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LORI STONE -- FROM SHOSHONE INDIAN RESERVATION
IN IDAHO TO GRADUATING FROM USD, WITH HONORS

Lori M. Stone won't be moving back to the Shoshone-Bannock Indian Reservation near Pocatello, Idaho, but Chief Targhee, her great-great-great-grandfather, would not mind because she intends to use her USD baccalaureate degree in business administration to help fellow Indians entering small business ownership.

"A lot of Indians have problems starting businesses because they don't have the money to hire financial consultants," said Lori, who is planning to offer such assistance by conducting seminars for Indians.

She gained firsthand knowledge of financial needs of small businesses before coming to USD, when she kept the books for her father's small heating and air conditioning business in Pocatello.

The 24-year-old coed is among 1,150 students receiving degrees from USD at commencement exercises to be held Sunday, May 26.

Lori was able to afford an education from USD by obtaining a number of scholarships and financial assistance from the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs. "I have about \$10,000 in loans to pay off, and I'm trying not to think about it."

Instead, she is focusing on graduate work. She has applied to USD, USC, UCLA and Stanford to work toward obtaining a master's degree in international business.

Ms. Stone is graduating from USD with a 3.37 grade point average. She made the Dean's list in 1982, 83 and 84 and qualified for honor scholarships each of the past three years.

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Ms. Stone resides in Pacific Beach. Her mother, Lori Braden, is a resident of San Marcos.

"I won't be moving back on the reservation," Lori said, "because there is not a lot of opportunity for growth there."

Maybe she should try Wyoming, where a national forest is named in honor of her great-great-great-grandfather.

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