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Employees like U.C. dining

Employees generally are pleased with the new Faculty/Staff Dining Room in the University Center, according to a recent random sampling of opinions.

A few criticized the formal atmosphere of the dining room. Some said they feel a little intimidated to eat there. But all interviewed appreciated the positive attitude the room conveys about the way USD views its employees.

"It's nice of the University to give employees a space like that," said Sheryl Lorye-McAtee, secretary in Graduate Admissions. Although she hasn't eaten in the dining room yet, she is looking forward to doing so.

Larry Alexander, professor of law, likes the dining room as well as the rest of the Center. "But it's congested getting to the dining room and prices are up," he added.

"It (the dining room) is really pretty," said Laura Karow, Print Shop assistant. "a lot nicer than De-Sales." She admitted, how-

"It's going to take time to use it to its potential. There were problems we couldn't foresee — like the lines."

Now, much of the rough water is past. Spano sees smoother sailing ahead.

"You won't find this type of dining facility at most schools," he says. He feels it compares favorably to what a diner would find in the private sector.

And his staff likes its new surroundings. "People are eager to work here. There is a real sense of pride now," he says.

Spano knows frustration too

If you've felt frustrated waiting in line at one of the University Center eateries during the last couple of months, just imagine how Rudy Spano has felt.

It's Spano who directs USD's dining services — duties he's fulfilled on campus for four and a half years. Although the opening of the Center was an exciting development from his perspective, it also brought frustrations. After all, Spano and his staff had to train more than 250 students to use new equipment and adjust to new routines in a building as unfamiliar to the regular dining services staff as it was to the students.

"The building is very complex," he points out.
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ever, to feeling a little intimidated about eating in the dining room dressed in her regular working garb of jeans and sweater.

Dr. Cole Manes, associate professor of biology, has eaten in the dining room once. He liked the furnishings, but found the room itself somewhat difficult to find. "The prices were about the same and the food was good," he said.

"I think the dining room is beautiful," said Stephanie Sheltz, Constituent Relations secretary. She understands how some employees might feel intimidated by the room's atmosphere, but added, "I think it was nice of the University to design such a nice room: employees should appreciate it."

Diane Fuller was more critical. "I think it's ostentatious and overdone," said the Alumni Relations secretary. She also criticized the higher prices. And yet, she added, "I think it's great employees have their own place to eat."

"The atmosphere is very comfortable in the dining room," said Dr. Angelo Orona, associate professor of anthropology. He feels the Center itself will give students a better environment in which to congregate.

Joan Brisebois, Graduate Admissions, loves the view. "It's gorgeous. I was delighted when I ate there. The view is just breathtaking."

The dining room, which is located adjacent to the Student Dining Room, seats 125. It is open 11:30 a.m.-1:15 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Meet USD's... Greg Modugno

This month's employee in the spotlight is Greg Modugno, who has worked at USD for 10 years as cook for the banquets and catering division of Dining Services. Greg, his wife, Claudia, and their two children, Porchia, seven, and Andre, four, live in Linda Vista.

1. What brings you the most satisfaction in life?
Having children to parent.

2. Who is your hero in life and why?
I don't have any, but I do respect people who treat people with dignity no matter what their status is in life.

3. If you could be president of USD for a day what action would you take first?
I would build multi-story parking structures.

4. What is the most pleasurable aspect of your job?
Making food taste good and look good.

5. What is the least pleasurable aspect of your job?
Running out of time when you need more.

6. What do you enjoy doing in your free time?
I enjoy playing with my children. Playing music and watching old Perry Mason episodes and nature programs on television.

7. If you could be 21 again, what would you do differently in your life?
I would settle down and start a family earlier than I did.

8. What was the last movie you saw?
Star Trek.

9. What concerns you most about the community in which you live?
I don't have a favorite. I just enjoy the time off from work.

10. What is your favorite holiday and why?
There are too many apartment complexes being built in this area. It is causing more and more congestion.

Death

Bob Hunt, former University director of physical plant, on March 9.

Has something notable happened in your life? Share the news with the rest of the USD community by phoning ext. 4684. We'll include the news in an upcoming issue of Alcalá View.

Passages

Appointment

Sara Finn, APR, director of public relations, to the San Diego Chamber of Commerce Government Relations Committee for State and Federal Governments.
Castro tops in trivia

Sixteen perfect entries created a logjam for the number one spot in March's Alcalá View trivia contest, so it took a tie-breaking drawing to determine the winner — Eduardo Castro of the Loan Collections Office.

March's winner was to receive a $5 gift certificate to Carl's Jr. restaurant, but because the drive-in recently discontinued its gift certificate program, Castro will receive $5 cash.

He is the second person from Loan Collections to win the contest. Mercedes Bennett won October's game.

Others answering all 10 questions correctly last month included Van Ngoc Huynh, Purchasing; June Aleman, Communication Services; Mercedes Bennett, Loan Collections; Kimm Timmons, Data Processing; Kearin Murray, Bookstore; Linda Camp, Loan Collections; Margaret Kirk, History; Celeste Weinsheim, Graduate Dean's Office; Calista Frank, Human Resources; Larry Null, Physical Plant; Fr. Pat Cahill, Athletic Department; Kathi Goldman, Residential Conference Housing; Sr. Betsy Walsh, English; Mai Fisher, Bookstore; and Tanya Gosewisch, Law School Financial Aid.

Below is quiz six, which like previous quizzes, is open to all USD employees. Entries should be completed and sent to the Publications Office, DeSales 274, by 5 p.m. Friday, April 3.

The winner of March's contest will receive a $5 gift certificate to El Tecolote restaurant.

1. Who is the director of Data Processing?
2. In terms of square footage, what is the largest building on campus?
3. Security's main office is located in what building?
4. True or false: An employee who becomes ill on vacation may use accrued sick leave.
5. In what building is the Special Events Office located?
6. The French Parlor is located in a) Olin Hall b) Founders Hall c) Camino Hall.
7. Who is chairman of USD's Board of Trustees?
8. What was the final win-loss record of the men's basketball team this season?
9. Carl Boals works for what office?
10. True or false: the Financial Aid Office moved to larger quarters in Serra Hall.

Answers to last month's quiz:
1. Patricia Helm
2. Safety and Security
3. East
4. Three
5. March 6, 1987
6. Guadalupe Hall
7. John McNamara
8. False
9. c
10. May 24, 1987

Rules

1. Only USD employees are eligible to enter.
2. Only one entry per employee.
3. Entries should be returned to the Publications Office, DeSales 274, by the deadline. Entries received after the deadline will be declared ineligible.
4. In case of ties, a drawing will determine the winner.
5. Employees of the Publications Office are ineligible to enter the contest.
Coming Up

APRIL

Through May 31

Corita Kent serigraph exhibition.
Noon to 5 p.m., weekdays, Founders Gallery.
260-4600, ext. 4261.


2 AS and Law School Students Association speaker series. “Witness to Power,” John Ehrlichman. 8 a.m., University Center Forum. $4,50, general; $3.50, students: includes breakfast.

3 “Dilemmas in Economic Policy: Where Do We Go from Here?” Sixth in series of free lectures devoted to economic justice. Paul Wohlmuth Esq., professor of law, forum leader. 7:30 p.m., Manchester Executive Conference Center. 260-4585.


11 Men’s baseball vs. University of Santa Clara. 2:30 p.m., baseball field.

16 Men’s baseball vs. Pacific Lutheran University. 11:30 a.m., baseball field.

21 Men’s baseball vs. San Diego State University. 7 p.m., SDSU field.


26 Sister Rossi Concert. USD Orchestra, conducted by Dr. Henry Kolar, will perform music by Haydn, Smetana and Brahms Piano Concerto No. 1. Fr. Nicolas Revelle piano soloist. 4 p.m., Camino Theater. $5 general: $2 students with I.D. Funds benefit Sr. Rossi Scholarship fund. 260-4600, ext. 4456.

Send calendar items to Judy Barnes, Publications Office, DeSales 274.

New staff, promotions

Welcome to the following new staff employees who recently joined the USD community:

Carolyn Ann Costanzo, clerical assistant. Financial Aid.

Dawn Marie Dunbar, offset press operator, Print Shop.

Richard Gaby, physical plant.

Lora Gardner, secretary, Law School.

Rosemary Lesyk, clerical assistant.

Thomas Novak, cashier, Controller.

Maria Nyffenegger, unit leader, Mini Market/University Center.

Diana Gay Roberts, secretary, Center for Public Interest Law/Law School.

Congratulations to the following staff employees who recently received a promotion or transfer:

Audrey Campbell-Hardesty, from secretary II, Public Interest Law/Law School, to senior secretary, School of Nursing.

Daniel Clark, from secretary II, English Department, to clerical assistant III, Human Resources.

Pureza Garces, from casual worker I, Dining Services, to dishwasher, Main Dining Room.

Jeffrey Moore, from graduate assistant to library assistant I, Copley Library.

Maria Naranjo, from casual worker I, Dining Services, to dishwasher, Main Dining Room.

Alfred Sutlick, Jr., from patrol officer I to patrol officer II, Security.

Lonnie Turner, from patrol officer I to patrol officer II, Security.

Socorro Vazquez Jones, from secretary I, Human Resources, to secretary II, University Center.

Torero honors

Head coach Hank Egan was named West Coast Athletic Conference (WCAC) Coach of the Year and Torero center Scott Thompson was named conference Player of the Year at the end of the season.

USD’s 24-6 record was the best in school history. Egan’s three-year record at USD is now 60-26.