." With intricate mathematical calculations he determined the span of generations and reasoned that since present generations should not be bound by the decisions and compacts of past generations, all laws should expire every 19 years. Madison responded with a gentle—but very devastating—counter, pointing out to his friend the practical problems with this idea and concluding that its implementation, by causing so much uncertainty in the continuity of arrangements, would be enormously harmful. Madison's letter is remarkable for not only its brilliance of thought, but for its mastery of civility—simultaneously destroying Jefferson's thesis, and complimenting the genius behind it.

Madison firmly believed that the Constitution he was instrumental in crafting safeguarded the liberties of the states and of the people. And he did not alter his view on the limitations placed by the Constitution on the power of the federal government when he took over the reins of federal power as President. In 1817, Congress presented him a bill authorizing the federal government to construct roads and canals. Madison, though supportive of the idea, believed it unconstitutional. In the absence of the Constitutional amendment for which he had

hoped, he vetoed the bill. He explained to Congress that its legislative powers "are specified and enumerated in the eighth section of the first article of the Constitution, and it does not appear that the power proposed to be exercised by this bill is among the enumerated powers." Wouldn't it be nice to have someone again in the White House who took so seriously the oath to uphold the Constitution?

A few advocates of limited government posit that the wrong side won the constitutional debates of 1787-1789—that the anti-federalists, not Madison, were, in retrospect, the true champions of ordered liberty. Certainly, many of the anti-federalists' fears of a dominating central government have come to pass. But the argument that the liberties of Americans would have been better protected over the long term by a rejection of the Constitution of 1787 is bested by Benjamin Franklin's simple and realistic counter: "I consent Sir, to this Constitution because I expect no better." And the fact remains that the Constitution achieved unprecedented success in protecting liberties for generations. That we have allowed the federal government to overstep its constitutional bounds is not the fault of Mr. Madison, but of ourselves.

This new edition of Madison's writing has filled a void, making accessible previously hard to find material. Madison was a great champion of individual liberty, and his writings should have a prominent place in the libraries of all who are interested in promoting that end.

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Bush

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tary the ability to accomplish its task without pulling political punches.

Not only will such a decisive approach help ensure victory in this battle, it has already sent a crystal clear message to other governments with either a history or propensity to finance, support and harbor terrorists: Change your ways or let Afghanistan's fate be your own.

It is both refreshing and reassuring to have a leader with the right stuff in these tough times, which is why George W. Bush is a president who has faced the deadly challenge that caused the cold-blooded murder of 6,000 innocents on September 11 and met it square in the eye with intelligence, common sense, and steely resolve.

States did as the pacifists wish—if it eschewed war even when attacked—it would, at some point, be conquered by a foreign regime. What stops this from happening is that the government and generally the people of the United States do not heed the wishes of the pacifists.

So when we invoke our multiculturalism and diversity with pride let us not forget that we are also Americans; that we are defending what President Bush called, "progress and pluralism, tolerance and freedom." Those Americans who died in the attacks of September 11 were of various races, ethnicities, and genders. Those who will unite to defend our country represent diverse races, ethnicities, and genders. So I say, "up with unity down with hate." Unite behind our president in defense of our country, continue to wave your flags with pride, and do not tolerate the hatred abroad or at home.

live in a United States that has been defeated by any foreign force? Do they wish to live under an occupying power? Do they wish to live under, say, the laws of the Taliban or the Baath Party of Iraq? These questions, you may say, rest on an absurd premise: Osama bin Laden and Saddam Hussein cannot ever hope to defeat and occupy the United States. Yes, but that is true only because the United States maintains and employs an armed force sufficient to defeat those who would defeat it. If the United

Broadsides

Playing Pro Pundit at the Guardian

Former Guardian editor tells it like it is

By Ben Boychuk

UCSD doesn't have a journalism program. That's mostly a blessing. Journalism as an academic discipline falls somewhere between Communications and Education on the ladder of intellectual respectability. In fact, journalism students have a lot in common with their peers in the education department. They're often steeped in the theory and jargon of the field, but innocent of the day-to-day requirements of the trade. Journalism isn't rocket science. It's more akin to welding, plumbing, or in the very best case, bartending — only not as useful.

On the other hand, a journalism program of some kind could perhaps acquaint would-be scribes with the basic tenets of the profession, the mechanics of the craft — such arcane as the five-Whs, the inverted pyramid, the rules of attribution — and elements of style. If they're lucky, they might even learn a little bit about logic.

But aside from a couple of lit-writing classes, and maybe a Comm course or two, UCSD students who aspire to be the next Woodward and/or Bernstein are pretty much left to their own wits and devices. And to read the UCSD Guardian these days, one would have to conclude that the current crop of editors and writers have maybe two wits to rub together among them. Lose one wit and they'd be half-witted.

But enough about Features. Let's talk about the Opinion Page.

Conservative voices are few and far between on the Guardian's opinion page. In the half-dozen or so issues that have appeared thus far this quarter (at the time of this writing), the page has been dominated by left-wing writers. The page is overwhelmingly, incorrigibly, nauseatingly liberal. What else is new? That's fine. Everybody's got a right to an opinion. It's just not very interesting. This is especially true of the "analysis" of the events of September 11 and after. A little more balance wouldn't hurt.

Consider the piece called "Done in the Name of the Fatherland," which appeared in the October 8 edition. Author Catherine Navarro, a new contributor to the page, is an easy fit with the Guardian opinion-writing stable. She exhibits all the usual traits: a general tendency toward wishful thinking over fact, frequent deployment of the unsupported assertion, and a talent for submerging perfectly readable writing into a sinkhole of bloviation and balderdash.

Savor her headline for a

moment. How many Americans refer to their country as "the Fatherland"? I bet you could house all of them comfortably in a Pepper Canyon Apartment. Miss Navarro must think she's a clever girl, with her dark allusions to fascism and nazism. She isn't.

"I think she suffers from an acute case of moral idiocy, caused by years of being taught to think that the history of America is a history of exploitation, violence, greed, and injustice."

The carnage begins in earnest with Navarro's opening paragraph. "The U.S. response to the tragedies of Sept. 11 is turning from shock and anger into a fanaticism that leaves no room for rational critique and analysis." Wow, where to begin? To call the events of September 11 "tragedies" suggests they were somehow the result of American hubris; in other words, we brought it on ourselves. The better word

hundred cases of harassment against six million Muslims in a country of 280 million people do not amount to fanaticism. Let's put it another way: It's a credit to America's sense of tolerance and fair play that there have only been a handful of (awful) crimes against Muslims and Americans of Arab descent. Miss Navarro says nothing about that, warning instead of an "emotionality that threatens to plunge the country

what Miss Navarro lacks. She goes on: "What is more frightening is that when the anti-Middle Eastern backlash dies down, the American mindset likely will have changed, and not for the better." How's that? Millions of Americans have reassessed their priorities. Suddenly, the trivialities that occupied our minds before September 11 have gone by the board. We're thinking more clearly. We realize that

who was targeted because he was wearing a turban." There is a world of difference, of course. A man is dead. Several others feel bad, or, at the very worst, threatened. One is an abominable crime. The other is simply rude. But perspective is exactly

national admiration. She seems to suggest that military retaliation in the face of an attack on U.S. soil is "emotionality," while talking about the root causes of the attacks is "rational." Even the hippies and freaks at the height of the Vietnam lunacy never made that claim.

Ah, yes, Vietnam. Miss Navarro claims that "anti-war sentiment is growing in America," without offering a shred of data to support it. In fact, she admits in the very same sentence that "an overwhelming majority supports decisive and violent revenge upon the perpetrators of the attacks." Right. She even has polling data for that one. Notice, however, the choice of words: "decisive and violent revenge." She repeats the adjective again in the next paragraph: "Those who object to violent retaliation risk being branded as disloyal and unpatriotic. In this way, the patriotic bond shows itself to be a double-edged sword."

For Miss Navarro, violence only begets violence, and any American response is almost certainly an unjust response. She worries — perhaps with good reason — that objectors risk being branded as disloyal, un-American. She's not alone in thinking this way, of course. I don't think she's either of those things. I think she is naive. I think she suffers from an acute case of moral idiocy, caused by years of being taught to think that the history of America is a history of exploitation, violence, greed, and injustice. Those things have certainly been a part of our history, but they do not define it. But it's a hard lesson to unlearn.

Miss Navarro sums up: "If the nation is to step from this ordeal with its cherished values intact, it must be willing to see that there are more sides to each story than it has so far been willing to admit," she writes awkwardly. "It must be willing to recognize that constructive dialogue about these events will mean attacking the things that breed comfort and laziness within us." One wonders what she believes America's "cherished values" to be. Or, for that matter, what the sides of the story are.

I agree with her about one thing, though. A little dialogue about these events isn't so bad. Let's start with Catherine Navarro's smug and vapid view of the world. If America is to emerge from this ordeal with her ideals intact, we must open our eyes to the fact that we have enemies at home and abroad who want to enslave and kill people like Catherine Navarro. We have looked those enemies in the eye

we have enemies, even in this post-Cold War world. It could be a great reawakening. Turns out history didn't end after all.

Miss Navarro goes on: "The events of September will continue to resonate for months and years to come." Obviously. "This emotionality is already unable to coexist with rational, objective thought concerning the attacks."

What? Anyone who can explain what that paragraph means in plain English will win a box of Crackerjacks and my eter-

Among the casualties found in the rubble...



is "atrocities." Also acceptable: "enormity," "monstrous acts," "cowardly terrorist attacks," or "abominable assault on America."

What about her larger point? Is the U.S. response really "turning... into a fanaticism that leaves no room for rational critique and analysis?" I am unaware of jackboots brownshirts marching through the streets, but maybe

Miss Navarro heard something on NPR that the rest of us missed. Actually, she seems most

into blind vigilantism." Not surprisingly, her evidence for this is rail thin. She mentions a motorcyclist she saw riding down the freeway with the words "Execute Osama" on his helmet. Perhaps it would have been better if the biker added "after a fair trial before an internationally sanctioned tribunal."

She then goes on to make the following breathtaking assertion: "There is also little difference between those passive-aggressive actions and the Sept. 15 murder of a Sikh man in Arizona

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Opinion

Who's With Us and Who's Against Us

Every nation now has an important choice to make

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The events of September 11th changed America forever. Terrorists woke up a sleeping giant and now there must be a response. As the United States embarks on this war on terrorism, nations around the world must make a decision. In his remarks to Congress and the nation on September 21, 2001, President Bush proclaimed, "Either you are with us, or you are with the terrorists."

So who is behind the United States on this war on terrorism? Every nation with the exception of Iraq has expressed its condolences to the United States but which nations are willing to commit resources in combating these terrorist networks? One nation that must be commended for their unrelenting support is Great Britain. Even though Great Britain and their leader, Prime Minister Tony Blair has differing political philosophies from the current Bush administration, their pledge of support to the United States against terrorism cannot be questioned. Blair has fully committed his resources in combating terrorist cells in Great Britain and has been a pivotal in rallying nations in

support of the United States. Not only has Blair been a key player in forming a coalition but also British Special Air Service (SAS) troops have been committed to the war effort in Afghanistan. It is great to see such support from an ally. As Tony Blair put it, "We therefore here in Britain stand shoulder to shoulder with our American friends in this hour of tragedy and we, like them, will not rest until this evil is driven from our world."

Along with Britain, NATO (North Atlantic Treaty Organiza-

tion) has also wielded its support to the United States in response to the terrorist attacks. For the first time in its 52 year history, NATO has taken the unprecedented step of invoking Article Five of its charter, which states that any armed attack against one of its members is considered an attack against all of them. Secretary-General of NATO, George Robertson said the U.S. would receive support for military action from its 18 NATO partners. "The (NATO) Council agreed that if it is determined that this

was an attack directed from abroad against the United States, it shall be regarded as an action covered by Article V of the Washington Treaty, which states that an attack against one ally is an attack against them all."

One nation that will play a vital role in destroying Osama Bin Laden's Al-Qaeda Terrorist Network is Pakistan. Pakistan not only has vital logistic advantages by bordering Afghanistan but also is privy to valuable intelligence about the Taliban Government that controls most of

Afghanistan. President Bush has received support from Pakistan President Pervez Musharraf and has given the United States authorization to use Pakistan air space, share vital intelligence and has closed its borders to Afghanistan. "I wish to assure President Bush and the U.S. government of our unstinted cooperation in the fight against terrorism," Gen. Musharraf said. "The world must unite to fight terrorism."

With all these vital nations offering full-fledged support to the United States, what nations are not on board with the United States? The nations that have not offered support to the United States all have one thing in common. They have a long past of supporting terrorism. Now after that September 11th attacks, nations supporting terrorism that fail to end terrorism will be against the United States and its allies.

The one nation that will undoubtedly be the first target in the new war on terrorism will be Afghanistan. By harboring Osama Bin Laden, the key conspirator of the September 11th attacks, Afghanistan and its ruling government, the Taliban, must either give up Osama Bin Laden and his lieutenants or face

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and said, "You have wounded us deeply. Now we are going to destroy you utterly."

Ah, but Navarro isn't alone. Valerie Burns, the Guardian's resident Marxist economist, put in her two cents about how President Bush's militant response will drive the economy deeper into recession in a September 27 column titled "Major economic troubles are in store for the United States."

Miss Burns' argument is preposterous when it is not misleading, and the deception begins with the subhead. "Bush Must Take More Initiative To Restore Fragile Market." Two questions arise: What should those initiatives be and how should they be carried out?

Miss Burns teases us, but never delivers the goods. I gather that she would have the President do "more" to get Israel and the Palestine Authority back to the bargaining table. What "more" means in this case is a mystery. What more would she have Bush do?

Miss Burns frets that the consequence of swinging the "big stick" could be another OPEC oil embargo. She also invokes the specter of Vietnam. Some of us believe that national security demands exploration and development of oil a little closer to home

— say, Alaska. One would have expected, at the very least, a call for development of alternative

ventional war, and the U.S. economy is quite different today than it was in 1941. For good or

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energy sources. But Ms. Burns doesn't even give us that. She seems to suggest that Americans should just bend over and take it in the shorts, and maybe cut our energy consumption in the meantime. I don't want to put words in her mouth, but what other alternatives would she suggest?

She claims, correctly, that most wars have the rather happy effect of revitalizing the economy, but that hasn't happened this time. Right. One reason is that this really isn't a con-

election, the Florida recount, the inauguration, Bush's trip to Europe in the Spring, our snubbing of the ridiculous UN conference in Durban last month, and the attacks of September 11. If she doesn't know this, then she hasn't done her homework. If she does know, then she deliberately misled her readers.

The real problem with Navarro, Burns, and the rest of the Guardian editorial writing stable is a hubris of their own. UCSD is a big place. With more than 18,000 students coming and going, are there no interesting or controversial stories to report and comment upon? Even if there were, would the Guardian be up to the task? These opinion writers seem perfectly content to parody the New York Times and the Nation.

That's too bad, considering the relative power they possess. Two times a week, 20 times a quarter, 60 times an academic year, a few students are given the opportunity and the privilege to fill a certain number of pages with stories — news, opinion, features, Hiatus, or sports — that are useful and informative and interesting, perhaps funny, and maybe even relevant.

Does all of it have to be heavy-hitting stuff? Of course not. But what do the Guardians

do? They fill literally hundreds of column inches with "random musings" and "impressions" about this or that triviality. They rehash long-abandoned economic theories and pretend to know something about world affairs. In short, they expend a tremendous amount of time and money and effort on trifles. Why bother with newspapers, if that is all they have to offer?

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Opinion

History Behind "Old Glory" Shows Americans at Their Best

Anecdotes about the flag illustrate American patriotism, offer inspiration

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After the tragic events of September the eleventh, Old Glory became more prominent in the American landscape. The cause for the importance placed on the flag is best understood by looking at the history of the flag, and events from our history involving it.

The designer and manufacturer of the flag, which was created during the Revolutionary period, are unknown. Francis Hopkinson, a Congressman representing New Jersey, is the most likely candidate though. Betsy Ross is traditionally given credit for making the first flag, but few historians support that claim.

The first flag Act passed in Congress on June 14, 1777. The Act was worded as follows, "Resolved, That the flag of the United States be made of thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new Constellation."

For every state that joined the Union, a stripe and star was added to the flag until 1818. After 1818, the two stripes that were added for Vermont and Kentucky were removed and the number of stripes went back to thirteen to represent the thirteen original colonies. The number of stars on the union was preserved and a star was added to the flag for every state that joined the union.

The flag did not receive a specific design until 1912, when the proportions were established as well as the placement of the stars by an executive order by President Taft. On August 21, 1959, the flag received the arrangement that it has today. The Order called for the stars to be arranged into nine rows staggered horizontally (alternating between rows of five and six) and eleven rows staggered vertically (alternating between rows of five and four).

The Continental Congress defined the symbolism of the colors as, "White signifies Purity and

Innocence; Red, Hardiness and Valor; and Blue, Vigilance, Perseverance and Justice." The flag, through its various forms, has been a source of inspiration for Americans. The flag acts as a rallying point. The American National Anthem acknowledges the flag's ability to unify, when Francis Scott Key penned the words, "...Gave proof through the night that our flag was still there..." The best evidence to support these claims comes from events in our history.

On April 25, 1976, the Chicago Cubs were playing the Los Angeles Dodgers at Dodger Stadium. The Dodgers were at bat and Rick Monday was playing centerfield for the Cubs. Rick Monday was a Marine Reservist for six years prior to his baseball career.

Two men rushed onto the field from the left field corner in the fourth inning and stopped to bring out an object. Monday recognized one of the objects as the American flag after the men had spread the flag out on the ground, as "if to have a picnic." He began to run toward the men. One of the men pulled a bottle of lighter fluid out of his pocket and began to dose the flag. The first match lit and burnt out. Just as the second match was lit, Monday grabbed the flag and rushed toward the Dodgers dugout. The men threw the bottle of lighter fluid at him.

When Monday reached the dugout, Monday preceded to hand the flag off to Doug Rau, a Dodger pitcher. When this happened the stadium went silent. Moments after Monday handed the flag off to Rau, someone broke the silence by beginning to sing "God Bless America." Soon the whole stadium was singing.

Monday did not see the flag again until the Dodgers came to play the Cubs at Wrigley Field in Chicago. There, Al Campanis, a Dodger executive, presented the flag to Monday. For the rest of the season he received a hero's welcome wherever the Cubs played. The

reaction of the crowd is intriguing because the event shows the value bestowed upon the flag by America's citizens.

The story behind the original "Old Glory" also demonstrates the power of the flag as a rallying point. Captain Stephen Driver of the brig *Charles Doggett* coined the name "Old Glory" for the American flag after unfurling a flag, which was given to him by his friends. When he retired from the Navy in 1837, he moved to Nashville. The flag owned by Stephen Driver had become famous in Nashville.

Once Tennessee seceded from the Union, members of the Confederate Armed Forces wished to find and destroy Driver's flag. Captain Driver was able to hide the flag from rebels by keeping it hidden inside his bedcover.

When Union forces captured Nashville on February 25, 1862, the Union forces flew the flag of the United States



over Nashville again. Driver went to his home with some soldiers and ripped apart his bed cover to remove his flag from its hiding place and brought it to the capitol. Despite his age of sixty years he climbed the tower and replaced the American flag that was flying with his flag.

Members of the Sixth Ohio Regiment cheered and saluted as the flag rose. The Regiment adopted "Old Glory" as its nickname and preserved the story

of Captain Driver and his devotion. Captain Driver was honored by an act of Congress, which made his grave in the old Nashville City Cemetery one of only three places authorized to have the flag of the United States of America flown twenty-four hours a day.

The American flag most symbolizes the ideals of the American government, which are expressed in the Constitution and Declaration of Independence. Unfurl Old Glory and let it wave.

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the wrath of the United States through all means necessary. As Bush states, "We will direct every resource at our command - every means of diplomacy, every tool of intelligence, every instrument of law enforcement, every financial influence, and every necessary weapon of war - to the destruction and to the defeat of the global terror network." So who is the Taliban? They are an Afghan fundamentalist group that came to the forefront in as a military power following the Soviet Union's withdrawal from Afghanistan in 1989. In 1994-95 they extended their control in Afghanistan from one city to half the country, and in 1996 they captured Kabul and instituted an Islamic fundamentalist regime led by Mullah Mohammad Omar. Not only do they harbor Osama Bin Laden but they also forbid the education of women. At this point, the only nation that still recognizes the Taliban is Pakistan and they have yielded their support to the United States.

Unfortunately, Afghanistan is not the only nation that harbors and supports terrorist networks. There are many other terrorist networks other than Bin Laden's Al-Qaeda and with all these terrorist networks there are certainly nations that give refuge to them. Two nations that come to mind are Iraq and Iran. Iraq is a nation we are all too familiar with and is run by a tyrannical

ruler by the name of Saddam Hussein. Although it is unsure whether Hussein directly supported the attacks on September 11, it is known that Hussein harbors and funds terrorist groups and is also developing biological and chemical weapons of his own. Iran also has failed to offer support on the United States' war on terrorism. Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei said, "We shall not offer any assistance to America and its allies in their attack on Afghanistan." With these remarks, nations such as Iran, Iraq and Afghanistan have chosen to be on the side of the terrorists. It is up to the Bush Administration and the growing world coalition to put an end to state sponsored terrorism through all means necessary whether it is through military, diplomatic or economic actions. When terrorist organizations fail to find safe refuge where they can organize attacks and instead are kept constantly running, then nations that support democracy and freedom will be safer from terrorist attacks.

With the cruise missile and bombing attacks already underway in Afghanistan, the retaliation in the war on terrorism has begun. Osama Bin Laden made the first move by attacking our country and it is our duty to retaliate against his network and the governments that harbor his activities. We must make an example of Bin Laden to all other terrorist organizations that dare

attack our freedoms and it is important that we as a nation remain committed to not only ending Bin Laden's terrorist network but other networks around that world that kill innocent people.

The world coalition against terrorism will be important in doing so because this war on terrorism cannot be done by the United States alone. The United States needs the cooperation of nations around the world to fight this global enemy. It is important to note that this is a war on terrorism is not a war on Muslims or Arabs. In his announcement of coalition attacks on Afghanistan, Bush said, "As we strike military targets, we will also drop food, medicine and supplies to the starving and suffering men, women and children of Afghanistan," adding, "The United States of America is a friend to the Afghan people." With 40 nations currently on board with the United States' anti-terror coalition, the movement is growing toward ending global terrorist networks.

This war on terrorism will be an ongoing war. There will be no formal end, no peace treaty but instead, an ongoing struggle that must continue if we are to prevent another tragedy. "We are supported by the collective will of the world," Bush said. Let us all hope that this support will remain unwavering as we enter this new war on terrorism.

The Economy

Harsh Economic Conditions Lead to Drops in Hiring for Graduating Students

As the economy sours students should network to facilitate job placement after graduation

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If you thought the Economy could not get any worse, think again. The recent economic downturn has left our financial markets in bleak condition. At its lowest, the Dow was down over thirty percent from its one time high of 11,750. The Nasdaq Composite reached a high of 5048 in March of last year. It recently closed at just over 1600, a loss of over sixty-eight percent. And the worst news is that the end has still yet to come.

The recent terrorist attacks severely weakened key sectors of the economy. One of the first to collapse was the airline industry as a series of layoffs were announced the following week. Boeing led the pack with 30,000 layoffs, followed by American Airlines and United, each announcing layoffs of over 20,000 workers. Other industries were affected as well. Ford Motor Co. recently announced layoffs of up to 5,000 executives. Even the high-tech



sectors were hit as thousands of jobs from Nortel and AMD were cut.

Nearly all of the major economic indicators are pointing to a continued recession. Consumer confidence, a measure of consumers' overall faith in the economy, is at a five year low. Unfortunately, when this happens consumers spend less and save more in expectation of a worsening economy. The reduction in

private spending means less demand for goods and services, which in turn results in layoffs and lower salaries.

For those of us still in college, the implications are severe. Reduced demand for products will force companies to seek alternative routes to boost profits. One quick and easy technique is to reduce their payroll expense, or in other words, layoff workers. Along with the layoffs will come a

reduction in new hires. Those that are lucky enough to land a job in the coming year will have to settle for much less compensation than in the previous years.

A recent report by the National Association of Colleges and Employers (NACE) reported that computer engineering grads made an average of \$53,443 last year while those in other engineering disciplines averaged around \$50,000. Economics and finance graduates also fared well averaging in the low \$40,000s. However, as history has shown, a recession will inevitably drag these averages downward. The recession of the early 1990s caused a reduction in average starting salaries of ten to fifteen percent, a sizeable cut for those with college loans to pay off. The same report also stated that government and nonprofit organizations plan to reduce college recruiting by approximately twenty percent, while service firms plan a decrease of twenty-four percent. In other

words, this equates to fewer jobs for an expanding graduating class. And when more people are vying for a given position, the employer has the advantage, resulting in lower paying positions.

Given the harsh job climate and a promise of lower salaries, students need to take proactive steps to prepare themselves. The popular practice of spamming your resume to hundreds of potential employers is much less effective during periods of recession when jobs are scarce. Students will need to employ other methods that are often overlooked and underutilized. One such method is networking.

Contacting friends and associates in your industry of interest will often times open doors to non-advertised job openings. We've all heard the stories of recent graduates making \$70,000 plus a year in their first year out of college. Many of these positions were obtained through methods other than on-campus interviews. Internships for example are an excellent means to meet more established people in your industry and can often times open doors to a job offer upon graduation.

Involvement in an on-campus organization can help students boost their resumes as well as meet important contacts in their field. Groups such as Alpha Kappa Psi, a co-ed pre-professional fraternity on campus offers numerous workshops for students interested in business. Another group, new to the UCSD campus this year is VentureForth. VentureForth offers members many of the same benefits as AKP, but with an entrepreneurial theme. They will be hosting an annual business plan competition this year for students. Winners have the potential to receive seed funding from local venture capitalists.

There is no doubt that the recession will continue for some time. Recent layoffs will only serve to exacerbate the current economic situation. Economists predict that we will see signs of recovery no earlier than the third quarter of 2002. However, recovery is likely to take time and those of us expecting to graduate within the next few years are facing an unwelcoming job market. Our best bet is to utilize our outside network of contacts. If you think you don't have a network, you're mistaken. Start with the people you know and work from there. Ask around. You'll be surprised to find how many people you know that are willing to help.

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Council, she was also appointed special assistant to the president for national security affairs and senior director for Soviet affairs and aided in bringing democratic reforms to Poland while under President George Bush Sr. She played a vital role in the policy making with the former Soviet Union in the Bush Sr. White House. Now her knowledge and experience will be utilized once again by George W. Bush and the current administration to ensure that appropriate policy objectives are carried out against the terrorists in the Middle East.

Donald Rumsfeld is serving his second tenure as this nation's Secretary of Defense. Under Gerald Ford, Rumsfeld became the 13th U.S. Secretary of Defense in 1975 and at the age of 43 he was the youngest to ever hold the position. He first went to Washington in 1957 during the Eisenhower administration as an Administrative Assistant to a Congressman. In 1962, Rumsfeld was elected to the U.S. House of Representatives from Illinois and served four terms in that office. By the Nixon administration, Rumsfeld resigned his congressional position to serve as the Director of the Office of Economic Opportunity and as Counselor to the President from 1969 to 1972. In 1973, he left Washington for an ambassadorship to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) in Brussels,

Belgium. When Ford assumed the office in 1974, he named Rumsfeld as his Chief of Staff and later as the Secretary of Defense. After working in the private sector and serving in a variety of public posts from 1977 to 2001, President George W. Bush offered him his second tenure as Secretary of Defense. Now it is the job of an older, wiser Donald Rumsfeld to make sure that our

grants, Powell was educated in New York City public schools and attended the City College of New York where he participated in ROTC. Upon graduation in 1958 he was commissioned as an Army second lieutenant. Secretary Powell was a professional soldier for 35 years, during which he served two tours of duty in Vietnam and a variety of command and staff positions. He rose

to the rank of 4-star General and his last assignment was as the 12th Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, the highest military position in the Department of Defense from October 1, 1989 to September 30, 1993. During this time he oversaw 28 crises, including Operation Desert Storm in the victorious 1991 Persian Gulf War. Prior to his current appointment, Powell was the chairman of America's Promise - The Alli-



military is ready to fight for the abolition of the terrorist bin Laden and the destruction of the Taliban. He must aid in the designing of military operations and campaigns that will win the war on terrorism.

Secretary of State Colin L. Powell was unanimously confirmed by the U.S. Senate and sworn in as the 65th Secretary of State on January 20, 2001. Born in New York to Jamaican immi-

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Parting Thoughts...

"If our enemies are attacking freedom, this is no time for Americans to abandon it." - Steve Chapman

"There is only one way to eliminate nuclear weapons, use them." - Rush Limbaugh

"The first charge of any government is the defense of its borders — and, without that, it makes no difference how much you spend on prescription drug plans for seniors." - Mark Steyn

"When I take action I'm not going to fire a \$2 million missile at a \$10 empty tent and hit a camel in the butt. It's going to be decisive." - President Bush

"Victory at all costs, victory in spite of all terror, victory however long and hard the road may be; for without victory there is no survival." - Sir Winston Churchill

"At one time, there were more guns than lawyers in this country. Now look at the mess we are in." - Dick Boland

"Those that can give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety." - Benjamin Franklin

"If you are not a liberal when you are young then you have not heart. If you are not a conservative when you are old then you have no brains." - Winston Churchill

"Self-defense is not only our right, it is our duty." - Ronald Reagan



"Pacifism in the face of war is not only irresponsible — it is immoral." - David Limbaugh

"You can't persuade evil. You can't reason with fanatics." - Bill O'Reilly

"Their barbarism will stand as their shame." - Tony Blair

"The anti-warriors must know that their position is a luxury made affordable only by the sure bet that no one in authority will ever accede to their position. The marchers and shouters and flag-burners in Washington pretended to the argument that war should not be waged. What they really mean is that war should not be waged by them. It should be waged by others mother's sons and daughters. How many pacifists would be willing to accept the logical outcome of their creed of nonviolence even in the face of attack - life as a conquered people? Not many, I would think. How many want the (mostly lower-class) men and women of the United States armed forces to continue to fight so that they may enjoy the luxury of preaching against fighting? Nearly all, I would think. Liars. Frauds. Hypocrites." - Michael Kelly

"Freedom is such a precious commodity. Yet sometimes the freest of people devalue it the most." - Ward Connerly

"All that is necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing." - Edmund Burke

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