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## Former business owner unsure of company's future, but has no regrets

By ELIZABETH MALLOY, The Daily Transcript

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Sandy Brue built her company, **Sandicast**, out of her garage in 1981 and guided it into an international success. Her lifelike statues of animals decorate the homes of everyone from average Americans to the queen of England.

After selling the business and retiring in 2005, Brue said she has no real regrets, but she does feel some apprehension about the direction her industry is taking.

"One of my core values ... was that we would be profitable and we would manufacture in the United States," she said. "But in the gift industry, everybody (is) going over to China."



Sandy Brue built her company, **Sandicast**, out of her garage in 1981 and guided it into an international success. Photo: J. Kat Woronowicz

At the start of this decade, Sandicast had about 230 employees in the San Diego area, and many of the jobs were in manufacturing. A lot of Brue's employees were immigrants, and she said she was glad to provide them with jobs. In the early 1990s, Brue noticed most of her industry was moving to China, but she resisted. She took a trip there in 1994 and didn't like the working conditions, plus she knew overseeing operations there would be very time consuming. After the Sept. 11 attacks, however, when the economy took a sharp decline, Brue said the company couldn't fight the trend anymore.

"After 9/11, people became extremely cost-conscious. It didn't matter whether your product was better, they were just thinking a cheaper price would bring people into the stores," Brue said.

Her youngest son had become president of the company in 2001, and he made the decision to move much of the manufacturing to China. The factory in China where Sandicast statues are made is better than most, Brue said, though she still has concerns about the country's safety protocols.

In 2003, the rest of the manufacturing and the warehouse facility were moved to Oklahoma. Officials in the Oklahoma town Sandicast moved to thanked Brue for "saving" their town, though Brue said she still felt bad about leaving San Diego. Finally, in 2005, she sold the company to Santa Ana-based **Jillson & Roberts** for an undisclosed amount.

"The sad day was when I had to part with the employees and we went to China," she said. "The employees were fabulous. They understood that. They knew that our business was going down. It was really getting rough."

Brue had wanted to retire for several years. She is a breast cancer survivor, diagnosed with the disease at 51, and with her own children starting to have children; she wanted to spend more time with her family. Now at 62, she and her husband enjoy taking their grandchildren on road trips to Mount Rushmore and the Smokey Mountains. Brue is a member of [redacted] the San Diego Zoo, and is a trustee at her alma mater, the University of San Diego.

"I am absolutely enjoying this phase of my life," she said.

The front foyer of Brue's downtown San Diego high-rise is decorated with life-size statues she created, and there are several smaller animals inside, too. A self-described animal lover, Brue only has one real cat, but its clear her cast-stone animals are still a presence in her life. When they were made in the United States, the statues and figurines were all hand-cast in stone and hand-painted, using molds Brue made herself. To capture the lifelike fur, eyes and expressions, Brue always modeled the animals on real dogs, cats or more wild beasts, some of whom she saw at the zoo or at nature preserves. Others were neighborhood pets.

When Brue started the company, she was a housewife who brought in some money by painting and making

signs. Her now-former husband told her she needed to bring in an extra \$10,000 a year, and since she'd sold some animal statues the year before, she dedicated her time and energy to that. She started the company in the summer 1981. Within months, she was spreading international with her first sales in Canada.

"I exceeded my goal," she said with a laugh.


Brue had no formal business training when she started the company and acknowledged it's rare for an artist to have any business sense at all. She credits her own practicality and asking a lot of questions to her success.

Now that the company is sold, she's not sure if her statues will change or not. She said the new company might switch to resin as a building material, or stop using the molds she designed, which are marked with her signature. They might stop hand painting. Ultimately, however, aside from the manufacturing jobs leaving San Diego, Brue said she was ready to have someone else running the company now. Major changes in the industry, especially the move to China, were inevitable, but she said she didn't want to be the one to do it.

"I look at this as just a chapter of my life," Brue said. "I've just closed the book and that's it."

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**OCT 24 2007**

Darlene Marcos Shiley, philanthropist and community leader, has been elected chair of USD's  board of trustees. Shiley, the recipient of local, regional and national honors for contributions to medical research, has been on the board since 1990. Other newly elected members of the board are **Richard K. Davis**, president and CEO of U.S. Bancorp; **Margarita Hernandez**, a resident of Pasadena and higher education advocate; **John T. Redmond**, president and CEO of MGM Grand Resorts; and **David H. Shaffer**, former executive with **The Thomson Corp.** in Connecticut.

## **College of Arts & Sciences**

INTO VIEW

ROBERT BARRY FLEMING'S A THEATRICAL GO-TO GUY: HE CAN  
DANCE AND ACT – AND TEACH

# He's always in the swing of things

**ACTOR-SINGER-DANCER and THEATER PROFESSOR:** Robert Barry Fleming

**LATEST SHOW:** "Ain't Misbehavin' " at the San Diego Rep

**UPCOMING:** Teaching Voice and Speech, Theater and Society, Acting for Musical Theater and other courses in USD's undergraduate theater program.

**KEY QUOTES:** "I got my Equity card in the national tour of 'Cats' covering (the roles of) all the short guys who could flip. I looked for something more intellectually stimulating after that; I stopped being concerned about how many turns and kicks I could do."

**By Anne Marie Welsh**  
THEATER CRITIC

Toward the end of the San Diego Rep's recent "Ain't Misbehavin'," the little-seen local actor Robert Barry Fleming came rubber-legging out in a cloud of smoke in a sinuous and hilariously memorable reefer madness number, "The Viper's Drag."

An expert dancer and warm dramatic presence, Fleming, it turns out, had learned most of the Fats Waller show from director Patdro Harris in one day, his viper's number in one session.

A herniated disc had sent the scheduled actor — T.C. Carson — to the hospital. So Rep boss Sam Woodhouse placed a desperation call to Fleming for help.

Extensively trained as a dancer and a natural quick study, Fleming said: "I think the time I spent as a swing, covering many roles, helped me learn to learn quickly."

After earning his Equity card in the first national tour of "Cats," Fleming was also cast in the Broadway production of "Ragtime" as a swing (which means an actor who moves in and out of several roles as they become vacant due to illness, injury, vacation or cast changes). Compact, with a velvety

baritone voice, Fleming looks much younger than his 42 years. He moved here in 2003 to teach in the undergraduate theater program at USD; next year he will direct that newly minted major in theater arts.

A graduate of Temple University, which he attended on a gymnastics scholarship, Fleming took up dancing to heal and strengthen after a sports injury. He worked with Philadanco, an esteemed modern dance company based in the angular and isometric technique of Lester Horton. The power and clarity choreographer Horton preached shows in Fleming's dancing even now.

Soon, he was a "triple-threat" — a singer, dancer and actor headed for a performing career in New York and eventually, L.A.

"After working as an actor on sitcoms and a few films, my last job there was in 'L.A. Confidential.' I spent one day working with Kevin Spacey," Fleming said, summing up his six years in Tinseltown, "and I thought to myself that I had worked and worked and got this one scene in the movie. Was that worth all the time and investment?"

He decided it wasn't.

Fleming grew up in an academic family in Frankfurt, Ky. He decided to earn a graduate degree at the University of

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**A quick study and a multifaceted theater pro, Robert Barry Fleming stepped lively into "Ain't Misbehavin' " on a day's notice; by day he's an assistant professor of theater at USD.** *Crissy Pascual / Union-Tribune*

Alabama through the Alabama Shakespeare Festival MFA program. And that is what led him to his teaching and administrative duties at USD.

"I laid low for the first year here, adjusting to the university," he said. But when a chance to work with Chicano theater legend Luis Valdez came long, Fleming auditioned and appeared to good effect in Valdez's

2005 "Corridos: Re-Mix."

But "Ain't Misbehavin' " made Fleming a local star, one who takes his teaching seriously and has "to do a lot of preplanning in order to find the time to perform."

A "Robert Barry Fleming" popped up recently as the vocal coach on the La Jolla Playhouse program credits for "The Adding Machine."

"That's me, too," the multifaceted Fleming said, and thanked the estimable veteran voice coach Jan Gist for teaching him techniques of dialect

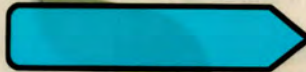
and voice work that he now teaches others.

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# Arts



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Onetime triple-threat — singer,  
dancer, actor — Robert Barry  
Fleming is now bringing his  
talents to USD's undergraduate  
theater program and to shows  
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## San Diego's Natural Disaster Wasn't Entirely Natural

By Colin Fisher

Colin Fisher is an associate professor of environmental history at the University of San Diego and a contributing editor at the  History News Service.

This past week two massive wildfires ignited in the San Diego County backcountry and began their march toward the Pacific Ocean. They consumed more than 278,000 acres and have only slowly been brought under control. Between the two immense burn zones sits San Diego, the nation's seventh largest city. This disaster is San Diego's own little Katrina, but instead of being inundated with water, the city is surrounded by smoke and fire.

The catastrophe in San Diego is not entirely a natural one. As with Katrina, it's also the work of humans.

Certainly nature played an enormous role in events this week. For centuries Southern California has burned, especially in October when hot, dry Santa Ana winds blow out of the eastern deserts. The winds parch the already dried landscape. In these conditions, one gets the feeling that the indigenous scrubland as well as the exotic palms and eucalyptus actually want to burn. A spark will put them out their agony.

Some argue that these horrendous fires on the Southern California coast are the unnatural by-product of 20th-century fire suppression. While it's certainly true that the legacy of fire suppression has led to larger areas to burn in western mountains, the connection is far less clear in the scrublands along the coast. Even before vigorous fire suppression began early in the last century, enormous firestorms blew across the coastal landscape. In 1889, for instance, a conflagration burned 800,000 acres in Orange County.

Others will argue that these fires are the result of "unnatural" climate change. Today, the Western United States is, on average, hotter and drier than in earlier decades. Since the mid-1980s these conditions have led to an increase in large wildfires in mountain forests. Yet fire ecology on the California coast is far different. On the coast, a clear link between human-caused warming and wildfires is much more difficult to establish (although such a link can't be ruled out).

The most visible human role in these disasters is unwise development in the backcountry, the so-called wildland-urban interface. Instead of building vertically, Southern Californians have largely built horizontally, moving eastward, into the scrub coastal mountains, the birthing ground of the



area's largest fires.

Defending homes on the wildland-urban interface is both difficult and expensive. Even more important, these homes are where Southern California conflagrations frequently begin. Rather than lightning, it's people (usually accidentally but sometimes intentionally) who start the greatest number of fires. Most often a spark results in a small fire. But when the October winds are howling, as was the case this past week, even a downed rural power line can start one.

Local politics also plays a role in this "natural" disaster. San Diegans have failed to learn the lessons from the terrible firestorms that ravaged the county in October 2003. At the time, San Diego had no unified county fire department. The city, the county, and outside agencies failed to work in concert. The city had a small fleet of antiquated fire engines, no firefighting helicopters, and not enough money for radios, batteries and emergency fire shelters for its firefighters. At the time, the city, arguably the most fire-prone major city in the United States, ranked 40th in the nation in firefighters per capita.

This time, firefighters have again fought heroically. Generous citizens are offering time, money and supplies. Inter-agency communication is decidedly better. And the city owns a firefighting helicopter.

But little else has changed. There's still no unified countywide fire department, and San Diegans refuse to tax themselves (or even out-of-town hotel guests) to bring fire service up to national standards. The city and the county remain underequipped and understaffed.

This summer, the Republican mayor, Jerry Sanders, tried to slash the number of brush clearance officers to two, in a city that covers 330 square miles. On Oct. 22, all of San Diego's fire engines were outside the city fighting the wildfires, save one. Before the arrival of large-scale relief from the outside, putting out a grease fire in a downtown restaurant would have seriously strained city resources.

Wildfires, even occasionally very large ones, are part of the natural order of things in Southern California. But by allowing reckless development and by underfunding fire departments, San Diegans are suffering from a disaster that is partly of their own making. It's a lesson for the whole country.

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# Obra de teatro recuerda A LOS MIGRANTES MUERTOS

Pablo Jaime Sáinz [Enlace]

El Día de los Muertos es un buen día para recordar a las miles de personas que han muerto intentando cruzar la frontera de manera indocumentada.

Una obra de teatro escrita por una dramaturga local lleva al escenario las tragedias de estos inmigrantes al mismo tiempo que rinde tributo a su memoria.

*Muertos: A Day of the Dead Play*, escrita y dirigida por Evelyn Díaz Cruz, una profesora de teatro en la Universidad de San Diego, es una obra bilingüe que presenta un panorama de la problemática de la frontera, desde la discriminación que enfrentan los latinos hasta el narcotráfico.

Pero su enfoque principal es poner el dedo en la llaga en el asunto de los inmi-



## Detalles

### Muertos: A Day of the Dead Play

Obra de teatro sobre el Día de los Muertos

- Cuándo:** Del miércoles 24 al sábado 27 a las 7 p.m.  
**Dónde:** Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall, Universidad de San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park  
**Cuánto:** \$11; \$8 estudiantes  
**Información:** (619) 260.2727.

grantes que, buscando una vida mejor para su familia, pierden la vida y el poco interés que esto genera en la mayoría de los estadounidenses.

“Es una situación imperdonable y pesa mucho en nuestra conciencia colectiva”, dice Díaz Cruz, de origen puertorriqueño. “¿Cómo es que no valoramos las vidas humanas lo suficiente como para crear una reforma migratoria humanitaria? Me da vergüenza pensar que permitimos que sigan muriendo personas que tienen hambre y que tratan de alimentar a su familia en sus lugares de origen”.

*Muertos* cuenta la historia de Carmen,

una estudiante universitaria que empieza a cuestionar la situación de las muertes en la frontera.

La obra incluye actores que representan calaveras que hablan, cantos religiosos de los indígenas kumiai de la región San Diego-Tijuana y una buena dosis de humor.

La mayoría de actores y técnicos participantes son estudiantes de la Universidad de San Diego.

Tiene escenas interactivas en las que el público puede participar para salir al aire libre y visitar de altares contruidos por organizaciones comunitarias y de derechos humanos en honor de los muertos de la frontera.

“Pienso que esta tradición de México es la manera apropiada de reflexionar sobre estos temas como comunidad”, dice Díaz Cruz. “A corto plazo, mi esperanza es iniciar un proceso de reunir a la gente de México y de Estados Unidos para que reflexionen sobre las muertes en la frontera”.

La dramaturga y directora dice que otra de sus metas es que *Muertos* se convierta en una tradición sandieguina y se presente todos los años en la temporada del Día de los Muertos.

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**MUERTOS: A DAY OF THE  
DEAD PLAY**

University of San Diego undergraduates will be performing "Muertos: A Day of the Dead Play" beginning Oct. 24. This original production is written and directed by Evelyn Díaz Cruz, USD assistant professor of theatre arts. Through the journey of Carmen, a photography student, audiences will transcend images of crossing the Great Divide. The play is a celebration of life in the San Diego/Tijuana region featuring visual imagery, live music, song and dance. Community members have also been asked to participate by creating altars outside the theatre that will be part of the

production.

**MUERTOS: A Day of the  
Dead Play**

**Performance Schedule:** October 24, 25, 26, 27 at 7:30 p.m.

**Location:** Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall at USD

**Tickets:** \$11, general admission; \$8, students, seniors. Available at the Hahn University Center Box Office (619) 260-2727. Tickets also available one hour before curtain.



Monday, October 01, 2007

## SDSU, Local Universities Host Neuroethics Forum

By Paul Mueller


If scientists develop the means to detect lies or predict who is more likely to commit a crime, what are the implications for society? For criminal justice? Or for free will and our civil liberties?



Photo courtesy of the Franklin Institute Science Museum.

These are just a few of the questions leading thinkers and top academics in neurosciences and ethics will address in San Diego from Monday, Oct. 1, through Saturday, Oct. 6, for Neuroethics Week, sponsored by the collaborative Center for Ethics in Science and Technology.

Community, civic and religious leaders, students and the general public are invited to participate in the event, which is co-sponsored by San Diego State University, the University of California San Diego (UCSD) and the University of San Diego (USD), and supported by a grant from the Benbough Foundation.

The forum is free and open to the public. Register .

### About the Forums

The forum events will focus on the ethical questions surrounding new and proposed technologies that may allow others to "read" our thought processes or "predict" our behavior.

"Might these developments affect who serves on boards of directors or in government offices, and will this help us prevent corporate fraud and government corruption?" asked Stuart Henry, criminologist and director of SDSU's School of Public Affairs. Henry is also a member of the Ethic Center's executive committee.

The forum promises to include lively debates at various events held throughout the week, said Michael Kalichman, director of the Research Ethics Program at UC San Diego and one of the conference's organizers.

Area venues will include SDSU, USD, UCSD, California Western School of Law, Salk Institute for Biological Studies, the Reuben H. Fleet Science Center and the Neuroscience Institute.

On Friday, Oct. 5, SDSU will host "Promises and Perils," a summary event hosted by Lawrence Hinman of USD and Michael Kalichman of UCSD. Both serve as co-directors of the Ethics Center. This summary event, held from 5 to 6:30 p.m., will include opportunities for comments, questions and audience discussion.

The keynote lecture, slated for 5 p.m. on Monday, Oct. 1, at the Salk Institute, will feature Henry T. "Hank" Greely, a law professor at Stanford University.

A leading expert and author on the legal, ethical and social issues in health law and the biosciences, Greely specializes in the legal implications of new biomedical technologies – especially those related to genetics, neuroscience and stem cells.

"The forum will give the San Diego community an opportunity to explore in depth a range of substantive and challenging issues relating to ethics in neuroscience," Kalichman said. "We hope that this conference will spearhead a dialogue and spirited debate about the implications of scientific advances, while making this knowledge accessible well beyond the borders of San Diego's rich scientific and intellectual community."

### **Forum Advisory Committee**

The advisory committee for the forum includes Kalichman; Stephanie Bird of the journal *Science and Engineering Ethics*; Floyd Bloom of the Scripps Research Institute; Mark Frankel of the American Association for the Advancement of Science; Michael Gazzaniga of University of California Santa Barbara; Lawrence Hinman of USD; and July Illes of the University of British Columbia.

### **More Information**

For complete information about the conference, its speakers and related events, visit the [Neuroethics Week Web site](#).



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# Jane Via



**B**Y DAY, JANE VIA is a deputy district attorney in San Diego. On Sundays, she wears a different hat—actually, it’s a robe. Via was ordained a priest in 2006, aboard a boat in international waters off Switzerland, Austria and Germany, by three female bishops (also ordained in secret). It’s all part of a movement known as Roman Catholic Womenpriests, and it aims to fundamentally transform the Catholic Church into a more inclusive, accepting religion.

“Radical inclusion characterized what Jesus did,” says Via. “He was very open toward women, included them among his followers and traveled with women who weren’t members of his family. It’s what got him into trouble with the religious authorities at the time.”

And it’s what may get Via into trouble with the religious authorities of our time. When she decided to pursue ordination, it was essentially her own brand of civil disobedience. But as a Catholic feminist, she felt she had little choice.

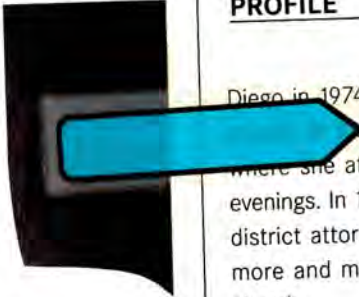
“I was born with a strong sense of justice and injustice,” she says, “and from very early childhood, it was clear to me who got the important roles in our society and in our church—men.”

**R**adical inclusion characterized what Jesus did. He was very open toward women, included them among his followers and traveled with women who weren’t members of his family.”

She’s not alone in wanting to change that. Though unsanctioned by the church, about 40 Catholic women have been ordained as priests since 2002, and more than 120 are in training for ordination, according to a recent *New York Times* story.

Via converted to Catholicism as a freshman at Purdue University and briefly considered becoming a nun, but instead went on to pursue a Ph.D. in theology and religious studies at Marquette, a Catholic university in Milwaukee. She came to San

## PROFILE



Diego in 1974 to teach New Testament at the University of San Diego, where she attended law school in the evenings. In 1985, Via became a deputy district attorney, all the while growing more and more disillusioned with the church.

She sees the Catholic Church's lack of inclusiveness—whether it's the Vatican's steadfast posture against women priests or its intolerance of homosexuality, divorce and abortion—as patriarchal blindness. Over the past 1,500 years, she says, church leaders have developed a “professional insulation and ignorance” that is “inexcusable, given the power they wield and the authority they claim.”

On Sunday evenings, you can find Via leading Mass at the church she founded, Mary Magdalene Apostle Catholic Community, in a space provided by the Mission Hills United Methodist Church. In November 2005, when she was still a deacon, Via held her first service there with a male priest friend.

“We thought there would be 10 or 20 people,” she recalls. “We had 100.” Today, regular attendance fluctuates between 60 and 80.

Every time she leads a service, Via risks excommunication from a religion that has been a vital part of her life for the past 40 years. Despite the risk, Via says it's an incredible privilege to lead and shape the religious experience of a community. She is committed to transforming Catholic ministry from something she says is based on “status, authority, power and money” to one based only on service. But it won't be easy.

“This system is very strong, rigid, patriarchal and run by individuals who benefit from it being that way. Changing it would deprive them of the benefits they currently experience,” she says. “And that means there's really no incentive for them to change.” ■

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Call him Charlie. Everyone else does. With cropped gray hair and an intense gaze, Dominican Fr. Charles E. Bouchard, 56, arrives for an interview looking corporate-casual in a pressed blue plaid sports shirt. Only for a photo later does he express a preference for donning the habit that marks him as a member of the Order of Preachers.

Last December, saying it was time to do something new, Bouchard announced his decision to resign at the end of this year after 18 years as president of Aquinas Institute of Theology here. Aquinas, founded in 1925 by Dominican priests, is no longer the kind of seminary your father might have known. Like the remaining handful of other graduate theological schools run by religious orders, Aquinas has over the years reinvented itself, packaging its programs anew and opening them to lay women and men pursuing spiritual enrichment, professorial careers or educational, pastoral and administrative jobs once reserved for priests and nuns. Of about 275 full- and part-time students currently only 25 or so are religious-order seminarians. Of the rest, lay people outnumber all religious two to one; more than half are women; and roughly a dozen are Protestants.

Dominican Fr. Richard A. Peddicord, an associate professor of moral theology at Aquinas and its president-to-be, said he sees Bouchard as succeeding in his role--navigating often rocky waters--being persistent, collaborative and quietly persuasive, "a great communicator ... skilled at articulating mission and getting people to see the value of it."

Bouchard grew up in Superior, Wis., where his parents ran a fishing resort and his father, a marine engineer, was active in Democratic politics. Bouchard attended a minor diocesan seminary in La Crosse, Wis., and at the same time, though not in the same class, was another Catholic leader who now resides just blocks away: Archbishop Raymond Burke. Bouchard went on to attend St. John's University, a Benedictine school in Collegeville, Minn., where he got a bachelor's degree in French, and then to Aquinas Institute--then based in Dubuque, Iowa--for his theological training before he was ordained in 1979. A doctorate in moral theology from The Catholic University of America prepared him to become an associate professor of moral theology at Aquinas in 1986. Three years later, he was appointed president.

Under Bouchard's leadership, the school's enrollment has nearly tripled, and programs have expanded in depth and breadth.

For example, 15 years ago Aquinas came up with what Bouchard saw as the "ideal model" for delivering courses toward a master's degree in pastoral ministry to lay people in dioceses without nearby opportunities for advanced theological study: A diocese would provide classroom space, an on-site director and overnight accommodations for visiting Aquinas faculty members. Students would supplement classroom instruction with online work.

The Oklahoma City archdiocese signed up first and continues. The diocese of Kansas City, Mo., jointly with the archdiocese of Kansas City, Kan., enlisted later as did the diocese of Colorado Springs, Colo. And then came what Bouchard describes as the "biggest disappointment" of his presidency: The two Kansas Cities and Colorado Springs, each under a new bishop less friendly to Aquinas' lay ministry programs, dropped out after a few years. The new prelates of the two Kansas Cities and Colorado Springs were all priests of the St. Louis archdiocese.



Bouchard answers all questions, at times limiting his words, projecting a diplomat's inborn sense of how to disagree without being disagreeable.

"For various reasons the bishops [of Colorado Springs and the two Kansas Cities] either did not support the promotion of laypeople in ministry or did not see this as a good model to prepare for it," Bouchard said. "In one case, a bishop told me that they didn't need people with graduate degrees, that what they really needed were catechists.

"In the other case, the bishop objected to the fact that we were teaching laypeople to preach, and he insisted that it was impossible for laypeople to preach, and I said I disagreed.... I think some of the bishops were concerned that it would create confusion with the proper role of the priest who preaches the homily.

"Because of two failures and the money and energy required to start a program like that, we just felt that we couldn't risk that again," said Bouchard.

But there have been compensating successes. High on that list has been a decade-old master's degree in health care mission, where senior health care leaders, mostly laypeople, learn "to think theologically about the mission of Catholic health care." Students meet at the school three or four times a year and otherwise do their work by Internet. The program, unique in the country and nationally recognized, has attracted students from coast to coast. "At one point, we had so many representatives of a typical staff in Catholic health care that we joked about starting our own system," Bouchard said.

And then there is the program Bouchard is most proud of: a doctorate in preaching. Aquinas is the only Catholic theology school nationally to offer that degree. "It really fits with the Dominican charism, and God knows, the church needs it," Bouchard said wryly.

Bouchard refuses to be drawn out about his personal stands on such touchstone issues as relationships with the St. Louis hierarchy. For the first years of his presidency, Bouchard worked with the late Archbishop John May, who helped Aquinas move to the St. Louis Jesuit campus in 1981 and gave its programs virtually unqualified support. Then came Archbishop Justin Rigali, who quietly demanded that laypeople stop preaching at the Eucharist--a practice May had allowed as an exception to canon law. Today, nonordained students and Aquinas faculty preach at midday prayer.

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When Rigali was moved to Philadelphia, Archbishop Raymond Burke moved in, soon alienating many a St. Louis Catholic with his take-no-prisoners persona.

"Our communication hasn't been as good as I wish," is all Bouchard will say of the St. Louis prelate who years ago signed his yearbook at the minor seminary. Said Bouchard, "Perhaps I am partly to blame."

Two years ago, the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops ordered inspections of all U.S. Catholic seminaries, sparked in part by concern over homosexuality among would-be priests. At the time, Bouchard was quoted as calling the coming examinations "needlessly offensive" to celibate homosexual priests and seminarians.

In September 2005 a committee of four priests and a laywoman spent several days at Aquinas in what Bouchard says turned out to be not the "gay inquiry" it was widely rumored to be, but a broader look at standards for admission and preparation of priesthood candidates. Weeks later the reviewers' report came back with what he describes as "numerous factual errors," so the school returned it--and is still waiting to hear back.

Peddicord said he counts himself lucky to be inheriting the programs, faculty and "great infrastructure" Bouchard has built.

He's referring to Aquinas' move two years ago from a building leased from St. Louis University to new quarters a few blocks away and more than twice as large--an old adding machine factory, stunningly renovated for \$5 million and financed by an undisclosed amount of debt. Both Aquinas and St. Louis University needed more space.

By Bouchard's account, the school's annual budget is \$3.2 million, its endowment stands somewhere short of a relatively negligible \$4 million, and its main source of income is students' tuition. To make ends meet, he says, the school must "beg for a living," and not just from alumni, who "don't generally have the kind of money to become major donors."

The Lilly Endowment has stepped in with two grants, one for \$1.7 million to build awareness of lay ministry in St.

Louis-area parishes, one for \$1.9 million to attract college students to lay-ministry careers. In both cases, the concept has sometimes proved a tough sell, Bouchard said. "I think as a church we're still ambivalent about lay ministry."

Some students arrive at Aquinas already working in church jobs, and others who want them generally find them, he said. "The bigger problem is the career path in lay ministry. Can they advance? Can they end up with a decent salary?"

After he resigns at the end of this year, Bouchard will begin a sabbatical semester at the University of San Diego, beginning Jan. 1 and followed by a job as vice president for theological education for St. Louis-based Ascension Health, with 47 hospitals and 100,000 employees, the nation's largest nonprofit Catholic health system.

As he reflects on his tenure, he acknowledges that one thing has remained constant: jokes about the cozying up in St. Louis of Jesuits and Dominicans. The jokes began when Aquinas was preparing to move to Jesuit St. Louis University campus. Much was made of the historic rivalry of the two orders, which dates to the 16th century, when they were locked in bitter dispute over the relationship between grace and free will. Even now, Bouchard says, he hears boys teasing the Jesuit seminarians in his course on Introduction to Catholic Morality.

"There are about 17 Jesuits in the class, five or six Dominicans, and five or six women," Bouchard says. "The Jesuits are very serious. Sometimes I have to tell them I'm teasing them."

SUSAN C. THOMSON

St. Louis

[Susan C. Thomson is a freelance writer living in St. Louis.]

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What should the Town of Jamestown do with the public works building at Fort Wetherill which is currently used

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### Bat man back by popular demand

The Jamestown Philomenian Library will present "Bats: Fact, Fiction and Natural History," on Thursday, Oct. 25, at 7 p.m. The presentation, which is for students in grade 6 and up and adults, will be conducted by URI Coastal Institute Director Dr. Peter August, who is also a professor in the department of natural resources science.

Every night, millions of insects emerge into the sky. Many, such as mosquitoes, are in search of a blood meal. Lucky for humans, there is an ally who spends countless hours devouring and eliminating millions upon millions of insects. Without bats, life would be quite different. Nighttime activities would be impossible because increasing insect populations would make outings such as barbecues, picnics, and evening walks unbearable.

Many things people think they know about bats are not even true. Bats are not blind. They are not rodents, and they don't get tangled in your hair. The truth is, bats are among the most gentle, beneficial, and necessary animals on earth. Professor August will review the diversity of bats on global and regional scales. He will talk about the fascinating life history of Rhode Island bats, discuss the positive ecological functions bats serve, and go over bat-human interactions and public health risks.

A resident of Richmond, August received his M.S. from the University of San Diego,

master's from Texas Tech University, and a Ph.D. from Boston University. August's research centers on conservation biology, landscape ecology, and the use of Geographic Information Systems

(GIS) in the analysis of environmental data.

This program is free and open to the public.

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■ **Está invitado a la ponencia "Legal Ethics and Professional Responsibility: the Case of the United States"**, que tendrá el instituto Trans-Border de la Universidad de San Diego, el 5 de noviembre a las 5:30 p.m. en el edificio Joan B. Kroc. Para más información: [www.justiceinmexico.org](http://www.justiceinmexico.org)



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**OCT 26 2007**

**Arte/Museo/Teatro**

■ **Celebrando el Día de los Muertos**, la Universidad de San Diego presenta la obra "Muertos: A Day of the Dead Play". Las presentaciones terminan el 27 de octubre a las 7:30 p.m. La obra se lleva a cabo en Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall at USD. Para precios llame (619) 260-2727

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**MUERTOS: A DAY OF THE DEAD PLAY**  
University of San Diego drama students  
will perform a play about a woman named  
Carmen who makes the journey between  
life and death; 7:30 p.m. today through  
Saturday; *Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall, USD,*  
*Alcala Park, San Diego; \$8-\$11; (619) 260-*  
*2727.*



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**Muertos**

*Miércoles 24 al sábado 27*

Una obra de teatro sobre el Día de los Muertos y las muertes en la frontera. \$11; \$8 estudiantes. Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall, Universidad de San Diego. (619) 260.2727.



OCT - 4 2007

# Neighboring church and synagogue to

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church and Temple Adat Shalom will co-host "Opening the Book," a nine-session study series on the Hebrew Bible, from 7 to 9 p.m. on Thursdays beginning Oct. 11 and running through Dec. 13.

The meeting location will alternate between the two Pomerado Road facilities - St. Bart's at 16275 Pomerado Road and Temple Adat Shalom at 15905 Pomerado Road.

The goal of the study is to explore the meaning and application of major biblical themes in order to foster understanding and appreciation between Jewish and Christian believers. The group will address a number of questions foundational to faith including "Who is God?" "How is God revealed to us?" "What is God's covenant with us and is it being kept today?" and "Who is the Messiah?"

Rabbi Elizabeth Goldstein, Rev. Cole Gruberth and Rev. Bill Zettinger will facilitate. The study is open to the public. Participants are invited to attend any or all of the classes.

For a complete list of the discussion topics and registration, call 858-487-2159 or 858-451-8480.

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The Anglican Church of Saints Timothy and Titus, a recently formed

## Articles of Faith



By Elaine Minton

orthodox congregation, is now holding "Eucharist with Music" worship services at 9 a.m. on Sunday mornings at Highland Ranch Elementary School, 14840 Waverly Downs Way. Reverend Russell Martin and Reverend Larry Eddingfield officiate. At 10:45 a.m. on Sundays, the congregation offers children's classes, youth groups and adult Bible studies. Nursery care is available from 9 a.m. to noon. This new congregation is aligned with the worldwide Anglican Communion and follows the Bible-based Anglican tradition, acknowledging that Holy Scripture is the Word of God. To learn more about the church and its ministries, call 858-484-5072 or go to www.st-tnt.org.

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The San Diego Christian Writers Guild presented awards to its mem-

bers for the best published works of 2006 at its annual fall conference last weekend.

Top awards went to Rancho Bernardo resident Sally John for her novel "Castles in the Sand," Marriage and Family counselors Bill and Pam Farrel for their non-fiction book "Red-Hot Monogamy," and David Henkel for his poem, "Guys Night Out."

Kimberlee Mendoza received the Dr. Sherwood Eliot Wirt Writer of the Year Award for her years of successful writing and for the encouragement that she has offered to young writers.

Other honored writers include Susan Spangrud for her devotional "God's Ring," Sandy Moffett for the poem "Movement," Pete Zindler for his novel "Spirit Warrior: An Epic Adventure to the Blue Ring Galaxy," and Ruth and Richard Spiering for their educational book "Bible Memory Word Searches."

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The third annual University of San Diego North County Music Showcase will be held at 4 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 14 at San Rafael Catholic Church, 17252 Bernardo Center Drive. This free concert features the San Diego Symphony Orchestra, the San Rafael Parish Choir and Ensemble, soprano soloists Therese Bulat and Pamela

Narbona, and tenor soloist Ronald Shaheen. They will perform a "Hymn of Praise" by Felix Mendelssohn in celebration of the 160th anniversary of his death. These annual music showcases are made possible by the USD music program under the direction of Dr. Angela Yeung and in cooperation with San Rafael Parish and its senior pastor, Msgr. Dennis L. Mikulanis. For details, call 858-487-4314.

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# co-host Bible study



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**USD North County Showcase** — The University of San Diego Symphony Orchestra and Choir of San Rafael Church perform Mendelssohn's "Hymn of Praise" and other orchestral and vocal pieces; 4 p.m.; *San Rafael Catholic Church, 17252 Bernardo Center Drive, Rancho Bernardo; free; (858) 487-4314.*



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**USD Music Ensembles**, faculty, and alumni plan concert on Sunday, October 14, 4 p.m., at San Rafael Church (17252 Bernardo Center Drive). Free. 858-487-4314. (RANCHO BERNARDO)

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**Free concert**

■ The third annual USD North County Showcase, featuring the University of San Diego Symphony Orchestra and San Rafael Catholic Church choir, will be presented at 4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 14. Singers from neighboring churches will also perform.

The free concert will be held at San Rafael Catholic Church, 17252 Bernardo Center Drive.

For more information, call Therese Bulat at 858-487-4314.

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**Faculty Recital** by USD instructor Eric Foster and guests, Friday, October 12, 8 p.m., in French Parlor, Founders Hall at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Listen for jazz standards from bossa nova to swing. \$10 general. 619-260-4171. (LINDA VISTA)



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**"Beethoven's Complete Piano Trios II: The Masterpieces"** revealed in concert by Trio Licenza, Thursday, October 4, 12:15 p.m., in French Parlor of Founders Hall, University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). \$10 general. 619-260-4171. (LINDA VISTA)



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**Eighteen-Year-Old Coloratura**

**Soprano** Alize Rozsnyai performs operatic selections with pianist Diane Snodgrass, Sunday, October 7, 7 p.m., at San Dieguito United Methodist Church (170 Calle Magdalena). USD Chamber Orchestra will play four selections. Offering. 760-753-6582. (ENCINITAS)



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## After the Fires — A Housing Rebound?

By Jill Underwood/San Diego

The wildfires were San Diego's second big catastrophe this year. The first was the collapsing real estate market and the attendant slowdown in the local jobs market. Will the fires worsen the property situation? Or will it be the impetus for the revival of the local economy?

"Obviously," says realtor Della June, 34, "the fire is definitely not good for our economy right now." The market has an excess inventory of homes and the owners of those properties that have been burned or damaged are in an even deeper hole. However, that same sector will also see an immediate benefit. About 1,700 families lost their houses and will need somewhere to live, at least temporarily. Jason Austell, 41, another realtor, says that some of those families, if they have the right policies, will even see their rents for temporary housing subsidized by their insurance companies. "What you'll see is a more competitive rental market," says Austell. There are about 19,000 condominiums and single-family homes on the market right now. Austell believes they will attract more potential customers, not just prospective renters but potential buyers as well. Says Alan Gin, an economist at the University of San Diego: "The people who are displaced will have to go back into the market. The rental market will surge because many of the displaced will rent apartments and homes. Some people whose homes couldn't sell in this market or find renters for their homes will now find new potential."

Whether these immediate benefits start some sort of momentum toward recovery depends on the nature of San Diego's slump. In November 2003, what is called the Cedar fire burned 250,000 acres in San Diego county and destroyed 2,500 homes. After that disaster, the real estate market continued to rise after a temporary setback, hitting a peak in 2005. "The market took a hit," says Austell of 2003, "but it immediately bounced back." But June points out that the Cedar fires took place at a time when the local economy was in an upswing. "It's hard to tell what will happen because of the real estate cycle we're currently in," she says.

This time around, different factors are at play. Job growth in San Diego slowed dramatically from July 2006 to July 2007. Only 1,600 new jobs were created in that time compared to the previous 12-month period, which saw 18,000 new positions open. The resulting dampening of earnings added to the slumping real estate market, which is off at least 25% from last year.


Have the fires changed that calculus? The evaporation of new jobs this year is at least partly the result of the slowdown in new construction. However, with fresh building likely to increase after the fire, many of those

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construction and construction-related jobs may return, along with a revival of spending power. Several experts say that San Diego remains a destination market and will continue to attract new home buyers. And, after the fires, says June, "in the grander scheme of things, it's likely that people who rebuild will build nicer homes."

But "grander schemes" are also why economic recovery may be more protracted. "San Diego is a desirable place to live in terms of the quality of life," says Gin, the economist. "The only problem is the high housing cost compared to what people make. If you compare income to average cost of a home, San Diego is the second worst in the state, right after San Francisco." Indeed, home prices have tripled since 1997. And if a new burst of home-building is accompanied by another rise in prices, the market may have trouble sustaining any kind of recovery, particularly with lenders stung by the subprime loan crisis. "This is just one event," says Gin, referring to this week's fires. "It's big, but it's dominated by the bigger problem like the subprime mortgages and increased foreclosures. It's the bigger picture right now that is more important." A real comeback for housing, he predicts, will not happen until interest cut come down: "It will be 2009 before we see a rebound in this housing market."

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# Rebuilding could be boon to industry

Tract-home companies gear up for business

By Emmet Pierce  
STAFF WRITER

The wildfires this week have destroyed hundreds of homes and disrupted lives throughout the county, but the tragedy could create some welcome business for the

region's beleaguered home builders.

Recognizing the opportunity, Carlsbad-based builder Barratt American is tooling up to rebuild fire-damaged dwellings throughout the county.

It's highly unusual for a tract-home builder to enter the custom-home market. Large companies are structured to create entire communities rather than building one

dwelling at a time. They buy in bulk to cut expenses and work with predetermined designs.

"We have the resources, partners and ability to start rebuilding immediately," Barratt American President Michael D. Pattinson said. "And with the current slowdown in the real estate market, we have scores of local residents waiting to get back to work.

"It will be a shot in the arm for

the industry. New-home sales are soft. The credit crunch in August and September has taken more steam out of the market."

At least one other local tract-home builder, McMillin Homes, also is considering the idea. McMillin, like Barratt American, had little involvement in the 2003 Cedar fire rebuilding effort.

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### Smaller firms more involved after '03 fires

"I have put together a team of folks who are trying to assess the facts," said Guy Asaro, president of McMillin. "Our involvement will be dependent on our assessment of how effective we can be."

Pattinson expects more builders to explore the issue. Part of the motivation is a desire to aid the community, Asaro said.

"Companies that have deep roots in the community like McMillin and ourselves will want to do this," he said. "No one wants to profit from the misery of others, but these people need to have their homes rebuilt."

Small construction companies and custom builders were most involved in rebuilding homes after the Cedar fire, he said. The local housing market was soaring then, and demand for new tract homes was high. In recent months, the home-construction business has experienced a slowdown.

New-home sales in San Diego County totaled 1,640 in September 2004, when the market was booming, compared with 543 last month, a decline of nearly 67 percent, said Data-Quick Information Systems analyst Andrew LePage.

The anticipated construction demand from this week's wildfires "helps the building industry during a slow time, which in turn helps the local economy," Pattinson said.

Keitaro Matsuda, Union Bank of California's senior economist, foresees a boost to the local building industry as fire victims rebuild.

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"Over the last 12 months, San Diego County lost 5,600 construction jobs," Matsuda said.

In September alone, San Diego lost 800 jobs, many of which were in new-home construction, he said. A rebuilding boom "will change the landscape, but it won't bring us back to 2005 or 2006," he said.

"In 2005, there were about 8,000 single-family units permitted in San Diego County," Matsuda said. "In 2006, it dropped to about half of that. It looks like we will be a little bit over 3,000 this year."

University of San Diego economist Alan Gin agreed that the wildfires probably will help builders recover.

"As unfortunate as this tragedy is, in the rebuilding process people are going to be put back to work," Gin said.

Homeowners typically choose contractors to rebuild their homes after working with

insurance companies. A problem for tract-home builders is they aren't accustomed to building one home at a time, said Asaro, McMillin's president. "It is not a typical retail-builder situation."

Steve Doyle, president of Brookfield Homes for the San Diego region, said he looked at what it would take to launch a home-rebuilding effort after the 2003 Cedar fire. He determined that it wasn't something his group could do efficiently and profitably.

"I am not set up to do custom home building," Doyle said.

In actual-home construction, you have people dedicated to each of those homes, and they do the purchasing and work with buyers. It is very much a hands-on, hand-holding approach."

Steve Hundley, who heads 1ParkPlace.com, a company that provides research and mul-

multiple listing data to real estate agents, said the participation of large builders could save money for people who must rebuild.

"The nice thing about a Barratt-type builder is their buying power is so good," he said. "They can probably add a lot of value to the process that a smaller builder couldn't."

Pattinson said it would be easier for large builders to get into the fire-response business if the government's permitting process for reconstruction were fast-tracked.

"We need some coordination," he said. "We need the insurance industry to react fast. We need local government agencies to streamline their bureaucratic requirements. There should be no fees involved."

San Diego Councilman Brian Maienschein's district was hard hit by this week's fires. He recalled that the city worked to expedite building permits after the Cedar fire.

"We had a significant amount of people back (in their homes) at the 12-to-18-month mark," Maienschein said.

Greg Neuman, a real estate agent since 1981, has seen many wildfires and says people never get their homes rebuilt as quickly as they would like. The process is prolonged by owners who decide to redesign their homes before rebuilding. That requires more government approvals.

To expedite construction, "you have to take the rubber stamp you lived in before," he said.

One problem fire victims won't face this time around is a shortage of builders, Maienschein said. "I think we are going to have more than enough builders, especially since the industry has slowed down so much."

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## Smaller Builders To Benefit as Insurers Settle With Displaced Homeowners

**BY MICHELLE MOWAD**

It's hard to remain optimistic or see any positive aspect in the fires that have ravaged San Diego County.

Too many homes were destroyed, too many firefighters were injured and too many San Diegans were displaced.

However, there's a silver lining once the smoke clears.

University of San Diego economist Alan Gin said while the loss is estimated at \$1 billion, economic indicators in San Diego will perk up as a result of the fire.

"Through the perverse world of economic accounting, sometimes national disasters turn out positive for the economy in the sense that you have to spend money to rebuild," said Gin, who compiles the USD Index of Leading Economic Indicators for San Diego County.

Gin anticipates increased economic

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activity, including job growth in construction jobs and more construction starts on residential and commercial properties and repairs on damaged properties.

An estimated 1,500 homes in San Diego County have been lost due to the fires, according to the Office of Emergency Services. More than 100 other commercial structures were also damaged, and will need to be repaired or replaced, according to OES.

"There will be a lot of money funneling in from insurance settlements and that will help finance some of the construction," Gin said.

While homebuyer and investor confidence may be mildly and temporarily impacted, Gin said he did not think the fires will have a negative, long-term impact on consumer confidence.

The current housing slump in San Diego has caused the loss of 5,000 construction jobs compared to a year ago, said Gin. Many of those will head back to work to help rebuild and repair the damages, he said.

### Optimistic Outlook

Gary H. London, president of San Di-

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ego-based **The London Group Realty Advisors** c., forecasted an increase in construction industry jobs. London, moreover, predicted increased real estate values after the rebuild and benefits of more modern infrastructure.

"What will come out of this will undoubtedly be more modern, bigger, higher value real estate, that is what we saw in Scripps Ranch after the Cedar Fire," he said. "People built bigger homes, more modern homes and ultimately increased valuation."

Ada Kaiser, principal with the San Diego office of Meyers Builder Advisors, forecasted an increase in business activity for builders, particularly for smaller general contractors and custom homebuilders to rebuild or repair one home at a time as insurance money and federal funding reaches those affected. She did not anticipate seeing a substantial jump in activity for larger homebuilders, who typically build numerous homes at a time.

"It is not (large homebuilders') specialty at all," she said. "I don't see many of them being able to do it or wanting to do it."

National homebuilder Brookfield Homes does not expect to increase home construction as a result of the fires.

"Our business is not to build one home

at a time," said Steve Doyle, president of the San Diego/Riverside division of Brookfield Homes.

Doyle said national or larger homebuilders' business model is to build numerous homes with similar site plans on adjoining parcels, not custom homes one at a time throughout a city.

He said San Diego has a number of private homebuilders and general contractors who will pick up most of the rebuilding business.

"That is what they are set up to do, that is their business and they will do most of the work," he said.

#### **Assistance Programs**

Following the Cedar Fire, Brookfield Homes created several programs to assist displaced residents find new homes. Programs included the purchase of destroyed lots to provide landowners a down payment on a new home. Nearly a dozen families used these programs.

The local Brookfield Homes office was closed during most of last week due to the fires and all construction stopped at its developments across the county. It was just one of thousands of businesses that closed temporarily, and city offices, schools, retail centers and other offices

were put on hold.

The San Diego offices of Pardee Homes and Shea Homes were also closed for several days last week.

Mary M. Lydon, executive director of the San Diego/Tijuana chapter of the Urban Land Institute, said the fires spark questions regarding sustainability practices, planning and land use. The ULI is a nonprofit research and education organization dedicated to land use, real estate, housing, transportation and urban development issues.

"This is an opportunity for us now to look at how we are building ... ask what are the sustainability methods that we could use to build in our unique region surrounded by canyons, the ocean and mountains," she said.

The rebuilding of thousands of homes and dozens of businesses will be slow, according to several local real estate experts. The slow return will also place pressure on the rental market.

Kaiser predicted the rental market to pick up because of the large number of evacuees that will find themselves without homes.

"Economically, the rental market will pick up again by all of the people who are displaced," she said.

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## Southern California businesses shuttered by fires

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By Adam Tanner and Jim Christie

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct 23 (Reuters) - Many Southern California companies shut down or pared back operations on Tuesday as more than a dozen wildfires raged out of control in the region.

From corporate headquarters to retail stores, a number of companies told employees to tend to family needs first. "It's quite chaotic and we're all in the midst of it," said Emily Kilpatrick, spokeswoman for wireless technology and semiconductor developer Qualcomm Inc <QCOM.O>.

Few showed up to Qualcomm's San Diego headquarters where the bulk of its 11,200 employees work, and like many in her company and across the region, Kilpatrick was working from home. She added that the firm closed for several days in 2003 because of wildfires.

Hamburger chain Jack in the Box Inc.'s <JBX.N> corporate headquarters in San Diego were closed on Monday and Tuesday, though spokesman Brian Luscomb said there were a couple of dozen employees working at the building on Tuesday morning.

San Diego-based pet supply company Petco, which is privately owned, pared down its headquarters operations to essential staff only, said vice president Kevin Whalen. He said he voluntarily left his home with his daughter as a safety precaution on Monday as fire and smoke approached.


At computer maker Gateway Inc <GATE.DE> many workers did not show to its Irvine headquarters. "Employees were encouraged to work from home," said spokesman David Hallisey, who was not in the office himself.

Starbucks <SBUX.O> said it closed about 120 of its stores in San Diego and Ventura counties, and as of Monday evening, 16 McDonald's <MCD.N> restaurants in Southern California were closed, a spokeswoman said.

**ECONOMIC IMPACT UNCLEAR**

With fires still raging, California officials and private experts said it was too soon to estimate the financial damage from the latest in a long series of fires, earthquakes, mudslides and other disasters to hit the nation's most populous state.

This week, many were recalling another severe fire that hit San Diego County in 2003.

"Everybody is saying it is a lot worse than the fire in 2003," said Alan Gin, an economist with the Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate at the **University of San Diego** 

Yet "ironically whenever there is a disaster it stimulates economic activity during rebuilding," Gin said. "We've lost 5,000 construction jobs over the past year so this will put some of those people back to work. That will be financed by insurance money flowing in from outside the county."

The fires, now numbering at least 17, have burned unchecked since Sunday in a region stretching from Santa Barbara to the Mexican border 230 miles (370 km) to the south.

San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders said about 1,000 homes in San Diego County had been destroyed, but a full picture of the damage was unclear.

"They haven't been able to get close enough to the areas to get an accurate count because a large number of the homes that have burned are in the outback," said Alan Nevin, a housing economist with San Diego-based Marl:stPointe Advisors.

The fires disrupted tourism, a major source of revenue in a region famed for its beaches and temperate climate.

The famed San Diego Zoo closed its 80-acre (32-hectare) Wild Animal park after suffering some damage, including the loss of a condor breeding facility. In a statement, the Zoo said no animals had died. Another top tourist draw, SeaWorld, which is owned by Anheuser-Busch <BUD.N>, was also closed.

Yet people evacuated from their homes filled area hotels.

U.S. airlines allowed travelers to Southern California change their travel plans without a fee. (Additional reporting by Sinead Carew in New York and Nicola Groom in Los Angeles)

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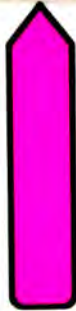
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## Beyond the Flames

By TOM SULLIVAN

**FOR ALL THE DESTRUCTION** they have wrought, the fires in Southern California could give a shot in the arm to the state's \$1.7 trillion economy.

"It's an oddity of economic accounting...but the sharp initial pain could possibly turn into a stimulus," says Alan Gin, an economics professor at the University of San Diego. "It could absorb the bulk of losses, and the eventual rebuilding boom, helped by a generous federal aid, is sure to pump hundreds of millions into the Golden State."

President Bush, who has declared a major disaster in the seven-county region hit by the firestorm, toured the area late last week. Given the criticism his administration took for its handling of Hurricane Katrina's aftermath, a bountiful amount of government aid is likely to arrive quickly. That will give the state in general and the downtrodden homebuilding industry in particular a lift.

"It's counterintuitive, but home building will stimulate the economy for the next six to 12 months," says Steve Cochrane of Moody's Economy.com. "In a period of a weak economy...[rebuilding] can jumpstart an economy," he says.

**CONTRACTORS AND CARPENTERS WILL** get the bulk of the work because most people will try to rebuild on their own lots, says Fitch analyst Robert Curran. New home builders may get some "marginal, incremental business," he says. Those with a major presence in California include Standard Pacific (ticker: SPF) and KB Homes (KBH).

### Footing the Bill

Here are the property and casualty insurers with the greatest exposure in California.

Company	2006 California Market Share
State Farm	21.7%
Farmers	16.6
Allstate	13.4
Calif State Automobile Assoc	6.3
United Services Auto Assoc	4.5
Inter Ins Exchange of Auto Club	4.0
Nationwide	3.5
Mercury Casualty	3.0
Safeco	2.8
Fireman's Fund	2.5

Source: Hignite Data, Lehman Brothers research

Yes, there also will be some financial losers, mainly insurance companies. A Fitch report says the fires may become the costliest wildfire catastrophe ever for the property/casualty insurance industry.

However, Lehman Brothers analyst Jay Gelb wrote in a report that even if the cost to insurers reaches \$3 billion, it should be manageable for individual companies. Allstate (ALL) is the publicly traded company with the highest exposure to California homeowners insurance, with a 13.4% market share.

Agriculture may also take a hit, as San Diego County is the 12th-largest agricultural county in the country. It leads the nation in avocado-growing, and half the acreage devoted to that crop was destroyed. That will mean higher prices at the supermarket.

Some municipal-bond payments in the affected areas could also be in some jeopardy. Many of the state's municipalities enable home builders to issue industrial

revenue bonds to pay for infrastructure like sewers, water and power in new subdivisions. If the new homes are destroyed and not sold, however, there's no revenue stream to pay interest. The problem "could be significant," says Daniel Genter, chief executive officer at Los Angeles-based RNC Genter Capital.

But the state's bonds are weathering the heat just fine. "I don't think municipal buyers see an impact of the fires on credit quality," says David Blair, credit analyst at Pimco. The state last week sold \$7 billion of revenue anticipation notes, or RANs. The issue was well over-subscribed.

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David Pyke has been named the incoming dean of the University of San Diego's School of Business Administration, effective Aug. 1, 2008. Currently the associate dean of the MBA program at the Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth College, Pyke has been in the field for 16 years.

University of San Diego has added **Denise Ward** as director of media relations. In this position, Ward is responsible for media initiatives for the Joan B. Kroc School of Peace Studies and the School of Leadership and Education Sciences.





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## eBay president and CEO speaks to regional executives

By ANN CHIN, The Daily Transcript

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Meg Whitman, president and CEO of **eBay Inc.**, spoke to nearly 30 regional executives at a roundtable at the University of San Diego about leading an auction Web site into a thriving online marketplace.

During the hour-long roundtable, organized by Glenbrook Associated and hosted by the USD Master of Science in Executive Leadership (MSEL) program, Whitman told executives of Pierre Omidyar's vision for eBay (Nasdaq: EBAY). The founder envisioned the online space as a "level playing field," which would give people the chance to be as successful as a corporation. Today 1.6 million people make a living selling on eBay, she said.

Whitman came to eBay 10 years ago after the company finished the year with \$4.7 million in revenue and was growing at a 70 percent compound monthly growth rate. The company had 30 employees and the Web site was primarily an auction house for collectibles with 8 percent of the items listed as Beanie Babies.

eBay currently has 14,000 employees in 35 countries in 55 locations. The company is now composed of three major business units including eBay, PayPal and Skype. Also, 40 percent of the business on the Web site is now sold at a fixed price.

"We created the platform and it was the community of users who decided which way to take eBay," Whitman said.

Due to the social networking aspect of community, when a local executive asked Whitman where eBay will be in five to 10 years, she answered: "That's hard to predict because you don't know where the community of users is going to take you."

The community has made used cars the largest single category on eBay. The Web site is also the single largest online charitable organization according to Whitman. It currently raises money for 20,000 charities through users allocating a portion of the sold items to the organization of their choice. She said users will raise close to \$80 million for charities this year.

Although the users guide the direction of the online community, Whitman said she has led the company by making judgment calls on what items can be sold. Things such as firearms, tobacco, alcohol, murderabilia and Nazi memorabilia, which are legal but not deemed appropriate by Whitman, cannot be sold on eBay. The decision is made in the best interest of the community and the company, she said.

Whitman's approach of nurturing the successful aspects of the company rather than looking for what is wrong also worked in eBay's favor. She said the response from the organization was remarkable.

"Everyone loves to be appreciated, everyone loves to know that you're interested in what's going well," Whitman said. "Then once you sort of catalogue that and do more of it, then they're quite receptive to 'how about we do this slightly differently.'"

eBay's success can also be attributed to the company's board of directors. There was no board when Whitman came to the company, so she was able to develop one with a diversity of skill sets.

Whitman said she looked for a person "who has done something or revolutionized the marketplace in a way that they have pioneered an entirely new space."

Developing a board and leading a startup company allowed Whitman to build a culture of trust, transparency and teamwork.

"Big egos won't fit into our board culture," she said.

Communication is not only key in the online community but also within the company. Whitman believes a leader must "communicate early and often" by leading from the top through setting the direction and the standard by which the company will operate.

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# Copley Family YMCA Schedules Tribute for Herbert Klein on Oct. 30

## Credit Union Donates Rose Garden in Honor Of Navy Families

The Copley Family YMCA is scheduled to present the 25th Annual Civic Tribute Event honoring Herbert G. Klein on Oct. 30 at the Hyatt Regency La Jolla. Mayor Jerry Sanders will turn the tables with a lighthearted interview seeking comments from the veteran newsman. Since his retirement from **Copley Newspapers** in 2003, Klein has continued to play a major role in the community, serving on the boards of the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corp., Scripps Health Foundation and Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

North Island Credit Union donated the Sybil Stockdale Rose Garden in honor of Navy families to the Naval Training Center Promenade at a dedication ceremony Oct. 8. Northrop Grumman Corp. and the county of San Diego also donated the Vice Adm. James B. Stockdale Board Room and the Stockdale Family Exhibit at the ceremony. Stockdale was in the Navy during the Vietnam War and was taken prisoner in 1965.

TV stations 10News and Azteca America San Diego 15 were official sponsors of the Coronado Speed Festival held Oct. 6-7. The speed festival is produced by San Diego Fleet Week Foundation and hosted by the Naval Base Coronado and the Morale, Welfare and Recreation Program which benefits military personnel and their families. Both stations share the goal with Fleet Week of wanting to thank military personnel for the service they provide to our country.

The University of San Diego's M.B.A. program has been ranked in the top 100 programs worldwide by the Aspen Institute for integrating social and environmental issues. USD's program ranked 36th in the world and is the highest-ranking in Southern California. "We are honored to be recognized with other such prestigious universities," said USD President Mary Lyons.

Mayor Jerry Sanders accepted an award for San Diego as America's Most Dog-Friendly City from Dog Fancy magazine. The award was presented at Barktoberfest,

which aims to find homes for every dog and puppy in the San Diego Humane Society's care and which was sponsored by the SDHS and the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals on Oct. 13. DogTown also presented SDHS with a \$5,000 check during festivities.



### KUDOS

Joyce Glazer

Affirmed Housing Group was awarded a Multi-Housing News Design Excellence Award in the Affordable Housing category for its East Village community Studio 15, designed by **Carrier Johnson Architects**. The awards recognize the nation's top development projects in 16 different categories. Affirmed Housing was San Diego's only winner and was selected based on creative site plan, overall architectural function, including aesthetics, floor plans, amenities, quality of common areas, financial performance and overall satisfaction of developer's objectives.

LEAD San Diego Inc. named Ana Melgoza, Jason Lacsamana and Vicky Rodriguez as recipients of the 2007-2008 San Diego Union-Tribune Emerging Leaders Grant. LEAD's program focuses on building leadership skills, providing a regional issues orientation and participation in leadership action teams.

San Diego State University received a national award from Excelencia in Education, the Washington, D.C.-based nonprofit that administers the program. The award was given for SDSU's Compact for Success program, which honors college programs and departments making a difference for Latino students. SDSU is one of two California universities recognized by the nonprofit.


Imperial Counties chapter of the American Red Cross honored local heroes at the 5th Annual Real Heroes Awards Breakfast, a community celebration that honors citizens in the community who have made a difference or saved a life through their individual acts of heroism.

Awards were presented in 12 categories. In addition the Wendell Cutting Memorial Award was presented to Gary Becks of El Cajon.

Please send Kudos items to San Diego philanthropist and contributing writer Joyce Glazer at [jglazer@sdbj.com](mailto:jglazer@sdbj.com).

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**ISM, USD launch partnership for master's**

The Institute for Supply Management (ISM), in collaboration with the University of San Diego School of Business Administration, has approved one of the school's specialized master's degree programs.

The ISM Approved Master of Science in Supply Chain Management (MS-SCM) is available to supply-chain management professionals currently working in the field. USD's MS-SCM is the first program to receive ISM's approval.

According to ISM CEO Paul Novak, shared educational and professional values held by both institutions led to the alliance.

"ISM's mission to lead supply management and extend the global impact of supply management aligns with the format and blended learning approach of this specialized graduate degree," Novak said.

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# Energy Commission Report May Electrify Land-Use Debate

**PLANNING** *Officials recommend new statewide planning structure for better oversight of climate-change issues*

BY COLLEEN FLANNERY  
CREJ Staff Writer

**T**he state government should have authority over local land-use decisions to better help regions address climate change, according to a recent report by the California Energy Commission.

Developers and attorneys who track the state's decisions say the new authority could hasten the entitlement process for high-density, infill and mixed-use projects.

However, they caution, the state must avoid powering up still another commercial construction-slowng bureaucracy that could stymie all growth in the state.

"All we're going to see is a new layer of regulation — unless it can be accompanied by certain de-regulations," said Lou Galuppo, an attorney and a real estate professor at the **Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate** at the University of San Diego. "If it's just a straight layer of regulation without any let up, the commercial building industry will say, 'You guys want to kill industry in the state.'"

Galuppo was responding to news of a little-noticed California Energy Commission report that recommends regional planning agencies take more authority over land-use decisions — and says the state should coordinate these regional growth plans.

"There must be a concentrated and collaborative process to identify where, and in what way, long-term growth should and should not occur in the state," the Aug. 31 report says.

The report will act as part of the foundation for the commission's Integrated Energy Policy Report, which will be adopted in November, according to CEC spokeswoman Claudia Chandler.

Recommendations from reports such as "The Role Of Land Use In Meeting California's Energy and Climate Change Goals" often are incorporated into later legislation, she confirmed.

Commercial buildings and residences account for about 40 percent of the total climate change-causing emissions, much of that caused by electricity use. Transportation, which also has been tied to development

patterns, accounts for another 40 percent of emissions.

Energy officials have drawn themselves into the debate over land use because energy availability is a regional commodity, just like transportation, Galuppo said. Incorporation of new, cleaner energy-generating technology into the state's growth plan requires state, regional and local cooperation.

But to succeed as public policy, these recommendations must be accompanied by a

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buy-in from local governments, developers and environmentalists, he added. For instance, environmentalists may have to agree to back down on California Environmental Quality Act challenges for new, sustainable development projects.

Local governments also need to rework their approval processes to favor transit-oriented development and infill projects and lessening the zoning roadblocks that still keep these projects from being built, said Judy Corbett, a sometime developer and executive director of the Local Government Commission, a nonprofit group.

"For developers who want to do this — and a lot of them do — we need to make it easier and quicker to do it right," Corbett told the energy commission during a recent CEC workshop on the proposal.

Any new layer of regulation would have the potential to create new entitlement process hassles for developers.

The California Coastal Commission is one key example of a statewide body that creates

development roadblocks, according to Timothy A. Tosta, a partner at **Luce, Forward, Hamilton & Scripps LLP**, who specializes in land use.

If new statewide planning efforts required cities and counties to cede their power to control what is built within their borders, it also could spark conflict between state and local authorities — with developers caught in the middle, Tosta said. He pointed to the apparent failure of "Vision 2020," an earlier attempt to institute regional-level planning in the state.

"It ran into a lot of provincialism," he said. "Regional systems are only as good as the governments that make them."

If it's done right, though, planning at the state level would help local governments — particularly in smaller communities — avoid the kind of planning that comes from indebtedness, said Daniel Rosenfeld, a principal in the planning and development firm **Urban Partners LLC**. With many local government officials indebted to area developers because of campaign contributions and with cities and counties strapped for cash, local governments just can't say no to new development.

As a state, California could choose what's important to preserve — say, coastal areas or high-producing Central Valley farmland — then create growth boundaries around those places. Many developers would appreciate a chance to more quickly and painlessly develop priority areas like infill projects, while keeping the state's treasures intact, he said.

"We sell quality of life," Rosenfeld said.

As change comes at the state level, local and regional governments are beginning to recognize what good planning actually means, according to Mike McKeever, executive director for the Sacramento Area Council of Governments.

"Good planning does not mean when a developer comes in you strip out 50 percent of their housing units and declare victory," McKeever said during the June CEC workshop. "Good planning means you put higher-density products where they need to go."

## Energy and environmental design can earn honors for new projects

By Mike Freeman  
STAFF WRITER

**D**uring construction of Intuit's new 466,000-square-foot campus in Carmel Valley this year, workers had to keep an eye out for the Green Police.

These watchdogs from DPR Construction, Intuit's general contractor for interior work, made sure that leftover cardboard, lumber and drywall were sorted for recycling, that glues used for sealing air ducts gave off only non-toxic fumes and that lighting was designed to cut energy use.

DPR project managers peered into Dumpsters and studied content labels on sealants in hopes of achieving a key designation as a Green building.

The somewhat extraordinary measures highlight how Green building is becoming mainstream. Even so, a debate continues in the building community about the costs and benefits of the official Green certification, known as LEED.

While developers are free to construct sustainable, energy efficient structures without a third-

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## Intuit waits for designation as a LEED campus

party verification, the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED program is emerging as the stamp of legitimacy for environmentally responsible construction.

LEED, or Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design, measures buildings for energy use, electricity consumption, water use, waste recycling and use of renewable materials, among other things. Buildings are ranked as Certified, Silver, Gold or Platinum.

There are fewer than 15 LEED-certified buildings in San Diego County. Yet, a plethora of additional projects are either striving for LEED or are in the pipeline for certification.

In addition to the Intuit project, office builder Hines is aiming for a LEED Silver rating on its 15-story, \$150 million La Jolla Commons high rise under way in University City. Bay Area developer Jay Paul is

seeking LEED for its 1.2 million-square-foot campus planned in Rancho Bernardo — the first phase of which broke ground this week. And shopping center giant Westfield is going Green with its planned 750,000-square-foot, \$900 million expansion at University Towne Center mall beginning next year.

"If you look at the total volume of construction, we're still not there yet," said Stephen Kapp, president of the U.S. Green Building Council's San Diego chapter. "But there is a lot of interest. The fact that more developers are comfortable moving forward with this as a criteria for their projects means there has been a tipping point. This is not a fad. This is definitely a market shift."

Yet, some developers say the costs — generally adding about 1 percent to 5 percent to the construction budget — can be difficult to recoup, particularly in multitenant office buildings where tenants are sensitive to high rents.

Others say it's more important to focus on sustainable design than to do the paperwork necessary to chase LEED points to win certification — which some view as being as

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much about marketing as it is about building an environmentally conscious structure.

But supporters of LEED contend the pay backs are there — not only in such things as long-term energy savings but also in less-tangible measures such as employee productivity and the reputation of a company as a good environmental citizen.

Moreover, as LEED becomes more mainstream, developers may end up commanding higher prices for LEED certified buildings when it comes time to sell, say industry experts.

"Tenants are asking, 'Do you have a LEED-certified building available,'" said Norm Miller, director of academic programs at the Burnham Moores Center for Real Estate at the University of San Diego. "These things never mattered until very, very recently. So it does look like it's turning the corner in that benefits in terms of rents and values look like they're higher than the costs, at least at the Certified or Silver level."

For Intuit, DPR project manager Whitney Dorn kept a detailed account of the costs of going for LEED Silver. Her marching orders from Intuit were, "We want to do LEED,

but we want it to pay off in the end" of the company's 10-year lease, Dorn said.

The total additional cost for environmentally friendly features ranging from waterless urinals to solar-powered exterior lighting was \$767,000, or about \$1.65 per square foot.

Based on her calculation, Dorn conservatively estimates that those costs will be fully recouped by Intuit from energy, water and other savings in the eighth year of its lease.

The intangible benefits of LEED, such as employee retention and productivity, are more difficult to measure. But supporters of the program believe they're real.

"We've talked about marketing: Is that why people are doing LEED?" Dorn said. "For Intuit, it was about marketing. But it was marketing to their employees."

There are other intangible benefits, said Alan Ball of Qualcomm's real estate and facilities department. The wireless giant's new 550,000-square-foot campus in Sorrento Mesa, which includes three buildings plus a parking garage, has been certified as LEED Gold — likely one of the largest campuses in Southern California to

achieve a Gold rating.

Among Qualcomm's innovations was the use of solar photovoltaic panels as code-required shade structures in its parking garage. The panels generate 300 kilowatts of power — or about 60 percent of the campus' electricity requirement for lighting, Ball said.

"The alternative would have been to take that 300 kilowatts off the utility grid rather than from our own internal resources over the next 30 years," Ball said. "What is the value proposition for not having the utility create emissions and burn energy for the next 30 years for those 300 kilowatts?"

While that benefit might be hard to pinpoint for Qualcomm, Ball contends that it matters to many institutional investors who evaluate a company's environmental responsibility as one criterion for investing in its stock.

"These types of actions are extremely important in satisfying those types of investor requirements," Ball said. "And as the cost of energy continues to rise, the return on investment will increase geometrically over time. So we're pretty sure these are smart investments over the long term."

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## The Nebulous Nature of Real Estate Job Loss

*Local economists, already concerned with the effects of the slumping market, say the problem is likely worse than government numbers show.*

By KELLY BENNETT Voice Staff Writer

**Monday, Oct. 8, 2007** | Local economists are growing increasingly concerned about the effects of the slumping housing market on the health of the general economy, as real estate and construction sectors continue to contract payrolls and consumer confidence dwindles.

But of greater concern, they say, is how amorphous the trouble is -- government payroll data could only be showing part of the unemployment picture. Among those factors: an assumption that much of the region's construction work was completed by undocumented day laborers. But more significantly, they consider the fact that self-employed workers greatly populate many real estate related professions. Many in that situation still claim employment as a Realtor, for example, despite a diminishing number of transactions taking place in the current market.

"When you look at the employment numbers for real estate they're actually much too low," said Kelly Cunningham, chief economist for the San Diego Institute for Policy Research, the think tank funded by potential San Diego mayoral candidate Steve Francis.

"Independent agents are probably still considering themselves employed," he said. "But if they haven't had any income for a while, are they still employed? As far as we know, as far as the government knows, they're still employed."

As residential real estate boomed earlier this decade, so did the number of people employed in related jobs, according to statistics from the state's Employment Development Department. Between August 2002 and August 2006, industry employment in the financial services sector -- comprising many real estate and mortgage jobs -- grew by nearly 7,800 jobs to 83,500 in the county, a 10.3 percent increase. In the same period, construction employment ballooned by 16,800 jobs -- a 21.4 percent increase.

But now, financial activities and construction are two sectors showing the biggest losses of jobs compared to the previous year. This August, financial activities logged a 1,900-job loss compared to August 2006. Construction lost 5,200 jobs in year-over-year comparison.

For the people who still claim employment as Realtors, the pie is getting smaller. From 2000 to 2007, membership in the San Diego Association of Realtors nearly tripled from about 4,200 to 11,424 members.

But the number of homes selling in the county has declined from about 24,000 in the first two-thirds of 2000 to about 18,000 in the same period this year.

That means there were an average 5.81 transactions per SDAR member in 2000. That figure has dipped to about 1.59 transactions per SDAR member this year, a 73 percent decline. With fewer transactions closing in the county in the current market conditions, more agents are fighting for pieces -- and the commissions that come with them -- of a smaller pie.

SDAR's membership doesn't include every real estate agent or broker in the county, nor do the transactions in the multiple listings service cover all transactions, notably missing new construction sales. But the comparison yields a glimpse into the amount of work out there for individual licensed agents and brokers.

"That's probably not showing up in job loss," said local economist Alan Gin, professor at the University of San Diego. "They have lost in terms of income but they're still employed."

Another piece of the hypothesis that real estate jobs are underreported is the theory that a significant portion of construction, new housing and renovations were filled by undocumented day laborers who don't factor in the state's employment statistics. If those jobs are lost, therefore, they don't count toward the state's unemployment statistics because government statistics only count jobs held by legal residents. Of course, such underreporting in a downturn corresponds to underreporting of growth a few years ago, Gin said.

"The big question, though, is how significant are these situations?" Gin said. "Is the situation only a little bit worse or is it a lot worse? I'm inclined to say it's only a little bit worse."

While there have been an average of less than two transactions closed per member of the San Diego Association of Realtors so far this year, the commercial sector has fared better. Even in unimpressive economic conditions, agents for the buying, selling and leasing of commercial and retail space can find work, as companies downsize or consolidate office space to cut costs.

But while the grass looks greener on the commercial side of real estate, the transition to a commercial real estate agent isn't as easy as trading open house signs for office amenity brochures. Commercial real estate experts say the fence remains between the two sectors, though they expect there might be some hopeful ex-residential real estate workers looking to hop it.

Robert Vallera, a principal with Commercial Realty Advisers, a local commercial real estate firm, said the transition sounds easier than it might be.

"There is a little bit of shuffling around," Vallera said. "We had a former residential mortgage broker in our offices, out job hunting, looking for a job at a commercial real estate brokerage."

But among the people losing their jobs now on the residential side, Vallera said he doesn't expect many will stay with real estate as a profession, whether on the residential side or the commercial side.

"The ones who come in during the very tough times, they tend to last," he said. "But the ones who break in during the easy times -- when the going gets tough, they bail out."

Cunningham said the uncertainty makes diagnosing the economy's health difficult. The most recent unemployment rate estimate, at 4.8 percent, is "reasonable," he said.

But if that number doesn't count all of the real estate jobs lost in recent months, "it kind of makes you a little nervous," Cunningham said. "I think it's not giving us the whole picture."

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# In slowdown, San Diego's economy leans on traditional industries

By JERAN WITTENSTEIN  
The Daily Transcript

SAN DIEGO — As San Diego County's economy continues to strain under the weight of problems in housing-related industries, a number of economists and forecasts have predicted lethargic economic growth and entertained the possibility of a recession in the coming year.

Most expect both the national and local economies to avoid recession — an economic syndrome typically characterized by two consecutive quarters of net job losses.

Although San Diego — like the rest of the country — has been stymied by slow home sales and a restrictive credit environment, compared to most of California

the county has fared better than average in terms of employment, according to state labor statistics.

That's because some of the region's traditional economic engines — defense and government spending, and tourism — remain relatively strong, according to economists.

"We don't have a lot of traditional cyclical industries like steel and autos, where if there's a drop in production cycle there are major layoffs," said University of San Diego economist Alan Gin. "We also don't have a lot of corporate headquarters which protects us from cutbacks in middle management."

In the four years between

2002 and 2006, most of which were boom times for real estate and construction-related industries, the leisure and hospitality sector led all others in job creation, adding 22,400 jobs, compared to 16,200 jobs in construction, and 12,400 in trade, transportation and utilities, according to the California Employment Development Department.

Today, as real estate-related industries have experienced a sharp decline in demand, government employment have helped pick up the slack.

In August the leisure and hospitality market added 7,100 jobs offsetting 5,200 jobs that were

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lost in construction, compared with the same period last year. Government employment accounted for a gain in 3,900 jobs. In all, San Diego County added 9,200 non-farm jobs between August 2006 and August 2007.

Gin said the majority of those leisure and hospitality jobs were

restaurant-type jobs, which tend to not pay as much as work in construction or real estate-related industries. He said the trend of replacing higher paying jobs with typically lower paying jobs is "a little bit worrisome," but added that there has also been some encouraging growth in professional and business services which include traditionally

lucrative jobs like lawyers and architects. This segment posted a gain of 2,700 in August, compared with the same period last year.

Slower job growth and less demand for labor has pushed the county's unemployment rate to 4.8 percent, the highest level in three years, according to EDD.

Still, San Diego's unemployment rate remains relatively low compared with other areas in California. The average unemployment rate in the state was 5.4 percent in August.

"A lot of other metropolitan areas would love to have an unemployment (rate) where we are now, but here in San Diego we're used to 4 percent," Gin said.

Despite a slow residential real estate environment, the commercial real estate market had remained vibrant. That has started to change, as risk-averse lenders have tightened standards and hiked risk premiums, and the job growth that fueled the need for more commercial space has waned.

"Commercial real estate has slowed down," said Randy Rivera, president of Capital Real Estate Investments Inc., based in UTC. "I think everyone's just a little more cautious. They're trying to sit on the sidelines ... to

see how this shakes out."

Although Rivera noted there is still "velocity" in the commercial market, he said some of the credit and risk issues that originated in the residential mortgage market have translated into higher risk premiums from lenders, making it more expensive to borrow money for investors in commercial real estate.

Even with the lingering possibility of recession, many businesses are planning for growth.

John McGrath, president and CEO of First Business Bank with \$75 million in assets said he wouldn't use the word "recession" for what the future holds for the San Diego economy.


"I think (this environment) represents some potential opportunities for us," he said, adding his bank plans to open a new office next year and expand its staff.

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**San Diego's economy took a hit in August**

The University of San Diego's Index of Leading Economic Indicators for San Diego County fell 1.4 percent in August. All six components in the index were down for the month.

The way the index is calibrated, any monthly change higher than 1 percent is considered a large change. Using that criteria, there were big drops in initial claims for unemployment insurance, local stock prices, consumer confidence, help-wanted advertising and the outlook for the national economy. The building permits component performed the best, but was still down moderately.

August's drop was the 16th time that the USD Index of Leading Economic Indicators has fallen in the last 17 months. The last time all six components were down in a month was in April and May 2006. But the magnitudes of the changes back then were not as severe as this month's changes. The outlook for the local economy continues to be for weakness at least through the first half of 2008. An outright downturn is not expected, but the possibility of a recession in the local economy is at its highest point in years. **Source Code: 20070928cza**

*By Daily Transcript staff writers*

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**Economy Slows:** All six measurements of an economic index compiled by a University of San Diego economics professor fell in August, five by more than 1 percent, which could signal the region is headed into a recession.

The USD Index of Leading Economic Indicators for San Diego County dropped 1.4 percent in August, the 16th drop in the last 17 months. But the relatively large declines in five of six components were troubling, said professor Alan Gin, who compiles the index.

"The last time that all six components were down in a month was in April and May of 2006. But the magnitudes of the changes back then were not as severe as this month's changes. The outlook for the local economy continues to be for weakness at least through the first half of 2008. An outright downturn is not expected, but the possibility of a recession in the local economy is at its highest point in years," Gin said.

As it has for all of this year, the area's housing slump was a major reason behind the declines, but the drop in the number of residential building permits was comparatively modest at 0.67 percent.

Far more consequential were greater than 2 percent decreases in the amount of help wanted advertising and the consumer confidence index. This was combined with greater than 1 percent decreases in unemployment insurance claims (increased

claims are measured as negatives), the national economic index and local stock prices.

The local consumer confidence index was at its lowest level since October 2003, and influenced by an abundance of negative news on the area's deteriorating housing market and worries about the subprime lending problems, according to Gin's report.

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# Business students learn effects of dressing sharp in work force

By ANN CHIN  
*The Daily Transcript*

SAN DIEGO — There is an expectation to make a positive first impression, whether meeting in a professional or informal environment.

As business schools provide more networking events and opportunities to hear senior-level executive speakers, the first impression not only encompasses a connection between personalities, but sharp attire to accessorize what the individual has to offer.

While there is no formal dress code in place in the business schools at four of the major universities in San Diego County, there is an expectation to dress appropriately.

"There are occasions when it's recommended to be in business attire," said Kathleen Krentler, marketing professor and director of the undergraduate program for the College of Business Administration at San Diego State.

Krentler said the school encourages students to look at speaker events as networking opportunities, which is the general consensus at the University of San Diego, University of California, San Diego and California State University, San Marcos' business schools.

The closest form of a dress code is at the School of Hospitality & Tourism Management in the College of Professional Studies and Fine Arts at SDSU, which actually labels days to guide students toward the professional items in their closet.

"A" days are full business attire, while "B" days are business casual, Professor Mark Testa said.

With speakers visiting the school at least two days a week, approaching speakers in a professional ensemble creates a better impression.

Aside from first impressions, the schools are preparing student's wardrobes for a professional work environment.

David Bennett, professor at CSUSM's Business of Administration School, said when his students have presentations, they "present in business attire like they were presenting to their boss."

The culture of the West Coast also plays a factor in what people chose to wear during the work-week.

David Bergheim, director of marketing for USD's School of Business Administration, said there are "cultural differences by geography."

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Bergheim has seen the difference during his time as director of MBA career management at Emory in Atlanta and an alumnus-in-residence at the Yale School of Management's career development office in New Haven, Conn.

"How people dress for a networking event in this town is probably more casual," he said.

JoAnne Starr, assistant dean for MBA programs at the Rady School of Management at UCSD said she has not seen a networking event in San Diego "where business casual isn't enough."

The county markets itself through the beaches and sun. Dennis Guseman, dean of the Business of Administration School at the CSUSM, said the West Coast is very casual and points to the industries to show formalities of appearance depend upon the field.

Guseman said the finance field is more business formal, while "communications, oil and energy industries tend to be more casual."

Appearance not only affects first impressions, but taking the extra time to put on khakis and a

collared shirt has monetary results.

As told to the Bloomberg News, Jayoti Das and Stephen DeLoach of the Martha and Spencer Love School of Business at Elon University in North Carolina took the 2005 American Time Use Survey, which studied how 13,000 individuals filled up their day. They then compared that with earnings data.

"Extra time spent grooming has a positive and significant effect on both men's and women's earnings, but the effect is considerably larger for men," they said in a paper called "Mirror, Mirror on the Wall: The Effect of Time Spent Grooming on Wages."

"For men, every extra 10 minutes daily grooming increases their weekly wages by 6 percent. However, women would have to nearly quadruple their daily grooming time to receive that much in additional wages."

In the 2006 survey, the time use during an average weekday for full-time university and college students is 0.8 hours on grooming. The majority of the time was spent on sleeping with an average of 8.4 hours while 2.8 hours are spent on working.

Students are encouraged through business school opportunities and even some peer pressure to dress accordingly.

Testa found the "A" and "B" guidelines has worked well for the school, which "inspires rather than mandates."

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# MBA SCHOOLS

Ranked by fall 2006 enrollment of students in San Diego County

Rank (last year)	School Address Web site	Telephone Fax Toll-free number	Total fall enrollment: • 2006 • 2005 • % change (loss)	Number of spring 2007 students: • Full-time • Part-time	Number of faculty as of 12/31/2006: • Full-time • Part-time	2006-2007 tuition: • Resident • Nonresident	• Type of institution • Accredited by	Major disciplines of study	• MBA school director • Director of admissions	Year established locally
<b>1</b> (1)	<b>National University</b> 11255 N. Torrey Pines Road, #202, La Jolla 92037 www.nu.edu	(858) 628-8648 (858) 642-8726 (800) 628-8648	1,102 1,234 (11)	315 787	21 125	\$18,018 \$18,018	Private, four-year nonprofit WASC, IACBE	Management, marketing, accounting, finance, alternative dispute resolution, e-business, taxation	Farhang Mossavar-Rahmani Dominick Giovanniello	1971
<b>2</b> (2)	<b>University of Phoenix</b> 3890 Murphy Canyon Road, #100, San Diego 92123 www.phoenix.edu	(858) 576-1287 (858) 576-0032 (800) 473-4346	779 801 (3)	781 NA	14 82	\$13,693 \$13,693	Private, four-year NCA	Business education, technology, health services	Michael Reilly Kyan Flynn	1989
<b>3</b> (3)	<b>San Diego State University</b> 5500 Campanile Drive, San Diego 92182 www.sdsu.edu/mba	(619) 594-8073 (619) 594-1863	700 640 9	310 379	87 36	\$3,758 \$11,894	Public, four-year AACSB	Finance, entrepreneurship, accounting, marketing, management	Ken Marino Shira Scott	1963
<b>4</b> (5)	<b>Rady School of Management, UCSD</b> 9500 Gilman Drive, MC 0093, La Jolla 92093 http://rady.ucsd.edu/	(858) 534-0864 (858) 822-5896	223 168 33	113 110	13 8	\$23,190 \$35,435	Public, nonprofit WASC	Entrepreneurship, life sciences, technology	Robert Sullivan Margie Frazee	2003
<b>5</b> (4)	<b>University of San Diego</b> 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego 92110 www.sandiego.edu/business		219 224 (2)	18 201	74 30	\$25,200 \$25,200	Private, four-year nonprofit AACSB	Accounting, finance, international business, leadership/management, marketing, real estate, supply chain management	Denise Dimon Kacy Kilner	1972
<b>6</b> (7)	<b>Webster University</b> 6480 Weathers Place, #102, San Diego 92121 www.webster.edu/sandiego	(858) 458-9310 (858) 458-0914	132 125 6	NA 132	0 40	\$6,825 \$6,825	Private, four-year nonprofit NCA	Management, finance, human resources, leadership, security, procurement	John Bonosoro Alex Yates	1980
<b>7</b> (6)	<b>Cal State San Marcos</b> 333 S. Twin Oaks Valley Road, San Marcos 92096 www.csusm.edu/mba	(760) 750-4267 (760) 750-4263	80 105 (24)	52 28	22 0	\$14,696 \$36,392	Public, four-year WASC	General management	Regina Eisenbach Keith Butler	1995
<b>8</b> (10)	<b>Alliant International University</b> 10455 Pomerado Road, San Diego 92131 www.alliant.edu	(858) 635-4886 (858) 635-4528	71 54 31	50 30	14 10	\$14,650 \$15,150	Private, two-year WASC	Strategic management for business, government and nonprofit organizations	Fred Phillips Louis Cruz	1952
<b>9</b> (11)	<b>Point Loma Nazarene University</b> 3900 Lomaland Drive, San Diego 92106 www.pointloma.edu/graduateadmissions.htm	(619) 563-2856 (619) 563-2898	35 29 21	35 NA	8 6	\$12,225 \$12,225	Private, four-year WASC	General program with concentrations in corporate and organization leadership	Bruce Schooling Dejon Davis	2001
<b>10</b> (8)	<b>Keller Graduate School of Management, DeVry University</b> 2655 Camino del Rio N., #201, San Diego 92108 www.keller.edu	(619) 683-2446 (619) 683-2448	25 32 (22)	na na	0 13	\$14,680 \$14,680	Private, four-year HLC, NCA	Finance, accounting, business, management, marketing	Madeleine Gervais Brad Johnson	1998
<b>11</b> (9)	<b>University of Redlands</b> 9040 Friars Road, #310, San Diego 92108 www.redlands.edu	(619) 284-9292 (619) 284-9525 (888) 999-9844	25 88 (72)	18 NA	4 4	\$12,848 \$12,848	Private, four-year nonprofit WASC	Finance, information systems, global business, geographic information systems	Pete Bergerin Nancy Svenson	1985

The institutions on the list are accredited by various organizations, including the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), International Assembly of Collegiate Business Education (IACBE), North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA), and Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).

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**Notes:** In case of a tie, schools are ranked in alphabetical order. Fall enrollment figures are for San Diego County only. Full-time and part-time status varies among different schools.

**Source:** The schools.

It is not the intent of this list to endorse the participants nor to imply a school's size or numerical rank indicates its quality.

Researched by Jaimy Lee

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## CALENDAR | BUSINESS EVENTS

### WEDNESDAY, OCT. 3:

Palomar Pomerado Health and the American Heart Association present "Collaborating Against Cancer," from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Carmel Mountain Ranch Country Club, 14050 Carmel Ridge Road, San Diego 92128.

### THURSDAY, OCT. 4:

CONNECT presents "Venture Financing Terms and Valuation 2007," from 8 to 10:30 a.m. at Morrison & Foerster LLP, 12531 High Bluff Drive, Suite 100, San Diego 92130. Registration is \$35 for pre-registered members, \$45 for pre-registered nonmembers, \$55 for walk-ins. For more information and registration go to <http://www.connect.org/programs/rta/index.htm>.

### FRIDAY, OCT. 5:

Luce Forward presents "Managing Employee Performance in the Workplace," from 7:30 to 9 a.m. at Luce Forward San Diego, 600 W. Broadway, Second Floor, San Diego 92101. Registration is \$45.

The Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce presents a workshop on "NetWeaving" and "How Referable and Recommendable Are You?" after the First Friday breakfast meeting, from 7 to 11 a.m. Hosted by Windmill Banquets & Catering, 890 Palomar Airport Road, Carlsbad. Cost is \$25-\$75 depending on registration date. For

more information and registration, call (760) 931-8400.

### SATURDAY, OCT. 6:

SCORE San Diego presents "How to Start and Manage Your Own Business," from 9 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. at Point Loma Nazarene University-Mission Valley, 4007 Camino del Rio S., San Diego 92108. Pre-paid registration is \$64, or \$74 at the door.

### MONDAY, OCT. 8:

The University of San Diego Business Administration Alumni Council and the Yale Club of San Diego present speaker Keith Ferrazzi, author of "Never Eat Alone: and Other Secrets to Success, One Relationship at a Time," followed by a networking reception from 7 to 9 p.m. at University of San Diego's Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice, 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego 92110. Cost is \$50 for the public and \$25 for USD and Yale students and alumni.

If you would like your business event that costs \$75 or less to attend included in the calendar section, make sure your press release arrives at our offices at least 15 working days before the event.

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**Next Monday**

- "National Association of Professional Organizers San Diego Chapter Monthly Meeting." 6:45 p.m. Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center, 4126 Executive Drive, La Jolla. \$30. (858) 300-5757 or [www.naposandiego.com](http://www.naposandiego.com).

- "USD Business School & Yale Club of San Diego Partner for Networking Event." 7 p.m. USD Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice, San Diego. \$50, \$25 for USD and Yale alumni, faculty, staff and students. [www.sandiego.edu/connections](http://www.sandiego.edu/connections).



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## USD Real Estate Center to explore the ease of being green at Oct. 30 Sustainable Development Conference

San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders will deliver the keynote address at the ecology-oriented summit of senior real estate executives and civic leaders at the University of San Diego's Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace



**San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders**

& Justice on Oct. 30 from 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. The conference, "Is It Easy Being Green?," will be co-hosted by the Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate, the city of San Diego, the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation and Clean Tech San Diego. Mayor Sanders will address the city's role in encouraging sustainable economic and community development, as well as outline the issues and opportunities related to the city's General Plan Update. The event will also include two panel discussions featuring distinguished scholars and local business leaders from the real estate field.

Norm Miller, Ph.D., director of academic programs at the Burnham-Moores Center, will present the first

national, systematic look at the benefits of building green on "The Economics of Building Green: Facts, Not Fantasies" panel. The preliminary research uses CoStar data to assess the rent differentials of office buildings that are LEED-certified or Energy Star-labeled vs. those that do not carry these designations. This is the first study to evaluate the rent and value differentials of energy-efficient buildings at the national level and the first release of the findings to the public. Other participants on this panel include: Chris Day, vice president, preconstruction and business development, Swinerton Inc., San Diego; Fred Maas, president and chief executive officer, Black Mountain Ranch, San Diego; Michael Gion, site development manager, Intuit Inc., San Diego; and Brian Doyle, vice president and manager for the San Diego Division, William Lyons Homes.

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To register for the event, go to [www.usdrealstate.com](http://www.usdrealstate.com) and click on "Center News and Events." For questions, contact Jodi Waterhouse, at [jodiw@sandiego.edu](mailto:jodiw@sandiego.edu) or 619-260-4231. For media requests and registrations, contact Jeryldine Tully at [jtully@sandiego.edu](mailto:jtully@sandiego.edu) or 619-260-4786.



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## **Burnham Moores center to explore feasibility of going green**

By **TIFFANY STECKER**, The Daily Transcript

Friday, October 26, 2007

The post-fire week will most likely include many re-scheduled events postponed due to last week's disastrous events. Three new events, plus one earnings report compose this week's agenda.

### **Local events**

The Burnham-Moores Center on the University of San Diego and the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation will co-host "Is It Easy Being Green?" Tuesday, in partnership with the city of San Diego, the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation and Clean Tech San Diego. The half-day conference will address the public policy and economics of sustainable development for San Diego. Mayor Jerry Sanders will deliver the keynote address. The conference will begin 7:30 a.m. at the Kroc Center for Peace and Justice. For more information, call (619) 260-4231 or e-mail [jodiw@san Diego.edu](mailto:jodiw@san Diego.edu).

The BIOCUM Investor conference, starting Wednesday and concluding Friday, will highlight investment opportunities in biological sciences. The conference will include presentations from more than 50 companies, as well as tips from industry experts. The event will begin 9 a.m. Wednesday at the Marriott Del Mar. For more information, e-mail Valerie Sanderson at [vsanderson@biocom.org](mailto:vsanderson@biocom.org).

National City Mayor Ron Morrison will deliver the State of the City address Thursday, tying together a weeklong celebration for the South Bay municipality. The address, which will follow a reception, will begin 6 p.m. at the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Center at 140 E. 12th St. For more information, call (619) 336-4290 or visit [www.ci.national-city.ca.us](http://www.ci.national-city.ca.us).

### **Local earnings**

**Santarus Inc.** (NASDAQ: SNTS), a specialty pharmaceutical company, will release third-quarter results Thursday after market close. The company closed at \$2.30 Friday, on the low end of its 52-week range of \$1.90 to \$8.53.

### **National outlook**

After sifting through mixed corporate profit reports and uneven readings on the economy, Wall Street will find out the answer to the long-debated question of whether the Federal Reserve will cut interest rates again.

The market anticipates one more rate cut. Beyond that, it's a tough call.

The Fed, which meets Tuesday and Wednesday, is in a bind. The credit markets remain squeezed, but energy and food costs are soaring and the dollar is tumbling. The balance between controlled inflation and fluid markets is one the central bank is always trying to preserve, but it's been a while since the tight rope has looked this precarious.

Most investors expect the Fed will decide tight credit is the bigger risk to the economy and lower rates – a good bet, given how many times U.S. policymakers have said they will help maintain liquidity in the financial markets.

The question, though, is how long the Fed will maintain that stance. Crude oil prices have soared about 50 percent year to date, and the dollar has sunk more than 8 percent versus the euro this year to record lows.

The market is pricing in not only a quarter-point rate cut after the central bank's Oct. 30-31 meeting, but another one after its Dec. 11 meeting. If the statement that accompanies next week's decision indicates the Fed is loathe to make borrowing even cheaper because of inflationary risks, stocks could be in for a bumpy ride.

A market rumor Wednesday of an emergency Fed decision before its scheduled meeting led investors to bounce back from steep losses that day. The move exemplified how jittery the stock market has been since the Dow and the S&P hit record highs Oct. 9.

The stock market is not as temperamental now as it was in late July and early August, but Wall Street is worried

about how much more the housing market will deteriorate and whether it will drag down the rest of the economy. Investors are also fretting whether banks and other financial firms are making the right bets to make up for their credit-related losses in the third quarter.

Uncertainty breeds volatility, and the Dow Jones industrial saw several triple-digit swings last week. The Dow ended the week up 2.11 percent; the Standard & Poor's 500 index advanced 2.31 percent; and the Nasdaq composite index rose 2.90 percent.

Besides the Fed decision, investors this week will also have a heavy dose of economic data to digest. The reports are expected, on the whole, to suggest slow growth and tame inflation.

The Commerce Department releases a reading on third-quarter gross domestic product Wednesday. The Institute for Supply Management on Thursday reports on October manufacturing, while the Labor Department reports on September personal income, spending and inflation.

And on Friday, the Labor Department releases its October report on the job market – an especially important piece of data, as it signals whether the average American is getting a regular paycheck. If people are losing jobs, they are apt to scale back spending, and may miss home loan and bill payments.

Economists surveyed by **Thomson Financial** expect, on average, payrolls to have risen by a net 85,000 in October, down from September's net increase of 110,000. They anticipate the unemployment rate to hold steady at 4.7 percent.

And while the majority of U.S. companies have already released their third-quarter results, there are still some big names on deck. Companies releasing quarterly results this week include **Kellogg Co.** (NYSE: K), **RadioShack Corp.** (NYSE: RSH), **Colgate-Palmolive** (NYSE: CL), **Procter & Gamble Co.** (NYSE: PG), **Eastman Kodak Co.** (NYSE: EK) and **ExxonMobil Corp.** (NYSE: XOM).

*The Associated Press contributed to this report.*



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USD to host summit  
on green economics

**T**he University of San Diego's Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate will hold a half-day summit on green-building economics at 7:30 a.m. Oct. 30 at the Linda Vista campus.

San Diego Mayor Jerry Sanders is scheduled to give the keynote speech. The event will include a presentation by Norm Miller, academic program director at the center, on the impact of energy-saving features on rents and the values of commercial buildings. A panel discussion will follow.

A second panel will address the politics and profit opportunities of building environmentally sustainable developments with representatives from the city of San Diego, companies, lenders and development firms.


The cost of registration is \$95 and information is available at (619) 260-4231 and [usdce.org/bmcre/conference](http://usdce.org/bmcre/conference).

- ROGER SHOWLEY

Daily Business Report

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REAL ESTATE

Is It Easy Being Green?" a conference of senior real estate executives and civic leaders, will be staged Oct. 30 from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. at USD's  **Peace & Justice**. The event is co-hosted by the **Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate** of San Diego, the **San Diego Regional Economic Development Corp.** and **Clean Tech San Diego**. To register for the event, go to [usdrealestate.com](http://usdrealestate.com) and click on "Center News and Events." For information, call Jodi Waterhouse at (619) 260-4231 or e-mail her at [jodiw@sandiego.edu](mailto:jodiw@sandiego.edu).

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**TUESDAY, Nov 6 - WORKSHOP**

**RETOOLING YOUR REAL ESTATE CAREER**

Professionals who strive to increase their job performance, promotional opportunities and take their career to the next level will benefit from this workshop. Organization: Burnham Moores Center for Real Estate (USD) In

<http://www.USDRealEstate.com> **Cost:** \$99.00 **When:** Hours  
USD - Douglas F. Manchester Conference Center, 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego

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**TUESDAY, OCT. 30**

USD GREEN DEVELOPMENT CONFERENCE

*Green development is the theme of the **University of San Diego's Burnham-Moores Center** conference. The event is being co-hosted by the city, San Diego Regional Economic Development Corp. and Clean Tech San Diego. The conference features two panels on the economic concerns of sustainable development.*

- 7:30 a.m. registration and breakfast, 8 to 11:30 a.m. conference
- Joan B. Kroc Hall in the Peace and Justice Theatre at the University of San Diego at 5998 Alcalá Park, in San Diego
- Cost: \$95
- Visit [www.sandiego.edu](http://www.sandiego.edu)

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TUESDAY, Nov 6 - PRESENTATION

LAUNCHING YOUR CAREER

Come and hear insights and success stories as shared by San Diego's most admired real estate minds. **Organization:** ULI San Diego/Tijuana  
**Information:** (800) 321-5011 **Cost:** \$20.00- \$40.00 **When:** Hours: 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM **Where:** Joan B. Kroc Institute of Peace and Justice, USD, 5998 Alcala Park, San Diego, 92110





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## George Chamberlin's Money in the Morning

Monday, October 29, 2007

This week will be all about waiting for the outcome of the two-day meeting of the **Federal Reserve Board**. Set your clocks for 11:15 a.m. Pacific time. That's when the Bernanke Bunch will release a statement regarding interest rates and the economy. Betting money says the Fed will cut a quarter of a percent on the Fed funds rate. A bigger cut or no cut at all could rattle the markets. Should be interesting.

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The **PGA Nationwide Tour Championship** golf tournament at Barona Creek is a go this week. There had been discussions that the event might be moved somewhere else as a result of last week's fires but officials have decided to go ahead as planned. "Our community needs to heal and return to business as usual as quickly as possible, and while we will certainly be in rebuilding mode, we feel continuing to hold the tournament will help re-energize the San Diego community," said Jeff Byroads, president of the Century Club. The PGA did move the qualifying tournament this past weekend from Carlton Oaks in Santee to Scottsdale. The Tour Championship event begins Thursday and runs through the weekend.

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A conference next Tuesday sponsored by the **Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate** could be of interest to a lot of people. "Retooling Your Real Estate Career" is the topic of the event that will be held at the Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice on the USD campus. The event is at 6. Gary London will moderate a panel of real estate industry leaders, including Steve [REDACTED] **Burnham Real Estate**. More information is available at [www.usdrealstate.com](http://www.usdrealstate.com).

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Speaking of real estate, **Merrill Lynch's** David Rosenberg found a way to put a negative spin on the report from the Commerce Department last week that showed new home sales in the West rose by 37 percent in September. "The rise in the West is distinctly at odds with the San Francisco report in the Beige Book that noted reports from providers of title and escrow services indicated that sales activity fell as much as 40 percent in some areas in the last few months." Of course, he accepted the downward revision in August sales for the rest of the country to be the gospel truth. I guess we all tend to go toward reports that lean in support of our beliefs.

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If you have been in a grocery store or other retailer in the past few weeks you can't help but notice the piles of Halloween candy for sale. A new report today from **Superpages.com** lists the U.S. cities with the most candy stores finds New York at the top of the list and San Diego comes in at number 10. New York also tops the corresponding list of the cities with the most pediatric dentists and San Diego moves up to number five.

— George Chamberlin, Executive Editor

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**FRIDAY, OCT 19 - LECTURE**

MEG WHITMAN

Come to this informative lecture and hear guest speaker Meg Whitman, CEO of the popular Internet bartering agency, eBay. **Organization:** CONNECT **Information:** Kristen Sargent [www.connect.org](http://www.connect.org) **Cost:** \$40.00- \$55.00 **When:** Hours: 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM **Where:** Joan B. Kroc Institute of Peace and Justice, USD, 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego, 92110





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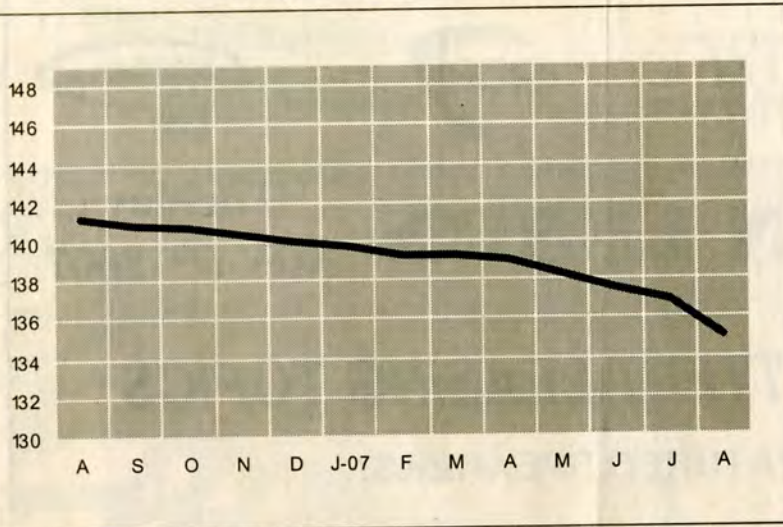


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**Leading economic indicators**



Source: University of San Diego

The monthly changes in leading indicators (initial claims for unemployment insurance, local stock prices, outlook for the national economy, consumer confidence, building permits and help wanted advertising) of the San Diego economy as tracked by Alan Gin, an urban economics professor at the University of San Diego. The highest monthly rate is 141.2 in August 2006.



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## Bush, Texas Court Tussle

Justices to Decide  
 If State Must Heed  
 International Order

By JESS BRAVIN  
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WASHINGTON -- The Supreme Court heard arguments yesterday about whether President Bush can order state courts to obey a ruling from the International Court of Justice, a test of executive power that could affect the president's power to conduct foreign affairs.

Since the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, the White House has repeatedly claimed authority to act without approval from Congress or courts, especially in areas of national security such as wiretapping and terrorism trials. Congress and the Supreme Court have reined in some of these moves.

- **What's Happening:** The Supreme Court heard arguments on a case that tests the president's foreign-affairs power.
- **The Question:** Can the president, following the decision of a U.N. court, force Texas to hold an additional hearing before executing a Mexican national?
- **What's Next:** A decision is expected by June.

The question now facing the court is whether the president, following the decision of the United Nations court, can force Texas to hold additional hearings before executing a Mexican national convicted of the rape and murder of two girls in 1993.

If a decision goes the government's way, the case could further concentrate power in the hands of the executive.

"There's a potential, at least, if the court gives the solicitor general everything he asks for, that the president can rewrite state law to conform to his view of the best foreign policy," said Michael Ramsey, a law professor at the University of San Diego.

At issue is the 1963 Vienna Convention on Consular Relations, which requires that a home nation be notified when one of its citizens is arrested abroad. It also states that the arrested traveler should be advised he can contact his consul for assistance. The U.S. ratified an annex giving the international court "compulsory jurisdiction" to decide disputes over the treaty.

The State Department insists foreign governments follow the treaty when they detain Americans, but local authorities in the U.S. have a spotty record of compliance, leading to complaints against Washington at the International Court of Justice. In 2004, The Hague ordered the U.S. "to provide, by means of its own choosing, review and reconsideration of the convictions and sentences" of 51 Mexicans on death row, to determine if they had been prejudiced by the lack of consular assistance.

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The ruling set off a debate within the Bush administration. It initially concluded the ruling was unenforceable. But with the U.S. under criticism abroad for its perceived disregard of international obligations, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice persuaded the president to reverse course, officials said. In February 2005, he issued a memorandum directing state courts to comply with the ruling -- while simultaneously withdrawing from the agreement to let The Hague decide any future such cases.

#### MORE ON THE CASE

- Oral argument transcript<sup>1</sup>
- International Court of Justice ruling<sup>2</sup>
- U.S. government's brief<sup>3</sup>
- Additional briefs and related materials<sup>4</sup>
- American Society of International Law resources<sup>5</sup>



Texas accused the president of exceeding his authority, and the state's Court of Criminal Appeals agreed. The resulting Supreme Court case pits Texas, backed by 28 other states, against its former governor, uncomfortably aligned with condemned inmate Jose Ernesto Medellin, a Houston gang member who grew up in the U.S. The European Union and dozens of other foreign governments filed friend-of-the-court briefs siding with

the Bush administration.

On the right, Chief Justice John Roberts and Justice Antonin Scalia could barely contain their disdain for Mr. Medellin's position: that the international court compelled Texas to act. "Are you telling me that the ICJ judgment empowers either federal or state courts to do things which their laws do not permit them to do?" asked Justice Scalia. Donald Donovan, the attorney representing Mr. Medellin, struggled to find words suggesting that the world court's order already was authorized by the U.S.

Liberal Justices Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Stephen Breyer, meanwhile, said the matter wasn't so complicated. "As I read the Constitution, it says 'all treaties made...under the authority of the United States shall be the supreme law of the land, and the judges in every state' -- I guess it means including Texas -- 'shall be bound thereby,'" Justice Breyer said.

The case may come down to the opinion of Justice Anthony Kennedy, who often strays from his conservative brethren to embrace the significance of international law. Justice Kennedy's questions didn't indicate full agreement with either side. A decision is expected by June.

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## Bear Stearns' Bad Bet

Two Bear Stearns hedge funds soared by specializing in exotic securities and unorthodox practices. Then they imploded

by Matthew Goldstein and David Henry

Ralph R. Cioffi seemed as cool and confident as ever. The market for subprime mortgages was crumbling, but the 51-year-old manager of two Bear Stearns (BSC) hedge funds offered nothing but reassurances to investors. "We're going to make money on this," he promised his wealthy patrons in February. "We don't believe what the markets are saying."

He should have known otherwise. The hedge funds were built so they were virtually guaranteed to implode if market conditions turned south, according to a *BusinessWeek* analysis of confidential financial statements for both funds and interviews with forensic accounting experts, traders, and analysts.

The funds had another potentially fatal flaw: an unusual arrangement with Barclays (BCS) that gave the giant British bank the power to yank the plug—a deal that ran counter to the interests of other investors, many of whom didn't even know about it.

The documents also cast serious doubt on the funds' supposedly strong performance before their July bankruptcies. More than 60% of their net worth was tied up in exotic securities whose reported value was estimated by Cioffi's own team—something the funds' auditor, Deloitte & Touche, warned investors of in its 2006 report, released in May, 2007. What emerges from the records is a portrait of a cash-starved portfolio piled high with debt and managers all too eager to add to the heap.

### SPOTLIGHT ON HEDGE FUNDS

The revelations shed new light on the murky dealings inside the booming \$1.3 trillion hedge fund industry, which now accounts for up to a third of all daily trading on Wall Street. They seem to underscore critics' biggest complaint: that many hedge funds use astonishing amounts of leverage, or borrowed money, in sometimes reckless ways. The risks of "fair value" accounting, the practice that allows money managers to estimate the values of securities for which they can't find true market prices, are thrown into sharper focus as well. Coming soon, for better or worse: louder calls in Washington for more oversight of the largely unregulated hedge fund industry.

These new details could further damage the relationships that thousands of pension funds, university endowments, and wealthy individuals have with the Wall Street chieftains they entrust to manage their money. The Bear funds weren't stand-alone portfolios like the ones that blew up on Amaranth Advisors and Sowood Capital Management in recent years—they carried the imprimatur of one of the Street's oldest and most storied firms. The funds marketed themselves with the implicit backing of Bear Stearns and played up the fact that they were run by its experts in mortgage-backed securities. Now investors are left with a troubling question: If they can't count on big, well-established firms to operate hedge funds properly, whom can they count on?

## LASTING DAMAGE?

For Bear and its 72-year-old chairman and chief executive, James E. Cayne, the findings could prove to be a double-edged sword. Warren Spector, then-president and co-chief operating officer, has already resigned his posts in the wake of the scandal. The scandal could do lasting damage to Bear's once-mighty, mortgage-backed bond underwriting and trading businesses, says Frank Partnoy, a former Wall Street derivatives trader turned professor at the University of San Diego Law School. "It's hard to imagine the brand recovering," he says. "It's going to be a long road to get there." The SEC, meanwhile, is looking into the hedge funds, and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York in late September launched an investigation of its own.

Now the 84-year-old investment bank, long admired for its scrappy ways in a world once dominated by white-shoe elites, may begin to distance itself from Cioffi, who remains a paid adviser there. Cioffi, meanwhile, may have to fight off accusations that he was a rogue trader. He will likely seek to prove that the valuations he oversaw were reasonable and that his comments to investors weren't intentionally misleading. Bear Stearns spokesman Russell Sherman says the firm took precautions against a market downfall, but the decline in mortgage-backed securities was unprecedented.

The quick collapse of the inelegantly named Bear Stearns High-Grade Structured Credit Strategies fund and High-Grade Structured Credit Strategies Enhanced Leverage fund conjures memories of Long-Term Capital Management, the multibillion-dollar fund that blew up in 1998. In both cases, the damage helped ignite a worldwide credit crunch that prompted intervention by central bankers. But there's an important difference: LTCM, run by some of the sharpest minds in finance, was built to do well in rising and sinking markets alike. It failed because its impossibly complex trading strategies went haywire. The Bear funds cratered because their managers never came up with a Plan B to survive a downturn. Cioffi was more like a day trader chasing tech stocks in the late 1990s than the Nobel laureates at LTCM.

## A FORMER STAR

Until recently, Cioffi was a Bear Stearns star. The 1978 business administration graduate of Vermont's Saint Michael's College joined the firm in 1985 as a bond salesman and rose quickly. By 1989 he was head of the fixed-income sales group and eventually became a driving force behind Bear's move into sophisticated structured-finance products. About five years ago he considered leaving to launch his own hedge fund, people close to him say. But Bear enticed him to stay and run it out of Bear Stearns Asset Management.

Despite Cioffi's considerable expertise, however, there was surprisingly little financial artistry taking place inside the funds' Park Avenue corridors. The managers hadn't arrived at any blinding new insight into how markets work. Documents show that they were simply taking investors' money, leveraging it to the hilt, and then buying complex bonds called collateralized debt obligations, or CDOs, that were backed by subprime and other mortgages.

At the height in 2006, Cioffi was a central character in the booming mortgage CDO market, holding nearly \$30 billion worth of securities. "Everybody wanted to do business with him because he was The Buyer," says a portfolio manager who was not authorized by his firm to speak for attribution. Cioffi's easygoing manner made him popular with investors, the bankers who lent his funds money, and the charities he supported.

## END GAME

But his investment strategy turned into subtraction soup: The more he ate, the hungrier he got. The funds' voracious buying of lightly traded bonds drove down their yields, meaning Cioffi's team had to buy more and more of them to boost returns. That meant more borrowing. Banks such as Merrill Lynch (MER), Goldman Sachs

(GS), Bank of America (BAC), and JPMorgan Chase (JPM) lent the funds at least \$14 billion all told. Cioffi also used a type of short-term debt to borrow billions more; in some cases he managed to buy \$60 worth of securities for every \$1 of investors' money. But he made a critical trade-off: For lower interest rates, he gave lenders the right to demand immediate repayment.

For a while the strategy worked, and the fund became a hit. Cioffi started dabbling in fashionable hedge fund manager accoutrements, weighing a partnership stake in a Gulfstream jet and even getting into the movie business. In 2006, he was executive producer of the indie film *Just Like My Son*, starring Rosie Perez.

But when the markets turned earlier this year and the CDOs values plunged, Cioffi's lenders demanded repayment, and the borrow-and-buy game was over. Making matters worse, the funds held only about 1% of their assets in cash, much less than the 10% that many hedge funds keep on hand for emergencies. "This is not prudent investing," says one structured-finance market veteran who asked not to be identified. "It's not rocket science to conclude that piling market-value risk on illiquid instruments is risky."

If the extreme leverage hadn't killed the funds, their Byzantine structure might have. The Enhanced fund, launched in August, 2006, gave an enormous amount of control to Barclays. The British bank provided at least \$275 million in capital and in exchange was designated the sole equity investor, according to the fund's 2006 audited financials and bankruptcy filings. The other investors in the Enhanced fund merely held a stake in a complicated derivative contract that mimicked the fund's gains or losses but conferred no actual ownership rights.

The arrangement allowed Bear to get the fund up and running quickly, but it also meant that Barclays held the power to pull its stake and potentially close the fund down. Such a move could have weakened the High-Grade fund, too, because that fund was invested in similar securities. If the Enhanced fund started dumping its holdings to pay back Barclays, that could send the prices of the securities in the High-Grade fund tumbling (just as massive selling of a stock would drive down its price for other investors). A cascading event could have brought down both funds.

The final blow for the Enhanced fund came when Barclays told Bear it wanted out, according to the bankruptcy filings. The timing of the redemption notice isn't clear. Barclays declined to comment on the relationship, except to say its losses were minimal.

Hedge fund experts say the setup was unusual. It's not uncommon for investors to use derivatives to gain exposure to market indexes and indexes of broad hedge fund management strategies. But funds rarely allow them on a single portfolio fund with one equity investor. "A few hedge funds have done this kind of [deal], but it isn't terribly common," says Janet Tavakoli, a derivatives trading consultant.

Some of the details were spelled out in the abstruse language of the Enhanced fund's confidential offering memorandum. On page 50 it says Barclays' "interests in terminating the Leverage Instrument might conflict with the interest of the shareholders." But many investors now say they didn't understand the warning. A number of them had already been in the High-Grade fund, which was launched in October, 2003, and say they were encouraged by Cioffi's team to move their money to the Enhanced fund. They say they were led to believe that the newer fund would have a similar structure, except that it would use more leverage through a deal with Barclays.

## A RED FLAG



The investors who remained only in the High-Grade fund say they were told nothing of the Barclays relationship. Doug Hirsch, an attorney with New York-based Sadis & Goldberg, who represents Navigator Capital Advisors, a hedge fund that has filed a class action over the collapse of the fund, says: "If the viability of the High-Grade fund was jeopardized as a result of the structure of the newly formed Enhanced leverage fund, then that is certainly a risk factor that needed to be disclosed."

The funds' peculiar architecture wasn't their only problem. As the borrow-and-buy gambit grew less profitable, they sought out increasingly esoteric bonds and other lightly traded securities that offered higher yields. The funds were big buyers of so called CDO-squareds—CDOs that invest in other CDOs. For example, the funds at one time held \$135 million of securities issued by Mantoloking CDO, a CDO-squared; \$135 million of Pyxis Master, a one-of-a-kind CDO structure; and \$120 million worth of securities from CDO issuer Abacus. Over time the holdings got so exotic that some had no published credit ratings and couldn't be valued by outside pricing services. The funds held \$280 million worth of various entities so obscure that one bond veteran found no trace of them in any market registries.

The irregular and illiquid securities seemed to help boost returns. The High-Grade fund posted a cumulative gain of 46.8% before the bottom began to fall out, say reports to investors. In 2006 it rose 11%. The Enhanced fund returned 6.3% in less than six months' time in 2006.

But documents suggest those return numbers may have been shaky. The 2006 audited financial statements for both hedge funds contained a potentially worrisome note from Deloitte & Touche, the longtime auditor for Bear Stearns and its affiliated entities. Deloitte warned that a high percentage of net assets at both funds were being valued using estimates provided by Cioffi's management team "in the absence of readily ascertainable market values." Deloitte went on to caution: "These values may differ from the values that would have been used had a ready market for these investments existed, and the differences could be material." In the case of the High-Grade fund, 70% of its net assets, or \$616 million, were being valued in such a manner, up from just 25% in 2004. For the Enhanced fund, 63% of net assets, or \$589 million, were "fair valued."

A hedge fund's net asset value is simply its assets minus its liabilities, akin to a small investor's net worth. It's the key to tracking its profitability—and the measurement on which its fees are based. Deloitte's language was a warning to investors that if the estimates were wrong, they could have substantial losses. It also raised the possibility that the past performance, and hence fees, might have been based on squishy numbers. "It may have been an early warning sign," says Barry M. Levine, a hedge fund forensic analyst who often serves as an expert witness in securities litigation and who reviewed the Bear Stearns funds' financial statements for *BusinessWeek*. "Obviously, Deloitte had misgivings. I'm not saying there was anything wrong, but if there was an overvaluation, it could have had a big impact on the funds' profitability." Deloitte says it doesn't comment on client matters.

Bear spokesman Sherman says net asset value is the wrong point of comparison. Bears' fair-value assets accounted for less than 10% of the funds' total assets, he says, and the Deloitte comment was a "standard disclosure."

Valuation games are surprisingly common. A study this summer by Riskdata, a hedge fund risk consulting group, found that at least 30% of hedge funds that rely on illiquid trading strategies are "smoothing returns" to make a fund's performance appear less risky by evening out month-to-month volatility. The study, which was published in June, included the Bear funds among those it examined. "The Bear Stearns hedge funds had a profile that's typical of funds that smooth earnings," says Olivier Le Marois, Riskdata's chief executive officer. "Smoothing returns is very misleading."

Deloitte's warning came too late to matter to investors turning wary in the spring. The 2006 audited financials for the High-Grade fund didn't begin arriving in investors' e-mail until mid-May, just two weeks before Bear Stearns suspended redemptions in the Enhanced fund. Many investors in the fund say they never received a copy.

### **MARKETING/MEMORANDA MISMATCH**

What drove Cioffi and his team? It may have been the fees. Like most hedge funds, Cioffi's kept 20% of any profits they generated, plus 2% of the net assets under management. The High-Grade fund had become a fee engine for Bear Stearns Asset Management, accounting for three-quarters of its revenues in 2004 and 2005, according to CDO tracker Derivative Fitch. The deal with Barclays was a way to start a new fund and prime it for returns—and more fees—quickly. And by encouraging the investors in the High-Grade fund to transfer money to the Enhanced fund, Cioffi didn't have to waste time wooing new customers; he could go to the same ones he'd already won over.

Now many of those who bought in claim they were misled. The offering memoranda for both funds contained the usual statements about how investors could lose all of their money. But some of the investors say that's not how the Bear Stearns funds were marketed by Cioffi and co-manager Matthew Tannin. They say they were told to expect small but steady gains of 1% to 2% a month, and never had to fear losing their entire investment. In a worst-case scenario—a perfect storm, they called it—the funds might lose 10% in a year.

Not everyone was convinced. Neil Smith, director of money manager Altus Investment Management in London, learned of the High-Grade fund during a hedge fund conference at London's Four Seasons Hotel (FSH) in February, 2006. He says the presentation left him thinking the managers were making impossible claims. Smith says Tannin explained the fund needed a lot of leverage to generate high returns, but that it was O.K. because the investment strategy was sound and the CDOs were highly rated securities. "What he was trying to do was say how safe it was, how conservative it was," says Smith. "I came away thinking it was a disaster." A friend who attended the same conference wasn't so skeptical. Now he says he's trying to line up a lawyer for a potential suit. Tannin's lawyer, Nina Beattie, did not return phone calls seeking comment.

### **BRAZEN EFFORT**

The managers' upbeat talk continued well into the subprime meltdown. Tannin told several investors in March that "we wouldn't have made money in February if we were long, or overexposed, to subprime," recalls one listener. Tannin went on to say he was putting more of his own money into the funds, and that "it was a very bad time to redeem."

In a brazen effort to stay afloat, Cioffi's team unveiled on May 9 a plan to bring public Everquest Financial. The company, formed in late 2006 and co-managed by Cioffi and Bear Stearns, had acquired some of the riskiest securities in the hedge funds' portfolios. A public offering could have created a rich trading vehicle to prop up the hedge funds until the storm passed. But the plan was met with a howl of protest on Wall Street and was scrapped. The reaction unnerved bankers and set in motion the process that resulted in the lenders calling their loans.

Now Cioffi, who has been named an adviser to Bear Stearns Asset Management, and Tannin, still a senior managing director there, face major legal troubles. Securities lawyers say valuation issues often pique prosecutors' interest. In 2004, managers of Beacon Hill Asset Management paid \$4.4 million in penalties to the SEC to settle charges that they fudged valuations. That same year, Edward Strafaci pleaded guilty in federal court to charges that he manipulated the valuations for securities held by a fund run by former New York City Deputy Mayor Kenneth Lipper. "Valuation fraud is one of the touchstones of hedge fund fraud," says Scott

Berman, a New York securities attorney who has litigated several hedge fund fraud cases. "It typically occurs when people don't start out to commit a fraud, but have losses they are trying to cover up."

The new revelations about Bear don't prove the firm intended to defraud investors, but they raise many troubling questions. Now lawyers are circling, and Cioffi, the man once so good at convincing investors and lenders to turn over money, is facing the toughest sales job of his life.

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## State Bar of California, Civil Rights Group Spar Over Affirmative Action

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Does affirmative action work? An explosive study that suggests it does not is pitting the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights against the State Bar of California in a battle over admissions data that could determine once and for all if racial preferences help or hurt minority students.

"Currently only about one in three African-Americans who goes to an American law school passes the bar on the first attempt and a majority never become lawyers at all," says UCLA law professor Richard Sander.

In an article published in the Stanford Law Review, Sander and his research team concluded several thousand would-be black lawyers either dropped out of law school or failed to pass the bar because of affirmative action.

Known as the 'mismatch' effect, Sander claims students who are unprepared and whose academic credentials are below the median are admitted to law schools they are unqualified to attend. If those same students instead were to go to less elite or competitive schools, more would graduate, pass the bar and become lawyers.

"This is a serious issue and we need to see more research in the area of mismatch," argues Gail Heriot, a professor of law at the University of San Diego and a member of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. "What we need now is more cooperation from the California Bar" Association.

Recently, a California bar committee voted down Sander's request to use bar data collected over the last three decades on student test scores, law school admissions, academic performance and bar passage rates.

The data, considered a gold standard by affirmative action researchers, is considered key to determine if racial preferences work.

"There is no answer but to give him the information," says black civil rights attorney Leo Terrell. "What is the state bar afraid of? We need to know."

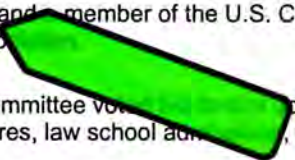
But the Bar refuses to give Sander the data.

"The release (bar exam) applicants sign does not allow us to release the information to third parties," Whitnie Henderson told FOX News. "Looking at all the information we just decided it was not something that fit within the committee's purview."

Henderson headed the committee that rejected Sander's request. Contrary to her statement, twice in the last 15 years the California Bar released individual information to outside researchers.

Law Professor Vikram Amar at UC Davis believes the Bar rejected Sander's request because the study is "controversial,"

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examining the huge disparities in bar passage among different racial groups attending the same law school.

Law schools do not disclose attrition, graduation and bar passage rates to minorities admitted through preferences and have opposed pressure to do so. About 62 percent of today's top black lawyers attended the most elite U.S. law schools, according to Law Professor Richard Lempert at the University of Michigan.

Unlike Sander, Lempert believes the number of black lawyers would decrease if affirmative action ended. He says race, ethnicity and LSAT scores do not predict future income or satisfaction.

The Board of Governors of the California Bar may reconsider Sander's request during its November meeting, but for now no one can say whether affirmative action actually does what's intended.

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# Zero energy homes are possible

The California Public Utilities Commission recently stated an interesting goal for energy use in new homes. By 2020, it would like all new homes built in California to be "zero energy homes." Generally a zero energy home is one that generates as much energy as it consumes on an annual basis. Is this possible? Not only do I think it is possible, it may be a necessity.



**SCOTT J. ANDERS**

## Newer, better homes

Let me begin my explanation by getting personal. In October 2003 our house burned to the ground when the Cedar fire swept through Lakeside. I raise this only to illustrate how opportunity often masquerades as crisis.

Lakeside resident **Scott J. Anders** is director of the Energy Policy Initiatives Center at the University of San Diego School of Law.



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**Scott Anders of the University of San Diego's Energy Policy Initiatives Center sits on the porch of his low-energy Lakeside home with his children, Max, 4, and Kaya, 6.**

When we began the rebuilding process, we realized that we had a unique chance to build a new house the way we wanted to. We made efficiency and clean energy a priority and strove for zero energy.

The concept of a zero en-

ergy home is simple: Minimize the energy needs of the home and add clean technologies, like solar electricity and water heating, to serve remaining energy needs. This

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concept is also not new. One of the first attempts to do this on a large scale in the U.S. happened here in San Diego County. In 2001, Shea Homes built two communities in Scripps Ranch that included more than 100 energy-efficient homes with both solar photovoltaic and solar water heating systems. And while there is a lot of work to be done to make existing homes more efficient, I focus here on new home construction.

Zero energy homes provide important benefits. First and foremost, they reduce energy use, which can thereby reduce the need for traditional infrastructure like power plants that rely on fossil fuels to generate electricity. This is particularly important in our region where electrical demand is growing, but local residents don't seem to want the new power plants or transmission lines that might be required to supply that growing demand. NIMBY has yielded to BANANA (Build Almost Nothing Anywhere Near Anyone), which will make it difficult to site new large energy infrastructure in the region.

Reducing electricity demand with strategies like zero energy homes may not solve the problem, but they are important tools in the toolbox of solutions. Zero energy homes also reduce greenhouse gas emissions, which lead to climate change, and other polluting emissions like oxides of nitrogen, a precursor to smog. Since residential energy use is a significant source of greenhouse gas emissions, measures to reduce its impact on greenhouse gas emissions and air quality are important. And zero energy homes may well be



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**The author rebuilt his Lakeside home after it was destroyed by the 2003 Cedar fire so that it requires nearly zero outside energy.**

more comfortable to live in.

### Carrots and sticks

So why don't we see more zero energy homes?

Home builders often say they don't build them because consumers don't ask for energy efficiency and renewable energy when they buy homes. Builders do not subscribe to the "if you build it, they will come" philosophy. Another reason we don't see more zero energy homes is that they can cost more, even though some of those costs will be recouped over time in energy savings. To some extent, this is a chicken and egg problem: The incremental cost of energy upgrades will decrease as more homes are built with such measures. While there are ways to overcome the cost issue, in a high-priced housing market like San Diego County, we should not take this issue lightly.

What will it take to get more?

Let's start with the carrots. Financial incentives already exist for builders and home buyers who build efficiently.

It might be necessary to expand current incentives to include more and better tax credits and deductions or cash rebates that encourage builders to pursue the goal of zero energy home design. Other carrots that might encourage more zero energy homes include programs offered by local governments to let green builders go to the front of the permitting line.

Incentives are necessary but might not be sufficient. In addition, regulatory sticks can increase efficiency in new homes. Stricter standards for new homes and appliances gradually increase efficiency. Another approach is to phase in a mandate for zero energy homes. This is obviously controversial and its effectiveness would depend on design and implementation, but we must have a frank discussion about the role of mandates if we are serious about curbing regional demand and reducing greenhouse gases.

Nonetheless, several challenges exist to getting to more zero energy homes. Air conditioning is typically the largest

energy consumer in a home and contributes to regional peak demand. We must continue to reduce the energy requirements of air conditioners or find other less energy-intensive ways to cool our homes. Space heating is another challenge. Finding cost-effective ways to heat our homes without fossil fuels is not trivial. Finally, the installed cost of photovoltaics needs to fall to a level that is sustainable without subsidies. In the short run, this will be difficult given the worldwide shortage of refined silicon, the primary feedstock for most photovoltaics.

### Climate change benefit

Notwithstanding these challenges, the pursuit of zero energy homes is necessary. State law now requires California to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020. Some climate experts think we need to go substantially below 1990 levels to help stabilize global emissions over the next several decades to avoid catastrophic climate change. The energy used to electrify the built environment is a significant contributor to global warming and climate change. Acting now to reduce the energy needs of our homes and the resultant greenhouse gases can help in this cause.

After the fires, we saw the opportunity in the loss of our home and rebuilt a nearly zero energy home. If we can do it in a single home now, surely the collective wisdom of California can figure out how to do it on a regional and statewide basis by 2020. Let's not wait until the climate crisis worsens to change the way we build homes. Let's recognize and embrace the opportunity now.

Comment at [nctimes.com](http://nctimes.com).

# Crisis deepens rift for mayor, city attorney

By Jennifer Vigil  
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City Attorney Michael Aguirre zipped from camera to camera in La Jolla on Wednesday morning, pledging to not “play any games” in determining what led to the Mount Soledad landslide.

Mayor Jerry Sanders, stuck in Washington, D.C., on a lobbying trip, arrived on the scene nearly 12 hours later and quickly assured residents that the city had “taken every step” to address the problem “in a responsible fashion.”

The contradictory nature of their approaches — Sanders promising that city officials had done everything they could to prevent disaster and Aguirre suggesting otherwise — offered another vivid illustration of the escalating conflict between the city’s two most prominent officials.

Sanders, a former police chief, has spent the first 22 months of his term

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Tensions are running high between Mayor Jerry Sanders (back to camera) and City Attorney Michael Aguirre (left). Sanders addressed the City Council yesterday. *Nadia Borowski Scott / U-T*



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# Aguirre can't wear two hats, observer says

trying to establish himself as San Diego's first "strong mayor."

Aguirre, a former plaintiff's lawyer, has challenged several of Sanders' major initiatives this year, insisting that his primary responsibility is representing the people of San Diego, not providing legal advice to the mayor and City Council.

"You can't have two mayors," said George Mitrovich, a civic activist and longtime advocate for downtown development. And a second mayor is "basically what Mr. Aguirre has become."

The confusion over Aguirre's role led some national newscasters to identify him as "Mayor Michael Aguirre" and "City Manager Michael Aguirre" on their reports about the landslide this week.

Sanders said curtly that the slips didn't bother him.

"I'm very well aware of who the mayor is, and I think everybody else in San Diego is also," he said.

The gulf between the Sanders and Aguirre camps is yet another problem for a city still struggling to overcome five years of financial, legal and political setbacks.

San Diego has a \$2 billion backlog in pension and health care obligations to retirees, and a mounting stack of expensive projects — including water and sewer system repairs. Those problems can't be tackled, however, if Sanders and Aguirre refuse to talk to each other.

"Are you kidding me?" Aguirre said of trying to reach the mayor. "It's a political operation. You can't even get through over there."

The mayor acknowledged that he hasn't spoken with Aguirre since the landslide, even though San Diego could face major lawsuits from aggrieved homeowners.

Sanders said his priority right now isn't the potential liability. Instead, he's focused on

getting the site stabilized and touching base with people forced out of their homes.

Aguirre "doesn't really have any role in that, to be very honest," Sanders said.

The city attorney doesn't agree. Since the landslide Wednesday, he has held two community forums with Mount Soledad residents.

The two officials engaged in two other duels late yesterday.

In the first, the Mayor's Office accused Aguirre of refusing to formalize the council's declaration of a state of emergency, a necessary step for the city to obtain state and federal aid.

Aguirre denied holding up anything. He said his deputies had to determine the proper way to make the declaration to maximize the money available to the city and residents.

The document was ready for the mayor's signature by 6:20 p.m., Aguirre said.

By that time, however, Sanders had forwarded a draft of the resolution to state and federal officials, with the promise that the final version would follow.

The mayor's spokesman, Fred Sainz, followed that flare-up by accusing Aguirre of demanding a police escort so he could cut through rush-hour traffic and reach the scene of a water-main break in Pacific Beach. Aguirre is exhibiting "increasingly erratic" behavior, Sainz said.

Aguirre denied asking for the escort and said the accusation represents the mayor's "rank effort to avoid responsibility for his failed leadership."

The icy nature of Aguirre's relationship not only with Sanders but also with most council members has been noted by City Hall watchers, many of whom fear that the city, paralyzed by the dissension, can't begin recovering from its long financial slide.

"A lot of people have doubts about it," said Scott Alevy, a vice president with the San Diego Regional Chamber of Commerce, which organized parts of Sanders' trip to Washington. "I'm not sure a road map has been laid out for people to do it correctly."

"What do you follow? Whose advice do you follow?"

Robert Otilie, a lawyer and

an Aguirre ally, said the city attorney's aggressive approach is important to residents who have grown impatient with San Diego's recent history of management failures.

"It's already a concern in the city given what's happened in the last five years, that our leaders haven't been willing to come clean with us," Otilie said.

Sanders, Council President Scott Peters and other lawyers, however, say Aguirre's practice of advocating for residents while also serving as the city's lawyer can lead to impossible legal tangles.

"You can't wear both hats," said Robert Fellmeth, founder of the University of San Diego's Center for Public Interest Law. "He's got to put on one or the other."

Aguirre is emphatic that he must play both roles if he's to properly fulfill his duties as city attorney.

"I don't want to get focused on hiding shenanigans and making it the same issue as defending the city," Aguirre said. "They're not."

Sanders has begun to strike back.

In an interview when he was still in Washington, the mayor explained why he has started to publicly criticize the quality of the legal opinions he receives from Aguirre's office. He also questions why Aguirre insists on challenging his legislative agenda.

Sanders called last week for the city to hire a private lawyer to replace Aguirre in a pension-fund dispute, then issued a fiery memo to rebut Aguirre's allegations of financial improprieties. He also accused the city attorney of mismanagement, incompetence and demagoguery.

"The people didn't elect the city attorney to give policy advice," Sanders said. "They elected him to give legal advice to the mayor."

Sanders said he won't hesitate to counter Aguirre if he decides the situation demands it.

"I'm not going to worry about what Mike Aguirre is doing," Sanders said. "If it becomes a distraction at any point, I'll handle it."



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**REPAIR:**Michael Murray, left, formerly of the Bureau of Automotive Repair, helped Jeanne Brewer, right, of Yorba Linda, after she complained of a botched repair job on her Ford Taurus. He helped her win a refund in Small Claims Court. The case got Murray in trouble with his bosses, who say he was biased against the repair shop.

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## **Inspector says car repair watchdog rolled over**

### **Bureau of Auto Repair inspector says he was fired for siding with consumers. Bosses call him unprofessional.**

By JOHN GITTELSOHN

THE ORANGE COUNTY REGISTER

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Michael Murray is a hero to Jeanne Brewer, a Yorba Linda widow, who sought his help after a botched repair job on her 1994 Ford Taurus.

Murray inspected Brewer's car, found problems with the repairs and with the records at **Fairway Ford** in Orange, which charged Brewer \$3,670 to replace the Taurus' transmission and oxygen sensors. When Fairway refused to refund Brewer's money or fix her car, Murray testified on her behalf in Small Claims Court.

"He was great," says Brewer, 80.

His bosses at the state Bureau of Automotive Repairs office in Placentia disagree. They say Murray is unprofessional and insubordinate. They fired him in August, citing his actions in the Fairway case.

Murray says his case shows how the Bureau of Automotive Repair has broken down.

"When did we become an agency for repair shops vs. consumers?" Murray asks. "Our regulations say when there's a doubt, the consumer is going to prevail."

An inspector for the Bureau since 1998, Murray says he was dismissed for refusing to perjure himself after a former Bureau supervisor, now employed by Fairway Ford, demanded he alter an inspection report criticizing Fairway. Murray, 58, filed a whistle-blower retaliation complaint, demanding his bosses be punished for bowing to pressure from the ex-supervisor. (View Murray's **whistle-blower retaliation complaint** in PDF format.)

Bureau officials would not comment on Murray's complaint, because it is in litigation. But they deny the agency has turned against consumers.

"Any suggestion we favor industry over consumers is just not true," says Russ Heimerich, a spokesman for the Department of Consumer Affairs, the parent agency of the Bureau of Automotive Repair.

### **Fewer complaints**

Bureau statistics show a steady drop in the number of complaints closed, prosecutions pursued and cash recovered for consumers, especially since Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger took office in late 2003. For example, the number of criminal and civil actions filed fell to 141 in fiscal 2006 from 225 in fiscal 2003; funds recovered for consumers dropped to \$3.74 million in 2006 from \$5.23 million in 2003. (See "**Productivity down at the bureau**" to sort through the data.)

Dick Sullivan, the Bureau's deputy chief of enforcement, said those statistics have fallen primarily because fewer people have filed complaints for several reasons, including more reliable cars and lack of knowledge about the Bureau in Spanish-speaking communities.

"The behavior of the auto industry has also improved," Sullivan said. "The Bureau has been working with them for years and we are making a difference."

Sullivan noted that the Bureau has recently focused on a problem that isn't reflected in the usual enforcement statistics: issuing citations to shops that conduct improper smog testing.

The number of those citations, often conducted after undercover stings, reached 1,075 statewide in fiscal 2007, up from 423 in 2005.

### **Bureau and the consumer**

The Bureau of Automotive Repair was created in 1972 as a licensing agency that represents the public in disputes with auto repair shops, body shops and smog check stations. In fiscal 2006, it received 17,043 complaints statewide, including 745 complaints at the Orange County branch in Placentia where Murray worked. (See "**Record of the Bureau of Automotive Repair**" for a summary of complaints, actions, licenses and money recovered.)

Since its creation, the Bureau has faced industry criticism for being pro-consumer. Now some consumer advocates worry that Murray's case shows the agency is bowing to industry pressure.

"In the past, the bureau has backed up its employees. To hear that an employee was pressured to commit perjury is very troubling," says Rosemary Shahan, director of Consumers for Auto Reliability and Safety and a member of the bureau's citizen advisory board.

Others say it's premature to determine a systemic problem, because Murray is the only Bureau of Automotive Repair employee to file a whistle-blower complaint in the past ~~two~~ years.

"This does not appear to be a situation of several individuals in a unit saying there's a big problem," says Bruce Monfross, counsel for the state Personnel Board, which handles whistle-blower complaints.

Bob Fellmeth, director of the Center for Public Interest Law at the University of San Diego, says it is no surprise that a watchdog agency like the Bureau of Automotive Repair cozies up to auto shops, because the shops are staffed by professionals who speak the right language while consumers are often confused and frustrated.

Fellmeth suspects Murray's ouster, if his whistle-blower complaint is true, signals trouble high in the Department of Consumer Affairs.

"There's a tendency for boards and commissions over time to become sympathetic to the

people they're regulating," Fellmeth says. "If (Murray) was dismissed, it wasn't a decision made by a mid-level guy. It came from the top."

Murray gave the Register copies of his whistle-blower claim and of the "adverse action" report calling for his dismissal.

The adverse action report cites Murray's run-ins with supervisors and repair shop operators, but not consumers. It says he should be fired for incompetence, inefficiency, neglect of duty, insubordination and "discourteous treatment of the public and other employees." (View the [adverse action report](#) in PDF format.)

### **Fairway complaint**

Murray says his troubles began with his criticism of Fairway Ford's repairs of Brewer's Taurus – a case profiled in the Orange County Register last November.

Before inspecting Brewer's car, Murray says his supervisor, Matt Loftus, reminded him that Fairway Ford was represented in complaints by Jose Fernandez, who worked as a Bureau supervisor from 1984 to 2002.

"He asked me to go easy on Fairway Ford because of the relationship between Ken Wardlow (a Bureau supervisor in Oceanside) and Jose Fernandez," Murray's complaint says.

Loftus and Fernandez both declined to be interviewed for this story.

Bureau rules allow former employees to work in the auto repair industry a year after they leave. Fairway's service manager, Carlos Becerra, says Fernandez is a part-time consultant who handles Fairway's relations with the Bureau.

"Fairway wasn't involved in getting anybody fired," Becerra says, adding that Fairway has always had good relations with the Bureau.

Murray's inspection never led to a formal action against Fairway and Fairway's record appears clean on the Bureau's Web site, which only lists complaints that result in disciplinary action.

But Murray found several problems with Fairway's work on Brewer's Taurus. After he examined the car in her garage, he checked the paperwork at Fairway Ford and discovered charges for parts and labor without Brewer's permission. In his investigation report, Murray says Fernandez refused to offer further repairs or refund Brewer's money.

Murray recommended that Brewer take her complaint to Small Claims Court. Brewer prevailed in her first appearance, but Fairway appealed. Brewer subpoenaed Murray and his investigation report for the appeal, which she won.

Eight months after her Taurus broke down – and two court hearings later – Fairway paid Brewer \$3,775. She later had the car repaired and in working order for \$1,545.

### **Dismissal**

In a signed declaration filed as part of Murray's dismissal, Fernandez says he felt Murray was biased in favor of Brewer, leading the court to rule against Fairway.

"It has raised a serious concern about the bureau's ethics, moral values and impartiality," Fernandez states in the Dec. 6, 2006 declaration. "The only thing I ask is that Mr. Murray not be assigned any future complaints against Fairway Ford."

Parts of Fernandez's declaration do not square with the record. For example, Fernandez declares Murray "did not advise any Fairway Ford representatives, or myself, of any concern of substandard or negligent repairs" on Brewer's car. But Murray's original inspection report, dated May 22, 2006, cites conversations with Becerra and Fernandez on May 1 and May 22, concerning four code violations by Fairway.

In their "adverse action" report, Murray's bosses say he acted in a threatening, hostile manner when they requested he alter his inspection report on Brewer's car, first on Sept. 29 and again Oct. 18 and Oct. 26.

"Your continued unprofessional behavior and your negative attitude toward Bureau management is an embarrassment to the Bureau, has put the reputation of the Bureau at risk, impedes efficient operations, and reflects negatively on the Bureau's integrity," the report says.

Murray says he amended his inspection report four times at his boss's insistence, including once after Brewer won her Small Claims Court appeal. But he resisted demands to exonerate Fairway.

"I knew it was morally and ethically wrong, and possibly unlawful for Matt Loftus to allow Jose Fernandez to pressure him to alter a complaint report," Murray's whistle-blower complaint says. "That Adverse Action is a direct result of my refusal to perjure myself by removing the violations from my complaint report."

In addition to the Fairway Ford case, Murray's supervisors cite four complaints against him involving repair jobs by **Midas** shops and one by **O'Connell Automotive Service** in Huntington Beach.

### **Car owners**

The Register interviewed car owners in three of the five cases. All three had high praise for Murray.

"I don't know how they let that guy go," says Mark Murphy, a Huntington Beach construction manager who complained about work by O'Connell Automotive. "He went beyond the call of duty."

John Pantaz got a \$500 refund from Midas after Murphy intervened in a dispute over repairs on his 1992 Buick.

"Because of the good work of Murray, they refunded me," says Pantaz, 83, a retired industrial engineer from Irvine. "In my mind, he handled the case very well."

Murray says his heart went out for people he felt were being ripped off.

"I was passionate for these old people, because I didn't think they were getting a fair shake," he says. "I've been passionate about all these people in general."

The State Personnel Board will issue a finding on Murray's complaint in December.

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## Nuñez pick for accountants' board raises questions

The speaker names a former lawmaker who carried legislation for the accounting industry to a state board that regulates the profession.

By Michael Rothfeld  
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SACRAMENTO -- Assembly Speaker Fabian Nuñez has appointed a former Democratic legislator to the state board that regulates accountants, despite the ex-assemblyman's sponsorship of a controversial bill last year on behalf of the accounting profession.

The bill sponsored by two-term Assemblyman Rudy Bermudez (D-Norwalk) would have gutted state accounting regulations and exposed Californians to illegal tax shelters had it been passed in its initial form, consumer groups and former Atty. Gen. Bill Lockyer warned at the time.

Now Bermudez, who left the Legislature after losing a Senate bid last year, is one of eight public members on the 15-seat Board of Accountancy, which by law is supposed to protect consumers. Bermudez received nearly \$50,000 over five years in contributions from accountants, more than most legislators collected from the industry in that period.

But in an interview, he said he owes nothing to the accounting industry.

"I have a history of protecting the public from harm, and I'm going to continue to do so," Bermudez said.

His bill, AB 1868, contained a section that would have allowed out-of-state certified public accountants to provide "tax services" in California without a license or notice to state regulators, which Lockyer and consumer groups criticized as a broad and undefined loophole in state regulations. After the complaints, the provision was stripped from the legislation before it passed in the Senate and was signed by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.

The bill as passed clarified prior legislation on the state's licensing system.

Bermudez said the legislation was a "work in progress" when it contained the provision that consumer groups opposed.

"We can't judge his competency based on one bill," said Emily Rusch, an advocate for the California Public Interest Research Group. "However, the fact that he carried a bill that originally would have weakened the ability to enforce our strong accounting reform laws, that gives us some pause."

Accounting board members serve four-year terms. Two are appointed by the Senate Rules Committee and two by the assembly speaker. The governor, who appoints the other 11, wields the most influence over the board, and Schwarzenegger has received \$280,000 in political contributions from the accounting profession, records show.

Nuñez, a Los Angeles Democrat, voted for Bermudez's AB 1868 as it was first proposed, when it passed overwhelmingly in the Assembly. But the speaker, who made the appointment late last month, said in an interview that he did not know enough about the bill to comment and was unaware that Bermudez had even carried legislation for the California Society of Certified Public Accountants.

"He called me several times enlisting my support to appoint him," Nuñez said. "If somebody can make a good case to me that he has a conflict of interest, I'd ask him to step aside."

In his application, Bermudez said he had not "been affiliated in any capacity with any institutions in the past five years that might present a potential conflict of interest or appearance of conflict of interest" with the appointment.

Since the Enron accounting scandal and others like it, the state board has been a battleground between consumer groups seeking better protection and industry lobbyists complaining of over-regulation.

"The law says the purpose of the board is to protect the public," [REDACTED] said Julianne D'Angelo Fellmeth, who directs the Center for Public Interest Law at the University of San Diego.

In recent months, the board has considered changes that Fellmeth, who attends its meetings, said are beneficial to the accounting industry, including allowing CPAs to hold majorities on board committees, loosening licensing requirements of out-of-state accountants and reducing reporting rules. The current board president, Los Angeles CPA David Swartz, said the board is trying to improve efficiency and eliminate burdensome and ineffective regulations.

"We're really there for the consumer," Swartz said. "We're not trying to make it easier on accountants. We're trying to reduce redundancy and things that make no sense."

As he pushed for AB 1868 last year, Bermudez received more than \$18,000 in campaign contributions -- his most ever in a year from the accounting industry -- including the four big national accounting firms and individual accountants, state filings show. He received \$30,000 from the accountants between 2002 and 2005.

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KPMG, one of the "Big Four" firms and a Bermudez contributor, agreed two years ago to pay \$456 million in fines to avoid federal indictment for providing illegal tax shelters similar to those that consumer advocates said might have been used in California had AB 1868 not been amended.

This summer, a federal judge dismissed criminal charges against 13 KPMG partners, including two in Southern California, saying federal prosecutors had denied them their constitutional rights.

As designed by the state Legislature in a flurry of post-Enron legislation in 2002, the Board of Accountancy has eight public members, including Bermudez, and seven from the industry. The board pays \$100 a day for about six meetings per year.

Bermudez said that while serving on the state Medical Board before joining the Legislature he looked out for consumers. Later, as an assemblyman, he said he defied the doctors' lobby by passing a law to prevent sexual predators from regaining their medical licenses.

Since narrowly losing his Senate campaign, Bermudez has returned to work as a state parole agent. But he maintains open campaign accounts containing about \$60,000, fueling speculation that he wanted to use the board to remain in public view for another electoral run.

"It's Fabian Nuñez that was looking for a slot to put Bermudez in," said Sally Flowers, another public member of the accountancy board who lost to Bermudez in a 2002 Assembly campaign. "I believe they want to keep him active."

Bermudez and Nuñez said that was not their motive for the appointment.

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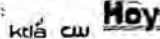
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## Donor-backed bills challenge governor

Both were written at the last minute, both could hike taxes and both fly in the face of Schwarzenegger's campaign promises.

By Evan Halper  
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SACRAMENTO -- There is a pair of bills on Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's desk that puts him on the spot:

They would cost taxpayers hundreds of millions of dollars, including a hike in the "car tax" that Schwarzenegger vilified in his first campaign for office. And signing them would belie his self-styled image as a reformer who won't stand for business as usual in the Capitol, because they were forged in classic under-the-radar deal-making.

The measures as passed were not publicly debated. They received little vetting by policy experts. They were not fully written until the clock had almost run out on lawmakers preparing to adjourn and get out of town last month. And key provisions were shaped by a small group of big campaign contributors.

The bills could raise taxes on consumers to fund subsidies available to oil companies and would lay the groundwork for a controversial expansion of ferry service in the Bay Area.

The causes were advanced by key donors to Assembly Speaker Fabian Nuñez (D-Los Angeles) and Senate leader Don Perata (D-Oakland), who pushed the proposals through.

"They do these things at the last minute, so nobody knows about them and there is nobody to say, 'Hold on here. Wait a minute,'" said Robert Fellmeth, Price professor of public interest law at the University of San Diego. "When you are in the dark, bad things happen."

The two measures were not the only donor-driven bills to gain sudden late momentum. A last-minute bill from the Anschutz Entertainment Group, a major political contributor and owner of Staples Center, to tap millions of dollars of public money also sits on the governor's desk. And a surprise bid by the politically powerful prison guards union to win a backdoor pay hike -- a raise it has failed to achieve through collective bargaining -- nearly squeaked by.

Nuñez and Perata denied jamming pet programs through the Legislature in the dead of night. The leaders said the rushed rewrites of the bills they championed were common-sense compromises to build support among stakeholders.

"We had to take amendments to satisfy concerns that the administration had," Nuñez said.

Perata said he thought all relevant parties had been told by the nonprofit business group Bay Area Council, a proponent of the measure, about the last-minute changes in his ferry bill: "I just assumed the Bay Area Council had been doing all that work."

Opponents of the measures are dubious.

"It is just not the way I want to do business," said Alan Lowenthal (D-Long Beach), chairman of the Senate Transportation and Housing Committee, who voted against Nuñez's bill, a clean energy measure. "Many people who voted for this held their nose when they did."

The Nuñez bill, AB 118, would raise taxes on consumers to fund \$210 million in new energy subsidies and clean-air programs. Lowenthal is among a group of environmental policy experts in the Senate who says a large share of the money could end up going to oil companies to fund pollution-reduction measures already required by law.

By the time the final version of the bill reached the Senate, Lowenthal said, there was no time left to amend it to preclude that scenario.



The subsidies would be paid for with increased vehicle registration fees; the "car taxes" Schwarzenegger once promised were off the table. The legislation would increase the fee by as much as \$11 and tack new fees on boat and trailer owners.

Anti-tax groups and others are demanding a veto. Administration officials say the governor has not decided whether to sign the bill.

Nuñez said the text of the bill does not allow oil companies to cash in, a reading shared by the California Energy Commission, which would be involved in setting grant distribution guidelines.

Environmentalists are split on the measure, with some groups joining oil companies, car manufacturers and green technology firms to support the plan and others denouncing it as a sham.

"This is not a giveaway," Nuñez said. "I don't see anywhere in the bill where it says oil companies can draw down these dollars. That interpretation is a stretch."

But Senate staffers who reviewed the bill say oil companies, which lobbied aggressively for the measure, would benefit. The staff's analysis of the legislation called the subsidies "simply a grant program to private sector fuels and energy companies paid for by the public."

Those concerns stalled the bill on the Senate floor on the final night of the session. There weren't enough votes to pass it.

Perata stepped in. He pressured colleagues to vote for the Nuñez measure. In an interview, Perata said he did so despite having "absolute faith" in the staff members who said the bill was flawed.

"It was important to the speaker," Perata said. "I didn't question why it was so important. He is the leader of that house. So I just pushed it. I've done that with a number of the bills the speaker has carried. I just put my shoulder against it and got it out of here. I know a lot of people were not overly joyed about that."

But Perata also needed something: the speaker's help in getting his own cause, the expansion of ferry service in the Bay Area, out of the Legislature.

"There were people who said my bill will never get out until his gets out," Perata said.

Like the speaker's bill, Perata's ferry measure, SB 976, was rewritten in the final hours of the session.

It was changed to essentially seize several ferry lines from various cities and put all operations under control of a new five-person authority.

Perata's advocacy of ferry service expansion came at the urging of a major donor to his campaigns, Bay Area developer and former ferry company owner Ron Cowan, who has donated more than \$116,000 to Perata since 2001. Questions about the cost-effectiveness of an expansion had long undermined their efforts.

But the idea acquired new life early last year, when Cowan co-chaired a disaster preparedness task force for the Bay Area Council. The committee's conclusion: Ferry service must be dramatically expanded, at a cost of \$1.6 billion, to prepare the region for a major earthquake by providing backup transportation.

Perata's bill, in its original form, was largely noncontroversial and would have increased spending on ferry service by \$250 million. The creation of the new authority to take existing ferry lines away from cities occurred on the last day of the session. The authority would have the power to sell bonds to expand operations and to tap transportation subsidies never before available for ferry service, potentially putting taxpayers on the hook for hundreds of millions of dollars more.

"The bill was more timid until the last minute," said Stuart Cohen, executive director of the Bay Area Transportation and Land Use Coalition. "The folks behind this probably didn't want it to be a public debate."

Some of Perata's fellow lawmakers agreed. "There was no way to find out," said Assemblywoman Noreen Evans (D-Santa Rosa), "what was going on behind the scenes."

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## Oops! Oversight eliminates four panels

### Governor's veto means end to a fifth consumer board.

**By Kevin Yamamura - Bee Capitol Bureau**

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Four state consumer boards could die next year after state lawmakers neglected to pass a crucial bill during a frantic September final night in which both legislative houses raced to adjourn amid rancorous politics.

A fifth board, the Dental Board of California, is scheduled to expire after Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger vetoed a dental hygienists' bill that also would have allowed the regulatory panel to continue beyond next year.

As a result, consumers could see fewer public protections in services such as barbering and cosmetology, vocational nursing, dentistry and audiology. Workers in those industries, as well as court reporters, may experience licensing inconveniences as their boards transform into smaller bureaus run strictly by the Schwarzenegger administration.

The impending dissolution of five state consumer boards at once is unprecedented, said Robert Fellmeth, executive director of the Center for Public Interest Law at the University of San Diego.

"There have been a few examples of boards deliberately sunseting, but this is the first time we had large numbers of agencies terminated out of sheer incompetence," Fellmeth said.

State consumer boards are scheduled to periodically expire, or "sunset," a provision that enables lawmakers and the governor to review their performance before extending their terms. By the final night of session, the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board, Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians, Board of Barbering and Cosmetology, Dental Board and Court Reporters Board had not had their tenure extended beyond next June.

The Assembly gutted and amended Senate Bill 797 by Sen. Mark Ridley-Thomas, D-Los Angeles, to ensure that four of the boards would continue to exist. The Senate crafted a separate bill, Assembly Bill 1545, that would ensure that all five boards continue.

By the end of the night, tensions flared during negotiations over a new California Correctional Peace Officers Association contract. That came after a week in which both houses grew uncooperative over how quickly they were approving each other's bills. After the CCPOA contract talks broke down, both houses rushed to adjourn, stranding SB 797 and AB 1545.

"SB 797 unfortunately failed to move on the last night of session," said Alicia Trost, a spokeswoman for Senate President Pro Tem Don Perata, D-Oakland. "This was unintentional and involved the

sunset extensions of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board, the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians, Court Reporters Board and the state Board of Barbering and Cosmetology. We are working to correct this."

Assemblyman Mike Eng, D-Monterey Park, said SB 797 "got caught up in the politics of the last night of session."

Eng, Perata and Ridley-Thomas have explored ways to get the boards' terms extended during the governor's ongoing special sessions on water and health care, but they have not been successful so far.

Ridley-Thomas said he did not get permission from Republicans during a recent Senate floor session on water to take up a bill on the consumer boards.

John Vertido, a Roseville licensed vocational nurse and president of the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians, said he hopes lawmakers can pass emergency legislation during the special session on health care. So far, however, neither legislative house has convened in Sacramento on health care because Democrats and Schwarzenegger remain at odds.

"The difference between us and a bureau is that there's not going to be a way to really check and maintain the quality of the students being put out," Vertido said. "There will be no representation of the different professions."

If the boards expire next July, the Department of Consumer Affairs will take over their responsibilities by establishing bureaus that do not have sitting board members. The bureaus will be run by Schwarzenegger officials rather than board appointees.

That switch would not be entirely unfamiliar to Schwarzenegger; in 2004, he proposed eliminating and consolidating dozens of boards and commissions in much the same way before rescinding his plan under criticism.

In order to reinstate the boards, the Legislature would have to approve bills next year re-establishing their existence starting no earlier than 2009. At that point, Schwarzenegger would have to appoint new board members.

Eng said he believes enforcement and oversight will still exist for the five fields in question but without the transparency that a public board provides.

Lawmakers cannot approve emergency legislation next year in regular session that allows the existing boards to continue because of a state constitutional prohibition on doing so, though lawmakers and professional groups are researching whether that law is absolute.

Schwarzenegger vetoed SB 534 last weekend, a bill to establish a new regulatory system for dental hygienists separate from the Dental Board. The proposal also was his only chance to have extended the Dental Board's existence beyond next summer.

Perata criticized the governor in a letter sent Tuesday. "How will the Administration potentially move to a bureau and continue the transparency and accountability of the Board?" he asked.

Happy Chastain, a spokeswoman with the State and Consumer Services Agency, said the bill was vetoed because the governor did not agree with the dental hygienists portion of the bill, not because he wanted the Dental Board to expire.

"He did not believe that the bill should be leveraged by putting controversial provisions into the sunset bill," Chastain said.

Liz Snow, chief strategy officer with the California Dental Association, said her group is concerned about the board's potential termination next year.

"Everything comes to a grinding halt, no matter how smooth or prepared anyone is during a shift to a bureau," she said.

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## A buzz cut for boards

It's right idea but wrong manner to do it

**W**hen the gavel finally slammed down on the last day of the legislative session, hundreds of bills languished. Two would have authorized the continued existence of four state consumer boards: the Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board; the Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians; the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology; and the Court Reporters Board. They are now set to expire in July.

Those boards are supposed to regulate, in the public's interest, nurses, audiologists, court reporters and other professionals. But anyone familiar with such boards knows that too many spend their time protecting the professionals they regulate from competition. Nonetheless, allowing the boards to fade away does not solve the problem of self-serving regulators. When the boards go, the Department of Consumer Affairs will assume responsibilities and that could make things worse.

Robert Fellmeth, director of the Center for Public Interest Law at the University of San Diego, warns that

when the boards expire a single political appointee of the governor will replace them. That individual will be free to conduct regulatory decision-making in secret rather than in public, as the boards did. That's a step backward.

Still, legislators scrambling to resurrect boards they inadvertently eliminated should tread carefully. Some boards should be rescued; some should not. At least one, Barbering and Cosmetology, should be disbanded. Consumers can protect themselves from bad haircuts or dye jobs. They don't need the government's assistance. Fellmeth questions the need for a Court Reporters Board. Lawyers and public agencies hiring court reporters are able to judge their competence. Administrative law judges are in a better position to deal with complaints than a politically appointed board.

While California badly needs regulatory reform, it shouldn't happen by accident. Lawmakers and the governor need to come up with a rational way to decide which professions need to be regulated and which do not.





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## Governor's 2004 plan recalled in board snafu

### Five expirations are consistent with his goal, watchdogs say

**By Kevin Yamamura - Bee Capitol Bureau**

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In a small way, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger may realize his wish to "blow up the boxes" of state bureaucracy, albeit three years late.

The Republican governor in 2004 sought to dissolve 117 boards and commissions as part of a promise to consolidate state government. He retreated from the proposal when critics asserted that the government bodies serve legitimate roles of protecting the public.

But thanks to a legislative mishap that surfaced last week, four state boards that Schwarzenegger previously wanted to eliminate are scheduled to expire next year. A fifth board, the Dental Board of California, is slated to expire after the governor vetoed a dental hygienists' bill that would have extended the board's term.

State board watchdogs suggest that Schwarzenegger may not mind the prospect of five boards expiring, even if he did not play a direct role in four of them.

"I think his administration prefers bureaus and departments to boards because bureaus and departments are controlled by one person," said Julie D'Angelo Fellmeth, administrative director at the Center for Public Interest Law at the University of San Diego School of Law.

As part of his California Performance Review in 2004, the governor proposed eliminating all five of the now-endangered boards: Board of Barbering and Cosmetology, Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology Board, Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians, Dental Board and Court Reporters Board.

If the Legislature cannot pass emergency legislation to save the boards, they will become state bureaus controlled by Schwarzenegger officials rather than by appointed board members, giving the governor greater control over their operations.

"We are open to re-establishing these boards and working with the Legislature to do so," said Schwarzenegger spokesman Aaron McLearn. "The bottom line is that whether they survive as boards or become bureaus, they will protect consumers."

Yet Fellmeth said the governor stands to gain more control if he prevents the boards from being re-established.

"With a bureau chief, it's one person responsible to the governor, one person who can be hired by the governor and fired by the governor," she said. "This administration definitely prefers that structure because it has refused to approve any new boards since the governor has been in office."

If the boards cannot be extended beyond June, lawmakers and the governor will have to reach agreement on a way to rebuild them, a difficult process, said Bob Stern, president of the Center for Governmental Studies in Los Angeles.

"Once they're gone, it's always hard to bring them back," he said.

For instance, lawmakers and the governor failed this year to agree on how to revive the Bureau of Private Postsecondary and Vocational Education, which was responsible for protecting students from fraudulent trade schools and diploma mills. It expired in June after Schwarzenegger vetoed 2006 legislation that would have enabled the bureau to continue. After promising last year to outline his own plan to rebuild the bureau, he and lawmakers have yet to reach a deal.

When Schwarzenegger proposed his 2004 California Performance Review to eliminate various state boards, he sold it as a way to streamline existing operations, cut costs and make state government more responsive. But consumer advocates said boards are important because they meet in public and in many cases have appointees who face Senate confirmation.

State consumer boards are scheduled to periodically expire, or "sunset," a provision that enables lawmakers and the governor to review their performance before extending their terms.

Caught up in divisive inter-house politics, lawmakers neglected to pass a bill on the final night of legislative session to allow four of the endangered boards to continue past next June. The Dental Board lost its own extension when the governor vetoed a bill this month to give dental hygienists a separate regulatory system.

Happy Chastain, spokeswoman with the State and Consumer Services Agency, said the governor vetoed the bill because he disliked the dental hygienists' component, not because he wanted the Dental Board to expire.

But Senate President Pro Tem Don Perata, D-Oakland, sent Schwarzenegger a letter last week in which he compared the veto of the dental bill to the governor's 2004 efforts.

"When the California Performance Review proposed to eliminate boards within the Department of Consumer Affairs, there was great public concern about your efforts to treat the regulatory oversight of health care professionals in the same manner as regulatory oversight of auto mechanics," Perata wrote.

Stern said that while the Legislature failed to put the legislation extending the four boards' terms on the governor's desk, Schwarzenegger also may not have been tracking the boards enough to make sure that the Legislature did so in a timely manner.

Stern faulted lawmakers and the governor for allowing the four boards to sunset unintentionally, and he said he did not think the governor intended for them to expire.

While the governor has retreated from his broader "blowing up the boxes" mentality, McLear said the governor has not ruled out changing some boards to bureaus if effective.

"The governor is always interested in saving taxpayer dollars and making government run more efficiently, and if we have opportunity to do that, we will always try to do that," McLear said. "But the bottom line is we will always protect consumers. If that means allowing a board to sunset and become a bureau or part of an agency, then we will look at that. But at the end of the day, if it doesn't protect consumers, we would not consider it."

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## Privacy lifted in fatal child-abuse cases under new law

By John Simerman  
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The public will gain access to detailed information about children who are killed in cases of suspected abuse or neglect under a bill that Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger signed Thursday.

Up to now, state privacy law has kept hidden much of the story surrounding the deaths of children in foster care and of children who died after social workers fielded reports of abuse.

Medical records, risk assessments on families, details on foster parents, logs of earlier reports of abuse and how county welfare agencies handled them remain largely shielded from public view.

SB 39, which the governor signed along with five other child welfare bills, takes effect Jan. 1 and will give the public the right to much of that information without a costly, drawn out court fight.

"We hope and expect it will be a very powerful tool to find out what's going on and to advocate for reforms, if reforms will help save the lives of children," said Ed Howard of the Children's Advocacy Institute. 

In Contra Costa County, child welfare officials cited privacy laws in withholding key information in the high-profile deaths of two children: 2-year-old Deonna Green, who died after eating baking soda at her Pittsburg foster home in December, and 8-year-old Rajion Daniels of Richmond, who died a year ago this month after years of suspected abuse by his mother.

The state Department of Social Services has required only that county agencies offer a sparse public summary of contacts with those children. In the summaries, the names of the dead children are blacked out.

In 2002, 140 children reportedly died in California from abuse or neglect, although experts say the actual number is likely higher.

Similar bills languished for years under opposition from the union that represents social workers and from child welfare agency officials. The bill was rewritten in part to address their concerns, including the privacy of siblings.

The social workers' union withdrew its opposition and the County Welfare Directors Association of California lent the bill its support, acknowledging that the veil of secrecy around child deaths created an appearance that the agencies were hiding deadly mistakes.

"They were unable to defend themselves even if they were doing things that were in the best interest of the child, for the best interest of the family," said Jim Ewert of the California Newspaper Publishers Association, which supported the bill.

Among the other child welfare bills that Schwarzenegger signed Thursday is legislation by Assemblywoman Loni Hancock, D-Berkeley, creating a pilot program to streamline the approval process for foster homes and adoptive families.

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State pays foster parents far below what's needed, suit charges

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## State pays foster parents far below what's needed, suit charges

Bob Egelko, Chronicle Staff Writer

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California is paying foster parents far less than they need to care for children, with rates below the average cost of keeping a dog in a kennel, foster families and their advocates charged in a lawsuit Wednesday.

The suit, filed in federal court in San Francisco, contends that California's acceptance of federal funds for foster care requires the state to cover actual child-rearing costs, including food, clothing, shelter, school supplies and "a child's personal incidentals."

The plaintiffs want a judge to order the state to increase payments to meet those costs. No dollar figure was given, but the suit quoted a University of Maryland study, released Wednesday, that found California's foster care rates to be 44 to 61 percent below what it costs to raise a child.

"Having removed these children from their parents, already seriously disrupting their lives, the state is legally and morally obligated to provide for their care," said Kimberly Van Voorhis, a lawyer for the California State Foster Parent Association and other organizations that filed the suit.

About 78,000 children in California have been placed in foster care because of parents' abuse, neglect or inability to provide care. About 10 percent are with foster families; the rest go to relatives, group homes or foster agencies.

According to the lawsuit, basic foster family rates in California range from \$425 a month for children up to 4 years old to \$597 for youths 15 to 20. The payments have not risen since 2001 but are due to increase 5 percent in January.

During the rate freeze, the suit said, the number of Californians willing to become foster parents has declined 30 percent. As a result, foster children are more likely to be placed in group homes, where they stand little chance of bonding with adults who may ultimately adopt them, the suit said.

"In sad contrast," the suit said, kennels in California charge an average of \$620 a month to care for a dog.

The new University of Maryland study concluded that the minimum foster care expenses in California are \$685 a month for the youngest children and \$861 a month for the oldest.

But Shirley Washington, spokeswoman for the state Department of Social Services, said California actually pays foster families an average of \$680 a month and will increase that to \$715 in January. She said the figure includes higher rates paid to care for children with special needs.

Ed Howard, an attorney with the Children's Advocacy Institute, said including those payments inflates the figure far above the typical rates for foster parents.

The suit relies on the federal Child Welfare Act, a 1980 law requiring states to use federal foster care aid to provide "maintenance payments" to foster parents. In a separate suit filed last year challenging the state's rates for group homes, U.S. District Judge Marilyn Hall Patel ruled that foster care providers have a right to sue under the 1980 law and seek payment for specific costs. That suit is still pending.

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# Foster parents sue for higher payments

## Numbers declining as state-funded reimbursements fall behind rising costs.

By BRIAN JOSEPH

The Orange County Register

SACRAMENTO California foster parents filed a lawsuit in federal district court Wednesday demanding that the state raise assistance rates to cover the actual cost of caring for foster children.

The suit was brought by the California State Foster Parent Association, Legal Advocates for Permanent Parenting, California State Care Providers and the Children's Advocacy Institute.

It says John Wagner, director of the state Department of Social Services, and Mary Ault, deputy director of the department's Children and Family Services Division, have violated the federal Child Welfare Act by failing to pay foster parents an adequate reimbursement rate.

Between 2001 and 2007, the state did not raise rates as the cost of living rose, which, according to studies, has led to a drop in the number of foster

families in the state. In Orange County, 104 families, or 17 percent, have dropped out of the system in the last four years.

The state Legislature approved a 5 percent rate increase to take effect in January, which will bring the average payment per foster child to \$530 a month.

The suit notes that a 2005 study by the California Budget Project found that the minimum cost of raising a child in the Bay Area is \$709 a month. A joint report released Wednesday by the University of Maryland School of Social Work and the National Foster Parent Association found that the minimum average rate for adequate care in California is \$777 a month.

A recent study by the County Welfare Directors Association of California and Legal Advocates for Permanent Parenting found that it costs more to kennel a dog in California -- \$620 a month, on average -- than foster parents receive.

"When we take a child from the care of its parents, we are exercising the most terrible power the government has," said Ed Howard, senior counsel and lobbyist for the Children's Advocacy Institute based at the University of San Diego Law

"When we exercise that power, we assume a deeply personal and moral responsibility to ensure the well being of these children and it is a sad day when we have to resort to litigation to ensure that foster parents get paid more to care for our children than what it costs to kennel a dog," he said.

Department spokeswoman Shirley Washington said Wednesday the department had not yet been served and could not comment on the suit.

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## New U.S. attorney in Los Angeles sworn in

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LOS ANGELES—Thomas P. O'Brien was sworn in as U.S. attorney in Los Angeles on Friday, a day after the Senate confirmed his nomination by President Bush.

The career prosecutor will oversee about 250 attorneys responsible for all federal prosecutions in a judicial district that includes Los Angeles, Riverside, Orange, San Bernardino, Ventura, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo counties.

"You are going to see a revitalized, energetic office move forward and meet the needs of this district," said O'Brien, 48.

Many in the office see O'Brien as a welcome choice. He headed the office's criminal division since 2005 and is viewed as a hands-on manager who helped maintain morale at a time of disheartened staff and funding shortages.

His appointment also shores up credibility for the office at a time when the Justice Department is suffering from accusations that nine U.S. attorneys were fired for political reasons. O'Brien is not known to be politically active or well-connected in Washington.

"He should be a terrific U.S. attorney," said Vincent Marella, a former federal prosecutor.

O'Brien was born in Massachusetts and graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy in 1981. He is a graduate of the Navy Fighter Weapons School and flew F-14s as a radar intercept officer on two overseas deployments.

O'Brien attended the University of San Diego School of Law and was a deputy district attorney in San Diego before moving to Los Angeles in 1994. He started his public career as a county prosecutor, spending five years in the Los Angeles County district attorney's gang unit, before moving to the U.S. attorney's office in 2000.

He replaces George S. Cardona, who served as interim and acting U.S. attorney following Debra Wong Yang's resignation in January.

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Two USD School of Law alumni have been appointed to Superior Court judgeships in California by Gov. **Schwarzenegger**. **Judith Krech Dulcich** was appointed to a judgeship in the **Kern County Superior Court**. **Dwight W. Moore** was appointed to a judgeship in the **San Bernardino County Superior Court**. Dulcich earned her Juris Doctorate degree from USD in 1990 and a bachelor of arts degree from **SDSU**. Moore earned a Juris Doctorate degree from USD in 1974 and a bachelor of arts degree from the university.

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**Pair of USD alums appointed to judgeships**



Two University of San Diego School of Law alumni were appointed to judgeships Thursday by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger.

Judith Krech Dulcich, who graduated in 1990, was appointed to Kern County Superior Court while Dwight W. Moore, a member of the class of 1974, was appointed to San Bernardino County Superior Court.

Dulcich, 44, of Bakersfield, Calif., has served as a deputy district attorney for the Kern County district attorney's office since 1990. She earned her bachelor's degree from San Diego State University. Dulcich fills a vacancy created by the retirement of Judge Romero Moench.

Moore, 56, of Redlands, Calif., has served as supervising deputy district attorney for the San Bernardino County district attorney's office since 1989 and previously was a deputy district attorney from 1981-89. He was an associate with the law firm **Thistle, Krinsky, Idler & Lambert** from 1977-81 and held the same position with Beard, Krinsky & Idler from 1975-76.

Moore earned a bachelor's degree from the University of San Diego. He fills one of the new positions created by Senate Bill 56. **Source Code: 20071004czg**

## SB County gets three new judges

Gina Tenorio, Staff Writer  
San Bernardino County Sun

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Three new judges have been appointed by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger to serve on San Bernardino County's Superior Court.

Thomas S. Garza of Highland, Dwight W. Moore of Redlands and Gilbert G. Ochoa of Rancho Cucamonga have become the court's newest members. Their appointments were announced Wednesday.

The positions were created as a result of Senate Bill 56, which was signed by the governor in March 2006. The bill authorizes establishing 50 new judgeships throughout the state.

The bill also creates a system for reporting the gender and ethnic makeup of bench applicants, said Gena Grebitus, deputy press secretary for the Governor's Office.

"There had never been any reporting process before that bill was passed," Grebitus said.

The goal, set by Judicial Appointments Secretary Sharon Majors-Lewis, is to have courts that reflect California's ethnic diversity, Grebitus said.

Information on the ethnicity of individual appointees would not be released, Grebitus said, but ethnic percentages of applicants would be tracked.

Garza, 49, has been an attorney and partner in the Law Office of Garza & Garza since 1993. He earned a juris doctorate degree from Western State University College of Law and a bachelor of arts from UCLA. He is a Democrat.

Moore, 56, has been a supervising deputy district attorney with the San Bernardino County District Attorney's Office since 1989 and was a deputy district attorney from 1981 to 1989. He earned a juris doctorate from the University of San Diego School of Law and a bachelor of arts from the University of San Diego. He is a Republican.

Ochoa, 49, has been managing attorney for Bollington & Ochoa since 1993 and a judge pro-tem for the San Bernardino County Superior and Orange County Municipal courts. He has also been a court-appointed arbitrator for the Superior Courts in Los Angeles, Riverside and San Bernardino counties. Ochoa earned a juris doctorate from the University of Santa Clara School of Law and a bachelor of arts degree from Whittier College. He is a Republican.

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## Krause to develop advance securities law course at USD



### Law Briefs

By Doug Sherwin

James C. Krause, senior partner at **Krause, Kalfayan, Benink & Slavens LLP**, has been asked to develop and teach an advanced securities law course at the University of San Diego School of Law.

As an adjunct professor at the school, Krause currently teaches the standard securities regulation course. By developing the advanced course, Krause will teach one course on the 1933 Securities Act, which deals primarily with the registration of securities. He will teach another course dealing with the 1934 Securities & Exchange Act, which covers securities litigation and broker, mutual fund and investment adviser regulation.

Krause has practiced in the area of securities litigation since graduating from the law school in 1975. **Source Code: 20071030tja**

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## USD announces speakers for climate change lectures

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The Energy Policy Initiatives Center (EPIC), a nonprofit research center at the University of San Diego School of Law, Thursday announced the speakers for the 2007 Climate Change Lecture Series.

"Climate change is one of the most pressing issues of the 21st century," said Scott Anders, director of EPIC. "As we transition from debating the science to seeking solutions to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, many legal and policy questions arise. The purpose of the lecture series is to begin to explore some of these issues and to further this important dialogue."

Ken Alex, supervising deputy attorney general for the state of California, is scheduled to speak Thursday, Nov. 1. He will discuss the California attorney general's efforts to address global warming through legal action, including the opportunities and limitations posed by the legal approach.

California Energy Commissioner John L. Geesman is scheduled to speak Thursday, Nov. 8. He will discuss the energy policy challenges that California will face in implementing Assembly Bill 32, which seeks to reduce greenhouse gas emissions to 1990 levels by 2020.

Both lectures begin at 4:30 p.m. and are presented in the School of Leadership & Education Sciences (SOLES) Auditorium on the USD campus. The lectures are free and open to the public but reservations are required. RSVP at (619) 260-6848 or [usdlawevent@sandiego.edu](mailto:usdlawevent@sandiego.edu) by Monday, Oct. 29.

A live Webcast of each lecture will be available online the day of the event. Go to [law.sandiego.edu](http://law.sandiego.edu) and click on "Live Webcast."

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**TUESDAY, Nov 27 - LECTURE**

**THE CONSTITUTION IN PEACE AND WAR**

Former Attorney General Edwin Meese will discuss the Constitution in peace and war during the Fourth annual presentation of the Joan E. Bowes-James Madison Distinguished Speaker Series. **Organization:** USD School of Law  
**Information:** (619) 260-6848 usdlawevent@sandiego.edu **Cost:** No Cost **When:** Starts: 5:30 PM **Where:** Joan B. Kroc Institute of Peace and Justice, USD, 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego, 92110




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SATURDAY, NOV 3 - PANEL

THE ROBERTS COURT: YEAR ONE IN REVIEW

This panel features distinguished professors of law Steven Smith, Miranda McGowan, David McGowan, Laurence Claus and Michael Ramsey. **Organization:** USD School of Law **Information:** (619) 260-6848 [usdlawevent@sandiego.edu](mailto:usdlawevent@sandiego.edu) **Cost:** No Cost **When:** Hours: 10:00 AM - 11:30 AM **Where:** Pardee Leg Research Center, Room 132, USD School of Law, 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego



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# LAW CALENDAR

## FEATURED EVENTS

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### **MONDAY, NOV 5 - DISCUSSION**

#### **LEGAL ETHICS AND PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY: THE CASE OF THE UNITED STATES**

A discussion of the history and development of legal ethics in the United States. Keynote presentation by Dr. Fred Zacharias, Herzog Research Professor, USD School of Law. **Organization:** USD Trans-Border Institute **Information:** [www.sandiego.edu](http://www.sandiego.edu) **Cost:** No Cost **When:** Hours: 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM **Where:** USD (Kroc Institute), 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego, 92110, Venue Phone - (619) 260-4828



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**CEC at RB**

Reservations close Oct. 20 for CEC's visit to The Dead Sea Scrolls exhibit at the San Diego Museum of Natural History on Nov. 5. Dinner at Mimi's and an evening lecture at the museum are included in the price of \$85 members, \$90 nonmembers. The scrolls exhibited in November are the second set which have arrived from Israel. Departure time from Remington II, 16916 Hierba Drive in Rancho Bernardo, is 1:45 p.m.

Fall daytime lectures continue at Remington Club. On Tuesday, Oct. 9 at 10 a.m. Dr. Michael Provence of the University of California, San Diego will describe the post World War I intrigues which created the boundaries of the modern Middle East. FBI Public Affairs Specialist April Langwell will talk about "Identity Theft" at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 10. Small Towns as depicted in American literature will be the topic of Dr. Dennis Clausen on at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 11. What did "separation of church and state" mean to writers of the First Amendment? That question will be discussed by USD law professor Steven D. Smith in a talk at CEC at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16. Pre-registration for all lectures is appreciated.

CEC, a "fitness center for the mind," is an all-volunteer nonprofit organization which offers noncredit college level lectures at Remington Club Phase II, 16916 Hierba Drive in Rancho Bernardo. For information or reservations, call the CEC office at 858-487-0464 or find details on the Internet at [www.cecrb.org](http://www.cecrb.org). Annual memberships are \$30 for individuals and \$50 for couples.



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**"Foreordained Failure:** The Quest for a Constitutional Principle of Religious Freedom" discussed by author and USD law and philosophy professor Steven D. Smith when Humanist Fellowship gathers on Sunday, October 21, 2 p.m., at San Diego Public Library (820 E Street). Free. 619-670-4159, 619-544-0640. (DOWNTOWN)



**School of Leadership and Education Sciences**

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**USD leadership school  
complex to be dedicated**

**SAN DIEGO:** For years, students and professors in the School of Leadership and Education Sciences at the University of San Diego mustered through classrooms and lectures all over campus.

Tonight, after years of wishful thinking and millions of dollars in gifts to the university, hundreds of graduates, educators, administrators and donors will gather to celebrate the formal opening of the school's new home in a \$36 million complex.

The building has 15 classrooms, offices, a 188-seat auditorium and an executive training room.

The school has nearly 1,000 students working toward master's or doctoral degrees. More than 40 percent of administrators in the San Diego Unified School District have graduated from the school's Education Leadership Development Academy. -J.M.





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USD's School of Leadership and Education Sciences (SOLES) will hold a formal dedication ceremony on Oct. 20 for **Mother Rosalie Hill Hall**, its new 80,000-square-foot, \$36 million education technology building. The building is named after one of the university's founders. It has 15 classrooms, a 188-seat auditorium, a 60-seat executive training classroom, underground parking, an 800-square foot instructional resource center, a 2,000-square-foot reading room and a terrace café.

The SOLES program has grown from 15 to 40 faculty members and from less than 500 to almost 1,000 students over the past decade. The new facility will expand the school's distance learning programs, including work with the Los Angeles-based **John Tracy Clinic** to train teachers of the deaf and hard of hearing.

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**On the Agenda**

By Tiffany Stecker

CONNECT leads the week with two events, one of which is the first in a three-part series. And the first of this quarter's local earnings are popping up, with three companies reporting.

**Local events**

In the first of a three-part series of workshops, CONNECT will present "New Venture Strategy: Five Distinct Strategies to Get it Right in Any Market" Tuesday. The series is designed to help direct new companies to success and further growth. The workshop, which seeks to help new ventures find a niche and analyze market circumstances, will begin at 7:30 a.m. at the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center. For more information, visit con-

nect.org.


The University of San Diego School of Leadership will hold an open house showcasing its programs Tuesday. Attendees will learn about undergraduate and graduate programs in education, meet faculty and staff, and tour the school's new facility. The open house begins at 3 p.m. on the campus's Mother Rosalie Hill Hall. For more information, visit [sandiego.edu/soles/information-session](http://sandiego.edu/soles/information-session).

Paul Linden discusses designs of low-energy buildings and subsequent challenges Thursday at this week's second CONNECT event. The workshop will begin at noon at the Sidney Kimmel Cancer Center. For more information, call Kate Bartel at (858) 964-1312, or e-mail [kpbartel@connect.org](mailto:kpbartel@connect.org).



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An **open house** for the USD School of Leadership and Education Sciences, Department of Learning and Teaching, will be from 3 to 5 p.m. Tuesday at USD's Mother Rosalie Hill Hall. RSVP: [www.sandiego.edu/soles/informationssession](http://www.sandiego.edu/soles/informationssession).

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### Getting Advanced Degrees

NPT Guides

By Don McNamara

Formal education and advanced degrees in nonprofit and philanthropy studies, once a rather far-fetched idea, are here to stay. What might prove to be more important to the nonprofit sector, however, is that institutional support for nonprofit executives and staff seeking such education is catching on.

Results of a study released by Roseanne M. Mirabella, a professor in the Political Science Department at Seton Hall University in South Orange, N.J., show that at least 255 colleges and universities in the United States offer advanced degrees or certificates that involve some aspect of philanthropy/nonprofit studies, primarily nonprofit management.

Of those institutions, 27 include some type of course work in their Ph.D. programs, although The Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University is the only one that offers a Ph.D. in philanthropy studies. The other doctoral programs are in such disciplines as public policy and public administration. The University of San Diego, in Leadership Studies with a special emphasis on nonprofit leadership.

The University of North Florida has just instituted a nonprofit management track under its Master's of Public Administration program. Its department of political science and public administration will offer a certification program as well.

In addition, at least 137 colleges offer various master's degrees, including the MA or MS in philanthropic studies, the MPA and the MPP (Master's in Public Policy), as well as various graduate programs that include concentrations in nonprofit studies.

Further, growing numbers of nonprofits are recognizing the importance of continued education. According to the 2007 salary and benefits survey of The NonProfit Times, nonprofit organizations support their managers or employees in their efforts to stay abreast of the latest information, trends and policies. Of 488 surveys returned, 270, or about 55 percent, responded that they offer professional development/education or tuition reimbursement as a benefit. This is an increase from 2006 when roughly 50 percent of respondents reported giving such benefits.

Mirabella recently published a 10-year look at nonprofit education in the United States, as well as one on programs

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chairman & CEO, Hartsook Companies, Inc., and Hartsook Resources, Enterprises & Trust, Inc. around the world. She said that her survey has been ongoing since 1995, when questionnaires were mailed to known nonprofit education programs and business schools. The first survey resulted in about 75 institutions with some type of nonprofit offering.

"Subsequently, we did a mailing to social work schools, and then when people found out we had generated a list they contacted us and asked if they could be included," Mirabella said. "Now with the availability of the Internet, once or twice a year we contact them to make sure it's still updated. Then once a year I do a complete update." (The survey can be seen at <http://tltc.shu.edu/npo>)

Mirabella said that the idea is catching on internationally. More than 100 education institutions outside the United States offer some type of nonprofit management or NGO (non-governmental organization) courses and programs.

Eugene R. Tempel, executive director of The Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University, said he detects awareness on the part of organizations to support employees who want to pursue higher degrees. The challenge is, he said, "Professional development is a difficult thing for nonprofit organizations to budget," said Tempel, "What we're seeing now is about half (of Indiana's graduate students) have institutional support. That's a change from when we started the program. That's a small number and it's anecdotal, but it's refreshing to see that organizations are willing to make that kind of investment."

Organizations are seeking an impact when funding the education. "(The organizations) expect that person to make a difference in helping to raise money," Tempel said. "That's one area where they're hoping to see a direct benefit."

Tempel said that there are 24 people enrolled in the university's Ph.D. in Philanthropic Studies program.

Because the program is three years old and a Ph.D. can take five years or even more to obtain, there are no Ph.D. recipients yet.

In addition to what exists, Robert Hartsook, chairman and CEO of Hartsook and Associates, a fundraising firm in Wichita, Kan., recently endowed Indiana University with a chair in fundraising.

"I was approached by Gene Tempel about endowing a chair at Indiana because he thought there was a gap in philanthropy studies with a specific emphasis on fundraising. I agreed," said Hartsook. "Quite honestly, we're working pretty aggressively to update the curriculum in the fundraising field," Hartsook added. "The problem with fundraising is that the research base on which we build is very thin."

Adrian Sargeant, a scholar from England, fills the chair that Hartsook endowed. "The UK has a vocational license for fundraising, and Adrian has a contract for a licensing re-examination," Hartsook said.

The Mandel Center for Nonprofit Organizations at Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland offers several graduate degrees, including an MNO, Master of Nonprofit Organizations.

Susan Lajoie Eagan, executive director of the Mandel Center, said the center focuses on three broad categories of professional development.

"The first (category) relates specifically to what we call learning communities," Eagan said. It includes peer-to-peer learning and connects executives with academics. She said it has been well received by executives.

"Second, we're creating a fair amount of customized programs," she said. Eagan pointed to the center's Treu-Mart Scholarships that offer tuition assistance for the Certificate in Nonprofit Management (CNM) program for those working in youth-serving organizations.

"Third is open enrollment workshops," Eagan added. These provide an intersection of practical expertise and theoretical consideration of the needs of the sector.

Eagan said that the people at the center are aware of the two significant challenges facing nonprofits – time and money. "Our efforts are to try to price things in a way that is accessible and to create learning opportunities that we believe create a high possibility of participants taking away something of value, so they think their time and money are well spent."

**Money talks**

As always in the nonprofit sector, money is a touchy issue. Lisa Brown Morton is president and CEO of Nonprofit HR Solutions, an executive search firm in Washington, D.C., that deals exclusively with nonprofits. She said that the current atmosphere, in which nonprofits face criticism if they are seen as devoting resources to administration rather than programs, puts a serious crimp in organizations' willingness to support employees seeking higher education or training.

Although funding can always be tight at a nonprofit, financial constraints might not be the only impediment to institutional support of education and training.

"There might be the concern on the part of nonprofits that they are 'training someone out of the organization' if they offer professional development," said Lewis Brindle, director of the George H.

Heyman Jr. Center of Philanthropy and Fundraising at New York University. The school established a Master's program during the fall of 2006. Still, he sees benefits in educational programs and expects them to grow.

Don Crocker, president and CEO of The Support Center for Nonprofit Management in New York City, voiced the same issue. "Some organizations are not wanting to invest (in employee education) because they are afraid they'll move away from the organization (after getting the degree or certificate)," Crocker said. "Actually, research indicates they'll stay. We think (organizations) are mistaken in that regard."

Crocker said the mistake is two-fold. On one hand, employees can get restless if they detect a lack of support or caring on the part of the employer, and secondly they relish opportunities to get better at their jobs.

Despite the concerns, support does exist.

Gayle A. Brandel, president of Professionals for Nonprofits, a search firm that specializes in nonprofits and has offices in New York and Washington, D.C., said that nonprofits are aware of the importance of professional development.

Brandel's company produces its own annual salary survey. Its findings for 2006 showed that 57 percent of respondents provide staff with professional development and 32 percent offer tuition reimbursement. "They recognize the need to do that kind of thing to have a strong organization," she said.

Support can include more than simple tuition reimbursement. Professional development, for example, can include paying for employees to attend conferences, as well as giving them the time to do so.

Laura Carpenter Bingham, president of Peace College in Raleigh, N.C., earned a Master of Arts in Philanthropic Studies from Indiana in 2003. She also received a certificate in nonprofit management from Duke University in 1992. Support other than financial was very important to her.

Bingham was vice president of college relations at Hollins College in Roanoke, Va., when she began her studies at Indiana.

"Hollins was supportive, of course," Bingham said. "I did a summer immersion class and several classes by distance learning, but I loved the opportunity to be in residence at Indianapolis."

The presidency at Peace came while Bingham was still in her course work, but the university allowed her to take time to make the transition.

"I had to take a break, and Dwight Burlingame (assistant executive director of the Indiana Center) was my advisor," she said. "He was very supportive. I took a break and came back to it." *NPT*

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## CV resident heading to Uganda in effort to help build children's malaria hospital

By Joe Tash

A group of San Diego County residents is working feverishly to raise funds to combat childhood malaria in Uganda, saying the health crisis in the African nation is akin to a fully loaded jumbo jet crashing each week.

The nonprofit group Holy Innocents Children's Malaria Hospital Uganda is focused on building a 40-bed malaria hospital in the village of Nyamitanga, in Southwestern Uganda, at a cost of \$350,000. Later phases of the project would include 80 more beds at a cost of \$150,000.

"For \$500,000 we can build and equip that hospital, which is nothing," said Susan Koehler, 57, a Carmel Valley mother of two, and vice president of development for Holy Innocents.

On Nov. 5, Koehler leaves for a two-week trip to Uganda, where she will meet with local officials, other aid agencies and tour government medical facilities. By seeing the health crisis firsthand, she hopes to be able to present a more compelling case to donors back home in the U.S.

"I'm excited. I've got a stack of books I'm reading about Uganda," said Koehler.

At the same time, she expects the experience to be "life-altering," and she is steeling herself for the scenes of poverty and sheer human misery she expects to encounter.

She plans to visit government hospitals, and she has been warned by a group of nursing students from the University of San Diego who visited Uganda recently that, "you walk into the hospitals and they look like death."

The USD group went to Uganda to do a feasibility study on building the children's hospital. USD nursing professor Anita Hunter is on the Holy Inno-

cents board.

Holy Innocents was launched following a chance meeting in 2006 between Archbishop Paul Bakyenga of the Archdiocese of Mbarara, Uganda, where the village of Nyamitanga is located, and Tom Thomas, a retired IBM executive who lives in Rancho Bernardo.

Bakyenga was visiting his friend, Monsignor Dennis Mikulanic of San Rafael Parish in Rancho Bernardo, when he met Thomas in the rectory kitchen.

According to Koehler, Thomas asked Bakyenga what he could do to help.

"He asked for a children's malaria hospital," as a cornerstone of efforts to fight the disease, said Koehler. "If a child doesn't get treated for malaria within a week (of infection), they're probably going to die."

The archbishop told Thomas that 47 children die each day from malaria in his archdiocese, which has a population of 2.4 million.

Thomas took the request to heart, and began trying to get the effort off the ground. He enlisted the aid of software entrepreneur Lane Freestone, and the two men incorporated Holy Innocents in February, and received nonprofit certification in May. Koehler joined the organization over the summer.

The project is a joint venture of Holy Innocents and the Mbarara archdiocese, said Koehler. Father Bonaventure Turyomumazima, chancellor of the archdiocese, heads the Ugandan board for the children's hospital project.

The plan is for Holy Innocents to raise the money for construction of the hospital, and for the archdiocese to run it. As part of the project, Koehler said, the groups want to start a business that will pro-



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**Susan Koehler, vice president of development for Holy Innocents Children's Malaria Hospital Uganda.**

**Photo/Ben Sever**

vide jobs and money to operate the hospital once it is built.

Holy Innocents has raised \$75,000 so far, and needs to raise an additional \$200,000 by the end of the year to meet its target of starting construction on the first wing of the hospital in January, on a piece of land provided by the archdiocese.

Along with raising money for the hospital, Holy Innocents is also arranging for shipments of anti-malarial drugs and mosquito nets treated with insecticide to Mbarara, because malaria is transmitted to humans by the bites of infected mosquitoes.

Church workers will deliver the supplies, according to Koehler. "We have a delivery system and feet on the ground now. If we can get the medication, we can get it to the people."

Once she returns from Uganda, Koehler will redouble her efforts to raise the money needed to break ground on the children's hospital. Father Bonaventure will be back in San Diego in December, and the two will speak to civic groups about the need for malaria treatment in Uganda, and the Holy Innocents project.

Those who are interested in donating to the project, or finding out more about it, can log on to [www.holyinnocentsuganda.org](http://www.holyinnocentsuganda.org) or call (858) 792-0593.

Koehler is convinced her group can raise the money they need to break ground in January. "Absolutely. "I think once people learn about this and see the need and see how little we have to raise to do so much, that we'll be able to do it."

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## **Diane Bell**

# Mauled by grizzly, he hikes again



Two years ago, Scripps Hospital executive Johan Otter was lucky to be alive after he and his daughter, Jenna, 18,

were attacked by a grizzly bear while hiking in Glacier National Park. Johan's scalp was ripped open, his right eye socket was torn, five vertebrae and three ribs were fractured and his right arm was severely injured. His injuries required several surgeries — with one still to go — and months of painful rehabilitation.

Johan, then director of physical, speech and occupational therapy for Scripps Memorial Hospital in La Jolla, knew more than most people about the long, arduous road to recovery and was determined to make a full comeback.

Jenna, a student at UC Irvine,

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# Sheen to join inauguration of School of Peace

also was mauled and hospitalized, but her injuries were not as severe. She is now pursuing a dance career.

Last month, both father and daughter [redacted] National

"Jenna [redacted] on the first day," her father says. But the third day was his birthday. To celebrate and to conquer their fears, they again hiked together — although not on the same trail as the attack.

Johan's next goal is to run in the Boston Marathon in April, a race he did twice before the attack. This month, he completed a marathon in St. George, Utah, in 3 hours, 29 minutes and 19 seconds, a time that qualified him for the Boston race.

"It's amazing that I am here — and walking — and now doing a marathon ... totally awesome," says Otter, who says he has a lot to be thankful for this Thanksgiving.

## **Miramar show and tell**

It's not often that a civilian visitor to MCAS Miramar calmly announces that she has a missile in her car. That's precisely what happened, however, before the Miramar Air Show last weekend. Vanessa Pineda, marketing manager for the Midway museum, gave the Marine Corps Air Station guards a bit of a start when she arrived at the gate with a

"missile warhead" in her van.

Midway docent Tom Dean quickly explained it was an inert missile to be used as a prop for the museum's display at the show. After thoroughly inspecting the van, the guards eventually let Pineda, Dean, the missile and other military-related museum props enter.

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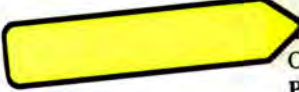
Actor and activist Martin Sheen will join Catholic Relief Services President Ken Hackett here tomorrow to inaugurate the University of San Diego's new School of Peace Studies. The school, led by the Rev. William Headley, is an outgrowth of philanthropist Joan B. Kroc's \$50 million bequest to the university in 2003. Its mission is to train students and world leaders to resolve global conflicts . . .

Across town at UC San Diego, 2006 Nobel Peace Prize winner Muhammad Yunus will lecture at 2 p.m. Sunday. The Bangladeshi economist founded Grameen Bank, which pioneered the giving of small, collateral-free loans that have lifted millions of Third World women and their families out of poverty. His speech will be Web cast live and broadcast several times on UCSD-TV beginning at 8 p.m. Nov. 12.

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**SAN DIEGO SCENE**



Actor **Martin Sheen** will help launch **USD's** new **School of Peace Studies** on Oct. 17 in the **Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice**. The school, headed by Dean **William Headley**, will focus on peace-making, peace building and peacekeeping efforts. The noontime program will evolve to include full-time faculty and expansion of the undergraduate and graduate programs. The **IPJ**, established in 2001, is now part of the new school. Also, on Oct. 20 the university's **School of Leadership and Education Sciences** will formally dedicate **Mother Rosalie Hill Hall**, its new 80,000-square-foot, \$36 million education technology building. The building is named after one of **USD's** founders.

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**Peace builders  
to gather at USD**

Women peace builders from around the world will be in San Diego this month for a two-day summit at the Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice at the University of San Diego.

The summit, scheduled for Oct. 23-24, will include alumni from the past five years of the institute's Women PeaceMakers program. The discussions are free and open to the public.

The kickoff panel at 9:30 a.m. Oct. 23 will include participants from Afghanistan, Palestine, the Philippines, Sri Lanka and Somalia. At 2 p.m., panelists will be from Cameroon, Indonesia, Kyrgyzstan, Serbia and Uganda. At 4 p.m., there will be a discussion of how women can contribute to building peace. Panels on Oct. 24, at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m., will feature speakers from Kosovo, Nepal, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Mexico and the United States.

In addition, at 7 p.m. Oct. 23, there will be a lecture on gender issues in conflict resolution by Priscilla Hayner, director of the peace and justice program at the New York-based International Center for Transitional Justice, and Lt. Gen. Joseph Olorunbun Owonibi, former commander of U.N. peacekeeping forces in Liberia. The lecture is free, though attendees are encouraged to R.S.V.P. by Oct. 17 at (619) 260-4236.

More information on the Women PeaceMakers program is at [peace.sandiego.edu/programs/women.html](http://peace.sandiego.edu/programs/women.html).

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**BEING THERE: A CLUB OF FAITHS**

"The Faith Club" is about how three women – a Jew, a Muslim and a Christian – came together. The authors will be here for two free forums: 7 p.m. Oct. 23, St. Timothy's Episcopal Church, 10125 Azuaga St., Rancho Peñasquitos (R.S.V.P. to 619-291-5947, ext. 305); and 7 p.m. Oct. 24, USD's Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice (R.S.V.P. by Wednesday at 619-260-4236).

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## Panel encourages action in Burmese conflict

By ANTHONY GENTILE  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

With the political oppression and violence taking place in Burma, that distance alone can discourage USD students from involving themselves in the conflict. Even though the conflict is over 8,000 miles away, that distance is not far enough to preclude participation.

That was one of the key messages from "Burma Teach-In: will non-violent resistance succeed?" a panel held Tuesday in IPJ conference rooms C and D. The four panelists spoke for 48 minutes, followed by a 42-minute question-and-answer session.

Joyce Neu, executive director for the Institute of Peace and Justice, spoke first and provided a brief background on Burma. Neu also gave some insight into why the conflict arose.

Throughout the panel,

Burma was not referred to by its current name of Myanmar. This was done in order to not observe the military junta in control.

"It stemmed from decades of oppression by a military regime that has denied all human rights and civil liberties since 1962," Neu said. "And the current uprising was triggered by a sudden rise in fuel prices." Neu also said the Burmese government estimates the number of dead range from 400 to 500, but that thousands potentially could be dead.

Dr. Karma Lekshe Tsomo, a USD associate professor of theology and religious studies, followed, discussing her visits to Burma, Burmese Buddhism and the failure of the military junta to recognize Aung San Suu Kyi as prime minister, who was elected democratically in 1990.

Tsomo also discussed why monks have assumed a lead-



ANTHONY GENTILE/THE VISTA

USD professor Dr. Karma Lekshe Tsomo speaks at a panel held in the IPJ Tuesday. The panel provided information about the conflict in Burma, including potential solutions.

ership role in the protest. She said this is because the monks are trained in non-violence, highly respected in Burma and in touch with the suffering of

the people on a daily basis. Zerlina Wong, a USD senior and political science major, was the third panelist to speak. Wong spoke of recent conver-

sations with her father regarding her uncle, who currently lives in Burma.

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# Students can play part in conflict

BURMA, continued

One of the reasons that this conflict has not received significant international media attention is because the military regime has significantly limited communication. This has made it difficult for regular citizens, much less journalists, to provide information within and outside of the country.

"The government has complete control of every aspect [of communication], whether it's the Internet or the telephone," Wong said. "Any talk about politics or the military regime – the phone line will be cut off immediately."

Tim A. Hardy, a local Burmese-American, was the final speaker. Having lived in Burma and participated in the 1988

demonstrations, Hardy provided a unique insight to the conflict.

"In Burma, everything that you really think can go wrong is going wrong over there," Hardy said, "from the bottom all the way to the top."

Hardy provided a personal account about what led up to the 1988 demonstrations. He also provided his view of the current situation, urging international authorities to take action against the military regime by pressuring the nations that support it.

"[These authorities need] to poke a few holes in the right positions to let that pressure out slowly," Hardy said. "Then when the time is right, then we can open the lid completely."

Before the panel, those in attendance were given a list of what they can do to help the

effort in Burma. This list, which can be found on the Facebook group, "Support the Monks' protest in Burma," includes spreading the word, e-mailing the U.S. embassy in Burma and writing to Burma's main arms suppliers.

In the question and answer period, the panelists provided more solutions, including not supporting China's economy by shopping at Wal-Mart. But Hardy said that any action is important.

"If we don't take any effective actions, both from the international community and also from the neighboring countries, this is going to be another 1988," Hardy said, "...[where] a few weeks later, let's just move on and people go on and live on with their own business."



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**USD institute will host  
talk on Myanmar protests**

**SAN DIEGO:** The Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice, at the University of San Diego, is hosting a panel discussion tomorrow about the street protests in Myanmar and whether nonviolent resistance to the military government can lead to constructive change there.

The discussion, from 3 to 4:30 p.m., is free and open to the public.

Speakers will include Karma Lekshe Tsomo, a USD associate professor of theology and religious studies, and Joyce Neu, executive director of the institute. - D.E.G.



## Alternate view on Middle East conflict finds support in SD

Wednesday, October 17, 2007

By Travis Hunter (travish@lajollalight.com)

A growing movement among American Jews in support of a two-state resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict has made its way to La Jolla.

The number of American Jews who support the creation of a Palestinian state alongside Israel appears to be increasing, as new groups are organizing in opposition to the predominant player in American-Israeli relations, the powerful lobby known as the American Israel Public Affairs Committee (AIPAC). One such group, known as Brit Tzedek v'Shalom, now has nearly 40 chapters nationwide. One of its newest chapters is located in San Diego, and its most recent meeting was held at a home in La Jolla Shores.

Brit Tzedek v'Shalom, also known as the Jewish Alliance for Justice and Peace, was founded in 2002 out of Chicago and now consists of more than 25,000 members. The group's founding principles advocate the evacuation of Israeli settlements in the Occupied Territories, including the Gaza Strip, the West Bank and East Jerusalem. This and other positions directly contrast American foreign policy of the last several decades. That policy has been tremendously influenced by AIPAC, one of the most powerful political lobbyist groups in Washington.

Brit Tzedek v'Shalom represents an alternative to the AIPAC view, according to Ed Sweed, who hosted the San Diego chapter's most recent meeting at his La Jolla home.

"What's interesting is that in La Jolla and all around San Diego, there are Jewish people who are fed up with AIPAC and the current stalemate over there," Sweed said. "We want to move things in a different direction while still supporting Israel."

While many Jews support AIPAC's position and current American foreign policy, the perception that support is unanimous is incorrect, Sweed said.

"It seems most people think the Jewish community is pretty monolithical in this issue and supports Israel and its policies and AIPAC," he said. "But a lot of us Jews are not at all happy with the foreign policy and how AIPAC behaves in Congress and what they support."

This opposing viewpoint favors ceding the disputed territories in the West Bank, the Gaza Strip and East Jerusalem, and establishing Jerusalem as an international city and the capital of both states. The viewpoint is widely unpopular in Israel, Sweed said.

"Israelis don't accept it," he said. "They think they should have all of Jerusalem, and some expansionist Jews would like all of the West Bank, also."

But Sweed and those in his group think such expansion is not in the long-term interest of Israel and its citizens.

"Many Jews think the long-term peace and safety of the Jewish people lie more in a humanitarian approach and less in a political and powerful approach," he said. "With weapons and things like Anthrax that can float over 30-foot walls, no one is really safe. Other Jewish organizations talk more harshly about Arabs and imposing a solution and so on, but we don't think imposing anything on anybody is going to work in the long term."

Sweed said his organization will work to organize and educate more Jews, with the goal of one day having a voice in Congress equal to AIPAC. But that will be a huge task.

"(AIPAC has) enormous influence," he said. "When bills are before Congress dealing with Israel, if Congress opposes a bill AIPAC wants, they have the ability to put tremendous pressure on that congressman in terms of cutting off funds, contacting people in their district and even finding someone to run against them."

But a shift in influence could possibly be seen already in international politics. On Oct. 15, Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice spoke from the West Bank and advocated the creation of a Palestinian state. The same day, Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert hinted in a speech that he would consider relinquishing parts of East Jerusalem.

The next event for the San Diego chapter of Brit Tzedek v'Shalom will be held Nov. 14 at 7 p.m., when national organization president and former Knesset member Marcia Freedman comes to San Diego. She will speak at the University of San Diego campus.

For more information about Brit Tzedek v'Shalom, visit [www.btvshalom.org](http://www.btvshalom.org).

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**WOMEN PEACEMAKERS SUMMIT** at Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace, USD, Linda Vista. Current and former women peacemakers ask, "Is peace possible?" 10 a.m. **Tuesday, Oct. 23.** 619-260-7509. [peace.sandiego.edu](http://peace.sandiego.edu).



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planned at Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). "Liberating Minds Imprisoned by War Trauma and Media Bias: A Conversation with Irina Yanovskaya from South Ossetia (Georgian-Ossetian Conflict Zone)" planned Tuesday, October 16.

Latifah Anum Siregar from Indonesia presents "Reviving Traditional Law to Transform Contemporary Tribal and Migrant Disputes" on Thursday, October 18. Lectures begin at 12:30 p.m. Free. Reservations: 619-260-7509. (LINDA VISTA)



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★ **CONVERSATION WITH A WOMAN PEACEMAKER** at Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace, USD, Linda Vista. Human rights lawyer Latifah Anum Siregar of Indonesia will talk about "Reviving Traditional Law to Transform Contemporary Tribal and Migrant Disputes." Noon **Thursday, Oct. 18**. 619-260-7509. [peace.sandiego.edu](http://peace.sandiego.edu).

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**Foundation honors those  
opposing youth violence**

**SAN DIEGO:** The Tariq Khamisa Foundation gave Gandhi Nonviolence Awards to an organization and individuals working to stop youth violence. The awards were presented Saturday at the Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice at the University of San Diego. The recipients were:

- Darryl Charles, owner of Chicken Shack in Lincoln Park, who has hired young men from rival gangs and encouraged them to work as a team, learn job skills and continue their education.

- Project REACH, an after-school program in Vista and Oceanside that discourages substance abuse, crime, violence, gangs and teen pregnancy.

- Barbara Rivas of the San Diego County Office of Education, who has taught young people about resolving conflict.

- John Echeverria, minister at Bethel Community Church in National City, who counsels gang members.

- Kevin Harris, Sean Harris and Nick Socha, each 16, from Poway High School, who have distributed food and clothing to homeless people for three years and this year helped get 300,000

meals to orphanages in East Africa.

- Danielle Gram, 17, of Carlsbad, who is the national high school coordinator for the Student Peace Alliance and has performed 500 hours of community service. -D.E.G.

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## Through the smoke, we saw a community

A couple of hours after returning to her Solana Beach cul-de-sac on Wednesday afternoon, Noelle Norton, an associate professor of political science at the University of San Diego, was still puzzling out her mixed feelings.

She was glad to be back safely in her house on Santa Victoria, one of several streets that jut like skinny fingers onto the slopes above San Elijo Lagoon not far from Rancho Santa Fe.

But she missed the fellowship that was forged as she and her 17-year-old daughter formed an evacuation caravan with neighbors Jim and Helen Westcott, Jane and Jill Beck, two more teenagers, three dogs and two cats.

They wound up in the Oceanside home of Jim Westcott's 87-year-old mom, Lillian, where they monitored the news and got hourly phone updates from Erwin Willis, Norton's husband and the former fire chief of Rancho Santa Fe, who was helping fight the fire.

"We bonded in a way where we wouldn't leave each other," Norton said. "Even though dif-

ferent groups of us had offers to [redacted] we said, [redacted] the nine people, three [redacted] and two cats."

And as they hunkered down, the group found a novel way to commemorate their time together.

"We all decided we're going to have a party," Norton said. "The deal is, you have to wear the weirdest thing you packed, or bring the strangest thing you packed." The party would be at whichever house was still standing.

As it turned out, all the houses are standing. And the party is still on, Norton said.

The residents of Via Privada in Escondido had a similar experience. They'd always been friendly with one another, but the bond grew stronger when eight of them found themselves at the Escondido High evacuation center.

During the four days they spent there, sleeping side by

side on cots, they buoyed one another's spirits with reminders about what was important: friends, family, their health. "We're giving strength to each other," said Frieda Johnson.

When they get home, they plan to celebrate an early Thanksgiving. Together. There was a different kind of bonding Thursday in Dulzura, where Roger Corkum was going house to house in his water truck taking care of animals left behind by evacuees. When three Tijuana firefighters battling spot fires along Highway 94 needed water, Corkum gave them some from his truck.



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By Paul J. Gough  
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NEW YORK (Hollywood Reporter) - When the devastating southern California wildfires became big national news over the weekend, Fox News Channel was able to bring a different perspective.

The channel's coverage included on-the-scene reports from Malibu and San Diego thanks to the efforts of college student journalists whose pieces for thePalestra.com have appeared on Fox News Channel and FoxNews.com.

Pepperdine University student Stefan Holt -- son of NBC News correspondent Lester Holt -- and University of San Diego student Shelby Holliday reported about evacuations at their schools and interviewed students who were affected.

It's the first piece in a content partnership between Fox News and thePalestra.com, a 3-year-old Web site that, among other things, features student-produced video reports aimed at the millennial generation. The reports from more than 100 schools nationwide are sent to thePalestra's headquarters at Ohio State University and edited there by graduate-level student journalists. The ones for Fox News are reviewed by Fox News producers.

Fox News senior vp development Joel Cheatwood said Tuesday that the content will appear on Fox News Channel and online, depending on the news. A story last week that appeared on "The Fox Report With Shepard Smith" was about a 59-year-old student who made the football team this year at his small Texas college. It was Cheatwood, a former CNN executive, who began working with thePalestra.com when he worked at CNN.

ThePalestra.com -- which comes from a Greek word meaning a public training and practice place -- was co-founded by former NBC affiliate sports anchor and Ohio State professor Joe Weasel.

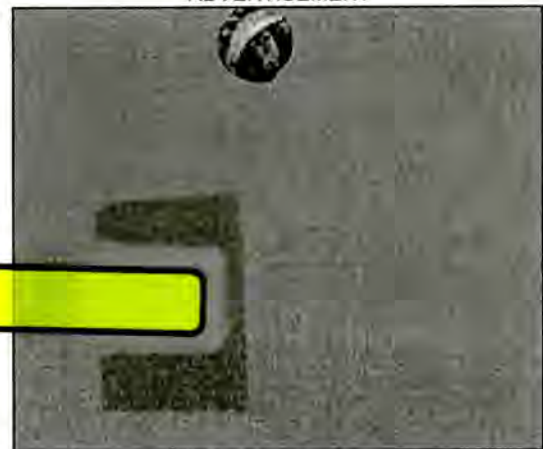
"There was a great opportunity to tap into a section of the (cable news) audience that we really don't get to touch very often," Cheatwood said. "The amazing thing is that they are absolutely information junkies. They just don't seek out traditional delivery mechanisms."

Cheatwood and Weasel said the network would be incorporating content from thePalestra.com in its programs, though it's still in development.

"We're looking for the stories that they can provide their unique perspective on," Cheatwood said.

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# Mari Katherine Raftopoulos: The heart of our people

By Mari Katherine Raftopoulos

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Editor's note: Mari Katherine Raftopoulos is a Moffat County High School graduate who worked as a Craig Daily Press intern in summer 2007 and currently is attending the University of San Diego. She has written about the fires occurring in San Diego and the people's responses to it.

It's a bubble. Everything seems perfect. All it takes is one flame, one gust of wind and one scream to turn a bad day into a natural disaster. It wasn't the crisp ocean breeze that woke me up that morning or the laughter of my roommates echoing from the kitchen.

It wasn't the sun peeking through the bleach-white blinds of my porch. It was the smell of 18 wildfires burning all of San Diego County. The smell was deep. More than the burning of palm trees, eucalyptus and grasses.

It was the burning of a 15-year-old tree house in a family's backyard, the burning of a picture of their great grandparents on their wedding day and the backside of the closet door where the children marked how much they grew every month; it was the burning of 1,700 homes.

As I stepped onto my porch overlooking the Pacific Ocean and the rolling hills of San Diego, I was drowned by smoke. Like when you see someone you love for the first time in seven years and you lose your breath. Multiply that by ten. That was what it was like. It was as if someone covered all of San Diego with a blanket, and we were trapped.

The smoke.

The stress.

The people.

The sun didn't shine — it tried but couldn't. The fires surrounded us from all over; north, south and east. The ocean was the only safe place to be. The ash falling from the sky was the closest thing to snow San Diego has ever seen. My phone rang, but the number on the caller ID was foreign to me.

"Hello," I answered.

There was pause and a monotone, depressing voice that responded.

"Due to the wildfires destroying San Diego County and burning the homes of both students and faculty, the University of San Diego will be closed Monday, Oct. 22. All major highways are closed and are only accessible to emergency personal and evacuees."

That was the recorded message Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday until class was canceled for the remainder of the week.

I had two midterms last Monday and a part of me was selfishly relieved to hear the news.

The "fire day" brought an easy way out of my procrastination. But when we closed all the doors and locked all the windows, there we sat watching the numbers of acres burn and increase by the hundreds. Mandatory evacuations called for neighboring areas, and the devastation caused some of my closest friends to lose their childhood homes in the middle of the night.

It became real.

It became personal.

It became a state of emergency.

My three roommates and I huddled around the TV all day watching the news. It was the hottest temperatures San Diego had seen in the fall; the weatherman reported temperatures in the high 90s along the coast. The blistering red, orange and yellows of the fire made me squint when I looked at the screen. The fires ripped through the valleys of San Diego, and the Santa Ana winds wouldn't give up.

Broadcasters tried to be optimistic, but with every positive came another lead to arson as the source of the fire and another dead body found. With every positive came eight negatives.

The map located the fires 30 miles away, then 20 miles away, then 18 miles away from our campus.

We could sit and watch the fire inch closer and closer or make a difference.

If that difference was a smile, a pair of socks or a cup of noodles, we wanted to do something to help. Even if it only impacted one of the one million evacuees, it was a step in the right direction.

The rest of San Diego had the same thought, crowding Costco to purchase nonperishable items to donate to evacuation shelters. It got to the point where the city had too many donations.

The city of San Diego became a community.

It adopted a small-town mentality. They say smoke follows beauty. And although it followed us for 500,000 acres, the city of San Diego found beauty beneath the surface of the sandy beaches and golden sunsets.

We found it in the hearts of our people.

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## Technology's pipeline becomes lifeline for fire victims

By Michelle Kessler and Jim Hopkins, USA TODAY

SAN FRANCISCO — Technology is proving crucial as Southern California residents fight raging wildfires.

They're using text messages, video, blogs, Google maps and databases to describe the chaos, find missing people and share strategies.

**LATEST:** Fires force nearly one million from homes

**INSURANCE:** More than \$500M in losses so far

**TRAVEL:** Airlines flexible for affected fliers

Despite fears of an overload, AT&T, Sprint and Verizon said their cellphone networks were working fairly well. Some cell towers were affected by fire or power outages. But cell companies have learned to re-route network resources during such a crisis, Sprint spokeswoman Kathleen Dunleavy said.

Sprint experienced congestion along highways packed with evacuees and at the huge shelter at Qualcomm Stadium. Verizon's traffic jumped about 38% across Southern California. About 4% of AT&T's network in the San Diego area was down. Calls were generally going through, the companies said.

Meanwhile, residents were deploying other technologies, including:

**•Text messaging.** Since emergency personnel asked residents to limit cellphone use, Kim Nguyen, 28, an accountant from San Diego, relied on texts to keep track of displaced friends.

The University of California, San Diego (UCSD), and the University of San Diego (USD) used emergency text-message systems to blast updates to students, faculty and others. It was the first time USD used the system, which alerted nearly 10,000 people classes were canceled.

KPBS, a radio and TV station in San Diego, offered frequent fire updates via Twitter, a popular website that blasts information to subscriber's text-message or e-mail accounts.

**•Streaming audio and video.** USD senior  posted videos about the fire's impact on fellow students, then posted them on the video-sharing site YouTube.

By Tuesday, YouTube users had posted at least 142 fire videos. Some were news reports that originally aired on CNN. Others were created by users, including one shot from a speeding car showing smoke-filled skies along a highway.

Employees at software developer InfoStreet don't have cable TV at their office about 30 miles west of Los Angeles, so they are watching live news coverage on the website of KNBC, Channel 4, in the company's conference room.

KPBS' radio broadcast signal had problems as the fire drew closer to its transmitter on Mount Miguel. KPBS switched to a different frequency and boosted online streaming capability to allow listeners to tune in over the Internet.

**•Blogging.** Alexander Fowler in Lancaster, about an hour north of Los Angeles, says his recreational-vehicle owners' club is using its blog to locate RVs for those in need of housing.

In Palm Springs, Thomas Mulhall is using his blog to assure customers that fires aren't affecting his Terra Cotta Inn Clothing Optional Resort. He has posted recent photos of Palm Springs showing blue skies after getting four cancellations and a dozen calls from worried customers.

**•Online databases and websites.** UCSD encouraged students to register with the American Red Cross' online "Safe and Well" database. Disaster survivors input their names and information into the database, which concerned friends and family can search.

Craigslist, the popular classified adsite, set up a "SoCal fire forum" where people could post messages about the damage. Posts ranged from reports on neighborhoods, offers of assistance and questions about rental insurance.

**•Google maps.** Search giant Google's online geography tools allowed *The San Diego Union-Tribune*, *Los Angeles Times*, ABC 7 (Los Angeles) and others to generate real-time maps of fire-affected areas.

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## Area colleges cancel classes for rest of week

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All of the area's colleges and universities have canceled Wednesday classes with San Diego State University, the University of California San Diego, Point Loma Nazarene University and Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District shuttering their campuses until Monday.

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The San Diego State campus is closed for all non-essential personnel while on-campus residence halls and essential support services, such as food service and student health care, will remain open.

Those remaining on campus are encouraged to stay indoors to minimize their exposure to smoke and dust in the air. SDSU health and safety officials are monitoring indoor air quality and report it to be "good to excellent" in all areas sampled.

The school's Peterson Gymnasium — located on the west side of campus on 55th Street — is serving as a temporary shelter for students, faculty and staff and their families displaced by the fires. It is not an official evacuation site, and Red Cross services will not be available. School officials are only accepting donations of blankets and cots. Food and beverage items are not needed.

Also, SDSU's D Lot is available for evacuated students and employees to store their vehicles on a temporary basis.

SDSU Student Health Services (SHS) is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. Due to the medical issues resulting from the wildfires, SHS has shifted the focus of its medical services to care primarily for students with urgent medical problems. Staff will still be available to care for any student with an acute medical problem such as asthma or other respiratory symptoms like coughing, breathing problems or chest pain as well as other urgent issues, like injuries. After hours, students may receive nursing advice by calling (888) 594-5281.

The Jennifer Lopez/Marc Anthony concert scheduled for Wednesday night at Cox Arena on the SDSU campus has been canceled. No decision has been made regarding San Diego State's football game against Brigham Young scheduled for Saturday at Qualcomm. The stadium is currently being used as an evacuation site.

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All UCSD Healthcare clinics and hospitals remain open with the exception of Scripps Ranch Family Medicine. UCSD Medical Center and Medical Group employees are expected to report to their jobs as scheduled.

The UCSD Chancellor's 5k scheduled for Friday and the Preuss Classic Cars fundraiser have been canceled. School officials said on-campus students will have access to essential services, including dining halls and the student health center.

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Point Loma Nazarene's Mission Valley Regional Center has canceled classes for the remainder of the week as well. Officials said the campus remains safe, and it will continue to be staffed with essential services for students.

The school postponed this weekend's Parents Weekend, re-scheduling it for March 14-15. Information will be updated regularly at [www.pointloma.edu/fire](http://www.pointloma.edu/fire).

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Grossmont College is in use as the region's Incident Command location for law enforcement. The Grossmont College-Cuyamaca College District Fire Assistance Fund has been re-activated and is able to receive donations through the GCCCD Auxiliary. For further information, continue to check the college or district Web sites, [www.grossmont.edu](http://www.grossmont.edu), [www.cuyamaca.edu](http://www.cuyamaca.edu), or [www.gcccd.edu](http://www.gcccd.edu) or call (619) 644-7488.

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The University of San Diego canceled all its classes through Wednesday. For the next few days, the school's Student Health Center will focus on fire-related health concerns and urgent health needs only.

USD students in need of pastoral care and support are encouraged to contact the office at (619) 260-4735 or visit Campus Ministry, located in the Hahn University Center, room 238. Regular Masses will be held in Founders Chapel at 12:15 p.m. A special Mass for Peace will be held in Founders Chapel Wednesday at 9 p.m.

USD closed several dining locations, including the Torero Grill, the faculty/staff dining room, La Paloma and Bert's Bistro.

Staff members who need support with emotional or psychological issues, stress, anxiety and grief can get free, confidential and convenient help as a University of San Diego employee from Horizon Health. To access services, call 1-800-342-8111, or go online to [www.horizoncarelink.com](http://www.horizoncarelink.com).

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All colleges, campuses and sites in the San Diego Community College District will be closed Wednesday, including San Diego City, Mesa and Miramar colleges. For information about Thursday classes, students are asked to check the district Web site at [sdccd.edu](http://sdccd.edu).

Palomar College is closed through Wednesday as well. The status of classes on Thursday and Friday has yet to be determined.

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**CLOSED SCHOOLS**

All public schools in San Diego County will be closed today. (Teachers in the San Diego Unified School District who want to volunteer at Qualcomm Stadium to provide activities for evacuated children, should call the San Diego Educational Association at (619) 283-4411.)

The Cardiff, Poway, Ramona, San Pasqual Valley and Valley Center school districts will also be closed tomorrow.

- The Oceanside Unified School District has canceled its board meeting today.

- Poway Unified School District's College Fair scheduled for today has been canceled. The fair was to be held at Mt. Carmel High School in Rancho Peñasquitos, which is in the mandatory evacuation area.

**Private schools closed**

- All Catholic schools run by the Roman Catholic Diocese of San Diego

- Barona Indian Charter School

- Calvary Christian Academy in Chula Vista

- Chabad Hebrew Academy

- Francis Parker School

- Horizon Christian Schools

- La Jolla Country Day School

- Tri-City Christian School in Vista

- Soille San Diego Hebrew Day School

- Santa Fe Christian Schools

**Colleges closed:**

- Alliant International University's San Diego campuses

- California State University San Marcos

- California Western School of Law

- Cuyamaca College

- Grossmont College

- ITT Technical Institute

- Mesa College

- MiraCosta College

- Miramar College

- National University

- Palomar College

- Point Loma Nazarene University

- San Diego Community College District adult education centers

- San Diego City College

- San Diego State University (Peterson Gym has been opened as an evacuation center for SDSU students, faculty, staff and their families displaced by the fires. Peterson Gym is NOT an official evacuation center.)

- Southwestern College

- Thomas Jefferson School of Law

- University of California San Diego, including all four UCSD extension locations

- University of San Diego

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# Monk: Empathy can help leaders

## USD audience gets lesson in listening

By David E. Graham  
STAFF WRITER

As a young man in the 1960s, the Vietnamese monk Thich Nhat Hanh drew attention for his efforts to persuade the North and South to stop fighting.

Last night, Nhat Hanh, 80, who lives in a monastery in France, spoke at the University of San Diego of how "compassionate listening" could help American leaders understand their opponents and build bonds.

Wearing a brown robe and seated with his legs folded on a small platform in Jenny Craig Pavilion, he gave the keynote address to about 2,000 people during USD's 18th annual Social Issues Conference.

Sister Barbara Quinn, director of USD's Center for Chris-



Buddhist monk Thich Nhat Hanh (second from left) greeted the audience yesterday before giving the keynote speech at the 18th annual Social Issues Conference at the University of San Diego's Jenny Craig Pavilion. *Earnie Grafton / Union-Tribune*

tian Spirituality, said she thought the presentation had particular meaning given the conflict in Myanmar, where the military government's troops have fired on protesters, including monks, who are seeking

monastery in Bordeaux, he and others host groups of foes who apply Buddhist practices of breathing and principles of developing compassion and understanding so they can know one another better. He cited an example of sessions with Israelis and Palestinians.

Each recognizes "the other group of people, they have suffered like the people in our group," the soft-spoken Nhat Hanh said.

"The other group of people, they have suffered like the people in our group."

**THICH NHAT HANH**

They can change their perceptions and understand what generates suffering that leads to anger, he said. Political leaders can benefit from such spiritual skills, he added.

For his efforts in Vietnam, he was exiled from the country. Martin Luther King Jr. nominated him for the Nobel Peace Prize in 1967.





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## USD's leadership, ethics symposium set for Tuesday

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A National Defense University professor will be addressing the University of San Diego's 2007 James B. Stockdale Leadership and Ethics Symposium 6 p.m. Tuesday.

Albert C. Pierce, a professor of ethics and national security at the National Defense University, will discuss "Ethical Leadership: How Things Go Wrong, How To Do Better."

The Stockdale Symposium, which is free and open to the public, will be held at the school's Shiley Theatre.

The event allows members of the university, military and corporate communities to come together for discussions of moral issues in leadership in our society. The late Admiral Stockdale, a Medal of Honor recipient, bore witness to the importance of studying, understanding and applying ethical principles to one's profession, and the conduct of one's life.

The focus of Pierce's remarks will be directed at individuals within an organization who are subject to different cross pressures and how good people can sometimes do the wrong thing based on mixed, unconscious or unintentional signals. The nature of the organization can be military, corporate, academic, religious or any number of other hierarchical groups.


In February 2006, Pierce was appointed the National Defense University's first professor of ethics and national security.

From 1998 until 2006, he served as the founding director of the Center for the Study of Professional Military Ethics (now known as the Vice Admiral James B. Stockdale Center for Ethical Leadership) at the U.S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Md.

The Stockdale Symposium is being sponsored by the San Diego NROTC consortium and the USD School of Business Masters in Science in Global Leadership.

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LINDA VISTA

## Box of bullets found near USD bookstore

By Eleanor Yang Su  
STAFF WRITER



A small box of bullets for a handgun was found Monday morning under some shrubs by the campus bookstore at the University of San Diego, officials confirmed yesterday.

The box was discovered by a groundskeeper and prompted a campuswide search of all landscaped areas. No other ammunition and no weapons were found.

USD spokeswoman Pamela Gray Payton said the box of bullets did not constitute an "imminent danger" to students at the Catholic university in Linda Vista.

"Given that the box was found alone, that was not justification for us for an imminent danger," Payton said. "We didn't have reason to believe students were in danger."

Campus officials said the box of bullets was about the size of a box of staples and was found covered by a piece of plastic, most likely from a plastic bag. Officials were not sure how long the bullets had been there, noting that the area, just northwest of Loma Hall, is surrounded by thick vegetation.

Larry Barnett, the chief of

USD's Department of Public Safety, sent an e-mail to all students and staff Monday evening, alerting them to the discovery and asking those with information about the incident to contact his office. He said he received a couple tips yesterday, but that the university has not received any threats.

Although USD handed over the ammunition to the San Diego Police Department, the university will continue with its own investigation. San Diego police officials, who identified the bullets as .357-caliber, said their department is not part of the investigation.

USD officials said they have received a few calls and e-mails from concerned parents, and they have tried to reassure them about the systems they have in place to help students. Those include a counseling staff and e-mail and text-messaging alert systems in case of emergencies.

Those with information should call USD's Department of Public Safety at (619) 260-2222.

Staff writer Tony Manolatos contributed to this report.

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## Church Gives Homeless a Ride to Services

By BECKIE SUPIANO

Religion News Service

WASHINGTON – Jill Peddycord and Gary Bradley bow their heads and pray in the front seats of a white van parked outside Metropolitan Baptist Church here.

Peddycord asks for God's blessing as they begin the weekly rounds of Metropolitan's transportation ministry.

Many churches provide rides to worship services for seniors and people with disabilities. Metropolitan takes transport a step further – sending a van to pick up women from several area homeless shelters.

Metropolitan has a long-standing ministry to homeless people, but it did not always include transportation.

"The purpose is to give them an opportunity to go to church," Peddycord said, "It's an opportunity to introduce them to Jesus, who is called the bread of life in the Gospel of John, but they also need physical bread. We have to attend to both of those needs."

With this in mind, Metropolitan serves breakfast and lunch to women who come from the shelters.

Metropolitan is not the only District of Columbia church to bring people from homeless shelters to services. Back to Basics, a non-denominational church, has a bus that can usually be found right behind Metropolitan's van.

Throughout the country, transportation ministries are targeting other populations as well.

Westminster Presbyterian in Greenville, S.C., gives free rides to those visiting a family member in prison. Chinese Bible Church of Greater Boston picks up college students on campuses to bring them to church. Still others drive members to and from doctor's appointments or the hospital, a service Black Rock Congregational Church in Fairfield, Conn., provides.

A recent National Council of Churches survey on health care ministries found that more than half the 6,000 congregations that responded offered transportation of some kind.

Providing transportation highlights the best and worst of what churches do, said Michael Lovette-Colyer, director of university ministry at the University of San Diego. "It's great they go to a population without easy access," he said. "But are there other motives? Is there an evangelistic zeal? Is this a way to grow the church?"

Metropolitan's transportation ministry started small, with Peddycord picking up a homeless woman she had invited to church in her own car.

The next week, the same woman brought several friends. Eventually, Peddycord convinced the church to let her use its van to bring people from the homeless shelters to church.

Each Sunday, a driver and another volunteer drive from the church to several locations, picking up as many as 20 people, most of them from women's shelters.

At one stop, Peddycord notices a woman reading in the lobby and asks if she'd like to come to church.

"Not today -- maybe next week," she responds.

A dozen women head to the van, some wearing a suit or Sunday dress, others in jeans. Most of them have been to the church before. One woman said she became a member last week.

Bradley, the driver, spent time in a shelter himself, and it was there he experienced a desire to come to church while listening to a choir on tape.

"I started in the back," Bradley said, gesturing to the passenger section of the van, "now I'm a

driver."

For Peddycord, this ministry is "where I could truly see the work of God -- the hungry fed, the naked clothed and the good news given to the poor."

That's the goal, said Larry Sampson, who directs Metropolitan's ministry to the homeless.

"There are certain people who don't come to church for whatever reason," Sampson said.

"They may have been burned, they may be scared or just have never gotten into it. We have to take Christ outside the church to meet them where they are."

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**EDUCATION**

The Coronado School of the Arts has named **Matt Heinecke** its director of instrumental music. He will oversee all instrumental programs and classes at the school.



**Matt Heinecke**

The board of directors of the Gillespie School has announced the appointment of **Alison Fleming** as the new head of school, effective July 1, 2008. Currently head of the middle school and associate head of school at the Bishop's School in La Jolla, Fleming worked previously at the Evans School, teaching fourth- and fifth-grade.

The University of San Diego has named **Roy Heynderickx** its new vice president of finance and administration, effective Nov. 19. Heynderickx has 27 years of experience in higher education and finance.





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## **USD names new VP of Finance and Administration**

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Roy F. Heynderickx, Ph.D., has been appointed as the new vice president of finance and administration effective Nov. 19.

Heynderickx, who has more than 27 years of experience in higher education and finance, was chosen after a lengthy national search to succeed Vice President Paul Bissonnette, who is retiring after nine years of leadership.

Most recently, Heynderickx has been the vice president for financial affairs at the University of Portland. His areas of responsibility included everything from student accounts and financial aid to risk management, physical plant, bookstore operations and public safety. He began his career there in 1980 as the chief accountant.

A non-practicing certified public accountant, Heynderickx has served on numerous boards and committees throughout the states of Oregon and Washington. He was an evaluator for Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU), chair of the NWCCU Annual Report on Finance and Enrollment Committee, co-founder and member of the West Coast Comprehensive Institutions Consortium, and is a member of the Oregon Independent Colleges Foundation Audit Committee.

Heynderickx earned his bachelor's degree in accounting from the University of Oregon, an MBA from the University of Portland, and his doctorate in Education Administration from the University of Oregon.



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## Changing the world

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### Students learn how to execute, evaluate activism projects

**By Sherry Saavedra**  
STAFF WRITER

October 18, 2007

SAN MARCOS – In this class at Cal State San Marcos, there are no tests, no homework assignments, no textbooks.

The only requirement for “Women Changing the World” is that students do their part to, well, change the world. In fact, their entire grade depends on it.

The class, which had been dormant for a couple of years, started again this fall, attracting 42 students who want to learn to design, execute and evaluate an activism project.

Some have proven to be quick studies.

There's senior Tina Gunnink. She worked in a restaurant that was tossing away discarded crayons dispensed to young diners.

Gunnink asked her employer and others to set aside those crayons, so her group could repackage them with coloring books and stickers to donate to disadvantaged children.

“I just like the idea of taking waste and turning it into something that will help somebody else,” she said.

Currently, there are about 50 big, white recycling pails for collecting crayons in restaurants from downtown San Diego to Temecula. The donations will go to local Head Start preschool programs, Boys & Girls Clubs of America, and other organizations.

“It's so simple, it's genius,” said Faustino Gutierrez, a California State University San Marcos senior in Gunnink's group and the only man in the class.

A student's childhood experience inspired another class project, the Basket Brigade.

When Amy Weeda was 3, her mother left an abusive relationship and was struggling financially. The single parent cried when she received presents from Toys for Tots, Weeda said.

“She was so glad she didn't have to explain to her kids why they weren't going to get any toys for



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A group discussed its project, “Crayons for Kids,” which collects discarded crayons given to children at restaurants, and repackages them with coloring books and stickers to donate to disadvantaged children.

Christmas that year," said Weeda, whose mother is a successful financial executive today and an inspiration to her daughter.

Weeda's group decided to give Thanksgiving baskets of donated groceries and toiletries to single mothers who have left violent relationships.

Jean Twenge, an associate professor of psychology at San Diego State University and the author of "Generation Me," said the class is offered at a time when political activism is down among college students. Most students have never participated in a political protest.

By contrast, volunteerism has risen somewhat among teenagers and college students, but Twenge cautioned that altruism is often not the motivator. An increasing number of high schools require volunteer work, and students often believe a community service project will help them get into a college or land a plum job.

The "Women Changing the World" course first was offered in 2004. Francine Busby, who ran unsuccessfully for the vacated seat of disgraced former Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham, taught it for one semester. Nancy Cairns-Pietrangelo, an adjunct faculty member who works part-time evaluating international women's programs for the United Nations with other sociologists, took over this fall.

Other local universities, including San Diego State University and University of San Diego, offer similar courses.



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Cal State San Marcos students Nicolette Cassidy (left), Kristen Butler and Brooke Schiever took part in a discussion for their class "Women Changing the World."

The Cal State San Marcos class meets twice a week, with Mondays devoted to discussions about women's issues around the world – such as stopping gender-based violence – and Wednesdays to collaborations on community service efforts.

Junior Herminia Ramirez is working on a baby-supply drive with her group, collecting diapers, strollers, cribs and other items for student parents on campus. The students passed out fliers, spoke to classes and put boxes around campus for donations.

"We're learning that activism doesn't need to be rallying for something," Ramirez said. "It can be just doing something that helps our community."

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# COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

Ranked by fall 2006 total enrollment

Rank (last year)	School Address Web site	Telephone Fax	Total fall enrollment • 2006 • 2005 • % change (loss)	Students: • Full-time • Part-time • Percent California residents	Faculty as of 1/1/2007	2006 - 2007 tuition: • Resident • Nonresident • Graduate	Total operating budget 2006 - 2007: • Restricted • Unrestricted \$ Millions	• Type of institution • Accredited by	Major disciplines of study	• President • Director of admissions	Year established locally
<b>1</b> (1)	<b>San Diego State University</b> 5500 Campanile Drive, San Diego 92182 www.sdsu.edu	(619) 594-5200 (619) 594-1475	33,441 31,802 5	21,815 7,626 67	2,611	\$3,122 \$13,282 \$3,726	\$378 \$322	Four-year, public university WASC	Business administration, psychology, liberal studies, biology, nursing	Steven Weber Beverly Arata	1898
<b>2</b> (3)	<b>Palomar College</b> 1140 W. Mission Road, San Marcos 92069 www.palomar.edu	(760) 744-1150 (760) 744-8123	31,009 26,294 18	19,226 11,783 90	1,184	\$20 \$177 na	na na	Two-year, public community college WASC	Variety of transfer and vocational programs	Robert Deegan Herman Lee	1946
<b>3</b> (2)	<b>UC San Diego</b> 9500 Gilman Drive, La Jolla 92093 www.ucsd.edu	(858) 534-2230 (858) 534-5629	27,729 26,728 4	27,294 435 91	2,796	\$7,426 \$26,110 \$8,669	\$660 \$1,640	Four-year, public university WASC, ABET, AAMC, ACPE	Biological, social, health and physical sciences, arts, humanities, education, engineering, management	Marye Anne Fox Mae Brown	1960
<b>4</b> (5)	<b>Southwestern Community College District</b> 900 Otay Lakes Road, Chula Vista 91910 www.swccd.edu	(619) 421-6700 (619) 482-6413	19,206 19,231 (0)	6,588 12,618 96	949	\$272 \$1,952 na	na na	Two-year, public community college WASC	285 degree and certificate options	Greg Sandoval na	1961
<b>5</b> (4)	<b>San Diego Mesa College</b> 7250 Mesa College Drive, San Diego 92111 www.sdmesa.edu	(619) 388-2600 (619) 388-2969	19,143 19,000 1	6,307 12,836 95	912	\$552 \$4,392 na	\$9 \$48	Two-year, public community college WASC	Business, health care, hospitality, multimedia, arts and sciences, as well as transfer programs	Rita Cepeda na	1964
<b>6</b> (7)	<b>National University</b> 11255 N. Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla 92037 www.nu.edu	(800) 628-8648 (858) 642-8726	17,906 15,891 13	5,500 11,943 88	2,613	\$1,134 \$1,134 \$1,287	na na	Four-year, private comprehensive university WASC, CCTC, CCNE	Education, business, engineering, technology, arts, sciences, media and communications, health sciences	Jerry Lee Dominick Giovanniello	1971
<b>7</b> (6)	<b>Grossmont College</b> 8800 Grossmont College Drive, El Cajon 92020 www.grossmont.edu	(619) 644-7000 (619) 644-7922	16,571 16,451 1	6,495 10,076 94	700	\$552 \$4,296 na	\$17 \$57	Two-year, public community college WASC	Degrees, certificates, transfer programs	Dean Colli Brad Tiffany (1)	1961
<b>8</b> (8)	<b>San Diego City College</b> 1313 Park Blvd., San Diego 92117 www.sdcity.edu	(619) 388-3400 (619) 388-3958	14,781 14,558 2	3,251 11,529 93	630	\$552 \$4,392 na	\$21 \$32	Two-year, public community college WASC	Business studies, child development, nursing, psychology, transfer studies	Terrence Burgess Lou Humphries	1914
<b>9</b> (9)	<b>MiraCosta College</b> 1 Barnard Drive, Oceanside 92056 www.miracosta.edu	(760) 757-2121 (760) 795-6609	10,228 10,391 (2)	3,383 6,845 97	465	\$840 \$7,560 na	\$7 \$71	Two-year, public community college WASC	Transfer, vocational, general and community education programs	Victoria Munoz Richard Alicia Terry	1934
<b>10</b> (10)	<b>San Diego Miramar College</b> 10440 Black Mountain Road, San Diego 92126 www.sdmiramar.edu	(858) 536-7800 (619) 388-7929	9,471 10,135 (7)	1,777 7,694 97	353	\$552 \$3,840 na	\$5 \$20	Two-year, public community college WASC	Associate degrees, certificates of completion, university transfer, public safety, advanced transportation, biotechnology, legal assistant, digital media	Patricia Hsieh Dana Andras	1969
<b>11</b> (13)	<b>Cal State University San Marcos</b> 333 S. Twin Oaks Valley Road, San Marcos 92096 www.csusm.edu	(760) 750-4000 (760) 750-4030	8,734 7,502 16	6,246 2,488 98	545	\$1,546 \$3,580 \$1,837	\$89 \$85	Four-year, public university WASC	Arts, sciences, business administration, education, nursing	Karen Haynes Nathan Evans	1989
<b>12</b> (11)	<b>University of Phoenix</b> 3890 Murphy Canyon Road, San Diego 92123 www.phoenix.edu	(858) 576-1287 (858) 576-0032	8,285 (2) 9,958 (17)	8,285 0 100	500	\$13,000 \$13,000 \$13,000	na na	Four-year, private university NCA	Business, marketing, finance, health care, nursing, information technology, criminal justice, accounting, psychology, human services, communications	Laura Palmer-Noone Tandy Elisala	1989
<b>13</b> (14)	<b>UCSD Extension</b> 9500 Gilman Drive, La Jolla 92037 www.extension.ucsd.edu	(858) 534-3400 (858) 534-8527	7,600 7,435 2	na na 93	200	na na na	\$3 \$3	Nonprofit continuing education WASC	Commercial enterprise, personal improvement/preparation, public service	Mary Walshok Edward Abeyta	1966

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<b>14</b> (12)	<b>University of San Diego</b> 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego 92110 www.sandiego.edu		7,483 7,548 (1)	6,147 1,336 66	723	\$30,480 \$30,480 \$25,200	\$265 \$255	Four-year, private Catholic university WASC, ABA, CCTC, AACSB	Liberal arts and sciences, business, law, nursing, education	Mary Lyons Stephen Pultz	1948
<b>15</b> (15)	<b>Cuyamaca College</b> 900 Rancho San Diego Parkway, El Cajon 92019 www.cuyamaca.net	(619) 660-4000 (619) 660-4399	7,477 7,264 3	1,945 5,532 99	572	\$480 \$4,224 na	\$5 \$22	Two-year, public community college WASC	Vocational and transfer programs	Geraldine Perri Beth Appenzeller	1978
<b>16</b> (16)	<b>Chapman University</b> 7460 Mission Valley Road, San Diego 92108 www.chapman.edu	(619) 296-8660 (619) 296-8690	4,750 4,750 0	na na 95	125	\$10,000 \$10,000 \$12,000	na na	Four-year, private and nonprofit liberal arts university WASC	Education, human resources, psychology, criminal justice, social science	James Doti Michael Drummy	1970
<b>17</b> (17)	<b>Point Loma Nazarene University</b> 3900 Lomaland Drive, San Diego 92106 www.pointloma.edu	(619) 849-2200 (619) 849-2479	2,723 2,749 (1)	2,561 239 84	377	\$21,620 \$21,620 na	na na	Four-year, private liberal arts university WASC	Arts and sciences, social sciences and professional studies, education	Bob Brower Scott Shoemaker	1973
<b>18</b> (18)	<b>Art Institute of California</b> 7650 Mission Valley Road, San Diego 92108 www.artinstitutes.edu/sandiego	(858) 598-1200 (619) 291-3206	2,035 1,912 6	1,704 331 80	350	\$21,024 \$21,024 \$21,024	na na	Private professional college ACCSCCT	Advertising, interior design, fashion design and marketing, animation, game art and design, graphic design, culinary arts and management	Elizabeth Erickson Jesus Moreno	1981
<b>19</b> (19)	<b>Alliant International University</b> 10455 Pomerado Road, San Diego 92131 www.alliant.edu	(858) 635-4772 (858) 635-4555	1,308 1,431 (9)	na na na	na	\$14,000 \$14,000 \$8,315	na \$57	Four-year, private university WASC, APA	Business, organizational studies, psychology, education, liberal studies	Geoffrey Cox Susan Topham	1952
<b>20</b> (20)	<b>California Western School of Law</b> 225 Cedar St., San Diego 92101 www.californiawestern.edu	(619) 239-0391 (619) 525-7092	868 894 (3)	764 104 54	98	\$32,280 \$32,280 \$32,280	na na	Private law school ABA, AALS	Criminal, international, health and intellectual property law	Steven Smith Traci Howard	1924
<b>21</b> (21)	<b>Webster University</b> 6480 Weathers Place, #102, San Diego 92121 www.webster.edu/sandiego	(858) 458-9310 (858) 458-0914	850 810 5	0 850 100	40	\$5,100 \$5,100 \$6,825	na na	Four-year, private liberal arts university NCA	Business administration, management, finance, accounting	John Bonosoro Alex Yates	1980
<b>22</b> (22)	<b>Thomas Jefferson School of Law</b> 2121 San Diego Ave., San Diego 92110 www.tjssl.edu	(619) 297-9700 (619) 374-6393	770 805 (4)	580 190 na	38	\$30,100 \$30,100 \$30,100	na na	Private law school ABA	Legal studies	Rudolph Hasl Beth Kransberger	1969
<b>23</b> (NR)	<b>Azusa Pacific University</b> 8401 Aero Drive, #200, San Diego 92123 www.apu.edu	(858) 503-6971 (858) 503-6972	597 352 70	567 30 na	63	na na na	na na	Four-year, private comprehensive university WASC (3)	Education, business, nursing, technology, adult and professional studies, music, liberal arts and sciences, behavioral and applied sciences	Jon Wallace Deana Porterfield (4)	1997
<b>24</b> (23)	<b>San Diego Christian College (5)</b> 2100 Greenfield Drive, El Cajon 92019 www.sdcc.edu	(619) 441-2200 (619) 590-1743	565 553 2	500 65 na	82	\$16,992 \$16,992 na	na na	Four-year, private nonprofit WASC	Education, psychology, human development, business, biblical studies	Albert Letting Rene Inman	1970
<b>25</b> (24)	<b>Pacific College of Oriental Medicine</b> 7445 Mission Valley Road, San Diego 92108 www.pacificcollege.edu	(619) 574-6909 (619) 574-6641	540 500 8	405 135 na	80	\$47,000 \$47,000 \$24,450	na na	Private professional college ACAOM	Acupuncture, Oriental medicine, health sciences	Jack Miller Gina Rubbo	1986

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Sources: The institutions and California Postsecondary Education Commission.

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(1) Individual is dean of admissions and records.

(2) Enrollment numbers reflect change in college structure and census count system.

(3) School is also accredited by NCATE, CCTC, ATS, CCNE, CBRN, CAPTE, APA and CSWE.

(4) Individual is vice president for enrollment management.

(5) Formerly known as Christian Heritage College.

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The 18th annual Social Issues Conference, **"Walking Together in Peace"** will run until Friday, Oct. 5. The conference will have keynote speakers such as Thich Nhat Hanh, Reverend William Headley and Douglas Burton-Christie. The conference will take place at the University of San Diego. For more information, visit [www.sandiego.edu/socialissues](http://www.sandiego.edu/socialissues).



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**TUESDAY, Oct 9 - LECTURE**

**MILITARY ETHICIST TO DELIVER STOCKDALE LECTURE**

Albert C. Pierce, Professor of Ethics and National Security at the National Defense University, will discuss "Ethical Leadership: How Things Go Wrong, How to Do Better" at the 2007 James Bond Stockdale Leadership and Ethics Symposium. **Organization:** San Diego NROTC Consortium **Cost:** No Cost **When:** Starts: 6:00 PM **Where:** USD, Shiley Theatre, Camino Hall, 5998 Acala Park, San Diego, 92110, Venue Phone: (619)260-2256



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**Albert C. Pierce**, professor of ethics and national security at **the National Defense University**, will discuss “Ethical Leadership: How Things Go Wrong, How To Do Better” at the 2007 James Bond Stockdale Leadership and Ethics Symposium on Tuesday (Oct. 9) in **USD's Shiley Theater** at 7 p.m. The Stockdale Symposium, which is free and open to the public, is sponsored by the **San Diego NROTC** consortium and the **USD School of Business** masters in science in global leadership. The symposium allows members of the university, military and corporate communities to come together for discussions of moral issues in leadership in our society.



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**Families and Communities Caring Together.** This conference is for parents of kids with special needs and professionals who serve them. Topics include "How to Be Your Child's Own Case Manager" and "Helping Families Cope with Childhood Disability." Oct. 6, 8 am-1:30 pm. \$25-\$50. Please RSVP. Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice, University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego.  
[www.sandiego.edu/compass](http://www.sandiego.edu/compass); 619-260-7667.



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**SATURDAY, NOV 10 - FESTIVAL**

**SALLY RIDE SCIENCE FESTIVAL**

Bringing a fresh and exciting approach to science, this festival will feature a variety of fun and lively workshops presented by local female engineers and scientists in varied fields. **Organization:** University of San Diego **Information:** Karen Anisko 858-534-8017 **Cost:** \$18.00 **When:** Hours: 11:00 AM - 4:15 PM **Where:** University of San Diego, Register for Location, San Diego *Stop Here*



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## **The Sally Ride Science Festival Is Coming To USD**

Astronaut Wendy Lawrence,  
Local Female Scientists and  
Engineers

Bring Science to Life for Girls  
Grades 5 through 8

Hundreds of girls in grades 5 -  
8 will come together for a festive  
day of science and socializing at  
the Sally Ride Science Festival  
on Saturday, Nov. 10, at the  
University of San Diego.

Bringing a fresh and exciting  
approach to science, the festival  
will feature a variety of fun and  
lively workshops presented  
by local female engineers and  
scientists in fields ranging from  
aviation to veterinary medicine. It  
also includes the opportunity for  
the young girls to meet and listen  
to astronaut Wendy Lawrence.  
Parents and teachers are also  
encouraged to attend.

The festival will take place at  
the University of San Diego's  
Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace  
& Justice. The day begins at  
11:00 a.m. with check-in and the  
street fair, and ends at 4:15 p.m.  
The cost is \$18 in advance and  
includes lunch, and all festival  
activities and materials. Advance  
registration is required.

Teachers, parents and  
students can register and learn  
more about the festival by visiting  
[www.SallyRideFestivals.com](http://www.SallyRideFestivals.com) or  
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## Sally Ride Science Announces Fall Festivals and Events

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SAN DIEGO, Oct 08, 2007 (BUSINESS WIRE) --

This fall, Sally Ride Science(TM) is hosting science festivals for girls and conference programs and workshops for educators to illustrate how to bring science to life and open students to the wide range of possibilities in science.

Sally Ride Science Festivals bring together hundreds of girls in fifth through eighth grades for a day of science and socializing. The fall festival line-up includes: Oct. 13 at California State University, Los Angeles; Oct. 27 at Rice University in Houston; and Nov. 10 at the **University of San Diego**. Each festival features an inspiring talk by an astronaut; discovery workshops with local scientists; workshops for parents and teachers; and a street fair with hands-on science activities, food and music. Advance registration is required and is \$18. For information, visit <http://www.sallyridefestivals.com>.

This month, Sally Ride Science and the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA), in collaboration with Northrop Grumman, invite teachers to attend "Join the Journey: Celebrating Teachers" Oct. 16-17 at the Marriott at the Renaissance Center in Detroit. The conference will highlight teacher and astronaut Barbara Morgan's space flight on STS-118 and illustrate how teachers can bring real-world science into the classroom. The registration fee is \$50. For information, visit <http://www.sallyridescience.com/conferences>.

Dr. Sally Ride, president and CEO of Sally Ride Science, is the keynote speaker at NSTA's Northern/Midwestern Area Conference -- which follows the "Join the Journey: Celebrating Teachers" conference in Detroit -- on Oct. 18 from 9:15 to 10:30 a.m. She will also speak at the Oct. 26 awards luncheon at the California Science Teachers Association's conference in Long Beach, Calif.

Sally Ride Science will also present workshops at NSTA's Northern/Midwestern Area Conference in Detroit, Western Area Conference in Denver Nov. 8-10, and Southern Area Conference in Birmingham, Ala. Dec. 6-8.

### About Sally Ride Science

Sally Ride Science is an innovative science content company dedicated to supporting girls' and boys' interests in science, math and technology. Our programs include Sally Ride Science Festivals, educator institutes, after-school programs, and Classroom Sets to supplement science instruction. For more information call 1-800-561-5161.

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**Get the Lowdown** "on creating nonfiction books that are a joy to read and a pleasure to write" when

Caroline Arnold speaks for Society of Children's Book Writers and Illustrators on Saturday, October 13. Arnold is author of more than 130 books on diverse array of subjects. Meeting begins at 2 p.m. in room 108 of Hahn School of Nursing building at University of San Diego, (at Linda Vista Road and Marion Way). \$9. 619-660-8861. (LINDA VISTA)



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## **Athletics**

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# RISING ABOVE TRAGIC LEGACY

Rob Jones, grandson of People's Temple founder Jim Jones, writing fresh chapter to family history as prized USD recruit

By Hank Wesch  
STAFF WRITER

The question has been asked more than once of Rob Jones by well-meaning but obviously history-challenged inquirers. Essentially, it is: Where were you when family patron Jim Jones led more than 900 of his cult followers in the infamous mass suicide by drinking cyanide-laced Flavor Aid at Jonestown, Guyana?

The answer Rob said he has given, with a touch of understandable incredulity, is: "He's my grandfather. I'd have to be like 35 years old now to have been alive then."

Rob Jones is 18. The same age his father, Jim Jones Jr. — the first African-American child in the state of Indiana to be adopted by Caucasian parents — was on Nov. 18, 1978, when the tragic events occurred in the remote, jungle outpost built by Jim Jones Sr. and his People's Temple church after leaving San Francisco.

Jim Jr., who was playing in a basketball tournament in Georgetown, Guyana, lost his first wife and unborn child that day. Rob is one of three sons from a second marriage and a new life. A 6-foot-6, 230-pound forward, Rob comes to USD to play basketball.

He has come as one of the most highly regarded USD recruits in many years, arriving as a celebrated two-sport star out of Riordan High in San Francisco.

He is here with no intention of disassociation from the family history, but with every intention of continuing to write a new, far more positive chapter.

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The basketball connection — the sport that saved the father is the passion for the son — seems obvious. But Jim Jr. says that for a long time he was too close to the picture to see it himself.

"I never thought in terms that basketball saved me until just recently," he said.

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## THE JONES FAMILY



Jim Jones Jr. (back row, right) poses with family members in 1976 in California, including his parents, Marceline and Jim Jones (seated, center) who adopted several children from different ethnic backgrounds. Jim Jones Jr. was away from Jonestown in Guyana on Nov. 18, 1978 — playing a basketball game in another town when more than 900 members of the People's Temple committed suicide as followers of the senior Jones (right).



Jim Jones Jr., who lost his wife at Jonestown, returned to the United States, remarried and later had a son, Rob Jones, who is a freshman basketball player at USD.

## THE TV DOCUMENTARY

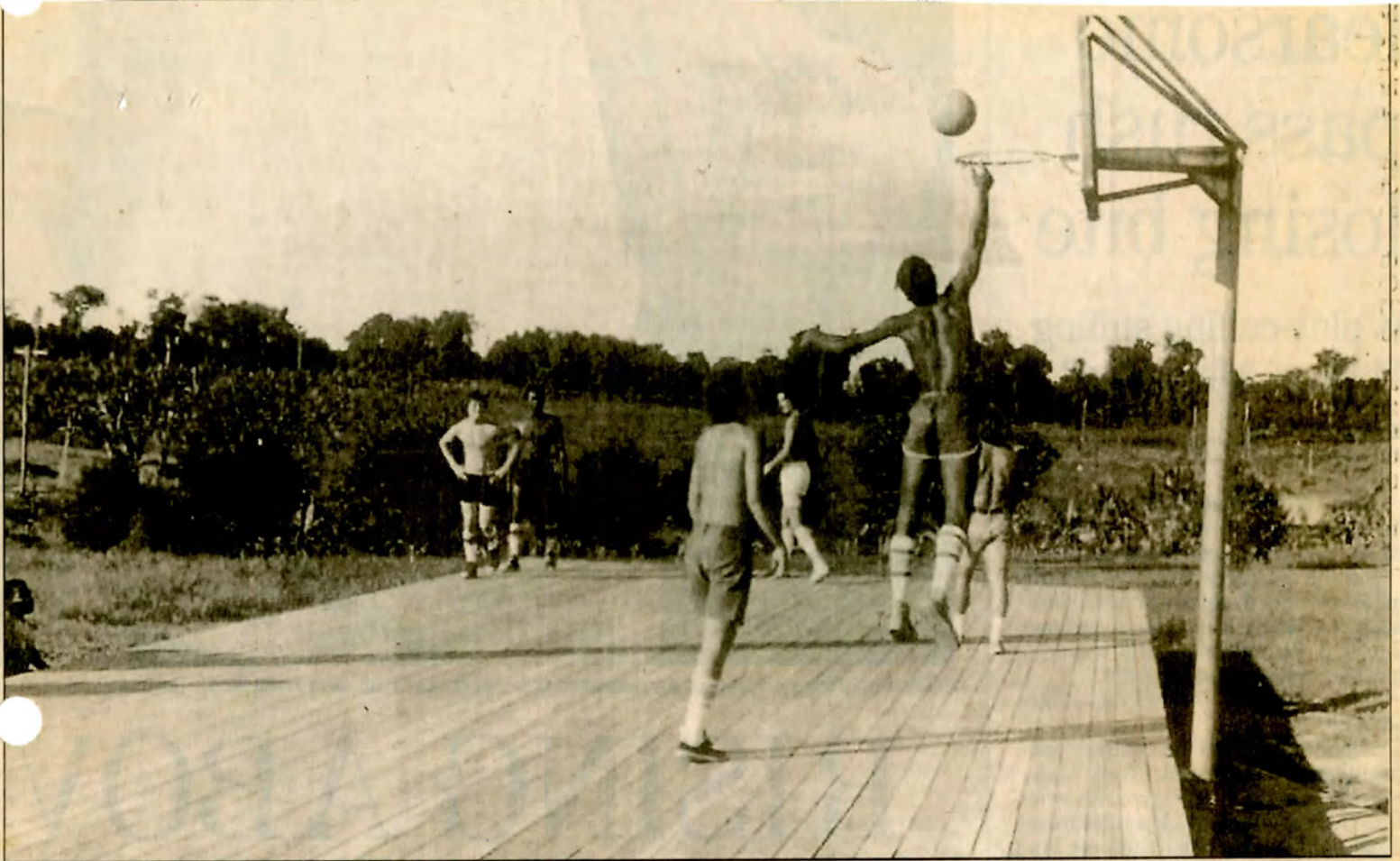
ESPN's "Outside the Lines" will broadcast a documentary Sunday on Rob Jones, his father, Jim Jones Jr., and his grandfather, Jim Jones, the founder of the People's Temple and Jonestown in Guyana. The show will air at 6:30 a.m. on ESPN and be replayed at 9 a.m. on ESPNNews.

## BIG RECRUIT

A 6-foot-6, 230-pound forward, Rob Jones was the West Catholic Athletic League and San Francisco Player of the Year as a senior, averaging 17 points and 14 rebounds. He also was a first-team all-league tight end in football.



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Jim Jones Jr., father of USD freshman Rob Jones, goes up for a shot on the wooden court at Jonestown in Guyana. *Photo courtesy of ESPN*

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## Rob Jones open about family's link to tragedy

"Through 28 years you kind of wonder why you were spared. People have told me, and I've kind of adopted (this view), that it was by the grace of God.

"I am somewhat in awe that Rob has a deep passion for and commitment to basketball. But I look at it as this is what he wants. Maybe, deep within him is the thought that, 'What saved my father is something that I'm going to be great at,' but I don't know.

"Life presents interesting tales, and sometimes you stop asking why and just start accepting the bounty of blessings of it."

Says Rob: "That's the funny part. How basketball kind of saved his life and has made a pathway for my life. Basketball has really been a key part of our life. Without basketball, I wouldn't be alive today."

It's the sport to which he has gravitated — although it's not necessarily the one he's best built to play.

"In size and body type, Rob's a stereotypical tight end and everybody told him his ticket was football," Jim Jr. says. "I don't know what has made him so focused on basketball and such a hard worker, but it is deep.

"It may be from our family legacy, but I don't know that for sure. What's great is that Rob keeps up the family name. And it's not splashed across the front page of the *San Francisco Chronicle* in association with death and tragedy. That may seem very trivial, but it makes a father feel good."

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The Jones boys, Rob and brothers Ryan, now 16, and Ross, 13 — nicknamed "Little Rob" — grew up in a three-story, four-bedroom house in Pacifica, right outside San Francisco. Rob's athletic prowess was nurtured at rec-center playgrounds and gyms to start, later at Riordan and with a liberal sprinkling of trips to the University of San Francisco for AAU or pickup games.

He was around 5-10 as a seventh-grader, a head taller than most of the kids in his class, and just kept growing.

Rob scored more than 1,000 points and pulled down more than 1,000 rebounds in his high school career, helping make Riordan a Northern California power in his junior and senior seasons. His senior season, he averaged 17 points and 14 rebounds.

As a tight end in football, his 75 catches in 23 games were school career records. But his dream was to play college basketball. And when his perceived status as a "tweener" — fitting neither the ideal guard nor forward mold — apparently precluded the basketball offers he desired from top-tier Pac-10 schools, he turned down football overtures from several major programs to commit to USD in August 2006 and sign a letter of intent last fall.

"I felt it (USD) would be a good fit for me; it was a question of where I wanted to be, locationwise," Rob said. He was on a bus with the Riordan team to a Northern California playoff game at Sacramento High last March, what would turn out to be his final high school basketball game, when he heard USD had fired head coach Brad Holland.

"My parents didn't call me because they didn't want me to worry about it during my game. But all my friends texted me and called me on my cell when they heard about it on ESPN," Rob said. "It was a really awkward moment. I was on the bus, trying to gear up mentally for the game and then this craziness happens."

Jim Jr. said that at first the family was "flooded" by news of the firing.

"What surprised me about Rob was he had a real commitment to San Diego," said Jim Jr., who is an account executive for the San Francisco and Hawaii regions for San Diego-based medical technology firm Biosite. "He and Coach Holland got along so well, both being dual athletes. The synergy was there. My impression was that 50 percent of the decision was based on the coach. But Rob clarified it and said it was only one-third. He really loved the school and his teammates. He wanted to be with a group of guys he felt he could depend on and they could depend on him."

Rob said he had thoughts of looking into getting a release from his letter of intent after the firing "because I didn't know who was going to be the new coach for what seemed like a long time."

A phone call and visit from longtime Gonzaga assistant Bill Grier soon after his hiring at USD put those thoughts to rest.

"I've said many times that in my opinion Rob is the best player, coming out of high school anyway, that Coach Holland ever recruited to USD," Grier said this summer. "I knew a lot about him from watching films and seeing him play while I was at Gonzaga. We haven't had a chance to work with him much, but I believe he's going to help us in a lot of ways."

Said Rob: "He wants me to go out my fresh-

man year and have an impact. He says he has no problem starting a freshman if I'm good enough. I'm planning on working hard to improve my game, and I hope to bring a lot of energy to the team."

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"I hear Kool-Aid jokes every now and then," Rob said. "You know, 'Don't let him make the Kool-Aid, he's a Jones.' But really, the people who make those jokes are close friends and they know I'm open about it, so I'm not really hurt by it."

Who knows what clever but mean-spirited chants and displays he will have to endure from opposing student sections at Toreros games in his career?

"I'm not too worried about it," Rob said. "It motivates me when the crowd is against you. Kind of an underdog thing. It makes (success) all that much better."

In the gut-wrenching dilemma of when and what to tell their sons about the family history, Jim Jones Jr. and his wife, Erin, chose early and everything.

"My sister didn't tell her children until shortly before she passed away with cancer, just last year," Jim Jr. said. "It was an individual decision and a lot of people had counseled me, or coached me, that it was a whole separate world I didn't need to open up with my kids.

"But I guess Erin and I felt that if they didn't have a stigma about it, and came from the positive side that I came from, they could draw from that and be empowered."

They answered questions in basic terms as they came up, provided details as Rob grew older.

"My dad went through a long time where he struggled with the fact that everyone he knew and loved was gone," Rob said. "I was very young, but I remember it all (the struggles). He went through some tough times and our whole family went through some tough times because of it. He had a wife and a child on the way when it happened. That's hard to let go, but he eventually did.

"Eventually, he wasn't ashamed anymore."

Nine years ago, the family made the 18-hour journey to the Jonestown site.

"I'm glad that it went the way it did, but I could see how it could have gone in an opposite direction," Jim Jr. said. "Rob's at a stage in life now where I can't shelter him from the outside world. And, even though I know this sounds like a dad speaking, I'm constantly amazed at how well he handles it.

"He said: 'You know, Dad, it's only a story to me.'"

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**USD's Rob Jones** arrives as a celebrated two-sport star from San Francisco. *Sean M. Haffey / Union-Tribune*





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## Comic gets big-league play on TBS

By Michael Hiestand, USA TODAY

In its first-ever baseball playoff coverage, TBS was indisputably successful in at least one area: Baseball fans now know that comedian **Frank Caliendo** will get a new TBS show.

Good thing Caliendo, in the incessant plugs, is kind of funny. The downside: He was probably the flashiest element in TBS coverage that seemed largely immune to playoff fever.

On the upside, at least TBS didn't have the excessive closeups of managers and fans that roil Fox's baseball coverage. And in **Cal Ripken**, at least it didn't have a superstar who turns to stone in a TV studio — epitomized by **Joe Montana's** foray into NFL TV years ago — and he's more daring than studio colleague **Frank Thomas**, who seems like the TV rookie he is. Even Ripken said Thomas was being "politically correct" because he'll go back to the Toronto Blue Jays next season. Thomas' low point came with the Cubs and Diamondbacks tied after six innings Wednesday; he noted the game "will be decided in the late innings."

On games, TBS' ad-heavy coverage has left it — inexcusably — missing live action on several occasions.

Still, game analyst **Steve Stone** is solid. (Cool trivia: Stone was run off Chicago Cubs local TV partly by then-manager **Dusty Baker**. Baker is now at ESPN, which this year has no postseason games, so he has to sit out the playoffs.) And the onscreen graphic measuring baserunners' lead-offs from bases is fun.

But, TBS, even if you have to make it look like Caliendo is running the bases: Don't miss live action.

### Miller ready for action

**Dennis Miller** says that other than "getting little gaffer tape crosses to put on the floor for me to stand on, I'm ready to talk some ball now."

He'll have to start ranting Nov. 6 on his new weekly *Sports Unfiltered* on the Versus cable channel. He says it will be "kind of like" his old HBO show — monologues mixed with studio guests.

Miller, who now has a three-hour syndicated radio talk show revolving largely about politics and social commentary, has no regrets about his two seasons as an ABC *Monday Night Football* analyst; it allowed him to go to NFL games for the first time since he was 7. He recalls online polls showing "that 55% of viewers hated my guts at the beginning, but by the end of my tenure it was more like 50-50 — it was a huge victory."

*MNF*, now on ESPN, currently has a game analyst who never played or coach, **Tony Kornheiser**. Kornheiser has gotten this tip from Miller: "I told him to keep his head low. You're always going to get sniped at in that job."

### ESPN examines Jones Jr.'s tale

Jim Jones Jr., says basketball literally saved his life. Because it did, he didn't get the draft for years. But this season, his son Rob, after being heavily recruited, joins the University of San Diego's team.

Their saga, which will be documented in a 19-minute report on ESPN's *Outside the Lines* Sunday (9:30 a.m. ET), began when Jim became the first African American to be adopted by white parents in Indiana. His adoptive father: The Rev. Jim Jones, who created a cult in Guyana meant as a sort of socialist utopia until Jones, after ordering the murder of a skeptical visiting congressman, commanded a mass murder-suicide in Jonestown in 1978. It killed 914, including 276 children and Jim Jr.'s pregnant wife.

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In a phone interview, Jim Jr., said he was with a Jonestown basketball team he'd formed with two brothers partly "as a form of rebellion" against his father, who saw the sport as "part of the establishment." As Kool-Aid or Flavor-Aid — there's dispute over which was used — was spiked with cyanide at The People's Temple, the father radioed his sons to tell them to commit suicide.

Jones said he "felt ashamed" he'd been spared by basketball and the sport "represented personal agony." He moved to the San Francisco area, where many of Jonestown's victims had lived, and went by James Jones "so I wouldn't have to hear the Kool-Aid jokes. I still get them about once per week."

Then Rob, in grade school, discovered basketball and excelled in it at San Francisco's Riordan High. Jim Jr. says he was open about Jonestown with Rob. But few knew about Rob's family background until it was noted in the San Francisco Chronicle in January. Rob isn't worried about hecklers at games — "bring it on," he says — and wants to make his name "a positive."

Jim Jr., now in biomedical sales, says he's still "proud" of his name, "not because of the horrific events, but because of what the People's Temple tried to create. They tried to create a new world — at least they tried."

He's not worried about the TV exposure: "This is a positive Jones story. Let's be honest, there've been some negative ones."

#### High-flying job gets him to NFL's peaks

Jimmy Haden has climbed iconic rock walls, such as Yosemite National Park's El Capitan and Half Dome — even scaling both on the same day.

He's climbed in Patagonia, Alaska, Madagascar and has made it up France's Mont Blanc.

In recent weeks, he's summited Texas Stadium, Soldier Field and Giants Stadium.

Technically, he says, those routes weren't challenging: "It's pretty easy climbing, so you can monkey around. You get some good views. And I'd always rather work outside."

Haden, 33, is a "rigging grip" for Los Angeles-based Cablecam International; he helps set up the grid of ropes that allow the company's cameras to zip above NFL fields, always staying at least 12 feet above the players. For NBC's Sunday night games, including this weekend's Bears-at-Packers matchup, he climbs to the stadium's four highest points — usually the top of the tallest light towers — to secure the rope grids.

Haden, who lives near Lake Tahoe, joined Yosemite's elite search-and-rescue team at age 19. He later became a mountain-climbing guide, then tried to figure out how he could use his carabiners and harnesses without, say, risking frostbite. He's not stationed atop a light tower during games, but he says stadiums still aren't always benign: "Sometimes you get pyrotechnics going off — that'll scare you."

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**SFGate**.com**Jonestown nightmare, hoop dreams**

Steve Kroner, Chronicle Staff Writer

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Near the end of the powerful documentary, "Jonestown: The Game of their Lives," Jim Jones Jr. neatly summarizes the thrust of the 191/2-minute piece:

*"I was known in basketball gyms as the son of the notorious, infamous Jim Jones," says the adopted son of the People's Temple leader. "Now, I'm known as the father of Rob Jones.*

*"That's a good feeling."*

The documentary, which debuts at 6:30 a.m. Sunday on ESPN's "Outside the Lines" program, has a "basketball as salvation" theme. Had Jones Jr. not been involved in a basketball tournament in Georgetown, Guyana, on Nov. 18, 1978, he most likely would have died with the more than 900 people who perished in the murders-suicides orchestrated by his father in Jonestown, about 250 miles from Georgetown.

After distancing himself from basketball for years, Jones Jr. had his passion for the game reignited by the success of his son, Rob, a Riordan High graduate who has begun his freshman year at the University of San Diego. 

Rob, who averaged 16.6 points and 11.6 rebounds per game as a senior for the Crusaders, said during a conference call Tuesday that he had no qualms about having his family saga brought to a national stage just as he's starting his college life.

"I think I'll be fine," he said. "There's no real downside to it. This is my past, my history. I just want to let people know what basketball can bring to someone's life."

On that same call, Jim Jr. praised the "sensitivity" reporter Chris Connelly and producer Jon Fish brought to the documentary.

Even with that sensitivity, viewers should be prepared for some disturbing images. Nearly 29 years later, the footage of the mass murder-suicide remains as chilling as it did then.

During the conference call, ESPN vice president Craig Lazarus said the network got the idea to do the Jones' story after reading The Chronicle's story on the Jones family ("Building his own legacy," Jan. 16). Originally, ESPN had planned to do its story as a 10- to 11-minute feature, but as Connelly

and Fish did more research and reporting, the piece grew into the 19 1/2-minute documentary.

ESPN has configured its commercial-break schedule on "Outside the Lines" to enable "Jonestown" to run uninterrupted. The ability to get that done on "Outside the Lines" is one reason the documentary is airing at a time when much of what would be considered its most interested audience - people in the Bay Area - will be asleep.

The overall timing of "Jonestown" also seems curious. It's not debuting in college basketball season, it's not debuting in November and it's not debuting in one of the typical anniversary years (say, the 25th or 30th) during which retrospective stories usually run.

Lazarus' response was that ESPN decided to run "Jonestown" as soon as the documentary was completed.

"We didn't want to hold it. We just wanted to get it on the air," Lazarus said. "... It's nice to have hooks, but that's really not what's driving putting an interesting story on the air."

Fish went to Jonestown in August. Even though "the jungle has taken a lot of it back, so it doesn't look anything like it did," he said the trip gave him a profound perspective.

"That was the true understanding of the story, just being there and seeing everything," Fish said.

**Briefly:** The documentary re-airs at 9 a.m. Sunday on ESPNNews. ... Lazarus said ESPN is considering doing a different, perhaps longer version, of the documentary next year on the 30th anniversary.

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# Dayton decisively ends USD win streak

By Mark Gokavi  
SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

DAYTON, Ohio — As usual, Josh Johnson avoided the first defender.

But against Dayton yesterday, there was a second, third and sometimes fourth Flyer harassing the USD quarterback.

**Dayton**  
**35**  
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“They were able to get pressure with just their D-line,” Johnson said. “They were able to cover the guys down field a little bit.”

That — plus Dayton’s potent offense — led to USD’s 35-16 loss in front of 7,861 fans at Welcome Stadium. The Flyers improved to 8-1, 4-1 in the Pioneer Football League. The Toreros fell to 7-1, 4-1.

Johnson completed 18-of-41 passes for 230 yards and two scores along with 67 rushing yards. But he also suffered his first interception this season, was sacked three times, had 10 passes broken up and lost a fumble.

“They pretty much came out and played like their life was on the line,” Johnson said. “We didn’t.”

The Toreros were ranked No. 1 in all the Division I mid-major polls while Dayton was No. 2. This is USD’s first defeat against a PFL team since a 41-38 loss at Drake in 2004. The Toreros had won 20 straight against PFL teams.

“It was the end of a very strange week,” USD coach Ron Caragher said about practicing inside due to poor air quality from the wildfires. “And it ended in a tough fashion, too.”

“My hat’s off to Dayton. They did a great job. They prepared and they made plays. We did not.”

Dayton quarterback Kevin Hoyng did the most damage. Hoyng completed 23-of-29 passes for 252 yards and two touch-

downs. He also ran for 127 yards and two scores as Dayton racked up 491 yards.

With USD trailing 14-7, Johnson’s pass intended for Mitch Ryan was deflected and intercepted. The Flyers scored three plays later and led 21-7 at halftime.

That lead increased to 28-7 after a USD drive ended with Johnson being sacked on fourth down.

“Josh is such a great athlete. If one guy is in his face, he’ll make him miss and make the throw,” Caragher said. “But he’d escape one guy, and there’d be another

... ons without points, the Toreros got a 43-yard field goal from Hutch Parker. Johnson then hooked up with Ryan for a TD pass — Johnson’s 30th in 2007 and 100th at USD. But USD missed the two-point pass to keep the deficit at 28-16.

“We still had confidence in ourselves, Johnson said. “I felt like the game was never over until the end. They just kept making plays.”

The Toreros didn’t. Against the PFL’s top-ranked defense, USD was just 3-of-14 on third down (3-of-5 on fourth down) and had the ball for just 2:13 of the fourth quarter. Running back J.T. Rogan was held to 43 yards on 13 carries.

Hoyng’s 42-yard touchdown run with 7:16 left ended the Toreros’ hopes of an unbeaten season.

“I told the players, there’s nothing quite like the feeling of coming back ... and we have that ability with our playmakers,” Caragher said. “We somewhat came back, but they responded.”



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USD senior defensive end Eric Bakhtiari is attracting plenty of attention from the NFL.

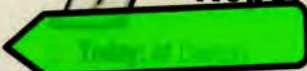
# NFL teams are hooked on Toreros' Bakhtiari

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**TOM SHANAHAN**  
FOR THE NORTH COUNTY TIMES



## Toreros Report



**SAN DIEGO —** University of San Diego defensive end Eric Bakhtiari uses a fishing analogy to describe how Toreros quarterback Josh Johnson helps his chances to be in an NFL training camp next summer.

"Josh is the marlin, the big catch," Bakhtiari said. "He attracts the scouts. The rest of us are just pufferfish."

It's a good line that Bakhtiari cast before the Toreros left for today's game at the University of Dayton, but it's not one you should fully bite on.

USD head coach Ron Caragher says scouts from nearly all 32 NFL teams have visited campus to watch film on Johnson or attend a game. But many also have inquired about Bakhtiari, a 6-foot-3, 260-pound senior projected to be invited to an NFL camp as a free-agent outside linebacker.

Bakhtiari is a two-time All-American among Football Championship Subdivision nonscholarship schools and earned third-team All-America honors last year for all FCS schools. He's on the watch list for the Buck Buchanan Award, given to the nation's best defensive player in the FCS.

Bakhtiari says he first heard as a junior from former USD coach Jim Harbaugh, now at Stanford, and Toreros defensive coordinator Dave Adolph — a former NFL assistant coach — that he would have a shot at the NFL if he kept progressing.

**Kickoff:** 10 a.m. at Welcome Stadium, Dayton, Ohio

**Records:** USD 7-0, 4-0 Pioneer Football League; Dayton 7-1, 3-1

**Radio:** 1700 AM

**At a glance:** For the second time in three weeks, USD meets a PFL rival in a game matching the No. 1 and No. 2 ranked teams in the nation. USD is No. 1 and Dayton No. 2 in The Sports Network Poll for mid-major schools (nonscholarship) in the Football Championship Subdivision. ...

Two weeks ago, Drake was No. 2, but after USD and senior QB **Josh Johnson** beat the Bulldogs 59-19 at Torero Stadium, Dayton moved up to No. 2 and Drake dropped to No. 6 ... USD also is ranked No. 24 among all FCS schools. ... The Toreros are overwhelming favorites to win a third straight PFL title and mythical national title, but second place in the PFL carries some weight. The PFL champion is scheduled to face the Northeastern Conference champion on Dec. 1 in the Gridiron Classic. But if USD were to win the PFL and earn an at-large berth in the FCS 16-team playoff bracket, the PFL's second-place team would advance to the Gridiron Classic. ... Dayton lost to Morehead State and is tied for second with Morehead in the PFL standings. ... Dayton is led by QB **Kevin Hoyng**. He has completed 146-of-249 passes for 2,162 yards and 21 touchdowns and rushed 102 times for 366 yards and six touchdowns.

— Tom Shanahan

"It's one of the things that motivate me when you have coaches that have been in the NFL telling you that," Bakhtiari said. "It's also some pressure. When you have those expectations and you don't fulfill them, you could be looked upon as a failure. But I just try to take it one day at a time."

"I'm trying to help our team win every game. I'm thinking about the next game. Eventually you string everything together, and it will get you somewhere."

Caragher, who spent the previous five years as an assistant at the University of Kentucky, compares Bakhtiari to David Pollack, a three-time All-American and 2004 Southeastern Conference defensive player of the year at Georgia. Pollack was a first-round draft pick by the Cincinnati Bengals in 2005 before suffering a neck injury last year.

"We could not block David Pollack, and Eric presents the same kind of problems," Caragher said. "Eric plays with a motor, and he can get under an offensive lineman's pads or run around him."

Against Drake two weeks ago, Bakhtiari had five sacks, three forced fumbles, 10 tackles and two quarterback hurries.

But his best play might have been a quarterback hurry that led to a 99-yard interception return for a touchdown by Ben Hannula. Bakhtiari was 50 yards downfield from pressuring the quarterback when he escorted Hannula and delivered the final block that allowed him to score.

That's the motor Caragher identifies in Bakhtiari.

"My roommate (linebacker Ronnie Pentz) is a huge Georgia fan from Georgia, and he once told me I had to play more like David Pollack," Bakhtiari said. "Maybe that's where I get some of it from."

He may not be a marlin, but his profile has grown bigger than a pufferfish.

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# USD plays some arena football to prep for game against Dayton

By Willie Bans

SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

The sound of helmets clashing and tennis shoes squeaking simulates a football game. It's fine with USD, the Toreros' head coach said.

The Toreros moved their practices indoors to the Jenny Craig Pavilion this week because of the unhealthy air caused by the wildfires, attempting to have a semblance of stability before they play at Dayton (7-1, 3-1 Pioneer Football League) today at 10 a.m. PDT.

"We pulled all the baskets back, put the bleachers back and played a little arena football," head coach Ron Caragher said of his team (7-0, 4-0). "It's just your landmarks get changed, being on a basketball court instead of a football field.

"I like to use the analogy with the team that we're a bunch of caged tigers, ready to be set free (today)."

This week, defensive coordinator Dave Adolph and special teams coach Ed Lamb evacuated their homes, but Caragher said the players weren't directly affected. A few had families who were forced to move temporarily.

Playing the No. 2 team in the league for the second consecutive week, the Toreros face a Flyers team with the PFL's top defense and a pass-heavy offense (Dayton quarterback Kevin Hoyng's 270.2 passing yards per game is behind only USD senior QB Josh Johnson).

Toreros senior receiver Wes Doyle said the hosts shouldn't have an advantage because of his team's situation this week.

"I'm sure Dayton is licking their chops thinking that we a.) didn't get to practice, or b.) had some kind of modified practice," said Doyle, who leads the league in receptions (49) and is second in receiving yards per game (90.9). "But no, I'm not worried at all that Dayton has a step up on us because they were able to practice on a field and not in a gymnasium.

"Maybe on some teams that can be a problem, but on this team we handle adversity really well, and I think we'll show it again."

Caragher has seen nature affect football before. While an assistant at Kentucky, a game at Miami was rescheduled because of a hurricane. While he was at UCLA, heavy rains meant the Bruins practiced inside Pauley Pavilion.

"We just tried to have a football mentality even on the hardcourt," he said.

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**USD practices indoors**

USD's undefeated football team, which will play at Dayton on Saturday, practiced indoors in the Jenny Craig Pavilion yesterday on campus.

Practice sites for today and tomorrow — inside or outside — will be determined on the basis of air quality.

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# Johnson hits right notes as USD rolls

By Willie Bans

SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

Considering USD's offensive outbursts this season, close proximity to paydirt means certain routines begin: The kicker will look for the

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tee, the Torero Spirit Team will slowly get into formation for a celebration dance and Nate Lenz, who controls the music at Torero Stadium, will hover over the "F"

button on his keyboard.

It's the one that starts the USD Fight Song, a jingle played after every Toreros score at home games. It can get overused and downright annoying, especially when USD plays like it did in its 62-23 romp against Jacksonville last night.

Over and over, after quarterback Josh Johnson notched one of his five passing touchdowns or running back J.T. Rogan reached the end zone (three times), Lenz relaxed his eyes — "I'm watching the whole time they're on offense because they score so much," the student intern said — and gave his index finger familiar exercise.

It's a tune that doesn't bother Johnson, though.

"No, absolutely not," said the senior, whose five scores were all to different receivers. "You never get tired of that winning feeling."

It's actually gotten better for those sore ears that endured the eight touchdowns and three field goals tallied by USD (7-0, 4-0 Pioneer Football League) against the Dolphins (2-5, 1-3). Midway through the second quarter, when the Toreros gave themselves a 28-point cushion, Lenz received directions to *not* play House of Pain's "Jump Around," the post-Fight Song tune during the first three games, in which USD averaged almost 50 points.

"Please, please play something else," Lenz said he was told.

Added Rogan: "It gets a little trite, maybe a little overused when you're on the sidelines, I guess, later on in the game. You don't want to hear House of Pain seven times, especially when it's such a mediocre song. Aren't there other one-hit wonders they could pull out?"

Rogan and Johnson stayed on the sideline most of the second half and enjoyed the playlist, as the Toreros' 59-14 halftime lead let the starters relax and cheer for the reserves.

"I like seeing the other guys get reps," Rogan said. "I really look forward to it. When we do our job and score on all our possessions in the first half — guys have parents that travel a long way to see them play. Guys have a lot of pride being on this team, so when we can get a lot of people in, that's when everybody enjoys it."

It's doubtful that Jacksonville wants to memorize the music. The points allowed tied a program high.

Still, the USD athletic staff said it didn't receive complaints last night about the repetitive songs. It was more pleasant than a soccer game last year when the Toreros had 11 goals and a parent from the opposing team begged for the mute button.

No, the closest the Toreros got to a similar moment was late in the second quarter, when an announcer from a Jacksonville radio crew said, "And we have about memorized the San Diego Fight Song."

*Da da da da, da da da da.*

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# Jacksonville no match for the mighty Toreros

**TOM SHANAHAN**  
FOR THE NORTH COUNTY TIMES

SAN DIEGO — To see something that doesn't go as scripted at a University of San Diego football game, you have to look beyond the playing field.

Midway through the second quarter of the Toreros' 62-23 win Saturday night over Jacksonville

University, the USD mascot did a cartwheel that resulted with the head of his costume falling off to the amusement of fans in the east end zone.

Also in the first half, some on-field presentations scheduled for a break in the action had to be pushed back, which left USD assistant marketing director Chris Morales impishly hoping for a timeout to get back on schedule.

"Can't we get some confusion to call for a timeout?" Morales said to no one. "I watch LSU games with (head coach) Les Miles, and they get confused and have to call a timeout."

But not, apparently, at USD games when senior quarterback Josh Johnson is directing the Toreros' West Coast offense.

"It's remarkable," said senior center Jordan Paopao, an El Camino High alumnus.

"He's calling plays himself now. He suggest plays to the coaches, and the coaches kind of rely on him. He's always been a physical specimen that can run and throw, anticipate throws and anticipate blitzes. He's heaven-sent."

The 6-foot-3, 200-pound NFL prospect from Oakland sliced and diced another Pioneer Football League opponent before 3,544 fans at Torero Stadium.

Johnson completed 17-of-22 passes for 249 yards and five touchdowns — to five different receivers — with no interceptions in just two quarters of play. He was pulled after the first half with the Toreros leading 56-14.

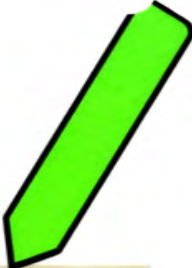
USD improved to 7-0 overall and 4-0 in the PFL, and Jacksonville dropped to 2-5 and 1-3. The Toreros no doubt maintained their No. 1 national ranking among non-scholarship schools in the Football Championship Subdivision (formerly Div. I-AA).

The poll to watch is the one for all FCS schools. The Toreros debuted last week at a tie for No. 25 and hope to move up for a chance at an at-large berth in the FCS 16-team playoff bracket.

Before USD coach Ron Caragher emptied his bench in the second half, junior running back J.T. Rogan finished with 19 carries for 115 yards and two touchdowns.

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# Humble roots of a USD star

By Willie Bans, SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

See the kid over there, playing catch while the starters prepare for the next opponent? Or how about the scrub hovering over the water bottles, taking a swig when the coaches aren't looking? Or focus on that tall, scrawny one in the scout-team huddle, reading an index card showing who he's blocking on the next play.

Go to any high school football practice, and you'll see. You'll see the Eric Bakhtiari of the past.



Eric Bakhtiari

"All scout team, all the time," the 6-4, 260-pound USD senior defensive end said at practice this week before the Toreros (6-0 overall, 3-0 Pioneer Football League) host Jacksonville (2-4, 1-2) at 6 tonight. "I lived on that scout team. I was always holding the bag, doing whatever they told me to do."

Before his senior season at Burlingame High, that's pretty much all he would do. In his first three years, he had about five minutes of playing time combined.

"My experience my junior year was two plays," he recounted. "I got pancaked the first play. And then after that, the head coach went over to the linebacker coach and asked, 'Why is Bakhtiari in there?' And I played one more play, and I was taken out the rest of the game."

But his senior year at the San Mateo County school would be the opposite experience.

After a summer in which Bakhtiari lifted weights almost twice daily and grew an inch to his current height, he started the entire season, leading the county in sacks. Now, he's coming off a five-sack performance — a program record and high among Football Championship Series (formerly Div. I-AA) teams this year — that earned two national Player of the Week awards.

It's a true reserve-to-riches story for Bakhtiari, who was the PFL's co-Defensive Player of the Year in 2006 and a third-team Associated Press All-America selection.

"I had bad eyesight, so I had to wear these black-rimmed goggles," he said of his first game starting in high school. "I was so ashamed of them that I wouldn't take off my helmet during the game, so on the sidelines I'd always have my helmet on so people in the stands wouldn't see me and make fun of me. I didn't want the other team to make fun of me, so on the very first kickoff (of the season) I ran down, and the first guy that tried to block me I ran right through him and knocked him over. And from then on I was like, 'OK, I can do this.'"



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## Toreros Report

**Today:** vs. Jacksonville

**Kickoff:** 6 p.m. at Torero Stadium

**Records:** Jacksonville 2-4, 1-2 Pioneer Football League; USD

**Radio:** 1700 AM

**At a glance:** USD broke into the top 25 rankings for all Football Championship Subdivision schools (formerly Division I-AA) at a tie for No. 25 with Hampton. The Toreros, No. 1-ranked among non-scholarship schools in the FCS, beat then-No. 2 Drake last week 56-19. ... USD is halfway through the Pioneer Football League schedule as the two-time defending conference champs and two-time defending national champs of the mythical title awarded by The Sports Network poll. ... Senior QB **Josh**

**Johnson**, an NFL draft prospect, has accepted an invitation to play in the East-West Shrine Game on Jan. 18 in Houston. ... Johnson is a Walter Payton Award candidate as the nation's top offensive player in the FCS and senior DE **Eric Bakhtiari** is a Buck Buchanan Award candidate as the nation's top defensive player in the FCS. ... USD is averaging 47.5 points per game and Johnson 320.6 yards. He has 23 touchdown passes with no interceptions. ... Jacksonville upset Morehead State 34-24 last week. The Dolphins are led by QB

**Chris Horton**, who completed 27-of-50 passes for 450 yards last week. WR **Geavon Tribble** had TD catches of 89 and 90 yards.

— Tom Shanahan

# COMMENTARY

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## Patience in Short Supply These Days

*Ron Caragher's old boss may have been fortunate to end up at Kentucky instead of San Diego State.*

By Tom Shanahan

**Tuesday, October, 16, 2007** | Ron Caragher's decision last winter was to take the University of San Diego head coach position or remain an assistant at Kentucky. Either way, he seemed destined last weekend to be involved in a game with national title implications.

Caragher sent voice mails and text messages to Kentucky head coach Rich Brooks not long after the Wildcats upset LSU, the nation's No. 1-ranked team among Football Bowl Subdivision schools.

And voice mails and text messages from Brooks and his staff were making their way to San Diego not long after Caragher's No. 1-ranked Toreros pounded No. 2 Drake 56-19 in a game that matched the nation's top two non-scholarship Football Championship Subdivision schools.

Hey, this guy knows how to pick a winner.

"I've kept in touch in touch with good friends and guys on the staff, and several have congratulated me," Caragher said. "I'm happy for them, but I'm so thankful to have an opportunity to be the head coach at this terrific university."

Brooks, you might remember, was a candidate for the San Diego State job in 2002 that went to Tom Craft. But in today's sports climate, it's interesting to wonder how much time at San Diego State Brooks would have been given to turn around the program.

At Kentucky, he got time from a supportive university president and athlete director. After three years, Brooks had a record of 9-25 and appeared to be losing ground. He was 4-8 in 2003, 2-9 in 2004 and 3-8 in 2005.

But Kentucky's administration -- in a rare show of patience in college athletics these days -- stuck with Brooks for a fourth season. The Wildcats responded with an 8-5 record and a win over Clemson in the Music City Bowl.

This year, the Wildcats are 6-1 and ranked No. 8 in the nation by The Associated Press.

I asked Caragher when the Wildcats knew they had turned the corner, and he really couldn't give me an answer. He said even when the coaches felt good about the talent they've recruited and the system they had in place, they couldn't be sure that big win was coming.

"We knew it wouldn't happen overnight," Caragher said. "We tried to upgrade the talent level as the first task at hand. We needed speed and size to compete with the Floridas, Georgias and Tennessees in the Southeastern Conference.

"When we beat Georgia and Clemson last year, we knew we were coming. Those were huge wins. We thought they were ready to take the next step, but you don't know how the key games on the schedule are going to go."

We live in a sports talk radio and Internet message board age when NFL coaches that take their team to the playoffs one year are fired for missing it the next year. Or college coaches may not get a chance to see their first full recruiting class become juniors, let alone seniors.

Here's an NFL example: Kansas City Chiefs coach Herm Edwards took the New York Jets to the playoffs in 2004 for the third time in four years, but when he missed the playoffs in 2005, he was fired.

He was replaced by Eric Mangini, and he took the Jets to the playoffs. He was being called Eric Man"genious." Give me a break.

One year later Mangini and the Jets are 1-5.

Today's sports culture doesn't accept that a team can simply get beat. Either their coach did what it takes to win or he's incompetent. In the Chargers' 28-14 win over the Raiders, the same plays the Chargers are being celebrated for making, the Raiders are being criticized for letting the Chargers make.

Chargers fans were quick to blame head coach Norv Turner and defensive coordinator Ted Cottrell for the Bolts' 1-3 start. Two years? There were Chargers fans that didn't want to give Turner and Cottrell two more weeks.

"We didn't sulk, we didn't go in the tank and we practiced well when we were struggling," Turner said. "That was on the reasons we were able to come out of it. Now we've got more guys playing at a real high live than we did early."

A few things I see in San Diego State football is second-year head coach Chuck Long has his players still competing hard for him after a 2-4 start. He has a system in place, he's recruiting strongly and he has the personality to deal with a fan base that part disgruntled and part apathetic. Nothing seems to bring this guy down.

San Diego State certainly isn't immune to the fire-now climate in sports. The Aztecs have fired six coaches in 26 seasons between Claude Gilbert after 1980 season and Tom Craft after 2005. Craft didn't help his cause when he went into a bunker mentality after being under attack for so long.

Rich Brooks might have been fortunate that San Diego State passed him by and he later worked for an administration with patience at Kentucky. SDSU needs to show that kind of patience with its seventh coach in a generation.

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# Johnson, USD leave no doubt about best

**TOM SHANAHAN**  
FOR THE NORTH COUNTY TIMES

SAN DIEGO — The showdown matched the nation's No. 1 vs. No. 2 ranked teams among non-scholarship programs in the Football Championship Subdivision, but it looked more like men against boys.

Or at least it was a game of two NFL prospects and talented teammates against an over-matched squad as No. 1 University of San Diego defeated No. 2 Drake 59-19 Saturday night before 3,877 fans at Torero Stadium.

USD senior quarterback Josh Johnson, a potential NFL draft pick, completed 15-of-23 passes for 305 yards and five touchdowns without an inter-

ception before he was pulled after three quarters. He also rushed eight times for 67 yards.

USD senior defensive end Eric Bakhtiari, projected to be in an NFL training camp as a free agent converted to outside linebacker, finished with 10 tackles, four sacks, six tackles for a loss and three forced fumbles. He also was pulled after three quarters.

"I was so proud of our defense," USD coach Ron Caragher said. "Uncharacteristically, it took our offense a while to get going, but our defense kept creating opportunities with turnovers. Drake had a good plan, but the turnovers were huge."

In addition to three fumbles, USD intercepted three passes for six first-half turnovers and seven in the game.

"It's every guy," Bakhtiari said. "The guys are getting push up the middle, both ends are rushing off the edge and the corners are covering great. (The quarterback) had to hold the ball, and that's the reason I got the pressure."

This was the second straight year USD and Drake played for No. 1 in The Sports Network poll, which awards the mythical national title, in addition to first place in the Pioneer Football League.

But this year's showdown wasn't anything like last year's letdown when USD won at Drake 37-0. This time you could say there was half the drama as the Toreros led 38-0 at halftime.

The Toreros, two-time defending national and PFL champions, improved to 6-0

overall and 3-0 in the PFL. USD is the only remaining unbeaten team in PFL play. Drake dropped to 5-2 and 2-1, while Morehead State lost at Jacksonville to fall to 4-2 and 2-1.

USD's week began with Pittsburgh Steelers scout "Mean" Joe Greene, a Hall-of-Famer, attending Wednesday's practice and finished with the USD Sports Information Department saying that Chargers general manager A.J. Smith and assistant GM Buddy Nix attended the game.


Johnson draws most of the headlines as a quarterback, and the 6-foot-3, 200-pound senior's night included a majestic 77-yard TD toss with the ball in the air 60-plus yards before wide receiver John Matthews caught it in stride over his shoulder.

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# Top-rated Toreros brush off No. 2 team

By Willie Bans

SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE



USD defensive end Erik Bakhtiari could've sworn there was a sack last night in which he wasn't blocked.

Technically, he was blocked during the other three sacks. Drake just didn't do a good enough job of it.

The Toreros defeated the visiting Bulldogs 59-19 before 3,877 last night, showing that the difference between No. 1 and No. 2 in the Sports Network midmajor poll is more than simple subtraction. Instead, the gaping difference between No. 1 USD (6-0 overall, 3-0 Pioneer Football League) and Drake (5-2, 2-1) begins with the 6-foot-4, 260-pound Bakhtiari.

He tied a school record with his four sacks, not allowing Drake quarterbacks Cole Ingle and Derek Retherford to run many plays without seeing No. 92 closing in. Setting a Toreros all-time game-high of three forced fumbles, he was instrumental in nearly all of Drake's six first-half turnovers, which aided in USD's 38-0 lead at intermission.

"It was just great play-calling by (defensive coordinator Dave Adolph)," Bakhtiari said. "I wasn't in the same spot every time. I was coming off the edge, able to beat the tackle."

Added head coach Ron Caragher: "Last week was a tough setback for him (Bakhtiari's cramps didn't allow him to play the second half) — I'm so glad I only have to face Erik during the week and not on Saturdays because he really is a disrupter when you're an offensive football coach."

With the victory and Morehead State's loss, USD is the lone undefeated team in the PFL, putting itself in a prime position to capture a third consecutive league title.

"Part of what got us here has to continue the rest of the way," Caragher said. Early in the second quarter, Bakhtiari knocked the ball out of Retherford's hand and recovered the ball on his way to the ground. The Toreros' ensuing drive began on Drake's 22-yard line and concluded in the back of the end zone when quarterback Josh Johnson connected with tight end Mitch Ryan for a 10-yard score to make it 21-0.

With defense delivering a shut out for three quarters, Johnson was pleased the win was a contrast to last week's close victory in which USD led by only a touchdown midway through the fourth quarter.

"In the beginning of this game, the defense outscored us," Johnson said, referring to the 7-0 lead created by junior linebacker Jordan Sinclair's 43-yard interception return. "Our defense had our backs, and it was only a matter of time before we were gonna get it going."

In a game billed as a clash of the leagues' class, few could've predicted that the beanies distributed to fans before the game would be most useful for the Toreros' starters in the second quarter. Perhaps most telling was a scene soon after Ryan's score, when Bulldogs defensive end Cody Shelley's shouting during a sideline huddle could be heard high in the stands. Usually, such an event doesn't happen until after halftime for the Toreros' opponents.

Just as uncommon, Bakhtiari wasn't really needed in the second half. Guess he'll have fresh legs again for the next game.

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# USD will be tested by Drake

By Willie Bans, SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

Standing on USD's sideline during a practice this week, the tall, unassuming scout wearing a Pittsburgh Steelers windbreaker was there to see senior quarterback Josh Johnson.

The scout was "Mean" Joe Greene, the Hall of Fame defensive tackle, and he didn't leave without giving a speech, even making head coach Ron Caragher an attentive listener.

"The thing he talked about that really tied in," Caragher said, "was the Steelers expected to win, not taking it for granted, but just that confidence going into each game."

The Toreros (5-0 overall, 2-0 Pioneer Football League) have been playing with such a confidence for a while and will need it when they play host to Drake (5-1, 2-0) tonight at 6.

Coming off a win against Valparaiso in which it led by only a touchdown midway through the fourth quarter, USD can find comfort: Even though Drake was the last PFL team to beat the Toreros — 41-38 on Oct. 9, 2004 — the latter has since put the clamps down.

Indeed, USD's 37-0 drubbing last year included holding Drake running back Scott Phaydavong, the league's career rushing leader, to 2.7 yards per carry.

"We were finally able to shut them down," said USD senior linebacker Tyler Evans, whose 44

tackles rank second in the PFL this year.

Defensive coordinator Dave Adolph didn't pinpoint why the Toreros are steadily solving Drake's offense, and he shied from predicting a repeat performance.

"We were very fortunate last year, very fortunate," he said. "No. 1, they have an offensive line that's big and strong and well coordinated. No. 2, they have a passing game, three wide receivers (Augustine Agyei, Zach Brower and Travis Hardgraves), who are as good as we've faced, maybe the best three that we've faced. No. 3, their quarterback (Cole Ingle) runs the offense very efficiently."

USD, the No. 1 midmajor team in the Sports Network poll, is 34-6 over the past four seasons, while Drake is 30-9 and No. 2 in the poll. And though Caragher said his team has "a target on our chest," he felt that these Toreros already have something in common with Greene's Steelers.

"These players, they go in with a confidence that they will find a way to get it done, a determined focus," Caragher said.

## Johnson accepts Shrine invitation

USD's Johnson has accepted an invitation to play in the East-West Shrine Game, Jan. 18 in Houston.

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**SportingBox** By Patrick Daugherty

## USD Football Coach Makes Good

**W**atching the USC/Stanford game on Versus. The spread is 40 1/2 in most of Vegas, 41 at Stations. Over/under is 57 1/2 in Nevada, 58 on the Internet.

It appears Stanford is not intimidated by the number 1 or number 2 (depending on the poll) team in the nation. The Cardinal are tackling crisply and blocking with power. USC has been on my watch list since they played Washington and squeezed out an ugly 27-24 win. So, going in, I didn't think they'd cover. I thought they were good for a 17-, 14-point win.

Incredibly, Stanford is in this game. They've playing well and every break has gone their way. The last 13 seconds in the first half is the game's major tell. The Trojans are up, 9-0, have 4th down on the Stanford one-yard line. USC tries a run-off right tackle and Stanford holds!

I'm interested in Stanford this year because of their head coach, Jim Harbaugh, who, until ten months ago, was the head coach at the University of San Diego. Harbaugh got a battlefield promotion from a non-scholarship Division II football program to the Division I, Pac-10 beauty section.

That happens about as frequently as your cable company lowers its rates. So, the question of the moment is, "What the deal with Harbaugh?"

He played college ball at Michigan, started all four years, finished third in the 1986 Heisman vote. He was drafted in the first round, 26th pick, by Chicago in '87. Played for the Bears, Indianapolis, Baltimore, two years with the Chargers, and Carolina. His career lasted 15 years, which is rare by NFL standards — *extremely* rare for NFL quarterbacks.

I didn't like Harbaugh as a quarterback. I pegged him as a little north of mediocre, just good enough for a team to keep him and hope, rather than go to the draft or free agency and try for a quarterback who could make a difference.

Harbaugh was voted to the Pro Bowl once, awarded Comeback Player of the Year and AFC Player of the Year. But it was his life after NFL World that intrigued me.

Retired NFL players usually drift into some form of sales: beer distributorships, front man for a real estate developer, automobile dealership, financial services, and so on. Harbaugh went to work for his father, who was head football coach at Western Kentucky. He was an unpaid assistant coach. In fact, he was an unpaid assistant coach during his last *eight* NFL seasons. Among other duties, he scouted and recruited high school players. Picture him courting high-school prima

donnas with phone calls, e-mails, letters, camping out in the family living room, charming mom, dad, and *wunderkind*, all the time selling the glory that is Western Kentucky University. *Eight years of it.* (By the way, WKU won the Division I-AA national championship in 2002, the year Harbaugh took a job with the Oakland Raiders.)

There are other parts to him I like: Harbaugh Hill Foundation, the James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for Children, the Jim Harbaugh Foundation, and the Uhlich's Children's Home. And, just to even out all that goodness, he's part owner of Panther Racing, an Indy Racing League team and two-time IRL champion.

I mentioned he went back to the NFL as Raiders offensive assistant coach in 2002. He took the University of San Diego coaching job before the 2004 football season began, which is where I picked up his story.

USD seemed like a strange choice. The Toreros play football (but no other sport) in the Pioneer League, which is an odd-duck conference. It's a Division I-AA football league, consisting of eight teams scattered in California, Iowa, Indiana, North Carolina, Kentucky, and Florida. Not one of its schools award football scholarships.

Under Harbaugh, San Diego won the Pioneer Football League Championship twice, and was NCAA Division I-AA Mid-Major National Football Champion. In other words, USD is number one when measured against other non-football scholarship schools.

Not bad, but not the best of it either. USD has been ranked as high as 15th in the Division I-AA CSN Coaches Poll. That's a big deal. Harbaugh went up against every scholarship-bloated I-AA college in the land. Big schools. Big stadiums.

Here are the latest CSN Coaches Poll rankings: Number 1 is University of North Dakota (Great West Conference, undergraduate enrollment is 12,026, in-state tuition \$4360). Number 2 is University of Montana (Big Sky Conference, undergraduate enrollment 11,280, in-state tuition \$4712). Number 21 is Georgia Southern University (Southern Conference, undergraduate enrollment 12,648, in-state tuition \$1842). All these schools award scholarships even WKU, his dad's college, had 63 football scholarships at its disposal.

University of San Diego's undergraduate enrollment is 4,793, zero football scholarships, in-state tuition of \$30,704.

You know he can recruit, you know he can coach, and now Stanford knows it. I wonder if SDSU knows it.

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# Black survey flunks USD in football hiring

By Brent Schrottenboer, STAFF WRITER

USD is one of only two schools to earn an automatic "F" grade from the Black Coaches and Administrators in the fourth annual hiring report card for Division I college football coaches.

This is the second time since 2003 that USD has received an automatic F, the last time coming after Jim Harbaugh was hired to replace Kevin McGarry. Both grades were the result of USD policy not to participate in such surveys, said Ky Snyder, USD's executive athletic director.

USD hired Ron Caragher, who is white, in January to replace Harbaugh. But Snyder said USD interviewed more than one minority candidate. He declined to say how many.

"In some ways, it's disappointing because I think we'd grade out very positively, but it's the policy of the campus not to participate in those kinds of surveys," Snyder said. "It's something we have to take."

C. Keith Harrison, the principal investigator for the report, called USD's lack of cooperation "embarrassing" and said USD hung up on him when he called for information in the 2003-04 study.

"They don't want to be bothered with the study, which is really interesting to me considering how credible and visible it is," Harrison said.

This year's report card, released yesterday, surveyed 33 schools with head coaching vacancies in 2006-07 and graded them according to a mathematical formula designed to improve inclusiveness and fairness in the hiring process.

It does not penalize schools who choose white candidates. There were 11 A grades, including Stanford, which hired Harbaugh, who is white. Ten schools earned an F, but Georgia Southern was the only other school to earn an automatic F, which is given to schools that don't cooperate.

Only two of the 11 schools to earn A grades hired candidates of color: Miami, which hired Randy Shannon, and Florida International, which hired Mario Cristobal.

That increased the number of coaches of color in the 119-team Football Bowl Subdivision (formerly Division I-A) from five last year to seven.

By comparison, about 49 percent of Division I-A players are African-American.

"The reality is social injustice," BCA Executive Director Floyd Keith said.

Five criteria determine grades: number of minorities interviewed, length of search process, communication during the search with the BCA or the NCAA's Minority Opportunities and Interest Committee, number of minorities on the search committee and the school's adherence to its affirmative action policies.

A point system determines the final grade. For example, if the search lasts at least two weeks,

which allows the search to be more inclusive, the school gets an A in that category (four points). If 30 percent or more of official interviews are with candidates of color, the school also gets an A (four points) in that category.

## Diversity in coaching

Out of 33 Division I head coaching vacancies surveyed in 2006-07, two went to candidates of color. That increased the number of minority coaches in the Football Bowl Subdivision (119 teams) from five to seven:

- Randy Shannon, Miami
- Mario Cristobal, Florida International
- Sylvester Croom, Mississippi State
- Karl Dorell, UCLA
- Tyrone Willingham, Washington
- Ron Prince, Kansas State
- Turner Gill, Buffalo

Four FBS teams (formerly Division I-A) earned F grades for lacking an inclusive hiring process, according to the Black Coaches and Administrators:

- Air Force
- Louisville
- Alabama
- Tulsa

USD and five other Football Championship Series (formerly Division I-AA) schools also earned F grades:

- Georgia Southern
- Jacksonville
- Texas State
- Montana State
- Idaho State




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**PFL honors USD's Rogan**

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USD junior running back J.T. Rogan has been chosen co-Pioneer Football League Offensive Player of the Week, the league announced.

In the Toreros' 41-27 win at Valparaiso on Saturday, Rogan tied a school record with four rushing touchdowns. Rogan had 127 yards on 16 carries and caught three passes for 33 yards.

Rogan played his prep football at Coronado High.

**Golf**

- USD is tied for sixth at 5-over 581 after the second day of the Wolf Pack Classic at the Wolf Run Golf Club in Reno, Nev. Arizona leads the 19-team event with a score of 565.

**Darrin Hall** is the Toreros' leader with a two-round score of 143. Iowa State's **Joe Cermak** is alone at the top at 5-under 139.

# J.T. Rogan runs wild in victory on road

By Paul Oren  
SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

VALPARAISO, Ind. — After finding the end zone 14 times last season, USD running back J.T. Rogan had found pay dirt just once this season in four games. Yesterday against Valparaiso, all he was looking for was a chance.

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**Valparaiso**  
**27**

The junior got that and more as he tied a school-record by crossing the goal line four times in a 41-27 Toreros victory. Rogan finished the game with 127 yards on the ground.

"I'm happy just to get the opportunity today," Rogan said. "We've been finding different ways for people to get involved this year, but I guess our coaches complained that we only had one rushing touchdown. When we're winning, I don't need to touch the ball at all."

Rogan's offensive explosion made up for a sub-par afternoon from the Toreros' receiving corps. Wes Doyle caught eight balls for 105 yards, but several receivers were victims of dropped passes on key third- and fourth-down situations.

"We're a confident team, but this was a bit of a wake-up call for us today," senior quarterback Josh Johnson said. "We need to play at 100 percent, and although we won, this still feels kind of like a loss today."

Johnson threw for 208 yards and connected on a 13-yard touchdown pass to Derron Juarez and a 5-yard strike to Nick Coppedge. But the passing attack was clearly not as efficient as it has been in weeks past.

"We went into the game wanting to run the football," coach Ron Caragher said. "We love to throw the ball at USD, but when a team is inviting you to run the ball, you take that. This says that we are a multidimensional team and it gives our O-line confidence."

USD has not had any trouble with Valparaiso in recent years, winning six of the past seven contests, including a 46-point margin of victory the last three years.

The Crusaders scored on their first three possessions of the game, but San Diego took every punch and held a 27-20 lead at the half. Rogan's first two touchdown runs were in short-yardage situations, but he closed out the first half with a 23-yard score and then delivered a 24-yard touchdown on the opening drive of the third quarter.

After trading touchdowns in the third quarter, Johnson engineered a 17-play, 90-yard drive that ate up 7:45 in the fourth quarter. The drive culminated with the TD toss to Coppedge and gave the Toreros an insurance score.

"We felt that the offense was moving and that we could wear their defense down," Johnson said. "We wanted to take away energy from them throughout the second half."

After Rogan's second first-quarter touchdown, Toreros kicker Hutch Parker knocked in his 26th PAT of the season and became USD's all-time leading scorer (237 points), breaking the record of former running back Evan Harney (2003-2004).

"You know, we're a team that likes to go for it on fourth down, so Hutch doesn't get a lot of chances to kick field goals, but he's been perfect on his kicks so far," Caragher said. "It's exciting to see him get this. He's been consistent and always done what we've asked of him."

## Rogan's four scores lead Toreros past Valparaiso

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VALPARAISO, Ind. — J.T. Rogan ran for four touchdowns Saturday to lead the undefeated University of San Diego to a 41-27 win over Valparaiso.

Valparaiso (3-3, 0-2 Pioneer Football League) scored first with a 42-yard run by John Popper, who also had a 96-yard kickoff return for a touchdown in the first quarter.

Rogan scored twice in the quarter, on runs of 1 and 3 yards,

for the Toreros (5-0, 2-0). His other two touchdowns came on runs of 23 and 24 yards, and he finished with 127 rushing yards.

USD quarterback Josh Johnson threw for two touchdowns. The first was a 13-yard pass to Derron Juarez in the second quarter, followed by a 5-yard pass to Nick Coppedge in the fourth quarter to end the scoring.

The teams were similar in rushing yards — 244 for USD compared to 281 for the Crusaders — but the Toreros had 208 passing yards, while Valparaiso had 96.



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# Center puts plenty of snap in Toreros' 'O'

By Willie Bans

SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

It is a pact uncommon even among the tightest of quarterback-center companionships: USD senior center Jordan Paopao and senior quarterback Josh Johnson agreed that when the latter gets sacked, it's the former's fault. Always.

The Toreros know they are kidding, of course. But hardly any player on the team will downplay the seriousness of Paopao's role in protection and offensive schemes.

As USD (4-0 overall, 1-0 Pioneer Football League) prepared to visit Valparaiso (3-2, 0-1) today owning the nation's No. 2 offense among Football Championship Series (formerly Division I-AA) teams, it was mindful that what begins well for Paopao can often finish in the end zone for another Torero.

"There are a lot of accolades being tossed around for the skill positions, the skinny guys, and it's all well and good," said first-year offensive line coach Todd Washington, who played center and guard for eight years in the NFL. "But we all know if the big guys, including Jordan, up front don't go, then nobody else goes."

Paopao (pronounced Pow-pow), a two-time midmajor All-American, is credited by Johnson and Washington with having as much intelligence in his 6-foot, 290-pound frame as skill in shoving defensive linemen.

"He's responsible for calling out the plays, to analyze the linebackers," Williams said. "If Johnson makes an audible, (Paopao) makes a re-call. You have to know the offense. And that's one of the things he does so well."

Paopao has been on the field during the team's 26-2 run the past three years. He's the one snapping the ball to Johnson, who last week broke the school's career mark for passing yards and earned two national Player of the Week awards. And Paopao has watched in amazement.

"Sometimes you can get caught up in the moment when you're playing with great athletes," said Paopao, a San Diego native who prepped at El Camino High in Oceanside. "You kind of get caught up as a spectator. It's a good thing, but it's a bad thing at the same time."

"It's just fun. It's a whole lot of fun just marching up the field and knowing that, hey, if something doesn't work out we can go to the sideline, talk about it and get back on the field to continue marching down the field."

**USD at Valparaiso**  
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## Toreros Report

**Today:** At Valparaiso

**Kickoff:** 11 a.m. at Brown Field in Valparaiso, Ind.

**Records:** University of San Diego 4-0, 1-0 Pioneer Football League; Valparaiso 3-2, 0-1

**Radio:** XEPE (1700)

**At a glance:** The Toreros are frequent flyers this year with four of their seven Pioneer Football League games on the road. After beating Butler last week 56-9 in its PFL opener, USD returns to Indiana this week to meet Valparaiso. ... USD received all 28 first-place votes in The Sports Network poll for the nation's non-scholarship programs in the Football Championship Subdivision (formerly Division I-AA). ... Senior QB **Josh Johnson**, a Walter Payton Award candidate, leads all FCS quarterbacks in passing efficiency (243.1 rating), total offense (441.7 yards) and passing yards per game (363.3). He became USD's all-time passing leader with 7,801 career yards when he was 25-of-30 for 406 yards and six touchdown passes against Butler. ... Valparaiso is coming of a 48-20 loss in PFL play to Drake, which is ranked No. 2 to USD in the TSN poll. ... Valpo's **Jeff Horton** averages 117.2 yards rushing a game.

— Tom Shanahan

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**ESPN**

Friday, October 26, 2007

## Distracted by fires, Toreros drop important game at Portland

By Graham Hays  
ESPN.com

PORTLAND, Ore. -- Unlike more than a million residents of Southern California who were displaced this week by raging wildfires that incinerated buildings and choked the air with ash and smoke, the roughly two dozen members of the University of San Diego were able to leave well ahead of time they weren't going to be in their homes this weekend.

That didn't make it much easier for them to leave.

"We understood why we had to leave, but we almost felt like we were abandoning everyone back in San Diego," redshirt junior Amy Epstein said from the team hotel in Portland on Wednesday, as No. 17 San Diego rested before Thursday's nationally televised showdown against West Coast Conference rival and sixth-ranked Portland.

"It's tough sitting here in a hotel room in Portland and putting on CNN national news and basically watching our hometowns burn down, you know?"

Epsten is a San Diego native who starred at Academy of Our Lady of Peace in high school and stayed home for college, earning WCC Freshman of the Year honors her first year and leading the team in goals through its first 15 games this season. Her parents' house stayed out of the literal line of fire as high winds early in the week made the task of containment nearly impossible, and so it quickly became a point of refuge for other family members from all over the county who found themselves part of the massive evacuation, including an uncle who lost his home to the flames.



Amy Epstein and the Toreros weren't able to focus on anything but the fires.

The families of at least three other Toreros players from the San Diego area were forced from their homes at some point during the week as part of the evacuations. Thankfully, all three homes appeared to be out of danger by the time conditions improved ever so slightly on Wednesday, but for players like senior Leigh Ann Robinson, Monday night brought news that her parents were evacuating just a few hours before she had to leave the relative safety of campus and get on a plane for the flight to Portland.

"It's hard to leave, especially when we have friends and family whose houses have burned down," Robinson said. "So it's just, you almost feel like, 'OK, I'm going somewhere safer, but you have fun with that.'"

Natural disasters, like the numerous major fires which encroached on the San Diego area, touch entire communities. That's not to equate the experiences of those who lost homes or loved ones with those of residents who will get through the event with nothing more long-lasting than frazzled nerves. But when smoke shuts down the city's major I-5 artery for a period of time, Qualcomm Stadium becomes a mass evacuation site instead of a football stadium and schools like the University of San Diego cancel classes

for the week, everyone on the ground becomes a part of it.

The images are jarring enough for people tuning in from afar, but even for residents of an area that has a history of fires burning out of control, the beast rampaging over the landscape this week was like a beloved family pet turning on its owners.

"I grew up there and then I went to school there," Robinson explained. "It's just a fun place. You have the beach, you have the mountains. ... There are different types of people. The weather is usually really good - besides when the winds are blowing the Santa Ana. But for the most part, it's just a really peaceful, nice, happy place."

All of which made it that much tougher for members of the women's soccer team to find themselves helpless television viewers. Concerns about potentially diminishing airport accessibility and the poor air quality near the practice field forced the team to leave for Portland on Tuesday morning, much sooner than it would typically have departed for a Pacific Northwest swing.

Separated geographically from friends and family at home, the players, especially the San Diego natives, are spending much of their free time in Oregon gathered together around televisions tuned to CNN, watching the headlines and working their cell phones for firsthand updates and assurances.



Leigh Ann Robinson and San Diego's seniors provided much-needed leadership.

"It's crazy," said senior Vanessa Vella, another player whose family had to briefly evacuate its home. "I mean, it's these huge news channels that you watch for these huge stories, and all of a sudden, they're showing this place that is five miles away from your home that is burning. It just doesn't seem real."

And then someone wants you to play a soccer game?

"I just think that it's pretty hard to focus on a game when you kind of are gluing yourself to the news and calling your families," Epstein said before the Portland game. "I think it hasn't really hit us that we have a huge game. I think it did before the fire started. But we'll start to get into it the next day or so.

"I guess we have to," she added with a rueful laugh.

In a movie, Epstein's words might have cued the cut to a montage of inspired plays and wondrous goals the following night as the Toreros put the distractions aside and came up with the game of their lives to beat their rivals and make life wonderful again just in time for the closing credits. The reality was a 4-0 loss in which the visitors mustered little offense and played as though their minds were understandably elsewhere.

Long in the shadow of conference rivals Santa Clara and Portland, two of the true giants in women's college soccer, despite their seven NCAA Tournament appearances since 1996, the Toreros wanted to control their own soccer destiny this season. After playing current No. 1 UCLA to a standstill in a 0-0 tie in September, San Diego beat Santa Clara 2-0 to open

conference play and stood at 11-1-3 entering the game at Portland.

A win against the Pilots, who beat the Toreros in each of the past three seasons, would have given the team from San Diego sole possession of first place in the WCC with its two toughest conference games out of the way. And in a year when the region is loaded with potential NCAA Tournament seeds, given the strong starts by both UCLA and USC, San Diego may need an outright conference title (there is no postseason tournament in the WCC) to convince the NCAA selection committee to provide a reasonable draw in a bracket that often seems to value geography and travel costs over equality.



The fires in southern California have been front-and-center in the national news.

With a proven finisher in Epsten, a defense that had allowed only eight goals in 15 games before Portland's outburst and a healthy RPI, the Toreros still have the makings of a postseason contender. It was just unfortunate that so much hinged on a game during this week of all weeks.

Winning and losing matters, or we wouldn't play the games. But as Boston Red Sox star Manny Ramirez, of all possible modern philosophers, reminded us last week, losing a game should not be the end of the world. And whether they left Portland with a win or a loss on the field, the San Diego players already knew that for at least a few days this week, their lives revolved more around CNN than ESPN.

"We've been excited for this game for a while," Robinson said prior to the game. "I think we'll be able to pump each other up for the game, but right now, it's hard to focus on the soccer game because there is so much going on at home."

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**LOCAL COLLEGES**

# **USD women's soccer streak snapped**

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The 11th-ranked USD women's soccer team saw its 11-match unbeaten streak end with a 4-0 loss to host Portland yesterday in a West Coast Conference game.

Goalies Brittany Cameron and Karen Cook each had four saves for the Toreros (11-2-3, 2-1-1).



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LOCAL COLLEGES

# Tritons women get big conference victory

UNION-TRIBUNE

UCSD's Kathy Sepulveda scored twice as the 16th-ranked Tritons shut out visiting Cal State Stanislaus 4-0 yesterday in CCAA action.

Jessica McGovern made five saves in goal for UCSD (12-2-1, 9-2-1). Ali Lai and Caitlin Ryan (USDHS) also scored against the Warriors (9-7-2, 7-3-2).

## More women's soccer

Jackie Ragudos scored the only goal as **San Diego State** beat vis-

iting **Wyoming** 1-0. Aubree Southwick made three saves for the Aztecs (8-6-2, 3-1). Wyoming is 7-8.

• Brittany Boyce scored the lone **Cal State San Marcos** goal in a 1-1 tie after two overtimes with visiting **Cal Poly Pomona**.

• Amy Epsten had **USD's** (11-1-3, 2-0-1) only score in the Toreros' 1-1 double OT tie with visiting **Pepperdine** (3-6-6, 0-2-

## Men's soccer

No. 18-ranked **SDSU** fell to 3 in Pac-10 play after a 2-0 loss to

host **Oregon State**. SDSU is 7-4-2 overall. The Beavers are 5-8, 2-3.

• **USD** and **USF** played to a 0-0 tie after two overtimes in a WCC game. The Toreros are 5-5-1, 3-1-1; the Dons are 5-6-1, 1-3-1.

• **UCSD** and **Cal State Stanislaus** played to a 1-1 draw after two overtimes in a CCAA game at UCSD. Tony Choi scored for UCSD (4-9-3, 3-6-3). Peter Akman (Mesa College) made seven saves against the Warriors.

• **Cal Poly Pomona** shut out host **Cal State San Marcos** 2-0. The Cougars are 6-10.

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# USD evacuee, family slept in locker room

By Hank Wesch  
STAFF WRITER

The fires of last week affected the USD men's basketball team mainly in the reduced air quality in the Jenny Craig Pavilion and the necessity of sharing practice hours there with the football and soccer teams, both driven indoors by the outdoor haze.

Toreros assistant coaches Bill Carr and Walter Roese and their families were required to evacuate, but suffered no damage to residences. Roese and his family — wife Monique, son Leonardo, 13, and daughter Agatha, 10 — spent one night in the USD locker room.

"I had a key. We had a TV, bathroom, shower, a carpet to sleep on and it was free," Roese said. "I didn't want to bother anybody. We were fine."

First-year head coach Bill Grier didn't hear about the Roeses' self-relocation until afterward.

"They could have stayed at our house with us," Grier said with a laugh. "If I was going to spend the night in this building, the locker room would have been the last place I'd have picked."

## 'Haunted Hoops'

Masks are encouraged and expected outside the JCP tonight from 6-7. Immediately thereafter, the 2007-2008 USD men's basketball team will be unveiled in an exhibition game against Point Loma Nazarene University.

In what is being billed as "Haunted Hoops," Halloween revelers of all ages are welcome — the younger the bet-

ter — to a gathering on the Eagan Plaza in front of the Pavilion. Games student- the first hour, then all youths in costume will be allowed in free to the basketball game when accompanied by a paying parent.

All tickets are \$5 and youngsters in costume will automatically be entered in a halftime contest to be judged by the women's basketball team.

The first exhibition for the USD men (No. 2 is Sunday at 2 p.m. against Occidental College) comes 18 days after the opening of preseason practice. It will be the initial opportunity for Grier to see his senior-less team in action outside an intrasquad setting.

USD returns four starters and three additional letter-winners from last year's 18-14 team and has one redshirt and five true freshmen on the roster.

"We hope to learn a lot," Grier said of the exhibition. "Especially about what kind of leadership we can expect from our veterans. It's not a situation where the older players have been in the system, are familiar with it and can help the young guys. It's an entirely new system to all of them."

"But some have played two years of Division I basketball, and it's going to be up to them to take the initiative."

Junior point guard Brandon Johnson and forward/center Gyno Pomare, the latter an all-West Coast Conference selection, are USD's top returnees.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

# Pomare, Johnson top WCC returners

By Hank Wesch  
STAFF WRITER

The USD men's basketball team ended the first five days of preseason practices "a little banged up and pretty tired," said first-year coach Bill Grier.

But the Toreros started what is essentially Week 2 yesterday buoyed by the news that juniors Gyno Pomare and Brandon Johnson were selected among the six "top returning players" in the West Coast Conference in a poll of the league's coaches.

Pomare, a 6-foot-7 forward from El Camino High, averaged a WCC-best 8.3 rebounds and finished among the league's top 10 in scoring (14.9, sixth), field goal percentage (53.8, second) and blocks (1.31, sixth) in earning first-team All-WCC honors last season.

Johnson, a 6-0 point guard, led the league in assists (4.75) and ranked 12th in scoring (12.8) and fourth in steals (1.94 pg). He needs 17 assists to achieve top-five status on USD's career chart.

"That's a credit to those two kids and what they've accomplished in the past," Grier said. "Gyno has great presence on the court, pursues rebounds as well as anyone in the league and has great hands and a great touch on offense.

"Brandon is as quick as anybody in the league and has improved his pull-up and his jump shot in the offseason. Everybody knows we'll be counting on those two a lot this year."

Pomare's recovery from offseason foot surgery has progressed well. Limitations on participation in drills where contact is likely, in force for much of the first week of practice, could be lifted soon.

Nathan Lozeau, a 6-10 freshman transfer from Eastern Washington, was looking good in practice and making progress in getting his weight down from 300-plus to a projected playing number in the 270 range, before incurring a setback with a shoulder sprain. He's expected to be back to full strength in a few days.

Daniel Fleming, a 6-8 junior forward/center, had arthroscopic surgery on a knee Wednesday and could be out for four weeks.

Grier, a former Gonzaga assistant, envisions his first Toreros team as similar to those of the man he replaced, Brad Holland, in emphasis on defense and different in the motion offense that Grier and his staff are teaching.

"You look back over the course of Brad's tenure and he had some very good defensive teams," Grier said. "Probably every coach has a slightly different idea on how you defend against dribble penetration, how you defend the perimeter and how you defend the post.

"But it still has to start at the defensive end. We have to get stops and rebounds."

The Toreros have an open-to-the-public scrimmage scheduled for 11 a.m. tomorrow at the Sports Center on campus.

## Aztecs

Gabrielle Clark, a 6-0 post player from Harbor City Narbonne High, will play for the San Diego State women's team next fall. Clark, who chose SDSU over USD and Saint Mary's, was recently named MVP of the Los An-

geles Watts Summer Games tournament after Narbonne (26-3 last season) upset defending Division I state champion Long Beach Poly in the title game ... Season-ticket packages start at \$99 for the men and \$60 for the women. (More information: goaztecs.com).

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

# Grier era will begin quietly

USD coach opens with a week's worth of closed practices

By Hank Wesch  
STAFF WRITER

First-year head coach Bill Grier will call together his USD men's basketball team tonight at 7 for the first official preseason practice allowed under NCAA rules.

The plan is for it to be done quietly, in virtual privacy. No fanfare. No fans. No "Madness" — midnight or otherwise — hoopla of the sort that has marked the opening of preseason practice at some schools in years past.

"I think the luster of Midnight Madness is gone everywhere but at places like maybe North Carolina or Kentucky," Grier said recently. "It had its day when ESPN was televising it regionally across the time zones, but for the most part, that day is over."

Grier's inclination, agreed upon by Athletic Director Ky Snyder, is for the 2007-08 Toreros to be put on public display for the first time in their first scrimmage, scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 20.

It will be the annual Fall Family Weekend on campus with expectations of many visitors. But since the Jenny Craig Pavilion will be otherwise occupied, the 1 p.m. men's basketball unveiling will be held just up the hill at the venerable Sports Center gym.

"I get to see what it was like there for Hank Egan," said Grier, referencing the Toreros coach before the Toreros coach, Brad Holland, whom Grier replaced in March.

Four starters return from last season's 18-14 USD team that lost to perennial champion Gonzaga — where Grier was the No. 1 assistant — in the West Coast Conference Tournament semifinals last March. The Toreros are picked third in the WCC, behind Gonzaga and Saint

Mary's, in the annual preseason coaches poll.

Grier's expectation is that his first team will resemble previous ones in that defense will be emphasized, but differ in the motion-type offense that will be run.

Junior forward/center Gyno Pomare (El Camino High), an All-WCC selection, submitted to foot surgery in the offseason, but is expected to be cleared to practice without restriction possibly for tonight or, failing that, within the next week or 10 days.

"The biggest thing is getting Gyno back to where he can have contact," Grier said. "I'll sleep a lot better when he's back."

Brandon Johnson, one of the quickest and best point guards in the league, also returns. Forward Chris Lewis, who made the WCC All-Freshman team last season, "looks to me like he's stronger and is doing a better job, of playing with his knees bent," Grier said.

USD opens the regular season Nov. 9 at Hawaii.

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Toreros.



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# USD women, SDSU men pull off soccer shockers

UNION-TRIBUNE

While San Diego was largely consumed with the Chargers-Raiders game, two of the area's best-kept sports secrets were anonymously continuing their magical runs through the college soccer season.

The No. 16 USD women upset No. 5 Santa Clara 1-0 yesterday afternoon at Torero Stadium to improve to 10-1-2. An hour later across town at the SDSU Sports Deck, the No. 24 Aztecs men beat No. 21 Stanford 2-0 to improve to 7-2-2.

The USD women are unbeaten in a school-record nine straight games. The SDSU men are unbeaten in eight straight, including the last four against ranked opponents.

Both could, and probably should, be in the top 10 when the various college soccer rankings services issue new polls today and tomorrow.

For the Toreros, it was only their second win in 11 years against perennial power Santa Clara, a team loaded with youth national team players.

"That's the most satisfying thing for me," USD coach Ada Greenwood said, "to show that my kids can play at that level and get it done . . . We have the chance to do something special this year."

Junior Amy Epsten got a 41st-minute goal — her seventh goal on the season — on an assist from senior Leigh Ann Robinson, and goalkeeper Brittany Cameron and an increasingly stingy USD defense made it stand up in the West Coast

Conference opener for both teams.

Santa Clara (8-3-2) had a chance to tie in the closing seconds, when a corner kick danced perilously around the goal mouth, but the Toreros ultimately cleared it. Cameron now has eight shutouts and a 0.46 goals-against average.

The Aztecs men can tell a similar story. They were picked to finish fifth in the Pacific 10 Conference, which has six teams in men's soccer, and now are alone in first at 3-0. Their last four games look like this: 0-0 tie against No. 25 UC Irvine, 1-0 win against No. 14 UCLA, 3-2 win against No. 8 Cal, 2-0 win against No. 21 Stanford.

SDSU got goals yesterday from freshman Khadim Diouf and senior Kraig Chiles, the same two who scored Friday as SDSU jumped to a 3-0 lead against Cal. Diouf scored in the eighth minute, and Chiles got his fifth goal of the year in the 47th minute on Evan Toff's assist.

Stanford (4-3-5, 1-1-2) managed just six shots.

## More soccer

The USD men (5-6, 2-1) showed signs of life after four straight losses, winning at **Gonzaga** 1-0 in overtime to complete a sweep of the tough Portland-Gonzaga trip. Colin Jennings got the winner three minutes into overtime on an assist from Tannen Wels. Gonzaga fell to 8-3-1, 3-1-1. . . . The SDSU women dropped to 6-6-2 with a 1-0 loss at **UNLV**. The Aztecs host No. 14 **BYU** on Thursday at 4.

— MARK ZEIGLER

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**Women's soccer**

USD moved up three spots to No. 16 in the latest *Soccer America* Top 25 poll. The Toreros ran their unbeaten streak to eight last week.



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LOCAL COLLEGES

# Unbeaten UCSD women shut out Humboldt in soccer

UNION-TRIBUNE

The fourth-ranked UCSD women's soccer team scored twice in the first 18 minutes en route to a 2-0 victory over host Humboldt State yesterday in CCAA play.

Ali Lai scored both goals for the Tritons (9-0-1, 6-0-1). Jessica McGovern made two saves to pick up her sixth shutout of the season. HSU is 3-9-2, 1-7.

## More soccer

The UCSD men played to a 0-0 draw at Humboldt State in a CCAA game.

UCSD goalkeeper Peter Akman had seven saves. UCSD is 2-7-2, 1-4-2. Humboldt is 5-8-1, 1-6-1 ... USD

visiting Cal State Bakersfield as five different Toreros scored. USD is 8-1; CSUB is 2-8-1 ... Kristina Larson scored twice for UCLA in its 5-1 win over host SDSU in a women's game. Jackie Ragudos scored for the Aztecs (4-5-2). The Bruins are 6-1-2.

## Men's water polo

No. 8 UC Santa Barbara upended No. 12 UCSD 13-10. Daniel Garcia had five goals for the Tritons (9-7). The

Gauchos are 12-7.

UCSD's doubles team of Tamer Antabi and Nils Schive beat Washington's Alex Rosinski and Ryo Sekiguchi, a former Toreros star originally from Japan, 8-4, at the Fresno Bulldog Classic.

## Women's basketball

Aztecs' Jennifer Layton will not return to the team for personal reasons, coach Beth Burns said. The senior forward played in 21 games last season, averaging 10.6 points and 5.4 rebounds.

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**Volleyball**


Behind Rebecca Bailey's 19 kills,

UCSD beat host **Cal State San Bernardino** 23-30, 13-30, 30-25, 30-27, 15-12 in a CCAA match. The Tritons are 16-7, 10-5 . . . **USF** swept visiting **USD** 30-26, 30-22, 30-26 in a WCC women's match. Laurel Abrahamson had 18 kills for the Toreros (16-6, 6-2 WCC) . . . **The Master's College** swept visiting **PLNU** (15-8, 7-8) 30-26, 30-24, 30-21 in a GSAC match.



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Dig for the Cure

The University of San Diego Torero's women's volleyball team will be accepting donations or pledges per dig in their game vs. Gonzaga. Funds raised will be donated to the Susan G. Komen for the Cure to benefit breast cancer research. The game will begin at 1 p.m. on Saturday, Oct.20 at the USD, 5998 Alcalá Park, San Diego. <http://usdtoreros.sctv.com> or contact Assistant Coach Moreno at (619) 260-2909.

# COMMENTARY

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## USD's Guide to Switching Coaches

*Toreros Volleyball team makes a smoother transition with its coaches than the Chargers' painful 1-3 start.*

By Tom Shanahan

**Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2007** | They switched coaches last year and went on to enjoy maybe their best season in program history.

They changed coaches again this year and have kept rolling along without missing a beat as October dawns.

Maybe the Chargers can learn something from the University of San Diego women's volleyball team about how to adjust to new coaches and feed off last year's success.

USD coach Jennifer Petrie has the Toreros' ranked No. 14 in the nation -- their 25th straight week in the national Top 25 -- after returning as the head coach.

A year ago she handed the keys to assistant coach Brent Hilliard while she took the fall semester off for family leave to be with her newborn son, Charlie; young daughter, Jane; and husband, Mark.

Hilliard, with the title of interim head coach, guided the Toreros to the NCAA tournament's Sweet Sixteen. USD advanced to the NCAA by winning the West Coast Conference title and he was named the WCC Coach of the Year.

Then Hilliard handed the keys back to Petrie for the 2007 season, with USD athletic director Ky Snyder giving him the title of associate head coach.

We should all be so lucky to have colleagues such as Petrie and Hilliard working in the cubicle next to us and a boss that rewards teamwork with a promotion.

"Brent and I have worked together for six years, and I think that has helped with continuity," Petrie said. "The team responded to Brent last year and they're used to having me around. The transition has worked seamlessly."

Last year's Sweet Sixteen trip was the second in program history. Petrie, a Mt. Carmel High alumna that played at William and Mary, was WCC Coach of the Year in 2004 when the Toreros were ranked a then-program record high of No. 11 in the nation en route to the Sweet Sixteen. It's one of six NCAA tournament trips for the Toreros in her first seven seasons as head coach.

This year Petrie's team is 11-4 overall and 1-0 in the WCC. The Toreros play a home match at 8 p.m. Thursday against Santa Clara that will be televised by ESPNU.

Despite losing two-time All-American Kristen Carlson from the 2006 team, the Toreros set a goal of topping last year's success. Petrie says they have two All-American candidates in 6-foot-4 senior middle hitter Laurel Abrahamson and 6-2 sophomore outside hitter Amy DeGroot.

"You always want to build on the previous season, and we encourage our players to set goals that are

higher than last season," Petrie said. "They're determined and they've worked hard."

Another successful coaching switch at USD this year is taking place with the football program. New head coach Ron Caragher has the Toreros 5-0 and ranked No. 1 in the nation among non-scholarship schools in the Football Championship Subdivision (formerly Division I-AA).

Caragher, a former Kentucky assistant, is an advocate of the West Coast offense that former coach Jim Harbaugh used before he took the Stanford job. Caragher also retained defensive coordinator Dave Adolph and his extensive NFL experience.

I'm not one of those voices saying the Chargers (1-3) should have expected a slow start from switching coaches, replacing Marty Schottenheimer after a 14-2 season and AFC West title with Norv Turner. It's not a given that switching coaches interrupts a team's success.

With any coaching change, what determines the ease or difficulty is how well the coach and players match personalities. Sometimes it happens overnight and sometimes it takes a transition period.

The Padres also switched coaches this year after Bruce Bochy won a second straight National League West title, replacing him with Bud Black. The expectation was that the Bochy and Black were so much alike in personality, the players would adapt quickly.

Black had the Padres in contention for a third straight post-season appearance all year until it came down to a playoff game with the Colorado Rockies Monday night for the wild-card berth.

It might not have come down to the wild-card playoff game if outfielder Milton Bradley wasn't injured for the final week of the season. Bradley's mustard-and-brown bat likely wouldn't have left as many runners on base as the Padres did Saturday and Sunday. Winning either one of those games would have clinched the wild-card berth.

In fact, the Padres wouldn't have won the 89 games they did to force a playoff with Colorado without the addition of Bradley's bat at midseason.

With the Chargers, Turner and Schottenheimer have different personalities, but the expectation was that the continuity on the both sides of the ball would ease the transition.

The offense is the same one Turner installed as offensive coordinator in 2001 before he moved on and new defensive coordinator Ted Cottrell had coached the same 3-4 that former DC Wade Phillips left behind.

At San Diego State, second-year football coach Chuck Long tried to have a smooth transition replacing fired coach Tom Craft. He kept four Craft assistants, including Craft's closest confidant, Thom Kaumeyer, in addition to Craft's son, Kevin, at quarterback.

But in the end, too many of Craft's olders players didn't match with Long's style. Kevin Craft transferred out and Kaumeyer left for a job at Tulane.

One year later, Long has his imprint on his team. The Chargers have to hope their transition from Schottenheimer to Turner doesn't take a year to smooth out the bumps.

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**LOCAL COLLEGES**

# USD women preseason pick to win West Coast Conference

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The USD women's basketball team has been picked to win the West Coast Conference, the league announced yesterday.

Coming off a season in which the Toreros won 21 games and hosted a Women's NIT game for the first time, USD received four first-place votes and 58 points overall in a poll of WCC coaches.

Defending WCC champion Gonzaga got three first-place votes and received 55 points to finish second.

USD's men's team, under new coach Bill Grier, was picked to finish third, behind Gonzaga and Saint Mary's. The Toreros were 18-14 last season under coach Brad Holland.

Leading the way for the USD women are 2006-07 WCC Co-Player of the Year Amanda Rego and All-WCC first-team selection Amber Sprague. Rego became the first USD player to earn the league's top honor after leading the nation in assists (7.7 per game). Sprague ranked in the top three in the conference in scoring (14.6) and re-

bounding (7.9).

WCC Coach of the Year Cindy Fisher of USD also has key returning players in WCC All-Freshman selection Morgan Henderson (8.6 ppg) and junior guard Kelly Winther (10.9 ppg).

— NICOLE VARGAS

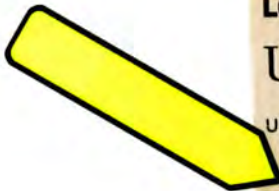
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**USD freshman takes Bulldog Classic**

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USD freshman Dean Jackson beat Patrik Fischer of Washington 6-4, 6-3 in the Flight 1 tennis singles final at the 2007 Bulldog Classic in Fresno.

Jackson beat another UW player, Andy Kuharszky, 6-1, 6-3 in the semifinals. USD's Charl Wolmarans got by Tejesvi Veerapalli of Fresno State

6-3, 3-6 (10-8) in the Flight 1 consolation final while USD's Nils Schive beat Andy Chirita of Cal 6-4, 6-3 in the Flight 3 consolation final.

**Women's soccer**

• Ashleigh Shoughro's goal in the 88th minute helped USD (9-1-2) beat host **Arizona State** 1-0. The Sun Devils are 6-5.



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# SDSU women topple BYU

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The San Diego State women's soccer team upset No. 19 BYU 2-0 yesterday in the first live television event at the SDSU Sports Deck.

The victory put the Aztecs (7-6-2, 2-1-0) in first place in the Mountain West Conference.

Both SDSU goals came in the first 11 minutes. Jackie Ragudos had one, Jessica Girdner the other. Goalkeeper Aubree Southwick had five saves for her seventh shutout of the season.

## Women's tennis

Four SDSU players and three from USD advanced to the round of 32 on the opening day of the Wilson/ITA West Regional Championships at the Barnes Tennis Center.

Among the Aztecs, senior Eliska Krausova had a first-round bye, then was a 6-1, 6-2 winner

over Tania Rice of **Pepperdine**; junior Esther Cadua defeated Canna Furuta of **Cal State Northridge** 6-2, 6-2 and **UC Riverside's** Angeliq Corduz 6-2, 6-3; junior Milana Yusupov beat Julia Sandborn of **Hawaii** and USD's Ellie Faulkner, both by 6-3, 6-1; and freshman Julia Trunk blanked Marie Tanaka of Hawaii 6-0, 6-0 and then defeated Erynne Oki of UC Riverside 7-5, 6-1.

The Toreros advancing were Samantha Mouly, who defeated Jessica Weeks of **Long Beach State** 6-1, 6-1 and Becky Bernhard of **UC Irvine** 6-2, 6-1; Monica Wiesener, who downed Jerusha Cruz of **Cal State Fullerton** 6-0, 6-1 after a first-round bye; and Helene Lindstrand, who beat H.R. Espiritu of UC Riverside 6-2, 6-3, also after a first-round bye. Mouly today will play No. 1 seed Sarah Fansler of UC.

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# Aztecs' Trunk in ITA semifinals

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when Riza Zalameda of UCLA could not play.

— JERRY MAGEE

After nine consecutive second-set service breaks, five against Samantha Mouly of USD and four against Julia Trunk of San Diego State, Trunk went to the line at the Barnes Center yesterday with an opportunity to claim a place in the semifinals of an Intercollegiate Tennis Association Division I Regional tournament.

This time Trunk held, completing a 6-3, 6-4 victory.

A freshman from Germany, Trunk would seem to have some steel in her. She also had served out her three-set conquest in Friday's quarterfinals of Yasmin Schnack of UCLA, a finalist in this event a year ago, that time at love. Yesterday Trunk was rewarded on her second match point when Mouly netted a backhand volley.

Mouly, from France, also is a freshman. On Friday, she had eliminated defending champion and No. 1 seed Sarah Fansler of USC, but yesterday she never led in a two-hour match marked by long rallies.

In today's 11 a.m. semifinals, Trunk will meet Elena Gantcheva of UNLV, a 1-6, 7-5, 6-4 winner over Andrea Remyse of UCLA. In the other semifinal, Nadia Abdala (Eastlake High) of Arizona State is to go against Amanda Fink of USC. Abdala beat Pavel Mesterova of Loyola Marymount 3-6, 6-3, 6-2. Fink received a walkover



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## Baseball America rates Toreros as top recruiting class in nation

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There were several fresh faces on the field yesterday when the USD baseball team opened fall practice, but the newcomers already are making a name for themselves.

USD's 2008 recruiting class has been rated No. 1 in the nation by *Baseball America*, which will make an official announcement later this week on [baseballamerica.com](http://baseballamerica.com).

"I'm ecstatic," said USD coach Rich Hill. "It's an incredible tribute to (recruiting coordinators) Eric Valenzuela and Jay Johnson, first of all, and then to the whole USD community itself."

"*Baseball America* is recognized as the premier college baseball publication, and for them to rank us No. 1 is absolutely mind-boggling."

The recruiting class is headed by

right-handers Kyle Blair and Matt Thomson, third baseman Victor Sanchez and pitcher Yah Stone-

Over the summer, *Baseball America* rated Sanchez and Blair the Nos. 1 and 2 prospects, respectively, in the Northwoods League and Thomson the No. 2 prospect in the Alaska League. Stonecipher is a local standout who played at Mission Bay High.

Also part of the class are left-hander Sammy Solis, right-hander Nick Ousman, first baseman Steven Kaupang and infielder Zach Walters, who are also expected to make an immediate impact for the Toreros in 2008.

All are freshmen but Thomson, a sophomore transfer from Santa Rosa CC.

— KIRK KENNEY

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### Baseball's Recruiting Class Tabbed Nation's Best

USD recieved Baseball America's top-recruiting class.

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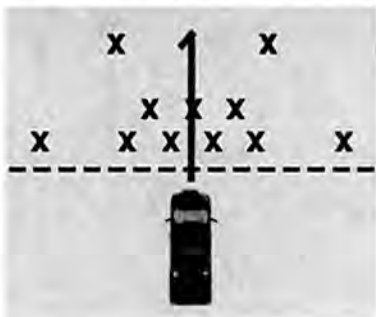
SAN DIEGO, Calif. - The University of San Diego baseball team's recruiting class has been labbed as the nation's best, according to Baseball America's top-25 recruiting classes released Monday morning.

With three recruits who ranked among the top 100 prospects for the 2007 draft, no class can match San Diego's for high-impact talent. Kyle Blair, Victor Sanchez and Matt Thomson have already proven ready to face elite college competition, as Thomson ranked as the No. 2 prospect in the Alaska League this summer, while Sanchez and Blair were the top two prospects in the Northwoods League. Blair is one of the most polished freshman pitchers in the nation, with a quality four-pitch mix that includes an 88-92 mph fastball that touches 93-94, a hard knockout slider, a quality changeup and a 12-to-6 curveball. Thomson also has a good feel for pitching with a heavy, sinking 88-92 mph fastball and an excellent slider. Sanchez has solid tools across the board and projects to hit for plus power—he figures to be a staple at third base and in the heart of USD's lineup for three years. Stephan Kaupang, a former basketball player, has massive raw power and a surprisingly compact swing. Sequoyah Stonecipher is recovered from the back problem that limited him a bit in high school, and he brings a solid all-around tools package and an aggressive approach at the plate and in the field. Nick Ousman is another three-pitch mix guy in the mold of USD senior Matt Couch, while Solis has lots of projection to along with a present 88-91 mph fastball and a variation of a knuckle curveball.

The Toreros have already begun fall practice and will begin their regular-season on February 22 against cross-town rival San Diego State at Tony Gwynn Stadium with first pitch scheduled for 6 p.m.



Head coach Rich Hill's recruiting class has been tabbed No. 1 in the nation by Baseball America



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**USD**

**Coach:** Tim Mickelson, 5th year

**2006-07 postseason:** 2nd, WCC  
Championship

**Key players:** Michael Barry, Bucky Coe, Darrin Hall, Joe Panzeri, Jason Shano, Dale Smith, Blake Trimble, Gunner Wiebe, Jake Yount

**Outlook:** After reaching the regionals for the first time two years ago, the Toreros didn't qualify last season. But Mickelson gets three All-WCC players back – Hall, Smith and Barry – and he said this team is his deepest ever.


"Everybody will have an impact," Mickelson said. "I don't know that there's going to be much distance between No. 1 and No. 9. The guys who are going to be traveling are the ones who are playing well. That should help our team score."

Mickelson said his goal is to finish in the top 50 in the rankings after USD climbed to 78th at the end of last season.

Hall, a junior, figures to be the leader, after pacing the team in scoring average last year and finishing 84th in the Western Regionals while competing as an individual. Coe, a senior, and Shano, a freshman, had the best scores in USD's first tournament this season, tying for 32nd as the Toreros finished ninth out of 12 teams in the Gopher Invitational in Minnesota.

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**USD golfers take third**

The USD men's golf team shot a final-round score of 289 to place third in the Wolf Pack Classic in Reno, Nev. **Arizona** was the only team to shoot a better third-round score (285), and the Wildcats overtook leader **Iowa State** to win the team title in the field of 19 schools.

USD's Darrin Hall (213) tied for sixth, and Mike Barry (214) tied for eighth.

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**More cross country**

The **USD** women  
and the men eighth at the

Conference Championships at the  
Crystal Springs Course in Belmont.  
USD's Erica Eynon was 32nd overall  
at 23:48 for the women in the 6K race,  
which was won by **Portland's** Dana  
Morgan in 20:31.

Portland won both the women's and  
the men's conference titles.

Chris Jacobs was the top USD  
men's finisher, traversing the 8K  
course in 25:39, good for ninth overall.  
Cheyne Inman of **USF** won in 25:20.

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**Schedule changes**

Because of the wildfires, local colleges and universities have canceled or rescheduled some athletic events for the remainder of the week:

**San Diego State:** Tomorrow's women's soccer match against New Mexico has been moved from SDSU to Provo, Utah. Saturday's football game against BYU that was to be played at Qualcomm Stadium has been rescheduled for Dec. 1. Saturday's Mountain West Conference cross country championships will be moved from SDSU to Albuquerque, N.M. The status of other events has yet to be determined.

**UCSD:** Events at away campuses are still on schedule. The first home events scheduled at UCSD are men's and women's soccer on Friday. The status of these matches as well as the weekend events are still to be determined.

**USD:** The men's soccer match against Loyola Marymount, scheduled for tomorrow, will now be played Friday in Los Angeles. Weekend events are at away campuses and remain on schedule.

