

3 Ways to Uncover Your Abilities

By Natan Vigna
Staff Writer

You probably have a lot more to offer an employer than you give yourself credit for. The problem is, you don't know where to look for concrete examples of your "soft" skills—those that can't be readily measured or assessed, such as interpersonal skills, ability to work in a team, or flexibility. Here are some suggestions on how you can uncover your hidden abilities and bring them to the attention of an employer.

1. Look at your campus extracurricular activities.

For example, if you are a member of the debate team, participate in the drama club, or work on the campus newspaper, these can serve to help you showcase your communication abilities, written and oral, as well as other key traits, such as flexibility. Do you play sports? You've got an activity tailor-made to demonstrate your ability to work in a team. If you hold a leadership role in an extracurricular club or activity, be sure to highlight it.

2. Look at your course work, internships, & co-op experiences.

You can often find examples of how you've worked in a team (a class project, for example) or used your analytical abilities in your course work. A course that has a public speaking component, or one that requires extensive writing, can also be used to impress an employer.

Internships and co-op experiences can provide you with examples of how you used your "soft" skills. Besides giving you valuable practical experience, these work-related experiences are often real soft skill-builders that help you learn how to work with others effectively, which is what employers are looking for when they search for candidates with interpersonal and communication skills who are flexible and able to work in a team.

3. Look at your part-time jobs/volunteer experiences.

While your part-time jobs or volunteer experiences might not be relevant to the career you're seeking, remember that they may well have helped you acquire or hone certain skills that employers prize—such as interpersonal skills (dealing with customers) and analytical skills (how to solve a problem on the job). Even if you flipped hamburgers or punched tickets, you dealt with customers, and that experience can be used to demonstrate critical skills to an employer.

If you are looking for an after-graduation job, or need help deciding what to do after you graduate from college, stop by the placement services offices in the administration building (x2237). We are here to help you. If you can't stop by, visit our web site, <http://www.lasierra.edu/slife/careers/>.

World News

By Evan Graham
Staff Writer

Number of female world leaders declines

The number of women in government worldwide has declined in recent years. Experts blame the fall of socialist regimes, which gave female candidates the funding they needed to win elections. Of 191 heads of state around the world, only four are women, and only 10 women, including U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, occupy foreign ministerial positions.

The number of women in the 173 parliaments around the world has declined as well, from 15 percent in 1988 to 12 percent now. The U.S. House of Representatives is currently 11.7 percent female, and of 100 U.S. senators, nine are women.

California term-limits law struck down

The U.S. 9th District Court of Appeals ruled that a 1990 initiative barring state assemblymen from serving more than six years or state senators from serving more than eight should not be enforced, since voters were not aware that legislators would be barred for life. This ruling may convince lawmakers already having served their tenure to run for re-election in 1998, but the ruling will not stand unless upheld by the Supreme Court.

Fundraising scandal update

Four businessmen, taped at an Oval Office coffee with the president, donated \$100,000 following the meeting. The president knew that the persons attending the Oval Office meeting were contributors, a memo says. It

is illegal to use the Oval Office or any other federal building for fundraising purposes.

Meanwhile, a proposal in the U.S. Senate to ban "soft" money contributions—money given to support a party rather than an individual candidate—was buried by Majority Leader Trent Lott (R-Miss.). The proposal was sponsored by all 45 Senate Democrats and three Republicans.

Late-term abortion plan may be vetoed

The U.S. Congress sent a bill outlawing late-term abortions similar to one vetoed last year to President Clinton, and many are expecting the president to again veto the measure. The House passed the legislation by a vote of 296-132—more than enough votes to override a veto—but the Senate passed it by only 64-36, three votes shy of the number needed to override. Majority Leader Trent Lott, however, feels that there is a "real opportunity" to override the veto this year.

Promise Keepers meet in Washington

Hundreds of thousands of men congregated on the Mall in Washington, D.C., on Sat., Oct. 4, for a convention of the Promise Keepers, a spiritual men's group whose members pledge to become better fathers and husbands and strive for racial reconciliation.

The group has been under fire from women's groups who claim the group's goal is to encourage its members to force their wives into roles of "submission." Other groups on the left have criticized the

anti-gay and anti-abortion views of founder Bill McCartney.

Congress raises its own pay

By a vote of 55-45 in the Senate and 220-207 in the House, Congress added a 2.3-percent increase to its cost-of-living allowance for the first time in five years. No widespread criticism accompanied the vote, since Congress had been denying itself a raise each year since 1992.

Smoking studies change assumptions

Assumptions that non-smokers pay less in medical bills than smokers, and that cracking down on underage cigarette sales make teenagers smoke less were addressed by two studies published in the *New England Journal of Medicine* Oct. 9. One study shows that stores in towns where underage cigarette bans are enforced are just as likely not to ask for ID from young-looking people as stores in towns where the ban is not enforced. The other points out that medical bills for non-smokers are higher than those for smokers, since non-smokers are far more likely to live long enough to need elderly care, and elderly care is expensive.

Effort to recall Simpson judge fails

A petition requesting the recall of Orange County Superior Court Judge Nancy Weibenstock, who awarded O.J. Simpson the custody of his children in December, failed Oct. 1. Sponsors of the recall reportedly fell "just short" of the number of signatures needed by the said deadline.

ATTENTION
Senators & Club
Representatives:
First meeting Oct. 16
5:00 p.m.
Cactus Room
Attendance Mandatory

75 Years Ago . . .

"Now and henceforth a boy going through the girls' line or a girl going through the boys' line in the cafeteria will be charged \$.50 extra. This policy is enforced regardless of whether or not the boy is paying for the girl's meal. You who are penny wise better checkup." —*Criterion*, March 1948.

The Spirit Of Life

By *Duleep Rodrigo*
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Everyone at some point or the other has wondered and struggled with the question, "What is life really all about?" Time and time again many people have answered this question in numerous ways. Aristotle, Plato, Buddha, and even Jesus Christ have answered this question. One day I received an e-mail from a good friend of mine giving an explanation to what life is and what life isn't about, it's a more current philosophy about life and it goes like this;

LIFE

Life isn't about keeping score.

It's not about how many friends you have or how accepted you are.

Not about if you have plans this weekend or if you're alone.

It isn't about who you are dating.

Who you used to date, how many people you've dated,

or if you haven't been with anyone at all.

It isn't about who you have kissed.

It's not about sex.

It isn't about who your family is, how much money you have or what kind of a car you drive, or where you were sent to school.

It's not about how beautiful or ugly you are, or what clothes you wear,

what shoes you have on, or what kind of music you listen to.

It's not about if your hair is blonde, red, black or brown

or if your skin is too light or too dark.

Not about what grades you get, how smart you are, how smart everybody else think you are, or how smart standardize tests say you are.

It's not about what clubs you're in or how good you are at your sport.

It's not about representing the whole you on a piece of paper and seeing who will

"accept the write you"

LIFE JUST ISN'T

But, life is about who you love and who you hurt.

It's about who you make happy and unhappy purposefully.

It's about keeping or betraying trust.

It's about friendship, used as a sanctity or a weapon.

It's about what you say and mean, maybe hurtful, maybe heartening.

About starting rumors and contributing to petty gossip.

It's about what judgments you pass and why and who your judgments are spread to. It's about who you've ignored with full control and intention.

It's about jealousy, fear, ignorance and revenge.

It's about carrying inner hate and love, letting it grow, and spreading it.

But most of all. It's about using your life to touch or poison people's hearts in such a way that could have never occurred alone. Only you choose the way those hearts are affected, and those choices are what life's all about.

Some of you might agree and others might disagree with this philosophy of life. But one thing is sure, there is a certain expectation in society about how we should live our lives. This expectation is quite different from the deeper nature of humanity that governs our souls.

At the end of last week we as a community joined to do community service. Service is an essential part of life. Sometimes we might not be satisfied with the fact that it is a requirement to some, but try to look at it in a different light. It is in giving, caring and loving that we fully understand the meaning of life. E. Stanley Jones once said, "The most miserable people in the world are self-centered people who don't do anything for anybody except for themselves. They are the centers of misery without exception. On the contrary, the happiest people are the people who deliberately take on themselves the sorrows and troubles of somebody else. Their hearts sing with a strange wild joy, automatically and with no exception." So think about it for a second. How would you like to live your life?

Editorial

My lungs screamed for air as I trudged up the hill. It wasn't until I was nearly at the top that I noticed the woman at the bus stop.

Wearing a shirt full of holes and stains, she stood there clutching a beat-up suitcase and yelling something. As I got closer I could see that her two front teeth were missing. She's a little bit "psycho." I thought, as she was still yelling.

Then I realized that she was yelling at me. "Are you okay? Hey, are you okay?"

"Oh, yeah, I'm fine thanks." I said, felling bad for thinking that she was crazy.

"Honey, I'm runnin' for my life too, you be careful now!" she yelled as I ran past.

For the next few miles I ran in complete shock. I was in shock that this homeless woman had actually taken the time to notice me.

Then I started to wonder, what if she hadn't said anything to me? Would she have been just another "homeless person" to me?

I most likely would have run past without looking her in the eye, and probably without saying "good morning." I might have wondered if she was on drugs or maybe pitied the fact that she was so dirty. I might have even wondered if she was trying to support her kids. But would I have told her to "Have a nice day?" I don't think I would have.

How could I be so insen-



sitive? Before I reached the top of that hill, all I was thinking about was myself. My plans for the day, who I would see at church, what I would wear, etc.

I wasn't thinking how lucky I was to have a home to go back to when I was

done running.

The woman at the bus stop probably had almost nothing, yet she still took the time to notice someone other than herself.

I think that many times we get wrapped up in "doing good things," but forget to notice other people. I'm not saying that you should all pull out your wallet next time you see that homeless person standing by the light at the exit. However, I think that there are little things that we can do to show others that we care.

Maybe God put that homeless woman on the street last Sabbath at 6 a.m. to teach me a lesson, or maybe she just "happened" to be there. I do know that her kindness and concern really touched my life and I hope that we as students can do that for others.

Charles Butler

Who is going to help you?

By *Carol Jones*
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A woman was dragged away from a wedding by her husband and nearly beaten to death. Several friends and fellow church members—who knew the husband was abusive and that the couple was in the process of getting divorced—saw them arguing, yet did nothing.

This is an example of what could have happened at a wedding my mother recently attended. Terry, my mother's friend, had been separated from her husband for about three months due to his violent, abusive nature. While at the wedding, her husband approached her and began yelling at her. He tried to grab Terry, but my mother stood in his way. She told him that if he did not leave she would call the police. He did not believe my mother and continued threatening Terry and trying to grab her. My mother called the

police, who put Terry's husband in jail because there was a warrant out for his arrest.

The next day, the pastor of our church called my mother and told her that her action was bad timing. I could not believe that such a thing existed when it involved helping someone threatened with bodily harm. Is there ever a bad time to help someone in need? When is a good time? Aren't Christians supposed to help others, be there for them, and minister to them? What better way to show God's love than to help someone in need. Wouldn't you feel better knowing you did something?

My friend was in the grocery store and came across a mother yelling at a little girl who was about six. The mother kept yelling at the girl telling her how worthless

and stupid she was. My friend was horrified by what she heard, but didn't know what to do about it. She wanted to tell the girl that she was worth something, but she didn't know how to, so she just walked away.

My friend is still haunted by that event. She wishes that she had said something—anything—to help. Now when she runs across similar situations she doesn't just walk away.

I would rather do something than regret it for the rest of my life. People believe you should mind your own business, but isn't humanity our business? If you were being hurt, wouldn't you want help?

Everyone has personal feelings and beliefs about what to do. This one holds the most power for me, "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you."

THE CHAPLAIN'S BOOKSHORTS

By Steve Daily
Guest Writer

"The Dangerous Illusion of a Managable Deity"

Why did Jesus seem to purposefully try to offend people? Many people in his day wanted to follow him, but they wanted to follow him on their terms. Such behavior wasn't appealing to Jesus, nor was it unique to Christ's day. Don McCollough, in his excellent book, *The Trivialization of God*, demonstrates how professed followers of Christ today are just as likely to worship God on their own terms as they were two thousand years ago. He identifies some of the following ways we trivialize God (or reduce God to our own priorities) today:

1. The God of my cause - Whatever my socio-political cause happens to be: liberation theology, feminist theology, etc. (liberal churches) or right to life, school prayer, etc. (conservative churches). I identify God with my cause and end up worshipping the cause rather than the God of Scripture with all his mystery.

2. The God of my understanding - More common in conservative or evangelical churches, God is identified with a particular creed or fundamental statement of beliefs. We end up worshipping our particular system of beliefs rather than God.

3. The God of my experience - This is typically found in the more charismatic churches. If you don't speak in tongues or worship with uplifted arms, then somehow you are seen as a second-class Christian. God becomes whatever my personal experience dictates (s)he is.

4. The God of my success or excellence - Be it a High Church or contempo-

rary seeker service, the emphasis is on excellence of production. The focus is on producing the best music, liturgy and speakers, and the danger is worshipping our best, instead of God.

5. The God of my comfort - This is concerned with the gospel of self-actualization or self-fulfillment, as opposed to the gospel of self-surrender and self-denial that Jesus championed. We worship our own spiritual or emotional need-fulfillment, without regard for the needs of the kingdom of God.

6. The God of my nation - This is a natural mentality for those who seek to resurrect the myth of a "Christian America." The lines between worship and patriotism become easily blurred when the Christian Coalition publishes its lists of "kosher Christian candidates."

7. The God of my prosperity - The health and wealth gospel continues to thrive in our materialistic America. The "They'll know we are Christians by our Lexus, Mercedes and split-level home" Christ of contemporary culture is much easier to worship than the homeless (Luke 9:58), possessionless Jesus of the New Testament.

With so many ways to trivialize God today it is not surprising when George Gallup reports that 95 percent of Americans claim to believe in God, more than 80 percent claim to be Christians, but less than 10 percent demonstrate a serious commitment to the faith they profess. With this in mind, maybe it isn't surprising that Jesus offended the "veges" of His day who had no time for his flesh and blood.

Light the Fire Again

By Rosemary Chung
Guest Writer

"Happy Birthday to you,
Happy Birthday to you,
Happ-eee Birth-daaaay, dear

Happy Birthday tooooooo
youuuuu!!!"

Every year people have birthdays; and every year candles are lit and blown out, each year having one candle more than the previous year. It seems that the older you get, the harder it is to blow the candles out in one breath and make your wish come true.

Just this past 4th of July, a huge fire started because someone lit illegal fireworks in the San Bernardino moun-

tains. Not only was I amazed by the amount of SMOG that it added to the air that we breath, but also by the speed with which this fire expanded. In just four days, it had traveled and consumed over 12,000 acres of land and burned down over 200 homes. (Because my memory is so bad, these #'s could be slightly rounded up.)

Just think . . . wouldn't that be soooo awesome if we as Christians were able to consume others with our faith that fast? NOTHING or NO ONE would be able to quench this fire! Not even all the Gatorade or firemen

in the world put together!! This is what I encourage to happen this year.

If you'd like to help start this fire, please come to the "LIGHT THE FIRE AGAIN" Praise night on the campus mall tomorrow, Wednesday night, October 15th at 9pm. (NOTE: this is in place of Rendezvous.)

Featuring: *Rendezvous Praise Band *Pieces of Eight *The Hollow (Craig Beeson & Dustin Lau's band)

I Saw Jesus

By Tina Su
Guest Writer

When I was a little girl, I used to think I was "super special." I believed that I had an understanding with Jesus that I could see him whenever and wherever I wanted to, on my terms. Hey, I was only 8 years old. . . . As I matured, I realized that the more trouble I got into, the more I saw him. Thereafter, I went away to La Sierra, and since then, I see Jesus on a regular daily basis.

We know that He is everywhere, right? Then how many of us can say that we *saw* Him? We should all be saying, "I have." Yes, that's correct. Did you know that Jesus comes in all different shapes, sizes and forms? He is not always invisible—you know? He can be versatile when he wants to be. It might sound funny to hear me speak of Jesus with such calmness and informality. It's only because I feel in my heart that He has been my confidant and Savior (*literally*), all my life.

After about two years at La Sierra University, I was fascinated by how many times Jesus appeared on campus. You're probably wondering, "How come it took her so long to see that?" Like the rest of the newcomers to the school, I was still trying

to figure out "what was I doing here?" I was far away from home and didn't know anyone. Many of you can relate. To make matters worse, I didn't know anything about the Seventh-day Adventist Church. I was born and raised a Catholic. I was never so closed-minded to everything else that I wouldn't give something a chance. Therefore, I figured that if you believe in God and love Jesus, then that's great. As time went on, I learned what LSU was all about.

Listen up guys—when we were at chapel, did you know that Jesus was speaking as Dr. Geraty? When you were in the cafeteria laughing with your friends, did you know that Jesus was that buddy of yours rolling on the floor? How about when you were pulling your hair trying to figure out how to work that *darn* class schedule into your program? Did you know that he was guiding you through your advisor? So, feel blessed that you **DO** get to see Jesus.

Princess Diana cont.

television," Milap said, "but you could actually *hear* the silence when the casket began approaching. It was a very somber experience. It takes you by surprise, and then leaves you."

By this time, the world had also heard of Mother Theresa's death. Both Milap and Priya traveled back to the United States with heavy hearts.

"When I think of the deaths of these two women," Milap explained, "I see it in two different ways. Mother Theresa's life was a book that had finally come to the last chapter and was closed. But Princess Diana was so young. She'll never be able to do everything she wanted to or could have." Milap went on to say, "This is not just a loss for England or for any other country in particular. This is a loss for humanity."

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Join a Club

By *Evan Graham*
Staff Writer

ACRO—We provide the opportunity for any student with any interest in gymnastics to learn, whether it be tumbling, balancing, or whatever. Contact **Roger McFarland** at x2084.

Animation Appreciation Club (LSUAAC)—If you're interested in Japanese animation, check us out!! We show high quality import animation as well as significantly important domestic animation. This year we plan to show some really awesome stuff (like *Ghost in The Shell!*), so keep an eye out for our flyers. If interested, e-mail willdieh@lasierra.edu.

Association of La Sierra Women—This club recognizes the needs for women to be broadly represented throughout the LSU community as leaders, decision makers and role models. Membership is open to all students, regardless of gender. Some of the exciting activities we have planned for this year are Girls' Nights Out, craft workshops, weekend trips, brunches, teas, seminars, and tons more. ALSW is also hoping to develop a mentorship program. We are actively recruiting female staff and faculty who would like to mentor college women. Contact **Jennifer x2237** for a brochure!

Black Student Association (BSA)—BSA is a body of students and faculty seeking to uplift and enlighten students regarding African-American issues. With the aid of the Black Alumni of Loma Linda and La Sierra Universities (BALL), scholarships totaling over \$6,000 are available every year to active members, . . . and members need not be black. Our first general meeting will be Thurs., Oct. 16. Look for dates and times for Soul Church and the annual BALL retreat. Contact **Janelle Sylvester**, <janesylv>.

Business Club—Contact **Roger Rustad x2568**.

Environmental Club—We will be working on informing the students and public on ways to live more sustainably with the earth. We are planning trips and hikes in the mountains and to the beach for fun and for volunteer work. Call **Wendy x2591** to get involved and for other suggestions!

Ham Radio Club—Contact **Roger Rustad x2568**.

Hockey Club—The name speaks for itself! Call **Trent Loveless 619/345-6058**.

International Student Association—This club was formed to serve the specific needs of international students at La Sierra University, as well as organize activities to increase the international awareness of the students and surrounding community population. ISA's mission is to represent the international student community and enhance interaction between international and American students. Each year ISA plans many activities including Festival of Nations, the Global Gala, recreational activities, and special forums. Highlights of this year's activities include International Coffee Hours, a trip to the Museum of Tolerance, birthday bashes, *Les Miserables*, and trips to local tourist attractions. Call **X2237**. All students, international or domestic are invited to join.

Islander Club—The Islander Club seeks to enlighten LSU students of the culture of the Pacific Islands. Our annual luau, usually held in May, unites the entire campus with food, fun, and sharing the culture of the Islands. Contact **Lorie Henry, x2603**, to get more involved.

Korean Student Association (KSA)—KSA is an ethnic club emphasizing Korean cultural awareness on our campus. With well over 40 active members already, KSA is becoming well established. The club is open to everyone and anyone who wants to be a part of something fun and exciting! The officers of KSA have been meeting all summer long, and have already planned an exciting year, including beach vespers (Oct. 17), banquet, Korea-town outing, hockey games, Sabbath in the mountains, weekend camping, ski trips, and much, much more! So if you want to be a part of a club that is active, sign up at the KSA booth during Club Rush week! If you want to get involved, please contact **Susie Kim** at x2529.

OLE & La Tertulia Clubs—This year the Hispanic literary club known as La Tertulia will be working closely with the Ole' club in an effort to promote Hispanic culture among the campus. Their hopes for the future is to participate in many fund-raisers to raise money for a scholarship and other activities. Throughout the year they will be having different speakers, trips to plays, museums, etc. The club is in the process of organizing Vespers once a month and creating a mentor program for entering Latino freshman and new students. Activities which are coming up include a trip to the Bilingual Foundation of the Arts in Los Angeles to see the play "La Casa De Bernarda Alba", done in Spanish. If anyone is interested in attending there will be a sign up sheet in the Modern Language dept. at La Sierra Hall. The price ranges from \$13-11, depending on how big the crowd gets. They are also selling Christmas wreaths. Anyone interested can e-mail [Doctor Morales at Imorales@lasierra.edu](mailto:Imorales@lasierra.edu). x2120.

Polynesian Club—Contact **Neomai Taione x2644**.

Pre-Med Club—Call **Shelly Sharpe 370-2744**.

Radio Club—Contact **Shelly Sharpe 370-2744**.

Religion Club—This club's focus is to promote the different religious activities on campus as well as create a pool of willing, talented, eloquent speakers who would like to be a part of the religious speaking circuit. These opportunities would come at such events as Xodus 24:7, Chapels, Rendezvous, School of Religion chapels, possible forum type meetings to theologize such ideas as "What does it mean to be a Christian vs. an SDA?" Contact **Steve Daily, Felipe Viemann, Steve Robertson, Lindsey Daily, or Shawn Paris**.

Research Society—We aim to foster research and scholarly pursuits among undergraduates. Our society promotes research through our activities which highlight the research of faculty as well as informing La Sierra students of research opportunities on and off campus. If you would like to get involved, contact: **Heather Richard x2593** or <heatrich>.

SALSU—Student Association of La Sierra University. Come visit us (down by the Bookstore)!

Southern Asian Student Alliance (SASA)—SASA represents students of Southern Asian descent on the LSU campus; however, anyone from any nationality is welcome. We present the annual SASA Culture and Fashion Show, scheduled for April. SASA also plans various social gatherings and cultural awareness programs. All members receive first priority in representing SASA in the Culture/Fashion Show, free entrance to all

club events, free food, and all the fun they can have. Join us!! We're one of the most exciting clubs on campus waiting to have a great year with you!! Contact **Milap Nowrangi** at **South Hall** (ask Towers, x2229, to transfer you) or <milanowr>.

Snowboarding Club—We seek to unite all persons who share a common interest in boarding. Every February, the club treks to Colorado for the **ama** Adventist Winterfest. Skiers are also welcome, as well as anyone else who wants to get involved. Even if you don't know how to board, join the club to learn how. To get involved, contact either **Evan** at **x2696** or <evangrah> or **Juan** at **x2680** or <juanayal>.

Social Work Club—This club offers fun, social action and support. We will be planning a series of social events throughout the year and will also get involved in the community. Contact **Lisa Davis x2527** for further information or to indicate your interest.

Student Missions Club—This club will be headed by co-directors **Arni Tupas** and **Lilian Han**. The emphasis of the club will be to promote student mission outreach to the campus community, community at large, and the global community. Everyone is included in this club. It's just a matter of how involved you get. Come by **Homebase, LSH 206**, call **x2081**, or e-mail: <smlink@lasierra.edu> for more info.

TECHNE—Those of you who are into Math and such, call **Tony Salazar X2229**.

Basal Metabolism

By Rasha Abdrabou
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Guess what? You are actually burning calories as you read this article. You also burn calories while you watch TV or sleep. Isn't this great news?

Okay, so you may have already known this. But I bet some of you don't know how much and what you can do to increase your calorie burning. Bear with me, and I'll try to explain.

There is a certain number of calories or energy that your body needs to keep you alive. This minimal amount of energy represents your basal metabolism. Examples of some of the processes that this energy is used for are heart beat, respiration, temperature, maintenance, and more. Basal metabolism accounts for about one calorie per kilogram of body weight per hour. That comes out to be about 1,400 calories per day, depending on your size. The tissues involved most in basal metabolism are muscle, brain, liver, and kidney. All these tissues show high metabolism at rest and high energy needs. Everybody's metabolism will be different. Your liver

and my liver will require different amounts of energy.

A lot of factors influence your metabolism. Men need to have higher metabolism, for example, because they have a higher amount of lean body mass. That is not very helpful if you are a woman. Some other factors that raise your metabolism are having a fever or being pregnant. These can be inconvenient means of raising your metabolism.

There is, of course, a much simpler way to raise your metabolism: exercise. Exercising helps raise your metabolism. If you take in 1,200 to 1,600 calories a day, depending on your current weight and physical condition, you will practically burn them all for the day. If you start exercising, on the other hand, you will be burning fat that already exists, and therefore you will lose weight. One pound of fat equals 3,500 calories. So you will need to burn about 500 calories a day, seven days a week, to lose one pound for that week. But we will talk about that in the next issue. See ya!

Service And Community

By Yesenia Alvarez
Staff Writer

What comes to mind when you, the student of La Sierra, hear the words Community Service Day? Many of us become frustrated by the fact that we have to take one day of our entire schedule and dedicate at least five hours to the community. However, there are still some generous souls out there who do not mind giving up part of their day to interact with the community, perhaps even making themselves feel a little bit better than what they felt before. Nonetheless, community service is required, so why not take advantage of it?

Most likely, the majority of us would rather stay home and study, catch up with reading, and just relax. Yet the reality is that most of us live the life of a millionaire compared to some of the population in the community. The little time that we take out of our busy schedules actually does make a difference to these people.

After speaking with many of La Sierra's students and staff, I came to an un-

derstanding that there are many who care and are eager to participate with community service, even if it means to drop their normal routines. This might mean falling behind in their social and academic life; however, this is their opportunity to make a difference in another person's life.

Shasta Emery explained that to her "community service day is a day for all of us to exemplify what we do best. It's really neat for all of us to come together as a school, and do it as a group, serving our community together and creating big results."

Professor Ray Sheldon remembers one of his most fond experiences of community service when the chemistry department painted an elderly woman's home where she lived alone. "While most of the group was painting, some of the girls cleaned as they talked to her. I think what meant the most to the woman was the time the girls spent with her."

It does not matter how

spectacular our task is; the spirit in which we do it does matter. If we open our hearts and allow ourselves to care for others, the rewards will be two-way.

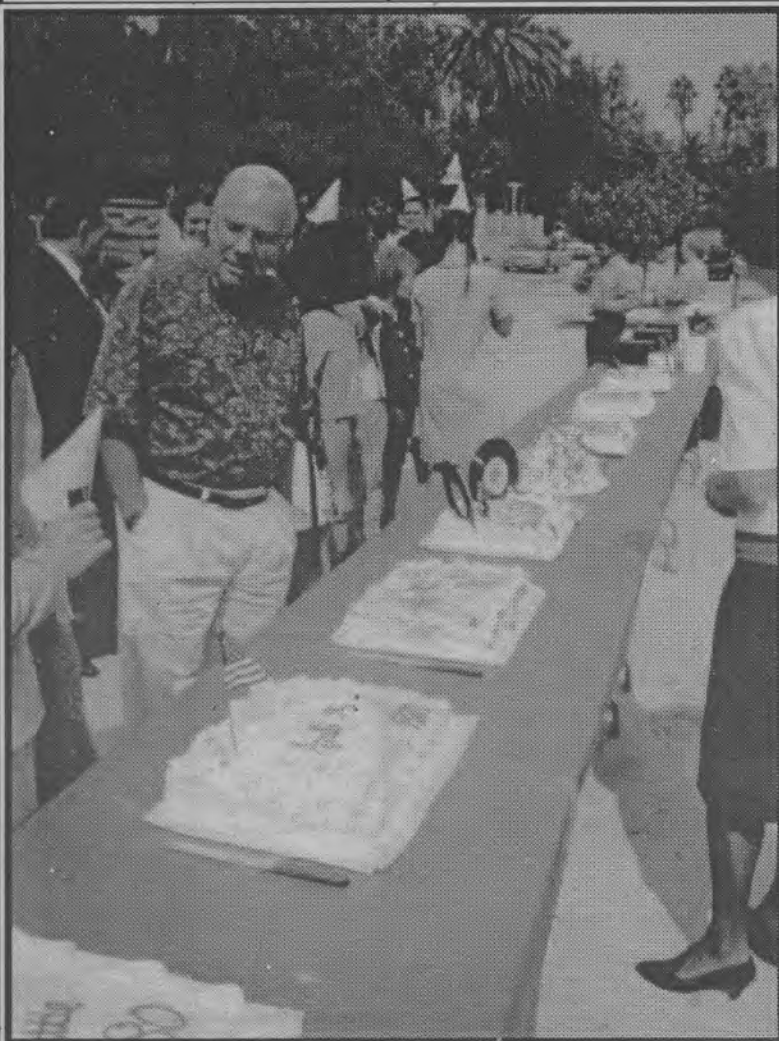
Health Facts

On average, two in every five Americans will be involved in an alcohol-related crash at some time in their lives. Source: *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration*

If you go blind in one eye, you'll only lose about 1/5 of your vision (but all of your depth perception.)

Source: *Uncle John's Bathroom Reader*

Ears never stop growing. Source: *The Doings*



La Sierra Celebrates its 75th Anniversary with a Birthday Bash

October is AIDS Awareness Month

Did you know . . .

Two Americans under the age of 20 become infected with HIV every hour. (Office of national AIDS Policy, 1996)

It is estimated that one in every 500 college students is infected with HIV. (New England Journal of Medicine, 1990, Vol. 323)

As of August 31, 1997, a total of 102,574 AIDS cases were reported in California. (Office of AIDS - Epidemiology Branch)

California accounts for 17 percent of U.S. AIDS cases, ranking second after New York, which has 18.4 percent of total AIDS cases.

For more information about AIDS contact the California HIV/AIDS Hotline at 800/367-AIDS.

Sports News

By *Doug Brown*
Staff Writer

Baseball: For those of you who have missed them, the baseball playoffs have been exciting, with many games being decided in the last at bat. In the National League, the Florida Marlins are engaged with the Atlanta Braves and as of Sunday, had a 3-2 lead in their best of seven series. The Cleveland Indians and Baltimore Orioles are battling it out in the American League and the Indians lead 2-1.

Football: There is only one team in the NFL that has remained unbeaten throughout the first seven weeks of the season--the Denver Broncos. Each Sunday is as unpredictable as the next, with lead changes in every division. The Raiders (2-5) are struggling to keep from being eliminated in one of the toughest divisions. The Rams(2-4) continue their woeful ways being stomped by the 49ers, again.

College football will have another #1 ranked team. Penn State will take over the top spot from

Florida who fell to LSU. UCLA (4-2) continues to deliver heart attacks to their faithful fans as they come from behind to squeak past Oregon 39-31. USC (2-3) continues to struggle after losing miserably to Arizona State.

Basketball: The Lakers started out the preseason 1-1 with an exciting, but expected win over Denver, and a disappointing loss to Phoenix. Shaquille O'Neal has promised to take over the role of leader on a leaderless team ('bout time). If he can get Nick Van Exel and Elden Cambell heads in the game he deserves the MVP just for that. The Clippers had a disappointing off season failing to sign any marquee players. All teams are scrambling to prepare for the beginning of the season on November 1.

Golf: The USA suffered another disappointing loss at the Ryder Cup. The United States youth was no challenge for the more experienced European team as they cruised to an easy win.

Lady Eagles

By *Yesenia Alvarez*
Staff Writer

After a week of dribbling, shooting baskets, running and other various basketball drills, the girl's basketball team is ready to play ball. This year the team includes thirteen girls and a new basketball coach. The girls range from few seniors to many freshmen; Ranelle Fisher (S), Nicolette Keresoma (S), Neomai Taione (S), Carrie Lewis (J), Barbara Ganchingco(J), Anna Schalkwyk (F), Monica Mendez (F), Natalia Souchkoff (F), Elisabeth Garret (F), Claudia Alcaraz (F), Melissa White (F), and Jeanny Kim (F).

Coach Todd Royer is a graduate from La Sierra. He coached the girls' volleyball team at Norte Vista almost seven years ago. "Coaching volleyball was a great experience, also very different because it was the first time I ever worked in a public school. Although it was nothing like an Adventist school, I think it helped me to build stepping stones for the future", explained Coach Royer.

He now teaches physical education at Martin Luther King Intermediate school in San Bernardino. Even though he has not coached since Norte Vista, he has high expectations for the lady Eagles. His number one priority is to have a "fundamentally sound team, and learn to do the fundamentals of basketball correctly." He wants for each girl on the team to "set an expectation for herself and the team. Winning and losing is not a big deal. It's how we function as a team. If we win a couple that will be great," says Coach Royer.

In their efforts to be successful, the team practices in the gym four days a week from 6:30-8:30. Their first game will be against Bethany College at 6 p.m. on November 15 at La Sierra. Perhaps the best word to describe this group of girls and their new coach is, dedicated.

Eagle's Schedule

Home
 Away



Tues., Oct. 14

Life Bible College @ LSU, 7:30

Pacific Christian College @ LSU, 7:00

Wed., Oct. 15

Thurs., Oct. 16

Whittier College @ LSU, 7:30

Fri., Oct. 17

Sat., Oct. 18

Sun., Oct. 19

UC Santa Cruz @ LSU, 7:30

Mon., Oct. 20

Tues., Oct. 21

Pacific Christian @ LSU, 7:30

Wed., Oct. 22

Cal Tech @ Pasadena, 7:30

Thurs., Oct. 23

Fri., Oct. 24

Sat., Oct. 25

Sun., Oct. 26

Westminster College @ LSU, 11:00

Mon., Oct. 27

SPORTS FACTS

Kayaking is a required school subject in Greenland. —source: *The Doings*

At race tracks, the favorite wins fewer than 30 percent of all horse races. —source: *2201 Fascinating Facts*

Catch a Wave

By *Catherine Meese*
Guest Writer

The beauty and the strength of the ocean has always fascinated me.

I was born in Long Beach, CA and basically grew up on the beach. I have been body boarding and body surfing my whole life, but I did not try surfing until I was older.

I have to be honest, it wasn't easy at first. I didn't realize how much upper body strength you had to have until I tried paddling out my first time. I admire short boarders for the fact that it takes longer to get up on a short board and it's harder to balance than on a long board.

But, first of all, I am a long boarder. I'm not a big wave surfer. I love to just kick back and cruise on my

board. So how, you may ask, did I become so interested in surfing? I guess what kept me going was my determination to do it and the fact that I wanted to prove to my friends that girls can surf!

I can understand why a lot of girls feel-intimidated about surfing at first because the majority of people out there are guys. But those feelings

completely fly out the window when you catch your first wave. The greatest

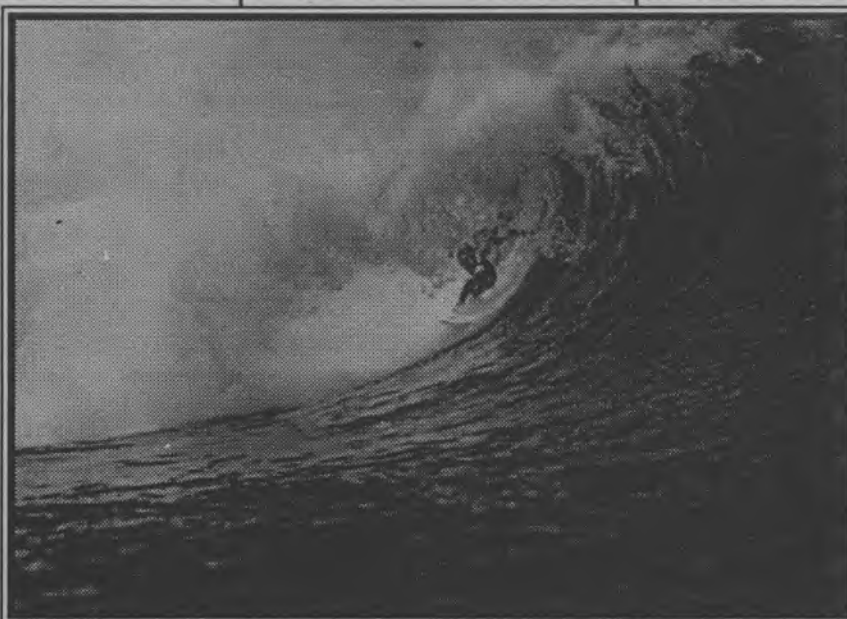
to get wasted.

A lot of people think that girls can't surf because of our lack of strength, but many girls have proven this wrong. It may take us longer to paddle out, but once we are out there we can rip it up just as well!

People surf for many different reasons. Some people surf because it's a hobby, others do it because it is a sport they like,

and others surf for the love of competition. For me, it's a connection between God and I. It's my get away from everything. Surfers have the rare experience of seeing the most beautiful things, such as a school of dolphins swimming right in front of you and the most incredible sunsets you could ever imagine. Those are the reasons why I love to surf.

For those of you who have considered surfing but never tried, I encourage you to experience it for yourself. You won't regret it. Anybody can say that they can surf, but it is up to you to get out there and accept the challenge.



Swoosh

By *Kathy Strawter*
Staff Writer

As many of you know, the men's basketball try-outs have been going on lately. Some have gone by the gym to see how the guys look this year.

Joel Haldeman, an alumnus of La Sierra University, joined the staff in July. He says that the group is shaping up and believes that the team will

do very well. When asked what this team's strongest points are, he was quick to reply, "They are quick, energetic, and are going at all the drills with everything they have."

He also felt that the talent was definitely there and he is excited for this year's season. This team will also be good in laying the ground-

work for next year's team.

Most of the guys that were trying out gave it everything they had. A few even gave to the point that they got sick on the lawn outside! If the men keep up their great attitudes and keep the team work going, they should have a great season.

"We are not tall this year," Haldeman notes, "but

we're looking at three new players: Korey Sykes, a transfer student from Columbia Union College; Mike Paden, coming back after a year's hiatus; and incoming freshman, Matt Adams, who will be on of the team's shooting guards. These players replace several team members from the past who were last because of injuries

or academics. Haldeman predicts that this year's team offers promising groundwork for next year.

Support our men's basketball team this year. The first game is on November 4 against Pacific Christian College at Cal State Fullerton.

Sports Spotlight



Lindsay Daily

Major: Religion
Year: Freshman
Sport: Volleyball
Position: Outside Hitter
History: Won 1st team selection all CIF Athlete of the year '95-'97 (LSA)
Years Playing: 4
Home: Southern California

SPORTS QUOTES

"I hit them off scoreboards. Mark hits them over scoreboards." Seattle's Ken Griffey Jr. on the home run difference between him and Mark McGwire
—*LA Times*

"You throw the ball up—and hope you hit it." Tennis player Greg Rusedski, on the secret of his powerful serve
—*LA Times*

LSU Crime Statistics

	(8/1/86 - 8/31/86)	(8/1/86 - 8/31/87)
MURDER	0	0
ROBBERY	1	0
BURGLARY	5	8
THEFT	34	20
RAPE	0	2
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	8	2
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	9	2

NUMBER OF RECOVERIES FOR THE NOTED CRIMES OCCURRING ON CAMPUS:

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	4	0
THEFT	2	0

THE NUMBER OF ARRESTS FOR THE NOTED CRIMES OCCURRING ON CAMPUS:

LIQUOR LAW VIOLATIONS	3	0
DRUG ABUSE VIOLATIONS	0	0
WEAPONS POSSESSION	0	0
MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT	0	0
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT	3	1
BURGLARY	1	0

Personal Safety

By Security Department

- Trust your instincts.** If you suspect something is wrong, or a situation seems dangerous, you may be right! Do not dismiss suspicious people, cars, or situations; report them to Security immediately.
- Avoid dangerous situations.** Do not invite trouble. Use your best judgment about where you go and what you do.
- Walk to your car with your key in your hand** and look in the vehicle before getting into it to see if anyone is inside. Also, be aware of your surroundings and individuals as you are approaching your vehicle.
- Keep valuables out of sight in the trunk.**
- Lock your car and use locking device(s)** such as a Club, alarm, kill switch, etc. Never leave your car running.
- Be aware of bushes and tight corners you can not see around.**
- Call for an escort** by Security in the evening or walk with a friend and/or friends.
- If someone attempts to rape, assault, or abduct you, follow your instincts.** Attract attention by blowing a whistle or screaming, run, hit, bite, or use self-defense, if you are trained. Do whatever comes naturally and do it immediately!
- Your goal is to escape and survive.** Escaping and surviving an attack are the most important considerations. Keep them in mind as you act and react. Remember each emergency is different and only YOU can decide what action is best.
- If a crime does happen, report it to Security as soon as possible.** Important information to remember is the time of the incident, person's appearance, (height, weight, clothing, scars, hair, etc.), and if a car is involved, its make, color, and especially its license number.

ACRO Upset Over New Club Status

By Evan Graham
Staff Writer

Those involved with ACRO are angry over the administration's decision to change the gymnastic team's status from an academic program to a club, though the administration is concerned about lack of funding for the continuance of ACRO as a part of the curriculum.

The Executive Committee, composed of President Lawrence Geraty and the administrative vice-presidents, voted to accept the recommendation by a review committee created solely to investigate the problems surrounding ACRO, that the gymnastic team continue as a club.

Now ACRO members say they feel almost betrayed by the administration. "It's like they are saying, 'We don't want you anymore,'" says Roger McFarland, ACRO advisor.

The administration, however, claims that its de-

cision was based on monetary concerns. "At no point did anyone say, 'This is not of any value,'" says Adeny Schmidt, vice-president for academic administration and a member of the executive committee. "Many things are good for the university, but there is a problem of where the money should go."

The administration says that no funding exists to continue to support ACRO, since the Fitness Center, which effectively replaced ACRO's gym last year, benefits more students.

Last year, the Department of Health, Exercise Science, and Athletics voted to recommend to the executive committee to abolish ACRO altogether, since the room that furnished ACRO at the time was the only place to install a badly needed Fitness Center. McFarland, however, requested that the executive committee allow ACRO to continue. The

committee agreed, and created a review committee to recommend what should be done to solve the ACRO problem.

ACRO managed to maintain its status as an academic program last year, although the members had to rent a room in Corona, since their space had been replaced by the Fitness Center. McFarland says that the money used for rent last year would have usually gone toward upgrading equipment and helping to pay for ACRO members' travel to various competitions. "But we've survived," he says.

This year McFarland requested that the current horse corral be enclosed for use by ACRO as a gym, but the land development plan approved last year would not allow the corral to exist there. McFarland then requested that the corral be moved, but the executive committee has determined that no funding ex-

ists to pay for this project, which would have cost \$40,000, by McFarland's estimates.

Although ACRO and its individual members have won many national titles, the administration says that it needs to focus on what would benefit the most students. The Fitness Center, it says, has more support from the students.

McFarland feels that the administration has somehow turned its back on ACRO. "The university is obviously not interested in recruiting students for ACRO. The administration wants ACRO gone. Without academic support, we will lose students and national exposure." McFarland also fears that ACRO will not be able to compete this year.

But Schmidt claims the administration never intended to withdraw support for ACRO. "We don't think ACRO is a bad program; it

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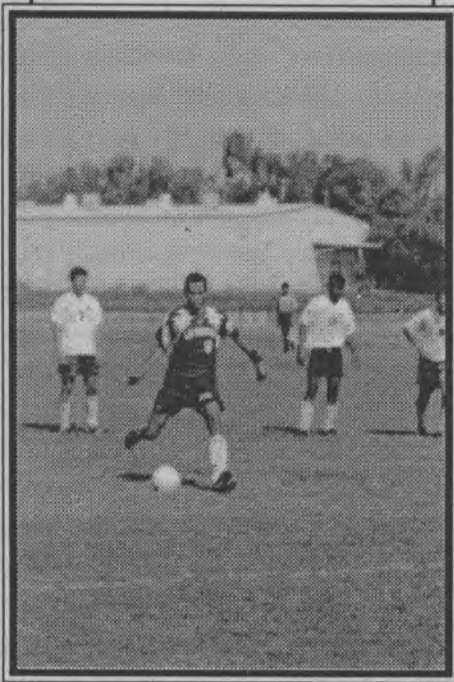
SOCCER?

By *Kathy Strawter*
Staff Writer

Did you know that we have a men's soccer team? I didn't. I have never seen flyers around the school that were advertising the games, I've never heard about the scores of any of the games, I've never even heard people talking about our soccer team. So I decided to do some investigating on our soccer team.

"We have good speed and defense," said forward, Sanjo Adeoye. "We have good guys on the team that have a love of the sport." Adeoye also had praise for his coach, commenting, "The coach is a player's coach. He gets

down on our level and works with us." This is not the first



soccer team Adeoye has played on. He was on his

high school team and he also played for Columbia Union College. Many of the other players are also seasoned players. Jeremy Omes, the left back for the team, played on a league in Columbia, Maryland.

The team's only complaint about the soccer team is that they don't have enough fans coming to their games. "We need support from the fans just like all the other teams do!" Adeoye said. "At the last home game, the other team had more fans here than we did!" The team's current record is 3 wins, 4 losses, and 1 tie.

Sports News

By *Doug Brown*
Sports Writer

Baseball--This season the fall classic has evolved into a winter classic as the Cleveland Indians and Florida Marlins have battled in less than balmy conditions for the World Series Crown. In fact, there were snow drifts in Cleveland's Jacobs Field at the start of Game 4. The Marlins took a three games to two lead by defeating the Indians 8-7 in exciting Game 5 of their best of seven series. The final two games return to Florida where the Marlins have a chance to become the fastest expansion team ever to win a world series.

Football--Both the Rams (2-5) and the Raiders (3-4) have had a disappointing season so far. Although the Raiders are beginning to show signs of life. The Rams offense has been the weak link, scoring above twenty points only once this season. The players have been accused of being timid and lethargic, as stronger teams have pounded them on the line. The Raiders finally played like the team

they are in their recent upset of the previously unbeaten Broncos, 28-25. Star Napoleon Kaufman rushed for 227 yards while drawing comparisons to Bo Jackson. The Raiders hope that the energy can carry over to their next couple of games as they hit the road for Carolina and Seattle.

Basketball--The Chicago Bulls finally came to terms with Dennis Rodman when Michael Jordan convinced him to play. The deal is reported to be worth \$4.5 million dollars with another \$4.5 million in incentives. The Bulls now have all the pieces together to repeat as world champions. The Lakers have had a mediocre preseason going 4-2 looking invincible in some games while unorganized in others. They still have a few games remaining before the season begins on October 31.

Hockey--For those of you who have never been to a hockey game, I strongly urge you to attend one. I had the opportunity to see the Ducks play the Detroit Red

Wings last week. Since it was my first live hockey game, I was unsure of what to expect. Contrary to my preconceptions, the view was good considering we had the worst seats in the stadium. The Ducks ended up getting crushed 4-1, but the overall experience was very exciting. SALSU has another hockey night planned later in the year. They will be selling tickets to a New York Rangers and LA Kings game. If you can come up with the money—it's a lot cheaper than other sports venues—I recommend you experience hockey. It's fast paced combined with a lot of action. And if you love fights, you won't be disappointed.

"Eighty."
--Shaquille O'Neal when asked what percentage of his free-throws he expected to make this season.

Eagle's Schedule

Home
 Away



Tues., Oct. 28	Cal Tech @ LSU, 7:00
Wed., Oct. 29	
Thurs., Oct. 30	Masters College @ LSU, 7:30
Fri., Oct. 31	
Sat., Nov. 1	

WOMEN MEN



Tues., Nov. 4	Pacific Christian @ Fullerton, 8:00
Wed., Nov. 5	
Thurs., Nov. 6	
Fri., Nov. 7	
Sat., Nov. 8	Bethany College @ LSU, 6:00 Bethany College @ LSU, 8:00
Sun., Nov. 9	
Mon., Nov. 10	

How to Write a Better Resume

By Robert Half
 Founder of Robert Half International INC.

A good resume cannot get you a job, but a bad resume can prevent you from getting the interview—and without the interview there's no chance of getting the job.

We believe the best way to explain the new rules of resume writing is to explain what you should *always* do and also what you should *never* do.

ALWAYS

- * Always print your resume on standard letter size, white or ivory rag paper.
- * Always leave plenty of space between paragraphs and allow for adequate margins.
- * Always use conventional English. Stay away from multi-syllable words when a one- or two-syllable word is clearer.
- * Always use short paragraphs—preferably no longer than five lines.
- * Always make sure the resume and the cover letter are error-free. Proofread, and have others proofread too.
- * Always revise a resume to fit the specific position for which you are applying. It's extra work, but may very well pay off.
- * Always include your significant contribution at each one of your jobs.
- * Always allow the most space to the work experience that is most relevant to the position for which you are applying.
- * Always list your activities with professional, trade and civic associations—but only if they are appropriate.
- * Always keep a permanent file of your achievements, no matter how inconsequential they may appear to be. This is the basis for a good resume, and it is also essential information to negotiate a raise or promotion.
- * Always give each of your references a copy of your resume.
- * Always send a brief, customized letter with each resume.
- * Always re-read your resume before every interview—chances are the interviewer did just that too.

NEVER

- * Never give reasons for termination or leaving a job on the resume. In almost all cases, the reader can find negative connotations to even the best reason.
- * Never take more than two lines to list hobbies, sports, and social activities. When in doubt, "leave them out."
- * Never state "References Available on Request." It's assumed, and clutters up the resume. Other things to leave out include your social security number, your spouse's occupation and your personal philosophies.
- * Never list references on the resume.
- * Never use exact dates. Months and years are sufficient.
- * Never include your company phone number unless your immediate boss is aware of your departure.
- * Never include your height, weight or remarks about your physical appearance or health.
- * Never list your high school or grammar school if you are a college graduate.
- * Never state your objectives on your resume unless the resume is targeted to that position or occupation.
- * Never use professional jargon unless you're sure the resume will be read by someone who understand the buzz words.
- * Never use the so-called "action words" like sparked, accelerated and streamlined. They're passé.
- * Never provide salary information on the resume.

World News

By Evan Graham
 Staff Writer

Nanny released by judge

The British au pair convicted in Cambridge, Mass., of second-degree murder for shaking her eight-month-old charge to death, was released by the judge presiding over the trial.

Reducing Louise Woodward's conviction to involuntary manslaughter, Judge Hiller Zober ruled that her sentence should not exceed the time she had already spent in prison. The decision was lauded by British observers, who watched the televised trial in fascination, because TV cameras are not permitted in British courtrooms.

UN condemns Iraq—again

The UN Security Council unanimously voted to condemn Iraq for expelling American arms investigators. Iraqi officials have rejected UN demands to reverse their government's decision to expel the Americans.

Supreme Court lets Prop. 209 stand

Rejecting the appeal by civil-rights groups to overturn Prop. 209, the U.S. Supreme Court allowed the law, approved by California voters last year banning state affirmative action programs, to stand.

Mark Rosenbaum of the American Civil Liberties Union called the decision "A severe and painful disappointment," while Ward Connerly, who chaired the 209 campaign, said that foes of the ballot initiative

"Ought to give up the fight," adding that it was "poisonous" for Californians "to be treating each other based on race."

Off-year election results

Republicans won the gubernatorial posts in New Jersey, Virginia, and the lone congressional seat up for election on Tues., Nov. 4. Houston voters rejected an anti-affirmative action law similar to that of Prop. 209 in California. Oregon voters also posted their seal of approval on an assisted-suicide law which has been upheld by the Supreme Court. The congressional race in New York sought to fill the seat left vacant by former Rep. Susan Molineri, who resigned earlier this year to anchor TV news.

Kenyan woman takes husband to court

In an unprecedented move in a country where women are told to silently submit to their husbands, a Maasai woman has filed suit against her husband for beating her.

After 13 years of abuse, Agnes Siyiankoi, 30, decided to ignore the tradition condoning wife-beating in Kenya. This problem is especially present among the Maasai, a tribe in southern Kenya whose members believe women are property. "If a man does not beat his

wife, he is looked down upon as a weakling," Siyiankoi said. Most women who filed similar charges before in Kenya were pressured by family members to drop their cases.

Inquiry into Clinton impeachment sought

Seventeen Republican representatives have filed a resolution seeking to force the U.S. House of Representatives to investigate whether grounds exist to impeach President Clinton. The lead sponsor of the resolution, Rep. Bob Barr of Georgia, has said that Clinton has been involved in "systematic abuse of office" with his questionable fundraising activities and obstruction of justice.

Man accused of spreading AIDS virus

Health officials revealed that Nushan Williams, 21, who pleaded guilty to selling crack cocaine to an undercover police officer, has knowingly had sex with numerous young women in New York City despite testing positive for HIV.

Officials say that Williams infected nine of at least 28 sex partners, at least six of them knowingly. Authorities said he has also been diagnosed as a schizophrenic.

In Memory cont.

and the United States, Landa pursued many interests "with passions," his friends noted. Vice president Ateny Schmidt named notable extra-class projects spearheaded by Landa: distance learning and degree programs for adults, strategic planning for the university, and an 1844 anniversary lecture series, "Great Disappointment—Greater Hope."

Further tributes came at memorial services for Landa last Sabbath at the Loma Linda University Church, where Landa was an active member.

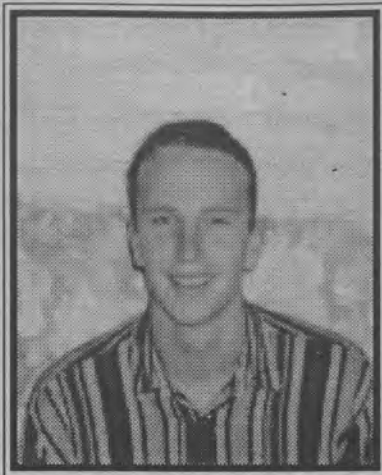


Patty Cabrera and Lilybeth Evardome harmonize in chapel

What Do You Look Forward To At Thanksgiving?



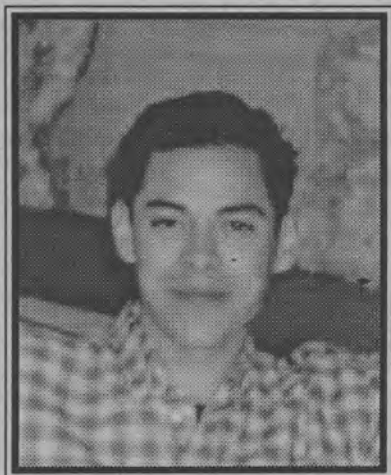
“Having no class.”
—*Alessandra Amor (SO), Health Science*



“Seeing my dog, Charlie.”
—*Kyle Johnson (SO), Undecided*



“The lunch special at Jack in the Box.” —*Jeremy Hunt (JR), History*



“Eating turkey.” —*Irving Vidal (SR), Business Marketing*



“Seeing my family together.”
—*Celeste Stump (FR), Psychology*



“Eating real turkey and no school.” —*Amber Coe (SO), Pre PA*

What Are You Thankful For?



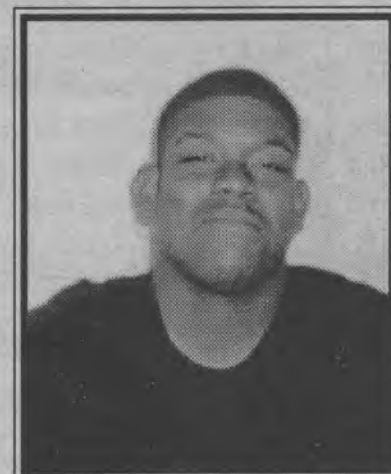
“Good friends.” —*Nathan Hatley (JR), Exercise Science/PMED*



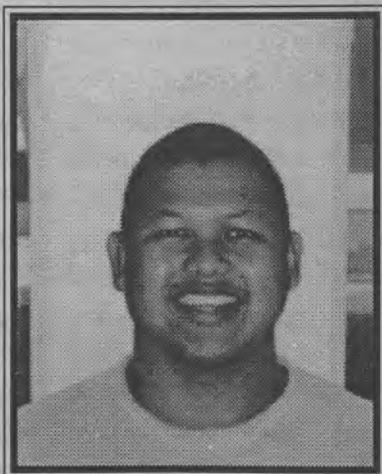
“Friends and lots of food.”
—*Sherry Pitargue (SO), Pre PA*



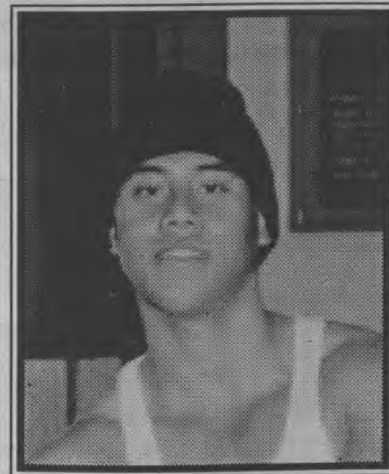
“That I get to eat meat.” —*Jessica Frederick (SO), Biology/PMED*



“My family, friends, and special friends.” —*Jason Warren (FR), International Business*



“That the 49ers have the best record in the NFL right now & that the Broncos lost to the Chiefs.” —*Paul Mendiola (SR), Health Science/PDENT*



“God and all that he has done for me.” —*Mark Garcia (FR), PTA*

Are You A Man Or A Mouse?

By Rasha Abdrabou
Staff Writer

As most of you know, we just had a blood drive last week. Seventy people volunteered their time and blood to help someone. Unfortunately, twenty-eight of the seventy were deferred for various reasons. Some were underweight (you had to weigh at least 110), some were sick, some had vaccinations less than a year ago, and some were foreigners who haven't been here long enough. Of the forty-two who actually gave blood, the majority of them were girls. Yes, girls. Why? Because the guys on this campus were afraid of the needle. What happened

to the male ego? Even though the needle excuse was the most common, there were some who said they need their blood because they don't have enough. Are these people for real? Some even claimed to have AIDS! I mean come on, how low can you go?. What struck me as really funny was that these excuses came from the buffest, most athletic guys. Makes you wonder, doesn't it? So ladies, or I should say members of the stronger sex, before you date that next guy, make sure you ask "Are you a man or a mouse?" (If the answer is mouse, just turn around and run).

Wear the Red Ribbon or Hang From It

This article is absolutely real and accurate. The author is waiting for any student or faculty member who wishes a one on one meeting to call or come forth to share their fear and pain without the worry of discovery. Those who use or have used know. Come to the Chaplain's office #206 or call us at x2081 and we will give you a name and number.

Red ribbons hung on chests secured by little safety pins. People pondered the meaning. Some thought about aids while others who read the posters, flyers and other campus info, knew it stood for anti-drug week. The ones with the graying temples smiled puritan smiles of abstinence. Some of them lied. The young ones just smiled. Perhaps they thought they owned the secret. Few got the joke.

The ribbons were red, and red says stop or does it say hot, or trot, or pot or NOT? Confusion like this will put you right in the same pit as the other millions who are confused about the use of drugs, and just as confused about the ambiguous opposition we all proudly display with the little flecks of red we sport once a year to oppose drug use.

Actually, the red ribbons match the veins in student's eyes as they bulge after a night of fun, freaking and party time. Campus life can't be all work and no play, and the Eagle's nest just won't cut it.

I know where you all hang... the clubs, the bars, the dorms, and I double with laughter at your smugness and writhe with pain from remembering coiling around the cold comode—just like you do. But, remember this--for you, it's child's play. I'm a grown up. I know exactly what you're doing. You're not as good at it as I got—YET. I was a pillar of S.D.A. virtue, a temperance contest first place winner and religious president of my academy. I just said no. Funny thing about red, it was always my favorite color. I wore it the

night of the office Christmas party when I said "why not?"

I remember the little red umbrella in the Harvey Wallbanger, and the color of red wine in a thousand glasses. No, you idiot, I didn't drink them all at once, just a drop at a time.

I remember the red in my cheeks when my dad, a physician, tried to treat me for the flu until my little sister told him I was drunk. I remember the ribbons of red in the reflections of the tears as that hung on his beard.

But Dad, I was just having fun. I needed to get away, to escape the pressure. No problem, yet.

I remember watching my friends dance, strip, screw their lives, their souls and vomit. You know what I mean. Who could miss the morning after and the game of wondering what you did and who you did it with. Who knew someday you would call it "the bomb" and get it right. I remember the bottles of red liquid I consumed and the brown, and the gold, and the white, and the clear, and even the green (mouthwash works when you're desperate.) And I remember the red tranquilizers, and the green ones, and the white antidepressants, and the king of all—Vallium. Freeze dried alcohol, but the drug of choice is always what's available.

I remember the red eyes and noses that ran constantly in groups. Some of it the tire tracks of chemical abuse; some of it the footprints of terror and tears. I remember the red worms that Tom, the corporate president and multi-millionaire, watched with horror as they climbed from his children's eyes during his bout with DTs; and, the red twine that Bob, the bank president, described which the killer had used to strangle his wife and two children. I remember the red hue of Bob's heart as it leaked through his tear ducts when he realized he was the killer. I remember my children's faces when they visited me in the hospital. Their cheeks were com-

pletely devoid of even a blush of red--just an empty white. But like so many, I wasn't ready to give up my comfort, my peace of mind, my escape.

The straight jacket had red fasteners. The ribbons of blood dripped down my wrist, but hey, I'm here aren't I? I partied until I earned the right to sit in rooms with sweaty men and women who were almost dead yet still clung to shredded ribbons of hope. Red tongues told stories that publishers still won't print.

We stuffed the holes in our hearts with red fluid, red pills, and white powder that fades in the blue red veins when injected, or causes red blood in noses that sniff too often. I traveled the road that started with one casual social drink at a party and ended up in the red bowels of hell. What a simple easy beginning, but that's how Satan's strategic planning works.

How did I get back? One day at a time, one baby step at a time I turned my life over to the Higher Power, a power so much greater than myself that for once I didn't have to be afraid. Funny thing fear, it's completely devoid of color. No red at all.

Now, decades have passed and I have seen red sunrises and sunsets, red flowers, red pews where I kneel to pray in silent peace and SERENITY, and red lips as they actually purse to kiss me again. How I missed those little red lips of my babies when they turned to stone. How I treasure the freedom and peace... the red blood from Christ that fills the space where the hole in my heart used to be, and the red in His wings that covers me and keeps away the fear. The love of Christ colored my world with red flowers, red balloons, and red ribbons.

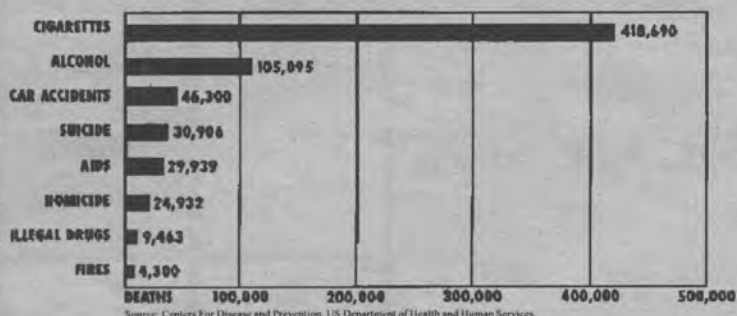
Health Facts

Americans eat 951 Twinkies a minute, enough in 40 years to make a sidewalk to the moon. source: *The Doings*

It is estimated that minimum drinking age laws saved 15,667 lives since 1975. source: *National Highway Traffic Safety Administration*

More beer is drunk in America than milk. source: *The Doings*

Each Year, Cigarettes Kill More Americans Than AIDS, Alcohol, Car Accidents, Fires, Illegal Drugs, Murders, and Suicides Combined.



November 20, 1997

Cleaning Up The Earth

By *Todd Cooper*
Guest Writer

LSU's Earth Awareness Club staged a beach cleanup on November 21 as its first-ever activity. The brainchild of Wendy Walters and Lindy Patterson, the club promotes understanding of how important it is to treat the earth well, according to Lindy.

Organized at the beginning of the school year, the club is run by the following officers: Wendy Walters, president; Lindy Patterson, vice-president; Eva Pascal, financial vice-president; Linn Marie Tonstad, senator; and Julia Uribe and Kerena Horner, PR secretaries. Fifteen students participated in the club's first activity at Bolsa Chica State Beach in Huntington Beach. The club had learned of the need for cleanup through the work of sponsor and Biology Professor Bradford Martin.

"There were thousands of cigarette butts thrown into the marshes," said David Choe, junior biology major. Students got equipment to pick up trash from the Conservancy and spent about an hour and a half cleaning it up. Although

everyone worked hard, there was still a significant amount of trash left at the marshes. Linn Marie Tonstad, sophomore independent major said, "It was really good to do something for the environment and at the same time bond with other La Sierra students."

After cleaning, the group went to Huntington Beach where some of the students ended up in the water. Fortunately there was a bonfire to cook supper and dry the students!!

The club has many other goals for this school year. They are planning more beach cleanups, establishing recycling sites in every building on campus, celebrating Earth Day in April, and conducting Sabbath School outdoors. Keep your eyes peeled or e-mail <wendwalt> for information on upcoming events.

As Patterson says, "We want to educate and teach awareness before anything else. If we can do that, other things will fall into place in due course." As Henry David Thoreau said, "There are thousands hacking at the branches for everyone that strikes at the roots."

SDA Generation X Symposium

By *Connie Galambos*
Staff Writer

On November 18, 1997, Shasta Emery, twelve students, and a brave Dr. Jorgensen piled into a van for an evening road trip to San Diego. From the La Sierra University blue mailbox to the Town & Country Hotel we traveled, in search of the 1997 Seventh-day Adventist Generation X symposium, held evidently in a "Tikki Hut." Yes, school had plenty of urgencies to present: I had a fifteen page paper due the following evening, and Julene was trying to consume a few hundred pages of Darwin by dome light. But we were on a mission: to continue bridging the spiritual and relational gap of the SDA church elders and youth.

By 8:00 P.M. we infiltrated the suit-filled room, and our energy spilled into the hundred or so weary youth leaders from around the world. During the 'Gen X Cafe,' LSU students split off into focus groups of about one student for a handful of youth workers. We discussed needs and desires of 'Generation X' and the collective body of Seventh-day Adventists. More importantly, we gave a glimmer of hope for the church's future.

I was shocked at the response of these spiritual ambassadors: My group consisted of five Sabbath School leaders

from Pleasant Hill, crying and praying in true distress for the young people in their congregation. A mass exodus of youth overwhelmed them, a phenomenon repeating itself visibly in their congregation and others across the country.

But, they were told, all this fluctuation is due to 'Generation X.'

Don't expect too much from teenagers or young adults, we assume. We are beyond hope, in the clutches of a mysterious malady with no cause, no cure, but a plethora of symptoms. Depressed? Listless? Enraged? Embittered? Disillusioned? Misbehaving? Promiscuous? Homosexual? Oh, that's OK. Gen X has a way of doing that to people. And people have an even stronger way of accepting it. Is Gen X really a fashionable repackaging of post-modernist theory, when society fragments and identities are uncertain? Or is it an insufficient overgeneralization attached to a relatively common process of self-discovery in the transition from child to adult?

In terms of Seventh-day Adventism, where does Generation X, theoretically or realistically, fit into the picture? I'm not atheist, agnostic, or apathetic. But at some point after I moved out of

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Faculty Art Show

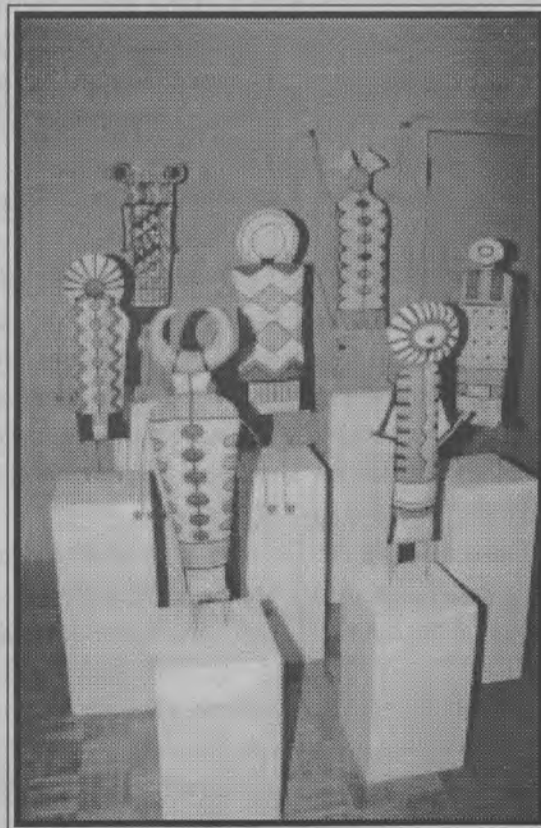
By *Robert Coffee*
Staff Writer

If you're a person who loves texture, design, and color, then you might enjoy the Faculty Art show presently being exhibited up at Brandstater Gallery. The gallery is open Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday in the afternoon from 2-5 p.m. The faculty show

will be on display until December 10, 1997. Although the gallery is small, it is packed with interesting renditions of everyday life. Artists work being displayed include Susan Patt, Stephen Patt, Beatriz Mejia-Krumbein, Richard McMillian, Jan Inman, Craig Deines, and Larry Antil.



Screen Printed Textiles, Susan Patt



Anthropomorphic soft sculptures, Susan Patt

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THE CHAPLAIN'S BOOKSHORTS

By Steve Daily
Guest Writer

"Shrinking The Carpenter's Toolbox"

As I recently read through Samuel Pipim's new book, *Receiving the Word*, I was reminded that the religious spirit generates an over-reliance on tradition. Tradition worships the dead prophets of the past while it ignores or despises the prophetic spirit in the present tense. When John the Baptist and Jesus came preaching and teaching "new wine," that did not fit with the traditional interpretations of the Old Testament that were prevalent in their day. The religious leaders denounced them as deceived deceivers who were demonically deluded. They were sure, absolutely convinced, that they were right and that those with other views were wrong. So they condescendingly condemned those they perceived to be dangerous enemies and demonized them.

Pipim's book struck me with this same judgmental and condescending spirit. Here is a student who seems to know more than his teachers. Here is an Andrews-anointed "scholar" who defines Adventism and the kingdom of God so narrowly that none but his own theological clones may enter in.

In the parable of the wheat and the tares, the servant asked, "Shall we pull up the weeds?" The Master's answer was a very clear "NO! For if you pull up the tares you will also damage the wheat" (Matthew 13:29). Yet Pipim, who prides himself in living by the Word has not only elected to ignore Jesus' command, but to become a full fledged "Theological Orkin Man."

Pipim not only ignores Christ's command to "Judge not" and let the tares grow with the wheat, but he also advocates an ethnocentric view of Adventism that is completely at odds with the spirit of inclusivity that Jesus modeled and taught.

Yet Pipim insists that an openness to God's people in other movements (spiritual ecumenicity), and criticism of Adventism's exclusive claim to being the "Remnant Church" is "revisionism" and part of the liberal agenda leading church members down a path of deception. Again, he offers no Biblical support for this position and fails to address any of the many passages where Jesus and the Bible writers warn against exclusivity and isolationism. Instead, he seems content simply to criticize those who would attempt to take such passages seriously.

Jesus was not just a carpenter by profession, he was a "spiritual carpenter" as well. Here was a man who generally devoted his life to building people up--especially the poor, widow, orphan, stranger, the disenfranchised and the outcast. Here was a man who had a huge "spiritual toolbox," that allowed him to constantly reach out and touch all kinds of "Untouchables" from the perspective of the religious establishment. And the good news is that Jesus is still alive and his toolbox is bigger than ever before. But the kind of reductionistic religion we find in *Receiving the Word*, seems committed to shrinking the carpenter's toolbox to fit a "vision" of Adventism that is both self-centered and self-serving.



Traveling Foreign Lands and Spreading God's Word

By Jodi Cahill
Staff Writer

New Life has been discovered at La Sierra University. These creatures symbolize their organization with a "SMILE" and refer to their command ship as "Homebase." They are known for a certain affinity for traveling in foreign lands and sharing their faith with the people there. They are Student Missionaries.

The group is headed by the redheaded lady who calls herself, Jodi Cahill and the dynamic duo known to some as Ami Tupas and Lilian Han. A similar species has appeared on the campus for years, but a new energy source has brought them to life. What was once a front office for the chaplain's department, has become home to a myriad of students in all shapes and sizes wishing to carry the faith to all corners of the globe. Most of these students come from LSU, but some come from neighboring Loma Linda and as far as UC Davis.

Han and Tupas, are two specimens not to be taken lightly. They have been seen on campus distributing their propaganda,

which when coupled with their enthusiasm, seems to propagate others like them rapidly. Usually the information includes the little "homebase" symbol and information on the adventures and awards awaiting student missionaries. Strangely enough, they seem proud to carry messages of faith and heaven to the world and to recruit others to do likewise. They have coined the phrase that best describes them—"We're promoting an attitude for servitude."

Chaplain Steve Daily said, "We've been praying for something like this to happen on the campus." Daily finds this new life spirit to be contagious. He is "thrilled" with the growth in Student Missions, in spite of his crowded living conditions.

Cahill, Tupas and Han are inviting any and all students to come by Homebase, and check the new Call Book. They feel confident that any student who longs for the adventure, travel and warmth that comes from helping others, can find their answer there.

Student missionaries have grown from four to almost forty in nearly two and a half months. The organization is thrilled with the life generating from their office, as is the General Conference Missions department who are kept busy with all the new applicants from LSU. In honor of our renewed commitment, the first 1998 Call Book was sent to LSU last week, and representatives from the foreign country divisions, are planning visits to a campus that had they had written off as dead.

For those students who would like to experience mission outreach without traveling so far, the SM program will have an outreach which will include churches and schools from two conferences.

Anyone wanting information on the Student Mission program should call ext. #2082 or stop by room #206. This program is open to outside students as well.

Experience Christmas

By Duleep Rodrigo
Staff Writer

Yahoo! It's time for Christmas again! I just love Christmas, and the holiday season. It kind of wraps around you with joy and zest for life. I-guess when I was a kid the most wonderful thing was opening up presents, but Christmas presents were different from regular presents or birthday presents—they had a package of joy and love attached to it in a special way.

I keep hearing that Christmas is the time for giving and sharing. I really did not take the time to understand this 'til now. In giving, we experience true happiness; in loving, we experience the joy of life. But every year I tell myself, I need to do something for someone, to go out and give a gift to a child that has no parents or take the time to talk to someone who needs a little Christmas spirit in their life, to show people that we truly care. Every year I

think about it. I admit, I never have taken the time to do it. But I have realized that thought alone can not make any difference in this world. I need to take action to make a real difference!

I recall a story that my friend told me and here is how it goes . . . There was once a famous writer who would go to the beach every morning to gather his thoughts and think about what he was going to write each day. One day he saw a boy at the beach picking up a starfish washed onto the shore the previous night and throwing it to the sea; then he picked up another one and continued, throwing starfish into the sea. Every morning the boy continued throwing starfish into the deep blue ocean. One day the writer approached the boy and said, "There are so many starfish on the beach, and they get

washed up to the shore every day, don't you realize that you can not save them?" Picking up another starfish the boy said, "Yes, but I am saving this one," and threw it out to the sea.

This Christmas we might not be able to save the world, provide food for all the needy in California or provide shelter to the homeless in Riverside, but there are things that we can do. We can show our love and appreciation to those that come across our lives; we can give a simple gift to a child that no one loves. We can volunteer time and energy in a worthy cause. We can accept people for who they are. I believe it is then that we share in the true joy of Christmas. It is when we love one another that we experience Christmas!

OTC Drugs--Are They Safe?

By Rasha Abdrabou
Staff Writer

This may surprise some of you—I am actually going to talk about different drugs today (I will go back to tobacco, alcohol and caffeine later though, so don't get too excited).

This issue's topic is over the counter drugs (OTC drugs). Almost everybody gets a headache. But not everybody deals with it in the same manner. Some people will sleep it off, some will go to the doctor, others will exercise away a tension headache, and the majority will take Tylenol or Advil. There is nothing wrong with these drugs, if they are taken at the recommended dosages.

Tylenol, for example, contains acetaminophen, which is an analgesic and a fever reducer. Those ingredients make it wonderful, except that overuse of acetaminophen causes serious liver disorders.

Ibuprofen, which is a main ingredient in Advil, also can cause liver damage and gastrointestinal problems (for example:

nausea, stomach pain and cramping).

Aspirin overuse can be adverse as well. Aspirin will increase bleeding time, so if you are a regular aspirin user, you better watch it when you get cut. Aspirin will also increase a number of viruses produced in people suffering from the common cold. This increases your chances of re-infecting yourself.

Weight control drugs are very dangerous if overused. The recommended dose for an appetite suppressant is 75 mg per day. (The FDA is not even sure of the safety of this dose!) Exceeding this dose can result in high blood pressure. The message here folks is that just because a drug is available without a prescription, doesn't mean that you can take it whenever you want and at the dose that is recommended! If you have aches that are persistent, I urge you to seek professional help—go see your doctor. OTCs don't cure the problem, most of the time they only camouflage it. I also urge you to question the ingredients of the drug that you take, whatever it may be.

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year, it's important to take time to think about the real reason for the season, the birth of Jesus Christ our Lord.

One anonymous writer put it like this: "The message of Christmas is that the visible material world is bound to the invisible spiritual world." Another said, "No greater gift has been given than the gift that was sent from heaven" and yet a third has written, "Selfishness makes Christmas a burden: love makes it a delight."

So this year, as we unwrap the presents and feast at the family festival, we should remind ourselves that all of God's creation can rejoice on this day.

Whether we are all alone, at a family reunion, or somewhere in between, we have reason to celebrate the birth of the Lord of lords and King of kings. This is the time of the year we choose to say thank you to God for giving His son to save a planet called "Earth." It is an event that comes each year, to all who believe that a Savior was introduced into the world in the person of Jesus of Nazareth, an individual like no other before or after him. No matter what we have, or lack, this event causes all others to pale.

My wish for you, is that this year the true meaning of the season will fill you to overflowing, and that you experience "Christmas" as a time when we celebrate the birth of our lord and King.

More Than Soup and Crackers

By Luisa Garcia
Staff Writer

Tell me about your Thanksgiving. Did you carve a plump and juicy turkey at the dinner table? Was the table dressed with all the "fixings?" You know, the corn and carrots, the cranberry sauce and mashed potatoes? Did you like the pumpkin pie? Chances are your senses reveled in this festival of culinary art. There is just something about food that makes us happy—that warms our souls. What about those who don't

have this privilege we so often take for granted? The LSU Soup Kitchen is part of the answer, open Friday through Wednesday, from 12-1 p.m. The chaplain's department became aware

of the work the Queen of Angels Church did to alleviate the problem, feeding people in the Riverside area on Thursdays. The Soup Kitchen opens up to take care of the other days, receiving between 25 and 50 people a week.

Most of the volunteers come, not to fulfill community service requirements, but because they just want to help out. Whether it is done to for the sake

of credit or altruism, the student contribution is very important. When volunteers first walk in, they usually help make some sandwiches. The sandwiches are served as people come in, and some are made for them to take out and have as supper. Soup, of course, is also served as part of the meal, and the crackers are on the table. The Soup Kitchen also serves drinks and sometimes candy. A few minutes of your time and a friendly

help out. Cans of soup, sandwich supplies, and any kind of food are always welcome. Remember that you can also contribute by donating unused toys, maybe from younger siblings, or consider taking the time to buy a few inexpensive ones. The Soup Kitchen collects these toys during the holiday season and passes them out to children for whom this may be their only gift.

Richard Arrogante, a sophomore and physical therapy major at LSU, is one of the volunteers at the Soup Kitchen. After helping, he says that "it makes you feel good, even though it's kind of sad."



smile are the only requirements to take part in this project. It is not difficult, you see, to make someone's life a little easier.

Thanksgiving and Christmas meals are planned as special events, and a few extra helping hands are specially appreciated during this time. Seriously think about what you can contribute to the Soup Kitchen even if you cannot go a few blocks down the street to personally

About 30 to 40 students volunteer each week to help prepare and serve the food. Maybe you could be one of them. "You're just happy that you helped," Arrogante concluded.

As you come back to campus and ponder upon who was more greatly stuffed—you or the turkey—also think about those who appreciate a simple bowl of soup.

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worldwide—including a projected quilt drop to Armenia.

Student Mission service will continue to be promoted, teaming with Campus Ministries, the University Studies service learning component, and campus clubs in fostering service learning.

"Teaming up with such interested and interesting person devoted to world service on this campus makes this a great place to be," explains Teel; "trekking literally or figuratively in the footsteps of Fernando and Ana Stahl is a happy challenge, indeed."

Health Facts

As many as 25 percent of children and 30 percent of adults in the United States may be obese.

Source: *Pediatric Review*

Only one state, Illinois, mandates daily physical education for school children K-12. Source:

AANPERD

One out of five teenagers uses marijuana.

Source: *National Clearinghouse on Alcohol and Drug Information*

Eagles Define Prayer Shot

By *Craig Chaya*
Staff Writer

On Saturday, November 29, the La Sierra men's basketball team hosted Occidental College (Oxy) from Los Angeles. On paper, La Sierra matched up in size, but lacked the home crowd support it needed.

The game that ensued can only be described as chaotic. From the start, both teams were lethargic and struggled to put points on the board.

For the first four minutes of play, the Eagles maintained a slow 6-5 lead. The Eagles continued to be plagued by poor passing but were able to keep the intensity on defense that prevented Oxy from establishing supremacy. As the minutes progressed, La Sierra became increasingly sloppy and unable to execute their triangle offense. With 9:08 to play in the half, Oxy surpassed the Eagles, 16-13, and took their first lead of the game to force the Eagles to regroup and establish plays.

Again, the Eagles continued to be prowled on by the Oxy defense which forced more turnovers. With 6:46 left in the half, Oxy capitalized on La Sierra's errors and built their lead to 20-15. Frustrated and looking deflated, the Eagles cleaned up their skills and benefited by a quick surge of 3 pointers by

Michael Paden and Korey Sakes to recapture the lead. For the remainder of the half, the Eagles and Oxy scrambled and scuffled for loose balls.



The Eagles were begging for opportunities and looking to redeem themselves, but missed several times from the



line. At the end of the half, the Eagles and Oxy were tied at 29-29, a rather low scoring half.



Coach Haldeman seemed frustrated with the lack of execution and lackluster defense, and took advantage of the half-

time to motivate his players to be more aggressive in the second half. Coming out of half-time the Eagles looked composed and ready to run all over Oxy.

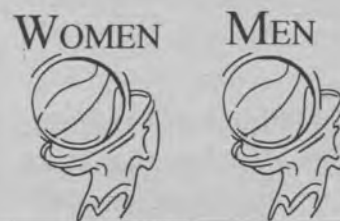
For the next several minutes the Eagles and Oxy seemed to be putting on an exhibition of 3 point shots. Throughout the second half, the score was kept close and neither team was able to push ahead of the other. With the Eagles in the bonus early, the Eagles were able to remain a threat at the line. When it seemed the Eagles were on fire, Oxy was able to rebound back and stay nipping at the Eagles' heels. For the next ten minutes, both teams exchanged buckets and free throws. Finally, with 35 seconds to go in the half, Oxy was able to sink two free throws to bring the score to 62-61. A flurry of turnovers

gave Oxy possession with nine seconds remaining. Oxy quickly took a time-out to try and set up the last shot. At the end of the time-out, Oxy inbounded the ball at half-court and swung the ball around the perimeter trying to wind the clock down as far as possible. With 3 seconds remaining and La Sierra leading 62-61, Oxy found an open man and threw up a three-pointer. The small La Sierra home crowd was aghast as Oxy took the

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Eagle's Schedule

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Wed., Dec. 10

Thurs., Dec. 11

Fri., Dec. 12

Sat., Dec. 13

Sun., Dec. 14

Mon., Dec. 15

University of La Verne @ LSU, 7:30

Southern California College @ LSU, 5:30

Whittier College @ LSU, 7:30

University of La Verne @ La Verne, 7:30

University of Redlands @ Redlands, 7:30

Pacific Christian College @ Fullerton, 6:00

Pamona-Pitzer College @ Claremont, 7:30

University of La Verne @ LSU, 7:30

Pacific Union College @ LSU, 7:30

CSU Hayward @ LSU, 7:30

SPORTS QUOTES

"Nobody climbs mountains for scientific reasons. Science is used to raise money for the expeditions, but you really climb for the hell of it." --Sir Edmund Hillary

"You have to expect things of yourself before you can do them." --Michael Jordan

How NOT to Break Your Back

By *Kris Fritz*
Guest Writer

It hurt. Bad.

One of the few times I had ever gone cliff-jumping in my life was during our senior class trip at Newbury Park Adventist Academy. Every year it's the same. The seniors take off 4 days from school and stay at a lodge near Lake Havasu. We waterski, jet-ski, ride Sea-Doos, go parasailing, eat, eat, eat, and . . . cliff dive!

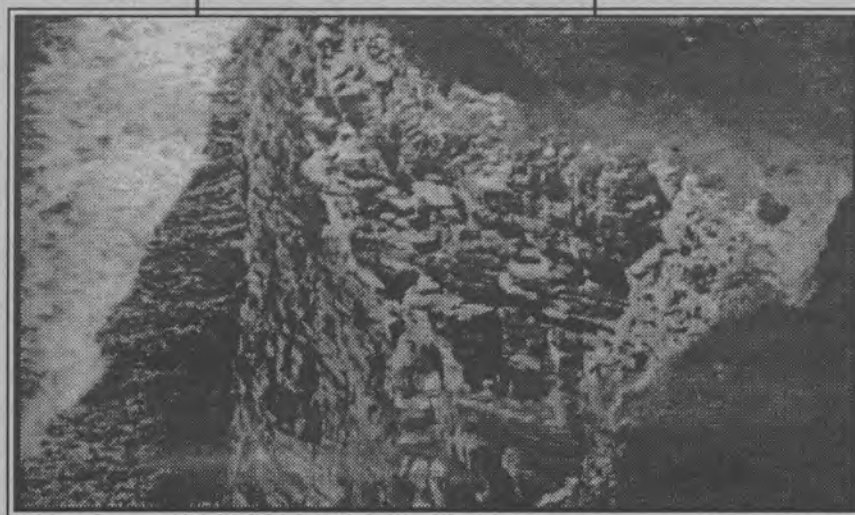
I'd done it before. My dad, brother, and I made annual trips out to Tahoe, Havasu, and other areas of interest. I'd done it all. So I figured, "I'm an expert at this by now, I can hang, no problem."

Our academy principal takes us up the huge rocks that we dive from. Like I said, I'd done this before, but

never at such a great altitude: probably 70 or 80 feet. I have to admit to you now, I wasn't feeling too courageous right then, but I would have never admitted that at the time.

I was the first to go. I guess I made an example of myself to the other "divers," because no one seemed to want to go after me. Here's what happened: I jumped. I didn't jump out far enough. They forgot to tell me about that part. I was lucky I didn't flop off the edges of the rocks. Anyway, not only

did I not jump out far enough, I didn't hit the water straight. I hit at a 40 degree angle. Once I was under the water, I



like this you end up so far down under the water that it takes like years to get back up to the surface. My friends later

told me that they thought I had drowned. When I finally hit the surface, I sat there

floated and groaned . . . well, you get the idea.

I don't know WHY that academy still allows their students to cliff-jump, because someday they are going to run into a serious lawsuit. But that's not the point. The point is, if you want to do something like this, it'd be better for you to start of at a lower altitude and work your way up. That's what I thought I did . . . but there was a big gap in between my "working up," like, oh, about 50 feet's worth. Get good advice from an expert, which would probably be someone who's gone more than 5 or 6 times.

And whatever you do, brace yourself for the unbelievably painful enema that you get when you hit the water.

thought I was dead. After I realized I wasn't, I almost wished I was because my back hurt so bad. Let's see . . . what else . . . oh, yes. I couldn't breathe. When you do things

and floated and groaned and grunted and coughed up water and gasped for air, and floated and groaned and grunted and coughed up water and gasped for air, and

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lead, 64-63. The Eagles quickly called a time-out with only one ephemeral second remaining. Coming out of the time-out, Oxy was playing man coverage and the game seemed to be sealed right then. Oxy would need to do nothing to prevent the Eagles from scoring, since all odds were against the Eagles with only one second left on the clock. Oxy was convinced they had won the game.

After examining the Oxy defense, Coach Haldeman signaled for another Eagle time-out. The time-out only seemed to be delaying the inevitable. Oxy would win because it was impossible and improbable that any team could score in one second. After the second time-out, the Eagles looked poised to accept defeat. With four Eagles lined up on the Oxy free-throw line and Korey Sakes inbounding from full court, the Oxy defense played zone coverage and looked bemused at the unusual Eagle formation.

At the sound of the referee's whistle, all four Eagles went scrambling and splintering in every direction down court. Immediately, Sakes chucked a hail-a-Mary that propelled through the air with an formidable hiss. The

flight of the ball was targeted for a herd of Oxys; scoring seemed preposterous. As the ball whizzed through its downward angle, the crowd waited nervously, for what seemed an eternity. Literally, in a matter of milliseconds the ball somehow was juggled by William Burns and landed in the fateful hands of Jeff Marx, who had struggled to find rhythm throughout the evening. Taking one bounce to get control, Jeff spun around and released a textbook 18 foot turnaround jumper. With the buzzer resonating in the midst, Jeff Marx hit nothing but net!!! La Sierra had won the game 65-64, in the most dramatic and incredible finish. Oxy looked stunned as they had just been robbed of glory. They stood dumbfounded and unable to accept reality. Asked how it rated among his memories, Jeff Marx responded, "It was the best game-winning shot I've ever had."

Jeff was awarded the ball as his teammates mobbed him in congratulation and thanks. Marx added that, although Coach Haldeman was excited for the shot, he was irritated that the Eagles let it get so close. Nonetheless, it was the quintessential fairy tale ending that will remain indelible in the minds of the players and fans.

Dean Guerpo Shows Up Residents

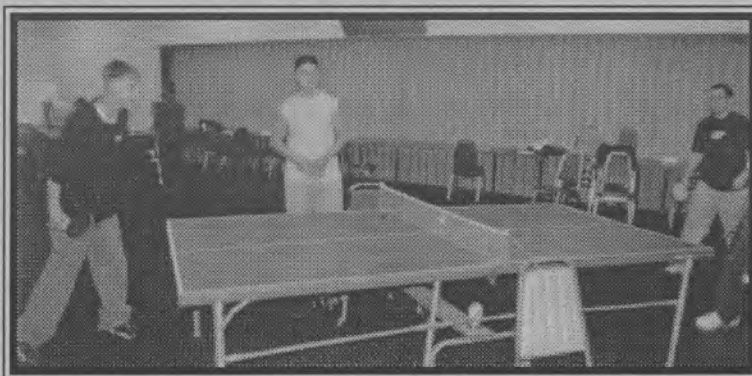
By *Craig Chaya*
Staff Writer

On November 18, Club Towers hosted its first annual ping-pong tournament, free for the residents of Sierra Towers. All players enjoyed complimentary pizza and drink.

At 10 p.m. a horde of residents packed the downstairs fitness center of Towers to commence play. Players were randomly placed in the tournament bracket and played single-elimination games to 11 points. Although players complained about the short duration of the games, many understood it was logical in order to finish the tournament at a decent hour. Quietly establishing himself as the player to beat in one bracket, Dean Henes Guerpo methodically dismantled his opponents. Meanwhile, Gilbert Alvidrez ended players' hopes as he powered his way to the finals. To the crowd's surprise, Dean Guerpo crept into the championship match to face Alvidrez.

Alvidrez, with his power forehand and uncontrollable

spin, was the favored winner. Yet, Dean Guerpo was now well known for his tenacious



Residents hone their skills for Tower's Tournament

defense and his precise placement. The final match would be played to a full length 21 points, giving added play and allowing each player time to adapt. As the crowd amassed to watch, many were making their calls on who would walk away the champion and take home a brand-new paddle and trophy. Many were still commenting that they never knew Dean Guerpo was a good ping-pong player, whereas, Alvidrez was notorious for his aggressive play in the Student Center.

Both players were pushed to play beyond their skill and forced to conjure up dizzying shots. Dean Guerpo, who enjoys wearing down his opponents, struggled to break

ahead of Alvidrez, who took every opportunity to convert. Eventually, Dean Guerpo,

with his impenetrable defense, weakened Alvidrez' tactic, and edged to a close win. Afterwards, Guerpo displayed his trophy with

modest joy and proved he still can compete with the young.

Sports Quote

The longest punt in an NFL game was 98 yards by Steve O'Neal of the New York Jets on September 21, 1969, against the Denver Broncos. Source: Asylum Sports Trivia Archives

Dorms Undergo Temporary Makeover

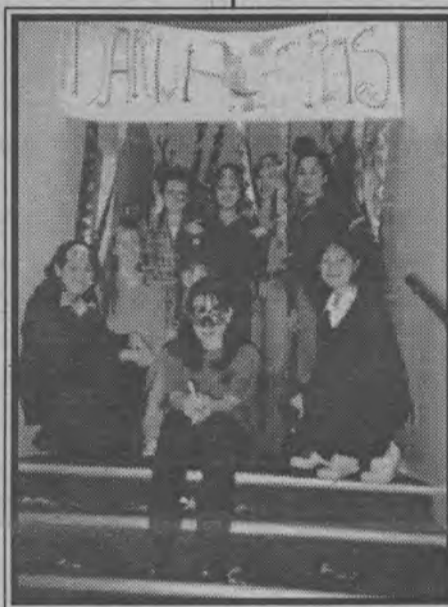
By Natan Vigna
 Staff Writer

Angwin, Gladwyn, and Sierra Towers residence halls opened their doors so visitors could have a chance to experience dorm life on January 20. Gladwyn Hall offered visitors the chance to go for a walk in the park or visit the beach by strolling through decorated halls. In Angwin, each hall was fully decorated. Mardi Gras festivities took over one side of the third floor, complete with confetti, streamers, and party-goers sporting beads and masks. Downstairs, bikinis hanging from doors, beach murals, star fish, beach balls, and even imported sand from the volleyball court made the beach theme obvious. Yet another hall simulated a walk through the jungle by lining the wall with leaves, hanging vines, trees, and even a huge paper elephant.

Glow-in-the-dark flowers, lava lamps, psychedelic lighting, and groovy music made one hall's flashback to the 70's a reality. One wing on the ground floor hosted a Mexican fiesta, complete with music, chips and dip, and a clever sign fashioned from Taco Bell sauce packets. The *Titanic* came alive on the second floor: elegant wrapping paper on the walls, white Christmas lights, a home-made chandelier of lights and plastic cups, and a giant 3-D ice-

berg added to the effect. The *Titanic* theme continued on the other side of the campus at Sierra Towers, where male students were eager to have the campus beauties experience their rooms. Fourth floor residents decorated their lobby with an assortment of antique furniture, pictures from *Titanic*, and the soundtrack playing. The seventh floor's art expo featured art work from its residents. The fifth floor's carnival environment wel-

comed visitors with serpentine, balloons, and streamers. Residents of several rooms tried to make up for the lack of hall decorations by creating themed personal rooms. Rick Marson and Carl Jonard gave away free CK jeans, hair spray, or candy to visitors. Other residents sponsored a "Name Our Fish Contest." Although some students expressed concern over having both male and female open houses on the same night, others thought both were a great success. "Open House '98 was so great I would like to have it next quarter," said Chris Rasmussen. Resident Hall Assistant Duleep Rodrigo agreed, by saying, "It was a very successful event. All who participated had a good time."



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Tenure Policy And Physics Visited

By Rasha Abdrabou
 Staff Writer

As most of you know, there is a lot of tension between the administration and the student body on our campus today. The administration is looking to advance our school and make it a better education institution, but some students feel that these changes are not always in the best interest of the student body. Obvious there is conflict—the school wants a

prestigious reputation and the students are crying—"Don't do it at the expense of our education!" Recently the administration made a decision to reduce the size of the physics department since there are only two physics majors. If the physics major is eliminated, the money saved can be reallocated to other programs. According to Adeny Schmidt, Vice

President of Academic Administration, the school must evaluate which programs are beneficial to the students and which are not. It costs a lot of money to keep a program running for only two majors. Some students feel that without a physics major being offered, the university is lessening the quality of education. However, Schmidt

does not think so since general physics classes will still be offered to the pre-med students, and the school is also planning to continue the pre-engineering program and the bio-physics program. Technically, the only people directly affected by the change are physics majors.

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The Hollow... What's That?

By Ryan Cope
Staff Writer

The question should also read "Who's that?" For those of you who are not acquainted with The Hollow, it is a Christian alternative group consisting of five guys. Three of them go to school right here at La Sierra: Craig Beeson, Dustin Lau, and Nick Hughes. For their last concert on January 24 at the Rock Church in Torrance, they opened up for two other Christian bands, Bon Voyage and Fold Zandura. The Hollow gave the show a flaring start with earthquaking volume. The band lashed out five songs, captivating the miniature audience in attendance. Feeling the excitement of the crowd, The Hollow

easily stole the hearts of the people away from the other two bands!

Here's a little insight on the members themselves:

Craig Beeson: bass guitar, La Sierra University psychology major, has been playing for about five years. "We feel we're doing His ministry. Through music, we're letting people know about our best friend."

Dustin Lau: guitarist/backing vocalist, a psychology major and founder of The Hollow, likes to surf with Craig where they become inspired by the whole beach experience.

"Outcry is the reason we started a Christian band. They changed my life, and it was all through music.



Now hopefully, we can reach people through our music."

Nick Hughes: drummer, a chemistry major, has been play-

ing for about eight years, and previously played in the heavy metal band called Top Hat. "I've got one thing to say about The Hollow; it's a group of talent that God is backing all the way."

Robert Easley: vocalist, taking year off to work, began jamming with Dustin almost four years ago when they first started getting a band together.

Adam Taylor: guitarist, from Loma Linda Academy, played with Dustin when they were

neighbors then got asked to play with The Hollow for a concert and stuck with them ever since.

To hear what The Hollow has to offer, check them out on February 6 in Loma Linda, or February 14 in Escondido. If you don't feel like traveling that far, they'll be showing off their stuff right here on campus on February 10 in the Eagle's Nest for Tuesday Tunes. At any of these concerts feel free to buy one of their groovy CD for \$10.00. Please support The Hollow and their important message. They love seeing their friends at shows having an excellent time.

He Said/She Said

By Amber Coe
Staff Writer

Wondering what to get the guy or girl of your dreams for this upcoming romantic holiday? With Valentine's Day in mind, I mingled with my fellow peers and ever so discreetly asked them, "What can the opposite sex do to make you melt?" I received a wide range of answers, including some unprintable ones. Here are 10 of the most interesting responses from both sexes:

GIRLS

10. A guy who cooks.
9. Playing with her hair.
8. Going anywhere off campus and having the guy pay!
7. A sweet note written on paper with the edges burnt and rolled up like a

scroll asking to go on a horseback ride with a picnic fixed and a massage at the end.

6. Being serenaded (vocal or instrumental).
5. Being spontaneous and original.
4. The way he looks at her.
3. Reading her a poem that he specifically wrote for her.
2. Picnic on the beach with a single rose or wild flower, ending with a kiss on the forehead.

GUYS

10. Food and gazing at each other.
9. Victoria's Secret Vanilla lotion or Liz Claiborne perfume.
8. Getting a lodge up in the mountains, going sledding during the day and dinner

in the evening, then cuddling in front of the fireplace.

7. A good, passionate, sincere kiss (note: doesn't have to be an "in depth" kiss).
6. Romantic setting with a homemade candlelit dinner.
5. Writing him a song and then singing it to him.
4. Watching the sunset at the beach.
3. Seeing her happy.
2. Call out of the blue.

And the #1 response from both sides:

1. Being sincere, doing anything heartfelt.

Stand Up! Be Heard! Wear Yellow?

By Dana Beltz
Guest Writer

A bright yellow flyer announcing a State of the University address and a student senate meeting went to students leaving chapel on January 20. Attached to the flyer was a yellow ribbon. You may have seen some of these ribbons around campus, pinned to a shirt or a backpack. You may not, however, know what they mean.

This year will mark the last for several of La Sierra University's finest instructors who, because of the enforcement of recent revisions in the tenure policy, have been denied tenure and will therefore be terminated at the end of this school year. In a show of support for these teachers whose excellence has touched and improved our lives, several student organizations on campus have mobilized to encourage the rethinking of the tenure

policy that is robbing the school of some of its most talented instructors. One of the simplest ways to show your support is by wearing the yellow ribbon.

Student organizations will be bringing you information on related meetings and events throughout the year. In the meantime, students are encouraged to send letters or e-mail with their concerns to the president and vice presidents of the university as well as members of the university board. Support the teachers who have given so much of themselves to the school, and more importantly, to every student here. To bring about change, students *must* be heard—and two thousand silent yellow ribbons can be deafening.

"Read It, Dagnabbit!"

By Leslie Camacho and his unholy sidekick Roger Rustad

Guest Writers

As seniors, we shouldn't give a d——. But we do. That's how this article ends, now let's examine the beginning.

High School, Senior Year - Accomplished Seniors "settle" for Lousy Area College

We didn't leave high school; we conquered it. We worked the system, and worked it well. Our egos were bloated, we understood the world, and we knew it all. The plan was put up with Lousy Area, finish our generals, and move on to a bigger and better pagan school. And with this mindset, we entered La Sierra University in the fall of 1994.

LSU, the Lesser Classman Years - "Hey! Leggo my Ego" or Pop goes the ego

... but Monte Andress wouldn't let the darn thing go.

He introduced a system of thinking about community and responsibility that we couldn't "work" around. Our way of thinking had been challenged and, for the time, no flippant remark satisfied our conditioned cynicism. And that was the beginning of our university experience.

Dr. Tommy Kofoed was our first experience with a completely honest and open classroom environment, where no questions were taboo. He taught us that the word "adult" wasn't just something printed on a *Playboy* magazine. "Adult" became a responsibility to oneself and to the community.

LSU, Junior Year - Clash of the Egos or "Sorry, Dr. Laue; won't happen again."

We'd actually met Dr. Judy Laue the previous year, but it took us a year to acclimate (i.e., grow up). You see, Dr. Laue isn't afraid

to tell students when they're wrong and it took our bruised egos a year realize that's a great thing. As members of the Honors program and residents of the Honors Dorm, we have had a very full "Laue Experience" and are better people because of it. There is no Honors experience without Dr. Laue. She is the Prime Mover (for you Schoepflin survivors).

LSU, Senior Year - Egos with a Degree or Proud Graduates of La Sierra University

Newsflash! Two seniors find cure for deadly LSU strain of Senioritis (*maxius lazius buttus*). The cure, you ask? An Asmovian physicist teaching a literature class. Of course, physics is being cut, but that's a whole 'nother mass of neutrinos in an unstable Bajorn Wormhole.

The Last but One Concluding Thought - Egowars - A New Hope?

Hmmm... we haven't men-

tioned tenure yet. Here's our quick take. We are very skeptical of any policy that results in the loss or potential loss of Dr. Laue, Monte Andress, and Tom Kofoed because they are core to the La Sierra University experience. We trust that the tenure committee made a fair decision based on the current policy, but perhaps it's the policy that needs to be changed. We, as a student body, have been misdirecting our concerns toward the tenure committee, when we should be striving to change the policy they are forced to enforce. The tenure policy should ensure that the core of a La Sierra University experience remains for future generations. This experience is what separates us from a high standing "pagan" university, a separation that justifies the tens of thousands of dollars (and bad cafeteria food) it takes to complete a 4-year degree.

The Last Concluding

thoughts - Make your Ego heard

Our Cheesy Challenge: Students are not in the position to make the decision of who gets tenure, but we are more than qualified to assess the quality of our experience. If we can change only one thing in this whole tenure process, let's change the way our voice is heard. Those student evaluation forms are c—p and we all know they don't accurately reflect our voice. Show your pride in this school. Take the time, the energy, initiative, and effort to show that you give a d—— about the people who have helped make you who you are. Send your comments to:

LSUinsider@yahoo.com or visit <http://ds5.lasierra.edu/leslie/lisu.htm> to make your ego heard. We'll make sure the right people get it.

Physics Department Jeopardized

By Ryan Watkins

Guest Writer

As most students know by now, the university has been financially motivated to downgrade and eliminate some of the programs offered on campus. One of the departments that has been seriously affected by this is the physics department. The physics major has been discontinued, but there will still be general physics, physics labs, and a few other service courses to accommodate pre-professional students. Dr. Burdick, a well-known physics professor with serious potential for bringing recognition to this university, has had his contract discontinued. Mr.

Bobst's position is also threatened.

I would just like to offer a few reasons why this weakening of the physics department in order to balance the budget is a bad decision for this university. These cut-backs were rationalized by the facts that there is limited student interest in the physics major. However, this rationalization does not come close to balancing the negative effects of the actions being taken by the university. The administration has made a grave mistake in downgrading the physics department for three obvious reasons.

For one, eliminating the physics major and cutting down

the number of faculty weakens the university's science department. Any well-versed student of science understands the significance of this loss. Without strong faculty to guide and inspire students, there is little opportunity for good research. By weakening the department, the university is detracting serious science students from considering La Sierra University.

Secondly, the way some of the faculty members have been treated by the university is disturbing. Dr. Burdick has serious potential for bringing recognition to the science department of this university. He has been published twenty-seven times in notable sci-

ence journals, and he recently represented La Sierra University and the United States of America by giving a seminar at the International Physics Convention in France this past summer. But now, due to financial problems, his contract has been terminated. A private institution survives on loyalty. If the university is not loyal to its faculty how can it ever expect to grow? What a discouraging message this sends to other young professors and Ph.D.s who might consider joining the faculty bringing the university to a higher level of academic excellence.

Thirdly, the actions of the university to downgrade the physics

department for financial reasons will be counter-productive. How much money is being saved? If two faculty members are eliminated, the university is saving only \$100,000 a year. Tuition-wise, this is only seven students. Say a few students get mad and decide to go somewhere else. Then some disheartened students don't necessarily leave but voice their negative opinions about the situation to their younger brothers or sisters, indirectly influencing them to go somewhere else. And finally there are the science students looking for a school with a

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Festival of Nations Highlights Diversity

By Trent Loveless
 Staff Writer

Once again, La Sierra University continues to uphold its self-induced reputation as an thriving center for ethnic diversity. The University's annual Festival of Nations event on Saturday, February 8 drew upon the cultural roots of many of LSU's student body and shared them with the rest of the community. From the Far East, the Middle East, and other cultures closer to home, the festival brought students and community together and gave them the opportunity to learn from each other.

The Festival of Nations exposed the students and the community to a variety of cultures and

mouthwatering food. Those who attended were not only bombarded by the smell of spices that perme-

ated the air, but also exposed to various types of music, and dress that are not commonly encountered in everyday Southern California living.



From snowboarding and hockey, earth awareness to education, vast amounts of La Sierra's student culture and hobbies were represented under the small roof of the pavilion. While the Festival gave the respective clubs on campus a chance to raise funds

by selling food and other items pertinent to their clubs, it also served to educate the surrounding community. Those who attended saw first-hand what LSU has to offer besides an expensive education program.

For many clubs, it was a chance to stand up and be noticed. Clubs that had missed the annual Club Rush earlier in the year, or had not promoted themselves as much among the student body finally made themselves known. The participation of student clubs, staff, and community demonstrated that La Sierra is more than a place where you can receive an education.

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SALSU Wants You To Do HUGS, Not Drugs

By Mark Harris
 Guest Writer

Earlier this month SALSU hosted its first annual HUGS Banquet. I like hugs just as much as the next girl, but these HUGS stand for Helping Undergraduates Socialize. Over the prior month students filled out a quirky questionnaire on-line. The questions ranged from "What is the most romantic spot on campus?" to "When kissing, you (A) keep your eyes open (B) keep them closed (C) occasionally peek (D) doesn't matter, thinking

about the next step." Before Valentine's Day all the participants had a chance to purchase their compatibility lists. Since so many people received compatibility lists, most people had an easy time finding a date for the banquet. Students even got a 50% discount for bringing somebody from their lists.



Students arrived typically late to the Student Center, decorated like none had seen it before—at least since last banquet. As everybody enjoyed the homemade Greek food, a magician strolled from table to table amazing all with his slight of hand. During dinner, a couple of students won See's candy, Best

Buy gift certificates, and one lucky couple won a pair of tickets to Disneyland. Marc Moran, a freshman English major, said of the banquet, "I enjoyed the plethora of enticing events." Rosemary Chung recited a poem to describe her experience, "It's a wonder what hugs can do. A hug can cheer you when you're blue. So did the HUGS banquet."

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Facts About Tenure

By *Rasha Abdrabou*
Staff Writer

The tenure policy was formulated by faculty. According to Dr. Schmidt, these policies were set by the faculty members to motivate each other to continue a high level of academic performance. According to Dr. Geraty and Dr. Schmidt, the tenure issue is a faculty one, not an administrative one. Both of them agree that it is something good and ultimately beneficial to the students. If professors look good, then we as students look good—to grad schools, prospective employers, etc.

The tenure policy guaran-

tees excellent professors by evaluating them in three areas: teaching, service, and scholarship. The faculty sets its criteria that must be met in order for a teacher to be granted tenure. This insures that staff keep current within their field of expertise, and this knowledge is then passed on to the students.

However, some kinks still need to be worked out. For example, Dr. Kofoed has been teaching here for eleven years. He applied for tenure and was denied. According to the tenure guidelines, applicants must have published two articles or done two presentations within the past three

years. Dr. Kofoed has done one presentation and has another one scheduled for April. However, because he applied for tenure on October 21, April is too late. So although Dr. Kofoed received the two highest teaching awards that La Sierra University offers (the Anderson and Zapara awards), his contract was not renewed.

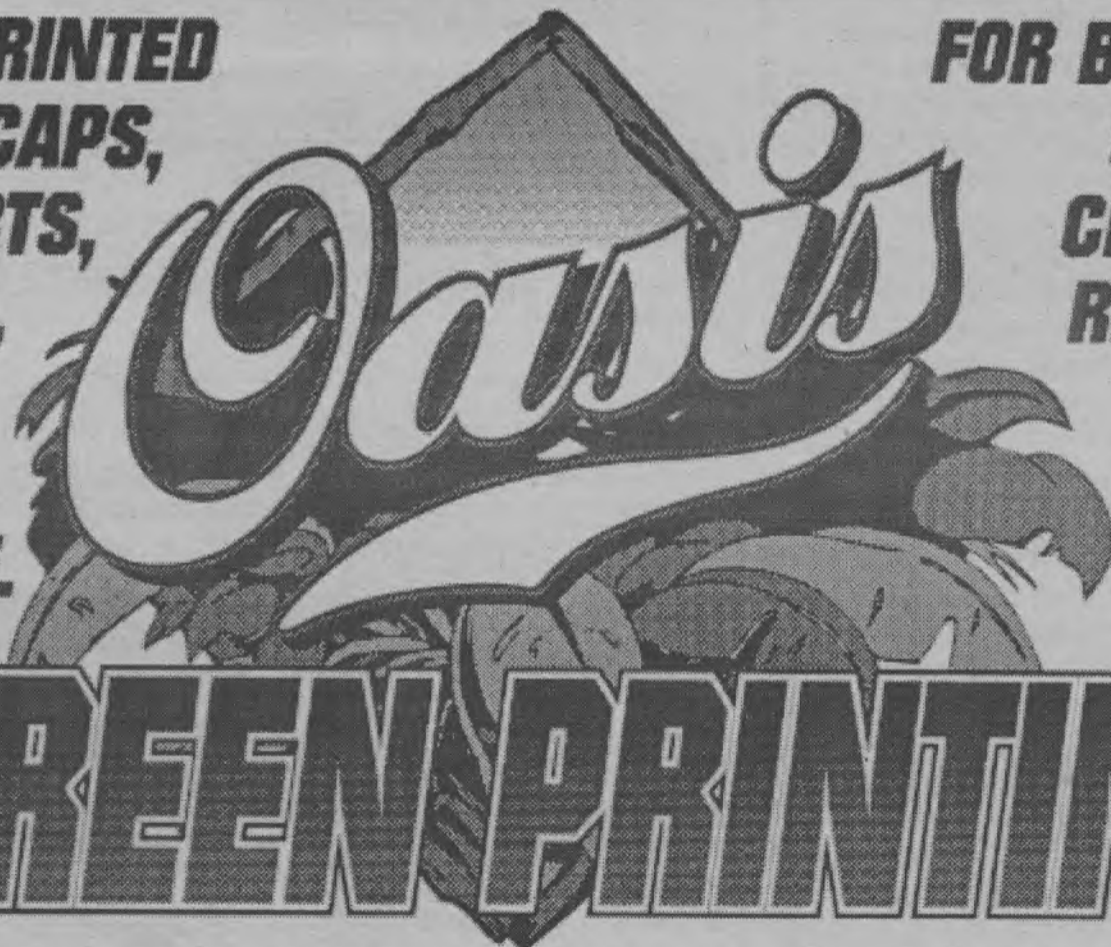
So while tenure is ultimately beneficial to both students and faculty, it may also have its downside, and revisions should be made so as to avoid confusion and the unfortunate loss of any other valuable faculty members.

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7:30 PM: Women's Basketball vs. Life Bible College @ LSU	23	Chapel: Henry Felder 6p Residence Halls Seminars: Women's Issues-Ang Chapel; Men's Issues-MEI 7:30p Women's Basketball vs. U of La Verne @ La Verne 7:30p Men's Basketball vs. Life Bible College @ LSU Tuesday Tunes, EN	7-8p Revelation Study Series @ SVC	Assembly: SALSU Elections 26 National University Experience	Sunset: 5:44 PM 27	28	
1	Last day to submit S/U petition or withdraw with "W"	Chapel: Fred Self Tuesday Tunes, EN 3 Registration for Spring Quarter	5-6:30p "Passport to Your Future," MEI 4	10-12p Salsu Surprise Soiree 5	Sunset: 5:50 PM 7:30-10p Observatory open 6	"Por Amor a Mi Tierra" (see pg. 11 for info) 7	
8	9	Chapel: Kit Watts Tuesday Tunes, EN 10 Registration Cont.	11	6p 75th Anniversary Gala, Raincross Square 12 Alumni Homecoming	Sunset: 5:56 PM 7:30p Wind Ensemble Vespers, LSUC 13	4p Choral Reunion Concert, LSUC 6-8p Alumni Center Open House 8p 40th Annual Concerto Concert, HMA 14	
3-5p Alumni Art Show Reception 9:30a 29th Annual Physics Symposium, SFH Alumni Cont.	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
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Tree Planted with Service Spirit

By Felipe Vielman
 Guest Writer

"March," we were reminded by Dr. Geraty, "is a celebration to women's history month" It has also been named "Tree Planting Month," by the Riverside Chamber of Commerce. With these two important attributes in mind, members of the La Sierra University community gathered in the front lawn of South Hall on March 2 to celebrate an active member in our community by planting a tree that was donated by the Greater Riverside Chamber of Commerce.

Marge von Pohle, who has resided in the La Sierra University community since first moving here in 1951, was honored by having an Aptos Blue variety of Sequoia Sempervirens Red-

wood planted upon our campus grounds. In response to

found itself, and had a long history for being productive.

positive role model of community service we have here in our midst, the same spirit of service which we are trying to inspire within the students of our campus. While at times it might seem tedious and mere busy work, simple acts of kindness and service can make a difference in people's lives. Seeing Mrs. Von Pohle and her activity within the realm of community service simply reminded me of why service is so important: in order to see the happy and satisfied faces of the people that we live with.



why the chamber had chosen this particular tree, one of the members stated that just like Mrs. Von Pohle, this tree was one that lived long, graced the surrounding in which it

As I stood there listening to the long list of achievements which Mrs. Von Pohle has been involved in during her first eighty years of life, I thought of what a

Students Take a Study Break Skate

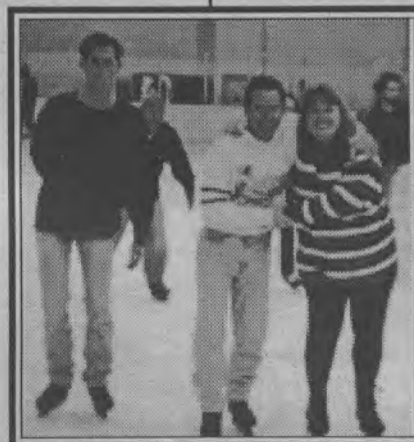
By Jennie Wong
 Editor-in-Chief

One dollar may not be worth much in today's economy, but on February 26, four quarters was all it took for La Sierra students to enjoy a Student Life sponsored study break.

After a grueling day of school and work, savvy students bundled up and headed to Ice Town, where they flashed their student IDs and then were able to don rented skates for only a buck.

Some people flew over

the ice with practiced precision; others clung to the walls or friends for support. But while skilled skaters strutted their stuff and novices concentrated on making as little bodily contact with the ice as pos-



sible, music blared, and stressed-out students started to relax.

However, this activity was more than fun; it can also be considered a learning experience. Some unlucky skaters gained first-

hand knowledge of the physics of collisions. A few other students experimented with psychology by skating the opposite direction, eventually causing everyone in the rink to switch directions.

After a few hours of skating and several spills, most students returned home a little cold, sore, and tired, but grateful for the chance to relish a few fun-filled hours away from their studies.

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pastel, charcoal, oil paints, and through Adobe photoshop, come across at once as both bright and dark. The highlights given by the pastel colors fail to conceal what is held back within the charcoal bases of these drawings. The turbulent humanity held by each sitter is hinted at, then immediately covered up. The softest of these drawings are of his wife, Jenny. She gazes to the side, her smooth skin glowing, dark hair falling over her shoulders. The other woman portrayed, Denise, stares with large, round eyes. Her mouth half-way opens to speak, but words never exit. If they do escape, they are inaudible. The rest of Lee's portraits are of men, men of whom only two appear to meet the viewer's gaze. The faces that Lee recreates never look you in the eye. They stare out at every direction from the wall, but never meet the eyes of the viewer. Lee's subjects are tired; their eyes have bags; their flesh is worn out. They seem half-alive, half-dead. The thick strikes of bright or angry-red paint in his paintings aim to conceal the green deterioration of the green

underpaintings. Lee's people seem fresh on the outside, but underneath, their crispness is wearing out.

One of the portraits is of fellow exhibitor John Williams, who taught art courses at LSU throughout the year 1993. He also attended classes here in the mid-eighties. His pieces are dark but colorful, painted in smooth brushstrokes of acrylic on canvasboard. His choice of subject matter includes stress, hatred, and overwhelming fear. Williams' work often features his wife, Lizette. She is the model for five of his paintings. On Lizette's face and body, he plays out his artistic fears and visions. Lizette is a symbol; she is never just pleasantly sitting still. Even in "Laodicea, a Study" where she appears serene, she is eyeless and stares blankly at the viewer through white ovals of paint. In a piece titled "Untitled," Lizette emerges content from skin torn apart across her face, her former eyes and mouth sewn together. She seems to have broken out of herself. Entrapment, blindness and ignorance seem to

be common themes in William's work. In "The Believer and Pollution of Racism," Williams confronts us with the belief that racism is a two-way street, perpetuated both by those who discriminate, and those who expect to be discriminated against. The only way to protect ourselves from either is to protect ourselves from both.

William's work seems to have created a stir among many LSU art majors. Marlon Abreu, Senior Art Major, finds William's art "controversial. It's nice to see that LSU graduates move on to create powerful work."

Recognizing the power of artwork created by LSU alumni inspires and encourages current art majors at La Sierra University. Seeing the art that emerges from someone who studied, and may have experienced a similar subculture as themselves, gives LSU art students a push to create powerful pieces themselves and become successful in their chosen field. "The Art Alumni Show shows me that graduating from La Sierra gets us out into the pro-

fessional world," states Marlon Abreu. Rob Holland agrees, "Seeing the of Jeff McFarland (a package designer) gives me hope. I know that he did well at freelancing and got into a good company with the skills he learned at LSU." It is precisely this encouragement that convinced Susan Patt that the Art Alumni show needs to become a regular event at La Sierra. She sees the show as a starting point for beginning an on-going dialogue between alumni and current art majors. "Forms of interaction between alumni and students needs to continue," she says. "The information they have to share with each other is important. It is exciting for us to see graduates of LSU active in their field, producing good work."

This interaction will continue on March 15, when Kevin Lee and David Hall speak to art majors and other guests immediately after the Alumni Exhibit's closing reception. They will discuss the difficult business of "making it" as an artist, as well as share in new techniques for art making us-

ing the computer as a fine art tool. This presentation will conclude a number of presentations hosted by the Jr/Sr Art Seminar class this quarter. Past speakers this quarter include Dr. Daniel Aldana, former Art/Pre-Medicine major who's artistic activity helped him win a place at Yale Medical School, Jeff McFarland, a successful package designer, and Terrill Thomas, a free-lance graphic designer who works out of his home.

Their artwork, along with the artwork of their peers, is on exhibit at the Roy and Frances Brandstater Gallery at the Visual Art Center through March 15. The closing reception is scheduled for 3-5 pm that afternoon, the Sunday of Alumni Homecoming. Gallery hours are 10 am-4 pm Monday through Thursday and 2-5 pm on Sundays. For more information, please contact the gallery at X2959. The next artwork to appear in the gallery is that of current LSU art majors.



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Operation: Create Change

By *Christina Walters*
Guest Writer

How much power do students have? A heckoalot.

Underneath my photo on the ballot I wrote "elect innovative senators and expect the changes you've been waiting for." Do La Sierra students realize their power? President Geraty called a town hall meeting on the tenure policy a few weeks ago. As a result, senate considered reform proposals. Thus La Sierra University proves how responsive faculty is to opinionated students. But that's not all!

Currently, seniors fundraise to contribute a nice gate, either "a gate or a fountain" to La Sierra. Milap Norwangi, a senior biochemistry major, says they want to create a legacy for La Sierra. Legacy. Is that what

it's all about? Something to come back to on our 50th reunion and say, "We put that there." It may sound silly, but that sort of satisfaction is the greatest in the world.

In eighth grade, I experienced the satisfaction of improving my school. The 400 quad bathroom had no mirror. Without a mirror, two Hispanic girls, 140lbs, and 185lbs, applied their liquid eyeliner with only the tiny mirrors in their compacts. Their makeup was all over their eyelids. I stood behind them in the lunch line and told them what I was thinking: "It looks like the Cheshire Cat gave you a black eye." Insulted, the Hispanic girl with navy blue eyelids spun around. Her round face blocked out all peripheral vision. Her nose

touched mine and I got a good look at her eye. The eyeliner looked like bite marks. The 185-pound eighth grader pounded her fist into my mouth. My tush hit the concrete, hard. I rallied myself and ran for the bathroom. The 400 quad bathroom. Hiding in the stall, I balanced on the toilet and crouched behind the door. I heard her follow me in. She checked under every stall. The footsteps slowed, then stopped. Finally, she gave up and left. When the coast was clear, I emerged from the stall to assess the damage to my bloody mouth. There was no mirror. My damaged lip poured blood onto my hand, but there was no mirror to see myself in. Right then and there I resolved to petition a mirror in the 400 quad bathroom. I

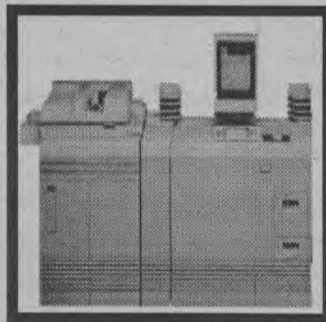
brought it to the meeting. I'll spare you the details, but, within a month, a mirror hung in that bathroom. It was the best mirror on campus. I returned to El Roble for open house just last year, and did the final female face and teeth check in that 400 quad bathroom. It was then that I realized what an important thing I had done for my school.

It sounds really cheesy now, but when I looked at that mirror I felt like I had just tagged my name on the Empire State Building. I left my mark and so can you. The satisfaction of making changes in our university starts with someone's idea. No matter how small or trivial your gripe may be, drop senate a line. Tell us how you feel. Personally, I've only heard complaints about the cafeteria

food, though I am sure there are more complaints out there. Don't worry about overburdening us. Senate can take care of more than one thing at once. And never underestimate our power.

So what goes on in senate? So far, we haven't done a whole lot other than learn the parliamentary procedure and talk tenure. To do more in the future, we need your input. Do any of you realize how much we appreciate ideas? Don't just complain to your buddies; complain to senators so we can work on solutions. Don't wallow like pigs in the mud; run for the showers. Make a difference; voice your opinions to your senators!

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schedules to teach the classes as they do now.

Another factor that should be improved is communication with the students by the administration. I was informed by Ron Williams that all of the CORE classes, with the exception of maybe the religion ones, are transferable to other schools. When students first arrive, they should be told this. Since all freshmen are required to take CORE 101, this could be explained to them then. By reading the surveys, I discovered that the students do not understand how their units could transfer. If they know that the classes are transferable, then they might be more willing to take them.

Communication with the students by their CORE teachers is also important. On the first day of class, the teachers should have a planned, uniform way of grading and form

for the class in general. The syllabus should be clear and the students should know what is expected of them. By doing this, they can eliminate much of the students' confusion. The teachers can also improve the class by having each teacher read the students' papers and assignments to provide a consensus grade. While this may take more time, it ensures the students that they are all being treated equally in the class.

The La Sierra University faculty members are trying update the style of general education. However, by doing this, they have made a lot of students upset. By listening to the students and making a few alterations to the new CORE program, La Sierra University can make the students, faculty, and administration a lot happier.

MARCH-APRIL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
8	9	Chapel: Kit Watts Tuesday Tunes, EN	11	Assembly: 11 a.m. 6p 75th Anniversary Gala, Raincross Square Alumni Homecoming	Sunset: 5:56 PM 7:30p Wind Ensemble Vespers, LSUC	4p Choral Reunion Concert, LSUC 6-8p Alumni Center Open House 8p 40th Annual Concerto Concert, HMA
15	16	17	18	WINTER QUARTER ENDS!!!!!!	Sunset: 6:01 PM Financial clearance deadline	21
3-5p Alumni Art Show Reception 9:30a 29th Annual Physics Symposium, SFH	Registration for Spring Quarter					
Alumni Cont.	Final Exams Registration Cont.				Spring Recess	
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
Classes begin Late registration fee begins Spring Recess	Chapel: Pastor Anthony Boger Tuesday Tunes:	Assembly: 11 a.m.		Sunset: 6:11 PM 7:30-10p Observatory open		National University Experience
Daylight Savings Time begins: jump clocks forward an hour @ 2:00 a.m. N. U. E.	Student Art Show opens @ BG 5:30-7p Student show reception Last day to enter a course, change audit/credit	Chapel: LSU Octet Tuesday Tunes:	5-6:30p "Passport to Your Future" @ MEI	8	9	10
				La Sierra Livelier	Sunset: 7:17 PM 5:30p Dinner Theater	Resurrection Pageant Godfest - LSU 5p Church on the Mall

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A Letter from Dr. Jorgensen

Approximately two years ago, I wrote a letter to the editor of the *Criterion* explaining the reasons why the group calling itself Sigma Alpha Theta was banned from La Sierra University. Furthermore, it was plainly communicated that anyone who continued to perpetuate this group faced dismissal from the university. At that time, I reiterated the university's position that the group members had every right to reorganize as another organization based on the positive aspects of Sigma Alpha Theta. (The most positive aspect was the support for students from other cultures in adjusting to college.) Inquiries were made

by a couple of the group's members, but nothing concrete ever resulted. It was clearly communicated that what this new group needed to do was 1) submit a constitution which met university policies, 2) submit the name of a faculty/staff sponsor, and 3) cease using a "Greek" name. These requirements were never seriously pursued.

It has become evident that this group has not ceased to exist as requested; hence consequences are in order based on the previous warning. The Student Life Discipline Committee (made up of 4 students and 4 faculty/staff persons) met two weeks ago to decide on the consequences for students found to be participating in Sigma Alpha Theta activities. As warned two years ago, those involved as members/

leaders who perpetuated this group have been dismissed. Those who were present at LSU in 1996, but who were not members of the group at the time the *Criterion* article was published, have been suspended from LSU for one week and placed on critical citizenship probation. Individuals who joined LSU within the past two years have been warned of severe consequences if they continue to participate in Sigma Alpha Theta activities.

What are the reasons for LSU dealing so severely with a group such as Sigma Alpha Theta?

1. The groups has never been approved as a legitimate campus organization.
2. The group has never worked, in good faith,

toward reorganization as a new club.

3. The group has insisted on not allowing open membership.
4. The group has insisted on remaining highly secretive, which has created the perception that members were not operating within the value system of the university community.
5. Induction requirements have included elements of hazing, but due to the secrecy of the group, the univesity has never been able to fully grasp the nature of these activities. When asked what an induction activity was, the common response has steadfastly been that they "lost a bet." The group has been less than forthright in communicating its activites.
6. The group has illegally used the university's name in advertising, especially on the internet.

Some reasons why Student Life requires the boundaries they do are:

- To protect students from false accusation that results from secrecy.
- To insure that there is adequate liability coverage for events students hold.
- To maintain an organized system of equality for all campus organizations.
- To protect a group from itself and temptations to become something

that is outside the university community's standards.

To uphold the values and traditions upon which the university was founded.

In summary, let me say that any group is welcome to function as a club at LSU as long as this is done within the limits of existing policies, i.e., writing a constitution that agrees with university policies, getting a legitimate sponsor, getting final approval from the Student Life Committee, and staying away from behavior that has negative connotations commonly associated with social fraternities/sororities and/or gangs. As recently as April 2, 1998, two Asian students at UCLA were victimized by hazing associated with social fraternities. Comments from UCLA coeds on ABC news strongly indicated that Greek life was antithetical to academic life and an embarassment to the institution. If students on public university campuses speak out against social Greek culture on their campuses, should a Christian university such as LSU not heed the warning signs from Greek life around the nation and take a preventative stance vis-a-vis social Greek organizations?

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Over Spring Break I Wish . . .



"... I had gone on a road trip throughout New England."
Wendy Walters
Jr, biology



"...I had gone to Palm Springs."
Soula Angelopoulos
Jr, biology



"... I had taken a trip in my own vehicle with my friends to Akamehfluumfluum."
Ryan Tamares
Sr, music ed.



"... I did nothing different!"
Jamie Cordoba
So, health science, pre-P.A.



"... I had done something because I didn't do anything."
Robert Johnston
Fr, biology



"... I had stayed in Baja longer."
Jeremy Howe
So, business, pre-Law



"...I had gone snow skiing."
Krisha Igo
Fr, med-tech, pre-med



"... I had gone to Disneyland."
Liliana Guzman
advancement



"... I had gone to Taco Bell."
Shawn Paris
So, religion



"... I had gone to an exotic island in Greece."
Tate Snarr
Fr, pre-dental hygiene

Hit The Road Jills

By Christina Walters
Guest Writer

What do you get when you throw five finals-weary winter quarter veterans into one five-passenger van headed for the wide open deserts of the country's wild west? Or better yet, what happens when these five Jills are forced to spend a cozy evening in a two-person tent? Need we say that this the perfect beginning to the road trip of a lifetime?

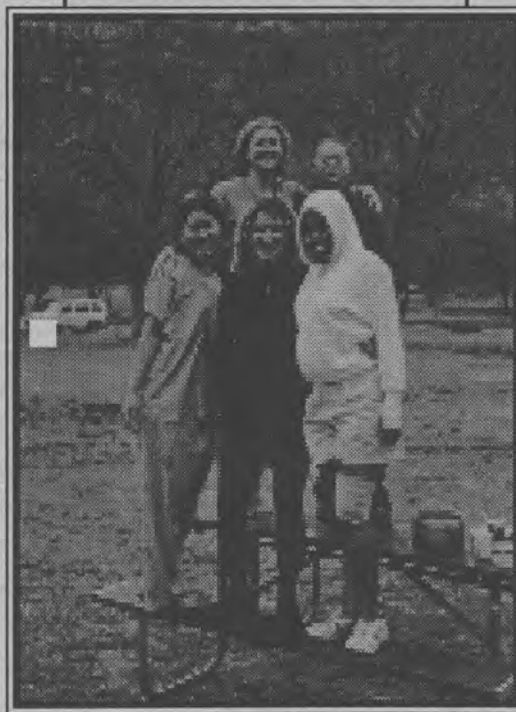
Friday afternoon, March 20, found two sophomores (Linn Tonstad and Eva Pascal), one freshman (Christina Walters, whose parents were the proud sponsors of the event vehicle), and two juniors, (Theresa Taylor and Jena Choi) scrambling to meet their planned 9 a.m. departure time. We frantically stuffed our gear into the vehicle stocked with camp food, sleeping bags, and an ample supply of CD's and books to alleviate the moments

of boredom. By 3:00 pm we were flying down Interstate 15 on our way to fun and adventure with the wind at our heels and the music blaring.

By nightfall, we had arrived at our destination, Grand Canyon National Park, scouting a campsite as voraciously as any wild animal could come to attack us in the middle of the night. Fortunately, some teen-aged knights in shining armor armed with new driver's licenses came to our aid. Despite their gracious offers to share their private cabin with us, we managed to set up our tent and all squeeze in.

Fresh from our confining rest the night before, we arose undaunted and ready to face the canyon. Sabbath was filled with a nine-mile journey into the

depths of the canyon. Some parts of the trail were ice-covered and treacherous. The



more lion-hearted in our Jill brigade chose to hit the trail running while others of us

(names of the spineless will remain protected) timidly slid down with body parts other than feet until other hikers took pity and donated their ice clamps to the cause. Elated and awed by the scenery, we lunched among the grass, red rocks, and water falls of Indian Gardens. With the sun setting behind us, we trudged out of the canyon to catch a glimpse with an intimate crowd of onlookers of one of the most beautiful sites in all the world, sunset over the Grand Canyon from Yakapi point. Tuckered out but still enthusiastic, we celebrated at the local pizza joint before pointing our sails toward Moab, Utah, home of the those quirky rock formations and mecca to mountain bikers everywhere.

At the incessant urging of Christina, obsessed with call of "Slickrock," one of the most challenging and at the same time most beautiful mountain bike courses in all of America, we finally landed at a modest campsite in Moab where we planned rent our bikes for the next day's journey. Armed with gourmet trailmix from the local market, plenty of water, and a promise to return our bikes by 5:00 pm, we each headed for our trails.

Christina answered the call of Slickrock's steep inclines, shadeless expanses and dramatic vistas. The rest of the Jill brigade attacked a trail of lesser degree within the Arches National Park

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where the most dramatic sandstone and granite arches can be found. To our dismay, however, it became clear that not all sections of this trail were really designed for mountain-biking. The deep sand threw us time and time again, and two of us turned back after some miles, only to run into greater mishaps. Theresa was going down a rocky incline at a pace better left indeterminate and ended up calmly sitting on a rock. Jena thought she was OK until Theresa moved her hand to show the chunks of flesh spilling out of her thigh.

Meanwhile, Linn and Eva were continuing to struggle through the sand and rocks. Magnificent vistas were an inspiration to continue despite the solitude and difficulty. One moment of tension came when Linn informed Eva that the trail was not about five miles longer, as the latter had assumed, but more like twenty miles. Trailmix suddenly seemed more valuable than gold, especially when darkness began closing in, leading to visions of being ignominiously rescued by rangers at some point much later in the night. Perseverance pays off, however, and eventually the highway was in sight. Unfortunately everyone else was missing. There was nothing to do but to climb right back on the bikes and continue, until the sound of a blaring horn. Jena and Christina came to the rescue. Where was Theresa? No one seemed to really know, but after assessing the damage to the bikes she was discovered at the local hospital, next to

a TV showing the Academy Awards.

The next day we proceeded to Zion, arriving at Watchman Campground late and settling in. Great was our surprise the next morning when we awoke to a magnificent vista of cliffs surrounding us. There they were: beautiful red rocks glowing in the sunshine. The order of the day was horseback riding. Eva was unlucky enough to land a horse that saw no reason to keep up with his friends. Wandering alone at the end of the line was more fulfilling. Jena's horse treated the trip like a gourmet buffet, galloping to catch up to the rest after every snatched mouthful.

Despite weariness, Theresa and Christina answered the invitation of a waiter to join the locals at a dance that night, while the rest spent another night at the campground before heading for that den of iniquity, Las Vegas. Hitting the city was quite a contrast from our week spent in the calm of national parks, but the MGM Grand had a buffet that was not to be refused. Replenished by the comforts of the big city, we at last collapsed into the car and headed for home. The Jills were back from the big one.

Come Check Out The Beauty

By *Amber Coe*
Staff Writer

It all started with an assignment. We were supposed to go to the desert to smell the flowers, sift the dirt through our fingers, and roll in the grass. That was our lab practical. Sound easy? Sure, the only problem is that you have to find an afternoon somewhere in the week before finals to drive a half-hour there, spend a few hours walking around, then the half-hour ride back (not including time lost on the road going the wrong direction).

Saturday afternoon I headed out, alone, to the Santa Rosa Plateau. I arrived around fivish. As I stepped out of the car, my eyes took in the amazing sight: weird shaped trees, green grass that looks real, blue sky with white

clouds, snow-covered mountains in the background. It felt like home back on the East Coast. My ears listened as the coyotes howled and the birds chattered. Immediately I wished I had more time before sundown.

Alas, I decided to go back over spring break. This time I got there by 2 p.m. Then I had time to really inspect what floats around in the Vernal pools (sperm-looking tadpoles is what I mostly found) and to check out the oldest adobes in Riverside County. However, I think what fascinated me the most was feeling as if there wasn't a soul around for miles. We walked for three hours and saw only purple, yellow, and white wildflowers, lizards on

the path, and okay, maybe a few people here and there.

One of the best things about the plateau is all the different trails you can hike on. You can choose to walk a trail that shows you wildflowers or a beautiful view, or you can go by what level of difficulty you want. You can go back time and again and not worry about seeing the same thing twice.

Your assignment, if you wish to accept, is to go there before the school year's over. Take the 15 S towards San Diego, get off at Clinton Keith exit, and turn right. After you go up the mountain for a ways, you'll see a sign on the right pointing to the left. You won't regret it!



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	National Student Employment Week			La Sierra Live Weekend		
Easter Sunday	Chapel: 9 a.m. Broomball, Ice Town Last day to withdraw with no record on transcript	Chapel: 11 a.m. Tuesday Tunes: Funny Bone, 8p, EN	Chapel: 11 a.m. 7p Christian Skate Night, ICETOWN	Chapel: 11 a.m. 6p Cheap Date II	Chapel: 8 a.m. Sunset: 7:22 PM	
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		Chapel: 11 a.m. Tuesday Tunes: TBA	4-7:30p Career Night 7p Christian Skate Night, ICETOWN		Sunset: 7:27 PM 12 n Commuter Bash	
Retreat Cont. —						5p SAGE Dinner & Discourse

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The Fleecing of the Adventist Student

By Milap Nowrangi
Guest Writer

Have we ever realized how safe this campus of ours really is? We probably have some of the lowest crime statistics of any university in the area. Our dutiful security officers patrol the dangerous, shady areas of campus (Eagles' Nest, Angwin Lobby) making sure that we can walk back to our dorms at night under the safely lit walkways of this university.

But it isn't the campus' physical security that I'd like to talk about; it is the campus' intellectual security. Intellectualism on campus has been virtually nonexistent since I started here four years ago. While in high-school, I formed a vision of this university as a place where famous speakers spoke, social movements moved, and revolutionary ideas flowed from the hearts, minds and mouths of every student. University was to be a place where brilliance was not expected but at least deep and serious thinking was. University was to produce students of life and not just students hoping to get into Loma Linda. I say that the Adventist educational system, by its own nature, has managed to make its students too secure within its own walls. By its own nature, Adventism has formed a glass ceiling of sorts on what we can know.

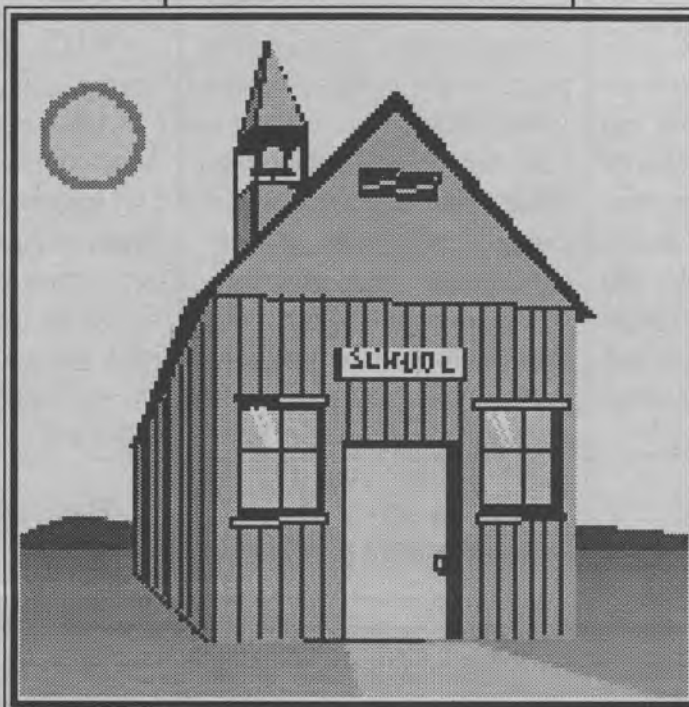
We may see that there is more to learn and experience in the world outside our campus, but we are not given the opportunity or encouragement to experience them.

Where has the desire gone on this campus to learn about more than what will allow us to graduate and "attend Loma Linda next year"? Where is the yearning for knowledge for knowledge's sake? Why is the fire to know more than what is just required burning so low? When will we realize that we should stop allowing Adventism to coddle us into believing we have all the answers?

In some ways, Adventism professes to reach out into the world. We carry our message around the globe preaching and teaching not only the words of Christ but also of fundamental Adventism. We are great at changing the minds of others, but poor at allowing others the opportunity to change our minds. We seem so secure in our own belief system that we are unwilling to allow the brilliance of others even a chance of contributing to our

fund of knowledge.

A wall has been built around the Adventist student. Starting from the early days of grade school through junior high then through academy the wall hiding the atrocities,



dangers and outright evils of the world outside grows ever higher until we can no longer see over the top. So the Adventist student grows up in an environment of safety and security. Not being forced, or even allowed, to deal with the "things of this world," he or she is left psychologically, mentally and emotionally unchallenged by what is "real" to the real world. So Adventist education and its students lie stagnant because they are unprepared to responsibly deal with the problems and issues of this

world. What are issues to most students on other campuses are not even blinked at here. We live our lives so soundly that the roar of violence, hatred and injustice seem of no consequence to us. Unfortunately, we become so secure and quiet in our own ways that we stop thinking. We substitute mindless homework, excessive socialization and play for deeply concerned thought.

What then ought we to do? First of all, start writing meaningful articles in school publications. Our newspaper has been degraded into being a forum for fashion and memos from the Dean of Student Life. We ought to form groups on campus that are interested in serious discussion of matters ranging from religion to world affairs to universal environmental concerns. We ought to bring speakers to this campus who would challenge the way we see the world. We ought to become socially aware of the problems around us and, more importantly, take a

stance and responsibly act upon them. We ought to allow ideas to flow freely on campus without being overly afraid of insulting others or having our own beliefs challenged. We ought to find other areas of intellectual stimulation (such as other schools that offer famous speakers, world-renowned musical artists etc.). We ought to become concerned with the world around us and not with the community within us. Most of all, we ought to tear down the walls of protection that each of us has and delve deeper into the world outside. Ask yourselves what you care about in this world. If the answers are still 1) getting into Loma Linda, 2) finding the right shoes to match the outfit for tomorrow, or 3) "Hooking up" your Integra, you still have a chance to experience, in part, what it means to be at a university. We all ought to find the real student within ourselves and re-ignite the fire of learning and critical thought. Let us not allow our religion to be an excuse for complacency in this world. Let us use our religion to succeed and relate to those who do not know us. We are strong, but let us grow stronger by learning from others and seeing what is beyond. Let us live with the world and not above it, for that is to come in its own time.

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No Doubt?

By *Linn Tonstad & Eva Pascal*
Guest Writers

I was immediately disappointed when I walked into chapel last week to find out that the theme for the programs was "No Doubt." If someone with a video camera had come up to me during Student Week of Prayer and asked me what I had no doubts about, I would have replied, "No doubt means no thought." If someone had asked me what I did doubt, I would have said, "As much as I can." In consequence, I wish to present a defense of doubt.

Doubt is an essential part of the human experience. As humans, we cannot have

certain, universal knowledge of the Truth. Therefore, we doubt. Doubts, however, can often be one of the most helpful and valuable parts of our experience. Without doubt there is only blind faith. Without doubt there is only belief in that which your mommy, your pastor, or your Sabbath school teacher told you to believe. Doubt is the tool that moves us from a primitive faith to a more reasoned faith; it is in a sense paradoxical to think that doubting, challenging and questioning one's beliefs shows a lack of faith. In the

passive act of not doubting, one is actually doubting that one's faith can survive challenge. In order to truly examine faith, there has to be room for doubt. Those of us who doubt are often vilified for lack of faith and told to simply trust. However, doubting is not a sin. Giving in to despair is wrong, but doubting is part of living in a world where bad things happen, where not everything makes sense all the time.

There are many examples in our experiences that should inspire doubt. Where is God when innocents are

massacred? It is all well and good for a person saved from death to thank God for sparing his/her life, but what about all the others who die? Is this part of God's will? Must we accept that God directs everything that happens to some good purpose? No! What then must we do with such a belief? We must critically examine it in light of the Bible, reason, tradition and experience to find out if it is a warranted belief. If people want to have faith that is reasonable, convincing, and personally satisfying, I believe that they will find that doubt is an

integral part of the process of faith. Doubt and faith are counterparts in many ways. The reason we call it faith rather than knowledge is exactly because of the element of doubt. We don't know for sure, and forgetting that often leads to disastrous consequences (religious wars, intolerance, oppression). Leaving doubt out can make us forget that we do not have the Truth, and that we may not even have truth. That would be arrogance of the worst sort.

Coming Next Issue

By *Bonnie Cafferky*
Feature Editor

Only 7 weeks left in the '97-'98 school year, and we all know what that means; term papers, finals, and, eventually, Summer vacation. What you out there in academic land may not realize is that this also marks the beginning of my search for next year's Criterion's staff.

I know you are out there, you interested, hard-working, creative people. Over the next few weeks, I will be accepting applications for the following positions on my completely redesigned crew: Advertising Editor, PreNews Editor, HardNews Editor, SoftNews Editor, and Entertainment/Sports Editor. Notice there will be no official Staff Writers, as I am hoping to encourage more and varied participation from the student

body. The search will begin in earnest with the very next edition, when I will write more specifically about Job descriptions. For now, keep in mind that I am looking for talent, interest, and a sense of humor.



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On Celibacy And Cellophane

By Carl Jonard
Staff Writer

You know what you never see anymore these days? Cellophane. I mean real good old-fashioned cellophane, made from cellulose. You know what else you don't see much of anymore? Celibacy. Coincidence? You decide. Sometimes I say that there is no better indicator of a nation's moral standing than the materials it uses to package food and other perishables.

(I usually say this around people in the packaging industry, in the hopes that they will think it is something really profound and use it in some annual re-

port or something, and then it'll get into *Reader's Digest* and then into those books of famous quotations, and then pretty soon they'll be using my line to introduce speakers at cellulose producer conventions, and seventh-graders will use it to begin their assigned reports on the industries of Duluth or the many uses of cellulose or whatever. It hasn't worked yet, though. Maybe because I don't know anybody in the packaging industry. At least I don't think I do. It's somewhat hard to tell, you know. It's not like they go

around wearing cardboard suits.)

Another thing I like to say when I'm trying to impress people is, "Hello, I am an astronaut." That doesn't work very well, either. I think I need to buy some Tang and freeze it and then scoop it into little balls with a melon scooper. Then I could throw them up into the air and try to catch them in my mouth and take a picture at the same time. Then at least I'd have some kind of proof. People just don't seem to buy the colander space helmet.

Which brings me to my

topic: Pants with useless pockets all over them. What ever happened to that fashion trend, huh? I remember back when I was in little person school, practically all we wore was Bugle Boys and cheap imitations with fake pocket flaps and snaps all over them, with little wannabe Air Force-type warning labels like, "WARNING: EXTREME CONDITION GEAR. POWER TEAM PANT FORCE XJ - 4317. CAUTION: EXHAUST PORT MAY VENT NOXIOUS FUMES PURSUANT TO BEAN CONSUMPTION."

Speaking of venting, the hyperintelligent goldfish in my head would like to make a small correction (his name is Buford, by the way). He lives on a small moist towelette, not a moist toilette. Apparently, the Criterion's spellchecker has not been introduced the dynamic & entertaining world of the Handi-Wipe. I will now remedy the situation. Spellchecker, Handi-Wipe. Handi-Wipe, Spellchecker. Now play nice.

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<p>APRIL</p> <p>Alcohol Awareness Month Child Abuse Month Occupational Therapy Month</p>		<p>Tuesday Tunes: TBA 6p Cheap Date II</p>	<p>5p Bus leaves for LSU's Career Night</p>		<p>12n Commuter Bash, Tropical Island Juices</p>	<p>Adolescent Sexuality Lecture 8p Patty Cabrera Concert, LSUC</p>
						<p>Men's & Women's Retreat</p>
<p>8a Senior Assessment Test, CH 100 & 106</p>	<p>Spirit Week: School Spirit Day</p>	<p>Chapel: Gary Hopkins Tuesday Tunes: "Versatile," hip-hop Spirit Week: Sports Day</p>	<p>Spirit Week: Backwards Day Noise Awareness Day 2:15-2:16p Quiet Diet</p>	<p>7:30p SASA Culture & Fashion Show Spirit Week: Grease Day, dress 50's</p>	<p>Sunset: 7:33 PM Beach Vespers, Corona Del Mar 8:30-11p Observatory open Spirit Week: Beach Day</p>	<p>"Breakfast Bonanza" in dorms 7:30p Vespers: St. John Passion, Chamber Singers and Sinfonia, LSUC Spring Banquet, Riverside Art Museum</p>
<p>Hancock Youth Ministry Retreat Cont. — </p>	<p>Synposium — Spirit Week — </p>			<p>La Sierra Live Weekend</p>		
<p>8a Senior Assessment Test, CH 100& 106</p>		<p>Chapel: The Ole Club Tuesday Tunes: TBA</p>	<p>5-6:30p Passport to Your Future, MEI</p>		<p>Sunset: 7:38 PM</p>	
<p>Live Wkend Cont. — </p>						
<p>MOTHER'S DAY</p>		<p>Chapel: Ron Pollard Tuesday Tunes: Break the Silence 12n Career Planning & Placement Services Job Fair</p>		<p>Assembly: by Schools</p>	<p>Sunset: 7:43 PM</p>	

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Shakespeare in the Park

Yes, William Shakespeare, the bard himself, is coming to La Sierra University. One of his greatest comedies, *As You Like It*, will be performed at Clough Park. Performances scheduled are May 7 at 7 pm, May 9 at 8 pm, and May 10 at 2 pm and 7 pm.

Unlike the Shakespearean drama performed by players from the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, the play is a La Sierra production, utilizing the talents of both students and faculty.

"The actors from Oregon really inspired us," said director Jennifer Geli. "With just a few props, they did a hilarious version of *A Midsummer Night's Dream*. Susan Champion and Tyrone Wilson also led drama workshops with acting improv and short scenes from other plays."

The Festival sends actors on tours to schools during the off season. Robert Dunn, chair of the English and Communication Department, invited the actors to LSU and was pleased with the

result. "They did a wonderful job," he said.

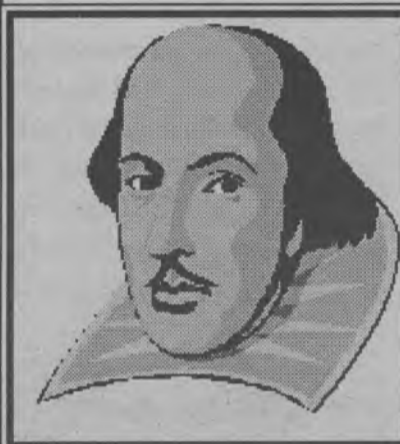
Dr. Dunn then gave approval to the plans for La Sierra's own Shakespeare play. The choice of *As You Like It* was seconded by Renard Doneskey, who teaches a comedy seminar at LSU. "It's one of Shakespeare's best plays, and probably my personal favorite," he said. Doneskey likes the play so much that he has agreed to play the part of the duke. He has also written original music for all the songs in the production, which has more than any other Shakespeare play.

Auditions were held at the end of winter quarter and the actors have been busy learning lines, working out blocking and trying to figure out where rehearsals are.

"We've been rehearsing at Clough, Matheson, South Hall, VAC, anywhere we can get space during the time we need it," said Christine Law, who plays Phebe. Campus e-mail keeps the cast

in touch with updates in scheduling. Security has been kept busy with requests to open up the buildings needed. Grounds agreed to let trees they had recently cut be used for part of the set. Physical plant chipped in with lights.

Representing the English and



Communication Department at the Orange Blossom Festival on Sunday, April 19, some of the cast performed a scene from the play on the College Town Stage. "Overall, it was a good experience," said Shanalee Tamares,

who plays Rosalind opposite Carl Jonard in the role of Orlando.

Another preview performance was staged at the International Student Banquet on May 2, where the entire first half of the play became part of the entertainment. "I'm excited about La Sierra doing drama, especially Shakespeare," said Jennifer Tyner, director of the International Student Association.

As You Like It centers around the romance of Orlando and Rosalind, forced by circumstances to flee separately into the forest of Arden, where they find each other once more. There is one catch, though: Rosalind is disguised as a man and Orlando doesn't recognize her. She decides to make the most of this opportunity to find out how he really feels, with hilarious results.

General admission tickets are \$5.00, but LSU students with identification can purchase tickets for \$2.50. Mothers going to the May 10 matinee get the best deal; their

tickets are free. At the evening performance on Mother's Day, moms get a half-price discount.

Others involved in the production include: Carl Jonard (Orlando), Kristy Marson (Duchess), Donald Brooks and Doug Brown (Silvius and Charles), Theresa Taylor (Hymen), Sharon DeLeon (Phebe understudy), Liesa Hequibal (Celia), Roy Rantung (Touchstone), Christina Walters (Jaques), Linn Tonstad (Madame LeBeau), Eva Pascal (Audrey), Ari Salguiero (Oliver), and Andrew Howe (Adam). The show is choreographed by Amanda Smith; sets have been painted by Paul Geli. Trey Jackson, founder of Feat of Clay, worked as assistant director.

Career Night

By Kathy Strawter
Staff Writer

As the year winds down to a close, one thing is on most students' minds: jobs. Some students are looking for summer jobs, other for internships, and still others are graduating and are looking for a permanent job. So how does La Sierra help these students in their quest for employment? The school gets involved in a job fair.

On April 22, at the University of California Riverside, the first Career Night was held. The idea was originated by Ronald Loveridge, the Riverside mayor. He asked the city's College University Steering Committee to come up with a

plan that would help Riverside retain its students to the Riverside area.

Career Night drew a total of 97 companies, 50 school districts, and approximately 1,100 students from Riverside's four participating schools—University of California Riverside, California Baptist College, Riverside Community College, and La Sierra University.

Many different companies showed up for the event. Students could find everything from Target to Disneyland to the FBI at Career Night.

Vito Gamez, an elementary education major, had offers

from four school districts. "I don't know which one to pick," Gamez said. Donald Brooks, a secondary education major, had a job from the L.A. Unified School District. "They laid out a map of L.A. and asked me to pick which area I wanted," an excited Brooks said.

Many students that went to Career Night had positive things to say about it. Jamie Cordoba, a health science major, said, "I enjoyed it. I learned a lot about presenting myself and it helped me to learn how to prepare a resume. It was great!"

However, there were those

who were not impressed with it.

Sammy Acosta, business major, said, "They should've had more variety. They needed more fortune five hundred accounting firms there, and less insurance companies. But I did enjoy it." Connie Galambos, a communications major, said that she felt there were not enough marketing companies there, and that there weren't any public relations positions available.

"Galambos' comment was quite common," said Natan Vigna, the CPPS coordinator. "Many students expect to find

their dream job at a career fair, but they fail to realize that those jobs have to be researched and are not open to everyone," he explained.

Vigna told the *Criterion* that the students' input for next year is highly appreciated. People wanting to give their input for next year's fair or to find out how they can benefit from La Sierra's Career Services can call CPPS at 785-2237 or check the website at: <http://www.lasiera.edu/slife/careers/>.

LSU Rhetors Recognized

By *Connie Galambos*
Guest Writer

La Sierra University won two out of three awards given for papers at the California State University Hayward Annual Conference in Rhetorical Criticism on May 1.

Connie Galambos was awarded Honorable Mention for "Seattle's Pike Place Market: The Role of Centrality in Time, Space, and Postmodern Consumer Experience." Shelley Price also received Honorable Mention for "Penning Penetration: William Faulkner and Southern Sexuality." A third paper, "Frida Kahlo's Successful Rejection of the Male Gaze," was also presented by Gabriela Martinez.

"I was so happy to hear Connie's name announced that I was completely sur-

prised to hear my own name announced moments later," said Shelley Price of the experience. For thirty-three years the Cal State conference has fostered and honored student research in the field of rhetoric. The LSU papers were chosen from among 21 competing student papers. Those papers were all distributed in April



for blind review by rhetorical scholars from participating universities. During the conference, Shelley, Connie, and Gaby presented their papers in three-member panels and received comments from their critics. After a keynote address on "Fascism in America" by Michael McGee from the University of Iowa, Shelley and Connie received Honor-

able Mentions during the awards ceremony. In a small reception afterwards, Connie Galambos claimed that "The Communication program's support contributed nearly as much to this recognition as my own work did!" Gabriela Martinez's paper also received significant praise from critics. "With a little more work, this paper is definitely publishable," said Carole Blair, head of American Studies at the University of California Davis.

The students traveled to Hayward by van with Greg Dickinson and Martie Parsley, co-directors of LSU's Communication program. In addition to rigorous academics, the group visited Sproul Plaza, home of the Free Speech Movement, and City

Lights bookstore, birthplace of Beat poetry. They generously sampled the Bay Area's culinary delights, including "The best spumoni I ever had," according to participant Gaby Martinez. "The students' success confirms the program's commitment to student scholarship," commented Martie Parsley, director of Communication at La Sierra University.

Note: Copies of these papers may be obtained through the English & Communication department.

Funny Little Thing Called Doubt

By *Roger Rusted*
Guest Writer

Linn and Eva, I appreciated your article "No Doubt." You two brought up several interesting points. My favorite was that faith and doubt are counterparts. Let's take a look at the word "counterpart." It can mean either something similar or something different. Faith and doubt are similar in that they are both crucial in the development of a viable worldview; different, in how they are crucial. A sort of symbiotic or complementary relationship exists, in which one depends on the other to complete itself. Sebastian Bach, perhaps, best illustrates this in his lyric, "Doubt sees the obstacles, but faith sees the way." One is truly inconceivable without the other.

I must admit, the way the "Week of Spiritual Emphasis" handled the notion of doubt bothered me as well. I felt that some of the speakers downplayed the role of doubt in spiritual growth. Doubt sure is a booger, isn't it? People love and hate it for the same reason - it completely changes your beliefs. By the time you know whether this change was for better or worse, it's too late! You're a changed person! I've heard "doubt" compared to fire because it leaves your former belief system in ashes. Sometimes it burns away all that you previously held dear, other times it tempers your convictions, making them stronger and better able to adapt to life situations.

Ambrose Bierce, in his book *Devil's Dictionary*, defined faith as "belief without evidence in what is told by one who speaks without knowledge, of things without parallel." He is so right. Faith, by definition, has an inherent "blindness" about it. We take many things "by faith" that we can't prove. In fact, I think that we all know a few people who unfortunately use "faith" as a substitute for knowledge. They "know" something because they have "faith." However, the fact that we can't prove everything does not mean that we have to doubt everything. Doubt can be very, very dangerous, if not balanced with faith. Too much doubt can be crippling, as Mar-

tin Luther King illustrated in his famous quote: "Take the first step in faith. You don't have to see the whole staircase, just take the first step." We need faith to advance spiritually, mentally, and physically. Doubt makes sure that our faith is consistent with our past experiences and helps illuminate our future experiences. (Darth Vader didn't find "lack of faith" "disturbing" for nothing. And for all of you troopers who have made it this far through my muddled article, check out the Danish dude, Soren Kierkegaard, for an interesting look at faith.)

In conclusion, I'd like to urge my fellow students at La Sierra to take their faith, doubts, and overall spirituality very seriously.

Don't leave it to religion teachers, parents, pamphlets lying around in the Eagles' Nest, Sabbath School teachers, or even E.G. White! It saddens me to see how traditional Seventh-day Adventism fails to encourage people to explore the obstacles before choosing their own path. Your spirituality is something that you have to define, and constantly redefine, for yourself. If you haven't wrestled with it, it's not something you can really call your own. It's what makes life worth living, so give it a second thought...or maybe a third...and, if you're really daring, a fourth?

Research Recognition Days

By *Leslie Martin*
Guest Writer

Research is part of life on any university campus, but how often do we get a chance to actually see what everyone is doing? Well, here at LSU it happens at least once each year!

La Sierra's Research Recognition Days are coming soon—and the format is “new and improved.” The first big change, which you've already gleaned from the title, is that we will be honoring the university's research achievements for two days rather than just one. On Thursday, May 21, posters will be mounted in the lobby of Cossentine Hall by noon—judging of student posters will occur from 5 to 6 pm on that day. From

6 to 7 pm researchers will be available, near their posters, to answer questions and to discuss their research with colleagues, families, and community members (yes, we have extended invitations to area church members and the local community). During this time “wine” and cheese will be available at a reception, which will also honor the keynote speaker, Dan Bernstein. Bernstein is a columnist for the *Press Enterprise* and will be talking about his experiences as a writer and answering questions from the audience. His presentation, from 7 to 8 pm, will conclude the evening.

On Friday, May 22, students will present research papers (also in Cossentine

Hall) from noon until 3 pm. Immediately following these presentations will be our concluding event, the awards reception, from 3 to 4 pm. At this reception outstanding papers and posters will be recognized (along with their student authors, of course). Put this two-day event on your calendar! You will not be disappointed!

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"The Underground" Unearthed

By Marc Moran
Guest Writer

The questions have been asked. It is now time for answers. The fingers have been pointed. It is now time for the facts to come forth. Trust has been broken, and rights swept aside like leaves. It is now time to rise up! Students expelled, jobs lost, rumors spread, denied, and confirmed, friends lost, enemies made, and brotherhood forgotten. And so, it is now time for truth.

The integrity of our institution has recently been challenged in an underground newsletter aptly named "The Underground." The letter was slipped under the doors of Towers residents on April 29, around 3:00 am. "The Underground" attempted to tackle such issues as tenure, cafeteria food, the recent elections, the sports program, and the recent fraternity scandal. Each article, with the exception of three tritely written little bones, was written maliciously and with obvious bias. The newsletter, though grammatically laughable, had an obvious effect on the student body. Now it's time to take a more comprehensive look at the allegations. It is also a good time to examine the integrity of our school, and the rights of the students therein.

"Tenure is a complicated case so get yourself informed." This was all that was stated about tenure in "The Underground." I'd like to know what is so complicated about tenure. Tenure is just another contract, an agreement, if you will. When the teacher signs it,

they agree to do a certain amount of work as well as their teaching. If this other work is not fulfilled, the teacher will be asked to leave the university. It's all there in writing. Nothing too complicated about that at all. Unfortunately, La Sierra has lost good teachers over this. I understand why certain people are upset, but a contract is a contract.

"The cafeteria food has sucked all year, and the administrators have to be fired if things don't improve." Thank you, Beavis. Anyone who has eaten that white chunky stuff in the caff knows that the food is bad. I challenge you, though, to find any cafeteria in the civilized world in which the food does not resemble something out of a Dickens novel. Bad caff food is as common a law as gravity. If you think firing anyone over it will cure anything, you're wrong. My advice: save your money and go to Taco Bell.

One of the more serious allegations in "The Underground" was that the recent SALSU elections were "not clean," and that Felipe Viemann has no support from his future cabinet. If the elections were rigged, or influenced in any way by anything other than the popular vote, we have severe cause for unrest. This is an issue that needs to be addressed, confronted, confirmed, or denied immediately. We can't simply look the other way and whistle while our democracy, the very soul of our freedom, is being questioned. I think Bertand de Jouvenel said it best with, "A society of sheep, in time, only begets a

government of wolves." If the authors of "The Underground" have some knowledge about this possible scandal, it is their responsibility to make it known, and they're off to a good start.

To the cabinet members that are unhappy with their president, I give these words of advice from Nietzsche. "He who fights monsters should see to it that in the process he doesn't become one." You may not like the situation you are in, but you owe it to me and the rest of the school to own up your own responsibilities and do the best you can do.

To Mr. Viemann, I offer these words of advice from Thomas Jefferson and James Boren: "When a man assumes public trust, he should consider himself as public property" and, "It is hard to look up to a leader when his head is always to the ground." Felipe, there are a lot of people who didn't vote for you. Most of them would like to see you crash and burn. It's your responsibility to win them over. Be a good leader. The last thing you need to do is make more enemies.

We were all sad to see Paul Mendiola lose his job as the seventh floor RA. Paul is a nice guy, and a better role model than most. The fact that he was asked to resign due to "politics and somebody's personal agenda" needs to be explored more deeply. I don't think it's all that uncommon for someone to be slashed because of politics and personal agendas. Unfortunately, that's just a fact of life. Paul took a risk, and instead of becoming

a pioneer, he became a martyr for what has become a lost cause. If Paul, or anyone else, thinks that he was treated unfairly, then by all means, challenge the system! I and many others would be right behind you. We just need someone to lead us.

Another issue, though not in "The Underground," is campus security. These guys are really getting out of line. How, you ask? Recently, a security guard on his own accord entered the room of a student without the permission of the student, the student's parents, or any of the readily available deans. The "officer" then proceeded to confiscate the student's unoperating paintball gun. The officer then left the student's room, leaving no notification of entry as is required by securities' own policy. The student, when inquiring as to the location of his paintball gun, was told by security that he was to be charged a felony possession of a firearm, and that he was suspended until further notice! Now, there are a few other details surrounding this little incident, but the fact remains that this student's privacy was completely forgotten by campus security. Luckily, the charges turned out to be bogus, and the student is back in school. This could happen to any of us. Be on guard, and know your rights. And, to those boys over in security, these words of advice from Ramsey Clark: "There is no conflict between liberty and safety. We will have both or we will have neither!" I suggest that next time, before you decide to tread on our privacy,

get to know our rights.

This letter was not written out of spite for the school, or to make fun of "The Underground." This letter is a call to arms for all La Sierra students. Your freedom, your intelligence, your integrity, and, in turn, your future are all being attacked. Put up a fight! Don't let them, whoever they may be, take anything away. Faculty members, know this. You are our peers. You are our leaders. You are our role models. But remember, you are also our employees. Don't forget who makes it possible for you to come to work every day. Please, work with us, not against us.

It's time for us all to stand up for what we believe and cry out, "We will NOT be treated like faceless masses! We will NOT be fed lies! We will NOT tolerate the unfair persecution of our fellow students!" Let it be known that La Sierra students are not pushovers and delinquents. Let it be known that La Sierra faculty members are not tyrannical, self-serving, nay-sayers. Let's go out there and fight the good fight. I believe that all of this is going to make or break the school. I'll leave you with these words by my mentor, John F. Kennedy. "Let everyone know, whether they wish us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe, to assure survival and success."

SALSU Social VP Todd Bittle Resigns

By *Evan Graham*
Staff Writer

The former SALSU social vice president says that a "misappropriation of power on this campus with the Student Life office" led to his ultimate resignation.

Todd Bittle, who was asked to resign as social vice president earlier this month by Lennard Jorgensen, vice president for Student Life, says he was originally going to fight Jorgensen's request, but a lack of support from the SALSU cabinet gave him no choice but to resign.

"The day I was asked to resign, [SALSU President] Mark [Harris] told me he would support me," Bittle says, "but he withdrew his support the next day."

Bittle's letter of resignation to Jorgensen and the cabinet says he was resigning "at the request of Lennard Jorgensen, Mark Harris, and the silent portion of the SALSU cabinet, which has been represented in voice by Mark Harris."

Harris refused comment, other than to confirm that Bittle had resigned.

Although Bittle felt he was forced out of his position, Jorgensen says there was no coercion. "Todd was simply given two choices," he says: "submit a letter of resignation, or face impeachment by his peers. Giving Todd choices does not mean he was forced to resign. If he had been forced, he would not have had choices."

Jorgensen would not say why he asked for Bittle's resignation, aside from what was cited in Bittle's letter, which stated, "A lack of communication with Student Life, as well as some personal issues within the SALSU cabinet have sometimes impeded the process of [social-event programming]. It is because of these reasons I have accepted the request of resignation."

SALSU officers would not comment on the "personal issues."

"Based on the reasons given in the letter, Todd's performance was lacking," Jorgensen says. "As SALSU sponsor, it is my job, when problems arise,

to make sure that somebody is fulfilling their responsibilities."

Jorgensen simply replied "Yes" to questions asking whether he felt he was acting on the student body's behalf in asking for Bittle's resignation, and if he felt his actions were appropriate. He would not elaborate, however.

Jorgensen did say he has "been uncomfortable being SALSU sponsor, because SALSU does need appropriate distance from the administration." He also has said he fears that SALSU could feel as if someone were "breathing down their necks" if he was sponsor. But, he says, "another sponsor would have acted in a similar fashion."

Bittle says the reasons given to him for being asked to resign "have nothing to do with my performance as a student representative." He feels that an argument with Jorgensen over an event entitled "SALSU Underground" led to his resignation.

Originally, Bittle says, the event was going to be a free movie and pizza, but later on, he wanted to change the format of the event to be a skating party

with a D.J. This was initially approved, Bittle says, but an argument over the content of the music Bittle wanted to include led to the event's postponement.

Bittle says that Jorgensen made some inappropriate remarks during the argument, but Jorgensen abstained from commenting on the supposed remarks.

When the event was postponed, Bittle says, he and Harris, as well as *Perspectives* editor Rolando Mendez, still planned an event for the day "Underground" was supposed to take place, and while he was planning this event, he was called into Jorgensen's office, where his resignation was requested.

Bittle says he asked what would happen if he didn't resign. Jorgensen replied that he and Harris would do everything in their power to have him impeached, according to Bittle.

"I think this whole thing is a personal issue," Bittle says. "I've now been told that my performance was sub-par, but if [one looks] at the performance of SALSU overall this year, my performance was above

par. I think this because of what students have said to me. I did not take the job in SALSU to appeal to other officers or to the administration. I took it to represent the students."

"If I were the only person affected by this decision, I would do everything in my power to fight this, but with the lack of support from the SALSU cabinet at this point I feel that I have no other options," Bittle said in his resignation letter.

Bittle says the ultimate reason for why he didn't fight Jorgensen's request was that he felt that if he remained in office, the activities petition committee, which approves all social events, probably would never have approved any SALSU event for the rest of the year as "payback."

Jorgensen denies that the "Underground" event was "categorically" a reason for the request of resignation, but that his performance overall was "absolutely" the reason for the request.

"He asked if he had a choice, and I told him yes," Jorgensen continues. "There was no coercion."

Many in the student body, on whose behalf Jorgensen says he was acting, are not really aware of the reasons for why the officer they elected was asked to resign.

Many students feel he should not have resigned in the first place. Sophomore anthropology major Alan Bingham says that "from what I've heard, he shouldn't have resigned, but I've only heard rumors."

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		<p>Chapel: Seniors: "What I Take from LSU"</p> <p>Brickyard Bistro: 12-1p</p> <p>Tuesday Tunes: Dead Week</p>	<p>Senior Class Ice Cream Feed, Alumni Center</p>		<p>Sunset: 7:57 PM</p> <p>8:30-11p Observatory open</p>	
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Is It June Yet? YES!

By Jennifer Wong
Editor

Summer. I'm ready for it—no more classes (unlike some of you chronic over-achievers who waste precious vacation time by taking classes), no more cafe food (not that it isn't great, but . . .), and no more *Criterion* (yes, I'm sure all of you are crying just as hard as I am over that one). Looking back over this year, I'm not even sure what I've accomplished. Yeah, I've added a few more units to my ever-growing stash. I've learned about proton accelerators and Faulkner. I even discovered that it is possible to sit in front of a computer for almost 24 hours straight if necessary. But I hope I've done something a little more far-reaching.

Taking over the editorship in mid-quarter was probably one of the biggest challenges I've ever faced. I'd never even worked for the paper before, and suddenly I had to learn how to create a publication that is supposed to speak for

and to La Sierra students. I apologize for the mistakes—the typos, layout mess-ups, the



delays because of printing problems—but I won't apologize for my efforts to print different, and even controversial, pieces. Sometimes we've failed; trying to capture the interest of an apathetic student body is even harder than it may seem. But even though this is my last issue as editor, I still believe that this campus, this newspaper, has potential.

Students obviously have things on their minds—the

various unofficial anonymous publications circulating around campus prove it. And while I don't agree with all the mud-slinging tactics that show up in those publications, they are a start. Articulating concerns is important. But it's time to take the next step.

People need to stop hiding behind anonymity and stand up for what they believe. True, the *Criterion* does have some imposed guidelines, and it does need approval by the faculty sponsor before going to press, but I don't think that this student forum undergoes any form of censorship. The rules in place (such as not publishing anything submitted anonymously) actually function to protect students, to keep the paper from becoming a giant gripe-fest without the facts to back it up. This paper has featured stories that criticize this school and its policies—

check out the article in this issue on the disciplinary policy. Just because this forum is "official" and "school-sponsored" does not mean that everything in it must be sugar-coated. If students are willing to say it and back it up, the *Criterion* can tackle it.

Just keep that in mind the next time you feel like no one hears you. And hey, just in case any of the authors of "The Underground" are reading this, being published in the newspaper sure beats having to make 300 photocopies and sneak around in the middle of the night to slip them under people's doors; *Criterion* staff actually hand out copies of this publication after chapel. Come to think of it, maybe if you were able to use those evenings for extra sleep, your spelling and grammar might improve . . .

Jen

Squirrels And La Sierra: The Tradition Continues

By Todd Cooper
Guest Writer

Fourscore and seven years ago, I started college. OK, it wasn't quite that long. Maybe fourscore and six. I forget sometimes. I seem to have become an institution at this institution. I think I should have my own tray in the cafeteria, my own computer at MICOL, and my own desk in the library. I have been here since 1992 and it seems an age

ago. At that time, the world was vastly different. Man was just developing the ability to stand on two legs rather than needing to balance on all fours and was starting to develop the ability to construct sentences with a verb and a noun. It was a simpler time. Most women were forced to sit apart from their husbands and boyfriends balance on all fours and was starting to

develop the ability to construct sentences with a verb and a noun. It was a simpler time. Most women were forced to sit apart from their husbands and boyfriends during church and were not allowed to speak at all. Indeed at our esteemed University Church in La Sierra, most women had to cover themselves from head to toe out of deference to men.

Professor Schoepflin was at this time a virtual spitting image of Christian Slater, both in looks and in voice, and our esteemed Philosophy professor Fritz Guy was the President of the University. His experience as a peer of Franz Kafka and Jean-Paul Sartre had prepared him well for the challenges of serving as a university president and making decisions with

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