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# alcalá VIEW



*John Bussey, third from right, was honored at a June 5 retirement party for his 23 years of service in Dining Services. Bussey's well-wishers included, from left to right, his daughter-in-law Carol Bussey, grandson Lee Wells, son Michael Bussey, daughter Ruth Bussey, wife Ethel Bussey, grandson Kwaminique Braswell, Dining Services Director **Rudy Spano**, grandson Phillip Braswell and daughter Valerie Braswell. (See story page four.)*

## Campus Briefs

### Dance Through the Years at Picnic

Don't forget to put on your love beads, tie-dyed shirts and bell bottoms, and head over to the "Dancing Through the Years" Staff Employee Recognition Picnic on July 31, from noon to 3 p.m. at the field behind Copley Library.

You'll be grooving to the tunes of the 50s, 60s, and 70s, played by the Mud Cats band, and chowing down on burgers, dogs and chicken provided by Picnic People. You'll also have a chance to show your stuff with games of Twister and volleyball, and dance and limbo contests. An award for best costume will be presented, too.

When you're not dancing or twisting, you might want to sit in the shade, so be sure to bring a folding chair or blanket, an umbrella and sunscreen.

The Staff Employee of the Year Award will be announced and five-year staff service certificates presented at the picnic. The Staff Employee Association will present

its annual Administrator of the Year Award and distribute door prizes. The winner of the picnic contest (see page three) will also be announced.

Watch campus mail for your picnic invitation. This year, tickets will be issued at the Hahn University Center ticket booth. Be sure to RSVP and pick up your tickets by July 15. **Remember, you won't be able to eat without a ticket, so don't forget it!** Please remember that the picnic is for employees only.

For more information, call **Shawna Stewart** or **Verdise Bradford** at ext. 4594.

### Kudos to USD Employees

Some 63 USD employees netted \$4,717 for the March of Dimes in its March 25 WalkAmerica fund raising event. The money raised will be used to help fight birth defects.

This year marked USD's first-ever participation in the event.

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## Not Just Another Travel Agency

If you have summer travel plans, you might be interested in Council Travel Agency, an agency that provides discounts on domestic and international airline tickets to university employees.

Council Travel is a subsidiary of the Council on International Educational Exchange, and provides a full range of affordable services. It is located on Garnet Avenue in Pacific Beach. For more information, call Sheri Marr at 270-3611.

## Passages

### Birth

A girl, Claire Elizabeth, to **Ted Gosen**, director of sports information, and his wife, Terri '83, on June 9. Baby Claire weighed in at 9 lbs., 13 oz. and was 21" long.

### Retiring

**Harold Pennoyer**, mechanic, Building Maintenance, after two years.

## Classifieds

### For Sale.

Wedding gown. Size 7, form-fitting bodice, lace and satin, sweetheart neckline, beautiful beadwork, paid \$1,500, asking \$400. Leave message. **Rhonda**, 563-4544.

## New Hires, Promotions

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

**Mario Casillas**, custodian, Custodial Services; **Cathy M. Hougan**, cashier, Controller; **Micky Lee**, executive assistant, Student Affairs, **Shari L. Turgeon**, clerk, Printing and Duplicating.

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

**Grace Y. Holguin**, from cashier B to clerical assistant A, Controller; **Tina L. Smith**, from clerical assistant A to head cashier, Controller; **Donald Wroncy**, from mechanic A to mechanic B, Building Maintenance.

# SUMMER SCENE

## Vallejo Says Adios After 36 Years

**Guillermina "Willie" Vallejo** is hanging up her apron this month after 36 years as assistant cook in Food Services. Vallejo was honored at the 1991 Staff Employee Recognition Picnic for her service, and she was featured in the October 1991 issue of the *Alcalá View*.

Dubbed "Mom" by countless students who pass through the dining room, Vallejo is a real-life Mom of 12, and grandmother of 17. The Jalisco, Mexico native came to Alcalá Park in 1956 to join her husband, Jesus, who was a gardener for the College for Women. The Vallejo family lived on campus in Casa Maria (now the Public Safety building) until 1975, when they moved to Linda Vista.

Retirement plans for the well-loved Vallejo include visiting with her children and tending to her birds and roses.



Willie Vallejo in her garden.

## USD Job Opportunities

You can read about USD job opportunities in the following locations:

### Career Counseling and Placement:

(San Diego Job book in Career Library, Serra 300)

### Copley Library:

(Binder located at the Circulation desk)

### Human Resources:

(Maher 127)

### Legal Research Center:

(Bulletin board near the Circulation Desk and Copier Room)

### Physical Plant:

(Bulletin board near the time clock)

### University Center:

(Bulletin board near UC 232)

In addition, all hourly staff and administrative/professional positions are recorded on the 24-hour Job Line. The Job Line is updated on a weekly basis. To access the Job Line call: on-campus, ext. 4626, off-campus, 260-4626.

For more information call **Larry Gardepie** at ext. 8766, or **Verdise Bradford** at ext. 8761.

## EMPLOYEE PICNIC CONTEST

If watching *The Wonder Years* brings back fond memories, then this trivia contest is for you! Test your knowledge of the 50s, 60s and 70s with this quiz. Answer all questions and then send to Human Resources, Maher 127, by July 15. The winner will be announced at the Staff Employee Recognition Picnic on July 31.

1. Who was Barry Goldwater's running mate in 1964?

2. What was the name of the clown on the Howdy Doody Show?

3. Who were the five USD academic deans in 1976?

4. Which teams played in the first Super Bowl?

5. What popular 60s toy was named after an ethnic dance?

6. When was Author Hughes appointed president?

7. Who played Cal in East of Eden?

8. What year was Woodstock?

9. Which USD faculty member was the first to graduate from the College for Women?

10. Who was the first person to walk on the moon?

11. Who was known as Broadway Joe?

12. What year was Sr. Sally Furay appointed academic dean of the College for Women?

13. What was the name of the Ford automobile that was named after the founders son and is now a collectors item?

14. Who won the 1954 World Series?

15. According to Eileen Jackson in the *San Diego Union*, dated June 7, 1952, how many "blue-tiled powder rooms" were there at the College for Women?"

16. List the seven U.S. presidents who served in the 50s, 60s and 70s.

17. In what year did Elvis first appear on the Ed Sullivan show?

18. What current USD building was the Arts and Sciences building for the College for Men?

19. Who sang "Staying Alive" in the movie *Saturday Night Fever*?

20. What were Beaver Cleaver's parents' names?

21. Who was the first commencement speaker for the College for Men?

22. Name four of the "Chicago Seven"

23. What year did the United States finish its withdrawal from Vietnam?

24. Who is the USD vice president who turned a budget deficit into a surplus?

25. What did "SNCC" stand for?

## Coming Up in July

### Summer Fun for Seniors

USD's Continuing Education Department is offering a program of summer fun for senior citizens.

The University of the Third Age — a program for individuals 55 and older — will be held from 8 to 11:45 a.m., Monday through Thursday, July 6-23. Each day includes a morning Tai Chi exercise class and lectures on topics ranging from America's Cup '92 to the hottest trends in healthy fast food. \$65. For more information, call Selena Catanzarite at ext. 4644.

### Sports camps.

Camps for boys and girls, ages 7-17. Programs include boys' basketball, soccer, basics tennis, girls' volleyball, baseball, softball, tennis, girls' basketball, football and competitive swimming. Continues through Aug. 14. USD campus. Fee. Ext. 4593.

### Creative Kids '92.

A program for kids in grades two through seven, devoted to helping students stretch their creative abilities. Session one continues through July 17. Session two runs July 20-31. Students must enroll in at least two classes. Camino Hall. Fee. Ext. 4585.

### Thursday, July 9

**Family Breakfast Club meetings.** "Accessing Your Family Business Advisors." Sponsored by USD Family Business Institute. 7:30-9:30 a.m., Manchester Executive Conference Center. Fee. Ext. 4644.

### Wednesday, July 15

**Institute for Quality and Productivity.** "Quality Through Empowerment." Ross Beattie, human resources director, Sony Corporation. Industries in Partnership with USD and SDSU. 7:30-9:30 a.m., Manchester Executive Conference Center. Fee. Ext. 4644.

### Saturday, July 11

**Institute for Christian Ministries.** "Professional Ethics." Professor Ellen Colangelo. Second of a two-part workshop. 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Olin Hall 128. Fee. Ext. 4784.



# Bussey Ends Production After 23 Years

By Jacqueline Genovese

When John Bussey came to San Diego as a 19-year-old Navy recruit in 1951, he visited Alcalá Park several times, but never dreamt he'd eventually work there. "That was the farthest thing from my mind," he laughs.

But thanks to pneumonia, Bussey did end up at USD some 18 years later. "Catching pneumonia changed my whole life," he explains. "When I joined the Navy, I wanted to be in the construction battalion, but on my way over to Japan, I caught pneumonia, and the Navy sent me back to the U.S. Then I had to change billets, so I became a cook."

Bussey was in the Navy for 15 years and served in Vietnam and Korea before he found his way back to Alcalá Park in 1969. That's when he landed a job as a relief cook with the company that provided food service to the university.

In 1971, Bussey was promoted to head chef, and was responsible for the preparation and cooking of the lunch and dinner meals for the campus. In 1973, when the university decided to create its own Dining Services Department, Tom Burke, dean of Student Affairs, asked Bussey if he would like to stay on and help.

"It was a challenge," Bussey says. "We went from a Mom and Pop set-up to a high-tech operation. In 1979, we were serving more students than we had room for." The building of the Hahn University Center was a highlight for Bussey, who provided input on the design for the kitchen area.

In 1988 the father of five was promoted to production supervisor, and his responsibilities included overseeing not only the production of the meals, but the conduct of the students in the dining rooms. "If a student ever got out of line, I would approach

them like a son or daughter," Bussey says. "They always listened, I never really had a problem with that."

The Ohio native says his world travel with the Navy has come in handy at USD, especially with the international students. "You should see their faces when I talk to them, especially the students from Japan, they are so surprised to hear me speaking their language!"

Working with the students was one highlight of his tenure at USD, but Bussey says his fondest USD memory has nothing to do with food or students. "It was when Alex Haley came here in 1970. He was scheduled to speak in Camino (now Shiley) Theatre, and there were only about 10 of us, so we moved to a classroom. We ended up staying there talking until one in the morning. He talked about his research for *Roots*. He was incredible, I'll never forget that."

Bussey is reluctantly saying good-bye to USD after 23 years. "I have arthritis in my fingers, and I can't bend them. I just can't do things the way I used to," he explains.

Retirement will allow Bussey to devote more time to his Linda Vista community: he is on the Linda Vista Beautiful committee and has been involved with the Linda Vista Multi-Cultural Fair since its creation in 1985. He'll also have more time with Ethel, his wife of 40 years, and his seven grandchildren.

"You know, if it weren't for that pneumonia, I may have never met Ethel," Bussey says with a twinkle in his eye. "I met her at a ship's party after I was sent back from Japan. Six weeks later, we were married."

Will the man who has cooked so many meals for countless USD students continue to cook at home? "John likes to cook when the whole family is together," Ethel says with a smile, "because then he can cook in quantity. When it's just the two of us, I'll cook."

## Benefit Briefs

By Vicki Coscia

Did you know that laughing speeds up the heart rate, raises blood pressure, accelerates breathing, and increases oxygen consumption? Do it 100 to 200 times a day and you have the same benefits as 10 minutes of rowing. A good belly-laugh is like an apple a day. It's good for us and makes us feel good, too.

We are interested in any problems you may have with the medical or dental carriers. If you are not already aware, there is a formal process to express your questions and concerns. This process brings the problems to the carriers' attention, and requires them to respond to your concerns. Special forms to start this process are available in Human Resources.

**Staff Medical/Maternity Leaves of Absence...** During the time employees are receiving coordinated paychecks from USD and SDI, they are considered on **paid leave**. Once accrued sick and then vacation hours are exhausted, their leave status changes from paid to **leave without pay**.

An employee's insurance coverage is directly affected by any type of leave. According to the university's policy, medical coverage for the employee is paid by USD up to four months from the start of the leave. This guarantee is processed two ways: through BenUflex payments while the employee is on paid leave, and then as a departmental expense when the employee goes on leave without pay.

Look for more information about staff leaves in the next *Alcalá View*...Have a great summer!

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**Don't forget to cast your vote for the Administrator of the Year. (See insert.) The award will be presented at the July 31 Staff Employee Recognition Picnic by the Staff Employee Association.**



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