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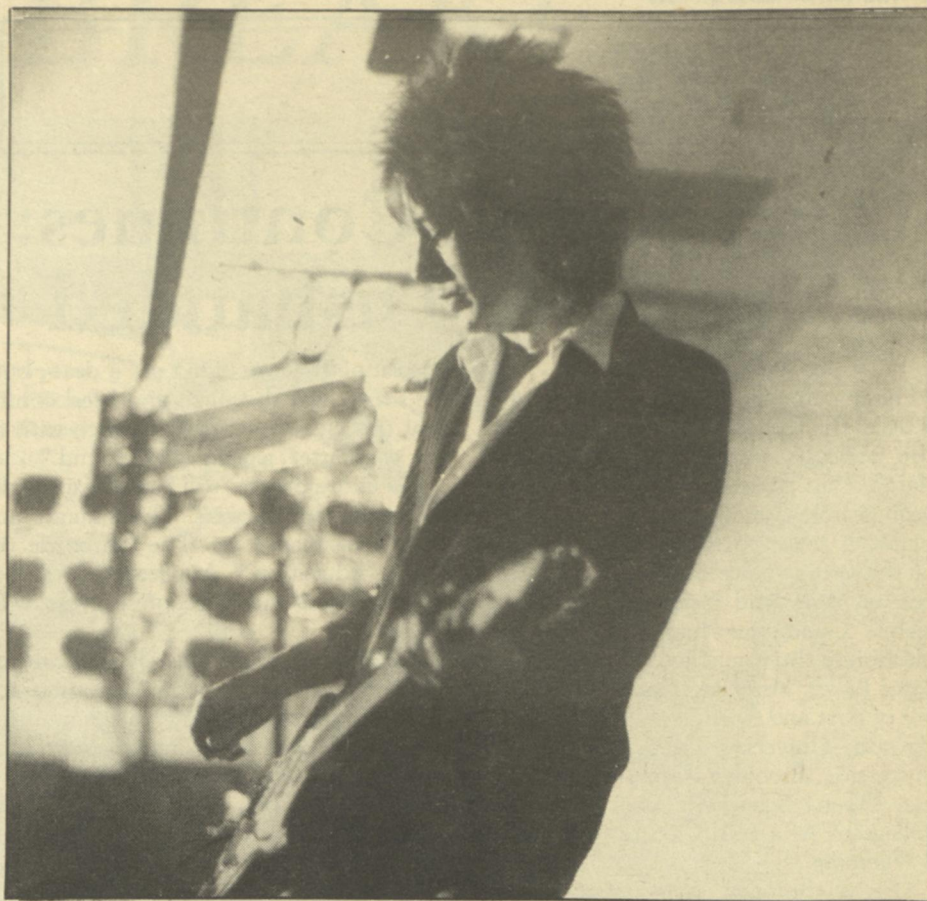
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COME ON AND RESCUE ME . . . Alarm guitarist Dave Sharp played to a raging crowd of over 2,000 Tuesday night at the USD Sports Center. Photo by Rob Gannon.

# The Alarm Plays To Enthusiastic Crowd

by Damon Valentino

A diverse and enthusiastic audience filled the USD Sports Center Tuesday evening in anticipation of The Alarm.

The show began as scheduled at 7:30 p.m. with the opening band, The Brandos. People filled the seats before the show began while others filled the floor below or waited in line outside.

In speaking with various members of USD's concert crew, they compared the preliminary preparation for the concert with that of Simply Red and all agreed it had gone "much more smoothly."

Kevin Rapp, Associated Student President said, "It doesn't seem to have the challenges and complications we had encountered with the Simply Red concert."

Tuesday was a day of preparation: sound checks, stage set, security organization and hospitality — all of which came together to produce a successful show.

Tom Gorman, junior, and member of the student security force said, "Reactions I've received from students tell me this was one of the best shows at USD in a long time."

In regard to security, Gorman said, "There was nothing out of the ordinary. One problem we had was people rushing the stage. We (security) had to place ourselves between the stage and the barriers to keep the people back."

The cost of the production reached \$11,000 which covered band and sound fees. Advertising expenditures were \$2343.46, covering posters, newspaper advertisements and 9IX sponsorship.

Although the budget for the concert was \$20,000, total costs reached \$22,267.83. The total revenue was \$22,854.00, which gave the Associated Students a \$587.17 profit. Jeff Koller, secretary of finance stated that it's very

common to under budget because there are always unexpected costs that arise. "We hope we can keep putting on concerts like this that will break even or make money," says Koller.

Of the total 1802 tickets sold, 973 tickets went to on campus students for ten dollars. The remainder of the tickets were sold for \$15.50 through Ticketmaster or to USD students after a designated date. "I think it (the number of tickets sold to

USD students) shows we have student interest in concerts," Koller said.

John Cunningham, junior, said, "It just kept getting better and better."

With the Brandos completing their set, the audience waited anxiously for more than 30 minutes for the arrival of The Alarm. At 9:00 p.m. The Alarm opened to an eager crowd and played relentlessly for over an hour-and-a-half, not including their two encores.

# Siegan Nomination Ignites Bork-style Controversy

by Brian Costlow

Bernard H. Siegan, a professor of law at USD, is getting a quick and often painful lesson in U.S. politics. Professor Siegan, who has taught at USD for 15 years, has suddenly found himself embroiled in a bitter controversy over his appointment as an appellate judge of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

At issue for Siegan is the possibility of a new job, one that will allow him to take the law he has studied and taught for most of his life, and apply it to the challenge of sitting on an appellate court bench.

At issue for the nation is whether or not the electorate should have control over judicial nominees, and whether or not those nominees should hold the same views on law as the majority of voters.

The view that the nominees should hold orthodox legal views was triumphant in the battle over Robert Bork's Supreme Court nomination.

Riding on this momentum, liberal political organizations are now looking to win the same kind of victory in the appellate court by defeating Siegan's nomination.

Groups such as the People for the American Way, the Center for Law in the Public Interest and the Alliance for Justice, have lined up and testified against Siegan in the Senate Judiciary Committee.

They feel that Siegan's positions on economic rights put him on the side of big business and against civil and workers' rights.

They also feel that federal judges should reflect the "judicial mainstream," and profess the standard civil rights oriented views that had dominated U.S. federal court rulings in the past few decades.

Siegan "is maintaining a very backward,

unrealistic and inhumane point-of-view of both the law and the role of government," says Nan Aron of the Alliance for Justice.

Siegan supporters don't see it that way, even though some disagree with his personal legal philosophy. They feel that a nominee's overall qualifications are more important than his political philosophy.

They also point out, and Siegan concurs, that appellate court judges enforce the law of the land as determined by Congress and the Supreme Court. Siegan feels that he has the personal integrity to keep his legal views from overriding Supreme Court rulings.

Like Bork, Siegan feels that the Supreme Court has been guilty of overstepping its bounds in the interest of social justice.

Unlike Bork, Siegan feels that the Constitution was left deliberately vague in order to allow an interpretation that values liberty and is hostile to government intervention. Siegan feels that the Supreme Court's method of attempting to insure civil rights and social justice has expanded the power of government too much. This expansion has resulted in a reduction of basic economic rights that Siegan feels are guaranteed by the Constitution.

Siegan for instance, criticized the landmark *Brown vs. Board of Education* case, which declared racially segregated schools unconstitutional. While he agrees with the outcome of the case, he feels that the remedies imposed by subsequent courts were also unconstitutional.

These views offend many liberals who feel that the Constitution should be interpreted in light of current notions of social justice.

These liberal groups are already nervous about a conservative Supreme Court and

the fact that the Reagan administration has appointed over 40 percent of the 168 appellate judges now on the bench.

Although the appellate courts must enforce Supreme Court rulings, they have a great deal of leeway in issues that have not yet come before the Court. They also hear thousands of cases per year, compared to about 150 for the Supreme Court.

Liberals want to make an example out of Siegan, to let future administrations know that voters will not tolerate nominees to the federal appellate courts that hold unorthodox legal views.

Siegan supporters, and even many uninterested observers, worry about the effect that intolerance toward reasonable and reasoned dissent may have on the courts in the long term.

These people fear that disqualification of candidates because of unorthodox legal views will discourage serious constitutional scholars from seeking positions on the federal bench. They also worry that the bench will become more centered toward the opinion of the majority than it should.

Siegan has been to one hearing with the Senate Judiciary Committee, and now must play the waiting game. The committee will eventually make a positive or negative recommendation on Siegan to the entire Senate, who will then vote on his nomination. Neither Siegan nor the Justice Department has heard anything regarding the status of his nomination.

A spokesperson for the Senate Judiciary Committee said that the executive board of the committee may decide to call for either a vote or another hearing at their meeting on March 24, but that there was nothing about it on the official agenda, and the "any action was highly unlikely."

However, on Tuesday the *Los Angeles Times* reported that Democratic Senators Alan Cranston (California), Spark Matsunaga (Hawaii) and Brock Adkams (Washington) have sent a letter to Sen. Joseph Biden, Chairman of the Senate Judiciary Committee, saying that Siegan "had minimal legal experience" and "virtually no" background as a litigator in federal court.

According to Cranston's staff, Cranston would try to put a hold on Siegan's nomination if the Committee attempts to move forward with the nomination process, thereby delaying a vote before the full Senate.

Historically, opposition from a home state Senator usually kills a nomination. Political analysts believe Cranston is attempting to pressure Siegan into withdrawing. According to the *Times*, Siegan does not intend to do so.

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# NEWS

## Dean Search Continues: Committee Disbanded

by Celine Vachon

The search will be reopened for a new Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences. The previous search came to an end March 7 on the recommendation of the Dean Search Committee.

Having reviewed some 80 applications for the vacant office of Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, the Dean Search Committee had narrowed the selection to three qualified candidates, Dr. Carol Baker, Associate Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, USD; Dr. Gary Marotta, University Dean, Long Island University, Brooklyn Campus; and Dr. Jean Owens Schaeffer, Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences, University of Wyoming.

After a thorough review process, the committee could not reach a consensus on any one of the three potential candidates. Thus, the initial search was "abandoned."

The process was lengthy and involved, yet as Kevin Rapp, AS President and member of Extended Search Committee, stated, "You shouldn't rush the selection of a dean." He further related, "It was

frustrating that we didn't get a dean, but the search was thorough and I feel confident that in re-opening the search with a new committee, a dean will be found."

The entire process will begin again with the application process. This summer an ad will be placed in "The Chronicle of Higher Education." Applications will be accepted and the selection process will resume.

The original Dean Search Committee resigned after their recommendation to end the search. The original committee consisted of Dr. Larry Hinman, chair, Dr. Joe Colombo, Dr. Iris Engstrand, Fr. Ron Pachence, Dr. Don Peterson, Dr. Mary Quinn, Dr. John Valois, AS Secretary of Academics, Holly Coonrad, Sr. Sally Furay vice-president and provost, and Mrs. Patricia Greenfield, graduate student representative, as well as members of the extended search committee; Dr. Virginia Muller, Dr. Lynne Small and Kevin Rapp, AS President.

The re-opening of the search will be led by an entirely new group selected by faculty vote and presidential consideration.

## Curriculum Turns Exotic

by Gerald McCloud  
Assistant News Editor

In the near future exotic aspects from Mexican, Latin American, Japanese, and East Asian cultures will become a greater part of the USD curriculum.

USD received an \$85,000 grant from the Consortium for the Advancement of private Higher Education for the incorporation of the previously mentioned themes into courses that currently do not stress these aspects. Courses must also have particular importance in the curriculum of their school or department, for example, General Education, ethics, methodology, or writing requirements.

"Where once some courses were only touching on aspects of other cultures in the last few days of the semester, they are now able to go in depth for one-to-three weeks," said Dr. Pat Drinan, Chairman Political Science department and project director.

During the semester, the faculty involved must attend workshops. Drinan states, "So far 53 have attended each workshop on Mexico." There are four workshops this semester. Drinan went on to say that, "fifty-three (faculty members) is pretty good. That is around 25 percent of the entire USD faculty!" Of those 53 faculty members 23 have received stipends to revise their courses so far with hopes of this number increasing."

The two year introductory program focuses on Mexican and Latin American themes this year, Japanese and East Asian the next.

Drinan states there will be a "direct effect in the classroom by broadening horizons while focusing our attention,

campus-wide, on a few parts of the world that are significantly important to us economically, etc. In addition, there is enough money in the grant to complete the two year effort so there is no possibility of the project ending half way . . . It is intended to set the stage for permanent changes in courses that will continue to increase their perspective incorporating more and more of our diverse world."

In order to receive funds from this grant, faculty must submit an application to Drinan. The application is reviewed by a subcommittee of the Internationalization of the Curriculum Committee who then decide which applications for grants will be accepted.

For those who are accepted, the next step is revision of their course syllabus. The syllabus must be amended to include course objectives on how Latin American and Mexican themes are to be incorporated in a one to three week segment of a semester. For doing this the faculty member will receive a \$250 stipend from the grant money attached to their wages.

In addition to their stipend they will receive an additional \$250 to spend on library and media center acquisitions to support teaching the internationalized course.

At the end of the semester faculty must assess their course taking into account observations from students. This, along with a one page assessment on their internationalization effort is to be submitted to Drinan. They then receive another stipend of \$250 to total \$500 for the semester in addition to \$250 for library and/or media center items.

## Global News . . . In Brief

Compiled by Mike Bonte-friedheim

The once stormy relationship between Russia and China seems to be taking a new direction as China's Beng Xiaoping and Soviet Leader Mikhail Gorbachev show interest in direct talks and a summit meeting in the future . . . The Americans are not the only country to support the Afghan resistance movement. Others include Pakistan, China and Iran . . . Chile's Augusto Pinochet will run for President again after his term ends in March of 1989. If he wins, he could remain in power until 1997, would be 82 years old and have been in power over 23 years . . . France is negotiating with Britain and West Germany for a joint military and weapons arrangements to fill the void they fear the US retrenchment might leave on the continent . . . In Iran Khomeini claimed that his government's will may override the precepts of the Korean, whose text is believed by Moslems to be the literal word of God . . . Low oil prices may cause the US trade deficit to drop \$1 billion per month . . . Christian Democrat Ciriaco de Mita was asked to attempt to form Italy's 48th government since the Second World War after Prime Minister Giovanni Gorla resigned . . . The Swedish government had decided to close down all their nuclear reactors by 2010, indicating a compromise between environmentalists and industrialists . . . A study sponsored by NASA and the UN showed the world's protective ozone layer has become dangerously thin, most of the damage being due to man-made chemicals. The threat of skin cancer, eye injury and other damage is so great that "draconian" measures are needed.

## Toward New Vista Editor

by Jamie Michelle Berry

Chris Toward, senior, is the new editor of the Vista. After the dismissal of Monica Sanchez, Toward applied for the position. He was chosen by default; no one else applied for the position.

Toward has been a member of the Vista since his freshman. During his sophomore year he created the opinion section of the Vista although he insists, "I am not an opinionated person." From 1986-87 Toward served as assistant editor of the Vista as well as a Vista columnist. Toward has studied journalism as well as being a regular reader of such publications as World Press Review, New Republic, The New York Times, and The San Diego

Union.

When asked what changes he will make in the Vista, Toward stated, "It will be hard to make a substantial difference and improvements in half a semester." As far as his future plans are concerned, Toward reserved comment except to say that he is "toying with the idea of diverting Vista funds to the Contras."

A.S. President Kevin Rapp states that he is confident with the choice of Chris Toward and feels that he is competent to take over the position of editor. He went on to note that the committee had no strong reservations about Toward becoming editor although he was the only applicant.

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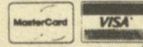
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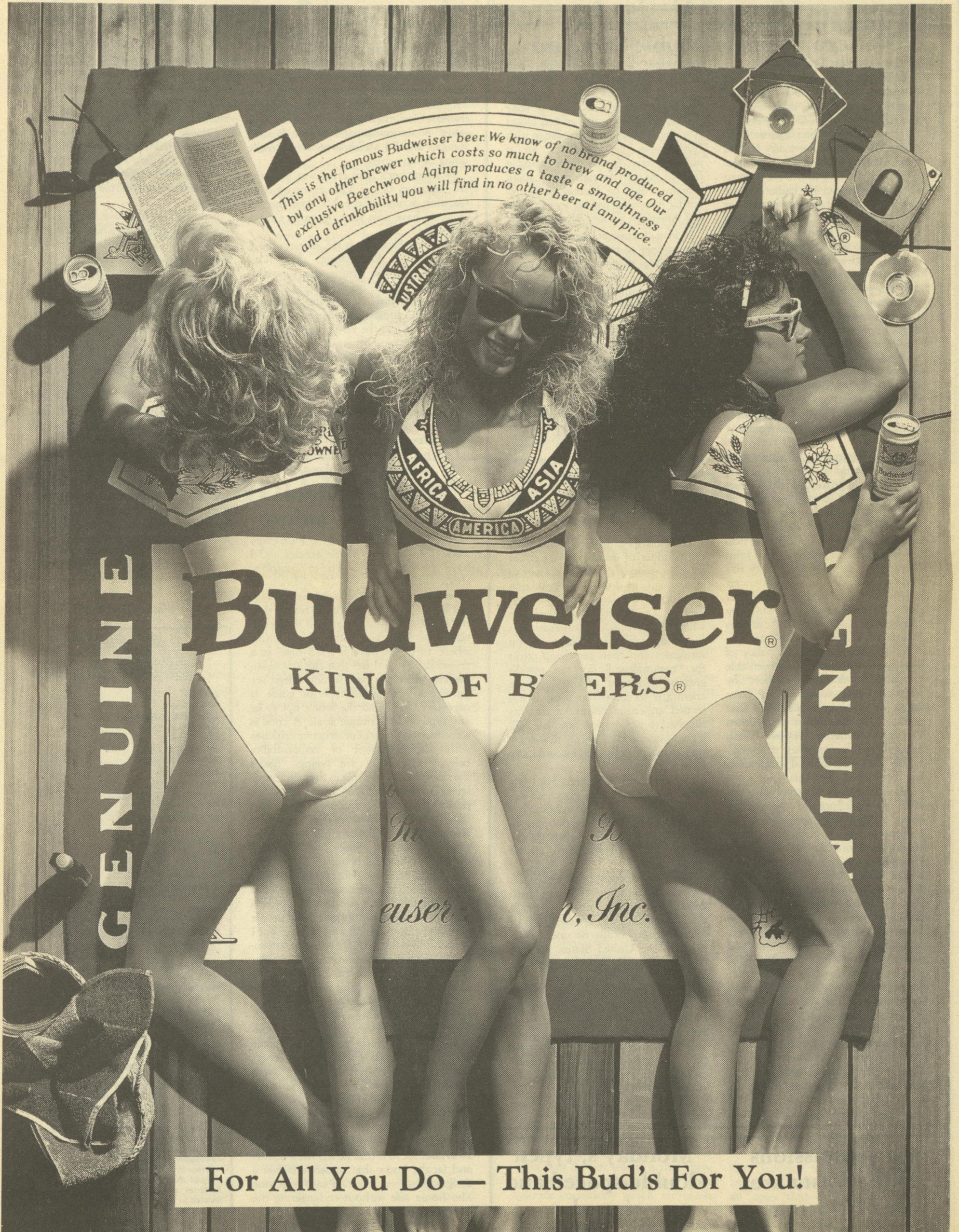
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# OPINION

## Noriega Prompts Double Standard

by Charles Krauthammer

WASHINGTON — In polite American discourse it is axiomatic that the United States does not have the right to overthrow governments. So strong is the taboo against overthrow that one of the many Boland Amendments by which Congress restricted U.S. aid to the Nicaraguan contras authorized \$27 million for the rebels — provided the money was not used to overthrow the Sandinista government, an interesting set of instructions to give a guerrilla army.

Even in Grenada, as justified and locally welcomed an invasion as history provides, the Reagan administration was forced to pretend that this was not an overthrow but a mission to rescue American nationals.

My, what a change of scenery can do for a sacred principle. For the last three weeks, the United States has been engaged in the most overt and deliberate effort to overthrow the government of Panama, and not a word of objection is heard from any quarter.

On the contrary. Administration efforts to get rid of Gen. Noriega are universally approved. From Robert Dole to Albert Gore to Jesse Jackson, presidential candidates are lining up with suggestions on how best to get rid of Noriega. And among those not-yet presidential candidates, Sen. John Kerry (D-Mass.) is typical. Kerry has made a career denouncing American intervention practically everywhere. But his enthusiasm for dumping Noriega is such that he criticizes Reagan for not having done enough.

So obvious is the U.S. policy of overthrow that Noriega has been able to mobilize domestic support by claiming, quite accurately, to be a target of Yankee imperialism. Last week, U.S. maneuvers shut down Panama's banking system. Such banana-republic treatment is normally met with anti-colonial indignation on Capitol Hill. Not this time.

About the only observer who appears to have noticed the sudden silent eclipse of the principle of nonintervention is New York Times columnist Flora Lewis. She is a longtime critic of administration's contra policy and a skeptic about American intervention generally. However, the Noriega issue forces her noninterventionism to take an entirely new look. It turns out, you see, that "the idea of absolute national sovereignty" on which the principle of nonintervention is based is "obsolete." When "cruel dictatorships" are the issue, "doing nothing is a kind of intervention."

I am delighted that we are all interventionists now that, as Lewis says, "the question isn't whether to intervene; that happens inevitably. It is how and to what purpose." Well, the purpose in Panama is overthrow. And the how, thus far, is economic,

diplomatic and pseudolegal, not military. A prudent way to start. But does anyone think that if those fail and if the assistant secretary of state for Latin America, the vilified Elliott Abrams, were quietly to arrange with Panamanian army officers for a military coup (proxy force being a favored Reagan foreign policy tool), Abrams would be denounced for imposing American will on a weak Central American nation? Not a chance.

Noriega is corrupt, dictatorial and a drug-runner to boot. In other words, a middling thug among leaders of U.N. member states. Why is intervention justified uniquely in his case? The reason Americans want to overthrow Noriega has nothing at all to do with the human rights of Panamanians. As Sen. Kerry rather candidly put it in a press release applauding the pseudo-overthrow of Noriega by his former puppet: "From the domestic standpoint, President Delvalle's actions today is (sic) a beginning step for the war on drugs in the United States." Americans want to depose Noriega because his business is drugs and because his client is the United States. If he were dealing drugs only to, say, Latins, American politicians would care nothing one way or the other about him.

The Noriega gang up is quite simply the conduct of domestic drug policy by other means. It's a twofer: a way to look tough on drugs and on foreign dictators at the same time. Noriega-bashing is to America's drug problem what Gephartism is to America's economic problems: Blame it on foreigners and then get cheap credit for "nationalism." For the world's greatest consumer of drugs, whose craving is so monstrous that it has turned an entire continent into its supplier, to vent its fury on those willing to provide that supply makes for ridiculous self-righteousness and lousy foreign policy.

I am not fond of Noriega. His overthrow won't make an ounce of difference to the U.S. drug problem, but I am always happy to see evil punished. And if it has to be through the agency of U.S. intervention, all the better.

But let's not pretend that we are doing this in the name of Panamanian democracy, which, until Noriega's drug connection was unveiled, was of interest to practically no one, left or right, in the United States. Instead, let's pretend with Flora Lewis we are all interventionists. Now that the entire American political spectrum has joined gaily in the overthrow business, next time some pious windbag gets misety about respecting other peoples' sovereignty and about the glories of letting Central Americans decide their own future, ask him where Panama is.

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## LETTERS: 'Hatchet Job'

It's a shame this letter may not be published in the *Vista* because the interim editor-in-chief may be afraid of losing his or her job because of it.

If you believe the recently fired editor-in-chief, Monica Sanchez, was relieved from her post for an almost indecipherable transgression, then you must also say "gee whiz" at similar dispatches from Ronald Reagan and Ed Meese as to what's really going on anywhere.

No, Sanchez's fatal error was allowing the reporters of the *Vista* to continually question actions of the AS. And the AS — as we have now seen — can be vindictive as hell.

The AS blew wads of money on a dismal Simply Red concert. The *Vista* reported it. *Vista* writers also reported, perhaps too little, on other gripes, from parking problems, to how the pizza concession is gouging students. Sanchez allowed this and the result is self-evident.

Kevin Rapp and others in the AS simply bided their time and waited for Sanchez to blow it just enough to where they could swing the axe. In their minds, a *Vista* front page would be an advertisement to themselves, complete with pictures and headlines screaming, "Kevin Rapp Initiates Bike Race."

Let's not enshrine Sanchez in the martyred journalist hall of fame just yet.

## Sam's Barstool Causes Discomfort

As a USD student I read the *Vista* every week. I enjoy most of the articles and I have never found much to complain about until now. But the addition of "Sam's Barstool" this semester has prompted me to write a response. I realize that the purpose behind his articles is to critique local bars so that students know where to go to have a good time at a reasonable price. I feel that this is a sensible idea since the bars in San Diego are numerous and some type of guide is necessary, but I find the article not to be any type of true critique at all. A critic is someone who offers constructive criticism with some element of responsibility behind what they are saying. "Sam's Barstool" fails to do this in my opinion. It seems to me that the article serves to justify irresponsible drinking habits. Not once in any of the articles does it promote responsible drinking or elude to the fact that any one is chosen as designated driver on these nights out of "heavy raging." "Sam's Barstool" just tells us that the writer falls on his face and some how finds his way back to the Alcala Vistas after a night of heavy consumption. Some people may find this cute and entertaining but I do not. I find it ironic in a school that promotes alcohol awareness, and strict rules about drinking on campus, would allow a weekly article such as this one to promote irresponsible drinking off campus. There is nothing wrong with going out and drinking with your friends; it is part of the college experience, but when people become irresponsible about it that is when others can get hurt. If the purpose of "Sam's Barstool" is to critique bars and give the students some kind of gage to use for themselves when they go out, I think that is great. And I don't care if the "Master" goes out every night and drinks his life away, but see to it that he lets the students and faculty know that someone (either a designated driver or a taxi cab) is getting him home safe without endangering the lives of others on the road.

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Remember, this woman is the hard-hitting editorialist whose first "From The Desk" article of the semester concerned her lust for the "Greek god who lives downstairs." Further "From The Desks" included mumbblings about how to behave when you're drunk in Mexico and other last-minute potential Pulitzer nominations.

I think Sanchez was probably oblivious to her journalistic faux pas until after the paper hit the fan. I assume then, people with more journalistic and legal savvy fed her information for her to use in her defense.

If the AS would have been slick, they would have asked Sanchez to resign, just like they do in the big-time. Alas, they're just students. They'll learn to be more graceful with hatchet jobs when they get some seasoning. After all, where do corrupt politicians learn their trade? In college, of course. Dirty political trickster Donald Segretti, of Watergate fame, admitted that he and other Nixon cronies got their education about sabotaging and crushing enemies at a most tolerant training round — college.

I can't wait for the time when Kevin Rapp and other AS members get out into the real world of politics and journalism. If they're wise they'll stay out of that world and get in a corporation where they have in-house public relations writers. You see, the journalists of the real world, unfortunately or fortunately, wield just as much, or more, power than the politicians. Elementary example: the President of the United States can't fire Dan Rather.

If the AS is allowed to continue intimidating editors in a cruel and unjust fashion, we should give the paper a more fitting title — how about: *Pravda*?

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# Freedom Is Never Free—Ask The Contras

by Kevin Carlin

The Sandinistas are up to their old tricks again, and this time they may live to regret it. U.S. sources (along with the Honduran government) confirmed that in their most recent incursion into Honduras, 1500 to 2000 Sandinista troops crossed the border. But before we discuss the implications of these actions, perhaps a historical overview of Nicaragua would prove helpful.

When the Sandinistas first came to power in 1979, leaders from the Nicaraguan government told the Organization of American States that they would eventually bring about total democratization. Jimmy Carter and the 96th Congress of the United States naively believed those lies, sending 75 million dollars immediately and 43 million thereafter. This was more aid than we gave the Pro-U.S. Administration of Somoza in a decade.

While the Sandinistas were receiving our tax dollars, they showed immense gratitude toward our govern-

ment. They praised the Ayatollah Khomeini for seizing U.S. hostages, congratulated the Soviet Union for their invasion of Afghanistan, and they were even thoughtful enough to include the United States in their National Anthem, calling us the "enemy of all mankind."

Their invited guests of honor for their first anniversary celebration were two prominent champions of democracy, Fidel Castro and Yasser Arafat. With this kind of reception from our "new" friend on the Central American block, President Carter finally stopped the aid when it became increasingly clear that the Sandinistas were sending supplies to the Marxist-led guerillas trying to take over the reins of El Salvador's government.

Let's get back to the present situation. Hundreds of U.S. paratroopers from the 82nd Airborne Division stationed in Fort Bragg, NC, poured out of C-141 transport planes on Friday, bringing to at least 3,150 the number of U.S. troops sent there in the past

few days. They join roughly 2,000 U.S. troops already deployed in Honduras.

What possible motives could the Reagan Administration have had for partaking in such a bold and provocative action? The first is a message to Daniel Ortega — the U.S. will back its allies, and by putting over 3,000 troops near the Nicaraguan border, the already paranoid Sandinista regime is trembling with thoughts of a possible invasion. The second possible motive is obvious to send a message to the United States Congress, the clear villain in this situation.

By turning Contra aid off and on as one does a light switch, Congress is, in effect, playing with real human lives. However, Congress now has a classic choice on its hands. Either vote for more Contra aid or leave the fighting to the boys from Fort Bragg. The choice is easy to make, and not coincidentally, a bipartisan 48 million dollar package with both lethal and humanitarian aid is now being

discussed.

The reaction in the United States? Amazing, from what I have seen so far. Last night on television I watched demonstrators in San Francisco viciously attacking police officers with thick clubs and sticks. Funny, isn't it, that the same people who urge for peaceful diplomacy in the international arena settle their problems with tactics such as these? Then again, maybe it's not so funny.

I really wonder what protesters of the U.S. action in Honduras are thinking. Have they searched their souls before making their signs and posters? How many protesters would there be if they could actually live in Nicaragua for a few years, trying to vote and practice their religion with a gun in their collective faces, telling them which candidate to vote for and which God to worship.

Freedom is never free, but please don't tell any of the protesters marching in Chicago, Boston, or San Francisco. They might strike you over the head with one of their anti violence signs.

# American Decline—A Myth Or Reality?

by George F. Will

WASHINGTON — The Senate Budget Committee, in a bookish mood, recently submitted itself to a seminar with Paul Kennedy and Jeane Kirkpatrick. Kennedy's book, "The Rise and Fall of Great Powers" has been received here with the warmth reserved for scholarship that seems to serve political convenience. Kirkpatrick's intellectual counterpoint was admirably inconvenient.

Kennedy, a Yale historian, has produced a panoramic analysis of social and economic change, that is being used to amplify a current national policy dispute, concerning defense spending. He denies he is an economic determinist, but postulates a dynamic in which economic developments drive political decisions into predictable patterns.

It is a process of inexorable implosion: As nations flourish they acquire responsibilities that then become debilitating. Great powers — 17th century Spain, 18th-century France, late 19th- and 20th-century Britain — acquire military power to facilitate the acquisition and protection of wealth. But the burdens of military power impede the rational allocation of consumption and investment, making great powers vulnerable to competition from rising nations. A nation's neurotic insecurities become viciously circular, stimulating self-defeating military spending, resulting in "imperial overstretch."

Such analyses of cycles of rise and decline can easily become tendentious or tautological: Spending that the analyst opposes is "excessive," or spending that is manifestly self-defeating is, of course, excessive. But decline is a powerful theme in intellectual history.

The founder of political philosophy, Plato, was preoccupied with prophylactic measures against social decay. The greatest work of history in the English language, Gibbon's, is a meditation on decline. And there is a perennial fascination with the possibility of discovering "flaws" that govern the fluctuations of national fortunes.

The irreducible particularity of events suggests that history is another "science of

single instances," meaning not a science. However, Kennedy's book is not just history. Much of it is a meditation on contemporary (postwar) politics, laced with prophesy and exhortation. America, he intimates, should attempt less.

Actually, Kennedy is more cautious than some of his eager liberal exegetes. He believes that, given a prudent balancing of consumption and investment, national productivity can be maintained at levels of defense spending at least equal to today's.

He is a materialist in stressing the economic basis of national strength. The ingredient usually scanted in materialist analyses is politics — the expandable range of choice, of national assertion, available when the collective will is well-led.

Kennedy is a half-hearted historicist; he does not say nations are condemned to the prison of cycles. He acknowledges that France, for example, has frequently played a world role disproportionate to its portion of world GNP. That fact reflects a variable that varies radically — leadership, such as that of Louis XIV, Napoleon, De Gaulle. But Kennedy's preference for quantifiable indices of national vigor (such as GNP), rather than animating ideas and strong personalities, makes him a historicist nonetheless: There are, he argues, tides in the lives of nations that govern rather than are governed by politics.

Kirkpatrick's rejoinder is that the experiences of radically different nations in vanished cultural settings are of slight relevance to contemporary choices. There is no clear correlation, either in recent American experience (under Eisenhower and Reagan) or in the sweep of history, between a high level of military spending and diminished economic vigor. Furthermore, the Soviet Union refutes the notion that a great military power depends on a flourishing economy and technological predominance.

Anyway, the level of U.S. government spending is set not by "imperial overstretch" but by domestic appetites: Defense as a percentage of GNP and of the budget is substantially less than what it was three decades ago, whereas the

welfare-state entitlement menu has been steadily enriched.

Kirkpatrick also notes that the increasing wealth of our allies in the postwar period has produced the "relative decline" in our portion of world GNP that Kennedy stresses. But that "decline" represents the triumph of the U.S. polity of basing U.S. security on nurturing and protecting free nations with creative capitalist economies.

The assumption of American decline has become an intriguing ingredient in the presidential campaign. Some Americans seem to embrace it as a release from responsibilities. Kennedy says great powers in decline "instinctively" com-

pound their dilemmas by diverting more resources from investment to military spending. The word "instinctively" implies the subordination of mind, the irrelevance of choice and the autonomy of "natural" processes. Kennedy speaks of a nation's "natural" decline to a "natural" share of wealth: This the biology of nations.

But nations, although organisms, are not plants. The "body politic" has a head, a mind. Politics, especially the continental conversation of presidential politics, is about choosing a destiny, not just adjusting to one.

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## LETTER:

### No Tax For Jails

by Scott Mills Johnston

Only months after San Diegans voted to raise our sales tax a half-cent, for the purpose of improving roads, highways, and transportation, the city council unanimously approved a resolution supporting the June 7th ballot proposition that would add another half-cent to the sales tax. This time the funds would be used to construct new jails and court facilities. Proponents of the bill believe that there is an overcrowding problem in our jails, and that this is reason enough to justify an increasing in taxes.

In actuality, our jails are not overcrowded. We can accommodate a great many more criminals in our jails simply by increasing the number of inmates per cell. Human rights groups believe that putting more than two individuals per cell is intolerable, but what they do not realize is that there are law abiding citizens that must tolerate conditions which are much worse. Servicemen in the Navy spend months at sea, in dangerous regions of the world, living in a 7 foot by 2½

foot compartment in a room with anywhere from twenty to fifty other men. These men are fed dehydrated food that would make prison food look like a gourmet meal. It is quite ironic that our brave fighting forces must tolerate these conditions while working to preserve the freedoms so many of San Diego's criminals have abused.

If this bill is passed, the tax would raise \$1.6 Billion for the improvement of criminal justice facilities over the ten year life of the tax. These two sales tax increases (transportation initiative and jails initiative) are called "sunset taxes." They are supposed to exist for only a specified period of time (10 yrs) and then disappear, leaving the sales tax at its previous level. History has shown that the sun never sets, the taxes simply escalate.

I recommend that the San Diego City Council withdraw its support from the Tax for Jails Proposition. We all know that outlaws do not pay taxes, and to reward their crimes with a new taxpayer financed home would be counter-productive.



# INSIDE ALCALA

## Know How To Vote

by Brenna O'Boyle

AS elections are coming up on April 11, 12 (primary) and 14 (run-offs). Voters can get their ballots from 9:30 am to 6:30 pm in front of the UC.

The election theme this year is "Get Involved." The election committee has gone to all lengths to give the students the opportunity to be informed voters.

A Candidates Fair is planned for April 7 in front of the UC. It will run from 11 am to 1 pm. This fair will allow the students to get to know those who are running for an AS office before they vote.

On April 7, the election committee will be distributing a pamphlet with all the candidates' pictures and platforms in it.

The evening of April 7, the elections committee will hold a forum in which the students' questions will be answered. These questions have to be submitted to the elections committee box in the AS office before the forum.

Here is a brief description of all the AS offices.

The **President's** job entails working with all AS representatives and being the official representative of the AS. The President delivers an address to the Student Body at the beginning and middle of each semester. He is responsible for scheduling and passing an agenda and conducting the meetings of the Student Senate. The President proposes legislation to the Student Senate and also holds the power to veto. He has the power to initiate and execute the fiscal policies. The President has the authority to appoint/dismiss committee/chairman by obtaining the majority approval of the Student Senate.

The **Vice-President's** job entails assisting the AS President in his absence. He is an ex-officio member of all committees. The Vice-President serves as a liaison to the President for all committees appointed by the AS President. He is also the chairman of the Program Board. The Vice-President is further responsible for notifying the Student Senate and Executive Board members of emergency sessions.

The **Secretary of Academics** is responsible for coordinating all academic matters/activities pertinent to the students. He will work with the Academic Dean of other schools. The Secretary of Academics acts as the Chairperson of the Academic Research Grants Selection Board.

The **Secretary of Communications** is responsible for all correspondence of the AS. He will arrange all on/off campus publicity. He coordinates AS publications. The Secretary of Communications is also a member of the Program Board.

The **Secretary of Finance** is responsible for budgeting/recording AS finances. He audits the AS accounts and presides over the Financial Committee. The Secretary of Finance also gives weekly

financial reports to the Student Senate.

The **Secretary of Justice** is responsible for the execution of all judicial functions. He serves as the representative in all disciplinary cases. He also serves as the Chief Justice of the Student Court.

The **Secretary of Student Services** is the liaison to the faculty/administration. He is responsible for the inventory and maintenance of AS property. He is also the Chairman of the Student Life Committee.

The **Social Chairman** is responsible for creating social program for the AS. He is a member of the Program Board and serves as the Chairman of the Social Events Committee. He is also responsible for arranging the AS social calendar.

The **Secretary of Athletics** promotes and represents University Sports and Recreation programs. He establishes an AS Spirit Committee and presides as Chairperson. He helps to direct the cheerleaders. The Secretary of Athletics also has jurisdiction over sports clubs.

The **Secretary of Student Organizations** is responsible for presenting the clubs'/organization's viewpoints to the Student Senate. He also acts as Chairperson of the Inter-Club Council.

The **Class Senators** — are responsible for hosting the AS volleyball tournament. They are also in charge of making a Homecoming float and holding a class party. They have a class event each semester and plan a Christmas event. All Senators sit on a committee appointed by the President and attend all conferences/lectures the AS holds.

Now that the job positions are clear, let's look at who is running.

President — Sam Attisha.

Vice-President — Tom Gorman and Elise Alessio.

Secretary of Academics — Mike Bonte-Friedheim and Mike Dimuro.

Secretary of Communication — Katie Murphy, Charlie VanVechter, John Schmeider

Secretary of Finance — Dan Schandel, Donielle Gerard.

Secretary of Justice — Craig Carlson and Mike Brown.

Secretary of Student Services — Anne Farrell.

Social Chairman — Dennis Rosvall, Estela Lopez.

Secretary of Athletics — Chris LaBonte, Christopher Steeb.

Secretary of Student Organizations — Kathy Castro, Greg Barnes.

Senior Senators — Damon Valentino, Cloey DelSanto.

Junior Senators — Brian Wink, Bob Jackson.

Sophomore Senators — E. Thomas Morton, Steven Lesterson, Thomas McCabe, Renee Bukovchik, Douglas Mac-Millan.

These are the candidates for the AS positions for the 1988-89 school year.

## Remembering Al Shurkus

by Brenna O'Boyle

Many students might remember Al Shurkus. He was a Religious Studies professor from St. John's University back east.

Shurkus was a visiting professor at USD for the 1986-87 school year. Dr. Kathleen Dugan had, in turn, exchanged jobs with Shurkus for a year.

While Shurkus was at USD, he made many friends. Father McKay remarked, "Everyone was touched by him because he was a positive christian gentleman."

McKay also added that the way Shurkus spoke and the way he was with students encouraged them. He also explained that Shurkus' personality was contagious; everyone liked him.

Shurkus participated in the November retreat. He spoke on the ministry in his life.

After Shurkus returned to St. John's University, he found out he had cancer. Shurkus died in January of 1988. He is survived by his wife, Lucille Shurkus.

In memory of Al Shurkus, the school has planted a St. Mary Magnolia tree. The tree is located in the garden off the east patio of Founders Fall at the far north end.

This tree was dedicated to Shurkus after the 7pm mass on Sunday, March 13.

## Get Healthy

You never thought it would happen. You knew college meant freedom, fun, independence, adventure . . . but not this! The last thing you expected was to get sick. Now what do you do? No mother is around to make her "cure-all" chicken soup and cater to your every cough and sneeze. You are on your own now.

Luckily, though, you are not all alone. USD's Health Center, located on-campus in Camino Hall, is open five days a week to cater to the student's individual medical needs.

Treating between 600-750 students a month, the Health Center provides a variety of services. In addition to the traditional appointments, the Center administers allergy shots to students who have the written permission of their physicians.

Further, on the second and forth Wednesday of every month, the Center provides a Dermatology clinic. However, due to the extreme demand, appointments for the service are backed up through April.

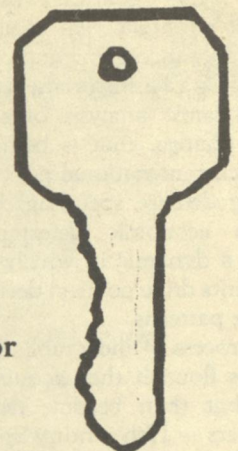
The facility staffs two registered nurses and several certified Emergency Physicians who rotate daily as well as a full time receptionist. This is the first year that a doctor has been in the office every day of the week.

The Center is open from 8:30-4:30 Monday and Thursday, 8:30-4:00 Friday (closed for lunch). A doctor is present between the hours of 8:30-3:30 Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and 8:30-12:30 Wednesday and Friday. At all other times, a nurse is in the office.

Appointments are necessary to see the doctor, except in special situations.

1988-89

## Campus Housing



The Fall Housing Sign-Up Period For Current USD Students Is April 5 Through April 28, 1988.

**Current Residents:** Watch for a handout explaining the various housing options which will be distributed by your Resident Assistant.

**Off-Campus Students:** Stop by the Housing Office for sign-up information anytime between March 21 and April 28.

### IMPORTANT DATES:

Special Interest Applications Due . . . . . April 8  
Squatter's Rights Option Available . . . . . April 5—April 22  
Draw Lottery Numbers . . . . . April 5—April 28  
LAST DAY TO ENTER LOTTERY . . . . . Thursday, April 28  
Room Sign-up Weekend . . . . . April 30—May 1

### REMEMBER:

A \$150.00 Room Reservation Deposit is necessary to sign up for fall housing.

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# Let's Talk Money

Who says "Money isn't everything?" Certainly not Jeff Koller, AS Secretary of Finance. For Jeff, a great deal of his life is spent knee deep in dollar signs.

Jeff Koller, currently a senior at USD has spent this school year occupying the position of AS Secretary of Finance. Initially, he ran for the position as he felt he could offer a better atmosphere for the office. Also, his understanding of budgeting aspects and prior experience as a programmer would enable him to meet the challenge that the office held.

As Secretary of Finance, Jeff has numerous responsibilities. His primary job is the allocation and budgeting of AS student budget (in accordance with AS Finance Committee and Senate).

The AS Student budget that Jeff has had to work with for the past school year consisted of approximately \$370,000. The budget is determined ultimately by three factors: surplus from the preceeding year,

established ASB fees and expected revenue fees.

The budget grew \$55,000 over the previous year due to the excess surplus of \$30,000.

In addition to the budget, Jeff is responsible for the allocations and expenditures of 19 directors and over 30 clubs on campus. Also, Jeff must attend several board meetings weekly. These include Budget Committee, Program Board, Senate, Executive Board and Finance Committee.

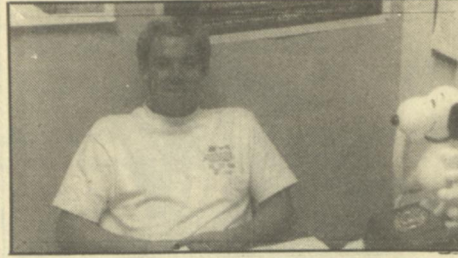
Because the AS Secretary of Finance manages such large sums of money, he must be knowledgeable in money matters. Jeff's Accounting background and good sense of programming both have contributed to his success in the office.

Although the job is time consuming (30-35 hours a week), Jeff has found time to maintain involvement in activities at USD. A well rounded individual, Jeff has participated in Crew, Student Alumni

Association, Alpha Delta Pi (as Big Brother) Beta Alpha Psi and Alpha Kappa Psi. He has held the positions of Co-Lark director and Student Court justice under Kevin Rapp.

In his free time, Jeff enjoys surfing, cycling and swimming. For the past six years, he has worked summers as a life guard in Huntington Beach and Del Mar.

After he graduates from USD with a BA in Accounting, Jeff will go on to Law school, then out into the real world where, as Jeff states, "The future holds everything but your hand."



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The Los Angeles Peace Corps Representative recently corresponded with the USD Career Counseling and Placement Office, applauding the talents of USD students who had been accepted into the Peace Corps system.

The representative also stated that in the past, USD students who applied and then continued to keep in contact with Peace Corps administrators, were more likely than students from other southern California universities to become Volunteers.

USD is in the top 100 schools nationwide according to per capita conversion to Volunteers. Clearly, the USD degree is in demand in over sixty developing nations around the world.

Within the last fiscal year, five USD students applied and are still enrolled in the system — a positive statement that says a great deal about our concern for the interdependent world.

Students interested in joining the ranks of successful USD Peace Corps Volunteers, may contact the Career Counseling and Placement Office in Serra 300 for a wealth of recruiting information.

**ANNOUNCEMENT:** The Career Counseling and Placement Office remains open during Spring break to assist all students with career issues.

Take advantage of this free week to catch up on career research, job-search tasks, or discussing your goals and options with a counselor.

The office, located in Serra 300, will be open daily Monday-Thursday from 8:30am-5:00pm. Call extension 4212 for more information.

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# SCENE



The 20th Annual Anaheim Boat Show, "The Boat Lovers' Boat Show," will feature all the latest in water skiing equipment, along with jet skis, the new Sit Surfer, and other water toys at the Anaheim Convention Center Wednesday, March 30 through Sunday, April 3.

## Living Without Abuse

Angel Adams-McClain, Ph.D. and Kenneth Greene, will be the featured speakers on "Living Without Abuse" at the Saturday Awareness Series sponsored by The Rader Institute/AMI on Saturday, April 2, from 9:00 am to 11:00 am, at the Mission Bay Health Center, 4501 Mission Bay Drive, Suite 2D, San Diego, California. This series is open to the public at no charge.

Dr. Adams and Mr. Greene will present a program on Co-Dependency and Eating Disorders, with special emphasis on low self-esteem, shame, and guilt. They will use Art Therapy as a method to experience and resolve old issues.

Staff from The Rader Institute Eating Disorders Unit will be on hand to answer questions following the seminar.

For more information and reservations, please call Mary Quimby at (619) 274-7721 extension 302.

## Visit American Youth Hostels

by Damon Valentino

The San Diego Council — American Youth Hostels is supporting Streets Are For Everyone (SAFE), by sponsoring low cost bicycle tours throughout the United States, Canada, and Europe.

American Youth Hostels, Inc. is a non-profit community service organization dedicated to promoting a greater understanding among people worldwide through various programs.

AYH is for youth of all ages, with membership open to any individual, family or group.

AYH is more than an organization. It is a network of hostels which make accommodations simple and effective for low budget traveling.

There are separate bedroom and bathroom facilities for men and women

and most hostels have kitchens for group meal preparation.

Pillows and blankets are provided by the hostels and travelers supply their own sheet sleeping sack (combination of sheets and pillow case).

This year, the bicycle tours range from within California, to cross-country to European excursions and accept a range of abilities.

Trip topics include going to Catalina Island, the Annual Hot Springs and Desert Flower Ride, and The Canadian Getaway. The European trips include New Zealand, a tour of England and a full bicycle tour of Europe.

To obtain a brochure giving the details of the trips including dates and costs, write American Youth Hostels, 1031 India Street, San Diego, 92101. Or call 239-2644.

## College Life Hits TV

Washington — A Public Broadcasting System special based on the widely-acclaimed Carnegie Foundation study, *College — The Undergraduate Experience in America*, will be broadcast this week.

The 30-minute documentary highlights the central issues of the college report authored by foundation president Ernest L. Boyer, and is entitled *College: What of The Dream?* It will premiere Sunday, March 27th at 4:00 p.m.

In the documentary, the undergraduate experience is chronicled through the eyes of four students, a freshman, a sophomore, a junior, and a senior, and two professors who consider questions of teaching and research.

The students discuss such matters as peer pressure; course loads, rising tuition costs; choosing a major; lack of attention at times from professors and administrators; building community on campus, and what to do after graduation.

## No Pandas To See At The Panda Inn

by Lucy Kanjer

Chinese Food! Do those two words bring wonderful thoughts to your mind? Well, if you are a fan of Oriental Cuisine, then you may want to try the Panda Inn, Mandarin & Szechwan cuisine.

Panda Inn is a restaurant of the highest quality. The atmosphere of the restaurant is casual, yet elegant with soft lighting and clean white tablecloths.

The service is quick and friendly. Even on a busy Saturday night (which is every Saturday night) the wait to get in is reasonable. There is even a small cocktail

lounge to keep you entertained while you wait to be seated.

The food itself is fantastic. The menu consists of every type of dish one could want including chicken, beef, pork, veal, and some duck and pheasant dishes (to be ordered in advance). Panda Inn also serves fried rice and noodle dishes along with a variety of soups and appetizers.

For the quality of food that you get, the prices are reasonable and well worth it.

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## Sam's Barstool

by Samuel McDermott

About six weeks ago, the Master reviewed a bar that is considered by many to be a DIVE! Yes, the Beachcomber — truly a rat's paradise. However, it went unnoticed and unwritten in the article that the Beachcomber, which was reviewed, was the one near San Diego State. It was not the one in Mission Beach. Therefore, it is only fair to give this other Beachcomber a chance, which is just what receiver did last Thursday night.

It had been a heavy alcohol swallowing evening — the three day holiday raised my spirits and my tolerance to unprecedented levels. Old friends arrived in town and partyin' became THE major influence on all activities which were undertaken. So it was late Thursday night that the Master and his merry band of cohorts landed in the Mission Beach Beachcomber. What a FEST it was!

This Beachcomber offers many things to the individual who considers himself to be a connoisseur! First, it offers drafts for only ONE BUCK — FIFTY CENTS during Happy Hour! Plus, SOOOO many people hang out here that one cannot help but find a lonely person who needs the company of a new friend. But the best thing about this place is that EVERYBODY is there!!! In other bars, some people are wild and others kick back. But in this "Comber" each and every single individual imbibes to their full limit. The MASTER could not help but reach his MAXIMUM partyin' level!! Yes, this critic realized his potential on this evening.

Is this a great bar? No, it is not perfect. Like the other "Comber" it has the air of being infested by locusts and cockroaches. If one looks closely you can see at least one inch of beer spillage on the floor. But WHO CARES! It scores points with me because it is also a "real" bar — like O'Connell's. The people make this watering hole what it is.

Have you ever met the typical guy who goes to a bar, has one beer, then sits back and says, "Dude, I am such the partyer!" This is fake and has been noticed in a lot of other bars — but not the "Comber." REAL People, REAL Partyin'! The "Comber" is a good pad. On the SAME FIVE-MUG SCALE, the Beachcomber scores:  $3\frac{3}{4}$

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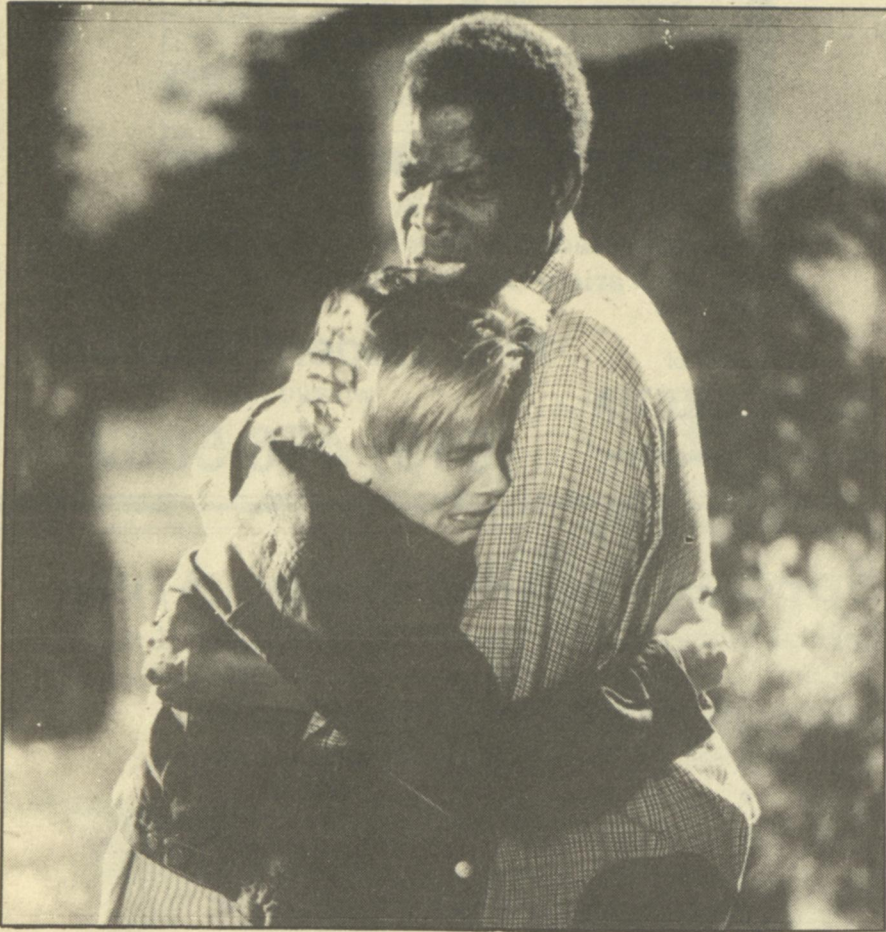
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# ENTERTAINMENT



River Phoenix and Sidney Poitier in Columbia Pictures "Little Nikita."

## Little Nikita Is Big

by Kristen Willhite  
Entertainment Editor

"Little Nikita" is a suspenseful drama of espionage and family honor starring Sidney Poitier, as an FBI agent and River Phoenix, as a high school student entangled in a web of international espionage.

The first scene opens peacefully with a small town Armed Forces Day parade then tautly races to a climactic exchange between global powers at the Mexican border.

Directed by Richard Benjamin from a screenplay by John Hill and Bo Goldman, "Little Nikita" was produced by Harry Gittes for Columbia Pictures.

Roy Parmenter (Sidney Poitier) uncovers the startling information that Jeff Grants' (River Phoenix) parents are KGB agents. At first, Jeff refuses to believe his mom and dad are Russian "sleepers" (deep-cover agents planted in the United States) but then they are "awakened" and called to duty.

The story unfolds from its carefree domestic opening to a gradual peeling away of layers to divulge the dark secret hidden deep beneath the surface. Parmenter finally befriends Jeff and asks for his help with the case.

Using the narrative of family unity as a focal point, the film explores the confrontation between Roy and Jeff, a father-son type relationship that brings Jeff pain and anguish, as well as confusion, while he is forced to face the dark secret of his parents.

The character of Roy Parmenter needed and had tremendous emotional power. Poitier did a fantastic job of projecting authority and warmth simultaneously. Poitier was the first black actor to break through Hollywood stereotyping and emerge as a famous star and Oscar winner. He became a symbol for the black performers who followed.

Jeff Grant, alias Little Nikita. River Phoenix, now 17, has gained a solid reputation as a young actor who plays characters of depth and maturity. In "Little Nikita" as in "Stand By Me" he was offered an opportunity to reveal his range and sensitivity which he does very well.

Some of the film's most dramatic moments were filmed right here in San Diego. The shooting scene began along the picturesque coastline at Torrey Pines and concluded on G Street Pier in San Diego Bay. The climactic highlight of the movie is a hostage exchange between the FBI and the KGB that takes place aboard the bright red San Diego Trolley. The Harbor Excursion Line, one of San Diego's oldest bay attractions, provided a colorful red, white and blue ship named the Marietta for a day's filming. Other watery scenes included water skiing at the bay and dolphins at Sea World.

"Little Nikita" is an emotional story about the sanctity of a family. It gives good insight as to why people have children and what those children represent. It has a great deal of action that is loaded with suspense. I give it an A-

## Will and The Kill Thrills

by Peter Meyer  
Entertainment Editor

Texas has long been stereotyped as a honky-tonk, country western state. That mold was cracked with the debut of rocker Charlie Sexton who reached the charts with "Beat's So Lonely." Now his younger brother, Will, has entered the music business with his own release, Will And The Kill, on MCA Records.

The most unique feature of Will Sexton is his age, he is only seventeen years old and has already "made it." Sexton sticks to the basics on this album playing hard rock and emphasizing power chords. He doesn't mess around with techno-pop synthesizers or disco beats he gets right down to the point and does it hard.

Sexton grew up with music, he had his first band with his brother when he was only nine years old. Even at this young age he was opening up for bands like The Fabulous Thunderbirds and the legendary Stevie Ray Vaughn. So his success is really

of no surprise. Tunes on the album include "Heartbeat" where Sexton puts his raspy voice and barebone lyrics on the line. "Teach the Teacher," "Breakin' All the Rules," and "Heart Of Steel" all appeal to the typical adolescent. These songs tell about fast cars made of steel, and broken hearts.

Will Sexton has a John Cougar Mellencamp type appeal in both his songs and his stage show. He exudes more raw sexuality than an ad for OBSESSION. All his songs rock out real hard but retain an edge of dancibility that makes it even more of an enjoyable listening experience. Being a teenager gives Sexton even more insight into life than any middle age performer could ever hope to have. "So Hard to Please" shows Sexton's youth with lines like "She's as faithful as a crosstown bus."

All in all Will Sexton's debut album Will And The Kill is very good and would make a nice addition to your collection so check it out.

## Trips To Take

Thu. Mar. 24, Billy Zoom Band, Belly Up, 8:00 pm.

Fri. Mar. 25-6, Echo and the Bunnymen w/Screaming Blue Messiahs, 7:30 pm.

Wed. Mar. 30, Blue Oyster Cult, Bacchanal, 8:00 pm.

Fri. Apr. 1, They Might Be giants, Bacchanal, 8:00 pm.

Fri. Apr. 1, KISS w/Anthrax, Sports Arena, 8:00 pm.

Sat. Apr. 2, Icehouse w/Woodentops, Ca. Theatre, 8:00 pm.

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# Live For Ireland Lives

by Salomon Rojas

Ireland has contributed a huge amount of musical talent to the world. Legendary artists such as U2 and Van Morrison on down to lesser known Irish artists such as The Pogues and In Tua Nua perform on this "Live-Aid" style album. The album, *Live For Ireland*, documents the May 1986 Dublin concert, a 14-hour event, to help Ireland's nearly 750,000 unemployed.

U2 opened the event with a cover of Bob Dylan's classic "Maggie's Farm" which was powerfully reworked. Next came veteran rock musician Van Morrison. This part Celtic bard, part soul singer performed his 1965 hit "Here Comes the Night." Next came The Clannad, a little-known underground band with a style similar to The Pogues, who happened to come on right after. The Clannad combines Irish folk instruments with modern ones giving the ethereal haunting "Theme From Harry's Game." The Pogues delivered a stirring folk/punk song entitled "Dirty Old Town."

Christy Moore, Paul Brady, and Chris DeBurgh perform exceptionally, bringing

with them a different style of Irish music. Moore, a dominant figure in Irish circles for nearly two years presents "Make It Work," giving us a theme of self-respect and optimism. Brady, the praised songwriter and performer contributes "The Island," a message for the world to wake up and transcend the mistakes of the past. DeBurgh, creator of last year's hit "The Lady In Red" performs his story-song "Don't Pay the Ferryman" with the energetic participation of the audience.

Elvis Costello and the Attractions came on and performed an excellent cover of Jimmy Cliff's reggae classic "Many Rivers to Cross." This soulful version offered the crowd and all of Ireland a message of hope. A big contrast is seen by what is unleashed next by Bob Geldof. This major contributor to these types of benefit concerts regrouped his band The Boomtown Rats for one of the grittiest tunes of the night, "Joey's On The Street Again."

Overall, this album is an excellent combination of many good artists and part of the price goes to support the cause, so check it out.



The Damned in their current 1988 lineup.

## Damned Collection Burns

by Damon Valentino

In May 1976, The Damned chronologically became the second punk band (the Sex Pistols predated them). Since then, The Damned have put nine albums underneath their belts.

Their latest release, *The Light at the End of the Tunnel*, is the best of the bunch rolled into a low priced double album. Indeed this album contains the classics from "Plan 9, Channel 7" to their latest hit, "Alone Again Or."

What makes The Damned unique is it has evolved hard-core punk into a definitive guitar-laden and punchy genre. But one thing has always been true about The Damned, they have never been pretentious. As many of their contemporaries have vanished after ten years or so, The Damned have succeeded in becoming more successful than ever.

With their first singles, "New Rose" and "Neat, Neat, Neat," The Damned were destined to universal acclaim. However, it wasn't until 1985, with the release of *Phantasmagoria* eight years later, that the band blossomed internationally.

This album has great collaborations featuring Captain Sensible on guitar, Rat Scabies on drums and, of course, Dave Vanian delivering the lyrics — making this album an essential addition to your vinyl library.

Vanian is the thread that has stitched these singles together despite the comings and goings of various band members. He has been flexible enough to change his style, however, to remain consistently innovative in providing progressive direction.

The Damned have taken influences from Pink Floyd to the Electric Prunes to make successful singles like "Grimly Fien-dish" and "Eloise," adding to their ability of constant and current creativity.

"We just want to entertain people," said Rat Scabies. "We just want to have some fun and make a lot of money ... and so does everybody else, if they are honest."

*Light at the End of the Tunnel* is an excellent display of the roots and present status of one of the world's most acknowledged and newsworthy punk bands.

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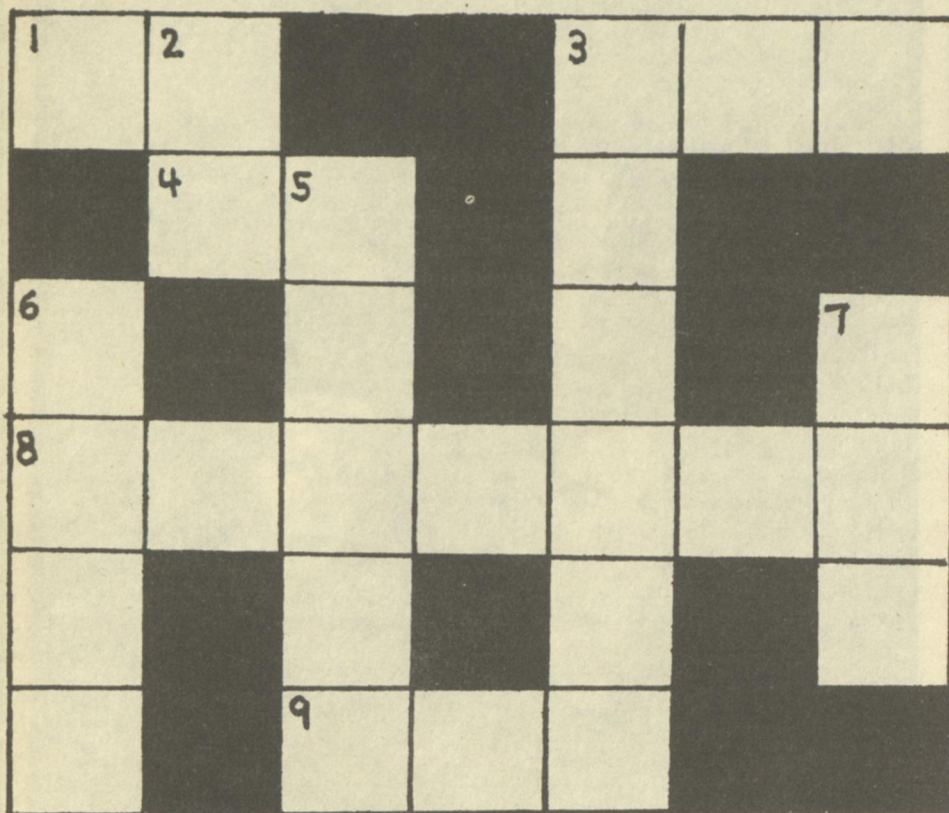
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# Duffy's Coin-Operated Laundry

by Kent Sligh  
Off-Beat Editor

I did my laundry yesterday. I had to do it at a laundromat because all the washing machines in my building were busted.

I was in the midst of a laundry crisis. I had about two hundred pounds of dirty clothes, and nowhere to wash them.

Also I was wearing my last pair of clean underwear, which gave the situation a greater sense of urgency.

My roommate offered to drive me to a nearby laundromat if I would take his turn cleaning the bathroom.

I had no choice. I hastily accepted his offer and the two of us managed to load my laundry into his car.

He dropped me and my laundry off at Duffy's Coin Operated Laundry, and left to go to the beach.

The washing machines cost 75 cents per load, so I reasoned I could save money if I crammed all my laundry into just two machines instead of three or four.

I was jumping up and down on the se-

cond machine forcing the last of my clothes in when a fat old lady approached me.

She told me she was missing a pink sock, and wondered if it could be in my machine. I told her I was certain the machine was empty when I began to use it, so her sock must be somewhere else.

She asked if I would mind pulling all my clothes out of the machine so she could sort through them looking for her sock.

I explained to her that I had just finished packing my clothes into the machine, and since I knew her sock was not in the machine, I would rather she look someplace else.

She told me she knew I had her sock, and if I didn't give it to her, she would call the police.

I invited her to call the police. She walked over to the phone in the corner of the room, presumably to call the police.

I had just started the machines going when a thin man walked up to me and asked me if I knew Jesus.

I told him I wasn't sure, and asked him

to describe him.

He told me that Jesus was my personal savior, and that if I prayed, He could perform miracles in my life.

I asked him if He could do my laundry. The man said he was sure He could, and with that the man started flailing his arms around and shouting.

"JESUS! CLEANSE THESE CLOTHES! HEAL THEM! REMOVE THE DIRT THAT THIS SINNER BROUGHT TO THEM! PURIFY THEM WITH YOUR LOVE!!!"

The man was starting to draw attention to us. I began pleading with him to stop praying for my clothes, but he would not listen.

"BLESS THESE CLOTHES! ALMIGHTY LORD, SHARE YOUR CLEANSING LOVE WITH THESE GARMENTS! HALLELUJAH!!!"

I was begging him to shut up, but it was no use. He was dead set on cleansing my clothes with Jesus' help, and nothing I said

clothes and had no way to clean them.

Many administrators are stunned and perplexed at the outbreak of violence. "Basically I'm stunned and perplexed," states Student Affairs General Hyman Gelch. "We want to try and take the building back by force but we keep getting pelted with old underwear and well . . . that's sick!"

The students have also mounted giant fans on top of the roof and are blowing the smell of dirty laundry right into the UC Grille. "The great thing about it is that our pizzas finally have some taste to them now," states Food Service Director Hal Spachula. The Dirty Sock combo is our best seller right now."

There is some concern at student affairs because the stench is starting to wilt those big f#\$@%n' palm trees. (Sorry but I'm gonna milk that joke till it's dry.)

"It looks like we're gonna have to give them what they want," states Student Relations Chief, Wilbur Reegle. "The stench is awful and my wife says I smell like a hamper."

The controlling students have demanded brand new washing machines, 119 kegs of beer, and about 350 big breasted Norwegian stewardesses in exchange for the hostages. They pledge to relinquish control of the building as soon as the stewardesses leave.

We here at the Off-Beat page are behind you all the way guys! Behind you . . . but up wind.

could stop him.

When the machines finally shut off, he stopped in mid-sentence and stared at the machines with a look of amazement. He hurriedly lifted the lid of the machine and pulled out a handful of my laundry and held it up high.

"IT'S CLEAN! PRAISE GOD! IT'S CLEAN! AMEN!!!"

I thanked him and quickly transferred my wet laundry to a pair of dryers.

The thin man walked away contentedly, and asked a pregnant woman nearby if she knew Jesus.

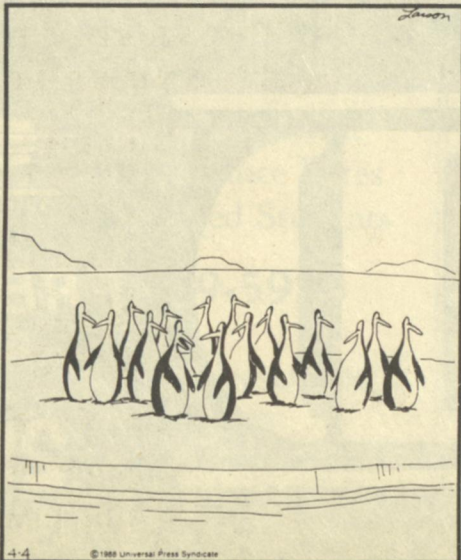
My roommate showed up just as my clothes were done in the dryer, and the two of us began loading the clean laundry into his car.

The old lady with the missing sock ran up to me and told me that the police were on their way. She said that she had my license plate number, and if I tried to leave they would find me.

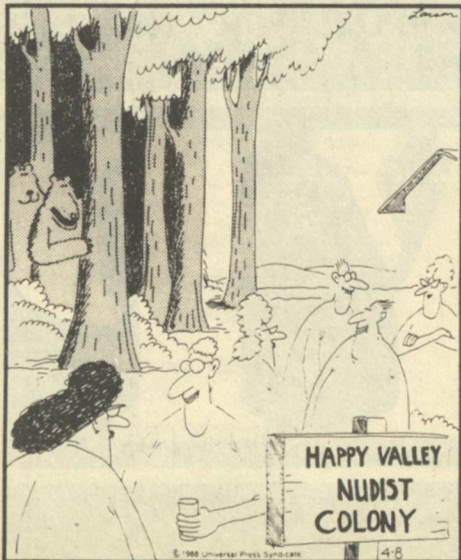
As we were leaving I heard the thin man approach the old lady and tell her that Jesus could find her sock.

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"You moron! From a hundred yards back I was screaming, 'Hell-hole! Hell-hole!'"

THE FAR SIDE  
By GARY LARSON



# SPORTS

## USD Tennis

The USD Torero Men's tennis team beat Nebraska to win the USD Invitational Team Tournament. This is the second victory in two years for the Toreros.

Sunday's a 6-2 victory over the Cornhuskers was especially pleasing because it avenged an earlier loss to the Big 8 team at the Corpus Christi Intercollegiate.

On its home courts, the Toreros clinched the match by winning five of the six single matches. The winners were; Scott Patridge, J.R. Edwards, Dan Mattera, Mark Farren, and Chris Smith.

In the eyes of Coach Collins, the match outcome was more than welcome.

"Today was our best overall performance of the season," said Collins, "We had more guys on the top of their games than in any other match this year."

The Torero netters, now 13-7 on the season, next travel to the Blue-Grey National Intercollegiate, held in Montgomery, Alabama, beginning on Thursday, March 24th.



photo by Ed Collins

Rick Matheson in action against Yale.

## Torero Baseball Wins Three

by Pat Connolly

Last week the USD baseball team opened league play. The Toreros started the week off playing Pt. Loma for the third and final time this season.

The result was the same as the past two meetings between these two clubs. USD, down 5-2 after two innings, came back to take a 10-5 victory.

This game marked the return of Torero firstbaseman, Sean Baron, who had been sidelined for the past few weeks after knee surgery.

The weekend saw the opening of WCAC play as USD hosted St. Mary's College for a four game series.

On Friday, the Toreros and Gaels were tied 3-3 going into the bottom of the ninth, but a three run homerun by Andy Roberts provided the margin for victory.

St. Mary's played well enough on Saturday to take both ends of the doubleheader by scores of 7-1 and 8-4, but USD, powered by the hitting of Sean Baron and Parris Sorianello, took the final game of the series 5-4.

The real hero of the game was Lou Sker-tich, who came on in relief with bases loaded and no outs. He proceeded to put St. Mary's on a pop-up and two strikeouts.

Hopefully the Toreros will be able to rely on more clutch play during league.

The Toreros ended the week with a 15-14 record, 2-2 in league play. Although the pitching has been up and down all

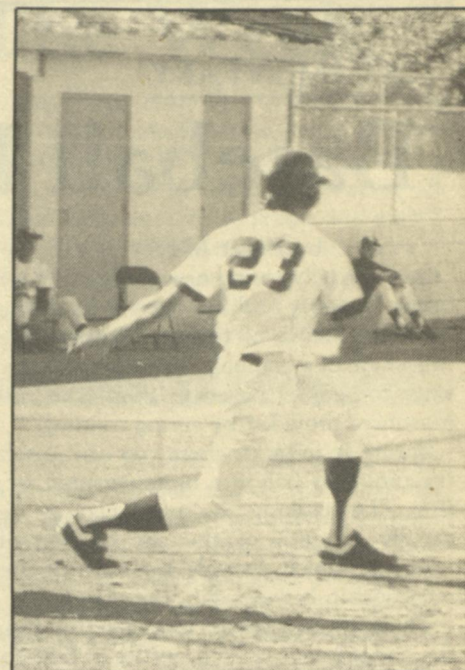


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Steve Skamnes bats against St. Mary's.

year, the offense has been potent.

Mark Trafton is leading the team in batting hitting close to respectively.

Chuck Graham is leading the team in both doubles and triples. USD hosts Iowa on Tuesday and Wednesday, and then its off to Malibu to face the Waves of Pepperdine.

## Torero Lacrosse Splits Two

by Gary Haydock

The USD lacrosse team faced Div. I teams ASU and Pepperdine last weekend. The team lost to ASU 13 to 12 and beat Pepperdine handily 16 to 11. These games leave the team with a 4 and 5 record overall while still remaining in first place in the WCLL (Div. II southern conference) with a 2 and 0 league record. The win against Pepperdine is USD's first victory against a Div. I rival.

Scoring for both games went as follows: Andrew Hummel had 10 goals, Gary Haydock had 5 goals and 5 assists, Marc Carlson had 3 goals and 3 assists, Bert Benvenuti had 2 goals and 4 assists, Stu Purnell had 5 goals, Mark Boyd had 2 goals and 3 assists, and Rocky Spang had 1 goal, while Paul Leonard and Eric Nasland each had an assist.

The team takes on Sacramento State this Saturday at 3:00 on the West Point Field. USD has two league games remaining against UCSD and Claremont and with a victory against either league rival the lacrosse team will clinch a playoff berth in its first official year in the WCLL.

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## USD Golf

by Frank Cates

The USD Golf Team stroked its way to 13th place finish in the Seventh Annual USIU Invitational Golf Tournament held at San Luis Rey Downs in Bonsall on March 14 & 15.

The eighteen team event faced strong winds both days causing high scoring for many teams. UC Irvin's strong team finished 1st in the tournament with a total score of 909; University of Nevada Las Vegas took second place with a two day total of 911.

Senior John Schabacker led the way for USD with a 54 hole total of 235 which included two rounds of 76. Junior Geoff Dean totaled out at 240 including a round of 78. Sophomore Rick Schultz produced a 240 also including a fine 73 in the final round.

Rounding out USD's team was senior Kevin Biernat with a 242 and a 77 in the final round; and junior Steve Zweber with a total of 255.

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## SPORTS

## COMMENTARY

## Baseball In Arizona

by Peter Meyer

Is it officially spring now, at least in my book. There is nothing sweeter in spring than the sound of hickory slapping the horsehide of a baseball. There is no better way to enjoy baseball than the atmosphere provided by spring training.

Spring training is where you can watch the pros play ball in a more personal setting. The stadiums the teams play in are usually a tenth of the size of normal stadiums which provide for an intimate relationship between fan and player.

There are two leagues in spring training, the citrus league, which resides in Florida and the cactus league, which is a mere six hours away in Phoenix. Even closer is the Padres home for spring training, Yuma, which is right on the border and is just a short four hour drive along highway 8.

In spring training, both the American and National leagues are combined. If a national league team is playing at an American league park than the designated hitter rule applies whereas if an American league team plays at a national league park it doesn't.

On a recent road trip, I and two other baseball fanatics went to Phoenix to experience this unique blend of baseball and practice. We arrived in Tempe around three in the morning and, of course, all the motels were booked, mostly by other baseball fans. We woke up early and left for the stadium. We were to attend a con-

test between the Seattle Mariners and the San Francisco Giants, serious contenders for the 1988 World Series Champions.

We arrived almost three hours before game time. During this time we had the chance to meet lots of the players and get tons of autographs and pictures. Tempe stadium holds only 4200 people. This small number of fans actually lets you here the umpire make the call or the players curse. The games themselves are of lower quality than the regular season, of course, with a lot more errors than usual and the teams go through three or four pitchers every game. On top of all this you get a preview of up and coming rookies or scrubs who are trying to make the team.

Spring training locations are spread out all over Phoenix. They are in Tempe, Phoenix itself, Scottsdale, Palm Springs, and Yuma. All locations are within a reasonable distance for the hard core baseball fans. It is still early in the season and the pros still have yet to raise their defenses against autograph hounds and overzealous fans dying for a handshake with one of the best. On top of all of this the average ticket price is under five dollars and the hotdogs are fresh and beer is sold by the can under the hot Phoenix sun.

Spring training doesn't end until mid to late April so there is still time left to make a pilgrimage to baseball Mecca, Phoenix and see the best.

## Torera Tennis Goes 8-7



photo by Stephanie Hogue

Aby Brayton and Hilary Hobel before facing Iowa.

By winning three of its four matches last week, the USD women's tennis team upped its record to 8-7 on the season.

The Toreras knocked off Tennessee 6-3, Yale 7-2 and Iowa 8-1, with their only loss being a 6-3 defeat to Southern Methodist, which is ranked number eight in the nation.

USD's doubles teams had a terrific week, winning 11 of the 12 doubles matchups. Jennifer Larking and Aby Brayton won all four of their doubles matches, three times playing at number one.

In fact they did not lose a set. Jill Greenwood also won all four doubles matches

she played in, pairing with Tonya Fuller for three of the wins and once with Hillary Hobel.

Larking was also perfect playing number one singles, losing only one set, and that by a 7-5 score.

Against Iowa, four others won at singles, as Brayton won at number three, Laura Gonzalez won at fourth singles, Christy Drage won at five, and Nicole LaChiusa won at number six singles.

USD plays at home twice this week, Thursday versus Utah at 2 pm, and then Friday the Toreras face Washington at 1:30 pm. The team is then off until April 12th for spring break.



photo by Rob Gannon

Desiree Gouletas and Tawnie Blade row in the Women's Novice A.

## USD Crew Rows Hard

by Tom Morton

This past weekend the USD crew team set themselves against the crews of USC on Saturday and Long Beach State on Sunday.

After an early departure from campus Saturday morning the team traveled down to L.A. where the USC team awaited their arrival. At 8:00 the races began. The women's novice A eights were first to compete. They left the starting line in a fury of determination, immediately putting the USC crew behind. However, USC finally began to overtake this boat and moved out on our second eight. USC started to move towards their next goal but the USD boat kept their margin. At the 1000 meter mark the race was half over the USD had open water on their competition. They held the pace and with a little under 500 meters to go, they began their wind up. The attempt was futile and USD's women crossed the finish line with a large nine and a half second gap between them and the USC boat. The final times were USD's first eight 7:38, USC 7:48:50 and USD's second eight 7:54.

The men's freshmen eight raced next. They were out to follow the model the women had set. The command to start was given and before the end of the opening strokes, the USD men were nearly a full length ahead of USC. From that point on the freshmen proceeded to bury their opponents. At the finish they boasted an impressive 29.6 second lead over their opponents. The times were USD 6:53, USC 7:22:6.

Next in order were the men's JV eight and women's novice B. The men's J.V.

finished behind with a showing of USC's JV 6:43, USC's novice 6:49:04, and USD 7:15. The women's novice B times were USD 8:17 and USD 8:26:40. The last races of the day are traditionally run by the varsity boats. The women's varsity put in a good showing in their heat with USC 7:36, and USD 7:38. The varsity men concluded their days racing with times of USD 6:27 and USD 6:35:08.

The competition with USC over the crew team packed up their boats and headed off to Long Beach where they would compete on the following day. At eight o'clock the 2000 meter races began. The men's freshmen began the day with another strong victory. They defeated LBSU with times of USD 6:13 and LBSU 6:26. This was their fourth race and their fourth victory. The men's JV lost by a narrow margin with LBSU 6:48 and USD 5:52. The women's novice A fell short with LBSU 7:19 and USD 7:25 as did the novice B with LBSU 7:26, USD's first boat (the Niemus) 7:54, and USD's second boat (the Whittier) 8:06.

Varsity races concluded the day. The women rowed in four-man shells instead of their usual eights. LBSU lead the pack with a time of 7:57. They were followed by USD with 8:14 and 8:40. Even though the varsity men showed an impressive amount of drive, they were unable to hold LBSU off. The times were LBSU 6:04 and USD 6:15.

The next crew meet is the well known Crew Classic. It will be held in two weeks (April 1 & 2) at Mission Bay. This is the largest regatta of the year and one USD has done well at in the past. Your attendance is welcome.

## USD Rugby Pounds Pomona

Last Saturday, the USD Rugby Club demolished a hapless group from Pomona Pitzer College by the score of 26-0. The shutout can be attributed to the superior play of USD's tenacious group.

The forwards, led by the unstoppable Greg Herman, stomped on Pomona's pack. R.J. Trent, Brad Steinmetz, Chris King, and Brad Tetrault turned in great performances to control the flow of the game.

Also contributing were Jim Kelly, Dave King, Vic Murillo, Joe Amader, and Dave Estes. Herman in particular, was brilliant, exploding through Pomona's weary troops

for three scores.

The backfield also demonstrated superlative skill, running through Pomona's defense with incredible speed and toughness. The electrifying Sam McDermott slashed his way for two scores and made several unassisted tackles.

Johnny Penrith, Jim Engleman and Chris Shepard also played beyond description as did wingers Chris Loan and Eric Shumaker. Fullback Tony Lombardo was USD's last line of defense and contributed mightily to the shutout.

The USD Rugby team played their hearts out and came through with a well-deserved victory.



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## Square Pan IM Players Of The Week

This week's Square Pan IM Players of the Week are Maria Mossuto and Dan Geiger. With a number of the top co-rec softball teams in their final seasons, it is likely that **Beef and Buns** will be a force to reckon with next season. If so, Mossuto is a big reason why. Last Saturday she went 5 for 8 as **Beef and Buns** split a playoff doubleheader.

Dan Geiger is another of those students who can not possibly have enough time to actually study. He is currently playing on seven different IM teams. Last week, all Geiger did was score 10 points and grab 7 rebounds in a basketball game, throw 4 touchdown passes in co-rec football, score 2 runs in mens softball, and go 4 for 7 with a homerun in two co-rec softball games.

## Basketball

O.K. class, this week's IM trivia question concerns attendance at basketball games. Which team do you think has the largest following? Your choices are a) The defending "A" league champions — **Dream Team II**, b) The tallest team in the league — **Workin' That Box**, c) The highest scoring team — **Quadrapphenia**, or d) An 0-2 "B" league team — **No Balls Necessary**. If you picked "d", you really are a true follower of IM Basketball.

The above question would have been easier to answer had you known that **No Balls Necessary** is an all-female team. Their opener was a 60-34 loss to **Non-Dairy Creamers**, but Leisa Hagen's team could have done better had they had their full squad. Last week, the competition was tougher, but with Michele Willard swatting shots, Lynn Anastasio driving the middle, and Jen Stolte bombing from long range, **No Balls Necessary** stayed close to a tough **Going To Disneyland** ball club.

The top five B-league teams all won, but there are a few others starting to breathe down their necks. John Groh and Rob Gorney led **Season on the Brink** to their second win. Jim Spina's team overcame 22 points by Chris Lescala to defeat **Above The Rim** 68-51. **Wheel N'Deal** is another team at 2-0. Pat McNeany's team geared up for their showdown with **Phi Kappa Jamma** by defeating the **Orange Marshmallows** 65-55.

There are five other undefeated though unranked B-league teams. Scott Dali led the **Harneys** past **Unlawful Carnal Knowledge** 38-25. Dan Nakahara, Rick Hosada, and Dave Smola are the big-guns for a **Pigs In The Paint** team that has yet to be tested. Pat Fitzsimmons scored 23 points to help **Wanna Be Means** overcome **The Fear** 55-48. **SOMF** took yet another three-point decision. This time, Brent Redelsberger and Co. defeated **5 Guys and John** 36-33. The **Pi Raiders** also remained unbeaten as Bob Briggs team got by **Fly In The Milk** 56-47.

The A-league is looking more and more like a **Dream Team** runaway. Bill Jones' team took apart another #2 ranked team last week. Four players hit double figures as the defending champs overcame Charlie Wickstrand and **Pennant Bound** 75-57. **Perfect Solution** got back on the beam with a 62-33 thrashing of the **Has Beens**. George Botros and Matt Sandberg led the onslaught. Danny Tarkanian scored 28 points but Mike Radez countered with 28 of his own, and Radez had a better supporting cast as **The Cappigs** defeated the **Sharks** 64-53.

The F/S league got a new contender as **Student Affairs** unveiled a "ringer" of their own. Ed Taylor scored 29 points to lead Dave Navarro's team past **Business** 48-42 in a double overtime thriller. The top teams, **Sports Center** and **Arts and Science**, both won impressively.

## Men's Softball

Men's softball playoffs got underway this weekend and there were quite a few surprises. Up till now, no B-League team had ever won a playoff game but this time two advanced into the second round before falling. **Liquor and Poker** started off the day with an impressive 15-5 demolition of **Long and Hard**. After falling behind early, Dean Pisciotta's team rallied for 9 runs in the third to break the game wide open. Wade Walker, Bo Landress and Tony Lombardo delivered clutch hits. What followed in the next game was almost the greatest upset in IM softball history. The B-League squad actually held a 6-1 lead going into the fifth over 5-time champion **Uncle Wiggley's**. **Wiggley's** scored twice in the fifth and five times in the sixth to pull out the 10-7 victory. Great defense by Jim Spina and Tom Grace along with big hits by Pat Casinelli, Dan Geiger and Bob Brown helped avoid the early exit.

**Dickie's Domers**, the #1 B League team, also made it to the second round with a 4-3 victory over a hapless **Slide Em' In** team. Steve Schuster, Mark Diver and Dean Wartello staked Rich Spinelli's team to a quick 4-1 lead. Brent Shaffer's two run blast over the left field fence pulled **Slide Em' In** within a run but it wasn't enough to avoid the upset. **Dickie's Domers** were then brought back down to earth with an 8-4 loss to

**Sigma Pi**. Jeff Lake, Skete Simmons and Pat Brennan led the way for **Sigma Pi**.

Joining the other semifinalists will be **Rug Munchers** and **No Lickin' EEEedith**. The **Munchers** disposed of the **P.P. Ballers** with homeruns by Lars Perry, Jim Scott and Steve Cascioppo for an 8-3 victory. Will Polimadei knocked out his fifth homer of the year in a losing cause. The **P.P. Ballers** earlier disposed of **8 Around the Mound** in easy fashion 14-7. Doug Majeski scored three runs on 4 hits to lead the way.

**No Lickin' EEEedith** looked very impressive in winning a pair. Scott Little's team struggled slightly to hold **Guys With "Not So Big" Sticks** 6-3. Kenny Grimes had a perfect day at the plate and Curt Mosdell knocked in two runs. Bob Mehran and Phil Pizzino combined for 7 hits in a losing cause. **EEEdith** then proceeded to destroy an obviously overrated **Phi Kappa Theta** team. The Little brothers combined for 4 runs and 6 hits and some generous **PKT** defense made Doug Gadker's exit one he won't want to remember.

**EEEdith, Killer Tsunami, J.W. and the All-Stars, and Alcoholics in Action** advance to the Innertube Water Polo semifinals. Read how in the next issue of the *Vista*.

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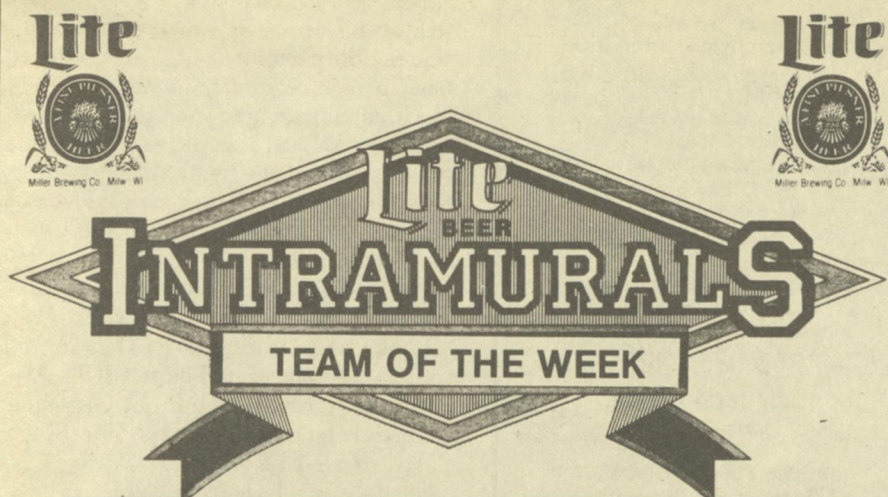
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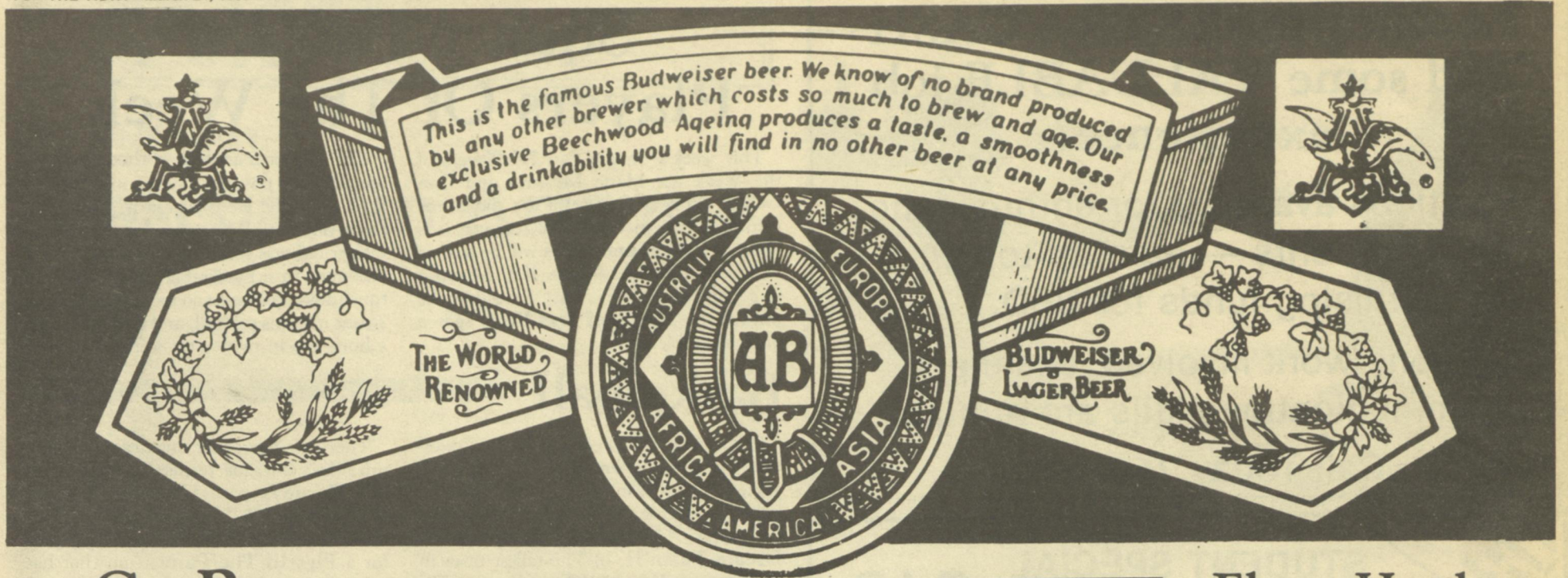


**Violets and Violence:** There are upsets, and then there are major upsets. **Violets and Violence's** victory over the never-beaten **69ers** falls into the latter category. Not only did Rick Matheson's team defeat the defending champs, they absolutely owned them. The 24-6 final was the season's biggest shocker and earned **Violets and Violence** the award for IM Miller Lite Team of the Week.

**Pictured:** Rick Matheson, Trish Melican, Kathy McKeon, Kathy Melican, Rick Shultsmeier, John Hoffman, Dan Nakahara, and Joanne Fisher.

**Not pictured:** Lauren Hamrick.





## Co-Rec Football

The regular season came to a close last week with probably the most unexpected upset of the semester. The #1 ranked **69ers** met playoff hopeful **Violets and Violence** for what, based on their season's showing to date, was sure to be another **69ers** rout.

However, Bob Reisinger, John Northdurft, and company came out flat and fell easy prey to an immensely improved **Violets and Violence** team. Rick Matheson and John Hoffman teamed up for most of their teams scoring as they shocked the **69ers**, 24-6, and clinched themselves a playoff berth.

In other action, **Gadker Did EEEedith** overcame a player shortage and a stubborn **Sigma Chi** defense to wrap up a division title 7-6. A deflected pass into Scott Little's hands was the difference in this one.

Another team that had trouble fielding a full squad was **Sigma Pi**. Jeff Neuber, Don James and the rest of the **Delta Sigma Pi** team took advantage of Greg Moll's absence and ended their undefeated season with a 26-21 victory.

**Club T.L.** remained the league's hottest team with a 38-6 thrashing of **A Team of Tight Ends**. Jim Engelman again starred with a touchdown reception and interception return for another score.

The final game of the day had no playoff implications, but the **Schlongduckers** and **Out-Ra-Geous** had a good, close contest anyway. In a game played "just for fun," the **Schlongduckers** earned their second victory of the year 12-6.

Round one of the playoffs begin April 10.

Entries for the **Power Person Championships** and the **Monster Man Fun Run** are due Wednesday, April 13. Both events will be held on Saturday, April 16. Sign up now and join in on the fun.

## IM Distinctions (March 14-20)

**MENS SOFTBALL**  
**Game of the Week:**  
 Uncle Wiggley's vs Liquor and Poker  
**Team of the Week:**  
 No Lickin' EEEedith  
**Player of the Week:**  
 Wade Walker (Liquor and Poker)

**CO-REC SOFTBALL**  
**Game of the Week:**  
 Better Buy The Case vs Beef and Buns  
**Team of the Week:**  
 Beef and Buns  
**Male Player of the Week:**  
 Tom Pehl (Let's Drink After)  
**Female Player of the Week:**  
 Maria Massuto (Beef and Buns)

**CO-REC SOCCER**  
**Game of the Week:**  
 Sweet Peas vs A.G.S.P.  
**Team of the Week:**  
 Legion of Doom  
**Male Player of the Week:**  
 Kirash Dehpahne (Legion of Doom)  
**Female Player of the Week:**  
 Kelly Finnegan (Legion of Doom)

**CO-REC FOOTBALL**  
**Game of the Week:**  
 Violets and Violence vs 69ers  
**Team of the Week:**  
 Violets and Violence  
**Male Player of the Week:**  
 Rick Matheson (Violets and Violence)  
**Female Player of the Week:**  
 Katie Potts (Sigma Pi)

**MENS TENNIS—A League**  
**Match of the Week:**  
 Dave Bernauer vs Mark Diver  
**Player of the Week:**  
 Don Morris

**MENS TENNIS—B League**  
**Match of the Week:**  
 Mike Hedrick vs Paul Huch  
**Player of the Week:**  
 Allan Johnson

**WOMENS TENNIS**  
**Match of the Week:**  
 Kym Piekunka vs Alison Jones  
**Player of the Week:**  
 Kym Piekunka

**F/S BASKETBALL**  
**Game of the Week:**  
 Student Affairs vs Business  
**Team of the Week:**  
 Student Affairs  
**Player of the Week:**  
 Eddie Taylor (Student Affairs)

**MENS BSKETBALL—A League**  
**Game of the Week:**  
 Cappigs vs The Sharks  
**Team of the Week:**  
 Dream Team II  
**Player of the Week:**  
 Danny Tarkanian (Sharks)

**MENS BASKETBALL—B League**  
**Game of the Week:**  
 Running Gunners vs Non-Dairy Creamers  
**Team of the Week:**  
 Rim Shots  
**Player of the Week:**  
 Jeff Harding (Quadraphenia)

**MENS FLOOR HOCKEY—A League**  
**Game of the Week:**  
 EEEedith vs Schlongs R Us  
**Team of the Week:**  
 EEEedith  
**Player of the Week:**  
 Marc Thiebach (EEEedith)

**MENS FLOOR HOCKEY—B League**  
**Game of the Week:**  
 A Bunch In The Box vs The Floor  
**Team of the Week:**  
 Sigma Pi II  
**Player of the Week:**  
 Scott Morris (Sigma Pi II)

**WOMENS FLOOR HOCKEY**  
**Game of the Week:**  
 Hogan's Heroes vs Blind Faith  
**Team of the Week:**  
 Hogan's Heroes  
**Player of the Week:**  
 Donna Troy (The Great One)

**WATER POLO**  
**Game of the Week:**  
 EEEedith vs 4 Guys and 3 Girls  
**Team of the Week:**  
 EEEedith's Wet Spot  
**Male Player of the Week:**  
 Dave LaPuma (Killer Tsunami)  
**Female Player of the Week:**  
 Ann Caro (4 Guys and 3 Girls)

## Floor Hockey

Floor hockey opened last week and it was **Sigma Pi, Liquor and Pucker**, and **Puck Off and Die** registering big wins. However, perhaps the most important victory of the week waited until the final game. Gary Haydock scored twice and Marc Thiebach was virtually unbeatable in the nets as **Who's Puckin EEEedith** (yes, another EEEedith team) knocked off everyone's preseason #1 pick, **Schlongs R Us** 3-1.

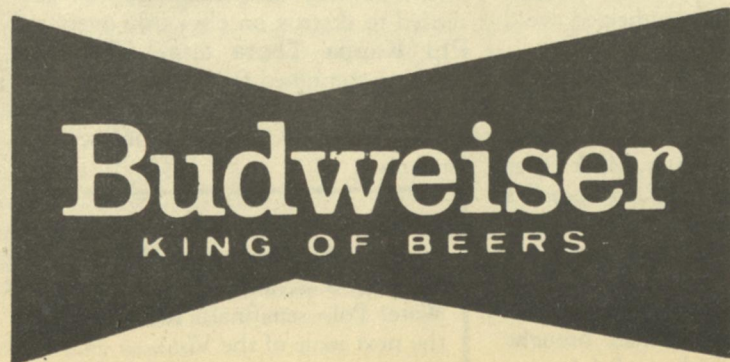
Meanwhile, Charlie Goldberg, Paul Tobin and Tim Belisle each scored hat tricks as **Liquor and Pucker** took over the top spot with a 9-3 victory over the **Bar Flyers**. Dave Reiling and Griffin Gmelich also had 3 goals a piece as **Sigma Pi** walked all over the "not so" **Mighty Puckers** 9-1.

Elsewhere in the men's A-league, **Puck Off and Die**, a freshman team, rolled over the **Spleefmen** 10-2. Chris Bernhoft may have a legitimate contender here. The **Tea Bags** maintained their #3 ranking with a 5-2 win over the **Staff Slashers** and **Makka** showed why their recruiting year was best. Tom Hoey and Paul Kubala led Tom Grace's team past **Wang Gretzky's Oilers** 6-2.

The men's B-league will probably take some time to sort out, but last week it was Jeff Lake who led **Sigma Pi II** to an impressive 9-4 win over **Team PKT**. Also gaining a victory was the **Puck Ups** while **A Bunch In The Box** and **The Floor** played to a 2-2 tie.

It was target practice time in the women's league when **Slap Happy** went against **Give Us A Rule, We'll Break It**. Andrea Clark, Linda Anderson, and Angie Rais each scored at will as the defending champs rolled to an 11-0 win. Similarly, **The Great One**, with four goals by Donna Troy, two by Mara Stankovich, and one by Irene Moore, shut out **Sigma Chi** 7-0. The best game of the week was taken by **Hogan's Heroes**. Colleen Kanaley scored a late third period goal to insure a 2-1 victory over a very game **Blind Faith**.

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