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Telenovelas

A Global Audience for Campy Drama Shows Its Force

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LOS ANGELES

DENNISE RODRÍGUEZ would rather watch "The Simpsons" or E! than anything on Spanish-language television — except for telenovelas. Ms. Rodríguez, a 24-year-old Mexican-American college student from Oxnard, Calif., spent most of the summer glued to the set from 9 to 10 p.m., five nights a week, following the convoluted plot of "La Madrastra" ("The Stepmother"), the latest blockbuster prime-time soap on Univision. The show, a Mexican export that ended in September, followed the fortunes of a woman who goes on vacation to Aruba with her husband and four other couples and ends up being wrongly convicted of the murder of one of her traveling partners. She is then released from prison 20 years later and must win back the love of her children as their stepmother, all while the real killer is still on the loose.

"La Madrastra" offered a compelling story line that wrapped up in six months — rather than the years it takes for intrigue to play out in the English-language soaps — and as usual the camera captured every tear in close-ups as unsubtle as the acting. "People say the Spanish soaps are overdramatic, and it's true," said Ms. Rodríguez, who was born and brought up in California. "People even joke about — my brother makes fun of me, but I still like watching them. I grew up with telenovelas."

The genre's popularity reflects the growth of the nation's Latino population, of course, but the trend seems to run deeper than the shows' overheated story lines and characters.

"When I see English soap operas, they are totally false — they make life seem so easy," a teenager told Kristin C. Moran, an assistant professor of communications at the University of San Diego, who held focus groups with Latina teenagers for a 1999 study on telenovelas. "They show that the best way to live life is to have money, and with the telenovelas, they show poverty and the poor who are fighting their way through to lead a successful life."

Univision, which is based in Los Angeles and is the nation's largest Spanish-language network, for the first time drew more prime-time viewers in the coveted 18-34 age group than all the other broadcast networks during some weeks this summer. And it did so on the strength of its telenovelas, which it imports mainly from Mexico. The soaps account for three-fourths of the network's programming and have performed extremely well this year — of the nearly 200 prime-time soaps that have appeared on Spanish-language television since 1992, Univision officials said, the four most-watched were Univision soaps broadcast in the 2004-5 season, including "La Madrastra," which drew an average of five million viewers each night. Market researchers say that Latinos — no matter their age or dominant language — tend to tune in to Spanish-language television for two main staples: newscasts, because networks like Univision and Telemundo cover Latino issues and Latin America with more breadth and resources than English-language networks; and telenovelas, which function like a kind of cultural

touchstone. "Whether you're U.S.-born and you're introduced to it by a parent or grandparent or whether you're foreign-born and you grew up with it, it's the kind of thing that's inherent in the culture," said Derene Allen, senior vice-president of Santiago Solutions Group, a national consulting firm that specializes in multicultural markets. "It's as Mexican as eating tortillas and as Venezuelan or Colombian as eating arepas."

But is it Latino, as in Mexican-American? With their Cinderella plots, European-looking stars and exaggerated melodrama, telenovelas can be galaxies away from what young American Hispanics would deem cool or relevant.

Television producers trying to cater to young Latino audiences with English content note that Nielsen ratings data do not track viewers by place of birth, so it is hard to tell how many American-born Latinos are really watching soaps in Spanish. Several studies, they noted, have shown that most second- and third-generation Latinos prefer to watch television in English.

But Viviana Rojas, an assistant professor of communications at the University of Texas in San Antonio who has studied Hispanic television viewing habits, cited a key factor that influences why so many are tuning in: Hispanic households often include both immigrants and natives living together. "If you have a first-generation Latino in that family, telenovelas are going to be watched," she said.

Professor Moran, of the University of San Diego, said the girls in her study usually watched the soaps with others in the household in what was "almost like a family ritual." And although the young women also watched shows like "Dawson's Creek," she said, they still preferred the Spanish soaps to other television options because they saw a Hispanic presence not found in most English-language programming.

Professor Moran, who said the young women were bilingual and from upper-middle-class backgrounds in San Diego, concluded that the biggest pull for these viewers was "family traditions — watching from a very young age with your family — and the desire to see yourself represented."

Professor Rojas said that even when American audiences detect stereotypes and problems of class and sex roles — darker skinned actors portraying servants, for example — that prick their American sensibilities, they enjoy telenovelas as entertainment "without much analysis."

Robert G. Rose, a former sales executive with Univision who now produces English-language syndicated shows for Latinos as head of the AIM Tell-A-Vision Group in New York, said many young Latinos find telenovelas "corny, predictable, cheap, a little bit sexist, a little bit racist."

"They're produced for a different market — the Mexican market," he said. "People just assume that all Latinos love telenovelas. That's not the truth."

Perhaps not all, but plenty do.

Yvonne Ponce, 27, a senior billing coordinator with a mortgage company in Fullerton, Calif., said that even though she was bothered by all the melodramatic crying and what she called "phony" acting, she valued the soaps as part of her Latino heritage. Ms. Ponce, who was born in Orange County, said she also found them a handy tool to expand her vocabulary in Spanish, which she speaks, she said, "not too well."

And every now and then a telenovela comes along, like "La Madrastra," that really grabs her. On a

Friday night during its the final week, she was at home with some of her sisters and cousins and their kids, to eat pizza and watch the climactic scenes, including the suicide of the villainous aunt, la tía Alba.

The drama was in Spanish but the chatter was in English. Children ran around but sometimes even they would stop and be temporarily mesmerized. Among the 11 people crowded in the room was Joel Villalobos, 25, a cousin of Ms. Ponce's, who listed the addictive ingredients of "La Madrastra": "The mystery. The action. A lot of suspense."

Mr. Villalobos said he used to watch telenovelas with his parents but stopped at 18. He started going out at night, he explained, and now that he is married he watches with his wife, with whom he has a 4-year-old son.

One of Ms. Ponce's sisters, Livier Ponce, 34, who was brought to America from Mexico as a 1-year-old, said she also quit watching telenovelas once, only to be pulled back in. "I was soap opera sober for a long time until this one," she said with a tone of resignation.

After "La Madrastra" came "La Esposa Virgen" ("The Virgin Wife"), and most of the Ponce clan continues to watch. (Ratings for "La Esposa Virgen" have yet to reach those for "La Madrastra," which Univision officials concede had the advantage of competing against reruns during the summer.)

William F. Baker, president of Thirteen/ WNET, the public television station in New York, and the former president of Westinghouse Television, said telenovelas enjoy widespread appeal because they are generally more comparable to mini-series and shows like "The Sopranos" and "Desperate Housewives" than to daytime soaps in English. "They're good television and they just stand on their own," he said.

Univision even broadcasts a telenovela on weekday afternoons specifically aimed at young adults. "It's an escape or it's their reality, or a mix of both," David Woolfson, senior vice president of network research said of that audience.

Ms. Allen, the multicultural marketing specialist, agreed that all explanations go back to the fundamentals of good entertainment. "Look at 'Friends,' which appealed almost equally to non-Latinos as English-speaking Latinos," she said. "When you sit down to watch television, you look for programs that absorb you."

And when it comes to entertainment choices, she said, Latinos "have one foot in both worlds."

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HEADLINE: Bush's trip to Americas will focus on free trade

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MAR DEL PLATA, Argentina -- President Bush, temporarily leaving domestic political woes behind, begins a five-day trip to Argentina, Brazil and Panama today in which he will argue that free trade in the hemisphere would help his South and Central American counterparts create jobs and reduce poverty.

Bush and 31 other leaders will attend a two-day Summit of the Americas here today and Saturday before he meets with the leaders of Brazil and Panama. He returns to Washington on Monday.

While Bush may be getting away from the debates over his Supreme Court nominee, pre-war intelligence in Iraq and the indictment of a top White House aide in a CIA leak probe, his reception here may not be much more cordial.

Protesters, driven by opposition to globalization and the Iraq war, are mobilizing against the Bush visit in all three countries. And Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez, a leftist who has allied himself with Cuban leader Fidel Castro, is eager to share the spotlight with Bush, if not overshadow him.

Chavez has already declared "dead" Bush's plan to revive the Free Trade Agreement of the Americas, which would create a hemisphere-wide "free-trade" zone. And he appears to be spoiling for a fight with the president over whether Venezuela should build a nuclear power reactor.

"A lot of people recognize that it would be problematic for Chavez to be in the nuclear business," Stephen Hadley, Bush's national security adviser, said Wednesday in a pre-trip briefing of reporters.

Bush, in an interview Tuesday with Latin-American reporters, highlighted his trip's economic aspects. He said opening markets and increasing trade would create jobs and lift many out of poverty.

"I will come and say to the people, the leadership ... that our markets are open, so long as you open your markets," he said. "And so the message is one of jobs and democracy and honesty and open government."

Bush acknowledged that the effort to create a free-trade zone throughout the Americas is "stalled." So he will focus on broader ongoing talks aimed at expanding global free trade. He said he would use the meetings to urge more cooperation in the talks from Latin-American nations, particularly on agricultural products.

That broader global negotiation "really trumps" a regional trade agreement, Bush said, because that bargaining "involves the whole world."

He said he would press that point when he meets with Brazilian President Luiz Inacio Lula da Silva. "Brazil is a very important player," Bush said. "When Brazil speaks, people listen carefully," Bush said.

Bush travels to the region at a time when many governments are faced with weak economies and rising poverty, which are testing their fragile democracies.

Emily Edmonds-Poli, a Latin America scholar at the University of San Diego, says many Latin-Americans feel Bush has shoved them aside in the wake of the Sept. 11 attacks.

"This summit is not likely to bring about anything concrete," she says. "But it is a chance for Bush to remind the people and leaders of the region that the U.S. is still around, still cares and still has a major role to play in their future."

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Mexico's former ruling party seeks a comeback

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MEXICO CITY - A rising chorus of Mexicans is rushing to anoint Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador as their nation's likely next president, predicting that the former Mexico City mayor will ride the huge popularity he built up in the capital all the way to the National Palace.

The country's former ruling party strongly disagrees. Evicted from the presidential mansion in 2000, the Institutional Revolutionary Party, or PRI, is devising a comeback in 2006.

As the PRI prepares to select its presidential candidate Sunday, the question is whether the party can overcome scandal, internal fissures and voter antipathy to prevail in the general election.

Some analysts say the party could win the election, arguing that President Vicente Fox has not had a very successful term. But many say the party, which provided, has a serious image problem and is likely to offer a candidate with limited appeal to voters.

"The PRI has the best chance of any of the parties of coming in second," said David A. Shirk, director of the Trans-Border Institute at the University of San Diego. "For a lot of Mexican voters, it is a choice between the old regime and anything else."

With an intense and often bitter struggle between two of their own presidential hopefuls behind them, party leaders are convinced they can regain the presidency after six years in the wilderness.

The party's path back to the presidential residence, Los Pinos, appeared rocky earlier this year, as a fight developed between its two leading presidential hopefuls, former party chief and ex-governor of Tabasco state Roberto Madrazo, 52, and Arturo Montiel, 62, former governor of the state of Mexico.

Largely ignoring a third contestant, Everardo Moreno, 58, the pair slugged it out in public. Not even an effort by party kingpins to have them sign a civility agreement worked.

The party's fortunes picked up on Oct. 20, when Montiel dropped out of the race. His withdrawal came in the face of questions about how he acquired a fortune and several expensive properties, including a \$2 million apartment in Paris.

Nevertheless, say some analysts, the party is still fractious and worse, bereft of new ideas. It will have limited appeal to voters, especially younger ones, they say.

"The PRI didn't just lose the opportunity to create a new image, but it reinforced the worst positioning possible," said political analyst Jorge Buendia Laredo.

"For many, the Montiel case confirms that corruption is part of 'priista' DNA," he added, using the term for PRI members.

The PRI did not exactly fade away after the 2000 vote. It remains probably the country's most powerful party. It governs 17 of 31 states and holds 224 of 500 seats in the lower house of Congress, the Chamber of Deputies, and 60 of 128 in the Senate.

"The PRI was one of the world's greatest political machines for 71 years," said Shirk, who also is an assistant professor of political science at the University of San Diego. "The question is whether that machine is still formidable."

With the party not running the country, the tradition of an outgoing PRI president handing off to a hand-picked successor

is gone, replaced by a free-for-all.

Beside the Madrazo-Montiel flap, the party underwent another public spat between Madrazo and Elba Esther Gordillo, the No. 2 party official, who slammed Madrazo for supposedly blocking her expected elevation from secretary of the party to president.

Madrazo denied the accusation, but Gordillo fired several broadsides at him. "Madrazo lies systematically and uses the structure of the PRI to satisfy personal interests," she said in late August.

She then held talks with both Felipe Calderon and Santiago Creel, who at the time were competing to become the presidential candidate for Fox's National Action Party, or PAN.

Calderon eventually was selected to represent the PAN in next year's election. Lopez Obrador is with the Party of the Democratic Revolution, or PRD.

Madrazo is expected to emerge as the PRI's candidate, but he seems to attract as much hostility as support among party members.

After a recent debate at party headquarters with Moreno, Madrazo was mobbed by supporters, many of whom barely had been able to conceal their impatience with Moreno, whom they dismissed as an old-fashioned politician. "A dinosaur," sniffed one PRI member of Congress.

On the other hand, Madrazo is opposed by the National Union of Education Workers, a longtime key element of the PRI. The teachers union has sided with union leader Gordillo in her dispute with the party front-runner.

Further, fliers have mysteriously started showing around town, posted on construction-site barriers and lightposts. "Do you believe Madrazo? I don't either," the fliers say.

And last month, a group of PRI stalwarts called a news conference to express their concerns.

The group said in a statement that the party is "in the worst political situation in its history" and that other parties are unified behind their candidates while the PRI "suffers severe decomposition."

"The candidacy of Roberto Madrazo is electorally unviable," the statement said.

"The polls are very clear," said Lorena Beauregard de los Santos, of Tabasco state, a former Congress member and one of the mavericks. "Roberto Madrazo is a divisive factor in the PRI ... he's depriving the PRI of the possibility of returning to Los Pinos."

Madrazo representatives declined comment.

(EDITOR: STORY CAN END HERE)

Palacios, the party president, remains confident that priistas - and the country - will rally behind the PRI. At recent press briefing, he pointed to previous crises in the party's history, including the assassination of presidential candidate Luis Donaldo Colosio in 1994.

He touted a "successful process from which will emerge a united PRI."

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Soroptimists focus on human trafficking issue

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VISTA — A local soroptimist group continued its efforts to educate the public about the crimes of human trafficking and forced prostitution by hosting a presentation on the issue Wednesday at the Vista Soroptimist Club.

The Vista Soroptimist Club arranged the lecture by David Shirk, a professor at University of San Diego and director of the Trans-Border Institute, who club officials say is considered an expert on the problem of human trafficking. The event was attended by the members of several local chapters of

Soroptimist International.

Human trafficking has been a problem for centuries, but recently, criminal organizations involved in the practice have become more powerful and aggressive, Shirk said. Those crime rings transport people across borders and force them into prostitution or hard labor, he said.

Though federal officials have estimated that between 14,000 and 17,000 people are trafficked into the United States each year, Shirk said the numbers could be much higher.

"The problem of human trafficking is really a prob-

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lem of unknown scope," he said.

Many of the cases in the county take place in North County, Shirk said. The victims are often forced to have sex with migrant workers in fruit and vegetable fields. Penalties for the crime range from 20 years to life in prison.

The Vista Soroptimist Club has formed a task force that club officials said will focus on bringing the problem of human trafficking to light. The task force is headed by the club's president, Kaye Van Nevel, and a past president, Catherine Manis.

People from all walks of life are perpetrators and victims of the crime, club officials said.

"It's at all levels," said Susan Roncone, a member of the task force. "It's middle class and upper-middle class girls. They think they're going to a modeling job or to a party and they're kidnapped into slavery."

Victims are often poor illegal immigrants, Shirk said.

"Human trafficking is a reflection of underdevelopment," he said.

The Soroptimist Club is an international organization for professional women geared toward community service.

Van Nevel said the cause is important for the club because it negatively affects women and children.

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Ramona's Houchin picks USD

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London Houchin of Ramona High fulfilled a long-time dream to play women's college basketball by signing a letter of intent with the University of San Diego.

The point guard also considered San Diego State.

"They have a great facility and I really, really liked the new coaching staff," said Houchin. "I've been telling my parents for the longest time I wanted to get a Division I college scholarship so they wouldn't have to pay for anything. We played in the Tip-off Classic (at USD) last year, and that was when I really started to wonder if maybe that wasn't a good place for me."

A three-time All-Valley League pick, Houchin averaged 25 points a game last season while earning Valley League player of the year honors after the Bulldogs finished 22-5.

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Cheating goes high tech

By Brandon Keat
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Armed with camera phones, text messaging and the Internet, high schoolers have found new ways to practice the old art of cheating.

For school officials fighting to keep pace with the tech savvy and ethically impaired, it's frequently a losing battle.

"No matter where you go, you're going to see cheating," said Shaler Area High School senior Tim Weidner. "Everybody does it ... Any class you're ever in you see it."

The number of high school students who admit cheating has risen steadily in recent years, said Don McCabe, a professor at Rutgers University and the founding president of the Center for Academic Integrity at Duke University.

Time-tested cheating techniques such as peeking at a neighbor's paper or scrawling answers on an arm or leg are still popular. But technology has added plenty of options, such as snapping pictures of tests with camera phones to text-messaging answers to friends.

To fight the trend, many districts ban cell phones during school areas. But students say the policy frequently is subverted by students who carefully conceal cell phones beneath desktops or in jackets.

"That's easy to do, especially if you sit in the back of the room," Weidner said.

Further, not all districts strictly enforce cell phone bans.

"Everybody just keeps them on vibrate and if they see you opening it ... then they can write you up," Penn

Cheat tricks

Cheating is rampant among high schoolers and seventh-graders, according to a 2000-01 study of students. A look at how students responded to a series of questions about cheating:

Pct. How they cheated

High schoolers:

75 Said they cheated at least once on test

Seventh-graders:

64 Said they got help when they were supposed to work alone

48 Copied homework

87 Allowed someone else to copy homework

Source: Don McCabe, Rutgers University

STRAIGHT TALK

Tips to help you keep your kids from bending the rules:

- **Discuss** cheating and plagiarism with your child. Make clear your expectations.
- **Avoid** becoming too heavily involved in homework. Teachers want to see what their students -- not parents -- know.
- **Reduce** pressure on your child to produce stellar grades. The push to

Hills senior Thea Letteri said. "Unless you have a really strict teacher, nobody really cares."

Schools are turning to tech weapons of their own to combat plagiarism, a major front in the cheating wars.

Nearly 60 percent of high school students surveyed by McCabe said they had copied and pasted off the Web. Another 12 percent admitted to submitting a paper from a "paper mill," a Web site where students can purchase ready-made papers.

Teachers frequently rely on Google to catch plagiarists, punching in phrases in the site's search engine to see if they match those used in papers. Both Shaler Area and North Hills also use a professional anti-plagiarism Web site called Turnitin, which features a massive database of Internet sources, published works and student papers submitted to the company.

Site administrators say more than 3,500 institutions use the plagiarism prevention system, and 20,000 student papers are submitted daily during peak usage.

It works, said Shaler Area Superintendent Donald Lee. The district snared a couple of cheaters when it began using the site three years ago, he said.

Now its biggest use is as a deterrent, said district technology director Dan Charny.

"Once the students know that's in the mix, then they're going to be more cautious," he said. "Nobody wants to test it anymore ... More or less it's a minor issue now."

North Hills students have the option of running their papers through the site to see if they will be flagged for potential plagiarism, said district technology director Thomas DeMarco.

"I suspect that some of them probably have been flagged, so they have the opportunity to fix it before it's turned in," DeMarco said.

But Weidner said the system is not as effective as school officials think. Robbing from the Internet remains commonplace, he said.

"People do that all the time," he said. "That (system) really doesn't do anything unless you take it verbatim. If you change a few words, you don't get caught."





Rampant cheating and plagiarism are driven by several factors, ranging from increasingly stiff competition to get into college to a general deterioration in ethical standards in society as a whole, McCabe said.

achieve high marks sometimes fosters a whatever-it-takes mind-set that prompts kids to cheat.

- **Accept** the possibility that your child might cheat. Many parents simply fail to acknowledge that their child might be tempted.

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"People do feel competition to keep those grades up," Letteri said. "Competition is definitely a big part."

For students juggling classes and sports as well as other after-school activities, the combination of pressure to perform and the ease with which stealing from the Web can be overwhelming.

"When I grew up, if you wanted to plagiarize, you had to plan ahead," said Lawrence Hinman, a professor of philosophy and director of the Values Institute at the University of San Diego. "It's so fast, so people who get jammed up in terms of time, it's just all the more tempting."

And the examples high schoolers see from such ostensible role models as politicians, athletes and journalists doesn't always help.

"It's much easier for them to rationalize it and justify it," Hinman said.

The real task for districts isn't in keeping pace with cheaters, but in motivating students to learn, Hinman said.

"It's always going to be the case that student's will come up with new, inventive, creative ways of cheating and that we will always be playing catch up," he said. "I think the answer is not more technology, but better teaching. If teachers create their own, unique assignments and work with students as they progress through drafts, then to try to plagiarize is almost pointless.

"That, to me, is a more appealing approach than the software wars on each side, where you have plagiarism software and anti-plagiarism detection devices," Hinman said. "In these types of wars, the students always win. They're just better than we are."

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Joe College wants to talk politics

Contentious events rekindle students' civics involvement

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From his college dorm room in San Diego overlooking the glittering Pacific, Forrest Mandeville's dreams lie 1,200 miles away, at Montana's Capitol.

As a political science major at Point Loma Nazarene University, Mandeville is striving to become one of the chosen few serving in the state Legislature of Big Sky Country.

The Montana-born college senior started voting as soon as he turned 18 three years ago. He has volunteered for multiple political campaigns. He helped rejuvenate his campus College Republicans club.

Like Mandeville, many college students are ratcheting up their political involvement, and their elders are paying attention.

Just as their parents came of age during the 1960s protest movement, Mandeville's Generation Y is coming of age in a time of galvanizing events — the contentious 2000 presidential election, the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq.

"Sept. 11 really brought it home," said Mandeville, whose father is mayor of his hometown of Columbus, Mont. "It's the kind of event that people remember, and remember why they have to vote. Regardless of whether they agree or disagree with the White House, it's important to have their voice out there."

Across the nation, indicators show politics increasingly on the radar of America's youth.

A Harvard University report released earlier this month found that 47 percent of eligible 18-to 24-year-olds voted in the 2004 presidential election, significant because that turnout was higher than first thought.

A recent national survey by the University of California Los Angeles showed political engagement among the incoming freshmen at its highest levels in more than a decade in 2004.

Nearly half of all freshmen surveyed by UCLA's Higher Education Research Institute said they had participated in organized demonstrations, the highest level in decades.



EARNIE GRAFTON / Union-Tribune
 Forrest Mandeville, a senior at Point Loma Nazarene University, has his eye on the Montana statehouse as students nationwide are reviving their interest in civics and studying political science.

When it comes to politics, by some measure, youths in Southern California are no slackers.

San Diego has this reputation of being full of stoners and surfers, but the pendulum is definitely swinging the other way," said Brian Van Riper, southern regional director of California's Young Democrats organization.

A robust 59 percent of San Diego County's college-age youths of all political parties voted in the 2004 presidential election, according to the local Democratic Party.

Countywide, turnout reached 75.66 percent for voters of all ages during the last general election, according to the San Diego County Registrar of Voters Office. Of the 1,513,300 registered voters, 1,145,033 cast ballots.

In the 2000 presidential election, 69.32 percent of those registered voted, according to the registrar's Web site.

The registrar's office does not track voting trends by age, gender or ethnicity, so it was unable to confirm the Democratic Party's estimate. The county Republican Party did not respond to questions about its youth voter estimates.

The rising political temperature of local youths has been showing up on campuses countywide. War protests have been frequent in the past few years at universities, community colleges and even area high schools.

California State University San Marcos saw more than a half-dozen large student protests last year – including a sit-in at the university president's office.

Popular major

At the 33,000-student San Diego State University, political science is one of the fastest-growing majors. Business remains king at SDSU, with more than 5,000 students listed as business majors and pre-majors and in SDSU's international business program.

But in SDSU's College of Arts and Letters, where the bulk of the students are, political science is now tops, with more than 850 students majoring and minoring in the discipline.

So in-demand are political science classes that they often fill the campus's largest classroom, a 520-seat auditorium complete with multiple diamond-vision screens.

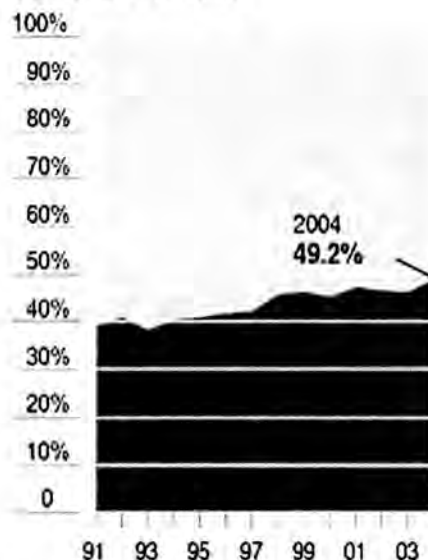
"There was a time only business classes could fill these enormous classrooms. Now I stand up there wearing a Madonna mike (a wireless microphone) and PowerPoint," political science department chairman Ron King said.

SDSU political science majors Dono and David Gassaway spent a recent hour absorbing a lecture on Mideast politics. They left energized talking about how political science takes them behind the headlines and history-book events.

"A lot of people don't like the things are going politically, yet they aren't doing anything about it," Gassaway said about why he studies political science. "It's going to be our country soon (to run so) we better be ready."

14 University of San Diego, the number of students graduating with degrees in political science has surged

COLLEGE FRESHMAN PARTICIPATION IN DEMONSTRATIONS



About 290,000 students at 440 four-year colleges and universities were surveyed between February and September 2004. The numbers are weighted to reflect a national first-time full-time college population of approximately 1.3 million.

SOURCE: Higher Education Research Institute at UC Los Angeles

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over the past decade, making it the fourth most popular major on campus.

"It's not all because of 9/11, but also because we're understanding that we're economically and socially involved with all parts of the world," said Patrick Drinan, dean of USD's College of Arts and Sciences.

Nixon scandals

At the University of California San Diego, political science is the fourth most popular major also, behind biology, economics and psychology.

The recent uptick in youth voting was preceded by a downward slide that political scientists trace to the 1970s, an era marked by scandals in the Nixon White House.

"There was a time in America when civics was a dirty word, politics is the problem, not the solution, bad scene, get it away from us," SDSU's King said.

While youth political participation slid in the post-Watergate era, the nation's young still studied the subject in large numbers in the decade after Nixon's resignation.

Then in the mid-1990s, even academic interest in politics took a dive. College enrollment in political science started dropping from a peak in the late 1980s, according to a 2002 study by the nonprofit American Political Science Association.

Now, experts say politics is on the rise, in the voting booth and on college campuses.

"The downward slide in voter turnout among 18-to 24-year-olds seems to have been arrested," said Donald Green, Yale University political scientist who studies voter turnout. "That's why people are all aflutter about young voters now."

The students haven't changed, Green said, rather the behavior and strategies of politicians and political parties.

Youth ballot power is hot property. All manner of attention and marketing targeted the under-30 voters during the 2004 election, including youth mobilization by both parties and by public service organizations such as Rock the Vote and Declare Yourself.

Young voters were appealing because they embrace technology so completely that they are potentially easier to reach via the Internet, cell phones, text messaging and music venues.

Uniting and dividing

Academics are cautious about calling the rising political activism both at the ballot and on campus among U.S. youth an outright trend. Still, they agree that if the involvement continues, the effects will be significant.

"If young people get involved in politics when they are in college, they are more likely to be involved for the rest of their lives," said Laura Stoker, a political scientist at UC Berkeley who has written numerous articles on political engagement and the 1960s Protest Generation.

Not only do they build the political habit, Stoker said, but they also have learned a set of skills that enables them to continue their involvement.

"There will be lasting consequences if they stay engaged," she said.

Professor Joe Cammarano of the private Providence College in Rhode Island, who studies youth voting, said

while he is encouraged by the rising numbers for political participation, he remains worried.

Technology, which has managed to unite much of the world, also can work to divide it, Cammarano said.

It's rare to see a student without an iPod or a cell phone. It's creating an opportunity to not be in the here and now," he said. "There's this rise of radical individualism, without the understanding we need each other."

But Aaron Franz, a senior at USD, is confident that the recent rise in student engagement in politics will continue. Franz, who recently spent two months interning with a member of Congress in Washington, D.C., said he talks politics with friends several times a week.

"The stereotype is that college students aren't as actively engaged as they should be in terms of voting," Franz said. "But based on my own experiences, a strong core of students are very much engaged and do not hesitate to recruit others to their cause."

He pointed to himself as proof of that, noting his interest to run for governor, or even a higher office.

"The presidency has certainly been something I've thought about," he said.

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HEADLINE: LEAGUE HAS THE OPTION WORKING NOW: NFL MIGHT BETRYING TRAP PLAY

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An NFL executive was on his way out of the hotel at a recent owners' meeting when one last question was lobbed his way: What's the possibility of two teams in Los Angeles?

"We're having enough trouble getting one deal done," he said with a wise-guy chuckle.

Situations in the NFL are as variable as the weather, as anyone who follows the pronouncements of commissioner Paul Tagliabue might tell you, and in Anaheim these days they appear to be headed toward warm and sunny.

Tagliabue's declaration this week that the answer to the Los Angeles question - Anaheim or the Coliseum? - could be both, might be easily read as a staple of the NFL playbook, the trap play.

With a wink and a nod from the NFL, Anaheim, like many other small cities before it, makes like Sally Field - "You like me! You really like me!" - and becomes just the tool the NFL needs to squeeze the Coliseum in its negotiations and San Diego in the Chargers' quest for a stadium development deal.

While Anaheim clearly isn't Los Angeles, it appears to be a more profitable proposition than the Coliseum for at least several reasons: real estate development opportunities, ownership of the property and a cleaner deal.

And while San Diego is mired in political corruption scandals, a government bordering on bankruptcy and a revolving door in the mayor's office, the Chargers might look north and see an accommodating government, a preponderance of development partners whereas they now see none, and say "The San Diego Chargers of Anaheim" anyone?

"I still think this is the best location," said Anaheim mayor Curt Pringle, echoing the words every political leader from Los Angeles, Pasadena, Carson, Inglewood and Irwindale has said over the years.

The dynamics of operating an NFL team have changed dramatically in the past decade or so. With the bulk of revenues - namely the money from the TV contract and ticket sales - being shared amongst the 32 teams, there has been a vigorous pursuit of revenue streams that teams don't have to share, such as sponsorships, stadium naming rights, personal-seat licenses and radio deals.

The latest area of exploration is in ancillary development around stadiums. That means not only restaurants, shops and theaters, but high-density housing to make sure there's people around to keep the cash registers going year-round.

This is what Vikings owner Ziggy Wilf, a shopping mall developer by trade, is proposing in the Twin Cities, what the Cowboys are preparing to build in Arlington, Texas, and what the Chargers want in San Diego.

"Commercial real estate opportunities immediately surrounding the stadium has become this decade's version of naming

rights," said David Carter, principal of the Sports Business Group, which has done NFL market research for Anaheim, Pasadena and the City of Los Angeles.

The NFL's discussions with Anaheim have centered on 40 acres that the city would sell to the league, on which it would build a stadium, offices and retail development. Adding to the property's attractiveness, there are plans on file with the city for 9,000 residential units - mainly high-rise condominiums - in the 840-acre Platinum Triangle, which also includes Angel Stadium and the Pond.

What has surprised some in Anaheim is how smoothly the negotiations have gone the past few months. One person familiar with the negotiations says the notoriously hard-driving NFL has signed off on virtually everything Anaheim has proposed, although that has raised suspicions that the city is being used.

Asked about any NFL acquiescence, Pringle said: "It's been a pleasure to work with them. That doesn't mean there hasn't been points of contention, but I feel very comfortable with where we are moving."

Neil Glat, the NFL executive who is heading negotiations in Los Angeles, said after Tagliabue's press conference Thursday in front of Los Angeles City Hall that if two stadiums are built, it's unlikely to be done concurrently.

This is because the NFL would have a hard time putting up the money for two \$500 million projects until it recoups the money from the first deal in the form of relocation or expansion fees.

An unsaid factor is that the Chargers, anchored in San Diego through the 2008 season, are prohibited from speaking to any other city until Jan. 1, 2007. That's a long time for Anaheim to wait.

To that end, the NFL is considering language that would give Anaheim a degree of protection, according to a source familiar with the negotiations.

The Chargers are trying to put a measure on the ballot next November, asking voters to approve a proposal that would turn over 60 acres of land where Qualcomm Stadium sits and the team would build a new stadium and a retail and high-density housing development.

But the Chargers haven't been able to find a development partner, a problem they blame on the city's financial and political mess, stemming from a \$1.4 billion pension deficit.

The city's more pressing problems - and the long-standing distrust of Chargers owner Alex Spanos - also make it difficult for the development deal to gain any political traction, even with the election Tuesday of a new mayor, Jerry Sanders, who is being given broader powers.

"I cannot see anyway, anyhow in Sanders' first term, which expires in 2008, that you will start to have a serious discussion about the Chargers," said Carl Luna, a political science professor at the University of San Diego. "It's the kiss of death."

Judging from their comportment, the Chargers are either frustrated with their lack of progress or they're greasing the rails out of town. Mark Fabiani, the Chargers' special counsel, and San Diego city attorney Mike Aguirre go back and forth name-calling. Fabiani this week referred to Aguirre as "the Terrell Owens of San Diego," to which Aguirre responded, "Who?"

All this provides the Chargers a relatively easy out. To their loyal fans in San Diego, they can spin the good news: we're only about an hour's drive up Interstate 5. Come on up. It also puts them in control of a vastly more lucrative market - from Orange County to the border.

And any negotiations between Anaheim and the Chargers would be talks between friends. Spanos is Pringle's biggest benefactor and has had the mayor as a guest in his suite.

In the end, perhaps Anaheim is simply another stool pigeon for the NFL.

But if the Coliseum is the deal the NFL must do to get back into Los Angeles, Anaheim could very well be the one it wants to do.

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Mastering The Arts

The University of San Diego, USD offers a rich and varied fine arts program to the public. There are several highlights this month. One standout is a production of Shakespeare's *Richard III* presented by the Old Globe/University of San Diego, USD MFA program. The joint venture is heralded throughout the U.S., and its productions are often mounted at the Globe. *Richard III* is no exception. It will be performed November 12-20 on the Cassius Carter Centre Stage. If past productions are any indication, *Richard III* will surprise and challenge audiences. Very few of the applicants for the Old Globe/USD MFA program are selected for the rigorous two-year training and education track. Those who make it into the selective program get choice opportunities to perform, particularly in the summer Shakespeare Festival. Most of the MFA graduates find professional employment in television and film. (619/234-5623, 619/260-4171, www.globemfa.org)

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• **ART TO-GO:** Collecting art need not be exorbitant. Case in point: Limbo Fine Arts' "C-Note, Cash & Carry." Twenty-two local and non-local, established and emerging artists offer their works from 7 to 11 p.m. tomorrow at 1432 University Ave., Hillcrest. Everything is priced at \$400 or less. Sale runs through Nov. 20. (619) 295-5393 or visit www.limboarts.com.

• **ON STAGE:** The University of San Diego's Master of Fine Arts in Dramatic Arts program presents Shakespeare's "Richard III" at 8 p.m. tomorrow and 2 and 7 p.m. Sunday at the Cassius Carter Centre Stage, Old Globe Theatre, Balboa Park. \$15. (619) 234-5623. Through Nov. 20.

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"RICHARD III" The Old Globe/University of San Diego actors training program presents William Shakespeare's tragedy; 8 p.m. Saturday and Nov. 17-19; 2 p.m. Sunday and Nov. 19-20; 7 p.m. Sunday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Nov. 20; *Cassius Carter Centre Stage, Old Globe complex, Balboa Park, San Diego; \$8-\$15; (619) 234-5623.*

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William Shakespeare's "Richard III" 8 tonight and tomorrow; 2 and 8 p.m. Saturday. Cassius Carter Centre Stage at The Old Globe, 1363 Old Globe Way. \$15. (619) 234-5623. The Old Globe and the University of San Diego's Master of Fine Arts in Dramatic Arts program present the story of King Richard III and his deadly game of manipulation.

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By "Action" Jack
McClendon

The Jack List



Good going: Kudos to North County's Flower Hill Promenade for donating \$25,000 worth of baby furniture and merchandise to Oceanside's Casa de Amparo, an emergency children's shelter for abused, abandoned and neglected children. Over the years, Casa de Amparo has added programs to prevent child abuse. Information: Kathy Karpé, (760)754-5500, ext. 18.

When the bands come marching in: Vista High School's 24th Annual Vista Invitational Field Tournament is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and 4:15 to 9:30 p.m. Saturday at the Vista High School Stadium, One Panther Way, Vista. The tournament will feature 32 high school bands and auxiliary units from all over Southern California. Local favorites are Rancho Buena Vista High School and Vista High School. Admission: \$9, \$7 for students and seniors. Children under 12 are admitted free. Seating is available at the gate. Information: www.vistaand.org.

Everything you want to know about San Diego: USD history professor, author and lecturer Iris Engstrand presents a comprehensive history lecture about San Diego from 10:15 a.m. to noon Monday at

the Robinsons-May store at Westfield Shoppingtown North County, 280 E. Via Rancho Parkway, Escondido. Engstrand will discuss the historical milestones, from Juan Rodriguez Cabrillo's 1542 landing in to the 2005 resignation of Mayor Dick Murphy. The lecture includes a slide show and a book signing. Cost: \$4. Information/reservations: (760) 432-0635.

NFL fix, repair and home improvement: Encinitas Business Exchange presents a talk on home improvement by nine-year NFL veteran Bob Horn, 7 a.m. Wednesday at Steakhouse 66, 251 N. El Camino Real, Encinitas. Horn, an expert on home improvement, was a six-year starting linebacker for the San Diego Chargers. Business Exchange is a North County business networking referral group. Information: Lane Post at (760) 476-9388.

Grapevine gifts: A floral design class on how to use silk flowers, greenery, berries and a rustic birdhouse to create your own grapevine wreath takes place from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday at Michael's Arts & Crafts, 1851 University Drive, Vista. Cost: \$10 plus supplies. R.S.V.P. Information/reserva-

tions: (760) 941-7350.

Clean fun at the beach:

The City of Oceanside is seeking volunteers to participate in an Oceanside Beach cleanup from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Nov. 19 at the south end of the Oceanside Pier. Volunteers will be provided with free parking, community service hours, gloves, bags and refreshments at the cleanup. Information: Hawkeye Sheene, (760) 435-5807; www.oceansidecleanwater-program.org.

Lawyer in Blue Jeans:

California real estate expert Jeff Isaac, the "Lawyer in Blue Jeans," will give a free real estate lecture from 9 to 11 a.m. Nov. 19 at 6183 Paseo del Norte, Suite 110, Carlsbad. Attendees will receive a workshop manual containing important information from the National Association of Realtors and federal agencies. Information: Mary Giles, (760) 804-3727.

Escondido Holiday Gift Market:

The third annual Escondido Holiday Gift Market takes place from 5 to 7 p.m. Dec. 8 at the Woman's Club of Escondido, 751 N. Rose St., Escondido. Vendor spaces, including a 6-foot table and two chairs, are available starting at \$50. Space is limited. Information: (760) 745-2125.

"Action" Jack McClendon, author of "The Time Genie: Magical Essentials in Creating More Personal Time," can be reached at (760) 754-1954; actionjack@tinews.net. His column appears every day.

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World Affairs Council,
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ter at Drinan,

Ph.D., dean of the College of Arts and
Sciences at USD. Dr. Drinan's topic is
"The Case of Opus Dei" and how the
organization's secrecy has inspired con-
spiracy theories. The meeting is at 7 p.m.
at the Rancho Bernardo Swim & Tennis
Club, 16955 Bernardo Oaks Drive.

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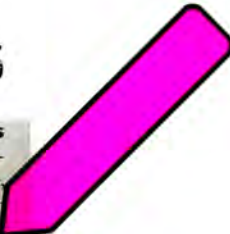
The San Diego Square Dance Association will hold its 55th annual **Fiesta de la Cuadrilla**, today through Sunday in Balboa Park. Square, round and line dances will be performed. The event will be in three locations around the Pan American Plaza: Balboa Park Club, Recital Hall, and Municipal Gym. For more details, go to www.sdsda.org/fiesta.

The Lindsay Cropper Writers Series will feature a reading by novelist **Chang-Rae Lee** at 7 p.m. today, Joan B. Kroc Center for Peace and Justice Theater, University of San Diego. Free.

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Lindsay Cropper Reading Series
features second-generation Korean-
American novelist Chang-Rae Lee.
Friday, November 4, 7:30 p.m., in
Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and
Justice Theater at University of San
Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Free.
619-260-4628. (LINDA VISTA)



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Lecture concerns China relations


University of San Diego history professor Yi Sun will present a lecture titled "Confucianism, Communism and Commercialism: The Changing Experiences of Chinese Women" from 2 to 4 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 6, at the Carmel Valley Public Library.

The lecture will focus on the evolution of women's struggle for status and equal rights in China's constantly shifting political atmosphere. The event is free and is sponsored by the U.S.-China People's Friendship Association, a nationwide non-profit organization devoted to strengthen friendship and understanding between the peoples of the United States and China.

The library is at 3919 Townsgate Drive in Carmel Valley. For more information, call (858) 552-1668.

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**"Confucianism, Commercialism,
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Changing Experiences of Chinese
Women" explored by USD history
professor Yi Sun when U.S.-China
Peoples' Friendship Association
meets on Sunday, November 6,
2 p.m., at Carmel Valley Library
(3919 Townsgate Drive). Free.
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Going to Town

Thursday, Nov. 17, 2005

Upcoming theater, music and visual arts events:

THEATER

Southern family strikes again. Family greed and Southern mores make for an old story that the Cygnet Theatre keeps getting better at telling. They were just warming up in "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" and were so hot in "The Curse of the Starving Class" that the stage went up in flames -- literally. Now, "The Little Foxes" will feature yet another cadence of that infectious Southern drawl as a villainous heroine, Regina, cloaks selfish desperation in all the trappings of a gentle Victorian lady.

The turn-of-the-century tale of family dysfunction reaches epic proportions as a family business deal pits one clever sibling against another. But even her brothers' most elaborate schemes are no match for Regina, whose intellect, charm and malevolence make for a chilling adversary. It has also made her one of the most sought-after roles in theater history, played by famous femme-fatales like Elizabeth Taylor and Bette Davis.

"The Little Foxes" plays at 8 p.m. Thursdays through Saturdays and at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Sundays, through Nov. 18, at the Cygnet Theatre, located at 6663 El Cajon Blvd., College Area. Info: (619) 337-1525 or www.cygnettheatre.com.

Also playing:

--Everybody's favorite holiday grump is at it again in the Old Globe's production of "How the Grinch Stole Christmas." Runs Nov. 19-Dec. 31 at the Old Globe Theatre in Balboa Park. Times vary. Info: (619) 234-5623 or www.theoldglobetheatre.org.

-- George Bernard Shaw's "Arms and the Man" may predate World War I, but a little military satire never grows old. Runs at 8 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays, 7 p.m. on Thursdays and 2 p.m. and 8 p.m. Saturdays, Nov. 17-26, at the Sheila and Hughes Potiker Theatre on the University of California, San Diego campus. Info: (858) 534-4574 or <http://theatre.ucsd.edu>.

-- "Imagining Brad" and "The Valerie of Now" are a double act exploring themes of friendship, healing and tough choices. Runs at 8 p.m. Saturday and at 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, through Nov. 20, at the Studio Theatre, Sacred Heart Hall at the University of San Diego campus. Info: (619) 260-2727 or www.sandiego.edu/theatre. (JH)

MUSIC

They just can't get enough. Proving yet again that old artists never die (they just get new haircuts, record familiar-sounding "new releases" and continue touring), synth-pop pioneers Depeche Mode will perform this Saturday at the Venue Formerly Known as the Sports Arena. But unlike so many of their now-prosthetic peers, Depeche Mode isn't struggling to fill hour-long sets until they get to the big-hit encore. Their latest album -- "Playing the Angel," released just last month -- is widely regarded as actually one of their best, mentionable in the



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Raina (Rebecca Kaasa), fiancé of a Bulgarian war-hero, is challenged and delighted when Swiss mercenary Bluntschli (Ryan McCarthy) seeks refuge in her bedchamber in the play "Arms and the Man."

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LOCAL EVENTS


"Tollabration: A Celebration of Timeless Tales" offered by Storytellers of San Diego, Saturday November 19, 7:30 p.m., Manchester Conference Center, University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Suitable for adults. \$7. Reservations: 619-298-6363. (LINDA VISTA)



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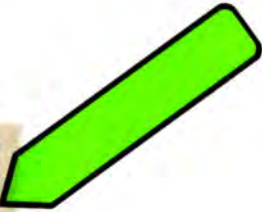
USD Symphony Fall Concerts
on November 18 and 20, led by
Angela Yeung. Performances be
gin at 8 p.m. on Friday, 2 p.m. on
Sunday in Shiley Theatre at Uni
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Park). \$10 general. 619-260-4171.
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Faculty Piano Recital by Scott Walton, Friday, November 11, 8 p.m., in French Parlor of Founders Hall at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). \$10 general. 619-260-4171. (LINDA VISTA)



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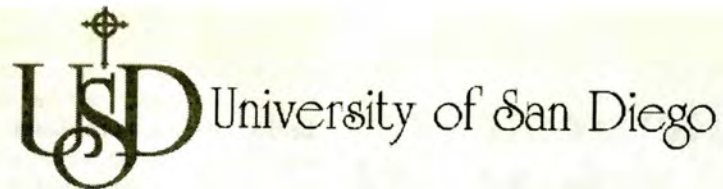
Piano Trios by Dvořák,
Beethoven, and Shostakovich
played during chamber music con-
cert by Alyze Dreiling (violin), An-
gela Yeung (cello), Myron Fink
(piano). Concert begins at 7:30 p.m.
on Sunday, November 13, 2005, at the
French Parlor of Founders Hall, the
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calá Park). \$10 general. 619-260-
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"Bug's Life" Perry McGlynn and USD undergraduate researchers discuss their research of ant behavior at La Selva Biological Station in Costa Rica, Tuesday, November 15, 10:30 a.m., at Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice, University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Free.
Required reservations: 619-260-4815. (LINDA VISTA)



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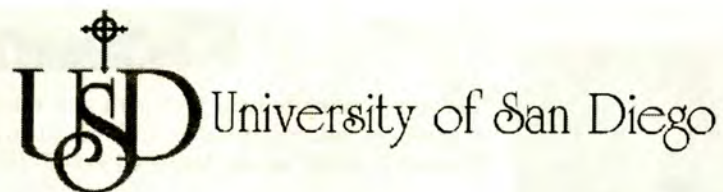
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USD Has Blueprint for Graduate School Success

Education: Thanksgiving House Project Brings Biz Community, School's Grad Students Together

■ BY STEVE POEHLER

On the first day of her program project management class at the University of San Diego, professor Barbara Withers shows up wearing a hard hat and holding blueprints.

"Half the class is in shock," Withers said. "They're taken aback."

Withers' graduate students working toward their M.B.A. quickly learn what's in store for them during the semester: They are going to renovate a house.

Since 1998, the project management class has taken part in the Thanksgiving House project, where students spend two full weekends in November — in addition to countless hours of planning — renovating the home of a deserving resident of the nearby community of Linda Vista. The project provides students with the opportunity to learn and apply the tools and techniques of project management while performing a community service, Withers said.

"It's important because, in today's business world, every business pretty much survives by the projects they have," Withers said. "You can't just drift along. You have to be able to do things very quickly, efficiently and effectively."

"A construction setting is very effective in teaching project management."

Each fall, the project management class relies on numerous local companies to help fund its project.

This year, the class raised about \$13,000. Of that amount, the students



University of San Diego graduate students received a hands-on lesson in the planning and execution of a reconstruction project. Thanksgiving House project has brought the school and local businesses together since 1998.

Brock Scott

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themselves collected about \$3,000 to \$4,000, while USD's Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate contributed the remaining \$10,000 — with help from such companies as the PMI Foundation, Standard Pacific Homes and **Neighborhood National Bank**.

Close To Home

Bob McGill, the chairman and chief executive officer of Neighborhood National, said he connects personally to the project because he grew up in Linda Vista and lived in a home similar to the ones the students renovate.

"It's probably one of the best-kept secrets in San Diego," McGill said of the Thanksgiving House project. "In this particular case, it's just a matter of providing the resources (for the students).

"We want to encourage learning by doing."

At least 18 other area companies contributed money, supplies, food or other in-kind

donations. A few businesses even helped at the construction site this year.

Geneva Flooring replaced the wood floors inside the house, while **Hansen Aggregate** installed a cement walkway from the driveway to the back door — both at significant discounts.

Mark Meiner, owner of San Diego-based **Maverick Construction**, gave of his own time to help with the renovation. He also donated a kitchen table and chairs, cabinets and countertops.

Door to Door Storage let the class use three portable storage units on-site for about a month at no cost. Also, a local Sears store stepped in to provide a dryer at the last minute for a reduced cost.

Another donor, **Bartell Hotels**, provided a free stay at one of its properties — the Dana on Mission Bay — during the renovation for this year's project recipient, 83-year-old Andrew Hunter, and his family.

"They (these companies) have a warm and fuzzy spot in their hearts for this kind of thing," said Mark Riedy, the executive director of the Burnham-Moores Center. "It's really about giving back to the community."

This year, the 18 students in the project management class worked on Hunter's house Nov. 5-6 and 12-13, but planning began during the first week of classes in early September.

Near the beginning of the project, the class

visited the site and made a long list of everything that needed to be done to the house. At that point, the students broke into four main teams: carpentry and flooring; plumbing and electrical; interior painting; and exterior,

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including painting and landscaping, among other duties.

The students then worked on a plan with an estimated budget for the project's total cost. This budget included an estimate of labor costs, even though the students and the help they solicited did not get paid.

By teaching her students to budget for every cost, including labor, Withers wants them to learn how difficult it is to track expenses.

She also can see how well they perform compared to their original budget.

"If you don't have a plan, you don't have a prayer to succeed," Withers said. "You have to plan."

Eventually, the two work weekends arrived in November. The class and some 35 to 45 volunteers spent at least eight hours over four days renovating Hunter's house.

In addition to the companies' help, the volunteers remodeled the kitchen, installing

new cabinetry, a stove and vent, a microwave, fan and light. In the bathrooms, they resurfaced the bathtub and replaced the vanities and sinks. Throughout the entire house, they replaced all the light fixtures. They repainted the interior and exterior and reworked the landscaping.

"It was a very difficult project," said Christy Soto, a final-year graduate student from San Diego and one of the two project managers for Withers' class.

Soto said she gained a lot from the project,

including how to coordinate everything she has learned from previous business classes, as well as how difficult scheduling and planning can be.

Most importantly, she said, the class learned how much of a difference it can make in other people's lives. And the course is an elective.

"It was a lot of work, but it was worth it," Soto said.

Steve Poehler is a freelance writer living in San Diego.

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Graduates renovate senior's house

BRYCE KNUDSON
STAFF WRITER

Painting, hammering and laboring their way through the day, a group of USD students renovated a home in the Linda Vista community over the course of the past two weekends.

For the past seven years the Project Management graduate course taught by Dr. Barbara Withers has renovated the home of a Linda Vista resident as a project titled Thanksgiving House. This year the home chosen for renovation belonged to Andrew Hunter, a senior citizen who has gradually been losing his eyesight. His son, Michael Hunter, lives with him, but between them they are unable to make the necessary repairs and upgrades needed to make the house more accessible for Hunter.

The mission of this

project is to help a member of the community and provide the participants with skills that will help them in the real world of project management. In Project Management a project is defined as a task that is done once, and therefore is never the same as anything done before it.

"In today's competitive business world the ability to accomplish a unique task in a timely manner is a key skill. This project is meant to teach the MBA students how to complete a task that has no generally accepted approach to model from within a certain time frame," Withers said.

The remodel of the Hunter home included a new kitchen, bathrooms, flooring and repositioning of the closet to better suit the needs of Hunter. The kitchen came complete with new cabinets and appliances, and the bathrooms

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Mike O'Reilly and Erin Boyle work to renovate a senior citizen's home in the Linda Vista community as part of the Thanksgiving House project.

Graduates recreate Linda Vista home

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received new sinks, cabinets and resurfacing of the showers and bath tubs. The wood flooring was refinished and new linoleum was installed in the entire house. In Hunter's bedroom, the closet was repositioned to make the bathroom more accessible. New doors were installed throughout the house and the entire interior received new paint along with the exterior trim. Also, a concrete walkway was laid from the driveway to the back door, an additional renovation intended to make it easier for Hunter to maneuver.

About 40 different individuals worked on the project. Eighteen were part of the Project Management course. A few of the volunteers were tradesmen who offered their time and expertise.

"The monumental task of working with the team of 18 graduate students compared to the common groups of three and four that are present in the classroom was a great learning experience and helped to portray a real-world situation. We were fortunate to have a great group of people working on this project," Christy Soto, graduate student and project manager, said.

In addition, a small number of undergraduate students from another of Dr. Withers' classes volunteered to help. One of these students was Kimberly Fetterling, a senior

independent study student under Dr. Withers. Fetterling is a business major and was in charge of public relations for the project.

"The hardest part of the project was not your team's task, but organizing every small detail that was necessary to continue with the original task but may have been overlooked at first. For example, being without water in order to install plumbing fixtures," Fetterling said.

The remodel is estimated to cost about \$30,000. This includes labor cost and materials. Labor was free since it was a community service project, but an estimate was accumulated by assigning volunteers different skill levels which correspond with different pay scales. For example, in each team there were journeymen, apprentices and laborers. About half of the estimated cost was labor.

The additional cost was in materials and was acquired through corporate donations. Donations ranged from money to actual building materials such as paint and lumber. Donations were received from companies such as Frazee Paint, Major Line Cabinets, Standard Pacific Homes, Expo Builders Supply and about 20 others.

In past years, large national brands such as Home Depot and Lowe's donated without hesitation. This year the project had to compete with Hurricane Katrina for donations. Some of



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Eighteen graduate students put in a new kitchen, new bathrooms, flooring and repositioned Hunter's closet to better suit his needs. They also installed new doors, a new fence and an outdoor concrete walkway.

the money was also raised at a yard sale which was considered successful by the project managers.

Through all the difficulties, the project was finished on time. It started on Nov. 5 and was completed on Nov. 13. Hunter was unable to be present at the unveiling of the remodel, but his son was there to receive the keys and show his gratitude. After viewing his father's improved house, M. Hunter called the work "simply awesome." He said he was "blown away" by all the changes and that his father would feel the same. "The students did a wonderful job," he said.



ADENA JANSEN

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Graduate business students at USD are completing the renovation of a Linda Vista senior citizens home as part of an annual program that teaches students project management and helps improve the neighborhood around the college. The home belongs to 83-year-old Andrew Hunter, who suffers from failing eyesight and other health problems. Hunter worked for Convair-General Dynamics for more than 20 years. A widower, he and his late wife raised seven children.

"I believe the Thanksgiving House Project is a great way for graduate students to learn project management skills in a real-life setting while combining what we have been taught in the rest of our courses in the MBA program," says student Christy Soto. "This experience is teaching us how to manage people, money and time while planning and executing a finite project."

Several local businesses and organizations pitched in to offer support for the project, including Bartell Hotels, the USD Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate, Neighborhood National Bank and Standard Pacific Homes.

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USD's Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate and local Urban Land Institute chapter present Trends Conference 2005

The University of San Diego's Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate and the Urban Land Institute San Diego/Tijuana Chapter (ULI) are teaming up to present a special Trends Conference on Monday, Nov. 21 from 7:30 to 11:45 a.m. at the Jenny Craig Pavilion on the University of San Diego campus, located at 5998 Alcala Park.

The Conference combines the former University of San Diego Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate Commercial Trends Conference and ULI San Diego's Annual Trends Conference into one session.

University of San Diego and ULI have a successful history of collaboration. Members of each organization serve on each other's boards and committees.

Additionally, many of the students involved at the Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate are active participants in ULI San Diego/Tijuana's Young Leaders, a program that offers up-and-coming real estate professionals under the age of 35 networking and educational opportunities that will help them become leaders in their industry.

The Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate presents four industry conferences each year, providing some of the most comprehensive forums for forecasting and discussing residential and commercial real estate trends in San Diego County. The ULI San Diego/Tijuana Chapter offers monthly breakfast meetings and an annual conference focusing on topical issues in real estate.

The keynote speaker for the event is Doug Manchester, chairman of **Manchester Financial Group**. Dean Schwanke, vice president of the Urban Land Institute, will discuss emerging real estate trends for 2006. The recently published "Emerging

Trends in Real Estate," conducted and published by Urban Land Institute and **PricewaterhouseCoopers**, named San Diego as the top investment market in the United States.

The conference will focus on three main topics: "Major Property Types: Translating 2005 Experiences into 2006 Opportunities," "San Diego's Corporate Real Estate Dynamics: Growing or Going and Why?," and "Capital Markets: Will the Good Times Last?"

Major Property Types: Translating 2005 Experiences into 2006 Opportunities will be a discussion with leading industry veterans as they share what they believe to be their key success factors from this past year and their vision for 2006. The session will be moderated by Stath Karras, president and CEO of **Burnham Real Estate**. Panelists include Bert Dezutti, senior vice president of **Equity Office Properties**; Dan Epstein, founder of **ConAm Group**; Michael Severson, director of **RREEF**; and Randy Smith, executive vice president business development of **Westfield Group**.

Moderated by Julie Meier Wright, president and CEO of the San Diego Regional EDC, San Diego's Corporate Real Estate Dynamics: Growing or Going and

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Why? seminar will focus on San Diego's ability to be a city where the business community plants its roots and grows as well as where venture capital and innovation thrive. Featured panelists include: Paul Draper, senior director of facilities at **Biogen Idec**; Eric Hazard, senior vice president of corporate facilities at **SAIC**; Tyler Orion, COO of **CONNECT**; and James Renzas, president and CEO of **Location Management Services**.

Capital Markets: Will the Good Times Last? will be moderated by Tim Wright, senior managing director of **Holliday, Fenoglio & Fowler**. Panelists include Harry Bruni, senior vice president of

Lehman Brothers Inc.; Mark DePrima, managing director of **TIAA-CREF**; Peter Houghton, vice president of **Canyon-Johnson Urban Fund**; and Michael von Konynenburg, president and CEO of **Secured Capital Corp**. For more information or to register, please call (800) 321-5011. The deadline to register is Thursday, Nov. 17.

The Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate has more than 75 real estate executives on its various committees who help keep real estate education relevant and enable students direct access to industry professionals for mentoring opportunities. The center's mission is to deliver outstanding education, industry outreach, career placement and research services to advance socially responsible leadership in real estate.

The Urban Land Institute addresses issues involving land use, real estate, housing, transportation and urban development and has seen its membership grow at a pace of more than 10 percent in the past three years. With more than 600 members, many of ULI San Diego/Tijuana members are also involved in the Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate's many boards and committees, helping to mentor and guide the next generation of real estate leaders in San Diego.

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This city is seen as No. 1 in the nation for investors seeking to buy commercial real estate in 2006, according to a widely watched survey of industry experts.

San Diego topped the list for the first time, replacing Washington, D.C., which fell to second. The Los Angeles region ranked third, followed by New York and Phoenix.

Other cities on this year's list include San Francisco, Honolulu, San Jose, Sacramento and Seattle. Last year, San Diego ranked second.

While that's good news for owners of office, industrial and apartment buildings in San Diego and other high-ranking cities, the survey also suggests that sky-high prices and rising interest rates might be starting to cool investor demand for commercial properties.

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Constricted supply

San Diego County will be top spot for investment dollars in 2006

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The demand in San Diego County for industrial, residential and commercial real estate partnered with constricted supply has translated into the nation's best location to invest this upcoming year, according to a 2006 Emerging Trends in Real Estate study by the Urban Land Institute.

"In terms of it (San Diego County) vying for investment dollars on a national portfolio basis, it's right up there," said Bert Dezzutti, senior vice president of **Equity Office Partners** (EOP), the nation's largest publicly held office building owner and manager that owns eight buildings in the county.

According to Dezzutti, office-building investment in some San Diego areas is difficult for companies such as EOP that are selective buyers searching for high-cap rates in more suburban markets. He singled out downtown as an area where those looking to invest will confront "super low cap rates," and University Town Centre as one of office real estate that has proven to the rental rate market that it can sustain growth overtime -- something downtown real estate has yet to demonstrate.

"When you look downtown or at urban San Diego, you have to ask yourself what has historically performed," Dezzutti said on Monday during a real estate trends conference, where a panel of retail, commercial and residential investment professionals discussed San Diego's new reputation and the varying real estate investment markets.

On the industrial real estate side, the demand for property intended for research and development facilities will lead the investment charge, according to Michael Severson, director and regional portfolio manager of **RREEF**, a U.S.-based real estate investment manager. However, competition for properties used for manufacturing warehouses will remain low. Severson went on to describe how RREEF will handle its industrial properties.

"This year we're selling above \$3.5 billion dollars of property and buying about \$6 billion worth of property," Severson said. "We've been net sellers, but on the other hand the demand of tenants from the office and industrial center lead us to the point where we think we can develop."

In the retail market, companies such as Australia-based **Westfield Group**, which owns seven San Diego County malls, have begun to focus more on redevelopment investment rather than purchasing properties and then developing them because of the limited supply of available land.

"The demand for retail space is spectacular here," said Randy Smith, executive vice president of business development for Westfield, citing that out of the more than 1,000 stores that are in San Diego Westfield malls, there will be only 11 vacancies by the end of the year. "Cap rates are in the low 5's for regional malls, so right now for our shareholders it's better to reinvest in properties."

Smith said the company hopes to invest in redeveloping its UTC, Plaza Camino Real and Plaza Bonita malls. A mixed-use mall area could be a possibility regarding redevelopment; however, Smith said once a company develops mixed-use, from a retail standpoint, it's stuck as far as what can be developed in the future.

"We all have to realize that most of the products we're in all have a lifecycle," Smith said. "When it matures you have to recycle it. That's the core of our business -- reinvesting."

Besides being dubbed the best investment market, San Diego was also named the No. 1 market in for-sale homebuilding prospects.

"Over the long run, rental housing will be an insatiable demand; but because of the demand issue, all apartment housing is being repriced as condo land," said Daniel Epstein, founder of **ConAm Group**, which provides national real estate management and investment services. "What you're saying now is you have to build for sale housing in high density."

Epstein predicts condo-conversion sales will continue to slow, which is why he's refraining from buying properties.

"I've been around too long and I think there will be repricing during the next 12 to 18 months," Epstein said.

Overall, the panelists agreed that the combination of geography, climate, limited supply and large demand make San Diego a solid investment locale.

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The Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate at USD announced that courses for a new continuing education program for working professionals in the real estate and building industries, "Certificate in Real Estate Finance, Investments, and Development," will begin Feb. 1.

To earn a certificate, a student must complete five core courses plus two electives. Core courses will include: Introduction to Real Estate; Investments & Development; Real Estate Finance; Real Estate Development Process; Real Estate Investment and Income Analysis; and Legal Aspects of Real Estate. The electives that will be offered initially include: Technology in Real Estate; Title Insurance & Escrow; Property Management; Selling, Leasing, & Marketing of Real Estate; and Urban Revival.

The first class being offered, Introduction to Real Estate, Investments & Development, will begin on Feb. 1 from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Douglas F. Manchester Executive Conference Center on the USD campus. It is a prerequisite to the other courses and will be taught by consultant and real estate economist Gary London, president of The London Group and a columnist with *San Diego Metropolitan*. All of the program's courses will be held in the evenings and can be taken over several months.

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Entrepreneur and inventor has more than 50 toys and games

By Arthur Lightbourn

Like his father before him, British-born David Wyman is an inventor of toys and games. More than 50 of his inventions have been marketed throughout the United States and Europe, amusing children and adults alike.

His most recent game, Calamityville, from Fundex, incorporates a wild donkey into a 30-minute action Monopoly-like board game.

But, in the meantime, the 48-year-old local resident and father of two, will continue to inspire and teach others the intricacies of entrepreneurship at the University of San Diego's School of Business where he heads the university's Leadership Institute for Entrepreneurs.

We interviewed Wyman at his home.

A quiet-spoken, unassuming man, Wyman is not your stereotypical American-style entrepreneur. But like all successful entrepreneurs, he is definitely a contrarian with a passion for his work.

At 5 foot 9, 155 pounds, with grey-blue eyes and greying hair, and only a slight trace of a British accent, he keeps in shape playing volleyball and golf.

Born in Cambridge, England, Wyman spent ages 2 to 16 growing up in Washington, D.C. before his parents sent him to a boarding school in England for two years.

"It was barbaric," he recalled. "They have lots of rules and regulations. You had to wear a school uniform. Even during your free time, you couldn't wear anything with a pattern on it ... their version of central heating was this little pipe that ran through the rooms.

"In those days, they had an oil crisis in '73, so you were only allowed to take a bath twice a week in six inches of water. The water would come in with a little and check to make sure you weren't using any more than six inches of water."

Cambridge, however, was a

lot more civilized.

As a typical Cambridge undergraduate, he played lots of rugby and spent much of his time socializing in the pubs. As a result, when he graduated from Cambridge he decided to sign on as a trainee for Allied Breweries, the largest British brewery at the time. "I loved beer," he said, so it made perfect sense.

The following year he didn't figure out how to get sent to Liverpool. It wasn't exactly his dream job.

He decided perhaps he had better explore his father's arcane world of toys. His father, Dennis, who is now 79 and still in the toy business, had been inventing electronic toys since 1969 and had gained a slice of fame as the inventor of the "Electronic Battleship."

"So I went down to the London Toy Fair, where I met these two guys," representatives of Germany's second largest games company, Schmidt Spiele und Freizeit.

"We had a short interview, 10 minutes. They were desperate. They wanted someone who could speak English because all the games being invented were in English. So they hired me at twice the salary I was making in Liverpool."

That was in 1980.

The thought of going to live in Germany was "exciting and frightening at the same time...but I was always looking for a challenge."

As it turned out, he was assigned to work in Munich, "one of the world's great cities. I got very lucky. It wasn't Liverpool."

"When I first went to Germany, I didn't speak a word of German," he confessed.

But he quickly learned, because part of his job was to "meet all the crazy inventors" who wanted to sell their ideas to Schmidt Spiele. "My job was to champion them, to say this is a great idea, let's do this, or, in a

polite way, tell them to go visit another company."

"Almost all the great ideas," he said, "come from outside inventors."

Any company that has an NIH (Not Invented Here) exclusionary attitude is courting disaster, he said.

While working for the German company, he discovered he had a good eye for marketable ideas and a passion for toys that up until that time he hadn't fully realized.

"I believe the trick of any really good toy designer is to have the mind and imagination of a 7- or 8-year-old," he said.

During his career, he has invented everything from baby toys, rattles and preschool toys to adult board games.

Some of these games include "Skate Frenzy," by Wham-o, a two-player pinball game; "Ego," "Greedy Pigs," "Shift, Tac, Toe," and Addams Family games. One of his most successful games was "13 Dead End Drive," a mystery action-clue game that sold 3 million copies.

Most toy industry games, he said, financially "are what I call heroic failures. You put a lot of effort into them and then they fail, but that's an issue of the toy industry in which 90 percent of all products are failures. The dream is to get one that sells a million or three million pieces."

Fortunately, he said, he scored with a couple of those volume sellers.

"In everything I did," he said, "I always did it with a partner and different partners. I'm just a great believer that two minds are better than one. We split the royalties 50-50."

After three years in Germany, Wyman returned to the UK where he earned his M.B.A. from Cranfield University and subsequently took over the remnants of his father's company, Granta Design, while his father was trying out retirement in the Channel Islands. Working out of his home in

to his credit

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David Wyman with his children Zach, 7, and Nikki, 6, and some of the games and toys he has invented.

London, Wyman began selling his inventions on a royalty basis to British and European companies.

"It proved to be a hard slough in the beginning," he recalled.

He ran the company from 1984 to 1993 when he closed it down and immigrated to the U.S. where he started Wyman Associates in Southbury, Conn.

"If you want to be successful in the toy business," he said, "you have to crack the American market," he reasoned.

And that's what he began to do.

He also re-connected with Elaine Worzala, an American, whom he met back in 1979 when he was a student at Cambridge. Her parents were visiting professors from the University of Wisconsin. "She was this young, vibrant American girl, and we became good friends," he said. "We've had a friendship for many, many years."

When they finally reconnected 16 years later in Connecticut, both had gone through divorces. A resident of Colorado, who was teaching for a year at the University of Connecticut, "she convinced me that Colorado was the place to go."

They moved to Colorado where he obtained his teaching certificate from Colorado State University in 1999 and joined in a special project teaching entrepreneurship at Colorado State.

Then his wife, who was also teaching at Colorado State, got recruited to join the faculty at USD. "So they ended up getting me as well, in a two-for-one," he said.

They have been married now for eight years.

At USD, in addition to teaching and heading up the Leadership Institute, Wyman is also the faculty coordinator of the Student International Business Council, which gives students opportunities for leadership training and internships internationally.

Assessing his career to date, Wyman said he has avoided video games because that's a very specialized area.

"You have to know what you're really good at and stick to it," he said.

These days his main focus is teaching although he still keeps his hand in toy inventing and probably always will.

"Entrepreneurship is always about change and, as a result, the toy industry is a very exciting industry," he said.

"For instance," he laughed, "my children, 6 and 7 years old, are part of the new computer generation. So I think the world of the basic board game has really changed to being a totally electronic-driven vehicle these days. There are even electronic rattles."

Power crisis catches up to Sempra

Reserves increased for resolving cases

By Craig D. Rose
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While no energy supplier escaped scrutiny after California's power crisis in 2000 and 2001, Sempra Energy seemed to dodge the avalanche of legal proceedings that pounded Enron and most other major power suppliers.

But rather than a dodge, Sempra merely won a delay.

The San Diego-based company now has a full plate of legal and regulatory proceedings surrounding its actions during the crisis.

The plate got another unwanted helping last week when state Attorney General Bill Lockyer filed suit accusing the company of lying to state regulators about natural gas supplies to win approval of a new pipeline from California to Ensenada.

The attorney general said the company's actions led to natural gas shortages here during the crisis. And the gas suit followed a lawsuit filed by Lockyer the previous week accusing Sempra of widespread electricity market rigging.

Sempra denies the allegations in both cases.

The suits brought by Lockyer fill an unpleasant straight for the company: Sempra now faces scrutiny over its actions during the California energy crisis in state and federal courts, as well as with state and federal regulatory agencies.

Craig Barkacs, an attorney and professor of business law at the University of San Diego, says Sempra's legal and regulatory agenda is significant from any perspective.

Of particular note, he said, was Sempra's recent move to boost reserves for resolving the cases by \$189 million in the third quarter to a total of \$554 million.

"That suggests they expect to take a hit," Barkacs said. "That is money they can't use elsewhere."

Sempra says the litigation should be seen in the context of its size and its location.

"It's not unusual for companies in California," Sempra spokesman Doug Kline said. "California is a litigious state burdened with many regulatory obstacles and reviews."

But associate general counsel W. Davis Smith, a veteran of more than two decades with Sempra and its predecessor companies, also conceded that he could not recall a time when the company's legal reserves have

been as high as now.

A spokesman for the California attorney general said Sempra's legal docket is full for a reason other than its location.

"Sempra is in a mess of legal trouble for one reason – it screwed a lot of businesses and a lot of consumers during the crisis," Lockyer spokesman Tom Dresslar said. "And it wasn't a bit player in this rip-off."

Possibly adding to Sempra's woes is Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's endorsement of the suits filed by Lockyer against the company.

Dresslar said the governor and Lockyer decided together that settlement talks with the company were stalled and that legal action was necessary.

Schwarzenegger had until now remained publicly silent on the state's disputes with Sempra, the parent company of San Diego Gas & Electric and Southern California Gas Co.

Increasing the impact of the Lockyer suits, according to Sempra, is the utility's publicly stated belief that the cases were brought in an attempt to adversely influence the ongoing trial of a \$23 billion class-action suit against the company in San Diego.

But plaintiffs in that case say they urged Lockyer not to file suit at this time.

"We were very close to a settlement until the state threw a monkey wrench in," said Pierce O'Donnell, lead trial attorney for the plaintiffs, who allege that Sempra conspired with El Paso Natural Gas to restrict natural gas supplies in this region, which they say worsened the power crisis.

"It took years to get to that point."

Both sides in the now month-old trial say they're pleased with how it's progressing.

O'Donnell said he plans over the next few weeks to present additional evidence of Sempra proceeding with the alleged conspiracy during the energy crisis.

To this point, the trial has centered on what it says was the origin of the conspiracy in 1996.

"I am very pleased with how the evidence is coming out and the jury is very attentive," O'Donnell said.

As a signal of its success, O'Donnell said, the plaintiffs have been able to trim their witness list and could wrap up their case by Christmas, which is earlier than expected.

But Sempra's lead defense attorney says the plaintiffs are failing to prove their case.

About the only areas in which Robert Cooper, the Sempra attorney, agrees with the plaintiffs is that the case is proceeding quickly and that the jury has been attentive.

Cooper said much of the plaintiffs' case revolves around a conspiracy that was allegedly hatched by Sempra's utility companies and El Paso at a Phoenix hotel room meeting nine years ago. But he noted that seven of the 11 people who attended that session have already denied under oath any such conspiracy.

"For the jury to find for the plaintiffs, they would have to find that everyone who attended that meeting is lying and that the people who made decisions after that meeting are lying," Cooper said.

"I find that extremely unlikely, and it would make no sense to me."

But Cooper said the defense team was worried about news coverage from Lockyer's recent filings.

"We saw the headlines, and we hope the jury is not reading the stories," he said.

Sempra Chief Executive Stephen Baum also said recently that whatever the facts presented during the class-action trial, the company had to include in its "risk-management" calculation that many consumers remain angry at energy companies in the wake of the power crisis.

Baum has reiterated that he hopes to resolve this suit before he retires early next year.

On the public relations front, Sempra is polling the general public through phone calls to assess public reactions to its legal problems.

Beyond the Lockyer suit and the class-action trial, California officials continue to challenge Sempra's long-term electricity supply agreement with the state in federal court.

The Federal Regulatory Energy Commission also continues to consider the appropriate level of refunds that may be required from sellers of electricity to the state during the crisis, with Sempra among those companies.

And the California Public Utilities Commission is expected to move to hearings in the next month on a long-running investigation of Sempra's role in pricing natural gas as it entered the state during the crisis.

Michael Shames, executive director of the Utility Consumers' Action Network, says the breadth of the company's legal agenda is unprecedented in his experience.

"I have never seen it in the 20-plus years I have been doing consumer advocacy," Shames said. "When you look at the federal, state and civil proceedings all converging at the same time and not over the same issues, it is quite unusual."

On the other hand, Shames said he was also not surprised to see many of these proceeding unfolding this long after the crisis ended.

"I always said it would take at least five years," he said.

Shames said investigating many of the other companies involved in the energy crisis was eased because they were troubled, thus it was not as difficult to get information from employees.

"The employees had no real incentive to hide the truth because they were losing their jobs anyway," Shames said. "That's easier pickings for prosecutors . . . It's harder to get information from employees at a company where they feel they have a future, like Sempra."

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CAREER PROS: Teams Taking Over

by Michael Kinsman

Stephen Covey, who convinced people 18 years ago that there were seven habits possessed by the best and brightest, now says he has identified another. "The world has changed," he says. "It's not the same as when I wrote *The 7 Habits of Highly Effective People*."

Today, Covey believes, the world has evolved from the Industrial Age to a knowledge age with a free flow of information. "It's a lot different than it used to be," asserts Covey, who sold 15 million copies of his "7 Habits" book and became a force in shaping modern leadership strategies. "Basic leadership has changed. It's outdated. The way we managed in the Industrial Age worked, but it will not work in this new age."

Collective Power

Covey's latest book, *The 8th Habit*, tells leaders they have to find their own voice and inspire others to do the same. Simply put, he believes that a human collective is much more powerful than a single leader.

He contends that because information is so widely disseminated, companies have to tap into the creativity of every worker. Workers no longer should be subjected to downward commands, but should be trusted to pursue solutions on their own, he says.

"The power has shifted, and no company will be able to do things the old way," Covey insists. "You need to depend on everyone. The bosses have to become servant leaders. Those who do not will find themselves humbled."

He believes this is not a management fad or trend, but part of an evolution caused partly by the Internet's increasing ability to deliver information to anyone, anywhere at any time. He considers it as significant as civilization's transition from hunter/gathers to an agrarian lifestyle and on to the Industrial Age.

Covey realized the impact of this evolution as he was writing another leadership book. As he neared completion of the book, he sensed something was offbase.

"It was painful for me because I thought the old way was best," he admits. "But as I explored the idea and saw the potential for people to improve their organizations by using the information at their disposal, I became a believer."

Teaming Up to Survive

At a practical level, people like Tres Conrique already were taking notice. In the late 1990s, Conrique, president and chief executive of Rancho Santa Fe Technology in San Diego, realized that his company needed to be more efficient or face extinction.

"We had limited resources at that time and were trying to maximize the use of those," he recalls. "Our experience

came out of just trying to survive.”

Rancho Santa Fe Technology organized its business as teams and flattened the management structure at the 100-employee company, noted Conrique, a graduate of the University of San Diego Master's in Executive Leadership program.

In April, he brought up the concept with a group of 15 other chief executives. “Most said they hadn't done it, nor had they even thought about it,” he relates. “But they mentioned that they depended on teams whenever they had a critical initiative. The lesson I learned there is that if they depend on it for the critical initiatives, why wouldn't they use it on a daily basis.”

Covey doesn't think this evolution of leadership philosophy will occur overnight, neither will it be easy for managers and leaders trained in the Industrial Age.

He estimates that only about 5 percent of companies operate like this today, identifying Dell Computer, Southwest Airlines and United Technologies as early adopters. He believes they will serve as models for other companies.

“I'm sure it will be painful and it might take some time for people to come around,” he allows. “But eventually they will. The competitive pressures will be too great.

“As we get into this, you will see the power that emerges. Everyone will come around. You'll find you can't accomplish new goals with old behaviors.”

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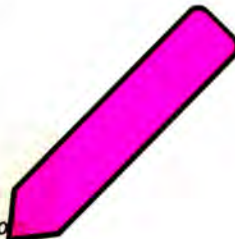
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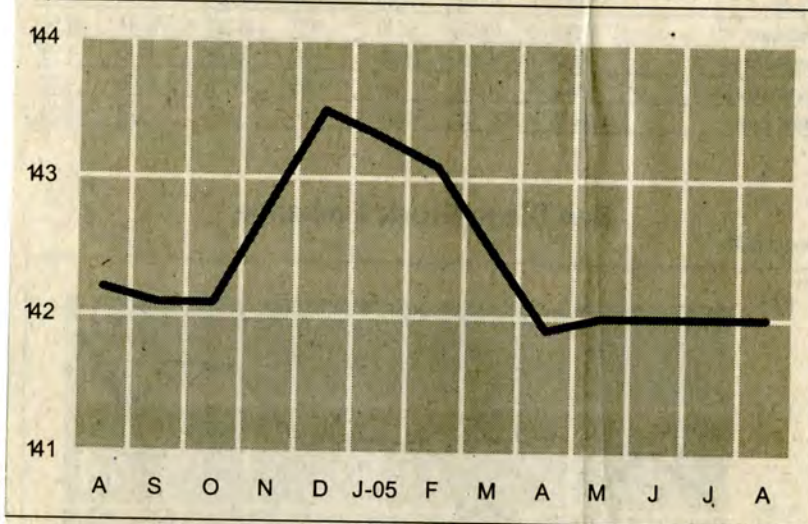
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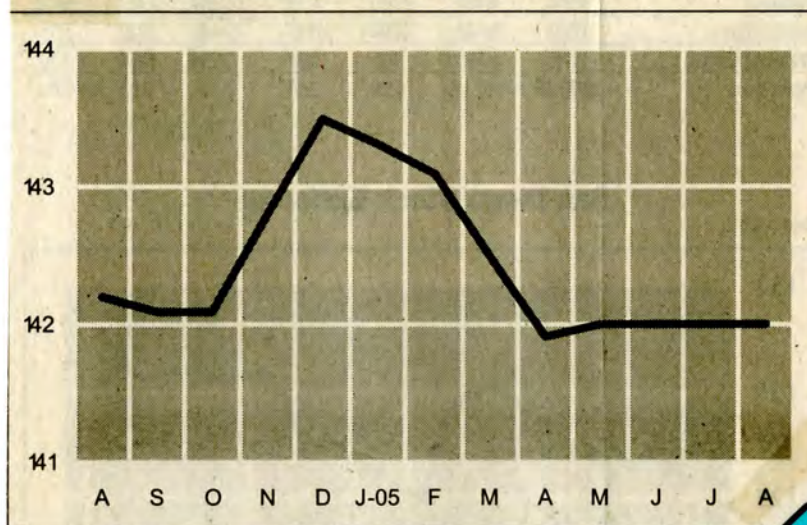
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Society Whispers: Couture Fashion, Habitat Happenings & Hubbs' Fike Honored

By MARGO SCHWAB
Voice Guest Columnist
Wednesday, Nov. 16, 2005

The fashion luncheon on Nov. 3 was themed "Flowers, Flounces and Frills" for Zandra Rhodes Haute Couture show at The Westgate Hotel.

Local personalities, including KUSI's Sasha Foo, KNSD's Emily Chang, KFMB's Jaymee Sire, KNSD's Pat Brown and Monica Dean, modeled Zandra's couture. I was happy to be counted in the model mix too along with Jamie Danielle, Katie Poole, Deirdre Lane, Leilani Williams, Rosie Tisch, Ksenia Galyga and Alexandra Howes.

Well-dressed, pretty social sorts there included Mary Walker, defense attorney Karolyn Kovtun, Wanda Kaufman, and KUSI's Andrea Naversen.

Zandra fan Jeanne Jones was there, too. Jeanne designed the healthy luncheon menu of the day. Guests enjoyed organic field-grown carrot and watercress soup, a curried Cornish hen on a bed of greens and "Zandra's Poached Pear," or pear in white zinfandel with sorbet.

The fashions were very chic. Ethereal hand-printed and hand-stitched fabrics with Zandra's whimsical twists were paraded and twirled in front of guests. Zandra's couture is collected by the chic of the international set, royals and by quite a few of the well-dressed in San Diego. Zandra also designs for the San Diego Opera.

This event benefited Zandra's American Friends of the Zandra Rhodes Museum in London (www.ftmlondon.org). For her part, Zandra helps San Diegan designer hopefuls attain their goals via internships and jobs.

Meanwhile, not far from Zandra's design studio in Solana Beach ...

The San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority in partnership with the Southern California Edison recently packed a full house into their one night only, tented "dining room." The event location was on Via de la Valle by Rancho Santa Fe, which usually serves as the Strawberry Stand and Wetland Learning Center (the Center that has won a prestigious AIA architect honor).

But this one night, it was a supporters' gathering to celebrate the San Dieguito Wetlands Restoration groundbreaking.

This project is a key 440-acre area. The project will ensure the wetlands for the San Dieguito River by Del Mar are restored to their natural, ecological balance. This will make a lot of critters, including lesser terns, mullets and who's who of shellfish, survive and thrive. The project, when completed in the estimated three years, will provide plenty of viewing platforms for all to enjoy.

A lot of people are thrilled to see this project get the green light. After many years of hard work, San Dieguito River Park's Executive Director Dick Bobertz happily remarked, "we're on our way now!"

It's taken plenty of coordination by the San Dieguito River Park Joint Powers Authority and smart support to make this happen. Guests for this evening included County Supervisor Pam Slater-Price and her husband Hershell Price, Coastal Environments President Harry Elwany, Del Mar Councilwoman Crystal Douglas, Scripps' international scientist Janet Sprintall, Solana Beach Councilmember Dave Roberts, Mary Pat and Mark Whitehead, San Dieguito River Valley Conservancy's Craig Stone, San Diego Gas and Electric's Barbara and

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Mike Olson, city of Del Mar's Planning and Community Development Director Linda Niles, and the Mayor of Del Mar, Jerry Finnell, with his wife Kathy.

David Kay of Southern California Edison Company was there, too. SCE has stepped in with roughly \$80 million to fund this project as a balance to SCE/San Onofre's effects on the ocean. The San Dieguito Wetlands Restoration will restore the area's full natural habitat hatchery status. It will also preserve rare San Diego open space.

Next on the San Dieguito River Park's "to do" list is restoring the Park's trail land along the San Diego Polo Fields and Fairbanks Country Club. This will provide a continuous trail system to the San Dieguito River Park's Eastern border, by Volcan Mountain. To learn more about the San Dieguito River Park and this project, visit www.sdrp.org.

Meanwhile at SeaWorld ...

SeaWorld's Nautilus Pavilion was the location for a Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute tribute to Ed Fike, for his 35 years of community service to San Diego. Ed Fike was honored for a litany of accolades including, former editor of the editorial page of the San Diego Union, for being instrumental in the San Diego Convention Center's construction, and for being key in the San Diego Aircraft Carrier Museum. Ed has served on many boards including Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute. He is also listed in the 'Who's Who in America' and 'Who's Who in the World.'

Among the many there were honorary chairs Jo and Wally Schirra (the astronaut), Katherine Kennedy and Robert Horsman, CEO of San Diego National Bank, Camille Cacas and Peter MacCracken of Strategic Communications, San Diego District Attorney Bonnie Dumanis, Cynthia and Thomas Goodman, Anne Evans of the Evans Hotels, Dulie and Dr. John Ahlering, chair of the event organizing committee, Linden Blue, vice chairman of General Atomics, Adam Day of the Sycuan Band of Kumeyaay Indians, Roberta and Malin Burnham, Port Commissioner Paul McCarthy with his wife Sandra, Gail Stoorza and Ian Gill, and Mark Larson as emcee.

Dinner included a starter of sushi-style cultured fish from the Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute and California Growers. It was soon followed by filet mignon with Port wine sauce and garlic mashed potatoes. Dessert was a decadent chocolate cake with fresh berries and cream sauce. Then it was time for lively dancing to the Mar Dels. Proceeds from this evening will go to Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute projects. Hubbs' scientists "apply sophisticated technologies to seek the solutions that protect and conserve marine animals while benefiting humans and their reliance on marine resources." Innovative education programs help further Hubbs' mission "to return to the sea some measure of the benefits derived from it."

To learn more about the Hubbs-SeaWorld Research Institute, visit www.hswri.org.

Speaking of seaworthy things....

Meanwhile at Koi Lounge in La Jolla, a fund-raiser event for Social Advocates for Youth (www.saysandiego.org), was chaired by Jacqueline and Matthew Rimel. SAY is dedicated to "the positive development of the children, their families and the communities of San Diego." These aims are accomplished through SAY's programs including delinquency prevention and juvenile diversion, extended day programs, child abuse prevention, drug prevention services, military family support, school readiness and support, and after-school enrichment programs.

The Koi Lounge offered chandeliered lighting, sushi and cooked temptations, New York-styled cocktails and hip music. Amidst the crowd there were Carla and Rudolph Rehm, Carisa and Paul Azzi, Anna and Mark Quint, Trish and Dan Alessio, Kim and Hank Guyader, and Mike Viscuso.

Even before the event happened, \$20,000 was raised by generous contributors including San Diego Padres' Ryan Klesko, and Rebecca and John Moores. John Moores has been busy on the social scene. He recently received the prestigious Woodrow Wilson Award for Corporate Citizenship. The award's basis, the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars (www.wilsoncenter.org), was created in 1968 to coordinate scholars,

business and policymakers in a non-partisan atmosphere ~~to conduct~~ study and discourse.

Margo Schwab, an alumna of the University of San Diego's graduate business school, reports on social/charity events, celebrities and restaurants.

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◆ **Documentary screening, reception and women's human rights program:**

"Leading the Way to Peace," a documentary featuring the 2004 Women PeaceMakers from conflict-affected countries will begin at 9 p.m. today, Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice Theatre, University of San Diego. Free.


Information:

www.sunandmoonvision.com or <http://peace.sandiego.edu>, or call (619) 260-7569. The Women PeaceMakers program will present a "Global Women's Court of Accountability," a public hearing on gross violations of women's human rights, Nov. 17 and 18 at the Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice Theatre. Lunch will be available for \$20. Reservations are necessary by tomorrow. **Information:** <http://peace.sandiego.edu> or (619) 260-7509.

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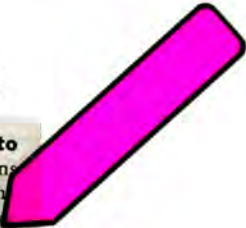
"Leading the Way to Peace" — this documentary tracing women's personal stories of peacemaking, courage, and hope screens Thursday, November 10, 7 p.m., at Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace and Justice Theatre at University of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park). Film features peacemakers from Sierra Leone, Pakistan, Sri Lanka, Guatemala. Discussion follows. Free. 619-260-7569. (LINDA VISTA)



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**"Pioneering Democracy and
Human Rights in Zimbabwe's
Wild Storm of Impunity"** pre-
sented by Emmaculeta Chiseya of
Women Peacemakers program,
Tuesday, November 8, 12:30 p.m.,
at Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace
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of San Diego (5998 Alcalá Park).
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Energy center's forward thinker

Anders' Peace Corps training prepped him for EPIC role at USD

By Craig D. Rose
STAFF WRITER

At its best, the Peace Corps provides language training, skills development and a cultural sensitivity that give volunteers at least a shot at making a significant contribution in their host country.

When Scott Anders was posted to a village in Mali in West Africa 12 years ago, he learned something else: Despite the training, his job might have been better described as making something from nothing by building relationships.

Anders starts his latest job as the first director of the newly created Energy Policy Initiative Center at the University of San Diego, with substantial resources. But the job of creating something from nothing may tax the same skills he needed a decade ago.

The center was launched with \$2.7 million from a settlement

paid by Duke Energy to resolve allegations of electricity market rigging and overcharging during the energy crisis.

The founders of EPIC conceived the center as a forum for research, study for USD law students, public education and legal advocacy. They hope it will become a source of long-range thinking about energy, a painful subject in this region since the crisis and the recent spike in gasoline and natural gas prices.

Additionally, the founders hope the center will encourage the use of alternative, environmentally friendly energy sources.

Anders previously worked for six years at the San Diego Regional Energy Office, where he played a key role in creating the policy framework that enables solar projects to be built. During his tenure at the energy office, the

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Scott Anders

Position: Director, Energy Policy Initiative Center, University of San Diego.

Age: 36.

Family: Married to Abby Anders; two children, Kaya, 4, and Max, 2.

Education: Bachelor's degree, Muhlenberg College, 1991; master's in public policy, University of Maryland, 1997.

Career: Peace Corps volunteer in Mali, 1992-94; state program director, Center for a Sustainable Economy, Washington, D.C., 1997-99; director of policy and planning, San Diego Regional Energy Policy Office, 1999-2005.

Life lessons: His family lost its home during the Cedar fire of 2003. "That taught us all the old cliches: 'Stuff' really doesn't matter. What is more important are human relationships. And people have a tremendous capacity for generosity. You can't imagine what people we didn't even know did for us."

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number of solar installations in the region grew from about a dozen to roughly 2,000.

"We didn't haul the photovoltaic modules up onto the roofs, but we played a role in developing the policies that let the contractors do that," Anders said.

In the process, Anders developed a reputation as an expert on solar energy policy. The new energy center, he said, should play a role in influencing public policy to deal with vigorous regional growth and a transition away from fossil fuels.

"Even if the oil decline begins 50 years from now, that is pretty scary," Anders said. "We are seeing the beginning of a fundamental shift in how we think about energy."

Robert Fellmeth, director of USD's Center for Public Interest Law, a key figure in the creation of the new energy center and in selecting Anders, said the founders were seeking a long-term approach to energy issues from an entity with academic credibility.

"After the crisis, the thinking was some money ought to look (ahead) and what can be done to prevent future debacles," said Fellmeth, who earlier helped found the Utility Consumers' Action Network, a San Diego consumer advocacy group.

USD's work in public interest law made it a natural home for the energy center, he said. And, from a practical perspective, Fellmeth said, the university can help keep the new center's overhead low.

For now, Anders is EPIC's sole employee. He's in an office on the ground floor of a USD law school building as he gets the center up and running. He is helping to develop a law school course on energy and hopes to develop a legal clinic that would work on similar issues.

Temporary space should be no big deal to Anders. After losing his Lakeside home in the Cedar fire of

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Following his time in the Peace Corps, Scott Anders received a master's degree in public policy. *John Gibbins / Union-Tribune*

2003, Anders and his family have lived in a mobile home until his house can be rebuilt.

Anders grew up in a rural area of Pennsylvania north of Philadelphia, within a single-parent household headed by his mother. He was a high school basketball star — “my world revolved around basketball” — who discovered academics while attending Muhlenberg College, where he also played varsity ball.

The school transformed the self-confessed jock.

“Suddenly, I discovered that I loved my classes, and I loved learning,” Anders said.

After college, Anders fulfilled his dream of joining the Peace Corps and was posted in Mali. He played a role in introducing soybeans to that nation and worked on family planning and AIDS-prevention projects.

Anders, who calls the Peace Corps his most important learning experience, says working in the villages of Mali helped him develop the skills to bridge the gap between abstract learning and concrete results.

“What counted was how good you were at getting things done,” he said.

One more benefit of his service:

He met his wife, Abby, also a Peace Corps volunteer.

Afterward, Anders got a master's degree in public policy from the University of Maryland and spent two years at a think tank in Washington, D.C., focusing on energy and environmental policy.

He came to San Diego to work at the regional energy office.

“When I hired him, he hit the ground running,” said Kurt Kammerer, former executive director of the energy office and now a consultant.

As the energy crisis unfolded, Kammerer said, Anders essentially ran the office while he dealt with what he called political pressures.

“The role of the new energy center should be to deliver unquestioned policy analysis, and Scott is absolutely the guy to do it,” Kammerer said.

San Diego Gas & Electric, perhaps the loudest voice in regional energy affairs, said it welcomed Anders' appointment.

“Scott Anders is bright and possesses a good understanding of energy issues,” said Ed Van Herik, a spokesman for SDG&E.

Michael Shames, executive di-

rector of the Utility Consumers' Action Network, a frequent critic of SDG&E, said Anders appears to have an ideal blend of strengths for the new post.

“What has always struck me about Scott is that he comes to energy policy freed of any ideology or agenda other than trying to find a balanced and forward-thinking approach to the issues,” Shames said.

Irene Stillings, current executive director of the regional energy office, said Anders' talent and social conscience made him a good choice to head the new energy policy center.

Stillings said Anders also displayed a personal quality that was equally impressive.

“I found he was incredibly resistant when he lost his home in the fires two years ago,” Stillings said. “He didn't dwell on the loss — he went on with his life.”

Anders said a top priority of the new energy center is to stabilize its funding base. That will require a doubling of its endowment to at least \$3 million, he said.

Beyond fundraising, Anders says the new center will likely host a symposium on carbon regulation, an area of increasing interest as policy-makers seek to rein in the damaging byproducts of fossil-fuel combustion.

Anders believes strongly in the power of economic incentives to drive changes in energy use. However, he recognizes that tax incentives — namely higher energy taxes on fossil fuels like gasoline to encourage alternative fuel development and use — aren't a viable part of the policy debate now.

“We should be taxing the ‘bads,’ not the ‘goods,’” said Anders, referring to polluting and nonpolluting sources of energy. “But anyone who brings up higher prices gets run out of the room.”

On the other hand, Anders, a strong advocate of solar energy, says it's unlikely that the sun will be widely tapped until there is tax policy or broader incentives to encourage it.

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Q&A: Abigail and Stephan Thernstrom

November 13, 2005

Authors Abigail and Stephan Thernstrom are co-authors of "No Excuses: Closing the Racial Gap in Learning" and "America in Black and White: One Nation, Indivisible." Abigail Thernstrom is vice chairman of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission and a member of the Massachusetts State Board of Education. Stephan Thernstrom is the Winthrop Professor of History at Harvard University, where teaches American social history. The Thernstroms participated in the University of San Diego's Distinguished Speaker Series Nov. 3, lecturing on segregation. They were interviewed the same day by the Union-Tribune's editorial board.



Question: Among the most vexing problems in education is the persistent learning and achievement gap between black and Hispanic students and their white and Asian counterparts. You both have written a book about this in 2003, 'No Excuses: Closing the Racial Gap in Learning.' What's the best strategy for closing this gap and what in your view are the prospects for success?

Answer (Abigail): If I had my druthers, I would turn every urban school into a charter school and with the bucks stopping on the principal's desk.

Every urban public school?

Abigail: Every urban public school into a public charter school. Charter schools are also public. With real accountability on the part of the principals, but with enormous freedom in exchange to restructure schools, to hire teachers who may or may not have standard credentials, to institute longer days, longer weeks, longer years, to structure the school day in a way that makes sense educationally so that children who really need more time on task get it. And those principals have to serve not only in the usual paper shuffling role of a principal, but they have to serve as instructional leaders. In addition, they can't be afraid to say that students who come into school far behind in kindergarten – and typically African-American and Latino students do – have a set of skills to learn that are not only academic but are behavioral. And especially we're really talking about inner-city kids. The best schools teach kids, who come from highly disadvantaged backgrounds, teach them how to look at people straight in the eye when they're talking to them, how to shake hands, how to show respect for teachers and classmates when they're talking to them, how to talk quietly in the lunchroom, how to get to school on time, dress for success and so forth. That kind of education has to be part of the package of skills that students learn in schools. And yet today most public school principals and other administrators and teachers are very nervous about an education in what is often called the soft skills, but I think are equally important to reading, writing and arithmetic. Because they feel oh wait a minute we're interfering with the culture of the students; we're showing disrespect for habits that in fact are going to be disastrous as these students get older. If you do not learn these soft skills you will not climb the ladder of economic and social opportunity in America. And that ladder today is finally open, really open, to children of all colors. That wasn't yesterday's story in America. It is today.

Stephan: I would add two things. One, I wouldn't want to restrict the choice made available to students to charter schools. I see no reason why we cannot make it through some kind of voucher plan. Provide access to inner-city parochial schools and other private schools, some of which are doing a sensational job. In general, parochial schools these days do a much better job of educating disadvantaged children than any other that

we know about. And second, I would simply note that the structure of our book in 'No Excuses' we devote a great deal of attention to the sources of the problem and try to show it is not simply the higher poverty rate in the black and Latino communities that explains the achievement gap. We argue that it is not the so-called segregation of pupils, the paucity of white classmates is not the problem. The research in general does not show that black and Latino children need to have white kids surrounding them in order to learn. We also argue that it's not that black and Hispanic kids are in schools that are grossly underfunded. The best estimates are that they have about as much money spent on them per pupil as the national average. And indeed you need only look at Washington, D.C., which is an almost entirely black system and spends over \$15,000 a year (per pupil) and has the worst public schools in the country of all those that have been tested in the NAEP (National Assessment for Educational Progress) urban trial assessments. And Cambridge, Mass., over \$17,000 a year. It would surprise you but that system is over 40 percent black and close to 30 percent Hispanic now. And despite these colossal expenditures, despite a pupil-teacher ratio of something like nine students per teacher, the schools' black performance there is worse than the state average, which is dominated by Boston. So the Boston public schools do a somewhat better job than the Cambridge public schools despite all that money.

Why?

Abigail: There's a culture of education in Cambridge in which actually teaching kids is not really considered good for the kids. You wait until children are ready to learn. Until they want to learn their arithmetic.

How do they know when they're ready?

Abigail: That's an interesting question. We do not live in Cambridge. Our children grew up in another Boston suburb. But not so dissimilar in terms of educational philosophy. And I will never forget the day that I walked into my daughter's fifth grade and said, 'Where is she?' And I was told 'Oh, we're doing math. She doesn't like math. She doesn't do math. She's in the library reading.' Now that's a disastrous approach to teaching children.

Stephan: And furthermore in Cambridge under this way of radical egalitarian notions, they're basically getting rid of AP courses and honors courses on the grounds that the most gifted students learn the most by being mixed in with the least gifted students because they serve as teachers, and that's the intellectually most stimulating thing. But judging from the test score results, it doesn't work that way.

With Cambridge and other similar districts you've looked at, how much of this goes back to the simple notion of racism with mostly white teachers and mostly black or brown students and educators who are concluding that these kids just don't learn and that their parents don't value education? Would you be willing to describe it as racism?

Abigail: There doesn't seem to be a correlation between the color of the teacher and the color of the student and academic achievement. And so that systems like Atlanta and Chicago and D.C. with a heavily African-American administrative structure as well as teaching staff are not getting better results. I don't think that's the variable. If it were the variable, and there has been a lot of research on this indicating that it's not, we would be in deep trouble because we have very low numbers of non-Asian minority, high-achieving college students going into the profession of teaching and that's for an obvious reason. Often these students are the first in their families to have completed college. They're the first in their families to have real potential for high earnings. And they go into law, they go into medicine, they go into business. But they don't want to go into a relatively low prestige, low paying profession like teaching. And what really matters in terms of how much students learn is how much the teachers know. You can't teach what you don't know. And so if we really think that we need academically very strong minority teachers, who are non-Asian minority teachers I should say, for the non-Asian minority children, we're in deep trouble. They are not there for them. But I don't think it's true that we need them.

How can those in academia who look at accountability be so resistant to empiricism in trying to figure out what works and what doesn't work?

Abigail: Professions have cultures and the culture of the education profession and particularly of education schools, I think, is most unfortunate. Jonathan Kozol is a guru at schools. And they're by and large still very resistant to teaching phonics, reading by phonics, when all the research shows that children have to be able to phonetically decipher words.

Stephan: California went through a long experiment with the abandonment of phonics and had the worst reading scores in the country.

Abigail: Right. And look, the ed schools in universities are cash cows. So they take anybody, basically. They're not going to start imposing standards for admission because their financial bottom line would be hurt. And we absolutely have to restructure the profession in order to create incentives for academically strong young people to go into the teaching profession. Maybe not forever. Maybe they'll teach for only three years, five years. We'd still be ahead. And I think that there's tremendous interest on the part of idealistic young college students for doing so, so you have these long applicant lines to get into Teach For America, for instance. But they don't, if they are academically strong college students, they do not want to jump through the hoops of really insultingly low-level pedagogic courses and so forth. All the good schools, and I did the school visiting, all the good schools that I looked at are able to hire teachers off the credential ladder. Teachers who have not been certified by the state as having an ed-school degree.

Stephan: If I could just add one point to this. There was a survey a few years ago, an analysis of the reading lists used in something like a hundred ed schools in the country. And as I roughly recall the results, Jonathan Kozol was read in every one of them and often in more than one course. Whereas I think the most perceptive historian writing about American education, Diane Ravitch, has written a whole string of books: "The Troubled Crusade," "Left Behind," a series of others that ought to be read in ed schools. I think that in three of the 100, Ravitch was assigned. So that I think is a wonderful indicator of the appalling culture of the ed schools today.

How do you decide what your credentials are for teaching if you use non-credentialed teachers?

Stephan: I would say I would want to pick them on the basis of subject matter knowledge and sheer intelligence and obviously a commitment, excitement at taking on this job. There are intangibles that you'd have to judge through interviews. But I think students with very strong academic records. Who should be teaching eighth grade math? Students who've done well in college level math courses, not education school methods of teaching math. We have a good friend who's a mathematician and who made enough money to retire early and who visits schools and does practice lots of teaching on a voluntary basis. And he thinks in elementary school it's no wonder that so few students are learning math because the teachers do not really understand fractions, for example. And he's got some wonderful project for teacher training that is making some progress there in Massachusetts.

Abigail: This friend of ours said to me, I remember when he first started to train elementary school teachers and he came back after his first session and said 'You know, they don't really understand a fraction is a number. They think it's hieroglyphics. I'm having to start at the very bottom.' But in any case, look, teachers do need some classroom management training. I don't have any doubt about that. You can get that in the summer. You can get that continuously if you have a principal who is in classrooms all the time. There are so many regular district public schools that I have visited where the principal is locked behind a door with a guard or without a guard but often with a guard, right, and teachers are floundering and new teachers are really floundering. And the teachers say I need help; I'm not getting it from anybody.

But that seems to support what I hear from most teachers and that is that the biggest problem in the classroom is discipline.

Abigail: Well, that's right and that's why I said they need training in classroom management but they also need a hands-on principal. A principal who has won in the classroom and says, 'Look, this is what you can

do, this is how to get a classroom that is orderly and in which children are learning.' But also a principal who doesn't send a totally unruly student right back into the class so that it's really hopeless. Kipp Academy Charter Schools are among my favorite. I haven't seen all of them, there are a lot of them now. But I spent a lot of time particularly at the one in the South Bronx in New York. And I took an elementary school principal from Massachusetts down to see Kipp's South Bronx charter school. We're there for a day. We're sitting in the first classroom that we're observing. And this very long-time principal in the Boston schools starts to count the children in the classroom and he looks at me, it's a fifth grade math class, he looks at me and says, 'I can't believe what I'm looking at; there are 45 children in this classroom and every one of them is listening and every one of them is learning and they're all excited and their hands are up all the time trying to give answers and so forth.' And I said, 'Yes, because the teacher really knows how to manage a classroom and those teachers are trained and trained and trained every day.'

How do you see the role of teachers unions in all of this?

Abigail: They're the problem, not the solution. I do think if you are a bang-up attorney, a bang-up doctor or somebody who's really good at the business they're engaged in, your paycheck reflects your skills by and large. Teachers, now this is just for starters, there's a flat salary scale for teachers. No matter how well you do or how badly you do, your salary is dependent on Mickey Mouse courses taken and endurance – years in the system. That is a crazy way of providing incentives for excellence.

How is it that 20 years after the 'A Nation at Risk' report, we seem to have so little progress in improving the colleges of education? And why isn't it possible to get teachers and their unions enlisted in the effort for reform?

Stephan: That's very difficult because these unions are democratically organized. They elect officers by popular vote. And their first priority has to be as much money as possible for as little work as possible, to put it crudely. That is, they have to, to a large extent, respond to the demands of their members. And so they have to protect the most mediocre teachers who a principal would like to fire. They have to stand up for their rights and so they're going to extraordinary procedural protections so that experienced superintendents and principals know this teacher is terrible so we'd better shuffle him off to another school. The worst teachers rotate from school to school. It's almost impossible to fire them. So that is, I think, an intractable problem. Their basic incentives, their purpose, is to advance the interests of their members.

What about the media? Over and over again you see unions allowed to get away with the shorthand that holds that they are 'fighting for the kids.' Maybe this argument made sense 40 or 50 years ago, but now it seems like it's governed by the tyranny of the anecdote: a reporter has had a great experience with a teacher, therefore all teachers are noble. How much of the problem here is the media's inability to confront the fact that unions are pursuing a very narrow economic interest and are not all about helping the kids?

Abigail: I think you're perfectly right that the whole public school system, it's an employment system. It's not about kids. The kids don't come first. And in terms of the tyranny of the anecdote, I'm reluctant to say this but I do think it's a problem in general in newspaper reporting. I find it in whatever the subject. And I say to reporters, 'Wait a minute. You've got one anecdote.' We've got for instance a major newspaper, it's initials are NYT, writing an article on what has been destroyed in New Orleans. I mean obviously a lot of things have been destroyed in New Orleans. But finding one family to say that there was a sense of community in this very impoverished sector of the city and the sense of community has been destroyed. And a friend of mine says, 'Oh, the sense of community has been destroyed.' And I said, 'Where are you getting that? It may be true. It may not be true.' The New York Times came up with one family and a series of anecdotal stories. So I think it's a larger problem with the media; that they have no training in social science. They don't know how to ask basic statistical questions so that they look at the question of class size, for instance, and it doesn't occur to reporters to look at the scholarly literature on class size. If they did, they would find that is not really where you want to spend your extra dollars. They don't look at the literature on Head Start. If they did, they would know that Head Start really has done almost nothing for kids academically, basically nothing.

So what are the charter and parochial schools doing for a lot less money that makes the difference?

Abigail: They're managing their budgets well. They're putting the money where it counts. They're putting their money into the longer days, generally, longer weeks, longer years. They're putting their money into differential pay.

When you say differential pay you mean?

Abigail: Merit pay. More money not only for better performance but for teachers with scarce skills, like teachers with strong math skills. There also is a hostility to using skills that people outside the profession have because it is the job of unions to limit entry.

What is your take on No Child Left Behind?

Abigail: A very mixed bag. I was from the very start a skeptic. I thought, OK, I like testing, I like standards, I like accountability. But all children up to proficient, if we define proficiency by the National Assessment for Educational Progress standard, is ludicrous. It can't be done.

You both wrote a highly praised study of race relations, published in 1997, 'America in Black and White: One Nation, Indivisible.' You're a vice chairman of the U.S. Civil Rights Commission. In 1968 the Kerner Commission famously concluded that America was two separate and unequal nations. What's changed between 1968 and today?

Stephan: In terms of most objective measures, economic and social welfare, there has been very dramatic progress. And certainly dramatic progress in terms of residential integration. For the Kerner Commission, a kind of central idea was that there was the black inner city and the white suburbs. But since that time, the rate of black movement into the suburbs has been approximately double the white rate so that now 36 percent of all African-Americans live in suburbs and they comprise almost 10 percent of the suburban population. So they are underrepresented in suburbia, but by much less than before. And actually there has been a great deal of residential mixing.

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State Medical Board given major boost on oversight

Report details 50 measures for dealing with bad doctors

By Cheryl Clark
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Patients will be far better protected against incompetent and dangerous doctors thanks to a reform package that gives the state Medical Board its biggest power boost in 30 years, says a report to be presented today.

The 50 changes come one year after a San Diego lawyer documented hundreds of ways in which the board's stifling bureaucracy and poor funding have delayed attempts to discipline negligent, incompetent and substance-abusing physicians by an average of nearly four years.

The lawyer's report prompted a state law, written by Sen. Liz Figueroa, D-Fremont, that authorizes 28 changes to take effect Jan. 1. In recent months, the board also has begun instituting measures that involve administrative restructuring.

"The patient sitting in the doctor's office or lying in the hospital bed can be more assured now that the doctor treating him or her is competent, qualified and professional," said the lawyer, Julie Fellmeth of the Center for Public Interest Law, based at the University of San Diego.

In her follow-up report, which she will present to the board today in San Diego,

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Medical Board 'more lap dog than watchdog'

Fellmeth writes that the Figueroa bill and other measures "point to a much brighter future for the board and its disciplinary process."

Perhaps the most important change is a 30 percent increase in the physician licensing fee, which will increase the board's budget by \$10 million a year. The additional money will enable the board to build stronger cases against bad physicians — and do so more quickly.

Without the fee increase, "we couldn't do much but keep our head above water," said David Thornton, executive director of the medical board, which oversees 127,000 licensed physicians, far more than any other state. The board receives all of its current \$41 million budget from physician licensing fees, which haven't been raised in 12 years. In that time, the board has lost 44 positions because of the stagnant funding. It expects to refill most of those jobs with money generated by the rise in licensing fees.

Another significant change establishes a collaborative approach between the board's investigators and members of the state Attorney General's Office.

Starting next year, representatives from each side will team up at the outset of a case to speed the investigative process. In the past, the board's staff first looked into complaints against physicians to determine their validity, then handed them off to a deputy attorney general unfamiliar with the case.

The collaboration should allow essential evidence to be obtained faster.

Also beginning Jan. 1, the board can penalize doctors as much as \$1,000 a day if they stonewall requests to turn over patient records or other documents. Physicians currently have 15 business days to turn over the information, but delay it 86 days lengthened the investigation process for nearly a year on average, Fellmeth said.



Attorney Julie Fellmeth of the Center for Public Interest Law says a package of changes points to "a much brighter future" for the state Medical Board. *Jerry Rife / Union-Tribune*

Fellmeth's two reports, Figueroa's legislation and the administrative changes are the result of concerns raised by media reports about several physicians who continued to harm patients even after numerous complaints had been filed with the board. Those stories prompted Figueroa to establish an independent enforcement monitor position, which Fellmeth was appointed to fill.

After a lengthy investigation, Fellmeth issued a report in November 2004 detailing hundreds of administrative and legal problems and "woefully inadequate resources" that prevented the board from effectively protecting patients.

Fellmeth's report contained 65 recommendations, most of which required legislation to be implemented. Some could be enacted simply with administrative changes, but the board didn't know it had the authority to make them or didn't think they would help. The report documented reasons why the board should take action.

Armed with that critique, Figueroa introduced legislation that Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger signed Oct. 7. Without the necessary revisions, the board "has been more of a lap dog than a watchdog," Figueroa said in a statement last month.

The Medical Board is one of the few state agencies that handle life-and-death issues every day, Figueroa said in an interview yesterday.

"This bill will save lives for generations to come. ... Patients have been waiting for a board that was fully funded, fair and tough," she said. "For the first time, fulfilling that promise is within reach."

The new law also:

- Requires physicians to self-report civil judgments against them to the board.
- Compels doctors' defense attorneys to share information from expert witnesses with the board's attorneys 30 days before the hearing.
- Increases pay for the prosecution's expert witnesses to encourage more medically qualified people to testify.
- Sets forth a process to disclose physicians' misdemeanor convictions if those crimes are related to their practices.
- Calls for major improvements in the board's poorly regulated and loophole-filled program that enables physicians with drug and alcohol problems to continue practicing while being monitored. The program will be discontinued in two years if it can't be fixed.
- Recommends that board investigators become part of the Attorney General's Office in

one to two years. That way, attorneys and investigators would be independent from the politically appointed Medical Board, whose members include physicians.

- Mandates a review of the requirement that hospitals and HMOs report disciplinary actions they take against doctors. Evidence suggests that hospitals frequently ignore this requirement, Fellmeth said. Only 110 reports were filed last year from more than 500 hospitals statewide, and 25 percent of those were filed only after the board had taken action against the doctor's license.

Bolstered by Fellmeth's recommendations, Thornton said the board and Attorney General's Office began looking for ways to make administrative changes that didn't rely on new legislation.

For example, the board has taken actions that have enabled it to increase by 50 percent the number of times it has immediately stopped doctors from practicing when there is sufficient evidence that allowing them to continue practicing may harm patients.

But not all of Fellmeth's proposals were approved.

Case in point: Insurance companies and certain employers of doctors — such as academic medical centers and

Board's new strength

Legislative and administrative changes will allow the state Medical Board to improve enforcement in three major ways:

- By raising the current physician licensing fee by 30 percent – to \$390 a year – so it can have more money for disciplinary investigations.
- By imposing large fines against doctors who block attempts to obtain their medical records.
- By establishing a system in which teams from the state Attorney General's Office and the board can collaborate on a case from the outset.

HMOs — are required to report malpractice settlements and judgments but have not done so because no penalties exist. Fellmeth had wanted fines to be imposed, but others disagreed.

Also, she requested legislation to ban "gag clauses" as a condition of malpractice settlements. In this common practice, physicians can conceal information about their alleged misconduct by requiring plaintiffs to not file a complaint with the board or cooperate with it in an investigation. Schwarzenegger vetoed a bill that would have banned such clauses.

Fellmeth also was unable to get legislation requiring doctors to inform patients on how they can file complaints to the board. She had suggested that doctors give the information to their patients or post it in their offices.

Last year, Dr. Robert Hertzka, a San Diego anesthesiologist and immediate past presi-

dent of the California Medical Association, heatedly criticized Fellmeth's 2004 report. He said she made it seem as if the flawed system was allowing doctors to kill patients on a daily basis.

He also described the board's problems as "old news" that doctors and the board had been trying to fix for several years.

"I objected to a lot of old stuff being packaged as new," Hertzka said. "(Fellmeth) wanted attention, and that's fine. She got attention. But I didn't like the tone that the public is at risk."

Yesterday, however, Hertzka said the doctors group supports nearly all the changes, including many that he ironed out with Fellmeth. He said the medical association is not enthusiastic about the provision that could move the board's investigators to the Attorney General's Office.

"We had concerns," Hertzka said. He added that if doctors believed a deputy attorney general was harassing their offices, "now they can go to the Medical Board's public forums to complain." The attorney general's office has no such forum.

At this point, it's hard to know whether California's measures will stop more bad doctors from hurting patients, said Dale L. Austin, senior vice president of the Federation of State Medical Boards, which represents 70 medical licensing agencies nationwide.

"But it will expedite those (enforcement) processes so actions will be taken more promptly," Austin said.

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Ballot is missing democratic reform

By Robert C. Fellmeth

As the torrent of sound bites begins to abate, we might take stock of what our initiative process has wrought — aside from the obvious bonanza in television ad revenue.

We have been presented with reforms that purport to address the real problems we face. In this regard, we betray our real values by what problems we select as warranting attention, as well as how we propose to deal with them.

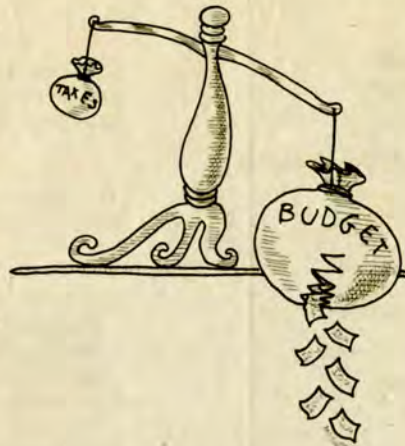
Consider, for example, Proposition 76. The thesis here is that spending is out of control; as Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger repeatedly puts it: our problem is not revenue, it is "overspending." His solution is to limit the 2006-07 budget to no increase (accomplishing a 3 percent to 5 percent inflation/population adjusted cut) and then limit future spending to the average of the prior three years of revenue.

California's existing fiscal rules are already unique: The state has an existing limit on overall spending. And it has a property tax limit. And it has item veto power for its governor. But that is not all. It has a two-thirds vote requirement to raise taxes. And the same supermajority must then be mounted to end or reduce any of the now \$30 billion in special tax breaks that reduce the general fund annually.

And on top of that, we have a two-thirds requirement to enact a budget. Two other states do that — and no other state has all of these impediments to child investment.

We also have a minority political party that allows a majority vote in its caucus to bind all of its members in floor votes on the budget. Translated, that means that eight senators can vote in a caucus of 15, binding that number and in turn blocking any revenue and any spending.

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Now add to that a redistricting pattern that stacks each district with voters to remove the other party's voters so all have safe seats. This discourages the election of moderate legislators and stimulates the choice of reactionary extremists (in both directions).

Has this structure really produced excessive spending? The governor likes to cite raw number increases. But population and inflation change annually, and the correct measure adjusts for them. Taking the relevant indicator, percentage of personal income, we spent 7.4 percent for the general fund in 1977. That percentage in 2005-06 would produce \$11 billion more than budgeted.

Tax breaks increase year to year. And we self-indulgently push obligations forward and fail to match the personal income commitment of our parents. Consider:

- The total child safety net (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families and Food Stamps) has declined from close to the poverty line in the 1980s to now 68 percent of the line — with further reductions planned.

- Medical coverage is not provided to almost 1 million California children despite qualification of most for a 2-to-1 federal match to provide it — billions in federal money unclaimed.

- K-12 California classes are now the second largest in the nation, and

cost-adjusted education spending per child places California among the bottom five states.

- Higher education capacity per 18-year-old (from community college to university) is lower than in 1991 and will decrease further in 2005-06.

We properly ask the governor: These four accounts represent over 90 percent of child spending; exactly which of them represents "overspending?" We do not have an answer.

And the media have not demanded one — notwithstanding the hypocrisy of his Proposition 49 personal sponsorship for more after-school child care spending. He now attempts Draconian state penurious investment to assure that little to nothing will ever be spent under its terms.

Budget shortfalls during the Republican Reagan and Wilson administrations yielded a balanced response to make up the deficit — half by spending cuts and half by enhanced revenue. Both approved tax increases of \$4 billion in current dollars. The Schwarzenegger administration confronted a \$7 billion shortfall by cutting the vehicle license fee income by \$4.6 billion, thus creating an \$11.6 billion problem. He then announced a categorical prohibition on new revenues — while increasing by 30 percent to 100 percent tuition on youth, co-pays for child health and fees for child care and foster care providers.

The budget rules in California are stacked against child investment and democratic values. How ironic to listen to Republicans in Washington, D.C. bemoan Democratic threats to filibuster judicial nominees.

Here is the question to ask the party: If 40 percent blocking a decision (for a lifetime judicial appointment) is politically immoral, what about 20 percent having the power to block child investment — regardless of the views of the majority?

Now why isn't this distortion the subject for reform by the initiative process?



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Marjie Lundstrom: Politicians need courage to bridge the gulf on children's issues

By Marjie Lundstrom -- Bee Columnist

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How wide is the chasm between what we say and what we do?

Is children's well-being really our top concern in California, as a recent poll reflects? Or is it just sort of important, so long as it doesn't cost us anything extra?

I can't answer for everyone, but I'm sure sick and tired of the knee-jerk, cynical conclusion that Californians would reject any new spending plan - even for children.

Case in point: This week, the Oakland-based Children Now released its "report card" for how children are faring in California, with education and health getting disturbing grades.

We earned an appalling D-plus for economic and food security in this state, where one in five kids lives in poverty. Childhood obesity got a D, with 28 percent of fifth-, seventh- and eighth-graders considered overweight. K-12 education also merited a D-plus, with the state ranking 44th in school spending when adjusted for regional cost differences.

These "grades" wouldn't fly in my household, and my kids know it. So why should California's kids - mine, yours or anyone else's - accept this dismal performance from us?

It gets worse. The Children Now study follows an equally sobering "report card" issued this month by the Children's Advocacy Institute of the University of San Diego School of Law. This report takes lawmakers and Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger to task for treating children and their needs as little more than an "afterthought" in the legislative year.

Executive Director Robert C. Fellmeth is especially hard on Schwarzenegger, who he thinks brings a lethal combination to the table. A registered Republican himself, Fellmeth believes Schwarzenegger has sided with liberals in not promoting personal responsibility - among single mothers, for instance, or absentee fathers - yet has pandered to conservatives in opposing new taxes, no matter what.

What connects these report cards is the undeniable truth that California is undercutting its kids on spending. By Fellmeth's calculations, total state spending on children (as a percentage of personal income) is \$13 billion less today than it was in 1977.

Yet a poll this year by the Field Research Corp., conducted for the Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health, found that Californians rate "the well-being of children" as their chief concern - ahead of taxes, the war in Iraq and terrorism.

It's easy to see why. Burrow into the data, and the inequities are startling, according to Children Now's county-by-county data, the underpinning of its report card.

In the counties of Marin, Placer and San Mateo, for instance, 7 percent or fewer children are living in poverty. But travel to the Central Valley - to Fresno and Imperial counties - and the number climbs to more than 30 percent. Meanwhile, Marin County ranks first in the percentage of 4-and 5-year-olds in preschool, with Merced, Kings and Madera counties at the very bottom.

This is not simply an urban-vs.-rural divide, or Bay Area wealth vs. Central Valley poverty. When physical fitness was measured in seventh-graders, 46 percent in remote Modoc County were considered fit last year, compared with only 14.6 percent in Inyo County.

"We give kids a lot of lip service, but we've got a long way to go in making sure that their basic health and education needs are met," said Children Now President Ted Lempert, a former state assemblyman from Redwood City.

"... And when you do break it down county by county, we're really talking about two different states."

It goes without saying that insuring all of California's kids, or offering free and voluntary preschool, comes with a price. Children Now is supporting ballot initiatives that would do just that - a proposed cigarette tax hike to expand health insurance coverage, and an increase in the tax rate for the wealthiest Californians to fund preschool.

But what about the rest of us, those who don't smoke and aren't rich? Fellmeth and Lempert aren't convinced lawmakers are reading the public right in ducking important "child-friendly" measures that come with costs.

"I actually think it's a problem with the political elite more than with the public," said Lempert.

"It is an issue of courage," said Fellmeth.

Courage among politicians, yes.

And the will, as Californians, to bridge the gulf - if there is one - between what we say and what we do.

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Report: State's children suffer

By Troy Anderson and Harrison Sheppard Staff Writers

Despite all the talk about children coming first, California has failed to meet many of the basic health and education needs of its 10.5 million children, with education spending ranking 44th in the nation, obesity soaring and economic and food security faltering, according to a report to be released today.

The report card by the national nonpartisan, nonprofit Children Now assesses a variety of issues related to children's well-being and gives the state Ds for its K-12 education, childhood obesity and family economic security.

The report comes amid heightened attention to children's health and education issues and gives the state's highest grade - a B+ - in infant health.

"The overall message is that kids are not faring well," said Ted Lempert, president of Children Now's state office in Oakland. "What we are finding is there is a lot of rhetoric given to making kids a top priority, but what this report shows is that the needs of kids are not being given attention they need."

Despite efforts to promote fitness and healthier foods, the number of obese children in the San Fernando Valley and statewide has soared over the past three years, alarming experts who predict a health crisis if drastic measures are not taken.

Estimates are that more than 800,000 children in the state lack health insurance - nearly 235,000 in Los Angeles County alone - and education, state and local officials continue to wrestle over funding for schools as dropout rates and student performance continue to sag.

Lempert noted that while California's education spending is near the bottom nationally, the state spends well above the national average on general government services, welfare and other social programs, health care and the criminal justice system.

And despite the state's low overall spending on education, Lempert noted a recent Palo Alto-based EdSource report that found the state paid its teachers the highest salaries in the nation at \$56,283 in 2002-03 - 23 percent above the national average of \$45,891.

"According to the U.S. Census, we have the highest-paid public employees in the nation," said Kris Vosburgh, executive director of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association. "Sacramento does not do a good job of setting priorities. The majority of the Legislature tends to put the well-being of public employees over that of the recipients of government services."

Katherine McLane, a spokeswoman for Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, said the governor has always believed the education system needs major improvements - but not just adding more money to the budget.

"We are investing record amounts of money in our schools - where are the record results?" McLane said. "Fully half of our entire budget goes to education - making sure our kids learn in clean, safe schools, rewarding hard-working teachers who take on tough assignments, improving vocational education and supplying core-subject textbooks for

students. Still, much remains to be done to fix the system."

Earlier this year Schwarzenegger made several proposals to change the education system, including instituting a merit-pay system for teachers and tenure reform. The merit pay plan was later withdrawn, while voters rejected his tenure proposal.

But education leaders remain angry at the governor for what they believe was a broken promise to fully fund education in this year's budget.

Schwarzenegger has said he increased education spending by \$3 billion this year, but the Education Coalition, made up of teachers unions and other groups, has said the governor still underfunded education by another \$3 billion over the past two years.

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The California Teachers Association and Superintendent of Public Instruction Jack O'Connell have a pending suit against the governor, alleging that he broke state law in shortchanging education by \$3 billion over two years.

The case is still in its early stages and the first major hearing is not expected until early next year.

A spokeswoman for O'Connell said he generally agrees with Children Now's report.

"Superintendent O'Connell agrees with the observations and recommendations in this report," said spokeswoman Hilary McLean. "He has strongly believed that we need to invest more in our schools, address the need to close the achievement gap and improve overall student achievement.

"Providing quality preschool for all students is an important element, and increasing investment in our K-12

system is critical."

Among its recommendations, Children Now urged the creation of free, publicly funded preschool for all California 4-year-olds.

Earlier this month, Hollywood director Rob Reiner announced he had collected more than 1 million signatures to place an initiative on the ballot in June to raise taxes on wealthy residents to fund preschool for all California children.

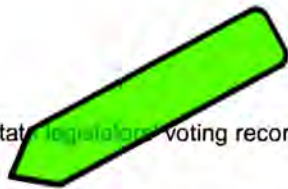
But beyond education, Children Now also gave the state near-failing grades for economic and food security, noting that one in five children in the state lives in poverty.

"There is no question that too many children in Los Angeles County and throughout California live in families that struggle to meet their daily needs," said Phil Ansell, director of program and policy for the county Department of Public Social Services.

The organization gave the state a mix of B's and C's for such issues as dental insurance and access - estimating about 18 percent have no dental insurance - and after-school and early-education programs.

The state's grade of D for childhood obesity came as the report noted that 28 percent of fifth-, seventh- and ninth-graders are overweight.

"The D is a charitable grade for a problem that continues to get worse," said county Health Officer Dr. Jonathan E. Fielding. "It's already a terrible epidemic. There is no magic bullet to cure the problem of obesity. One thing I'd like to see is labeling of all fast foods so people know when they order how many calories and how much fat they are getting."



Meanwhile Tuesday, another children's advocacy group graded state legislators' voting records on children's issues this year.

The Children's Advocacy Institute of the University of San Diego School of Law tracked voting records on 20 bills aimed at improving children's lives, including 11 signed by the governor.

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HEADLINE: LOCKYER SLAPS SEMPRA WITH GOUGING LAWSUIT

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SACRAMENTO - Denying allegations that his office is trying to influence the ongoing trial of a class-action suit against Sempra Energy, Attorney General Bill Lockyer filed a massive lawsuit Wednesday against a subsidiary of the company, claiming it gouged California consumers by hundreds of millions of dollars.

But Sempra Energy officials stood by their claims, reported in the Daily News on Wednesday, that Lockyer's office had tried to intimidate the company into settling a \$23 billion class-action lawsuit, filed by private attorneys, with a threat to sue on behalf of the state even while a jury trial is under way in San Diego in the class action in which Continental Forge is among the plaintiffs.

"Executives from Sempra Energy were present at meetings or participated in conversations where high-ranking officials in the Attorney General's Office threatened to file lawsuits against Sempra Energy and its companies if our company did not agree to the state's terms in a comprehensive settlement involving the Continental Forge litigation," W. Davis Smith, Sempra Energy vice president and associate general counsel, said Wednesday.

In filing the new lawsuit Wednesday, Lockyer flatly rejected what he called unethical allegations by Sempra Energy that his office has used the threat of a lawsuit to pressure the energy giant, parent of Southern California Gas Co., into a settlement in the case that would benefit a close political ally of Lockyer's.

One of the lead attorneys in the San Diego trial is Tom Girardi, who personally and through his firm has given more than \$260,000 in campaign contributions and gifts to Lockyer in recent years. Girardi and other attorneys stand to make \$100 million or more in legal fees if the suit is settled in their favor.

"It's like the bank robber claiming the arresting officer was the bad guy," Lockyer said. "Yes, we're filing a lawsuit on behalf of California consumers who were ripped off by Sempra. And they (Sempra officials) want to cloud the issue. But the issue is: How much did they steal from California ratepayers and can we get it back?"

Girardi did not return a call for comment Wednesday.

Lockyer said his office has had no involvement in the San Diego trial and has not made any attempt to influence it. He said he called Sempra Energy's president and chief operating officer, Donald E. Felsing, on Wednesday to "make note of my objection to their unethical comments to the press."

In a printed statement Wednesday, Sempra Energy's Smith said Lockyer's charges against subsidiary Sempra Commodities "have no merit whatsoever."

"In recent days, officials in the Attorney General's Office repeatedly have threatened that if our company did not agree to the state's terms, the attorney general would file lawsuits against us and today delivered on these threats, filing a meritless

lawsuit against our Sempra Commodities unit. The timing of this action is highly inappropriate given the trial under way in San Diego."

Smith said the case Lockyer's suit refers to already has been addressed by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. He said Sempra Commodities did not engage in any improper market activities and abided by the law, regulations and market rules in existence.

Assemblyman Keith Richman, R-Granada Hills, said the allegations, including potential conflict of interest against Lockyer, "are very serious and warrant investigation by an independent federal agency."

Richman could end up running against Lockyer for state treasurer next year, as both are seeking their party nominations in the June 2006 primary.

"The appearance of the problem - if the allegations are found to be true, the use of the Attorney General's Office to benefit campaign contributors and gift givers who stand to make more than \$100 million (in legal fees) - is appalling and potentially criminal," Richman said.

San Diego-based law professor Robert Fellmeth said it would be improper for a public case to be used to leverage a private one. But he remains skeptical that Lockyer was pursuing any such course.

"You can't use one case to leverage another; the threat of a public case to leverage a private case is improper," said Fellmeth, a professor of public interest law at the University of San Diego Law School. "I'd be surprised if that is what happened."

"Sempra is going to whine because they don't want a credible public agency to come in and act," he added.

By filing the suit, he said, Lockyer gets to take credit for going after Sempra and returning money to the public himself, rather than just having private attorneys do it.

Lockyer said his office has filed almost 100 lawsuits against various energy companies since the crisis and has reached settlements or judgments that could return up to \$5.3 billion to California businesses and consumers - though \$1.5 billion of that is in doubt because it is owed by bankrupt Enron.

The suit Lockyer's office filed Wednesday in Sacramento County Superior Court alleges that Sempra Energy Trading Corp., now Sempra Commodities, manipulated the energy market during the 2000-01 power crisis to drive up prices and shrink supplies. The company engaged in more than 5,000 transactions that gamed the market, he alleges, using schemes with nicknames such as "Fat Boy," "Ricochet," "Death Star" and "Get Shorty."

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger supported Lockyer's lawsuit, saying his administration has been working to obtain refunds for California consumers.

"For months, my administration has been involved in intensive negotiations with Sempra Energy and other parties in an effort to lower costs, compensate ratepayers and resolve ongoing disputes," Schwarzenegger, who is currently on a trade mission to China, said in a written statement.

"My position has always been that the Attorney General's Office has legitimate claims to pursue in this case and that if a comprehensive settlement could not be reached, the state of California would take its case to court on behalf of the ratepayers."

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Judicial temperament

By Steven Lubet and David McGowan

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Supreme Court nominee Samuel A. Alito Jr. did not play fast and loose with judicial ethics rules in a 2002 appeal involving the Vanguard mutual fund company, as some recent reports suggest.

Eight Senate Democrats have initiated an inquiry into the case, requesting information about Judge Alito's initial decision not to recuse himself even though he held a six-figure investment in Vanguard funds at the time. They will discover that Judge Alito's conduct in the matter, though not perfect, actually provides a good example of how judges should ultimately handle financial conflicts of interest.

Here are the known facts: Since at least 1990, Judge Alito has been heavily invested in mutual funds managed by the Vanguard company, holding at least \$390,000 in Vanguard funds. Nonetheless, he participated in a 2002 case in which a Massachusetts woman was suing Vanguard, joining a unanimous 3rd U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals decision in the company's favor. Judge Alito has served 15 years on that court.

But about a year later, the plaintiff learned of Judge Alito's investments and complained that he should have disqualified himself from the case. Judge Alito did not agree, but he still removed himself.

"I do not believe that I am required to disqualify myself," he wrote to his court's chief judge, "however, it has always been my personal practice to recuse in any case in which any possible question might arise." The case was then reassigned and a new panel of judges reaffirmed the original decision.

What are we to make of this? Did Judge Alito violate the rules of judicial ethics, as some have claimed? Was he right all along? Or did he simply make a mistake?

As it turns out, the judicial disqualification statute is surprisingly tricky when it comes to mutual funds. Without parsing the intricate details, it is sufficient to say that Judge Alito should not have heard the appeal if his investment in the individual Vanguard funds amounted to an ownership share in the management company itself. It is not immediately clear whether that is the case, however, at least from our examination of Vanguard's Web site and promotional materials.

But let's take the worst-case scenario and assume that Judge Alito got it wrong, sitting in the Vanguard case when he should have disqualified himself. He still did the right thing when presented with the plaintiff's complaint. He did not dig in his heels and insist that his judgment was unquestionable. He did not engage in self-righteous self-justification (as other judges have been known to do).

Instead, he voluntarily stepped back and allowed the matter to be reconsidered by other judges against whom no claim of any kind could be made. That is good judicial temperament in action.

There is one complicating factor. In 1990, when he was nominated to his current seat on the court of appeals, Judge Alito informed the Senate Judiciary Committee that he would disqualify himself "from any cases involving the Vanguard companies." By 2002, it appears that he had either forgotten about that statement or reconsidered it. But so what? The plaintiff in the Vanguard case obviously did not rely on Judge Alito's 1990 confirmation hearings and, in any event, it is not at all clear that such blanket disqualification was even required.

To be sure, it would have been better for Judge Alito to stick to his original commitment, taking greater care to avoid cases involving any relationship to his Vanguard investments. Then this issue would never have come up.

So Judge Alito is not perfect. Who is? Judges make mistakes all the time, on matters great and small. That is why we have appellate courts, and that is why there are nine justices on the Supreme Court.

The truly important question is not whether the judge made an error, but how he responded when it was pointed out to him. You do not need to be a fan of Judge Alito's jurisprudence to recognize that he is a man of integrity.

In the final analysis, Judge Alito showed admirable sensitivity to the question of recusal, agreeing to disqualify himself "in any case in which any possible question may arise." Other judges - and justices - would do well to follow that example.

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U.S. courts open, La. courts struggle.**BYLINE:** Marcia Coyle; Staff reporter**BODY:**

Washington-The last person with substantial hands-on prosecutorial experience to ascend to the Supreme Court was Earl Warren, whose 18 years in those trenches influenced the Warren Court's revolution in criminal procedure. But don't expect former federal prosecutor and now Judge Samuel A. Alito, if confirmed, to steer a similar course.

Before Warren was tapped for the Supreme Court, he was known to most people as the governor of California. But before becoming governor, Warren had spent his entire legal career in law enforcement-18 years as a local prosecutor and four as state attorney general.

"It is no accident that Dwight Eisenhower, the president who warned us about the military-industrial complex, was a former five-star general. Nor do I think it an accident that the justice who wrote *Miranda* was a former crime-busting district attorney," recently wrote criminal procedure scholar Yale Kamisar of the University of San Diego School of Law in the *Ohio State Journal of Criminal Law* issue on the Warren Court.

Alito, nominated last week to fill the seat of retiring Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, spent seven years as a federal prosecutor in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Jersey, with time off in between for appellate and management posts in the U.S. Department of Justice.

On the high court today, the closest justice to Warren and Alito in terms of hands-on experience is Justice David H. Souter, who was neither a local nor a federal prosecutor, but a state prosecutor for three years before moving up to deputy attorney general and then attorney general of New Hampshire.

"Having the U.S. attorney perspective is very useful," said Mark I. Levy of Kilpatrick Stockton's Washington office, who went to Yale with Alito and served with him as an assistant to the solicitor general.

"The court now has a real business lawyer in [Chief Justice] John Roberts and that was a perspective missing on the court," he said. "Sam really will bring something Roberts didn't."

But as Alito's rulings as a judge on the 3d U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals reflect, his prosecutorial experience does not lead him in the same direction as it did Warren.

"... a different time, a different place and a different set of realities," said sentencing law scholar Douglas Berman of Ohio

State University Michael E. Moritz College of Law.

Alito's rulings, as many noted last week, have something for everyone. In the criminal justice area, he doesn't always rule in favor of the government, but he does more often than not.

"If you canvass his decisions, there are far more in favor of the government than the defendant, but that's the case with the federal system," noted Alan L. Zegas of Chatham, N.J., former president of the New Jersey Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers. "The reversal rate in the 3d Circuit is less than 3%. It's a very small population of cases that gets reversed."

As the Senate prepares to sort out exactly what kind of conservative Alito is, scholars, practitioners and others are quite sure that he would have an impact, either alone or in combination with Roberts, in two key areas of criminal law: sentencing and death penalty/habeas corpus.

Setting an agenda

A bare majority of the high court, led by Justice Antonin Scalia, has roiled the world of state and federal sentencing in the last five years with a series of rulings that require juries-not judges as previously done-to find certain facts justifying enhanced sentences.

Last term, the high court, in another 5-4 ruling, held that the federal sentencing guidelines violated the Sixth Amendment right to a jury trial because judges, not juries, were able to find facts that could lead to sentences enhanced beyond the maximum authorized by a jury verdict or a guilty plea. *U.S. v. Booker*, 125 S. Ct. 738 (2005).

The loyal opposition to these rulings, which has included O'Connor and the late Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, was able to impose two important limits on the scope of the sentencing decisions: Prosecutors do not have to prove beyond a reasonable doubt to juries the fact of a prior conviction or a mandatory minimum sentence. Judges still can find those facts.

Those two exceptions are "hugely important" for a number of reasons, said Ohio State's Berman.

"Most of the legislative proposals to respond to *Booker*, particularly in the federal system-like Attorney General [Alberto] Gonzales' comments about minimum guideline systems-are premised on the continuing validity of the mandatory-minimum exception and that judges can still find facts," he said.

"There already are lots of laws and interpretations that depend on the prior-conviction exception [allowing sentence enhancements for previous crimes] still being valid," he added.

"In the states, there are very interesting nuances on not just the validity of that exception but its scope. A number of states have exceptions built in, like being on parole or previously having served a prison term. So, in addition to all of the states with guideline systems, frequently states without guideline systems have sentencing schemes depending on those exceptions."

The continuing validity of those exceptions is unknown now that Rehnquist has died and O'Connor is retiring, noted Berman. And, he added, there is an "endless array" of post-*Booker* and post-*Blakely* cases moving up the pipeline to the Supreme Court. *Blakely v. Washington*, 124 S. Ct. 2531 (2004), overturned Washington's sentencing regime based on the Sixth Amendment right to jury trial.

For prosecutors, defense lawyers and judges around the country, these are the front-burner issues, said Berman and others.

The "jury is still out" on Alito and Roberts on these issues because neither has had post-*Booker* experience on the bench, said Berman. In post-*Booker* cases alleging "plain error" in sentencing, the 3d Circuit has remanded all cases back to the district courts for resentencing.

While Alito has yet to delve into the post-*Booker* world on the bench, he has been studying it off the bench as a member of the Constitution Project's Sentencing Initiative, a blue-ribbon committee of current and former prosecutors, defense attorneys, judges, academics and other sentencing experts, trying to develop consensus recommendations for revising sentencing laws to comport with the new constitutional rules, according to Virginia Sloan, co-director of the project which is part of Georgetown University Law Center's Institute on Public Policy.

Alito was recruited, recalled Sloan, because "We wanted a diversity of views, including Republicans and Democrats and sitting judges appointed by both. He also was a former prosecutor and that was helpful to us. He is extremely thoughtful and meticulous in his thinking on this."

Sloan noted that Alito joined in the committee's unanimous vote on a statement of principles that supports sentencing guidelines and opposes mandatory minimum penalties.

His role on the project, said Berman and others, could translate into an important agenda-setting role on the Supreme Court, bringing to the fore simmering sentencing issues that many lawyers are clamoring for the justices to address.

"My general sense is he is a prosecutor's prosecutor and likely to view the world from that perspective," predicted Berman. "He generally thinks guidelines are OK and he's confident prosecutors will exercise discretion properly. You can see that reflected in a lot of his criminal justice decisions. Do I think he will bend over backward for prosecutors? Not exactly. But I think criminal defendants should hope he is more like Scalia than Rehnquist and O'Connor in that Scalia is more willing to take his concerns about the Constitution and government power and bring them home in the criminal justice context."

Death impact

Alito's potentially dramatic impact in death penalty cases can be seen by the high court's 5-4 reversal last term of one of his rulings-*Rompilla v. Beard*-a capital case involving ineffective assistance of counsel. O'Connor was the key vote to the court's holding that Rompilla's defense counsel had an obligation to review for mitigation purposes a prior conviction file that counsel knew the prosecution intended to rely on in the sentencing phase.

Writing for the 2-1 panel decision below, Alito said that Rompilla was arguing for "the most resourceful defense attorneys with bountiful investigative support." But the panel's dissenter, Judge Dolores K. Sloviter, said Rompilla's case was an example of "shocking ineffective assistance of counsel."

In the past few years, O'Connor and justices John Paul Stevens and Ruth Bader Ginsburg have voiced growing concern about the quality of counsel in death cases and appear to be giving greater scrutiny to that issue when it arises. And death cases continue to represent an unusually large percentage of the court's criminal docket.

"At a time when we all know there are big problems in indigent defense and in capital cases in particular-and surely that is a problem here in Pennsylvania-[Alito's] opinion in *Rompilla* is not a confidence builder," said one capital litigator who wished to remain anonymous.

But Kent Scheidegger of the Criminal Justice Legal Foundation believes that Alito was right and O'Connor wrong.

Responding to criticism of Alito's opinion, Scheidegger recently wrote that "It is painfully evident from reading this opinion that the majority, including Justice O'Connor, decided the case on their gut reaction and skipped lightly over rules of law that stood in the way of the desired result."

If Alito is confirmed, he predicted, "We will probably have a more consistent jurisprudence, sticking more closely to principles of law, without detours to reach particular results in particular cases."

He's more predictable than consistent, said another defense attorney. Alito has granted habeas relief in a few cases to come before him, he explained, "But the bottom line is he is a very predictable, very conservative law enforcement vote in criminal cases. There is now on the Supreme Court a very strong voting block of four in criminal cases to be extremely receptive to most arguments made by the government."

One of the capital cases in which he granted habeas relief was *Bronshtein v. Horn*, 404 F.3d 700 (3d Cir. 2005), in which Alito held that Pennsylvania's time limit on state collateral review was inconsistently applied in death penalty cases for the first few years after its enactment in 1996, and because of that, the defendant was not blocked from review of his case on the merits.

Thomas Dolgenos, chief of the federal litigation unit in the Philadelphia district attorney's office, recently testified before the U.S. Senate Judiciary Committee that as a result of Alito's ruling, "There is now apparently no such thing as default [a procedural bar against untimely claims] in Pennsylvania capital cases pending in the late 1990s, which is virtually all of the cases now pending in habeas."

The state has appealed to the Supreme Court.

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High court ruling means murder suspect won't be tried on state charges

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BODY:

A youth accused of murdering a businessman just blocks from the State House will not face state charges after the nation's highest court yesterday threw out prosecutors' appeal and, in the process, passed on an opportunity to clarify one of the so-called Miranda warnings that govern police interrogations.

Deciding with extraordinary dispatch - oral arguments were held just two weeks ago - the Supreme Court dismissed the case with a single-line order that offered no insight into the justices' reasoning. In doing so, they avoided the question of whether police could restore a suspect's rights once they have been violated and, if so, whether they did in this case.

Police obtained an allegedly incriminating statement from the then-17-year-old after he had requested, then waived, his right to an attorney.

Leeander Jerome Blake had been charged with carjacking and fatally shooting Straughan Lee Griffin as Griffin was unloading his sport utility vehicle in front of his home in September 2002.

Blake cannot now be tried in state court for the murder, even if prosecutors agree not to use the inadmissible statement, because of a law in effect at the time that required charges to be dropped when prosecutors lose such an appeal. The law has since been changed, largely because of the publicity surrounding the case.

He might, however, face federal charges in the case. The U.S. attorney's office for Maryland declined to take up the matter, but state prosecutors said yesterday they would renew their request.

The order elated Blake's lawyer and disappointed Anne Arundel County prosecutors and police and the family of the victim, a popular businessman and sailor.

But it left the larger issue unadressed.

Legal experts thought the Supreme Court might use the Blake case to rein in or clarify Miranda rights - the familiar recitation that opens with "You have the right to remain silent" and includes the right to a lawyer - and alter the rules for police interrogations nationwide.

Instead, the justices "are saying they made a mistake when they took the case," said Yale Kamisar, a law professor at the University of San Diego and the University of Michigan and an authority on Miranda, a landmark 1966 Supreme Court ruling to prevent coerced confessions.

The Miranda ruling established that suspects must be advised of their right to an attorney and has since been interpreted to

require police to end interrogations once a suspect requests a lawyer. If a suspect wants to speak with police after requesting a lawyer, the suspect may, but the request must be initiated by the suspect.

After Blake was arrested, he asked for a lawyer and police suspended their questions. However, Blake changed his mind before an attorney arrived, and he agreed to give a statement - under conditions his attorney maintained were tantamount to duress.

Blake was in a chilly holding cell wearing only his underwear. He was handed charging documents that said "death penalty" - the maximum penalty for murder - and that said Terrence Tolbert, his neighbor who had been arrested a day earlier, had named him in the murder. As a juvenile, Blake could not have been sentenced to death.

Officer Curtis Reese, who has since left the Annapolis police force, taunted Blake by saying: "Bet you want to talk now, huh."

William Johns, lead detective in the case, said he admonished Reese for the remark.

About a half-hour later, Blake spoke with Johns.

Experts warned not to read much into the Supreme Court's order. They said that after getting into the nuts and bolts of the case, the justices might have reasoned that it was too cluttered with other issues or they might have found no issue needing their attention - or any of a number of other reasons might be at work.

Kamisar, who feared a ruling would gut Miranda, said the facts of the case were so troubling that he would retire if the Supreme Court permitted Blake's statement to be used.

But Michael D. Rushford, president of the conservative California-based Criminal Justice Legal Foundation, which filed a brief supporting the Maryland attorney general, was distressed. "We are counting this as a draw, and we are hoping to fight this battle another day," he said.

Said University of Baltimore law professor Byron L. Warnken: "We can read nothing into it. None of the justices on the court felt a need to explain it to us or to complain about their colleagues."

Warnken said he had told his students he thought that the case would "prove to be a very significant Miranda decision."

"Obviously I am wrong," he said.

Blake's lawyer, Kenneth W. Ravenell, said he "expected an opinion - and I expected to win, but not this way."

Ravenell has maintained that Blake is not guilty.

Blake, now 20, could not be reached yesterday with relatives in Virginia or locally. Ravenell said his staff told Blake, who expressed relief.

"Justice has been served," Ravenell said.

But prosecutors disagreed, saying they had hoped the top court would revive the case they had seen slip away at Maryland's highest court.

"Obviously it is a devastating blow to the case. It is the end of the case - the law will not allow us to try Mr. Blake," said Anne Arundel County State's Attorney Frank R. Weathersbee.

Because carjacking is a federal offense, Weathersbee said he would again ask the U.S. attorney's office in Baltimore to consider prosecuting Blake. He was turned down before, but noted that a different U.S. attorney heads that office now.

The Maryland attorney general's office, which pressed the appeals, issued a statement expressing disappointment.

The news stung Griffin's family.

"Extreme disappointment is about all I can say," Virginia Griffin, the victim's mother, said from her home in Portsmouth, Va.

She said the family took some consolation from knowing that, partly because of their efforts, the law that is ending this case has been changed.

"Knowing that another family won't have to go through this, it helps," she said.

At the time, if a prosecutor appealed a pretrial ruling and lost, the case was lost. This year, legislators changed the law to make an exception for murder charges.

Griffin, waiting for his fiancée to arrive, was shot in the head at close range just before dusk on Sept. 19, 2002, and robbed of his keys. The violence shattered the sense of safety in the tony section of Annapolis' Historic District.

He was then run over by his own Jeep Grand Cherokee as the carjackers fled in it and left him to die in the street outside his home.

The arrests began a legal roller coaster.

Blake was charged in Griffin's murder a day after Tolbert, his neighbor in the Annapolis public housing project of Robinwood, blamed him in what Tolbert told police was a "robbery gone bad."

Both initially succeeded in getting their statements thrown out. But Tolbert's later was ruled admissible, and it helped lead to his conviction in January. Tolbert is serving life without parole plus 30 years.

The Maryland attorney general's office won the initial appeal to reinstate Blake's statements, then lost at Maryland's highest court, prompting a request for the Supreme Court to hear it.

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BLAKE CASE TIMELINE

The arrest and eventual release of Leeander Jerome Blake have taken many twists. Blake is now free, and prosecutors are barred from charging him again in a murder in which police said he implicated himself.

Sept. 19, 2002: Straughan Lee Griffin, 51, is shot in the head and killed as he unloads groceries outside his home near State Circle in Annapolis. The attackers steal his sport utility vehicle and run over him as they flee.

Oct. 26, 2002: Blake, then 17, is arrested and charged by Anne Arundel County police one day after Terrence Tolbert, then 19, was charged with the same crimes. Both live in the 1300 block of Tyler Ave. in Annapolis.

Nov. 1, 2002: Blake is indicted on a charge of first-degree murder. On Nov. 22, Tolbert is indicted on charges including first- and second-degree murder.

June 3, 2003: Anne Arundel County Circuit Judge Pamela L. North rules that statements Blake made to police cannot be used against him at his trial because the police violated his legal rights.

Oct. 29, 2003: A three-judge Court of Special Appeals panel reverses North's decision. Prosecutors move forward with plans for a trial.

May 12, 2004: Maryland's highest court, the Court of Appeals, rules that police improperly questioned Blake.

Jan. 12, 2005: Tolbert is convicted of armed carjacking and several related counts after an appeals process - including a denial by the Supreme Court to hear the case - failed to exclude his comments to police.

Feb. 24, 2005: Anne Arundel County Circuit Judge Ronald A. Silkworth sentences Tolbert to life in prison without parole.

April 18, 2005: The Supreme Court agrees to hear the case regarding Blake's statements at the request of Maryland Attorney General J. Joseph Curran Jr.

Nov. 1, 2005: The Supreme Court hears arguments about the Blake case.

Yesterday: The Supreme Court dismisses the case, ensuring Blake will not go to trial on state charges.

Source: News reports; court documents

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CORRECTION:

A timeline Tuesday incorrectly identified the police department that arrested and charged Leeander Jerome Blake and Terrence Tolbert with the murder of Straughan Lee Griffin. Blake and Tolbert were arrested and charged by the Annapolis police.

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1. Straughan Lee Griffin 2. Leeander Jerome Blake

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Faced with growing numbers of retirees, pension plans are pouring billions into hedge funds, the secretive and lightly regulated investment partnerships that once managed money only for wealthy investors.

The plans and other large institutions are expected to invest as much as \$300 billion in hedge funds by 2008, up from just \$5 billion a decade ago, according to a study by the Bank of New York and Casey, Quirk & Associates, a consulting firm. Pension funds account for roughly 40 percent of all institutional money.

This month, the investment council that oversees the New Jersey state employees pension fund said it would put some of its money into hedge funds for the first time, investing \$600 million over the next several months.

While most pension plans have modest stakes in hedge funds, others have invested more than 20 percent of their assets. Weyerhaeuser, the paper company, has 39 percent of its pension fund's assets in hedge funds. In Congress, there has been a push for amendments that would make it easier for hedge funds to manage even more pension money, without having to comply with the federal law that governs company pensions.

Pension officials who have been shaken by market downturns and persistent deficits are attracted by hedge funds' promise of richer, or more consistent, returns. But the trend has caused some consultants and academics to voice cautions. They question whether hedge funds, with risks that are hard to measure, are appropriate for pension funds, whose sole purpose, by law, is to pay out predetermined benefits to retired workers.

Those benefits are considered so crucial that they are guaranteed: corporate pension failures are covered by the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, a federal agency, while pension failures by state and local governments are covered by taxpayers. Given that the benefits are paid out on a set schedule, critics wonder whether it makes sense to rely on investments whose returns are hard to predict, managed by private partnerships that disclose little about their operations and charge some of the highest fees on Wall Street.

"It's very inappropriate when the company is offering a pension plan that is guaranteed by the federal government," said Zvi Bodie, a professor of finance and economics at Boston University who is enthusiastic about hedge funds in other contexts.

Hedge funds make large, sophisticated investments based on the premise that by swimming outside the currents of the markets, often betting against conventional wisdom, they can outperform other investments. Hedge funds became famous in the 1990's, when managers like Michael Steinhardt and George Soros made huge swashbuckling bets that sometimes produced returns of 30 percent or more.

More recently, hedge funds have made headlines when they ran into trouble: Long-Term Capital Management, a hedge fund whose principals included two Nobel Prize-winning economists, nearly collapsed in 1998; and this summer, Bayou Group, a \$450 million hedge fund based in Connecticut, shut down after most of its money disappeared. Its two officers have pleaded

guilty to fraud charges. Hedge funds have traditionally been only for wealthy, sophisticated investors so regulators have not monitored them as they have stocks or mutual funds, although they are starting to do so.

The news of splashy gains and scandals may not paint an accurate picture of a business that in many ways has become more conservative as a result of the flood of pension fund money. To attract that money, many hedge fund managers emphasize stability.

Among pension fund managers, however, "the whole mentality has changed," said Jane Buchan, chief executive of Pacific Alternative Asset Management, which manages \$7.5 billion in funds that invest in hedge funds, primarily for large pension funds. "They are saying, we need returns and we will be aggressive about getting them. They just don't want any downturns."

One of the first pensions to start working with hedge funds is also the nation's biggest corporate pension fund, the \$90 billion General Motors fund. It started with a small test investment in 1999 and increased it to about \$2 billion in 2003, said Jerry Dubrowski, a G.M. spokesman.

The company is using hedge funds, along with other unconventional investments, in hopes of getting something close to stock market returns without the market's volatility, Mr. Dubrowski said. To pay out the \$6.5 billion G.M. owes to its retirees each year, the pension fund must produce annual returns of a little more than 7 percent. Otherwise, G.M. will have to dip into the fund's principal. At current interest rates, G.M. cannot get those returns with bond investments, and if it tries to juice returns by betting on the stock market, it will have to cope with market swings.

"It's really not helpful to have that up-10, down-10" performance, Mr. Dubrowski said. "You want a return that allows you to cover the benefits payments without attacking the capital." It is that kind of consistency some pension managers are seeking.

"We are looking for consistently positive returns rather than the absolute highest returns," said Robert Hunkeler, manager of International Paper's \$6.8 billion pension plan, which has been invested in hedge funds for around five years.

Most pension funds have modest stakes of less than 5 percent, according to a recent J. P. Morgan survey. Verizon has 3 to 4 percent of its portfolio invested with hedge funds, and is considering adding to its investment, said William F. Heitmann, senior vice president for finance.

Some pension fund managers say that diversifying away from stocks through a modest stake in hedge funds is reasonable, especially as hedge funds offer the promise of returns not linked to stock market performance. In 2000, for example, when the Standard & Poor's 500-stock index fell 9 percent, hedge funds rose 5 percent, according to Hedge Fund Research.

The New Jersey state pension fund's investment of \$600 million represents less than 1 percent of its assets, but it hopes eventually to raise the figure to \$3 billion as part of a plan to diversify its portfolio, said Orin Kramer, the chairman of the oversight board.

The New Jersey fund has been wrestling with a \$30 billion shortfall, after the stock market bubble burst five years ago. "In recent years, conventional stock investments haven't worked," said Mr. Kramer, who is also a hedge fund manager. He said that in general it is good to diversify no matter what the market does.

Other pension plan managers are far more aggressive. Eli Lilly has about 20 percent in hedge funds and the Pennsylvania state employees' pension fund has 22 percent.

Weyerhaeuser's big position has significant benefits for the company. Accounting rules let companies factor expected pension returns into their operating income; Weyerhaeuser's hedge-fund-laden portfolio allows it to claim expected annual returns of 9.5 percent. By comparison, the 100 largest companies that sponsor pension funds predicted last year that their average long-term returns would be 8.5 percent, according to Milliman Inc., an actuarial firm.

For Weyerhaeuser, each 0.5 percent increase in the expected rate of return is worth an additional \$21 million to the company's pretax income this year, according to S.E.C. filings. Weyerhaeuser did not respond to phone inquiries about its hedge fund investments, but said in S.E.C. filings that its actual pension investment returns more than justify its assumption of 9.5 percent.

Hedge fund investors place a lot of trust in the funds' managers, giving them great flexibility in how they produce returns. The managers do not need to give investors specifics about trading activities, and there are no daily updates on the value of investors' holdings as there are with mutual funds.

Employees of G.M., Verizon or International Paper, who are involuntary hedge-fund investors through their participation in

pension plans, will not find any reference to the funds in those companies' annual reports. In their footnotes, these and other companies drop hints that a sophisticated investor might recognize as a reference to hedge funds, but they do not give the particulars. International Paper's description of its pension asset allocation, for example, breaks it down into "equity securities," "debt securities," "real estate" and "other."

Some companies and governments, like Pennsylvania, make the argument that hedge funds are not really an asset class at all, but an "asset management tool" that does not have to be disclosed as part of the fund's allocation to stocks or bonds.

That lack of disclosure has some regulators and pension specialists worried. Labor Department officials, who regulate pension funds, declined to discuss the hedge fund phenomenon, but referred to a 1996 letter the department wrote to the United States comptroller of the currency.

The letter said that the Labor Department still expected pension officials to exercise prudence when investing in derivatives, a form of trading in which hedge funds often engage. The letter also said pension officials were responsible for understanding and fully vetting their hedge fund investments, and measuring how they might perform -- and how they might affect the pension fund -- under a variety of conditions.

Susan M. Mangiero, author of "Risk Management," a textbook for pension officials, said she had come across pension executives who had not done that level of analysis. Some did not even know they had derivatives in their portfolios, she said.

"A lot of well-intentioned people don't know they don't know," she said.

In Washington, despite concerns over the health of the nation's pension system, there has been little discussion of pension plans' growing use of nontraditional investments. Even as Congress has been working to shore up the pension system and strengthen the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation, a provision to relax the pension law for hedge funds has been proposed.

The provision would raise the limit on how much pension money a hedge fund can handle before it is deemed a fiduciary under the pension law, which would require it to be more prudent and careful than is required under securities law and would bar some trades entirely. The provision was added to a broad pension bill in the House shortly before the Committee on Education and the Workforce approved the legislation.

Currently a financial institution becomes a pension fiduciary when more than 25 percent of its assets consist of pension money; the bill would raise that to 50 percent. The House bill would also change the definition of "plan assets," so that only corporate pension money would be counted, not pension money from government plans or foreign plans.

These two changes are not in the counterpart Senate pension bill that was recently approved, but they could be added soon during efforts to reconcile the House and Senate bills.

Wall Street's interest in overcoming these legal barriers shows the allure of pension money, which tends to stick with an investment strategy and is far less likely to fly out the door when the markets turn bad.

"Pension money is the stickiest form of capital," Mr. Kramer of the New Jersey pension fund noted.

But the surge of pension money is coming at a time when the returns of many hedge funds have not been as strong as in past years, raising questions about whether pensions are arriving at the party late. Hedge funds actually lost money in four of the first ten months of this year, although they still had an overall average return of 5.7 percent.

Those returns easily beat the stock market: the S.& P. 500 index was up 1 percent in the same period. But as they continue to attract money, hedge funds may start to more closely mimic the performance of plain old stocks and bonds.

"There is no such thing as a free lunch," said Frank Partnoy, a professor at the University of San Diego law school and a former trader at Morgan Stanley whose clients once included large pension funds. "And even if there were, nobody is offering it to pension funds."

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GRAPHIC: Photo: Orin Kramer oversees a pension fund and is a hedge fund manager. (Photo by Daniel Acker/Bloomberg News)(pg. 37)Chart: "Investments Increase"Pension funds and other institutions are investing more in hedge

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UNC highlights past ills

Dedication of memorial, new exhibit part of process

BY BRANDON REED
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Abraham Lincoln's Emancipation Proclamation abolished slavery on Jan. 1, 1863, 142 years ago.

Blacks received the right to vote with the ratification of the 14th Amendment 137 years ago, and half a century ago, three young black men from Durham first sat on the steps of the Old Well as students.

But if those are facts that could be found in high school textbooks, why are universities showcasing their dark history?

UNC now is taking steps toward recognizing and correcting the less-celebrated parts of its past.

The Unsung Founders Memorial, which is being dedicated in a ceremony at 10 a.m. Saturday, is aimed at reminding all who grace the campus's grassy lawns that people of color "both free and slave" helped make the University what it is today.

The piece was installed at McCorkle Place in front of the Alumni Building in May and consists of 300 bronze figures hoisting a stone tablet. It was the gift from the Class of 2002.

Chancellor James Moeser and Bernadette Gray-Little, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, will preside over the ceremony, which will include a performance by the student a cappella group Harmonyx.

"You have to be able to understand the past to understand the present or build for the future," Moeser said in an interview Thursday.

A recently opened exhibit in Wilson Library, "Slavery and the Making of the University,"

explores the extent of the University's history through photographs, letters and other documents.

Harry Watson, director of UNC's Center for the Study of the American South, said the campus is investigating its past so it can honor the memory of the forgotten founders and raise awareness about slavery's lingering effects.

"The University is about honesty, and the University is about making a candid examination of who we are," he said.

"We're trying to put that in a historical context and trying to move forward."

Many students do not realize that UNC owned slaves, he said. Some alumni willed their entire estates to the University, including slaves.

The University often would use slaves as construction workers or servants. Other times, the men and women would be sold and the profits invested.

"The University did not operate in a vacuum from the rest of North Carolina," Watson said.

"I'm surprised how sometimes people treat (slavery) as a secret that has just come to light that's absurd."

The New-York Historical Society is running an exhibit about slavery in New York City with the slogan "It happened here" and Watson said people were dumbfounded to learn that entire families were bought and sold on Wall Street.

Other northern institutions, including Brown and Yale universities, also have taken a peak into their closets.

Institutions of higher learning are leaders in re-examining the past and determining what really happened, said Lisa Woolfork, professor of American & African-American literature at the University of Virginia.

"That's what universities are supposed to do," she said. "We do more than play football."

The turn of the century historically has been a time of reflection, she said.

"I think that this has emerged as a good time because there has become a more critical mass of students of color in the student population," Woolfork said.

Roy L. Brooks, a law professor at the University of San Diego, advised Brown and the University of Mississippi when the schools examined their pasts.

Brooks said a monument or exhibit is a good start, but alone it is not enough. Universities need to make reparations to the descendents of slaves.

“You measure the sincerity of the apology by the weight of the reparations,” he said. “If the reparations are rather small or involve something that would be an insult to African-Americans, then the words were just words.”

The distribution of resources across the country still are unequal, said Ashraf Rushdy, professor of African-American studies and English at Wesleyan University.

In 1964, civil rights activists went to rural Mississippi to try to curb racism and inequality in the area. And the region is as poor 40 years later as it was 40 years before any action was taken, he said.

Understanding those issues and examining where UNC has been is a critical issue in understanding where it’s going, Watson said.

“If you never understand slave issues then you will never be able to understand the race issue,” he said. “And if you can’t understand it, you can’t move beyond.”

Reparations do not have to come in the form of 40 acres and a mule, Brooks said, adding that monetary compensation is the weakest form of reparations.

In his work with Brown and Ole Miss, he recommended an atonement admission program in which students who promised to work in black communities after graduation would receive admissions priority.

The program allows white students to participate in making reparations, he noted.

Apologies from white students are unnecessary, Brooks said “because his students did not buy and sell human beings” but there needs to be a way for them to participate in making amends if they feel they need to do so.

Rushdy said many issues are involved when organizations make public apologies for their past.

When the problem is many generations removed and people are still suffering from the effects of slavery while others reap the benefits, it’s unclear whether an apology means very much, he said.

“If I was to hurt you, I would say, ‘I’m sorry,’ and you would judge by my sincerity whether I’m sorry or not,” Rushdy said.

“When we’re talking about global events with hundreds of millions of people affected by these events, I’m not sure how much sorry means.”

Inequalities in resource distribution are not the only lingering effect, Woolfork said. Racial profiling, the way minorities are policed and how society views blacks are still issues.

Racial slurs were painted recently on a bridge at UVA., and several students reported being called racially derogatory names.

While administrators took action, it is still worrisome that these problems arose in the first place, Woolfork said.

The problems of the present can be cured by looking at the problems of the past.

“It’s a very painful issue” it’s very frustrating,” she said.

“If we say that slavery didn’t matter, we don’t have an explanation for our discrimination today.”

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USD School of Law and Procopio Announce 2006 International Tax Institute: Bringing Together Leading Tax Authorities From the United States and Mexico

Call for Speakers Issued to U.S. and Mexican Tax Experts, Practitioners and Educators and Agenda Outlined for Two-Day International Tax Institute

SAN DIEGO, CA -- (MARKET WIRE) -- 11/28/2005 -- The University of San Diego (USD) School of Law and Procopio, Cory, Hargreaves & Savitch LLP. today announced that The 2006 USD School of Law - Procopio International Tax Institute (ITI) (www.usdprocopioITI.org) will be held on February 23 - 24, 2006 in San Diego, CA. In its second year, The ITI is the only conference that brings together internationally recognized tax authorities, government officials, practitioners and educators to present original research, discuss current trends and explore the latest developments in the field of U.S. and Mexican international tax legislation. This fully accredited two-day conference will be held at the Joan B. Kroc Center for Peace and Justice, University of San Diego.

"This is the premier event for international tax experts addressing U.S. and Mexico cross-border transactions of all types including financings, reorganizations, real estate and portfolio investments," said Patrick W. Martin, Esq., partner and team leader of the tax team at Procopio, Cory, Hargreaves & Savitch LLP. "The growth and complexity of cross-border transactions and the differences between the tax systems of U.S. common law and Mexican civil law regimes requires tax advisors to grasp the impact and rapid development of international tax laws on both sides of the border."

Returning speakers will include the highest ranking U.S. and Mexican international tax officials and recognized experts in the field. This list is headlined by 2006 Keynote Speaker Rufus von Thülen Rhodes, Esq., author of *Rhoades and Langer, U.S. International Taxation and Tax Treaties*; Lic. Alfredo Gutiérrez Ortiz Mena, Chief Counsel of the Mexican Tax Administration Service (SAT); and Lic. Roberto Schatan Pérez, Head of the Transfer Pricing Unit, SAT.

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"San Diego is the perfect setting for bringing together leading tax experts from the U.S. and Mexico to outline the agenda for cross-border tax law," added Kevin Cole, interim dean and professor of law at the USD School of Law. "We're extremely excited to have several high-level tax officials returning from last year and look forward to adding the best minds from both countries to this year's conference."

The ITI has also issued a "Call for Speakers" that is open to all practitioners, educators and government officials from both sides of the border to participate in this in-depth, practical curriculum. Candidates are asked to submit, via email, a 100 - 200 word abstract and biography by Friday, December 16, 2005. In addition, The ITI offers an opportunity to generate brand awareness through several levels of conference sponsorships.

The cost to register per attendee, including admission to all sessions, meals and special events, is just \$795 before January 15, 2006. Group discounts will apply for a team of three or more and save each attendee \$200 on the registration fee.

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Red Sox General Manager Ends a Memorable Run

By BEN SHPIGEL

Theo Epstein, the wunderkind architect of the Boston Red Sox' first World Series-winning team in 86 years, resigned yesterday in a stunning conclusion to what apparently was a power struggle that undermined his three-year tenure as general manager.

Epstein, whose contract expired at midnight yesterday, declined the team's offer for an extension and left a position he had desired since his childhood, when he grew up a few blocks from Fenway Park.

"In my time as general manager of the Red Sox, I gave my entire heart and soul to the organization," Epstein said in a statement. "During the process leading up to today's decision, I came to the conclusion that I can no longer do so."

Epstein, 31, also said he would remain with the Red Sox for several days to ease the transition heading into next week's general managers meetings, but he did not say what he would do after that.

The Boston Herald, which first reported the news on its Web site, said that the prevailing factor in Epstein's decision was neither money nor the length of the extension. Epstein and Red Sox executives had spent several weeks haggling over both, but had negotiated a three-year extension that would have paid him about \$1.5 million a year, making him one of the highest-paid general managers in baseball.

But Epstein became irritated, The Herald said, with a report in Sunday's Boston Globe that he believed supplied excessive information about his relationship with Larry Lucchino, the Red Sox' president and chief executive.

The Herald said that Epstein felt the Globe's report gave Lucchino too much credit for the Red Sox' recent success and that Lucchino was the main source for the report. Epstein started to reconsider his decision to re-sign because he felt there was too much of a chasm between them.

Epstein met Lucchino during a summer internship with the Baltimore Orioles in 1992. After Oakland Athletics General Manager Billy Beane accepted the Red Sox job and then resigned shortly afterward, it was Lucchino who campaigned to hire his protégé, Epstein, who was Boston's assistant general manager. When he was hired on Nov. 25, 2002, Epstein, then 28, was the youngest general manager in major league history, and his appointment heralded a new generation of baseball executives.

Epstein, who graduated from Yale and the University of San Diego law school, embraced a philosophy popularized by Beane that drew on statistical analysis as much as the observations of scouts to predict a player's success.

Epstein was an intern with the Orioles from 1992 to 1994, then followed Lucchino to the San Diego Padres, where he quickly ascended to become their baseball operations director for two years. When

the Red Sox' ownership changed, Lucchino headed east and hired Epstein, a native of Brookline, Mass.

Epstein's replacement could very well come from within the organization. When selecting his last two general managers, Lucchino chose inexperienced people: Kevin Towers in San Diego and Epstein.

Lucchino, known as a hands-on executive, seems to delight in molding his general managers. That makes two of the top candidates available, Pat Gillick and Gerry Hunsicker, unlikely options.

Epstein surrounded himself with a young, educated front office, and it is expected Lucchino will look at Peter Woodfork, the director for baseball operations; Jed Hoyer, the assistant to the general manager; and Ben Cherington, the director for player development.

Josh Byrnes, who was Epstein's assistant, would probably have been a top candidate, but he was hired as the Arizona Diamondbacks' general manager Friday.

Epstein's term will be remembered for the many high-profile players who joined and departed the organization. In one of his first moves, he signed the left-handed slugger David Ortiz. He also signed Bill Mueller, the 2003 American League batting champion.

After the 2003 season, Epstein worked quickly in trading for starter Curt Schilling, and two weeks later signed closer Keith Foulke.

At the 2004 trade deadline, he shipped a fan favorite, shortstop Nomar Garciaparra, to the Chicago Cubs in a four-team deal that netted shortstop Orlando Cabrera and first baseman Doug Mientkiewicz, both Gold Glove winners. He also acquired the speedy outfielder Dave Roberts from the Los Angeles Dodgers.

Roberts was the pinch-runner whose dash around the bases lifted the Red Sox to a victory against the Yankees in Game 4 of the American League Championship Series, the first of eight consecutive victories on their march to their first World Series title since 1918.

When the 2005 season started, Cabrera, Mientkiewicz and Roberts were gone, as were pitchers Pedro Martínez, who signed with the Mets, and Derek Lowe, who signed with the Dodgers. Schilling and Foulke battled injuries all season, and the pitching staff struggled. But the offense, featuring numerous big hits by Ortiz, allowed the Red Sox to make the playoffs again. Boston was swept by the Chicago White Sox in their A.L. division series.

Still, in building a team that made the playoffs in three consecutive seasons, Epstein accomplished a feat that would have won praise in most other major league cities. But the streak could be in danger, as the new general manager will face some daunting tasks.

First, he must decide what to do with the mercurial slugger Manny Ramirez, who would love nothing more than to leave Boston and play for the Los Angeles Angels, his agent, Greg Genske, said recently.

Then he must examine an aging roster and determine if the asking price for the free-agent center fielder Johnny Damon is too high; try to improve a dreadful relief corps and an underachieving group of starting pitchers; and try to repair a clubhouse that started showing signs of dissension.

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His resignation as Red Sox general manager expands the field of possible candidates for Dodgers, whose owner is from Boston. Red Sox job also could be an option for Gillick and others.

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The pool of candidates expanded for the Dodgers and other teams searching for general managers when Theo Epstein of the Boston Red Sox resigned Monday, turning down a lucrative three-year contract extension.

The opening in Boston also provides another potential option for highly sought candidates Pat Gillick and Gerry Hunsicker and increases the Dodgers' urgency to begin interviews for their vacancy.

The Dodgers would not comment on whether Epstein would be considered. Team owner Frank McCourt is a Boston native and tried to buy the Red Sox before purchasing the Dodgers.

However, Epstein, 31, is in the mold of Paul DePodesta, whom McCourt fired Saturday after two seasons. Both are Ivy League graduates who did not play professional baseball. And they rely heavily on statistical analysis that goes far beyond batting averages and earned-run averages when evaluating players and building teams.

Epstein has one thing DePodesta doesn't -- a championship. He was the architect of the Red Sox team that won a historic World Series title in 2004.

Epstein, a graduate of Yale and the University of San Diego law school, said he would remain with the Red Sox for a few days "to assist in an orderly transition and to prepare further for the upcoming GM meetings and other off-season activities." He said in a release that he looked forward to exploring new challenges in baseball.

McCourt spent Monday compiling a list of candidates and making preliminary contact with at least one. Unless the Dodgers receive special permission from the commissioner's office, they must interview at least one minority candidate. If they don't, the commissioner's office will provide McCourt with a list of minority candidates to consider.

The Dodgers have received permission to talk to Gillick, a veteran former GM, and two sources said they could offer him the job without interviewing him in person. Gillick lives in Toronto.

Gillick, 68, also is a leading candidate for the opening in Philadelphia. The Phillies completed interviews Monday and are expected to hire someone within days.

Other probable Dodger candidates include Hunsicker, the Houston Astro GM from 1996 to 2004; Kim Ng, the current Dodger assistant GM; John Hart, former Texas and Cleveland GM; Jim Bowden, the Washington National GM; and Dennis Gilbert, a special advisor to the Chicago White Sox.

The Dodgers also are considering former pitching great Orel Hershiser for a front-office position. Hershiser, the Texas Ranger pitching coach since 2002, also has managing aspirations and is trying to come to terms with the thought that he would be wearing a suit and tie rather than a uniform.

Reached by e-mail, Hunsicker, 55, declined to comment on whether the Dodgers had contacted him. Sources said several other candidates had initiated contact with McCourt.

The current contracts of several candidates, including Hunsicker and Hershiser, expired Monday, meaning McCourt does not need to get permission to contact them. Hunsicker was an advisor to Houston GM Tim Purpura.

Epstein's availability could change McCourt's strategy. It is unclear, though, whether the Dodgers would meet his salary demands. Epstein decided not to accept a three-year offer of \$1.5 million a year, which is about double what DePodesta was paid.

The Dodgers still owe DePodesta more than \$2 million for the last three years on his contract unless he gets another job.

Epstein rejected offers of \$850,000 a year and a second offer of \$1.2 million a year, but sources close to the Red Sox said he resigned for reasons that went beyond money.

The highest-paid general manager is Brian Cashman of the New York Yankees, who recently accepted a three-year extension for about \$6 million. Atlanta GM John Schuerholz, whose teams have won 14 consecutive division titles, makes \$1.6 million a year, and Oakland GM Billy Beane makes about \$1 million a year and has an ownership stake in the team.

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Terry Collins is scheduled to be back at work today, flying to the Dominican Republic in his role as Dodger farm director. He said he was not upset that the prospect of his becoming manager had been put on hold because DePodesta was fired.

"I came here to run this minor league department, and we're real proud of it," he said. "I talked to my people and said, 'We have a job to do.'

"We have 25 to 30 prospects we have to make sure get better, along with all the rest of the players. Our job is to press on."

Collins was DePodesta's choice to replace Jim Tracy and was scheduled to meet with McCourt last Friday. The meeting was canceled when McCourt decided to fire DePodesta.

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Dodger second baseman Jeff Kent has earned his fourth Silver Slugger Award, which goes to each league's top offensive player at each position, as voted upon by coaches and managers.

Kent, baseball's all-time leading home run hitter among second basemen, hit the most home runs, 29, and was tied for the most runs batted in, 105, at the position in the National League.

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Glenn Hoffman is close to signing with the San Diego Padres as third base coach. Hoffman, the Dodger third base coach the last six seasons, had a two-hour interview with Padre GM Kevin Towers on Monday.

Hoffman was Dodger manager for 88 games in 1999. His younger brother Trevor has been the Padre closer the last 13 seasons but is a free agent.

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\o7Times staff writer Tim Brown contributed to this report.\f7\o7

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Lawyers as Leaders

by Laurie E. Wright, Attorney at Law

A leader is an individual who is able to influence the members of an organization in order to reach a collective goal. They provide guidance and direction to the people to work toward greater justice and good. While anyone has the potential to be a successful leader, some of us find ourselves in professions that better prepare us to serve in such roles, one of which is the legal profession. Through their training and skills, lawyers are able to serve the public in many different ways. Some lawyers serve as leaders when they become involved in various organizations such as non-profit community service organizations. Some lawyers also serve to support family community events and organizations. For example, many families know lawyers who serve as youth sport coaches for their children. Whether serving in an official

capacity or by simply influencing others within their organization, two forces mesh to create the traits that make lawyers ideal leaders: the personalities of lawyers and their law school training.

A lawyer often has a generalist personality and is interested in many topics. This is helpful in their profession, as the cases and projects they work on arise out of new subjects. Lawyers are also known to be gregarious. The stereotypical lawyer is a fast talker and is often verbally domineering, even if it's done in a jesting fashion.

However, just as many lawyers are quiet and observant, listening and articulating the interplay among others. As a result of these particular personality traits, lawyers can direct and focus a group's discussion, which makes them ideal leaders.

But at their core, lawyers are ideal leaders because they want to help others, and often work long hard hours on behalf of their clients and for the community organizations they strive to serve. Despite the belief that all lawyers make huge sums of money, many lawyers work hard for much more than just money. They obtain a great deal of satisfaction from helping those in need.

In addition to a lawyer's personality, law school training is a significant part in a lawyer's capacity to serve as a successful leader. The three years of law school teach lawyers the outline of the laws governing our society. They learn the social contract

*The first thing we do,
let's kill all the lawyers.*

– William Shakespeare

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within our country that was agreed to be the basis for acceptable behavior. Because of this, many elected officials and public servants chose law school as the best way to educate themselves for their careers.

Law school teaches one how to analyze disputes. The analysis employed by all courts is review of the facts, determination of the applicable legal issues, and application of the correct law to determine the outcome. This analysis allows lawyers to assist groups to resolve internal questions and to determine how to accomplish goals. Training in oral advocacy and writing are also important elements of law school, and make for beneficial traits in a leader. The skills developed from the written and oral presentations that law students present hone their persuasive abilities.

Finally, being required to view both sides of a governed situation is useful in negotiation settlements and transactions. Lawyers can help weigh the benefits against the risks and costs, to determine a favorable or acceptable outcome.

Leading a group toward a goal requires an individual to gain the group's confidence and to provide the group with the information and means to achieve the desired result. Lawyers seemingly emerge as a group's leader, because often the group agrees that the lawyer is the one who can get the job done.

Lawyers, with their innate gregarious personalities and education, have the intelligence, focus, persuasiveness, and desire to become the official, or informal, leaders in groups of all types. The more lawyers work on achieving a goal, the more they find their own creativity blooms. It is then that a lawyer becomes a true leader. They visualize and carry out goals that elevate the group toward the highest ends of justice and fairness that they swore to uphold when they first became a lawyer.

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Consumer attorney Mary Alexander received the American Bar Association's Pursuit of Justice Award. Alexander also is president of the Roscoe Pound Institute, a Washington, D.C., think tank devoted to education on civil justice issues.

Partners Alisa Baker and Richard Levine have established their own firm, Levine & Baker.

Baker, who specializes in equity compensation, was formerly with GCA Law Partners in Mountain View. She graduated from Georgetown University Law Center in 1984.

Levine, who focuses on employment law, is a 1976 graduate of University of Pennsylvania Law School.

Richard Hill has been elected office managing shareholder at Littler Mendelson. Hill, whose practice focuses on employment law, is a 1978 graduate of Stanford Law School.

Shartsis Friese added three lawyers to the firm: senior counsel John Hunt and first-year associates David Catechi and Felicia Draper.

Hunt, who is joining the investment management group, was previously with IXIS Asset Management in Boston. He received his J.D. from University of Cincinnati College of Law in 1991.

Catechi, who graduated from Hastings College of the Law, was an editor for Hastings Law Journal.

Draper, who graduated from Northwestern University School of Law, was article editor for the Northwestern Journal of Technology and Intellectual Property.

Brad Kaplan has joined Dechert as a special staff attorney in the litigation group. Kaplan, who was formerly with Howard, Rice, Nemerovski, Canady, Falk & Rabkin, is a 1990 graduate of University of the Pacific's McGeorge School of Law.

Gregory Rosse has joined Tucker Ellis & West as of counsel in the trial department. Rosse, who comes to the firm from Colombatto Klimenko & Rosse, graduated from Hastings College of the Law in 1991.

North Bay

Roy Chernus and Beverly Wood have been appointed court commissioners at Marin County Superior Court.

Chernus has been executive director of Legal Aid of Marin since 2001. He graduated from New York Law School in 1978.

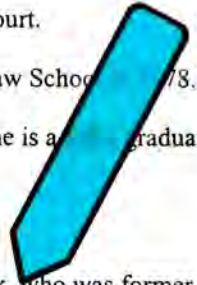
Wood has worked for Freitas, McCarthy, MacMahon and Keating in San Rafael for the past 12 years. She is a graduate of University of San Francisco School of Law.

Southern California

Brian Peck has joined Crowell & Moring as counsel in the firm's international trade group in Irvine. Peck, who was former senior director for intellectual property at the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative, graduated from University of San Diego School of Law in 1998.

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San Francisco

Charles Ferguson has joined Dorsey & Whitney as of counsel in the trial practice group. Ferguson, who worked in energy consulting while maintaining a litigation practice before coming to the firm, is a 1973 graduate of Boalt Hall School of Law.

The Schinner Law Group has added Leah Hencier as special counsel in the real estate group. Hencier, who was previously with Old Republic Title Co., graduated from the University of the Pacific's McGeorge School of Law in 1982.

Richard Lapping has been named managing partner of Thelen Reid & Priest's San Francisco office. He succeeds Michael Hallerud. Lapping, who is co-chair of the bankruptcy and creditors' rights practice, received his J.D. from Hastings College of the Law in 1982.

Sacramento

Ian Rambarran has joined Klinedinst as an associate in the business, intellectual property, intellectual law, real estate and restaurant/hospitality practice groups. He graduated from the University of the Pacific's McGeorge School of Law in 2003.

Southern California

Bruce Fraser, Elizabeth Walker and Paul Walker have joined Sidley Austin Brown & Smith in Los Angeles as partners.

Fraser and Paul Walker are both in the real estate practice group. Fraser is a 1981 graduate of Harvard Law School, while Walker received his LL.B. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1969.

Elizabeth Walker, in the litigation practice group, graduated from University of San Diego Law School in 1983.

James Rogan has joined Preston Gates & Ellis as of counsel in the intellectual property litigation and policy practices. Rogan, a former congressman and director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, is a 1979 graduate of UCLA School of Law.

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Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP Adds Real Estate and Litigation Partners in Los Angeles Office



LOS ANGELES, Nov. 9 /PRNewswire/ -- California real estate lawyers Paul R. Walker and Bruce W. Fraser, and litigator Elizabeth W. Walker have joined Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP as partners in the firm's Los Angeles office.

"The addition of this special team of lawyers to our West Coast real estate practice significantly enhances the depth of our firm's capabilities," noted Virginia Aronson, the global head of Sidley's Real Estate Group and a member of the firm's Management Committee. "Paul and Bruce add another dimension to our strong Los Angeles office, as we share a number of key clients. Elizabeth is a talented addition to our successful litigation practice in Los Angeles."

Paul Walker has been involved in many of the major real estate transactions in Southern California in recent years. He represents domestic and foreign lenders, liquidating banks and opportunity funds, and major real estate developers. Mr. Walker concentrates on real estate lending, workouts, capital markets real estate-related transactions, acquisitions and dispositions, creditors' rights, development and leasing, and is recognized in Best Lawyers in America 2006. Mr. Walker received his LL.B. from the University of Pennsylvania in 1969 and a B.A. from the University of Notre Dame in 1966.

Bruce Fraser also focuses principally in the areas of real estate finance and workouts. He has extensive experience in designing and implementing real estate lending programs, in the acquisition and workout of portfolios of troubled real estate loans, and in other real estate investment transactions such as joint ventures, securitizations, conduit, structured and mezzanine financing. Mr. Fraser received his J.D. from Harvard University Law School, cum laude, in 1981, and an A.B. from Columbia University, summa cum laude, in 1978.

Elizabeth Walker's principal area of practice is civil litigation, in particular real estate, commercial and securities litigation. She has defended companies, officers and directors, underwriters, broker-dealers and accounting firms in federal securities class actions and shareholder derivative litigation arising out of public offerings and mergers and acquisitions. She has extensive experience in bench and jury trials as well as arbitrations and has represented clients in federal and state antitrust litigation. She has successfully defended numerous financial institutions and/or funds in lender liability, unfair competition and fraud actions involving claims ranging from \$20 million to more than \$100 million. Ms. Walker received her J.D. in 1983, cum laude, from the University of San Diego Law School, and her B.A. in 1977 from the University of Oregon.

"We have long respected the team at Sidley," said Mr. Walker. "We have numerous important clients in common, several of which actively encouraged us to join Sidley to better serve their needs. We are excited to be here, and to become a part of this highly respected high-end real estate finance practices, both nationally and in Southern California."

Sidley's Los Angeles real estate practice group now comprises 23 lawyers. The Los Angeles office represents Fortune 500 corporations, government agencies, entrepreneurial businesses and associations, as well as significant Los Angeles, California and global clients. The office's Corporate and Finance Group emphasizes capital markets, specialized finance, private equity and corporate counseling, practices for which Sidley has received the highest

ranking in peer-reviewed surveys. In 2004, American Lawyer designated Sidley as having the overall No. 1 Corporate Practice nationally.

A nationally regarded leader in commercial real estate transactions with over 100 lawyers practicing in this area, Sidley is one of the world's largest full-service law firms, with more than 1,550 lawyers practicing in 14 U.S. and international cities. Sidley was named the Number One-Ranked U.S. Law Firm for Overall Client Service in 2002 and 2004 in surveys of Fortune 1000 executives by BTI, a Boston-based consulting and research firm. Sidley received the 2005 Catalyst Award in recognition of the firm's initiative to recruit, retain and advance diverse talent.

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ELEC Appoints VoX Execs

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WHITE PLAINS, N.Y. and CELEBRATION, Fla. -- eLEC Communications Corp. (OTCBB: ELEC - message board), an integrated communications service provider, today announced the appointment of industry execs Mark D. Adolph and Jay Allen to its advisory board to support eLEC's wholly owned subsidiary VoX Communications. Based in Celebration, Fla., VoX Communications is a wholesale and retail provider of Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) services nationwide.

"We're thrilled to have Mark D. Adolph and Jay Allen join our advisory board. They will each make valuable contributions to VoX Communications in their respective areas of finance, operations, marketing and business development," said Michael Khalilian, chairman of eLEC's advisory board. "They join a group of talented, cross-industry experts that make up our advisory board, including Rich Tehrani, TMC's president and VoIP authority (TMC publishes INTERNET TELEPHONY Magazine); Payam Maveddat, wireless technology V.P. at Tekelec; former Time Warner executive Gayle Greer; and UTStarcom executive Farshid Mohammadi."

"As a partner, COO and former CFO of Telecom Partners, Colorado's largest private equity fund focusing on communications companies, Mark Adolph will bring a wealth of financial and operational experience to our VoX team and we're looking forward to his expert advice as we grow VoX's business," Khalilian added. "Jay Allen is the founder of CXO and is closely tied to executives from major corporations throughout the Rocky Mountain region. His executive management, sales and business development experience in the technology arena will benefit VoX greatly as the company embarks on an aggressive sales and marketing campaign for its nationwide VoIP services offering." Khalilian is also chairman and president of the International Packet Communications Consortium (IPCC), a technology forum working to advance VoIP over broadband cable, wireless and wireline.

Mark Adolph has more than 19 years of experience in financial management and operations across multiple industries. Adolph has negotiated investment syndication transactions for over \$4.4 billion in equity and debt in private and public companies. In addition, he oversees operating responsibilities and strategic planning for portfolio companies. Prior to Telecom Partners, Adolph was the chief financial officer for Cook Inlet Communications entities that operated a portfolio of major market radio stations, television stations, and wireless communication assets. He was also a consultant with KPMG in Los Angeles in the firm's western region. Adolph received his juris doctorate degree from the University of San Diego and graduated cum laude from the University of Akron with a bachelor of science in accounting. He is a member of the American and California Bar Associations.

"VoX is made up of a superior group of talented experts in the VoIP space, and has a unique VoIP technology and services offering that is unmatched in terms of voice quality and cost savings," said Mark Adolph. "VoX has a great story to tell to the financial community and I'm looking forward to working with them in the finance and operations arena to ensure their value proposition is clearly understood."

Jay Allen is the founder of CXO, a private collaborative organization with over 600 senior executives representing the leadership of almost 80 percent of the major corporations in the Rocky Mountain region. He has over 20 years' experience as a serial entrepreneur, strategic advisor and executive manager. Formerly, Allen served in various sales and business development roles for leading technology companies and was recently ranked by Colorado Company Magazine as the top networked executive in the region. Allen is an influencer among governments, private companies and large strategic corporations, and continues to oversee the deal flow and networking operations of various portfolios and the CXO enterprise. He received his bachelor of science in international marketing from Brigham Young University. He is also a managing partner of Collective IQ, US-Europe Enterprises of Colorado and Streamcraft International.

"VoX is well positioned with their advanced, nationwide VoIP network to have a significant impact on the industry. Their launch this year is well timed and their technology is leading edge," said Jay Allen. "I'm thrilled to join VoX at this critical phase in their growth, and look forward to working with them as they ready their marketing and business development plans for the next phase of growth."

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Morris Bloom, retired Plainfield lawyer, 98

Morris Bloom, a Plainfield lawyer and businessman, died on Nov. 12. He was 98.

Bloom was part owner of the State Holding Co. in Plainfield for more than 50 years, serving also as its attorney. He retired in 1977.

A 1929 graduate of the New Jersey Law School (now Rutgers Law School-Newark), he was a recipient of the King's Bench award for being first in his class.

Bloom was a member of the New Jersey State Bar Association.

Born in Brooklyn, he lived in Plainfield most of his life before moving to Clark and then Watchung.

Charles Martel, worker's compensation lawyer, 58

Charles Noyes Martel, of Old Bridge, died on Nov. 12. He was 58.

A worker's compensation attorney for more than 25 years, he was most recently employed at the law office of Robert W. Frieland in Morris Plains.

Martel earned a bachelor's degree in history from Albion College in 1969 and a law degree from The George Washington University in 1973.

Born in Millburn, he moved to Old Bridge 26 years ago.

Anthony Pascale, Rahway Planning Board attorney, 48

Anthony Prater Pascale, attorney for the Rahway Planning Board for more than 20 years and a solo practitioner in the town died on Nov. 9. He was 48.

Pascale graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 1979 and was valedictorian of his 1982 graduating class at the University of San Diego Law School. He was active in the New Jersey State Bar Association.

Pascale was born in New York and lived in Rahway.

Melinda Smith-Sopko, State Treasury Attorney, 45

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Casey Lushin leads an IDEA Club discussion.

The missing link

UCSD, USD alum-lawyer says I.D. advocates are underestimated

Casey Lushin founded the Intelligent Design and Evolution Awareness Club (IDEA) at UCSD in 1999 as an outlet for students interested in discussing the burgeoning theory of intelligent design. Today, there are more than 20 such clubs on campuses across the country.

Lushin, currently working as an attorney with the Seattle-based Discovery Institute, which promotes intelligent design, helped write amicus briefs on behalf of the Dover Area School District board in the pending case in Pennsylvania.

Opponents say "intelligent design" is like its predecessor, "creation science," a term coined to cloak creationism in scientific jargon to circumvent a 1980 Supreme Court decision that prohibits teaching of creation on an equal level with evolution.

Lushin, an avid Star Wars fan and Christian who obtained a bachelor's degree in earth science from UCSD and a law degree from USD, defended the demarcation of the terms.

"It can really blow your mind when you

find out that intelligent design is not the way our critics have said it is," Lushin said. "Intelligent-design theory stops short of trying to identify the designer, whether the designer was the God of the Bible or Yoda or Yahweh or whatever you want to believe."

The theory also falls in line with many principles of evolution, he said.

"We're a lot more savvy than people give us credit for," Lushin said. "Natural selection is very real, and it absolutely happened. But many of the examples we have of natural selection do not really tell us how new biochemical pathways form or how these really complex microbiological machines, how those things originate."

As a geologist, Lushin also concedes that the earth is older than the typical 6,000-year life span offered by creationists.

"If you want to know how old the earth is, go ask a geologist," Lushin said. "I happen to be a geologist. I have absolutely no problem with the earth being 4.54 billion years old."

—Pat Sherman

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Announcement: Chase-Cluphf engagement

John and Linda Chase proudly announce the engagement of their son Danny Chase to Jessica Cluphf, granddaughter of Joe and Emma Hallsworth. The bride-to-be, a 1998 alumna of Temescal Canyon High School, graduated from the University of Arizona in 2001 and finished his law degree at the University of San Diego in May 2005.

The bride-to-be comes from Washington State, where she is a 2004 alumna of Easton High School. She is currently working at Farrell's in San Diego. The wedding is scheduled to take place June 10 in La Jolla.



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Hurricane relief

Howard Hewett, former singer for the group Shalamar, will perform a **hurricane benefit concert** at 7 p.m. today at St. Stephen's Church of God in Christ, 5825 Imperial Ave. The St. Stephens Cathedral Mass Choir and saxophonist Joey Casora will also perform. An offering will be taken for the Pentecost Baptist Church of Slidell, La. Attendees are asked to bring an unwrapped toy to donate to a Christmas toy drive to benefit hurricane-displaced children who now live in San Diego. Information: (619) 262-2671.

Datebook

A selection from five series of paintings by **artist R.A. Zuckerman** will be on display through Dec. 23 in the Community Room Gallery, La Jolla Public Library, 7555 Draper Ave. An artist reception, featuring a slide show and lecture, is scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday at the library. Information: (858) 552-1657.

University of San Diego School of Law's **Joan E. Bowes-Jones** **Madison Distinguished Speaker Series**, 5:30 p.m. tomorrow at the Institute for Peace and Justice Theater, University of San Diego. Abigail Thernstrom, vice chair of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and Stephan Thernstrom, Winthrop Professor of History at Harvard University will present "Let's Talk About Segregation." Information: (619) 260-7438.

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BOWES-MADISON DISTINGUISHED SPEAKER SERIES

Abigail Thernstrom, vice chair of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights and Stephan Thernstrom, Winthrop Professor of History, Harvard University, will give the second annual presentation of the University of San Diego School of Law's Joan E. Bowes-James Madison Distinguished Speaker Series, titled "Let's Talk about Segregation." The University of San Diego School of Law has been approved as a provider of Minimum Continuing Legal Education credit by the State Bar of California. This lecture qualifies for MCLE credit in the amount of 1 hour of general credit. **Organization:** University of San Diego School Of Law **Information:** (619)260-7438 hrenchir@sandiego.edu **Cost:** No Cost **When:** Starts: 5:30 PM **Where:** USD, Institute for Peace & Justice, 5998 Alcala Park, San Diego, 92110

School of Leadership and Education Sciences



Hewlett Foundation Announces \$72.24 Million in New Grants

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The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation has authorized \$72,245,003 in new grants to a total of 198 organizations

Some highlighted new grants awarded include:

Education – Supporting California Community Colleges

The Foundation announced a total of \$14,834,000 in grants from its Education Program, including support for several projects to address the needs of the California Community College system. A \$1,300,000 grant to the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching will support a program to strengthen pre-collegiate, or remedial, education in community colleges. The program operates at eleven colleges in the state and aims to improve academic outcomes for students enrolled in remedial classes. The Foundation also made a \$275,000 grant to the Institute for Higher Education Leadership and Policy at California State University, Sacramento to conduct research on the current community college financing system and communicate the problems and potential solutions to policymakers. Finally, the Foundation is supporting the Community College Leadership Development Initiative at the University of San Diego with a \$182,000 grant to continue its work to recruit and cultivate administrative leadership at community colleges.

Environment – Addressing the Threat of Global Climate Change

The Environment Program at the Hewlett Foundation has made a total of \$12,149,133 in new grants, including several to support its goal of identifying strategies to avoid catastrophic climate change. The Clean Air Task Force, a nonprofit organization, and the Columbia University/NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies each received \$200,000 grants to provide the technical, policy and public education groundwork for an effort to limit global temperature change by reducing air pollution. The Princeton Environmental Institute will use a \$400,000 grant to analyze opportunities to deploy low-carbon technologies to mitigate climate change. In addition, a \$500,000 grant to the InterAcademy Council, a creation of 90 National Academies of Science, will enable the organization to conduct a study articulating a vision for a transition to cleaner, affordable energy generation and use.

Global Development – Reducing Trade Barriers in Developing Countries

The Foundation's Global Development Program announced a total of \$9,729,000 in new grants, several of which are aimed at reducing agricultural trade barriers that put developing countries at a disadvantage. A \$1,235,000 grant to Oxfam Great Britain will support its "Make Trade Fair" program, a global effort to change the rules of international commerce and reform agricultural policies in the United States and the European Union. The Program also made a \$700,000 grant to the American Farmland Trust to support policy research, constituency building and media outreach related to the reauthorization of the U.S. Farm Bill in 2007. The German Marshall Fund of the United States is the recipient of a \$100,000 grant to gather and publicly disseminate data on farm subsidies in European Union member countries in an attempt to facilitate an informed discussion about EU farm policy.

Performing Arts – Supporting the Bay Area Dance Community

The Foundation's Performing Arts Program made \$5,960,500 in new grants, including a number of grants to support the Bay Area's vibrant dance community – the second largest in the U.S. The Foundation has awarded grants to several unique dance companies, including the Oberlin Dance Collective (\$300,000), an acclaimed modern dance company,

community theater and dance school based in San Francisco, LINES Ballet (\$300,000), a preeminent contemporary ballet company, and Chhandam Chitresh Das Dance Company (\$120,000), one of the world's leading dance companies and schools presenting performances and training in kathak, a classical dance form from northern India. In addition, the Performing Arts Program is also supporting the San Francisco Ballet (\$750,000), World Arts West (\$180,000), Ballet San Jose Silicon Valley (\$110,000), and Peninsula Ballet Theater (\$105,000).

Philanthropy – Enhancing the Relationship Between Philanthropy, the Public and Government

The Philanthropy Program, which announced \$1,343,370 in new grants, is focusing on building public understanding of philanthropy, creating stronger relationships between foundations and government regulators, and improving foundation governance and effectiveness. The Program made a \$150,000 grant to the Forum of Regional Associations of Grantmakers, which serves more than 4,000 grantmakers nationwide and recently launched an Effectiveness and Accountability Initiative to help increase foundations' philanthropic effectiveness. A \$100,000 grant to Northern California Grantmakers, an association of 160 foundations and corporate giving programs in Northern California, will help the organization strengthen foundations' relationship with government, media and nonprofits.

Population – Promoting International Reproductive Health Research

The Foundation's Population Program made \$21,214,000 in new grants, including a significant investment in research about how population and family planning and reproductive health affect poverty reduction efforts and economic growth in developing countries. A \$1,000,000 grant to the African Economic Research Consortium, a network of economic scholars, will enable the Consortium to support research on population and reproductive health issues by scholars in sub-Saharan Africa. Two grants totaling \$1,400,000 to the Population Reference Bureau and a \$1,500,000 grant to the World Bank will help fund several research centers and projects, including an investigation of the linkages between reproductive choices, demographic shifts and poverty, and socioeconomic outcomes in the developing world.

Regional Grants – Improving the Lives of California Foster Youth

The Regional Grants Program helps improve the lives of Bay Area residents and it has announced \$3,220,000 in new grants. Supporting disadvantaged youth is a focus of these grants, including a \$900,000 grant to the California Connected by 25 Initiative, a program that seeks to improve outcomes for 2,140 foster youth and former foster youth, ages 16-20, living in Alameda, Fresno, San Francisco, Santa Clara, and Stanislaus counties. The Initiative provides assistance to government agencies that serve foster youth in those counties, and increases coordination with local non-profit organizations. Along with the Hewlett Foundation, several other local foundations have made a total of more than \$4.4 million in grants to the Initiative, which the five counties are matching with their own \$4.8 million investment.

About the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation

The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation has been making grants since 1966 to help solve social and environmental problems at home and around the world. The Foundation concentrates its resources on activities in education, environment, global development, performing arts, philanthropy, population, and makes grants to support disadvantaged communities in the San Francisco Bay Area. The Foundation has total assets of approximately \$6.87 billion. A full list of all the Hewlett Foundation's grants can be found on their Web site.

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Higher education reaches out to local business community

By JESSICA GDOWSKI
The Daily Transcript

Colleges and universities are rising to the challenge of educating San Diego County's growing population.

Nearly every higher learning institution in the county is engaged in major construction, designed to make learning more accessible to students and — in many cases — make research more accessible to corporations. The projects are keeping contractors busy, too.

San Diego State University is preparing to open the Coastal Waters Lab this spring, which will serve as a shared research center for SDSU and the United States Geological Survey, said Jason Foster, director of media relations for SDSU. The lab will feature a 100,000-gallon research tank and SDSU and U.S. Geological Survey researchers plan to use the space to study coastal pollution and runoff, Foster said.

Foster pointed out that the lab's impact will stretch beyond the academic community.

"The health of the coast is important to a variety of industries," he said. "Tourism comes to mind."

SDSU plans to unveil The BioScience Center, a new on-campus research facility, next month, said Tony Fulton, director of facility planning and construction. Foster said the space will provide researchers with the opportunities they could use to spin off startup biotech firms from their research. The project is funded by research revenue through the university's foundation.

The bottom floor will house research animals, the main entry floor will be office space, and the

third through fifth floors will be dedicated to research, Fulton said.

SDSU also has The College of Arts & Letters building, a new student health services building, and a new swim complex in the works. The school recently won approval of a master plan to grow enrollment by 40 percent. Foster said the expansion calls for a new residence hall; an on-campus hotel; and 1 million additional square feet of office, classroom and infrastructure space. Fulton estimates the master plan project will take about 20 years to complete.

California State University at San Marcos has similar plans to integrate the business community into the fabric of the school day. Markstein Hall, a \$26.8 million classroom and office building slated for completion by the end of the year, will house the university's college of business and provide space for the departments of communication, economics and political science, said Rick Moore, director of communications.

"We see (Markstein Hall) as a resource for the local business community, as a place for meetings and other things for the North County business community," Moore said.

Markstein Hall was funded by an initiative by former Gov. Gray Davis that did not require voter approval. Moore said it was part of a stimulus package to create construction jobs.

A renovation of Craven Hall, an administrative building, is also under way. Moore describes the project as "deep in planning," and said the \$5.3 million project will create a "one-stop student service center" — housing the admissions department, cashier's office and



San Diego State University plans to unveil its BioScience Center next month.



The University of San Diego will break ground on its School of Leadership and Education Services building in April 2006.

financial aid department — when it is finished in October 2006. About half of the building, 70,000 square feet, is scheduled for renovation, Moore said.

A voter-approved bond issue funded Craven Hall.

A social and behavioral sciences building, estimated at \$50 million, is several years off, Moore said.

Pt. Loma Nazarene University's Fermanian Business School is also under construction. The building will feature Wi-Fi, class-

rooms, conference space and "smart podiums" modeled after those at the University of Southern California, said Calvin Biggers, manager of maintenance and projects.

The university is also planning to renovate an existing religious building to house visiting business leaders who attend conferences in the new business college building, Biggers said.

Biggers added that the new

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addition will benefit the local economy by helping the school turn out students with advanced degrees, such as MBAs.

A 17,000-square-foot administration building named Draper Hall was recently completed, Biggers said. Nease Hall, another Pt. Loma Nazarene project, is a dormitory that allows 100 more freshman to live on campus.

The University of San Diego has scheduled an April 2006 groundbreaking for a new School of Leadership and Education Services building, a two-story, 80,000-square-foot project to be constructed on the main campus on an existing parking lot, according to an e-mail from Liz Harman, a USD spokeswoman.

The new building will provide a 300-seat auditorium, a library, four new state-of-the-art classrooms, a video conferencing room, computer lab and administrative space for the existing School of Leadership and Education Services, currently located at the west end of campus, Harman said. She added that the building will primarily serve graduate students, but undergraduates will use the space as well.

The building will aid the local economy, even beyond housing the Educational Leadership Development Academy, which Harman cited as preparing more than 70 percent of the San Diego school district's principals and administrators.

"I think the greatest impact (to the economic development of San Diego County) will be in the dollars that will go into the economy, through the contractors or even licensing fees," said Pamela Gray Payton, assistant vice president of public relations.

USD is also planning two addi-

tions to on-campus housing. An addition to the existing three buildings of the Alcalá Vista Housing complex is currently under construction and scheduled for completion in 2006, according to Harman. A proposed Mission Station housing complex — with accommodations for 258 students — would replace an older 116-bed structure, Harman said. The two additions would allow an additional 274 students to live on campus.

An economic impact study in 2001 revealed that each USD student spent at least \$14,000 a year, according to Harman. Since then, the number of USD students has increased from 7,000 to 7,500, increasing the impact to the local economy by at least \$7 million.

The University of California, San Diego has 22 construction projects worth about \$733 million in the works. Spokeswoman Pat JaCoby said a \$72.1 million renovation of the Price Center and Student Center is under way. These buildings house meeting rooms and food services.

Approximately \$43 million is being dedicated to the Rady School of Management, a building to house the graduate school and provide office and classroom space, JaCoby said. The Hopkins parking structure, estimated at \$30.6 million, will be complete in May 2007.

Fifty thousand square feet are being added to the San Diego Supercomputer Center at a cost of \$41.7 million, JaCoby said, and \$66.5 million will go toward North Campus housing.

JaCoby said the projects are helping UCSD make its mark on the San Diego economy "by hiring a lot of people, for sure. Every job has trucks coming and going and construction workers all over the place."

The San Diego Community College District is doubling the size of the existing Educational Cultural Complex — which serves the district's continuing education students — by adding new buildings, bringing in a skills center and moving the automotive program from its current downtown location, said Director of Public Information Barry Garron.

Garron said a planned parking structure is garnering excitement at Mesa College. The structure would have 15,020 parking spaces and is scheduled for completion in 2007.

The district has several projects approved for construction throughout the district thanks to the Proposition S Construction Bond.

"(Mesa College) was built in '62 and with a really low budget," said John Nunes, a spokesman for the district. "If you see the majority of the buildings at Mesa, you'll see they were pretty cheaply done. That's probably why the voters didn't hesitate to pass the bond measure."

Thirty-five hundred square feet of Mesa College's Art Gallery and support area space in the D-100 Building will get a facelift to improve the quality of learning there, according to the San Diego Community College District's Web site. About 10,000 square feet will be added during a renovation of the Student Services Department at Mesa.

The existing "R" Building at City College will be renovated to add at least six classroom facilities — about 15,000 square feet — on the southern half of the first floor.

Miramar College will have a newly constructed 30,000-square-foot Technology Building with classroom space, computer labs

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and office space for the business and math departments. Bungalows will be demolished at Miramar to make room for a 30,000-square-foot Arts and Humanities building featuring classrooms, studios, labs, and lecture and office space.

"Leave a Legacy Plaza" — with a central fountain, lighted pathways and congregating areas — is also in the works at Miramar. The plaza's design aims to provide student safety, meet requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act and enhance access between new Proposition S buildings and parking lots.

The district also plans to acquire property in or near Kearny Mesa to consolidate the North City Career Center and Clairemont Continuing Education programs in a roughly 50,000-square-foot building. The goal of the consolidation is to provide a fully integrated English-as-a-second-language program, business information computer labs, GED preparation, high school diploma classes, classes for older adults and space for parenting classes.

Another consolidation is planned for the Cesar Chavez Campus and Centre City Continuing Education programs. The project will acquire property at the Cesar Chavez location on which to construct a 45,000-square-foot building to provide a fully integrated ESL program, business information computer labs, expanded Certified Nursing Assistant and Home Health Care Aide program, GED preparation, and expansion of the clothing and textiles and professional baking programs.

"As we add occupational programs, students are able to gain the skills that are in demand in the work place," Garron said. "Most, if not all, of the contractors are local,

so we're providing jobs for San Diegans."

Grossmont-Cuyamaca Community College District is spending \$207 million in 2002's Proposition R bond money over 24 months, said Susan Herney, manager of college and community relations. Proposition R gave \$107 million to Grossmont College and \$75 million to Cuyamaca. The remaining \$25 million will go toward refinancing construction-related debt, technology infrastructure and program management over 10 years.

The district has instituted a unique contractor outreach program, the goals of which are to create jobs in East County by informing local contractors through seminars and workshops about projects and assisting them in the bidding process, and to increase the number of viable firms competing for contracts to ensure a more competitive bid. Of this year's total \$41.2 million in awarded contracts, \$17 million went to East County firms. **Gafcon**, a construction management firm headquartered in San Diego, is managing the outreach program for the district.

Deanna Weeks, a member of the district's board of trustees and CEO of the East County Economic Development Council, said the district has a long history of working with local industries.

"What we do is make sure local contractors and suppliers are in the path of opportunity," Weeks said. "It's really a symbiotic relationship, because by getting these new facilities, it's making the college that much better at educating students."

The Science Building at Grossmont College will house labs, storage facilities, offices, a computer lab and a greenhouse in 37, 834-square-foot buildings. Completion

is scheduled for winter 2006. Also projected for a winter 2006 completion is road widening and the addition of traffic signals at the south end of Grossmont's campus.

The groundbreaking ceremony for Grossmont's digital arts and sculpture building complex is scheduled for Nov. 14. The building will house traditional and digital photography labs, a digital multimedia lab, media labs — including campus radio station KGFN — and faculty offices. The Sculpture Laboratory Building and Yard will showcase sculpture, 3-D design/jewelry studios and a large outdoor sculpture work yard.

Cuyamaca's Science & Technology Mall, projected for completion in spring 2007, will provide office space and lab space for life sciences, physical sciences and computer sciences. The space will be similar to a mall environment, and anchored by a ground-floor open-access computer center.

A Communication Arts Building will become the visual landmark at the Rancho San Diego Parkway entrance to Cuyamaca. The building will house disciplines such as English, ESL, fine and professional arts, speech, American Sign Language and performing arts. The enclosed digital theater will present virtual environments.

A parking expansion and Student Center are also planned for Cuyamaca. The two-story Student Center will house a bookstore, food services, student affairs administration, health center, student government, club offices and meeting rooms. There will also be a plaza for large student functions, an outdoor gathering area and a deck overlooking the lawn.

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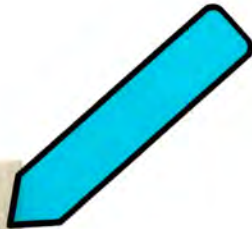
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Correction

In "Higher education reaches out to local business community," one of the University of San Diego's schools was named incorrectly ("Growing San Diego," Nov. 10). USD's new facility will be home to the School of Leadership and Education Sciences. *The Daily Transcript* regrets the error. Source Code: 20051122tln

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Charity bosses debate merits of tighter rules

Congressional reforms may increase oversight

By Jeff McDonald
STAFF WRITER

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Ethics and accountability in the nonprofit sector might seem like a slam dunk. After all, no one goes into charity work for the money, right?

But the truth is, the world of philanthropy has been plagued by fraud, self-dealing and other moral lapses in recent years, leading Congress to consider the most sweeping reform of the nonprofit sector in decades.

Yesterday, about 100 charity executives and board members attended a University of San Diego symposium examining how stricter oversight might affect the work they do.

Not surprisingly, nonprofits are divided over the need for the broader regulations likely to come their way.

Supporters say added scrutiny will boost accountability with the public, among whom confidence has dropped dramatically after past scandals at the American Red Cross, the United Way and other groups. They say tougher laws will help donors feel secure that money they give will be spent effectively.

Opponents believe charities need to better police themselves and that regulators should increase staffing to enforce existing laws. New legislation would merely add another layer to an already burdensome system of checks and balances, they argue.

The symposium failed to resolve core differences between the two camps. But it did spark wide discussion among charity executives across San Diego County, where 8,000 nonprofit agencies employ 100,000 workers and spend \$7.2 billion a year.

Diana Aviv, president and chief executive of Independent Sector, one of the nation's largest coalitions in nonprofit leadership, said self-regulation only works in tandem with effective government regulation.

"The law hasn't kept up with the various forms of charitable work," said Aviv, one of three panelists at the Fourth Annual Community Symposium and Ethics Dialogue Series hosted by the USD Nonprofit Leadership & Management Program.

Simply strengthening oversight would not solve every problem, warned Aviv, who has been working with a Senate committee to come up with recommendations for new rules.

Flo Green, executive director of the California Association of Nonprofits, said passing more laws is not the way to rebuild the troubled reputation of the charitable sector.

Green said nonprofit boards and executives should work on their own to make ethics and accountability as important in their daily operations as fund-raising and providing basic services.

"The kinds of concerns government has do not tend to build confidence," she told the group. "You must build confidence through the community."

Last year California became the first state to adopt legislation establishing new standards in auditing and fundraising for charities. But some nonprofit executives suggest the Nonprofit Integrity Act does not go far enough.

Federal law overseeing the nonprofit sector has not been significantly updated in decades. Once an agency qualifies for tax-exempt status, there is little or no regulation beyond filing an annual tax form and complying with auditing and monitoring rules that come with government grants and contracts.

Government regulators at both the state and federal level have nowhere near enough resources to root out fraud, experts say. Green noted the California Attorney General has 10 attorneys to oversee more than 90,000 charities.

That's one reason Peter Berns, executive director of the Standards of Excellence Institute in Maryland, helped develop a set of ethical guidelines being adopted voluntarily by many charities.

"We have a greater obligation to be open and transparent to the public than does a for-profit company," said Berns, the third expert panelist. "We need to be effective stewards of the money we raise."

Ned Lee, a recruiter and human-resources executive with Arc of San Diego, a nonprofit agency that serves people with developmental disabilities, said new regulations may be a good idea for larger, national charities. But for his agency, they would create unneeded paperwork.

"We already have certain ethical standards because we belong to California Arc and Arc of the United States," Lee said after the discussion. "We're over-regulated as it is."

Nonetheless, new rules governing charities appear to be growing closer to winning approval. In October 2004, Aviv was asked by the chairman of the U.S. Senate Finance Committee to come up with recommendations Congress might consider in raising accountability and promoting transparency in the nonprofit industry.

Aviv recruited a committee of leaders in the philanthropic community to develop guidelines to improve the industry, which this year is likely to surpass \$250 billion in donations.

Those recommendations, submitted to the Finance Committee in June, call for, among other things, better enforcement, more accurate and complete tax filings, clamping down on abusive tax shelters and stricter regulation of so-called donor-advised funds, money that can be used only for specific purposes designated in advance by donors.

Aviv said a truncated version of those suggestions is likely to be included in a spending bill she expects will be introduced as soon as this week. Even more detailed regulations can be expected next year, she said.

If and when legislation goes before Congress, the debate is likely to intensify, Aviv predicted. "We will see the lines drawn in our sector," she said.

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**Healthy Girls,
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SAN DIEGO — To emphasize the powerful role adults play in shaping girls' beliefs about health, Girl Scouts, San Diego-Imperial Council Inc. and Kaiser Permanente will present San Diego's first Healthy Girls, Healthy Lives Symposium from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 12 at the Hall of Champions in Balboa Park.

Designed for Girl Scout volunteers and other interested adults, the event will include workshops on nutrition, health and fitness. Escondido resident Dr. Sandy Buczynski, an assistant professor of education at the University of San Diego, is among the featured speakers. Buczynski teaches secondary pedagogy, curriculum design, instructional theories and instructional technology. She is also an accomplished hula dancer who dances with Halau Hula o Ka'eo in San Marcos.

The keynote speaker for the event will be Carol Weston, advice columnist for Girls Life magazine and author of "Girl Talk: All the Stuff Your Sister Never Told You," "For Girls Only" and nine other books.

Cost of \$25 includes continental breakfast, workshops and lunch. For information or to register, visit www.girlscoutssdi.org or call (800) 643-4798.

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Tuesday, Nov. 8

MIXER: The San Diego chapter of the **American Marketing Association** will hold its fourth annual Internship Mixer. Participating companies will be able to immediately interview job candidates, including students from area colleges and universities. \$60 for companies, free to students. San Diego Mission Valley Hilton, 901 Camino Del Rio South, Mission Valley. For more information, call Reb Risty at (619) 723-0297.

Wednesday, Nov. 9

FORUM: San Diego State University College of Business Administration Entrepreneurial Management Center will present a business forum panel on "When Lightning Strikes the Founder/CEO: Preparing for the Unexpected" moderated by Glenn Ayres and Doud Hausner. 4-7p.m. \$45. La Jolla Beach and Tennis Club, 2000 Spindrift Drive, La Jolla. For information, visit sdsu.edu/emc or call Randy Carmical at (619) 594-0206.

Thursday, Nov. 10

SEMINAR: The Small Business Development & International Trade Center presents an export documentation seminar. 8:30 a.m.-noon. \$25. Pt. Loma Nazarene University Mission Valley Campus, 4007 Camino del Rio S. Ste. 207. (619) 482-6392. sbditc.org.

Friday, Nov. 11

FORUM: New York Attorney General Eliot Spitzer is featured as speaker at a Corporate Directors Forum program. Spitzer's topics will bring transparency and liability into the markets of state attorneys general and trends in prosecution. 7 to 9a.m. Free for Corporate

Directors Forum members. Free for nonmembers. Reservations required. Call (858) 455-

Monday, Nov. 14

DISCUSSION: USD Nonprofit Lead-ership & Management Program and the Sycuan Band will hold an ethics dialog series, "Beyond Regulation: Creating an Ethical Framework for San Diego's Nonprofits." The first session is "Trends in Government Regulation and Self Regulation." Subsequent meetings will be held the second Thursday of each month. 2-4p.m. \$15. Subsequent breakfast meetings free. University of San Diego's Institute for Peace & Justice. Call Laura Deitrick or Audrey McNabb, (619) 260-2903 to register.

Tuesday, Nov. 15

PROGRAM: Tie San Diego, a nonprofit organization promoting entrepreneurship, will present "Building a Sustainable Biopharmaceutical Company" featuring Daniel Bradbury, COO of Amylin Pharmaceuticals. 6-9p.m. Members \$35 with online registration, \$40 at door; nonmembers \$45, \$50 at door; student members \$20. La Jolla Woman's Club, 715 Silverado St., La Jolla. For more information, call (858) 603-2656 or visit tiesandiego.org.

SEMINARS: Cathryn Low, v.p. of Burnham Real Estate's Multifamily Services Group, will moderate two seminars: "Condo Conversion Options for Apartment Owners" from 9:30a.m. to noon; and "The Current Condo Conversion Scene: Stop, Look and Listen" from 1:30 to 4p.m. Free. Sheraton Mission Valley, 1433 Camino del Rio South. To register, call Erika at

(858) 558-5654.

Wednesday, Nov. 16

SEMINAR: Sullivan Group Real Estate Advisors will make a presentation on the buoyancy of home prices brought by growth and sustained low interest rates. 7:30-9:15a.m. \$40 with registration, \$50 at the door. Hilton Torrey Pines, 10950 North Torrey Pines Road, La Jolla. For information, visit sullivan-groupadvisors.com or call Lisa Thiem at (858) 523-0946, Ext. 229.

Thursday, Nov. 17

EVENT: San Diego Tech Coast Angels will host a "Meet the Angels" event for emerging companies. San Diego entrepreneurs will discuss their startup companies and potential investment opportunities. This event is by invitation only, one person per company, and is free. For program information, call (858) 964-1309.

EXPO: SafeNet and the San Diego North EDC will host a "Security & Emerging Technologies Expo" featuring displays by the region's cutting-edge securities technology developers, designers, integrators and service providers. 9a.m.-5p.m. California Center for the Arts, 340 N. Escondido Blvd. For information, call (760) 598-9311 or visit sandiegonorthedc.org.

BREAKFAST: The Biocom Monthly Breakfast will feature Ernst & Young presenting its annual review of the biotechnology industry based on its 2005 Biotech Report, Beyond Borders. Will include local versus national data. 7 to 9a.m. La Jolla Marriott. \$45 for Biocom members, \$35 if registered by Nov. 15; \$75 for nonmembers, \$65 if registered by Nov. 15. Marriott La Jolla, 4240 La Jolla Village Drive, La Jolla. Register at biocom.org.

Friday, Nov. 18

WORKSHOP: The San Diego section of the American Planning Association hosts a workshop on "New Urbanism" featuring Peter

Katz, one of the founders of the movement. He is author of "The New Urbanism: Toward an Architecture of Community" and executive director of the Congress for the New Urbanism. 8a.m. to 12:30p.m. \$60 for APA members, \$75 for nonmembers, \$15 for students. Holiday Inn on the Bay, 1355 North Harbor Drive, Downtown San Diego. Make reservations online at sdapa.org.

Saturday, Nov. 19

WORKSHOP: The William J. von Liebig Center for Entrepreneurism, the National Collegiate Inventors and Innovators Alliance and Venture Forth will co-host this year's Invention to Venture workshop. Designed for students, faculty, entrepreneurs, business leaders and investors interested in cutting-edge technologies. 8:30a.m. to 2:30p.m. \$25 for students, \$50 for faculty and staff, \$10 extra for onsite registration. Faculty Club at UCSD. To register, go online to nciia.org.

Monday, Nov. 21

CONFERENCE: The University of San Diego's Burnham-Moores Center for Real Estate and ULI San Diego/Tijuana will host a Special Trends Conference. Featured topics include "Capital Markets Beyond Wall Street: Opportunities and Challenges;" "Companies Growing or Going: Why?;" and "Major Property Types: How Does 2005 Translate Into 2006?" 7:30-11:45a.m. \$155 per person. \$1,550 for a table of 10. Jenny Craig Pavilion, University of San Diego, 5998 Alcalá Park. (800) 321-5011.

Thursday, Dec. 8

SEMINAR: Klinedinst Law Firm presents its eighth annual **Employment Law Symposium**. The seminar provides information and tips for managers, business owners and HR professionals. 8a.m.-4p.m. \$135. Marriott Mission Valley, 8757 Rio San Diego Drive, San Diego. Call (619) 239-8131, Ext. 2223, for information. ♦

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Inamori Foundation Presents 21st Annual Kyoto Prizes for Lifetime Achievements in Technology, Science, and the Arts; American LCD Inventor, American Ecologist and Austrian Conductor Recognized for Bettering Humanity



The Inamori Foundation's 2005 Kyoto Prize laureates, from left, are Dr. George H. Heilmeyer, 69, of Dallas, in Advanced Technology; Professor Simon A. Levin, 64, of Princeton, N.J., in Basic Science; and Maestro Nikolaus Harnoncourt, 75, of St. Georgen, Austria, in Arts and Philosophy. (Photo: Business Wire)

KYOTO, Japan--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Nov. 10, 2005--The Inamori Foundation (President: Dr. Kazuo Inamori) today presented its 21st Annual Kyoto Prizes. Considered among the world's leading awards for lifetime achievement, the Kyoto Prizes are presented annually to individuals and groups worldwide who have contributed significantly to human progress in the areas of "Advanced Technology," "Basic Sciences," and "Arts and Philosophy."

Amid the grandeur of the Kyoto International Conference Hall and Japan's Imperial family, each laureate received a diploma, a Kyoto Prize Medal of 20-karat gold, and a cash gift of 10 million yen (approximately US\$425,000) during the prize ceremony, with workshops and lectures continuing through November 12. In addition, the laureates will convene in San Diego, Calif., April 18-20, 2006, for the 21st Annual Kyoto Laureate Symposium at San Diego State University; the University of California, San Diego; and the University of San Diego.

Advanced Technology

The 2005 Kyoto Prize in Advanced Technology, chosen from the field of Electronics, was presented to Dr. George H. Heilmeyer, 69, of Dallas. Dr. Heilmeyer, chairman emeritus of Telcordia Technologies, Inc., received the award for his groundbreaking research in the field of liquid crystals and his direct contributions to the development of the liquid crystal display (LCD). LCDs are now indispensable to our modern society in applications ranging from palm-sized mobile phones to the most advanced home theater systems, laptop computers, video games, digital wristwatches, cameras and home appliances.

Basic Sciences

The 2005 Kyoto Prize in Basic Sciences, chosen from the field of Biological Sciences, was presented to Simon A. Levin, 64, of Princeton, NJ. Levin, a professor at Princeton University, received the award for establishing the field of "spatial ecology" and expanding scientific understanding of the biosphere as a "complex adaptive system." His work illustrates how the loss of biodiversity has created direct threats to human survival, and identifies a series of actions urgently necessary for maintaining biodiversity.

Arts and Philosophy

The 2005 Kyoto Prize in Arts and Philosophy, chosen from the field of Music, was presented to Maestro Nikolaus Harnoncourt, 75, of St. Georgen, Austria. Maestro Harnoncourt received the award for his exceptional creativity as a conductor and performer who has contributed to the establishment of the "historically informed performance" of European early music, and who has extended his principles and interpretation to modern music as well. Mr. Harnoncourt has emerged as a pioneer who has broadened the boundaries of music by exploring its historical context both as a theorist and a practitioner.

About the Inamori Foundation

The Inamori Foundation was established in 1984 by Dr. Kazuo Inamori, Founder and Chairman Emeritus of Kyocera Corporation. The Kyoto Prize was founded in 1985, in line with Dr. Inamori's belief that man has no higher calling than to strive for the greater good of society, and that mankind's future can be assured only when there is a balance between our scientific progress and our spiritual depth. As of November 10, 2005, the Kyoto Prize has been awarded to 69 laureates from 12 nations -- ranging from scientists, engineers and researchers to philosophers, painters, architects, sculptors, musicians and film directors. The United States has produced the most recipients, with 31 laureates, followed by the United Kingdom (nine), Japan (eight) and France (seven).


Full release and photos available at: <http://www.kyotoprize.org>

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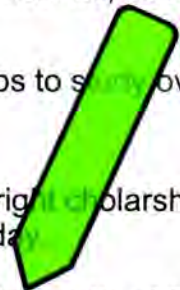
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Giving thanks and football at Santa Margarita

By FRANK MICKADEIT

The Orange County Register

You should come out to our flag football tournament," **Patrick Strader** said to me a couple of Friday evenings ago as we sat at Gulfstream, reducing a pair of Cohibas to so much ash.

Right, I'm thinking. That's what I want to do on Thanksgiving weekend: watch a bunch of has-been athletes play a sloppy brand of pigskin. I could get that just watching the Detroit Lions on TV.

"Last year there were fights!" Patrick said.

Well, now you're talking.

With great hope on Friday morning, I drove to the football fields at Santa Margarita Catholic High School. I didn't find any fistfights, but I did find a fight.

On the sidelines, rolling around the blue synthetic track in a wheelchair, I found **Damien Minna**, a former Santa Margarita player who is fighting to walk again.

On the surrounding fields, I found 220 guys, most of them Santa Margarita alumni. **Patrick Strader** (Class of '94), playing football. By paying between \$350 and \$1,000 a team to enter the tournament, the guys are helping Minna in his fight.

On the sidelines, I found a couple of hundred parents and alumni selling concessions and participating in a silent auction, also helping Minna fight.

The Second Annual Damien Minna Football Tournament was under way.

Minna was a star at Santa Margarita, a CIF Defensive Player of the Year, graduating in 1997. College football didn't work out, but by the summer of 2004 he had graduated from the University of San Diego with a degree in business communications. On Aug. 23, he was to have started a new job with a good company - "a cubicle job," he calls it now.

The Saturday before, while vacationing with his family on Lake Mead, he dived into the water. As my colleague **William Wheeler** wrote, Minna "entered the shallow water a strong and healthy 25-year-old. He floated to the surface a quadriplegic."

Considering the severe lesion to Minna's spinal cord, doctors in Las Vegas and Denver gave him little or no chance he'd regain mobility below his neck. He told one doctor at his bedside he didn't want to hear anything about percentages or odds; he just wanted to know - yes or no - had any person with his injury ever walked again? Yes, the doctor said.

Last Thanksgiving weekend, while Minna was still in Denver and almost completely immobile, his friends held the first flag football tournament to help his family pay the bills. It raised almost \$40,000. Proceeds went to a home-care nurse, medical supplies and transportation to the special clinic in Carlsbad where he works with physical therapists five days a week.

He can now move his hands and arms. A couple of weeks ago, he stood up with assistance and, for the first time since his accident, felt the ground beneath his feet.

"I can move a good portion of my body," Minna told me as we chatted on the sidelines. "All I need to do is get stronger."

The football was of surprising quality, given the teams are pretty much thrown together.

But then again, most of the players had played at Santa Margarita - it's believed that every class back to the charter class of 1991 had at least one representative on the field - and several had played in college. (No, **Carson Palmer**, Class of '98, did not show, although he donated autographed items to the auction.)

Natural athletic ability could not be denied. Strader's team, for example, the black-clad "Altar Boys," featured **Mike Maxwell**, a quarterback who played at pass-happy Nevada-Reno in the early '90s. When he was in sync with his receivers Friday, it was impressive.

And while I didn't see any fights, I did see RSM mayor/dean of students/referee **Jerry Holloway** kick several players out of games, sending them to the sideline muttering things real altar boys used to get a hundred Hail Marys for saying.

Was I wrong to sense there's almost a joyous feeling emanating from the Minnas? That they consider themselves more blessed than, say, a family who hasn't had a son crippled?

As I'm over at the concession stand getting coffee, **Dennis Minna**, Damien's father, says to me: "A couple of weeks ago, (Damien) told me he thanks God every day that this happened to him. And a couple of months before that, he told me, 'I'm not ready to get better yet, because there's something more I need to learn from this.'"

When I ask Damien about what he's going to do once he's recovered, he almost scoffs at the notion of going into "a cubicle job."

"My hope is that I can help someone feel the way I feel," Damien says. Feeling, as another athlete once said, "like the luckiest man on the face of the Earth."

"I'll work the rest of my life," Minna said, "to pay it forward."

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BYLINE: KENDRA HOGUE, The Oregonian

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It's not unusual for extended families to see each other just a few times a year, with Thanksgiving and Christmas tops on the list.

But for Larry Brown's family, getting together is an everyday thing; no turkey required.

Luxury-home builder Brown sees his three grown children -- 43-year-old Marilyn, 42-year-old Sharon and 36-year-old Scott -- every weekday at work.

Though they joined Portland-based Larry Brown Inc. at different times, in different capacities and for different reasons, the next generation of Browns now run the company started by their dad in 1957.

Marilyn and Scott purchased the company from their father two years ago, but Larry's still the first one at the office each day, eager to pitch in where he can.

"When the kids were growing up, I didn't get to spend much time with them," said Larry, now 76 and recently widowed.

At his peak production in the 1970s, Brown said he was "huffing and puffing" to build 26 homes a year. "Now I feel very blessed. I get to see and talk to them every day."

Larry even goes to the gym regularly with his daughter Marilyn, with whom he's training for a decathlon.

A teen's dream

These days, Larry Brown Inc. builds about six homes per year. The houses are upscale, priced from about \$700,000 to \$1.4 million with high-end finishes and features (see related story, Page H4).

Larry Brown houses typically sell quickly and the company has a fan base that includes buyers who have purchased multiple homes over the years.

Bob Lovitz and his wife, Laura Mellick, have purchased three Larry Brown homes since 1993 for their growing family: a spec home, a semi-custom home and most recently, a custom home that they moved into three years ago.

"We've made a ton of money on the ones we've sold," said Mellick, who credits the quality of the homes more than the strength of the market.

"They do great finishes, gorgeous work and they have a knack for putting in windows so you have a great views and great

privacy," said Mellick. "We really love the family. They're honest, every detail is taken care of, and they hold your hand through the whole thing."

"I'm so proud of the kids," said Larry. "They treat customers with integrity and they build a great home."

To date, the company has built nearly 800 homes and rowhouses and developed more than 1,000 lots. To keep afloat during downturns in the new home market, Larry also invested in apartment buildings, which the company still owns.

The company has come a long way from its bootstrap beginnings.

At age 16, Larry Brown scraped together \$200 he'd saved from his paper-route earnings and purchased a tax-delinquent lot he'd seen advertised in the newspaper.

He sold the lot for \$500 --making a tidy profit --and caught early-onset real estate fever. After a stint at Oregon State University, where he studied business and building technology, Brown worked for builders and investment companies, buying up land at prices that now seem like pocket change.

Brown was 27 before he built his first home, a modest 1,100-square-foot ranch with a one-car garage. He invested \$1,500 with another partner.

"We sold the house for \$10,650," remembers Brown with remarkable precision, looking at a photo of the 48-year-old house and grumbling over the fact that he couldn't fit in a two-car garage.

Son Scott, who now runs the construction side of the business, is impressed by his father's recall for such details --as well as his innate sense of how to build a home properly.

"Dad can walk in a house, grab a stud and tell me whether it's dry or not," said Scott, who, like most contractors, uses a moisture meter on studs before installing drywall.

Second generation

Scott and his sisters have been around the construction business since they were children.

"We swept out houses when we were kids," said Marilyn, not-so-fondly remembering the dusty days before shop vacs.

"On Sunday, it was church, brunch, then we'd look at houses or clean up houses," said Sharon.

Marilyn went off to college at Santa Clara University and spent 10 years in the Bay Area in commercial real estate.

"I had no intention of coming home, but I decided it was time for a change. Dad said, 'Why don't you try it for a year?' I came home in 1991 and I really liked it."

Marilyn's role is to find land to purchase, work on house plans, subdivision development and interiors. A broker, she also sells the homes, putting to use her degree in real estate and marketing.

Her brother held out a little longer from joining the family business.

When he was younger, Scott said, "Dad would ask me all the time, 'Do you want to build homes?,' and it was an emphatic 'No! I wanted to build race cars.'"

After high school, he followed his big sister to Santa Clara University and got a mechanical engineering degree, then worked at an engineering firm for three years.

Everything changed in 1994, when Larry fell ill. Scott was supposed to get married in California, but he left his fiancée behind to come help his dad for awhile. After they were married, Scott and his wife moved back to Oregon, and Scott joined the company for good.

Sharon, meanwhile, attended the University of San Diego and moved to Seattle, where she worked as a manager for Northwest Airlines. She moved back to Portland in 2000 and joined the family business, where she manages the apartment properties.

The three siblings cherish the time they get to spend with their dad, especially since their mother, Dori, died this summer. And Scott has come to love the home-building business he scorned in his younger days.

"This is what I do," said Scott. "And I take a lot of pride in what I do. I can't cut corners. This is my art."

Scott and his sisters also have taken their dad's motto to heart:

"My business philosophy," said Larry, "is one, to build a good home; two, to try to have a satisfied customer; and three, to try to make a profit. If you do it in that order, it'll take care of itself."

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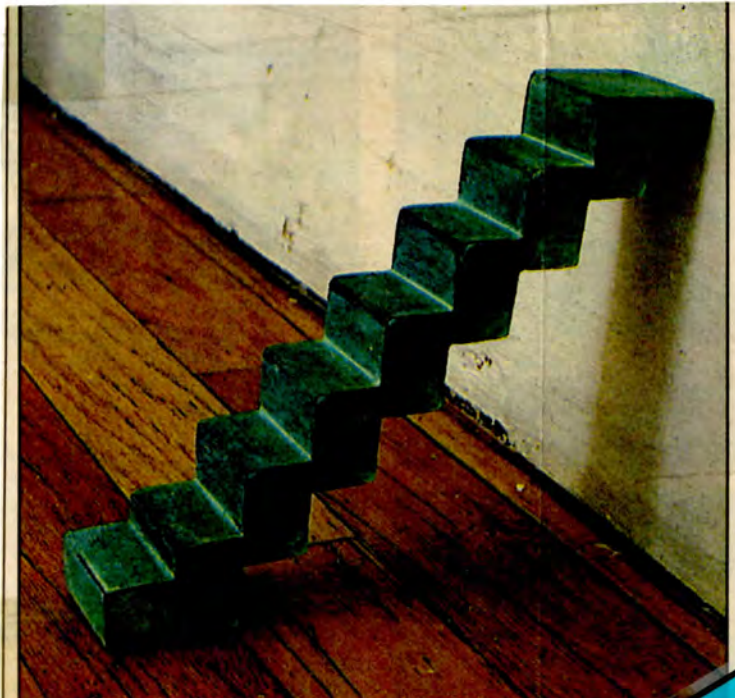
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TO NOWHERE A staircase is part of Sarah Doherty's exhibition about loss and transition, "A Being of Intermittencies – Between Already and Not Yet," on view in the Fine Arts Galleries of the Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice at the University of San Diego. Sarah Doherty



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Sarah Doherty

REACHING FOR MORE

Far from just painting pretty pictures, artist Sarah Doherty uses sculpture, video and sound to explore, as she describes it, "the experience of oppositions and tensions exist within moments of loss and transition." An exhibit that truly must be seen first and believed later, *A Being of Intermediate States—Between Already and Not Yet*, opens **Thursday, Nov. 10**, at 5:30 p.m. in the Fine Arts Gallery of USD's Joan B. Kroc Institute for Peace & Justice, 5998 Alcala Park, Linda Vista. 619-260-4261.

Oddly attractive: *Entropy* and *kitsch*—they're both fantastic words. The idea that everything is steadily and inevitably deteriorating and moving toward chaos is sadistically romantic, and art that purposely celebrates all that is tacky and flashy is somehow hideously desirable. James Ellsworth Noland III brings both concepts to the fore in his new sculptural installation, *Entropic Kitsch*, opening at 6 p.m. **Saturday, Nov. 12**, at the Axis Mundi Gallery, 635 Seventh Ave., Downtown. 619-813-5063.

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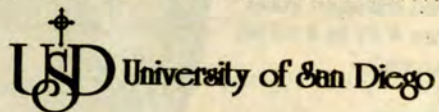
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Enough is Enough

Do Our Kids Have Too Much?

Karen Gervais, Ph.D.

Middle-schooler Elijah had decided he was going to play in the school band. But when the teacher told him he couldn't play the guitar because it wasn't offered at his level, he was furious. His parents had already purchased a new guitar for him, and he defiantly told the teacher, "My dad's going to call you and tell you I can play if I want to."

Sadly, for many teachers and those who work with children, the Elijahs of the world are becoming more commonplace in the classroom, on the sports team and perhaps in our own homes.

The children of well-intentioned parents, these kids have access to every new fad, electronic gizmo, technical toy, class, lesson or opportunity available. Elijah's new guitar will fit in somewhere near the latest computer, X-box, TV or iPod. And the lessons will be layered on the whirlwind of activity that taps every parental resource - time, money and effort - all focused on one 12-year-old boy.

Like all parents, Elijah's parents want the best for him. What parent doesn't? But when does enough turn into too much? When does providing for our kids turn into overindulging them?

Researchers and child-development experts are grappling with that question, and some are concerned with what they are finding. They believe many parents are crossing healthy boundaries and providing too much stuff, too many excuses for poor behaviors and not enough emphasis on teaching important life-coping skills.

"The result is that kids have a demanding quality, a belief that they should receive something without putting in the effort. They feel entitled. Whether it's a new iPod or a grade they believe they should have received, they want it. Now. And they want Mom and Dad to get it for them," says Jeanne Anthony, a Ramona-based author and licensed clinical social worker.

“ Whether it's buying yet another Barbie because Amanda would love it, or complaining about Jason's dorm-room assignment to the school, this emphasis on parents providing everything possible interferes with a child's natural development. ”

And, too often, Mom and Dad come through. A survey by Dan Kindlon, author of "Too Much of a Good Thing," interviewed more than 1,000 parents and 650 teens. He found that 60 percent of parents thought their kids were spoiled and that 15 percent of the teens agreed.

Depending on how a parent wants to define overindulging, it's easy for most well-intentioned parents to ignore that little voice in their head that tells them Susie doesn't need professional manicures at 15, a cell phone at 10 or more toys at any age.

It's about the stuff, agrees Dr. Louise Stanger, director of alcohol and other

drug services at the University of San Diego, but it's also about parents over-managing their kids' lives. "Parents bail their children out when they get into trouble," she says. "The parents are trying to solve their kids' problems instead of letting their kids learn to sort things out."

"This hurts the kids long-term. By the time they get to college, they don't know how to manage their time, how to complete assignments on their own, how to live with a roommate, share a bathroom or negotiate and compromise."

Anthony sees this with the families she works with. "While parents of younger kids think they are helping them by managing every detail of their lives and meeting their every material need with more stuff, they aren't," she says. "They're hurting them. These kids get used to their parents coming to the rescue, and if the parents don't respond, the kids get furious."

Whether it's buying yet another Barbie because Amanda would love it, or complaining about Jason's dorm-room assignment to the school, this emphasis on parents providing everything possible interferes with a child's natural development. Building a sense of competency in the world is a crucial developmental task for children and one parents can't accomplish on their kids behalf.

"Children need a certain amount of struggle to build strength and learn to deal with discomfort and tough times," Anthony says. "They need to know they can handle life."

In a 2002 survey of research on children who grow up overindulged, authors David Bredehoft, Jean Illsley Clarke and Connie Dawson noted a link between being overindulged as a child and problems in adulthood: "Overindulged children grow up in an unrealistic world and as a result they fail to learn skills such as perseverance, coping with failure in effective ways and getting along with others." The findings from this study paint a less-than-happy picture for adults who were overindulged as children.

But too much stuff and overly invested parents are just two legs on the overindulged stool. The third leg is a lack of rules and consequences for breaking

rules. Overindulged children come from homes where the rules are highly flexible, not predictably enforced, easily modified (if the child protests enough) and consequences are inconsistent.

No one believes parents set out to be ineffective, but their desire to do the right things can be compromised by enormous pressures from work, time constraints and stressful lives. "Pressures from the outside world make it tough to exert discipline," author Kindlon told WebMD.com.

Adding to the parents' pressure is the greater pressure the kids face from academics and extracurricular activities. Throw in the current trend of a generally more lenient society and it's easy to see how parents aren't as strict about the rules they set, Kindlon notes.

Even simple things such as family standards about table manners or saying "thank you" can get lost in the rush. How do kids learn table manners, let alone the nuances of conversation when mealtime is fast food in front of the SUV's DVD player? Are parents too busy to teach and enforce the rules that we all assume we live by?

Corinne Gregory, president of The PoliteChild (<http://politechild.com>), has a number of clients whose parents are concerned about their children not only learning good manners, but also good social skills. Both require the parent to forgo being the child's best friend and learning to say no, she says.

"No one wants to be the discipline police, but many parents are afraid to say no. That's a hard word," she says. "But what we are talking about is respect and gratitude; respect for self, respect for others and gratitude for what we have. Our value is not in proportion to our stuff and our net worth. The capacity to look beyond our own selves is a tenet of a functioning society."

How do parents know if they are overindulging their children? The American Society of Professional Education offers PTA, teachers and other groups a seminar on overindulged children.

The seminar poses these questions: "When your children ask you for something, do you say no, then maybe and eventually yes? Do you give your children toys and games other than on

birthdays and holidays? Do you ever discipline your children and then reduce the penalty? Does your child have a TV, computer or both in their bedroom? In spite of everything you have given your child, do you feel detached from your child?"

If some of these questions ring true, experts offer a few starting points to stop overindulging your children:

- 1) Stop buying so much stuff. You are not a bad parent if you say no.
- 2) Teach money management. Laura Anthony advises giving kids three jars for money – one for fun, one for giving and one for saving. Have kids keep track of their earnings and review how much they spent on themselves and how much on others.
- 3) Set limits around TV and computer time. Reconsider having these in your kids' rooms.
- 4) Recognize that no matter how much stuff you give, what your kids really want is your time. Turn off the DVD in your car and talk to your kids. Have family dinner at least three times a week and spend time together.
- 5) Use family time to set family rules and stick with them. Have consequences that mean something and that the kids know they can count on.
- 6) Have private time alone with each child. Bedtime is a great opportunity to listen to your kids. Anthony suggests asking, "Is there something you wanted to tell me but didn't?" or "Is there something you wanted to tell me, but it seemed like I didn't have the time to hear?"
- 7) Get your kids connected to the community through service. All kids want to be a part of a solution. Find opportunities through school, church, synagogue or sports teams to do something for someone else.
- 8) Be a role model. The PoliteChild's Gregory asks her parents to visualize their children when they are grown. What kind of people are they? What are you doing, teaching and modeling that will help them get there? ♦

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Cabrillo students use software to get in "the zone"

BY SORAYA GUTIERREZ

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APTOS — Kimberly Sweat is training her heart and mind to get "in the zone."

She is one of nine students in a Cabrillo College pilot program that uses computer software to try to reduce stress at a time when stress at colleges and universities is on the rise.

In the library's Learning Skills lab, Sweat is hooked up to an ear sensor and asked to focus on her breathing. The sensor measures her heart rate and displays it on the computer screen. As she practices her breathing technique and thinks of people or things she values, the gray image on the screen lights up with colors and shapes.

"It helps me especially on Mondays. I was getting so stressed out I was crying," Sweat said.

The computer technology is called HeartMath and was developed by the Institute of HeartMath, a research and education nonprofit based in Boulder Creek. It's designed to reduce anxiety by helping students get their heart, brain and nervous system working in sync.

"It's like seeing yourself meditating," Cabrillo learning disabilities specialist Richard Griffiths said.

Cabrillo is the first local college to use the program, though schools including Brigham Young University, Clemson University, the University of San Diego and Stanford use it.

But some psychologists don't agree this new method will benefit Cabrillo students, calling it "classic pseudoscience."

Cabrillo psychology instructor Terry Fetterman said though the intentions are good, HeartMath sounds like "silly stuff."

Silly or not, stress among college students is on the rise across the nation.

According to a UCLA survey of college freshman, students are dealing with stress more often than 15 years ago. More than 30 percent of college freshmen report feeling overwhelmed a great deal of the time. Forty percent of college women report feeling frequently overwhelmed.

The main factors are the pressure to succeed, taking exams, writing papers and meeting deadlines, National Mental Health Association spokeswoman Heather Cobb said. Added to the mix are social pressures such as sex and drinking.

Griffiths and Cabrillo counselor Pattie Tomnitz will teach a Math Study Skills class and lab next spring.

Once students know what "the zone" feels like and how to get there, they feel empowered and are able to access the information they've learned, Tomnitz said.

If they're stressed, or out of sync, the heart-brain connection is lost and anxiety takes over, causing a mental block.

Fetterman doesn't believe there's any scientific basis behind this.

"You've got to take a look at the science, and that doesn't seem to be happening," he said.

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HSBC Mexico and Big River Telephone Win Gartner CRM Excellence Awards

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Gartner, Inc. announced the winners of its seventh annual CRM Excellence Awards. The awards, which were organized in cooperation with 1to1 Magazine, were given to HSBC Mexico in the large enterprise category and Big River Telephone in the small-to-midsize category. As reported earlier, Gartner also presented a CRM Innovator Award to Pitney Bowes, and a 2005 CRM Excellence Award to Bankinter in Europe.

The awards, which are given to the enterprise that most clearly demonstrates excellence in customer relationship management (CRM) initiatives, were presented during Gartner's CRM Summit, held October 31-November 2 in San Diego.

Six award finalists - Citigroup and Immigration Canada, Honeywell Aerospace, and HSBC in the large enterprise category, and Accept Salijutveckling, Big River Telephone, and University of San Diego in the small-to-midsize category - were selected by Gartner to present their case studies at the Summit to more than 500 attendees who provided their feedback as to which company they believed did the best job overall.

The criteria used in evaluating CRM Excellence Award candidates included components defined in Gartner's Eight Building Blocks of CRM: CRM vision, CRM strategy, valued customer experience, organizational collaboration, CRM processes, CRM information, CRM technology and CRM metrics.

"Each winner demonstrated a well-planned, well-executed, goal-oriented approach to their project that improved the overall relationship with their customers while providing substantial bottom-line business results," said Adam Sarner, principal analyst at Gartner and CRM Summit conference chair.

"At HSBC Mexico, we are honored and delighted to receive the CRM Excellence Award for the second time in four years,"



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said Rafael Arana, head of Personal Finance Services at **HSBC Mexico**. "For us, it is a great recognition of a truly collective effort at the bank."

"Big River Telephone is honored to receive the CRM Excellence Award," said Kevin Cantwell, president of **Big River Telephone**. "This recognition continues to validate the efforts by Big River Telephone employees who understand that the customer is the reason why we are in business."

This year, Gartner also presented a CRM Innovator Award to **Pitney Bowes**. This award is given for the CRM project that displays the most innovative use of CRM technologies and strategies.

"We were very impressed with the quality of the projects presented through the Gartner CRM Excellence and Innovator Awards," said Ginger Conlon, editor in chief of 1to1 Magazine. "Each of the finalists achieved outstanding business impact through well thought out and executed strategies. The three winners were truly the best of the best in leveraging CRM's potential."

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CAREER PROS: Students Stressed Over Career Choices

by Michael Kinsman

As a career counselor, Linda Scales has lived through the days of graduating college seniors complaining about their job prospects. But today, the director of career services at the University of San Diego thinks the issue has changed direction.

"I really think there may be too many options out there for graduates," Scales believes. "Students are telling me they are overwhelmed by their choices."

In the view of some, this might actually seem like a rather pleasant problem. Yet, Scales says having a wide range of options can be intimidating, simply because of the pressure the students put on themselves to make the right choice.

"They are asking themselves if they can see a career path if they start in a particular industry," she says. "They wonder if they begin law school, whether they will consider it a worthwhile experience if they decide later they don't want to become a lawyer."

Certainly, the stakes seem higher today than ever when choosing a career. High school students take internships and do community service work just so they can get into the college of their choosing to pursue a major that will lead them to a certain career.

Career counselor Richard Bolles, author of the timeless *What Color Is Your Parachute?* reports that one in four college graduates winds up underemployed or without a job.

Tentative First Step

It's easy to see why young people get so worked up about that first career step.

But Rebecca Haddock, regional director of communications and outreach for High Tech High School in San Diego, offers some wisdom to young jobseekers. "There is no perfect job, so why should you put pressure on yourself to find one?" she asks.

Instead, Haddock would prefer that students make education a priority until they feel comfortable making a career choice.

"Choosing a career is a major decision and some young people are not mature enough to handle making such a big decision," she adds. "At the same time, you don't want people to use that as an excuse to drop out of college or not go to college at all.

"How many 28- or 29-year-olds wish they could be back in college again?"

Yet, most people go through a serious consideration of career options early in their lives, knowing how a job choice can help shape their future.

Real-World Relevance

Doug Elliot, a school-to-career coordinator at a Southern California high school, encourages parents to counsel their children and help them find internships or job shadowing experiences in careers they may eventually want to pursue.

"You have to do something to get students connected to the world of work to show the relevance of their education," he reasons. "If you can get them into a work situation that they want to pursue as a career, that can often motivate them to study harder."

Elliot insists too many students take part-time jobs that lead them nowhere and teach them nothing about the career they might eventually pursue.

"You have to find a goal out there," he insists. "Even if it's a fuzzy goal, it still leads you in a direction."

Scales has been seeking to defuse the stress college graduates feel by giving them the freedom to experiment. "I tell them that if they want to work for a hotel for a year and then take a job abroad they should. Feeling free to do that and then evaluating the experience without pressure often helps them clarify exactly what they want to do."

Scales has been surprised by the attitudes of parents toward the career-planning process.

"Students today seem more close to their parents these days, and that's very healthy," she declares. "From what I can tell, the parents understand the need for their children to have experiences away from their career intentions and support them in that."

There is a deep wisdom there that young people can learn from. Don't really worry about where your career takes you, but enjoy the adventure every day and you'll probably be happy where you end up.

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Preparing for college is a multi-step process – and don't forget the scores

By Gloria Tierney
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Competition for college admissions is tough and getting tougher.

Every year, more and more students compete with each other to attend a four-year college. Last year the University of California, San Diego (UCSD) had 40,000 applications and admitted 17,800, or 45 percent according to Mae Brown, assistant vice chancellor of admissions and enrollment services at UCSD. The University of San Diego (USD) accepted a little more than half of all applicants last year and expects to accept a little fewer than 50 percent this year, said Edgar Montes, admission counselor there.

In addition to grade point average, students applying to college are accepted on the basis of standardized test scores such as the Scholastic Achievement Test, which includes math,

reading comprehension, vocabulary and an essay, and tests on individual subjects such as history and language. To get into UCSD, for example, a student has to score at least 1200 on both categories of tests.

However, test scores are not the only meter.

"We look at students who have challenged themselves in most of the courses they've taken," said Montes. "We recognize that every school is different. Still, we expect students to be the best and to avail themselves of the best their school has to offer."

Schools also give special weight to honors and advanced placement classes and to the international baccalaureate diploma program, a comprehensive two-year international curriculum designed for highly motivated secondary students.

Noted for its rigor, the program offers a common curriculum and well-defined levels of

achievement that are recognized by universities around the world. The diploma program is available in several area high schools, including San Diego, Rancho Buena Vista, Castle Park, Coronado and Oceanside.

Having top grades and test scores and taking honors classes is still just the beginning. Most students have done something that makes them stand out, according to Art Northrop of College and University Counseling Associates

"Unless you can walk on water academically, you need to do something outside the classroom that sets you apart," he advised. And one needs to convey extracurricular talents.

"I had a student at Ramona High who earned good grades and who did well on her SATs, but it was her work at a local hospice that earned her a spot at a leading university," said Northrop. "In her essay she talked about what she did at the

hospice, helping patients get into bed or reading to them. She also talked about the sadness she felt when she went back the following week and some of her friends were no longer there. Her words not only conveyed her concern, but also her passion."

A person who is passionate about dunking a basketball or playing the violin may also be a desirable college candidate, according to Northrop.

But, most importantly, according to most admission officers, contributions to a community loom large. "The kind of contributions a student has made to the community tells us what kind of person they are going to be in the classroom and in the dorm room (and) how they will interact with the teachers, the staff and other students," said Montes.

Unfortunately, as important as essays are in the application process, not all students take

them seriously. One admissions officer, for instance called 80 percent of the essays he receives "garbage."

"The personal statement helps us gain valuable insight into who this person is," said Brown. But too often, students don't take enough time to write a strong personal statement. "Often they just restate what they've already told us in the application," said Brown.

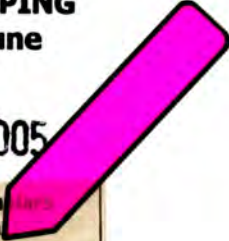
Montes encourages students to have someone look over their statement to make sure that it is well written and conveys what they intend.

At the same time, said Brown, students should visit campuses they are applying to. It doesn't guarantee that the applicant will be accepted, she cautioned, but mentioning a campus visit in a personal essay, does help.

If nothing else, it shows officials that a student is aware of the challenges ahead.

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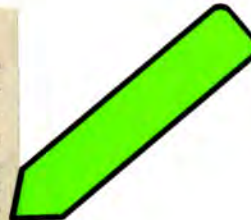
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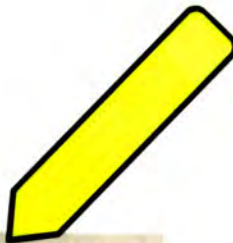
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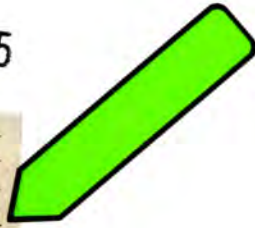
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10th Annual Gospel Jam by local musicians performing contemporary gospel music, Friday, November 11, 6 p.m., in University Center Forum at University of

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TRENDS IN GOVERNMENT REGULATION
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New Deadline for Nominations: November 4, 2005

Awards will be presented in the following categories:

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4. Number of generations currently involved in company and number of generations involved since the company was founded
5. List the company's current locations
6. Give a brief history of your family business and growth in sales, including gross annual sales figures*
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The Bayettes will perform at the annual awards event.

Event And Awards To Recognize Community Leadership

The Bayside Community Center, located at 2202 Comstock Street in Linda Vista, is holding the 3rd Annual Robert "Bob" Williams Award and 73rd Annual Success and Leadership Awards. Nominations have been accepted and the recipients will be announced at the gala reception to be held on Saturday, November 12 at the Doubletree Hotel at Hazard Center in Mission Valley. Evening's entertainment will include dance

performances by the Bayettes, Colleen O'Connor at the grand piano and a USD string quartet. Fall decorations will set the tone for the evening's activities. Sponsors are Sycuan, City National Bank and Blue Cross. Over \$20,000 in auction prizes have been secured for the evening's event.

For information on the event, call (858) 278-0771 or email Nancy Coate at ncoate@baysidecc.org.

Athletics

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**LOCAL
COLLEGES**
**USD finishes
first in poll**

UNION-TRIBUNE

The USD football team was first in the final Sports Network I-AA Mid-Major poll following its 47-40 victory over Morehead State on Saturday in the Pioneer Football League title game.

The Toreros — who were not selected for the 16-team Division I-AA playoffs — finished 11-1. USD will receive the Sports Network Cup on Dec. 15, on the eve of the I-AA championship game in Chattanooga, Tenn.

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USD dreams come true with title

By Jay Posner
STAFF WRITER

It sure didn't look like a championship season when USD's quarterback suffered a torn knee ligament on the first day of spring practice. Or when the Toreros' All-American running back was lost for the season in a freak summer accident.

Toreros
47

Morehead State
40

But when he gathered the Toreros for fall practice, second-year coach Jim Harbaugh asked his players to believe.

"The thing we talked about from the very first night in August was there's going to be obstacles, there's going to be burdens, but the great teams find ways to pull through," Harbaugh recalled.

"I told them the very first night that there was a tremendous story waiting to be written about the 2005 team. And they believed it."

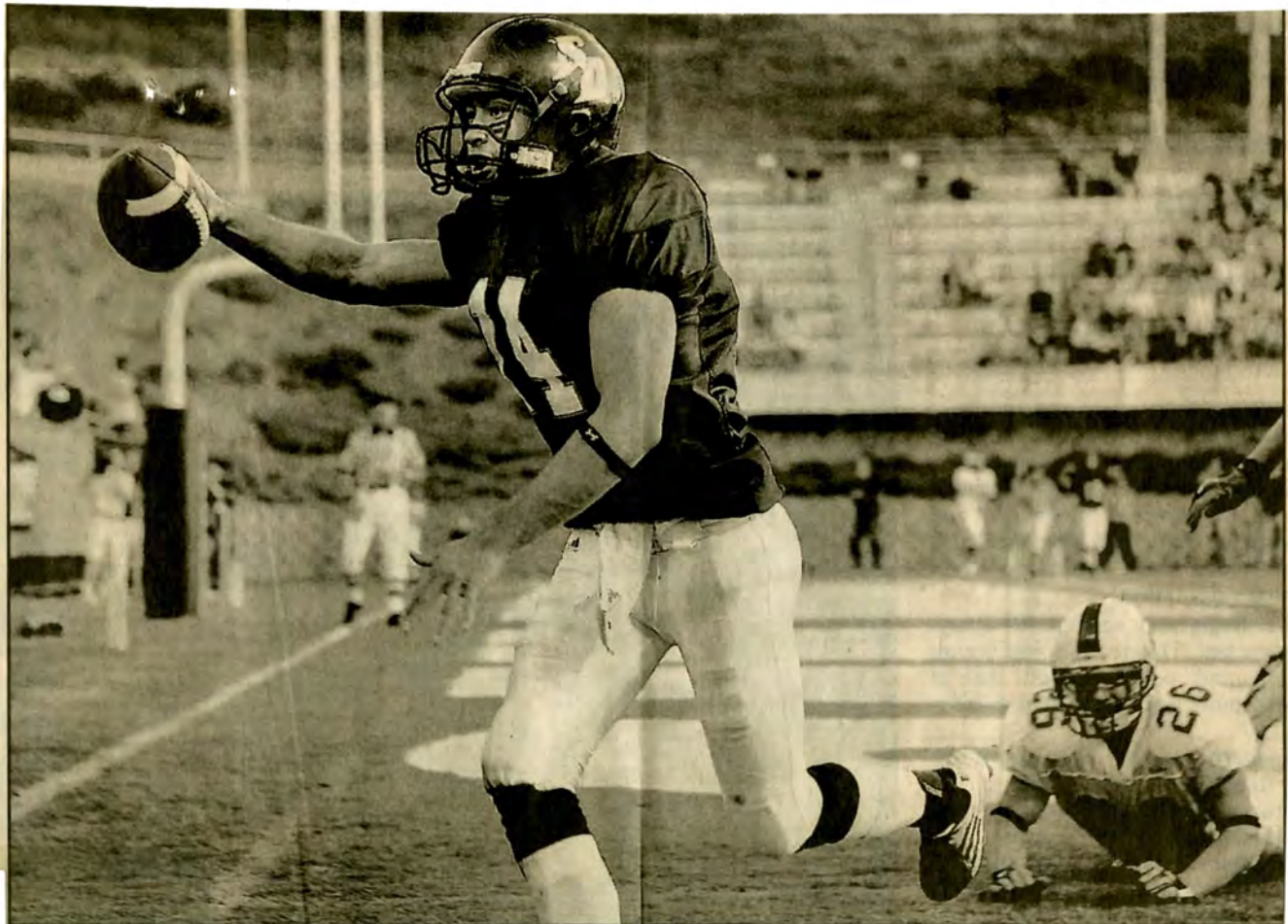
And then they lived it.

Throughout the summer and into the fall, USD set one football first after another. But it would not be the greatest season in Toreros history without one more victory — in last night's Pioneer Football League championship game at Torero Stadium.

"We fought the entire season to find a way to win," Harbaugh said.

So what was one more game? There were obstacles — a kicker who had an off night, some shaky clock management, a defense that suffered one injury after another, not to mention a val-

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Toreros await word on I-AA playoffs

iant opponent — but the Toreros found a way to make one last play and earn a 47-40 victory over Morehead State.

In the end, after 87 points, 1,162 total yards and nearly 3½ hours, the thriller came down to one last pass from Eagles quarterback Brian Yost into the USD end zone. It fell incomplete, and the Toreros and a small but enthusiastic crowd of 2,833 finally could celebrate.

"There's always a guy who steps up when we need it," said Evan Harney, who remained a team captain throughout the season after his freak accident.

The win was USD's 11th in 12 games this season, its 16th in its last 17 games going back to last year, and it clinched the school's first PFL championship. USD will find out today if it was good enough to earn a berth in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs, and while that's a long shot, Harbaugh said he "absolutely feels we deserve it."

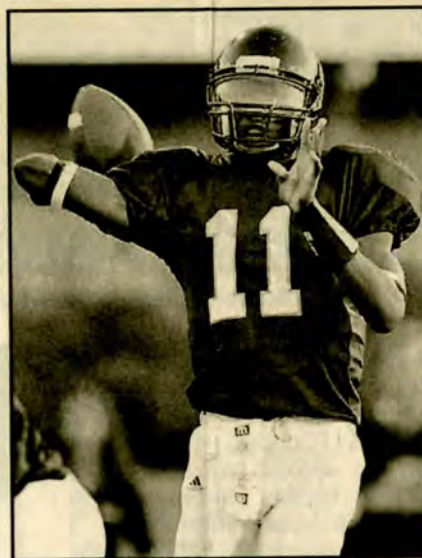
Even if the season is over, though, it will be remembered for a long time around Alcalá Park.

"There's a laundry lists of firsts by these players," Harbaugh said, citing the 11 wins, the league title, a victory over an Ivy League school (Yale) and the No. 1 ranking in the national Mid-Major poll, among others.

"They have set the benchmark for all teams that follow," he said. "Anybody who puts on a USD helmet will be compared to the 2005 team."

Just like anyone who plays quarterback for the Toreros will be compared to Josh Johnson, the Toreros' super sophomore. Johnson was brilliant as always last night, completing 24-of-37 for 375 yards and five touchdowns. He became USD's single-season record holder for yards passing (3,256) and TDs (36), among other categories.

All five TD passes came in the first half as USD rallied from an early 14-6 deficit to take a 34-20 lead. The Toreros increased their advantage to 41-20



USD's Josh Johnson winds up for one of his five first-half touchdown passes against Morehead State.

K.C. Alfred / Union-Tribune

early in the third quarter, but just when it appeared as if the game might turn into a rout, Morehead State (8-4) rallied.

The Eagles, who lost in the PFL title game for the fourth straight year despite gaining 343 rushing yards and 608 total yards, gave up only one score in the final 28:49 and cut the margin to 47-40 with 2:39 left. They actually had two chances after that but failed to score both times after driving inside the USD 40. Four earlier turnovers proved too much to overcome.

"It was frustrating," Johnson said. "We had so many opportunities to put the game away, but we didn't. But I knew the defense would hold up no matter how banged up they were. Guys always step up."

After the game, one of those who stepped up for the trophy presentation was Harney. Harbaugh and the players made sure he wasn't left out.

"This has been so incredible for me," Harney said. "I did everything I could to support the team, and to see them achieve a championship means the world to me."

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"The thing we talked about from the very first night in August was there's going to be obstacles, there's going to be burdens, but the great teams find ways to pull through . . . We fought the entire season to find a way to win."

JIM HARBAUGH, Toreros coach

SCORING

Morehead St.	14	6	14	6	-	40
USD	13	21	7	6	-	47

First Quarter

Mirhd—Cornelius 2 run (A.Jones kick), 10:37.
USD—Matthews 39 pass from J.Johnson (kick failed), 8:24.
Mirhd—McGee 28 run (A.Jones kick), 3:45.
USD—A.Hannula 3 pass from J.Johnson (Parker kick), :48.

Second Quarter

USD—A.Hannula 14 pass from J.Johnson (Parker kick), 13:08.
Mirhd—Vagni 3 pass from Yost (kick failed), 6:53.
USD—Matthews 30 pass from J.Johnson (Parker kick), 3:51.
USD—Garton 13 pass from J.Johnson (Parker kick), 1:43.

Third Quarter

USD—Herron 6 run (Parker kick), 13:49.
Mirhd—Parkes 49 run (A.Jones kick), 11:19.
Mirhd—Yost 3 run (A.Jones kick), 5:15.

Fourth Quarter

USD—Polk 3 run (kick failed), 11:30.
Mirhd—McGee 7 run (kick failed), 2:39.
A—2,883.

TEAM STATISTICS

	Mirhd	USD
FIRST DOWNS	32	30
Rushing	17	8
Passing	12	20
Penalty	3	2
NET YARDS RUSHING	343	150
Rushing Attempts	51	37
Gross Yards Rushing	358	156
Yards Lost Rushing	15	6
NET YARDS PASSING	265	404
Passes Attempted	44	39
Passes Completed	27	25
Had Intercepted	2	0
TOTAL OFFENSIVE PLAYS	95	76
TOTAL NET YARDS	608	554
Avg. Gain Per Play	6.4	7.3
FUMBLES: Number-Lost	5-2	0-0
PENALTIES: Number-Yards	9-87	8-70
PUNTS-YARDS	3-135	3-114
Average Per Punt	45.0	38.0
PUNT RETURNS: Number-Yards	0-0	3-37
KICKOFF RETURNS: Number-Yards	8-104	5-76
INTERCEPTIONS: Number-Yards	0-0	2-17
THIRD DOWN CONVERSIONS	7-16	4-11
FOURTH DOWN CONVERSIONS	3-4	1-3
SACKS BY: Number-Yards	1-3	0-0
TIME OF POSSESSION	32:39	27:21

MOREHEAD STATE

RUSHING	No.	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg.	
Yost	14	106	1	33	7.6	
McGee	14	99	2	28	7.1	
Parkes	9	69	1	42	7.7	
McCoy	7	40	0	11	5.7	
Cornelius	4	15	1	9	3.8	
Sione	1	9	0	9	9.0	
Stockelman	2	5	0	4	2.5	
Totals	51	343	5	49	6.7	
PASSING	Comp	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Lg
Yost	27	44	2	265	1	35
RECEIVING	No.	Yds	TD	Lg		
Parkes	6	70	0	19		
McGee	4	34	0	25		
McRae	4	25	0	14		
Cornelius	4	16	0	6		
Calhoun	3	51	0	35		
Vagni	3	21	1	14		
Stockelman	1	22	0	22		
Sione	1	21	0	21		
McCoy	1	5	0	5		
Totals	27	265	1	35		
PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg.	Lg	TD	
Webb	3	135	45.0	51	0	
KICKOFF RETURNS	No.	Yds	Lg	TD		
Calhoun	4	43	25	0		
Feldman	3	45	18	0		
Booker	1	16	16	0		

USD

RUSHING	No.	Yds	TD	Lg	Avg.	
Herron	16	68	1	16	4.2	
Johnson	5	34	0	26	6.8	
Polk	7	18	1	7	2.6	
Matthews	2	13	0	14	6.5	
Nikolakopoulos	2	13	0	9	6.5	
Rogan	5	4	0	3	0.8	
Totals	37	150	2	26	4.1	
PASSING	Comp	Att	Int	Yds	TD	Lg
Johnson	24	37	0	375	5	39
Hannula	1	1	0	29	0	29
team	0	1	0	0	0	0
Totals	25	39	0	404	5	39
RECEIVING	No.	Yds	TD	Lg		
Hannula	8	93	2	30		
Garton	6	113	1	32		
Nikolakopoulos	3	23	0	12		
Matthews	2	69	2	39		
Doyle	2	36	0	24		
Koller	2	33	0	18		
Rogan	1	24	0	24		
Polk	1	13	0	13		
Totals	25	404	5	39		
PUNTING	No.	Yds	Avg.	Lg	TD	
Villa	3	114	38.0	43	1	
INTERCEPTIONS	No.	Yds	Lg	TD		
Greer	1	22	22	0		
Cooper	1	-5	0	0		
PUNT RETURNS	No.	Yds	Lg	TD		
Garton	3	37	20	0		
KICKOFF RETURNS	No.	Yds	Lg	TD		
Cianciulli	2	48	32	0		
Matthews	2	24	22	0		
Ramsey	1	4	4	0		

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Johnson's passing has Toreros hoisting trophy

TOM SHANAHAN
FOR THE NORTH COUNTY TIMES

SAN DIEGO — The University of San Diego's football season began after a freak, season-ending injury to the team's returning offensive star, senior running back Evan Harney.

It likely ended a little more than three months later with the Toreros celebrating the school's first Pioneer Football League championship behind a new star, sophomore quarterback Josh Johnson.

Johnson threw five touchdown passes as USD defeated Morehead State 47-40 on Saturday night while playing in its first PFL championship game before 2,883 fans at Torero Stadium.

The Toreros, the league's North Division champion, finished with an 11-1 record, the most wins in school history. Morehead State, the South champion, finished 8-4.

"I told these guys it's a banner year and they have set the

benchmark," USD coach Jim Harbaugh said. "Anybody who puts on a USD helmet will be compared to the 2005 team."

The Toreros are eligible for the Division I-AA playoffs, which are dominated by scholarship schools.

No schools in the Pioneer League offer football scholarships. An at-large bid isn't expected for USD.

Johnson, who started the game completing his first 10 passes, finished the night connecting on 27-of-34 tosses for 375 yards. All five touchdown passes were in the first half as the Toreros took a 34-20 half-time lead.

"I knew this was a big game, and I love to play in big games," said the 6-foot-3, 180-pounder from Oakland Tech. "They had eight guys in the box, so I knew we'd pass the ball. Coach put the ball in my hands, and that's all I ask of him."

The Toreros' players, including Harney, a Fallbrook High alum, celebrated by taking turns hoisting the championship trophy on the stadium turf.

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Super soph

The school records USD QB Josh Johnson has set, or is closing in on, entering tomorrow's Pioneer Football League championship game:

INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-GAME RECORD

- Touchdown passes, 7 (all in first half vs. Valparaiso) ties record

INDIVIDUAL SINGLE-SEASON RECORDS

- Completions, 236 (previous: 234, Todd Mortensen, 2004)
- Total offense, 3,226 (previous 3,011, Eric Rasmussen, 2003)

CLOSING IN

- Touchdown passes, has 31 (record: 35, Rasmussen, 2003)
- Yards passing, has 2,881 (record: 2,982, Rasmussen, 2003)
- Completion rate, is at 70.7 percent (record: 61.3, Rasmussen, 2003)
- Efficiency rating for season/career, 168.95/164.52 (record 174.5/160.09, records: Rasmussen holds both)



COMPLIMENT OF HIGHEST ORDER

USD coach Harbaugh says QB Josh Johnson could start in Pac-10

By Hank Wesch
STAFF WRITER

If you give USD coach Jim Harbaugh the benefit of the doubt, and concede that he might know a little bit about playing quarterback, the things he has to say about Josh Johnson are downright astounding.

For starters: "Just quarterback abilitywise, he could be a starter in the Pac-10."

For the record: "Josh has got all the tools in terms of arm strength, athletic ability and being a really accurate, accurate, accurate passer. Where he looks is where the ball goes. Very few

Pioneer Football League championship

Morehead State (8-3) vs. USD (10-1)

Tomorrow, 4 p.m. at Torero Stadium

location mistakes.

"But his best quality is his quick-mindedness. He's just so sharp and he sees the field. You can tell him one time and he's got the ability to go do it."

Harbaugh, remember, was a record-setting three-year starting quarterback at Michigan who led the Wolverines to Fiesta, Holiday and Rose Bowl games and, as a senior in 1986, was voted Big Ten Player of the Year and finished third in the Heisman Trophy balloting. He's a 15-year NFL vet-

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Record-setting QB Johnson staying put

eran who led Indianapolis to the AFC Championship Game in 1995 and was selected for the Pro Bowl.

Rather than being a starter in the Pac-10, Johnson is the leader of a Toreros team that is 10-1 going into tomorrow's Pioneer Football League championship game against Morehead State of Kentucky at Toro Stadium. In his first year as a starter, Johnson has set single-season records for completions (236) and total offense (3,226 yards), is a virtual lock to establish a new standard for completion rate (70.7 percent) and is a possibility to set records for touchdowns and efficiency rating with a strong final game.

"I'm surprised at what I have done, but not what the team has done," Johnson, a 6-foot-3, 180-pound sophomore, said. "There are a lot of talented wide receivers and runners on this team. My thought all season long has been to get those guys the ball and let



USD coach Jim Harbaugh has high praise for first-year starter Johnson. K.C. Alfred / Union Tribune

them do the rest."

Johnson arrived at USD last season and served as backup to Todd Mortensen, whose school completion record of 2004 Johnson has surpassed by two. In mop-up situations last year, Johnson completed 12-of-22 passes for 135 yards.

Despite missing spring drills with a knee injury, Johnson was projected to start this season for the reasons that Harbaugh cited above — but few out-

side the team were aware at the time.

In 2004, his first year at USD, Harbaugh had inserted a complicated West Coast-style offense and saw Johnson master both the basics and nuances like no one in his experience.

"I don't know if there's anybody who compares, that's even in the same ballpark," Harbaugh said. "As smart as Todd Mortensen was — and we're talking about a 4.0 magna cum laude, Walter Byer Scholarship guy — Johnson was probably quicker."

Johnson says his high IQ for the game is a reflection of "how much I love football" and his dedication to learning as much as he can about it.

"If I could, I wouldn't mind playing 80 percent of the day, every day," Johnson said. "I watch college and NFL games as much as I can, but I don't watch as a fan anymore. I watch as a student."

"I watch NFL games and I see them run plays that we run here and I learn from the way they do it."

An all-around athlete at Oakland Tech, Johnson missed his junior season there with an injury and was overlooked by Division I-A recruiters despite a senior year in which he threw

for more than 1,900 yards and 22 touchdowns with just two interceptions.

Johnson went to quarterback camps and worked with Bay Area QB guru Roger Theder. Johnson believed he was as good as those who Division I-A schools fawned over, but knew the reality. He was too small and slow to fit the desired prototype.

And then along came Harbaugh.

"He basically saw some things in me that others didn't," Johnson said. "I felt we were on the same level with our enthusiasm for the game. It was exciting."

Last season, Johnson grew physically and developed into the player he has been this season.

Harbaugh says Johnson could be a Pac-10 starter. Johnson has friends who play for Cal saying they'd put in a good word for him there. But Johnson says he isn't going anywhere.

"What would be the point in that?" Johnson said. "There's too much politics at the big schools and I'd be starting over at the bottom. I love the small-school atmosphere and situation I'm in here, and the coaching staff is one of the best around."

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USD Star Embraces, Thrives on Starting Small

By TOM SHANAHAN
Voice Sports Columnist
Tuesday, Nov. 22, 2005

LT, a.k.a. Chargers running back LaDainian Tomlinson, is gaining popular support as an NFL MVP candidate.

Antonio Gates is punching a return trip ticket to the Pro Bowl, assuming the third-year tight end's foot injury suffered in the Chargers' 48-10 win Sunday over the Buffalo Bills doesn't prove to be serious.

Quarterback Drew Brees is demonstrating his breakout season last year wasn't a fluke.

And outside linebacker Shawne Merriman has won over fans with seven sacks, tops in the league among rookies after an ugly incident, caused by his agent, turned public opinion against him in the summer.

But do you want to know the most interesting football story of the year in San Diego?

You had to look a bit hard to find Josh Johnson, since he played away from the spotlight for the University of San Diego's Division I-AA, non-scholarship program, but once you sat down at Torero Stadium, you couldn't miss him.

The USD sophomore quarterback played like a video game figure superimposed on the screen as faster, smarter and bigger than other images. He moved around the pocket with poise, escaped the rush with nimble feet, ran with a sprinter's stride when forced to scramble, and threw accurate passes on a line.

Johnson led the Toreros (11-1) to their first Pioneer Football League championship with a 47-40 win Saturday night over Morehead State before 2,883 fans at Torero Stadium. The PFL Offensive Player of the Year finished the season with school records for touchdown passes (36), yards passing (3,256), total offense (3,635) and completion percentage (70.7). He completed 261 of 371 passes with only eight interceptions.

Tomlinson, Gates and Brees are exciting stories this year, but their superlative play doesn't surprise us.

San Diego State's roster has promising sophomores such as quarterback Kevin O'Connell, running back Lynell Hamilton and linebacker Russell Allen who are going to win a lot of games the next two years, but the Aztecs aren't a feel-good story this season without a bowl trip.

USD's Johnson, however, literally sprouted out of nowhere. He grew from a 5-foot-11, 145-pounder the summer before his senior year at Oakland Tech in 2003 to a 6-foot-3, 180-pound sophomore in 2005 who may mature into an NFL draft pick by 2008.

It almost seemed unfair watching him play, as if the Toreros had dropped Texas quarterback Vince Young into their lineup.

If that sounds preposterous, you haven't heard USD coach Jim Harbaugh, a man who played quarterback for 15 years in the NFL and coached quarterbacks for two more with the Oakland Raiders, sing Johnson's praises.

Harbaugh says things like this:

-- "If there was an SAT for playing quarterback, he would blow it away."

OPINION
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TOM SHANAHAN

-- "If you watch Texas quarterback Vince Young, he runs similar to him, I've watched Vince Young on TV, and I've thought, 'He runs like Josh Johnson to me.' "

-- "He's got athletic ability, he's got arm strength, he's got great location with the ball and his best attribute is his mind. He's a quick thinker."

-- "I wouldn't just say he might get in an NFL camp (as a free agent); this is a draft-able guy someday."

I know what you're thinking: Don't get carried away; his competition is players from Division I-AA, non-scholarship schools. Trust me; this kid is the real deal.

A touted athlete can be like a movie you've heard is great. Once you go see for yourself, it's often a letdown. But watching Johnson for the first time, if anything, he was better than advertised.

Against Morehead State, he not only completed his first 10 passes before a receiver dropped what would have been an 11th straight completion, the first 11 passes he placed squarely in the receiver's chest. He threw the ball short with touch and long on a line.

Not until Johnson's 12th toss did he force a receiver to reach, and even then John Matthews got both hands on the ball above his shoulders for a 14-yard touchdown reception and 20-14 lead.

"Josh was hot; he was smoking hot," Harbaugh said. "He's got the gift and he brings it to every play, every practice and every conditioning workout."

Johnson, who missed spring ball with a knee injury, making his performance this season all the more remarkable, finished the game completing 25 of 39 passes for 375 yards and five touchdowns.

But here's the best part of the story: The kid is smart enough to figure out by now he's better than some quarterbacks at major Division I-A schools, but he doesn't care.

Johnson says things like this about his lack of height in high school leading him to USD:

"Everyone in my family is a late bloomer," he said. "My dad didn't grow until he was in college. But I'm glad I grew later. Otherwise I wouldn't be here. Not everybody understands how good we have it here. We run a Division I-A-type program and we have NFL coaches. Every day is fun here."

Johnson understands what he's missing in big-time college football, because his best friend and teammate from high school is Marshawn Lynch, a running back Cal hopes to tout as a Heisman Trophy candidate next year. They talk almost daily.

"Oh, man, I don't know what I'm going to tell him," Johnson said after Saturday's game. "We won a title together (at Oakland Tech) and it's kind of the same feeling, but this one is more special. It was for our seniors. When I first got here, I saw how badly they wanted it. They had come close before and it was just killing them. Their attitude rubbed off on me and made me want it more."

You gotta love this kid's story.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL REPORT

USD's Harbaugh voted PFL Coach of the Year

FROM STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

Jim Harbaugh was named Coach of the Year, quarterback Josh Johnson Offensive Player of the Year and seven other USD players were first-team selections on the All-Pioneer Football League team announced yesterday.

Harbaugh earned the honor in his second season at USD after guiding the Toreros to a 10-1 record and the PFL North Division championship with a 4-0 mark. USD is 17-5 overall under Harbaugh, 15-1 in its past 16 games.

USD hosts Southern Division winner Morehead State in the PFL Championship game Saturday at 4 at Torero Stadium.

Johnson, a 6-foot-3, 180-pound sophomore from Oakland, led the league in passing with 2,881 yards — no other PFL quarterback is within 800 of the number — and ranked first in passing efficiency, total offense (293.3 yards per game) and points responsible for (20.2 per game). He has already surpassed USD single-season records for completions (236) and total offensive yards (3,226).

Other first-team selections for the Toreros included wide receiver Adam Hannula, tight end Matt Koller, offensive linemen Jordan PaoPao and Reis Rosenbledt, defensive lineman Erik

Bakhtiari, linebacker Kyson Hawkins and defensive back Phil Bretsch.

Gaining honorable mention were wide receiver Nick Garton, running backs JT Rogan and Jon Polk, offensive lineman Josh Sanders, defensive backs Adam Burke and Josh Brisco, return specialist John Matthews and place-kicker Hutch Parker.

— HANK WESCH

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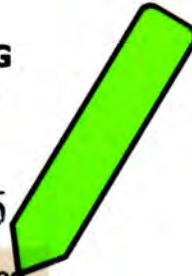
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Harbaugh, Toreros honored
University of San Diego
football coach Jim Harbaugh
was named Pioneer League
North Coach of the Year by
league officials.

Sophomore quarterback
Josh Johnson was named PFL
North Offensive Player of the
Year for leading the Toreros

to a 4-0 record.

North County products
named to the All-North first
team were center Jordan
PaoPao (El Camino High), de-
fensive back Philip Bretsch
(Fallbrook) and linebacker
Kyson Hawkins (Fallbrook).



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Pioneer Football League Championship

MOREHEAD STATE at USD

When/where: Friday, 4 p.m. / Torero Stadium

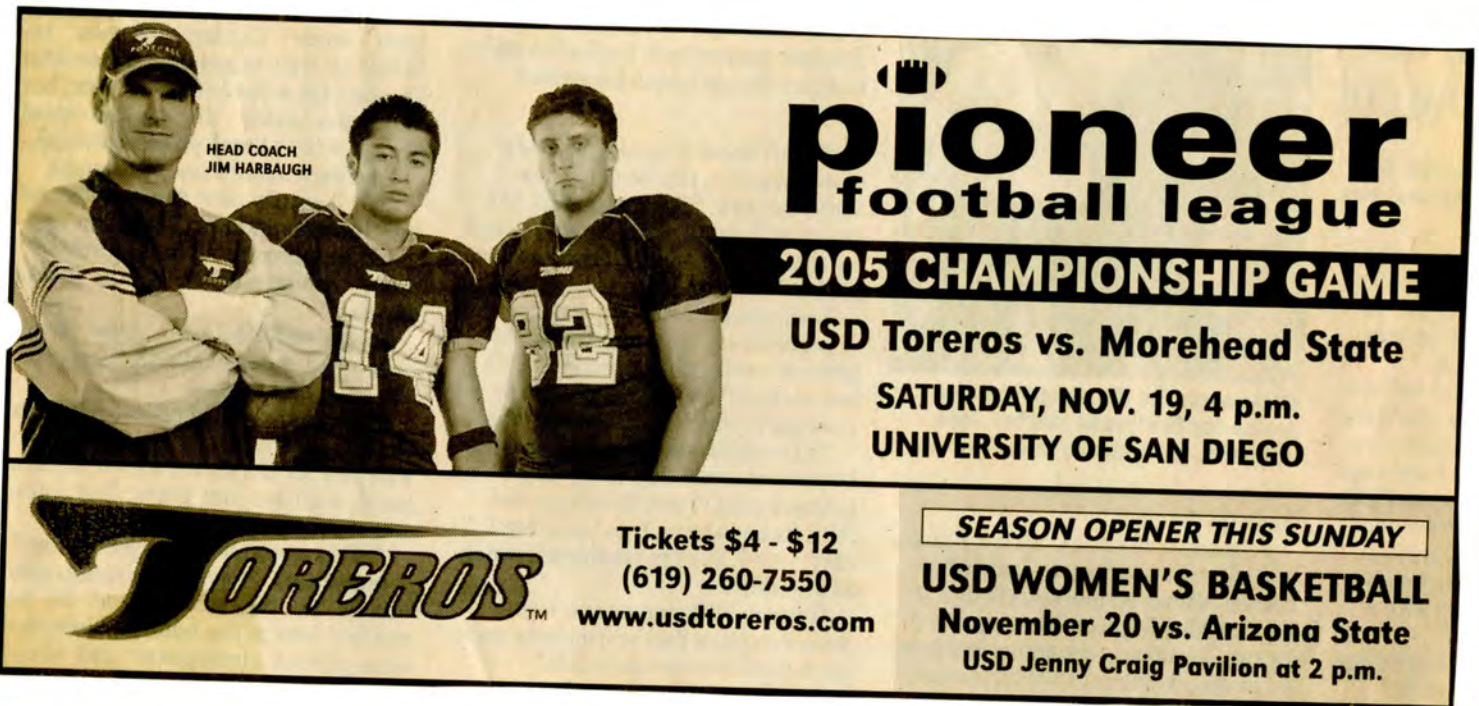
Records: Morehead State 8-3, USD 10-1

Webcast: www.usdtoreros.com

Outlook: USD looks to put the crowning touch on a season in which a record for victories has been achieved in addition to the school's first PFL North championship and a host of individual career and single-season marks set. The Toreros are No. 1 in the NCAA Division I-AA midmajor rankings to PFL South champion Morehead State's No. 4. Morehead State is averaging 417 yards on offense and a PFL-leading 261.5 rushing. Six players have accounted for 224 yards or more, led by junior RB Jabari McGee (540 yards, 7 TDs). Sophomore QB Brian Yost has completed 129-of-231 passes for 1,788 yards and 16 TDs and has an additional 458 yards and five TDs rushing. USD owns a 12-game home winning streak, one shy of matching the school record, and has a seven-game overall winning streak. The teams have faced three opponents in common. Morehead State defeated Valparaiso (48-7) and Butler (58-10) and lost to Dayton (42-7); USD defeated those three by scores of 63-21, 49-7 and 48-24.

Notable: Tickets are \$12 reserved, \$10 general admission and \$8 general admission child, available at the gate.

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In record fashion

USD spots Marist 14, then piles up the numbers for comeback win

By **Hank Wesch**, STAFF WRITER

Early mistakes by USD led to a 14-0 Marist lead and turned yesterday's home football game into a Red Fox hunt for the Toreros.

The hunt ended with USD having brought the Marist Red Foxes to quarter 42-35 and with the Toreros repairing to the postgame social sessions with plenty of records to celebrate.

Tally ho and to wit (in part):

- A school single-season record 10th victory against one defeat.
- Team records for points (464), passing yards (3,168) and total yards (5,269) in a season.
- Single-season individual records for sophomore quarterback Josh Johnson for completions (236) and total offense (3,316 yards).

Junior Jon Polk, the starting fullback who was moved to tailback because of injuries to JT Rogan and others, scored four touchdowns on runs of 5, 1, 2 and 1 yards. Johnson, on what started as an off day but advanced to a decent one by his high standards, completed 23-of-30 passes for 307 yards and one touchdown and rushed for another.

And with a tough Marist team (6-4) — ranked No. 6 to USD's No. 1 in NCAA Division I-AA midmajor polls — subdued, the Toreros can now set their focus on the Pioneer Football League championship game they'll host Saturday against Morehead State.

"Not many people out here have heard about Marist, but we knew they were as good as Drake and Dayton," USD coach Jim Harbaugh said. "We didn't play our best game. Turning the ball over like we did is very uncharacteristic of us. But our guys did what they always do. They fight, they bite, they scratch and they find a way to win."

An ill-advised and then overthrown Johnson pass that was intercepted stopped a Toreros drive with the opening kickoff



USD defensive back Philip Bretsch takes off on a 55-yard interception return, setting up the Toreros' final touchdown against Marist. *Jim Baird / Union-Tribune*

deep in Marist territory. And the Red Foxes capitalized by going 70 yards in 11 plays, 10 of them runs, to take a 7-0 lead.

When a low snap resulted in a muffed punt on USD's next possession, Marist capitalized again, needing only four plays to go 20 yards for a touchdown and the 14-0 lead.

But USD regrouped to tie the score 14-14 at halftime and be the first to score in an exchange of two third-period touchdowns for each team that led to a 28-28 deadlock after three quarters.

Polk's penultimate touchdown of the day with 11:58 remaining in the game put USD ahead to stay. Polk's final score, which followed a Philip Bretsch interception and 55-yard return to the Marist 2-yard-line, gave the Toreros a two-touchdown lead with 5:39 to play — a lead they were able to protect.

Polk, who came into the game with

Pioneer League

North	Conf.		Overall	
	W	L	W	L
x-USD	4	0	10	1
Dayton	3	1	9	1
Drake	2	1	6	3
Valparaiso	1	3	3	8
Butler	0	5	0	11

x—Clinched division title

Yesterday's Results

USD 42, Marist 35
 Drake 43, Waldorf 0
 Missouri-Rolla 45, Butler 28
 Valparaiso 13, Aurora 7

Saturday's PFL Championship

Morehead St. at USD, 4 p.m.

three career rushing touchdowns, tied a school record for rushing touchdowns in a game.

"It feels good, but I understand what the team needs me to do, and the team needs me to block," Polk, a 6-foot, 230-pounder from Compton, said. "I know it (the glory) is going to be short-lived. We get JT Rogan back next week and I'll be back to the (blocking) grind."

"The line did a superb job of blocking for me today."

On defense the Toreros, who are without linebacker and leading tackler Kyson Hawkins, among others, were pushed around somewhat early. But the Toreros defenders got tougher as the game progressed and made key plays at the end. None bigger than Bretsch's interception and return.

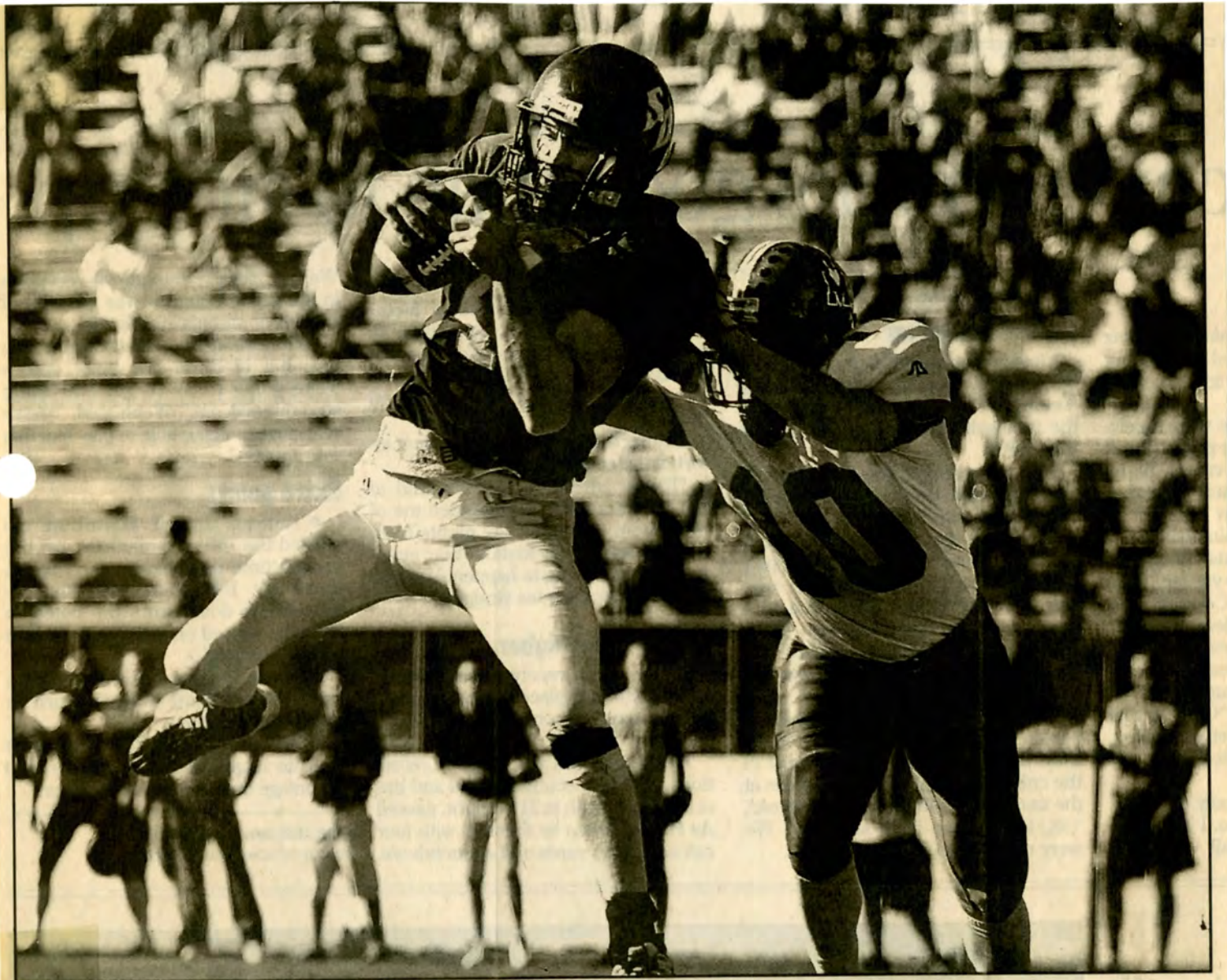
With Marist facing a third-and-10, Bretsch remembered what the Red Foxes had done in a similar circumstance one series earlier. Pass to his area of responsibility.

"They came out in the same formation in the same situation and I was thinking they might try to do the same thing," Bretsch said.

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USD's Adam Hannula hauls in his ninth touchdown reception of the season to start the Toreros' comeback victory against Marist. The Toreros, who will host the Pioneer Football League title game Saturday, ran their record to 10-1. *Jim Baird / Union-Tribune*

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Polk leads USD to win over Marist

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SAN DIEGO — Jon Polk scored two touchdowns, including two in the first quarter, to lead the University of San Diego football team past Marist 42-35 Saturday.

With the score tied 28-28 after three quarters, Polk had touchdown runs of 2 and 1 yards in the final quarter to put the Toreros (10-1) ahead by 14 with 5:39 to play.

Polk finished with 69 yards rushing on 17 carries.

Obozua Ehikioya scored his third touchdown of the game with 2:07 to play as Marist (6-4) tried to rally late. Ehikioya had 23 carries for 100 yards.

USD quarterback Josh Johnson went 23-for-30 for 307 yards and two interceptions. He threw a 15-yard TD pass to Adam Hanula in the first quarter and ran for a touchdown in the third.

The Toreros won their 12th straight at home and seventh straight overall.

USD	42
Marist	35

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Marist at USD

When / where: Today 4 p.m.

Where: Torero Stadium

Records: Marist 3-3 USD 9-1

Webcast: www.usdtoreros.com

Outlook: USD, ranked No. 1 in the Division I-AA midmajor polls, looks to extend an 11-game home and six-game overall winning streak while preparing for next week's Pioneer Football League title game against Morehead State. USD's nine victories match the school's single-season record, set in 1981. The Toreros are first in scoring offense in I-AA with a 42.2 per-game average and second in total offense with 479.5 yards per game. Marist, located in Poughkeepsie, N.Y., is ranked No. 6 among I-AA midmajor programs and comes in off a 28-27 victory over Iona.

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Hannula says focus on USD, not records

By Hank [redacted]
STAFF WRITER

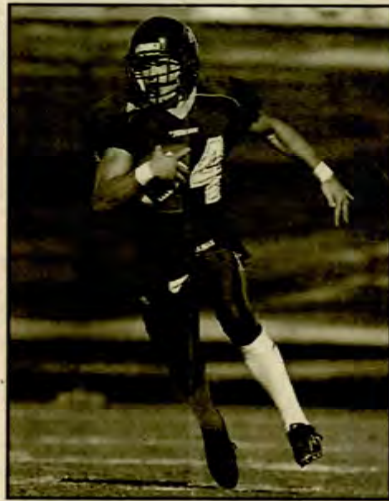
Adam Hannula did not come to USD with the goal of breaking school records for passes caught, yardage and touchdowns.

That would have been silly, since Hannula was a quarterback out of Bellarmine Prep in Tacoma, Wash., in 2001 and had never played wide receiver at any level.

But the 6-foot-1, 195-pound Hannula does hold the career records in those three areas with two more games to build on them. He began his senior season aware of the marks, but not focused on them.

"Coach (Jim) Harbaugh mentioned a couple times that 'We're going to get you those records,'" Hannula said. "The only record I've been thinking about is 9-1 shooting for 11-1."

Those numbers represent the Toreros' team mark going into tomorrow's game against Marist and what it would be with two more wins to close the season. The Pioneer Football League championship game between North Division winner USD and South Division winner Morehead State is scheduled for later at Torero Stadium.



Receiver Adam Hannula holds three Toreros career records.

Jim Baird / Union-Tribune

"Obtaining the (individual) records has been great," Hannula said. "But the team wins and working with everybody else toward a PFL championship and a ring are what really matters."

Hannula arrived at a time when USD had underclassman talent in depth at quarterback and several senior wide receivers ready to depart. During a redshirt freshman season, Hannula was asked to make the position switch and did so with some minor reservations.

"I knew I could catch the ball, but I didn't know about running routes and a lot of other things," Hannula said. "I was excited because I knew it would give me an opportunity to play..."

"I had been taught by my parents that hard work and persistence pays off and that I should always try to take advantage of the opportunities that were given to me."

He remembers the first touchdown pass. It came against Jacksonville in the fourth game of his redshirt freshman season in 2002. It was delivered by his roommate at the time, Brian Kirkpatrick.

"A deep post pattern that went for about 50 yards," Hannula said.

"One-on-one coverage, I had a step on the defender and Brian threw a great pass."

That sort of thing kept happening to Hannula, whether it was Kirkpatrick, Eric Rasmussen, Todd Mortensen or currently Josh Johnson on the pitching end.

He started this season second at USD in receptions, yardage and touchdown catches. He moved into the No. 1 spot for catches against Yale in the third game of the season and became the yardage leader six games later, Oct. 29, at Valparaiso.

An 8-yard pass from Johnson for a TD against Chapman on Saturday was the completion of the trifecta for Hannula, making him USD's career leader for receptions (232), yards (3,293) and touchdowns (33).

He also holds single-season records for receptions (72 in 2003), touchdowns (13 in 2003) and yards (1,161 in 2003), and is tied for the record for receptions in a game with 11 (against Drake in 2002).

The career records Hannula broke had all belonged to Dylan Ching, who posted 189 catches for 3,111 yards and 32 touchdowns from 1996 through '99.

Ching was a third-round choice in the 2000 Canadian Football League draft and had a brief career in the CFL. Hannula would like to take the pro path as well.

"I'm not counting on it, but if I get the opportunity I would like to play football after college," Hannula said.

His track record and school records show that when opportunity is presented, Hannula tends to take advantage of it.

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Winged early, Toreros go on to dominate

By Nicole Vargas
 STAFF WRITER

It's hard to imagine the USD football team could be taken by surprise by any opponent.

But against a Chapman team eager to execute a wing-T offense rarely seen at this level, the surging Toreros found themselves down an early touchdown last night to the struggling Panthers.

Chapman (2-6) may have scored first, but USD proved in the end how strong it can be with a 60-12 victory at Torero Stadium, just a week after clinching its first Pioneer Football League North Championship.

A crowd of 2,508 saw the Toreros (9-1), winners of their last six games and the top-ranked team in the NCAA Division I-AA Midmajor poll, extend their home winning streak to 11.

"That team came to play football," said senior defensive back Philip Bretsch. "I don't want to say we underestimated them, because

everyone who plays college football is an athlete."

The Toreros had two running backs — Jon Polk and Kevin Herron — finish with 60-plus yards on the ground and a touchdown each to go with Josh Johnson's 19-of-27 passes completed for 255 yards with three touchdowns in just three quarters of play.

Rushing touchdowns also came from Theo Nikolakopoulos and Eastlake product Josh Denton, who scored twice in the fourth quarter.

Nikolakopoulos saw significant time after starting running back J.T. Rogan (ankle) and backup Kevin Herron (shoulder) went out midway through the game with injuries, weakening a lineup already without key linebackers in Fallbrook's Kyson Hawkins (shoulder) and Ronnie Pentz (hand). Offensive lineman Kaea Simeona was also helped off the field with a leg injury.

"That was terrible that we lost a couple of running backs," said Bretsch, who finished with six tackles. "But we've got such good players in backup roles who

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Butler	0	5	0	10

x—Clinched division title

Yesterday's Results

USD 60, Chapman 12
 Drake 49, Valparaiso 24
 Dayton 41, Butler 7

Saturday's Games

Marist at USD, 1 p.m.
 Waldorf at Drake, 10 a.m.
 Missouri-Rolla at Butler, 10 a.m.
 Valparaiso at Aurora, 11 a.m.

stepped in and played."

Added wide receiver Adam Hanula: "We feel confident with the third-, and even the fourth-string guys and know they are going to step up."

The victory capped a roller-coaster week that, at its peak, included celebrating the PFL North

title, and at its lowest saw head coach Jim Harbaugh publicly apologizing for a weekend arrest on suspicion of drunken driving after running a stop sign in Encinitas.

"Just like he expects of us, he came up and told us (about the incident) like a man," Bretsch said. "I would expect nothing less from him. The guy is one of the greatest coaches I've ever had. Things happen, you've got to own up to them and he did. I haven't lost an ounce of respect for the guy."

Controlling the play clock early with its wing-T offense, Chapman got on the scoreboard first when Chase Twedell ran for a touchdown from 13 yards out, capping an eight-play, 80-yard drive.

But adjustments made by coordinator Dave Adolph helped the USD defense hold the Panthers to just 35 additional first half yards on offense and only two more in the third quarter and 55 in the fourth.

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Hannula sets mark in USD win

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SAN DIEGO — Josh Johnson threw three touchdown passes and Adam Hannula set a school record for career touchdown catches to lead the University of San Diego to a 60-12 football victory over Chapman on Saturday night.

Johnson hit Hannula with an 8-yard touchdown pass midway through the third quarter to give the Toreros a 39-6 lead and move Hannula

into first place on USD's all-time list with his 33rd career TD reception. Dylan Ching had 12 touchdown catches from 1991-99.

The Toreros (8-1), who already clinched first place in the Pioneer Football League's North Division, fell behind early against its Division III opponent.

Chapman (2-6) controlled the ball for more than nine minutes on the game's opening drive. Chase Twedell scored on a 13-yard run to cap the 16-play, 80-yard drive for a 6-0 lead.

USD	60
Chapman	12

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USD's Koller relishes finally facing brother

By Nicole Vargas
STAFF WRITER

It's just another game for the USD football team, a mismatch between a Division I-AA powerhouse and a struggling Division III program.

But for two brothers, tonight's USD-Chapman game is a dream come true.

Matt Koller, a senior tight end for the 8-1 Toreros, for the first time will play against younger brother Brandon, a sophomore wide receiver at Chapman (2-5).

"We both grew up playing football, and it will be fun finally being on the same field," Matt said. "It will be something we'll remember for the rest of our lives."

Said Brandon: "I can't wait. All I've been thinking about all week is this game."

Meeting on the field fulfills not only the brothers' dream, but one shared by their late father, Mark.

A lifelong football coach, Mark made a living working in the insurance industry, but he always hoped his boys could

continue their football careers beyond Oak Park High, as he had growing up in New York.

Half of that dream came true when Matt chose to play at USD. For the 5-foot-10, 231-pound athlete, playing for the Toreros was a perfect fit.

"I had some D-III, D-II, possible Division I walk-on (opportunities)," Matt said. "But my dad and I came on a trip here and it was love at first sight."

Even with Matt playing college football some 150 miles away, Mark would coach Brandon's high school games on Friday night and, after a morning of watching game film, would pick up his wife, Ellen, and together drive to San Diego.

"He would take jobs that allowed him to be there for the kids," Ellen said. "We would go all over for whatever it was. He was always there."



Matt Koller



Brandon Koller

Added Matt: "His weekends were jam-packed with football. He wouldn't have it any other way."

After being diagnosed with thyroid cancer, Mark refused to let his illness interfere with supporting his boys. His illness advanced, confining a weakened Mark to a wheelchair. And still he managed to make the boys' games.

Said Brandon: "He was as dedicated as he possibly could be."

The cancer, though, finally took Mark on Nov. 10, 2003. He was 53.

"Losing him was so hard," said Matt, who doesn't play a game without a wristband marked with his father's initials. "He was our mentor, our leader. He taught us everything we know."

Solace, though, came in knowing their father was a mentor to so many more young people, as evidenced by the 400 on hand for his funeral.

Mark's death reinforced the lessons he had taught his boys.

"It drove us further to be the people he wanted us to be," Matt said.

Without their father in the stands, Matt and Brandon make every effort to be in the stands for each other, alongside their mother. If Matt has a night game, he'll drive north to watch his brother play before

returning in time for kickoff. When Brandon's schedule permits, he's done the same.

"They're just amazing boys," Ellen said. "I've never seen my kids fight, ever. They love each other. They take care of each other."

That extends to Ellen, too.

"My brother's 21, I'm 19, and we call our mother every day," Brandon said. "She's what matters most to us."

Matt says having his brother be a part of tonight's game adds to the excitement he feels. And he knows his father is a part of it, too.

"He'd be pretty proud that both of his sons are on the field playing . . .," Matt said. "I know he'll be watching."

Added Ellen: "I know he'd be beaming."

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NOV - 5 2005

USD vs. Chapman

When: Tonight, 7

Where: Torero Stadium

Records: Chapman 2-5,
USD 8-1

Webcast:

www.usdtoreros.com

Outlook: Despite being
separated by less than

miles, Chapman and USD face
off for just the second time.

The Toreros, fresh off clinching
the Pioneer Football League
North Division championship,
round out their regular-season
schedule with two

nonconference home games in
preparation for the PFL
championship game Nov. 19

vs. Morehead State. First up is
this game against the NCAA

Division III Panthers. Although
Chapman has prided itself on

its running game, entering last
week's game against La Verne
averaging 228 yards rushing,

La Verne held the Panthers to
105 yards rushing. Winless on

the road, Chapman will try to
bounce back against a USD

team anchored by PFL Players
of the Week in QB Josh

Johnson and DB Mark Johnson.
An explosive first half by Josh

Johnson earned his second
such honor of the year, while a

second-half 100-yard
interception return for a score

by Mark Johnson tied a school
record.

- NICOLE VARGAS

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Football looks to avoid stumble on Ivy path during trip to Yale

By: Charlie Vallely

Issue date: 11/4/05 **Section:** Sports

After losing its opening Ivy League game, a heartbreaking overtime affair against then-ranked Harvard, the football team had to win its remaining six conference games and hope Harvard would suffer at least one setback to have a shot at the Ivy League title. With their backs against the wall, the Bears have come out swinging every week and now have the inside track to the title after Harvard dropped out of the picture.

The team has won five in a row, including three straight Ivy League match-ups. Last week, the Bears beat a University of Pennsylvania team that was previously undefeated in the Ivy League and ranked 25th in Division I-AA football by the Sports Network. The victory improved the Bears' record to 3-1 in the Ivy League and 6-1 overall, putting them in a four-way tie atop the Ivy League standings and earning them the No. 22 spot in the national rankings.



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Lonnie Hill '07 has caught 26 passes for 421 yards in helping the Bears to a 3-1 mark in the Ivy League this season. Saturday, Brown will take its air show on the road as it travels to Yale in a showdown for first place in the Ancient Eight.

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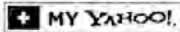
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But none of this has earned the Bears a break. On Saturday, they travel to New Haven, Conn., for yet another must-win against a dangerous Yale team (3-1 Ivy, 3-4 overall), which has the top-ranked passing game and scoring defense in the Ivy League, as well as title hopes of its own.

"They're a good football team. They're capable of exploding at any time, and they do," Head Coach Phil Estes.

As Estes put it, the Bulldogs had their "ups and downs." They lost two tough nonconference games - to the University of San Diego and a strong Lehigh University team - in which they built early leads but squandered them late. But they have also dominated in their three Ivy League wins, beating Cornell, Dartmouth and Columbia, which they trounced last week, 37-3, racking up 570 yards of total offense and forcing five turnovers on defense.

The Bears' passing defense has allowed a league-low 146.7 yards per game, but will be put to the test by the Bulldogs' air attack, which has been the premier aerial assault in the Ivies. Senior quarterback Jeff Mroz has aired it out frequently, attempting 62 more passes than any other Ivy quarterback and leading the league in passing efficiency (137.2), passing yards (259.1 yards per game) and passing touchdowns (18).

Mroz's favorite targets have been wide receivers Ashley Wright and Todd Feiereisen, who have both put up big numbers. Wright leads the league in receptions per game (6.14) and is second - behind only Bears wideout Jarrett Schreck '06 - in receiving yards per game (89.3). Feiereisen ranks third in both categories, having averaged 5.14 catches for 69 yards per game.

"They're definitely not shy about (passing)," said tri-captain cornerback Jamie Gasparella '06, who will most likely be matched up against Wright for much of the game. "The biggest thing with them will be to limit the big play out of them. ... Hopefully we can do a nice job of getting pressure on the quarterback, and forcing them

into some bad throws and getting some turnovers. That is definitely a duo (Mroz and Wright) that in order for us to be successful we're going to have to stop."

Though the Yale offense hinges on the passing game, Gasparella said the Bulldogs have a better running game than they are given credit for. Freshman Mike McLeod has taken a majority of the carries and rushed for 71.3 yards per game. Last week, the rush attack took advantage of Columbia's porous rush defense, running wild for 228 yards. McLeod had 72 of those yards and two touchdowns.

"That's just something you can't fall asleep on," Gasparella said. "Because you get so worried about the pass you forget about the run game, and McLeod can come out of nowhere and just start running all over you. We're going to be tested, and hopefully we can put together a similar effort as we did last week."

Even after a strong showing against the Quakers last week, the Bears' rush defense ranks dead last in the league, having allowed 212.7 yards per game. But many of those yards have come from the triple-option offense and rushing quarterbacks, whom the Bears have struggled to contain. Mroz, who has lost 34 yards on the ground this season, is not a scrambling threat.

Yale would be wise to avoid attempting to match Brown score for score, however, as the Bears' offense leads the league in scoring, averaging 36.3 points per game, and total offense, accumulating 415.6 yards per game. The team also boasts the nation's leading rusher in tri-captain Nick Hartigan '06, who is averaging 159 yards per game. He has rushed for over 100 yards in each of his last six games and has been named the Ivy League Offensive Player of the Week four of the last five weeks.

Hartigan and Co. will face a balanced Bulldog defense that is allowing only 17.9 points per game. Linebacker Lee Driftmier, who has 61 tackles on the season and three interceptions, has anchored the unit. Driftmier is the reigning Ivy League Defensive Player of the Week, as he made two interceptions against Columbia last weekend.

Estes also had high praise for defensive end Brandon Dyches, who missed last week's game due to injury but could be a concern for the Bears' offensive line if he suits up.

"He's as good a pass rusher as we'll see all year," Estes said.

A loss in the Yale Bowl on Saturday would be a crushing blow to the Bears' title hopes. However, if Brown prevails in another must-win situation and leaves New Haven with its winning streak intact, the team will remain tied atop the Ivy League with the Penn-Princeton winner and have a more than realistic shot at claiming its third-ever Ivy crown. With the weakest remaining schedule among title hopefuls - it is the only team not to have played either of the two Ivy cellar dwellers, Columbia and Dartmouth - Brown would have to be the favorite to win the league. Estes, however, knows that without a win Saturday, those games might not matter.

"We'll go to Yale first," he said. "There's no need to look past them. Of the three games left, they're the most dangerous. They have the most to lose and the most to gain by a win. So there's no need to look past them. ... We're so close to doing great things, but there can be no satisfaction of what we've done to date."

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Playoffs open for Azusa Pacific today

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Inside SOCAL

Losing the first two games of a nine-game football schedule doesn't bode well for an independent hoping to gain a playoff berth into the 16-team NAIA playoff bracket.

That was the dilemma Azusa Pacific University found itself in after season-opening losses to Division I-AA University of San Diego and defending NAIA champion Carroll College.

Lo and behold, the ninth-ranked Cougars (6-3) won six of their last seven regular-season games and at 6 tonight will host No. 11 Montana Tech (8-3) in the first round of the playoffs.

"It shows a lot about our senior class, the perseverance and the fight that those guys have," Cougars coach Pete Shinnick said. "They could have hung their heads. But they fought and scratched the whole way."

A game against Montana Tech will be no cake walk. The Orediggers have a strong running game and a solid defense that has allowed an average of only 20 points per game.

Montana Tech running backs Josh Johnson and Teague Egan have combined for 1,630 yards and 12 touchdowns.

"They do want to run the ball," Shinnick said. "They want to be physical on offense. They are a physical team on defense, too."

The Orediggers' two quarterbacks - Aaron Johnson and Justus Sheets - have combined to pass for only 1,041 yards and four touchdowns, but Shinnick said he believes their passing attack is going to be better than advertised.

The Cougars will be led on offense by quarterback Rudy Carlton and running back Marcus Lampkin and on defense by All-American linebacker Stephen Holte.

APU also has a talented kicker in Mike Betancourth, who has made 13 of 16 field goals with a long of 52 yards.

Betancourth kicked a 42-yard field goal with under four minutes to play to give the Cougars a come-from-behind, 34-31 victory at Valley City State (N.D.) on Nov. 10 that clinched a playoff berth.

"He has been just a big part of our success," Shinnick said of Betancourth, who also punts.

Occidental College (9-0) at Linfield (Ore.) College (8-0), noon: This first-round, NCAA Division III playoff game features the No. 6-ranked Tigers at the top-ranked and defending champion Wildcats.

The NCAA didn't do Occidental any favors with this draw, but long-time Tigers coach Dale Widloff has taken the high road.

"We were going to have to play Linfield in the first round, second round or third round," he said.

Linfield eliminated Occidental in the quarterfinals last year, 56-27, at Linfield.

"We don't see them as a David and Goliath," Widloff said. "We did some things against them last year.

"We know what the locker room is like, we know what the field is like. It is a very familiar environment."

This could be a battle of quarterbacks. The Tigers' Andy Collins has completed 193 of 286 passes (67.5 percent) for 2,628 yards, 30 touchdowns and just six interceptions.

Linfield's Brett Elliott is 168 of 249 (67.5 percent) for 2,580 yards, 34 touchdowns and five interceptions.

The Wildcats have scored 395 points while allowing only 108.

Occidental has scored 371 points and allowed 186.



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HARRISON'S 103 TD RECEPTIONS

Well connected

Passers who've thrown to Colts WR are proud, varied bunch

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Jim Harbaugh threw the first touchdown pass to Indianapolis Colts standout Marvin Harrison in 1996.

Peyton Manning, who arrived in 1998, has delivered the most scoring strikes to the perennial Pro Bowl receiver.

There's even a tight end, Ken Dilger, among the seven players who have thrown at least one of what is now 103 touchdown passes to Harrison, who hopes to continue catching TDs when the Colts visit New England on Monday.

The retired Dilger, perhaps, has the most unusual story to tell.

He connected on a 39-yard scoring toss to Harrison on a double-pass play in 2001. A high school quarterback in southern Indiana, Dilger says the throw wasn't much of a stretch for his arm.

"Marvin just ran a corner route, I threw it to him and he got into the end zone, simple as that," said Dilger, who played for the Colts from 1995 to 2001 and still resides in Indianapolis. "It was a spiral and a pretty good one. I hit Marvin in stride. I'm just glad I could contribute to Marvin's success."

The Colts practiced that play for three years on Fridays. Manning threw behind the line to the tight end and then Dilger flung it deep.

Near the end of a 6-10 season that led to coach Jim Mora's firing, the team was out of the playoff hunt and Manning talked coordinator Tom Moore into trying the trick play. However, the Colts still lost the home game, 29-28 to the New York Jets.

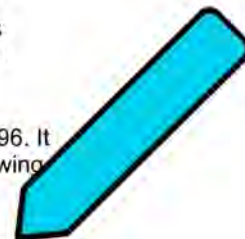
"The worst part about that play was Manning's throw to me. It was at my ankles," Dilger said.

Manning has made a memorable career out of being on target with Harrison. They set the NFL record for a touchdown tandem, surpassing San Francisco's Steve Young and Jerry Rice, with their 86th scoring pass in an Oct. 17 home triumph over St. Louis on "Monday Night Football." Then they bumped that number to 87 a week later in a victory at Houston.

The retired Harbaugh is a distant second on the list with eight TD passes to Harrison. Former backup Paul Justin had four. Current Colts backup Jim Sorgi and former Colts passers Kerwin Bell and Kelly Holcomb each have one. Holcomb is now the starter at Buffalo. Bell is no longer in the NFL.

Harbaugh describes Harrison's first touchdown catch as if it were last Sunday, not in '96. It came in Harrison's debut, a home season opener against Arizona. The rookie ran a swing route, faking outside then turning up for a 35-yard score that sealed a 20-13 victory.

"The first one was a big one," said Harbaugh, now coach at the University of San Diego. "From the very beginning, if you just got the ball near him, he would come up with the



catch."

Harbaugh was always impressed by Harrison's work ethic and durability. In his 10 NFL seasons, Harrison has sat out just five games due to injury.

Colts teammates used to have fun speculating about who was faster, Harrison or star running back Marshall Faulk, who later was traded to St. Louis.

"I think Marvin was just a hair quicker," Harbaugh said.

Harrison's sure hands, speed and ability to elude defenders and avoid contact has enabled the lithe 6-0, 175-pound star to set every major Colts receiving record. That's 882 receptions, 11,573 yards, 48 100-yard receiving games and at least one reception in 146 consecutive games.

"It's always great to be associated with greatness," Harbaugh said of Harrison, who declined comment for this story.

Harrison has a team-high five touchdown catches this season. His 37 receptions are tied with Reggie Wayne for the most in the Colts' 7-0 start.

Sorgi threw the first scoring pass of his career to Harrison in the 2004 regular-season finale at Denver.

"He ran a real good slant on (Pro Bowl cornerback) Champ Bailey, then Marvin showed me his numbers, 88, and I just hit 'em," Sorgi said. "It was awesome.

"It will always be special because it was him and he's going to be a Hall of Fame receiver. Even if it's less than 1 percent of what he has, it's still a percentage."

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McClure on his way up

By Rob McCallum

Opportunities have presented themselves to McCloud native Shay McClure in the past 15 years. And McClure has taken advantage.

The 1990 McCloud High graduate has climbed the football ladder from bottom of the Logger depth chart as a freshman all the way to being a head coach at Southern Oregon University.

When he was given the top position it marked an arrival of sorts for McClure, also an SOU alum. And although the Raiders struggled to a 1-9 record this fall, McClure is optimistic for the future.

"We were faced with many challenges," McClure said. "Overall I was happy with the way the kids battled and played hard every game."

McClure, the defensive coordinator at SOU since 2002, was named interim coach on May 10th, following the sudden resignation of longtime coach Jeff Olson. That left SOU in a tough position, amid the recruiting period and spring drills.

"Coming into the season I knew what we would have to face," McClure said. "But no matter what school you're at, you have problems. You deal with what your given, fight through it and you keep going."

The 2005 season was a hard pill to swallow for McClure and his staff, who saw the school's streak of five-straight winning seasons come to an end in 2004.

Losing isn't something McClure is used to on the football field. He helped the Loggers to an Evergreen League title and deep playoff run as a sophomore in 1987.

McClure went straight to Ashland out of high school to what was then called Southern Oregon College. He was a defensive back on a team that ranked near the top of the Columbia Football Conference standings for all four years and climbed to as high as No. 2 in the NAIA rankings.

"We were very talented but were around .500 every year," he said. "We lacked that sense of team unity, which in the long run hurt us."

At SOC, McClure played with San Diego Chargers linebacker Andy Katoa and future Canadian Football League quarterback David Searle.

But McClure's playing career was cut short in his senior season in 1994, when he blew out his knee with two games to play.

"That might have sealed my fate right there," he said. "I knew at that time that I wasn't finished with the



Shay McClure watches from the sidelines as his Southern Oregon team faces rival Western Oregon September 24th in Ashland.

sport."

McClure replaced his helmet with a headset, helping coach the Raider defensive backs as a graduate assistant in 1995, and after graduating with a degree in social science, he was offered the position of secondary coach.

Over the next five years, he learned firsthand how nomadic the life of an assistant coach can be. McClure was hired at the University of San Diego as a special teams coach, and held that position for two years before landing the defensive coordinator job at Occidental College in Los Angeles.

McClure's career began to take off at Oxy, where he inherited a 1-8 team and helped them improve to 5-4 in 2000 and 8-1 the next year, capturing a conference title.

But the Siskiyou Mountains beckoned to McClure, and when the same position opened up at SOU, he leaped at it.

"It's a better place to raise children," McClure said of Ashland, where he met his wife Stacy, a 1992 McCloud High graduate. Today the couple have two children - 5-year old Taryn and 2-year-old Daeton.

In his first year back on the SOU sidelines, the Raiders picked up a 31-10 win over his former employer, USD, en route to a run to the NAIA quarterfinals. That year, SOU had the nation's No. 5 rushing defense, and they have continued to be one of the stingiest teams against the run since.

McClure has coached eight Raider defenders to All-American status in his two stints, pending this year's all-star announcements.

When McClure accepted the head coaching job, he retained control of the defense. This comes on top of also being SOU's recruiting coordinator as well as the strength and conditioning coordinator. McClure admits that wearing so many hats this fall took its toll.

"I need to do a better job of delegating," he said. "I'll still be in charge of strength and conditioning and defensive coordinator - that's something I don't want to give up - but we'll put somebody else in charge of recruiting."

The biggest question at this point is whether the "interim" tag will be removed from his head coaching title.

"I don't know the answer to that question," McClure said. "I've been asked that numerous times in the past few weeks but I can't sit here and worry about it.

"We've started recruiting in earnest and I'm going to keep doing what I need to do to keep the program successful," he added. "If I'm named the permanent head coach, I will do that. If not, then I guess it wasn't meant to be."

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Who Said Gamecocks Didn't Have a Prayer?

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South Carolina, which knocked off No. 12 Florida, 30-22, on Saturday, has won five consecutive Southeastern Conference games. Last week first-year Coach Steve Spurrier said, "God has been smiling on the Gamecocks."

Reggie Hayes of the Fort Wayne (Ind.) News-Sentinel subsequently wrote: "When contacted for comment, God denied any favoritism and speculated that Spurrier was referring to himself in the third person."

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Trivia time: What year did the Division III Occidental College football team make a regular-season national television appearance?

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More third-person talk: Robin Roberts, formerly of ESPN and now co-host of ABC's "Good Morning America," was a guest of Bob Costas on HBO's "Costas Now" Friday night.

She seemed delighted to be returning to the sports world, particularly when Cincinnati Bengal receiver Chad Johnson, also a guest, said: "Everything Chad Johnson does is positive."

Said Roberts: "He's talked about himself in the third person. There you have it, ladies and gentlemen, we now have a sports show!"

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Papa Joe and the nun: Joe Paterno, another guest on Costas' show, talked about playing high school football at Brooklyn Prep and dating a girl from the neighborhood, an older sister of Joe Torre.

Costas: "Sister Marguerite? You dated Sister Marguerite?"

Paterno said he thought he did, prompting Costas to say, "That's what drove her to the convent."

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An NFL team for L.A.: According to Randy Hill of Foxsports.com, NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue last week "spent two

days in Los Angeles attempting to convince the USC Trojans to join the NFC West."

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Nothing left uncovered: Ray Ratto of the San Francisco Chronicle noted that The Times ran a feature article last week on Carmen Trutanich, a lawyer who represents Trojan players.

"There are so few new things left to say about USC that the team's de facto lawyer is getting front-page play," Ratto wrote. "Next week: The printer repairman, and how he is Johnny-on-the-spot when Pete Carroll runs out of toner."

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Looking back: On this day in 1957, Jackie Robinson of the Brooklyn Dodgers was named the winner of the first Baseball Writers Assn. of America Most Valuable Player award. It was a single award until 1949, then went to one player in each league.

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Trivia answer: During the NFL strike in 1982, CBS, looking for replacement programming, had Occidental play the University of San Diego on a Sunday and televised the game. Occidental won, 34-20. Tiger running back Vance Mueller was named player of the game, and Joe Hrinda made a key interception late in the game.

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And finally: Bay Area reader Janice Hough, on last week's special election, in which all eight propositions went down to defeat: "This has got to be the year's biggest waste of money in California. Well, except for the Dodgers' payroll."

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Chapman-USD game will let Shafer coach within

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When the Chapman University football team travels to the University of San Diego for the Panthers' November 5 football game, the players and coaches will travel down Interstate 5 and cross State Route 76 in Oceanside. Chapman assistant coach George Shafer will likely note to those with him that he lives nine miles east of that exit.

"I'm thrilled I'm coming home," said Shafer, who has lived in Morro Hills for the past eight years. "I'm excited about going."

Shafer is the special teams coach for Chapman. He has been with the team for the past 12 years, or since the school reinstated its football program in 1994. Shafer, head coach Ken Visser and defensive coordinator Dave Bishop are the three remaining coaches from the original 1994 team who are still on Chapman's coaching staff.

"It's been a tremendous experience," Shafer said. "I'm happy there."

Shafer himself began his football career — and his attitude of achievement — in Pennsylvania. His father, who is now 88 and lives in North Carolina, worked in the steel mills and as a welder after World War II before enrolling at the University of Pittsburgh at night, obtaining his degree and becoming the basketball coach and Industrial Arts department head at Beaver County Community College. Shafer grew up in Aliquippa, outside of Pittsburgh, and attended Hopewell High School.

Although he was primarily the scorekeeper on the high school baseball team, Shafer saw some action as a catcher, and one of the pitchers was future major leaguer Joe Verbanic. His high school basketball experience included guarding future pro football star Joe Namath in the Lions tournament. His early off-field football experience included

babysitting a future Notre Dame coach, and his on-field play allowed him to attend Maryville College in Maryville, TN.

Although he now works with Chapman's punters and placekickers, Shafer never kicked in high school or college. Shafer was a backup running back at Maryville College, but he was a regular on the kickoff team. "I got it because I had enthusiasm," he said.

The academic portion of Shafer's college career was interrupted after he received his military draft notice and joined the Marine Corps. Shafer spent 20 years in the Marines, enlisting as a private and retiring as a captain. "I ended up making it a career," he said.

Shafer, who began college in 1960, earned a Bachelor of Science degree in mathematics from State University of New York Albany in 1976. His Marine career included service in Vietnam, and his final duty station was at Camp Pendleton.

His Camp Pendleton assignment brought him to Vista, where he lived until moving to Morro Hills eight years ago. In the late 1980s Shafer went into the insurance business. He is currently the assistant manager of GMAC's San Marcos office, which is located in the Camping World facility in San Marcos and specializes in RV insurance. Before that position, which focuses on the preferred market, he had worked at Gateway Insurance and had specialized in drunk drivers.

In 2004 the San Marcos office was GMAC's national leader in sales. As a reward, Shafer received an all-expenses-paid trip to college football's GMAC Bowl in Mobile, AL.

In addition to the bowl game itself, Shafer attended the Welcome Aboard dinner and awards ceremony. The winner of

the GMAC Service to America Award turned out to be his former high school football coach, Rey Dempsey, who became a pastor after his coaching career. "We both cried," Shafer said.

While Shafer sat in the President's Box during the game, former Notre Dame football coach Bob Davies broadcast the matchup. After the game Davies and Shafer were both in the General Motors hospitality room. Shafer had been told by his father that he had babysat Davies, whose mother was a single parent who had to work, but Shafer had no memories of that. He asked Davies, who confirmed the story.

In addition to his insurance business, football coaching and parenting, Shafer is also a produce grower. "Why not get the most out of life?" he said.

Shafer believes that if he is not being productive he is cheating God out of the blessings God gave him. "I've been blessed," he said. "I'm fortunate enough in life to have so many positives."

On his Morro Hills property Shafer grows cherimoyas, white guava, fuyu persimmons and Asian vegetables.

Shafer has three sons. The oldest, George Jr., is now 35. George Shafer Jr. played football at Palomar College and Azusa Pacific University, seeing action on the kickoff team and also as a receiver (although he did not catch a pass in college). He became a teacher and was an assistant coach and eventually the head coach at Jordan High School in Los Angeles before going into administration and becoming an assistant principal. George Shafer Jr. subsequently returned to the classroom after the birth of his daughter in order to spend more time with his family.

Mark Shafer was a bench warmer in Pop Warner Football

and in high school before a teammate's injury allowed him to start the last two games of his Fallbrook High School career in 1995. Shafer spent his first three high school seasons at Vista High School before transferring to Fallbrook High School for 12th grade. He played all five offensive line positions and accumulated approximately ten plays as a defensive lineman before Fallbrook's starting right tackle broke his arm and Shafer started the season's final two games. Mark Shafer worked on his strength and speed and spent a year at Fork Union Military Academy, a school in Virginia that offers a postgraduate year. Shafer started every game for Fork Union in 1996, and Visser admired Shafer's persistence as well as his intelligence to make the decision of a postgraduate year.

Mark Shafer was a redshirt at Chapman in 1997 and started the

first game of the 1998 season, although he allowed five sacks and had five holding penalties and returned to the bench for the remainder of the season. As a sophomore in 1999, Shafer was expected to be a backup, but he took over the starting role. During the 1999 and 2000 seasons Shafer started every game. He allowed one penalty during the two-year period, and none of his snaps were fumbled. In 2000 he was voted the team's offensive lineman of the year by the team members.

For the fall 2000 semester Shafer had a grade point average of 3.81, and his spring 2001 courses produced a GPA of 3.85. His athletic performance, academics and sportsmanship earned him the Ernie Chapman Award, named for the son of the university's founder, who was on the 1932 football team. He also earned various third-team and honorable mention All-American honors as well as selection to the USA Independent A 208st team and to the Veri USA Academic All-American first

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which covers both Division II and Division III schools.

As a senior in 2001 Shafer missed two games with a medial collateral ligament injury, which normally causes a player to miss six to eight weeks. Shafer and the four other offensive linemen earned Division III player of the week honors from D3football.com for Week 9 of the season after a win against LaVerne, and post-season activity included Shafer's selection to the ConsensusD3.com All-American first team and the Verizon Academic All-American first team for the region. There are two separate Division III awards given to the year's top football player; Shafer was one of 62 nominees, and one of only two offensive linemen nominated, for the Melberger Award and one of 23 nominees for the Gagliardi Trophy. The four-semester Dean's List honoree also picked up his second Ernie Chapman Award after the 2001 season, and the Orange County chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame recognized Shafer's athletic-academic combination at its awards banquet.

Mark Shafer graduated from Chapman in December 2001 with a degree in organizational leadership and an overall 3.424 grade point average. He closed out his college career in the National All-Stars Bowl in Orlando in March 2002 and then played for the Hanover Musketeers of the German American Football League in 2002 before returning to the United States and playing for the Orange County Makos of the semi-pro California Football Association in 2003. He now lives in Huntington Beach and has returned to Chapman University for law school.

Shafer's stepson, Long Nguyen, is currently a senior at Fallbrook High School. Nguyen is a receiver and defensive back on the football team and wears uniform number 8, which was also the uniform number of George Shafer Jr. Nguyen is also a pole-vaulter for Fallbrook High School's track and field team. Nguyen has been Chapman's ball boy for the past eight years, a position which was

also held by Mark Shafer in 1994 and 1995. (Mark Shafer was also the Whittier College ball boy in 1992 and 1993.)

Visser and George Shafer Jr. were responsible for the coaching path of George Shafer Sr., who began his Palomar College career one year after his son began playing there. The elder Shafer handled videotapes for Palomar College in 1988 and 1989 under head coach Tom Craft, and he also joined Azusa Pacific in his son's second year on that team. After working on the Azusa Pacific videos in 1990 and 1991, Shafer joined Visser's staff at Whittier College. Shafer spent two years at Whittier before Chapman fielded a football team for the first time since 1932. Shafer still works with the videos as well as with the special teams.

"When you look back over the years, one thing that's really neat — never had a kid miss a kick in the last 12 minutes that would tie or win a game," Shafer said.

That includes Matt Deter. In 2001 the lead between Chapman and Azusa Pacific changed hands four times in the fourth quarter. The night before the game Deter was having dinner with the Shafer family and had mentioned that he always wanted to have a winning or tying kick from at least 50 yards away. With eight seconds left Deter made a 51-yard field goal to give Chapman a 27-25 victory.

Deter's predecessor was Matt George, who spent a year with the Pittsburgh Steelers and is now in the Arena Football League. George, a transfer from San Diego State University who also played at Palomar College, once ran after a snap over his head, grabbed the ball and got off a punt from the Chapman one-yard-line. The ball bounced and rolled to the opposing one-yard-line, although George was only credited for a 64-yard punt rather than with a 98-yard boot since the line of scrimmage was the Chapman 35.

Shafer's kickers also included Mario Acosta, who in 1997 had the highest punting average of any Division III player. Acosta's first kick for Chapman went straight in the air, landed in front of the line of scrimmage and bounced backward for negative yardage. His final collegiate punt went 71 yards from scrimmage to set a school record that still

stands.

"He was a very talented athlete," Shafer said of Acosta. "Matt George was gifted also. Deter was more of a blue-collar kicker. He worked very hard at his occupation."

This year's placekicker is Mike Matus, who was perfect on all of his field goal and point after touchdown attempts before missing a 47-yard attempt October 14 at Pacific Lutheran. The kicking team has been handicapped by the loss of long snapper Doug Dione, whose injury has relegated him to equipment manager for the rest of the season.

In 2004 the American Football Coaches Association honored Shafer by making him one of three finalists for Division III assistant coach of the year. "I was literally stoked," he said. "For a losing season [Chapman had a 4-5 record in 2004] that's what was pretty positive."

Keith Emery, the defensive coordinator and linebackers coach at Johns Hopkins University, earned the actual award. Jack Giambone of Wilmington was the other finalist. The award is given to coaches who excel in community service, commitment to the student-athlete, on-field coaching success and AFCA organization involvement. Service to the community through charitable work and other volunteer activities, participation in AFCA activities and events, participation in other professional organizations and impact on student-athletes are taken into account in the selection process.

Shafer has been an AFCA national committee member for the past nine years, quipping that he volunteered to serve on the committee and was good enough to be retained. The national committee's duties include the awards luncheon committee at the annual AFCA convention, which attracts between 4,000 and 5,000 coaches.

Chapman University is 66 miles from Shafer's home and 69 miles from his office. "That's a small price to pay," he said. "I'm literally honored to be on the Chapman staff and to be a part of Chapman University."

This year Chapman's new stadium is being built, and the Panthers are playing their home games at El Medina High School three miles from the campus. Chapman is not currently affiliated with a conference,

although the Panthers play a full Southern Collegiate Intercollegiate Athletic Conference schedule and have aspirations of becoming an SCIAC member. An October 29 loss to LaVerne dropped Chapman's season record to 2-5.

USD will be only the second NCAA Division I opponent for Chapman since the Panthers resumed football. Chapman had previously played St. Mary's, which has since dropped football. The Panthers had also faced Division II school Chico State before the Wildcats dropped their football program.

"USD's going to be the toughest game on our schedule," Shafer said. "If we would win that football game it would be a major upset."

Shafer is hoping for such an upset. "I would love to have it decided from 50 yards with one second to go," he said, adding that he would settle for any victory. "I love that challenge."

Regardless of how Chapman fares against USD, Shafer will have the opportunity to coach in San Diego. "I'm excited. The last time I was in that stadium was the night little George played his final college football game," he said.

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Heart and sole

Toreros' Lewis has mom's battle in mind as USD readies for Aztecs

By Hank Wesch
STAFF WRITER

It was late April. One USD basketball season had been over for a while, and the thoughts and preparations for the next one were in the early stages.

Toreros forward/center Nick Lewis, his senior season on the horizon, was walking toward a campus gym for a workout when his cell phone rang. His mother, Melodie, was calling from their Paradise Valley, Ariz., home.

"Typical, 'Are you sitting down?' opening and then she told me," Lewis said. "It was a pretty big shock to hear that my mom, one of the healthiest and most active people I know, had cancer.

"I got in my car and just sat there in shock, not knowing what to do."

Breast cancer. Tests had just confirmed her worst fears. Later, it was discovered to be an aggressive strain of the disease that had spread to other parts of her body and would require aggressive treatment.

"The past summer has been pretty tough," Lewis said. "I had to be over here for ball, and she was going through treatments in Phoenix, so I didn't get to see her as often as I would have liked.

"She battled real hard, went through all of the chemo, lost her hair and we all — the whole family and a bunch of friends — cut our hair (in a show of support) for her.

"It's unbelievable how positive she was. It made it seem

like it was harder on my dad

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SDSU men at USD

When: Tonight, 7

Where: Jenny Craig Pavilion, USD

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Series: Aztecs lead, 20-16

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Friend, mom: Melodie Lewis fills many roles

and brother and I than it was on her. Every time I talked to her she was so upbeat and so positive."

Treatments have the cancer in remission. Melodie Lewis says, "We've got it stopped, and I'm doing very well."

She'll be in the stands at the Jenny Craig Pavilion tonight at 7 when Nick and his USD teammates take on San Diego State in the annual cross-town rivalry.

"I'm going to be at most of the games on the West Coast," said Melodie, 50. "It's definitely a big part of my recovery . . . The boys on the team have been remarkable in their support for me and Nick through this."

Nick Lewis describes Melodie as not only his mom, but his best friend. He recalls the growing-up times with her leading him and his brother, Jacob, now a 19-year-old sophomore on the USC volleyball team, on fishing, hiking and camping

trips.

"She's an amazing person. People just want to be around her," Nick said. "Growing up, all of my friends would want to come over and see Mrs. Lewis. She'd cook for everybody in the neighborhood and everybody on the team.

"She likes to say that she taught me how to shoot free throws and taught me everything I know about basketball."

The latter comment draws a laugh, and no denial, from Melodie.

"I would stand out there by the hour and shag balls for those guys," she said. Nick's inclination was to head home last summer and be with his mother through her treatment. Her instructions were that he stay in San Diego and focus on basketball and school. They were not, she said, difficult instructions to impart.

"Because I felt it was important, for both boys, that they continue on their journeys," she said.

"We were, obviously, a very close family before all this," Nick said. "And I know it's kind of a cliché, but going through it has made us even closer. We've learned that we're all very special to each other and we have to realize and treasure that every day because, you never know. I thought my mom was superwoman and this sort of thing only happens to other people.

"And it has made the extended family — aunts, uncles and cousins — closer. There's not a day goes by that I don't talk to some of them."

Playing basketball has become, more than ever, a release

for Nick Lewis.

"When I step between the lines, I can just concentrate on playing and I don't have to think about anything else," he said. "When I'm on the court, I don't have to think about my mom's situation."

Soon after he got the news, Lewis took a black marking pen to his basketball shoes and inscribed "4MOM" as a sign of dedicating his season to her.

"I don't need that big a reminder, but it is a little reminder," Nick said. "Every time I put my shoes on and tie them up, she's right there. She's always with me and it's just a little extra reminder in the back of my head to go out and do the best I can." Lewis, who is 6 feet 10, is USD's leading scorer (17.5 points per game) and rebounder (6.3) to this point of a 2-2 season and is fresh from a career-high 29-point effort Saturday at UC Riverside.

"Nick is an emotional kid, and there's nothing wrong with that," USD coach Brad Holland said. "I think at times it has worn him down, but overall he has handled it like a champion.

"I've encouraged him to play out his emotions through basketball. He has dedicated the season to his mom and I hope that helps him and gives him the inspiration to always try his hardest and do his very best."

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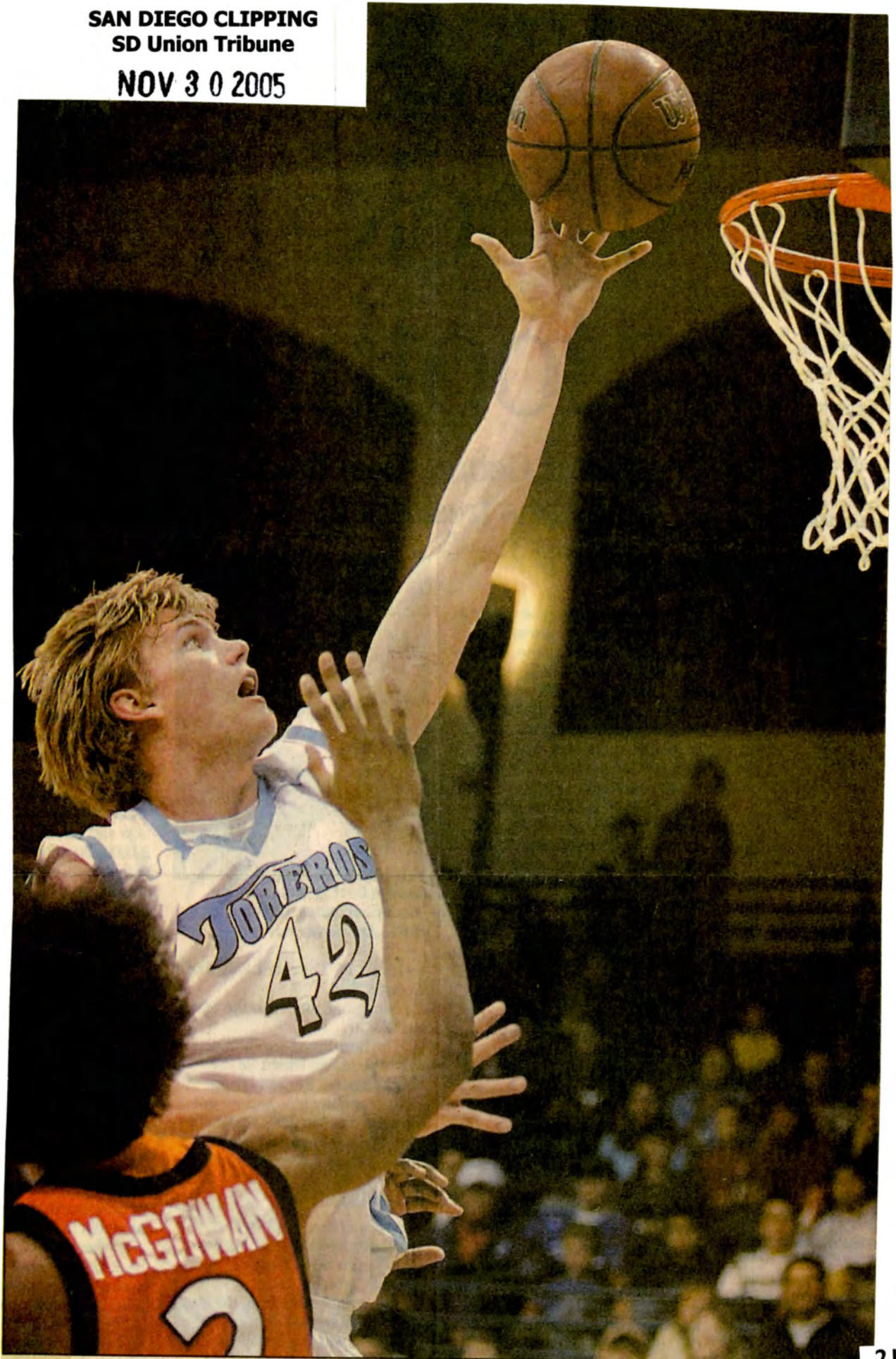


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“Every time I put my shoes on and tie them up, she’s right there. She’s always with me and it’s just a little extra reminder in the back of my head to go out and do the best I can.”

NICK LEWIS, *USD forward/center, who has dedicated this season to his mother, who is battling breast cancer*

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Averaging 17.5 points and 6.3 rebounds, Nick Lewis is off to a fast start. *Jim Baird / Union-Tribune*

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SDSU tries to pad streak against USD

By Ed Graney
STAFF WRITER

The cross-town college basketball rivalry of breaks is renewed this evening. Lately, San Diego State has dictated the results.

USD plays its home opener when it welcomes the Aztecs at 7, welcomes an SDSU program that has won three straight in the series following a stretch where the Toreros won four in a row and 11 of 14, which followed a stretch where SDSU won six straight and 11 of 13.

SDSU leads the all-time series — which dates to 1962 and went some years without a

matchup — 20-16.

"We came in (seven seasons ago) and they beat us bloody three years in a row," Aztecs coach Steve Fisher said. "Now, we have returned the favor. As long as it's a competitive series, it's good for both teams. If one school all of a sudden wins every game by 50 points, then it's different. But that is not the way it has been. They have been tough, hard-fought games."

It is a competition mostly reserved for one evening each December. The teams rarely compete in recruiting while one (SDSU) plays in a conference with major college football and another (USD) doesn't. The combined rosters

have just four players who prepped locally.

"We make sure we circle this game every year and make it a priority for us in the non-conference slate," Fisher said. "We treat this as a very, very important piece to our season. I think once you're here as a player, people who have played in the game the previous years make sure the new guys know the importance of it."

"There is also competition between players from (both teams) during the summer. They all know one another. When they beat us those first three seasons, some people

said they put more a priority on the game than us. I don't think so. They were better than we were early on. It's not hard to get yourself ready for this game."

Coaches speak

Fisher and USD coach **Brad Holland** will speak at today's Hall of Champions luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are available at the door. Prices are \$30 for Hall members and \$40 for non-members. For information, call (619) 234-2544.

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**SDSU men
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Records/series: SDSU 3-1,
USD 2-2 / SDSU leads 20-16.

Outlook: Aztecs starting senior forward Trimalne Davis did not practice yesterday because of an injured knee and is questionable. If Davis (9.0 ppg, 2.3 rpg, 66.7 percent shooting) doesn't play, senior Mohamed Camara will start up front. The Toreros play their first home game after beginning with four on the road. Senior forward Nick Lewis (17.5 ppg, 6.3 rpg) leads the team, while freshman point guard Brandon Johnson leads the West Coast Conference with a 6.0 assists average. USD hasn't done a good job guarding SDSU junior Brandon Heath. In two career games against the Toreros, Heath has averaged 26.5 points while making 17-of-28 from the field, including 7-of-10 on threes. Senior guard John Sharper could become just the fourth SDSU player to compete in four straight victories against USD, joining Michael Cage, Eddy Gordon and Eddie Morris. A near-sellout is expected, but some tickets remain. The USD ticket office (619) 260-7550 opens this morning at 9.

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Holland, Fisher to speak

San Diego State men's basketball coach Steve Fisher and his University of San Diego counterpart, Brad Holland, will speak at the Hall of Champions luncheon today at the sports museum in Balboa Park. The cost is \$40 for non-members.

TV-RADIO SPORTS

Aztecs, Toreros to get plenty of air time

Channel 4 San Diego will be the place to go for fans who enjoy following the San Diego State and University of San Diego men's basketball teams.

The station will carry 18 Aztecs games, producing 10, and 11 Toreros game, producing all of them. In addition, ESPN2 is slated to carry the Aztecs' contest against UNLV in February.

"This is a pretty big package and a pretty big commitment, so we're hoping both teams are as good as the preseason polls indicate," said Channel 4's Dennis Morgigno. "If they are, then we'll all have a lot of fun."

The first Aztecs telecast is 7 p.m. Saturday against Albany.

The package includes contests against Washington State, UC Santa Barbara, Providence and Loyola Marymount, as well as the bulk of the Mountain West Conference schedule.

Seven of the conference games will be picked up from Sportswest or ESPN Plus. For the Providence game, Channel 4 will pick up the Friars' telecast.

The first USD game is Wednesday when the Toreros host San Diego State at 7 p.m.

The rest of the USD schedule includes nonconference games against UC Riverside, Fresno State, Texas Arlington, Loyola of Chicago and New Mexico. Four — and possibly five — West Coast

Conference games are on the schedule.

KUST's Steve Quis will call six Aztecs game with Matt Vasgersian calling three.

KNSD's Jim Stone calls all the USD games, including the contest against the Aztecs because that's a USD home game.

Jim Brogan will be the analyst for all the Channel 4 games — Aztecs and Toreros.

"We think we've put together a really nice 28-

29 game local college basketball package," Morgigno said. "Both schools figure to do well this season, so we should have some exciting games."

More hoops

■ Most San Diego State men's basketball games will be carried on The Mighty 1090. But when there is an Aztecs conflict with the Mighty Ducks, hockey takes precedent. That shuffles the Aztecs to KASH 1700. The first conflict is Wednesday's game at USD.

■ For the second straight season, USD has no radio home for its men's basketball games. Gee, maybe letting go of a can-do guy like Jerry Gross — a man who got the team's games on radio — to take the broadcasts in-house was a mistake.

Local notes

■ Morgigno said Cox Communi-

cations is still talking to executives from CSTV, but there is no deal yet.

Starting next season, the Mountain West Conference jumps from ESPN to CSTV.

"It's important to get this done if we want to continue to bring the Aztecs to our subscribers," Morgigno said.

■ Kevin Harlan and Randy Cross work the Chargers-Redskins game at 10 a.m. Sunday on CBS.

■ Chargers rookie linebacker Shawne Merriman and his relationship with his "adopted" big brother, Redskins linebacker LaVar Arrington, will be part of Sunday's "The NFL Today" pregame show, starting at 9 a.m.

■ Last week's Bills-Chargers game drew a 24.6 rating with a 48 share of the audience in San Diego. In Buffalo, the game did a 30.9 rating with a 48 share.

■ After a hit-and-miss season, Katy Temple worked her last game as the Chargers radio sideline reporter last week for Rock 105.3-FM. She has taken a TV job in Atlanta.

Tee it up

■ The Golf Channel has tape-delayed coverage of Michelle Wie's pro debut in a men's tournament at the Casio World Open in Japan. The second round runs today from 6:30-8:30 p.m.

■ ABC has both rounds of the Skins Game at 10 a.m. Saturday and noon Sunday. The event features Fred Couples, Tiger Woods,

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Fred Funk and Annika Sorenstam competing for \$1 million.

Around the dial

■ CBS has a one-hour special "Rozelle: Building America's Game" at 11 a.m. Saturday. The special from NFL Films chronicles the life of former NFL commissioner **Pete Rozelle**, who ruled as the league's top executive for 29 years.

■ Saturday's Fresno State-USC football game was the highest-rated show ever on FSN West 2, earning a 2.7 coverage-area rating and was seen in 2.1 million households. But it got very little help in the San Diego market where the station isn't available to Cox Communications subscribers.

■ Rising tennis star **James Blake**, who came back from a broken neck to make the quarterfinals of the U.S. Open, is profiled on CBS' "60 Minutes" at 7 p.m. Sunday.

■ Starting Monday, **Keith Olbermann** will join **Dan Patrick's** ESPN radio show daily from 11 a.m.-noon. Patrick and Olbermann were partners for five years on ESPN's "SportsCenter." Locally, the show can be heard on ESPN 800.

■ Starting Jan. 18, golfer **John Daly** will star in "The Daly Planet" — a 13-week reality series on The Golf Channel that follows Daly's everyday life. The show is scheduled to air on Wednesdays.

■ ESPN's **Mike Tirico** will work four shows from three locations in four days over the Thanksgiving weekend. He had the Pittsburgh-West Virginia football game Thursday night, will call the Nebraska-Colorado game today for ABC and The Skins Game golf coverage from La Quinta for ABC on Saturday and Sunday. This marks the fifth time this football season Tirico has pulled triple duty, calling two football games and golf on the same weekend. Tirico has worked Thursday and Saturday football games on the same weekend on 10 occasions.

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USD beats Riverside press for win on road

By Hank Wesch
STAFF WRITER

RIVERSIDE — It was the kind of game that could have given the USD men's basketball team night terrors the last couple of seasons. UC Riverside, under new coach David Spencer, presses and traps all over the court and does everything it can to induce an opponent into playing at a

breakneck speed.

So any team facing the Highlanders had better have a guard or two with quickness, vision, passing ability and court presence. And in recent seasons USD has been in short supply, or sometimes fresh out, of backcourt players with those characteristics.

But not this season.

Freshman point guard Brandon Johnson teamed with junior Ross DeRogatis to guide the Toreros past UCR's obstacles and set up easy baskets by

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USD

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Toreros refuse to let Riverside rush game pace

USD's bigger front line often enough to produce a relatively stress-free 82-65 victory before 347 fans yesterday at the UCR Student Recreation Center.

Senior forward/center Nick Lewis was the major benefactor of the Toreros' press-breaking success, scoring a career-high 29 points on 13-of-16 shooting. With the exception of one missed three-pointer, all of Lewis' shots were from close range, a few of them point-blank dunks.

"It's nice to know that I can just run down the court and know that I don't have to come back and help out anyone," Lewis said. "In the past we haven't always had that. But (today) I could just blow by people, get set and know the ball's going to get there."

USD was efficient enough against the press in the opening minutes of the game to build a 19-7 lead in the first 9:09. And efficient enough in the second half to build a 34-25 halftime lead to 57-36 in the first 7:30.

The Toreros got a little sloppy toward the end of both the first half and the game so that their work wasn't as impressive statistically as it was visually at times. Johnson finished with nine assists and seven turnovers, DeRogatis three and five.

USD (2-2) wound up with 26 assists and 25 turnovers in handing UCR its third straight loss of the season in its home opener. The teams will play again on Dec. 6 at the Jenny Craig Pavilion on the USD campus.

"Riverside does a good job of making you play out of your normal game," said USD coach Brad Holland. "While I loved the fact we had 26 assists, I wasn't pleased with the 25 turnovers. I mean, Brandon came in with a 3-to-1 (assist-to-turnover) ratio.

"I was pleased that we didn't settle for a lot of quick three-point shots like Riverside wanted us to do. But when we play on December 6, I'd like to see

us have a higher conversion rate of getting the ball past half court and getting good shots."

Senior forward Corey Belser had a 12-point, 10-rebound double-double and DeRogatis contributed 10 points.

Gyno Pomare (10 points) was the other Torero in double-figure scoring, taking Lewis' spot near the basket when Lewis was rested. Pomare was not in the starting lineup for the first time, Holland opting for DeRogatis, Johnson, freshman Ray Murdock, Belser and Lewis.

"I went with a shorter lineup to match up better against what Riverside does," Holland said. "I'll choose between the big and small lineup according to the matchups."

USD has its home opener Wednesday night against San Diego State.

Lewis considered the Toreros' 2-2 start a good one under the circumstances.

"If we can go on the road the first four games with an inexperienced team and wind up 2-2, I think that's awesome," Lewis said. "Winning on the road is one of the toughest things to do in college basketball.

"These guys are learning to play in a hostile environment and now coming home 2-2 from four games to open the season on the road — that's real solid."

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SUMMARY

USD 82, UC Riverside 65

USD	Min	FG-A	FT-A	R	A	F	Pts
Johnson	29	2-5	0-0	5	9	2	4
DeRogatis	32	2-7	6-6	3	3	1	12
Murdock	17	0-3	1-2	4	3	3	1
Belser	28	5-8	1-1	10	2	4	12
Lewis	29	13-16	3-4	8	0	0	29
Brown	14	1-2	2-2	1	0	2	4
Pomare	16	5-8	0-0	1	1	2	10
White	6	0-1	0-0	3	0	1	0
Cohen	17	4-5	0-0	4	4	3	8
Smith	12	1-1	0-0	0	4	1	2
Totals	200	33-56	13-15	41	26	19	82

Percentages: FG .589, FT .867. 3-Point Goals: 3-9, .333 (DeRogatis 2-4, Belser 1-2). Team Rebounds: 2. Blocked Shots: 9 (Lewis 3). Turnovers: 25 (Johnson 7). Steals: 5 (Johnson, Belser, Lewis, Cohen, Smith). Technical Fouls: None.

UC RIVERSIDE	Min	FG-A	FT-A	R	A	F	Pts
Porter	34	5-17	0-0	5	3	2	11
Williams	24	1-10	3-4	4	4	4	5
Misko	22	1-5	3-3	4	0	2	5
Power	25	4-9	2-2	3	2	1	13
L. Cunningham	29	7-18	4-5	2	1	1	18
Johnson	5	0-1	0-0	1	0	0	0
S. Cunningham	6	0-2	0-0	0	0	1	0
Bates	16	2-5	1-2	3	2	1	5
Bekono	11	1-2	0-0	2	1	1	2
Sato	11	1-2	0-0	1	0	1	2
Cobbs	17	2-3	0-2	4	0	2	4
Totals	200	24-74	13-18	35	13	16	65

Percentages: FG .324, FT .722. 3-Point Goals: 4-22, .182 (Power 3-6, Porter 1-5). Team Rebounds: 35. Blocked Shots: 4 (Misko 2). Turnovers: 16 (L. Cunningham 5). Steals: 9 (Williams 3). Technical Fouls: None.

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Highlanders unable to stop USD's Lewis

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RIVERSIDE — The merits of UC Riverside's guard-oriented, fast-paced style of play are still being tested three games into the Highlanders' first season under coach David Spencer, but one thing is clear: the Highlanders have not been able to stop USD's Lewis. The Highlanders' approach can doom them when facing a dominant big man.

USD center Nick Lewis scored a career-high 29 points, and the Toreros eased to an 82-65 nonconference men's basketball victory over the Highlanders on Saturday at the Student Recreation Center.

While UC Riverside tried to find effectiveness in pushing the ball up the floor for fast-break opportunities and easy shots, it was the 6-foot-10 Lewis who most often found himself wide open in the paint, and he took advantage.

Lewis went 13-for-16 from the field and 3-for-4 from the free-throw line. He was one of four Toreros players who scored in double figures, joining Ross DeRogatis (12 points), Corey Belser (12) and Gyno Pomare (10).

Belser added 10 rebounds, and Lewis had eight as USD improved to 2-2.

"What we tried to do is front (Lewis), and it didn't work very well," Spencer said. "The other choices are to play behind and see if he can make a move, or to play behind and double down on him.

"That's a dilemma for us, because it compromises us defensively, no matter how we do it."

Added USD coach Brad Holland: "We did a good job of converting inside. We didn't settle for quick 3s, which is what Riverside would like you to do. We worked it inside and took high-percentage shots.

"If you play helter-skelter basketball with them, that's to their advantage. They took us a little bit out of our game, but I thought we did a good job of keeping to our game plan."

In three games under Spencer's new system, UC Riverside (0-3) has yet to score more than 74 points (it has averaged 64.7). The Highlanders shot a woeful 32.4 percent (33-for-56) against the Toreros, including 23.7 percent in the first half.

USD led from the opening tip to the final buzzer, starting with a 6-0 run and extending its lead to 21-7 midway through the first half. The Toreros owned a 34-25 half-time advantage.

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The Highlanders shoot 32 percent and fail to score on the fast break

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RIVERSIDE

After three games and three double-digit losses, the UCR
Riverside men's basketball team is headed back to square one.

"We pretty much need to go back to the beginning," Coach David
Spencer said following Saturday's 82-65 loss to the University
of San Diego before 262 at the Student Recreation Center.

"We need to go back, reestablish ourselves defensively and
reestablish ourselves on the glass," Spencer said. "Despite the
fact that we're trying to run, the defense and the rebounding,
that's the part we're not getting."

The Highlanders have been outscored 260-194 in their 0-3 start.

With former Loyola Marymount standout Bo Kimble in attendance
for Saturday's home opener, the up-tempo "System" failed to
generate much offense (24 baskets on 32 percent shooting).
Defensively, the Toreros kept up with UCR's fast-paced attempts
and took advantage of their size up front.

USD (2-2) led 34-25 at the half and poured it on in the second,
shooting 63 percent. The Highlanders defense failed to contain
San Diego forward Nick Lewis. The 6-foot-10 senior scored 14
first-half points in 14 minutes. With 6-11 forward Klaus Schille
still sidelined after ankle surgery, the Highlanders had no
answer for Lewis, who finished with a career-high 29 points. The
Toreros lobbed passes inside to Lewis and the rest of the front
line for much of the game. Lewis finished 13 of 16 from the
field.

"It was horrible to sit on the bench, and you can't do
anything," said Schille, who could be back by mid-December. "You
just want to help out but you can't do anything."

The Toreros ran with UCR and were able to beat the pressing
defense. USD jumped to a 17-7 lead at the 12:33 mark and never
slowed down. The Highlanders, who struggled from the field in
their first two games, continued to misfire. UCR shot 9 of 38
(24 percent) in the first half and was just 2 of 14 from
three-point range. The Highlanders shot 32 percent from the
field for the game and did not score a fast-break point, while
the Toreros had six.

"It's early in the season," guard Larry Cunningham said. "We'll
have to go back to the drawing board . . . we'll find out what's

happening when we watch the tape."

The Toreros made 10 layups in the second half and added six more baskets on seven shots inside the paint.

"Klaus is a pivotal player in our system," said Cunningham, who finished with a team-high 18 points. "He's going to be a factor when he's playing. Regardless of what injuries we have, we still have to play the games."

Another absence the Highlanders will have to deal with is point guard Justin Bell. Bell had surgery last week to repair an anterior cruciate ligament injury and will not return this season. Cunningham, Rickey Porter and Sean Cunningham will fill in at the point.

The Highlanders will travel to USC on Wednesday.

Houston Power finished with 13 points and Porter had 11. Corey Belser recorded a double-double for San Diego with 12 points and 10 rebounds.

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San Diego 82, UC Riverside 65 — Nick Lewis scored a career-high 29 points as the Toreros stormed past the Highlanders at Riverside.

Lewis made 13 of 16 shots. Ross DeRogatis and Corey Belser scored 12 points apiece, and Gyno Pomare had 10 for San Diego (2-2). Riverside (0-3) shot 32.4% and made only four of its 22 three-point tries.

Larry Cunningham led Riverside with 18 points.

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The UC Riverside men's and women's basketball teams play a rare home doubleheader today, and those planning to attend may want to bring a hard hat.

Strap it on tight. Watch out for heavy machinery. The construction zone is buzzing with activity. Don't worry about the debris or changes to the blueprints, the Highlanders have a plan for the future, and phase one is under way.

Of course, as men's coach David Spencer likes to say, it's a work in progress.

In a "what have you done for me lately" sports world, it's hard to look two years ahead, but that's what the Highlanders are doing. Both teams are building for the future. That doesn't mean they've given up on this season; it only means whatever happens is comparable to pouring the concrete, maybe even erecting a pillar or two toward 2007.

Neither coach will say that publicly because it could be taken as a slight by the upperclassmen. But reality is reality.

"There's a difference between a team, a season and a program," Spencer said. "We're trying to build a program; something that will sustain itself."

The women's team plays San Diego State this afternoon at 7 p.m. The Highlanders will have as many as five freshmen on the roster at the same time, so it's understandable if Coach John Margaritis looks as if he wants to pull his hair out at times.

The men follow with their home opener against the University of San Diego. The much-publicized up-tempo style of play UCR is working to perfect still has a lot of kinks. The offense has struggled with its shooting, and the defense has been inconsistent in the first two games.

But, stealing a line from the Rolling Stones, time is on their side.

With 11 freshmen and sophomores, the Highlanders women can't help but improve with experience. Kemie Nkele, already one of the best players to don a UCR uniform, is just a sophomore. Nkele can score and rebound and dominate a game with her defense. She's the perfect cornerstone for the future.

Nkele, who earned all-Big West first team honors last year, could face her biggest challenge this season while surrounded by freshmen. Nkele already has taken on the role of leader with the



talented youngsters, but it could take a while for everything to click to Margaritis' satisfaction. The ideal scenario is Nkele dominating while still keeping teammates involved, Margaritis said. If Nkele makes the other four players on the floor better, then UCR could be a strong contender in the Big West.

The women's team already has a year's head start on the Highlanders men. Margaritis, in his second season, has his first recruiting class in place and a headliner in Nkele. Spencer's first season will be spent trying to mold returning players who have never played the up-tempo system with newcomers who have never played college basketball.

"This team, this season, wasn't built from scratch to play this way," Spencer said. "It's just kind of the way it is. When we recruit new players, we are recruiting with it (the system) in mind."

So the two teams will share a common theme this season: patience and progress.

How do you gauge patience and progress?

"We gauge the progress within ourselves," guard Justin Bell said. "We know if we're getting better . . . We still want the 'W,' but at the same time we're really focused on improving."

A couple of bulldozers, cranes, earthmovers or whatever it takes; if the blueprints are correct, then UCR basketball may be something to watch in 2007. If not . . .

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Building a winner may be Morrison's toughest challenge

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BODY:

Sitting at his desk, Stan Morrison faces an office-wall hanging that depicts legendary freedom fighter William Wallace.

It's an autographed photo of Mel Gibson wearing war paint in "Braveheart," the decade-old, Oscar-winning motion picture that still gets the UC Riverside athletic director misty-eyed.

"He's a small guy, but he played a big role," said Morrison, who forked over \$ 275 at a recent athletics association auction for the collectible. "God, what a great movie. Here's this great Scottish hero who kept getting knocked down but stood to fight another day."

Morrison, in his seventh campaign as Highlanders honcho, knows the feeling.

Winning the hearts and minds surrounding the men's hoops program has proven difficult after five losing seasons of playing Division I schedules. Axing longtime coach John Masi in March to promote old friend David Spencer to install an unorthodox offense has succeeded only in putting Morrison on the hot seat.

Long gone is the honeymoon period for Morrison, who has a 33-year history of taking on challenges as a college basketball coach.

"Are you asking me if we don't win, then I'm out the door? I suspect you're probably right," said Morrison, 66.

"I really know how to fight. I know how to grind it out and I'm willing to pay the price."

BASKETBALL BACKGROUND

Since playing center on Cal's 1959 national championship team, Morrison, who is 6-foot-8, always has been the man in the middle of all things basketball.

Even now he'll occasionally leave the office a little early to observe UCR in the practice gym, conveniently located on the way to Morrison's parking spot.

"I've got to stay out of there as much as I can because it's like having an alcoholic in a winery," said Morrison, whose Oct. 15 birthday falls on the traditional opening of practice.

Success might explain this madness for college basketball. Head coaching stops at the University of Pacific (1972-79), USC (1979-86) and San Jose State (1989-98) produced conference titles and coach of the year honors and NCAA Tournament appearances at every destination.

In his first season at USC, he ended its 19-game losing streak to UCLA. He won the Trojans' last Pac-10 championship, a split title, in 1985.

"Morrison always used to tell me, 'If something doesn't work, you work harder,'" said former UCR assistant women's coach Gary Dean, who played and coached under Morrison at Pacific and coached with Morrison and Spencer at USC.

As an athletic director at UC Santa Barbara from 1986 to '89, Morrison energetically helped generate enough community and campus support for the basketball program to make The Thunderdome one of the toughest places in the nation to play.

"He's probably forgotten more basketball than I'll ever know," said Spencer, who assisted Morrison for two seasons at Pacific and seven at USC. "For me not to walk down the hall and talk basketball with him and use his expertise would be foolish, and I'm not that foolish."

BRINGING IN HIS GUY

Little has gone right with Highlanders basketball since Morrison arrived in 1999 to usher the athletic department into Division I.

After UCR finished 9-19 last season to go along with the lowest attendance in the Big West Conference, Masi was fired following his 26th season.

Morrison interviewed 14 candidates and settled on Spencer, his buddy from down the hall who was the athletic department's academic coordinator.

The two became fast friends from the day they met in 1975, when Morrison was interviewing candidates to assist him at Pacific. In the time it took Morrison to pick up Spencer at the airport and drive him back to the school, the job was offered. Rarely have the two gone a week without speaking since.

Morrison knew the questions about favoritism and the labeling of Spencer as a puppet were coming, especially with Spencer getting a raise and two additional out-of-state scholarships Masi didn't have.

"Stan's no dummy," said Spencer, who served as associate head coach at USC with Morrison but hadn't coached in college since 1999. "It would have been much easier for him to hire someone else, and he still believed in me."

For what it's worth, Spencer doesn't think of his boss as much of a micromanager, pointing out that Morrison used to give scholarships to players Spencer recommended without seeing them play.

Morrison also said there never existed the possibility that he would coach - at least at UCR. He applied for the Cal State Fullerton coaching job two years ago and conceded to missing being on the bench "every second of every day."

Raymond Orbach, a former UCR chancellor, hoped the man he hired would be given the benefit of the doubt.

"People have to be patient," Orbach said by telephone. "Nobody starts at the top. One thing about Morrison - he knows how to build."

To Morrison, that started with firing Masi, which he called the most difficult thing he has done in his career.

Neither like talking about it, and Masi said, "I have nothing positive to say" about his former boss.

"I don't dwell on the negatives," Morrison said. "I suppose in the solitude of this office, late at night or real early in the morning, it can pile up. I learned a long time ago that that stuff can be really debilitating."

Morrison prefers to keep fonder memories. Like of 1985, when coaching USC with Spencer in a four-overtime game at UCLA. Their

eyes met at the end of the third overtime, and they gave each other "it doesn't get any better than this" grins.

So was hiring Spencer an attempt to recapture that feeling?

"It has nothing to do with that," Morrison said. "It has everything to do with who has the greatest expertise to come in and do what I want done, and that is to give us a chance to win at the highest level."

UCR, which has lost its first two games under Spencer, plays its home opener today at 4 p.m. against the University of San Diego.

"I knew in the transition to Division I we'd get knocked on our can and handed our hat," Morrison said. "My greatest concern is, would we get up to fight defeat another day? That is everything to me."

USC, it turned out, went on to win that four-overtime game 20 years ago on a buzzer-beater. Whether Morrison can lead UC Riverside to a similar happy ending remains to be seen.

GRAPHIC: (1) KURT MILLER/THE PRESS-ENTERPRISE / "My greatest concern is, would we get up to fight defeat another day?" said Stan Morrison, UCR's A.D. "That is everything to me." (2) "Are you asking me if we don't win, then I'm out the door? I suspect you're probably right," UCR ATHLETIC DIRECTOR STAN MORRISON; PHOTO ; MUG

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TODAY: at UC Riverside

- **WHAT:** Men's college basketball
- **TIPOFF:** 4:05 p.m. at Student Recreation Center in Riverside
- **RADIO:** KPRO (1570 AM)
- **RECORDS:** University of San Diego 1-2; UCR 0-2

■ **UPDATE:** This is the first of two home-and-home nonconference games between the schools, with the Big West Conference's Highlanders traveling to USD on Dec. 6. ... UC Riverside dropped games at Washington State on Nov. 19 and the next night at Portland. The Highlanders, picked seventh in the Big West, play a guard-oriented offense with an emphasis on pushing the ball upcourt. ... Escondido High alumnus **Justin Bell**, a 5-foot-10 senior guard, missed the first two games with a knee injury and is questionable against the Toreros. The Highlanders also are without senior C **Klaus Schille** (right ankle), who may not return until conference play. ... After USD opened with a 91-80 win at Campbell, slow starts have plagued the Toreros in losses to UC Santa Barbara and San Jose State.

— Tom Shanahan

NOV 24 2005

What can Brown do? Beat Toreros

By **Damin Esper**

SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

SAN JOSE — USD coach Brad Holland recruited Demetrius Brown. The San Diego native (Horizon Christian High School)

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was one of the top players in the area, earning a berth in the 2001 San Diego area high school

all-star game.

Instead of signing with the Toreros, Brown embarked on the life of a nomad. He signed with the University of San Francisco, then decided to attend Arizona Western College. He transferred to Imperial Valley College as a sophomore, then moved on to San Jose State.

Holland got a chance to catch up with Brown last night. The senior forward scored a career-high 26 points to lead the Spartans to a 79-68 victory at the Events Center.

The decision, Brown said, came down to which program needed him more. During this period, the Toreros were in the midst of a run of five consecutive seasons over .500, culminating with a berth in the 2003 NCAA Tournament.

"I just felt this was a better place for me," he said. "I could have stayed home. San Diego at that time was doing well. I just felt I was meant to be here."

The Toreros could use a player like Brown right now. Six of their top 10 players are in their first year of Division I basketball. Four are freshmen. And it shows, especially early in games.

For the second consecutive night, USD fell behind early. The Toreros (1-2) took a 4-2 lead and then were dominated for the rest of the first half. The Spartans (3-1) had an 18-8 lead less than nine minutes into the game and maintained a double-digit lead for most of the rest of the half.

"We've had two games in a row where we've been down early and that's a concern," Holland said. "It's one thing to be down four. But we've been down double-digits."

San Jose State led 35-25 at halftime. Name a statistic, and the Spartans dominated it. They outrebounded USD 22-17. They led in assists 10-2. The Toreros shot 31.3 percent (10-for-32) in the half to San Jose State's 51.7 percent (15-for-29).

Things continued in the same vein for about half of the second half. Then, the Toreros started to get it together, just as they did at UC Santa Barbara on Monday. Their 2-2-1 press forced a couple of turnovers and suddenly a 49-38 lead was cut to 50-44, then 52-49.

Said San Jose State point guard Julian Richardson: "When they were setting up the press, we didn't set up like we do in practice. We didn't have anybody in the middle."

What San Jose State did have was Alex Elam. After Corey Belser buried a three-pointer to cut the lead to 52-49 with 8:43 left, Elam drove the baseline and made a nifty reverse layup. Two free throws by Carlton Spencer and a three-pointer by Richardson pushed the lead back up to 10 in less than a minute. USD never got closer than eight the rest of the way.

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Spartans control Toreros

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SAN JOSE — Demetrius Brown scored 26 points to lead San Jose State to a 79-68 win over the University of San Diego on Wednesday, giving the Spartans their best start in five years.

Alex Elam added 15 points for San Jose State. The Spartans (3-1) have won three straight by double-digit margins.

Corey Belser scored 18 points and had 10 rebounds for road-weary USD (1-2). The Toreros are in the midst of a four-game road trip and won't play their first home game until Wednesday.

"San Jose State played a

game," USD coach Holland said. "They defended us extremely well, rebounded well and found holes in our defense time and time again. They completely outplayed us."

The Spartans led comfortably most of the game but had to survive a late USD push.

The Spartans led 50-40 midway through the second half before the Toreros made their best run of the game. Using a full-court press defense and getting three straight baskets by Nir Cohen (12 points), USD pulled within 52-49 on Belser's 3-pointer with 8:43 remaining but got no closer.

The Spartans responded with a quick 7-0 run capped by Julian Richardson's 3-pointer, then turned to Brown to close the game out.

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Men: Toreros at San Jose State

Site/time: Event Center, San Jose / 5:30 tonight
Records: USD 10-11 U 2-1 **Series:** USD leads 6-4
Webcast: www.toreros.com

Outlook: This is the third of four straight road games to open the season for USD. The Toreros are coming off a 67-65 loss Monday at UC Santa Barbara. Senior forward Nick Lewis and junior guard Ross DeRogatis share the USD scoring lead at 15.5 points per game. Also, Lewis averages 6.5 rebounds and DeRogatis 5.5 assists. Under first-year coach George Nossman, San Jose State has rebounded from a season-opening loss at Texas Tech with victories over Portland (82-53) and Cal Poly (72-57). The Spartans are led by 6-6 forward Demebrius Brown (12.3 ppg) and 6-10 center Matt Misko (11.0).

- HANK WESCH

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TOREROS REPORT

TONIGHT at San Jose State

- **WHAT:** Men's college basketball
- **TIPOFF:** 5:30 p.m. at The Event Center in San Jose
- **RECORD:** University of San Diego 1-1; San Jose State 2-1
- **UPDATE:** USD's starting lineup struggled throughout a 67-65 loss Monday to UC Santa Barbara before three freshmen and two junior college transfers came off the bench to rally the Toreros from a 46-30 deficit early in second half. Freshman PG **Brandon Johnson** finished with seven points and six assists and had a chance to send the game into overtime, but his driving shot at the buzzer rolled off the rim. ... SJSU opened with a split in the Coaches vs. Cancer Tournament in Lubbock, Tex. earlier this month, losing badly to Texas Tech and routing Portland, which was picked third in the preseason West Coast Conference poll. The Spartans beat Cal Poly (72-57) on Sunday. F **Demetrius Brown**, a 6-foot-6 senior, leads the Spartans in scoring with 12.3 ppg, and senior C **Matt Misko** (6-11) joins him in the balanced scoring lineup at 11.3 points.

— Tom Shanahan

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SJSU Hoops Knocks off pesky Cal Poly 72-57

Thunder Hoops Staff
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Nov 20, 2005

Cal Poly was on the receiving end of a thumping in its first Division I encounter when the Mustangs basketball team hosted San Jose State in Mott Gym in SLO country for a 72-57 thumping.

SAN LUIS OBISPO, Calif. (SpartanThunder.Com) - Cal Poly was on the receiving end of a thumping in its first Division I encounter when the Mustangs men's basketball team hosted San Jose State in Mott Gym in SLO country.

Demetrius Brown scored a career-high 23 points to lead San Jose State past the division I dreamers 72-57 in a beautiful day on the central coast.

Brown went 8-for-15 from the field and made seven of nine free throws as the Spartans won their second straight game after dropping their season opener to Bobby Knights Texas Tech Red Raiders.

"It was an emphasis in our scouting report. We were going to put the ball inside. We felt we were more athletic than they were around the basket and we tried to take advantage of that. They (Cal Poly) are big and strong, but I think our quickness around the basket really hurt them," said San Jose State coach George Nessman.

"Demetrius did the kind of things he is capable of doing. If he stays solid, be fundamental and stay in the system, he can be a really good player for us."

Matt Misko and Menelik Barbary scored 14 points each, and Misko had a game-high seven rebounds for San Jose State which now brings their early season record to a positive 2-1 over-all.

Cal Poly (1-1) led 21-19 with 6:16 left in the first half, but San Jose State went on an unprecedented 11-0 run, which turned into a lead of 30-21 with 2:06 to go.

The Spartans never trailed again and led by as many as 19 in the second half to the SLO stangs.

"We watched film on Cal Poly and we saw we could attack them from the inside-out. So, that was a big emphasis for us tonight," said Brown, who was 8-of-15 from the field.

"We didn't have an answer. We tried a little bit of zone and in the second half we tried to cover them with our opposite big guy. By then, most of the damage had been done. It was a big key of the game.," said Cal Poly coach Kevin Bromley. "It was 'old-school' football. You've got to stop the run. They owned the paint."

Alex Elam had 12 points for San Jose State.

Thomas Chaz led Cal Poly with 10 points.

San Jose State has dominated the series to date, winning 13 of its 15 games against the Mustangs, including last year's meeting in San Jose, 69-50.

"This was a game we kind of had to gut out. They made a run at us in the second half. Our guys did a great job for about a 10-minute stretch on defense, really made it tough on Cal Poly and then we converted a few on our end to get a little bulge on them," added the San Jose State coach whose team built the lead up to 19 points, 63-44, with 5:28 remaining. "I was proud of our effort. We have to play really hard. We have to defend. We can't make a lot of mental errors.

"Overall, this was a solid performance. We're still very much a work-in-progress. We need a lot of improvement in a lot of areas, but our guys are committed."

The hot Spartans return to action, Wednesday, November 23, against the University of San Diego for a 5:30PM tip-off.

This is the home opener at The Event Center for SJSU.

See you there and bring some friends!

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Kids were all right, but USD still loses

By Hank Wesch
STAFF WRITER

GOLETA — A group of Comeback Kids revived USD's men's basketball team from close-to-dead situations in both halves here last night against UC Santa Barbara.

UCSB 67
Toreros

But faced with a 12-point deficit in the first half and 16 with four minutes gone in the second, the Comeback Kids' work wasn't quite enough for the Toreros to notch their second road victory of the season.

UCSB (2-0) survived 67-65 when a driving shot by Toreros freshman point guard Brandon Johnson — the sparkplug of the CK group — bounced off the rim at the buzzer.

"I had confidence I could make that shot, and when it was hanging on the rim I was sure it was going to drop in," Johnson said. "But it just fell off."

That USD (1-1) had a chance to force overtime, or win with a trey, when it started the final possession with 6.9 seconds left, was mostly attributable to Johnson, fellow freshmen Ray Murdock and Danny Brown and junior transfers Nir Cohen and Theo White.

The USD starting five — veterans Ross DeRogatis, Michael Hubbard, Nick Lewis, Corey Belser and redshirt freshman Gyno Pomare — had a miserable time in the first 10 minutes of

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Young reserves score 31 points in comeback try

the game and the first four of the second half. They fell behind 17-7 in the first 9:13 and then were the victims of a 10-0 UCSB run to open the second half that expanded a Gauchos halftime lead to 46-30.

In both cases, USD coach Brad Holland went to the CK cavalry. The intensity, especially on defense, suddenly picked up and the Toreros slowly but surely got back into the game.

"Just when it didn't look too good for us, we found a way to get stops and boards and converted on the offensive end," Holland said.

Johnson had seven points and six assists against one turnover and three steals. Murdock also had three steals. And a UCSB team that had committed three turnovers in the first half gave up the ball 11 times in the second.

"In practice, we all play together and when we come in the game we play real hard because we want to stay in the game," Johnson said. "Our coaches have told us that you can make some mistakes on offense, but if you play real hard on defense, you're not going to leave the game."

USD got 31 points from the second five in the game — eight from White, seven each from Johnson and Cohen, six from Murdock and three from Brown. From the 16-point deficit with 16 minutes to play, the Toreros forged a 60-60 tie with 3:51 left. It was 62-62 when UCSB's Alex Harris (14

points, 10 rebounds) hit a leaper in the lane with 1:42 to play.

The Gauchos rebuilt the lead to 67-62 on a free throw from Joe See with 1:23 left and a pull-up jumper by Cecil Brown (14 points) over tough defense by Belser with 30 seconds to go. Lewis (15 points, 8 rebounds) cashed a three-pointer with 18 seconds to play to pull the Toreros within 67-65 and they got a final opportunity when UCSB's Josh Davis missed two free throws with 15.5 seconds left.

Off a timeout, the Toreros planned to get the ball to DeRogatis (16 points, 5 assists) in the corner for a three-point shot or feed inside to Lewis.

"But their defender blocked him (DeRogatis) out like a football blocker and the official didn't see it," Holland said. "So we had to go to plan B, which was Brandon on the drive."

Pomare, who had a double-double of 15 points and 10 rebounds in the Toreros' victory Friday against Campbell in Buies Creek, N.C., got treated rudely in the second Division I game of his career. In foul trouble from the start, Pomare played only 12 minutes and had one point and three rebounds.

"Gyno probably got lulled into thinking this is a pretty easy game," Holland said. "For whatever reason, I don't think he was as ready to play tonight."

"There's no consolation when you lose, but I'm happy that we played a good team on the road tough. We made mistakes which we'll work on fixing and we'll learn from them."

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SUMMARY

UC Santa Barbara 67, USD 65

USD	Min	FG-A	FT-A	R	A	F	Pts
Lewis	29	6-17	2-3	8	1	1	15
Pomare	12	0-2	1-3	3	0	4	1
Hubbard	15	0-0	0-0	0	1	1	0
DeRogatis	29	6-9	0-0	1	5	3	16
Belser	26	1-5	0-0	1	0	5	2
Johnson	23	2-7	2-4	1	6	4	7
Brown	12	1-5	0-0	2	0	0	3
Murdock	15	2-3	2-2	1	1	0	6
White	22	3-11	2-3	8	0	3	8
Cohen	17	2-3	3-4	2	0	2	7
Totals	200	23-62	12-19	32	14	23	65

Percentages: FG .371, FT .632. 3-Point Goals: 7-20. .350 (DeRogatis 4-7, Johnson 1-2, Lewis 1-4 Brown 1-4, Belser 0-1, White 0-2). Team Rebounds: 5. Blocked Shots: 3 (Lewis 2). Turnovers: 7 (DeRogatis 2, White 2). Steals: 8 (Johnson 3, Murdock 3). Technical Fouls: None.

UCSB	Min	FG-A	FT-A	R	A	F	Pts
Devine	25	4-8	2-2	9	3	5	11
Goettsche	21	2-3	3-6	5	1	1	7
Brown	29	6-12	1-1	4	3	1	14
Davis	35	1-10	1-5	4	3	1	3
Harris	34	6-8	1-4	10	1	3	14
Hurdle	2	0-0	0-0	0	1	2	0
See	21	1-3	2-4	3	2	1	5
Ajufo	8	1-2	0-0	1	0	4	2
Garlepp	16	1-1	4-4	6	1	4	7
Turner	9	1-2	2-2	2	1	1	4
Totals	200	23-49	16-28	45	16	23	67

Percentages: FG .469, FT .571. 3-Point Goals: 5-14. .357 (Garlepp 1-1, Devine 1-1, See 1-2, Harris 1-3, Brown 1-4, Davis 0-3). Team Rebounds: 1. Blocked Shots: 6 (Goettsche 2, Turner 2). Turnovers: 14 (See 4). Steals: 3 (Goettsche, Harris, Garlepp). Technical Fouls: None.

USD (1-1)	30	35	65
UCSB (2-0)	36	31	67

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Toreros fall two points short at UCSB

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Alex Harris and Cecil Brown scored 14 points apiece and each delivered key baskets in the closing minutes Monday to lead UC Santa Barbara to a 67-65 home victory over the University of San Diego.

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The Gauchos outrebounded USD 45-32. Harris had a game-high 10 rebounds.

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The win came just two days after the then-No. 4 Spartans lost 84-62 at the University of Hawaii in Honolulu. The Spartans (1-1) weren't bothered by leg cramps against Chaminade (0-1) like they were against Hawaii when four starters were forced from the game.

No. 20 Indiana 100, Florida A&M 63: Marshall Strickland scored 18 of his 20 points in the first half, and Roderick Wilmont added 17 to help host Indiana rout Florida A&M.

No. 24 Wake Forest 79, UNC-Asheville 63: Justin Gray paced a balanced offense with 16 points. Strickland scored 14 and host Wake Forest beat pesky UNC-Asheville.

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**USD men
at UC Santa Barbara**

When: Tonight, 7

Where: Gaucho Gym,
UCSB in Goleta

TV/Radio: None

Records: USD 1-0, UCSB

Series: UCSB leads 12-

Outlook: This is the se
four straight road gam
open the season for USD. The
Toreros beat Campbell 90-81
in their opener Friday at Buies
Creek, N.C. Senior Nick Lewis
scored all 16 of his points in
the second half, leading five
Toreros in double figures, and
redshirt freshman Gyno
Pomare had a double-double
(15 points, 10 rebounds). Also
on Friday, host UCSB defeated
San Francisco 82-59.

- HANK WESCH

UCSB Completes Thanksgiving Road Trip at Arizona State on Monday

The Gauchos will try to go 3-1 as it takes-on the Pac Ten Sun Devils.

Nov. 26, 2005

The Schedule

Game No. 4

Monday, November 28, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. (MST)

UC Santa Barbara Gauchos at Arizona State Sun Devils

Game No. 5

Saturday, December 7, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. (PST)

UC Santa Barbara Gauchos at Loyola Marymount Lions

The Gaucho Record

UC Santa Barbara enters its game against Arizona State with a record of 2-1. The Gauchos opened the season with home wins over the University of San Francisco (82-59) and the University of San Diego (67-65). On Friday night, at the start of the current seven-day, six-night, two-game road trip, UCSB dropped an 83-66 decision at defending National Champion North Carolina.

UCSB Loses At North Carolina, 83-66

UCSB played a strong first half in its loss on Friday night at North Carolina. The Gauchos trailed at the break by a score of 43-34. Santa Barbara then scored the first five points of the second half to narrow the Tar Heel lead to 43-39. After the team's traded baskets, UNC led 45-41 five minutes into the second half. That was as close as it got as the Tar Heels went on a devastating 20-2 run to take a commanding 65-45 lead and they coasted from that point. UCSB was led by sophomore guard Alex Harris who had team-high totals of 13 points and seven rebounds. Senior guards Joe See and Cecil Brown added 11 and 10 points respectively.

The Gauchos And Sun Devils

UCSB and Arizona State have played seven times with the Sun Devils holding a 5-2 advantage. The last time the teams met was in the first round of the 1992 National Invitation Tournament when ASU posted a 71-65 win in Santa Barbara. The last time the Gauchos recorded a win in the series was in the championship game of the 1988 Kactus Klassic in Tempe when they won 88-78.

Possible Starters - Notes G - Cecil Brown - Has scored in double-figures in each of the last two games (12.0 ppg)

G - Josh Davis - Played 22 minutes at UNC, his lowest total in two seasons.

G - Alex Harris - Leads UCSB in scoring (13.7 ppg) and rebounds (7.3 rpg).

F - Chris Devine - Has led the Gauchos in assists in all three games (4.0 per game).

F - Cameron Goettsche - Has blocked four shots in the last two games.

Possible Reserves - Notes

G - Lance Hurdle - Played a personal-high 12 minutes at North Carolina.

G - Joe See - Has made 9-of-14 shots from three-point range, 64.3%.

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Freshman forward Tom Garlepp has made 7-of-9 shots, including all four of his three-point attempts, through the first three games. Garlepp and the Gauchos will play at Arizona State on Monday night at 6:30 p.m. (PST) (Photo by David Hull)

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Hot-shooting Toreros win

Lewis, Pomare score
in season opener

SPECIAL TO THE UNION-TRIBUNE

BUIES CREEK, Nov. 18 — Nick Lewis scored all 16 of his points in the second half and USD held off Campbell 90-81 in the men's basketball opener for both schools last night at Carter Gym.

**Toreros
90**

**Campbell
81**

Also making a big impact, in his first collegiate game, was 6-foot-7 redshirt freshman Gyno Pomare of El Camino High, who had a double-double.

The Toreros shot 59 percent (16-of-27) from the floor in the second half and 54 percent (31-of-57) for the game to offset 30 turnovers, which Campbell converted into 29 points. USD was 11-of-21 from three-point range (52 percent) and held a 40-31 edge in rebounding.

Lewis, a 6-foot-10 senior forward, made 5-of-7 shots in the second half, including 2-of-2 threes and 4-of-5 from the line, to lead five double-figure scorers.

Pomare added 15 points (plus 10 rebounds and four blocks) as did guard Ross DeRogatis, who chipped in a game-high six assists. Corey Belser and Brandon Johnson scored 14 each.

Pomare, who started at center,

hit seven of the eight shots he took from the floor and one of his two free throws.

For USD coach Brad Holland, coming off a 16-13 season in 2004-05, it marked the start of his 12th season at the school.

Senior forward Maurice Latham topped the Fighting Camels with 18 points, six rebounds and four steals. Sophomore Reggie Bishop came off the bench to add a career-high 16, while transfer Eric Smith had 15, including four threes, in his first game with Campbell. Diego Aguiar and J'Quincy Jones added 10 apiece.

Campbell shot just 39 percent (26-of-67) for the night.

Playing in front of a greater-than-capacity crowd of 960 in the second-smallest arena (947 seats) among Division I men's programs, Campbell — which was 2-25 last season — used a 10-0 run early in the first half to jump to a 14-10 lead.

USD answered with its own 10-0 spurt and never trailed again. With Lewis limited to seven minutes in the opening half because of foul trouble, Pomare made all four of his shots and had nine points and the Toreros led 44-36 at the break.

Pomare's jumper with 13:04 remaining gave USD its largest lead at 61-47. Lewis scored eight straight points and the Toreros' lead was 83-70 with 3:06 to go. Campbell cut the gap to six on Jones' drive with 1:41 to go, but

got no closer.

USD women lose

Host UC Riverside jumped to a 35-23 halftime lead, then held off the USD women 63-56 in the season opener for both teams and the USD coaching debut of Cindy Fisher. Kelly Winther and Tiara Harris led the Toreros with 11 points apiece, and Michelle Augustavo and Sabine Loewe scored 10 each.

SUMMARY

USD 90, Campbell 81

USD	Min	FG-A	FT-A	R	A	F	Pts
Belser	24	4-8	4-5	3	0	4	14
Lewis	19	5-8	4-5	5	0	4	16
Pomare	27	7-8	1-2	10	1	3	15
Hubbard	15	0-3	0-0	0	4	2	0
DeRogatis	33	6-13	2-2	1	6	2	15
B.Johnson	23	4-5	3-3	3	4	3	14
D.Brown	14	3-5	0-0	1	3	1	9
Murdock	13	1-3	2-2	1	3	1	4
T.White	14	0-2	1-1	5	1	2	1
Cohen	18	1-2	0-2	5	1	3	2
Totals	200	31-57	17-22	40	23	25	90

Percentages: FG .544, FT .773. 3-Point Goals: 11-21, 5-24 (B.Johnson 3-3, D.Brown 3-5, Lewis 2-2, Belser 2-3, DeRogatis 1-6, Murdock 0-1, Hubbard 0-1). Team Rebounds: 6. Blocked Shots: 5 (Pomare). Turnovers: 30 (Lewis 6, DeRogatis 6). Steals: 9 (Belser 2). Technical Fouls: None.

CAMPBELL	Min	FG-A	FT-A	R	A	F	Pts
Latham	29	8-15	0-0	6	1	4	18
Aguiar	28	1-6	8-10	6	1	2	10
Pringle	17	1-5	1-3	3	5	3	3
E.Smith	32	5-15	1-3	3	1	4	15
Eackles	21	1-2	0-0	2	0	1	2
Wohlfell	13	1-3	0-0	1	0	0	3
Bishop	25	5-10	5-7	4	3	4	16
J.Jones	16	2-8	6-7	1	0	4	10
Fagbenle	0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Hunt	2	0-0	0-0	0	0	0	0
Poole	17	2-3	0-0	5	0	2	4
Totals	200	26-67	21-30	31	11	24	81

Percentages: FG .388, FT .700. 3-Point Goals: 8-24, 3-33 (E.Smith 4-10, Latham 2-5, Bishop 1-1, Wohlfell 1-2, Echols 0-1, J.Jones 0-3). Team Rebounds: 0. Blocked Shots: 1 (Aguiar). Turnovers: 18 (Bishop 5). Steals: 9 (Latham 4). Technical Fouls: None.

USD (1-0)	44	46	90
Campbell (0-1)	36	45	81

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Lewis, freshmen carry Toreros

NORTH COUNTY TIMES

BUIES CREEK, N.C. — Senior Nick Lewis scored all 19 of his points in the second half, and Gyno Pomare led an impressive effort by the University of San Diego's freshman class as the Toreros men's basketball team defeated Campbell 90-81 in the season opener for both teams Friday.

Pomare, a redshirt freshman forward from El Camino High, contributed 15 points and 10 rebounds and also blocked four shots. He made seven of his

point attempts from the field. Lewis and fellow fifth-year senior Corey Belser (14 points), by far the most experienced players on a team laden with seven new scholarship players, combined to play just 43 minutes as both spent considerable time in foul trouble during the first half. But freshmen Pomare, Brandon Johnson (14 points), Danny Brown (nine points) and Ray Murdock (four points) guided the Toreros into halftime with a 44-36 lead.

Point guard Ross DeRogatis added 15 points and six assists for USD.

Maurice Latham led Campbell with 16 points.

USD	90
Campbell	81

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PLAYER CAPSULES

PROJECTED STARTERS

- **GYNO POMARE (C, 6-7, 218, Fr.):** The redshirt freshman from Oceanside's El Camino High defends and rebounds like a man with 6-10 height with his Bill Russell-like wingspan. But his improved offensive play was one of the surprises of preseason camp.
- **NICK LEWIS (F, 6-10, 235, Sr.):** The returning starter is a fifth-year senior who was voted the team's most improved player last year and is in position to emerge as a dominant West Coast Conference player. He's the leading returning scorer (12.5) and rebounder (5.2) with ability to score inside and outside.
- **COREY BELSER (F, 6-6, 210, Sr.):** Another fifth-year senior and returning starter, Belser was the Toreros' shutdown defender last year. His offensive tools will be relied on more with the departure of Brice Vounang and Brandon Gay, who are playing professionally in Europe. Belser averaged 6.4 points and 5.0 rebounds last year.
- **ROSS DeROGATIS (G, 6-1, 175, Jr.):** The Oklahoma State transfer begins his second season as a starter and third in the program after sitting as a transfer from the Big 12 school. DeRogatis averaged 7.9 points and 3.4 assists a game as a versatile guard who played both point and shooting guard. He had a 28-point performance in a win over Santa Clara.
- **MICHAEL HUBBARD (G, 6-4, 190, Jr.):** Hubbard gives the Toreros some size in the backcourt, but he is hampered by sore knees. He played in 17 games off the bench last year, averaging 3.2 points.

KEY RESERVES

- **NIR COHEN (F/C, 6-7, 245, Jr.):** The transfer from Migdal Haemek Israel and Monroe Junior College in Rochester, N.Y., will be the first big man off the bench. He has the inside moves to play bigger than his height. He averaged 12.2 points and 6.2 rebounds last year for a 25-8 team that won its conference title.
- **BRANDON JOHNSON (G, 6-0, 195, Fr.):** Holland calls the freshman the first legitimate point guard on the roster since the 2002-03 season, when the Toreros won the WCC tournament and advanced to the NCAA tournament. Johnson has the potential to work his way into the starting lineup this year. He was a two-time first-team all-state pick in his division while playing for Willowridge High in Houston.
- **RAY MURDOCK (G/F, 6-3, 193, Fr.):** Murdock is another freshman who will earn played time among the Toreros' top eight players. He averaged 22.0 points a game as second-team all-state guard Pinnacle High in Phoenix.
- **THEO WHITE (F, 6-4, 240, Jr.):** The Oakland Tech alumnus transferred from Tyler Junior College in Texas and finds himself quickly moving into a role off the bench with the losses of Floyd North (left the team) and Mike Shepherd (back injury). Despite his lack of height, he uses his 240 pounds well to get to the ball and the basket.

OTHERS

- **DANNY BROWN (G, 6-4, 180, Fr.):** Brown is the younger brother of team manager T.J. Brown, and the Toreros feel they may have a steal by recruiting the sharp shooter from Olathe, Kan.
- **GREG NELSON (G, 6-0, 165, Jr.):** Nelson, a Carlsbad High alumnus, is the Toreros other San Diegan after transferring from Cal Poly San Luis Obispo.
- **CHRIS LEWIS (G/F, 6-7, 200, Fr.):** Offensive threat that averaged 15.6 points a game last year for Bell High in Bedford, Texas.
- **KYLE PRICE (G, 6-2, 186, Jr.):** First-year player is a walk-on from Valencia High.

— Tom Shanahan

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University of San Diego men's basketball coach **Brad Holland** is hoping his young squad will rise to the challenge this season.

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Men: USD at Campbell

When: Today, 4 PST **Where:** Carter Gym, Buies Creek, N.C.

TV/Radio: None **Web site:** www.usdtoreros.com

Records: Season opener for both. **Series:** First meeting.

Outlook: USD gets the experience of playing in the second-smallest facility (capacity 947) in Division I basketball against a team that went 2-25 last season. The Toreros return three starters – Corey [redacted] and Ross DeRogatis – from last year. [redacted] has seven newcomers on the roster.

– HANK WESCH

Women: USD at UC Riverside

When: Today, 7:10 p.m.

Where: Student Rec Center, Riverside.

Web site: www.usdtoreros.com

Records: Season opener for both. **Series:** USD leads 2-0.

Outlook: For the second straight year, the Toreros and Highlanders open against each other. First-year USD coach Cindy Fisher takes over a team led by four seniors. UCR is led by Kemie Nkele, the Big West Conference Freshman of the Year a season ago.

– NICOLE VARGAS

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TOREROS REPORT

TONIGHT: at Campbell



- **WHAT:** Men's college basketball
- **TIPOFF:** 4 p.m. at Carter Gymnasium, Campbell Creek, N.C.
- **RECORD:** Toreros 0-0; Campbell 0-0
- **UPDATE:** The Toreros open their season with a game at Campbell University, a member of the Atlantic Sun Conference. The Fighting Camels' 947-seat Carter Gymnasium may remind USD old-timers of the Toreros' old home, the 2,500-seat Sports Center. Carter, dedicated in 1953, is the second smallest arena in NCAA Division I basketball. ... The good news for Campbell basketball fans is that five starters return for third-year coach **Robby Laing**. The bad news: Last year's lineup finished with a 2-25 record. Sophomore G **Ruell Pringle** (6-1) led the Camels in scoring last year with 12.6 points a game. Senior F **Maurice Latham** (6-6) joined him in double figures with 11.5. ... Campbell defeated Division II Belmont Abbey 100-61 in a scrimmage. Latham led five players in double figures with 20 points and 13 rebounds. ... The Atlantic Sun, which has an automatic berth into the NCAA Tournament, features such schools as preseason favorite Gardner-Webb, East Tennessee State and Florida Atlantic. Campbell was picked ninth in the 11-team conference's preseason poll.

— Tom Shanahan

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USD MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Toreros have to mature quickly

■ USD begins its season tonight with young team

TOM SHANAHAN
FOR THE NORTH COUNTY TIMES

SAN DIEGO — Take a look at the University of San Diego men's basketball roster. It seems a fair question to wonder which player has the basketball smarts and networking savvy to emerge as a future NBA coach or executive.

After all, this is a school

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with an impressive roster of alumni now working in the NBA at Cleveland, Memphis, Atlanta, Charlotte, Indiana and Los Angeles.

In Cleveland, former Toreros player Mike Brown is the head coach of the Cavaliers, former USD head coach Hank Egan is an assistant coach and former player Chris Grant is an assistant

general manager.

Five others in the NBA are former player and head coach Bernie Bickerstaff, head coach and general manager of the Charlotte Bobcats; former player Eric Musselman, assistant with the Memphis Grizzlies as well as a former head coach of the Golden State Warriors; former player David Fizdale, an assistant with the Atlanta Hawks; former player David Morway, an executive with the Indiana Pacers; and former player Neal Meyer, an assistant with the Los Angeles Clippers.

But the immediate gain

that USD coach Brad Holland, who has his own NBA pedigree as a former player in the league, seeks from his team's basketball smarts and savvy is a quick maturation, especially among his younger players.

"We need to come together as a group as quickly as we can," said Holland, who is beginning his 12th season at Alcalá Park. "The only way to get experience is to play games, and we have a bunch of guys learning as we go what it's like to be a Division I player and how to succeed.

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That's our biggest challenge — to have a lot of new faces learn our system as quickly as possible."

The Toreros open their season tonight against Campbell University in Buies Creek, N.C., with a bench that must learn to contribute quickly to a starting lineup that features three returning starters.

The Toreros tied for third last year in the West Coast Conference and were 16-13 overall. Senior forwards Nick Lewis and Corey Belser and junior guard Ross DeRogatis are returning starters, but the experience level drops off quickly.

Gyno Pomare, an El Camino High alumnus, earned the starting nod at center as a redshirt freshman, and junior Michael Hubbard, who came off the bench last year, starts at the off guard.

USD finished last season by winning five of its last sev-

en regular-season games. The Toreros defeated Pepperdine in the WCC tournament before falling to Gonzaga.

"Last year, we had a great turnaround," said Holland. "The team understood how to win and proved it down the stretch. With Corey Belser,

Nick Lewis, Ross DeRogatis and Michael Hubbard, we have some veteran guys who have won a lot of games in their career."

Lewis and Belser, fifth-year seniors, were sophomores in the 2002-03 season when the Toreros won the WCC tournament and advanced to the NCAA tournament.

USD's opener begins a four-game road trip before the Toreros return for their home opener Nov. 30 against San Diego State at 5,100-seat Jenny Craig Pavilion.

After Campbell, USD plays Monday at UC Santa Barbara, Wednesday at San Jose State and Nov. 26 at UC Riverside.

"I see us getting better and better," Holland said. "I don't know how good we'll be early, but I feel our top eight

is strong, even though we haven't played a game yet. A lot of people are saying it won't be easy starting with four games on the road, and I understand that. We'll have to be road warriors, but the good news is we have a lot of home games after that."

The home opener begins a stretch with the Toreros sleeping in their own beds for seven of eight games. Six will be played in their home arena. The seventh will be against Fresno State on Dec. 10 in the San Diego Slam at San Diego State's Cox Arena.

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FACING UP TO A CHALLENGE

USD coach Brad Holland's patience, teaching skills will be tested by mis-talented – but young – Toreros

By Hank Wesch, STAFF WRITER

A few weeks ago, on the spur of the moment, USD senior forward Nick Lewis and coach Brad Holland had their heads shaved in front of the campus student activities center.

They were voluntary participants in a fraternity event to raise funds for Jeffrey Piatt, a friend of Lewis' who is battling cancer. A bid-

ding consortium put up \$100 to relieve Lewis of his moderate-length blond Prince Valiant and \$700 to take Holland's businessman 'do down closer to the bone.

Junior point guard Ross DeRogatis did the barbering on Holland.

With the start of preseason practice last month, Lewis and Holland said they had become quickly comfortable with their new looks. The question to be answered, starting Friday in

Buies Creek, N.C., against Campbell, is how quickly a new-look Toreros team can become comfortable with itself and the job of going up against NCAA Division I competition.

For on that may hinge the 2005-06 season.

"We have a lot of inexperienced/young players," Holland said. "It's one of the more inexperienced groups I've ever coached and for that reason it could challenge everything I have as a coach to bring this group to where we want to be.

"It's going to require patience, and I'm not the most patient person in the world. But if all I do is yell about mistakes at practice and act like a crazy person, it won't bring us along."

In the past three seasons, USD has gone from the height of its first NCAA Tournament appearance in 16 years (2002-03), to the depth

SEE Toreros, D9

Inside: A preview of the USD men's season, with the Toreros' roster and schedule. D9

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Pomare earns spot as frontcourt starter

of the worst season in school history (4-26, 2003-04), to last year's 16-13 return to normalcy.

Questions about Holland's job security that arose when the Toreros were 10-10 last season, were quieted by a 6-3 finish and advancement to the West Coast Conference Tournament semifinals. Holland declines to be specific about his contract status entering this season, but said he is in the midst of a multiyear deal.

And, with eight players on a 13-man roster without prior Division I experience, entering unknown territory.

Fifth-year, front-line seniors Corey Belser and Lewis have 176 games and 82 starts between them. DeRogatis played in all 29 games last season, starting the first six and the final 10. Junior shooting guard Michael Hubbard has played in 47 games with 17 starts, all in 2003-04.

"We're just flat inexperienced after that," Holland said.

Five freshmen, counting redshirt Gyno Pomare, and two junior college transfers will be asked to make good use of a chunk of playing time opened when Floyd North III opted to forgo his senior season and expanded last week when Michael Shepherd, a key front-line reserve last season, was lost to a career-ending back injury.

"The talent needs to be developed, but we have good talent," Holland said. "The main way that talent develops and comes to light is experience and maturation. But there's also the challenge to myself and the entire staff to do what we can to aid in the process."

Lewis, the leading returning scorer (12.6 points per game) and rebounder (5.2) said he doesn't necessarily see a



USD coach Brad Holland knows that his teaching approach is crucial in shaping the growth of a relatively young team.

John McCutchen / Union-Tribune

kinder, gentler Holland — but rather a coach who has changed to fit the circumstances.

"He still demands a lot," Lewis said. "But with the younger guys he has been a little more understanding. When mistakes happen he says 'Do it again . . . again . . . again,' until we get it right."

Of the five freshmen, Pomare and point guard Brandon Johnson have proven to be the most equipped for considerable early playing time.

Pomare, a 6-foot-7 El Camino High grad who was All-County and second team All-State in his senior year, has won a starting spot on the front line alongside Lewis and Belser.

"He has been the biggest surprise of

the preseason," Holland said. "We knew that he would be a better player for having redshirted last year. But I don't think any of us expected Gyno to separate himself from the other big players like he has.

"He has been our best rebounder, he has a good overall feel for the game and he's just been easy for his teammates to play with. Like any freshman he needs to grow some, strengthwise, but he's a good player who we expect to get better year after year."

Johnson was on two Texas state championship teams at Willowridge High in Houston and drew recruiting interest from Texas and Georgetown among others.

"He's a legitimate point guard and even though it's the toughest position on the floor, he has played well enough to show us he can make an impact," Holland said.

In a preseason poll of WCC coaches, USD was picked seventh in the eight-team conference. Naturally, the Toreros are aiming considerably higher.

"We have a good core group of veterans and with the younger guys I think talent will overshadow the inexperience," Lewis said. "If they don't do something exactly right, they have the athleticism to make up for it."

"And the overall chemistry is as good as any team since I've been here."

Scrimmage

USD defeated NAIA preseason No. 1 Azusa Pacific in a controlled scrimmage yesterday at the Jenny Craig Pavilion.

Official scoring was not kept, in accordance with NCAA directives, but unofficial totals had the Toreros ahead by six at the end of the regulation 40 minutes of play. The scrimmage was extended for an additional 12 minutes beyond regulation.

DeRogatis' 19 points topped five USD players in double figures.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL '05-'06



Brad Holland's 2005-06 roster includes eight players with no prior experience in a Division I program. *John McCutchen / Union-Tribune*

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Roster

NO.	NAME	YEAR	POS.	HT	WT.
4	Brandon Johnson	Freshman	G	6-0	195
Quickest, most prototypical point guard at USD in several seasons.					
10	Greg Nelson Jr.	Junior	G	6-0	165
Former Carlsbad High standout transfers home from Cal Poly SLO.					
11	Michael Hubbard	Junior	G	6-4	190
Has plenty of experience, but injuries have limited productivity.					
12	Chris Lewis	Freshman	G/F	6-7	200
Texas prep recruit appears to have plenty of offensive upside.					
13	Danny Brown	Freshman	G	6-4	180
Kansas prep standout adds perimeter depth, scoring potential.					
14	Ross DeRogatis	Junior	G	6-1	175
Returning starter provides leadership and outside shooting.					
15	Ray Murdock	Freshman	G/F	6-3	193
Highly touted frosh possesses smooth, versatile, athletic game.					
21	Gyno Pomare	Freshman	F	6-7	220
Redshirt El Camino High grad has been positive revelation.					
22	Kyle Price	Junior	G	6-2	186
Walk-on from Valencia earned roster spot in third year at school.					
32	Corey Belser	Senior	G/F	6-7	218
Team's top defender has added offensive dimensions to game.					
33	Theo White	Junior	F	6-4	240
Transfer from Texas JC will be counted on for inside muscle.					
34	Nir Cohen	Junior	F/C	6-7	245
Native of Israel, JC transfer's role to be quality minutes off bench.					
42	Nick Lewis	Senior	F/C	6-10	235
Leading returning scorer/rebounder, it's his year to take charge.					

Coach: Brad Holland

Assistants: George Tuttle, Sam Scholl, Nick Earnest.

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USD TOREROS



MEN'S BASKETBALL PREVIEW

Toreros hope to exceed low WCC expectations

ANALYSIS BY **HANK WESCH**, STAFF WRITER

2004-05 RECORD: 16-13 overall, 7-7 WCC (T-3rd); lost in WCC Tournament semifinal round to Gonzaga.

PREDICTED WCC FINISH: Seventh.

HOME COURT: All games played at Jenny Craig Pavilion on campus.

KEY GAMES: Nov. 30 vs. SDSU; Dec. 10 vs. Fresno State; Dec. 22 New Mexico; Jan. 21 Gonzaga; Feb. 25 at Gonzaga; March 3-6 WCC Tournament at Spokane, Wash.

RETURNING LEADERS: Scoring (Nick Lewis 12.6), rebounding (Nick Lewis, 5.2), assists (Ross DeRogatis, 3.4).

BEST-CASE SCENARIO: All nine newcomers, five of whom might wind up in the top eight for playing time, fit into the program and prove to have Division I caliber talent. Brandon Johnson develops quickly into a creative-yet-trustworthy point, freeing Holland to get creative with the rest of the guard rotation. The Toreros finish in the upper division of the league for the regular season and get a shot at upsetting Gonzaga (good luck, there) when the Zags host the WCC Tournament.

WORST-CASE SCENARIO: The newcomers prove to be not-ready-for-Division I players. The inevitable trials brought on by inexperience erode confidence and build frustrations which snowball into a downward spiral of losses. Rebounding and defense become weak points. And the ghosts of 2003-04 (4-26) return.

QUOTING HOLLAND: "We need to be a better balanced team than last year when we were No. 2 in the league in scoring offense and No. 6 in scoring defense. I want us to be better defensively and we'll work hard to do that. It remains to be seen if we can put points on the board like we did having lost our top two scorers."

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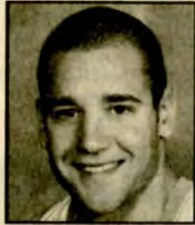
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Coach



Brad Holland

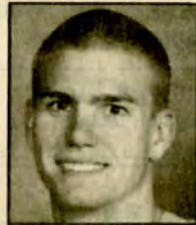
Probable starting lineup



Ross DeRogatis



Michael Hubbard



Nick Lewis



Corey Belser



Gyno Pomare

Key reserves



Brandon Johnson



Ray Murdock



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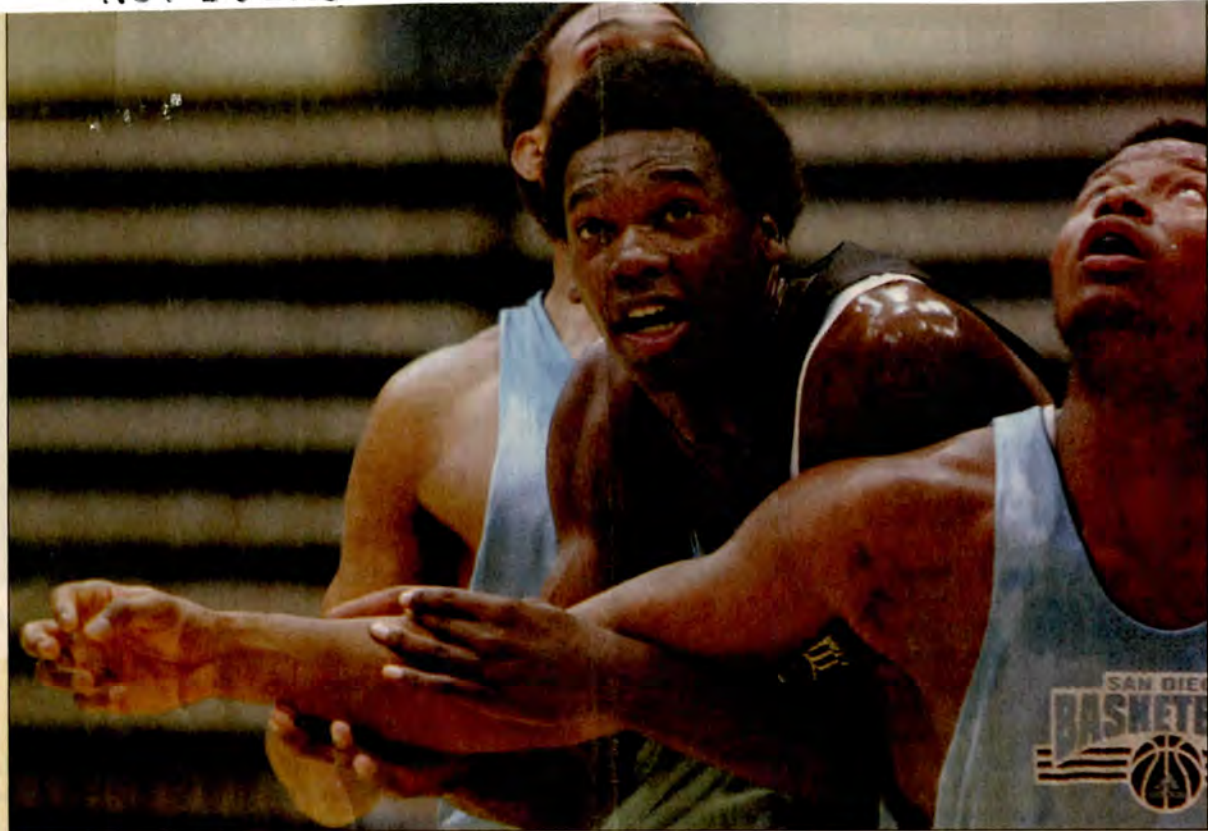
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Nov. 21	at UC Santa Barbara	7 p.m.
Nov. 23	at San Jose State	5 p.m.
Nov. 26	at UC Riverside	4 p.m.
Nov. 30	San Diego State	7 p.m.
Dec. 3	at Furman	Noon
Dec. 6	UC Riverside	7 p.m.
Dec. 8	Point Loma Nazarene	7 p.m.
Dec. 10	Fresno State-X	5:30 p.m.
Dec. 17	Texas-Arlington	4 p.m.
Dec. 20	Loyola-Chicago	7 p.m.
Dec. 22	New Mexico	7 p.m.
Jan. 1	at Eastern Washington	2 p.m.
Jan. 7	at Loyola Marymount+	2 p.m.
Jan. 9	at Pepperdine+	7 p.m.
Jan. 16	Santa Clara+	7 p.m.
Jan. 21	Gonzaga+	3 p.m.
Jan. 23	Portland+	6 p.m.
Jan. 28	at Saint Mary's+	7 p.m.
Jan. 30	at Santa Clara+	7 p.m.
Feb. 4	Pepperdine+	7 p.m.
Feb. 6	Loyola-Marymount+	7 p.m.
Feb. 11	San Francisco+	4 p.m.
Feb. 13	at San Francisco+	7 p.m.
Feb. 20	Saint Mary's+	8 p.m.
Feb. 25	at Gonzaga+	5 p.m.
Feb. 27	at Portland+	7 p.m.
March 3-6	WCC Tournament at Spokane, Wash.	

X - San Diego Slam doubleheader at Cox Arena. + - West Coast Conference game.

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El Camino High graduate Gyno Pomare, center, battles for a rebound during Tuesday's USD practice.

Extreme Makeover

Ex-El Camino star a new man in post for Toreros

TOM SHANAHAN
FOR THE NORTH COUNTY TIMES

SAN DIEGO — North County basketball fans attending games at the University of San Diego this winter will recognize redshirt freshman Gyno Pomare's name on the roster — but maybe not the body and countenance wearing his jersey.

Pomare, an El Camino High alumnus, returns to the court this year as the Toreros' starting center. Gone, however, is the soft body that in high school was listed as 6-foot-9 and 220 pounds; he's now more accurately meas-

ured at 6-7 and he's a sleeker, more muscular 218.

Also gone is the braided hairstyle Pomare wore throughout high school, replaced by an Afro that makes him look two inches taller — though he appeared more intimidating with the braids, especially with his Bill Russell-like wingspan and game face.

But as the Toreros open their season Friday at Buies Creek, N.C., against Campbell University, the only appearance Pomare is concerned with is a bigger and stronger presence on the court.

In high school, Pomare relied on superior quickness and turnaround jump shots. But last year,

as he worked daily in practice against Brice Vounang and Brandon Gay — both of whom are now playing professionally in Europe — he realized the need to hold his defensive position in the paint and to create scoring opportunities with post moves.

"I had to hit the weights and get stronger," Pomare said. "Last year was a learning experience going against Brice. I learned I have to use my legs more, and that's where the squats in the weight room have helped me. I can still use my quickness, but I need to be stronger, too."

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USD coach Brad Holland, whose Toreros don't play their home opener until Nov. 30 against San Diego State, said Pomare will start inside with senior power forward Nick Lewis (6-10) and senior small forward Corey Belser (6-7).

It's a lineup Holland believes will play bigger than it looks on paper.

"I think one of the signs of a really good player is if he plays taller than he is," Holland said. "Gyno is 6-7, but he plays 6-10. He changes shots. He's our best rebounder and he can rebound out of his area. He's also gaining more confidence in his scoring ability.

"I think he's been the pleasant surprise of practice season so far. I'm surprised he's separated himself from the other 4s (forwards) and 5s (centers) that we have."

At first, Pomare was frustrated that he didn't play as a true freshman, but he now recognizes the value of redshirting.

"I would have been a sitting duck last year," Pomare said. "I wouldn't have been able to rebound much. The year I took off allowed me to learn about college competition. It's been a long time, but now I'm excited to be playing again."

At El Camino, Pomare averaged 19.1 points and 14.0 rebounds a game as a senior, leading the Wildcats to back-to-back CIF Division I titles and two straight trips in the Southern California Regional semifinals in 2002-03 and 2003-04.

Even with Pomare's ad-



STAN LIU
FOR THE NORTH COUNTY TIMES

The University of San Diego's Gyno Pomare takes the ball up-court during Tuesday's practice.

vanced game and success in high school, USD's lineup last year — with seniors Vounang and Gay and juniors Lewis and Belser — factored into the decision to redshirt Pomare.

"He would have played some last year, but he wouldn't have played every game and I think it would have been a frustrating year for him," Holland said. "He was a perfect candidate to redshirt. Instead of being a pretty good sophomore this year, I think he can be a very good redshirt freshman."

As for the new hairstyle, Pomare says that change hasn't been as calculated as his work in the weight room.

"Braids get messed up in a week or two," said Pomare, "and I don't have a car any more to get home and take care of them."

Of course, the new look that Pomare wants you to notice this season is his game on the court.

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TOUGH SCHEDULE PAYS OFF FOR VIEWPOINT TENNIS TEAM

BYLINE: By Erik Boal Special to the Daily News

BODY:

Viewpoint School of Calabasas girls' tennis coach Travis Kikugawa knew that playing Brentwood and Campbell Hall of North Hollywood, the top two teams in Southern Section Div. III, twice during Olympic League competition would pay dividends when the playoffs began.

In Saturday's second-round match against fourth-seeded Lakewood, Kikugawa saw the benefits first-hand.

Behind a sweep from Samantha Yeung and two victories by Gaby Massoth in singles, Viewpoint (13-5) knocked off visiting Lakewood 10-8 in what Kikugawa called "the biggest win in program history."

Four of Viewpoint's losses were against Brentwood and Campbell Hall.

Yeung (32-9 set record) and the No. 1 doubles team, Brittany Beisswanger and Farah Samarrai (43-5), have been the Patriots' stars, but Kikugawa believes depth has been a big factor in their success.

"We have really relied on our overall team balance from day one," Kikugawa said. "We sent eight girls to league individuals this year."

Viewpoint plays at Garden Grove in today's quarterfinals. A victory likely would set up a third match against top-seeded Brentwood in Thursday's semifinals.

--Cheryl Stevens, a fashion model-turned-basketball standout from Canyon of Canyon Country, has committed to play in the Ivy League, at Princeton.

"It's official, and I'm so excited," said Stevens, a senior who has grown to 6-foot-3 1/2. "I've been back there twice on an unofficial visit, then an official visit, and I just like everything about Princeton - the girls on the team, the coach, everything. And the fact it's the best college in the country doesn't hurt."

Stevens, who averaged just six points per game as a junior but blossomed over the summer during club tournaments in North Carolina, Florida and Georgia, turned down a scholarship offer from Long Beach State. She also considered Penn.

"I took a visit to Penn, but I just love Princeton: the team, the whole vibe in general," Stevens said. "I know it's going to be a tough school, but, believe me, they still know how to party there. I can't wait."

At 14, Stevens landed a \$50,000 modeling contract, traveling the globe while working as runway model for such high-profile designers as Jill Stuart, Miguel Adover, Jeremy Scott, Richard Tyler, Michelle Jenk and Petrozilia.

By her sophomore year at Canyon, she was so busy with modeling that she dropped from the varsity team. But as Stevens grew taller, she outgrew her modeling career. She began focusing on basketball and academics last year.

"Cheryl Stevens is the real deal," Canyon coach Stan Delus said. "She's really worked hard over the past year and a half, and she learned some post moves. During club season, she averaged 16 points per game."

--Loyola High infielder Kevin Munoz, from Thousand Oaks, has committed to the University of San Diego. Simi Valley pitcher Frankie Reed has committed to Cal Poly.

--After breaking the state career passing record and becoming the first California prep quarterback to surpass 10,000 yards, Valencia's Michael Herrick celebrated in style after Friday's game against Saugus.

"Oh, it was great," he reported. "We went to In-N-Out, and I had a double-double."

Gerry Gittelsohn contributed.

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ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

MICHAEL HERRICK

Senior, Valencia

Herrick passed for 280 yards in Friday's 34-7 Foothill League win over Saugus to become state's first player to pass for more than 10,000 career yards. Herrick, who has verbally committed to Mississippi, has thrown for 10,002 yards for the Vikings, leading them to the Southern Section playoffs three times. With 3,167 yards as a sophomore, 4,065 yards as a junior and 2,770 this season, he needs 220 more yards to become the first Foothill Leaguer to pass for 3,000 yards in three seasons.

STEVY LOY

Senior, Valencia

Foothill League MVP Loy helped Valencia finish a program-best seventh in the Southern Section girls' golf team final Thursday at Indian Hills Golf Club in Riverside, three days after she shot a co-medalist 73 in the Northern Divisional at River Ridge Golf Club in Oxnard to lead the Vikings to a second consecutive berth in the section final. She was upgraded from provisional qualifier to entry status in the Southern California Regional - the last qualifier for this week's state final.

UP & COMER

HALEY KENNEDY

Paraclete

The freshman ran the 2.91-mile Mt. San Antonio College course in 19 minutes, 35 seconds to finish sixth in her heat and help the Spirits' girls' cross country team win its race at the Southern Section Div. IV prelims Saturday. Paraclete of Lancaster, ranked third in Southern Section Div. IV, posted the second-best team time in its division and advanced to this week's section finals. All five Spirits scoring runners finished in the top 20.

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On top of the world;

LETTERS: With four volleyball players inked, Lake Arrowhead Rim of the World leads the way.

BYLINE: MATT CALKINS; THE PRESS-ENTERPRISE

BODY:

For Lake Arrowhead Rim of the World volleyball player Sonja Newcombe, it was when the Fed-Ex package arrived. For teammate Cassie Engelgau, it was when the message read "fax sent."

Many high school athletes characterize the recruiting process as one of excitement and stress - until signing day. That's when the dominant emotion becomes relief.

A multitude of Inland area seniors exhaled Wednesday as they signed national letters of intent with the colleges of their choice. Among this group were four Rim of the World volleyball players: Shannon Moody (Penn), Nique Fradella (Portland State) and Newcombe (Oregon) and Engelgau (Appalachian State).

It was the largest group of signees ever witnessed by Rim of the World coach Linda Pattison, who added that outside hitter Cassie Ells would be playing at Division III Concordia.

Now that the seniors have made plans for the next four years, they can focus their thoughts on the immediate future, the playoffs.

"These are high school girls, and it's not easy to make decisions," Pattison said. "They want to make everyone happy, and when you sign, someone is going to be let down. I think it's a relief for all of them when it's over."

Newcombe echoed her coach.

"It's exciting to make it official, have it all done," she said. "Now the deal is sealed, and we can be proud of it."

San Bernardino Cajon joined Rim of the World in sending at least three athletes from one sport to the next level.

Shortstop Nicole Kajitani, the reigning San Bernardino softball Player of the Year, signed with Tennessee. Catcher Laura Briones will venture to UNLV.

Teammate Jennifer Mullen will attend Division III La Verne. Right fielder Lauren Colunga, who Cowboys coach Jerry Tivey said will have Division I offers, opted to wait for the February signing period.

Three Riverside Poly athletes also promised schools they would be swinging bats for them. Baseball players Hector Rabago and Mike O'Neill signed with USC. Softball player Amanda Myers, daughter of 18-year major leaguer Greg Myers, penned a letter to Texas Tech.

Riverside King's Ryan Knox should join Rabago and O'Neill as he is expected to sign today.

"I've never had two guys from one team sign with a Division I school before," Poly coach Aaron Moore said. "And they're both going to get a free education at USC. Anyone who graduates from there is going to make a lot more money than I do."

Money that they could use to take a vacation to Hawaii, which is where Palm Desert baseball player Kevin Macdonald is headed.

Yvette Leizorek and tennis player Brittany Blalock, also of Palm Desert, signed with Division I schools, too. Leizorek will attend Boise State, while Blalock will go to Cal Poly.

Vista Murrieta softball pitcher Kate Gaskill, meanwhile, became the first player from the school to sign a letter of intent. Not bad for someone who played junior varsity last year.

Of course that's because Gaskill came from Murrieta Valley, where she played varsity ball for two seasons. Transfer rules dictated that she couldn't play varsity her first year at Vista Murrieta, but after a stellar summer with the Lionettes travel-ball team, Gaskill sealed a deal with Georgia.

"She's proven to be everything that we thought she was going to be," Vista Murrieta coach Dan Torres said. "Hopefully this is a tradition that our school can carry on."

Other notable signings included gymnast Brittani McCullough, of Corona Centennial, who signed with UCLA, and Corona Santiago baseball player Tyler Hoechlin, who inked a letter for Arizona State.

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DIVISION I SIGNEES

BASEBALL

Kevin Macdonald, Palm Desert, Hawaii
 Hector Rabago, Riverside Poly, USC
 Mike O'Neill, Riverside Poly, USC
 Tyler Hoechlin, Santiago, Arizona State
 Dylan Slocum, Paloma Valley, Santa Clara
 Kesler Reifel, Redlands, UC Riverside

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BOYS BASKETBALL

Brandon Dowdy, REV, University of San Diego
 Shane Hanson, Temescal Canyon, UC Davis

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GIRLS BASKETBALL

Nachelle Catrones, North, Pepperdine
 Kendra Calvin, Perris, San Diego State

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GIRLS GOLF

Sydnee Michaels, Linfield Christian, UCLA
 Emily Mason, Redlands East Valley, Arizona

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GYMNASTICS

Brittani McCullough, Centennial, UCLA
 Yvette Leizorek, Palm Desert, Boise State

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SOFTBALL

Nicole Kajitani, Cajon, Tennessee
 Laura Briones, Cajon, UNLV
 Marcena Bertoldo, Alabama, Marshall
 Charlottle Morgan, Valley View, Alabama
 Kate Gaskill, Vista Murrieta, Georgia
 Amanda Myers, Riverside Poly, Texas Tech

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GIRLS TENNIS



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TOREROS REPORT

Holland likes to scrimmage

By **Hank Wesch**, STAFF WRITER

There are no exhibition games on the USD men's basketball schedule this season.

Unless fans want to travel to Buies Creek, N.C.; Santa Barbara, San Jose or Riverside, the first opportunity to see coach Brad Holland's Toreros in the flesh will be the home opener against San Diego State, on Nov. 30.

Changes in NCAA rules in the past couple of years enable teams to substitute closed, controlled scrimmages against fellow Division I members, or teams from any other level and affiliation, in place of exhibitions.

No uniforms. No crowds. No point totals on the scoreboard. No time limit. Real referees. And, to Holland's thinking, a better opportunity for coaching than an exhibition presents.

So the Toreros traveled to Fullerton yesterday to scrimmage the Titans, preseason picks to win the Big West Conference. And, on Nov. 14, USD will host Azusa Pacific, preseason No. 1 among NAIA schools.

By unofficial scoring, USD defeated Fullerton by seven points in the two 20-minute halves conducted in game-style format yesterday, Holland reported. Senior Nick Lewis led four Toreros in double-figure scoring with 21 points. Red-shirt freshman Gyno Pomare had 12 points and a team-high seven rebounds. Point guard Ross DeRogatis had 16 points, six assists and zero turnovers and newcomer Nir Cohen 11 points.

In another 20-minute session, in which both teams liberally used freshmen and reserves, USD outscored Fullerton by 15, Holland said.

"What I was looking for was to see how hard we'd compete, and we did some good things," he said. "There's always plenty to work on, but our freshmen got a chance to get their feet wet against Division I competition and held their own."

Toreros tidbits

- Pomare (El Camino High) has been the biggest surprise of the preseason, Holland said, and has won a front-line starting job alongside senior returnees Lewis and **Corey Belser**. Returnees DeRogatis and **Michael Hubbard** are the backcourt starters.

"We knew Gyno would be good from seeing him in practice last year, but he has been more productive at both ends of the floor than we projected he would be," Holland said. "He's our best rebounder, he's playing good defense and he's gaining confidence on offense."

- Surgery is being contemplated for senior forward **Michael Shepherd**, who has had three epidural shots for a back injury but not experienced marked improvement in the condition.

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“If you don’t like a Mike Brown, then you’re really
an uncoachable player.”

JERMAINE O’NEAL, *Pacers forward on new Cleveland coach and former USD player Mike Brown*



New Cleveland Cavaliers coach Mike Brown poses with star player LeBron James. *Mark Duncan / Associated Press*

**A long way
from USD**

LeBron James and his teammates say they have faith in rookie Cavaliers coach Mike Brown, a former Torero

By Tom Withers
ASSOCIATED PRESS

CLEVELAND — Stalking the sideline during the Cavaliers' first home exhibition game, Mike Brown suddenly realized everything he was yelling could be heard by media members sitting courtside.

"I guess I'd better be careful," Cleveland's first-year coach said with a smile.

This rookie learns fast. He had better.

Because of all the offseason acquisitions the Cavaliers to ensure they'll never miss the playoffs again with LeBron James, the coach will come under the most scrutiny is the new head coach, Mike Brown.

A highly regarded assistant who began his pro career making \$15,000 a year for the Denver Nuggets in 1992, Brown entered this season with zero head coaching experience.

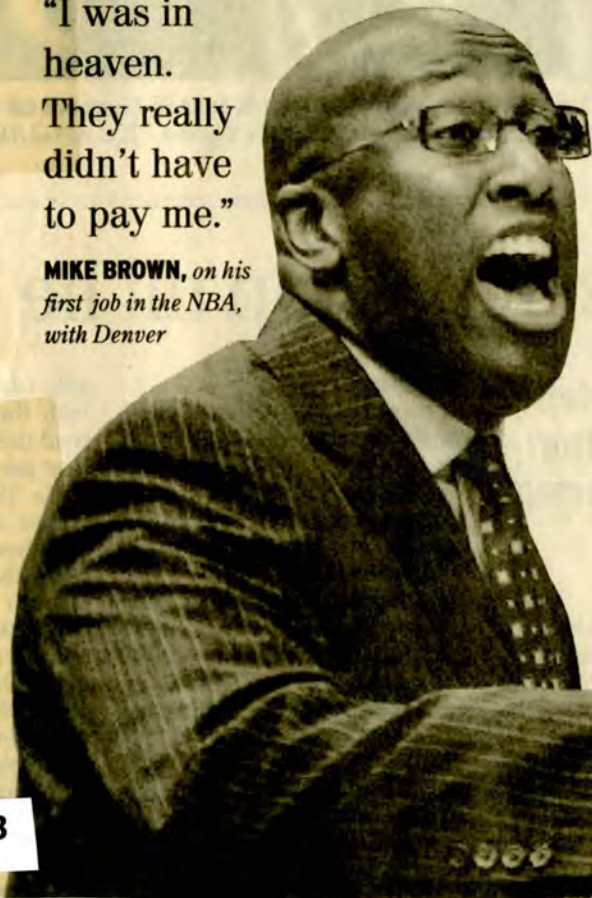
Brown — who played at USD from 1990-92 after two years at Mesa College — was an associate head coach for two seasons with the Indiana Pacers, serving as Rick Carlisle's top aide, and he twice coached San Antonio's summer league team a few years back.

But the Cavaliers are all Brown's, and his first gig as the man in charge will be to take a team featuring one of the game's top talents and a roster of proven players to the postseason — and perhaps beyond.

"He's going to do great," Carlisle said. "They're going to be much improved. He's going to be a guy that's going to be one of the guys people are talking about as one of the hot new coaches. They've got a good thing going there, because they made the right

"I was in heaven. They really didn't have to pay me."

MIKE BROWN, on his first job in the NBA, with Denver



Mike Brown
KRT photo

moves over the summer and they hired the right coach."

Brown won his NBA head coaching debut on Wednesday night as the Cavaliers beat the visiting Hornets 109-87.

"We know he has a lot of pressure on him being a rookie head coach," said James. "But we don't look at him as being a rookie coach. He seems like he's been doing it forever. He hasn't showed us any nervousness."

Having a superstar like James on Brown's roster helps, and it doesn't hurt to have an owner willing to invest \$150 million on free agents, either.

Brown — the second youngest coach in the league behind New Jersey's Lawrence Frank — knows he has inherited a treasure trove in his first job.

"I've been handed a lot of things," he said. "When I do step back and look at it, it's not to say, 'Oh, gosh, I've got a lot of pressure on me.' I say, 'Wow, what a lucky guy I am.'"

Brown wasn't the highest-profile candidate being mentioned last June when Cavaliers owner Dan Gilbert began his coaching search. He wasn't even the best known Brown, as the nomadic one himself, Larry Brown, was once thought to be Cleveland bound.

But in NBA circles, Mike Brown had already made a name for himself as a hard-working, defensive-minded assistant coach who had a good rapport with players.

"He's a players' coach," Pacers forward Jermaine O'Neal said. "He demands respect from his team, but he's not going to over-coach. He's going to put out a game plan, and he wants guys to follow that. If you don't like a Mike Brown, then you're really an un-coachable player."

So far, the Cavaliers, who barely missed the playoffs last season, have embraced their coach's defense-first philosophy. They have no choice, really.

To play for Brown, you have to be able to guard someone.

"If you've been to a Mike Brown practice," James said, "it is all about defense."

During the portion of practices open to the media, Brown, a whistle dangling from his neck, is in perpetual motion. He walks the floor, stopping the workout when it's time to teach.

It's at these moments when he's most comfortable, molding his players into a team. And it's at these times when Brown remembers his birth in the NBA, working an assortment of odd jobs for the Nuggets under Bernie Bickerstaff, a former USD coach. Brown and Bickerstaff were brought together by Hank Egan, Brown's coach at USD.

"I was happy to get free sneakers and a sweat suit that said 'Denver Nuggets' and be able to say hello to Dan Issel," Brown said. "I was in heaven. They really didn't have to pay me. I was breaking down video. I was landscaping the assistant GM's yard. I was picking up cars from the shop. I was moving furniture. I was running the youth basketball camps. I was doing a little of everything and it was great."



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Roster

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2	Amanda Rego	So.	Guard	5-10
Lefty now has a year of D-I experience.				
3	Ashley Voisinet	Jr.	Guard	5-10
Dynamic defender plays bigger than her size.				
4	Sabine Loewe	Jr.	Center	6-4
Team's lone healthy true center.				
5	Tiara Harris	Sr.	Guard	5-10
Accurate shot and fast feet make her hard to stop.				
12	Polly Dong	Sr.	Guard	5-6
Team veteran is the emotional leader for Toreros.				
13	Brandi Collato	Sr.	Guard	5-7
Santa Fe Christian product is the team's workhorse.				
	Christine Takara	Fr.	Guard	5-6
Sii product a key reserve at the guard spot.				
15	Michelle Augustavo	So.	Guard	6-0
Healthy and fit after injury-plagued frosh season.				
21	Amber Sprague*	So.	Center	6-5
A broken foot has top returning player out for season.				
22	Lindsay Helvey	Sr.	Forward	5-10
A spark off the bench; can play inside or out.				
25	Kelly Winther	Fr.	Guard	5-8
A proven H.S. scorer not afraid to do the same at USD.				
32	Kiva Herman	Fr.	Forward	6-0
Team's best true athlete is another combo player.				
55	Kaila Mangrum	Fr.	Forward	6-0
Athletic big body will add depth on the blocks.				

Coach: Cindy Fisher
Assistants: Mary Ann Falcosky, Aubrey Eblin and Niecee Nelson
 * Redshirt

USD will feature mix of new and experienced

ANALYSIS BY **NICOLE VARGAS**, STAFF WRITER

2004-05 RECORD: 9-19, 4-10 West Coast Conference; lost in first round of league tournament to Loyola Marymount.

PREDICTED WCC FINISH: Seventh.

HOME COURT: All games played at Jenny Craig Pavilion on campus.

KEY GAMES: Sunday vs. No. 20 Arizona State; Tuesday at San Diego State; Dec. 28 and 30 in Surf 'N Slam Tournament with No. 1 Duke, St. John's and Montana State; Jan. 6 vs. Loyola Marymount; March 2-5 WCC Tournament at Gonzaga in Spokane, Wash.

RETURNING LEADERS: Scoring (Tiara Harris, 10.8), rebounding (Sabine Loewe, 4.6), assists (Polly Dong, 4.07).

BEST-CASE SCENARIO: With a proven program rebuild in new coach Cindy Fisher at the helm and four seniors unwilling to leave on anything less than a high note, the Toreros manage to enter the WCC race capable of surprising a team or two and finishing in the top half of the league standings. With plenty of depth on the perimeter, blending capable veterans with youngsters such as Kelly Winther eager to establish themselves, Loewe rises to the occasion and carries the team inside.

WORST-CASE SCENARIO: The loss of Amber Sprague, last year's top scorer (14.5 ppg) and rebounder (5 rpg), to a season-ending foot injury proves to be too large an obstacle to overcome. Loewe alone is unable to overpower the tall talent of opposing teams, and support from a handful of guards-turned-forwards proves to be either too inexperienced or too small to battle in the paint.

QUOTING FISHER: "I've been a part of rebuilding a couple of programs now (at Wyoming as head coach and as an assistant at Old Dominion and Nebraska), and it takes awhile and you have to be patient. You have to know it's a marathon and not a sprint and you have to take it one step at a time. This whole staff has been a part of that (at previous universities with Fisher), and they know what that takes. (The payoff) is worth it, it really, really is. We're hoping for it."

Coach



Cindy Fisher

Probable starting lineup



Polly Dong



Tiara Harris



Ashley Voisinet



Michelle Augustavo



Sabine Loewe

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Nov. 27	Rice or Penn @	12:30 or 3 p.m.
Dec. 1	at CSU Fullerton	7 p.m.
Dec. 5	Fresno State	5 p.m.
Dec. 9	at Georgia Tech	4 p.m.
Dec. 11	at Clemson	11 a.m.
Dec. 18	Boise State	2 p.m.
Dec. 28	Montana State*	6 p.m.
Dec. 30	Duke or St. John's*	6 or 8 p.m.
Jan. 2	UC Irvine	7 p.m.
Jan. 6	Loyola Marymount+	7 p.m.
Jan. 8	Pepperdine+	2 p.m.
Jan. 14	at Santa Clara+	2 p.m.
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Feb. 9	San Francisco+	7 p.m.
Feb. 15	at San Francisco+	7 p.m.
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New coaches, same result

Toreros top Aztecs
for fourth straight
in crosstown rivalry

By Nicole Vargas
STAFF WRITER

Before the game, San Diego State women's basketball coach Beth Burns walked over to USD counterpart Cindy Fisher and extended a welcoming handshake.

"Beth said this is one game I want you to lose, but after that, I wish you the most success," Fisher said. "I said the same to her. It's a fun thing, and hopefully some-

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thing this community can really embrace and get really excited about every year."

If last night's edition of the crosstown rivalry was any indication, the annual Toreros-Aztecs meeting could be one of the big draws of the season for the schools.

A crowd of 971 — the largest since Jan. 26, 2002 — saw USD upend SDSU 67-57 at Cox Arena last night, extending the Toreros' winning streak over the Aztecs to four.

"It's an incredible environment to play in front of that many peo-

ple," said USD sophomore Amanda Rego.

The Toreros used a zone defense to force the Aztecs to shoot from outside and limit the touches by SDSU center Desiree Johnson. In the first half, that strategy worked, allowing USD to take a 31-26 lead into halftime.

After the break, though, Johnson benefited from some key offensive adjustments, helping SDSU take a 51-48 lead with 6:15 left in the game.

"(In the second half), I played the way I felt my teammates needed me to play," Johnson said.

USD senior Polly Dong tied the game at 51-51 with her lone three-

pointer, and a second three by classmate Lindsey Helvey with 4:04 remaining put the Toreros ahead for good.

"It was definitely the most physical game we've played," said USD junior Ashley Voisinet. "It was definitely intense, but we fought."

Voisinet and Toreros junior Sabine Loewe finished with 12 points each, while Rego added 11. The Aztecs were led by senior Michelle Strawberry, who finished with a double-double of 19 points, 10 rebounds.

In the end, both teams said they left the court feeling as

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Fisher's team beats Burns' in S.D. rivalry

though they had put on a show for the fans.

"You ain't seen nothing yet," Burns said. "(The Toreros) are going to get things going and we're going to get things going. I think this was an entertaining game, and hopefully they'll come back and bring a friend."

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USD's Sabine Loewe struggles for a rebound with SDSU's Jana Heinrich (left) in front of Veronica Shaw. *Crissy Pascual / Union-Tribune*

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Fisher nets first USD win at Burns' expense

MIKE SULLIVAN
STAFF WRITER

SAN DIEGO — San Diego State coach Beth Burns wants to see University of San Diego counterpart Cindy Fisher win a lot of women's basketball games. But she certainly didn't want to witness Fisher's first victory as the Toreros' coach.

That's what happened Tuesday night, as the Toreros outplayed the Aztecs over the final five minutes for a 67-57 triumph before 971 fans in Burns' first regular-season home game at Cox Arena.

"One time a year I hope like heck she goes home unhappy," Burns said. "But this year, it's me."

Fisher coach could head home worry-free after combining for 30 turnovers. But at least Fisher could leave with a smile on her face after her first taste of the cross-town rivalry.

"It was a fun game," Fisher said. "There always has to be a winner and a loser, but both teams battled. I hope it's something the community will really embrace and get excited about every year and hope that this game becomes a big thing for both programs."

USD (1-2) made the big plays towards the end of the contest.

The Aztecs (0-2) pulled within 59-57 on Desiree Johnson's basket with 1:18 left, but then turned the ball over on three straight possessions. Meanwhile, USD made 8-of-10 free throws during

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the final 66 seconds of the contest to seal the deal.

Junior center Sabine Loewe and junior guard Ashley Voisinet led USD with 12 points each. Sophomore guard Amanda Rego added 11 points and made four late free throws to offset nine Toreros turnovers.

"It was a little bit sloppy," Rego said. "We pulled it off, but I think we need to do a better job of taking care of the ball — and me personally."

USD committed 26 turnovers, the Aztecs 24. The Toreros made 27-of-36 free throws, while San Diego State hit 15-of-16.

Senior forward Michelle Strawberry paced the Aztecs with 19 points and 10 rebounds.

"I'm just trying to contribute as much as I can in all areas," Strawberry said. "It is kind of disappointing when you don't win."

Nobody was more disap-

pointed than the ultra-competitive Burns. The Aztecs trailed by five points at halftime and saw USD use a 9-0 run early in the second half to take a 40-28 lead on Lindsay Helvey's 3-point basket.

The Toreros' lead was 46-35 when Burns called timeout with 12:59 left, and the Aztecs responded with eight consecutive points.

San Diego State led 51-48 with under five minutes to play before Polly Dong hit a 3-pointer to tie the score with 4:38 left. After an Aztecs turnover, Helvey drained a 3 to put the Toreros ahead for good.

But Burns said the lull had nothing to do with the energy the Aztecs expended to get back in the game.

"That's the only way we can play," Burns said. "For us to be successful, we have to try to keep people off rhythm."

"I think our challenge is understanding success. We're not used to being ahead, and that's a learned thing."

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The University of San Diego's Amanda Rego (2) goes up for a layup surrounded by San Diego State defenders.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL '05-'06

Burns, Fisher igniting hope at SDSU, USD

By Nicole Vargas, STAFF WRITER

Buzz and basketball.

They're two words not commonly used in the same sentence when talking about local women's Division I basketball the past few years.

But on the campuses San Diego State and USD, new head coaches for the programs have yielded a rebirth for teams that have recently struggled.

On Montezuma Mesa, Beth Burns returns to the Aztecs after an eight-year absence, igniting an almost lost hope that the once-rising power in the NCAA can return to the same heights.

Alcala Park is the new home of Cindy Fisher, who had a proven record of rebuilding a program as head coach at Wyoming. She inherits a capable bunch eager to produce under the program's first new head coach in a quarter-century.

Both admit turning these programs into winners will take work, and both know it won't be easy.

But the two are driven.

"We didn't come here for small successes," Burns said.

Said Fisher: "It doesn't get done overnight, but it will get done."

Already, the interest generated on both campuses has translated into higher ticket sales than in recent seasons. But this early, what's more noticeable, especially to the players, is the growing enthusiasm on campus.

"It's a whole different mentality," said SDSU sophomore Shanna Demus. "We're going to have so many more fans than last year. There's a buzz, and it's a good buzz."

Said USD senior Tiara Harris: "We feel like we have more fans than ever. People are talking

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Coaches determined to build programs

us up around school, and the (men's) basketball team is marketing for us and telling people to come (to games). I definitely feel more support."

At SDSU, long gone are the days when large crowds of women's fans would line 55th Street hours before tip-off, hoping to get one of the precious few seats inside cozy Peterson Gym.

But even with seats more plentiful in Cox Arena, Burns is similarly

things happen to them. Our success will be because we can guard and because we can force turnovers and get easy baskets."

Burns is focusing on the type of skills that had her previous SDSU squads ranked among the best in the nation defensively.

"The way she has taught us (defense) is really fast-paced, exciting and intense," Strawberry said. "That's going to be a lot of trouble for a lot of people considering we have a lot of quick people on our team and a lot of feisty players. I think we're going to be a handful for a couple of teams."

Fisher's lot includes four seniors, all program veterans who started their careers after USD's most recent NCAA

starting from scratch with personnel that includes just five returning letterwinners, led by senior Michelle Strawberry, all-conference honorable mention last season.

Burns will be mixing them with nine new faces who have yet to play an official game as an Aztec, led by 6-foot-2 center Desiree Johnson and talented German product Jana Heinrich.

New or not, though, Burns — whose team opens Saturday at Wichita State — is wasting little time implementing her game plan, on the court and in the minds of the Aztecs.

"It's really important, especially for returning players to the program, to experience some success," Burns said. "They haven't had a lot of good

Tournament appearance in 2000.

"Something Coach Fisher has instilled in us is this team will go as far as the seniors take us," said senior Polly Dong. "But everyone knows the seniors can't do it alone, and we've had (younger players) step up already. That's been inspirational."

Among them have been freshman Kelly Winther and sophomore Amanda Rego (Mission Bay), the first two off the bench for Fisher in the Toreros' two winning exhibition games.

The Toreros will be tested early and often, with a home opener Sunday against No. 20 Arizona State followed by a trip to SDSU for the Aztecs' first home game of the season. The Toreros open Friday at UC Riverside.

Later, a potential matchup against No. 1 Duke looms in late December.

All this will go on without sophomore standout Amber Sprague, a 6-5 center out of Mission Bay who broke her right foot before the season started and is out for the year.

Fisher is ready for the challenge.

"I am one to believe you have to play the best to continue to be the best, and to find out where you want this program to go," Fisher said. "That's why we do this — so we can get to that level and play on that level. We're going to make the best of it."

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Aztecs, Toreros hope to forge friendly rivalry

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SAN DIEGO The women's basketball game between the University of San Diego and San Diego State tonight might be the start of something special.

True, neither team has tallied a win this season. True, attendance for the 7 p.m. tipoff at Cox Arena is not expected to reach 1,000.

The Toreros are 0-2, though they are fresh off a four-point loss to No. 20 Arizona State on Sunday. The Aztecs are 0-1 after dropping a 91-79 decision

on the road at Wichita State on Saturday.

Still, this matchup shows the potential to become a quality cross-town rivalry — if new coaches can right previously lackluster programs.

"That's something that (Aztecs coach Beth Burns) and I haven't really talked about, but I can see that becoming something really, really special every year just like the men's (teams)," said new USD coach Cindy Fisher.

"And then after that game's over, we're probably each other's biggest supporters and really would love to get the people of San Diego

excited about both of our programs and help this become a women's basketball town.

"I think that would be really fun."

A little bit of enthusiasm couldn't hurt either program. The turnstiles at Cox and Jenny Craig Pavilion have all but rusted over as both teams have languished in recent years.

On the men's side, where both teams have been fairly competitive of late, the annual meeting between the Aztecs and the Toreros draws large, lively crowds.

But Burns, who tonight

coaches her first regular-season home game for San Diego State since 1997, thinks there are limits to how intense the meeting between these teams can get.

"I think it will always be a fun rivalry in November that you don't even remember by February," Burns said. "Basketball is about March. ... I do like it. I hope they want to continue it for all the reasons I said — we're growing, they're growing."

That growth is still in its infancy.

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**USD women at
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When: Today, 7

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Web sites:

www.usdathletics.com

www.sdsuathletics.com

Records: USD 1-2; SDSU 0-1

Series: SDSU leads 24-4

Outlook: San Diego State holds the series lead, but the last three games have gone to USD. Beth Burns coaches SDSU in its home opener in her second tenure as Aztecs basketball coach. The Toreros are coming off a four-point loss to nationally ranked Arizona State.

- NICOLE VARGAS

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Women's basketball

Center Sabine Loewe scored a game-high 19 points and guard Brandi Collato made four three-point baskets as **USD** defeated **Penn** 70-59 in the consolation game of the Husky Classic at Bank of America Arena in Seattle.

Point guard Amanda Rego had a career-high 11 assists for USD (2-3). The Toreros led by 19 at halftime and outrebounded Penn (1-3) 31-21 overall.

Loewe, a junior from Lachhammer, Germany, was 7-for-11 from the field and 5-of-6 from the free throw line.

Guard Tiara Harris, who leads USD with an average of 12 points, had 10 points and four assists.

USD next plays at Cal State Fullerton on Thursday at 7.

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Toreros defeated by Cameo performance

STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

Junior Guard Cameo Hicks notched a career-high 26 points on Saturday, draining 9-of-14 shots from the field to lead Washington to a 77-61 win over the University of San Diego women's basketball team in the first round of the Husky Classic at Bank of America Arena.

Washington (4-0) will play Rice in today's championship game at 3 p.m. USD (1-3) will play Penn in today's consolation contest at 12:30 p.m.

But even with Hicks' big day, the feisty Toreros, led by senior Tiara Harris' 18 points on 8-for-12 shooting, kept the game close.

"Any time you can play with a team of this caliber on their home court, that's pretty exciting," said USD coach Cindy Fisher.

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USD women lose

Washington junior guard **Cameo Hicks** scored a career-best 26 points in the Huskies' 77-61 win over visiting USD before 2,379 in the Husky Classic at Bank of America Arena.

Hicks, who has scored 20 points or more in three straight games, lifted the Huskies to their fourth straight win to start the season.

USD (1-3) was down only 57-55 with 7:02 to play but managed only two field goals the rest of the game.

Toreros senior guard **Tiara Harris** hit 8-of-12 shot from the floor for 18 points before fouling out. **Ashley Voisinet** and **Michelle Augustavo** had 11 points each and **Sabine Loewe** 11 rebounds.

USD hit only 39 percent (20-of-51) from the field.

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Women's college basketball — Cross-town rivalry heats up with USD taking on San Diego State; 7 p.m.; Cox Arena, SDSU, 55th Street, San Diego; goaztecs.com.

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Arizona St. edges Toreros

By Nicole Vargas
STAFF WRITER

First-year USD women's basketball coach Cindy Fisher walked away from her team's 67-63 loss to nationally ranked

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Arizona State yesterday with a smile on her face.

"I'm not disappointed at all," Fisher said of USD's effort in its home opener before 633 at Jenny Craig Pavilion. "I was absolutely thrilled with the effort of everyone on the floor." Despite a size disadvantage against the Sun Devils, who entered the game ranked 15th in the ESPN/USA Today poll, USD (0-2) managed to control ASU's dominant post game while two young Toreros guards — freshman Kelly Winther and sophomore Aman-

da Rego — stepped up on offense.

"We know we're undersized in a couple of positions, and against (UC) Riverside (on Friday), that really hurt us," said senior guard Tiara Harris, who scored 14 points while Winther had 17 and Rego added 16. "But the guards and post players played a lot bigger than they were. That made a huge difference."

While Rego and Winther carried the weight offensively, Fisher credited 6-foot-4 center Sabine Loewe and 5-10 guard-forward Ashley Voisinet with pacing the defense inside, where the Sun Devils (3-0) are most potent.

"They came out with no fear," Fisher said.

USD had ASU on the ropes early, jumping to a 17-6 lead. Although ASU clawed its way back into the game — using an extended defense that pres-

sured the Toreros all the way out to the three-point line — USD managed a 33-32 lead at the half.

Arizona State turned up the pressure at the start of the second half. In the first 7:13, the Sun Devils forced 10 USD turnovers, two more than the Toreros had in the entire first half. That enabled ASU to claim a commanding lead that jumped as high as 50-37.

The Toreros battled back, scoring on two three-pointers by Winther and Rego to close the gap to 50-43. They were within 51-47 after two more baskets by the pair.

That, though, would be as close as USD would get to the Sun Devils, who countered the Toreros' 51 percent shooting with a 54 percent performance.

"It's tough playing a good team like that that close for that long," said Rego. "But it shows we can play with anybody."

USD will play San Diego State (0-1) tomorrow in the Aztecs' home opener.

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USD's Tiara Harris looks to make a pass vs. Arizona State.

Toreros' rally falls short vs. Arizona St.

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Emily Westerberg had 14 points and eight rebounds and Kristen Kovessy added 12 in No. 20 Arizona State's 67-63 victory over the University of San Diego on Sunday at Jenny Craig Pavilion.

Westerberg was 5-for-6 from the field, and Kovessy went 5-for-7. Arizona State (3-0) shot 54 percent overall.

Trailing by a point at the half, the Sun Devils started the second half with an 18-4 run to take a 50-37 lead, their biggest of the game.

Kelly Winther's basket brought USD (0-2) within five at 66-61 with just over a minute to play, but the Toreros missed several chances to pull closer in the final minute. Winther, a freshman, had 17 points on 7-for-11 shooting.

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University of San Diego women's basketball coach **Cindy Fisher** talks to **Amanda Rego** during Sunday's game against **Arizona State**.

WEB @ DEVIL

W Hoops: Devils outlast Toreros Sun Devils surge to second-half lead, hold on for win

by James Schmehl

published on Monday, November 21, 2005



Coach Charli Turner Thorne said stopping four University of San Diego guards would be difficult. She was right.

Despite the challenge, the No. 15 ASU women's basketball team overcame a one-point deficit at halftime to defeat the Toreros, 67-63, at the Jenny Craig Pavilion Sunday.

"The first 10 minutes of the game, USD came out and knocked us on the teeth," Turner Thorne said. "But, we fought through some physical play, and this is a good hard-fought road win for us."

The Toreros (0-2) started the game with an 11-2 run, capitalizing on a lethargic Sun Devil offense and forcing 14 first-half turnovers.

"The killer was our turnovers," Turner Thorne said. "If you don't take care of the ball, you're going to be hard-pressed to beat anybody."

After digging a first half rut, the Sun Devils (3-0) made adjustments and junior forward Emily Westerberg paved the way for an early second half lead.

Westerberg led ASU in scoring with 14 points and added eight rebounds and five assists.

"In the first half, it was just one-on-one, and that wasn't working," Westerberg said. "I knew we had a lot to give, and I took it upon myself to come up big."

ASU recovered and built an 11-point lead with less than 13 minutes to play before USD posted seven unanswered points. USD true freshman guard Kelly Winther hit two three-point shots and a fall-away jump shot in a two-minute span, bringing the Toreros within two scores of ASU, 51-47.

"We knew that they wanted to drive the middle," Westerberg said. "They had a lot speed and we tried not let them get into our paint. But, obviously, we didn't do a good job of doing that."

The Toreros' offensive momentum was short-lived as junior Jill Noe drew a foul on the ensuing drive and sunk one of her resulting free throw attempts. Senior forward Kristen Kovesdy rebounded Noe's second shot from the line and put in an easy layup to push ASU's lead to seven.

Noe went 3-for-9 from the floor with eight points, four rebounds and four assists.

Kovesdy contributed 12 points and five rebounds in the Sun Devil victory.

The Toreros rallied for a last-minute comeback as sophomore guard Amanda Rego made a layup, cutting ASU's lead to seven.

Winther drained a pull-away jumper to close to a two-possession game, with just more than a minute remaining, but USD's comeback fell short.

"I felt like we played like we practice," Turner Thorne said. "This team has to recognize how many teams are out gunning for us. Anybody can beat anybody."

Sunday's victory marks the fourth time the Sun Devils have started 3-0 in Turner Thorne's 10 seasons as coach.

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Women: Arizona State vs. USD

When: Today, 7 p.m. **Where:** Jenny Craig Pavilion

TV/Radio: None **Web site:** www.usdtoreros.com

Records: ASU 2-0, USD 0-1 **Series:** ASU leads 5-1

Outlook: USD opened the season with a 63-56 loss at UC Riverside, shooting a dismal 21-for-59 (35 percent) from the floor. Fifteenth-ranked Arizona State opened the season with victories over No. 16 Vanderbilt (69-60) and Missouri (69-54) to win the WBCA/BTI Classic in Tempe, Ariz. Sun Devils senior Kristen Kovesdy, a 6-foot-3 forward, won MVP honors with a 14-point effort in the come-from-behind effort against Vanderbilt, and junior Emily Westerberg, a 6-0 forward, had 18 points. USD lost to Arizona State 70-45 last season.

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No. 15 ASU Women's Basketball Team Travels To San Diego

Sun Devils look to continue strong start

Nov. 16, 2005

THIS WEEK: The No. 15 (USA Today/ESPN coaches Poll) Arizona State women's basketball makes its first road trip of the season this weekend when it travels to San Diego, Calif., to take on the University of San Diego. Tip-off is scheduled for 3 p.m. (Arizona time) on Sunday.

ASU opened its 2005-06 campaign last weekend with a pair of victories over No. 16 Vanderbilt (69-60) and Missouri (69-54) to win the fourth annual WBCA/BTI Classic. The Sun Devils were led in the tournament by senior Kristen Kovesdy (Tournament MVP) and junior Emily Westerberg (All-Tournament Team), who combined for 60 points in the two games. In the victory over Vanderbilt, Westerberg had 16 of her 18 points in the second half (6-9 FGs) while Kovesdy had 11 of her 14 points in the second half (5-6 FGs) to help ASU overcome an eight-point deficit. Combined, Westerberg and Kovesdy had 27 of ASU's 48 second half points and shot 73 percent from the field (11-15).

For Arizona State, its current 2-0 record marks the seventh time in the last eight years that it has won its first two games to start the season. With a victory this weekend, the Sun Devils would move to 3-0 for the fourth time (1999-00, 2000-01, 2002-03) in Charli Turner Thorne's 10 seasons as head coach. The highest number of consecutive victories the Sun Devils have had to start a season under Turner Thorne is five (2002-03).

RADIO: Arizona State's game against San Diego can be heard on a tape-delayed (6 p.m.) basis on KXAM 1310 AM. Valley veteran broadcast Jeff Munn is in his second year as the voice of ASU women's basketball.

DID YOU KNOW? Arizona State's current No. 15 ranking in the USA Today/ESPN coaches poll is the program's highest ranking in either of the major polls (ESPN/USA Today or Associated Press) since Nov. 18, 1983 when it was also ranked No. 15 in the AP poll. Last season, the Sun Devils closed the season ranked No. 16 in the ESPN/USA Today coaches poll.

ASU HEAD COACH Charli Turner Thorne: The winningest coach in Sun Devil history (149-122), Turner Thorne has led the Sun Devils to a school record six consecutive post season appearances (NCAA Tournament in 2001-02 and 2005, WNIT in 2000, 2003-04 ... Last season, guided ASU to a 24-10 overall record and its first NCAA Sweet Sixteen appearance in 22 years ... Led her 2001-02 team to a 25-9 record, tying the ASU record for wins in a single season ... Guided ASU to a share of the Pac-10 title in 2001 and the Pac-10 Tournament title in 2002, the first league championships in school history ... Led Northern Arizona University to consecutive winning seasons in 1994-95 and 1995-96, the first coach in school history to accomplish that feat ... As a player, lettered four years at Stanford under Tara VanDerveer ... Graduated from Stanford in 1988 with a bachelor's degree in psychology and later earned her master's degree in education from Washington in 1990. Career Record: 189-162

PROOF IS IN THE NUMBERS: Playing in the Pac-10, one of the most competitive women's basketball conferences in the country, it is often difficult for programs to turn around patterns of inconsistency and break into the upper echelon of the conference because of the ability of the top schools to maintain their status. When Charli Turner Thorne took over as head coach of Arizona State in

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RIVERSIDE

Kemie Nkele scored a game-high 21 points and nabbed 10 rebounds to lead the UC Riverside women's basketball team past the University of San Diego, 63-56, in its season opener Friday.

Seyram Gbewonyo added 13 points and six rebounds for UCR.

It was UCR's first win in an opener since going to Division I.

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Final Exhibition Game Goes to USD 97-73

NCAA Division I Women's Basketball

Nov. 12, 2005

SAN DIEGO, CA - The University of San Diego women's basketball team won its last exhibition tune up before officially opening the season next Friday November 18th at UC Riverside. USD defeated the Australian Touring team of Melbourne Roos 97-73 Saturday afternoon at the Jenny Craig Pavilion. The Toreros shot 63% from the field in the second half with sophomore Michelle Augustavo leading all scorers with 20 points.

Toreros center Sabine Loewe scored 13 of her 19 points in the first half to allow San Diego a 40-35 advantage at the break. Loewe, a junior from Lauchhammer, Germany, also had 11 rebounds and four assists.

The Australian Touring Team of Melbourne Roos played well, taking the lead 51-50 at the 14:51 mark and 56-54 moments later. Augustavo followed with one of her two three-point baskets to put USD back in front 57-56 with 10:04 on the clock. The Toreros went on to outscore the Australians 40-18 in the final 10 minutes to win by a 24-point margin.

San Diego received significant scoring contributions from All-WCC guard Tiara Harris (10), junior Ashley Voisinnet (12), and underclassmen Kelly Winther (11) and Amanda Rego (10). Rego also added eight assists and seven steals.

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Rout for USD women

Michelle Augustavo paced a balanced scoring attack with 20 points as the University of San Diego women's basketball team beat an Australian touring team, 97-73, at Jenny Craig Pavilion.

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College basketball

Fueled by 11 points from senior **Lindsey Helvey**, USD's women's team rallied to beat Point Loma Nazarene 73-66 in exhibition play at the Jenny Craig Pavilion.

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USD takes big hit in losing Sprague

By Nicole Vargas
 STAFF WRITER

Amber Sprague hadn't expected to spend her sophomore season on the USD bench.

But instead of leading a women's basketball lineup that returns all five of its starters — including four seniors hungry to win — the Toreros' top returning scorer and rebounder will spend the year nursing a surgically repaired foot.

Sprague won't be in uniform when USD opens its season with an exhibition against Point Loma Nazarene Wednesday at Jenny Craig Pavilion. She's red-shirting this season after breaking her left foot for the second time in seven months and enduring more surgery last month.

No one is willing to admit the loss of Sprague is anything less than disappointing.

Still, the 6-foot-5 center considered among the West Coast Conference's top players (14.5 points and five rebounds per game last season) isn't willing to chalk up her lost season as a loss for USD.

Despite her disappointment, she believes her teammates, under new coach Cindy Fisher, can "put it together."



**Amber
Sprague**

Sprague originally broke the same foot late last season and had a pin surgically inserted in March. All indications were the foot was healed when Sprague made a cut to the basket in a pickup game in mid-September.

X-rays were initially inconclusive, and the foot seemed better with rest and the use of a protective boot. A bone scan, though, told a different story, as did subsequent X-rays taken from a different angle.

Although the original pin was still intact, the bone around it had cracked. A new pin would be needed, along with a bone graft from Sprague's hip to secure her new hardware.

"I had been preparing myself because I had the feeling it was broken," Sprague said. "When I found out for sure, I was sad I wouldn't be able to play, but more because I felt like I was letting my teammates down, especially the seniors."

Junior Sabine Loewe is now the team's lone center. Loewe will get help from 6-foot freshmen posts Kaila Mangrum and Kiva Herman.

The loss of Sprague also means fellow Mission Bay High product Amanda Rego will play a season at point guard without the go-to player she has played alongside for years.

"One of the reasons we came to USD was because we wanted to play together," said Sprague. "(But) this year, playing without me will help her game a lot . . . (Because) we click so well and know where each other is, we just don't see the other players on the court. This will give her the opportunity to learn how (the rest of Toreros) play."

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LOCAL COLLEGES

Toreros hit road in NCAAs

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The good news for USD's women's volleyball team: It will play Long Beach State, a team the Toreros defeated earlier this season, in the first round of the NCAA tournament.

The not-so-good news: The Toreros, who lost just one home match this season, must face the 49ers at UCLA's Pauley Pavilion on Friday.

A possible match against UCLA (18-10) looms for the winner, according to the pairings released yesterday by the NCAA.

The winner of USD-Long Beach will play the winner of Friday's UCLA-Kansas match on Saturday night.

The Toreros (22-5), who finished West Coast Conference play tied for second, defeated the 49ers in four games in mid-September at Jenny Craig Pavilion. That victory came exactly two weeks after USD fell to UCLA in four games in Reno.

The NCAA tournament has a decidedly local flavor, starting with No. 1 seed Nebraska, led by All-American Jennifer Saleaumua (Bonita Vista High). Other locals playing for seeded teams include Brooke Burinrud (No. 4 Arizona, USDHS), Emily Harper (Arizona, Carlsbad) and Kirsten Hornbeak (No. 5 Stanford, La Costa Canyon).

UCLA, seeded 16th, features three players with San Diego connections: Jade Machado (La Costa Canyon), Rachell Johnson (Torrey Pines) and Tammy Jackson (Poway).

— NICOLE VARGAS

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Signings

USD women's basketball coach **Cindy Fisher** has received signed letters of intent from four high school seniors.

In addition to getting Pleasanton Amador's **Sara VanderHorst**, a 5-foot-10 shooting guard, **Morgan Henderson**, a 6-1 forward from Kansas, and **Hannah Morgenstern**, a 5-6 combo guard out of Colorado, Fisher has added size in 6-4 center **Erica Carlson** from Tucson Canyon de Oro High (14 points, 13 rebounds per game last season).

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Volleyball earns No. 16 seed



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Senior middle blocker Nancy Barba had 10 kills and hit .286 in an emotional final regular-season match as a Bruin against Cal on Saturday. The victory gave UCLA the No. 16 seed in the NCAA Tournament, which begins Friday.

career win.

"You look back (to the beginning of the month) now and say, 'What happened?'" Banachowski said. "We had that great week where we beat Pepperdine, Washington State and then Washington; that really defined the season for us and put a stamp on us as a team."

UCLA's efforts this weekend against Stanford and California continued to showcase the team's steady improvement.

Even in a 3-1 (24-30, 30-28, 30-23, 30-28) loss to the No. 6 Cardinal on Friday, (25-5, 14-4), the Bruins had an opportunity to win each game.

By **Ben Azar**

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After an inspired victory Saturday night against California, the UCLA women's volleyball team was rewarded Sunday with the 16th overall seed in the 64-team NCAA Tournament.

UCLA's 3-1 (30-18, 30-27, 28-30, 30-28) victory over the No. 12 Bears on Saturday night gave the two teams identical records (18-10, 10-8 Pac-10).

But it was UCLA and not Cal that was rewarded with a top-16 seed and home-court advantage in the first two postseason rounds.

"It's great for us to be here at home and have our fans' support," UCLA coach Andy Banachowski said. "We've shown lately that we can play well here at home."

As the month of November began, the Bruins weren't even sure they'd be playing in the tournament, much less earn one of the top-16 seeds.

The Bruins were 11-8 and just 4-6 in the Pac-10 heading up north to face the Oregon schools, and a slip-up might have been the beginning of the end for UCLA.

But rather than fall apart, the Bruins came together, beat the Oregon schools, and went on a thrilling six-match winning streak highlighted by their victory over what was a then-undefeated No. 2 Washington Husky team to give Banachowski his 1,000th

That's a lot more than could be said for their September loss to Stanford, when UCLA was swept. The Bruins dominated the first game of the match and, had it not been for their 34 attack errors, might have won.

UCLA was able to bounce back on Saturday with a victory against Cal, a team the Bruins were also swept by in their September trip to the Bay Area. The Bruins got a 20-kill performance out of sophomore outside hitter Rachell Johnson and got 10 kills and a .286 attack percentage performance out of the team's lone senior, Nancy Barba, on Senior Night.

"Nancy and (junior defensive specialist Laura Kroneberger) were crying before the game and getting me all emotional," Johnson said.

"I said, 'Don't look at me; I don't want to look at you.' We were all chanting (Nancy's) name after the game because we really wanted to do it for her."

For Barba, her last regular-season match could not have ended with a better result.

"Excitement, but tears," Barba said of her reaction to the victory. "I'm going to miss them a lot."

While the Bruins' improved play in November was a sure confidence booster, Banachowski doesn't want his team to get too excited just yet.

UCLA will open up its postseason Friday against Kansas and faces a high potential second-round match-up against Long Beach State or the University of San Diego, who played the Bruins close in a match at the beginning of the season.

If the Bruins make it through the first two rounds, they will travel to Omaha, Neb., and likely face No. 1 overall seed Nebraska on its home court in the third round.

"I told the team after the match on Saturday night that we have to go deep into this tournament because we still have so much room to improve," Banachowski said.

"As long as we keep playing, we keep getting better and that's a nice thing that has occurred with this team, this season" the Bruin coach said.

With reports from Allison Ho, Bruin Sports contributor.

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USD lands two on All-WCC first team

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LOCAL BRIEFS

University of San Diego senior volleyball player Jackie Bernardin was selected as the West Coast Conference's defensive player of the year for the third consecutive season on Tuesday.

The libero from Bakersfield was also named to the All-WCC first team along with fellow USD senior Lindsey Sherburne and former North County standouts Heather Hughes (Fallbrook High) and Kim McGiven (La Costa Canyon).

Bernardin is the Toreros' all-time digs leader, entering this week with 1,400 — sixth on the all-time WCC list.

McGiven, a junior outside hitter, was one of three players from WCC champion Santa Clara selected to the first team. The Broncos' Cassie Perret took home WCC player of the year honors, while Santa Clara coach Jon Wallace was named coach of the year.

The other North County representative on the team is Hughes, a sophomore setter/outside hitter at Loyola Marymount. Kauai Salzman of Saint Mary's, a Rancho Bernardo alumna, and Carlsbad graduate Kristin Hasselberg of San Francisco re-

ceived honorable mention status.

USD's Jeanne Fairchild, an outside hitter from Albuquerque, N.M., was honored as a member of the All-WCC freshman team.

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LOCAL COLLEGES

Toreros win in volleyball

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The 20th-ranked USD women's volleyball team defeated San Francisco 30-19, 30-23, 39-37 last night at the Jenny Craig Pavilion.

The Toreros were led by Christie Dawson with 18 kills and Lindsey Sherburne with 56 assists.

The victory gives USD (20-5) 20 or more victories for the 11th time in the past 13 seasons.

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Toreros upset No. 10 Santa Clara

By Nicole Vargas
STAFF WRITER

The West Coast Conference title may have already belonged to the Santa Clara women's volleyball team, but that didn't mean USD couldn't play spoiler to the Broncos' perfect run through the WCC.

The Toreros, ranked 22nd in the nation, handed No. 10 Santa Clara its first league loss last night at Jenny Craig Pavilion by winning 27-30, 30-26, 30-22, 26-30, 15-8.

"Our team has faced a lot of adversity this year," said senior libero Jackie Bernardin, a two-time WCC Defensive Player of the Year. "With this win, we're on a roll."

A crowd of 1,103 watched as USD (19-5, 8-4) not only pulled

over the Broncos (21-2, 11-1), who entered the match with a school-record 15 straight victories, but saw its two seniors solidify their place in the record books.

With 61 assists, senior Lindsey Sherburne set a WCC career record, surpassing the mark of 5,732 set by Santa Clara's Roz Pelayo in 2000. Sherburne has 5,734.

Bernardin set a USD career record for digs, getting 31 to take her three-year total to 1,358 and pass former All-American and Olympian Petia Yanchulova (1,341, 1996-99).

The records, though, were just icing on the cake for the Toreros, who avenged their loss to the Broncos last month

in the first round of WCC play.

In that meeting, USD not only dropped the match, but lost junior Kristen Carlson to a season-ending knee injury. After that, the Toreros have seen junior hitter Christie Dawson step in, helping USD win five of its past seven matches.

Dawson was one of five Toreros who finished with double figures in kills last night, pacing the team with 20 to go with her team-high five blocks.

Santa Clara was led by junior Kim McGiven. The San Dieguito High product finished with a team-high 16 kills, 18 digs and four blocks.

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Top WCC Teams Meet in San Diego

NCAA Division I Volleyball

Nov. 8, 2005

SAN DIEGO, CA - No. 10 Santa Clara (22-1; 11-0 WCC), assured of its first West Coast Conference Championship since 2000, visits the Jenny Craig Pavilion Friday night for a 7pm match that will showcase the league's top two teams. Led by senior All-American Lindsey Sherburne No. 22 San Diego (18-5; 7-4 WCC) attempts to end the Broncos bid to finish the season as unbeaten league champs- a feat USD achieved a year ago. Sherburne is distributing an average of 13.45 assists per game this season, needing just 59 more to eclipse former Santa Clara star Roz Pelayo (5,732 assists from 1997-00) as the most productive setter in WCC history.

No. 10 Santa Clara (21-1) @ No. 22 San Diego (18-5)

Jenny Craig Pavilion/San Diego, Calif.

Friday 7:00pm PST

USD No. 22 in CSTV/AVCA Division I Coaches Top 25 Poll

USD 5th in Pacific Region RKPI

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If Lindsey Sherburne continues at her current pace of 13.45 apg, which ranks 14th in the country, she will need four-plus games to establish a new school record of 5,733

SHERBURNE & BERNARDIN APPROACHING STATISTICAL MILESTONES

Lindsey Sherburne (Saratoga, CA) has amassed 5,674 career assists during her All-America career as a Torero- needing just 59 more to eclipse Santa Clara's Roz Pelayo (5,732 assists from 1997-00) as the WCC's career leader... In each of her four years playing for USD, Sherburne has ranked among the top 10 nationally in assists per game... If Sherburne continues at her current pace of 13.45 apg, which ranks 14th in the country, she will need four-plus games to establish a new school record of 5,733... The 5-foot-9 setter from the Bay Area's Archbishop Mitty High School was named an AVCA Third Team All-America player as a junior in 2004... Sherburne needed just three seasons to set the USD all-time assist record and has been named an All-WCC player three times as well as winning the 2002 WCC Freshman of the Year award.

USD's Jackie Bernardin (Bakersfield, CA) already owns USD's season (510 in 2004) and single-match (38 at St. Mary's 11/21/05) dig records and is just 15 digs shy of surpassing former USD All-American and U.S.

Olympian Petia Yanchulova (1996-99) as the school's all-time dig leader... Named the WCC Defender of the Year in both 2003 and 2004, Bernardin brings 1,327 career digs into Friday night's match with SCU... Yanchulova set a record with 1,341 digs spanning a four-year USD career... Bernardin, who transferred to San Diego from the University of Texas as a sophomore in 2003, has needed just two-plus years at Alcalá Park to become far and away the most accomplished defensive player in school history... Bernardin enters the weekend leading all WCC players in digs per game (5.16) within conference



play.

Defensive star Jackie Bernardin brings 1,327 career digs into Friday night's match with SCU, just 15 shy of a new USD career record

SAN DIEGO (18-5; 7-4 WCC)

San Diego won the 2004 WCC Championship and advanced to the NCAA Regional Semi-Finals, two wins away from an appearance in the Final Four... Currently ranked 22nd nationally by the AVCA and 5th in its Pacific Region RPKI, USD is on track to qualify for the NCAA Tournament for the fifth straight season... USD has won 19 of its last 20 home matches... All three remaining WCC matches for San Diego will be played at USD's Jenny Craig Pavilion... Seventh-year USD head coach Jennifer Petrie and the Toreros own a 7-1 home record in 2005 after going 12-0 in the JCP a year ago... Toreros defensive standout Jackie Bernardin (Bakersfield, CA) needs 15 digs to establish a new USD career record... Senior Lindsey Sherburne needed just three seasons to become the career assist leader at USD and may break the all-time WCC record Friday against SCU... Sherburne currently ranks 14th among all Division I players in assists per game... The emergence of junior MH Christie Dawson (Apple Valley, CA), who is putting down 5.2 kills per game since Oct. 7, has helped the Toreros win four-of-six since USD lost star OH Kristen Carlson (Purcellville, VA) to season-ending injury Oct. 15 at Santa Clara, a four-game Bronco victory.

SANTA CLARA (21-1; 11-0 WCC)

The Broncos, who have won a school-record 15 straight matches, clinched the 2005 West Coast Conference Championship last week with a five-game comeback victory over Gonzaga Saturday in Spokane... SCU beat the Toreros in Santa Clara earlier this season 3-1- a match that saw USD's Carlson sidelined for the year in Game One... Santa Clara is ranked 10th in the nation by the AVCA and holds a third-place standing in the Pacific Region RPKI, behind only Stanford (21-4) and No. 1 Washington (22-0)... SCU finished 27-5 in 2000 en route to winning its latest WCC Championship... The Broncos and seventh-year head coach Jon Wallace will be making the school's eighth consecutive NCAA Tournament appearance in December... Sophomore Setter Crystal Matich (Forestville, CA) leads the league and ranks third nationally in assists per game (14.32)... As a team the Broncos rank in the top 5 among all Division I programs in hitting % (.311), kills per game (17.22) and assists per game (16.31).

USD HEAD COACH

Honored as the 2004 West Coast Conference Coach of the Year, Jennifer Petrie has established The University of San Diego as one of the top volleyball programs in the nation. In six complete seasons as head coach, Petrie has led San Diego to five appearances in the NCAA Tournament (1999, 2001, 2002, 2003, & 2004). A San Diego native now in her seventh-year commanding the Toreros, Petrie has guided USD to an average of 20 wins per season since taking over the program in 1999. The 2005 season marks Petrie's ninth on Alcalá Park after serving as USD's top assistant in 1997 and 1998. Petrie and the Toreros have appeared in the American Volleyball Coaches Association Top 25 Poll in each of the last eight seasons, achieving a national ranking as high as No. 11 in December of 2004 as USD made the school's first appearance in the NCAA's Sweet 16. She brings a 143-60 (.704) overall record into Friday night's match against SCU.

DAWSON STEPS UP FOR SAN DIEGO

Junior MH Christie Dawson (Apple Valley, CA) averaged 5.1 kills per game in October, hitting .307 to reach double-figures in kills in all eight of USD matches as the Toreros posted five wins- three via the sweep... Dawson set a number of career-highs during the month... Her career-best 33 kills led USD to victory over city rivals San Diego State (10/11)... Later that week Dawson was outstanding during a Bay Area road trip in which she had 16 kills, 10 digs and six blocks against St. Mary's (10/21) before putting down 27 kills in a victory against San Francisco (10/22)... During a three-game sweep over Pepperdine (10/29) last week, Dawson approached a USD three-game record with 24 kills, just seven shy of Olympian Petia Yanchulova's three-game school record of 31 set in 1998... Dawson averaged seven digs

per game for USD in October and also served up 10 aces.

THE WEST COAST CONFERENCE

The WCC has proven to be one of the best volleyball leagues in the nation... The eight-team conference sent four teams to the NCAA Tournament a year ago, with USD and St. Mary's qualifying for the NCAA's Sweet 16... Five WCC schools were listed in the AVCA Preseason Top 25 this season, with San Diego (18), Saint Mary's (23) and Pepperdine (25) earning national rankings... Loyola Marymount, 20th in the Volleyball Magazine Top 20 on September 26, and Santa Clara, 10th in the latest poll released by the AVCA, have also been recognized nationally this season.

NATIONAL RANKINGS

USD brings a Top 25 national ranking into the weekend festivities against league travel partner and 10th-ranked Santa Clara... The AVCA has San Diego ranked No. 22 in its latest CSTV Coaches Top 25 Poll... USD 5th overall and listed ahead of USC, UCLA and Cal-Berkeley in the latest AVCA RKPI, which mimics the NCAA RPI published at the end of the season... USD spent eight consecutive weeks ranked among Volleyball Magazine's Top 20 before dropping out of the poll this week... USD was ranked as high as No. 12 this season by the AVCA (Sept. 26)... San Diego has appeared in the AVCA Top 25 Poll in each of the last eight seasons, achieving a program-best ranking of No. 11 in December of 2004.

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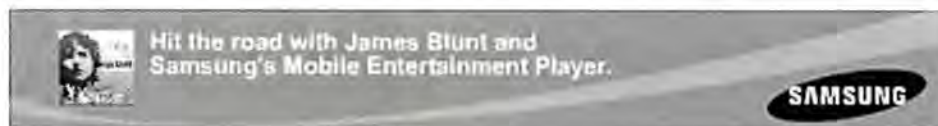
Senior Lindsey Sherburne needed just three seasons to set the USD all-time assist record and has been named an All-WCC player three times

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Volleyball drops 23rd straight WCC road game

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Gonzaga's volleyball team traveled to Portland on Oct. 29 to battle against the University of Portland. The Pilots defeated the Zags 3-0, handing the women their 23rd straight conference road loss.

The defeat dropped the Bulldogs to a 10-15 record overall and 2-6 in conference play.

A critical part of the team's offense was missing last Saturday as freshman outside hitter Michelle Boevers sat out the match. Boevers is recovering from a surgery to repair a torn meniscus in her knee and will not return this season.

Sophomore Becky Jones led the team with 12 kills and sophomore Briawna Mueller chipped in with six kills of her own. Despite the effort of these two sophomores, the Zags offense came out flat and could not recover.

"We went out too confident and didn't produce," sophomore Kelly Steinhaus said.

Battling for the Bulldogs in the back row was senior Jessica Herera, who tied for match high honors with 13 digs.

"It was a difficult loss this weekend but we can't dwell on them because we have to work to get better so that we can reach the level of play that will bring us success for our home matches coming up," Mueller said.

The Bulldogs will play at home against No. 22 University of San Diego tonight at 7 p.m. and against No. 11 Santa Clara University tomorrow at 8 p.m.



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Above: Freshman Michelle Boevers year while recovering from surgery.



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Aztecs, not Toreros, picked for NCAA soccer berth

By Mark Zeigler
STAFF WRITER

The San Diego State men's soccer team scored 20 goals this season, but none, arguably, more important than the one by 5-foot-7 freshman Omar Persad in the 63rd minute of a road game in October.

It came against USD and it gave SDSU a 1-0 win over its crosstown rival. And it may have put the Aztecs in the NCAA tournament for the first time in 16 years.

For some unknown reason, the NCAA selection committee decided to take only eight teams from the powerful West region, and San Diego's two Division I schools apparently fell di-

rectly on the cusp. SDSU (9-2-6) got in, (9-6-5) did not.

The Aztecs' reward: a first-round game at UC Santa Barbara (12-4-3), which lost to Indiana in the NCAA final last year in a penalty shootout and which routinely draws some of the largest, and rowdiest, crowds in the country.

The match is currently scheduled for Saturday at 1 p.m., but UCSB is petitioning the NCAA to move it to Friday night in an effort to pump up the gate even more. The Gauchos drew 11,214 to Harder Stadium for their quarterfinal win against Virginia Commonwealth last year.

The winner gets 15th-seeded Cal State Northridge (14-3-3) on Tuesday

in the second round of the 48-team tournament.

SDSU players and staff watched the selection show live from the athletic department auditorium yesterday afternoon.

"It was so tense in there because we were the last (bracket) discussed," coach Lev Kirshner said. "I had heard that they weren't taking as many teams from the West as usual, and that started to make us very nervous. When they showed our name on the board, the whole place just erupted.

"It was a meaningful, emotional moment for us. It's been 16 years. It's nice to get our tradition back on track."

Suffice to say, the scene wasn't the same on the other side of town. The

Toreros went from the euphoria of pounding No. 4 UCLA 4-2 last Thursday to having their season ended by a 30-minute television show.

"I'm in shock," said USD coach Seamus McFadden, whose teams have reached the tournament 11 times since SDSU last went. "It's the most outrageous thing I've seen in my 27 years of coaching ... We beat the Pac-10 champion (UCLA), beat the Big West champion (Northridge), tied the Ivy League champion (Dartmouth), and we don't get in?"

The Toreros may have been the victim of the old East Coast bias on the selection committee. Three teams from the Ivy League made it. Seven came from the Big East, eight from the ACC.

The Pac-10 got three, the West Coast Conference two.

In all, 16 teams made the tournament with six or more losses.

The final blow may have been Sunday's season-ending 2-0 loss to Loyola Marymount that dropped the Toreros to 4-5-3 in the WCC. The game was supposed to be played Saturday, and USD drove to Los Angeles only to find that there was a scheduling issue with the referees and the game would be moved back a day.

"We drove back up on Sunday," McFadden said, "but by then my players had checked out mentally."

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Toreros shock Pac-10 champ UCLA,

By Mark Zeigler
STAFF WRITER

The USD men's soccer team beat UCLA 4-2 last night before 1,822 at Torero Stadium. Beat a team ranked as high as fourth in the major polls. Beat a team that clinched the Pac-10 title with a game to spare.

But to fully grasp the significance of what the Toreros did, consider this:

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UCLA goalkeeper Eric Reed entered the match ranked first in NCAA Division I with an absolutely ridiculous goals-against average of .26, allowing four goals in 1,373 minutes against one of the hardest schedules in the nation. Last night the Toreros scored four on him in 69 minutes.

"It's been a tough season," USD junior forward Ryan Guy said. "There have been some ups and some really disappointing downs. We kept hitting the post or missing easy chances. I hit the post twice last week. This has been

building up a long time. Once we got one goal tonight, we knew the rest would follow.

"The snow built up, and the avalanche came."

The victory improves the Toreros to 9-5-5 and, at least in coach Seamus McFadden's estimation, puts them in the 48-team NCAA tournament that will be announced Monday.

His prediction of a first-round opponent: San Diego State (9-2-6), which closes its season at home Sunday against UCLA (11-4-3).

look to NCAAs

His prediction of a venue: Torero Stadium, where SDSU beat the Toreros 1-0 earlier this season.

USD's season appeared dead on Halloween, when it led Gonzaga 2-0 at home with 22 minutes left and lost 3-2. But it tied 1-1 at No. 5 Santa Clara and 0-0 at USF over the weekend, then unleashed a virtuoso performance last night against the Bruins.

Guy opened the scoring in the 17th minute when, back to goal, he spun and threaded a shot from the left side into the far right post. It took UCLA's

Jonathan Bornstein 28 seconds to equalize, but Scott Martin put the Toreros ahead at halftime by getting behind a pushed-up Bruins defense and beating Reed from close range.

The backbreaker came in the 63rd minute, when USD senior Calle Rendahl sent a wickedly bending blast into the upper right corner from 30 yards out — as fine a college goal as you'll see this or any season.

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USD upsets UCLA

The University of San Diego men's soccer team held No. 7 UCLA to just five shots and upset the visiting Bruins 4-2 on senior night at Torero Stadium. Calle Rendahl, Scott Martin, Ryan Guy (La Costa Canyon) and Dustin Guerrero each scored for the Toreros (9-5-5). UCLA, the Pac-10 champion, fell to 11-4-3.



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LMU 2, USD

Despite taking as many shots, the USD men closed out their season with a loss at Loyola Marymount in a match originally scheduled for Saturday. Armando Melendez converted a penalty kick in the 30th minute, then assisted on Tony Chinakwe's goal in the 46th. It was the first road loss of the season for the Toreros (9-5-3, 4-5-3 WCC).

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Gulls beat Roadrunners

NORTH COUNTY TIMES

Despite going 0-for-13 in power play opportunities, the Gulls posted a 2-1 ECHL victory over the Phoenix Roadrunners on Sunday at the ipayOne Center.


All the scoring came in the second period.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Jesse Bennefield put the Gulls up 1-0 at the four-minute mark. Phoenix's Dean Tiltgen, a former Gulls player, evened the game at 9:58. Guillaume Fournier provided the game-winner at 14:45, off assists from Martin Mandeville and Richard Keyes.

Coach Martin St. Amour returned to the Gulls' bench after missing the game Saturday at Fresno to attend to his ailing mother.

Bruins beat Aztecs men's soccer

San Diego State completed its first season as a member of the Pac-10 in men's soccer with a 1-0 overtime loss at home against UCLA. The Aztecs (9-3-7, 2-3-5) finished fourth in the standings. Only six schools field teams in the Bruins (12-4-3, 7-1-3) won the conference. The goal against the Aztecs came from  in the third minute of the second overtime.

Toreros lose regular-season finale

The University of San Diego men's soccer team lost its regular-season finale 2-0 at Loyola Marymount. The Lions (8-8-4, 6-5-1 West Coast Conference) got goals from Armando Melendez and Tony Chinakwe. The Toreros (9-6-5, 4-5-3) got four saves from goalkeeper Robert Flores.

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Guy on WCC second team

USD junior midfielder/forward Ryan Guy of Carlsbad was named to the West Coast Conference's all-conference second team.

USD's Kevin Meissner was named to the first team, while teammate Scott Martin joined Guy on the second team.

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USD player recognized
Midfielder Dustin Guerrero of USD was named WCC player of the week in men's soccer. He scored a goal in two victories, over Portland and Gonzaga.

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Soccer aims for wins, top-four seed



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Sophomore forward Kamani Hill and the men's soccer team travel to San Diego in hopes of capturing two victories and potentially a top-four seed in the playoffs.

posts an 8-5-5 record.

Although their record may suggest mediocrity, the Toreros are coming off a weekend in which they battled for a tie with No. 5 Santa Clara on the road.

With a victory against the Toreros, a team that hasn't beaten UCLA since 2001, the Bruins will be eager for their contest against San Diego State.

Like the Bruins, who have not lost at home during the season thus far.

The No. 19 Aztecs (9-2-6, 2-2-5 Pac-10) have been this season's Cinderella story in the Pac-10 conference and have proved many of their critics wrong.

Picked to finish last in the Pac-10, San Diego State was actually in the race to capture the title just one week ago.

Instead, the Bruins claimed the highly sought-after automatic bid with a 1-1 tie against Cal last Sunday.

Despite capturing the conference title, the Bruins have to still prove that they are worthy of a high seed in the playoffs.

"We need to win both games," coach Jorge Salcedo said. "Although we did clinch the Pac-10, winning two more games will ensure us a high seed in the tournament and a possibility of a top-four seed."

Salcedo has been stressing the importance of playing their best games this weekend before heading into the playoffs.

His players are all on the same page as Salcedo, feeling a sense of urgency at the end of the regular season.

"To really get where we need to be – in the top four seeds – we have to win out the rest of the season," sophomore forward Kamani Hill said. "We have to get these last two victories."

The Bruins have done anything and everything that had been asked of them this week in

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When the UCLA men's soccer team makes the trip to San Diego today, they will have just one thing in mind: winning two games on Veterans Day weekend to end the 2005 regular season.

If the No. 6 Bruins (11-3-3, 6-1-2 Pac-10) do so, they will greatly improve their chances of receiving a higher ranking in the NCAA Tournament.

The Bruins already received an automatic berth by capturing the Pac-10 conference title.

Standing in their way to a top-four seed is a University of San Diego team which

practice, knowing the impact that their practices will have on game situations.

"I just think we have to stay focused in practice because if we keep the level high (in practice), the level stays high in the games," Hill said.

The offense of the Bruins will need to support the defense by getting balls past the Aztecs' goalie Tally Hall.

The Bruins were unable to score in the teams' first meeting this past October, which resulted in a scoreless draw at Drake Stadium.

"We have to start scoring more goals than we've been scoring," Hill explained.

"Our defense has been playing well so one goal has been enough, but if we can start getting that second one, the game completely opens up and we should be able to pick teams apart."

If the Bruins hope to get home field advantage through the first three rounds of the tournament, a benefit that comes along with their desired seeding, they will need to pick apart both the Toreros and Aztecs this weekend.

"A top-four seed in the men's tournament is huge," Salcedo said.

"Obviously us not giving up a goal here at home and us feeling very confident on our home field, is a huge advantage going into the playoffs (with a top-four seeding)."

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Pac-10 Champion Bruins End Regular Season With Two Games In San Diego

No. 6/7 Bruins travel south to face San Diego, San Diego State.

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This Week -- The No. 6/7 UCLA men's soccer team (11-3-3, 6-1-2 in the Pac-10) ends the regular season with a pair of games in San Diego. The Bruins will first play at the University of San Diego (8-5-5) on Thursday, Nov. 10 in Torero Stadium at 7 pm. The regular season finale will take place on Sunday, Nov. 13 at 1 pm at 18th-ranked San Diego State (9-2-6, 2-2-5 in the Pac-10). Both San Diego and San Diego State will offer live stats on their websites - usdtoreros.com and goaztecs.com.

Bruins In National Rankings -- UCLA continues to climb in the rankings, moving up one spot to No. 6 in the Soccer America poll and up a whopping eight spots from 15th to seventh in the NSCAA/adidas rankings. The Bruins are also up to No. 4 in the College Soccer News poll and No. 8 in the SoccerTimes poll.

Reed, Bruin Defense Top NCAA Statistics -- Goalkeeper Eric Reed and the Bruin defense are proving they are amongst the best in the country. Reed leads the nation in goals against average (0.26) and shots on goals save percentage (0.927). The Bruin team ranks No. 1 in the nation in team goals against average (0.40) and shutout percentage (0.76) and No. 2 in shots on goals save percentage (0.896). The Bruin defense is led by Jordan Harvey, Brandon Owens, Marvell Wynne, Brad Rusin, Luke Mehring and Kiel McClung, along with defensive midfielders Patrick Ianni and Greg Folk. These eight players no doubt have experience on their side - they have been capped by U.S. National Teams a combined total of 123 times and have played a combined total of 353 games for UCLA.

UCLA Wins Fourth Consecutive Pac-10 Title -- The Bruins became the first team to earn a spot in the NCAA Tournament after clinching the Pac-10 title with a 1-0 win over Stanford and a 1-1 tie against Cal. The Pac-10 title was UCLA's fourth consecutive, making seniors Jordan Harvey, Evan Corey, Nate Pena and Ryan Valdez the first players in UCLA history to win a conference championship all four years.

San Diego Stars Wynne, Zizzo Return Home -- Sophomore defender Marvell Wynne and freshman midfielder Sal Zizzo will play before their hometown crowd when the Bruins play two games in San Diego this week. Wynne attended Poway HS, where he was a two-sport (soccer, track & field) star. In soccer, he was an NSCAA/adidas All-American in 2003 and had his jersey number 3 retired. In track and field, he broke school records in the 200m dash (21.87) and 400m dash (48.10). Zizzo is a 2005 graduate of Patrick Henry HS and another two-sport star, earning All-CIF honors in both soccer and baseball. Zizzo was also an NSCAA/adidas All-American. Wynne and Zizzo played club soccer with Hotspurs USA.

Reed Selected Pac-10 Player Of The Week -- Goalkeeper Eric Reed has been named this week's Pac-

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Sal Zizzo will play in his hometown this week when the Bruins visit San Diego and San Diego State.

Men's Soccer Has Title Hopes

Need two wins, some help to claim WCC crown

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END OF REGULAR SEASON



Vito Higgins and the Bulldog defense have Gonzaga in the title chase.

THE CURTAIN COMES DOWN: The curtain comes down on the 2005 regular season this week when Gonzaga University hosts a pair of West Coast Conference foes in a rare Thursday-Saturday format in the schedule. The Bulldogs host fifth-ranked Santa Clara University on Thursday and the University of San Francisco on Saturday in a pair of 1 p.m. matches. The schedule was set up in order to have the regular season finished on Saturday and have all of the results in front of the NCAA Selection Committee when they convene on Saturday to select this year's College Cup field.

BULLDOGS CAN STILL CLAIM TITLE: Gonzaga University finds itself in the title hunt entering the final week of West Coast Conference play. The stars have to align properly, but the Bulldogs can still tie Santa Clara University for the regular-season title by winning both matches this week and if ...

*SCU also loses at Portland on Saturday night

*Loyola Marymount loses twice or splits its matches at Saint Mary's and at home against San Diego State.

That would give Gonzaga and SCU 20 points each. The first tiebreaker would be head-to-head competition but the two teams would have split the season series, SCU taking the first meeting 1-0 at home. The next item is record against teams in descending order of finish. Gonzaga would win the tiebreaker if LMU finishes second, the Bulldogs splitting with LMU, SCU dropping to 1-1. SCU would get the nod if SMC or San Diego took second. Gonzaga split with both SMC and USD while SCU went 2-0-0 against SMC and 1-0-1 with USD. Beyond that the scenarios are too numerous to explain.

WCC TABS JOSTEN: Gonzaga University sophomore forward George Josten has been named the West Coast Conference Player of the Week. Josten scored three of Gonzaga's seven goals for the week that saw the Bulldogs go 2-1, both wins in WCC play. His first two goals came at the University of San Diego on Monday to tie the match and help Gonzaga rally from 2-0 deficit with 22:00 to play as Bulldogs scored three goals in a 17-minute span for a 3-2 win. He scored the first goal of the match on Sunday to give the Bulldogs a 1-0 halftime lead against the University of Washington, a match the Bulldogs dropped 3-2. He has 11 goals for the season to rank sixth on the Gonzaga single-season list,

and his 16 career goals are tied for sixth on the Gonzaga charts. The native of Idaho Falls, Idaho, has 5 goals and 2 assists in last seven matches that has seen Gonzaga go 4-2-1 in that stretch.

JOSTEN ACADEMIC PICK: In addition to his on-the-field exploits, Gonzaga University sophomore forward George Josten has also been named to the ESPN The Magazine College Sports Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) District VIII All-Academic team. Josten carries a 3.89 GPA in civil engineering. He is the first Bulldog so honored since Scott Bertram in 2003. Josten will now go on the national ballot for Academic All-America honors. He was one of five West Coast Conference student-athletes on the 12-member District VIII team.

SCORING TITLE AT STAKE: Individual stats aren't the most important thing at stake with Gonzaga University in the title hunt, but sophomore George Josten leads the West Coast Conference in scoring with 26 points and is tied with Michael Clegg of Saint Mary's College for the goals lead with 11. Josten is trying to become the first Bulldog to win the WCC scoring crown since Jeff McAllister had 19 goals and 46 points in 1997 to lead the conference in both categories. McAllister was named the WCC Player of the Year for his efforts.

PDL HONORS Josh Westermann: Gonzaga University senior defender/midfielder Josh Westermann has been named to the 2005 Premier Development League All-League Team, recognizing 11 of the best players in the PDL for the past regular season as voted on by team coaches and general managers. Westermann helped the Cascade Surge to a second consecutive Northwest Division title with a 12-2-2 record. He scored three goals and added an assist in 15 matches this past summer.

BULLDOGS VS. BRONCOS: The Santa Clara University Broncos hold a 9-4-1 edge in the series against Gonzaga University after taking the first meeting this season 1-0 at Buck Shaw Stadium. The Broncos have won four straight and five of the last six.

BULLDOGS VS. DONS: After 13 previous meetings, Gonzaga University and the University of San Francisco played the first tie in their series in the first meeting this year at USF. The teams battled to a 1-1 deadlock and Gonzaga still trails the series 7-6-1. The Dons took both meetings last year by 1-0 scores, and the tie snapped a four-match Gonzaga losing streak to the Dons. USF is the defending West Coast Conference champion.

DOG FIGHT GOES TO HUSKIES - AGAIN: Gonzaga University's men's soccer team was on the verge of making program history last Sunday, but the University of Washington scored twice in a span of 2:18 inside the 85-minute mark to post a 3-2 non-conference victory and keep history on the side of the Huskies. The Bulldogs have never defeated the Huskies in 19 meetings and have only a 2-2 tie in 1999 to show in the series that dates back to 1981.

THE THORARINSSON TALE OF THE TAPE: Gonzaga University head coach Einar Thorarinsson is 91-86-14 in his 11th season with the Bulldogs. His overall record is 210-136-27 that includes nine seasons across town at Whitworth College. After going 3-10-2 in his first season of 1995, the Bulldogs have had winning seasons in six of the last nine seasons under Thorarinsson. His teams led the West Coast Conference in wins with a 14-4-0 record in 1997 and 12-4-2 mark in 1998, capturing WCC co-championships in each of those seasons. The Bulldogs were 9-5-2 in 2001, making their inaugural College Cup appearance.

Bronco Men's Soccer Eyes WCC Title


Santa Clara travels to Gonzaga and Portland for key league matches.

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SANTA CLARA, Calif. - One of the key factors for success in the NCAA Tournament is how well a team handles adversity.

After suffering its first loss in nearly a month, the 11th-ranked Santa Clara University men's soccer team gets an opportunity to do just that with a pair of weekend road matches at Gonzaga and Portland.

The Broncos, which had their five-match unbeaten streak snapped by Sunday's 2-1 loss at home to Loyola Marymount, can clinch the West Coast Conference regular-season championship with a win either Thursday at Gonzaga or Saturday at Portland. Thursday's match is scheduled for a 1 p.m. kickoff, while Saturday's contest will begin at 7 p.m.

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Eric Irvine will captain the Bronco squad this weekend's two matches in the Northwest.

Be sure to check out ESPNNews at 1 p.m. (Pacific) on Monday or join the team at The Bronco for NCAA Tournament pairings.

"The most important thing for us this weekend is to play well," said SCU head coach Cameron Rast. "We need to be able to deal with two very good opponents who typically play us very tough, particularly on their home fields. We need to show that we can bounce back strong from what was a pretty tough weekend for us last week. Our two matches this week give us a chance to do that."

Santa Clara is 12-4-2 on the season and a league-leading 6-2-2 (20 pts) in the WCC. The Broncos have been ranked among the nation's top-20 throughout the season and rose to as high as fourth in the various polls. Second-place LMU trails Santa Clara by four points in the league standings.

Senior keeper Kevin Sweeney, the WCC's Player of the Month for October, ranks 14th nationally with an 0.635 goals against average. The San Jose, Calif. native has an 8-2-2 record between the pipes and his seven shutouts is the second-most in the league this season.

As a team, Santa Clara ranks 13th nationally in shutout percentage and 20th in win-loss percentage.

Senior forward Kelechi Igwe is second in the WCC with seven assists this season, which equals the total from his first three seasons at SCU. The Belmont, Calif. native is one of eight seniors on the Bronco squad who were recognized as part of last weekend's senior day activities.

For the first time since early in the season, the Broncos are nearly completely healthy. Santa Clara welcomed the return of senior Eric Irvine two weeks ago and last week starters Erik Ustruck and Jamil Roberts returned to action. Each of the trio should be near full fitness level this week and for postseason.

Gonzaga enters Thursday's match with a 6-8-4 overall record and a 4-4-2 mark in league play. On Oct. 16 at Buck Shaw Stadium, the Broncos scored in the 10th minute then held on for a 1-0 victory. Santa Clara owns a 9-4-1 series lead over the Bulldogs, but four of the last five meetings between the two

teams has been decided by one goal.

Sophomore forward George Josten is the WCC Player of the Week after scoring three of the Bulldogs' seven goals for the week and helping his team win twice in WCC play. His first two goals came at the University of San Diego to tie the match and help Gonzaga rally from 2-0 deficit with 22:00 to play as Bulldogs scored three goals in a 17-minute span for a 3-2 win.

Santa Clara will find out its postseason fate on Monday at 1 p.m. (Pacific) when the NCAA announces the field for the 47th annual Division I Men's Soccer Championship live on ESPNNews. The team, coaches, staff and public will gather on campus at The Bronco in the Benson Memorial Center to watch the pairings.

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College soccer

Three second-half goals propelled the visiting **Gonzaga** men's soccer team to a 3-2 win over **USD** yesterday in West Coast Conference action.

The Toreros (8-5-3, 4-4-1) led 2-0 until the 69th minute when George Josten scored the first of two unanswered goals. After Josten's second

scored in the 79th minute to tie the game 2-2, Chris Hoyd scored at 84:30 to seal the win for the Bulldogs (5-7-4, 3-4-2).

Scott Martin and Kevin Meissner had the first-half goals for the Toreros, Martin's in the 20th minute off an assist from Brett Hiroto and Meissner's in the 65th minute, with Dustin Guerrero assisting.

Goalie Lance Friesz made two saves against the Bulldogs. USD out-shot Gonzaga 20-10.

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What a goal it was

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Las Vegas Sun

Her pedigree more than hinted at athletic talent. But UNLV sophomore forward Katie Carney began making a name for herself Saturday by scoring the most important goal of her career at Peter Johann Memorial Field.

She scored the only goal of the game to beat New Mexico almost six minutes into overtime of the Mountain West Conference tournament championship and send the Rebels to the NCAA tournament for the second consecutive season.

First-year UNLV coach Kat Mertz and her 13-6-3 team play Cal State Fullerton (11-10-1) at the Titans' campus in Friday's first round. Southern California plays Gonzaga in the site's only game, then the winners meet.

A year ago, the Rebels lost 1-0 in double overtime to the University of San Diego in the first round of the NCAA tourney at UCLA, when Mertz was an assistant coach.

"We want to at least get past the first round," Carney said. "We're a lot better than we were last year. We should do better."

Carney's father, Terence, was an all-league basketball player at University of the Pacific. Two uncles, Cormac (UCLA) and Brian (Air Force), played collegiate football. Jake Carney, a cousin, is a strong safety at Notre Dame.

"Without a doubt," said a teary-eyed Terence Carney, when asked if the eight-yard strike by his daughter was the goal of her life. Mom Cindy Carney, on her 49th birthday, was just as thrilled to see Katie lift the league tournament's burnished soccer-ball MVP trophy.

"I saw the ball, then I saw another (Rebel) in front and I was hoping she was going through," Katie Carney said. "The whole time, right when I got it, I wasn't going to pass it. I just turned and shot. I did not want to go to penalty kicks."

It was the 12th goal of her career. She meant no offense to former coach Dan Abdalla, who moved on to Texas Christian after the 2004 season, but Carney believes the Rebels are much better this season.

"Kat completely changed the whole makeup ... and she puts us in better situations," Carney said. "Kat just has a different feel, different tactics. We play to our strengths, and we're more offensive. Instead of (always) kicking it long, we have speed and we use that to our advantage."

"The whole morale of the team is different. Everybody wants it more, and we want to work harder for her."

STRONG DEBUT

Mertz, a former North Carolina State goalie, had to forge a path of her own in her first season as a head coach upon taking over a program that had just been to the NCAA tournament.

Getting back to the game's premier stage accomplished part of her first-year mission.

"That was our goal since August," Mertz said. "And, oh my gosh, we knew (New Mexico) was going to be a battle. We were on our heels the whole time."

Until Carney came to the rescue.

"Katie's a competitor," Mertz said. "She's technical and crafty, and I'm excited for her."

After fielding a cell-phone call on the field, Mertz turned her attention to the first round, which will take place at Fullerton.

"We have to keep possession of the ball," she said. "We have to maintain it. We can't get into a kicking battle. I've told them that from day one. We have to get it out wide."

SUPER SUPPORT

Abdalla, whose Horned Frogs were eliminated by UNLV in the league tournament, stuck around to the end to cheer on the Rebels, and many fans and friends stopped to chat with him in the bleachers.

After Saturday's triumph, he even celebrated -- with a soda -- with several of his former UNLV players at a nearby British pub.

Also, Rebels basketball coach Lon Kruger and his wife, Barbara, offered congratulations and hugs to Mertz on the field 10 minutes after Carney's golden goal.

ELSEWHERE

The draw for the next summer's World Cup in Germany will be Dec. 9, in Leipzig. Germany is currently an 11-2 Mandalay Bay pick on its home turf. Brazil, the current world No. 1, which boasts stars such as Adriano, Kaka, Ronaldo, Ronaldinho and Robinho, is the 5-2 favorite.

Some other choices look attractive, however. Holland, second in the FIFA world rankings, is seventh on the odds chart at 8-1. Sweden, with Henrik Larsson, is 30-1. Ukraine, with AC Milan striker Andriy Shevchenko, is 35-1.

Happy punting.

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UNLV Roundup

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Men's Basketball

Runnin' Rebels basketball got under way with two exhibition wins last week. The regular season will begin Friday against Long Beach State.

Women's Soccer

For the second consecutive season, the Lady Rebel soccer team lost a tough overtime match in the opening round of the NCAA tournament Friday.

Facing No. 15 ranked California State University, Fullerton, UNLV came on to the field attacking offensively. In the 16th minute, freshman forward Haley Partridge fired a 16-yard shot right at Titan goalkeeper Karen Bardsley. The rebound sailed back to Partridge, but Bardsley came up with another save. Ten minutes later, junior forward/midfielder Tanya Roberts came down the right side of the field and shot from 20 yards away. Bardsley came up with her third and final save of the match.

Defensively, the Rebels held the high-scoring Titans scoreless despite Cal State's 18-7 shot advantage, including an 11-1 advantage in the second half. The Rebel defense consistently kept the Titans outside of the box. Senior goalkeeper Jenna Huff finished with four saves, including a key save on Titan defender Marlene Sandoval's 5-yard header attempt in the second half.

A key for UNLV all season has been scoring on corner kick situations. The Titans didn't allow the Rebels any corner kicks, while having five attempts of their own. Sophomore forward and Mountain West Conference Tournament Most Valuable Player Katie Carney finished with no shot attempts.

Four minutes into overtime, Titan midfielder/defender Jenesa Bradshaw sent the ball into the box. Huff made the stop, but the ball was knocked away. With the ball spinning on the goal line, Titan forward Rebekah Patrick and Roberts raced to the ball. Roberts arrived first and attempted to clear the ball, but ended up knocking it into the net. The goal was credited to the Cal State team, giving the Titans the 1-0 victory.

Last season, UNLV lost in double-overtime to the University of San Diego 1-0 after receiving an at-large NCAA tournament bid.

UNLV finishes the 2005 season with a 13-7-3 record, a school record for victories in a season. Five players, Huff, defender Nickie Olson, forward/midfielder Angie Inzana and defender/midfielders Lori Sakai and Jessica Brown graduate this year.

Barry Wong

Women's Volleyball

UNLV women's volleyball dominated San Diego State and TCU Wednesday and Saturday, respectively, improving its record to 14-12 and 10-4 in the MWC.

SDSU was beaten 3-1 (30-25, 26-30, 30-28, 30-21) and were out hit 68-to-57 in kills.

Jada Walker set a school record of 814 digs in her two-year career. The record was previously held by Leiana Oswald's four-year career total of 812 in 2003.

Michelle Banks and Melody Nua had double-doubles, with 10 kills and 10 attacks for Banks and 10 digs and

56 kill assists for Nua. Maria Aladjova and Lauren Miramontes tallied 19 kills apiece. Nua dropped six kills of her own and topped the team with a .455 hitting percentage.

At TCU Frogs, UNLV fought back from a one-game deficit to win the match 29-31, 30-19, 30-24.

The Rebels hit a .166 clip with a game two high of .238.

Nua picked up her sixth double-double of the season.

Miramontes led the Rebels with 16 kills and hit .268. Mariana Pencheva hit 12 kills, while Aladjova hit 11. Jada Walker was one of four Rebels to hit double-digits, with 25. Nua was second with her 19 and was followed by 11 from Brittani Lumsden and Banks.

UNLV will close out their MWC action at home Friday against Utah and No. 16 BYU on Saturday, both at 7 p.m.

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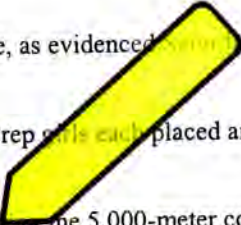
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Both Clovis teams, Buchanan girls place among the top 5.

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The best distance runners in the Central Section also are among California's elite, as evidenced  by at the CIF State Cross Country Championships at Woodward Park.

The Clovis High boys and girls, Buchanan girls, McFarland boys and Mission Prep girls each placed among the top five teams in their respective divisions.

Clovis junior Mikel Thomas was runner-up in the Division II boys race, completing the 5,000-meter course in 15 minutes, 29 seconds -- 2 seconds behind winner Riley Booker of University-San Diego.

"I'm happy with my second place in the individual race, but if we get top three as a team that's even better," Thomas said after the race while awaiting final totals.

Said Clovis senior John Brodie, "We got second today, but I still think we're the best team out here just because of our mentality. We were running for each other out there."

Clovis (143 points) finished behind Jesuit-Carmichael (59), the division's top-ranked team all season.

"It gets a little bit of a monkey off our back because our boys have kind of struggled at times in previous years at this meet," Clovis coach Rob Brenner said. "I couldn't be more proud of these guys -- or our girls."

Freshman Tawnie Kroll (19:03) finished 21st overall to lead the Cougars girls to fifth place.

A.J. Acosta of El Camino and Shannon Murakami of Saugus won Division I individual titles, and the Royal-Simi Valley boys and Thousand Oaks girls captured team championships.

The Buchanan girls finished second to Thousand Oaks by a score of 103-136. Bears junior Lauren Saylor was 12th overall in 18:30, well off her best times on this course, but Buchanan's first five finished within a minute of one another to hold off Fountain Valley (139 points).

Afterward, Buchanan coach Martin Simpson sung his girls' praises, though he admitted they might have felt the pressure of holding the state's No. 1 ranking most of the season.

"They don't come any better than that team," Simpson said of his Bears. "It's the best team ever in the Valley. You can't get away from that fact."

"But they see all the stuff on the Internet. They run the race 15 or 16 times before they even get on the starting line. The excitement of it all kind of got to them a little bit. Next year, we'll come back and we'll be that much better for it."

McFarland's fifth-place finish was impressive, considering the Cougars lost three of their top runners early in the season. But for a storied program with a CIF-record nine state championships, the goals are always higher.

"But that's OK because it takes away complacency," McFarland coach Amador Ayon said. "My kids did some wonderful things this year. This does nothing to discredit them."

McFarland's finish was highlighted by senior Octavio Ruiz, who overcame two seasons worth of injuries to finish third overall in the Division IV race in 16:02.

Ruiz was sidelined for seven weeks last season with a stress fracture in his left knee and began this season battling shin splints.

"That made my year," Ayon said. "The guy has gone through so much the last two years. I really want to see what he can do when he's 100%."

Parlier's Erick Garcia, a favorite in the D-IV race, was told by an official at the starting line that his Adidas cross country and track shoes had illegal spikes. After an unsuccessful appeal by Panthers coach Mario Salinas, Garcia was forced to remove the shoes.

A spectator lent Garcia a pair of regular sneakers at least a half-size too big, and the junior finished ninth in 16:14.

The Madera boys also showed well, placing 11th in Division I. The young Coyotes, winners of league and section titles, had their eyes on a top-10 finish, but might have been rattled by multiple false starts and a much deeper field than they are accustomed to.

"With everything that was going on around them, I think it was a little intimidating," Madera coach Rich Parris said. "For this today, we'll be better off in the future."

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Clovis' Tawnie Kroll, second from left, placed 21st individually to help the Cougars finish fifth in Division II.

CHRISTIAN PARLEY/THE FRESNO BEE Buchanan's Lauren Saylor, middle, ran the 5,000-meter course at Woodward Park in 18:30, good for 12th place in the girls Division I race.

Mikel Thomas

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Cross Country

SDSU's **Lital Azules** finished 21st (6 kilometers, 21:05.8) in the NCAA West Region championship at Stanford. Teammate **Lisa Crampton** (21:32.3) finished 38th and **USD's Tiffanie Marley** (21:40.0) 47th.

Stanford Men & Women Among Title Contenders At NCAA West Regionals

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Stanford hosts 2005 NCAA West Regionals

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Stanford, Ca - The nationally-ranked Stanford men's and women's cross country teams will be among the favorites when the NCAA West Regionals are held on Saturday (Nov. 12) at the Stanford Golf Course (start and finish at second hole).

The Cardinal women are ranked second in the nation behind Duke University. Stanford men's team is ranked fourth behind top-ranked Wisconsin, Arkansas and Colorado.

In each regional race, the top two team finishers and top four individuals not on a qualifying team automatically advance to the NCAA Championships, scheduled for Nov. 21 at the Lavern Gibson Championship Course in Terre Haute, In.

Another 13 at-large teams and two at-large individuals will be added to the 31-team, 255-runner men and women's fields on Nov. 13 by the NCAA Championships selection committee. At-large team selection criteria is based on teams' head-to-head records against other actual and potential NCAA qualifiers.

The men's 10,000 meters race is slated to start at 11 a.m. while the women's 6,000 meters competition will start at 12:15 p.m.

Four Top 25 women's teams at the NCAA Regionals are slated to compete including #2 Stanford, #5 Arizona State, #21 Oregon and #26 Washington. Stanford has won the NCAA West Regional title the past six seasons, and eight of the past nine years. Last year, Alicia Craig captured the NCAA West Regional individual title for a third straight season to lead the Cardinal to victory at Fresno. Four Stanford runners finished in the Top-7 as the Cardinal took the team title with 29 points. Arizona State finished second with 45 points. Anita Siraki finished third, Teresa McWalters was fifth, and Katy Trotter finished seventh. McWalters and Trotter will be back this year to help lead the Cardinal attack.

Six Top 15 men's teams slated to compete include #4 Stanford, #9 Arizona, #13 Portland, #24 Cal Poly, #28 California and #29 Washington. The Cardinal men, like the Stanford women, have dominated the competition. For the past ten years, Stanford has won the NCAA West Regional crown. Last year, Stanford scored 49 points compared to runnerup Arizona State with 68 points. Ryan Hall ran to the NCAA Regional title for Stanford. Two other Cardinal runners (Neftalem Araia in third place, Jonathan Pierce in tenth place) finished in the Top-10. Araia and Pierce will help spearhead Stanford's attack in 2005.

The Stanford women are coming off an excellent performance at the recent Pac-10 Championship. Stanford captured the conference title for a tenth straight season (13th in the last 14th season). Stanford sophomore Arianna Lambie captured the individual title as the Cardinal scored a close victory over Arizona State. Stanford collected 34 points compared to 40 points for the Sun Devils. Lambie ran the 6,000 meter course in a time of 20:20 to beat last year's Pac-10 champion Amy Hastings (20:40). Lindsay Flacks finished third (20:52) while Teresa McWalters placed fifth (20:56).



Jonathan Pierce has finished in the Top 10 in four races this year.

Neftalem Araia, a Stanford sophomore, led a trio of Cardinal runners to finish in the Top 10 as the Cardinal men won the Pac-10 title for a sixth straight year (nine of the last ten years). Araia finished third over the 8,000 meter course in Tucson, Arizona, in a time of 24:19. Jonathan Pierce placed seventh while Brett Gotcher placed tenth.

Thirty-one women's teams are entered including Stanford, Arizona, Arizona State, Boise State, Cal Poly, Cal State Fullerton, Cal State Northridge, Cal State Sacramento, California, Eastern Washington, Fresno State, Gonzaga, Idaho, Long Beach State, Loyola Marymount, Oregon, Oregon State, Pepperdine, Portland, San Francisco, San Jose State, Santa Clara, San Diego State, UC Irvine, UC Riverside, UC Santa Barbara, UCLA, University of San Diego, Washington and Washington State.

Twenty-seven men's teams are entered including Stanford, Arizona, Arizona State, Boise State, Cal Poly, Cal State Fullerton, Cal State Northridge, Cal State Sacramento, California, Eastern Washington, Gonzaga, Idaho, Long Beach State, Loyola Marymount, Oregon, Pepperdine, Portland, San Francisco, San Jose State, Santa Clara, UC Irvine, UC Riverside, UC Santa Barbara, UCLA, University of San Diego, Washington and Washington State.

Complete results and live stats will be available at www.RecordTiming.com/ncaa_west05/, and updates@ncaasports.com



Rowing: Life is but a dream for women's team ASU club afloat in desert before sunrise

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By the time the sun breaks on a typical weekday morning and ASU students stumble out of bed, the ASU women's rowing club has already fought up and down Tempe Town Lake in conditioning and training exercises.

The 5 a.m. practice time and sub-60-degree temperatures pale in comparison to the spirits of a crew craving success and recognition.

"Every single girl works extremely hard to get a perfect and strong stroke every time," freshman rower Deena Aguilar said. "We have to push ourselves to the limit; there is never a moment when you can not give it your all."

The rowers spend a large portion of their practice time on land developing the demanding physical capabilities of the sport. The members typically run four miles before breaking into a series of pushup and sit-up exercises.

"If you don't have the strength and a healthy heart and the legs conditioned, you're going to die and wimp out, and you can't do that because every single person in that boat is accountable for holding their own weight," sophomore team captain Pam Easterling said.

The club has four boats, two novice and two varsity. Each level has a four-member team and an eight-member team.

Members are evaluated and placed in the appropriate boat, but the club's growth in size and skill shuffles the rosters regularly.

"The boats are constantly changing," freshman Halley Middleton said. "People are getting better and stronger and are able to pull their weight in a better boat, so they continuously change."

A coxswain captains each boat and sits at the front providing encouragement and instruction to the team.

"As a coxswain, I try to become a better asset for my boat by listening to my rowers," freshman Katie Bapple said. "Regardless of what any coach can tell you is right or wrong, it's the people that you're working with that know what will push them, motivate them, and make themselves do their absolute best in the boat."

Bapple brings three years of prior rowing experience to the team.

"I want to strive to be that driving force that makes my rowers push the limit," she said.

Rowing stresses the concept of a team sport on a literal level, as the performance of the boat floats on the balance, coordination and capabilities of each member.

"In other team sports, like soccer or football, if one player misses practice, a sub fills in and practice goes on," freshman team representative Stacy Bond said. "In crew, if one person in your boat does not show up, every one of your team members suffer."

Some members have embraced the club's efforts outside of practice by working to enhance performance through extra workouts.

"I work on my cardio training when I find time, and if I have a day where I just can't get out and run or lift weights, I work on my flexibility or core strength in my room by stretching or doing simple exercises," Bond said.

"Sometimes I sit in bed at night and pretend to be rowing or just go through the motions in my head," junior Lindy Mapes said.

As team captain, Easterling stresses the above-and-beyond approach. She runs three to five miles a day and works out at the Student Recreation Complex.

"You kind of have to do the extra stuff to get to where you should be," she said.

Easterling transferred from Scottsdale Community College last summer and became team captain and representative. She played soccer last year, but made the transition to rowing this season.

"It's the perfect sport," she said. "I love the water and I love the competition and I love being in a team, so it was just the perfect sport with all the elements."

The club is coached by Kelly Vanek, who has rowed for the University of San Diego, where she received a rowing scholarship and was named to the All-Conference and All-Academic teams.

"Rowing teaches you that you are capable of anything if you are willing to invest the effort," Vanek said. "It is a sport of extremes - extreme intensity, extreme effort and extreme dedication. Anything less and you might as well not even get out of bed."

Vanek is still pursuing her own career, rowing with the Tempe team and attending developmental camps in Wisconsin. She typically alternates her mornings between training with Tempe and coaching ASU.

"It has actually been very difficult to make enough time for coaching and training, but I am passionate about both, and I have found that coaching makes me a better rower and rowing makes me a better coach," she said.

The rowing club participated in a regatta held by the city Saturday at Tempe Town Lake. The regatta featured several community teams around the Tempe area.

One of the teams they competed against was Vanek's Tempe team, ironically pitting the coach against her own players.

"Rowing against the girls I coach was not awkward at all," Vanek said. "There is such a great camaraderie that comes with rowing, and the rowing world is actually very intertwined, so rowers often are racing friends, family and old teammates."

The club's strong practice efforts paid off as it saw both the novice-four and the novice-eight teams take first place in their respective races.

The varsity-eight team also placed first, and the varsity-four group finished second to Vanek's Tempe team.

"Saturday was amazing," junior Jessica Eagon said. "It made all those 5 a.m. practices worth it. I'm sure all of our boats turned some heads and we're planning to race even stronger in Newport."

Foreign exchange senior Jessica Nay said the event benefited the team.

"[The regatta] made the team even stronger because some of us were not only excited, but a bit nervous before the race," she said. "But all went well and we had a lot of fun."

The crew looks forward to the Newport Autumn Rowing Festival in Newport Beach, Calif., on Nov. 6. The regatta will feature other collegiate teams and presents an opportunity for the women's rowing club to showcase their talent on a bigger stage.

"It is important that we portray ourselves in a very positive light - as a team that works hard and takes

pride in their training and racing," Vanek said. "We are working hard, and quietly, but consistently. We are moving toward becoming the fastest women's team on the lake."

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Nordhoff-Big Bear set for Saturday

Nordhoff High's first-round Division XI football game at Big Bear has been moved to Saturday at 1 p.m.

Nordhoff (7-3) tied for third in the Tri-Valley League. Big Bear is the DeAnza League champion.

Nordhoff has made the Division XI semifinals the last two seasons.

Thacher game at Nordhoff High

Thacher has moved its second-round Division I eight-man football game against Riverside Christian to Nordhoff High on Friday at 7 p.m.

Thacher (7-2) has won five consecutive games. The Toads have averaged 54 points in their last four games.

Elmore brothers commit to Arizona

Grace Brethren brothers Ricky and Cory Elmore have verbally committed to play football at the University of Arizona.

Ricky is a 6-foot-5 240 pound defensive end and tight end Cory is a 6-foot-5, 260-pound lineman.

girls' golf

Camarillo's Lee shoots 76

Camarillo High sophomore Robin Lee fired a 4-over 76 at the 2005 CIF-WSCGA Regional Girls' Golf Championship, held Monday at the SCGA Golf Course in Murrieta. Lee's score earned her a tied for 11th place. Long Beach Wilson's Brianna Do won the tournament with a score of 2-under 70.

Lee was the only player from Ventura County to advance to the tournament which featured the top individual and team performers from the CIF-SS playoffs.

BASEBALL

Muno commits to San Diego

Loyola High senior second baseman and shortstop Kevin Muno of Thousand Oaks has made a verbal commitment to play

for the University of San Diego.

The 5-foot-11, 170-pound Muno b... 13 last spring with 26 hits, 17 runs and 15 RBIs. The Cubs were 22-6 overall, advancing to the first round of the C... ern Section Division II playoffs.

SWIMMING

Day signs letter with Hillsdale

Camarillo High's Brittany Day, a 17-year-old senior, has signed a national letter of intent to swim with Hillsdale College in Michigan.

Hillsdale competes in NCAA Division II. Day is a three-year qualifier for CIF in the 200 and 500 freestyle events.

She trains with the Buenaventura Swim Club and is coached by Steve Witcher.

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THE Moorabbin Panthers have won consecutive games for the first time this season, defeating the Doncaster Dragons 7-3.

Moorabbin got on the board early in Sunday's division two clash, scoring five runs in the second inning and knocking Doncaster ace Lachlan Craven out of the baseball game.

Two-out hits to Ben Laux, Michael Herman, John Isbister and Chris Anderton did the trick.

The five-run cushion was all Panthers starter Matthew Merryfield needed.

The former University of San Diego star threw seven effective innings, giving up five hits and striking out seven.

"Matthew was tremendous on the mound for us today. He has really come up for us big this year," Panthers coach Michael Herman said.

The Dragons rallied a bit in the seventh inning to score three runs off the tiring Merryfield, which reduced the Moorabbin lead to four runs.

Andrew Dewar then came on in relief and threw two shutout innings, striking out five batters, to preserve the win.

Former Atlanta Brave farmhand Paul Wiechart, who made it to Class AA ball, struck out five Panthers in his two innings of relief.

"I was really happy with the way the guys went up there (to the plate) swinging against a guy who throws as hard as Wiechart does," Herman said. "It is really a result of the way the guys have been training."

Moorabbin (4-2), second on the division two ladder, two games behind unbeaten Bonbeach, meets Cheltenham (2-4-1) at Oliver Reserve on Sunday.

The Rustlers fell to visiting Mulgrave on Sunday 6-5, their third straight loss.

Matt Coppens was thrown out at the plate trying to score the tying run with two outs in the bottom of the ninth and final inning.

It took a perfect throw from Mulgrave's rightfielder to prevent the game from going into extra innings.

Andrew Gribbin got the start and threw four innings.

Tom Ellis pitched the final five frames.

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Paso Robles' Ashleigh Bertoni joins Mustangs volleyball team

Local standouts sign on first day of NCAA's early signing period

Eric Branch
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The transformation of the Cal Poly women's volleyball team from a Big West Conference bottom feeder into a contender this season has turned plenty of heads.

Including Ashleigh Bertoni's.

Bertoni, a senior outside hitter at Paso Robles High, signed a national letter of intent with the new-look Mustangs on Wednesday on the first day of the NCAA's early signing period.

Bertoni, a first-team all-county pick last year, was attracted to Cal Poly because of its location. But its resurgence under first-year coach Jon Stevenson was also a strong selling point.

The Mustangs, who went 5-24 last year, are 17-5 this season and occupy third place in the Big West with a 10-3 record.

"(Stevenson) wants to win," Bertoni said. "That's what he's about and that's the type of team I want to be on."

Bertoni had a season-high 45 kills in a match against Arroyo Grande in late October and led the Bearcats to a first-round win in the CIF-Southern Section Division II-A playoffs Tuesday with 20 kills and 20 digs in a 3-0 win against Beverly Hills.

An all-around athlete, she holds the school record in the long jump (17 feet, 111?4 inches) and is also an all-league soccer player. She led the Bearcats in kills (17.8 per match) and blocks (3.2) and ranked second in digs (12.7) during the regular season.

She hopes to play a significant role as a freshman at Cal Poly.

Mustangs outside hitters Vanessa Gilliam and Kayla Mulder, who rank first and third, respectively, on the team in kills, are both seniors.

"That's my goal," Bertoni said. "I'm going to work as hard as I can and do everything I need to do to get a shot at those spots."

Casciola signs with USD

San Luis Obispo High shortstop Carey Casciola signed a national letter of intent to play softball at the University of San Diego on Wednesday after earning all-CIF honors as a junior.

Casciola was a second-team selection on the CIF-Southern Section Division II team after leading the Tigers with .320 average while scoring 14 runs and adding 13 RBI last year.

She had a run-scoring RBI double in the sixth inning of San Luis Obispo's 1-0 win against La Mirada in the first round of last season's CIF-SS Division II playoffs, the Tigers' first playoff victory in their 24-year history.

Division I USD went 18-24 last year and finished fifth in the six-team Pacific Coast Softball Conference.

Morro Bay's Kelly Blair dealing with injury

After a leg injury cut her summer-league basketball season short, many colleges are taking a wait-and-see approach in their recruitment of Morro Bay High senior forward Kelly Blair, The Tribune's County Player of the Year as a junior.

Blair, a 6-foot forward, suffered a stress fracture of the tibia (shin bone) during a summer-league game in June. Morro Bay coach Cary Nerelli said it is uncertain whether Blair will be ready to play in the Pirates' season opener.

Blair, who averaged 18.4 points a game and led the county in rebounds (12.4), three-pointers (66) and free-throw percentage (80 percent) last year, was attracting interest from schools such as UC Santa Barbara, USC and Cal Poly.

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