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"Jaws II" Will Tighten Grip on Education

by Bill Ritter

California's unique initiative process has, once again, brought forth a variety of propositions for the electorate to mull over on the upcoming June 3 ballot. In addition to the myriad of candidates for national, state and local office, Californians will also be asked to vote on 11 propositions, ranging in topics from the financing of alternative energy facilities (Prop. 8), to prohibiting contempt citations for news media representatives who refuse to identify their sources in court (Prop. 5), to outlawing rent control laws in California (Prop. 10).

Perhaps the most controversial of this year's propositions is Proposition 9, the so-called "Jarvis II" initiative. Prop. 9 calls for cutting the personal state income tax in half, indexing the state income tax to the Consumer Price Index, and removing the state's Business Inventory Tax. (The state has already passed legislation indexing the income tax and wiping out the inventory tax).

Proponents of the initiative say that the cut in state revenue will stimulate jobs, help curb inflation, and remove governmental waste.

Critics charge that Prop. 9 would severely cut into existing government services (including education and health services for the elderly, poor and mentally handicapped), give the federal government more tax revenues (taxpayers would be able to deduct less state income tax from their federal income tax), and give the wealthiest Californians the bulk of the monies from Prop. 9.

Photo by Bill Ritter



Author Hughes: "While Prop. 9 might slightly reduce the tuition gap between the public and private sectors, the decision for students to attend private universities is not based primarily on economics. They are looking for ways in which we differ qualitatively from public schools."

The figures have flown fast and furious since the Proposition 9 campaign kick-off. The most drastic projections put the level of cuts at 30%; the most optimistic at 7%. Although the confusing sets of statistics will continue to abound, educators and educational institutions find themselves facing some types of cutbacks—in programs, staffing and financial aid.

Not surprisingly, educational institutions and personnel are playing key roles in the "No on 9" campaign. The Association of Independent California Colleges and Universities (AICCU) and the Western College Association have both come out strongly against Prop. 9.

USD President Author Hughes, a Vice-President of the AICCU, has responded to the AICCU's request of disseminating accurate information about the impact of Prop. 9 to member campuses, and insuring that people involved in education are registered to vote.

"Personally, I oppose Prop. 9. It would have a deep negative effect on

higher education," Hughes says. "But this is not an institutional position; it's my own. And I expressed it that way to the AICCU."

At USD, nearly 500 students on financial aid would be effected by the passage of Prop. 9. These students receive a total of \$1.2 million in "California Grants Program A" monies, and their average awards would be cut from \$2,400 to \$1,769 per year according to USD's Financial Aid Director Herb Whyte. The cut would come at a time when tuition at USD will be raised, students who are working would find it difficult to add work hours to their schedules, students who are already borrowing heavily would be advised against going further in debt, and the Admissions Office staff is using the availability of Cal Grant funds to attract new students to USD.

In the public education sector, talk of tuition imposition has students at the U.C. and State College and University systems worried and alarmed. The

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Homegrown

by Dan Trigoboff

One thing Joanne Higgins can offer potential USD students is sincerity.

Although recruitment of students is an important goal for the Admissions Office she works in, Joanne can advise the young people she meets based on her own knowledge and experience, since she is, herself, a USD graduate.

Higgins has been working for the past two years as an Admissions Counselor, and will, on July 1, assume the position of Assistant Director of Admissions. While she hopes to continue counseling, she will be primarily responsible for coordinating recruiting trips, management of the department's staff, and supervision of nursing, foreign and transfer students. She is looking forward to her new duties.

"I think that my being in Admissions these past two years lends itself to continuity in the department," Joanne



Joanne Higgins

Photo by Bill Ritter

says. "There are already strong relationships among the counselors and staff, and we know how to work together.

Joanne graduated Summa Cum Laude from USD in May, 1976. She

returned to her home town of Phoenix, Arizona, and taught in special education programs for the two years following her graduation.

"I wanted to teach," she says. "But after a time, I felt I'd done enough teaching. And I missed San Diego. Getting this job in Admissions—where I went to school—worked out just perfectly for me. I wanted to work in the admissions field because I like the travelling, and I like the very positive interaction with students and their parents. So much of teaching involves discipline and negative interaction."

Even as she discusses higher education with prospective USD students, Joanne is continuing her own education; she is now working towards her Master's Degree in Educational Administration here at USD.

But the bulk of her time is spent in preparing for her new job. As Admissions Counselor, Joanne recruited in the San Francisco Bay area and the Pacific Northwest. While there will still be some travel involved in the new job, she expects it to be cut considerably.

"The 1980's will be a critical time for colleges and universities," she predicts. "The next few years will find the number of students of college age declining. But I'm optimistic about the future of this school. We have a strong future, largely because of the people we have working here. Also, our location in San Diego is a good marketing point. I think we'll reach our goal of 5,000 students within the next few years."

The goal of our Editorial Board is to make Alcalá View an effective intercampus communications vehicle. With eight issues behind us, it's time now to stop and take a look both at the past as well as the future of the newsletter. To do this we need your help. Please complete the following questionnaire and return to the Personnel Department.

NAME (Optional) _____ Age _____ Sex _____

Are you an administrator _____ Faculty _____ Staff _____

How often do you read the newsletter?

Every month ☐ Occasionally ☐ Rarely ☐

Please rank the following sections of the newsletter (1=most favorite to 7=least favorite);

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RELEVANT	1	2	3	4	5
INFORMATIONAL	1	2	3	4	5
ENTERTAINING	1	2	3	4	5

What kinds of articles would you like to see more of: _____

Other suggestions for newsletter: _____

Photo by BILL RITTER

Going Up?



The Law School underwent some internal surgery recently. Because the giant crane and its accompanying piece of equipment created a host of salty tales, the Alcalá View thought you'd like to know what really went on.

Under the U.S. Health, Education and Welfare provision for the handicapped—Section 504—all institutions receiving any type of federal funds must be accessible to the physically handicapped. The Law School was the only building on the USD campus which was inaccessible.

The construction is to install an elevator to the upper and lower floors of the Law School, thereby making it wheelchair accessible.

Construction of the elevator is due to be completed sometime in June.

"Jaws II"

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impact of such an imposition on private universities would be that more students would be eligible for Cal Grants, meaning that not only would the total Cal Grant monies be decreased, but that more people would be clamoring for those funds. Larger numbers of students seeking assistance from a shrinking financial pie would become the reality.

Hughes objects to Proposition 9's approach to across-the-board funding cuts. "Arbitrary budget reductions without deference to the relative importance of programs is an unsatisfactory way of dealing with the state's financial problems," he asserts. "When you arbitrarily start cutting money, there are no assurances that reductions would occur in only the wasteful programs."

"I'm a great believer in public education," says the President. "It is the right thing for many people. Does our society believe in open access to education for all people, regardless of economic background? If high tuition is imposed, then that will screen out many people. And if a college degree is still part of the American dream, then Prop. 9 is not in concert with that dream. While Prop. 9 might slightly reduce the tuition gap between the public and private sectors, the decision for students to attend private universities is not based primarily on economics. They are looking for ways in which we differ qualitatively from public schools."

The drastic impact of Prop. 9 on private universities has other institutions worried too. The President of USC, Stanford and Pepperdine are all playing key roles in the "No on 9" campaign.

On the USD campus, Bill Ritter is the designated "Proposition 9 Coordinator." He has literature, voter registration information and speakers available for classes and groups. Bill can be reached at extension 4296 or 4297, or in De Sales 268 A.

Next Alcalá View in July



UPCOMING ELECTIONS - STAFF EMPLOYEES ASSOCIATION

Nominations are now being accepted for S.E.A. President, Secretary and Representative(s) for Camino Hall, Serra Hall, DeSales Hall (street level), Law School, and Physical Plant(2). The term of office for Officers and Representatives is 2 consecutive years. A Representative for School of Nursing and School of Business/ Sports Center will be elected for one year to complete the term of office for these areas.

Your representation and participation are needed. S.E.A. offers a vital communication link between the staff and administration. This link enables the S.E.A. to participate in the development of policy and decisions affecting staff employees of the University.

S.E.A. has involved itself in bringing about improvements in employee benefits at the University of San Diego. Committees have been formed to study the tuition remission and pension plan, and have helped to bring about improvements in these areas. The year ahead will bring more work as we decide where we will direct our energy in order to improve ourselves and USD. Think about your skills and the ideas you have for improving ourselves as employees and USD as an employer - then get involved.

Below is a description of the duties for the positions open this year.

President - The President will preside at all meetings. The President is responsible for preparing the agenda for all meetings, conducting the meetings, and is ex-officio member of all standing committees.

Secretary - The Secretary will be responsible for taking minutes, keeping records, sending out notices of all meetings to representatives, distributing agendas, and taking care of necessary correspondence.

Representative - Representatives are the liaison between S.E.A. and the Board. As such they are responsible for the flow of information, feedback, and ideas. Representatives unable to attend meetings are responsible for appointing alternates in their place.

You may send your nominations to the Nominating Committee. Committee members are: Peggy Agerton, EDC; Kay Norton, Registrar's Office; Bev O'Brian, Law Library; and Tom Rogers, Physical Plant. Send nominations to the appropriate Representative's office.

Nominations are due by May 14, 1980. Elections will be at the May 28, 1980 S.E.A. meeting.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- *Through May 23:** "Eighth Annual Student All-Media Competitive Exhibition. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., weekdays, in Founder's Gallery. Exhibit features works created this academic year by USD students of Ceramics, Drawing, Weaving, Painting and Print-Making.
- *May 1, 2, 3 and 4:** **Opera Workshop production of "Brigadoon,"** Lerner and Loewe's romantic musical. 8 p.m. on May 1, 2, and 3; 2:30 p.m. matinee on May 4. In the Camino Theatre. USD employee cost is \$1.50.
- *May 7:** **Noontime Concert,** featuring the USD Chamber Music Class. 12:15 p.m., in Founder's Hall French Parlor.
- *May 11:** **USD Annual Spring Concert,** featuring the USD Choir and Vocal Ensemble. 4 p.m. in the Immaculata. Concert will feature an overview of church music throughout the ages. The Choir will also present a rarely-performed work by Mozart, written when he was only 17-years old. Accompanying the Choir will be the USD Chamber Orchestra.
- *May 18:** **Beethoven Piano Sonata Cycle,** 4 p.m., in Camino Theatre. The last in the series will be followed by a reception honoring the artists (Fr. Nicolas Reveles, Ilana Mysior, and Michael Bahde). The performance will feature the works Op. 2 #2, Op. 10 #2, and Op. 106. Admission is \$1.50.
- *May 25:** **USD Commencement,** both School of Law and Undergraduate: in football stadium.

TRADING POST

A column where USD employees can share information about services, bargain shopping, places to go, good restaurants, etc. Send your ideas to Sandra Edelman, De Sales 260.

Inclusion of services, businesses, or ideas in no way represents endorsement by the Alcalá View; contributions are from USD employees whose names appear in parentheses as sources of information.

El Indio, Old Town. Good Mexican food at very reasonable prices. (**Dee Strunk**)

Miki-San, 2425 5th Ave. Excellent Japanese cuisine and traditional Japanese entertainment. Prices slightly high but well worth it. (**Pam Tenney**)

Mini Price Inn, Rancho Blvd., Las Vegas. \$24 nite/double occupancy. Also Bingo Palace dining room 49¢ breakfast, 11 p.m. to 11 a.m. (**Fran Swank**)

Rene's, Rosarita Beach, Baja. Good food and music (live—contemporary and/or mariachi). Very reasonable prices. (**Liz Aleman**)

Seaport Village on Harbor Drive is opening this month—a shopping center designed as a turn-of-the-century fishing village. Great place to spend a Sunday afternoon.

Shrimp Peddler, Sports Aren Blvd. Excellent seafood, relaxed atmosphere, reasonable prices. (**Georgette Grimes**)

Tom Lai's, G St. Pier off Harbor Drive. \$5 - 10, a la carte and dinners. Good food, view of harbor. (**Fran Swank**)

D.J. Wills Bookshop and Coffeehouse, 7527 La Jolla Blvd. Open every day 10 to 10. Excellent collection, good prices; trades. Coffee and pastries served sidewalk cafe style. Poetry readings, etc., occasionally. (**Sandra Edelman**)



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