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## Students walk on water

By Karl Kramer

*Annual physics competition draws students eager to walk on water.*

Walking on water isn't simple, even with modern technology, as 20 teams in last Saturday's "Walk-On-Water" competition discovered at the University of San Diego Sports Center pool.

Limited to a \$100 budget and using nothing but wood, Styrofoam, plastic pipes, empty 2-liter soda bottles, duct tape and other miscellaneous items, each team tried to maneuver human-powered pontoons over the 25-yard slalom course at the USD pool.

Top honors of the day went to the USD team

whose effort, "Tomahawk," piloted by Thomas French, 18, won the overall competition.

The fastest time of the day, however, was delivered by one of five La Jolla High School entries. "Dr. Smooth" was the top finisher in the high school division and lost narrowly to "Tomahawk" in the finals.

"Dr. Smooths" pilot, 16-year-old junior Deborah Langman, accepted the prize for the top high-school finisher, a Hewlett-Packard scientific calculator which her team donated to the physics department at La Jolla High.

Another La Jolla High team, "Berzerking Boatmen," came in second place.

An entry from Francis

Parker High, "Floating Road Kill," finished third in the high school division.

Physics teacher Lisa Barnett brought three teams from Oceanside High, none of which completed the course.

"This contest gets my students really excited about applying concepts learned in class," she said.

"We've even had kids sign up to take physics just to participate in this contest."

The annual event, in its sixth year, was sponsored by USD's Department of Engineering as part of National Engineers Week (Feb. 16-22), co-chaired this year by the National Society of Black Engineers. ■

## Crash kills 2 Navy pilots; 1 graduated from USD

By Darlene Himmelspach  
STAFF WRITER

A crash of a Marine Corps plane in the Cleveland National Forest has killed two Navy pilots, including Lt. j.g. Michael Edward Moffat Jr., a Mount Carmel High School and University of San Diego graduate who dreamed of flying fighter jets.

The T-34C Beechcraft Bonanza turbo-prop, piloted by Navy Lt. John Francis Bush, 32, left El Toro Marine Corps Air Station in Orange County at 5:05 p.m. Wednesday for a 40-minute flight to El Centro.

At 6:15 p.m., the Marine Corps training plane was reported overdue. Two hours later, an Orange County sheriff's aircraft spotted the crash site in Silverado Canyon, 11 miles northeast of El Toro.

A few minutes later, Marines in a CH-46 helicopter confirmed that the wreckage was the missing T-34C, said a spokesman at El Toro. The two pilots were assigned to Marine Fighter Attack Squadron 101 at the base.

Moffat, 25, decided as a teenager at Poway's Mount Carmel High that he wanted to be a Navy pilot, say those who knew him. After graduation from the University of San Diego in 1994, Moffat was commissioned an ensign in the Navy.

When he finished a tour with the naval attache in Paris, Moffat began pilot training, first in Pensacola, Fla., and then at Kingsville, Texas, where he finished at the top of his class.

Moffat was remembered yester-



**Michael Edward Moffat Jr.:**  
*'Great kid with great ideals.'*

day by family friend John McDonald as a "great kid with great ideals who excelled at everything he did."

McDonald described Moffat as a "charger" who wanted to be a pilot ever since his teens. Moffat earned his gold wings last November and was to begin training as an FA-18 fighter pilot at the El Toro station next month, McDonald said.

But Moffat also wanted the job of landing signal officer, a pilot who also works the deck of a carrier coaching other pilots back to the ship via radiotelephones.

For that reason, Moffat was hitching a ride to El Centro on Wednesday to watch fleet carrier landing practice training, McDonald said.

Moffat's survivors include his parents, Patricia Reichardt Moffat and Michael Moffat Sr. of Rancho Bernardo; and a younger brother, Paul.

Bush, a native of Knoxville, Pa., is survived by his wife, Evelyn.

A Marine Corps aircraft accident team was investigating the crash.



# USD's year ends with loss to Pilots in tourney

LOS ANGELES — Top-seeded Portland did as expected last night in its first-round West Coast Conference women's basketball tournament game against No. 8 seed USD, soundly beating the Toreros 69-42 at Loyola Marymount.

The Pilots (26-1) won their 23rd consecutive game.

"I think Portland is a dynamic team," said USD coach Kathy Marpe. "It shows how strong a team they are with (injured All-WCC forward Kristin Hepton) out."

Kim Green led the Pilots with 15 points, which equaled the output by Toreros guard Pat Sencion.

"They have some good shooters and some good drivers and it's hard to defend them," said Sencion, playing her final game for USD.

No other Torero scored in double figures. Wendy Toonen had 12 and Deana Lansing and Carla Idsinga both scored 10 for the Pilots.

Jessica Gray pulled down a game-high and career-best 12 rebounds for USD, which finished the season 5-22.

## Other tournament games

■ **Angie White** made two foul shots with 4.9 seconds remaining to give fifth-seeded Pepperdine a 58-56 victory over No. 4 Santa Clara. **Lisa Siders** had 16 points, 12 rebounds and three blocks, White added 15 points and **Sara Pierce** had 14 points and four assists to lead the Waves (15-12).

**Nicole Silacci** led Santa Clara (19-9) with 14 points; **Lisa Sacco** added 13 with four assists and four steals, but missed a layup at the buzzer that would have forced overtime.

■ **Brittany Lindhe** scored 22 to lead San Francisco past Gonzaga 86-49. **Denise Woods** added 12 points and **Renee Demirdjian** scored 11 and each grabbed nine rebounds for USF (23-5). **Lydia Lederwood** led Gonzaga (4-23) with 18 points.

The semifinals will be played tonight and the championship game Sunday.

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THE SAN DIEGO UNION-TRIBUNE ■ FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1997

# RELIGION & ETHICS

## CALENDAR

**"Marriage and Divorce in Early Judaism and Christianity,"** a four-week course taught by Russell Fuller, assistant professor of theological and religious studies at USD, will be held 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. Sundays beginning this week, First United Methodist Church of San Diego, 2111 Camino del Rio South. Cost: \$30. Information: 297-4366.

**"Catholic Common Ground Initiative:** Can We Have Dialogue in the Catholic Church?" will be the topic of a lecture given by Lawrence S. Cunningham, theology professor at the University of Notre Dame, 7 p.m. tomorrow, USD, Manchester Executive Conference Center's auditorium. Information: 260-4817.



# Priest Psychiatrist Gives Tips for Avoiding Life-shortening Stress

BY BERNADEANE CARR  
*The Southern Cross*

Father James Gill, SJ, MD and psychiatrist, was one of the presenters during the National Institute for Clergy Formation held in late January on the USD campus. The public was invited to an evening workshop to hear him discuss stress from physical, mental and spiritual points of view. A summary of his talk follows:

Seven out of 10 people who come into a doctor's office are there due to stress-induced causes, which does more than impact physical health.

Stress gets in the way of relationships, it is damaging to parenting, and is harmful to success in employment.

Some symptoms of stress that show up even before one appears in a physician's office are nervous indigestion, overeating, migraine headaches, neck or back pain, or sleepless nights. It often masks as constant fatigue, or an over-sensitivity that may make women cry more easily or make men unable to cry. It may lead to frigidity and impotence.

The physical and mental symptoms may turn into diseases, no matter what a person's age. Among Americans, he says, the number one killer is preventable: coronary heart disease. Among patients who have had one heart attack and have been forced to reassess their lifestyle, the statistics show that those who learn to deal better with stress, cut the recurrence of heart attacks in half.

What the physician may note as clinical signs of stress include muscle spasms, excessive nervous energy, or high blood pressure. Other signs are overeating or loss of appetite, constriction of the throat, chronic diarrhea or constipation, nausea or short-



**Father James Gill, SJ**  
ness of breath.

On a more spiritual plane, stress is the opposite of joy and peace, patience and hope. The painful emotions of stress make it hard to love and listen to people. It causes us to shout more, swear more, sneeze more and even drive faster.

Part of reducing stress is recognizing its causes, which differ from person to person.

The quintessence of stress, according to Father Gill, is a situation which makes a person feel overtaxed or exceeds their capability of coping, accompanied by the sense that something harmful will result, or by apprehension of not getting or of losing what each one wants.

To gauge your sources of stress, he suggests asking yourself: What things make me worried? Upset? Angry? Depressed?

Dealing with stress requires both intellect and imagination, because both are the focus of thought and perspective that determines what causes stress. How they function leads to bodily reactions to stress.

Physically, the emotions of anger,

hostility, depression, and fear that accompany stress produce the same reactions: blood pressure increases, breathing speeds up, metabolism of fat and sugar increases. Hormones including adrenaline and others which suppress the immune system, are produced. This is when health can be damaged, resulting in heart disease, ulcers and various types of cancer.

Since we can't get at the body directly to solve stress, we must deal with it externally, by changing the situation, or internally, by changing our thinking.

Perhaps the situation can be changed by moving, changing jobs or not engaging in a particular activity. If that is not desirable or workable, to become more accepting or tolerant, or learning to laugh at the situation may be an alternative. Or we can change our focus and refuse to pay attention to stress inducers, by putting our mind on something else.

For example, in the common stress-inducing situation of waiting in line, to pull out wallet photos of loved ones, or imagine or remember a vacation can

help. When stressed by work or by worries, a period of alternate behavior may be calming. Anti-arousal procedure might be to take a walk, look at the sky, listen to music, or say a quiet prayer. If available, talking to a friend or just holding someone's hand may help. Whatever can quiet down and cut off the damaging stress response is healthy.

In spiritual terms, as opposed to the American marketplace mentality, where I am better if I outdo others, or I have to win to have worth, or I'm good only if I never make a mistake, and have to control everything, we should ask ourselves, "What does God want me to do?"

We assess or appraise each situation by what we believe. Do we believe we have to drop everything to get the phone or do everything now? Which of our assessments are self-destructive?

Our life is what we're thinking about all day long. We need to learn to love the work, to love the people we are with and learn to take time for God.

The Southern Cross

2/27/97



## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

# Bruso gets academic, WCC award

By Bill Center  
STAFF WRITER

Brian Bruso received a double dose of postseason awards yesterday.

Bruso was named to the all-West Coast Conference basketball team and was also honored as a member of the District 8 GTE All-American Academic team.

The fifth-year senior center has been dividing his time between the basketball floor and graduate studies in USD's School of Business Administration where he has a 3.3 grade-point average.

"It was quite a day," said the 6-foot-7 Bruso, who added that he was "a little surprised" by his selection to the All-WCC team.

Bruso averaged 12.7 points and 5.8 rebounds a game despite being the shortest center in the WCC. He led the WCC in field-goal percentage (62.8 percent). He had a team-high 30 blocks and was second among the Toreros with 27 steals.

Early in the WCC season, Loyola Marymount coach John Olive called Bruso "the key to USD."

USD coach Brad Holland had hoped that fifth-year senior Sean Flannery would also make the 11-member, All-WCC team paced by Player of the Year Marlon Garnett.

Flannery and Brian Miles (USD's leading scorer with a 14.2 average) were honorable-mention selections.

After a slow start, Flannery was the conference's hottest outside shooter in the second half of the season and averaged 13 points per game while hitting 48 percent (30-for-63) from three-point range.

"For me, it's a great way to go out," said Bruso. "But I thought Sean should have been in there because of the way we ended the season on a high note. He shot the lights out."

"I'm looking forward to the tournament because of the way we are playing. We have a lot of confidence. But I don't think it matters who you are playing. The WCC tournament is crazy."

USD will play Gonzaga in the first round of the WCC tourney Saturday night at Loyola Marymount.

### More WCC honors

Guards Garnett (17.7 scoring average) and Deana Lansing of Portland swept the WCC Player of the Year honors.

Garnett, who succeeded former teammate Steve Nash as POY, led the WCC in three-point baskets (68) — in addition to his scoring title. Lansing and POY runner-up and teammate Wendy Toonen led Portland to a 14-0 mark in WCC women's play and a 25-1 overall record.

Carlsbad High grad Renee Demirdjian of USF was named to the women's All-WCC team. San Diego's Nailah Thompson, who led USD in scoring (11.9) and rebounding (5.3), was honorable mention.



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## **FOR *the* RECORD**

### **CALENDAR**

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25**

The 1997 USD Philip Y. Hahn School of Nursing Lectureship will feature guest speaker, Gerri S. Lamb speaking on "Nursing and Managed Care: The Right Time and the Right Place" at 4 p.m., and will be held in the Manchester Executive Conference Center, USD. Admission is free, but reservations are required. Contact Karen Molenda at 260-4550 for reservations and information.



FYI

## CAPITAL ECONOMICS

## A Simple Lesson in Education

By Robert J. Samuelson

**T**he federal government could improve education in an instant at almost no additional cost. It need only require students wanting federal college aid—already \$37 billion in loans and grants annually—to pass a test showing that they are ready for college. Even a modestly rigorous exam would cause students to work harder. Those who passed would be better prepared. Those who didn't would receive a clear message: Students must earn college aid through achievement. It's not an automatic entitlement.

I have made this proposal before and know from experience that its chances of being taken seriously are low. But I repeat it to underline the superficiality of President Clinton's "crusade" to elevate education. His plan is classic Clinton: It's full of glorious goals (every student should read at age 8; two years of college should be as common as high school); the details are confusing (there are partial subsidies for school construction and vague "standards" for public schools); and many proposals, if enacted, would worsen what Clinton promises to improve.

Let's be clear. Public schools are mainly a local and state affair. Federal aid has never exceeded 10 percent of total spending and, at \$18 billion in 1994, is recently about 7 percent. Clinton's plan mostly would add bureaucracy. The small amounts of new funds proposed for public schools would impose new federal requirements. And it's unclear how the "standards" suggested for reading and math in the fourth and eighth grades would improve schools, because low test scores would carry no penalty.

Where the federal government matters is higher education, because it provides so much student aid. Indeed, most of the new money in Clinton's plan (two-thirds of the \$70 billion cost between 1998 and 2002) would raise subsidies for college students in the form of new tax breaks (the "Hope Scholarship" tax credit and a \$10,000 tuition tax deduction) or larger Pell grants. Clinton's aim here is mostly political. It is to relieve the anxieties of middle-class families that they can't afford college. Clinton justifies the new aid as offsetting higher tuition and providing the added education required by a high-tech economy.

Not so. If the tax breaks pass, the benefits will be fleeting because—in the main—colleges will offset them by raising tuition. Even the American Council on Education, the trade group for colleges, lends credence to that. "College prices have continued to rise because the market has been able to bear the increases," it says in an analysis of tuitions. "Most institutions have been able to raise tuitions and still have full classrooms."

So they have. Between 1980 and 1995, the consumer price index rose 85 percent. In the same period, tuitions for public colleges rose 218 percent at two-year schools and 254 percent at four-year colleges. At private colleges,

the increases were 192 percent for two-year schools and 238 percent for four-year schools. Meanwhile, the proportion of high school graduates going to college rose from 50 percent in 1980 to 62 percent in 1995. Over the same period, the amount of annual federal aid increased from \$25 billion to \$37 billion in inflation-adjusted dollars.

Nor are more college graduates needed to fill today's jobs or tomorrow's. Indeed, many college students now are ill-prepared and leave. In 1995, 29 percent of freshmen took some remedial course; 41 percent at public two-year colleges; 26 percent at private two-year colleges; 22 percent at four-year public colleges; and 13 percent at private four-year colleges. After five years, only 37 percent of new students at two-year colleges have a degree. At four-year colleges, that's 54 percent.

THE LATEST EVIDENCE THAT COLLEGE graduates aren't in short supply comes in a book, "Teaching the New Basic Skills" by economists Frank Levy of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Richard Murnane of Harvard. It's true, they write, that the wages of college graduates rose relative to those of high school graduates in the 1980s. Superficially, this suggests a scarcity of people with college-level skills. The reason this is not true, they argue, is that some college graduates are hired for jobs requiring only ninth-grade math and reading skills.

"Doing math at a ninth-grade level means the ability to manipulate fractions and decimals and to interpret line graphs and bar graphs," they write. "It requires only a bare minimum of algebra." But companies no longer automatically trust a high school diploma to signify "this level of mathematical skill" because "many recent high school graduates don't have it."

This disparity means that the central educational task today is to do better with present high school students and college students (many of whom flunk out). Sending more people to college won't accomplish that. Just the opposite: Making it easier to go to college will erode students' reason to do well in high school; and once in college, dropout rates will rise. "They [students] end up with a debt [from student loans], a bad credit rating and no degree," says Lawrence Gladieux, head of analysis for the College Board. "It's not responsible public policy." What would be responsible is a qualifying test for federal college aid.

If students work harder, they will do better. The most reliable authorities on this subject—students themselves—say that.

In a new survey of high school students by the Public Agenda Foundation, two-thirds say they could work harder and would do better. "You can just glide through," one said. "They practically hand you a diploma." A test—embodying what we ought to expect from a high school graduate—would check this complacency. It wouldn't touch the best students (who already work hard) or the

worst. It wouldn't directly affect elementary schools. But it would motivate most high school students who aspire to college; about half of full-time college students get federal aid.

The infatuation with educational "standards" is deceptive. Standards matter only if they have consequences for students, teachers and schools. Otherwise, standards are lofty goals that can be missed or ignored with impunity. Bill Clinton is all for "standards," and he criticizes "social promotion" in public schools. But he pointedly declines to impose an effective standard or end social promotion at the one place—the door to college—where he might. Students will intuitively grasp the hypocrisy. Will anyone else? ■



BY DANZIGER FOR THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR



February 24, 1997

San Diego Union-Tribune

# USD gets Gonzaga in tourney

**By Bill Center**  
STAFF WRITER

For the third straight year, USD has drawn the late game for the first round of next weekend's West Coast Conference basketball tournament.

The Toreros, who won six of their last seven to finish fourth in the WCC at 8-6, will play Gonzaga at approximately 8:15 p.m. Saturday at Loyola Marymount in Los Angeles.

Gonzaga also finished WCC play with an 8-6 record (15-11 overall), but dropped both of its games against USD — 80-74 in San Diego and 76-69 in Spokane, Wash.

"The good sign for us is that we're playing well going into the tournament," said USD coach Brad Holland, whose team last year lost in the semifinals to eventual WCC champ Portland.

"We were 6-1 over the last half of the conference season and could have been 7-0 if a call had gone the other way at San Francisco."

USD's final overall record of 16-10 is its best since the 1993-94 season and the fifth-best mark since moving up to Division I in 1979-80.

Brian Miles, who has come off the bench the last seven games, led USD scorers with a 14.4 average.

In the WCC women's tournament, last-seeded USD (1-13 in conference, 5-21 overall) plays regular-season champion Portland (14-0, 25-1) at 6 p.m. Thursday at Loyola Marymount.



## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

# Toreros enter WCC Tournament on a high note

## WCC

	Conf.		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
St. Mary's	10	4	20	7
Santa Clara	10	4	16	10
San Francisco	9	5	14	12
Gonzaga	8	6	15	11
<b>USD</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>
Portland	4	10	9	17
Pepperdine	4	10	6	20
Loyola Marymount	3	11	6	20

### Yesterday's Games

USD 64 Pepperdine 56  
USF 81, Loyola Marymount 74  
Santa Clara 67, Gonzaga 52  
St. Mary's 66, Portland 53

### Sunday, March 2

Tournament semifinals at Los Angeles

By Paula Mascari-Bott  
STAFF WRITER

USD men's basketball players Brian Bruso and Sean Flannery sat side-by-side on the bench as their career accolades were announced

**Toreros 64**

**Pepperdine 56**

over the loud-speaker. The fifth-year seniors were set to play their final home game at the USD Sports Center.

The emotion felt by the duo in the pregame festivities, which included the presentation of the players' parents, transformed into quality minutes and a happy ending as the Toreros defeated Pepperdine 64-56 last night.

It was the Toreros' fifth straight West Coast Conference victory and sixth in seven games. They finished 11-2 at home. USD (16-10, 8-6) will face Gonzaga in the first round of the WCC tournament Saturday at Loyola Marymount.

"All the good memories race through your head at once," said Flannery, who scored 12 points and grabbed five rebounds. "It's a good and bad feeling. It's good because you know the time here has been good. But it's hard to go."

Said Bruso, who collected 13 points (5-of-6 shooting) and five rebounds: "I didn't think I would get emotional at all, but I did get choked up. I think I came out a little flat, but I concentrated on playing solid defense and that helped."

Defense was the difference for the Toreros. For the sixth straight game, USD held its opponent under

70 points. That spelled trouble for Pepperdine (6-20, 4-10), which is 1-19 when held to 69 or less. The Waves also have struggled on the road, losing their 12th in 13th tries.

The Waves shot 31.9 percent from the field overall and 28 percent (7-of-25) in the second half. The tight on-ball pressure produced 11 steals for USD and caused 20 Pepperdine turnovers. Mixing up man-to-man defense with a matchup zone caused Pepperdine fits.

"They say defense wins games and I know it won this one," said USD coach Brad Holland, who set a career season-high with 16 victories. "We challenged every shot and did a good job of denying the ball. And Flannery played great defense on Tommie Prince."

Prince, a 6-foot-5 transfer from Arizona State, hurt USD in the first meeting with a game-high 21. But he was shadowed by the Toreros last night, getting only five shots and scoring five points. Marques Johnson carried the scoring load with 17 points, including 4-of-6 three pointers.

The second half started off strong for the Toreros who increased a four-point halftime lead to 10 with three points from both Bruso and Flannery in the first three possessions. But a 13-0 run provided Pepperdine with its first lead since 7:36 in the first half.

But the quick lineup that included Alex Davis and Lamont Smith got the Toreros back on the right track. Davis delivered a perfect pass to Smith for a fast-break layup and Smith hit a three-pointer on the next trip down. James Black followed with a layup and USD owned a 46-42 lead that it never surrendered.

"The difference in this team in the second half of conference (play) has been its confidence," said Holland. "This team believes it can win. We might be up a little or down a little, but it has a winning attitude."

And Holland knows that winning attitude is vital now that tournament time is here.

"I feel like we're one of the teams with momentum," said Holland. "We think the opportunity is there for us to do well."

Said Flannery: "We're on a great streak, and there's no better way to enter the tourney."



# Spirit of competition buoys water-walkers

## Students wade into engineering rivalry

By L. Erik Bratt  
STAFF WRITER

Walking on water may have been easy for a certain biblical figure, but for a group of high school and college students, it took a whole lot of brainpower.

The task assigned to participants of yesterday's Walk on Water competition at the University of San Diego was to build "buoyancy shoes" that would carry one team member across a pool faster than anyone else.

The 20 teams, each with only \$100 to spend, came up with a variety of designs that severely tested their engineering skills.

"It was awesome," said Thomas French, 18, a USD engineering student who powered his team, Tomahawk, to the grand prize. "It was a fun lab project. If I had to do a lab project, this would be it."

The sixth annual event, sponsored by the university's department of engineering, coincided with National Engineers Week.

There were three categories: high school, college and private industry. The third category, however, attracted only one entrant, NAVIUS Corp., which develops medical products.

The pilots raced in lanes across the width of the pool. They were required to navigate two buoys and remain vertical the whole time.

The walking part was almost as difficult as creating the designs, according to one pilot.

"That was a hard workout!" said Victoria Shank, 22, a NAVIUS employee, as she reached the other side. "We should sell this as some type of workout device."

Using plastic pipes, wood, tape and plastic foam, her team built a pair of shoes resembling Viking ships, complete with what looked like dragon heads coming out the front of each shoe.

The other designs utilized everything from plastic Coke bottles, bound together by tape, to big blocks of plastic foam and wood.

Nearly all had keels, as well as horizontal flaps on the bottom that closed when the shoes were moving forward and opened when they were pushed backward.

French's team, however, used vertical flaps that he said provided



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**On top:** Deborah Langman, sporting some flotation footwear, crosses the pool at USD. Her "Dr. Smooth" team from La Jolla High was the contest's top high school finisher.

more thrust. The flaps were screwed to the bottoms of plastic foam blocks shaved into crude canoe shapes.

The team's biggest problem with the shoes was balance, French said. Originally, he was standing too high over the water. Just before the competition, the team cut holes into the shoes to bring French's weight closer to the waterline.

Ross Tsukashima, a principal en-

gineer at NAVIUS, said competition is a valuable teaching tool.

"I think it builds good engineers," he said. "It teaches you just what it takes to get a project done. You have design issues, deadlines, budgets."

Sometimes, you also have to go back to the drawing board. NAVIUS finished last in a three-team contest with the college winner and the high school winner. It did, how-

ever, win for best design.

"We had some problems turning," Tsukashima conceded afterward. "Our keel was too big. It is all part of the design process. The main thing is, we had fun."

The top high school team was Dr. Smooth, from La Jolla High School. Various prizes were awarded for each category.



# Sheriff's deputy is eulogized as heroic, devoted

## Services held for victim of helicopter crash

By Maria C. Hunt  
STAFF WRITER

With fond words, the drone of a bagpipe and tears, hundreds of friends and loved ones said goodbye yesterday to Sheriff's Deputy Patrick Steven Coyle and celebrated the blessing he had been in their lives.

Coyle, 42, died Sunday after the helicopter in which he and pilot Ron Hobson were flying lost power and crashed in Sycamore Canyon northeast of Santee.

His death marked the first fatality in the 25-year history of the sheriff's ASTREA helicopter unit.

Coyle, during a funeral Mass at the Immaculata at the University of San Diego, was eulogized as a devoted husband and father who had attained his dream job as a flying sheriff's deputy.

"Patrick Steven Coyle was a he-

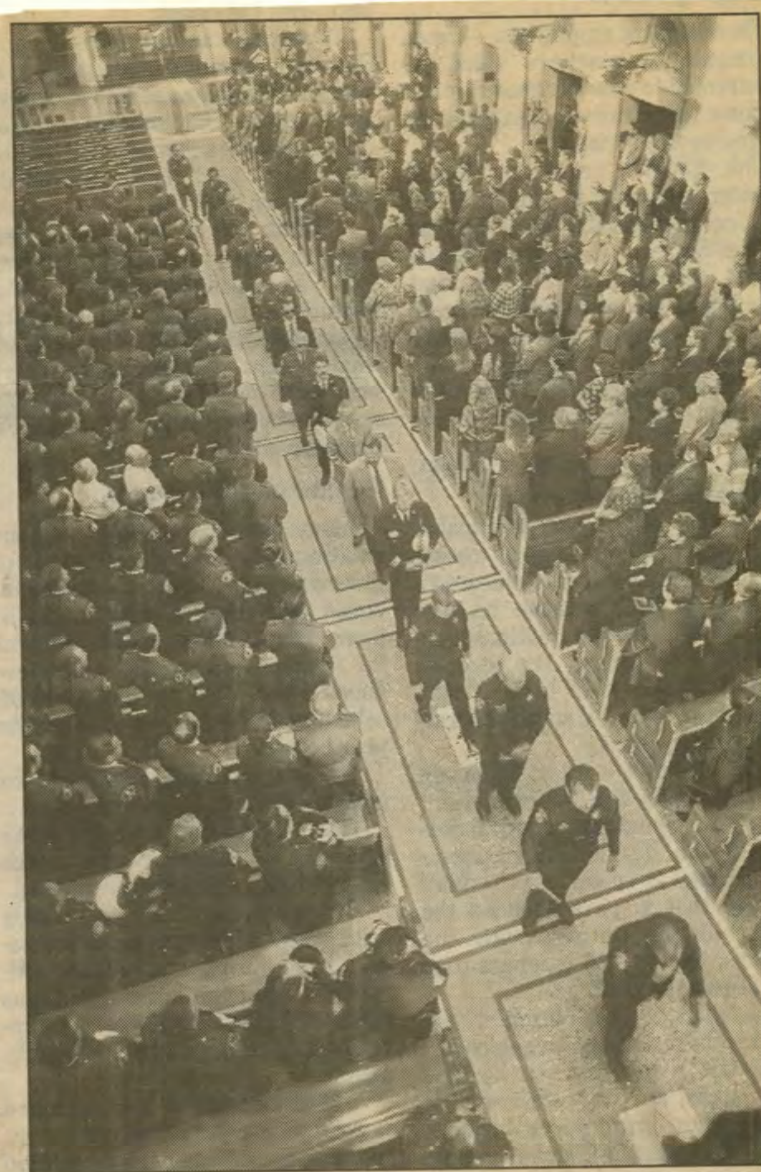
roic and courageous deputy sheriff who never gave up," Sheriff Bill Kolender said. "He died with his law enforcement friends — his second family. He was never alone."

Coyle's law enforcement family came to honor him yesterday, and a procession of black and white cars wound its way from San Diego Jack Murphy Stadium to the church.

The pews were filled with a sea of deputies in olive drab dress uniforms adorned with black mourning ribbons, and with friends from as far as away as Scottsdale, Ariz., and Northern California.

An oversized portrait of a beaming Coyle was in front of the altar, where 20 years before he had graduated from high school. Maybe that smile, described as the kind one could hear, provided some comfort.

Police Chief Mike Poehlman of Oceanside, one of Coyle's closest friends, said Coyle reminded him



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**Honoring a comrade:** Law enforcement officers from throughout Southern California filed out of the Immaculata.

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of the central character in the movie "It's a Wonderful Life." Coyle was a generous, big-hearted man who was able to touch many people in his short but full life, he said.

"All he wanted to be was a street cop," Poehlman said. "All he wanted to be was where the action was."

Poehlman recalled their start in law enforcement as police cadets in El Cajon, the Catholic faith they shared, and the good times they spent body-surfing on beaches from Ocean Beach to Oceanside. He talked of the love Coyle had for his wife, Jackie, his daughter, Chelsea, and his son, Cory.

"I think those (heavenly) hosts are saying here lived a great friend who did his job," Poehlman said. "Thanks God for sharing him before taking him back to you."

At Holy Cross Cemetery in Chollas View, Coyle's fellow ASTREA deputies carried his flag-draped casket from the hearse to the grave site as Deputy Rob Carroll played "A Welsh Lullaby" on the bagpipe.

After prayers, final remembrances from Coyle's kindergarten friend Russ Schumacher and San



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**Flag-draped:** *The coffin of Deputy Patrick Steven Coyle was carried from the Immaculata at USD.*

Diego Detective Sharon McNair and a Marine rifle salute, it was time to say goodbye.

Standing over the casket, helicopter deputies carefully smoothed and folded a U.S. flag and a state

**"Patrick Steven Coyle was a heroic and courageous deputy sheriff who never gave up."**

SHERIFF BILL KOLENDER

flag into tight triangles. Don Watkins, chief of the Highway Patrol's border division, gave one flag to Jackie Coyle; Kolender gave the other to Cory along with a kiss on the cheek.

Each pilot removed his white carnation and laid it on the brown, country pine casket. Then, as the bagpipe played "Amazing Grace," 20 helicopters in a missing-man formation flew over the cemetery.

Kolender said the ASTREA base in San Marcos will be dedicated to Coyle, who lived in nearby Oceanside, as a permanent memorial.

The helicopter team has established the ASTREA Pat Coyle Memorial Fund, to aid his children, at the Bonita Wells Fargo Bank.

The sheriff's helicopter unit was temporarily grounded during the initial investigation but has since returned to the air.



## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

USD's Smith  
alive and well,  
and thankfulBy Bill Center  
STAFF WRITER

To the unknowing, it looks as though USD guard Lamont Smith is up on the latest hair fashion. But "the horseshoe of luck" on the back of the sophomore's scalp is not one of those fancy razor cuts. "One hundred stitches went into it," Smith said recently.

One hundred life-saving stitches.

"Every time I see that scar, it takes me back," Lamont's father, Allen Smith, said from his home near Dallas. "The more we learned back then, the more afraid we became."

At age 10, Lamont Smith passed out while going to bat in a Little League baseball game in Carrollton, Texas.

A blood vessel had ruptured in the back of his head. "Aneurysms can be a death sentence," Lamont Smith said.

And Lamont's had the makings of being fatal.

Physicians had to wait 30 days for the swelling in Smith's head to subside before operating. When the back of Smith's head was opened, a tiny clamp was implanted to close the rupture. The clamp is still there.

But the worst was yet to come. After the surgery, Smith had to remain perfectly calm for another four months.

"I was bedridden," Smith recalled. "The doctors told me not to move. It was a long time before they even let me sit up. I remember how different it felt when they allowed me to go for a car ride.

"It was very difficult."

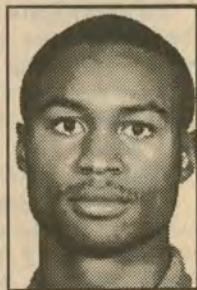
And nearly impossible for his parents.

"Know how hard keeping Lamont calm was?" said his father. "Lamont at 10 was a motion machine. He was into everything . . . playing everything. Hard to tell a 10-year-old to lay still for four months."

Particularly when the patient grew to be Lamont Smith, whose efforts on both ends of the court have helped USD win six of seven games since he and freshman forward Brian Smith were inserted into the starting lineup.

"Both Smiths have added toughness to the starting lineup on defense," USD coach Brad Holland said this week. "But we also needed to settle down, work harder on what we do best, be more solid with the ball, get in our offense and get the right people their shots.

"Lamont has helped us do all of that and last week-



Smith

end he came back with 11 rebounds. He's the model team player. He understands he doesn't have to score to help us. And he's the same person if he plays 30 minutes or no minutes. His total priority is to win."

Lamont's father said his son has always been that way.

"When he'd come home from games as a kid, I'd ask him how he did, and he'd say he'd won or lost," Allen Smith said. "And I'd ask him how many points he had scored or how many hits he had and he wouldn't know."

Lamont Smith doesn't score much these days — 4.0 points per game and 2.7 rebounds since he's been starting — although he is one of USD's deadlier long-range shooters.

Lamont is still surprised to be starting. At the beginning of the season, Smith backed up Alex Davis at point guard with Brock Jacobsen playing the off guard.

But after the Toreros had problems getting into their offense early in West Coast Conference play, Holland opted to run Jacobsen (at point) and Smith as a backcourt tandem — dividing between them the responsibility of bringing the ball upcourt.

"I thought we had a permanent lineup," said Smith. "I thought I'd be coming off the bench all season and spark the defense. But I'm trying to keep it in perspective."

Which, when Lamont Smith looks back, is not difficult.

"I'm blessed to be here," he said. "My doctors were amazed that I recovered so well from my aneurysm. I came close. It was a good thing that it happened at such a young age."

The thought of what happened is never far from Smith's mind, however.

"If I get a headache for a couple of days in a row, I start thinking about it," he said.

And he's reminded every time someone asks him about his fancy haircut.

"I used to tell people I had gotten hit by a baseball bat," said Smith. "But now I just say, 'It's my horseshoe of luck.'"

**OTHER WCC GAMES** At Santa Clara Marlon Garnett and Brian Jones scored 13 each as **Santa Clara** (15-10, 9-4) beat **Portland** 62-50 last night to move within one victory of its third straight WCC regular-season title. Portland dropped to 9-16 and 4-9. ■ At **Moraga Saint Mary's** hit eight consecutive free throws in the last 29 seconds, six by sophomore Frank Knight, as the Gaels (19-7, 9-4) held off **Gonzaga** 74-72. Gonzaga dropped to 15-10 and 8-5.

**LOYOLA (W) 63, USD 57** At Los Angeles Nicole Gaines scored a game-high 25 points, 19 in the second half, to lead Loyola Marymount (5-20, 4-9) to a WCC victory over the Toreros (5-20, 1-12). Nailah Thompson led USD with 20 points and freshman Jessica Gray had a career-high 10 rebounds. USD plays Pepperdine tonight at 7 in Malibu.

## TONIGHT'S GAME

**MEN: Pepperdine (6-19, 4-9 WCC) at USD (15-10, 7-6).**

■ **Time/site** 7/USD Sports Center.

**USD update** Has won four straight and five of six. Held opposition under 70 points in last five games and six of seven. Will play either San Francisco or Gonzaga in first round of West Coast Conference Tournament, March 1 at Loyola Marymount. Defeated Loyola 72-69 on Thursday as **Brian Miles** came off the bench to score a career-high 26, including 18 in 12 minutes of the first half. **Alex Davis** scored 15 of his 17 after intermission. Miles leads the Toreros at 14.6 ppg and 5.3 rpg. **Sean Flannery** is averaging 13.1 ppg and **C Brian Bruso** is at 12.7 ppg and 5.8 rebounds per game, and leads the WCC in field goal percentage (.622). USD is 10-2 at home. Seniors Bruso, Flannery, **James Black** and **Casey Sheahan** are playing last home game.

**Pepperdine update** Waves got 21 from Arizona State transfer **Tom Prince** to defeat USD 72-66 in first meeting, at Malibu. Lost to USD 56-46 on Thursday. **F Bryan Hill** leads Waves at 13.7 ppg and 8.2 rpg.



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## ***Local Scene***

### ***Economic Index***

The University of San Diego's Index of Leading Economic Indicators for San Diego County rose 0.5 percent in the month of December. The USD Economic Index measures six components, all of which were positive for the third straight month. The Index itself has been on a steady rise for 21 consecutive months. For December, the largest gain was in tourism, which came up 1.32 percent. The index also showed claims for unemployment insurance going down and help-wanted advertising on the rise, both signs of a strengthening labor market. Stock prices for local companies also came up by .41 percent. Building permits remained virtually unchanged. The USD Index is compiled by USD Professor Alan Gin.



# Colleges Are Signing Up for Clinton's Plan to Use Students as Literacy Tutors

**M**ORE THAN 70 colleges and universities are enlisting their work-study students in President Clinton's army of literacy tutors.

The institutions have agreed formally to set aside at least half of the new work-study funds they received this year for students who want to tutor children as part of "America Reads," Mr. Clinton's campaign against illiteracy. Administrators at as many as 200 other colleges have told the college presidents who are overseeing higher education's involvement in the literacy program that they want to sign up their institutions, too.

America Reads, which Mr. Clinton introduced last August, aims to recruit a million volunteer tutors to teach children to read by the third grade. The Administration hopes to draw 100,000 of those tutors from the ranks of students who participate in the College Work-Study Program.

In October, President Clinton said he would propose legislation to require that at least half of the \$213.5-million increase in funds that Congress appropriated for work study this fiscal year be used to pay reading tutors. The total appropriation of \$830-million for work-study for fiscal 1997 represented a 35-per-cent increase over the \$616.5-million provided for the program in 1996.

College officials heatedly objected to such a mandate. They generally opposed the idea of placing too many restrictions on work-study funds and said some institutions might have to forfeit badly needed work-study money if they could not find enough students willing or able to tutor. After meeting with leaders of the higher-education associations, Administration officials dropped the idea of a requirement.

Instead, 20 college presidents agreed to enlist their institutions in the program and to recruit other colleges as well. As an inducement for colleges to volunteer, the Administration altered federal rules so that colleges or other groups that employ work-

study students need no longer pay a quarter of the work-study cost for students who tutor children in reading. The government will pick up the full tab for those students.

Participating colleges also must agree to try to encourage other, non-work-study volunteers to tutor pupils in reading.

"Everybody wins with this," said Ken McInerney, associate director for govern-

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mental affairs at the National Association of Student Financial-Aid Administrators. "It lets schools that can spend this money in this fashion do so, but won't restrict other schools' ability to spend work-study money in the way they want to."

Robert A. Corrigan, president of San Francisco State University and chairman of the panel of presidents who will oversee colleges' involvement in America Reads, added, "The marvelous thing about the 35-per-cent increase is that it allows campuses to maintain what they're doing on the campus itself while using the new money to do these new things."

## PLANS IN NEW YORK CITY

At many colleges, the infusion of work-study funds will enhance existing programs. San Francisco State, for instance, has been working with local schools for years and plans to train a set of work-study students this spring to begin work next fall.

"We'll be able to hit the ground running," said Mr. Corrigan.

Universities in New York City have big

## Colleges That Have Committed to 'America Reads'

American U.	Long Island U.—C. W. Post campus
Bank Street College of Education	Lyndon State College
Bates College	Marymount College (N.Y.)
California State Polytechnic U. at Pomona	Marymount Manhattan College
California State U.—Dominguez Hills	Miami-Dade Community College
California State U. at Fresno	Morehouse College
California State U. at Hayward	New York U.
California State U. at Los Angeles	Ohio State U.
California State U.—Monterey Bay	Pace U.
California State U.—Northridge	Pennsylvania State U.
California State U. at San Bernardino	Piedmont Virginia Community College
California State U. at San Marcos	Portland Community College
California State U. at Stanislaus	Portland State U.
Castleton State College	San Diego Mesa College
Catholic U. of America	San Diego State U.
Centre College	Simpson College (Cal.)
Chicago State U.	Sonoma State U.
City U. of New York System	Southern Illinois U. at Carbondale
Community College of Denver	Southern Illinois U. at Edwardsville
Community College of Spokane	State U. of New York
Community College of Vermont	College at Old Westbury
Connecticut College	Susquehanna U.
DeKalb College	Sussex County Community College
Dickinson College	Trinidad State Junior College
Eastern Michigan U.	Trinity College (D.C.)
El Paso Community College	U. of Maryland at College Park
Flathead Valley Community College	U. of Mississippi
Franklin & Marshall College	U. of Montana
George Washington U.	U. of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Georgetown U.	U. of Pennsylvania
Gettysburg College	U. of Puget Sound
Glendale Community College	✓ U. of San Diego
Harry S Truman College	U. of Texas at El Paso
of City Colleges of Chicago	Vermont Technical College
Howard U.	Washburn U. of Topeka
Humboldt State U.	Wheaton College (Mass.)
Johnson State College	Wheelock College
Lafayette College	

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plans, too. The City University of New York expects to supplement its current tutoring programs for illiterate adults with new programs in the city's intermediate schools. Bank Street College of Education plans to add a team of work-study reading tutors to the 400 programs it now has in the New York school system. New York University will add a team of work-study students to its existing volunteer programs that

provide literacy tutoring and other services to settlement houses for newly arrived immigrants.

"Our students certainly need the money and are willing to work for it, and the work this program is focusing on is noble," said David Finney, vice-president for enrollment services and planning at N.Y.U. "For us, getting involved was a pretty easy decision."

—DOUGLAS LEDERMAN



# Two USD veterans thrive from bench

By Paula Mascari-Bott  
STAFF WRITER

They weren't on the floor for the opening tipoff, but when it counted most, Brian Miles and Alex Davis were in the thick of the action.

**Toreros 72**

**Loyola 69**

The USD juniors, who were removed from the starting lineup six games ago, played integral parts in the Toreros' hard-fought 72-69 victory over Loyola Marymount last night at the USD Sports Center.

The West Coast Conference victory was USD's fourth in a row and 10th in 12 home games. The Toreros (15-10, 7-6 WCC), who have held opponents under 70 points in six of their last seven games, end the regular season tomorrow against Pepperdine.

In 26 minutes, the 6-foot-9 Miles scored a career-high 26 points on 10-of-15 shooting. Davis, who started the first 19 games at point guard, had 17 points, seven from the free-throw line.

"Miles provided some scoring punch that we sorely needed in the first half," said USD coach Brad Holland, who tied a career high with USD's 15th victory. "Davis defended Jim Williamson (Loyola's leading scorer at 16 points a game, who finished with 10) extremely well. (Davis') play in the second half was just a real, real key to us coming out on top."

Although they're having to come off the bench, Miles and Davis aren't leaving their mental framework on the sideline. They've shown character in dealing with their backup roles.

"They both have had outstanding attitudes toward it," said Holland. "I think it's clear now that they under-

stand it's really helped our team for them to come off the bench and provide some scoring punch. I'm sure they also recognize now that in the gut of the game they're in there. That's what's important."

Said Miles: "Some people would say forget it and go down the toilet bowl the rest of the season. But Alex and I just looked at each other, said, 'We know what we can do,' and put a smile on our faces."

In the first half there were 16 lead changes and three points was the largest lead. Miles was responsible for keeping USD close. In a five-minute span he scored all of the Toreros' points — 14 — and finished the half with 18 points.

USD's biggest lead — eight — came with 5:47 left as Davis provided all of the offense in an 11-1 run. He made two straight three-pointers, his first attempts of the night, and hit a driving layup on which he was fouled.

On the defensive end Davis picked off a pass — his third steal — and was intentionally fouled. He made both free throws, pushing USD's lead to 66-58.

"I felt the momentum with that first three-pointer," said Davis, who had 15 points in the second half. "I used to think drive first and shoot last, but I've gotten away from that. I know I can do it from the outside."

Loyola (6-20, 3-11), loser of six straight, was within three when Kenny Hotopp made a layup and was fouled with 27 seconds left. But Hotopp missed the free throw and Brian Bruso grabbed the rebound.

Bruso threw an outlet pass to Davis, who was fouled. Davis made the free throws, pushing the lead to three. The Lions had two three-point attempts in the final 10 seconds, but neither connected.



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## USD's Reese earns first win in Classic

**T**he USD starting battery of Kevin Reese and Tony Betancourt, both from local high schools, led the Toreros baseball team to an 8-5 victory over Utah in the San Diego Classic yesterday at

Cunningham Stadium.

### LOCAL COLLEGES

Betancourt, a sophomore and Rancho Bernardo High alumnus, went

3-for-4, including a double, scored a run and drove in another. Reese (1-1), a freshman left-hander from Mission Bay High, earned his first collegiate victory after allowing two runs on five hits and four walks and striking out four in six innings.

Sean Skinner and Jeb Dougherty

each had two hits for USD (5-3). Eli Cecil drove in two runs for the Toreros.

### More San Diego Classic

Point Loma Nazarene College scored nine runs in the bottom of the eighth inning and defeated Team British Columbia 11-7 in an exhibition game. **Rick Sales** hit a three-run double in the eighth and **Brent Baum** added a two-run double for the Crusaders.

### More baseball

**Matt France** hit a three-run double in the eighth to help give Concordia of Irvine (5-6) a come-from-behind 7-6 non-conference win over visiting UCSD (2-6).



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## USD women win swimming title

**T**he USD women's swimming and diving team won the Pacific Coast Swimming Conference championship for the first time yesterday with a total of 762 points at Long Beach.

The Toreros were crowned champions in 11 events and set conference records in the

### LOCAL COLLEGES

200-meter breaststroke, 200 medley relay, 100 butterfly,

100 breaststroke and individual medley. Kristine Hayashi and Courtney Coleman each set two conference records.

Coach Bill Morgan won his third consecutive PCSC Coach of the Year award.

### Baseball

USD jumped to a three-run lead in the first inning, setting the tone for an 8-4 win over Portland State at Cunningham Stadium.

The Vikings (1-6) tied the game 3-3 in the second, but the Toreros (3-3) scored four more runs to take control in the bottom half of the second. **Jeb Dougherty** went 2-for-3 with two RBI and stole a base, and **Tony Betancourt** went 2-for-4 with two RBI for USD. **Bryan Bealer** pitched five innings to earn his first victory. **Elliot Cox** went 4-for-4 for Portland State.



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## Ruby Dee, Ossie Davis featured at Black History Month event at USD

Well-known actors and activists Ruby Dee and Ossie Davis will appear tonight at the University of San Diego.

Dee and Davis will speak at 8 p.m. in the Hahn University Center as part of Black History Month events on campus.

Dee and Davis, who have been married for 48 years, have had dis-

tinguished careers in theater and film, including such classics as "A Raisin in the Sun," "Do the Right Thing" and "Cotton Comes to Harlem."

Both have been active in the civil rights movement and are in the NAACP Image Award Hall of Fame. Tonight's event is free.



# Toreros stun Gonzaga, sweep Northwest trip

By Dave Trimmer

SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

SPOKANE, Wash. — Considering all the reasons for USD not to win last night's West Coast Conference men's basketball game at Gonzaga, the 76-69 victory was rather remarkable.

**Toreros 76**  
**Gonzaga 69**  
"I think it was just a team attitude; we weren't going to be denied this weekend," Toreros coach Brad Holland said yesterday. "You could see it in their eyes."

But there were some obstacles blocking the Toreros' path to their 14th win in 24 games, which evened their league record at 6-6 with home games next weekend against Loyola Marymount and Pepperdine.

■ It was Gonzaga coach Dan Fitzgerald's last home game and senior night for the Bulldogs, which produced an emotional near-sellout crowd of 4,015.

■ USD had lost its five previous appearances at the Kennel and the Bulldogs (15-9,

8-4 WCC), now tied for first in conference, had lost just one home game this year.

■ The Toreros had not won a road game this season before a 76-69 breakthrough at Portland on Thursday and had not swept the Northwest swing since 1991.

"Obviously, we're elated with the road trip," Holland said. "Arguably, these are the toughest two road games to win. We've been playing well at home and it finally carried over. We had to weather that (pre-game) emotion, and we did."

Despite shooting 59 percent in the first half, USD managed only a 35-33 lead because of 10 turnovers. But after the Bulldogs grabbed a 39-37 lead, the Toreros went on a 14-2 run to lead by 10 with 10:52 to play.

Brian Miles, who followed Thursday's 18-point game with 19 points, had seven in the run.

The surge coincided with USD's switch to a 2-3 matchup zone.

"That's when we gained the lead," Miles said. "We mixed things up and they didn't

seem to get in a flow. We were able to capitalize."

The lead was 65-51 with 5:42 remaining when the Bulldogs got desperate, eventually closing within five in the final 30 seconds. The Toreros scored nine of their final 11 points off 12 free-throw attempts.

"Coach sat us down before the road trip and said this is our last chance, this is the time when our team starts playing its best," Miles said. "That was motivation for the team. We said, 'OK, this is it; let's get it done.' Everything going on here helped get us motivated. It was a fun, fun game."

Also getting it done was Sean Flannery, who had a game-high 20 points, including four three-pointers, which made him the school's all-time leader in threes with 179, two more than Doug Harris.

He had 13 in the first half to help USD overcome its turnover problems.

"I just got open looks," he said. "It felt good, and my teammates gave me good screens."

## WCC

	Conf.		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Santa Clara	8	4	14	10
Gonzaga	8	4	15	9
St. Mary's	8	4	18	7
San Francisco	7	5	12	12
<b>USD</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>
Portland	4	8	9	15
Pepperdine	4	8	6	18
Loyola Marymount	3	9	6	18

### Yesterday's Games

**USD 76**, Gonzaga 69  
St. Mary's 69, Pepperdine 67 (2OT)  
Santa Clara 68, Loyola Marymount 62  
San Francisco 66, Portland 62

### Thursday's Games

Loyola Marymount at **USD, 7**  
Pepperdine at San Francisco, 7

### Friday's Games

Portland at Santa Clara, 7:30  
Gonzaga at St. Mary's, 7:30



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# USD law school dean to retire in June; will remain as a professor

By Anne Krueger  
STAFF WRITER

The dean of the law school at the University of San Diego is retiring in June after serving eight years as one of the relatively few women in the country at the helm of a law school.

Kristine Strachan, 53, said she plans to remain at the school as a full-time law professor.

"I'd have to say that being a law dean is one of the most fun and rewarding jobs there is. But it's a job that's only fit for workaholics," Strachan said Thursday "I'm ready to have a life."

Strachan announced her plans in a note Tuesday addressed to "alums and friends of USD School of Law." USD Provost and Vice President Francis Lazarus expressed his appreciation of Strachan in a letter sent Thursday to law school faculty and staff.

"Dean Strachan has developed a law school notable for the quality of its faculty, a faculty characterized by both a dedication to the professional education of their students and a commitment to conducting world-class scholarship," Lazarus said in the letter.

The USD law school, which has 1,100 students, was awarded the prestigious Order of the Coif last year. The award by the national organization is one of the highest honors a law school can receive, indicating a high-quality curriculum and staff.

"It tells people from outside the state of California that this is a nationally ranked law school," Strachan said.

Strachan said her eight years as

dean is more than twice the tenure of the typical law school dean. Her time at the school has not been without controversy.

In March 1995, former law school administrator Marilyn Young was awarded \$960,000 by a jury that concluded she was fired for reporting inappropriate expenses by Strachan.

Young was discharged in June 1993 after telling university officials that Strachan had requested reimbursement on expense accounts for personal items such as dog food and toothpaste.

Strachan was dropped as a defendant in the lawsuit before the trial, but jurors found that the university retaliated against Young for reporting the questionable reimbursement requests by Strachan.

Strachan came to USD in 1989 from the law faculty at the University of Utah in Salt Lake City. USD was then among about a dozen nationally accredited law schools in the country to have a woman as dean.

Strachan caused a stir when she first arrived at the Catholic university after telling a reporter that she favored a woman's right to abortion. She later said she personally believed abortion was morally wrong, but because it is legal, she said, women should be able to have abortions without government interference.

She met a storm of criticism after those statements, and one priest led a call for her ouster. But she was supported by the late Bishop Leo T. Maher, who said he believed Strachan's words had been misinterpreted.



*Toreros women's swim team once foundered in rough waters ...*

## Now USD foes are sunk

By J.P. DeLauri

**F**or the second consecutive year, the USD Toreros will be in contention for the Pacific Coast Swimming Conference title, but it's "The Pioneers" who got them there.

When Bill Morgan took over coaching USD's women's swim team for Gary Becker in 1993, he inherited a Division-II caliber team competing in Division I. When the Toreros were moved to Division I in 1983, the scholarships weren't increased in order to compete. And, along with being the swim coach, Becker had to spend time working in the intramural department.

"Something had to give, and that was my ability to recruit," said Becker, now director of intramurals and recreation.

Fortunately for Morgan, USD increased the scholarship money from 2½ full rides to four and gave him a budget to hire a coaching staff, a luxury Becker didn't have.

Enter the Pioneers — the moniker given by Morgan to the group of high school MVPs who came to be Toreros in 1994.

The group headed to USD not because it was a swimming powerhouse, but because the recruits felt they could create one. Now juniors, the group believed Morgan had a vision. He had a stellar coaching reputation, which included NCAA Women's Swimming Coach of the Year in 1985 and Men's Coach of the Year in 1989 at UCSD. Now he had all the ingredients to build a



Morgan



Sides

winner.

"It didn't happen overnight," said Morgan. "Everyone thinks that just because you're in San Diego, they will come. It took a lot of hustling and talking to high school coaches. Most of them would say: 'Great, call us back in two years when you have the thing up and running.' Now we're getting people to realize that we *are* doing something."

After a seventh-place finish in the PCSC in 1994, the first of the pioneers — Laura Sides, Corise Bittner and Megan Thompson — led USD to fifth place in 1995 and second in 1996. This year they are on the cusp of putting the first swimming banner in the USD gymnasium while adopting the slogan "A Banner Season."

Sides, USD's 1996 MVP, who holds five school records, was already on her way to Arizona State until she met Morgan.

"It seemed like the program was going to be building and that we were going to have a lot of great

girls on the team," she said. "Bill was really enthusiastic and seemed like a great motivator, and that's what I need."

Bittner has amassed six USD records and one conference mark and Thompson earned All-PCSC in six events last year. Julia Larson, also a junior, earned all-conference status in four events and was named USD's most improved swimmer last season.

Morgan says two major components have lifted the program to the top. The luxury of having a coaching staff and a year-round training program.

Darrell Swenson, Morgan's swimming coach at San Diego State in the 1970s, was hired as an assistant in 1995.

"The maturity he brings to the program is unprecedented," Morgan said.

The increased budget also allowed Mike Fitchett to be hired as diving coach this season.

"How do we benefit from that?" Morgan asked. "People get coached better."

Also, to compete at Division I, you have to train like Division I.

Morgan now requires his swimmers to train January through December — and he has seen results.

"You have to put together a group of athletes that are willing to pay the price," he said.

J.P. DeLauri is a Union-Tribune news assistant.



## Foot- notes

**If they want to produce graduates who have civic and professional consciences, Catholic colleges must come to grips with their religious identity.**

So says the new executive director of the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, Monika K. Hellwig. Dr. Hellwig, a former professor of theology at Georgetown University, spoke to 275 presidents and administrators, representing 141 Catholic colleges, at the association's annual meeting this month.

She challenged the officials to teach the most important parts of Catholicism in ways that are credible to students and consistent with Pope John Paul II's statements about higher education.

"Are we using our resources sufficiently to pass on a knowledge and an understanding of our faith tradition which is commensurate with the secular sophistication of the students that we graduate?" she asked.

She praised American bishops for adopting guidelines in November to make the Vatican's definitions of higher education fit with academic traditions in the United States. The bishops worked from a document called *Ex corde Ecclesiae*, which spells out relations between the church and colleges.

Dr. Hellwig urged Catholic institutions to plumb the history and traditions of their faith in a context of cultural change. The reward, she said, will be to find "what is solid and permanent and important in our faith."

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# Government & Politics

## The Clinton Budget: Dramatic Increases for Pell Grants and Other Aid Programs

The President also proposes an overhaul of guaranteed loans, angering some Republicans

BY STEPHEN BURD

WASHINGTON  
**P**RESIDENT CLINTON last week proposed a budget for fiscal 1998 that would sharply increase the amount of federal aid available to college students and overhaul the guaranteed-student-loan program.

In his State of the Union address, which he delivered to Congress two days before releasing his budget, Mr. Clinton called for a "national crusade" for education.

"We must make the 13th and 14th years of education—at least two years of college—just as universal in America by the 21st century as a high-school education is today, and we must open the doors of college to all Americans," he said.

To do that, the President would:

- Allow families to choose between a \$10,000 tax deduction and a \$1,500 tax credit to help them pay for college. Families could also withdraw money, tax- and penalty-free, from an expanded Individual Retirement Account to pay college costs.

- Increase spending on Pell Grants by 29 per cent by raising the maximum grant to \$3,000 in fiscal 1998 (from \$2,700 in 1997), and by making the grants more available to single, independent students through a change in the government's eligibility formula for the program.

- Cut to 2 per cent from 4 per cent the

origination fee that most borrowers pay for their federal student loans, and reduce the interest rate charged on the loans while borrowers are still in college.

- Increase spending on the College Work-Study program by \$27-million, or 3 per cent, as part of an effort to expand the program to serve a million students by 2002. It now serves about 945,000.



### THE CLINTON BUDGET PLAN FOR 1998

- Pell Grants would be increased and eligibility broadened, while new tax breaks would help families afford college: Page A25
- Spending on academic research and development would receive small increases, as efforts to balance the federal budget take a toll: A26
- Federal support for the arts and the humanities would receive large increases, partially offsetting recent cuts: A30
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- Increase by \$25-million the government's spending on the TRIO programs for disadvantaged students, providing early intervention, outreach, and in-college support services to nearly 37,000 additional low-income and first-generation college students.

- Increase funds for the AmeriCorps na-

tional-service program by 31 per cent, to \$809-million from \$616-million, with most of the money going to support volunteers for Mr. Clinton's campaign to teach children to read.

Taken together, the proposals, would increase the federal financial aid available to students by \$47-billion, 10 per cent more than in 1997, Administration officials said. Grants, loans, and work-study opportunities, the Administration says, would be provided to more than eight million students, 450,000 more than in 1997.

Many college leaders and lobbyists applauded the President. "This is among the most far-reaching set of proposals in support of higher education in the nation's history," said David L. Warren, president of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities.

Some student-aid experts, however, said the President's plan was weighted too heavily toward middle- and upper-middle-class families.

### ERODING SUPPORT FOR AID PROGRAMS?

Speaking before the Advisory Committee on Student Financial Assistance, Lawrence E. Gladieux, executive director of policy analysis in the Washington office of the College Board, warned that the new tax breaks would eventually erode Congressional and popular support for existing programs that aid the neediest students.

"If the tax breaks are enacted, I fear that in the future we will see the lion's share of federal assistance for higher education come through the tax code, not through the Pell Grants," he said. "And instead of opening the doors of college wider, we will be shutting them."

At a budget briefing last week, Education Secretary Richard W. Riley disagreed. The Administration, he said, will continue to increase support for Pell Grants to help the lowest-income students. But, he added, middle-class families need help, too.

"New assistance is needed for working families and middle-class families struggling to pay for college," he said. The new tax breaks, he said, would ease the growing debt burden on students and parents.

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The President's budget plan received mixed reviews from Republican Congressional leaders. Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott of Mississippi said at a meeting of the independent-colleges association here last week that Senate Republicans and the Clinton Administration were "very close" to agreeing on ways to make college more affordable. Mr. Lott said he especially liked the President's proposal to provide families with a tax credit to pay for the first two years of postsecondary education—enough time to earn a community-college degree.

"I don't think that every student who graduates from high school should go on to a four-year college or university," the Senator said. "I think some of them need to be able to get a two-year degree from a community college and be a draftsman, a welder, a computer operator, or a secretary."

Not all Republican leaders were so positive. Representative William F. Goodling of Pennsylvania, chairman of the House of Representatives Committee on Education

and the Workforce, said Mr. Clinton's tax-credit plan would not help the neediest students and would complicate the tax code.

Mr. Goodling and other Republican leaders also were irate that the President had proposed an overhaul of the guaranteed-loan program, imposing deep cuts in the subsidies that guarantee agencies get for participating in the program.

Under the President's proposal, the government would repay banks 100 per cent of the amount of money they lose on federal student loans that are not repaid, making the government the "sole insurer" of guaranteed loans.

Guarantee agencies now repay lenders for loans that go into default, and the government then repays the guarantee agencies 98 cents per dollar. Guarantee agencies pay the remaining 2 per cent with money they hold in reserve to meet the costs associated with guaranteed loans.

With this change, the Administration would require the guarantee agencies to return to the Treasury the \$2.5-billion they

now hold in the reserve funds over five years, which, the Administration says, they would no longer need. Guarantee agencies have long battled the government over whether they have the right to hold this money, which they often use to pay their basic operating expenses. The government has accused the agencies of using the funds to enrich themselves.

The President's proposal would also affect the guarantee agencies by:

- Reducing to 18.5 per cent from 27 per cent the amount that the agencies could keep for themselves from the money they recovered from borrowers who had gone into default. The rest goes to the Treasury.

- Requiring guarantee agencies to disclose specific performance information, including how many borrowers they have prevented from going into default.

- Giving the Education Secretary authority to terminate guarantee-agency agreements if he became dissatisfied with their performance.

Administration officials say they are trying to make the guaranteed-loan program more efficient and cost-effective. They claim that the changes will ultimately save the government \$3.5-billion, funds that could help pay for the President's education proposals and contribute to meeting his goals for balancing the budget.

But Brett Lief, president of the National Council of Higher Education Loan Programs, which represents guarantee agencies, said the guaranteed-loan program would collapse if the White House proposals were enacted. He said 80 per cent of all four-year colleges and universities remain in the guaranteed-loan program, while only 20 per cent are in the Clinton Administration's direct-lending program.

Mr. Lief may not need to worry. The Republican-led Congress is unlikely to embrace the proposals.

Victor F. Klatt III, education coordinator of the House Committee on Education and the Workforce, said: "It's disheartening that at the same time that the Clinton Administration says that it wants both federal loan programs to flourish, it has launched a full-scale attack on the guaranteed-loan program."

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## The Budget at a Glance

CHANGE COMPARED WITH FISCAL 1997

### EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Pell Grants	+ 29%
Supplemental Grants	No change
College Work-Study	+ 3%
Federal Family Education Loans	- 21%
Federal Direct Loans	+ 114%
Aid to historically black colleges	+ 5%
International education	+ 1%
Education research	+ 10%
Education statistics	+ 32%
State Student Incentive Grants	- 100%
Office for Civil Rights	+ 13%
Trio programs for disadvantaged students	+ 5%
FIPSE	No change

## Clinton's Fiscal 1998 Budget Plan

### In the Department of Education

	Fiscal 1996 actual	Fiscal 1997 estimate	Fiscal 1998 request
<b>Student assistance</b>			
Pell Grants	\$4,913,560,000	\$5,919,000,000	\$7,635,000,000
Supplemental Grants	583,407,000	583,407,000	583,407,000
College Work-Study	616,508,000	830,000,000	857,000,000
State Student Incentive Grants	31,375,000	50,000,000	0
Perkins Loans	113,297,000	178,000,000	188,000,000
Federal Family Education Loans (new loans)	2,981,114,062	2,702,595,000	2,125,639,000
Federal Direct Loans (new loans)	679,372,000	599,993,000	1,283,345,000
Presidential honors scholarships	0	0	132,000,000
<b>Graduate support</b>			
Robert C. Byrd honors scholarships	29,117,000	29,117,000	39,288,000
Jacob K. Javits fellowships	5,931,000	5,931,000	0 *
Areas of National Need fellowships	27,252,000	24,069,000	30,000,000 *
<b>Institutional assistance</b>			
Developing institutions			
Aid to historically black colleges	128,596,000	128,596,000	132,606,000
Endowment challenge grants	0	0	2,015,000
Institutional support	55,450,000	55,450,000	55,450,000
Hispanic-serving institutions	10,800,000	10,800,000	12,000,000
Facilities			
College-housing and academic-facilities loans	6,625,000	3,698,000	4,069,000
Interest-subsidy grants	5,927,000	3,000,000	3,000,000
International education	56,151,000	59,751,000	60,251,000
Law School Clinical Experience	5,500,000	0	0
Minority teacher recruitment	2,212,000	2,212,000	3,727,000
<b>Aid to disadvantaged</b>			
Trio programs for disadvantaged students	462,993,000	499,994,000	525,000,000
Minority Institutions Science Improvement	5,255,000	5,255,000	5,255,000
<b>Education research and statistics</b>			
Education research	107,021,000	123,567,000	134,535,000
Education statistics	46,227,000	50,000,000	66,250,000



## Inside

### You win some, you lose some

The USD men's basketball team was rewarded for a strong performance on the road with a 76-69 victory over Portland. The San Diego State men's team didn't fare so well, losing 87-74 at Colorado State.

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# USD accepts Portland's charity

By Ken Wheeler

SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

PORTLAND — Alex Davis didn't want to brag, but then he didn't want to back off from the facts, either.

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#### Portland 69

for the University of San Diego Toreros said, "but free-throw shooting is one thing I'm pretty good at."

Davis certainly was that — and more — last night in leading the Toreros to a 76-69 West Coast Conference victory over the University of Portland before a crowd of 1,301 at the Chiles Center.

Davis didn't take a shot from the field. But he did go 8-for-10 from the line, including 4-for-4 in the final minute as the Toreros (13-10, 5-6 WCC) won their first game on the road since Dec. 30 at Santa Barbara and first road game in the WCC.

The victory moved the Toreros into fifth place as they head for

Spokane and a date tomorrow with Gonzaga.

Besides his four free throws in the final 57 seconds — in which the Toreros were 8-for-8 from the line — Davis came up with two huge defensive rebounds as San Diego held off the Pilots (9-14, 4-7).

"It was a matter of going after it," Davis said of those key rebounds. "I knew the team needed them, and I knew if one of them (the Pilots) was going to go after it, he'd have to go over my back."

"The defense turned it for us," Toreros coach Brad Holland said. "We went with our quick lineup in the second half, and that's what turned it for us."

Sean Flannery and Brian Miles each scored 18 points to lead the Toreros and the game. "It's huge in this league to get a road win," said Flannery, who, like Davis was 4-for-4 from the line in the final minute. "We've come close; now we've finally pulled one out. Maybe the monkey is off our back."

The win didn't come easily. Neither team had held more than a four-point lead through the first 35 minutes, and with 7:42 to go, Portland went in front 58-54 as Dionn Holton banked the ball in.

But then the Toreros clamped down. They ran off 12 unanswered points to lead 66-58 as Portland went scoreless for four minutes and 40 seconds. Davis hit 4-of-6 free throws in the string, Miles scored from underneath, Brock Jacobsen hit two free throws, and Brian Bruso tipped in an offensive rebound and hit another lay-in as the Toreros bullied the Pilots inside.

Portland never recovered.

#### USD women come close

Senior guard Pat Sencion's career-high 20 points, including four three-pointers, went for naught as USD (4-19, 0-11) almost upset the WCC's top team, losing to Portland (22-1, 11-0) 61-59 last night at the USD Sports Center.



## Promoters of Christian Unity Honored

By Madeane Carr  
The Southern Cross

SAN DIEGO — Two outstanding Catholic couples, Dr. John and Maggie Mazur, and Michael Liuzzi and Denise Yamada Liuzzi, were among the persons honored by the Ecumenical Council of San Diego County at its annual awards dinner during Christian Unity Week in late January.

Likewise honored by the council this year were Rev. Dr. Jack Lindquist, pastor of the Lutheran Church of the Incarnation, Poway, and Rev. Dr. Mark Trotter, pastor of First United Methodist Church, San Diego.

The senior Mazurs, parishioners at Santa Sophia parish in Spring Valley, were eulogized with good humor by one of their sons, Stephen Hunt Mazur, who said he "knew what Ghandi's kids felt like growing up."

The spotlight was turned specifically on

Dr. John and Maggie Mazur



Maggie Mazur by her husband, who claimed only to be "the man behind the woman" who is the fundraising powerhouse of the family. Their pastor, Father Michael Ratajczak, present in the audience, was warned that his name had the perfect ring for Maggie to exploit.

Some of her fundraising included that on behalf of Catholic institutions such as St. Vincent de Paul Village, Catholic Charities, and the University of San Diego. Her work for the La Jolla Library and the Old Globe was also noted. Lastly lauded was her support of the Ecumenical Council itself. She ranks as one who helped launch the awards dinners of

the council more than a decade ago, to promote ecumenical activity and raise funds.

Michael and Denise Liuzzi, parishioners of St. Brigid parish, Pacific Beach, were honored for their efforts in church and community organizations. They were presented by Father Dennis Mikulanis, diocesan Vicar for Ecumenical Affairs and pastor of St. Charles Church, Imperial Beach, who described the contributions of the television anchorwoman and her husband.

Michael Liuzzi, a 1972 University of San Diego High School and later USD graduate, was noted for his contributions to both schools as an alumnus. His encouragement toward a more ecumenical thrust of USD courses and of campus ministry was among the activities for which he was honored.

Denise Yamada Liuzzi was noted for her work with the Big Sister League, with the National Conference of Christians and Jews, and with the Design Industries Foundation for AIDS, among other charitable organizations.

As a board member of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, she named its impact as the most engaging for her own life.

"I get back so much," she said. Personal involvement with its young victims taught her to "expect a miracle," she added, which enabled her to face the recent loss of her father.

With tears in her voice, Yamada Liuzzi said, "In honoring me, you honor my parents." The tribute was directed toward her absent father and her mother present in the audience.

Pastor Jack Lindquist was applauded for his sense of humor,

which he uses as a "secret weapon" for promoting ecumenical unity, according to presenter Rev. John Huber of LACES in La Jolla. Tribute was also given to Dr. Lindquist's work as an ecumenical educator within the wider Christian community, especially in biblical studies and homiletics. His role in writing the constitution of the first Ecumenical Council in 1969 was further highlighted.

The Rev. Dr. Mark Trotter was praised by Ecumenical Council member George Mitrovich in resounding terms for his commitment to ecumenism. He was described as one lives



Michael Liuzzi and Denise Yamada Liuzzi

a principle attributed to St. Francis of Assisi: "At all times, preach the Gospel, and if necessary, use words."

Pastor Trotter, on accepting the award, noted that San Diego is a fragmented community, which threatens to become more so. He challenged the audience of 300 local Christian leaders present, saying, "If Christians cannot live together in this city in an exemplary way, we as Christians have nothing to say to this city."

Each honoree received a plaque, and an icon of either the Madonna and Child or of the Holy Family, as mementos.

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Catholics who have been honored in the past by the Ecumenical Council include Bishops Leo T. Maher and Robert H. Brom, Msgrs. John Portman, Patrick Fox and I. Brent Eagen.

The Ecumenical Council of San Diego is an association of Christian congregations whose goal is to unite the work of local churches and social agencies, in a spirit of "oneness in Christ and outreach to the little ones." Along with ecumenical dialogue, prayer, and study, the council sponsors the several ministries of the Interfaith Shelter Network.

Its Rotational Shelter program is a cooperative effort of over fifty local Jewish, Protestant, Catholic and Baha'i congregations, who open their facilities to house and feed homeless men, women and children for one to four weeks at a time. A large number of Catholic parishes participate on a rotating basis.

A recently adopted ministry of the Network is the El Nido Transitional Living program, a complex owned by the Network which provides secure housing for up to ten families of women and children escaping from domestic violence. Its apartments were furnished by Mormon, Jewish, Catholic, Protestant and Unitarian congregations.



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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### **Dean Says 'Thanks'**

Your article on Catholic education (1/30) is most appreciated. I sent it to the School of Education faculty for possible use in our classes. You did a great job and we thank you for that.

**Dr. Edward DeRoche,  
Dean of the School of Education  
University of San Diego**



## PRIESTLY LIFE



**RELIGIOUS, LAY, PRIESTLY** — Father Benedict Groeschel, presenter, Alice B. Hayes, president of the University of San Diego, and Msgr. Andrew Cusack, NICF director, gathered for an evening session of the National Institute for Clergy Formation held at USD in January.

# Priestly Identity: Focus of NICF

By Bernadeane Carr  
The Southern Cross

**SAN DIEGO** — The only strictly formational institute for clergy in the U.S. opened on the west coast this year. The National Institute for Clergy Formation (NICF) of Seton Hall University held its week-long winter institute at the University of San Diego Jan. 26-31.

"Formation" is part of each session of the Institute, because they "dwell on the person of the priest," says Msgr. Andrew Cusack, founder and current director of the Institute. The on-going title of the Institute is "In Persona Christi" applied to priestly life and ministry.

Daytime sessions were attended by approximately 100 clergy from throughout the country, while evening lectures by the NICF faculty were open to the public.

The faculty includes such well-known names as Fathers Raymond Brown, Avery Dulles, Benedict Groeschel, and Mark Link, as well as several cardinals from the U.S. and Europe. Father Groeschel was a presenter for the start-up of NICF in San Diego.

The Institute forms the identity of priests through leadership skills, preaching and interpersonal skills, prayer skills and spirituality.

"Each title addresses the body, soul and spirit of the priest," says the director.

"In our American culture, there is the (need for personal identity); so too with us priests," said Msgr. Cusack. "Specifically, [awareness] of the uniqueness, the unrepeatability, and the incomparability of the priest's identity among the baptismal community and among the People of God."

The core of NICF is its summer institute of five one-week tracts offered in West End, New Jersey, with more than 800 priests and seminarians from around the world attending each June and July. A one-week winter institute is offered in

North Palm Beach, Fla., as a "post-summer institute" to continue and sustain the priestly formation offered in the longer summer session. The San Diego sessions were designed for the same purpose.

"As modern science indicates, continuing formation — or, ongoing conversion — is necessary," said the NICF director. "Without it, one begins to just exist rather than live."

In what Msgr. Cusack calls a "tremendous expansion," the National Institute also is adding an week-long session in Dublin in conjunction with All Hallows College this May-June for the first time.

The outcome of the Institute is a "phenomenal transformation that takes place. There's a renewed enthusiasm, a new passion for what the Holy Father calls for in *Pastores Dabo Vobis*: the human, intellectual, spiritual and pastoral dimensions" of the priesthood, says Msgr. Cusack.

"We tend to reduce people to the least [lowest] common denominator, we keep making less and less of the human person," the priest reflected.

"The mystery of the human person" has been downplayed by seeing "the person as a problem to be solved, rather than a mystery" to be cherished, he said, for priests as well as religious and laity.

"All addictiveness is built upon human beings comparing themselves to others," said Msgr. Cusack who comes to his post with a dou-

ble Master of Arts in systematic theology and in pastoral theology. He also holds a Ph.D. in psychology from St. John's University in New York, and has done post-doctoral work in psychiatry.

To uproot addictiveness, "the mystery of the human person must be discovered" and appreciated in oneself and in others, he says.

"As we intensify the identity of the priest and his cherishing [his own identity], he is open to the vocation of the laity. We tell those

who attend the Institute to not give up one ounce of priestly identity, but to rid themselves of any sign of clericalism," he added.

The attendance on the west coast was more than anticipated, and enough to plan to offer the institute in California annually, said Msgr. Cusack.

The 1998 Institute in San Diego will be January 25-30, at the University of San Diego.



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## WORLD CHURCH

### NEWS IN BRIEF

#### **College Presidents Discuss Improving Catholic Identity of Schools**

WASHINGTON — Leaders of Catholic higher education met in Washington Feb. 4-5 to discuss the nuts and bolts of advancing a Catholic identity on their campuses. For the past two years, a highlight of what is an annual national meeting of Catholic college and university presidents has been discussions of specific requirements of "Ex Corde Ecclesiae" (From the Heart of the Church), Pope John Paul II's 1990 Apostolic Constitution on Catholic Universities. But this year's meeting focused on how to apply the document. Monika Hellwig, executive director of the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, urged the educators to look at specifics of the document, particularly the need to "pass on a knowledge and understanding of our faith tradition which is commensurate with the secular sophistication of the students that we graduate."



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## LOCAL CHURCH

# NEWS IN BRIEF

### **USD Alumna and Student Receive Honors**

Dr. Sarita Doyle Eastman received the University of San Diego's 1996 Bishop Charles Francis Buddy Award for Outstanding Alumni Achievement. Eastman is a pediatrician and a 1965 USD graduate. She majored in biology and served as student body president. The USD award cited Eastman as a "devoted mother, gifted physician and a pioneer in aiding children with learning differences." She is a founder and board chair for the Winston School, an education facility for children with learning differences.

Student Peter D. Bennett was named in the 1996-1997 *Who's Who Among American College Student in American Universities and Colleges*. He is a senior at USD and the son of San Diegans Eileen and Daniel Bennett.





## Law Briefs

By Chris DiEdoardo

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Ellen L. van Hoften has been named a partner at the Rancho Santa Fe law firm of Cowley & Chidester. Previously, van Hoften graduated magna cum laude from the University of San Diego School of Law and practiced from Honolulu to Tokyo as her husband, Captain Scott van Hoften, was transferred around the Pacific in the course of his naval duties. "He finally left me in one place long enough to make partner," she said with a laugh. Her current firm focuses on estate planning, trust administration, charitable giving, representation of nonprofit organizations and other related matters.

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**Richard Shaw**

Richard A. Shaw of Shaw & O'Brien LLP has been elected by the Board of Governors of the American Bar Association to serve as a director of the American Bar Retirement Association. The association supervises the management of \$2.5 billion in retirement

funds for law firms across the country. Shaw is also a distinguished adjunct professor at the University of San Diego Law School, where he has lectured for 19 years.

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## UCLA's baseball win at USD is happy homecoming

**E**ric Valent homered and drove in three runs, and Grossmont High alum Jon Heinrichs homered and doubled as No. 2-ranked UCLA beat USD 7-1 yesterday at Cunningham Stadium.

With seven of their eight San Diego County products playing, the Bruins (10-1-1) took a 4-0 lead in the first three innings against Toreros starter Brian Mazone (0-2). Nick Theodorou smashed a two-run double with two out in the first and Valent belted a two-run homer, his sixth of the year, with two out in the third. Heinrichs led off the fifth with his fifth homer.

Dan Keller (2-0) allowed only one

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run on four hits in seven innings. Juan Garcia drove in the only run for USD (1-3) with a two-out single in the sixth.

Mike Hymes (Torrey Pines High) had a pinch-hit single in the ninth for UCLA, and Rob Henkel (Monte Vista) and Jake Meyer (Mar Vista) combined to strike out the side to end the game.

#### More baseball

Alex Pelaez hit a home run and drove in three runs, and four San

Diego State pitchers combined on a four-hitter as the Aztecs edged Cal State Northridge 5-4 in a non-conference game at Northridge. It was the fifth consecutive win for SDSU (7-2). The Matadors (7-2-1) got all of their runs on home runs by Cesar Martinez (his seventh), Jose Miranda and Casey Cheshier, but Chad Wanders, Jody Stevens, Ruben Aguilera and Jeff Dufek otherwise held the Matadors in check.

#### Men's volleyball

Eric Seiffert and Chris Guigliano each had 22 kills to lead USC (10-3, 5-1) to a 15-3, 17-16, 15-4

Mountain Pacific Sports Federation sweep of SDSU at Peterson Gym. Matt Hyden led the Aztecs (0-8, 0-6) with 18 kills.

#### Men's basketball

Jason Mackenzie scored 32, including six three-pointers, to lead Point Loma Nazarene College to an 89-79 victory over Cal Baptist at Riverside. Paul Bauer led the Lancers with 33 points.

#### Women's basketball

Point Loma Nazarene failed to hold a 12-point halftime lead and dropped an 84-77 decision at Cal Baptist. Shannon Martin had 17 points and 16 rebounds for PLNC.



# Do-it-all Dougherty does baseball best

*Versatile Torero may have a future in favorite sport*

By Wayne Lockwood  
STAFF WRITER

The leading hitter on the University of San Diego baseball team bears a striking resemblance to the leading hitter on the USD football team. Looks a lot like one of the school's top scholars, too.



Dougherty

Turns out they're all named Jeb Dougherty.

It's not supposed to be like this anymore. The Frank Merriwell era went out with the raccoon coat. The demands of major college ath-

letics, never mind the academic demands of a school such as USD, have made it all but impossible for a young man to play more than one sport at a high level and actually pretend to be a student.

But apparently someone forgot to tell Dougherty. Or maybe they did, and he didn't have time to listen.

Jeb's a little busy, after all, enjoying the kind of success in three fields that most of us strive for unsuccessfully in one.

In the fall, Dougherty, a 6-foot, 180-pound senior safety, led the Toreros in tackles and played well enough to be honored as a third-team Division I-AA All-American. He is expected to be named the team's defensive MVP at USD's up-coming awards banquet.

More importantly, Dougherty, who carries a 3.50 GPA in business, was named a first-team GTE Academic All-American — an honor that pits him against players at every other school in America. It means Jeb beat out a bunch of guys from Stanford and Michigan. He also won a \$10,000 Burger King scholarship for athletic-academic excellence.

But playing football and studying aren't even what Dougherty does best. What he does best is play baseball, which he'll be doing this afternoon at 2 when the Toreros open their home season against UCLA.

A first-team All-West Coast Conference outfielder last spring, Dougherty led the Toreros with a .348 average, managed the third-best hit total in school history (77) and led the team with 15 stolen bases. It was his first full season as a starter.

"Jeb Dougherty is a hitting machine," said longtime USD baseball coach John Cunningham.

"He's a guy who never really worked at the game, but put a bat in his hand and he just hits and hits. Runs, too."

Imagine what Dougherty might do if baseball were the sole focus of his attention. On the other hand, maybe he thrives on the variety in his life.

"Give me tasks, and I'll do them," Jeb said. "Keep me busy, and I'm OK."

"What doesn't seem natural to me is when I have free time. I don't know what to do with myself. I'm all thrown out of rhythm and thrown

out of sync. I have to have something going on or I get real lazy and do nothing."

Somehow, that's difficult to imagine. Doing something is what Dougherty is about.

"I probably don't put as much effort into my studies as I could, as far as reading every bit of a chapter, and stuff like that," he said. "You learn adaptation principles and ways to get by."

If Dougherty had to pick a favorite activity, it would be baseball.

"There's something about football that makes it special," he said. "But, overall, I'd have to say baseball. I'm more physically equipped for baseball. It doesn't wear as much on your body."

## USD BASEBALL

**Coach** John Cunningham.

**1997 record/next game** 1-2; today vs. UCLA at Cunningham Stadium, 2 p.m.

**1996 record** 27-27-1 overall; 21-7 in West Coast Conference (second place).

**Top returners** Outfielder **Jeb Dougherty**, the team's returning batting leader (.348); catcher **Tony Betancourt**, the WCC Freshman of the Year (.337, 6 home runs); pitcher **Brian Mazone** (led WCC with five complete games and 1.85 ERA).

**Top newcomers** Third baseman **Tony LoPresti** (USDHS), pitcher **Kevin Reese** (Mission Bay), pitcher **Mike Amundson** (Newbury Park).

**Outlook** With 10 freshmen, nine sophomores and only four seniors to face a difficult non-conference schedule, the Toreros could start slowly. But they should be a factor by conference play. "The makings are here," said Cunningham. "We're as young as we've ever been. But we could be pretty good before it's all over."

— WAYNE LOCKWOOD

Cunningham believes Dougherty may have the equipment to make a living at that game, should he choose to give it a try.

"I think he has the ability to go on (to professional baseball) if he wants to," said the coach. "He's one of those guys who's immune to pressure. He sees the ball and hits it."

"But he doesn't think of himself as an all-star or anything. It's one of the reasons he probably does well. He's always pushing."

As for Dougherty, he'll wait and see.

"The minute I start worrying about it is the minute I start looking in the stands for scouts and worrying about who's watching me and not taking care of what I'm doing," Jeb said.

"I'm just playing baseball for fun and planning to have a job offer (after college) and get on with my life. If I get a chance to play, that would be great. But I'm not thinking about it."

"I have a lot of student loans to repay and I don't think I could mess around just to fulfill a lifelong dream of becoming a professional baseball player in the minor leagues. I'd have to play pretty well to give up (business) career opportunities."

Problem is, he is playing pretty well.



San Diego Union-Tribune, February 9, 1997

# USD's Miadich quiets SLO

**B**art Miadich allowed only three hits in eight innings to lift USD to a 9-3 non-conference baseball win over Cal Poly San Luis Obispo yesterday in San Luis Obispo.

Miadich, a junior right-hander, kept the Mustangs (5-1) hitless through 4½ innings before R.J. Radler singled up the middle. Miadich struck out eight and walked one in his first start of the season for the Toreros (1-1). He was replaced in the ninth inning after Matt Priess led off with a home run.

Brian Mazone had three hits and three RBI for USD, which had 17 hits. Juan Garcia, Jeb Dougherty, Tony LoPresti and Jeff Powers each added two hits and Tony Betancourt a two-run double.

## More baseball

San Diego State raced to a six-run lead and held on to beat Washington State 12-11 for the third consecutive time at Yuma. **Andy Bevins** hit a three-run homer in the first for the Aztecs (5-2). The Cougars are 0-3.

■ Point Loma Nazarene pounded out 30 hits in sweeping a doubleheader from Redlands 19-13 and

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9-2. **Noah Bowman** (Santa Fe Christian) yielded only one hit in 5½ innings in the nightcap. **Brady Bishop** finished 4-for-6 with two home runs, a triple, double and six RBI. The Crusaders got nine runs in the third inning of the first game as **David Georgia** and Bishop hit back-to-back homers. Georgia was 2-for-2 with four RBI. The teams combined for 39 hits in the opener.

■ **George Escanuelas** went 3-for-4 with a triple, four RBI and two runs in the first game of a split doubleheader between UCSD and Cal State Los Angeles. The Tritons won the first game 9-5, also getting two hits and three RBI from **Rampi Gulati** and two hits and three runs from **Nick Wilson**. **Mathew Livingston** (1-0) scattered five hits and had a shutout going until CSLA (3-8) scored four earned runs off him in the seventh inning. UCSD (1-3) dropped the nightcap 10-5. **Ryan Hill** was 2-for-4 with two RBI for the Tritons.

## Men's volleyball

UCLA used a balanced attack to down UCSD 15-11, 9-15, 15-7, 15-12 in La Jolla. **Eric Mai** had a match-high 27 kills and **Jon Yarris** (Torrey Pines) 25 for the Tritons (2-8). **Satao Minehan** added 64 assists. **Evan Thatcher** (San Diego) had eight kills in two games for the Bruins (4-2).

## Softball

Point Loma Nazarene opened its season with a 3-2 and 6-4 doubleheader sweep of USD at Sunset Cliffs Park. **Tara Kelly** drove in **Amanda Stamper** with the winning run in the bottom of the seventh of the first game. **Becca Evans** drove in two runs in a five-run second inning in the nightcap. USD's **Jomi Shega** was 3-for-3.

## Men's tennis

**Bobby Hrdina** of San Diego State and the USD doubles team of **J.P. La Barrie** and **Rickard Roos** lost their semifinal matches in the San Diego Intercollegiate Tournament at USD. The singles finals in three flights are this morning at 9:30, followed by two doubles finals at 11:30.



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## A fresh look at an artist rising above her legends

**H**er eyes are the blue of hot smoke and as she talks, they flare and flame. Her sentences take dazzling little detours that probe her magisterial serenity. At 75, the artist Francoise Gilot has walked away from the shadows of her men, Picasso and Jonas Salk.

Don't ask her, as a woman reporter did, how she had attracted those two.

"I think I am just as interesting as they," Gilot said coolly. "Lions mate with lions. They don't mate with mice."

Between lectures at Salk Institute and the University of San Diego this past week, she talked about her career and her 25 years in La Jolla with Salk, which ended with his death in 1995.

"I am like a cat," she says. "Even if I fall from the eighth floor I will hit an awning and rebound."

When the icon of the cloistered Salk Institute had brought home the only woman who walked out on Picasso, San Diego was set on its ear. Bold hostesses set out to capture this sublimely odd couple.

After Salk's death she left La Jolla abruptly, stung by frictions with his heirs. I last saw her in convulsing tears of grief after the memorial service at Salk. She took an apartment in New York and painted and wrote.

She's uncommonly good at both. Her 1964 best seller, "Life With Picasso," won critical praise, as did four subsequent books. Her paintings are finally reviewed as her own, not those of a former mistress of Picasso. This year she has a succession of shows in the U.S. and Europe.

Although her turbulent decade with Picasso is at its core, she will not see the recent film, "Surviving Picasso." She declined use of her

book, and her son Claude, who administers Picasso affairs from Paris, refused use of his father's paintings. (Her other child with Picasso, the designer Paloma, lives in London.)

"I am told the beautiful girl who plays my part (Natascha McElhone) is the least awful in the film," she says. "But Anthony Hopkins? Picasso as an Anglo-Saxon? That is very new to me!"

**S**he laughs about the weekend in 1974 when she persuaded Salk to sit for a portrait in her Sorrento Valley studio. She talks of giving it to be hung at the Salk.

"You should have seen Jonas posing," she says. The intonations of her native France remain, but she speaks and writes elegant English. "He sat until he dozed off, and so I woke him. I said, 'I can't do your head if you can't hold it up.' He was really not very happy."

She was applauded last Sunday at Salk, but that day she was not very happy either.

"I was so self-conscious," she says, "giving a lecture before scientists. It was the same when I met Jonas for the first time in 1969 in La Jolla. (Media files mistakenly have them meeting in Paris one year later and being married within days.) I had an exhibition in Los Angeles. John Hunt was vice president of Salk. He and his wife, Chantal, whom I had met in France, invited me to San Diego. I said, 'Yes, provided I don't meet any of your scientist friends.'

"The next day Jonas appeared for lunch and I refused to talk. He asked them what was the matter with me. At the official Salk dinner the next night, I was at a small table and Jonas was on the platform. Since I was not with scientists, I was happy and animated. He noticed this and thought me very bizarre, but he invited me to tour Salk. After that we decided we were both very normal people."

So they seemed. "We would meet for dinner and talk about the day's work. I knew enough about science to understand what he said, and he knew enough about art to understand me."

Her audience at Salk was treated to a flash of the mental dexterity that held Picasso and Salk in its thrall. A listener asked: As an artist, how did she respond to the current chaos in our culture?

"Chaos in Greek means *materias*," she said, deftly declining the premise. "Everything will seem chaotic if we don't understand it. Chaos doesn't mean disorder. But the materials to create the world must be understood."





## THE STADIUM CONTROVERSY

# City hopes numbers add up to a safe bet

By Philip J. LaVelle, STAFF WRITER

City Hall's decision to renovate San Diego Jack Murphy Stadium relies heavily on an exercise that sometimes works as well as target shooting in the fog: predicting revenues.

It can be a particularly dicey proposition if those revenues are driven by the shifting fortunes of a National Football League team like the Chargers, who went from American Football Conference champs to a .500 season in just two seasons.

It's trickier still when you factor in the caprice of sports fans in a region where the average November high temperature is 71 degrees, and where the beach and the mountains beckon.

This isn't perfect-attendance Green Bay, and pre-

dicting strong attendance under these sun-belt conditions "is a risky thing," said Bruce Seaman, a sports economist at Georgia State University.

Despite these risks, City Hall's revenue projections are as sunny as a San Diego weather forecast.

Using a Philadelphia consulting firm's projection model, top city officials predict steadily increasing revenue streams at a renovated Jack Murphy Stadium. They fully expect stadium revenues to pay off the debt plus interest incurred by the stadium expansion.

How accurate is this fiscal fortune telling?

Without a crystal ball, you really can't say for sure.

"When we predict, short of clairvoyance, we base it on a model," said Dipak Gupta, a public administration professor at San Diego State University. "Since by definition a model is only an approximation of the complex reality, one can find flaws with any forecasting technique."

With big bucks at stake in the stadium project, top city officials hope their model is relatively flawless.

■ **Chargers send out renewal notices for season tickets—C-1**

■ **NFL's Paul Tagliabue answers questions—G-5**

## Bounded up in bonds

To date, City Hall has sold \$68.4 million in taxable lease-revenue bonds to pay for at least the first phase of the \$78 million project. These bonds were sold to an underwriter, BA Securities Inc., which in turn sold them in the municipal bond market.

The city is committed to repaying the debt in semi-annual installments, generated, city officials hope, by stadium revenues.

The first payment of more than \$3.3 million is due Aug. 1, shortly after fiscal 1998 begins. In total, the city is committed to \$5.8 million in debt service payments in fiscal 1998.

Every year thereafter, through Feb. 1, 2027, the city is committed to principal and interest payments of \$5.77 million. The full debt service will total \$173.1 million once the bonds are retired, according to the city's bond prospectus.

The prospectus also notes that the Public Facilities Financing Au-

thority — a triad of city officials who actually issue the bonds — is empowered to issue additional bonds "at any time." Any extra bonds issued would add to the city's obligation.

The revenue projections are contained in reports, known in the public-finance world as "pro formas," which predict total stadium revenues, as well as revenues for individual stadium tenants like the Chargers, major league baseball's Padres and San Diego State's football Aztecs.

These documents also take into account likely special-event revenues, from rock concerts and other events, as well as the expected \$2 million in annual lease revenues diverted to stadium coffers from the commercial tenants in the city's Midway-Sports Arena district, which includes several sprawling shopping centers.

Traditionally, \$2 million of the Midway district's annual lease revenues are put in reserve to be used when stadium attendance — and revenues — dip unexpectedly.

## Predictions restrained

City Manager Jack McGrory and other top city officials say the stadium predictions are restrained.

"Frankly," said McGrory, "we feel that we are using very conservative revenue assumptions."

Patricia Frazier, the city's manager of financial and technical services, said these projections are the low end of the stadium's earning

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Public administration professor,  
San Diego State University

power.

"This pro forma could be enhanced," she said. "We didn't want to assume that the Padres would stay (after the 1999 regular season), that there'd be a lot more special events, or that there would be a sellout every Charger game."

How were the projections calculated?

The simple way, according to McGrory.

Methods of forecasting government revenues range from relatively basic to decidedly complex. At the basic end, forecasts can be constructed via "single-factor projection," which simply involves predicting growth by calculating past rates of change and projecting them into the future.

At the other end of the spectrum, forecasters turn to complex statistical methods, like "Markov's Chain," developed by turn-of-the-century Russian mathematician W. W. Markov, or other methods derived from higher mathematical operations like differential calculus.

## Not rocket science

No such rocket science was used in the city's analysis, said McGrory. Just plain-vanilla inflation adjustments.

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"This is simple stuff," he said. "No regression analysis here."

McGrory explained that the city's outside consultants predicted the future by choosing a base year — in this case, 1996 — and inflating the various revenues generated by stadium tenants at 3 percent annually.

"That probably is a really conservative way to do projections," said University of San Diego economist Alan Gin.

"I think a lot of economists expect the inflation rate to be 3 percent a year in the years to come. Based on current Consumer Price Index projections, 3 percent is what is typically used in financial planning," Gin said.

But the assumptions underlying the city's revenue bets — especially the expectation of strong attendance well into the future — is a riskier proposition, according to Gin.

For example, the city's projection model assumes 96 percent general admission attendance at Charger games during the regular season. It also assumes 80 percent for the luxury suites and 75 percent of the new "club seats" will have been leased during that same period.

But the team's attendance has been volatile over the years, dipping to below 73 percent in the 1989 season, when the team logged a 6-10 record. In the past two seasons attendance was nearly 100 percent, following the Chargers appearance at the Super Bowl in the 1994-95 post-season.

Gin said attendance assumptions

could be the weak link in the city's revenue projections.

#### How far down?

"I think it basically comes down to this," he said. "If the Chargers have a good team, things will be OK. They'll have a shot at making those assumptions. But if the team is bad, then attendance is likely to be down."

How far down?

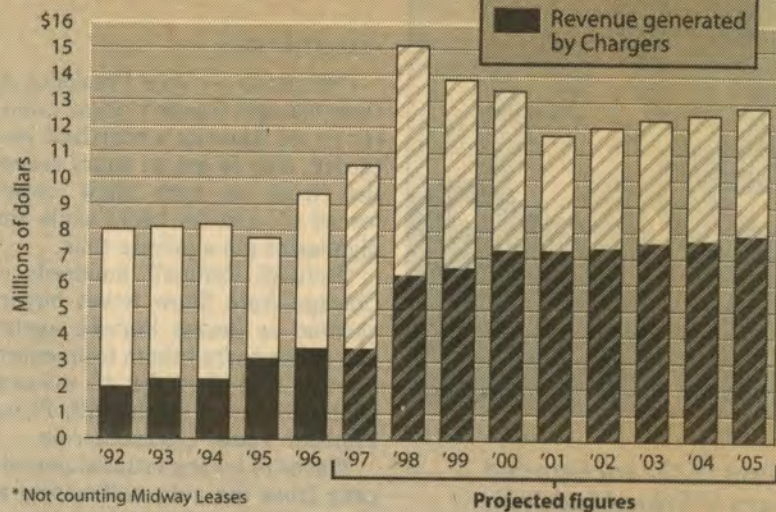
That, too, is difficult to quantify.

"A team's win-loss record is almost impossible to predict," said Gin.

The risks of predicting stadium revenue was cited by Moody's Investors Service, a major credit rating agency, when it assigned a lower rating to the stadium bonds last year. The city's other lease-revenue debt is rated higher by Moody's.

## Stadium revenue projections

Here's a look at how much money Jack Murphy Stadium generates for San Diego. Total revenues do not include leases from Midway-Sports Arena commercial tenants; city officials expect to pour \$2 million annually from these leases into the stadium account.



SOURCE: City of San Diego

PAUL HORN / Union-Tribune

"The rating distinction ... reflects the less essential nature of the leased asset — Jack Murphy Stadium — and the uncertainty of stadium revenues," Moody's said in a "Rating News" bulletin issued Dec. 6.

Within days, however, the city had secured the highest rating for the stadium bonds by buying bond insurance — which acts as a "credit enhancement" — from MBIA Insurance Corp., a carrier that has the highest ratings from Moody's and from Standard and Poor's Ratings Service.

#### Not just economic risk

There's another element of political risk. Thanks to the City Council's recent actions on its contract with the Chargers, these revenue predictions could become hopelessly obsolete.

Last week, Mayor Susan Golding and the council formally scuttled the city's Dec. 10 contract amendment with the Chargers. This document, the focus of a voter-referendum drive and a court battle, outlined \$18 million in extra costs in the stadium project. These costs were to be tacked on to the city's original \$60 million commitment to expand the facility.

By scrapping the amendment the council averted the voter referendum. But the amendment contained several key revenue points — such as rent agreements — that were factored into the current projection model.

At City Hall today, the presumption is that Golding and the council will either negotiate a new amended agreement or find another way to take care of the \$18 million in extra costs. The extras include more than \$6 million in overruns and inflation incurred while the project was delayed last year due to a separate court challenge.

Here's what the city projects:

■ In the current fiscal year, which ends June 30, total stadium revenues of \$10.5 million, not counting the \$2 million in Midway lease money. It is an increase of roughly 10 percent over the last fiscal year's revenue of \$9.4 million, according to city records.

■ For fiscal 1998, officials projected stadium revenues of \$15.1 million. The 44 percent increase

over fiscal 1997 is attributable, city officials say, to boosted sales-tax and hotel-room tax revenues, expected from the business generated by Super Bowl XXXII, scheduled for the stadium next January.

(Officials would compare average January tax receipts with those collected during Super Bowl month, and ship the difference over to the stadium account.)

But the Super Bowl assumption — like the city's overall revenue projections — is in serious question. NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue has warned the city that the Super Bowl will be moved to Pasadena's Rose Bowl if court actions on Feb. 20 force a halt to ongoing stadium construction.

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**PATRICIA FRAZIER**

*City's manager of financial and technical services*

Assuming construction continues, and assuming the council somehow reinstates a version of the \$18 million amendment, then the city predicts stadium revenues to drop steadily in the three years following the Super Bowl.

Total revenues, not counting the Midway leases, are projected to dip to \$13.8 million in fiscal 1999, to nearly \$13.4 million in 2000 and to about \$11.7 million in 2001, partly due to the expected Padres departure.

That trend is projected to reverse, beginning in 2002, because of increased opportunities for special events at the stadium once the Padres leave, presumably for a new stadium downtown.

"That's 81 days a year that are freed up at the stadium," said McGrory, referring to the estimated number of Padres home games.

Special events include rock concerts — not likely to include more than two or three major shows a year, due to San Diego's limited market demand and the limited number of bands capable of filling stadiums — as well as monster truck rallies, large conventions and international soccer games.

Revenues from the Chargers, including from rent, are projected to grow steadily, from \$6.3 million next season to \$7.9 million in fiscal 2005.

Between 2002 and 2005, total stadium revenues are projected to grow at a modest 2 percent a year.

All told, the average revenue growth projected for the stadium, between this year and 2005, works out to 3.9 percent annually. That's higher than the city's assumed 3 percent inflation growth, in part because it accounts for extras, like a \$3-per-ticket surcharge tacked on to Chargers tickets beginning next season.

But if City Hall can't work things out with the Chargers, and if city attorneys lose in court, only one thing will be certain: The next move will be back to the drawing board.



# Professor can attend funeral for daughter

By Anne Krueger  
and Daniel DeVise  
STAFF WRITERS

University of San Diego psychology Professor Daniel Moriarty cried in a San Diego courtroom yesterday, but his tears were for his daughter, not for himself.

Erin Moriarty, a freshman at Poway High School, died of a self-inflicted gunshot wound late Monday or early Tuesday. Police and medical examiner's officials have released few details of her death, citing the family's wish for privacy.

Erin's death was the latest blow to a family whose private tragedies went on display in a highly publicized trial.

On Jan. 8, Moriarty was convicted of terrorizing his ex-wife, Suzanne Bounds, and yesterday he was to have been sentenced for that crime. But the sentencing was delayed until May 9 so Moriarty could be examined by a prison psychiatrist.

Much of the discussion in court focused instead on whether Moriarty should be allowed to attend Erin's funeral Monday.

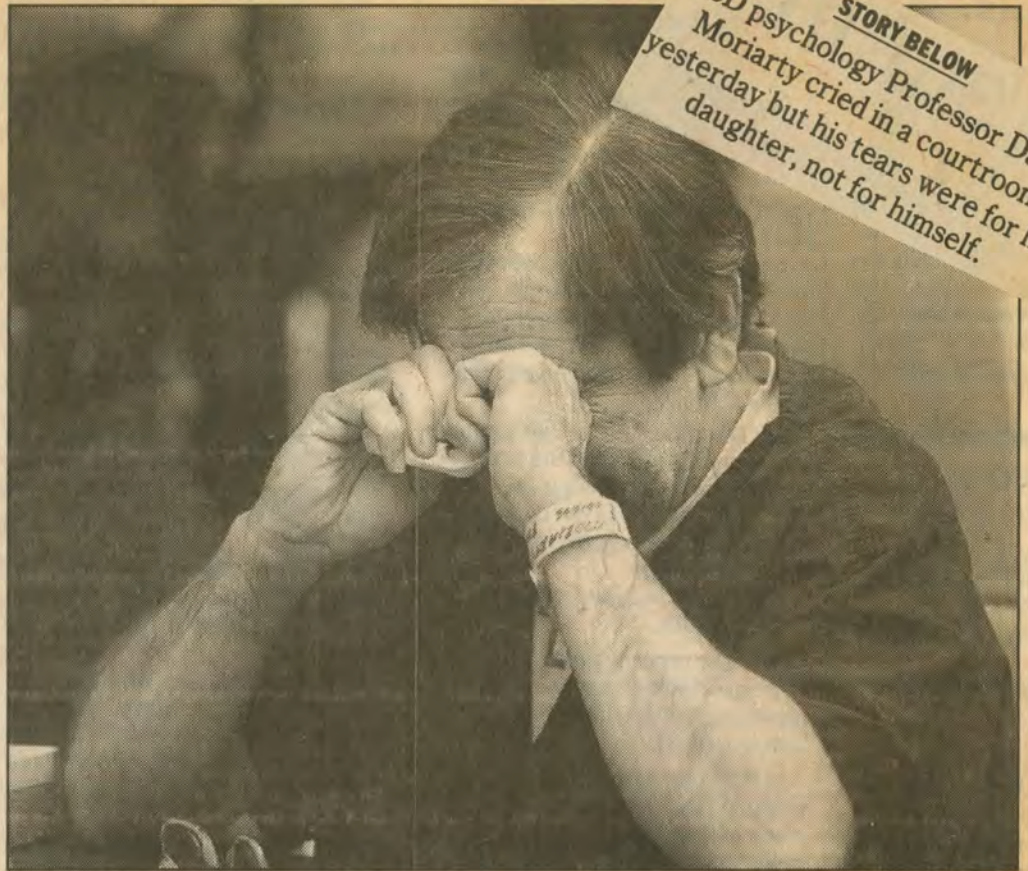
Superior Court Judge Richard Murphy finally consented, saying it would be callous to say no. Sheriff's deputies will accompany Moriarty to the funeral, although he will not have to be shackled.

The specifics of Erin Moriarty's death — whether she left a note, her motives and the events that preceded it — remain a mystery.

John Valois, a friend of Moriarty's, said outside the courtroom that Moriarty is devastated over his daughter's death.

"She was the apple of his eye," Valois said. "How does anyone live with the loss of a daughter?"

Friends said Erin, who turned 15 in December, was a warm, friendly presence on the suburban Poway High campus. She kept mostly within a tight knot of friends but had many acquaintances.



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**Grief-stricken:** Daniel Moriarty broke down as lawyers, during a sentencing hearing, talked about allowing him to attend his daughter's funeral. Sentencing was delayed until May 9 pending a psychological evaluation.

Like some other young people, Erin favored mostly black attire and dyed her hair black. She also covered her backpack with odes to the defunct rock band Nirvana — whose singer, Kurt Cobain, shot himself to death in 1994.

If Erin Moriarty was pained by her family's travails, she did not show it.

"I had no idea she would do that," said classmate Summer Herrmann, 15, of Erin's death. "She didn't act like anything was wrong."

Moriarty's son, Sean, who attended his father's court hearing yesterday, left without comment. Contacted by telephone shortly after his sister's death, he said: "She

was a wonderful little kid. That's all I want to say."

Psychologists were dispatched across the Poway district earlier this week to aid classmates of Erin and people who worked or studied with her mother and her mother's husband, Larkin Bounds, also a Poway elementary-school teacher.

"It just rips your heart out to see something like this happen," said Jeff Mangum, a trustee of the Poway Unified School District. "They've been through such hell already."

USD President Alice B. Hayes said in a statement, "We are deeply saddened by the news of the death of Erin Moriarty. All of us at the university are praying that her family will be sustained by God's love through this terrible tragedy."

Moriarty was arrested in June after Sean, 20, discovered a makeshift altar in the bedroom of his father's Poway home. The altar consisted of a dagger on top of a prayer book opened to a wedding Mass.

Prosecutor Daniel Goldstein said Moriarty displayed photographs of his ex-wife with a target over her face and etched her name and her current husband's name on bullets. Moriarty's lawyer, Michael Goldfeder, claimed that Moriarty was just expressing his emotions after his wife of 26 years left him.

Staff writer Clark Brooks contributed to this report.



# SDSU's impact: \$770 million

## The students spend \$10,300 each

By Jeff Ristine  
STAFF WRITER

From burgers to builders, from PCs to pizzas, San Diego State University has become a \$770 million powerhouse for the regional economy as it approaches its century mark.

With more than \$10,300 in spending per student and a work force of nearly 3,900, SDSU represents one of the most significant enterprises in the county, university officials said in a report released amid broad smiles yesterday.

"This is one of the things I knew I needed to know," said President Stephen L. Weber, who commissioned the study shortly after starting his position at the county's largest university in July. "It's better than I imagined."

The university's first-of-its-kind economic impact study concluded that SDSU pumped out \$770 million in direct spending and indirect monetary impacts to San Diego County during the year that ended June 30. The 90-page report provides a point of pride for SDSU as the university prepares

to kick off a centennial year celebration next month. The institution now known as SDSU traces back to the State Normal School of San Diego, launched downtown in 1898 for the training of elementary school teachers. But SDSU leaders often complain of a lack of awareness about what goes on at Montezuma Mesa among people in the community they serve.

Then there's the subtle inferiority complex brought about by public perceptions toward the smaller, younger, but more high-powered UC San Diego, which boasts of a \$1.8 billion impact on the national economy.

SDSU's two-month research effort was conducted by Dipak K. Gupta, a professor in

the School of Public Administration and Urban Studies, Sergio Rey, assistant professor of geography, and James Gerber, associate professor of economics.

The researchers calculated a direct economic impact in the 1995-96 school year that includes an estimated \$293.5 million in spending by 29,000-plus students, a payroll of \$181.5 million for some 3,900 employees, and \$69 million in purchases of goods and services to keep the campus running. Of this sum, about \$455 million was spent in San Diego County.

For every 1,000 SDSU students, the research determined, 430 jobs are created, from waitresses to apartment managers.

The rest of the \$770 million impact comes from ripple effects, such as the goods and services that local suppliers purchase to fill orders from the university. It all adds up to a 442 percent return on the \$142 million SDSU received from taxpayers via the state treasury for 1995-96, Rey said.

The study found that the four biggest beneficiaries from SDSU's presence are real estate, retailers, automobile services (including gas and insurance) and repair; and restaurants and bars.

Isolating SDSU's own nonlabor spending — about \$69 million — the researchers found that the largest amounts of money go to research and testing services, computer and office equipment, and wholesale trade.

The construction trade wasn't counted because SDSU's spending for new buildings and other structures, which can hit tens of millions of dollars a year, is uneven over the years.

Also not included in the dollar figures, but repeatedly emphasized

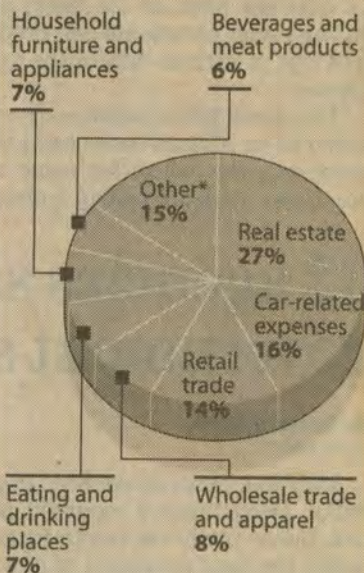
in yesterday's report, are such benefits from SDSU as technology development, contributions to manufacturing, and support for small business.

SDSU's cultural and sports offerings, the campus-based KPBS public television and radio stations and programs promoting cross-border relations provide other intangible benefits, the researchers said.

"I'm particularly proud of the fact that our students contribute one-and-a-quarter-million hours of community service and our faculty and staff contributed 200,000 hours of community service just last year," said Weber.

### Dollars and degrees

San Diego State University's 29,000-plus undergraduate and graduate students spent an estimated \$10,359 each in the 1995-96 academic year. Here's where the money went, according to SDSU researchers:



\* Combined total of more than 170 industries



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# U p & C o m i n g

Acknowledgement of San Diego's Business Professionals Moving Up the Ladder of Success

## **Dr. Curtis W. Cook named USD Business Dean-Elect**

**Dr. Curtis W. Cook** has been chosen Dean of the **School of Business Administration at the University of San Diego.**

Cook, currently Associate Dean and Professor of Management at the College for Business at San Jose State University, will succeed **Dr. James M. Burns**, Founding Dean of the School of Business Administration, who will step down as Dean at the end of the 1996-97 academic year.

Cook, 58, a native of California, went to San Jose State in 1982 after 10 years at the School of Business at Southern Illinois University (SIU) at Edwardsville, where he was an Associate Professor of Management. Prior to joining SIU, Cook worked in industry and at the University of Southern California's Graduate School of Business Administration, where he earned a Master of Business Administration in 1967 and a Doctor of Business Administration in 1974.



# USD loses at buzzer; road woes continue

By Rick Eymier

SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

SAN FRANCISCO — This one had to hurt.

On the verge of its first road victory in the West Coast Conference, the USD basketball team could only watch in silent horror as USF's Jamal Cobbs hit a 30-foot desperation shot at the buzzer to give the Dons a 68-65 victory last night.

**USF 68**

**Toreros 65**

Until that moment, the Toreros (11-10 overall, 3-6 WCC) held the lead for all but 42 seconds of the game.

Brian Bruso, who finished with 12 points and only three rebounds, missed a shot with 24 seconds remaining. After a mad scramble for the rebound, USF's Gerald Zimmerman came up with the ball.

Following a USF timeout, Cobbs got the ball near the top of the key and drove to the basket, only to have his shot deflected by Bruso.

Brian Miles came up with the rebound, but the official called him for traveling, giving the Dons the ball under their own basket with three seconds to play.

"I saw our guy fall flat on his face and there was no call," said USD coach Brad Holland. "I couldn't tell what happened, but I don't know why he hit the ground."

"I'm coming straight down and at the last second I got hit from the top," said Miles. "I couldn't keep my balance and they called traveling on me."

Following another USF timeout, the Toreros forced the inbound pass out 10 feet behind the three-point arc. From there, Cobbs let fly with his game-winning basket.

"To end the game like that, my heart hit the floor," said Miles. "I figured when I came down with the rebound we'd either go to overtime or have another shot at it."

USD is now 0-5 on the road in WCC play and 3-8 overall away from the USD Sports Center.

USF improved to 11-10 and 6-3.

Sean Flannery, who also scored 12 points, gave USD a 65-60 lead with 2:40 left to play. Those would be the Toreros' final points.

Cobbs scored USF's final eight points, hitting a three at 2:03, then tying the game with a baseline drive with 50 seconds left.

"We didn't deserve to win this game," said USF coach Phil Matthews. "But we'll take it. We stole something tonight. They controlled the game. We were lucky tonight."

The critical stat for USD was offensive rebounding. USF grabbed 20 of them, a season high for a USD opponent, while the Toreros had five. The Dons outrebounded USD 39-20.

Miles led USD with 14 points, all in the second half, and added four rebounds.

USD took a 33-30 lead into intermission thanks to some hard-nosed defense. The Toreros forced nine turnovers and didn't give the Dons a good look at the basket. USF shot a miserable 38.5 percent in the half. The Dons were 43.4 percent for the game.

Meanwhile, USD shot 47.8 percent in the first 20 minutes, and 54.3 for the game.

The Toreros opened an eight-point lead with 9:20 left to play in the first half when Nosa Obasohan made two free throws to highlight a 7-0 run.

## USD women

Denise Woods scored a game-high 18 points and grabbed seven rebounds to lead USF to a 69-38 rout of the USD women in a WCC game last night at San Francisco. Brittany Lindhe added 13 points for the Dons (18-4, 7-2) and Poway High alumna Jamie Shadian finished with nine points. Carlsbad High alum Renee Demirdjian scored seven. Malia Andagan led the Toreros (4-17, 0-9) with 10 points.





JOHNNY QUIRIN / Photos

**Salk dinner: Francoise Gilot (left) and Betty Knox at a dinner given in La Jolla by the Salk Institute Council.**

## Gilot honored at La Valencia fete

**F**rancoise Gilot described a typical year: "Eight months in New York, three months in Paris, and" — she laughed — "one month somewhere else."

Painting, writing and lecturing all the while.

La Jolla became that "somewhere else" this week when Francoise came back to her former home to inaugurate the Jonas Salk Lecture Series, and to attend a meeting of the international Salk Institute Council.

### BURL STIFF



In her Sunday lecture, the celebrated artist — companion of Picasso, widow of Dr. Jonas Salk — discussed "The Spirit of Discovery: Parallels and Contrasts in Art and Science."

The program in the new Frederic de Hoffmann Auditorium at the Salk Institute for Biological Studies was followed by a reception, and then by a dinner honoring Francoise.

Among the 60 guests who gathered for dinner at La Valencia Hotel were Salk Council

chairman John Henry Felix, here from Honolulu; co-chair Betty Knox; and honorary co-chairs Dr. Renato Dulbecco, with his wife, Maureen, and Francis Crick, with his wife, Odile. Both Dulbecco and Crick are Nobel Laureates, and both have been president of the Salk Institute.

Dr. Thomas Pollard, the Institute's new president, was there with his wife, Patty — part of a

crowd that also included Kathryn Colachis with Monsignor I. Brent Eagen, Ursula Bellugi and Edward Klima, Warrine and Ted Cranston, Karen Lane and Walter Eckhart, Marianne and Del Glanz, Marlene and Michael Teitelman, Betty and John Warner, Gloria and Louis Wolk, Harry Hixson and Teresa Grillot, Amy and Ed Callaway, Mel Yoakum, and Diane and Tom Hope.

Francoise, chic as always, wore a tweedy trouser suit from Portugal with a blouse from Givenchy of Paris.

When asked what she thought of "Surviving Picasso" — the James Merchant film in which Anthony Hopkins plays Pablo and Natascha McElhone portrays Francoise — she replied with disdain:

"I never saw it."

She went on to explain: "I was completely against it. It was not a picture of me . . ."

"Three years ago they showed me the script, and I found it silly. I said I don't want to have anything to do with that."

"I never sold them the rights to my book, and my son and I forbade them to use any Picasso paintings in the film. That's why there are no Picassos — only fakes."

Born in Paris and now an American citizen, Francoise was the first speaker in an annual Salk series that will feature notables from the worlds of art, science, theater and literature. The series will focus on "the creative mind and its contributions to the advancement of science and human values."

A show of Gilot prints, "Stone Echoes," can be seen now through March 3 in the Founders Gallery at the University of San Diego.

Other shows of her work are due soon, all over the place.

"I will have a show of the early work in New York in April," Francoise said, "and then in May some recent work at a museum in Pennsylvania. After that, a show in Amsterdam."

A Gilot portrait of Jonas Salk — sensitive, romantic, dashing — was reproduced in color on the invitations to Sunday's lecture.

"It was done in '74," Francoise recalled. "A long time ago."





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## FOR *the* RECORD

### CALENDAR

#### FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7

The USD International Business breakfast forum will focus on "Going International: Global Safety & Crisis Management" from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at the Ahlers Center for International Business at USD. The speaker is Dr. Dennis Briscoe, professor of international human resource management. The cost is \$10 and includes a continental breakfast. Call Dianna Rosemier at 260-4896 for reservations and information.

### Miscellaneous

Ma. Antonieta Soto has joined the customs broker and freight forwarding firm Am-Mex International, as director of import-export operations. Carole Fish joined Children's Hospital Foundation as senior managing director of philanthropy. The board of directors of the San Diego Port Tenants Association has elected H.P. "Sandy" Purdon chairman for 1997-98. Linda Gibson was elected chairman of the San Diego County Commission on the Status of Women. Ronald L. Fowler has been elected to USD's Board of Trustees.



# New lineup shakes Toreros out of slump against Gaels

By Bill Center, STAFF WRITER

Change is good.

Ask the University of San Diego's basketball team.

For the first time this season, the Toreros

**Toreros 76**

**Saint Mary's 71**

made changes to the starting lineup and the result was a hard-fought 76-71 victory over Saint Mary's at the USD Sports Center.

Starting for the first time last night were the Smiths — guard Lamont and freshman forward Brian.

Relegated to the bench were point guard Alex Davis and forward Brian Miles.

The result was a revived intensity on the defensive end of the floor that got the Toreros off to a rare fast start.

"We got our energy and intensity back on defense and it got us going," said Toreros

coach Brad Holland after his club snapped a three-game losing streak and climbed back into a tie for last in the West Coast Conference with Pepperdine and Loyola Marymount.

"It was nice to see us get it going. We've been in third gear and going downhill. You never know what might work, but I felt we needed a change."

"Change always ignites people," said forward Sean Flannery, who before last night feared he might also be a candidate for the bench.

In the first half of the WCC season, Flannery averaged only 10 points a game and was having problems getting off his shots.

Last night, he hit for a career-high 28 to become the 15th player in USD history to reach 1,000 points for a career.

While it was the addition of the Smiths that

ignited USD, the Toreros were led by fifth-year seniors Flannery and Brian Bruso.

Bruso had his usual stellar game inside — 18 points, a game-high nine rebounds, three blocks and three steals. Not bad considering the 6-foot-7 Bruso was battling Gaels giant Brad Millard (7-3, 345 pounds) most of the night.

Although the hosts led much of the game, every time the Toreros appeared to be on the verge of breaking it open, the Gaels (14-7, 4-4) shot themselves back into it behind long-range bombers David Sivulich (6-for-9 from three-point range, 26 points), Eric Schrader and Kamran Sufi.

With 8:30 to play, the Toreros led 62-47 after a Davis three-pointer. But with 14 seconds to go — after Schrader's three — it was 72-69.

Lamont Smith closed it out by making four

straight free throws in the final 13 seconds to lift USD to 3-5 in WCC play and 11-9 overall.

"We came out and jumped on them defensively," said Flannery. "That was the difference tonight. Lamont is an intense kid. I think he really picked us up."

"We got untracked offensively because we turned it up on the other end of the court first."

Holland agreed.

"It was nice to see the defensive commitment," he said after USD held Saint Mary's to an 18-for-46 effort (39 percent) from the floor and came away with eight steals and four blocks.

It was also nice to see more assists (19) than turnovers (13) for the first time in three games.

And nice to see Flannery hitting the threes (5-of-10).

## WCC

	Conf.		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
Gonzaga	5	3	12	8
Santa Clara	5	3	11	9
San Francisco	5	3	10	10
St. Mary's	4	4	14	7
Portland	4	4	9	11
<b>USD</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>
Loyola Marymount	3	5	6	14
Pepperdine	3	5	5	15

### Yesterday's Games

USD 76, St. Mary's 71

Portland 52, Pepperdine 49

Gonzaga 77, Loyola Marymount 75

San Francisco 72, Santa Clara 64

### Wednesday's Games

USD at San Francisco, 7:30

Portland at Gonzaga, 7:30

### Friday's Games

Loyola Marymount at Santa Clara, 7:30

Pepperdine at St. Mary's, 7:30



# Local shrimp wriggles onto endangered species list

By Steve La Rue  
STAFF WRITER

A tiny freshwater shrimp that swims upside-down in pools that disappear in the summer will be designated Monday as San Diego County's latest endangered species.

Environmentalists say the listing for the San Diego fairy shrimp should boost protection for one of the county's rarest habitats, seasonal wetlands called vernal pools.

The pools are ancient, water-retaining depressions in certain soils where several species have evolved to live their entire lives in a few short weeks when the pools contain water. They leave seeds and eggs in the ground for as long as several years until normal rains return.

The pools are concentrated at Miramar Naval Air Station, Carmel Mountain in the northern part of the city of San Diego, Otay Mesa, San Marcos and Camp Pendleton, said Chris Nagano, endangered species biologist for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, which will issue the endangered listing.

He said 90 to 97 percent of San Diego County's vernal pool habitat has been lost, mostly to housing development, leaving fewer than 200 acres.

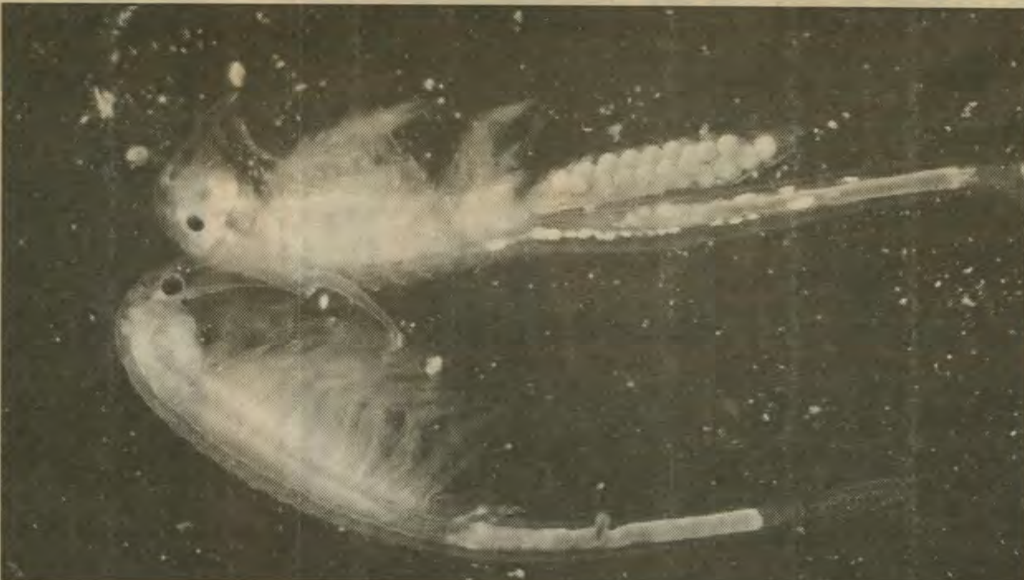
"This is our own San Diego species. It is endemic to San Diego," said Marie Simovich, the University of San Diego biologist whose decade of research provided much of the

basis for the endangered listing for *Branchinecta sandiegoensis*.

The species was first described in 1983 by researcher Mike Fugat of the University of California Riverside.

Ellen Bauder, a plant ecologist at San Diego State University, said the pools and their species "are being lost before we know an awful lot about them."

The listing does not come as a surprise to environmental planners and groups, and protections for the species are included in planning for the conversion of Miramar into a Marine base, as well as in the proposed



LAURA EMBRY / Union-Tribune

**Local residents:** *San Diego fairy shrimp seen under a microscope. The little inhabitants of area vernal pools are to be designated an endangered species.*

Multiple Species Conservation Program.

That program would save about 88 percent of vernal pool habitat in the southwest corner of the county, south of the San Diego River, but only if it is enacted by governments in the county and financed.

"This raises the stakes, and says that it is important to do this job and to do it adequately," said Craig Adams, San Diego chapter coordinator of the Sierra Club.

Many environmentalists, however, doubt that the protections in the program are adequate, though negotiations on this and other aspects of the program continue.

About 70 percent to 80 percent of the remaining vernal pools are at the Miramar base, which is not included in the multiple

species program. In its transition into a Marine base, 116 of its 3,500 vernal pools, or about 4.7 acres, will be destroyed in a plan approved by the Fish and Wildlife Service. The rest will be preserved, said Martha Gandy, director of the Navy's environmental division at Miramar.

"There is a vernal pool monitoring and management plan for the base realignment construction process that's going on right now," she said.

The San Diego fairy shrimp roughly resembles the shrimp in shrimp cocktails be-

fore their armorlike exoskeletons are removed. But they are not closely related to saltwater shrimp, measure only about one-half to three-quarters of an inch long and paddle with their legs up as they filter food morsels from the water.

"This will significantly increase the protection for vernal pools" in San Diego County, said Dave Hogan, director of the Southwest Center for Biological Diversity, which first petitioned for the listing in January 1992.

The group filed a succession of suits against the Fish and Wildlife Service that led to a 1996 ruling ordering the service to decide on the fairy shrimp listing by today.

The group has assembled teams of observers to monitor concentrations of vernal pools to discourage people from destroying the pools to avoid species-related restrictions of their land use, said Allison Rolfe, the group's Southern California director.

Four vernal pool plants and one animal already are federally endangered: the San Diego mesa mint, Orcutt's grass, the Otay mesa mint, the coyote thistle and the Riverside fairy shrimp.



## Profile

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Alan Bersin  
U.S. Attorney  
Southern District of California

# Friend Of Bill's

## U.S. Attorney Praised For Mexican Border Work From All Sides

By Marty Graham  
Daily Journal Staff Writer

SAN DIEGO — Last fall, when the Los Angeles Times reported incorrectly that Alan Bersin, the U.S. attorney for the Southern District, was failing to prosecute border drug busts, an extraordinary thing happened.

Republican law enforcement chiefs like Sheriff Bill Kolender and District Attorney Paul Pfingst stepped forward to defend the reputation and works of the Clinton ntee, who was once slagged off as "the carpetbagger from Los Angeles."

"We have a terrific working relationship," Pfingst said. "As a citizen, I would like him in Washington, but for San Diego, it would be disappointing [if he left] because he is critically important to the border here."

And when Republican presidential candidate Robert Dole picked up the cry that Clinton — through Bersin — had been lax at the border, local Republicans stood firm with Bersin. Even the conservative San Diego Union-Tribune's editorial page supported Bersin's border policies at the height of the Republican National Convention.

Political observers say Bersin, 50, won the state for Clinton by defusing the only hot issue Dole could have used. Bersin, a genuine Friend of Bill's since his year at Oxford as a fellow Rhodes scholar, won the right of promotion, they say.

And, while some ask why a good-hearted pragmatist like Bersin would take on the unenviable task of prosecuting people who cross the border to help support their

families, according to former colleague Marc Becker, the answer was obvious.

"Alan must have felt that he could do a fairer and more compassionate job of satisfying the law while avoiding the worst outcome," Becker said.

Bersin was sworn in as U.S. attorney at the end of November 1993. He had come to San Diego in 1992, on a sabbatical from Munger, Tolles & Olson, to teach at the University of San Diego School of Law. Bersin took the sabbatical to spend more time with his family and to look at San Diego — his wife's home — as a better place to raise their children.

When Bersin came into the office, he found a staff focused on prosecuting as many misdemeanors as felonies. The practice struck him as a less than ideal use of federal resources. He reorganized the office, strengthening the civil forfeiture section and changing the office policy on short-term help from Washington-based special assistants, who now commit to one to three years before they ship out.

Then he focused on the California-Mexico border and the crime plaguing relations between the countries: illegal immigration, drug and people smuggling and car thefts.

In short order, new policies and equipment were put in place, due in part to a surge in funding. The first time illegal immigrants are caught, they are identified and sent back, often from a newly created "port court" set up at the border to save transporting and jailing first-time deportees.

The second time they cross, they are convicted of a felony and jailed.

A computerized fingerprinting identification system was put in place this year, allowing border patrol officers to see who they have apprehended. Not surprisingly, they found they are seeing the same people again and again, challenging the conventional notion that there is a continuous flow.

While pro-Proposition 187 forces — the measure that denies government services to illegal aliens — applaud the border crackdowns led by Bersin's office, Bersin said he looks at the border crackdowns as the first step in building and strengthening a bi-national community.

"Strong law enforcement at the frontier is essential to everything people on both sides seek to achieve," Bersin said in an interview. "Without the stability, nothing else would be possible, not expanding trade or any of the cooperative projects we'd like to see."

"The point of law enforcement is not simply order; it creates the conditions for growth," Bersin said.

Bersin has been involved in far-reaching negotiations and discussions with Mexican authorities, discussing everything from building a transnational prison and combined waste treatment plants that would help protect San Diego shores from Mexican sewage, to the creation of a bi-national symphony orchestra, which he discussed in one of his weekly, three-minute radio spots broadcast in Tijuana on Radio Latina.

"I love this border," he said. "It's a treasure chest waiting to be unlocked for the benefit of people on both sides."

Bersin has been known to go out in the field with the Border Patrol to see what it is doing. His active participation in its work and his quickly forged friendships with the head of the local FBI and Drug Enforcement Administration head have resulted in stronger relations among the agencies — and better cases.

For example, on the recommendation of First Assistant Charles LaBella, whom Bersin brought in from the Southern District of New York, investigating agents now are invited to attend the meetings in the office where case-charging decisions are made.

"It not only makes the process more open, it helps the agents learn to build better cases because they see firsthand what we're looking for," said Judith Feigin, senior legal counsel and assistant U.S. attorney.

Bersin's policy of inclusion in decision-making extends outside the federal realm, as well.

In three years as the top law enforcement official in San Diego County, Bersin has focused his considerable energy on creating good relationships within the county law enforcement community. Now, people in that community are hoping that Bersin will not leave for the No. 3 spot at the Department of Justice, as it is widely rumored.

Bersin certainly benefited from the election of a new county district attorney, who shared his view of how San Diego is affected by border-related crime. DA Paul Pfingst, unlike his predecessor, was willing to share information and divide up cases with the federal prosecutors.

The result has been that many drug cases are now prosecuted locally, while the federal prosecutors have lent a hand with Pfingst's pursuit of deadbeat parents and convicted felon immigrants.

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But his work as the attorney general's special representative on border issues also gave Bersin a chance to shine at what long-time friends and associates say is his strong suit: implementing great ideas and promoting the fortune of the people who have those ideas.

Bersin was born in Brooklyn in 1946. He attended Harvard University, where he earned an A.B. in Government and played on the All-Ivy, All-New England and All-East football teams. He played on All-East beside Tommy Lee Jones, the future actor. In 1995, Bersin was inducted into the Harvard Varsity Club Hall of Fame.

He spent 1969 to 1971 at Balliol College at Oxford University as a Rhodes Scholar, then returned to the United States to study law at Yale University.

He earned his law degree in 1974 and joined Munger, Tolles & Olson in February 1975 after a stint as special counsel for the Los Angeles Police Commission.

He was made a partner at Munger Tolles in January 1978. (Charles Munger, who founded Munger Tolles but is no longer affiliated with that firm, is chairman of the board of the Daily Journal Corp. The law firm represents Daily Journal publications in First Amendment matters.)

By then, Bersin had become active in the firm's pro bono program.

"It seems obvious that we are the privileged elite, given the role of law in politics and history," he said. "The system requires a public-service mindedness, and if we don't meet that obligation, the public and we ourselves suffer."

While he chaired the pro bono committee, he represented the city of Los Angeles in a suit against the county. The suit was filed by public-interest lawyer Lisa Foster, who represented a group of homeless people.

Although Bersin and Foster were seeing other people when the suit began, in the nearly three years it took to resolve the suit, they noticed each other.

Bersin is now married to Foster, a deputy city attorney in San Diego. They have two daughters, Madeleine, 4½ and Amalia Rose, 2. Bersin also has an 18-year-old daughter, Alissa, from his previous marriage.

Former colleagues at Munger Tolles remember Bersin as someone who saw the potential in the people around him and did all he could to advance their careers.

Partner Michael Soloff was hired as an associate by the firm in 1985, after three years of clerking while he attended law school. He immediately began working with Bersin on a case in which the firm represented a Bank of America branch as it tried to collect money on a \$95-million loss it suffered in a mortgage-backed certificate fraud.

"Alan is an excellent team leader who leads by example," Soloff said. "He made

## Profile

### Alan Bersin

U.S. Attorney  
Southern District of California

**Career Highlights:** partner, Munger, Tolles & Olson, Los Angeles, 1978-93; associate, 1975-78; special counsel, Los Angeles Police Commission, 1974

**Law School:** Yale University, 1974

**Age:** 50

everyone feel included and gave people as much responsibility as they could handle as soon as they could handle it."

Soloff, who made partner in 1991, due in part to Bersin's mentorship, said he was particularly impressed by Bersin's work with paralegals and case clerks who achieved promotions, pay raises and advancements because Bersin encouraged them and rewarded them.

"His general approach to people is to look to help people fulfill their potential as best they can," Soloff said.

Bersin carried that philosophy into the U.S. attorney's office, staff members say. He encouraged Assistant U.S. Attorney Carol Lam to carry information obtained in a whistleblower suit to the logical end: the second highest stipulated civil judgment ever against a group of laboratories that bilked Medicare.

And he pushed Assistant U.S. Attorney Julia Craig Kelety to take the telemarketing scams she was prosecuting to a nationwide level, setting up a bank of taped evidence and information available to federal prosecutors everywhere. Because of the pooled information, telemarketers who prey on the elderly can no longer just flee the jurisdiction.

He pulled Assistant U.S. Attorney Phillip Halpern from relative obscurity to being one of the lead prosecutors on the RICO trial of two former judges and a Del Mar lawyer. And he convinced Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Steven Clark to remain in San Diego to prosecute frauds and civil rights violations.

But whether Bersin will see out the next four years in San Diego remains to be seen.

While some hint that Bersin may aspire to a federal judgeship or to public office, he merely laughs and shakes his head at such questions.

"One function of turning 50 is that I'm past the point of my life where I want to plan more than 18 to 24 months ahead," he said. "That's all I can see on the horizon, and I'm not telescoping my life any more."



## New features for the Greater San Diego Chamber of Commerce Economic Indicators

Welcome to the first of a new series in monthly articles analyzing and explaining the *Greater San Diego Chamber of Commerce Economic Indicators*. By grasping the effect these economic elements have on the overall marketplace, a reader may better understand the local economy, and monitor significant changes occurring in the marketplace.

Awareness of falls and rises in the economy, known as business cycles, assists planning and facilitates decision making. The economic indicators presented are tools for following the paths of the business cycles in the San Diego region.

The *Greater San Diego Chamber of Commerce Economic Indicators* for San Diego are designed after the Federal Government's monthly *Joint Economic Committee Economic Indicators Report*.

Data are a minimum of three months old because of the time needed to collect and publish data. It is important to note that trends change over a period of time, and that increases or decreases for a particular indicator in one month may not constitute a new trend. Three consecutive monthly changes in one direction, however, after adjusting for seasonal variations may constitute a trend.

A new feature of the *Indicators* page is a column tracking seasonal adjustments for the monthly changes in data. Adjustment for seasonal variability accounts for changes that regularly occur each year over a particular period. Examples include year-end retail sales increases for holiday shopping, visitor traffic gains during the summer, and decreased period. Examples include year-end retail sales increases for holiday shopping, visitor traffic gains during the summer, and decreased employment when school starts in the Fall. The seasonal adjustment increases or decreases the data for the specific month to account for this variability. After the seasonal adjustment is made, month-to-month variations are a more accurate reflection of the dynamics for the indicator.

The *Economic Indicators* page lists leading indicators available for San Diego each month. Many indicators are not available on a monthly basis.

San Diego's indicators are grouped under four major categories: financial, tourism, construction, and employment.

The *Economic Indicators* table begins with a new feature, the *USD Index of Leading Economic Indicators for San Diego*. The Index is produced by the University of San Diego's Economics Department, headed by Alan Gin.

The USD Index is designed to forecast the San Diego County economy six to nine months in the future. It is a composite of six "leading indicators," some of which are included in the Chamber table.

The indicators for the USD Index include the number of *building permits* issued in San Diego County, also detailed in the Construction section; initial claims for *unemployment* insurance in San Diego County; *stock prices*, also listed in the Financial section; the *visitor index* from the San Diego Convention and Visitors' Bureau, detailed in the Tourism section; *help wanted advertising index*, reported by the Union-Tribune, calculated by the Chamber's Economic Research Bureau, and included in the Employment section; and a national *index of leading economic indicators* from the U.S. Department of Commerce.

Each indicator precedes and leads a major economic activity.

- Residential building permits issued in San Diego County foreshadows employment in the construction industry. When units are sold or rented, the new occupants typically buy furniture, appliances, and other household goods, which generates further economic activity.
- The index of local stock prices portends future business prospects. An increase in local stock prices mean investors anticipate improved profits and possibly increased employment.
- Initial claims for unemployment insurance in the county are inversely linked to employment in the future. A decrease of initial claims indicates fewer people are losing their jobs and may signal an increase in employment.
- Help-wanted advertising in the *San Diego Union-Tribune* mimics future employment trends. Typically there is a lag between the time a firm places help-wanted advertising and when the actual hiring takes place.

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- The tourism index is calculated by the San Diego Convention and Visitors' Bureau. Spending by tourists pumps money into the county economy. The impact of this spending extends well beyond the period which it occurs, as money is spent over and over again in an economic ripple effect.
- The national *Index of Leading Economic Indicators* links the national economy to the local one. An upturn in the national economy means increased orders for San Diego firms that sell products nationally, and may give a boost to tourism.

The percent changes for each indicator are seasonally adjusted. The index is benchmarked to

July 1977 = 100.0.

The Index has been increasing over the past 19 months marking the strong growth of the economy over the past two years. The Index as a whole has only grown moderately lately, indicating growth over the next six months will be gradual and slow.

Slow and steady growth summarize this month's changes. Building permits had an exceptional month, but the spike reflects more of the jagged performance for the year. Both tourism and stock prices gained ground. Tourism has been growing for the past 12 consecutive months. Stock prices have continued to grow reflecting the ever-rising Dow Jones Industrials, and have grown for the past 20 months.

A new feature in the financial section includes data on the *San Diego Stock Exchange*, produced by Dunham & Associates. The index is for publicly traded companies headquartered in San Diego, and is a reflection of the value and investment interest in San Diego firms. The monthly figure is the average for the daily index over the entire month.

The *Home Mortgage Rate* is another new indicator based on a sample of over 30 lending institutions in the San Diego region. The rate is reported quarterly and does not include initiation fees. The rate reflects many facets of the local and national economy as most banks derive their lending rates from the Federal Reserve Discount Rate. The San Diego rate is tied to residential construction in the area, which is a leading component of the local economy.