

REVELLATIONS

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HUMANITIES APPROACHES

When I first came to Revelle, I heard all the ugly rumors about the Humanities program: everyone gets C's and D's on their first few papers; your GPA is lowered drastically; people hate the courses while they're taking them, but later they're glad they had the opportunity ... You have probably heard the same things. However, let me quell your fears by saying that the courses are hard, but they are not impossible. The grading is fairly rigorous; even so, there are people who have received A's, which proves that obtaining good grades is not an unrealistic goal.

Unfortunately, it's not just a question of luck. Humanities is a five-quarter sequence that requires a lot of time and hard work. I've realized that the hard work pays off in the end, since anything that is really worthwhile is more difficult to accomplish. One of the reasons that the classes are so interesting is that they are directly applicable to us today; we get a general overview of the attitudes and standards that have shaped Western society as we know it. Revelle students are lucky to have such an enriching experience. As Dr. Norris says, "Humanities is a unique program--there is no other program like this in the country."

Humanities 1 might possibly be the most difficult in the sequence; freshmen have to acquire new skills in careful reading, writing and listening. The first quarter deals with the Old Testament and the Greek classics from Homer to Plato; many students must adjust to a very different kind of reading, in both subject matter and style. The whole program is designed to develop careful logical thinking, a skill that is transferable to whatever field students may choose. Each book we read and each paper we write is just a stepping-stone to this end.

HUMANITIES FORUM

One important announcement: The Humanities forum will be held on Nov. 11 at 3:00 pm in WHN? Professors and students will discuss the program and give new students some idea of what to expect, while getting feedback from current students. Therefore, those who are already in their second year of Humanities are encouraged to attend as well.

We aren't the only ones struggling through the material--the TA's and the professors are equally busy. Next quarter's TA's are currently undergoing a thorough training in teaching and grading. So the load is as demanding on them as it is on us. The professors, meanwhile, have taken time out of their own areas of expertise in order to teach undergraduates; many of them are famous people in their field. Next quarter, Professors Friedman, Fitzgerald and Pippin are teaching Humanities 1, while Professors Cox, Norris and Strolla are teaching Humanities 4. Here is a word of advice to those just starting the sequence: don't be intimidated by the professors--they want students to visit them during their office hours. They like to know what we think of the course.

What are the ingredients for success? Dr. Norris gives students this advice:

- 1) This course doesn't yield to cramming. Try to spend 1 or 2 hours each day in Humanities. "It's like physical training; you must keep your muscles in tone."
- 2) Give it a chance. You will be learning a lot of new things about reading, writing and listening that are essential for any field of work.
- 3) If you have a disaster with a paper, there are lots of sources of help: Oasis, professors, TA's, each other, etc.

by Shana Elman



HALLOWEEN FUN AT REVELLE

O-A-SIS

When you're all alone, Study'n day 'n night,
Who Ya Gonna Call ...

O - A - SIS

When ya gotta paper to write but don't
know what to do, Who Ya Gonna Call ...

O - A - SIS

When ya can't do your problems in
Physics or Math, Who Ya Gonna Call ...

O - A - SIS

When ya need some help writin' in a
foreign tongue, Who Ya Gonna Call ...

O - A - SIS

A truly tremendous service, free to all UCSD students, is the Office of Academic Support and Instructional Services (more affectionately known as OASIS). OASIS not only operates "Underground" in their tutorial center, but also has offices all over campus, including the Reading and Study Skills Center which is best known for its weekly workshops and PAL (Personal Assistance for Learning) conferences which are private, one-on-one sessions between a student and a peer tutor, the Writing Center, to aid students in brainstorming for paper topics, writing thesis statements, organizing paragraphs, rewriting, etc., Grammar Moses who has a Hotline of her own to answer any questions regarding English grammar; the Language Program is available to assist anyone whose native language is not

English and needs help in writing as well as students who are doing course-related work in Spanish, French, Italian, or German Literature; Peer Counselors also provide an invaluable resource as people who, because they are UCSD students themselves, are willing to listen to the problems of others, identifying with them, and help them find solutions. All in all, OASIS is a myriad of very different and advantageous programs--thank goodness not just a mirage.

The goal of OASIS is inherent in its name: it serves "as a pleasant relief, refuge, change" (The Random House College Dictionary). OASIS enthusiastically welcomes students of all levels and styles of learning and is available to help the lesser-skilled to become more skilled as well as to help the better students to become even more confident in their abilities. OASIS is "a pleasant relief", for it allows one to express his troubles openly and get help with them, instead of bottling up stress and frustration which is absolutely detrimental in learning; OASIS is a "refuge" for all UCSD students, who, at one time or another, need some academic and personal support; and lastly, OASIS is a worthwhile "change" in the sense that it offers an easy way of learning to deal with university living and studying.

by Lisa Paikin



COMPLIMENTS OF RPB

Dr. Dean,
The Hypnotist

This light and entertaining fare is best served in a dimly lit, magical-type of atmosphere, like that of the **Revelle Cafeteria**, and make it **Thursday night November 13th from 8-10 pm**. This course will satisfy all appetites--from Doubting Thomases to the true believers, those who are always looking for more and those who are content after just a few mouthfuls.

Too many cooks don't spoil the broth here, for voluntary audience participation is what this show is all about. For a reasonable price of **\$2** (no tip necessary), this wonderful sensory experience can be yours. Try it, you'll like it!

Air Band Contest

This fabulous feast is best celebrated on **Friday, November 21** in the always appropriate **Revelle Cafeteria**. Violinists don't come to play at your personal table, nor is there a jukebox which will play your favorite songs, nor are Pavarotti's melodious murmurs piped in over the stereo system. Instead, you provide the musical aroma.

Sign your group up now at the Revelle Provost Office. Lip synch to your favorite tune, dress up in your garb, and let the guests decide how much you're worth. Prizes for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place will be given.

This beats a wet T-shirt contest at a scummy old bar any day, and you'll agree after this tantalizing affair is through.

by Lisa Paikin



Photo by Jay Whitmire

AROUND THE PLAZA

Nov. 7 **Semi-Formal Theme Contest Entries Due!**

Turn in your ideas to Karen Peters in the Provost Office or Barbara Stearns in the Commuter Lounge by 4:30 pm today! Winner gets two free tickets!

Scripps Tour of Oceanography: If you signed up for this FSPB sponsored event, don't forget to meet at 12 noon at the Provost Office.

"One Man Circus": 12-1 pm on the Plaza ... be entertained by Dan Wiles, the one-man circus and buy traditional circus food -- hot dogs, popcorn and peanuts! Sponsored by NPB.

Nov. 11 -- **Humanities Forum** See article

Nov. 12 -- **Volunteer Fair** See article

Nov. 13 -- **Dr. Dean, The Hypnotist** See article

Nov. 19 -- **Commuter Breakfast** 7:30 - 9 am in the Commuter Lounge ...

Nov. 21 -- **Noon Concert on the Plaza**, 12 noon

Air Band Contest -- See article

Nov. 27-30th -- **Thanksgiving Vacation**

Dec. 3 -- **Commuter Breakfast**

RPB Johnny Carson Trip

Dec. 5 -- **Holiday Faire on the Plaza**

REVELLE RESIDENCE LIFE

MEET YOUR STAFF... AN INTERVIEW WITH JUDITH EDWIN

by Kym Kelley

REV: How long have you been working here at Revelle?

JUDI: I have been here for 10 years, although I have worked in student affairs for 14 years.

REV: How did you acquire the job of Resident Dean?

JUDI: I had been working at Florida International when my husband and I moved to San Diego. I applied to UCSD for a job in student affairs and was hired as Resident Dean.

REV: What does your job entail?

JUDI: Administratively I run the office, mainly supervising different programs. I computerized the whole system, like roommate matching and the student directory. My biggest job, though is working with almost 1200 residential students. We handle a variety of problems stemming from living here. You can ask us anything and if we don't know the answer we'll refer you to someone who does.

REV: How do you like your job?

JUDI: I really enjoy it mainly because it's a growing job. There is a larger, excellent staff now as well as new programs that have created a better living environment for students. The best part is the number of students I get to know. The RA's are especially fun since I work so close to them, I can see them really grow.

REV: Where did you grow up?

JUDI: I was born in the Virgin Islands.

REV: Where did you attend college?

JUDI: I went to Michigan State as an undergraduate, one reason was because I wanted to see what snow really looked like. I then went to the University of Miami where my major was Higher Education Administration.

REV: Where do you live now?

JUDI: I live with my son Julian here on campus. We live on the fourth floor of Blake hall. We have a very nice apartment with an excellent view. It's also nice because I'm right here if any major problems arise.

REV: Is there anything you would like the students here at Revelle to remember?

JUDI: I think most of all I'd like to see students come here open minded. If they are exposed to the varieties they are much better off. They would be able to cope with school and their future life if they have so much different information at their disposal. I think that they will receive that type of education here at Revelle.



WALK THIS WAY

"Walk this way", the exercise alternative for everyone is here!! Are you looking for a way to exercise, engage in cardiovascular fitness, de-stress and re-energize, and tone your muscles and build endurance? Yes!! Then "Walk This Way" is the perfect exercise program for you!! The program emphasizes concentration, not intensity or speed, which prolongs the overall benefits of walking" comments Kathy Brown, R.A. of Beagle Hall and the coordinator of the program.

schedule is as follows:

Mondays — 7 pm (1 hr)

Wednesdays — 6:30 pm (1 hr)

Fridays — 4 pm (1 hr)

Mon. and Wed. — 8 am (1 hr)

And for long distance adventures of four to six miles:

Nov. 8 — 1 to 3:30 pm

Nov. 22 — 9 to 11:30 am

Meet for the walks in the Beagle Hall Lounge, and, for the evening walks, wear light, visible clothing. For more information about the program call Kathy at 452-0781.

So, bring your friends, and 'walk this way' to health and fitness!!!

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WHAT'S NEW AT WNH?

Get your free pen at WNH? with every purchase of \$1.50!! Hurry — offer is good while supplies last!

Also, Quest International Souvenir Mugs are now available for \$4.00. Buy one and receive free coffee for the rest of the quarter at WNH?

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ARGO AEROBICS

Get in shape with Argo-Aerobics, brought to you by Argo II — The Health Fitness Floor. Free, co-ed aerobic classes are held in WNH? as follows:

Mon. 4:30 pm (intermediate)

Tues. 7:00 pm (intermediate)

Wed. 4:00 pm (beginning)

Thurs. 7:00 pm (beginning)

Friday. 5:00 pm (intermediate)

REVELLE VILLAGE NEWS

Take a break after your midterms and come to the Revelle Apts. "Board Game Night" in the Apt. Lounge on Fri. Nov. 7 at 7:30 pm. Games will be provided or you can bring your own personal favorites! Free rootbeer floats will be served! Don't miss this event!!



SPOTLIGHT ON... PAM LAWSON



Photo by Jay Whitmore

On a typical sunny day at Revelle, you might find Pam Lawson hanging out on the steps of USB, munching on a bag of popcorn, watching people go by. What better place for a student leader to observe what's going on around campus? As a member of Revelle College Council, Pam is very much in touch with the issues and activities of Revelle. This interest goes back to when she was a freshman on the Revelle Programming Board and originated the idea for the very first Airband Contest. Since then, she has also been active on the Curriculum Review, Semi-Formal, and Graduation Committees, in addition to RCC this year. Her sentiment, like that of many other



Revelle committee members, is that campus involvement should be fun. She really enjoys the great group spirit of Revelle, and believes that much of this derives from the fact that committee members who volunteer their time are really interested in making things happen.

Pam has been pretty successful at making things happen for herself, too. A Biochemistry major whose hometown is Phoenix, she is bound for medical school next fall, and is even graduating from Revelle within four years. Out of the classroom, she enjoys working out at Family Fitness, watching nighttime soap operas, and shopping anywhere. If you met her you'd probably notice the engagement ring sparkling on her left ring finger — that's right, she's getting married next summer. You'd definitely notice her sparkling personality. As a true Revellian, she's someone with a real zest for life, whose interests lie in many areas. In fact, she can talk about just about anything... why not drop by the steps of USB sometime and find out?

by Shalini Shah

"DEAR HUGH..."

The Ask A Psychologist Column

My name is Hugh Pages, Ph.D. I am a psychologist at Revelle College. I have had the good fortune of being at Revelle for the past sixteen years. I sometimes feel like I was born and raised here. I lived in Galathea Hall for two years and in Blake Hall for three years, so I am familiar with the joys and sorrows of living in our Residence Halls.

Over the years I have discussed almost every problem imaginable with students. My most exciting experience was coming to work one morning and finding the door to my office peppered with arrows. One of the students I was seeing became upset and sent me some unpleasant notes by way of bow and arrow. He did get better and is now gainfully employed as an engineer in California.

In this column I want to respond to any of your questions or concerns. Those questions or concerns might be oriented towards academics, emotions, or personal relationships.

A frequent concern students present to me is the feeling of being overwhelmed academically. Usually they say something like, "I just have so much to do and feel so far behind that I don't know what to do. I just can't seem to get started."

My suggestion to students who feel this way is to get a bite sized mentality. By that I mean instead of sitting down and saying, "I have 150 pages to read," say to yourself, "I'll read ten pages and then decide if I want to read ten more." When confronted with 150 pages, students tend to nod off almost immediately. They are overwhelmed by the enormity of their task. When faced with ten pages, the task is not so burdensome. Getting started is the key to successful study and often the path to overcoming the feelings of depression and hopelessness.

You may send your questions to:

Ask Hugh

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"OF THEE I SING"

by Kirsten Lowrey

The Music and Drama department is offering a special discount for Revelle Students for the November 9th production of the Berlin and Gershwin musical *Of Thee I Sing*. The musical is being performed at the Mandell Weiss Center for the Performing Arts and the department has set aside 100 tickets to be sold for \$2 each. Students who purchase these tickets are invited to a reception afterwards where they will have the opportunity to meet the actors. Tickets may be purchased at the Revelle Resident Dean's office, while supplies last.

Volunteer Connection

The Volunteer Connection at UCSD (VCUCSD) would like to invite Revelle students to join us in our ongoing effort to improve student participation in volunteer work in San Diego. The VCUCSD is a student organization or steering committee, which seeks to inspire and facilitate a minimum of 350 undergraduate and graduate students to volunteer approximately 3 hours per week, per quarter, each year, to community work related to poverty and education. The hosts for such volunteers are the San Diego Unified School District and about 60 of the area's nonprofit organizations.

RCC COLUMN

As the school year moves at the speed of light, Revelle College Council has been hard at work. We have just recently appointed many new freshmen to our committees, as well as some older students to strengthen and develop the committee system. We are excited that freshmen are so eager to join and want to get then involved as soon as possible. I am positive the new appointment will be great assets to their committees.

RCC has been exploring new possibilities to increase awareness about college government, including sponsoring campus-wide events! Revelle College Council meetings are open to all students & RCC meets every Wednesday at 4:00 pm at the Revelle Provost's Office. I encourage you to stop by, find out what RCC is all about, voice opinions and give suggestions.

Remember to check out all the great programs that are going on here at Revelle! After all, you are the reason we keep bringing these events.

Jennifer Schreiber
Chair, RCC

The VCUCSD represents an excellent opportunity for UCSD students to connect with the people of San Diego. UCSD students could be tutors, counselors, and role models for San Diego youth as well as provide needed social welfare services to the San Diego and Tijuana poor. With your support, we can help alleviate the problems associated with poverty and increasing drop-out rate in our secondary and junior high schools.

Currently, the VCUCSD is planning a Volunteer Awareness Day on November 12, from 10 am to 2 pm, in front of the Student Center. If you are interested in helping us and San Diego, please contact Ellen Caprio at 534-0540, or leave a message in the Student Center, Code B-023, A-2 (in the EDNA mailboxes). Thank you!

— Ellen Caprio

CAB Faires

Have you seen, talked to, contacted, thought of your COMMUTER/RESIDENT match since orientation?

If he/she is lost consult the adopt-a-commuter missing person's bureau in the Revelle Commuter Lounge!

If he/she is a complete zero or the bunch of you are just incompatible - try again! Come to the Commuter Lounge and be re-matched up.

If your suite is lonely from the lack of an incredible commuter student or if you're an incredible commuter looking for a lonely suite see an intern in the Commuter Lounge!

Dinner and Movie Night - TBA
November 19th - Commuter Breakfast!!!!

Inter-College Volleyball and Barbeque - TBA
December 3rd - Commuter Breakfast!!!!

December 5th - Holiday Fair (more details next issue).

Once again, we welcome your input as to how we can improve commuter life here at Revelle College for you. Leave any ?'s or suggestions in the envelope on the commuter bulletin board in the Revelle Commuter Lounge

--CAB (Commuter Advisory Board)



REVELLE PERSONALS

To the Revelations staff: You guys are great! Keep up the good work! I appreciate everything you do. -- Barbara

Tammy and John, We miss you! --The click

Geeve — More Reeb — Burp!! Silver Bullet

S — Happy Anniversary. Can you believe it? - S

To the kid drooling at my heels, my shoes are getting wet. Why don't you let me in on the secret?

Who makes great homemade cookies?

"Whoever be a man must be a non-conformist." - Ralph Waldo Emerson

For some reason, I can't stand Revelle Caf workers.

Matt and Al — I, I, I don't UNDERSTAND!!!

Yo Van, How's the Rappin' --The Un-Dale

Simon & Simon seek 2 of Charles Angels. Please respond.

AO pi Fellow Pledges: We're the best ones ever! Go chi-chi.

Virgil — This is Saman.ha again — I'm still watching that sensual glossy tan skin of yours — Some day we'll meet. I hope!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE FOUNDING FATHERS OF THE UCSD CHAPTER OF DELTA TAU DELTA (DTD). YOU'RE A GREAT GROUP OF MEN. YOUR BROTHER LUIS.

Steve — Let's do lunch, dinner, or whatever else! I love you! Sonja

Erik — You're the nicest Utah boy I know. Thanks for being you! Love, the Oregonian girl

Dear Kwang, I love you! --J.M.

Jodie and Dede, we love you! Your fellow Beagles

Matt, clean up your side of the room! Your roommate

Flash Gordon — you are awesome! Love always -- Spot!

M.E. (the assistant on Argo 4) Love ya! --The RA. on Argo 4

Christina, I never see you, Do you still live in Beagle? P.S. Let's party together sometime!

Shirlene -- Are you reading Revelations?

Armin - You're right! Europe will be a blast! (But, can you loan me \$3,000 for the trip?) I love you!

Kristen L - Thanks so much for the poster!! Now, I can't sleep or study!! -- Jen K.

Banana Club: Woka Woka!

John "Ron": Get schafed with Margo! No TAFTUBS! REEB!! YAG!

John and Jim, the DTD dudes! Knock off all that pounding! You buoy boppers want a little?

Sharp san, please let me make you another cup of nihongono tea. I rub your beautiful blond hair. Will you marry me if I fan you faster?

Die Tuan! Die Aaron! --Gary

Kathy B. Our RA. of Beagle. We love you! --The 250s

Hey, that incredible Beagle H-2-O Polo Team! Where did you ever find such incredibly sexy girls???

Sharon - You and I have the same view about school as I do! You're really a nice person. --Stevie

Matt E. you old, balding dwid, when are you going to break out the Grecian?? And, stop chasing 16 year olds!

Nards. Shut up! Love Jungle Jane

To Mike Manning, I hope that you have a great week. Love, your bed buddy.

Aiko — Domo Arigato Dudes!! --Martin

Lisa, I miss you! --Dr. Dingy

Lisa, you're always wondering why everyone seems to be walking out the door just as you are walking in — there is a causal relationship.

Lien: Keep smiling! Lots of luck with tennis club! --Luv ya, Karen.

Marissa — You are an extremely sweet person — I'm sure you'll stay that way! Good luck! --D.H.S.S.

Jodie - the Oregon girl, how ya doing? Your Utah boy.



D- Hi! Hope you are never mad at me again. --HTB

75¢ for the Lemon? Norma — get the car keys — 75¢ for the lemon!!

To Kathy, the warmest and most supporting RA. with the best tea. --Carlos

Ooh, Robin baby, let's see the dead together!

Andrea, you are already a beautiful person inside and out. Don't let anyone make you change. --Silent Admirer

Gidget, Stop surfing!

To Tim D. Congratulations on your win in the B-Division of the All-Campus tennis tournament. --your Argo friends!

For Erik, Happy now? Love Marissa

To Cris: Thanks a lot for all of your help. Don't know what I'd do without you. Thanks a lot, Jennifer. --Meteor 202

Hey Celia, I need help in 2DA HELP!!!! --Argo Kid

To the ZBT Zeta Pledge Class. Good luck in the rest of RUSH period. --Rob, Zeta '86

Mary Ann G., How about a date!!! --Admirer

Sabrina, Hallowsen should be a real blast since you are a real witch! --Someone who knows you

Flash ... We have to get the lizard people out soon! Next time let's disguise the scooter and raid 'em out! --Gordon our friend spot

Miss Holt, the mystery has not been solved! --Remington

To all Meteor girls: No more dorm norm (we aim to tease) --Meteor guys

Don (o not a) How is my favorite snuggle...? The cake was good. When can we have a hair coloring party? --from you know who!

Matt E — So when are you coming over for dinner? --J.

Cheese wiz — Hi sexy! --B.

Hey! Where'd ya go Marica?

Looking for San Francisco based rock and roll band. Been looking faithfully for three years. Where were you?

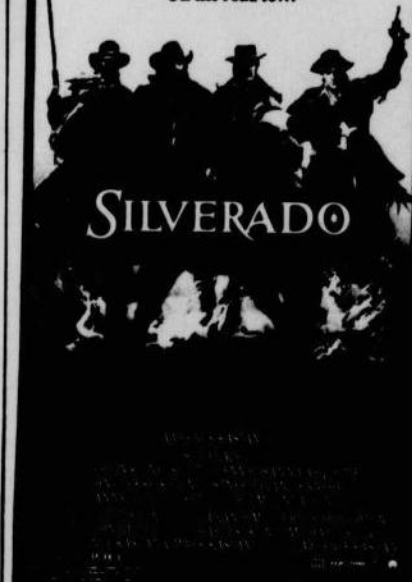
John Ron — How about those Red Sox! Dinner? Maybe I'll just buy you some Schaf! --The Angels lover

Kim — Hugs no drugs.

To someone in the Meteor 250s: Flush the toilet! Somebody, I love you, Somebody Else

Get ready for the ride of your life.

Four strangers became friends.
Four friends became heroes.
On the road to...



SILVERADO

Fri. Nov. 7,

9 pm at WNH?

Sat. Nov. 8,

9 pm at the

Revelle Apartment
Lounge

