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A New Bend to the L-Shaped Lounge

Physical plant workers have found a treasure of sorts under what had been the floor of the L-shaped lounge in Camino Hall. When renovations to the student lounge are complete, students, faculty and visitors will find the worn carpet gone and in its place a striking hardwood floor.

But the hardwood had actually always been there, covered by someone’s idea of interior design.

“I don’t know why anyone would want to cover up a beautiful floor like this,” said Project Manager Al Bores, looking over the extensive work already done to the lounge. “A floor like this would probably cost $6,000 to put down today.”

Instead, the refinished floor will cost less than one-third of that to bring it back into operation.

The wood floor will not be the only improvement to the historic lounge. The room will also be furnished with antiques, which, until recently, have been kept in storage.

The improvements to the lounge came at the request of President Hughes, who wanted to turn the facility into a lounge not only for students, but also for entertaining guests of the university. Thirty-seven thousand dollars was allocated to cover (or re-cover) the walls, floors and furnishings.

Supervising the work at the lounge is Len Hein, with most of the job completed by CETA employees assigned to USD.

The historic L-shaped lounge in Camino Hall has received a facelift. USD workers in charge of the project survey their accomplishment. Photo by Bill Ritter.

Everyone Gets a “2nd Chance”

Have you ever wanted to take classes in the subjects you either disliked or didn’t excell in when you were in high school? Get a second chance, so to speak?

Well, you’re not alone. Many people, once out of the competitive grind of school courses, have looked back and wanted to try certain subjects again, purely for their own knowledge and experience.

Through the USD Continuing Education Department, many people, including USD employees, will get that opportunity. The “2nd Chance” program, which begins March 10, will offer classes in French, Literature, Greek, Opera, Botany, Chemistry, Art, Latin and Math.

The classes run for nine weeks. Cost for each class is $65, less 15% for USD employees, plus additional lab and materials fees for chemistry, art, botany and music.

George Bernard Shaw once said that youth is too good a thing to be squandered on the young. The 2nd Chance program offers people an opportunity to prove that theory. It is a chance to go back to school, learning the subjects in a practical and fun way, for your own benefit.

For enrollment information, call the Continuing Education Department at extension 4585.
Phoebe Lee Isn't Just Acting

by Bill Ritter

Most people might be a bit apprehensive about temporarily filling the shoes of a person like School of Nursing Dean Irene Palmer. After all, Palmer, almost single-handedly, started USD's School of Nursing program and building, and has devoted the last four years to building a nationally-recognized school for nurses.

But Phoebe Lee—who takes over as Acting Dean this month as Irene Palmer takes a year off on sabbatical—isn't "most people."

"I really don't feel any extra burden," she admits. "I've had lots of administrative experience with the California State University system, which prepared me well. Believe me, it's a lot easier working for a private university because there aren't nearly as many channels to go through."

Phoebe June Baker Lee has worked both sides of the fence in higher education. She has been a Professor of Nursing at USD since 1977, a Professor of Nursing at Humboldt State University and San Diego State University, and served as Acting Director of San Diego State's School of Nursing, and Chairwoman of the Humboldt State Department of Nursing.

With that experience under her belt, it is little wonder that Dean Palmer selected Phoebe as Acting Dean. But Phoebe Lee's tenure will hardly be one of inaction. She will not be a figurehead.

"I have two things to accomplish," she says. "First, we want to begin the Nurse Practitioner Program in the fall. This will enable school nurses to obtain their Master's Degrees and their School Nurse Practitioner License. Second, I want to begin making long-range plans to get our Master's Program accredited by the National League for Nursing (the Bachelor's program already is). Both of these projects will take a lot of time and effort."

As Acting Dean, Phoebe will sit in on USD Cabinet meetings, and be responsible for administering the program and directing the faculty.

PHOEBE LEE . . New Acting Dean of the School of Nursing, shown here with Dean Irene Palmer. Photo by Bill Ritter.

"The transition from colleague to boss is the most difficult part of the job," Phoebe says. "It does put the professor in a different role. But, fortunately, this faculty is easy to work with."

The mother of four (twin 25-year old sons, and two daughters, ages 27 and 29) and the grandmother of a one-year old boy, Phoebe has her Master's Degree from UCLA, and a Bachelor's Degree from Stanford.

And if the pressures of running the School of Nursing ever get to be too much to handle, Phoebe has her share of escapes. She enjoys tending her garden, and likes to attend the opera and ballet.

But her first love is football. A season ticket holder to the Charger games, Phoebe is an avid fan. "I went through some grim psychological stress when the Chargers lost in the playoffs," she says. "But, overall, I really enjoy the games."

Hughes Named to Energy Post

Dr. Author Hughes, USD President, has been appointed chairman of the Energy 2000 Task Force by San Diego Mayor Pete Wilson.

The Task Force, formed by Wilson and announced during his January 8 "State of the City" address, will be responsible for undertaking "an assessment of the energy needs of metropolitan San Diego to the year 2000 and to make recommendations as to the necessary steps for meeting those needs."

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Founding Faculty Forecast Fine Future

As the 1980's begin, the University of San Diego enters its fifth decade, making this a good time to ponder just where this University has been, and where it's going.

A unique perspective in both these areas can be gained from a select group of women who have been with USD from the beginning, contributing to its growth in many areas.

The Alcalá View sent staff writer Dan Trigoboff out to ask these women to comment on the University's past and future.

Sister Sally Furay, Vice President and Provost: "Great achievements have small and silent beginnings. I remember arriving at this hill during the first year of operation in 1952. There were no buildings other than Founders Hall... no trees, not a blade of grass. And two days later we opened to 122 students.

There were no houses in what is now Clairemont, no homes in Tecolote Canyon, and only one hotel in Mission Valley. I thought, 'My God... the scope, the vision to put up these buildings, to start this University.'

This year, we opened to over 4,000 students; all the buildings are up and our grounds are very impressive.

The City of San Diego needs a major private university, and we're the only candidate. We have two major public universities, and San Diego deserves a major private one. If it's not us, then the City won't have one. We need to keep growing the way we have been in quality, in order to gain national recognition and national prominence. And we're getting there.

We should remain a small institution, probably growing by about 1,000 more students. Our applications are up this year by about 20%, even in an era of declining demographics."

Sister Mariella Bremner, Resource Specialist, Constituent Relations:

"In the beginning, our work was to carry out God's plan for it. Both founders, Bishop Buddy and Reverend Mother Rosalie Hill, wanted a Catholic university for the Diocese of San Diego.

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Sister Melita Attard, Campus Ministry:

"I am happy to have been a part of a dedicated group of religious women who have worked to promote the growth and development of the University of San Diego. The founder, Mother Rosalie Hill, was a remarkable woman with a great appreciation for beauty. Her foresight accounts for the beautiful location and for the architecture of the buildings on the campus.

We are especially fortunate in having Dr. Author Hughes as President. He is not a remote figure, but a man who is genuinely concerned. He is interested not only in those who teach at the University, but in all who contribute to this institution. It is because of his wisdom and guidance that the University is flourishing and can look forward to even more success in the future."

Sister Sally Furay, Chairwoman, Department of Foreign Languages:

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Sister Agnes Murphy, Professor Emeritus of History: "So many things are different today. In the 1950's, there were no men, just women to contend with. When the men came, that was a real challenge. I think the environment in 1952 was less distracting for both students and faculty than it is today. The threat of war is so eminent today. And students were more hopeful of getting jobs then; they were able to be more interested in arts and philosophy, not just specialized studies. In the time between World War II and the sixties there was relative quiet in the world.

I'm full of hope and excitement for the future. The merger (of the University of San Diego and the San Diego College for Women) was a magnificent achievement."

Five of USD's founding faculty gather, appropriately enough, in front of Founders Hall, to discuss the past and future of USD. From left to right: Sr. Mariella Bremner, Sr. Sally Furay, Sr. Alicia Sarre, Sr. Agnes Murphy and Sr. Melita Attard.

(Photos by Bill Ritter.)
**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**February 11**
- **Fun Seekers Club** will soon be available to employees. This card will entitle people to discounts at Magic Mountain and the Movieland Wax Museum.
- **Attention staff employees.** If you are a permanent staff employee, over 25 years of age, and you have been with USD for more than one year, you are eligible to enroll in the Retirement Savings Plan. Drop by the Personnel Department for more details.

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**February 27**
- **Noontime Concert, 12:15,** French Parlor, with cellist Marjorie Hart.
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**February 28**
- **"Inching Through the Everglades,"** a play performed by the Provisional Theatre of Los Angeles, 8 p.m. in Camino Theatre.
- **Film on Mexico,** 4 p.m. in Salomon Lecture Hall. Produced by the Mexico Tourist Bureau.

**February 14**
- **Funding of public education debate,** School of Law Courtroom, 8 p.m.

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**Around Campus**

As you may have noticed, we have a new face behind the cashier's window. She is Doreen White, who recently came to USD and the San Diego area from Covington, Ohio (smart move!).

The Personnel Department reminds fun-lovers that your Magic Kingdom cards for Disneyland have expired as of December, 1979. New cards are available in the Personnel Dept. Stop by and fill out a new registration card.

**S.E.A. NOTES**

**OPINION POLL:**
Question: What types of articles or information would you like to see in the S.E.A. column?

**ANN BASTIS, Financial Affairs:** More around-campus information and an opinion forum.

**PAM TENNEY, Personnel:** Highlight staff employees deserving of recognition for special talents or abilities.

**EMMA SAUNDERS, Physical Plant:** More information on employee benefits—those now available and actions taken on suggestions.

If you have any suggestions as to the types of information you feel employees would like to see in this column, please contact Peggy Agerton, Ext. 4210.

Lorraine Watson, Director of Personnel, will again offer the Personal Achievement Workshop for USD staff employees on Monday & Tuesday, February 11 & 12 from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. This is a repeat of the very successful workshop which was held last November.

By attending this workshop the participants will learn that it is not luck but rather planning that will allow themselves to achieve happiness and success in their lives. Lorraine leads the participants through a series of written exercises designed to make each one think deeply about themselves and their goals. When you find your own life goals and then take the steps to accomplish these goals you will find new meaning in your life.

To have the opportunity given to us for a structured workshop setting and a skilled workshop leader is a benefit not to be passed up. If you are interested in this Personal Achievement Workshop please contact Fran at extension 4594.

**REMINDE**

The next S.E.A. meeting will be on February 20, 1980, from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. in the Serra Conference Room 304. All employees are members of the Staff Employees Association and are welcome to attend the meetings.

**TRADING POST**

With this issue, Alcalá View introduces "Trading Post," a column where USD employees can exchange ideas, tips on services and bargain shopping, fun places to go, good places to eat, etc.

Alcalá View in no way endorses any of the services, businesses or ideas presented. It is the responsibility of each consumer to make sure that he or she is getting the best bargain and adequate services. The names of people recommending items to the Trading Post are listed in parenthesis after each item.

If you have experiences, ideas and suggestions, send a note to Sandra Edelman, DeSales 260, for inclusion in the Trading Post.

**RESTAURANTS: Macchu Picchu,** in Mira Mesa, offers authentic Peruvian cuisine at moderate prices (Gary McNamara). Osaka, 3645 University Ave., has very good Japanese cuisine, with prices from $2.35 and up (Emily Pfizenmaier). Camel Jockey, 8th and Broadway, offers Middle Eastern fare and a low cost (Emily Pfizenmaier).

**FUN PLACES: Mithras Bookstore,** 7456 La Jolla Blvd., has new and used books in unusual atmosphere. Open to midnight, has good music and is located within the Unicorn moviehouse (Sandy Edelman). Calico ghost town, 7 miles east of Barstow off Highway 15, is a refurbished 19th century mining town. Great field trip for kids (Ann Bastis).

**DOLLAR STRETCHERS:** CalIFrG's Food Price Survey reveals that Von's is the lowest on frozen foods, baked goods, cereals, staples; Fed Mart is low for meats; Big Bear for dairy products; Alpha Beta for beverages; Gemco for processed fruits and vegetables; and Mayfair on produce.