La Sierra’s 75th

By Candace Jorgensen
Guest Writer

Anniversaries may be times to look back and reminisce, but they’re also occasions to celebrate here and now.

To help La Sierra celebrate its 75 years, two anniversary ambassadors were selected by the student body last spring. The candidates, chosen for their enthusiasm and school spirit, are Duleep Rodrigo and Rosemary Chung.

Rosemary is a sophomore pre-physical therapy major, who is also campus ministry director. Duleep is a senior business, finance and risk management major, plus serves as a resident assistant in Sierra Towers.

Wherever you go, whatever the activity this school year, you will most likely find Duleep and Rosemary there! One of their ambassadorial privileges is taking photographs at all events. The photos will be used in a special end-of-the-year show. At other events they will serve as hosts, greeters, etc. At the Birthday Bash they’re going to serve cake! Throughout the school year, historic displays will add a nostalgic touch. Currently the library lobby houses cases of La Sierra memorabilia and photographs, in addition to the anniversary quilt created by La Sierra alumna Eloise Evans. (It took her 800 hours to complete!) Watch for displays in the psychology building, chemistry department, and other areas on campus.

Take part in all the festivities of La Sierra’s 75th birthday!

Cyril Connelly Resigns

The President regrets to announce the resignation of Dr. Cyril Connelly, Vice President for Enrollment Services, effective October 1, 1997 (after the Class of 2001 is safely in!). Connelly will be taking up his new responsibilities in Loma Linda University’s School of Public Health as Director for Enrollment and Development.

Dr. Connelly’s last official day on campus is Tuesday, September 30. “We are losing Adventist higher education’s premier recruiter,” said President Geraty, “and someone who has worked very hard to increase LSU’s enrollment.”

The position for Dr. Connelly’s successor has been posted, suggestions for a new VP are welcome, and the University is moving aggressively to bring to Enrollment Services the strongest leadership possible.

School Freshmen Start Out Running

By Craig Chaya
Staff Writer

If you will, imagine with me the following: Put close to 300 freshmen on buses and ship them an hour and a half away to a place known as “Forest Home.” Sounds like a correctional institute or some sort of hidden haven for chimps. Not exactly. If you will, imagine the feelings of fear and vulnerability that overcame the freshmen as they were required to attend meetings and meet with their “family groups.” Sounds creepy, huh? Not exactly.

Mix a family atmosphere with college camaraderie and frost it with the sweet grace of God and you get the this year’s Youth-to-Youth theme, “Ready, Set, God.” On warm Wednesday morning, September 17, nearly 300 freshmen and over 30 family group leaders loaded up and journeyed to Forest Home in Forest Falls, site of this year’s Youth-to-Youth Success 2000 retreat.

The retreat, an unprecedented requirement for incoming freshman, was molded as an integral part of this year’s Freshman Orientation experience. The retreat was to empower Freshman with confidence in making good decisions, starting from one of the most pivotal moments of life, college. Most importantly, La Sierra’s main goal was to allow students to see how living under the influence of God can be a potent and positive life force.

Success 2000 was not just a barrage of lectures, but the few days provided the Freshman with lots of opportunities to network with fellow students and some faculty before the first day of school, a distinct advantage.

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Interested in Skydiving? see pg. 8
LSU Welcomes Dr. Pennar

By Marja Wheeler
Staff Writer

No more shoveling snow for Dr. David Pennar. He’s much rather go out to Laguna Beach.

Dr. Pennar joins La Sierra University faculty this year as the new dean of the School of Education. He spent the past nine years at Andrews University as the school registrar and head of the leadership program. He actually taught most of his life, teaching high school history in Miami and Chicago, and in a few colleges. He also served as principal at Wisconsin Academy. He chose to go into teaching because he really enjoys working with kids and helping them learn.

La Sierra University is a big change for Dr. Pennar, but he’s enjoying it. “It’s a very lovely place,” he says. One thing he especially enjoys are the palm trees, which he never saw in Michigan. He also feels that there are many opportunities here and wonderful, friendly students. Although he is just getting acquainted with most of the faculty at LSU, Pennar has already gotten a very good impression of them.

As part of his new position, Dr. Pennar hopes to bring many positive changes to the school of Education. One of his first plans is to increase and improve the marketing of the school. Dr. Pennar looks forward to recruiting more students and helping them to become good teachers. He also hopes to begin working with public schools for recruitment, not just in the Pacific Union Adventist schools.

Besides enjoying teaching and working with the youth, Dr. Pennar enjoys such things as the beach, which he loves being only an hour away from, and traveling, especially in Europe. Pennar’s parents and siblings live mostly in England, and his wife is French, so they travel through those countries frequently. He has three daughters, the eldest of which is a physical therapist. His middle daughter is living in Oxford with her husband, while she works on her Masters in Children’s Literature. His younger daughter is currently a senior at Andrews Academy, planning on coming to La Sierra University next year.

One of the most important things you can know about Dr. Pennar, however, is that he absolutely loves fine chocolate, especially from Masion Ducholat in Paris, and Carluccio’s in London,” he laughs.

LSU’s Makeover of the Year: The Soupstone Building

By Connie Galambos
Staff Writer

(“The WHAT building?!?”)

You should be familiar with the former Soupstone building. If not familiar, you at least have managed not to hit it rushing by to the La Sierra Market, the Snack Shop, or the Campus Cleaners. After sitting vacant for the past seven years, the Soupstone building evolved over Summer Quarter into La Sierra University’s Alumni Center.

The cream building bordering Pierce Street will now serve La Sierra University as a banquet hall, archive center, conference room, and office for Alumni and Development. “I see it as a museum of sorts: old yearbooks, Per-

spectives, and books by alumni authors will be available here,” explains Candace Jorgensen, Director of Alumni Relations. A collection of memorabilia grows on the premises as alumni retrieve school jackets and never the building without any stairs. The University provides the facilities rent-free to the Alumni Association, and in return the Association funded the renovation of the all but abandoned building.

Peña hopes to begin an Alumni mentoring program, and to have the new center grow into a place of interaction and activity between alumni and students. The Alumni Center opens officially with a grand celebration during LSU’s 75th anniversary party in March.

Sixty-five hundred square feet divides into offices, restrooms, a banquet hall, a conference room, and a foyer area. The banquet area (which seats up to 175) has a fireplace at each end of the room, and is decorated in La Sierra’s colors, the blue & the gold! The hall may be rented for school clubs and functions with a nominal fee. If you are interested in reserving a time, just curious to check it out, drop by or call Candace Jorgensen at 785-

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Also, stay tuned for the CPPS fashion ex-
will be making campus visits to prove it. 
planned for May 12. Recruiters are tying up the 
tion to the “Career Summit” job-fair sched-
with an offer for establishing an internship 
program.

But beyond that, they can help you create a 
personalized job searches, and placement files. 
A controversial Russian religion bill criticized by the Vatican, the U.S. Congress and various human-rights groups as harmful to reli-
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eration Council, or the upper 
house of Russian parliament, unani-
ously on Sept. 24, 
and is expected to become law.

While proponents of the 
bill, declaring the Russian Orthodox Church as the pre-
eminent religion in Russia, 
say that it will protect Rus-
sians from foreign cults, crit-
ics say it violates the 1993 
Russian constitution, guaran-
teeing equal treatment for all 
religions.

Russia: Religion bill ex-
pected to become law

By Evan Graham 
Staff Writer

Scandals continue

In the continuing Senate 
investigations into illegal 
campaign contributions, in-
ternational businessm An 
Roger Tamraz told the Sen-
ate Governmental Affairs 
Committee that the “only 
reason” he gave $300,000 to 
the White House was to gain 
access to the president. 
Tamraz showed no remorse 
for his actions. “I think next 
time I’ll give $600,000,” he 
declared.

By Yezenia Alvarez 
Staff Writer

WOW WEEKEND

On Wednesday, October 
8 from 5-9 p.m., La Sierra 
University, University of Riverside, Cal Baptist, and Riverside Community Col-
lege will be having their an-
ual Wednesday Of Wel-
come (WOW). The event 
will be located in the Dow-
town Riverside area on Main 
street between the Mission 
Inn and City Hall.

This annual activity is 
coordinated by the city of 
Riverside to welcome back 
college students. It is also 
an attempt to transform the
downtown area into a sort of “college town” in which the 
students have a place to go 
and be united not only with 
other students, but with the 
community as well.

Much like the Wednes-
day Market, WOW will pro-
vide a fair-like atmosphere 
with different choices from 
the colleges as well as booths 
selling various merchandise.

Small businesses from 
around the area will also be 
handling out free samples. 
WOW is sure to be a success.

Not only will this be a fun 
event, it is a great way for 
students to come closer to 
the community as a whole.

World News

Calling vouchers for pri-
vate school a “fad” that 
would leave many students 
behind, Secretary of Educa-
tion Richard Riley has said 
he will launch the Clinton 
Administration’s war on con-
servative education propos-
als, which also include send-
ing all the funds currently disbursed by the Education Department to local school 
districts.

Riley termed the vouchers 
issue “divisive,” and sup-
pported Clinton’s threat to 
 veto any education bill from 
Congress which would not 
include funding for national 
standards tests for students in 
grades 4 and 8.

Multimillionaire Democrat 
runs for governor

Former Northwest Air-
lines chair Alfred Checchi 
formally announced his bid 
for the Democratic nomina-
tion for governor of Califor-
nia. He resigned his post at 
Northwest last April to pur-
se state politics.

75 Years Ago...

In 1927, the Associated 
Student Body raised 
$850.00 to build a pool.

“In 1941, the [Associated 
Student Body] set out to 
raise the enormous sum of 
$3,000 for the building of 
the new cafeteria building.

In thirty days the ASB 
raced to victory with the 
sum of $5,004 raised under 
the leadership of Bob 
Olson.” —Excerpt from 
Criterion, October 1, 1947.
EDITORIAL

Here it is once again, the beginning of a new school year. Without fail, every year is different. New classes, new friends, new responsibilities, etc. Some of you are excited to be here, while others aren’t so sure.

So what determines whether the year will be “good” or “bad”?

Some say it is simply luck, while others think it’s all who your friends are. I’d like to suggest that is all you.

If you came to La Sierra this year with a bad attitude, chances are that your year will follow suit. Maybe you didn’t choose to come here, or you just aren’t excited about being in a new place. You may even have a good reason to be unhappy about this school year, but you also have the chance to make it a fun year.

On the other hand, if you came here thinking that this is going to be your best year ever, then most likely it will be. However, there are times when life dishes out things that we really don’t deserve. There will be days when things won’t be fair and bad things will happen—even to good people. Sometime during the course of the year you will most likely want to quit everything you are doing and just give up. It’s happened to me a number of times throughout college. But I also know that you have the power to change those “bad” things that get in your way. Maybe not all of them, but you can choose to deal with the traumas of life, whether they be big or small, in a positive way.

So this year, whether you didn’t choose to come here, or you just aren’t excited about being in a new place. You may even have a good reason to be unhappy about this school year, but you also have the chance to make it a fun year.

Welcome to La Sierra University, to a new school year, and to all the advantages for being here you will soon discover! Whether you are a freshman, transfer, or returning student, undergraduate or graduate student, you are important to us.

While students have been important to La Sierra for 75 years, I hope you will sense a new student-service attitude among the adults you will meet on campus. Whether it is in an administration building office, the food service, the dormitory, in a classroom, or even at your work assignment, I hope you sense a genuine appreciation for your presence and a desire to help facilitate your goals. After all, if it were not for you, none of the rest of us would be here!

I want you to know, right as the school year is getting under way, that for any problem you may have, there is a solution. Learn where to go to get that solution addressed. If it’s an academic problem go to your teacher, advisor, department chair, school dean, or vice president for academic administration. If you have trouble with your finances, see the friendly people in student finance or financial aid, or if all else fails, take your problem to the office of the vice president for finance. If it’s an extracurricular, student life issue, see one of the residence hall deans; the international student advisor; or someone in the office of the vice president for student life. If no one seems to be able to assist you, before you give up or get discouraged, don’t hesitate to come to my office. We care about you and want to make sure everything is done to help you succeed.

In the meantime, study hard—make sure those grades are up. Don’t leave anything to the last or you’ll be in big trouble. And participate in the extra-curricular activities planned for you by Student Life, SALSU, various departments and clubs. Remember that the network of friends you build now will be your most important and satisfying throughout life. Become a leader of some organization or project on campus. Contribute time and talent and you will be doubly blessed. Make service learning a habit—sign up in Jill Rasmussen’s office. And, above all, take time for things of the Spirit. LSU specializes in helping you grow spiritually; if you don’t know where to begin, go to the chaplain’s office or campus ministries, or just ask anyone on campus. Potential friends are everywhere. Have a great year. Remember you’ll get as much out of it as you put into it. I look forward to getting acquainted with you as the year progresses. Find a way to interact with me so you become more than a photo in Perspectives!

God bless,
Lawrence T. Geraty
President, LSU

Did You Know???

That there are at least a half-million more automobiles in Los Angeles than there are people. source: Isaac Asimot’s Book of Facts

The Atlantic Ocean is saltier than the Pacific. source: Uncle John’s Bathroom Reader

Nearly 2,800 letter carriers were bitten by dogs on their routes last year. source: USA Today

Tony the Tiger will turn 42 in 1997 and the Jolly Green Giant will turn 69. source: Uncle John’s Bathroom Reader

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THE CHAPLAIN'S BOOKSHORTS
By Steve Daily
Guest Writer
"Deciphering The Bible Code"

If you want to get your imagination thoroughly stimulated, read the most thought-provoking book that I encountered over the summer. "The Bible Code" is authored by Michael Drosnin, a highly respected journalist who was a leading reporter at the Washington Post for years and wrote the New York Times bestseller "Citizen Hughes." In 1992, he learned that Dr. Eliyahu Rips, a world-class mathematician, had discovered a code in the Old Testament Hebrew Scriptures that foretold in specific detail the most significant events of earth's history for the past 3200 years and into the future.

This code has been confirmed as scientifically valid by Dr. David Kazhdan, a leading mathematician at Harvard University, by Piatetski Shapiro, a top mathematician at Yale, and by various other mathematicians and code specialists throughout the world. In fact several avowed atheists, including the author himself, have come to believe in the reality of God or a Higher Being, based on the discovery of this code.

This Bible code, which could only be deciphered in our high-tech age of computerization, specifically predicted the dates, times and places of such events as the assassinations of both Kennedy’s, King, Sadat and Rabin (found a year before he was killed), the election of Clinton, the Oklahoma city bombing, everything from World War II to Watergate, the Holocaust to Hiroshima, and even the moon landing in 1969 and the collision of a comet with Jupiter. The amazing accuracy of the code and its meticulous detail makes it unlike anything that has ever been found before.

Some academic critics of this discovery have suggested that any piece of literature, if large enough, could be subjected to such infinite mathematical possibilities that it too could be used to make such predictions. But the codes have already been applied to other great works of literature of equal size with no results of the kind. This discovery is unique to the Bible according to the experts and if true, has mind-boggling implications for the doctrine of inspiration and God’s foreknowledge.

The Bible code is also vulnerable to misuse and abuse concerning the things it predicts in the future, and therefore should be studied and applied only in a manner that is consistent with revealed Biblical principles. I do not suggest that you accept the validity of this code on my recommendation or reject it on the recommendation of another. Simply get the book and read it for yourself, and ask yourself if this code can be dismissed as invalid based on the evidence presented. And if you can’t dismiss it, meditate on the amazing implications that this code presents about the incredible mysteries of God and the miraculous nature of inspiration. Personally, I could not dismiss the validity of the code, even though its implications do not nicely fit with my present view of inspiration. But the book certainly did inspire me, and forced me to meditate afresh on the wonder and mystery of the God we serve.

There really are Godly women!
By Carolyn Jones
Staff Writer

The constant viewing of women as a spiritually weak adulteress in the Bible, angers many people. Women are often seen as man-hungry, greed-driven and mora-llacking. The most famous women in the bible are the evil ones: Jezebel and Delilah. Do anything wrong, wear to much makeup or be beautiful and intelligent, and you become a Jezebel or a Delilah. I am sure that during bible times, women were doing wonderful things for God. After all, it was women who raised the great prophets and helped make them ready for God and adulthood—that did not just hap- pen magically. But you sel-dom ever hear about the women.

Noah’s wife and her daughters-in-law, who stuck by their men for hundreds of years, do not even have names in the bible. I fear that this constant oversight stems from the fact that it was seen as insignificant information. During Bible times, women had little importance. I am consolated that God never overlooked the power of women. God used women for his glory while men con-sidered them worthless.

Esther’s story is one in-stance that shows how God used women. King Ahasuerus wanted to display his former wife’s beauty be-fore his men, but when sum-moned, she refused to come. Ahasuerus was furious and banished his wife. He had a beauty pageant in order to find a woman more beautif- ul than his former queen. With God’s help, Esther won the beauty pageant and be-came queen.

Several months later, Haman, a newly appointed high official in the kings court, found out that the King’s servant Mordecai was not bowing before him. This must have hurt his ego con-siderably since he decided that destroying an entire race would be the only way he could be appeased. After hearing the decree, Mordecai went to his niece, Esther, and asked her to speak to the king on her peoples behalf. (She was sent to fix the mess caused by the harming of a man’s pride—sound familiar?) Well, she went to her husband and wines and dined him until he would do anything for her. (The real reason was to drive his men away.) Then she asked for the life of her people. Who can refuse a beautiful wife who has filled your stomach and your head with wonderful things, especially when she has God on her side?

God used Esther, a woman, to help his people. I am sure this was not the first time and I know it will not be the last. So why are women in many churches put down, seen as outcast, and told that they are not as loved by God as men are? Maybe it is because the churches that claim to be Christian are run by men who believe they are Godly. If they were truly Godly, they would view all hu-mans as equal—who are equally able to use there tal-ents for the glory of God.
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Mark Harris, President

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This year I plan to take care of business!
Samuel Acosta
Financial Vice President

La Sierra is a great school! It’s fun when you get involved. Come to SALSU events!
Ranelle Fisher
PR Secretary

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**Nicotine...**

By Rasha Abdrabou
Staff Writer

It is against school policy to smoke on campus. But as you all know that is not going to prevent people from smoking off campus or when people are not looking on campus.

Why is smoking so ‘bad’ for you when some of your parents and friends do it? Well, first of all, nicotine is addictive. If you are addicted, then you are dependent. And if you are dependent, then you are a slave. I was born free and I choose to remain that way.

On a more scientific note, smoking tobacco is a major cause of emphysema, chronic bronchitis, lung cancer and coronary heart disease. One cigarette speeds up your heart-beat, increases your blood pressure and ups sets the blood flow and air into your lungs. Yes folks, One Cigarette.

Some smokers seem as healthy as non-smokers and that is because tobacco-related diseases take years to develop and do not have early warning symptoms. Statistics have shown that teenagers who smoke have more breathing problems than those who do not. Overall statistics show that smokers are sick 19% more days per year than non-smokers. (That may seem little, but trust me it will affect your paycheck, if you still have the job!)

That was the factual stuff, now let us get to the emotional stuff. If smoking affected only you, then it might be okay. There would be no guilt, no worries, simply you, dead or hooked to a ventilator at an early age. But see, it would be your business. In reality though, smoke has this lethal ability to spread from your mouth into your house, to your neighbor’s house, to your friend’s house, to the community and then to the world at large (pretty drastic huh?). So before you light that next cigarette, please think of that kid sitting next you on the bus or the couple passing you by on the sidewalk. The drag you inhale on your side of the cigarette releases gases that have higher concentrations of poison on the other end of the cigarette. So if I am sitting in the same place as you are while you smoke, you are killing me. Thanks a lot!

I hope you consider the facts and dangers listed above and rethink your position on smoking. If you are a smoker and you are ready to quit, call your AMERICAN LUNG ASSOCIATION AT 1-800-LUNG-USA and ask for the Freedom From Smoking group and self-help programs.

P.S. Did you know that 46 million smokers in the U.S. have quit, yet about 25% of the adult population still smoke.

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**Making A Difference**

"A New Beginning"
By Duleep Rodrigo
Staff Writer

Every year, every week, every day we get a chance to begin new. Once more this year we get the opportunity to start a fresh new academic year. What would you like this year to be?

If you are a freshman on campus you might be a bit afraid as to the expectations and the anticipation of beginning a college career. If you are a Senior you might be equally anticipating to finish off your college career and move to another program or to step into another phase in life, each and every one of us have our own goals as to what we would like this year to look like. It might be making more friends, or joining a club or getting better grades this year. The amazing thing about life is that we can really get the opportunity to choose, each year, each day.

La Sierra as a university is also looking forward for a new year with celebrations. This year the school will celebrate it’s 75th anniversary and each and every one of us is blessed in a special way to be part of the history of this institution.

To have a successful year you need to begin by setting goals. According to Ben Stein, “The indispensable first step to getting the things you want out of life is this: decide what you want.”

The purpose of a goal is to focus our attention. The mind will not reach toward achievement until it has clear objectives. The magic begins when we set goals. It is then that the switch is turned on, the current begins to flow, and the power to accomplish becomes a reality. Therefore take some time at the beginning of this school year to set your goals and achieve your dreams. After all tomorrow is a brand new day full of possibilities just make your goals a reality!

You burn more calories sleeping than you do watching TV.
-Source: "Uncle John's Bathroom Reader."

The right lung takes in more air than the left.
-Source: "2201 Fascinating Facts."

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**Fitness Center Hours:**

| M-R | 6 a.m. - 10 p.m. |
| F   | 6 a.m. - 4 p.m.  |
| Sun | Noon - 10 p.m.  |

**Pool Hours:**

| M-F | 6 a.m. - 7 a.m. |
| M-F | Noon - 1 p.m.  |
**Sports News**

"Summer In Sports"

By Doug Brown
Sports Writer

BOXING

Sports this summer provided both the outrageous, incredible, and bizarre for the sports fan. The summer got off to a delicious start as Mike Tyson enjoyed Evander "The Real Deal" Holyfield's ear during the third round of their heavyweight title bout. Tyson was suspended from boxing in Nevada and was fined the maximum of three million dollars. Now honestly, how can someone bite off another man's ear and walk away with $27 million dollars in prize money.

BASEBALL

In baseball, the Pittsburgh Pirates toiled away in anonymity with the lowest payroll of all major league baseball teams and were in contention for their division title up to the last weekend of the season. While the Chicago White Sox, who went out and spent mega bucks on big names like Albert Belle, struggled to finish second in their weak division. Another highlight of the baseball season was the pursuit of Roger Maris' record by Ken Griffey Jr. of Seattle and Mark McGwire of St. Louis finished with the most home runs since the record was set. Heading into the final game Griffey had 56 and McGwire, 57. The Dodgers have struggled all year with inconsistency. At the beginning of the year they couldn't hit and towards the end of the year their pitching gave out. Mike Piazza carried them on his back and into contention for the West crown, but it was not to be, as the Giants finished with the title. The Angels did little more than nip at Seattle's heels all year long. They need to buy some hitting this off-season.

BASKETBALL

In basketball the inaugural season of the WNBA was successful as thousands turned out to watch the women's league. Although a lot of the games weren't competitive, the game seems to have found a niche during the summer lull. Cynthia Cooper, the league's MVP led the Houston Comets to victory over the New York Liberty 65-51 for the championship. In the NBA Michael Jordan signed for an incredible $36 million for one year. Kevin Garnett turned down $17 million a year, and Dennis Rodman tried to have his salary put into a savings account until the end of the year as an extra incentive to "be good."

FOOTBALL

In football, the Oakland Raiders have struggled all year with the most explosive offenses in the NFL but only have a 1-3 record to show for it. The New England Patriots, Denver Broncos, Jacksonville Jaguars, and the unbelievable Tampa Bay Buccaneers are the only undefeated teams left after four weeks.

THE FUTURE...

With baseball season all but over, hockey starting in two weeks, basketball starting in 6 weeks, and my favorite football team ("Da Bears") 0-4, I've had a lot of time to ponder where sports will go into the next century. I'm afraid that if somebody doesn't start listening to the fans, the sporting world may be in trouble. The four major sports continue to treat fans with disrespect, moving their teams on owners' whims, hiking up ticket prices, and demanding tax money be spent on new stadiums. Players' salaries continue to go through the roof and their tolerance for their fans has dropped to an all-time low. Although, I will always participate in sports, I don't know how much longer I can willingly support such a rotten bunch of people.

Quick Facts

Until 1973, a player could legally use absolutely anything as a tennis racket. Today, rules govern the size, weight, compression, and performance of tennis balls. - *Invention & Technology Magazine*

"Tug of War" was an Olympic event between 1860 & 1920. - *Uncle John's Bathroom Reader*

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**Eagle's Schedule**

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- United States International University @ San Diego, 4:00
- Life Bible College @ LSU, 7:00
- Mustangs College @ El Centro, 7:30
- Chapman College @ El Cerrito, 7:30
- USI @ Orange, 7:30

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**Ladies Volleyball**

By Carrie Lewis
Guest Writer

With the start of a new school year comes La Sierra University's women's volleyball season, which has already charged forward. Our LSU women are out to conquer this year. With three losses put behind them, they finally tasted victory in their last game against Life Bible College. Adding one win under their belts, the Lady Eagles have begun their trail to a victorious season.

The head coach for women's volleyball for the 1997-98 volleyball season is Eric Hughes with assistant coach Rod Lazo. They have been training the women hard for this season. So come down to the Alumni Pavilion and support your Lady Golden Eagles volleyball team.
Being Free at Last

By Micah White
Guest Writer

For some odd reason I had an uncontrollable desire to jump out a perfectly good airplane on my 19th birthday. I read up on the local skydiving schools, and since both had unfortunate fatalities in the last two years I figured I would just go to the one located next to Lake Elsinore.

During the 40 minute drive down to the school every song on dealt with DEATH which scared me enough just to turn it off and drive in total silence. I figured I had about the same chance of dying in a car accident on the way there as the actual jump itself. After the four hours of instruction it took to go through the AFF (Accelerated Free Fall) program I felt really confident, but I still could not keep from shaking as I put on my jumpsuit and the rest of my equipment. In the 10 short minutes we waited for the plane to fuel up I probably went over the complete jump 30 times in my head. Physically getting into the plane had to be one of the hardest things I have ever done, but the ride up to the jump altitude (14,500 ft.) was probably one of my most scary experiences. My instructors were talking to me all the way up, but I could barely hear them over the engines. After the twenty three people before me jumped and disappeared from view I was finally up. To be honest with you, I had so much adrenaline pumping at this point that I couldn’t even feel my own body weight let alone be scared. In the few seconds I stood in the doorway to get positioned, the problems of the world did not matter to me at all. No one pushed me, I did in fact jump on my own and man am I glad I did. As my feet left the plane I felt nothing but pure exhilaration and tenseness throughout my body. I was falling at a rate of about 1,000 ft. every six seconds which calculated out was a little over a minute in free fall.

Free fall is so great it can not even be put into words. For a few seconds after you leave the plane your body doesn’t do anything. It probably took 2-3 seconds for my body to comprehend what I had just done. It’s kind of difficult to remain stable throughout the jump, but once you pull the ripcord there is no safer feeling in the world. About the only thing safer was actually hitting the ground, and believe me I hit the ground. Bouncing would probably be a better term.

If you have the means, I highly recommend it. On my scale of 1-10, it ranks as a 9. It only gets better each and every time.

Sports Spotlight

Olusanjo Adeoyo

Major: BioPhysics/Pre-Med
Year: Sophomore (transfer from CUH)
Sport: Soccer
Position: Forward
History: Columbia City Amteur League went to Finals
Starting age: 5
Hometown: Maryland
Quote: “Soccer is Life.”

UPS & DOWNS

Internet connections in the dorms
Recruitment & Enrollment for all of their hard work helping students with finances
All of the support that was given for the Youth-to-Youth retreat
Long lines at registration
No A/C in Angwin & Gladwyn
Greetings, my adoring throngs. Guess what?

[ahem]

Fine. Be a jerk. Don’t guess.

Oh, what the Fresno, I’ll tell you anyway—I have to write an article for the Criterion; and I can’t think of anything even close to printworthy to write about!* After four months of blissful stagnation, my creativity ducts are crusted shut and my humor gland has shriveled up like an old potato. I want to make up lies. I want to start vicious rumors about myself. I want to lay down some massive sums of space making up stupid acronyms.” I want to “phat jams.” I want to “sock it” to “the man.” I want to “word” I “say.”

Alas, I cannot, for my brain doth sucketh too much. (Actually, I guess I could “do” the “quotation mark ‘thing’”... nah.) So, what does one do when one is unable to come up with anything even remotely creative and/or interesting? Why, one throws together a bunch of old crap at the last minute and turns it in, of course.

Alas and alack, however, even this I cannot do, for I already used up everything floating around my hard drive last year, including all of my old academy assignments and the ClarisWorks readme file. So what, you ask, is done at the next level of desperation? We are forced to resort to what I like to call the SHNERBET Method, which stands for “Suckily Having Nothing Interesting Really But Entering Things about whatever I happen to see laying around and also wasting massive sums of space making up stupid acronyms.”

How does it work? Just watch. Make sure your sunscreen’s at least SPF 15, ‘cause sheer brilliance is about to blaze forth from the paper in your hands.

Wow, how ‘bout them desks, huh? Sure are flat!

And what is the deal with those crazy light switches anyway? Half the time they’re up, half the time they’re down; who knows what’s going on? And those little words they have printed on them—is that insane or what? I mean, “ON” is way down underneath the switchy part so you can’t even see it, and “OFF” is written so it’s only exposed when the lights are off. I mean, has anybody ever actually seen the writing on a light switch? The only reason I know this much is ‘cause I stuck up on one with a flashlight once and cudgeled the switch ‘til it landed on the floor. Thank you very much. The end.

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“Okay, so what do we do with this information? I mean, do the crazy switches matter? Is there some genius plan behind them? Or is it just some kind of massive prank that the world is playing on us? I don’t know, and I don’t care. But I do know that I am going to keep my fingers crossed for the rest of my life that I never have to flip a switch again.”

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Man About Town Morty

Hi my name is Morty and I am the Man About Town. I am here to serve you and give you cool things to do in your spare time. Since the first week or two of school has a reputation of being the toughest (yeah, right) you deserve a break.

I love the immediate area around La Sierra but let’s be adventurous and venture out into the heart of Southern California for our first journey together.

Wanna know where Demi got her Woody? I’ll tell you—what? I mean, “ON” is way down underneath the switchy part so you can’t even see it, and “OFF” is written so it’s only exposed when the lights are off. I mean, has anybody ever actually seen the writing on a light switch? The only reason I know this much is ‘cause I stuck up on one with a flashlight once and cudgeled the switch ‘til it landed on the floor. Thank you very much. The end.

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Rick's World: Season Premiere

By Rick Marson
Staff Writer

Ah, Summer. What other season gives you three consecutive months of no school? None that I can think of. Fall? No. Fall is the beginning of the end of no school. Winter, winter, winter. What's winter? Does it have some nice things going for it, (Christmas and the vacation of the same name, New Years, and my birthday) the most school off you get is three weeks. Then you have spring, if summer were a movie spring would be the teaser for it. Spring's got all the hot and sunny weather of summer, but you still have to go to school.

Not that I'm against school, even though everything I've ever heard so far would seem to lead to that fact, I'm actually happy to be back. To me school is like my old dog, Rocky (which was short for Rock Climbin' Dog). One day we allegedly found him, apparently trying to eat my sister, with her arm up to the elbow in his mouth, but I really can't remember it (because I was something like two at the time), and sometimes I sure do think it would be fun to keep a dog again. That's the way summer is to me. (I feel it is unnecessary to defend summer by saying me. (I feel it is unnecessary to defend summer by saying)

I start remembering all the great fun I had at school. I start telling all my old and the hot and sunny weather of summer, but you still have to go to school.

So there you go. Like a candy bar that was left in the car while you went shopping, school and summer both have gotten both useful and bad things about them, sure its all sweet and delicious, but it's also all melty, you have to lick half of it off the wrapper, and you'll probably end up dropping it on your pants. The big problem is the school/summer ratio, and due to the stubborn consistency of time we are stuck with it. Fortunately, the mind is a flexible thing and you can easily trick yourself into thinking that time has slowed down. Here are a few helpful tips:

Get a watch, look at it all the time. If you are constantly checking your watch, an hour can seem like forever (here's an example: Hmmm, one thirty seven and twenty seven seconds, ok. doo dee doo doo doo. Hmmm, one thirty seven and thirty nine seconds, alright. dumm dumm dumm. Hmmm, one thirty seven and forty three seconds...) Don't sleep. Time actually seems to go faster when you are asleep, and if you don't sleep you'll have all that extra time to do stuff.

Make plans ahead of time, look forward to them. This tip kind of goes along with the first one, if you are always waiting for something that will happen in the future it will take forever.

If all else fails, get a job. Nothing seems to take forever more than a job, the more boring the job the slower time will seem to go. If time appears to be going to slow, there are things that will counteract tip four to some degree. First, don't look at your watch, just take it for granted that it is not time to quit yet and therefore you don't need to support that fact by finding out exactly how far from quitting time you are. Secondly, if possible, sing to yourself.


ARE YOU READY FOR THAT "BACK TO SCHOOL" STUFF?

Long summer, wasn't it? Seemed like it would never end. Well, HA! It did! So now where's your brain? The books or the beach? Take this quiz and find out!

1. On dorm move-in day, you:
   (a) had your boxes stacked up by the door, ready to go.
   (b) slept in as long as possible—hey, it was your last day of solitary peace before a roommate showed up.
   (c) thought: what's "move-in day?"

2. During registration, the line for student accounts was so long that it wrapped around the building three times and trailed off to Sierra Towers. You:
   (a) brought crayons and a coloring book, Gameboy, ANYTHING to make your wait in line as tolerable as possible.
   (b) stuck around for 2 minutes and then noticed the line wasn't doing anything so you put your name on the waiting list, left, and then forgot you were ever there in the first place.
   (c) thought: what's "student accounts?"

3. The thought of the cafeteria:
   (a) is exciting for you, cuz you don't have to worry about cooking your own food anymore.
   (b) makes you want to blow chunks.
   (c) doesn't exist in your world.

4. You have, within the past week:
   (a) gone to Security, told them you don't have a car on campus (even though you do), and gotten them to stamp your registration form. You figure that you can get by without parking decals this year and they'll never notice.
   (b) gone to Security and paid the $60 yet all the while thinking that it should've been for your biology book instead. But still, anything is better than that $25-failure-to-register-ticket.
   (c) thought: what's "Security?"

5. When it comes to academic advisors, you:
   (a) know the name of yours.
   (b) have made it a point to drop in on him or her to get an update on your prospects of graduating within the next millennium.
   (c) think: what are "academic advisors?"

6. As you walk around campus and head to various locations such as the library, cafeteria, dorms, etc., you reach for your handy-dandy, all-purpose ID card, and:
   (a) find it right where you always keep it: super glued to your wrist.
   (b) reach for it in the back pocket of your jeans and realize that it's not there.
   (c) think: what's an "ID card?"

7. Feeling the desire to produce more on your records than just grades, you:
   (a) decide to get involved with an on-campus club or run for Senate or something socially active like that.
   (b) plan on missing the first 3 chapels of the year so you can get "Citizenship Probation" marked on your permanent student file.
   (c) write up your dream resume which would include things such as "appointed University president" and "drafted architecture for new campus site" and then psychologically convince yourself that these things are true (unless you're Ken Souter or Larry Geraty and they are true) and turn this resume in to a prospective employer or graduate school.

Time, once again, to take score:

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if you scored 11-14 points: You are definitely on fire for this '97-'98 school year! You are dedicated to learning, ready to have fun, and excited about the prospects for a successful experience! Still, you might want to chill out! Your friends will all think you're psycho if it seems that you'd enjoy a day in the library more than a day at Disneyland, which, seems logically possible if you scored this many points.

6-10 points: This is where the average LSU population tends to categorize itself. What it boils down to, is that you are "normal." Sure a new school year is exciting... for a day. Then you realize you have no money in your wallet, are suffering from major sleep deprivation, and have 2 classes with your ex-boyfriend or girlfriend. Suddenly, the thought of a new school year seems tiresome.

0-5 points: Go back to high school.

-Laura Chen, Staff Writer

"We want you to be able to read and write and do some math..."
-Adony Schmidt, VP for Academic Affairs, on explaining the core educational requirements to freshman.

"I've never all out wanted to kiss a woman who looked so much like a man as I did then."
- Karl Heilfur, Youth-to-Youth speaker, on telling a story about when he was shown "mercy" and let off the hook for an $500 speeding ticket.

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September 30, 1997
What does the word “aerie” mean?

“A city in Pakistan.”
Carl Christman, (FR) Communication

“A new dance.”
Carleton Pyfrom, (SO) Health Administration

“The word ‘hairy’ badly misspelled.”
Jason Thorpe, (FR) Biology/Pre-Med

“One of those big lakes up by Michigan.”
Jennie Wong, (JR) English/Pre-Optometry

“Something that has a little bit of air, but not too much.”
Ruthy Henry, (JR) Psychology

“Aerie” is actually an eagle’s nest.

Calendar

Wednesday, Oct. 1
Rendezvous: 10 p.m., UMA

Thursday, Oct. 2
Assembly: Assessment (required), 11 a.m., various locations
LSU 75th Anniversary Birthday Bash/School Photo: Noon, Campus Mall

Friday, Oct. 3
Flag Raising for LSU’s 75th Birthday: 8 a.m.
Tree Planting by Riverside Mayor: 11:30 a.m.
75th Anniversary Reception: 6:30 p.m., SH
CPR: 7:30 p.m., SC

Saturday, Oct. 4
Xodus 2 & 7: 10-10:50 a.m.
75th Anniversary “Parlor Games”: 7:30 p.m., Res Hall Lobbies

Monday, Oct. 6
Chapel: Jose Rojas, 9 a.m., LSUC

Tuesday, Oct. 7
Chapel: Flo McAfee, 11 a.m., LSUC
Tuesday Tunes: EN

Wednesday, Oct. 8
Chapel: Jose Rojas, 11 a.m., LSUC

Wednesday, Oct. 9
Chapel: Jose Rojas, 11 a.m., LSUC

Wednesday, Oct. 10
Chapel: Sunil Pandit, 8 a.m., LSUC
Community Service Bay/ CPR: Agape Feast, 7:30 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 11
Xodus 2 & 7: 10-10:50 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 14
Chapel: Ken Madison, 11 a.m.
Tuesday Tunes: EN
Princess Diana and Mother Theresa: A Student's Perspective

By Laura Chen
Staff Writer

This past summer the entire world mourned the loss of two great women—Princess Diana of Wales and Mother Theresa of Calcutta. Tragically, the two women died just days apart, leaving many people in states of shock, grief, and sympathy. In a historic event, Princess Diana was given a funeral military-style, with soldiers and horses escorting her casket, draped in the flag of royalty, down a two-mile stretch through London. One of La Sierra’s own students, Milap Nowrangi, was there.

Ironically, Nowrangi had been in London to meet his sister, Priya, who was returning from a summer of service alongside Mother Theresa in Calcutta. In no simple twist of fate, Priya Nowrangi’s return ticket back to the United States had been arranged months before, when there was no knowledge that Mother Theresa would suffer death just days before Nowrangi’s scheduled return. Priya had offered her time volunteering for Mother Theresa’s mission over this past summer. She traveled to Calcutta and worked with the nuns. She was actually present during Mother Theresa’s death. “We just knew that she was very sick,” Priya told the Washington Post.

Meanwhile, her brother, Milap, was preparing for his journey to England where he would meet his sister to accompany her back to the States. It was around this time that the world suddenly learned of Princess Diana’s fatal car accident. The procession was to take place during the time that Milap would be in London. On the day of the funeral, Milap joined thousands of others to line the processional route. He first saw Princess Diana’s casket at Hyde Park. “You don’t get to experience the whole thing when you’re just at home watching on.

I would like to get into a major orchestra of the LA Philharmonic level. I would love to be a member of the Philharmonic one day.”

This season, Grace will be giving a recital here, at LSU in November. Grace is currently a music performance major at LSU, with an emphasis in violin performance. “I actually started playing the piano when I was 3 but decided that piano wasn’t the instrument for me,” Grace admits. She plays in several groups, including the La Sierra String Quartet and the La Sierra Sinfonia.

She plays often in churches, recitals, and competitions, and plans on continuing to perform. “Mainly, I would like to get into a major orchestra of the LA Philharmonic level. I would love to be a member of the Philharmonic one day.”

This season, Grace will be playing with the Long Beach Symphony, a professional symphony based in Long Beach. She will also be giving a recital here, at LSU in November.

As for the Philharmonic, “A great experience just to say I’ve played with the LA Philharmonic,” she said.

Interested in Surfing?
See Page 8.
**Cafeteria Concerns**

**By Trent Loveless**

Staff Writer

The storm cloud of rumors and mystery surrounding the La Sierra University cafeteria this fall quarter are rapidly growing to hurricane proportions. Like El Nino out in the Pacific, many of these rumors are anticipated but have yet to arrive. Amidst the swirling storm of controversy,(float rumors of higher food prices, changes in the meal plan, and outside help being brought in to prepare the food.

Currently the food in the cafeteria is prepared by a team of three cooks. Starting Tuesday, a professional chef will be brought in several times a week to aid in preparation. According to the cafeteria staff, the chef comes highly recommended and is eagerly awaited.

So with such a highly recommended professional now under cafeteria employment the food prices have to be raised. Right? WRONG! Cafeteria workers are very clear on this item. "The food prices have not been raised in years," stated one Food Services employee.

The current food menu at the cafe is set up almost a quarter in advance. The menu items are part of a three-week rotating menu with things like pizza and subway sandwiches brought in. Much of this effort is to help ensure that the students have more of a variety of food to choose from, should they not like the main menu items.

In fact, Esther Espinoza, food services director, spent almost six months seeking special food items that students requested. Since the current supplier for food services does not supply retail items, a long and frustrating search was required before the requested menu items could be located and requisitioned. Among these new additions are frozen dinners such as shepherd's pie, and new types of sandwiches.

No change in the meal plan has been made at this time, and the Food Services staff declined to comment on future policies or changes. So while the storm clouds have weakened around the cafe, enough remain to keep storm watchers anxiously looking skyward.

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**LSU Named as Character-Building College**

LSU Public Relations

La Sierra University has been selected to be part of the 1997-98 Honor Roll for Character-Building Colleges guidebook. The school was recognized during an official national announcement on Sept. 24 in the Cannon Caucus Room, Cannon House office Building of the U.S. House of Representatives in Washington D.C. Honor Roll was established by the John Templeton Foundation of Radnor. The purpose of the honor roll is to recognize colleges and universities that purposefully strive to build character in their students; to provide students, families and high schools with a reference guide during the college selection process; and to inspire colleges and universities to strengthen their character-building programs and activities.

"Effective character education requires an intentional proactive approach that plans deliberate ways to develop character rather than simply waiting for opportunities to occur," said John M. Templeton, Jr., MD, president of the John Templeton Foundation.

"The 1997-1998 Honor Roll colleges and universities are committed to character education, and view themselves as moral leaders and moral examples. They develop moral reasoning skills, encourage spiritual growth and moral values, provide community-building experiences, advocate a drug-free lifestyle, conduct a critical assessment of character-building programs and activities, and serve as moral beacons to their moral reasoning skills, encourage spiritual growth and moral values, provides community-building experiences, advocates a drug-free lifestyle, conducts a critical assessment of character-building programs and activities.

One of the important criteria of the Honor Roll for Character-Building Colleges is that each college or university, in conjunction with the Honor Roll, has committed to providing a guidebook to high schools, families, and students regarding character development programs and activities.

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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 write for 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 coursework, 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 coursework. 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’ve 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 that 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 considering, 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.laserra.edu/office/careers/.

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.

Late-term abortion plan may be voted

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 nonsmokers pay less in medical bills than smokers, and that cracking down on underage 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 nonsmokers are higher than those for smokers, since non-smokers smoke less.

Effort to recall Simpson judge fails

A petition requesting the recall of Orange County Superior Court Judge Nancy Weiltenstock, 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
Staff Writer

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 what 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 went 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 thinks 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 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. Some of you might say, “What could you have done that was better?” But, life is about who you love and who you hurt.

By Carol Jones
Staff Writer

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 threatened 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? Ain’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 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 Dangerous Illusion of a Manageable 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 worshiping 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 worshiping 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 (she 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 worshiping 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.

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Just think . . . wouldn't that be sooo 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.)

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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 x2804.

Animation Appreciation Club (LSUAAE)—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 willdick@lasierria.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 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, <janesyl@>.  

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 Misérables, 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, Koreatown-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.

LEL & La Tertulia Clubs—This year the Hispanic literary club known as La Tertulia will be working closely with the LEL club in an effort to promote Hispanic culture among the students. Their hopes for the future is to participate in many fund-raisers to raise money for a scholarship and other activities. Throughout the year we 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 Doris Morales at morales@lasierria.edu, x2120.

Polynesian Club—Contact Neoma Taione x2644.

Pre-Med Club—Call Shelly Sharme 370-2744.

Radio Club—Contact Shelly Sharme 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, Renendezvous, School of Religion chapel, possible forum type meetings to theologize such ideas as "What does it mean to be a Christian vs. an SDA?" Contact Steve Daily, Felipe Vielmann, 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 and off campus. If you want to get involved, contact: Heather Richard x2593 or <heatrich@>.

SANS—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 the fun that 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 Nowrang at South Hall (ask Turner, x2229, to transfer you) or <milanow@>.

Snowboarding Club—We seek to unite all persons who share a common interest in boarding. Every February, the club treks to Colorado for the annual 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 or Juan x2666 or <evangrah> or Juan at x2688 or <juanayal>.

Social Work Club—This club offers fun, social action and support. We will be planning a series of social and cultural events throughout the year and will also get involved in the community. Contact Lisa Davis x2517 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, LS1206, call x2081, or e-mail: <smlink@lasierria.edu> for more info.

TECHNIE—Those of you who are into Math and such, call Tony Salazar x2279.
Basal Metabolism

By Rasha Abd Rabou
Staff Writer

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 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 current 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!

Basal Metabolism

La Sierra Celebrates its 75th Anniversary with a Birthday Bash

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 understanding 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 Shelden 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.

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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.

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: Tho Doings
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 adrenaline rush comes from looking down the face of the wave and knowing that if you mess up you are going 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. But those who consider surfing, but are afraid to give it a try, will never truly know the 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.

**Swoosh**

By Kathy Strawter
Staff Writer

As many of you know, the men’s basketball tryouts 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 he is excited for this year’s season. This team will also have the same look it did a year ago. Haldeman notes, “But those feelings aren’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.

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**Sports Spotlight**

Lindsay Daily

**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
Rick's World
By Rick Marson
Staff Writer

More challenging than a game of Jenga™. More precarious than a game of the lesser known Bandu™. More baffling than anything Rubik™ could ever have imagined in even his most fevered of nightmares. It is a place where reality and unreality not only fold, but spindle, and mutilate. What is this place and does it truly exist? Verily, I say unto you, for I eat there ever day. 'Tis the uncanny realm of cafeteria food court!

New forms of physics (and possibly genetics) could be founded by studying the way in which the food court area of the Commons works. In the food court things flow and slide across one another like oil and water or eggs on a pan sprayed with Pam™. People, trays, and food bob and weave in a kind twisted lambada. They move in every direction possible, some futilely attempting to pass through another.

The “bars” have a completely different set of dynamics to them. Some are circular, as though constructed by some copy machine repairman driven to the brink of insanity, appearing to have no beginning and no end; people can be forever trapped, not knowing where the line stops or starts.

The check out lines are a force to be reckoned with, often spanning the courts entire length. And as though it were not difficult enough just to navigate through these living walls, with their stopping-you-from-getting-where-you-want-to-go power second only to the mighty road pylon, they have been composed of people you know, friends, and, for some such as me, family members, who wish to stop you and have conversations. All the time their siren call is leading you farther from where you want to be and closer to the beginning of the line, which does you no good because you have not finished your food selection. It's all enough to drive a crazy person sane.

So come on down to the Commons, where eating the food is only 2/5 the adventure!

Disclaimer: Rick Marson, who has been driven to the brink of insanity before, suggests that if you are planning to go you should car pool and take a map, oh, and don't pick up any strange hitchhikers, but if you do, when they say they need to stop, you better stop!

Did You Know???
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Carl Jonard is Full of It

By Carl Jonard
Staff Writer

As a busy college student, there are two important activities I spend the vast majority of each day doing: A) waiting for the Sierra Towers elevator door to open so I can get in, and B) waiting for the Sierra Towers elevator door to open so I can get out. I was spending a leisurely afternoon enjoying Activity B the other day, when I noticed my good buddy Paul, Paul Mendiola, standing in front of me, swinging his fists in the air like a drunken kangaroo. I was attempting to slowly work my way over to the other side of the elevator when Paul suddenly burst out, "Hey, you ever think of writing an article on boxing?" Quickly estimating the distance between me and the emergency button and subtracting that from Paul's arm-swinging radius, taking into account the sensitive organ proximity, I decided that a noncommittal answer would be the wisest course.

"Well, shoot, who hasn't?" I replied suavely.

"If it's about to start boxing, and you need to write an article about boxing, "cause then lots of people will join," he explained rapidly.

"Ah," I said. "Yes. Yes, I see how that is true, and I would work. And, boy, that sure would be a dynamic and entertaining thing to write an article about! In addition, I can see how I would be a highly-qualified person to write such an article. And, also, I think you are a very likely successor to the throne of Spain. And, gee, what a delightful and greaseless lunch we just had in the cafeteria! Mm, mmm, Savory Loaf again. That sure is the most appropriate adjective to describe that loaf!" Now, back from my brief hospital stay, I am proud to present: Why You Are Going to Join the Boxing Club (If You Value Your Life).

What is boxing? Well, I can't remember right now. There's a lot of things I can't remember right now. Like my name. And what's this boxy thing I'm pushing buttons on? Who cares? The important thing is, you need to box. More specifically, you should go to box with some really great people in a very special, fun-loving group, who have decided to show off their witty, creative sides by calling themselves "The Boxing Club.

Since my memory isn't quite what it used to be, I decided to look up the word "boxing" in a big book of words made up by some guy named Webster I found on my floor. It says that boxing can be either "1. A box-like covering or enclosure," or "3. The act of enclosing in a box."

So I guess the idea of this club is, everybody kind of sorts around and talks about cardboard and stuff and probably packs things every once in a while, and as far as I can tell, whenever they get bored, they go beat up people who aren't in the club.

So, in conclusion, I think that The Boxing Club is a much better club to be in than not, because they're probably going to get bored a lot talking about stupid boxes. If I was doing it, I'd at least choose something interesting like styrofoam peanuts or bubble wrap or something. Oh well.

"Sincerely,"
Carl "J" Jonard
Vice President, Generico

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Friends Don't Let Friends Go to Denny's

By Connie Galambos
Staff Writer

I hate coffee. But I'll pay big bucks for an ounce of espresso with two spoons of sugar, a cup of milk, caramel and cinnamon flavoring, with some chocolate syrup. I love the aroma of coffee beans roasting, mellow music, and an escapist environment. A coffeehouse is my niche in space and time, to savor alone or be with those I enjoy. Less poetically speaking, I want my student discount and a tasty drink.

For those who dare to venture beyond the Eagles' Nest: Riverside's Java Gems

$ Back to the Grind... . . Thrift store meets coffeehouse, inviting alternative lifestyles and regular folks. This is the largest coffeehouse I've seen yet, or perhaps the only coffee shop with a big mirror just trick the eyes. A potpourri of STUFF surrounds old couches, overstuffed chairs, and cozy love seats. You can sit at the bar stool counters reading from the literature shelves, or admire and critique funky art. Sit indoors, outdoors, or out back. Slide in your socks across the hardwood floor. Try and blow out the fake candles or the real ones. Check out the newspapers or magazines and water the plants. The coffee is good but this coffeehouse is built on atmosphere. Weeknights you'll find tarot card predictions and poetry readings. Weekends bring live music and comedy nights. Corner of 6th & Main ($). The Adventist Church is at the forefront of the President's goal of citizen service. —Flo Maffee, Special Advisor to President Clinton
What Does the Word “schuss” mean?

“What you might say to shut someone up.”
Michele Pongvarin, (JR) English

“A South American Bug.”
Alan Bingham, (SO) Pre-Law

“A really creative way to say be quiet.”
Renamie Santomin, (JR) Health Science

“Miniature shoes from the island of Lilliput.”
Brandon Burk, (SR) Bio/Pre-Med

“Schuss” is a straight downhill ski run at high speed.

Calendar

Tuesday, Oct. 14
Tuesday Tunes: 8 p.m., EN

Wednesday, Oct. 15
Praise Night: 9 p.m. (No Rendezvous)

Thursday, Oct. 16
CORE 101 Workshops: 11 a.m.
SALSU Nerd Night Bowling: 10-12 p.m.

Friday, Oct. 17
LSU AAC: 1-4 p.m., Ch 100
CPR: 7:30 p.m., SC

Saturday, Oct. 18
Xodus 24:7: 10-10:50 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 21
Chapel: Steve Dally, 11 a.m., LSUC
Tuesday Tunes: 8 p.m., EN

Wednesday, Oct. 22
Passport To Your Future: 6-8:30 p.m., MC
Rendezvous: 10 p.m., HMA

Thursday, Oct. 23
Meet the Firms: 6:30 p.m., ALC
Movie Party: 9 p.m., SC

Friday, Oct. 24
LSU AAC: 1-4 p.m., Ch 100
Dinner Theater: 5:30 p.m.
CPR: 7:30 p.m., SC
Concert: 8:30 p.m., SC

Saturday, Oct. 25
Faculty Flip-Breakfast: 9 a.m. Dorms
Mission Trip—Children’s Outreach: 2-6 p.m.
Movie: 7:30 p.m., CH

Sunday, Oct. 26
Change Time: Set clock back one hour (2 a.m.)

Calvin & Hobbes ®
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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 continued existence 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 ACRO will not be able to continue. The administration says that it did not dismiss the ACRO academic program to a club, that no funding exists to continue ACRO, that ACRO will not be able to fund a room in Corona, where the money should go. “The university is obviously turned its back on ACRO. Administration has somehow managed to defeat ACRO,” says Roger McFarland, ACRO advisor. The administration, however, claims that its decision was based on monetary concerns. “At no point did anyone say, ‘This is not of any value,’” says Adeny McFarland, 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 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 exists to pay for this project, which would have cost $40,000, by McFarland’s estimate.

Although ACRO and its individual members have won many national titles, the administration says that it needs to focus on other areas of the university, which 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 is inside, be aware of your surroundings and individuals as you are approaching your vehicle.

Keep valuable out of sight in the trunk. Lock your car and use locking devices (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 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 what 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.

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October 28, 1997
Just imagine, you’re working at your first “real” job; no more homework assignments, term papers, and exams—sounds great, doesn’t it? Too many students, however, find the transition from academia to the working world frustrating and disappointing. Why? First of all, new college graduates are often unrealistic in their job expectations. Some of them believe that a college degree means that they are “owed” a job; others are discouraged by low beginning salaries and fierce competition for entry-level positions. Rising above these frustrations is easier if you keep in mind the following “Success Tips” for landing the right job.

1. Be enthusiastic, open-minded, and confident. Your attitude at the job interview is extremely important because everything you say and do must communicate to an employer your confidence that you can “get the job done.”

2. Treat your job search like a research project. Discover as much as possible about a company and the position before contacting an employer. Use the library, read newspapers, and talk to employees and other professionals in the field. An employer will often ask you in the interview what you know about the company and if you have spoken with any of its other employees.

3. Talk about what you can do for an organization, not what the organization can do for you.

4. Line up part-time positions or internships while you’re still in school. No one wants to be your first employee. Gaining work experience and making contacts in your field give you and advantage over other entry-level job seekers.

5. Be flexible. Be willing to consider opportunities even if they aren’t exactly what you wanted. A job that offers a variety of experience leads to more future opportunities than one that has narrow focus.

6. Be true to yourself. Being flexible does not mean that you should accept a job that you know you’ll hate. Few people enjoy every aspect of their jobs, but if you don’t enjoy what you’re doing, chances are you’ll never be really good at it.

Attitude Has Everything To Do With Success

7. Consider companies of all sizes. Although the big companies may have more money to advertise, many of the best job opportunities are in smaller, growing companies with limited advertisement budgets.

Finally, remember that your attitude has everything to do with your success in the job market. Being realistic about the process does not mean you have to shelve all your dreams of success in the business world; it means accepting that it takes hard work and effort to make success a reality.

EDITORIAL

What is the first thing you think of when you hear the word fun? Is it a nice car, going to an amusement park, or maybe going to a party? The weekend is usually fun, but what exactly is it that makes it that way?

Friends, of course. Let's imagine something here...you and your dog, Rhody, are on a trip in your nice dependable yellow Yugo. About 500 miles from your destination, your car makes a noise that it really is not supposed to make and all of a sudden, Rhody and the Yugo are sitting on the side of the road next to a cornfield. Are you having fun yet? Probably not.

Now, let's imagine the same situation, but add three of your closest friends. It might not seem fun at the time, but after one of your friends tries to use his lighter to heat up the spark plugs and the other one runs down the road frantically trying to wave down a little old lady that is driving by, you might think the situation was a little bit funny. And chances are that when you returned home, other friends would hear about the “fun” you had, despite the problems.

Friends are one of the most important things you will get out of college (besides that nice diploma, of course). You will laugh with them, study with them, whine about your problems to them, and maybe even cry on their shoulder once or twice. Whatever the case may be, when you get out of college you're unlikely to look back and say, “Wow, those were great studying years.” You'll most likely remember all the fun, crazy and stupid things you did with your friends.

I'm not saying that you should forget to hit the books — because you may be here a few extra years if you do that, and although that would be “fun,” your money supply may start to run a little low. I am saying that you should make the best of college. When you get overwhelmed with classes and studying — find your friends!

After graduation, chances are that most of your friends will go separate ways. You'll get a job, and sure, you'll have friends still, but you will probably not be surrounded by your closest friends every day. So live it up while you are here, HAVE FUN, and let your friends know you appreciate them.

Who Are You Pushing In The Dirt?

By Carol Jones
Staff Writer

I was walking with a friend of mine and her boyfriend. My friend is slightly taller then her boyfriend and it bothers him a little. Well, while they were walking they bumped into each other which pushed her off the sidewalk and into the dirt. This made her boyfriend appear to be taller then she was. Immediately my friend commented, “I get pushed into the dirt so he can feel like a man.” This sentence got me to thinking about all the times people put other people down so that they can feel better about themselves. Pushing them into the dirt so to speak.

I was walking with a friend of mine used to attend a private high school where everyone was required to wear uniforms. Everyone wore regulation shirts, boys wore uniform pants and girls wore uniform skirts. Everyone looked identical. You would think there would be nothing about a person's appearance to point out and make fun of, right? Wrong. Students made comments such as, “I can't believe she's wearing those shoes with this outfit.” "Those earrings don't look good with this." "I would never wear that." Since there was nothing else to comment on, students started putting down the accessories that their fellow classmates chose to wear with their uniform.

It seems that no matter what a person does, someone is going to find a way to dump on them. How else can you explain the way people put others down if they don't? Doing something nice for someone could help, but no, that's just too crazy to actually work.

People are constantly comparing themselves to others and pointing out bad points so they will look good. Clubs, religious organizations, schools, sports teams — everyone does it. Does it really accomplish anything? In the end do we look any better for putting the other person or group down? I don't think so, because if we have to put someone else down to make ourselves look better, that says a lot about us. If we can point out the bad things about others, then they can point out the bad about us. Why don't we try just work on making ourselves better people? Then we won't have time to worry about what someone is wearing or what they did. We should concentrate on how people look on the inside, what they are trying to accomplish, and how we can help them. Maybe then we will be able to stop pushing people into the dirt.

Did You Know???

Nineteen percent of women think they look their best when they wear high heels. Source: Worth

The Philippine flag is displayed with its blue field on top in times of peace. When war is declared, it is flown with the red field on top. Source: Selwyn Clyde Alajian

The bark of the redwood tree is fireproof. Fires in redwood forests take place inside the trees. Source: 2201 Fascinating Facts

In the next seven days, roughly 800 Americans will be injured by their jewelry. Source: Uncle John's Bathroom Reader
Passion for Jesus

I once had a Bible teacher who could spit out memory texts like a computer, and he forced us as his students to do the same. But his rigidity, critical spirit, intolerance for opposing views, and general lack of joy left most of us cold and resentful of his class. It’s easy to be in the business of “Christianity” without having a passion for Jesus Christ. This is the message of Mike Bickle’s recent book, Passion for Jesus. Bickle calls us as Christians to an extravagant love for Jesus that far supersedes and overshadows every other passion in life.

The introduction contains these insightful words that we as professing Christians need to think about very carefully. “The greatest danger facing the church today does not come from without the church, but from within. It is not the New Age nor secular humanism that is crippling the effectiveness of the church today. It is the lack of love for God, the lukewarmness of the church, that is its greatest enemy. An apathetic, loveless version of Christianity may succeed in propagating a little religion here and there, but it will never capture the heart of a dying world.

Christians demonstrate a consistent tendency to put almost any good things ahead of loving God. Some of us make Bible study more important than loving God. Some of us pursue doctrinal purity more than we pursue the man Christ Jesus. Others of us put various forms of ministry like evangelism or caring for the poor ahead of the Lord Jesus. In some cases these good things even become a substitute for God. Please don’t misunderstand me. All of these things should be done. I don’t believe that we can love the Bible or ministries too much. Rather we can love God too little in comparison with these things.”

Bickle’s book is filled with practical principles, stories and experiential illustrations that make it very readable as well as being highly Biblical in its approach. As pastor of a youthful church that has experienced a powerful renewal and a new found openness to the gifts of the Spirit, this book also gives insights into the challenges and blessings of revival. The author has much to say about the church and its need for change as we face the 21st century. He makes it clear that God is not going to insult His Son by giving Him a bride that is cold, passive, passionless, bored, compromising, apathetic and lukewarm. Jesus will have His bride, and she will be the hottest most passionate bride the world has ever seen. The question is, how much of the church will have Jesus?
Financial Aid Department On The Rise

By Trent Lovelace
Staff Writer

At the end of each quarter a strange ritual takes place at La Sierra University. Long lines of students gather along the stark hallways in the school's Administration building in the hopes that they might someday reach the Mecca of student registration, the front of the line. Wails of frustration, anger, hunger, and pain resound all along the corridor accompanied by more than a few curses. Like prisoners in an medieval dungeon, students lie strewn across the hallway carpet begging for mercy.

For those who view the Office of Financial Aid at La Sierra University as just another long line to stand in during registration, think again! Thanks to the hard work and positive leadership of Marilyn Dietel, Financial Aid will never be same again. Since taking over the job as the Financial Aid director a year ago, Dietel has thrown her heart and soul into making Financial Aid do what it was originally intended to do—serve the students.

Dietel has helped to eliminate much of the needless time-consuming actions that were required for Perkins Loan borrows. Students no longer have to sign a promissory note before they can apply for their loan. All eligible individuals are automatically contacted, and the note is mailed out with the application. Under Federal regulations, these actions could have been implemented as early as 1988. Dietel moved quickly to speed along the process and bring LSU up to date.

The office staff is 100 percent supportive of Dietel and her aspirations to better serve the students. They take the position that the students are the reason that they are there and consider it a pleasure to serve them. Like Dietel, they consider it exciting to be on the cutting edge of change.

So when that winter registration process rolls around the office, Dietel works tirelessly with her staff to make the loan application process on the World Wide Web and institute document imaging into the office. These improvements would make the department more efficient and eliminate much of the paper clutter.

Already Dietel has helped to eliminate much of the need for Perkins Loan applications. She has been in the position that the students are the reason that they are there and consider it a pleasure to serve them. Like Dietel, they consider it exciting to be on the cutting edge of change.

And you find yourself lying among the living dead in the hallway sick, hungry, and without hope, just remember that the cries of anguish that echo down the long walls are worth it because the instructors and classes offered at La Sierra are the best. Alquaisi, who is all Seniors and Business majors. No, they are not related!! Their goal is to attain a "business curriculum" and to improve their knowledge of the English language. In their spare time, the guys like to play soccer together.

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Touch of Spice to LSU's Melting Pot

By Tina Su
Staff Writer

One unique thing about La Sierra University is the wonderful diversity that we have on this campus. Our mixture is so well blended that you don't need an airplane ticket to familiarize yourself with people from every corner of the globe.

I recently had the opportunity and the pleasure of interviewing a group of new students to our school from the land of The United Arab Emirates. The country is located north of the equator, bordered by the Persian Gulf to the north, and across the sea from Iran. The UAE has been in modernization for 28 years and enjoys a stable economic development.

Let me introduce to you my three willing victims: Mohamed, Al-Metawa, Butti Alquaisi, and Ali Alquaisi, who are all Seniors and Business majors. No, they are not related!! Their goal is to attain a "business curriculum" and to improve their knowledge of the English language. In their spare time, the guys like to play soccer together.

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Could you or someone you know have a problem with alcohol?

Consider these yes/no questions from a survey developed by the National Council on Alcoholism.

1. When you have trouble or feel under pressure, do you drink more heavily than usual?
2. Have you ever noticed that you are able to handle liquor better than you did when you first started drinking?
3. Do you ever wake up the morning after you’ve been drinking and discover that you can’t remember part of the evening before, even though your friends tell you that you didn’t pass out?
4. Are there certain occasions when you feel uncomfortable if alcohol isn’t available?
5. Have you recently noticed an increase in the frequency of memory blocks?
6. Do you try to avoid family or close friends while you’re drinking?
7. Do you eat very little or irregularly when you are drinking?
8. Do you sometimes have the “shakes” in the morning and find that it helps a little to have a drink?
9. Do you sometimes stay drunk for several days at a time?
10. Do you sometimes feel depressed and wonder whether life is worth living at all?

If you have answered yes to any of these questions, I urge you to seek help. It’s available—and remains confidential—at the Counseling Center, x2011.

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is very good, but there are many other good things that need our attention as well. What else can you do when you don’t have the funding? If we had all the money we needed for everything, ACRO could continue, but we don’t. We need to make priorities. Schmidt says that over time, support for ACRO has declined, and students now would prefer the Fitness Center to ACRO, also pointing out that enrollment in ACRO by LSU students has declined over the years. “Maybe ten years ago, the students would have wanted ACRO to continue, but students change, and now they want different things.”

But students involved with ACRO are not happy.

“Remember when you were in high school and people would pass out these red ribbons toward the end of October? Well, it followed you to La Sierra. Please think of that as a drug awareness attempt. We want you to be aware of what drugs do to you and then we want you to be aware of drugs period (aware here means cautious). All this makes me want to start drinking.”

That is enough about nicotine (for now). Let me direct your attention to caffeine. Caffeine is known to be the world’s most common psychostimulant. This drug is in some of our favorite products. For example it is in coffee, tea, chocolate and soft drinks. Say you drink two cups of coffee, one after the other (that is about 200 mg of caffeine); the cortex (where higher mental processes, such as reasoning and language take place) is activated and fatigue and drowsiness subside. At higher dosages (about 500 mg), respiration rate will increase and so will heart rate. Dilation of blood vessels will occur in the body but will be constricted in the brain. It is caffeine’s vasooconstrictive effect that is responsible for the drug’s ability to reduce migraine headache. Taken at higher doses regularly, caffeine may cause an irregular heart beat in some of us. Since caffeine affects both blood pressure and heart rate, it is believed that it might increase the risk of heart attacks. This belief is supported by a study on medical students enrolled at Johns Hopkins Medical School. The study showed that those who drank five or more cups of coffee per day were about two and a half times more likely to suffer from coronary heart disease. This last statement should be of major concern to those who have other risk factors for coronary heart disease (high blood pressure, obesity and so forth).

Alcohol is a very common drug among college students. In 1991 the proportion of drinkers was 10% higher among 18-22 year olds, than among the general population. Since we are in college, we ought to really think about our actions when we drink. Alcohol is said to release people from their inhibitions and usually diverts them from logical reasoning. It is Friday or Saturday night and you are at a party. You have a couple of beers and decide to go get a pizza with your buddy. Do you think you should drive? Well, you will probably drive—why? Because you only had a couple of beers and you can hold your liquor. It is because of people who think this way that in 1993, 40,000 of the traffic fatalities involved alcohol. Also, homicides and suicides are linked to alcohol. Alcoholics may eventually suffer from alcoholic dementia, which is a generalized loss of brain tissue. They also suffer from impaired coordination while walking, as well as confusion, memory loss, and depleted ability to learn new information.

I urge you to take this week to reexamine your habits. I can’t tell you how to live your life, but take my concern genuinely and ask yourself if what you are doing is good for you. You don’t have to give up chocolate (Frankly I can’t), but something like smoking and addiction to other stimulants, from which you gain pleasure and waste money, should be reevaluated.

Health Facts

At rest, the brain uses about 20% of the body’s energy requirements.

Protein supplies about 2 to 6 percent of the body’s energy.

Proteins and carbohydrates contain the same amount of usable energy: four calories per gram.

Vitamin A deficiency results in the case of “dry eye.”

There is no evidence that Vitamin C protects against the common cold.
**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 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 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 a 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.
It's Time To Leave Your Comfort Zone!

By Rolando Mendez
Guest Writer

It all started my sophomore year in high school. My best friend and I thought our algebra teacher was full of it. He claimed to be a world class rockclimber, to have been featured in numerous climbing magazines, and to have first ascents on El Capitan in Yosemite credited to him in guidebooks. Boy, were we wrong.

When he brought in the magazines and guidebooks we had only one question: “Can we go rock climbing?” At first he said no, so we proceeded to make life miserable until he changed his mind. The things we experienced for the next three years altered our lives in more ways than one.

Let me preface the following by saying: Rock climbing can be dangerous when done by the inexperienced climber. Never attempt to climb without proper instruction. Always use the proper equipment, and use it the way it was meant to be used. Never climb by yourself. I take no responsibility for any injuries that may occur if you choose to attempt to rock climb without instruction, protection, or equipment.

Having said all that, I believe everyone should rock climb. What’s that, you say? You’re scared of heights? You’re not very athletic? Then you should definitely think about giving it a try. I don’t want to get into the reasons why people rock climb because the truth is the reasons are as varied as the climbers. I think people should try rock climbing because it’s all about leaving your comfort zone.

What do I mean by leaving your comfort zone? Think of it this way: you could try skydiving, but what would it take on your part? A leap of faith and a comfortable, graceful glide back down to earth. But when you rock climb, you not only need to conquer and master your fear for a brief second, but for the entire way up and down. Rock climbing puts you in a situation where you are forced to deal with being uncomfortable for an extended period of time, constantly having to master your fears. Then when you’re through with that, there’s the physical aspect: it takes strength, stamina and agility to climb.

Despite all of that ANYBODY can rock climb. Climbing has something for everyone. And you’re in luck because there are lots of great climbing places right here in Southern California. One of the best places is right in our own back yard, Joshua Tree National Monument. There’s even climbing at Lake Perris only 15 minutes away! So how do you get started? Most sporting goods stores sell equipment and offer classes; one of the best is REI in Santa Ana. We even offer classes right here at LSU. Be prepared to spend some money though, if you climb with someone who has the proper equipment, you’ll need shoes ($99-$200) and a harness ($45-$150) MINIMUM. You’ll probably also want to invest in a guidebook. But it’s money well spent because when you leave your comfort zone and see what you can accomplish, you’ll gain a lot more in return.

Sports Spotlight

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Meet The Lady Golden Eagles

Coach: *Todd Royer
Asst. Coach: *Bob Griffiths

Front row from left to right: Nicolette Keresoma, Claudia Alcaraz, Joanny Kim, Natalia Sooskoof, Barbara Ganchince, *Cassandra Smith, *Shasta Emery

Back row from left to right: Terri Wakefield-McCoy, Anna Schalkwyk, Elisabeth Garrett, Neomi Talone, Melissa White, Ranolle Fisher, Carrie Lewis

*Not Pictured

Jeff Marx

Position: Center
Year: Junior
Major: Marketing
Height: 6'5"
Played since: Age 6
Highlights: Dunked on a 6'8" guy in high school
Favorite thing about Basketball: The Challenge
I had a near death experience that has changed me forever. The other day, I went horseback riding. Everything was going fine until the horse starts bouncing out of control. I tried with all my might to hang on, but was thrown off. Just when things could not possibly get worse, my foot gets caught in the stirrup. When this happened, I fell head first to the ground. My head continued to bounce harder as the horse did not stop or even slow down. Just as I was giving up hope and losing consciousness, the Wal-Mart manager came and unplugged it. Thank goodness for heroes.

—taken from e-mail forward, author unknown

Tupperware Corp. is considering action against the growing number of Web sites selling their plastic wares. They say the practice is prohibited - you’re supposed to do it in person at a Tupperware Party.

The latest scam in crime-ridden Mexico City is gangs setting up fake valet parking lots near the Palace of Fine Arts and stealing the cars entrusted to them, along with the $6.50.

Fishermen off Tasmania have netted and brought up three giant squid, measuring nearly 50 feet long. Scientists know little of the extremely rare animals, with less than four dozen sightings over a hundred years.

A Seattle-based volunteer organization called Afterlife will, for a nominal fee, keep your Web site going after you die.

The first big (3') blizzard in the Western plains is being blamed on El Nino.

And Would You Be Interested In Our Optional Safe De-scent? Zegrahm Space Voyages of Seattle WA, an adventure travel company, is offering future two-minute rides into space for $98,000, including space suits and real weightlessness. They’re taking $9,000 deposits while they work out details, like obtaining the rocket. Your money back if no ride by Dec 1, 2001. . . . There’s that standing $10 million award, the X-Prize, for whoever produces the first practical civilian space transport.

The $1.99 Special is Back
Beans, Rice & Cheese Burrito
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Do You Procrastinate??

Take this quiz and find out!

1. When you first saw this quiz you:
   a) promised yourself you’d take it later and are just finding it in an old box, six years after you’ve graduated.
   b) busted out with your Papermate® right then and there.
   c) decided to save it for a rainy day when you’re bored out of your mind—like finals week.

2. The Financial Aid Office contacts you to let you know that you have a huge balance that needs to be paid as soon as possible. You:
   a) run down to Tyler Galleria and apply for every job position available.
   b) plan to talk to your folks about it over Thanksgiving break.
   c) are packing up your bags because you ignored the warnings for too long and must now face the consequences.

3. An old friend from high school calls and leaves a message on your voice mail, asking you to call him back.
   Twelve days later, you:
   a) find your face on the back of a milk carton.
   b) have sent him a short note through email (hey, it’s better than nothing!)
   c) are picking up every penny on the street, hoping you’ll eventually save enough to pay your $150 phone bill.

4. The school nurse reminds you that your health records are not complete because you still haven’t had your physical. You:
   a) call mom and tell her to make an appointment with the family practitioner.
   b) are now suffering from tetanus, rubella, and tuberculosis all at the same time.
   c) would never be in this situation.

Time to take Score!

a) 3 b) 1 c) 2
a) 1 b) 2 c) 3
a) 3 b) 3 c) 1
a) 2 b) 3 c) 1

Drum roll, please... 

0-4 points: Teach me your ways. You are responsible as responsible can be. Either you are one of those people with no social life or you are very equipped to handle today’s society. Deep thought—Mark Twain once said, “Don’t let today’s responsibilities get in the way of your education.”

5-8 points: The Right Combination. You have the very coveted ability to mix business with pleasure. You will be safe as long as you remember your priorities, which, in most cases, you do. Deep thought—How you live today affects all your tomorrows.

9-12 points: Uh...hello?? You need help and there’s nothing more to be said. Deep thought—The crows seemed to be calling his name, thought Caw.

—Laura Chen

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A Steaming Heap of Carl Jonard

WITH FORWARD BY RICK MARSON

Ahem.

Boy that Carl Jonard. He sure is a wacky guy. But what is a Carl Jonard really?
Webster’s Dictionary defines Carl Jonard as... Well, actually it doesn’t have a definition for Carl Jonard also, its not a Webster’s, its an American Heritage College Dictionary. So we’ll improvise. The American Heritage College Dictionary defines a car as “3. A box-like enclosure for passengers and freight on a conveyance.” The same large book defines the letter L as “4. Something shaped like the letter L.” Well that seems pretty straightforward, so I’m going to go with that irregular, jumpy, shaped-like-box conveyance itself, Carl Jonard.

Q: Carl, would you say that you are a smart man?
Carl: I would... say that... I am smart [would be like] saying monkeys might fly out of one of my orifices, [also I am not a man.]

THE END.

Help Me!

Notice me... I really like this gorgeous guy in my English class, he seems really nice. How do I get him to notice me? Interested in gorgeous.

Dear Interested in Gorgeous,

First things first, presentation: look your best. Smell and dress nice, because as you know, guys are visual creatures. Next, just try a simple approach, talk about something you have in common—CLASS!! Ask him about the class, teacher etc. Suggestions: maybe getting together to study for a test and offer to exchange phone numbers. This is a low risk approach and if he’s really interested he might get the hint.

Studying blues... How do I keep my motivation for studying when I really don’t feel like it? Sick of Studying.

Dear Sick of Studying,

Try breaking up your studying into small increments. Example: Study intensely for thirty minutes and then take a 10 minute break (daydream, call your mother, eat a snack, etc.) and maybe switch subjects. Repeat this cycle until you have covered all your classes. This is especially useful when you have a lot of reading. Or, try studying with a serious partner. And remember to feed the brain with plenty of rest and a good diet.

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What Does the Word “froust” mean?

“A frown.”
Lorie Galaviz, (SO) PreMed

“A really loud fart.”
Richie Strawter, (FR) Computer Science

“That white stuff in your Presser—Proust!!”
Jenelle Miguel, (FR) Lib. Studies

“Frozen Yogurt.”
Cristina Grey, (SR) Accounting

“Froust” is the act of sleeping in late on holidays and Sundays.

Calendar

Tuesday, Oct. 28
Tuesday Tunes: 9 p.m., EN

Wednesday, Oct. 29
Rendezvous: 10 p.m., HMA

Thursday, Oct. 30
CORE 101 Workshops: 11 a.m., HMA

Friday, Oct. 31
LSU AAC: 1-4 p.m., CH 100
CPR: 7:30 p.m., SC

Saturday, Nov. 1
Xodus 24:7: 10-10:50 a.m.

Sunday, Nov. 2
Faculty Art Show Opens, BG

Monday, Nov. 3
Brandstater Gallery Reception: 5:30-7 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 4
Chapel: Dan Smith, 11 a.m., LSUC
Tuesday Tunes: 9 p.m., EN

Wednesday, Nov. 5
Passport To Your Future: 5-6:30 p.m., MEI
Rendezvous: 10 p.m., HMA

Thursday, Nov. 6
Assembly: Departments, 11 a.m.

Friday, Nov. 7
LSU AAC: 1-4 p.m., CH 100
Bridge the Gap Spiritual Retreat: Yosemite
Black Student Retreat: PSR
Students Uplifted at Yosemite

By Craig Chaya
Staff Writer

On October 7, students and sponsors from La Sierra University, Loma Linda University, and Pacific Union College arrived at Camp Wawona, located in pristine Yosemite National Park, to commence a weekend of spiritual and social rejuvenation. The retreat revolved around a concept created by the Campus Ministries directors from each college: Rosemary Chung (LSU), Trini Myers and Kara Gustafson (LLU), and Darren Hagen (PUC) first brainstormed about a spiritual retreat at the annual Campus Ministries convention last March. Excited about the possibility of a retreat that would help create new relationships between the campuses and encourage students to seek or rebuild ties with Christ, the directors worked tirelessly to plan a weekend that would fulfill their ambitions. Last May, the directors solidified the theme for the weekend, “Bridge the Gap,” was established as the overarching theme for the weekend. A weekend with its splashes of fall color and bold scenery of Yosemite, a total of 99 students and sponsors from all three campuses experienced the awe and grandeur of one of nature’s greatest landscapes. The weekend was replete with musical praise and fellowship. A praise band composed of students from various campuses ministered to students as the weekend unfolded.

Memory Book Proposal

By Craig Chaya
Staff Writer

On November 13, the SALSU Senate passed, with a majority, a proposal that outlines the production of a memory book that will be available only through advanced purchasing. Rolando Mendez, this year’s Perspectives editor, designed the proposal with the intent of creating a small memoir book to recapture this year’s historic 75th Anniversary school year. Mendez made it evident that this book would not be a full-scale yearbook, which was formally done away with two years prior. The funds previously used for the yearbook are now primarily used for subsidizing club and campus wide activities.

Mendez is the proposed editor of the memory book, and if for any reason he cannot meet the qualifications set by Senate and Administration, the project will be terminated. The memory book will feature photos of student activities, club activities, 75th Anniversary events, senior portraits, and senior congratulations. Mendez's goal is to publish the book at or below $8,500. Residual money from last year’s SALSU budget, advertisements, senior congratulation ads, and several major sponsors will finance the project. As noted earlier, the memory book will not be a hardback yearbook but will be a soft-cover publication resembling this year’s Perspectives. The proposed cost is as follows: $5 per student and $10 per faculty/staff.

The proposal only outlines the creation of a memory book for the 1997-1998 school year and does not officially incorporate such a book as a permanent annual student publication. The proposal is pending approval by Administration and SALSU. Despite the tight requirements, Mendez is optimistic about the memory book and feels such a keepsake is worth working on for the students.

In Memory of Paul Landa

Dr. Paul Landa, professor of History of Christianity, died Monday afternoon at 4:47 at Loma Linda Medical Center after a three-and-a-half year battle with cancer. He joined the faculty of La Sierra University in August of 1971, and has taught here ever since. His wife, Iris, is especially well known to students as the university’s director of advising and orientation.

A leading historian with particular expertise in the history of the Restoration, Dr. Landa was a graduate of Avondale College, Andrews University and Vanderbilt University. He made lasting contributions to the university and to the SDA church in areas of historical theology, administration, adult education and strategic planning. One of the founding editors of Adventist Heritage, he also served as a contributing editor of These Times and as a regular columnist for The Signs of the Times magazine.

During campus memorial services for Landa last Thursday, Dean of Religion John Jones noted the breadth and depth of Landa’s scholarship and interests. He quoted Landa’s self-characterization, “I’m a historian, but I’m a futurist.” A man who was born in Algeria, educated in France, Tahiti, Australia, and in August of 1971, and has taught here ever since. His wife, Iris, is especially well known to students as the university’s director of advising and orientation.

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Dorothy Comm Wins Internet Search

By Connie Galambos
Staff Writer

“I really don’t like my name at all,” Dot Comm sighs, shaking her head at the thought of the paparazzi hounding her recently. “I am astonished people find this just so interesting…” Professor of English and Communication at La Sierra University, Dorothy Comm’s name came recently and unexpectedly from Excite, Inc. Excite boomed onto the market recently with the Webcrawler Internet search engine and the first free online service.

Excite’s promotional contest, “Search for Dot Com” began in August as a tribute to the suffix on so many frequented web sites, “.COM.” Late in August, Ms. Comm received a FedEx package from Excite which she claims she hardly looked into: “I thought it was more junk mail!” The package contained release forms for winning the search contest she had never even entered. Dot Comm’s rivals posed little concern; she had edged out the competitors of a tropical lobster, a cartoon strip, and a newspaper columnist.

A little over a month later, and $500 richer, Dot Comm and a longtime friend Olivan Bohnen were flown to Excite’s headquarters in San Francisco. CNN covered Dot Comm’s human interest story. In fact, it ran a several-minute segment for nearly 24 hours straight on Headline News, in addition to basic CNN and the other stations which soon bought up the clips. “I really thought CNN was the end,” she insists.

Then Rosie O’Donnell caught wind of the story, followed quickly by People magazine. Meanwhile, over the Internet Dot Comm’s story spread to the British Broadcasting Channel, Scotland. In addition to international recognition, Dot Comm has been noted in the Riverside Press Enterprise and press releases throughout the United States.

“Excite is quite clever,” Ms. Comm notes. Excite’s marketing play has paid off in millions of dollars worth of free air-time and press recognition. Excite, Inc., went public less than 18 months ago with its energetic force of (according to Dot Comm) “…just kids! There can’t be anyone out of two hundred people over the age of thirty.” But this innovative computer group started by six Stanford alumni has made millions in a just a few years.

“They were genuinely delighted too,” Dot Comm said. Dot Comm’s “victory party” in San Francisco was even more fun as it coincided with her 68th birthday.

Excite, in addition to paying Dot Comm appropriate homage, is presenting La Sierra University with a $5250 scholarship. The money will be used in the English & Communications department, where the faculty will vote on exactly how to distribute the annual funds. In any case, as Dot Comm pondered the past weeks, she comments, “It’s amazing what you get rewarded for. I have truly done nothing.”

Yosemite cont.

to the group. In addition, Jon Henderson, senior theology major at PUC, presented a series of inspirational sermons on creating a real relationship with Christ in a world riddled with chaos and unhappiness. Henderson also focused on debunking common stereotypes of Christ’s character many Christians hold and gave the group a new outlook on God’s grace. Students were also blessed by the trip down into Yosemite Valley on Sabbath. Many enjoyed the scenic turns capturing Half-Dome and fields of trees dressed in yellow, red and orange leaves. The invigorating weather was near perfect, with clear azure skies and refreshing cool air.

As the trip came to an end on Sunday, some students admitted that they were initially skeptical about the idea of “bridging the gap,” but confessed that they were thankful they had made the long trip to Yosemite. New relationships and a new understanding of God’s goodness blessed the group. The trip proved to be successful and may find itself as an annual tradition in the future.

The Gift of Blood

By Trent Loveless
Staff Writer

As we rapidly move towards this holiday season, many of us look at the upcoming festivities with anxious joy. It is a time of sharing and giving. For those La Sierra students who donated blood at the annual blood drive this past Monday, the gift they give to an anonymous stranger might be the most precious gift of all. Local community blood banks hit their annual season lows during the holidays and the contributions made by those students may very well save the life of another human being.

Community blood banks are working to fill their dwindling supply of blood. They send out three cars into the community, seven days a week, to collect blood from donors. Forget the popular misconceptions that have kept you from donating in the past. The needles aren’t that big. They are not re-used, and are destroyed after use. Simply put, you cannot get a disease from donating blood. Mary Schoefler, who works with the Blood Bank, encourages students to give it a try at least once. “Fear of the unknown is usually what prevents most students from donating,” comments Schoefler. “There has never been a safer or more convenient time to give than right now.”

Schoefler has been coming to La Sierra University with the Blood Bank for the past two and a half years. “We know that the students have busy lives that might make it difficult for them to go down to the Blood Bank and donate, man Nancy Krljus had thought about donating in the past but had never been given the opportunity. The Blood Bank gave her and many La Sierra students that chance. “I think it is a great way to help someone,” remarked Krljus.

Many students agree. To them, donating blood is just a small thing they can do to make a big difference in someone else’s life.

If you missed the chance to donate blood and would like to help, there are numerous Blood Bank donor centers located throughout the Inland Empire. To find the closest donor center, contact the Blood Bank of San Bernardino and Riverside Counties at (909) 885-6503 or (909) 687-2530. The life you save could be that of someone you love.

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Letters will be edited for space and clarity. The editors reserve the right to reject any letters.
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 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 references on the resume.

* 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. Iraq 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 Molincri, 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 condemning 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.

Man accused of spreading AIDS virus

Health officials revealed that Nathan 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 Attyy 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
A number of students have come up to me recently and asked, "Charisia, why don't you write an article about how the guys from the United Arab Emirates are treated so differently than the rest of us?" So here it is...

There is a rumor that they are paying extra money in order to have classes with no women in them. In response to this question, Dr. Felder, Dean of Business, said "There was no such request, and we would not have accepted such a request." The men from the UAE are educated as a group. They are in what is known as an "encaptulated program," and their embassy pays for them to have special academic support and naturally, they would like to stick together. It just happens that some of their classes do not have any women in them, however this was not a request.

Another complaint that I have heard from many students is the fact that they are not required to attend chapel or assemblies. When the men from the UAE first came to La Sierra they did not have morning classes, which made them exempt from attending chapel—just like all other students who do not have morning classes. However, this quarter they do have a morning class, yet they are still exempt from attending chapel. I also realize that these young men are Muslim and conduct their own worship throughout the day. However, we have other students on our campus who are not Adventist, and if I am not mistaken, these students are required to attend chapel each week, regardless of their religious beliefs. Isn't it a requirement that if you attend La Sierra University, whether you are Adventist or not, that you must abide by the same rules as everyone else? If one of my Catholic friends had some extra money, would she be exempt from attending chapel? I highly doubt it.

Don't get me wrong—I have nothing against the men from the UAE. In fact, I think that they are very nice people. However, I do not think it is fair that they are not required to follow all the guidelines that the other non-SDA students must follow.

Let's have more diversity
Certainly you've noticed the diversity on this campus. Yet I see no significant part of this paper that faces the issues of diversity on campus or in the world. This is an issue that must be confronted, and the Criterion is not doing the best job when it comes to this issue.

André Brown
Editor's Response
Thank you for your input about the diversity in the Criterion. Due to limited space we are not always able to cover all the issues we would like to.

Reflections on the sports coverage
I am a little concerned about the article written by Kathy Strawter called "soccer." I don't think the information written in the article is accurate. Sanjo Adeoye, the guy who was interviewed, doesn't even play; he is sitting on the bench most of the time.

The writer should have written that the soccer team doesn't get any help. Where are the uniforms? Where are the warm-ups? Where is the support? And where are the soccer scholarships?

The soccer team doesn't get as much money as the basketball or volleyball teams. It would be good if you made an article about the fight during the last game. Thank you.

Erick Quezada

With Liberty And Justice For All

By Carol Jones
Staff Writer

In my core class we were asked whether we agreed that the state should make homosexual marriages legal. Most of the class disagreed. One of my classmates who disagreed did so because he believed that encouraging that behavior would corrupt children's minds. One who thought homosexual marriages should be allowed thought that the state should not be involved in something so personal. He thought that everyone should be treated equally; if they wanted to be married they should be allowed to be, because they are human and all humans are equal.

People are very sensitive about the issue of homosexuality. Many people in the church feel that it is morally wrong and goes against the Bible. I do not feel that the issue is of morality, but rather of equality. Whether the state sanctions homosexual marriages or not should have little to do with its view on their morality. Devil worshippers are married. People who have committed adultery are remarried. People who have committed murders, rapes, and other bad acts are allowed to get married. In none of these cases did the state stop to consider where they stood in God's eyes. Yet it does it now.

Equal opportunity is what this nation was supposedly founded on. It took hundreds of years for it to start working. All men are created equal is suppose to be more than a nice thought or idea. Our constitution is supposed to be based on that belief. If the state discriminates against any people because of their actions or what they believe, then it is going against that belief. This may sound like I want total separation between the church and the state, and I do. I want the state to write laws that will include equality and limit the ability for people to discriminate. Fortunately and yet unfortunately, people have to vote for equality, which is a God-given right.

Christians have worked so hard to create a country with equality at its base. Jesus never discriminated against people, he treated them all the same with love and understanding. The homosexual life style may be wrong in your eyes, but I think we should leave it up to God to decide if he will accept them. Homosexuals are human just like anyone else and that makes them eligible for equal treatment.

It is time that people open their minds and realize that in order to have a nation of freedom and equality we must look at each other as humans with different likes, feelings, and opinions.

Correction

In the October 28 issue of the Criterion there was an error in the "Financial Aid" article. The interactive World Wide Web Financial Aid Application will probably not appear until the 1999/2000 academic year. Also, it was the signed Aid Offer versus the Perkins Loan paperwork for which the federal government relaxed their rules in 1988. The financial aid office believes that NOT requiring the return of a signed Aid Offer has greatly simplified the disbursement of financial aid funds for students.
It is not very often that reading a book drives me to uncontrollable weeping. But such was the case several months ago when I read Jack Deere’s book, *Surprised by the Power of the Spirit*. During certain sections of this book the Spirit of God just emotion-ally overwhelmed me, because so much of what this man was saying hit home directly in my own experience. I too grew up with a religion of the mind. I too became an academic and glutonized at the tree of knowledge. I too worshipped the god of the intellect, which for the Christian breeds nothing but spiritual pride. I too was broken by a painful vision of my own weakness and wickedness before the throne of God, and I too spent several years receiving healing through the ministry of the Anaheim Vineyard, which is where I first heard Jack Deere speak. I recommend his book to all who have a hunger for the Spirit of God, and who believe that God speaks to His people today through the voice of the Holy Spirit.

I give this book a 10 because I believe that we who are professing Adventists have only touched the tip of the iceberg when it comes to the doctrine of the Holy Spirit, and that this is a book that most Adventists (especially Adventist academicians) will relate to very helpful and powerful. I find it interesting that Jesus almost never prayed, “If it be Thy will.” Instead, He knew His Father’s voice and His Father’s will through the ministry of the Holy Spirit. This is where Jesus so clearly separates himself from the rest of the human race. He not only understood and propagated the true priorities of the Kingdom of God, but he lived out these priorities perfectly in his everyday experience. In the case of Jesus we can say that his actions perfectly reflected his words. This is what makes his words so powerful and important.

Surprised by the Power of the Spirit is a book that demonstrates how a conservative Christian raised with a deep suspicion of anything charismatic or Spirit-centered can find a new faith. It describes how the Holy Spirit can so transform a man spiritually that he literally goes back to spiritual kindergarten in spite of his Ph.D in theology and prestigious theological chair at Dallas Theological Seminary. The dramatic change that came about in the ministry of Jack Deere was not unlike that which happened to the greatest of the apostles when God knocked him off his horse and changed his name from Saul to Paul. I strongly recommend this book to any Adventist who is looking for something more, who is hungry for the Spirit of God, who is thirsting for that water which only Jesus can pour.

**The Chaplain’s BookShorts**

By Steve Daily

Guest Writer

"Surprised by the Power of the Spirit" by Jack Deere

Most of us who live on campus have been to Rendezvous more than once. It’s not the same style of worship that goes on in Sabbath School or even some of the other chapel worship. That is what attracts many of us to Rendezvous every Wednesday night.

"Rendezvous is a stress reliever. It is a time for students to come and rest for a moment from their studies and spend a few moments with God." said Rosemary Chung, SALSU’s Religious vice-president. "We want students to come out of their comfort zones and explore new types of worship." The leaders of Rendezvous are working on getting a variety of speakers there. Chang also said she would like to see students come out of a love for God rather than just get chapel credit.

When asked what they thought of Rendezvous, most students had only praise for it. Carol Jones said, "I love the way it speaks to people in my age group about everyday life. I feel I can relate to the speakers."

"Rendezvous is a tubular spirit-filled, heart warming, worry-free time. It’s light." said Moses Chambi. Several students say Rendezvous is not spiritual enough, but they also observe that if it were any more religious it would lose a lot of people.

Chang works very hard at putting together programs to please the student body. She admits that she could always use more help. If you would be interested in helping cut in any way, whether it be helping to set up or greet people at the door, or giving special music, prayer, or speaking, the leaders can always use the help. Let’s all help them out, and I’ll see YOU at the next Rendezvous!

**Can You Understand What I Am NOT Saying?**

By Duleep Rodrigo

Staff Writer

We meet and speak to friends, family and strangers every day. Sometimes we try to understand those who come across our lives and we find it difficult to do so. They may say one thing and mean another. We, on the other hand, do the same sometimes. Many people think they understand others because they listen to what they are saying, but can we really understand? I found a little story from a tape, I do not know who the author is, but try to see if you can understand what he is not saying.

Please Hear What I Am Not Saying...

Please hear what I am not saying. Don’t be fooled by me. Don’t be fooled by the mask I wear. For I wear a mask, I wear a thousand masks, masks that I am afraid to take off, and none of them is me. Pretending is an art that is second nature to me. But don’t be fooled. I give the impression that I am sincere, that all is sunny and unuddled with me, within as well as without. That confidence is my name and coolness is my game: the waters are calm and that I am in command. That I need no one. But don’t believe it, please. Don’t believe it, please. My surface may seem smooth, but my surface is my mask. My ever bearing and ever concealing mask. Beneath lies no smugness, on coolness, no complacency. Beneath dwells the real me: in confusion, in fear, in loneliness. But I hide this: I don’t want anybody to know it. I panic at the thought of my weakness being exposed. That’s why I fanatically create a mask to hide behind, a non-chalance, sophisticated facade that helps me pretend, to shield me from the glance that I know. For such a glance is precisely my salvation and I know it. It’s the only thing that can liberate me and myself, from my own self-built prison walls, from the barriers I so painstakingly erect.

But I don’t tell you this: I don’t dare. I am afraid to. I am afraid your glance would not be followed by love and acceptance. I am afraid that you’ll think less of me, that you’ll laugh and your laugh will kill me. I am afraid that your glance goes deep inside me is nothing, that I am just no good and that you’ll see and reject me. So I play my games, I despare pretending games with a facade on the outside and a troubled child within—and so begins the parade of masks, the glittering but empty parade of masks—and my life becomes artificial. I sidly chatter with you in the swab tones of surface talk: I tell you that’s really nothing, nothing that’s crying within me.

So when I am going through my routine, don’t be fooled by what I am saying. Please listen carefully and try to hear what I am not saying, what I’d like to be able to say, what for survival I need to say, but I can’t say.

I dislike the hiding: honestly I do. I dislike the superfluous phony games I am playing. I’d really like to be genuine and spontaneous in me. But you have to help me. You have to help me by holding out your hand, even if that’s the last thing I seem to want or need. Each time you are kind, gentle and encouraging, each time you try to understand because you really care, my heart begins to grow wings: very small wings, very feeble wings, but wings with your sensitivity, your sympathy and your power of understanding. I can make it. You can breathe life into me. It will not be easy for you. A long conviction of worthlessness builds strong walls, but love is stronger than strong walls and therein lies my hope.

Please try to beat down those walls, not with firm hands, with gentle hands. For a child is very sensitive, and I am a child. Who am I, you may wonder? I am someone you know very well. For I am every man, every woman, every child and every human you meet.
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/FPDENT

“God and all that he has done for me.”  
—Mark Garcia (FR), PTA
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 have been here a long time. 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 don't be a guy who reads the posters, flyers and other campus info, knew it was a blood drive last week. By Rasha Abdrabou

Staff Writer

Red ribbons hung on chests secured by little safety pins. People pondered the meaning. Some thought about aids while they read the posters, flyers and other campus info, knew it was a blood drive last week. The ones with the graying hair, the young ones just smiled. Perhaps they thought they owned the secret. Few got the joke.

The ribbons were red, and red buys 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 million 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 struggle and write with pain from remembering coiling around the cold com-mode—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 checks 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 head.

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 or 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 tear tracks of chemical abuse; some of it the footsteps 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 DTC; 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 checks were completely 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 parted 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 it's there. Often 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 that 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, don't have anything like I had seen red sunrises and sunsets, red flowers, red pews where I knelt 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.
Sports News

By Doug Brown
Staff Writer

Basketball - The Los Angeles Lakers have jumped to a surprising 6-0 start, finishing the streak with a strong 109-100 overtime win over the San Antonio Spurs. Shaquille O'Neal has played well in his first week back after a suspension for slapping Greg Ostertag of Utah. The big man leads the league in scoring at a 28.8 per game clip and is second in rebounding, averaging 13.5 per game. There is no question that the Lakers have talent, the big question is if they can play as a team in the crunch, and that remains to be seen. The only other undefeated team is the Atlanta Hawks who have jumped to a franchise best 8-0. The Clippers (1-6) have started out slowly again as they have regained the cellar position they so often occupy. Other records of note Chicago (4-4), Detroit (2-6), San Antonio (6-2), Portland (5-1).

Football - Both the Rams (2-8) and the Raiders (3-7) continue to struggle—both having lost games that they should have won last week. The Rams played Green Bay tight until near the end of the game and ended up losing a heartbreaker 17-7. As for the Raiders, they disappointed everyone by losing at home to the pathetic New Orleans Saints 13-10. The Raiders cannot seem to buy a win; both their offense and defense are out of sync. The Broncos and 49ers continue to dominate, both winning their ninth game of the season easily, while the Indianapolis Colts are trying not to become one of the only teams in history to go an entire season without winning a game.

Hockey - Both the Kings and the Ducks have played well by pulling their teams up to second and third in their division, respectively. The Kings have benefited from having the highest scoring offense in the league, averaging 3.5 goals per game. The Ducks were carried by Teemu Selanne lately, who had a streak of ten games with at least one goal. Selanne and others have stepped up their level of play in the absence of unsigned superstar Paul Kariya, who has been out since training camp.

Sports Facts

More than 5 million teeth are knocked out each year. Many during sports activities.

In football, the chance of having a second concussion is four times greater than the chance of sustaining a first concussion.

Sports Illustrated is read by 23 million adults each week.
White Water Rush

By Ben Wellebir
Guest Writer

Recently, I had the chance to go white water rafting with some friends on the Salmon River in Idaho. It was definitely nothing less than a pure adrenaline rush! This is an experience all you thrill seekers must put under your belt as a must-do! Why? Because sometimes you feel like you're about to die, and other times you feel like you're on top of the world!

Usually, novice white water rafters look for tours or excursions with professional rafting companies because they provide the raft, paddles, life-jackets, and guides that know the river and the sites like the back of their hands. These rafting companies are usually fair priced and provide an excellent way to tour some of the world's most beautiful country.

We set off in a raft that held nine people. I sat in the front of the boat where you get drenched, but experience the rapids head on. The guide sat in the middle, utilizing two extra long and sturdy ores to steer the raft around perilous obstacles and into the most exciting rapid areas. The other people in the raft sat all around the edges, front and back, with paddles in hand. The guide quickly ran us through a brief orientation, teaching us how to row in sync with each other and how to row according to his commands. This is important, because everyone's cooperation is needed in order to steer the raft effectively down the river.

At the time we chose to raft the river, its biggest rapids were rated class 4 and the water was flowing at about 15,000 cubic ft/sec. At that rate, the raft's average speed was about 10 m.p.h., however, the speed changes depending on how big the vertical drop is in a given length of land. When the landscape got steeper, we accelerated to hit huge rapids, and when it flattened, we slowed to a relaxing float. The total trip was about two hours long, and full of a variety of roaring rapids and slow moving water.

The water was cold due to its source—the melting snow from the surrounding mountains. Yet from time to time we managed to jump in the water and occasionally take a fellow rafer in with us. Water fights are both exciting and agonizing at the same time, yet fun nevertheless. And during certain sections of the river, the guide would even allow us to take certain rapids outside the raft, floating feet first through the white water. It's a blast, and I definitely recommend it! Go for it, and live life to the fullest!

The Eagles Take On Cal-Baptist

Sports Spotlight

Terri Wakefield-McCoy

Sport: Basketball
Year: Freshman
Major: Elementary-Education
Position: Forward
Why: Love team sports and love the action.
Memory: Made a game-winning 20 foot swoosh in the last four seconds.

Sports Quote

"They say these things every year. They did win the championship last year, so you still have to give them respect. To me, they are still king of the hill.

Kemp on rumors of the Bulls’ downfall"
**Rick’s World: Are You Rickesque?**

By Rick Marson  
Staff Writer

I have been asked by many people, “Rick, How can I be more like you?” The first thing you have to do is find out exactly how “Rickesque” you already are. Here is a helpful little test to help you figure out how much “Ricktitude” you already possess:

**Question one: when at the mall do you:**
A. Take the elevator to the second floor.
B. Take the up escalator to the second floor.
C. Run up the down escalator to the second floor.
D. Don’t go to the second floor because of an acute fear of heights.

**Question two: select your preference of jacket:**
A. One of those poofy high school jackets with the letters on them and all that elastic.
B. A trench coat.
C. A normal coat or wind breaker.
D. A suit coat.
E. No jacket because you are hot all the time.

**Question three: if you could be any kind of animal which would you be:**
A. A hummingbird.
B. A musk ox.
C. A duck.

**A human being.**

**Question four: if you could be any type of animal what kind of car would you want to be hit by:**
A. A porche, because then they could pay to get you fixed up.
B. A semi or some other big vehicle so the end would be quick.
C. A hotwheels.

**Scoring:**
One: A.2 B.1 C.3 D.Baby.
Two: A.0 B.3 C.1 D.2 E.2
Three: A.3 B.2 C.3 D.1
Four: A.0 B.0 C.3

**Rickerscale:**
(2-4) Poor, poor you. You are pretty deficient in “Ricktude”
(5-9) You have a moderate amount of “Ricktitude.” This is probably enough to get by on, but to become more “Rickesque” see below.
(10-12) Wow! You have so much “Ricktitude” people probably mistake you for me (much to your good fortune) so you could probably ignore below...

Well, now you have taken the test and you know exactly how much or how little “Ricktitude” you have and now you want to do something about it.

The answer is money. Just the act of giving money moves you up the “Rickerscale.” In fact if you do not begin to feel results in two days I will give you your money back guaranteed.

**Disclaimer : Results may vary. Some results include feelings of guilt and/or stupidity for giving away your hard earned money or continuation of existence on this plane of reality. If any of these occur refund privileges will be revoked.**

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### Are You a “Pushover?”

1. Your ex boyfriend or girlfriend wants you back. You want him/her back too...
   a) but you gotta regulate—make him or her grovel and beg.
   b) so you run over to his/her house by your own invitation.
   c) decide to set a “probationary period” to see whether you can work things out.

2. The lady you rear-ended last week calls you up and says she wants $800 to fix her car. You:
   a) call up the auto shop and get an estimate straight from the source.
   b) send her a personal check for the full cost.
   c) get a lawyer.

3. You are doing laundry. You’re taking your clothes out of the washer and getting ready to put them into the dryer when someone comes along and puts one pair of jeans in the only available dryer and begins walking away. You:
   a) watch.
   b) say “Excuse me, but...”
   c) wait ’til she’s gone, then take those jeans right out there and put your stuff in.

4. You decide to take a long road trip with some friends. For some reason, everyone decides that you should drive your car. You:
   a) laugh. They wish!
   b) make sure they each pay for a tank of gas.
   c) agree. What the heck?

Now add up your scores...

1. a) 0 b) 2 c)1
2. a) 1 b) 2 c) 0
3. a) 2 b) 0 c) 1
4. a) 0 b) 1 c) 2

**Drum roll please...**

0-2 points: Please. You own this world! Nobody steps near you without getting sizzled! You command power and with finesse! We are proud of you for what you represent—good ol’ fashioned independence.

3-5 points: Hmmm... you’re ready to make a run for the border now, aren’t you? While you aren’t a complete hair-brained idiot, you do have certain walk-all-over-me tendencies. Who was it (I think it was that crab from that Disney Mermaid movie) that said, “You give them an inch, they swim all over you?” Well, anyway, he had a point.

6-8 points: He, he, he! This is funny. You might want to consider changing majors. Well, that would mean you would have to change schools, too, because La Sierra doesn’t have a “doormat” major. Shape up! You gotta fight for your right.

### The Top 10 Movies At The Weekend Box Office

1. The Jackal  
   $15.6 million
2. Starship Troopers  
   $10.2 million
3. The Little Mermaid (reissue)  
   $8.2 million
4. Semi  
   $8.0 million
5. The Man Who Knew Too Little  
   $4.7 million
6. I Know What You Did Last Summer  
   $4.1 million
7. Devil’s Advocate  
   $3.9 million
8. Rod Carver  
   $2.8 million
9. Googles Nights  
   $2.6 million
10. Eve’s Bayou  
   $2.5 million

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**Ups And Downs**

 disparities in Rendezvous last week.

| ‣ To everyone who donated blood. |
| ‣ The faculty/staff who go out of their way to help the students. |
| ‣ Brandstater Gallery for providing a variety of shows throughout the year. |
| ‣ For everyone who did not donate blood. |
| ‣ Those of you who were disrespectful in Rendezvous last week. |
| ‣ Those who sit in the balcony during chapel and TALK. |
Food Is Fantastic

By Dan Martin
Staff Writer

Hello! My name is Dan Martin and I love food. I love eating food, I love looking at food and I even love writing about food (but not as much as I love the other ones). This article is all about informing you, the students of La Sierra University, about different places where great food can be found.

Now I know many of you are saying, “Dan, I don’t have enough money to go out to eat. Great food costs money if it is truly great!” Here is the catch, my fellow students. I don’t have any money either! So don’t worry, all the restaurants I will tell you about will be affordable.

For this first article, I am going to share my two favorite places to eat: In ’N Out Burger and Miguel’s Jr. In ’N Out Burger has been a long-time favorite of mine.

They serve mouth-watering hamburgers and french fries made from fresh potatoes. While their menu is quite limited, they do have special hamburgers they will make for you on request. If you ask for the “Monster Burger,” you will get a hamburger with a special sauce on it. A “Four by four” consists of four beef patties (only get this if you are very hungry). They make great grilled cheese too. Another interesting thing about In ’N Out is that they print verses from the Bible on the packaging their food is served in.

Miguel’s Jr. serves some of the best Mexican food on the planet. They have a large menu, but I always order two bean, rice & cheese burritos. I have become hooked on these burritos. They sometimes have areas in them where the man in charge of cheese distribution must have fallen asleep and leaned against the “cheese lever.” It’s very good. They also have good customer service at Miguel’s. My friends and I used to go every week at about the same time. As we would walk in, the man at the cash register used to ring our orders up as we walked towards him. I wouldn’t even have to say “give me the usual Sam.”

For those of you that want to have a tasty lunch, there is an In ’N Out off the Madison exit of the east bound 91 freeway. There is a Miguel’s Jr. in the Galleria at Tyler (park in the parking structure and enter the mall on the second floor) and another in Corona. For Corona Miguel’s, take the 91 freeway west and exit on Maple. Turn left over the freeway and drive a few blocks until it appears on the right.

The students showed off their ice skating talents at the Study Break Bash.

At the Starts Senator Meeting of the Quarter

Thursday, Nov. 20
5:00 p.m.

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

Each year, cigarettes kill more Americans than AIDS, alcohol, car accidents, fires, illegal drugs, murders, and suicides combined.

“Sincerely,”
Carl J. Jonard
Staff Writer

Friends, the time has come for a change. For too long now, I have been cheating you, the reading public. And I’m not just talking about how I’ve been hacking into the personnel computers and deducting a 12% Keep Carl Happy Tax from all of your paychecks for the past year. No, no, this is far more serious than that. I have been wallowing in a cesspool of mediocrity, my fellow La Sierrans. I have failed to bring you the hard-hitting, informative, and thought-provoking news coverage you’ve come to expect from this column. In short, mis amigos, my articles so far this year, with the possible exception of that Boxing Club one, have sucked. Big time.

For this reason, comrades, I have drafted a 13-Point Contract* With La Sierra outlining the changes I promise* to make over the next year in order to guarantee* a higher standard of journalistic excellence as we cross that Bridge to the Next Issue.

1. I, Carl J. Jonard, do swear* to egotistically work my own name into the headline of each and every article, no matter whether or not it even remotely belongs there.
2. I promise* to begin every article with a completely irrelevant and unrelated introduction that has no bearing whatsoever on the actual subject of the article which follows it.
3. I pledge* that, in fact, most of the time, the article which follows probably won’t even have a subject.
4. I vow* to uphold and defend the principals of La Sierra University, if La Sierra University ever decides to replace its deans and vice-presidents with principals.
5. I give my word of honor* that all sections of my articles which are purely fictional and non-news-related will be clearly indicated and set apart by the use of black ink, as opposed to the paper-colored ink. I will use for legitimate news items.
6. I troth* to make use of my thesaurus and dictionary whenever possible to insert words that no one really understands into my articles, such as “profligate” and “lamelliform” (having the form of a thin plate or lamella) in order to make myself look smarter.
7. I pledge* allegiance to the flag, and to the republic for which it-wait... never mind.
8. I cross my heart* and hope to die,* granting full permission* for you, the reading public, to stick a thousand needles in my eye* if I shall ever complete my article more than three hours before the deadline (excluding, of course, “recycled” articles, which are thrown together and turned in at the last minute anyway).
9. I commit* that, regardless of how short or lengthy they may be, my articles will always lose momentum and grow boring and repetitious long before I actually decide to come to a conclusion.
10. I do take this article to be my lawfully wedded article* and am rapidly running out of different ways to say I promise* stuff.
11. I guarantee* that you will not find a suit at a lower price than that listed at the most inexpensive suit store.
12. I pledge* that I will always*, always* deliver exactly what I say* I will deliver*, and will never,* ever* short-change or attempt to deceive you, the reading public. So concludes my 13-Point Contract* with La Sierra.

November 20, 1997
What Does the Word “threpterophilia” mean?

“Love of three flying dinosaurs.”
Edlyn Salvador
(FR) PNUR

“A disease you can get from daily consumption of cafeteria food.”
Matt Adams,
(FR) Music/Pre-Med

“The tiny hairs in your throat.”
Trisha Banquerio
(FR) PSYC

“A really ugly girl.”
Edgar Quispe,
(Soph) GRPH

“Threpterophilia” is an overwhelming attraction for female nurses.

Calendar

Tuesday, Nov. 18
Tuesday Tunes: 9 p.m., EN

Wednesday, Nov. 19
Rendezvous: 10 p.m., HMA

Thursday, Nov. 20
CORE 101 Workshops

Friday, Nov. 21
LSU AAC: 1-4 p.m., CH 100
Trip to COMDEX Convention in Las Vegas
CPR: 7:30 p.m., SC

Saturday, Nov. 22
Xodus 24:7: 10-10:50 a.m.
Sinfonia concert: 7:30 p.m., HMA

Monday, Nov. 24
Last day to submit a S/U petition or withdraw without a “W”

Tuesday, Nov. 25
Chapel: 11 a.m., LSUC
Advising/Registration for winter quarter

Wednesday, Nov. 26-30
Thanksgiving break

Monday, Dec. 1
Advising/Registration for winter

Calvin & Hobbes ®
Freshmen Feast

By Yesenia Alvarez
Staff Writer

In an effort aimed at showing freshmen how much they mean to La Sierra, Student Life faculty and parents worked together to make a “Freshman Feast.” The feast was held on November 20 in the Dining Commons. The plan was to get as many freshmen to attend as possible and reunite them with their family groups from the Youth to Youth retreat in September. Those who did not attend Youth to Youth were strongly encouraged to attend the event.

The evening’s program provided a variety of activities. Attendees wrote notes to each other and passed out “warm fuzzies.” Worship songs were sung, and Youth to Youth leaders were recognized for their dedication and hard work. Selected freshmen were given the opportunity to express their thoughts of La Sierra after attending for one quarter. The event provided an opportunity to see familiar faces, meet new people, and build relationships.

Why Leave a Winning Team?

By Trent Loveless
Staff Writer

The resignation of Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) Faculty John Thomas on November 5, from his leadership position, has left the students on the SIFE team frustrated and confused. “We feel very much in the dark about this,” states previous Board of Director Ben Welebir. “We don’t feel like we know what is really happening.” When Dean of the School of Business and Management Henry Felder addressed the SIFE team on November 5, he stated that Professor Thomas had resigned to focus his energies on the completion of his doctorate degree.

To the members of the SIFE team, this explanation makes little sense. Although he continues his doctoral studies, students contest that he has been working on his doctorate for the past two years. During this time, Thomas has taught classes, experienced the birth of his first child, and coached two teams, repeatedly reclaiming their International Championship title. This year, Thomas was given an academic sabbatical, when he would not teach any classes and would plan a less stressful, transitional year for the 1997-1998 school year. This would have been a non-competition year, but would have included long-term project implementation and campus-wide participation in its activities.

“I am a firm believer in La Sierra, especially Dr. Geraty, and Dr. Schmidt, and I sincerely hope that SIFE, under new leadership, continues its winning ways,” said Thomas.

Seven years ago, students complained that La Sierra University engaged in no competition with “big name schools” on an academic level. Several weeks later, Thomas approached these same students with a Students In Free Enterprise brochure. They launched into community service and entrepreneurial projects and soon found their way to the regional competition. They did not win the big trophy that year, but they came home with a new spirit, fueling the LSU drive for the gold.

Over the last six years, Thomas helped La Sierra students capture four international championship trophies, six regional titles, and over 30 prizes in all. More importantly, Thomas taught students to believe in themselves and to carry themselves with a level of professionalism that Dr. Charles Thomas Smith Jr. became La Sierra University’s vice president for enrollment services on December 1 as a result of a vote by the University Council on November 14, acting on President Lawrence Geraty’s recommendation. Currently registrars and assistant vice president for academic support services, Smith will continue his supervisory role in the registrar’s office until December 15.

Smith, who, among his long list of academic and administrative accomplishments, has a background in marketing and recruitment, was one of two names given to the president by the search committee after its thorough and extensive sifting of names, ultimately including campus interviews. On November 13 the Board of Trustees voted an enabling action allowing the University Council’s decision to be final.

“I’m looking forward to working more closely with Tom,” President Geraty said; “the Search Committee gave me two excellent names and the choice was very difficult, but I’m confident that Tom Smith is the person we need to move quickly into this leadership position that is so crucial to the well-being of the university.” Smith believes that “effective enrollment services can assist the university in achieving each of its 18 strategic goals while reaching its enrollment target of 2,500 students as it moves into the 21st century.”

“He now has the opportunity, with his team, of doing just that,” says Geraty, “but it will happen only with the full cooperation of each of us.”

Interested in Cliff Jumping?

See Page 8.
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, had the idea to clean up. 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 plied 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 dinnertime. 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 suite-filled room, and our energy spilled into the hundred or so younger 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 struggling 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 were told. We are beyond hope, in the Gettings of a mysterious malady with no cause, no name, but a plethora of symptoms. Depressed? Listless? Enraged? Embittered? Distressed? 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-modernism 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 atheistic, agnostic, or apathetic. But at some point after I moved out of my parents' house, I was overwhelmed by my spiritual struggle, and youth workers gave me hope. This was last year, and they said, "We, too, have been overwhelmed by spiritual struggles. But, they were told, all this fluctuation is due to "Generation X."

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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 this art show presently being exhibited at the Brandenburg 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.

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Anthropomorphic soft sculptures, Susan Patt

Screen Printed Textiles, Susan Patt
At the beginning of the school year students were asked to complete a survey for the campus' new Integrated Marketing Team. The team was assembled this year to meet the marketing needs of the University which until now, have been a one-man, part-time effort. The purpose of the team is to facilitate the process of matching the product (the University) with the consumer (the student). It is a campus-wide effort with every department being represented.

According to Adeny Schmidt, VP for Academic Life, the formation of the Integrated Marketing Team came about because "for years people have said that this institution is the best kept secret." Because of this lack of publicity, a La Sierra alumnus donated money to help the University "tell its' story." The Integrated Marketing Team enlisted the help of the LA based Phelps Group and the Iowa based Stamatins marketing firm. The Stamatins firm helps the university do market research by creating surveys and reports that answer the surveys and reports help the university answer the surveys and reports help the university conduct research by creating surveys and reports.

Integrated Marketing Team here if they are expecting unfair for students to be here?" According to Schmidt, the Integrated Marketing Team has tried to implement policies that are fair and reasonable. They have received feedback from their teachers on how they are doing in class. Their goal is to have students receiving feedback from their teachers in at least 80 percent of their classes by Winter Quarter. Despite all these efforts, the Integrated Marketing Team has tried to implement policies that are fair and reasonable. They have received feedback from their teachers on how they are doing in class. Their goal is to have students receiving feedback from their teachers in at least 80 percent of their classes by Winter Quarter.

charges filed against Carey

A federal-appointed review board filed charges against Teamsters Union President Ron Carey, alleging that he illegally used $885,000 of union money to pay for his re-election, which was overturned earlier this year by a federal-appointed overseer. Carey, recently declared ineligible to run in a new election, has taken an unpaid leave of absence from the Teamsters presidency to prove his innocence in the fundraising charges against him. Carey's chief opponent, Jimmy Hoffa Jr., is also under investigation for improper fundraising.

Prop. 187 declared unconstitutional

A federal judge struck down the 1994 California ballot initiative denying public services to illegal immigrants, saying it was unconstitutional. Judge Mariana Pfaelzer said that the state law violates the federal government's exclusive right to distribute benefits. The same judge had declared many provisions of the law unconstitutional in 1995, after it had been approved by California voters.

Iowa woman has sextuplets

The second known set of sextuplets to survive the womb were born to an Iowa couple at a six-minute cesarean procedure in a Des Moines hospital. All seven babies, four boys and three girls, were listed in serious condition, their weights ranging from 2 pounds, 3 ounces to 3 pounds, 4 ounces. The mother, Bobbi McCaughey, was released from the hospital days later.

UC regents OK gay benefits package

The Regents of the University of California approved a plan extending benefits to the domestic partners of gay UC employees, despite objections from UC regent governor Pete Wilson. Wilson, a Republican and possible 2000 presidential candidate, opposed the plan. Many think that presidential politics were behind his campaign against gay health benefits.

Twin convicted of plotting to kill sister

Jean Han and two teenage co-conspirators were pronounced guilty by an Orange County jury of plotting to kill her sister so she could take over her life. Han and the two teenagers were found guilty of all charges, the most serious being two counts of conspiracy to commit murder in a botched attack on Sunny Han and her roommate a year ago. Police rescued Sunny and her roommate before they could be killed.

Go to college! Get a degree! Get out, and join the work force, experience which an employer values and one significant way of doing that is to have a portfolio once they graduate that is full of experience which an employer will see as putting them above your average college graduate," says Jorgenson.

The program is called "Passport to Your Future," and was brought to LSU by Dr. Lennard Jorgenson. Dr. Jorgenson discovered the program at a convention when students presented a similar program used by University of California Irvine. The program at UCI had become extremely popular, with both students and faculty.

"I was so impressed with the success of it," says Jorgenson. "Passport has been initiated this year. It involves nine seminars, spread out over the year. A student must attend seven of the workshops in order to get a completion certificate. There is no cost, and any student may join, although the program has been primarily marketed to student leaders this year. The meetings are taught by various faculty, and even one student. "We are not concerned about numbers at this point, but with gradually developing a strong program," says Jorgenson. "To me, it is a wonderful example of how student life and academics can collaborate to provide a complete education."
Almost two years ago my life, or at least the way I looked at life, changed—dramatically. I thought I knew almost everything about what was important in life; I thought that a ‘tragedy’ was when I didn’t get a good grade on a test; and I thought I was invincible.

When my best friend and roommate died tragically on January 27, 1996, my views on life were shattered. How could someone who wasn’t even 21 yet be taken out of this world so quickly? People told me, ‘Maybe she was ready and her life was right with God,’ and ‘Maybe it would have been worse if it had happened later in her life.’ I don’t think so, but then again, I don’t have all the answers.

Never in my life had I been faced with a problem that I couldn’t fix. I couldn’t do anything to bring Allison back. No matter how mad I got, nothing changed. I tried not to shut God out, but I know I did. I still don’t understand why it happened, and I still get angry, but I do know that I have learned some important things about life.

From this experience, and I want to share them. I learned that in life, people are much more important than things; getting good grades in college is important, but it is not the most important part of life; the funny memories you make in college will last forever, although terrible things happen that we will never understand or stand or be able to explain, life will still go on; friends should never be taken for granted; and always think about things before you say or do them.

My reason for telling you this story is not for sympathy or I want to change your ‘life story’ with you, but because before Allison died, I never thought twice about some of the things I did and the ways I thought about life. I don’t expect any of what I just wrote to change your life, but I do hope that it will make you think about your life and what is important to you.

I challenge you, teachers, to become more sensitive to your students and treat all as equals and minimize subconscious judgment. And I challenge you, La Sierra students, to speak your mind, for your actions will not only be appreciated by your fellow classmates, but by generations to come!
Pipim not only ignores Christ's command to "Judge not" and let the tares grow with the wheat, but he also advocates an ethnocratic view of Adventism that is completely at odds with the spirit of inclusivity that Jesus modeled and taught.

Yet Pipim insists that openness to God's people in other movements (spiritual ecumenicity), and criticism of Adventism's exclusive claim to being the "Remnant Church" is "revisionist" 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, widows, orphans, stranger, the disenchanted 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.

Experience Christmas

By Duleep Rodrigo
Staff Writer

Yahoo! It's time for Christmas again! I just love Christmas, and the holiday season and can not wait for the boy said, "Yes, 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 went 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 starfish and throwing them into the sea. Every morning the boy continued throwing starfish into the sea. 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 all up?" The boy looked at the writer and said, "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 stop by norsemen 2906. 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!
Destination: BRAZIL

By Tina Su
Staff Writer

We are arriving in Parana, Curitiba. Let's meet our host—Alessandro Albini, a junior pre-med. He first stepped foot on U.S. soil in February of 1995. Since then, he's been working hard both in school and life to support himself and to finance his education. Alessandro is an only child; his father died last year. He plans to return to Brazil one day and devote his labor in the Amazon jungles.

Brazil, the largest country in South America, is Alessandro's homeland. It shares its borders with countries like Venezuela, Peru, Argentina and with the Atlantic Ocean. Brazil was a Portuguese colony for more than three centuries and once had a kingdom. Independence was gained in 1822 and the last emperor existed until 1889. Brazil is shared by descendants of Native Indians, European immigrants, African slaves, and Japanese farmers.

Alessandro is from the nice, clean, and well functioning city of Parana, the state of Curitiba. With a population of 1,500,000, it is settled by Germans, Poles, and Italians. The city is famous for its many lovely green parks. According to our host, it "rains about every 2-3 weeks here, depending on the season." Mountains dominate most of this tropical, temperate area.

A well known expression in Brazil is "Friends in the streets, and money in the bank." Alessandro says that "friends in Brazil are very important," and enjoying life is what people take great satisfaction in. Like anywhere else in the world, you have your rich and poor, but "there is a lot of respect among the people." There is no known racism among the locals. Alessandro himself is a mix of Italian and Argentinean. He speaks Portuguese and Spanish.

Wrapping up our visit, Alessandro asked to describe Brazil in just three words, responded, "freedom, happiness and friendship." Posed with another question—"What is the one thing does he see in the States that he wouldn't find in his homeland?" he answered with pride, "arts, music and natural science field." Interesting, huh?

Stahl Center Passes A Vision

By Luisa Garcia
Staff Writer

Running through La Sierra Hall, you encounter faces from Haiti, Ethiopia, Peru, and Japan. Where did those faces come from? Actually, those are masks from the Stahl Center’s "The Parades of Masks" display, part of the commemorative events for the Stahl Center Sabbath. And who could forget the special liturgy, the international potluck, and the "Chimes of Love" concert? It’s all about a revolutionary movement and its ratifiers and shakers: Ana and Fernando Stahl.

If you need some refreshing answers with pride,. . . "Racism," Fernando Stahl.

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The Real Meaning of Christmas

By Robert Coffee
Staff Writer

"Christmas"—what does it make you think of?

In the best scenario, Christmas is a celebration of a time of love, warmth and giving. It's a time for card writing and exchanging gifts. A time when all the Yuletide season brings with it—fireplaces burning brightly, eggnog and mistletoe. For many, things come to mind include sleigh rides, roasting chestnuts and drinking hot apple cider or snow boarding, long trips and hot chocolate. Then there is the tree. Even the very poor feel more of the joy of Christmas. People begin to give to those who can't give back. For these individuals there is a kick in playing the arts to politicians.

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Many find this holiday to be a time when family and loved ones get together, when once more they can feel the embrace of a friend, father, mother, sister, brother, or other loved one. They spend the holidays catching up on the events that have occurred since they last saw each other. These are times that are treasured and remembered.

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Music Department... Take Note

By Tina Su
Staff Writer

Sackett was completing her masters in music at the time. Connections were made, and voila! here she is. How does our new instructor feel about being at LSU so far? She enjoys the opportunity of getting to know the students and observing the life on this campus. She especially "loves working with the faculty."

Appleton Sackett emphasizes one thing she would like to contribute to the Music Department: "the knowledge and interests of music outside the traditional canon of western classical music." Her experience and creativity will allow her students a more diverse look into this area. When asked what she would probably be if she weren't teaching music, she laughed, but answered, "Either an anthropologist or a botanist, something in the natural science field." Interesting, huh?

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**Meaning of Christmas**

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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 world and make it a delight. 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.

**More Than Soup and Crackers**

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 revel 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 each Wednesday, from 12-1 p.m.

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, served as people come in, and some are made for them to take home 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 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 especially 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 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."

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—think about those who appreciate a simple bowl of soup.

**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: AAPERD

One out of five teenagers uses marijuana. Source: National Clearinghouse on Alcohol and Drug Information

**OTC Drugs—Are They Safe?**

By Rasha Abdabou

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 in- ingredients of the drug 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.

Ibuprofen, which is an analgesic and anti-inflammatory drug information, is also can cause liver damage. Aspirin overuse can be 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 just that 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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**Health**

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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.
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 plagued 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. 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 backhander defense, and took advantage of the half-time to motivate his players to be more aggressive in the second half. Coming out of halftime, 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 lead.

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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 Scooters, 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 I 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 thought I was dead. After realizing 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 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 and floated and groaned and grunted and coughed up water and gasped for air, and floated and groaned... well, you get the idea.

I don’t know WHY that academy still allows its 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 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 painfulema that you get when you hit the water.

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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 anyone could score in one second. After the second time-out from the Eagles, 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 splashing in every direction down court. Immediately, Sakes chucked a hail-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 unlikely fashion, and made a name for itself among the ranks of basketball’s best.

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 pitched 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 on bracket, Dean Henes Guerpo methodically dismantled his opponents. Meanwhile, Gilbert Alvidrez entered 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 defense and his precise placement of the ball. The final match would be played to a full 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 88 yards by Steve O’Neal of the New York Jets on September 21, 1969, against the Denver Broncos. Source: Asym Sports Trivia Archives
Yaaahaaaaaay Christ-mas!

Having said that, I will now move on to a completely unrelated topic. If you read my article on the caf, you read my article on the caf, then you remember that in the caf the normal laws of physics do not apply. This fact was once again proven to me several days ago at dinner, which I should note is what I call my “evening meal”—not my afternoon meal which I call “lunch.”

This is the story: having decided to do something a little different, that is, different from what I usually do, I wore one of my suit jackets to dinner. It was a very nice black and white hounds tooth jacket (notice how I use the past tense). When I got to the caf, I realized my folly when I saw that the entree for the night was spaghetti. For reasons I still don’t fully understand, I, still wearing my jacket, began to dish out some spaghetti. Well this is certainly a recipe for disaster, I mused as I walked to the beverage dispenser. Then, Blamo!! Out of nowhere came someone smashing into my tray, sending spaghetti sauce down the sleeve of my coat as well as on my shirt, my pants, and my new pair of camouflage Converse.

From this little incident I have derived the following formula: in the cafeteria the food and the plausibility of the accident when it occurs (i.e., nice jacket times spaghetti = sudden appearance of someone to spill the spaghetti down the front of the jacket. If I had had grape juice and pomegranates and had been wearing the crown jewels space aliens, playing polo, driving ride-on lawn mowers would have been my fate.)

I feel that I was put on this Earth to be an example, so I come to you with this message: Don’t wear nice clothes to the cafeteria only disaster and dry cleaning cost await you there.

Disclaimer: Beware of Santa! He knows when you are sleeping! He knows when you are awake! The guy has got to have some hi-tech surveillance equipment up there at the north pole.

1. What type of X-mas present is right for your roommate?

Having trouble finding the perfect gift? Take this quiz for the ultimate gift-giving advice!

1. Set your roommate loose in an arcade room and first thing he or she turns to is:
   a) Mortal Kombat III (or is it IV now?)
   b) Skeeball or “Dunk-a-Basket”
   c) Ticket Spree (the game where you punch a button and a million tickets come out)
   d) Race Car Derby

2. A mall trip with your roommate would include:
   a) Limbo Lounge, Dapy’s
   b) Bath and Body Works, The Gap
   c) Nordstrom, Robinson’s May
   d) Nothing. He/She prefers thrift stores.

3. Your roommate’s side of the room:
   a) Is decorated with Xena and/or Hercules posters, Spawn figures, or something like that.
   b) Is decorated with Winnie the Pooh, Jim Carrey’s movie posters, etc.
   c) Looks just like your side because he/she bought matching bedspreads, cushions, lamps, rugs, the works.
   d) Is decorated with old candy bar wrappers, Styrofoam boxes from the cafeteria, and books all over the floor.

4. Your roommate drives:
   a) A motorcycle or a monster truck.
   b) A Honda or Acura.
   c) A Mercedes or BMW.
   d) A Volkswagen Bug, or an Al Bundy Dodge.

5. A typical suggestion your roommate would make regarding a gift-giving between friends is:
   a) “Why don’t we skip the material things and all go out to Magic Mountain or something?”
   b) “Everybody draw names from a hat and only buy a gift for that one person you draw.”
   c) “Let’s give out gift-certificate?”
   d) “We should all make each other something!”

6. Your roommate’s regular weekend activities include:
   a) Playing lazer tag at Pharoah’s and then grubbin’ down at Gus Jr.’s.
   b) Hanging out and 3rd St. Promenade and feeding the “psychic cats.”
   c) Going to Newport Beach and walking around Fashion Island.
   d) Sleeping and watching videos.

7. Your roommate most reminds you of:
   a) Rosanne Barr or Chris Farley.
   b) Jennifer Aniston or Jerry Seinfeld.
   c) One of those Gabor sisters or Donald Trump.
   d) Courtney Love or Keanu Reeves.

8. Your own personal budget for all your friends put together includes:
   a) Between $20-$30.
   b) Between $50-$100.
   c) Between $1000 and infinity dollars.
   d) Between $0-$20.
**ENTERTAINMENT**

**Food is Fantastic**

By Dan “Carne Asada” Martin
Staff Writer

Have you ever eaten something so delicious, it was all you could think about for the rest of the day? That is precisely what happened to me one day last week. A few of my basketball buddies and I went to eat lunch at the La Sierra Meat Market and Taqueria. After we ate, I had to go to class, and all I could think about was the burrito I just devoured. When the teacher asked me a question, I replied “Yes, I love carne asada burritos,” without hesitation (laughter should follow).

My friend Charles Schein (who can shoot three-pointers from half court) was the one who suggested the restaurant. We were accompanied by Jeff Martin (don’t tell the bean bear) and Mike Padon (who can score at will). When we first drove up to the restaurant, we weren’t even sure if a restaurant existed there. There is no sign and the entrance could very easily be mistaken for the back door of the meat market. The restaurant consists of one small room with one little counter to eat at. If you can get past the appearance, the food makes the trip well worth it.

The market serves carne asada burritos (beef with onions, peppers and spices) that Charles described as “real Mexican food.” Jeff found them to be “spicier than Tabasco,” so beware if you can’t stand spicy foods.

We also consumed some beef tacos, which were excellent. Mike got a bean, rice and cheese burrito that he doesn’t really recommend. Overall, I found the La Sierra Meat Market and Taqueria to have excellent food and average prices (the burritos were $2.29 and huge). If you eat meat, you will love the food.

There are two more things I want to mention. First, I am going to be holding a contest from now until the end of finals week. Participants should e-mail me and tell me about the strangest thing they have ever eaten. I will pick the strangest entry, and the winner will enjoy a free lunch with yours truly. We will critique the restaurant we eat at and I will report our findings in my next Food is Fantastic article. I will also report what strange thing you ate to win the contest, if that’s all right with you. Second, I would love it if more of my fellow students would come to support our basketball teams. If you come to a game, I will be on the bench waving my arms around and yelling. Come see for yourself how Jeff can dunk like a bear.

To get to the La Sierra Meat Market and Taqueria, go down Pierce Street to La Sierra Ave. Turn left on La Sierra and make a U-turn at the first turn lane. Make a right into the first driveway. The market is located at the back of the building.

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**Where Did Rudolph Come From?**

"Rollo, the Red-Nosed Reindeer." "Reginald, the Red-Nosed Reindeer." Both names are considered for the most famous reindeer of all. And the now traditional Christmas song began as a poem, a free handout to the department store shoppers.

In 1939, the Montgomery Ward department store in Chicago sought something new for its Santa Claus to distribute to parents and children. Robert May, an advertising copywriter for the store, suggested an illustrated poem, printed in a booklet, that families would want to save and reread each holiday season.

Many conceived the idea of a shiny-nosed reindeer, a Santa’s helper. And, an artist friend, Denver Gillen, spent hours at a local zoo creating whimsical sketches of reindeer at rest and at play. Montgomery Ward executives approved the sketches and May’s poem, but mixed the Rollo. Then Reginald. May considered other themes to preserve the alliteration, and finally settled on Rudolph, the preference of his four-year-old daughter. That Christmas of 1939, 2.4 million copies of the "Rudolph" booklet were handed out in Montgomery Ward stores across the country.

"Rudolph" was reprinted as a Christmas booklet sporadically until 1947. That year, a friend of May’s, Johnny Marks, decided to put the poem to music. One professional singer after another declined the opportunity to record the song, but in 1949, Gene Autry consented. The Autry recording rocketed to the top of the Hit Parade. Since then, three hundred different recordings have been made, and more than eighty million records sold. The original Gene Autry version is second only to Bing Crosby’s “White Christmas” as the best-selling record of all time.

Rudolph became an annual television star, and a familiar Christmas image in Germany, Holland, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, England, Spain, Austria, and France—many of the countries whose own lore had enriched the international St. Nicholas legend. Perhaps most significantly, "Rudolph, the Red-Nosed Reindeer" has been called by sociologists the only new addition to the folklore of Santa Claus in the twentieth century.


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my Adventist subculture shell, I realized that I was baptized for a God who exists and is still being defined. And it does not always include Sabbath school attendance or abstaining from gluttony (it is, after all, the holidays). That searching, I believe, is a vital part of any religious relationship, and if no one has ever questioned their faith, I submit that questions may be more vital and strengthening then just believing it.

Our generation is searching, and it is difficult to define what for or even why. But Gen X-ers, in a society so eager to place blame on cultural theories, we must prove the positive rather than futilely deny the negative. Generation X is every bit as capable of serving God as generation Baby boomers or flower children. But if we aren’t willing to believe and act upon it, how can we expect our church to?

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has since become a distinguishing trait of La Sierra SIFE students. Why would John Thomas after devoting years of his time, energy, and own money suddenly decide that he no longer wanted to be a part of the winning team???
What Do You Want For Christmas?

“My very own camera.”
Elizabeth Chung
(FR), OT

“A car.”
Ben Tyner
(FR), Undecided

“More free time.”
Tamra Newbold
(FR), Undecided

“An Alpaca.”
Scott Garrels
(GR), Psychology

Calendar

Tuesday, Dec. 2
Residence Halls Christmas Parties
Advising/Registration for Winter Quarter

Wednesday, Dec. 3
Passport to Your Future: 5-6:30 p.m., MEI
Christmas Rendezvous: 6 p.m., HMA
Advising/Registration for Winter Quarter

Thursday, Dec. 4
CORE 101 Assembly: 11 a.m., HMA
SALSU Christmas Banquet
Advising/Registration for Winter Quarter

Friday, Dec. 5
LSU AAC: 1-4 p.m., CH 100
Advising/Registration for Winter Quarter
50th Christmas Candlelight Concert: 7:30 p.m., LSUC
Observatory Open: 7:30-10 p.m.
CPR: 7:30 p.m., SC

Saturday, Dec. 6
Xodus 24/7: 10-10:50 a.m.

Monday, Dec. 8
FINALS
Advising/Registration for Winter Quarter

Tuesday, Dec. 9
FINALS
Advising/Registration for Winter Quarter

Wednesday, Dec. 10
FINALS
Financial Aid 98/99 Applications Available
Advising/Registration for Winter Quarter

Thursday, Dec. 11
FINALS
Advising/Registration for Winter Quarter
FALL QUARTER ENDS!!
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 walls, white Christmas lights, a homemade chandelier of lights and plastic cups, and a giant 3-D iceberg added to the effect.

By Rodrigo Rasmussen
Hall Assistant Duleep Angwin said that the best event of the night was a carnival environment well-continued on the other side of the campus at Sierra Towers, where male students were eager to have the campus beautify their rooms. Fourth floor residents decorated their lobby with an assortment of antique furniture, pictures, and a huge paper elephant.

Tenure Policy And Physics Visited

By Rasha Abdalrabe
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. Obviously, 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 biophysics program. Technically, the only people directly affected by the change are physics majors.
Let's play a little game of word association. Ready? Dog. (Did I hear “cat” or “best friend” or maybe “fire hydrant”? Good.) Okay, the next one's a bit harder. Criterion.

This one's also a test of your memory skills. Well, that student publication—the newspaper—is back, only with a new editor. But onto our last word: tenure. Those six letters make up one of the hottest subjects on campus right now. It's the faculty equivalent of the proverbial Promised Land, flowing with milk and...homage. But it's also a touchy subject for many impassioned students.

Student rumblings can be heard almost everywhere on campus, yet very little of them have been given a clear voice. For those who were able to attend the State of the University Address, student concerns were expressed and administration responded. However, the current issues are such that the Criterion, as the campus voice, should deal with them as well.

Planning is underway for the new Criterion, but in the meantime, present events are too important to be ignored. So this issue was hastily thrown together in an effort to provide a medium where students can express themselves. Hopefully the views shared in these pages will serve to raise campus awareness or at least generate some critical thinking.

You may not agree with everything in this issue but at least you have something in your hands as tangible proof that a La Sierra student newspaper does still exist, and it is interested in what students have to say. I'm always open to suggestions, so let me know what you want to see. This is, after all, your newspaper. Feel free to e-mail or chat with me anytime.

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I recently found myself in a clear minority on campus in supporting the faculty and administration during the recent turmoil regarding the issue of tenure. The teachers who are leaving or have left are a loss to LSU, but I welcome the opportunity to state why I believe their leaving is for the best.

Almost every university has a tenure policy. Tenure is a way for excellent faculty to get a measure of job security and is used by the university in attempting to attract good teachers from other schools. Ours was adopted about three years ago by the faculty senate and was revised last year, again by the faculty. The requirements for tenure are threefold: excellence in teaching, scholarship, and service, with teaching being the most important. Teaching excellence is judged by peer and student evaluations, which is where our say as students comes in. The minimum for scholarship includes two publications or similar in the last three years and is not that stringent a requirement, but it is here that most people seem to find a problem.

If we are trying to be a serious university, we must have some kind of a scholarship requirement included for tenure. We are not trying to become like a secular university, but we must still attempt to be the best we can be. The tenure policy as it exists today was determined by the faculty. Each teacher was allowed to choose whether he or she wanted to go on the tenure track. For those choosing to go for tenure, an individual plan for meeting the requirements was developed by the faculty member and the appropriate dean.

Faculty members who chose a tenure track and developed a plan for how to meet the requirements knew all along the deadline for meeting the criteria. No matter how good teachers may be in other ways, if they cannot show minimum scholarship they must accept the consequences.

If we try to make the tenure policy more lax, we might end up losing the teachers who developed the policy. After the split from Loma Linda, the trustees of LSU tried to lead us in the direction of increasing academic excellence and reputation. The faculty and administration will not back down on this, and they are doing the right thing.

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The Asian Cultural Society (ACS) invites you to experience various Asian cultures. You don't have to be Asian to join us. Just come if you're interested and have fun! If you would like to be added to our mailing list, please e-mail us at: kathkhoo@lasierra.edu or call x2594.
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 an earthquake volume. The band 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 playing 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:

**GUYS**

2. Call out of the blue.
3. Romantic setting with a homemade candlelit dinner.
4. Being lawful (note: doesn't have to be in depth)
5. Reading her a poem that she specifically wrote for her.
6. Picnic on the beach with a single rose or wild flower, ending with a kiss on the forehead.

**GIls**

9. Going anywhere off campus and having the guy pay!
10. Food and gazing at each other.
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. Attaching 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.

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 dam 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 flippan remark satisfied our conditioned cynicism. And that was the beginning of our university experience.

Dr. Tommy Kofoid 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; we 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 Schoeplin survivors).

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

Newsflash! Two seniors find cure for deadly LSU strain of Senioritis (mariusz lesus buttes). 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 mentioned 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 Kofoid. 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 misleading 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 will change you 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 Evo 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 e— 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/fsu.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 majors has been discontinued, but there will still be general physics, physics labs, and a few other service courses to accommodate pre-professional students.

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 cutbacks 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-rounded 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 detaching 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 science 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
Memory Book

By Rolando Mendez
Staff Writer

It was a dark and stormy night. Actually, it was a dark night, but I added the stormy part for dramatic effect. I was in my office having a peanut butter and jelly sandwich when Jennie Wong, Private Eye, stepped through the door. She said, “Write me an article about the memory book.” So I washed down some milk, wiped my mouth with the back of my sleeve and said, “OK.” So here are the most frequently asked questions about the memory book:

What is the memory book? Wow, you guys ask hard questions.... Well you see, it’s like a yearbook. Well actually it’s a lot like a yearbook except we only have $8,000 to publish it. So we have to condense it a little and cut some corners (just to put it into perspective it used to cost $38,000 to print Vision)

What is the difference between a yearbook and a memory book? The main difference is that it has a soft cover instead of a hard cover. It is also shorter with a shorter press run (we are estimating a press run of 600 copies). Unfortunately we can’t give them away either, we’ll have to pre-sell them in order to get them printed. There also won’t be any “mug-shots” (the pictures in Perspectives)

How much do we have to pay for it? Well if it were up to me, nothing. But since this is a new publication and there was $0.00 budgeted for it at the beginning of the year, we need to charge you $5.00. I could give a long spiel about how $5.00 is only $5.00 and it’s not really that much for a yearbook when you think about it. But the truth is $5.00 is $5.00 and all I can say is if you buy one you won’t be disappointed. Would I lie?

Why don’t we have a yearbook and what are you doing to address those needs? The number one reason was BUDGET. Missions as a publication consistently went over budget. So if we print a “yearbook” for only $8,000 and it’s received well by the students...

Anything else? Some of the issues that were brought out in criticism of the yearbook were that it had few pictures and they were all of the same people over and over again. So we’re planning on having LOTS of pictures, and we want you to help us take them. So if you ever get in the mood, come down to the memory book office and get a free roll of film from us, take pictures of your friends, your classes, YOUR memories of 1997-98 and we’ll be sure to include them in the memory book.

If you have any more questions you can email them to rolamend@lasierra.edu.

Mission Emphasis Week

By Jodi Cahill
Staff Writer

The neighborhood will never be the same after our visit from “Mr. Rogers” and his friends during Missions Emphasis Week. The Student Missions department in conjunction with missions services all over the world put on a week of inspiration and information in using a variety of venues.

The week began as student directors Lilian Han and Arni Tupas presented Monday worships. Han and Tupas personalized their worship with actual stories, songs, and experiences from their trips to Palau and Japan. Han shared the profound impact that an eight year old class bully had on her life when he responded to the song she taught him and asked, “Why, why, why did Christ have to die?”

Tuesday’s unexpected tune was “It’s a lovely day in the Neighborhood,” complete with Jason Peters as Mr. Rogers, Monte Fleming as King Friday, and Mr. Trolley as himself. Rogers gave his version of what a “M-I-S-S-I-O-N-A-R-Y” is and spent time viewing slides shown by Tim Pierce and Todd Cooper.

Wednesday belonged to the world as Steve Namkung from Saipan shared his mission field, and William Hurtado brought us the vision from Youth Net and Young Pioneers. Empowerment was the theme, and service was the vehicle as the neighborhood stretched around the globe.

Thursday the “kids” next door came over to tell students about various summer camp programs where they can serve closer to home. Colorful displays lined the cafeteria and candy was abundant. Bob Wong from Cedar Falls invited all students to “work in the hardest neighborhood—their own.”

Friday the neighborhood was quiet as the SMs unplugged at CPR and shared the wonder of Korea with Jisang Kim and Pohnpean with Alex Zuccarelli. The neighborhood grew larger as the world grew smaller. Some of the students reflected on their own memories and experiences in foreign lands while others delighted in their dreams of future adventures. The week ended with an echo invitation from Mr. Roger, “Won’t you be my neighbor?”

Revelation Seminar

By Michelle Tatum
Staff Writer

Have you noticed a group of people gathering in the Sierra Vista Chapel from 7:00-8:00 p.m. on Wednesday nights? They have been attending Pastor Dan Smith’s Revelation seminar entitled “The Endgame.”

This ten-week study, ending on March 4, covers such subjects as Revelation’s seven trumpets, the remnant church, the three angels’ message, the close of probation, the seven last plagues, and a finale on the wedding, millenium, and heaven.

Pastor Smith presents the material in a clear, straight-forward manner. Ninety people showed up for the first session, but by the second session, the crowd grew to 130.

I have attended every meeting so far and have coming feeling both challenged and renewed in my relationship with Christ. I would highly recommend this to anyone interested in end-time events.

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Rick's World 98

By Rick Marson
Staff Writer

"Yay, the Criterion’s back!!! We can read Rick’s articles again!! Hurray!!!" is what I’m sure you are saying right now. Well let me tell you, I am just as happy to be able to write this thing as you are to read it.

Now, what to write...? You’d think after all this time I’d have something worth writing, wouldn’t you? Well, you’d be wrong. Generally, Rick’s World is like a mental attic cleaning for me. I run up there with a Super Shammy, wipe down my brain, and ring it out over the mop bucket that is this article. But this time there’s nothing. I’ve already spent a good half hour picking a font for the title, knowing full well that they never use the font I put it in anyway.

Perhaps I am having trouble thinking of something to write about because I am so distraught from a recent tragedy in my life. A terrible thing has happened to me; I was robbed. Someone stole the back wheel off my bike. This kind of crime I do not understand. Yup, the other kinds of crime make perfect sense to me, but stealing someone’s back wheel? What are they going to do with just the back wheel? Maybe the thief rides a unicycle. Maybe it’s a self-perpetuating crime. Maybe a long time ago a guy stole a back wheel and since then people have been taking them to replace their wheel when it is stolen by the guy who had his wheel stolen before. Maybe it was meant to be an insult. I bought the lock and chain at K-Mart; it dissolves if it gets wet. A pair of wire cutters would have been sufficient to cut through the thing, but instead the thief had to bring wrenches and stuff. It’s not like it was one of those quick release things, so the thief had to have been there for awhile (though it’s not like anyone noticed). So what he’s basically saying is, “Your bike is lame.” I’d rather risk getting caught and just rip off the wheel because it is the only part of your bike that is worth my time.” Well, the joke’s on him. That wheel was just as lame as the rest of the bike; the rim was bent, and the tube had a hole in it. Ha ha, sucker!

Caulk Your Own Head

By Carl Jonard
Staff Writer

Am I the only one who’s noticed something a little peculiar about all these www.HUGS.net posters all over campus? I mean, besides the uniformly goofy-looking models. And the fact that “lasierria” is spelled as one word. Why do the posters by the girls’ dorms have a picture of a chick lying across them, while the posters in Towers ask us guys if we’re looking for our very own bucking “Bronco”? Is this some kind of insidiously subtle psychosocial “re-education” propaganda scheme? Did the person putting up the posters have a bucket over his or her head? Is that person standing by the Bronco just a really, really ugly girl? Naturally, the preceding paragraph had nothing whatsoever to do with the remainder of this article, which may or may not involve the water sealing of essential body parts. Who knows? Every article is like a Choose-Your-Own-Adventure, except much more shallow, and with less continuity, and you don’t get to choose anything, and it’s hardly an adventure by any stretch of the imagination, so I guess it’s more like a really pointless newspaper column. So, anyway, what comes next? Should I bore you with a self-serving incredibly boring moment-by-moment account of how I brushed my teeth this morning, or should I present my brand-new ingenious foolproof schemes for free lunch and/or lifelong success in everything you do? Hmmmm...I came to the sink at 7:53. Once again, I was faced with that critical question: should I use my regular toothbrush, or was the wear upon the bristles yet sufficient enough to require the purchase of a brand-new tooth cleaning implement? I stood there vacillating for several minutes, until I grew tired of the anecdote and decided to go ahead and present:

CARL JONARD’S FOOLPROOF SCHEMES FOR FREE LUNCH, SUCCESS, ETC.

(for the cafeteria)

1. Load up an insane amount of stuff from the main cart onto one plate and take the plate special ($3.50), then split it up onto separate plates for all your friends when you get back to your table. Take turns buying.
2. Turn expensive food into cheap food. For instance, you can make anything a pizza topping. Try to save even more money by pulling the cheese off of the pizza crust and ringing it up on two plates, as bread and crusty nacho cheese dip.
3. If all else fails, throw everything on one plate and call it “Lin,” which is listed on the menu for 40c. Claim that it is a sacred dish in a traditional religious ceremony, which you are required to observe every day at 5:15, or your soul will be condemned to flit about for eternity as a dust mite. If they ask you what the name of this religion is, become very angry and threaten to sue, then cross your fingers and walk away backwards, making faces and chanting to distract them from the fact that you are taking off with the Lin.

(for the administration building)

1. Get the curriculum requirements for a bunch of different majors from the advising office. Find several with virtually identical requirements (for instance, all those different biology areas of concentration), then sign up for majors in all of them. You can get a whole bunch of degrees to put on your résumé with hardly any more work!
2. If someone happens to notice the bit in the bulletin where it says you have to have 30 mutually exclusive units between each of the majors, reply under several different names, each with only one of the majors (i.e., John B. Goode, Jon B. Good, Carl J. Jonard, etc.).
3. If the student accounts people try to make you actually pay for all these different applications, insist that it’s just a computer glitch, and that you are actually one person.
4. If the records people refuse to give you the multiple degrees, return several times, each time insisting that you are a different person, and that your similar appearances and names are due to a computer glitch at the hospital where you were born.
5. You didn’t hear any of this from me.

Physics Dept.
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reputable science department, not one with only a two-member physics department that doesn’t even offer a physics major. In the end, these actions have the potential for negative financial effects far outweighing the current benefits.

I petition the university to reconsider its decision to minimize the physics department and to find other means of balancing its budget. It is not in the best interest of the university to downgrade the physics department and, consequently, compromise the reputation of La Sierra University as a whole.
And I Saw God

By Jennifer Wong
Editor-In-Chief

As he hands out sack lunches to the homeless, I can tell Tony doesn’t even notice him at first. The man wanders toward the overstuffed trash bin—his grimy face streaked with rivers of sweat, greasy hair straggling down his back, his clothes three or four sizes too big, his feet covered only in layers of dingy newspaper-shod feet. They’re full of holes, dirty, the original color indiscernible. But he smiles a toothless grin as he reaches a grubby paw into the dumpster and pulls out his new treasures.

As Tony stands there in the squalor of downtown Los Angeles, I watch his naked and filthy feet suddenly become the feet of Christ.

Mike heaves a sigh of relief as he flips off the light to his cabin. Another day as a summer camp counselor is almost over. But just as he’s about to crawl into bed, he hears a sniffle and the rustling of a sleeping bag. He tip-toes over. It’s Jason—the trouble maker, the rowdies.

Nikes, Tony tears them off his feet, jumps out of the van, and sprints across the street. With an awkward smile he holds them out—an offering. The man gazes at him in amazement, then, grabbing the shoes, he plops down on the sidewalk and puts them on. He struts away, proudly displaying his new wares.

As Tony stands there in the squalor of downtown Los Angeles, I watch his naked and filthy feet suddenly become the feet of Christ.

Mike clears his throat. “What’s the matter, Jason?”

Jason studies his toes and bites his lip. Finally, “My dad just died a few weeks ago and . . . .” His eyes begin to fill with tears. “I miss my dad,” Jason mumbles almost inaudibly as a flood of tears runs down his face. Mike puts his arms around the boy’s trembling frame. “It’s okay,” he whispers, his voice cracking, “it’s okay.”

And Christ’s tears shine in his eyes.

Unloved. Silent. Alone in a corner of the nursery. Nurses cast a cursory glance then walk away in masked horror. Understandable. Her face is grotesquely twisted; her mouth and nose just a gaping hole.

Joe opens the door and timidly steps inside. His eyes sweep past the other bassinets. Knowing her parents fear her hideous features and have abandoned her, he gently picks her up, cradling her in his arms. She grabs the lapel of his suit tightly, her knuckles turning white from lack of blood. Joe gently covers her tiny fingers with his own calloused hand—and just for a moment, I can almost see nail prints.

“No man hath seen God at any time. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and His love is perfected in us” (1 John 4:12, KJV).

The result?

The next meeting of the student senate will be on Thursday, February 5. at 11 a.m., location to be announced.

Have you been HUGGED?

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**Calvin & Hobbes ®**
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 permeated 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.

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.”
Editorial

By Jennifer Wong
Editor-In-Chief

Superman has to be the greatest super hero to ever haunt the pages of a comic book. He’s not some mutant mistake of nature like Batman or Spiderman, and unlike Wonder Woman, he doesn’t need any mystical bracelets or magical lassos. But as much as I love the Superman saga, it does have a fatal flaw: details. Take Lois, for example. She is a prize-winning investigative reporter, yet never attaches any importance to the fact that Clark consistently disappears in times of crisis. Exit Clark; enter Superman.

For some reason tights and absence of a bogus pair of specs make her blind to the obvious. And speaking of the infamous disguise, how would that work? He’d have to tuck his cape into his pants. Not only would that bunch and be uncomfortable, but it would also be noticeable. And what about those boots? How is he going to slip his penny loafers over those?

Finally, what happens to Clark’s clothes when he becomes Superman? Are there little piles of suits and glasses scattered around Metropolis? He’d have to spend a good portion of his income just replacing his lost duds.

But my point is this: details matter. Being college students, we understand that perfectly. We know how important a single detail can make. Whether it’s on a history exam, or how invaluable the correct constant on a chemistry quiz. But looking beyond that, we’re able to synthesize all the little bits of information we receive, to somehow create our own world view. And when some of the details are missing, we notice it.

This paper is a student voice. If something on campus isn’t making sense, or you want to know more about what’s going on in this university, you deserve to be heard. In this issue, and upcoming ones, the Criterion will be featuring a controversy column where you can express your frustrations, and hopefully get some answers. So if you ever feel like your concerns are never addressed, here’s your chance to be heard.

Jennifer Wong

Senate Update

By Evan Graham
Staff Writer

Aiding the senior class in buying a class gift, electing new officers, and nominating others to run for office has constituted the Senate’s business over the past month.

On Thurs., Feb. 5, the Senate approved, 22-0, a plan allowing SALSU to grant the senior class $2,500 from the club matching funds to help pay for the graduating class’ gift to the university.

The Senate also that day voted to allow SALSU officers Michael Weismeyer, Laura Chen, Mark Harris, Ranelle Fisher, Heather VanDeventer, and Jennie Wong to continue in office, though they are currently enrolled for more than 16 units at the university. The constitution requires officers with more than 16 units to obtain permission from the Senate to remain in office.

On Thurs., Feb. 19, the Nominating Committee was convened to elect a replacement for former Executive Vice President Laura Chen and to nominate persons to run for office in the elections for next year’s SALSU. The final candidates have yet to be confirmed.

At the primary elections held Tues., Feb. 17, Micah White and Felipe Vielmann were selected to run for president in Thursday’s general elections, and Kim Odle and co-candidates Al Cuizon and Richard Strawter were selected to run for social vice president.
Can the Tenure Din-Din Become a Win-Win?

By Steve Daily
Guest Writer

The hottest issue at LSU these days, judging from the last Criterion and the recent campus wide meetings with faculty and students, is the issue of tenure and its effect on our future as an institution. I, too, have heard many rumblings on the subject from students in class, the hallways, my office, and during dorm visitation. So the natural question before us is how can we address a controversy of this nature without losing momentum as an institution? Or, is it possible for this conflict to be resolved in a win-win manner for the campus as a whole? Having talked with each of the teachers who have been denied tenure (or not recommended for tenure in one case) and to the Dean and some of the key members of the rank and tenure committee, I hope the following observations and suggestions will contribute to such a solution. Some would argue that these matters must be left to academics and academic committees, but when decisions on campus stimulate this much controversy, I would respond that it becomes everybody’s business.

I am convinced that there are two extremes that we desperately need to avoid as a campus if we are to prevent further misunderstanding and polarization. The one extreme is the path of cheap blame. Some are jumping to the conclusion that the committee that has voted to deny tenure to these faculty has acted incompetently. But a careful consideration of their role in the process will reveal that the members of this committee have worked very hard and conscientiously. They have struggled and labored over their decisions. Moreover, I have been assured that they have made every effort to apply the new tenure policies given to them as fairly and objectively as they can. And while some may not agree precisely with how they have interpreted every detail of these policies, it is the general consensus on campus that we want standards for tenure that will attract and retain excellent faculty.

But it is also the consensus on campus, from what I have seen and heard, that these three loved and respected faculty members are very gifted teachers who have impacted a lot of student lives over the years in very powerful and positive ways. Let me just share a sample of the kind of comments I’ve been consistently hearing with regard to these three faculty members.

“Monte was my favorite teacher. I can’t believe he’s gone!”

“Monte’s gone; I’m gone!”

“He did more than any other faculty I know to get involved with students.”

“This (Monte) is the kind of colleague we can’t afford to lose.”

“Monte was the best loved faculty member on campus.”

“Dr. Laue brings a passion and professionalism to class that is unrivaled.”

“She (Laue) is the single reason that I changed to English and love the subject.”

“Dr. Laue’s energy and scholarship are the best I’ve seen in a teacher.”

“I owe my diploma to her (Laue). If she is denied tenure, I’m turning it back in.”

“I don’t know a colleague with a better balance of scholarship, teaching, and service.”

“Common sense dictates that we can’t cut a teacher like Dr. Kofoed.”

“I love his (Dr. Kofoed’s) classes; he’s the best teacher I’ve had in my four years.”

“Look at the recent teaching awards he’s won; Kofoed’s the best!”

Dr. Kofoed makes class fun and learning a joy, we need more like him!"

“Tommy’s not just a Zapara Award Winner, he’s a good scholar, and one of our most active faculty members on campus.”

Monte Andress has chosen to take another job so we can’t do much about that, but Judy Laue and Tommy Kofoed are faculty who have made a big difference on this campus and in the opinion of the great majority of people I’ve heard from, including my own, are not worthy of termination. So the other extreme we must avoid is blindly attempting to justify a decision about tenure and termination in a manner that may well not be in the best interests of our institution and to attempt to silence any who try to question or constructively criticize it. Over the past year, several students have complained to me that the University is not as sensitive to its consumers as it needs to be. Students have complained that their suggestions and criticisms concerning the CORE curriculum and the new General Ed requirements have seemed to fall on deaf ears. They have asked, “Where is the comprehensive evaluation process that changes of this magnitude merit and demand?” Some students have even been individually approached by writing letters to the editor of the Criterion or putting their signatures on petitions in a manner. Now an even greater outcry is being heard in behalf of these faculty who for many students were the single most influential teachers and mentors in their lives. Again, some students have voiced their concerns and others have signed petitions for their favorite faculty, but to their dismay have been informed by letter that such matters must be left to committees and administrators who are paid to deal with these issues.

Personally, I cannot understand this mentality which discourages even in-house dissent and debate in an academic environment. I find it ironic that some who so strongly advocate academic freedom are so intolerant of campus political freedom when their pet views and policies are being questioned.

In contrast to this spirit, I was very pleased to see Dr. Geraty have the openness and courage to listen to students voice their concerns in HMA. We need this kind of sensitivity with the comprehensive changes that have been made in the last two years. So the question remains, how can we find a win-win solution? How can we preserve the integrity and credibility of the tenure process without severing excellent teachers who are making valuable contributions to our institution? I can only suggest the following possibilities:

1. Let the grievance procedure determine if there are issues of unfairness connected to these cases.

2. Encourage administration to take a proactive position that will provide exceptions from termination in the cases of transitional faculty who have been denied tenure, but are deemed valuable to the institution (provide teaching tracks or other options in such cases).

3. Continue to pursue excellence in the formulation and interpretation of policies that govern tenure, but also implement a tenure review process that would ensure the maintenance of excellence in the aftermath of tenure.

4. Provide regular open forums where students can ask questions and express their concerns about the academic changes that have occurred on campus in a non-threatening environment.

5. (Most important) A spirit of prayer for unity and togetherness that will allow us to negotiate and transcend these challenges in a manner that will be Christ-centered and allow our university to not merely survive, but to thrive, in the days that lie ahead.
SALSU Under Fire

By Evan Graham
News Editor

I was asked to write an article about a question I and several others had asked Dr. Geraty at the Town Hall meeting on tenure a few weeks ago. Do our opinions even matter? Even though Dr. Geraty assured us that they did, I think that it's time to consider whether our opinions even matter? Even if our opinions are valued, do they really count?

Last year, when I surveyed the student body about the possibility of the yearbook returning to campus, one respondent despaired, “What difference does it make? Our opinions don’t matter anyway.” Said to say, he was right. When I reported that an overwhelming majority of the 449 students surveyed wanted the yearbook to return, several senators immediately decried the survey, calling it “biased.” I could have retorted by telling them that Student Life had approved every word in the survey before it was distributed, and that I even had to change the wording of the survey to reflect their sentiments. The student body did not put them there; I told then-SALSU Vice President Craig Chaya that I felt that all my efforts are a waste.” SALSU is now publishing a “memory book” to commemorate the university’s seventy-fifth anniversary; it contains everything a yearbook contains, except mugshots, but it is not a yearbook. And with the advent of the new SALSU constitution (ratified by fewer than 200 students in a very poorly-attended election at the end of last year), not much has improved. The executive officers are still given license to do as they please without the approval of the students’ representative body, the senate. Although the cabinet must approve everything the senate does, nowhere in the constitution does it forbid the executive council from establishing rules and policies without senate approval. This has created an unrealistic imbalance of power. For instance, at the beginning of the year the cabinet enacted a policy dictating that every club missing more than three meetings will be ineligible for SALSU club-matching funds; this was never approved by senate. The executives may also veto the results of a student initiative (a rule or policy created or recommended by a direct vote of the student body).

The new constitution even strips the student representatives of power they have traditionally had. The elected senate no longer decides if an elected official should be impeached. That power is now vested in an unelected constitution and bylaws board, headed up by an unelected SALSU parliamentarian. The only elected members of the board are the president and vice-president. This would make it exceedingly difficult if, God forbid, one wanted to remove one of those officers impeached. A handful of elected senators also serve on the board, but the student body did not put them there; the parliamentarian did, and who wants to say that those senators represent the sentiments of the senate as a whole?

While a judicial committee (essentially the role of the bylaws board) is a good idea, one needs to remember that SALSU, while called a student-government organization, is not a legal decision-making government. It is a club with 1,500 members, and when the student body’s business is concerned, SALSU should seek proper assent from all of its members. The student body should never be forced to grudgingly accept the opinion of a few appointed “judges” who are not even elected to act on the students’ behalf.

The opinions expressed in my commentary were purely political, and I encourage readers to share their personal feelings with me and those of any personal feelings I have toward anyone in the cabinet.

A Rose Delivered To Heaven’s Door

By Tira Su
Staff Writer

February 2nd will never be the same again. She could have been a pharmacist, wife, and mother one day. Now, those dreams will be asleep forever. For those who knew and loved her, the wound has turned into a permanent scar. It seems like yesterday that I stood above her freshly buried grave with tears washing away with the rain. I could almost feel the warmth of her smile as a cold breeze swept by me. With the clouds growing darker, an emptiness subsided in me, it was then that I realized that she was actually gone. Teresa lost her fight with cancer that was cruelly embedded in her since the age of 17. Her journey ended at 23. She went through a lot of pain, numerous surgeries and chemotherapy. She never had the opportunity to finish high school or go to college. Like a rose, she was special, perhaps even “rare.” Just being with her and talking to her, you wouldn’t think that she was terminally ill. Teresa wanted to live a normal life. She demanded absolutely no pity or sympathy. Her smile, spirit, and sense of humor was all that she revealed. Teresa positively believed that she would beat this “curse.” She had courage and strength, but God wanted to take her home to rest.

Since her death, my perspective on so many things have changed. I no longer take granted the beauty in the most smallest and simplest things. Most of us realize but don’t remember often enough how precious the people in our lives are until it’s too late. Teresa knew how to live and how to love. She conquered her fears. Those are the lessons she has taught me. With all respect and admiration, I bid you Teresa, with not “goodbye”... but merely “see you later.”

In Loving Memory of: Teresa Do
Born 10/12/74
Died 02/02/98
of Cancer
She was a close cousin of Tina Su, a Senior Business Administration Major

Sub-Editorial: What is Feature News?

By Bonnie Cafferky
Feature News Editor

Ok, stop me if you’ve heard this one. A rabbit, a minister, and a colicky beast walk into a bar. No wait that’s not how it goes. How was I supposed to know? I wasn’t there at the time; I’m underage. In retelling something, the writer is completely dependent on those who witnessed the event, those whose perspectives are of interest to others. I need you. I want to make the feature section of interest to as many people as possible. In this issue, we are presenting a few of the many views students have on the role of SALSU. Do you have an opinion? Something you want to share? A completely separate interest? Call me. I need to know when you have something you want to share. Are you secretly the head of an underground terrorist movement and feel ready to break the news of your ensuing conquest to the world? Call me. Need to vent frustration at a bar. No wait that’s not how it goes. While a judicial committee (essentially the role of the bylaws board) is a good idea, one needs to remember that SALSU, while called a student-government organization, is not a legal decision-making government. It is a club with 1,500 members, and when the student body’s business is concerned, SALSU should seek proper assent from all of its members. The student body should never be forced to grudgingly accept the opinion of a few appointed “judges” who are not even elected to act on the students’ behalf.

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SALSU Responds

By Mark Harris and Todd Bittle
Guest Writers

We have always believed that it is unnecessary for an innocent man to have to defend that very innocence, but when a council of elected officials are attacked for personal reasons, we find umbrage and choose to respond. We do appreciate Mr. Graham’s letter and respect his views, and we feel this is the perfect time to answer some questions that a lot of students may be having about your Student Government.

First, we would like to say that we think to say that student voice is not heard is naïve. The truth of the matter is we have a very apathetic student body. On Tuesday February 18, primary elections were held in the cafeteria during lunch. Out of 1600 students, only 150 voted on candidates for next year’s SALSU cabinet. Unfortunately that apathy has infiltrated into our Student Senate Meetings. At a recent Nominating Committee Meeting, while voting on a number of key student leaders for next year and this year, the senators chose to have a recount of votes in order to change some votes so the meeting would move along more rapidly. The reason for this is the SALSU Constitution states a nominated candidate must be approved by a 2/3 vote, and the original vote was only 11 to 14. When there was a recount, the ratio quickly changed to 17 to 9. How can student voice make a difference when elected senators and club representatives would rather get to lunch than conduct a valid meeting?

We understand the yearbook issue is a concern to many students. During the 1995-96 school year the Student Senate abolished the yearbook and planned to reallocate the funds. The issue came up again during the following school year as some senators felt the yearbook issue should be reevaluated and Senate created an AD-HOC committee. This group of students met over a three month period deciding the fate of the $38,000 publication. The Yearbook AD-HOC committee did not recommend Senate to bring back the yearbook for simple reasons. The biggest reason cited was lack of interest by students. In 1996, the final year of this publication, there were over 700 copies of the yearbook that were never picked up. This means only 43% of students received a yearbook. This is a free book! It is stated in Mr. Graham’s article that 87% of students wanted a yearbook, but for some odd reason our statistics do not correlate.

The money being saved by not having a yearbook has been reallocated to various funds within SALSU, the primary one being Club Matching Funds. Club Matching Funds were created to empower the clubs to become more active on campus and plan bigger events. This year over half of the funds set aside have already been used by clubs, enabling them to plan better events. Without this account, a Senate approved SALSU budget could not provide such easy access to money for clubs events.

The relatively new SALSU Constitution was displayed in the cafeteria, men’s and women’s residence halls, and other high traffic areas on campus for three weeks before it was ratified. It is true only 200 people showed interest enough to approve or raise questions about the new Constitution at an assembly. If Mr. Graham can motivate 449 students to say they want the yearbook back, why couldn’t he, a member of Senate at the time, get these same people to come and vote on changes in the Constitution?

Mr. Graham makes a statement that “…executive officers are still given license to do as they please, without the approval of the students’ legal representative body, the Senate.” Now let’s ponder this accusation briefly. This statement is merely opinion, since there is nothing presented to substantiate his claim. I do not really understand this claim, what is he actually trying to say? In the SALSU Constitution (Article 2 Section 2) it outlines the balance of power when it states, “All Executive Council actions may be questioned or vetoed by Administration.” If every time our Social VP or Religious VP wanted to have an event, such as Rendezvous, they had to be approved by Senate, we would have no events. The Executive Council was elected to make decisions and plan events as they serve the students. It is true SALSU is supposed to represent the student voice, and that is what we do. The Executive Council did make a recommendation to Senate, that Club Representatives should be expected to meet minimal attendance requirements, but nothing has been officially passed or enforced. Mr. Graham also states that the Executive Council has the right to veto a student initiative, but this is not the case at all. As stated in the Constitution, if a student initiative is signed by 4% of our students it may be taken either to Senate or the Student Body for a vote.

We feel that Mr. Graham has been misinformed about some of the powers taken cont on pg. 9
La Sierra University performed The Marriage of Figaro February 22, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. in Hole Memorial Auditorium. Playing Figaro was Joey Aguilar. I interviewed Joey after a rehearsal in Hole Memorial Auditorium. He walked down the aisle and situated himself in the seat across from me. Smiling, he began picking at the pages of the opera book he had placed in his lap. I quickly discovered that Joey was born in Victoria, Canada, moved to Loma Linda, and is currently living in Chino Hills. He started singing when he was thirteen. This surprised me because I thought he would have started singing much younger. His major is music education. When I asked him what he wanted to do after he got his degree he sat up straighter in the chair and explained his plan to me. He wants to take music lessons from many different music teachers who could teach several different vocal styles. Then, after, establishing himself in the music field, he will settle down and become a teacher. Joey is currently a member of the singing group CBF (Christians By Faith). The group was offered a recording contract recently, which they turned down. Joey did not look too bothered by this. In answer to my questioning gaze he said, "They wanted to give us a secular image." He then leaned back in his chair and went on to tell me about how he enjoys writing songs.

I asked him how his parents feel about his choice of a career. He smiled and said, "they wanted me to go into medicine." He had to show them that he had a plan for his life, some type of direction, before they began to like his choice.

When I asked if he likes the opera he responded smiling broadly, "Opera feels like my idea of what Broadway is like." The Opera Scenes Players have been practicing since last quarter for last Sunday's performance. The dedicated and delightful singer/actors include Cara Loveless, Lilybeth Evardome, Bonnie Cafferky, Melissa Sajid, Randy Bills, Kevin Kaylor, Erick Ramirez, Lenny Wong, Rachel O'bery, and Roderick McMullen as the evil Count Almaviva.

Figaro is one of Mozart’s most famous operas. The story line is based on the exploits of two servants who are going to be married. They are in love during a time when it was a customary honor for the Count to have sex with the female servant before she got married. Count Almaviva has decided to waive this right and allow them to get married without having taken her to bed first, but then begins to look at his Sussana and notices that she is quite pretty and begins to change his mind. Figaro tries to keep the Count from "honoring" his fiancee. The Marriage of Figaro is a delightful opera with wonderful talented actors. I hope you all were wise enough to attend.

One Final Thought on Tenure

By Todd Bittle
Guest Writer

I would first like to thank Dr. Geraty for spending an excess of two hours answering questions that the students had about tenure at the Town Hall meeting a few weeks ago. A lot of people don’t understand that the tenure guidelines were agreed upon by faculty, not administration. So, with this thought in mind...the people that set up the guidelines are now feeling the impact. To be able to properly form an opinion on this issue, it is important to separate emotion from reason. Many of the statements circulating seem to be rooted in emotion and to those I would respond, what would happen if we did not have these guidelines? We agreed with the rest of the student body; it is tragic that we are losing the professors that may not receive tenure. We have all had classes from these teachers, and these are surely some of the best educators this university has ever had to offer. Let us not forget that Monte Andress resigned; he was not asked to leave.

If you received an F for not doing a research project in an upper division psychology class, it wouldn’t matter how many students signed a petition, you would still receive a failing grade. This is how these rules work, and these guidelines are set up in order to keep the education standards of our university as high as possible. We pay $16,000 a year in order to get the best education possible, and I commend our faculty for coming up with such a policy, and for the students sake, I appreciate them enforcing those policies.

A teacher has seven years in order to do research and make two presentations, and if a professor wants to keep his or her job, the research and presentations need to be done. If our professors are not doing research and updating their resources, our education is only on borrowed knowledge.
Faculty In Residence

By Linn Tonstad
Staff Writer

On February 5, Angwin Hall had the privilege of being the first residence hall to host a faculty member under the new “Faculty in Residence” program. Dr. Fritz Guy, University Professor of Philosophy and Theology, was our guest. After his last class at 5:00, he joined Eva Pascal and Linn Tonstad for dinner in the Commons. Dr. Guy told stories of when he had been a student at La Sierra in the late forties. Students were assigned seats as they came out of the cafeteria line. It took a lot of scheming to end up at the same table as one’s special friend!

At eight Dr. Guy came to the Angwin party room, where a reception with cookies and soda was hosted. Around twenty students dropped by at some time during the evening. A group of us sat and talked to Dr. Guy and Dean Curtis for a few hours. They reminisced about the old days in Adventist colleges until one of the classes Dr. Guy teaches, Issues in Religion and Gender was mentioned. The conversation then turned to what it is like to be a woman in the Adventist church. Ordination was, of course, a main topic.

The evening ended with Dr. Guy joining us for Steve Daily’s evening worship and the third annual peanut butter and jelly bash afterward. All in all, it was a pleasant opportunity to get better acquainted with our former university president. Don’t miss the other faculty members visiting this quarter! Here’s a list for the rest of the quarter:

**Dr. Dudley:** Feb. 24 Sierra Towers

**Ardis Wazdatskey:** Feb. 25 Gladwyn Hall

**Bob Griffith Concert**

By Luisa Garcia
Staff Writer

The Student Center hosted a concert given by Bob Griffith and his reggae band during La Sierra Live Weekend of February 6. The music included a mix of instrumental and traditional hymns, as well as one of his own compositions. It was all performed with piano, percussion, drums, keyboard, bass, and Griffith (also lead singer) on guitar.

I could hear a definite Jamaican touch in his music that I would have to qualify as “mellow funk.” It was almost like stepping into the elevator of a REALLY hip hotel. Apart from performing such songs as “Set My Spirit Free,” and “Shall We Gather at the River,” there was also something that came out of the movement when lyrics to secular music were replaced by Christian ones. For example, do you remember that song from the 70’s, “That’s the way (uh-huh, uh-huh) I like it”? Well, on this Friday night, it was all about Jesus!

It was even included audience participation. If you didn’t come, you missed out on his fascinating trombone impression. The performance ended with a rendition of “Amazing Grace, much in the style of salsa (or was it merengue?).”

Moral of this story? Stay on campus during the La Sierra Live Weekends and make sure you come check out the Student Center on Friday nights—you might find yourself tapping your foot to “mellow funk.”
**Rick's World 98**

By Rick Marson  
Staff Writer

Hi there how are you? We don't really get a chance to talk one on one, so I want you to pretend that this article was written personally for you, just ignore the fact that every one of the hundreds of copies of this issue of the paper that have been printed have the exact same little "talk," in them, and that every person on campus that reads this article is in essence eavesdropping on us. If that idea is too distressing for you, take heart that to them you are the eavesdropper and they are more afraid of you than you are of them, or at least that's what my mom always told me about spiders.

So how have you been? Oh yeah? Well that's great, or terrible, depending on how you answered. What did you finally end up doing about that one thing? Hmmm... that is probably for the best. How about the "you know"? Hey as far as I’m concerned whatever you do with your free time in the privacy of your own home is fine by me. I’m glad we had this talk and I’m sure you are too and don’t worry your secret is safe with me.

It’s always fun to have a nice chat with your friends. Wow, you know, I kind of feel like Mr. Rogers for some reason. I always thought Mr. Rogers might make a great president, of course we’d have to get all the other countries to take childrens television characters as their leaders so we wouldn’t be hopelessly beaten by anyone who felt like taking over America. We could get Grover to take over the Iraq area, France could be controlled by Barney and maybe Ernie could rule England. Then we could get the speedy delivery guy to be vise prez and the trolly for foreign affairs. It’s just a thought, I’m just throwin’ out some ideas seein’ where they land. And now I go.

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**The Scene**

By Miss Kitty  
Staff Writer

Boys and girls, I'll bet you've all been wondering what happened to all the style advice that the Criterion used to dispense with a liberal hand. Well, Sam Styles is gone, but Miss Kitty is here to take over, giving fab fashion and trend advice to all you beautiful people.

**THREADS**

As you chicks may have noticed at the mall, black is back! Combined with red, black is once again the way to go. Gray is also hip this season, in tight, stretch fabrics. Skirts should be just below the knees, and heels should be thin. The platform wave is fading. Try animal prints, especially leopard skin. For guys Miss Kitty would love to see some of you in some slinky Limbo Lounge gear, with Electric Chair shoes. Otherwise, for all you trendies, the Lab in Costa Mesa is the place to go. (Take the 91 west to the 55, then the 405 north. Exit Bristol and turn left.)

**PEOPLE**

Among girls, Miss Kitty found two standouts. Satoe Kawashima is always well put together and looking pretty! Gabriela Martinez upped her coolness quotient when she got lovely new glasses. We looked long and hard at all the boys but could find no one to compete with our own Dr. Rice. His suit is the joy of Miss Kitty's day, but she does want to caution: the shoes have got to go.

**RELAXING**

"Afterglow" is one of the best new movies out. Julie Christie plays a retired B-movie actress. Dazzling performance! If renting, try Kieslowski's movie "White", where Julie Delpy plays a woman who survives her composer husband dying in a car crash. For an alternative evening at the theater, try "The Theatre District" for some up-close acting (also in Costa Mesa, call 714-435-4043 for details).

Happy days! From Miss Kitty
Over the Christmas break I was given a small gift by our school nurse, a very thoughtful lady named Faye Chilson, that made a big difference in my life. The gift was a book entitled, Small Miracles, by Yitta Halberstam and Judith Leventhal. It is a perfect book to read at the beginning of a new year, because it is filled with remarkable stories of "extraordinary coincidences" that are not really coincidences at all. By reading this book I was reminded afresh that "no kind act is ever lost," that there are "no accidents" in life. Nothing happens on this planet without God's permission or apart from His ultimate purposes. If we can only have the faith to believe "that all things work together for good to them that love God" (Romans 8:28), it will revolutionize the way we relate to the varying circumstances of our daily lives.

To put this in a practical context, some of you have come back this quarter unsure of how you will pay your bill from last quarter. Others have received unexpected financial help. Some have experienced the break up of a significant relationship in recent weeks. Others have started dating a new friend during the same period. At least a few students have lost a family member dating a new friend during the same period. At least a few students have lost a family member.

Over the holidays I received one tremendous personal blessing (receiving the gift of normal vision through eye surgery), and one deep personal disappointment within hours of each other. This is the way of life. We shall have joys and sorrows that bombard us on a daily and weekly basis. The normal human response is to attribute our successes and fortunes to our own efforts and abilities, and to attribute our failures and misfortunes to "bad luck" or to someone else's fault. But the mature Christian is the one who embraces misfortune and disappointment with the same tenacious faith as he handles honor and victory. To share again, a favorite quote from John Maxwell, "Life is 10% what happens to you, and 90% how you react to it."

If we can keep this thought in the forefront of our minds during 1998 it will do us more good than any number of other New Year's Resolutions. I believe that there are no accidents, no coincidences, no random acts that happen without meaning. Someday the curtain will be pulled back and we will understand everything that has happened to us in this bizarre world. But until that day comes we need to read and listen to stories of faith from others that will help us develop faith in our own stories. So if you are getting tired of reading the "Chicken Soup for the Soul" story books (which I deeply love and appreciate by the way), I recommend Small Miracles as a wonderful devotional path to tread in the early part of this new year. Thank you, Faye.
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 guarantees 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.
ENTERTAINMENT

MOVIES
“Spike and Mike’s Festival of Animation” Screening Schedule: 3:15p, 5:30p, 7:45p daily, 10p Wed & Fri; 10:45a, 1p, 3:15p, 5:30p, 7:45p Sun-Thur. CinemaStar Ultraplex 10, 1201 University Ave, Riverside. $7 (777-3456, Ext. 026)
SoCal Cinemas, $4 Tues or Wed. Matinee shows starting b4 6p w/ID, Market Place, 4040 Vine St, Downtown Riverside (682-4040)
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MUSIC
“Por Amor a Mi Tierra” Brings together Mariachi bands from Mexico & So. Cal. March 7. Orange Show Pavilion in San Bernardino. $12.50-75 (356-0906)
Village Bar & Grill Karaoke night Fridays beginning @ 9p. Next to Village Wok inside University Village. Open 7 days/ wk 11a-12a (midnight) (683-4789)
Sugarhill Gang February 27. Brick by Brick. $10 (TM)
Inner Circle March 5.

Galaxy Theatre. $16.50 (TM)
Board Aid (Offspring, Specials, Steel Pulse, others). March 15. Bear Mountain. $30 (includes lift tickets) (TM)

Bryan McKnight March 15. Riverside Municipal Auditorium. $25.50 (TM)
Amy Grant March 31. San Diego Symphony Hall. $29.50-39.50 (TM)

COFFEE HOUSES
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Coffee Break 8a-9p Mon-Thur; 8a-11p Fri; 9a-10p Sat; closed Sun. Poetry 8p Tues; chess 8p Thur. 10933 Magnolia Ave. (688-4133)
Harvest Store, Peter Neuman 8p Sat; 8a-9p Mon; 8a-10p Tue-Fri; 10a-10p Sat; 9a-9:30p Sun. 5963 Arlington Ave. (351-6815)
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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 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 Redwood planted upon our campus. In response to 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 found itself, and had a long history for being productive.

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 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.

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 possible, 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 relax a few fun-filled hours away from their studies.
Editorial

By Jennie Wong
Editor-in-Chief

Do we ever really stop to think about what we’re ingesting? Whoever came up with the idea to eat some of the stuff that people consider delicacies? Take lobster, for instance. The thing has claws and huge antennae; it looks like a giant sea cockroach, yet people shell out big bucks for someone to boil the poor thing alive and then stick it on a plate.

Or what about beverages? Teas sport great-sounding, exciting names that make the consumer think the tea bag is just bursting with flavor waiting to be magically released in hot water. But, in reality, tea’s nothing more than a bunch of weeds ground up and put in a little pouch with a string. After several minutes of steeping, all that results is weedy-flavored water and a soggy bag of leaves.

But beyond what we put in our mouths, do we really think about everything we’re putting into ourselves? Our senses are constantly being bombarded, and after awhile we become desensitized. I remember accidentally catching a glimpse of someone’s leg being ripped off in a science fiction movie on TV one afternoon when I was about twelve. Those three seconds of viewing gave me nightmares. But now blood and gore hardly bother me. While I’d like to attribute this to maturity on my part, I know it’s just because of prolonged exposure.

Thinking about this can easily get depressing, but here’s an upsie: here at LSU we’re constantly being pummeled with history and art and culture. And as much as we may despair over the pointlessness of a liberal arts education, we are continually growing and our world view is widening.

Just a little perspective as we face finals.

Good luck!

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Senate Update

By Evan Graham
News Editor

Sophomore history major Xaviera Vanegas was inaugurated as SALSU’s new executive vice president at the last student senate meeting of the winter quarter.

At the meeting, Senator Evan Graham presented his proposal to either fix or abolish altogether the nominating committee, complaining that the nominating process as defined in the SALSU constitution was long and cumbersome. He recalled the month-long periods in which there was no Criterion editor or a vice president because of the lengthy process. The senate voted to table the proposal. Vanegas and the senators also discussed ways to make the senate more proactive, the senate having done next to nothing this year to listen to the students’ concerns and address them. Surveys, tables in the cafeteria, and announcements in chapel (which are no longer permitted by the chapel committee) were suggested.

Vanegas was elected by the student body two weeks ago in a special election to replace Laura Chen, after the nominating committee was deadlocked between her and Geovanny Vielmann, subsequently calling for a special election to fill the vacancy. Although Chen officially told the senate last month that she had resigned because she felt she wasn’t giving her all for her office, and the students deserved someone who would put their “one hundred percent” into serving as vice president, she later said that she didn’t like the rigid enforcement of parliamentary procedure in senate this year.

“When I was elected, the new constitution had not been ratified yet,” Chen said. “I didn’t know that I would have to deal with the tedious rules of parliamentary procedure. I got to the point where I felt I was working with my hands tied behind my back.”

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Sports Update

By Carrie Lewis
Guest Writer

Many of us missed the news a few weeks back that one of our athletes was injured in the line of duty. Jeffery Marx, center for the LSU men’s basketball team, was involved in an accident as he was going up to dunk against Christian Heritage in El Cajon. An opposing player slid underneath him, causing Marx to flip over the player.

The alteration resulted in about eight stitches near Marx’s right eye and a broken wrist. The incident was attributed to the spirit of the sport and the intensity of the game. Although the season is over, we all wish Jeff Marx a successful and speedy recovery.

Another reminder: the men’s Volleyball season is well on its way, so come on out for the games, LSU, and show some support for your Golden Eagles Athletics!
Library Expands Electronic Resources

By Maynard Lowry
Guest Writer

Are libraries likely to become obsolete and will paper possibly disappear as more information becomes available on the Internet? “It’s not very likely, in spite of what seems to be a trend to the contrary,” says Maynard Lowry, La Sierra’s library director. He paraphrases a former Federal Communications Commission chairman, Nicholas Johnson when he says, “The paperback book is still the cheapest (and most portable) random access device there is.” But electronic resources are certainly making in-roads into the lives of students and faculty who use books and journals for teaching, learning and research.

The library currently subscribes to three databases that provide full-text access to selected articles and periodical titles—ABI/Inform, EBSCO Academic Search Full-text Elite, and WilsonSelect. A comparison and count of the unique titles in these databases has been completed. These add 1,722 titles to the more than 1,400 current print subscriptions held by the library.

ABI/Inform should be of particular interest to students researching business and management topics. EBSCO Academic Search is a general database covering a broad range of topics and disciplines. WilsonSelect provides access to about 450 journals that are indexed in the H. W. Wilson printed indexes such as Readers’ Guide, Humanities Index, Social Science Index and others.

Not included in the title count is the recently acquired Lexis-Nexis source. Widely used in the fields of law and business, this database is largely full-text and includes newspapers, trade journals, court decisions, reference materials, and transcripts of wire service stories and television news. It, therefore, expands available resources into some areas that may have no print equivalent. Lexis-Nexis is particularly valuable for its rapid posting of information. For example, the full-text of Supreme court decisions is available almost simultaneously with its availability to news organizations. In other words, this source is more up-to-date than your morning newspaper in some cases.

“These resources are of particular value to students,” notes Lowry. “They represent authoritative information sources that can be verified and relied upon for accuracy. While the Internet is a vast information store, it is largely unregulated. Editors do not check the content of every site, nor is there an always reliable means of searching what is out there floating in the electronic ethers,” adds Lowry.

The addition of these new resources will be of value to current students, whether on or off campus. Students who want to access these from home or another location require their ID number and a personal identification number (PIN) assigned by the Registrar’s Office.

These resources should also aid the university in its expansion into distance learning. The Schools of Education and Religion currently conduct off-campus educational programs at several locations in the United States, Canada and Australia. While each of these sites has a library collection available, the resources are limited. Electronic access to resources maintained by the university library will enhance the learning experience.

The university library webpage (http://www.lasierra.edu/library) brings these electronically accessible resources together in one place. It also includes access to the on-line catalog at La Sierra and several other area libraries, in addition to the Encyclopaedia Britannica and a variety of Internet search engines useful for finding other information on the web.

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Alumni Art Show

By Gabriela Martinez
Staff Writer

The artwork of over twenty former La Sierra University art majors is the focus of the Roy and Frances Brandstater Gallery’s current exhibition. The Art Alumni Exhibit which began on February 17 and runs through March 15, is the first of its kind at La Sierra University.

In keeping with the theme of LSU’s 75th Anniversary celebration, Art Department Chair Susan Davis Patt felt that it was necessary for the gallery to host an exhibition of current artwork created by former art majors. Alumni exhibiting their artwork represent every decade of graduates since 1950. All the artists are currently active within their fields. Exhibitors include fine artists, package designers, art professors, and freelance artists and designers. Artwork includes large and small-scale paintings, ceramics, designs for book covers and magazines, food package design, drawings, and illustrations. Over eighty pieces of artwork are currently on exhibit.

The highlights of the show include fourteen portraits by Kevin Lee. His pieces, along with John Williams’ illustrations and paintings, are the favorites among La Sierra University art majors. Rob Holland, St. Graphic Design majors feels that “Kevin’s drawing skills are strong” and looks forward to taking figure drawing from him in the spring.

Kevin Lee’s fourteen portraits represent less than one-third of the artwork he produced in one month. His portraits, created in

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CRITERION

The Election Results are In

By Kathy Strawter
Staff Writer

Remember on Thursday the 26th, there was a general assembly meeting at which the elections were held. Perhaps you recall all the speeches in which the candidates told of their goals for the upcoming school year? Do you remember the mission impossible theme? The Catholic school girls’ skirts? The really huge sign that was held up? Am I jogging your memory now? Good. Well because of that assembly, next year’s senate and SALSU staff have been chosen.

Felipe Vielmann, a junior religious studies and history major, will be the president of SALSU next year. Vielmann said that “the students seem to have elected a strong cabinet, which I’m looking forward to working with. The important factor will be keeping them strong, motivated, and focused throughout the whole of next year.”

Evan Graham, a junior English major, was elected for the position of executive vice president. Graham said, “I’m just glad I was able to step out of my comfort zone and try something new. I hope we can make some real change in the year ahead.”

Kim Odle, a junior accounting major, will be heading up the position of social vice president. Odle says she is “surprised, shocked, and thankful to all the people who helped.”

Bonnie Cafferky, a junior English and history major, will be the editor for next year’s Criterion. Cafferky said, “I was worried that I wouldn’t beat myself for the position. The competition was tough, but I’m glad that I won and I’m looking forward to next year.”

Rick Marson and Carl Jonard, both sophomore graphic design majors, will be in charge of Perspectives for next year. Jonard and Marson are “totally stoked” that they got the position.

Natan Vigna, a junior communications major, was elected as the new PR. Vigna is “ready to start the new year” and is sure it will “be a lot of fun and hard work.”

Brian Gray, a junior business management major, was elected as the new resource manager. Gray commented that he is “happy I pulled it off and I am very appreciative.”

AviMaria Davis, a sophomore developmental psychology major, was elected as the new CABL director. Davis was unavailable for comment.

Now that is your new SALSU staff. Would you be interested in knowing who your new Senators are? Well, here goes.

Sanjo Adeoye, Christina Walters, Julene Duerksen, Wendy Walters, Aqsa Ahmad, and Kristine Olson.

For this “election the students voted in record numbers. Approximately 600 students voted, which is the best turnout in six or seven years.

For many students said that they were pleased with this year’s elections because a lot more people ran for the offices and so the competition was greater.

However, some students voiced their concerns that word got around to the candidates that they had either won or lost before they found out the official results. One student said, “It was rude and extremely unprofessional.” Evan Graham had said that he had “heard rumors that I had won ahead of time, so when I found out officially it was not a big surprise.” When I asked Mark Harris, the current president of SALSU, he said, “My cabinet did nothing wrong. After 5 pm the election results become public knowledge.”

Felipe Vielmann was officially notified of his winning, but when he asked to know who the rest of his cabinet would be he was told he would have to wait and find out the results when those who had won were officially notified. Why the discrepancies?

One student remarked, “This school rarely does anything in the proper order. Why would they start now?”

Well, whatever the reason, what’s done is done. Let’s move on and give next year’s SALSU and Sefate a big CONGRATULATIONS and wish them well for the next year.
AIA Update

By Shasta Emery
Guest Writer

“The Mission of Adventist Intercollegiate Association (AIA) is to be the voice of collegiate Christian leadership with a vision for fostering unity and service that impacts our community.”

With a mission like that, who wouldn’t want to be involved? This year, as AIA president, I am determined to make AIA more interactive and community-oriented. Adventist student leaders at colleges across North America want to stand for God and community while we teach, train, and learn. So, we elected a spectacular and enthusiastic executive team that is focused on God, uniting our campuses and resources, making a positive contribution to our church, and serving others.

I encourage you to evaluate yourselves, because I know you have something you can offer to others. By offering what you have, you grow stronger as a person. Too many of us think that a leader has to be someone up front, but I believe leaders are people who use their talents to help those around them.

Whether it be through sharing our collective voices with church leadership on issues important to us, organizing mission trips, painting houses in our communities, planning our annual convention, singing praises to God on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial, or being trained as leaders for God—we have a passion to have an impact on others. Please keep us in your prayers.

If you are a student or an AIA alumnus and you’d like to get involved with AIA, contact me via e-mail at shasemer@LaSierra.edu. Atlantic Union College will host the Spring ’98 convention next March.

Shasta Emery
1997-98 AIA President

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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 her shoulders. The other woman is eyeless and stares blankly out of her eyes. 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, perpetrated 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 someone who studied, and may have experienced a similar subculture as themselves, gives LSU art students a push 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 professional 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 the 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 using the computer as a fine art tool. This presentation will conclude a number of presentations hosted by the In/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 receptions 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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Upcoming Career Night

By Natan Vigna
Staff Writer

Drag out those resumes; it's time to update. This is the advance warning that the Career Planning and Placement Services (CPPS) office is co-organizing a job fair with the other three local higher education institutions: UCR, Cal Baptist, and RCC.

Set to take place on April 22, 1998, from 4:30 to 7 p.m., "Career Night" promises to be one of the best inter-college events yet to be seen. Over one hundred companies and twenty school districts will be taking resumes and offering all kinds of full-time and part-time jobs, internships, and summer jobs.

This will offer students the chance to learn about networking possibilities with companies nationwide in the business, education, arts, and social sciences fields. Big companies that wouldn't take the time to visit just one small university are already signed up to take advantage of this 4-in-1 opportunity.

"Career Night" is just one of the services offered by Career Planning and Placement Services, located in Student Life. The CPPS office is working hard to help students at La Sierra put together the tools they've learned in college to find jobs and market themselves in the real world. CPPS offers free career counseling, a career library, company profiles and annual reports, job listings, and a state-of-the-art web page with databases for FT and PT jobs and internships.

Also, the web page offers help with resumes, cover letters, interviews, follow-ups, and more (HYPERLINK http://www.lasierra.edu/slife/careers/). Students seeking jobs or help with their careers are encouraged to stop by the CPPS office to talk and find out how CPPS can meet their needs, Mondays through Thursdays from 8-5 and Fridays from 8-12.

Career Night promises to be the warm island atmosphere of a fitness club, an energizer, a neutral place, like the Convention Center in downtown Riverside.

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Who's Preaching The Word Where?

La Sierra University
March 14: LSU alumni program "Get Ready, Fire, Aim"
Kay Kuzma
March 21: Dan Smith
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Loma Linda, CA
March 14: Pastor Williams and Leslie Pollard
March 21: Pastor Hyveth Williams
March 28: Dick Duerksen
April 4: Pastor Williams

Loma Linda University
11125 Campus St.
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What's So Great About Wheatgrass Juice?

By The Couch Monkeys
Guest Writers

Say, have you ever heard of wheatgrass? But even more importantly, did you know it acts as a natural body deodorant and heals rectal sores? Well, you would have known had you gone to visit our good friend Alonzo at Tropical Island Juices.

That's right, we said Tropical Island Juices, which is conveniently located within a two-minute drive of La Sierra University.

While at Tropical Island Juices you can enjoy a wide variety of 100 percent natural smoothies, natural juices, or an energizer. For those who may not work at a fitness club, an energizer is a unique blend of perfectly legal steroids such as bee pollen, creatine, or ginseng (a sexual stimulant).

This juice bar also offers a plethora of sandwiches ranging from Jamaican avocado, cheese, and mushrooms on a warm bagel (plain or poppyseed) to the classic Bob Marley on rye (our personal favorite).

Personally, we feel the coffeehouse scene is too melancholy and starting to get a bit drab. Juice bars are the wave of the future and this dandy little juice bar is no exception, believe you me. On a student's budget this place really hits the spot, with a 10 percent discount for La Sierra University students. There is even a smoothie made just for you, the La Sierra Island.

If you are searching for the warm island atmosphere and El Nino's got you down, come say hi to Alonzo and tell him the Couch Monkeys sent you.

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CRITERION
I know that the dust of moon pixies is enchanted, and would quickly do away with the wee marks left by your dainty fingers and toes! No fool am I, no sir! I would use everyday baking powder to reveal the incriminating elfin dactylographs upon my brush! Then I would have the evidence to bring the swift Arm & Hammer of justice crashing down upon your whole roguish society! I would hire Robbie Shapiro and Jerry Springer and that handsome young chap, what’s his name, with the crazy mad eyes that make you want to just stuff your whole face into an anthill and sing like a giraffe? Yes, Perry Mason, that’s it.

Nice fellow. Terrible, terrible body odor, though. The lot of us would take the next dirigible straight up to their moon cities and pelt them from above with rotted banana peels and ugly Cubist paintings! Hahaha! Speaking of pataphysics, where is that Gibson girl with my medicine? It’s 2:43 in the am; that’s Cod Liver O’Clock by my pocketwatch. Ha! Ah well, beware the flies, and hope for the rest, that’s what I always say. Dirty little buggers. They live off of dingleberries, you know, and they never bathe. It’s just gross, really it is.

By Carl Jonard
Staff Writer

**Moon Pixies Stole My Essential Electric Razor Maintenance Accessory!!!**

By Rick Marson
Staff Writer

**Rick’s World 98**

**WARNING!!!**

This article contains large quantities of lactose, so for those of you that are lactose intolerant: Shame on you! Sure dairy products aren’t people in the most technical sense, but prejudices of any form are just wrong.

Hi there, wasn’t last issue’s article a gas? Well you know, it’s strange you should mention that (since you didn’t) because the topic of this week’s article has been know to give some people gas. I am talking about none other than your friend and mine. cheese. I’m a big fan of cheese. It’s great stuff I tell ya. I especially love cheese when it is in a semi-liquid state, or in layman’s terms, melted. Cheese is the best topping for almost anything, but ketchup is a close second. Is it any wonder that so many things start with the word cheese? Like cheese raviolis, cheese pizza, and my favorite, cheese fries. Because of my love for cheese, I have prepared a small ode and then I will end this article (actually I won’t end the article because I love cheese; I will end the article because it is 2:00 am the day after this article was due and would like to go to sleep. Also I have not prepared an ode; I plan to ad lib it).

**An Ode to Cheese**

Cheese is good; it comes from cows—not directly though because that would probably hurt the cows. I like cheese. I like those weird little yellow crusty things that they serve in the cafeteria, at least I think it’s cheese; I can’t think of anything else it could be.

By Miss Kitty
Staff Writer

**The Scene**

A big hello to all you kids out there who are back for another dose of fab fashion advice. Miss Kitty eagerly anticipates the day when her style advice will be read by all on campus.

**THREADS**

Guys: Go for shirts in funky, disco-type patterns. Keep them relatively tight. The same goes for thin-knit skiing sweaters with a round neck. For the more adventurous, light makeup use (foundation, powder, mascara) gives an instant facelift. Bring a chick along whose fashion sense you admire to give you some advice.

Girls: Must-haves these days are tight, sleek, long pants; they give a round neck. For the more adventurous, light makeup use (foundation, powder, mascara) gives an instant facelift. Bring a chick along whose fashion sense you admire to give you some advice.

**Miss Kitty’s 10 Sexiest**

For the real film buffs, Pomona College in Claremont has an international film series running every weekend. Films showing this month include Farewell, my Concubine, A Streetcar Named Desire, and Last Tango in Paris. For more info, e-mail schatterjee@pomona.edu

By Miss Kitty
Staff Writer

I want to see some red out there!

**LEISURE**

The hills are green. Try them for a mid-day getaway or the end of a great date. If anyone missed it last quarter, LA Confidential is at the Galleria: not to be missed. Kevin Spacey is one of Miss Kitty’s 10 Sexiest! For the real film buffs, Pomona College in Claremont has an international film series running every weekend. Films showing this month include Farewell, my Concubine, A Streetcar Named Desire, and Last Tango in Paris. For more info, e-mail schatterjee@pomona.edu

By Miss Kitty
Staff Writer

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Is CORE a Bad Apple?

By Amy Cornwall  
Guest Writer

A new presence is being felt all over campus by the La Sierra University students. The new CORE curriculum has recently been enacted as the general education program required for all students beginning with the 1996-1997 bulletin. However, it has not been perceived as well by the students as it has been by the people who implemented the program.

According to Adeny Schmidt, one of the designers of the CORE curriculum, “CORE is the wave of the future.” But not all of the students agree with that philosophy.

I passed out a survey to one hundred 100 and 200 level CORE students. Sixty-eight percent of these students stated that they would rather take general education classes such as general psychology or sociology than this new CORE curriculum. Only nine percent said that they would prefer to take CORE. The remaining students said they did not care, or had unclear answers.

One of the biggest issues that the students brought up was the opinion that with the CORE curriculum, much of their choice to select their own classes has been taken away from them. A biology/pre-medicine major says that she would rather take general education classes “because then it’s an option, not a requirement.” There are several majors such as religion and liberal studies that do not allow room for a lot of leeway in classes taken for their major. General education classes are the only areas of choice for these students. When the general education classes are replaced by the CORE classes, most of the choice is taken away from these students. Like these students, when I was in high school, I was looking forward to college because I would have a choice of what to take and I could choose classes that looked interesting to me. However, now that I am actually in college, I see that the reverse is true. I am told what I have to take and I have to follow a prescribed schedule if I want to graduate in the usual four years.

Another point of concern about the CORE curriculum is the breadthness of the topics. Another biology/pre-medicine major says that, “I would rather take general classes because I feel that it is much more helpful to stick to a specific topic than to touch a lot of different topics, such as what CORE does.”

A student CORE 204 adds that “CORE is too much busy work.” Several stated that CORE requires more concentration and time from the students than the classes taken for their actual major.

One of the reasons that the students would rather take general education classes is that they know for sure these classes would transfer to other schools. April, a marking major, say, “This (CORE) is not for the student’s benefit. Instead it is a way of roping students into this school and not letting them transfer.” Another student in CORE 104 says that he would rather take general education classes because they are “100 percent transference.” Why are so many students concerned with transferring out of La Sierra University? Could it be because of CORE?

The next point of consideration is the style of team teaching. Sixty percent of the students surveyed said they liked having multiple teachers for each class. Michelle, a business major, says that she likes having multiple teachers. “It gives us a chance to see our teachers interact with each other and with us. It also lightens the load of the teachers, and thus they are nicer to us.” A CORE teacher adds, “It provides different viewpoints, multiple experiences, and varying teaching styles.”

However, team teaching also creates several difficulties. A business major in CORE 204 doesn’t like having multiple teachers. “I will feel that one teacher is easier in grading than the other, and if I felt I’ve had the hard teacher, I’ll regret it.” Also, students find it difficult to know what their teachers expect from them. According to one student, “Each one wants something else from you.” It is difficult to fulfill these different expectations.

This has happened already this quarter in my CORE class. Each discussion group leader grades the papers for the students in his or her discussion groups. However, each teacher has different levels of grading, and therefore, some discussion groups did better than others. After this was discovered, some of the papers had to be regraded. This causes frustration for the students and makes the teachers look disorganized.

When asked how improve CORE, twenty-one percent of the students said to get rid of it. While that is an unlikely option, there are several things that can be done. The underlying theme of the results of the survey indicates that students want choice. The average students pays upwards of $14,000 to come to La Sierra University. For this amount of money they believe that they should have the option to choose what classes they can take. One way this problem could be solved is to make CORE optional. The CORE classes could be just like any other general education class, so the students could take a combination of CORE and general education classes.

Another way to include CORE and to give students choice is to have a CORE track and a general education track. When students first arrive at La Sierra, they should be allowed to choose which way they want to go. By taking the CORE track, they wouldn’t have to take the general education classes, and by taking the general education track, they wouldn’t have to take the CORE classes.

Yet another option could be that several CORE classes should be offered which would allow students to choose a class for each general area of study. For example, instead of merely having one section of CORE 104, three could be held, each with a different focus. Since CORE 104 is supposed to fulfill anthropology, psychology, and sociology, each CORE 104 class could have a combination of all three fields, but a stronger emphasis on one. This could be done for each class and would give the students a higher element of choice. This would enable them to choose something they are interested in and would therefore make them less reluctant to take the class.

One argument with this is the inadequate number of teachers to fill these positions. But if all of the students are required to take the CORE classes in place of the general education classes, the teachers who formerly taught the general education classes could now teach the CORE classes. This would enable experts to teach classes in the fields they were trained in as opposed to combining teachers from a variety of unrelated fields who have volunteered or have time in their cont. on pg. 10
How much power do students have? A heckovalo.
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 fundraised 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 poured 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!
Homecoming Weekend: “75 Years Of Service”

Thursday, March 12
6:00 pm, 75th Gala, Raincross Room, Riverside Convention Center, $75 a person, formal attire preferred.

Friday, March 13
8:00 a.m. Breakfast With the President, Cactus Room. $5.00
9:00-2:00 Alumni Art Show, Brandstater Gallery.
9:15 a.m. Forest Lawn tour, bus departs from main entrance of university. $15, $5 lunch option
10:00 a.m. “Benefit La Sierra As You Remember Your Family,” a gift planning seminar with Donald J. Harrison, president of Harrison Financial Group in Avon, Connecticut, and Forrest Howe, director of Gift Planning at La Sierra, Alumni Center
2:00-3:00 “Storytelling,” with host Frederick Hoyt ’48, Gladwyn Hall lobby
2:00 Student Missionary reunion, Stahl Center, La Sierra Hall
2:00 Choral Reunion rehearsal, La Sierra University Church
2-5 Open houses for Stahl Center, Natural History Museum, Hancock Center, Women’s Resource Center, Heritage Room
2:00 Arboretum tour (walk around campus), meet by main entrance to Dining Commons

Saturday, March 14
9:25 a.m. Sabbath School, La Sierra University Church. Student missionaries, service far and near (SIFE, soup kitchen); Rick Rice SR ’66, “Worthwhile Worship” lesson study w/panelists
10:50 a.m. Church Service, Kay Kuzma CAS ’62 speaker. “Ready, Fire,

Sunday, March 15
8:30-10:00 am Pancake Breakfast & Classic Car show, Campus Mall. $2 students
8:30-10:00 am Choral Reunion concert with directors John T. Hamilton and Don Thurber, La Sierra University Church
5:00-7:00 Honor class reunions, Dining Commons (Class of ’68 at Alumni Center)
6:00-8:00 Alumni Center open house and honored alumni reception
6:30-8:30 Interactive Sports Night and Reception, sponsored by La Sierra’s athletics program, Alumni Pavilion
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- 3-5p Alumni Art Show Reception
- 9:30a 29th Annual Physics Symposium, SFH

**MONDAY**
- 9:30a 29th Annual Physics Symposium, SFH
- Final Exams
- Registration Cont.

**TUESDAY**
- Classes begin
- Late registration fee begins
- Chapel: Pastor Anthony Boger
- Tuesday Tunes:
- Chapel: LSU Octet
- Tuesday Tunes:
- 5-6:30p “Passport to Your Future” @ MEI

**WEDNESDAY**
- Chapel: 75th Anniversary Gala, Raincross Square
- Registration for Spring Quarter

**THURSDAY**
- Assembly: 11 a.m.
- 6p 75th Anniversary Gala, Raincross Square
- Alumni Homecoming

**FRIDAY**
- Sunset: 5:56 PM
- 7:30p Wind Ensemble Vespers, LSUC

**SATURDAY**
- 4p Choral Reunion Concert, LSUC
- 6-8p Alumni Center Open House
- 8p 40th Annual Concerto Concert, HMA

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INSIDE...

Career Night

Career Night April 22 to Draw 100 Employers and 30 school districts. Riverside's college and university students can circulate their resumes, network and learn about job opportunities at the first-ever joint career fair between UCR, Riverside Community College, La Sierra University, and California Baptist College scheduled for 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 22, in the UCR Student Recreation Center. "Career Night: Business, Humanities, Arts & Social Sciences" will feature recruitment and information booths by approximately 100 businesses, industry and government employers. There is no admission charge for students attending the event. Students will have an opportunity to learn about current and projected job opportunities, internships, cooperative education programs and available summer or part-time jobs. Among the organizations expected to participate are ADP, California Highway Patrol, Disneyland, Enterprise Rent-a-Car, Home Savings of America, Farmers Insurance, Riverside County Sheriff's Department, Los Angeles Police Department and United Parcel Service. Those attending Career Night are encouraged to bring copies of their resumes and be dressed in professional attire. Parking ($2 per car) will be available in Lot #13 on the UCR campus. Free transportation will be provided for LSU students. For more information, call the Career Planning and Placement Services at 785-2237.

Students seeking teaching positions need to pick up a free pass at the CPPS office, Adm #202.

By Connie Galambos & Gerick Bergsma
Guest Writers

Whether you're excited for the God of Seventh-day Adventism or not, by early August you can be. An expanding think tank of 20- to 35-year-olds burns with concern for all young SDA's at large. While we're all busy finding ourselves and being ourselves, it's time to consolidate and act on that concern for each other!

This August 6-9 invite yourself to Southern California for eXcite'98's three-point-two days to ignite your soul and Seventh-day Adventism for this generation. Together we will struggle to incorporate secular lives into a sacred mission. No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, or even if you have not yet left the comfort zone of apathy--just come and be.

eXcite'98 focuses on our-selves: moving from devotions to divine inspiration. eXcite'98 focuses on each other: helping team members struggling with the challenges of money, marriage, careers, and all reality in between. Finally, eXcite'98 focuses on the Seventh-day Adventist church, and empowering the Christian gift of love we have to serve in our own way, yet in God's time.

By default every other generation labels X-ers apathetic, yet the only pathetic part comes from an acceptance and belief of their claims. Every part of the church defines the body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:1-31). Whether you're equivalent to the thumb or to the pituitary gland, you need the body and the body needs you.

With the common element and mission of Christ we will redefine ourselves. If you relate to your God, because of loving him or lacking him, participate with eXcite'98, perhaps we can focus on the same face of Christ-together.

To sign up or learn more eXcite'98 news, look for Shasta Emery, the web site, or write:
http://www.excite98.net
eXcite'98
P.O. BOX 8411
Riverside, CA 92505-8411

eXcite'98

By Felipe Vielmann
Guest Writer

Seven LSU delegates at the annual convention of Adventist Intercollegiate Association (AIA) at Atlantic Union College in Massachusetts participated in voting three special projects for the forthcoming school year: mission trips, eXcite'98, and an AIA alumni banquet to celebrate the association's fiftieth anniversary in the year 2000.

AIA has been called a leadership camp by some, only with a lot more politics. The association membership numbers approximately 20,000 Adventist college students at 13 campuses across the North American Division.

The seven delegates representing La Sierra University included current officers Mark Harris, Todd Bittle, Rosemary Chung, and Rolando Mendez, as well as officers-elect Felipe Vielmann, Evan Graham, and Kim Odle. Current AIA president Shasta Emery also represented LSU.

Throughout the four-day convention at the tail end of spring break, the SA officers from eleven SDA school campuses shared their visions social, political and spiritual. Notable speakers included Jose Rojas, director of Youth Ministries for the Division, and Tony Romero, New York city marketing executive, who brought "a unique sense of spiritual-ity," according to the delegates.

During the convention, the delegates explored nearby Boston, visiting the Museum of Fine Arts, the Griffin Observatory, and various shops and restaurants in the area, while the current SA presidents went to Harvard University for a special dinner.

The delegates elected Adam Andreassen of Southwestern Adventist as president.
The Scene
By Miss Kitty
Staff Writer

THREADS
Guys: If you cannot bring yourself to shop at the really extreme stores — Miss Kitty understands shyness — there are many other ways to make the girls notice you. More attention to color would be important. Please, all of you, do not mix black and brown! A black shirt looks great, but brown shoes may just ruin the whole image. And avoid the tennis shoes whenever possible!


PEOPLE
For classic style, Humaira Wakili does very well. She has an eye for shape and tailoring. Jonathan Rivera is a little inconsistent, but at times, Miss Kitty’s heart beats faster when she sees him pass in a flowing shirt and gray pants.

Miss Kitty would also like to appeal to Dr. Renee Schoepflin. Please leave the lumberjack stage! Return to the suits and ties that Miss Kitty has heard enthusiastic and flowery descriptions of. Or try something new — anything but this!!

LEISURE
It is finally warming up, the perfect time to go out into the desert. El Nino rained so much that park rangers expect an unprecedented display of wildflowers this year. For a day trip, Joshua Tree is a great place to go. If you have more time, Death Valley has flowers and sand dunes. The lowest spot on the planet is there, Badwater, from which there is a great view of Mount Whitney.

Closer to home, Grease is now re-released! Get out your disco gear and flashing lights — it’s party time!

SALSU to Boston
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University as AIA president for next year, as well as designating Canadian University College in Alberta, Canada, as the site for next year’s convention.

Delegates celebrated the business they had completed at the convention with the first annual Oscar Meier Awards ceremony held Sunday night, organized by the all the SA social VPs in attendance.

LSU’s own Todd Bittle hosted the event, in which LSU won the “What the Heck?” award for its skit, a spoof on the movie Austin Powers. The judges, including La Sierra’s Lennard Jorgensen, cited the LSU delegates’ inability to keep a straight face throughout the performance.
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 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 university has never been able to fully grasp the nature of these activities.

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 embarrassment 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 heed the warning signs from Greek life around the nation and take a preventative stance vis-a-vis social Greek organizations?
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 Akamehfluimfluim."  
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

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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 CDs 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 amor 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 pizzajoint 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 cont. on p. 5.
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 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 the 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 all collapsed into the car and headed for home. The Jills were back from the big one.

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!
Help! I’m a Hyperintelligent Fish Trapped Inside Carl’s Skull!

By Carl Jonard
Staff Writer

He never cleans, you know. Moreover, do you think he has the courtesy to put in a few teetches, maybe a little bubbly scuba diver or a shipwreck or something? Ha! I wish! What I wouldn’t give for one stupid plastic seaweed, or perhaps a spot of gravel. And don’t even get me started on the water thing. “Oh, I don’t want dribbles on my clothes,” he says. “My head’s not waterright,” he says. “I’ll get a runny nose,” he says. Ungrateful punk.

This is my thanks for writing all his columns and doing all his homework for the past fifteen years? A toilette to sleep on and a moist Q-tip twice a day? Yeah, hey, thanks there, Carlito old buddy. Gee, you know, I really appreciate that, what, nanoliter of moisture? Here I am, brain the size of a peanut. (Hey, shut up! You have any idea how big that is for a goldfish? That’s frikkin’ HUGE! You think that’s small? Try walking around with a watermelon strapped to your head for a couple weeks, huh? Without feet, inside some dork’s skull, with nothing to eat or drink but some stinking cotton swabs covered with earwax, and all your scales falling off, and no C-SPAN or anything. Yeah, see how you like that. Then you come talk to me about how puny my peanut is. Till then, I don’t want to hear about it.)

Where was I? Ah, yes, brain the size of a peanut, and here I am writing some moronic drivell column—in a school newspaper, for crying out loud! I should be president of the United States, for heaven’s sakes. Forget that, I should be king of the world! The earth is 2/3 water—what are you land-based life forms doing in charge? It’s enough to make you sick. Well, it’s enough to make me sick, anyway. Then there’s the air in here! I don’t know what he spilled up here, but the whole floor’s sticky and it smells like rat poop. My gills are getting some kind of rash, I swear. I mean, hello, I’m not even an air-breathing vertebrate in the first place. I could see if it was some kind of small mammal up here, maybe some hamster spinning a little wheel or a gerbil or something, but come on, a fish? He’s just lucky I evolved myself that new respiratory system using my hyperintelligent goldfish biofeedback techniques. He would have had one heck of a time trying to flush me.

Oh, hang on. The bigheaded oaf is trying to find out if I’m done writing his little article yet. Don’t worry about me, Carlito ‘buddy ol’ pal.’ Just finishing up! Yeah, we’re almost to the bottom of the page. Okay, you can go back to watching Xena now. Okay, bye now. Pathetic cretin.

Why don’t you go take a bath with that TV set, you oversized brainless twit? Ugh, my head hurts. I’ll be on my toilette if anyone needs me.

Rick’s World

By Rick Marson
Staff Writer

It all started with a migraine. Actually, it started with the milk.

No, it all started with golf. No, wait, I was wrong again; it all started with the end of last quarter. At the end of last quarter I was dying. I had about a bazillion things to do and I swore (Hey kids, don’t swear) that this quarter I would not take a bunch of classes that would drive me to the brink of insanity and then push me out the door while still moving.

Two days into this quarter with 18 units I was already well on my way down the interstate highway to Craziville. So I decided to do the unspeakable and drop a class, GASP!!

The only problem was that now I only had 14 units which, technically, is fine except the I felt like I needed to take something, so I chose golf. Having averted total melt down I felt I could relax a little, and thus I did not do the reading I was supposed to do until late and I missed the deadline for my Criterion article. The next day (which is today right now, but will be several days ago by the time you read this) I planned to get up early to write the article before I went to class. Unfortunately, my alarm didn’t wake me up when it was supposed to, probably because I was wearing earplugs. Therefore, I did not have time to write my article then.

I have a class at noon, so right after assembly I walked briskly over to the commons and grabbed some food to eat at class. While I listened ever so attentively to my instructor, I ate my delicious meal, only when I started my second cartoon of chocolate milk I found that it was curdled!

After my run in with the bad milk I started feeling kind of bad; then I realized that I was getting a migraine which continued to grow through the class, and the one I had right after it, till I couldn’t sit up straight. After that class I made it back to my room, where the doors to my roommate’s closet, which had come off the tracks earlier in the year and therefore we had leaned them up behind the door of the room, fell on my head. Once I stopped seeing all the colors and stars, got the doors propped back up, took some of my super migraine medicine, and lay down, I had about half an hour before I had to get up to get something to eat before going to work. And that is why golf is an evil sport.

Disclaimer: I’m sorry, I can’t think of anything to write except that I would like to retract the comment I made about getting hit in the head last issue.

Who’s Preaching the Word Where

Campus Hill
11057 Hill Drive
Loma Linda, CA
April 11: Pastor Williams
April 18: Pastor Williams

Azure Hills
Young & Restless
22633 Barton Road
Grand Terrace, CA
April 11: Pastor Tami McGrew, “Defiled Dinah”
April 18: Ms. Carla Gober, “I Said, ‘No Earrings!’”

Loma Linda University
11125 Campus St.
Loma Linda, CA
April 18: William Loveless, “Love Must Be Practical”
Ice Skating In Riverside!

ICETOWN
HOCKEY & FIGURE SKATING
10540 MAGNOLIA AVE., RIVERSIDE, CA 92505
909-637-3070

Public Skating Times

Mornings
Mon. - Fri. 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Afternoons
Mon. - Fri. 3:00 - 5:00 PM
Sat. & Sun. 12:30 - 2:30 PM

Evenings
Wed. 7:00 - 9:00 PM Christian Skate Night
Fri. 7:00 - 10:00 PM
Sat. 7:00 - 10:00 PM
Sat. 10:30 PM - 12:30 Midnight (16 & Over)
Sun. 7:00 - 9:00 PM

Admission Prices
General $7.00
Children $5.00 (12 & under)
Skate Rental $2.00
• Group Rates Available.

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National Student Employment Week

By Maritza Ballesteros
Guest Writer

National Student Employment Week is celebrated throughout the nation the first full week in April. This year, La Sierra University joined this celebration for the first time. The week’s official start began when Dr. Lawrence Geraty read the National Student Employment Week Proclamation during the April 7 chapel. A banner hanging in front of the Commons during the week reminded students of this special event.

On Tuesday, students were invited to an ice cream feast. More than 250 students participated and were treated to banana splits. Staff from Human Resources, Financial Aid, Reimbursement, Custodial, Payroll, Health Services, Student Accounts, and Administration teamed up to serve the students. It was a time for fun and for making special memories.

The next day students consumed cookies and ice cream; once again a collective effort from different departments made this day a success (cookies were personal donations from employees).

Finally, on Thursday, April 9, students were treated to snow cones. Random drawings staged daily featured prizes donated by La Sierra Bookstore, Health Services, Campus Cleaners, La Sierra Natural Food Store, Student Life (Eagle’s Nest Cafe), Financial Aid, Human Resources, Magic Mountain, the Los Angeles Zoo, Sea World, Castle Park, Inland Medical Clinic, and Mimi’s Cafe.

More than on campus-related departments participated in the special events designed for the week. Physical Plant created certificates of appreciation, along with a gift certificate for each of its students workers. The Admissions Office recognized its student employees with balloons, a banner, and a treat of ice cream and pie. Accounting produced a bountiful potluck for its student workers. Health Services recognized its students workers’ contributions with surprise baskets. Throughout the campus, other departments also recognized the valuable contributions their students workers make.

Affirming the role of student employees, a LSU staff member says that they are one of our most valuable resources—a resource that needs to be nurtured and supported. It is our desire to recognize our student employees and provide them with an environment conducive to their intellectual and spiritual growth. We look forward to next year’s event and are making plans for another successful celebration.

SALSU Gone Crazy: All Events Priced to Move

By Mark Harris
Guest Writer

So what does a limousine, “Get Out of Parking Ticket Free” card, Reggae Foundation, the DL, massages, and pole volleyball have in common? Good question, I wish I knew. Seriously, these are some of the bodacious events SALSU has planned for you, yes, you. We have even created a new publication, SALSU Hot Wire, as a forum for this flurry of SALSU events. If you haven’t read it yet, look for it after chapel from now on. If SALSU Hot Wire leaves you hanging and you still have some questions about an upcoming event, please send us an e-mail at <salsu@asierra.edu>.

You may be wondering, why all of these events so suddenly? The answer is simple: spring quarter is here. This is the quarter for love at La Sierra and we figured the more social events, the better your chances for finding that special somebody. If this sounds too cheesy for you then just come to the events for the fun of it. We will always have some sort of free food, because this is a universal attractant for hungry college students. At all of the events this quarter you can also look forward to winning lots of rad free prizes such as gift certificates or SALSU brand merchandise. Almost every event this quarter is free to all students so leave your checkbooks at home, because you shouldn’t have to pay to come have fun with your friends. (Cheap Date would be an exception, but come on, it’s only a buck!)

Coming to your local Student Center on May 12 we will be giving away hams out there a chance to showcase your talents at SALSU’s Gong Show. We would hope all you New Kids on the Block wannabes will come out and sing, along with an impersonation of our esteemed President Clinton. (This is a subliminal message to Roger Rustad calling him to active duty.) Of course, we will have all the free food and stuff you want as you come out and laugh at your friends.

As the school year comes to a close we will have three spectacular events that will knock your (as well as my) socks off. On May 21 we are having one of the coolest events any Adventist school this side of the Mississippi has seen, the Suitcase Game. Let me give you a hint, this is where the previously mentioned limo comes in. On May 31 the school will gather together for the afternoon for SALSU’s first annual May Daze, not to be confused with the movie Dazed and Confused. On the last day of school we will be throwing the biggest event EVER!!! Good music, great food, free stuff, and then the best of all, YOU. Just remember as the quarter starts to get hectic and busy, the fat man walks alone.
Editorial

By Jennifer Wong
Editor

I'm addicted; at least I admit it. I need my highlighter.
No, it's not that I love the glaring yellow. I don't even get high off the fumes. I hardly even realizing who they are. So in order to save time, I virtually ignore them. Nothing ever happens to all the time I save; in fact, I lose more than I gain.

Now I know that I pick up newspapers and magazines, flip through them, looking for anything that instantly grabs my attention, then I throw them away. Most of you don't know me and probably don't really care what I have to say. I know the editorial isn't the first thing I rush to read. But I am curious as to how many people actually take the half a minute to peruse this column. So here's the deal. For the first five people who come up to me and say "Mike Ulanday," I'll give away a free candy bar. Deal?

Offer void where prohibited. Criterion editorial staff not eligible. Results may vary. Some restrictions apply.

And if you're wondering why the code word is so bizarre . . . read my May 5 editorial.

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Senate Update

By Evan Graham
Staff Writer

The senate discussed motivating the student body to get involved during spirit week as well as the endangered memory book at their last meeting.

SALSU Vice President Xaviera Vanegas introduced the idea of spirit week to ignite school spirit on our campus, encouraging them to dress up in theme, tell the senators their concerns, and attend a special social event sponsored by SALSU each night during the week. Themes decided upon during the meeting included disco day, spirit day (wear LSU shirts and school colors, which, incidentally, are gold and blue), "Grease" day (wear clothing pertinent to the movie), and beach day. Spirit week, scheduled for April 27 to May 1, has yet to be approved by Student Life.

The senate also voted to cancel the publication of the memory book, which had been approved by senate last November. Editor Rolando Mendez reported that only about 40 people had ordered a book, which cost $5. The minimum requirement for the publication to go through was 200 orders. Less than 90 seniors, out of just under 300, had signed up for senior portraits.

Mendez felt that the low support for the book proved how poor advertising is on this campus. "It needs to be improved, and I will dedicate myself to make it better," he says.

Correction

Correction to March 10 Criterion

Avimaria Davis will be the new C.A.B.L. Director for the 1998-99 school year. She is a senior and will graduate in June, 1999.

"I Want to make my year as director the best ever. I would like the entire school to get involved with all my activities and plans for next year. I promise that it won't be a dull year. It will be da bomb!" says Avimaria.

Correction to March 9 Criterion

Although SALSU announcements can no longer be made in chapel, the weekly Hot Wire, handed out after the program, provides information about SALSU events.

The senate also voted to allow officers Michael Weismeyer, Xaviera Vanegas, Mark Harris, Heather VanDeventer, Jennifer Wong, and Rashad Abdurabou to continue in office with more than 16 units, the limit set by the constitution. One officer was enrolled for 22.5 units.

The next senate meeting will be held on Thurs., Apr. 23, at 11:00 a.m. in the Cactus Room. Those involved are urged to attend.

SALSU Underground

Coming Soon.

Shhh.

The SALSU office, mailed to Criterion, 4700 Pierce St., Riverside, CA 92515, or e-mailed to jennwong@lasierra.edu. Letters will be edited for space and clarity. The editors reserve the right to reject any letter.
Murphy's law says "Anything that can go wrong, will go wrong." At MICOL, any computer equipment that can fail, will fail. It could be power failure, memory errors, virus, or just a trusty old floppy disk that has lost some clusters.

I know many heart-wrenching stories of people who experience their first computer failure minutes before a major assignment is due. There is usually very little anyone can do after such a failure; fortunately a lot can be done before this happens, which can control or minimize damage to your data.

Power failures:

Power failures happen on campus, especially when the infamous Santa Ana winds, or violent storms strike this part of California. Brownouts following a power fail are notorious for destroying computer power supplies. But what hurts most is the loss of work that has not been saved to disk. The best prevention is to save your work often; I like to save my work every 10 minutes, so that if a power outage strikes I would have lost at most 10 minutes of work.

For those of you who don't bring floppy disks to the lab, you can temporarily save your work to the hard disk. Remember that files left on the hard disk can be accessed by other people, and deleted at any time. We strongly recommend that you bring floppy disks to save your work.

Memory errors:

Memory errors happen regularly on all computers. You have probably experienced a computer that crashed because of insufficient memory, or some "illegal operation." When several programs are run on the same computer, the chances of a memory leakage (a computer program that doesn't properly "return" used memory to the operating system) increase, and so do the chances for a computer crash.

At MICOL, each computer serves more than a dozen people per day who use different programs. Sometimes, people forget to exit a program, which could cause a memory error for the next person who needs to use the computer. You can prevent memory errors by checking to see if other programs are running on the computer before using the computer; it is a good idea to quit programs you don't need to use before you start your work.

On Macintosh computers, click and hold the mouse down on the upper right hand corner icon of the screen, and you'll see a list of all programs running on the computer; you can select the programs you don't need, and exit them individually. On PC-Windows computers, there is a series of icons on the lower bar of the screen, listing the programs that are running; you can click on these icons and exit the programs you don't need.

Viruses:

While we have installed several virus detectors on MICOL computers, we cannot detect computer viruses that you may have received while using other computers. One of our frequent users has brought many viruses to his home computer while using a commercial computer office (which shall remain unnamed).

There are three different kinds of viruses: Program viruses, boot-sector viruses, and macro viruses. Of the three, we have noticed that boot-sector and macro viruses are the most common. Boot-sector viruses usually infect PC-diskettes, and could spread to your hard disk; Macintosh computers are immune to this type of virus. Macro viruses can infect Microsoft Word and Excel documents, which could spread to documents on PC and Macintosh computers.

It is a good idea to regularly scan your disks for PC viruses at the virus-scanning computer near the MICOL desk. If you are computer active, and you share disks, make sure you're testing your disks!

Disk-use errors:

We frequently get reports of documents that can't be opened, or a document that causes a memory failure or computer crash. This usually happens as a result of removing a disk, or changing disks before exiting the program. Before taking that floppy disk out of the drive, make sure you exit the program and wait until the drive light is off.

Please save several copies of your work on many different floppy disks. If you've been using that trusty old disk for several years, it is bound to fail at the worst possible time, which is usually half an hour before your assignment is due. If you have been working on a group project, make sure everyone in your group has a copy of the file(s) you need. The best way to make copies on several disks, is to make an original copy of the document on the hard disk, and then drag the document icon from the hard disk to your floppy disk (use Explorer for Windows or Finder for Macintosh); make sure you delete the original copy from the hard disk when you're done.

Floppy disks are delicate devices, and will fail if they are subject to extreme heat, dust, or magnetic fields. Don't keep disks in your car, or in your pocket. If the metal sleeve on your floppy disk is starting to bend outwards, don't put it into a disk drive; buy a new disk, and ask for help in removing the metal sleeve and spring from the old disk; back up the data from the old disk, and restore it into the new disk.

One last note: We can't tell which black disk some of you left at MICOL, especially when there's no name on the label. Big hint: write your name on labels provided with disks, and remember to take your disks with you.
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 safety 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 be a place students lie stagnant because we are unwilling to allow brilliance of others even a chance of contributing to our fund of knowledge.

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 died? 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.
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 report 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. Whatever 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.
Youth-2-Youth is quickly approaching its third anniversary on the La Sierra campus. A program which was first developed in 1982 on a high school campus in Columbus Ohio, it was designed to encourage teens to be drug-free.

During fall quarter of 1996, the first conference hosted by the LSU campus took place at Camp Morning Star, located above Camp Cedar Falls. The entire campus was invited to participate in the pilot program and join student leaders for a weekend of fun—sharing hopes, dreams, and expectations while building trust amongst a group of peers. The weekend retreat included such activities as the first telling of the Warm Fuzzy story by Shasta Emery, a Friday night singspiration with Bob Griffith and his band, and a drug-free party on Saturday night where participants could have a good time without the involvement of drugs or alcohol. It also introduced the concept of small family groups of ten people, with two student leaders functioning as facilitators: finally, a program developed by young people for young people!

It was deemed such a success by the administrators of the conference that Shasta was commissioned to organize the second Y-2-Y Conference, this time at the beginning of the school year for incoming freshmen. The second Y-2-Y was held at Camp Forest Home, located in the nearby city of Forest Falls. This conference unveiled the new "Warm Fuzzy" Ambassador, Natan Vigna, brought back our school’s praise band, and provided students with the opportunity to hear stores from Dave Williams and Pastor Karl Hafner. Once again Bob Griffith and his band joined the retreat, but this time for a secular concert. A swing dance bash culminated events on the last night at the camp.

As we all headed back down the hill, we came away with a feeling of having shared in something that brought spiritual unity, fun memories, and tight friendships.

Well it’s time to begin thinking about our third annual Y-2-Y. Dr. Jorgensen, once again the sponsor, is heading up the planning for this year’s events. Certain steps have already been set in motion. The site will again be Camp Forest Falls. The date has also been set. It will happen one full week prior to school’s recommencing, with freshmen being asked to join in for a weekend orientation from September 11-13, and the retreat itself taking place from the 16th-18th.

What does this mean for students who want to help as family group facilitators or workshop presenters? They will be returning to the LSU campus the day after Labor Day (September 8, 1998) for orientation that will answer questions for first-time family group leaders and facilitate sharing of experiences from past years. These students will be working with Dave Williams, an integral part of the retreat.

Members of the planning team are inviting students who are interested in helping with a program such as Y-2-Y to stop by Student Life, indicating their interest and leaving their names and contact information for a planning meeting in the month of May.
Country Time Jubilee

By Trent Loveless
Staff Writer

The small handful of people who turned out for the Country Time Jubilee on the campus mall last Tuesday can vouch for the fun that goes along with learning to Line Dance. Uh, I mean step. Line step! What the heck! A rose by any other name still smells as sweet and a dance by any other title is still a dance and we enjoyed it. Who really cares how we label it, anyway.

The Jubilee offered LSU students a chance to eat free food, socialize with friends, and learn the much acclaimed Electric Slide. It also gave those in attendance a chance to see who among their fellow students have been moonlighting at the Midnight Rodeo when they should have been studying. The event came complete with flashing lights, dance, or . . . stepping instructor, and a barrage of country music tunes that stick in your head even when you wish they wouldn’t.

If you missed this event (and lots of you did) then you should feel ashamed of yourselves. The Jubilee represented another example of what makes LSU such a diverse campus. The school not only offers cultural experiences but opens up a way for the students to learn more about different aspects of American cultural as well. There were more than a few in attendance who admitted that they never would have tried line stepping on their own. “I thought it looked like fun but was always too intimidated to try it on my own,” stated one person. Another remarked on how much exercise it gives when she found herself out of breath after only a few songs. Several students declared that they plan to go to a Country Music club in the near future.

The Jubilee not only gave students at LSU a new experience, but it also gave them a fun alternative to the Club Metro scene. In promoting line stepping for the Jubilee, LSU has sought to deliver its students out of the hands of the Club Metro gang-banger and into the fold of the wanna-be urban cowboy.

Who’s Preaching the Word Where

Campus Hill
11057 Hill Drive
Loma Linda, CA
April 25: Pastor Swenson

Azure Hills
Young & Restless
22633 Barton Road
Grand Terrace, CA
April 25: Pastor Calvin
Thompsen, “Dream, Dream, Dream!”
May 2: Dr. Cameron
Johnson, “Pity Party”

Loma Linda University
11125 Campus St.
Loma Linda, CA
April 25: Pastor William
Loveless, “Belonging to the Truth”
May 2: Pastor William
Loveless, “Testing the Spirits: Discernment”

La Sierra University
April 25: Pastor Dan
Smith, “Knowing God’s
Will: Finding the Love of
Your Life”
May 2: Steve Daily,
“Relational Roulette”
La Sierra Spanish
5885 La Sierra Ave.
Riverside, CA
April 25: Pastor Albert
Ingleton
May 2: David Perez

Dear President Geraty:
I am writing this letter to express my extreme pride in being a graduate of La Sierra University. Not since I graduated from LSU, back in 1996, did I start appreciating the greatness of the school and Seventh-day Adventist higher education.

You are leading a truly wonderful university into an extremely promising future.

Just recently I was awarded the F. Edward Hebert Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship for Dentistry, which is a full four-year scholarship to the dental school of my choice. My choice is Loma Linda University. I am one of thirty students in the United States to receive this four-year scholarship. Accepting this scholarship commissions me as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Army Medical Department, and my commitment is four years of active duty after graduation. After dental school, I will serve as a captain in one of several army medical centers around the world.

Besides being a great way to pay for school, I am filled with pride that I was selected to serve my country in such an honorable manner. The Lord has truly blessed me.

Many factors were considered before I was selected for this extremely competitive program, including college GPA, test scores, recommendation letters, and extra-curricular activities. I am positive that my record and degree from La Sierra University weighed greatly in my selection. Members of professional school admissions committees are recognizing LSU as an excellent university, on national scale. In this program, I am joining graduates from Stanford, Harvard, UC Berkeley, and Tufts universities. LSU has truly hit the big time.

Dr. Geraty, you are doing a great job moving my alma mater forward. Integrating a wonderful academic curriculum with Christian teaching and chapel has made a big difference in my life. I will never forget what La Sierra University has done for me. Despite the opportunity and success I may achieve in my life, I will give all the glory to God, and I will give thanks to everything He has given me.

Sincerely,
Christopher A. Blount, 2LT
U.S. Army Medical Dept.
Should Finals Be Optional?

By Jeff Hebbel
Guest Writer

It's finals week. Tension is in the air. Because of the sudden increase in stress, students are staying up until three or four in the morning, then getting a couple of hours of sleep, only to wake up and realize they've forgotten everything they just studied. Nervousness combines with frustration, leading to quick tempers and bad moods; it's all part of finals week. But there is a way to eliminate this: no loss of sleep, no tension, no bad moods. How can this be? Simple. Make final exams optional.

Before anyone thinks I'm crazy, let me explain. Imagine the students who study diligently all quarter, but when the final test (which may be worth anywhere from 25 to 70 percent of their grade) comes, they have a bad day and don't do so hot on it. This one bad day, out of who knows how many good days, could lower these students' grades by a whole letter. By making the final test optional, this problem is eliminated. If students do not take the final, it won't be counted against them.

Now picture those students who don't care too much about studying. They study only when it's absolutely necessary, not worrying too much about grades. The final comes, and they find out they have a C in the class and want to raise it. They would be able to take the final and try to raise their grades.

In an interview with Tommy Kofoed, he observed that "it's already been tried. Sometimes it works and sometimes it doesn't." He think it's good for classes in which there isn't a lot of information that should be permanently memorized. This option might be a bad one for pre-medical classes in which the memorized material is expected to be retained forever. However, he agreed that in other types of classes, optional finals would be fair for both studious students as well as slackers.

Jeff Dupee, a history professor, does not give his students the option of not taking the final in most of his classes, but he does follow a different plan in his Core 104 class. He says that having an optional final depends on the class: "If the class you're in is based mostly on facts and information, then have a final is good. But my Core 104 class is more oriented toward getting you to think instead of memorize." Mr. Dupee has three tests over the course of the quarter that replace the final exam. Because having just one test at the end won't cover all the material, he gives the three separate tests. When asked if he thinks optional finals are good for slackers and studiers, he responded by saying, "I don't really think the final exam will change the grade that much. It may be different in other classes, depending on the percentage, but if you're doing well during the quarter, then you'll end up with a good grade. As for slackers, there is no way they can goof off during the quarter and make it all up on one test."

A survey of 30 LSU students turned up a unanimous vote: 100 percent agreed that having optional finals is a good idea. Bob Chitrathorn, a freshman business major says, "It's a dope idea!" Having the final exam optional would be an incentive to some students. If they work hard during the quarter, then they could get the grade they earned, without going through the stress that accompanies finals week.
Spirit Week

By Xaviera M. Vanegas
Guest Writer

Get ready for the biggest event your senate has put on yet! Get ready for lots of school spirit and fun! For everyone out there who claims your senators never do anything, it is time to think again! It's no lie; everyone in senate has been working very hard to put together the first ever SPIRIT WEEK. The week of April 27-May 1 will be one of the liveliest weeks La Sierra has to offer! SPIRIT WEEK is designed to promote school spirit and student unity.

Everyday at lunch (between the hours of 11:30am -1:00pm) senate will be sponsoring many, many events on the quad such as live bands (like BBC and Rege Foundation-just to name a few). Senate will be having wild and crazy activities such as “slip and slide” for beach day and pie-eating contests and water dunking machines for “School Spirit day.” Not to mention many of the events we can not yet mention (shh, it's a surprise), and many more events still in the making!

Your senators have come up with a different theme for each day, along with activities that correspond to the themes; every student is urged to dress according to the theme of the day. Sound crazy to you?

Wait till we tell you about the themes! Afraid to dress up because you think you’ll be the only one? Think again; you can bet your senators and student leaders will be in costume all week too!

OK, here goes for the themes! Monday we are kicking it off with School Spirit Day, so wear your school colors (which are blue and gold for the one or two of you who don’t know, for shame!), paint your face, wear school attire, dress like an eagle, we don’t care, do anything you have to, to show you’re a true La Sierra fan!

Gear up with your favorite team attire on Tuesday, or better yet, come in a sports uniform, because the theme is Sports Day! Don’t forget, there will be awesome prizes given away daily for the most spirited!

On Wednesday get ready to do everything Backwards, because that’s the next theme! It’s Backwards everything, wear your clothes backwards, do it all backwards; it will be tons of fun!

Are you ready to go back in time?? On Thursday it’s the 50’s and it’s making a comeback on our campus. Dress totally 50’s or like your favorite movie star from Grease for Grease Day!

On Friday put on your coolest beach attire and come join us for lots of fun in the sun (this party starts at 11:00am, and we know you won’t want to miss out)! Rege Foundation will be there and we want you out there slippin’ and slidin’ on our slip and slide! You WILL get wet so dress appropriately!

April 27-May 1 will be a great time to hang out with friends and even make some new ones. Your senators are working very hard to make this week a big success. We are excited to have you join us in our activities and to help make this a SPIRIT WEEK to remember!

Scholarship Opportunity

The National Society of Hispanic MBA (NSHMBA) is proud to announce the awarding of $200,000 in scholarships.

Scholarship applications for the 1998 NSHMBA Scholarship Program are now available. Scholarships range from $1,000 to $5,000, and one scholarship of $10,000. In 1997, NSHMBA awarded $100,000 in scholarships in a Masters degree program in business/management.

Students are encouraged to apply by July 15, 1998. Selection will be made by September 15, 1998.

The National Society of Hispanic MBA was founded in 1988 as a not-for-profit organization. NSHMBA has fourteen chapters with over 1,000 members throughout the United States: Phoenix, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Orange County, Denver, Washington, DC, Miami, Chicago, New York, San Juan PR., Austin, Dallas/Ft.Worth, Houston, and San Antonio. The national office is located in Dallas, Texas.

The mission of the NSHMBA is, “Fostering Hispanic leaderships through graduate management education and professional development in order to better society.” One of our objectives is to partner with graduate colleges/universities so that we can identify Hispanic students who may be interested in graduate scholarships.

The 1998 Scholarship Program is for U.S. Hispanics or permanent residents who are enrolled in a graduate management program (master level). NSHMBA will award $200,000 in scholarships. Scholarship applicants will be evaluated on academic achievement, community service, financial need, a written essay, and letters of recommendation.

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**Calvin & Hobbes®**
Students Exhibit LSU Sprit

By Kathy Strawter
Staff Writer

Spirit Week engulfed the La Sierra campus from April 27 - May 1. Spirit week was organized by Xaviera Vanegas, the SALSU vice president. "Massive amounts of hours were put into the planning and organizing of this event," Vanegas said. She was very pleased with the results and was also very grateful to all those who came and helped her out. "I've received a lot of positive feedback from both students and faculty. Hopefully this will become a tradition that will carry on for many years to come," Vanegas said.

Each day of the week had a different theme to it. Monday was Spirit Day, Tuesday was Sport's day, Wednesday was Backward's Day, Thursday was Grease Day, and Friday was Beach Day. Each day drew a lot of people to it. On spirit day blue and gold were very prominent colors on the campus. People didn't just get dressed up for this event though. There was also entertainment.

Back on campus, the BBC played their swing music and some students showed off their swinging skills. The radio station 99.1 also showed up with a van on the lawn playing dance music. On Friday, The Reggae Foundation came to rock the school with its melodious sounds.

At a dunk contest both faculty and staff participated, with Gary Chartier, Felipe Vielmann, and Roger Rustad making notable splashes. Creating a memorable sight, several people joined the pie-eating contest. On Friday a busload of students plus individual cars converged on a beach vespers at Corona Del Mar.

Students offered many positive comments about the week. Richie Strawter, computer science major, said, "SALSU did an excellent job providing entertainment. It was an excellent idea and well organized. Mad props to Xaviera."

Kari Vang, music pre-med major, said "It was da bomb. It got a lot of people out here and gave us permission to go crazy for a little while."

Kevin Kaylor, occupational therapy major, spoke about the need LSU has for school spirit. He said, "It's more difficult to achieve spirit on this campus, as opposed to PUC or Southern, because of the fact that most students commute and the surrounding area has a lot more going on than many of the other SDA campuses do."

All in all, spirit week turned out to be a positive activity that the students seemed to enjoy.

SALSU Tailgate Party

By Jenny Cavanaugh & Michelle Perry
Guest Writers

It started with a fat man walking alone, then a phone call to reveal the secret rendezvous—the revised underground. Apparently SALSU's original plan for its secret "underground" event had been postponed by Student Life.

But seventy students met in front of the blue mailbox at 9:30 pm on Thursday, April 30. From the meeting place, the unsuspecting students were led to the Edwards movie cinema in Corona. Once all the students had arrived, tailgates went down and pizza was served. While most people socialized and ate, many of the males found fun in a game of clean tag. At about 10:30, everyone was escorted into the theater and give free snacks. With popcorn in hand, students filed into a theater for their own private viewing of The Wedding Singer.

The night ended about 12:15, a huge success. Relaxation prevailed, and, best of all, the whole event was one hundred percent free, thanks to SALSU.

But as for the much anticipated SALSU Underground even, the elusive fat man continues to walk alone....
**Editorial**

By Jennifer Wong
Editor

My faith in the literacy of the La Sierra campus has been renewed. More than five people actually take the time to at least skim this column. For any of you who were wondering, the reason for “Mike” being the keyword in my last editorial is quite simple: while talking online to a friend, he expressed the desire to have his name in the paper. From that sprouted my ingenious little scheme to test the popularity of this column.

For those of you who are interested in what I have to say, look for another possible giveaway in an upcoming issue; I’m still working on the details.

But in all seriousness, I don’t want to have to bribe people or force them to read this newspaper. A lot of work goes into each issue, but if it is not meeting the needs of students, it’s not even worth the cheap paper it’s printed on. Although this quarter—with midterms, papers, and projects—is just beginning to pick up speed, this year is starting to wind down. There isn’t much time left to change this year’s *Criterion*, but Bonnie Cafferky, next year’s editor is eager to hear your suggestions. And this year isn’t over yet.

If there’s something you’re dying to find out about, let us know. If there’s something you’re aching to share with the rest of the school, write it up and submit it!

I know how easy it is just to blend in. We’re all busy, and life goes on outside the campus grounds. For two years, I went to class, went to work, and went home every weekend. It was a comfortable way of life, but tedious.

My job as editor has forced me to become involved—in SALSU events, campus politics, campus life. But the amazing thing is, it’s fun! Involvement brings a new level of interest to what’s going on around here, and hence, a sense of ownership.

The only way this newspaper can truly be a student forum is if you, the students, get actively involved. So stop hiding, stop complaining about how nothing ever gets done, and start making your voice heard!

Jen

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**SASA Does It Again!**

By Milap Nowrangi
Guest Writer

The last “La Sierra Live” of the year began with a bang last Thursday night in the Alumni Pavilion. The Southern Asian Student Alliance (SASA) threw their 2nd Annual Culture and Fashion Show called “Diggin’ the Roots ’98.” With almost 400 people in attendance, members from the community, parents and students enjoyed an evening of music and dance. From the classical Indian moves of LSU’s own Shivali Panchal to the powerful modern beat of “The Bhangra Boyz”, the audience enjoyed every minute of the almost three-hour program.

For only $1, SASA treated every LSU student with an authentic, home-cooked Indian meal. Students were able to get their hands painted with Mendhi and could also buy bindhis and bangles. SASA also accepted donations to support its annual “Sponsor-a-Child” program.

“You guys keep getting better every year,” said one professor. The Culture and Fashion show is a welcomed addition to the cultural landscape of this campus. Especially this year, with the absence of the Islander Club’s Luau, SASA has filled the gap of a large cultural event with its own show. If you missed the show, you may see glimpses of it on SASA’s web page - http://www.lasierra.edu/clubs/sasa.

SASA hopes to make its Culture and Fashion Show a tradition here at La Sierra University. With its strong support from University administration and the community, SASA feels strongly that it will become an integral and indispensable part of propagating cultural diversity on this campus. If you would like to join SASA and become part of this great organization please register on its web page or e-mail SASA at sasa@lasierra.edu.

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**SALSU Seinfeld Farewell**

**Watch the final episode in style.**

**Thursday, May 14 in the Student Center**
SALSU officers are angry that the chapel committee no longer allows them or any clubs to make announcements in chapel programs, saying that such a policy only strengthens student apathy on the LSU campus.

Perspectives editor Rolando Mendez, whose memory book brainchild was just canceled because of low student interest, says that the administration is being very "inattentive" to SALSU's needs. "Announcements in chapel seem to be the best way to communicate verbally to the entire student body and let them know what's going on," says Mendez. Mendez claims that students never bother to look for information in campus publications. "We put two articles in the Criterion about the memory book; we had an announcement in the INFO sheet every week it came out; we were selling them in the cafeteria, and we even had announcements in assemblies about it."

In order to provide for a medium for advertising student events and other things relating to the students, SALSU began distributing a flier entitled Hot Wire after chapel, which highlights SALSU events on campus.

Mendez, who edits the flier, says that originally Hot Wire was designed to include club events, but some clubs became angry that events publicized by SALSU had not yet been approved by Student Life. In a concern for fairness, subsequently all events in the Hot Wire now carry Student Life approval. However, the clubs' privilege to advertise was revoked by SALSU, in consultation with Student Life.

"We even put announcements in Hot Wire about the memory book, but still the interest level remained low," says Mendez. The student senate finally voted to cancel the book's publication after Mendez reported that only about 20 students had ordered one, while the minimum number of orders needed for publication had been 200.

"The thing is, the chapel committee won't let us make announcements," [campus archivist Ken] Satter reacts negatively to fliers being put in the wrong place, grounds get mad about stakes we put in the ground, and students become upset about student-wide e-mail announcements, because it's like junk mail," Mendez asserts. "What we want from the administration is simple: give us a medium for advertising."

The student-wide e-mail announcements were discontinued this year, because they were overloading the computer system on campus, according to Mendez.

Mendez says that SALSU plans to advertise through a network of video screens placed strategically throughout the campus when they have the money. "However, it's very expensive," he says. The central control system for the video screens will be placed in the SALSU office.

Mendez says, so only SALSU and clubs, if they desire, will be able to advertise.

Steve Daily, campus chaplain and chair of the chapel committee, says that the policy banning announcements in chapel was put in place because the chapel organizers kept receiving petitions for announcements minutes before the program commenced, and announcements carried on for so long that students were beginning to become disruptive, and the chapel program often went over.

"The policy now as it stands lets students make announcements if their presentation is well-prepared and pertinent to the program," says Daily, so that announcements won't be a "last-minute thing." The chapel organizers also must be informed the Friday before the program.

Chapel committee members report that new policy actually works so that no students are allowed to make announcements, religious or otherwise.

"This whole thing was never really my idea," says Daily. The chair of the chapel planning committee, Kimo Smith, liked it, according to Daily, because he isn't used to students being disruptive during chapel. "I've been here for three decades, so I know how it is—it doesn't really bother me," says Daily. Smith was not available for comment.

Daily does not believe SALSU's video system would be a good idea, however. "I would hate to see thousands of dollars wasted," he says.

The assembly committee, chaired by academic vice president Adeny Schmidt, is also stungy about announcements, according to SALSU. Although Schmidt was out of town and unavailable for comment, a member of the committee, School of Religion Dean John Jones, says that the issue of announcements is something he would like to see discussed in the committee, officially called the intellectual life committee.

"Assemblies are of a more secular emphasis than chapels, so the policy of announcements should be looser," says Jones. "But that is my only bias without discussion. My demands for the committee would be number one: please meet, and number two: let's discuss this announcement issue." Jones says the committee hasn't convened since last summer.

Students themselves are divided about the chapel issue, many saying that they aren't sure if more announcements will make more people attend events or buy memory books.

Says Leslie Tomuco, a junior occupational therapy major: "I don't really care what SALSU does; more announcements won't spark my interest." Tomuco estimates that about half the student body agrees with him, and the memory book statistics suggest he is right.

Senior pre-med and business major Roger Rustad says that announcements probably would make him more interested, but he's not sure about others. "Students just don't care," he says.

Freshman business major Jeff Hebel complains that he has been "in the dark" about SALSU all year long. "I just can't know anything about SALSU. I don't know if I would be more apt to attend events because I don't know anything about them."

It seems Mendez has a valid point when he talks about the poor state of advertising on campus.
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.

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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, others 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," he said.

Many students who 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 786-2237 or check the website at: http://www.lasieera.edu/slife/careers/.
**LSU Rhetors Recognized**

By Connie Galambos  
Guest Writer

La Sierra University won two out of three awards 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 academies, 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’ve 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 Martin 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.
Rick’s World: Kites, Circus Cookies, Name Dropping, and General Gripings

By Rick Marson
Staff Writer

Sometimes I feel as though I am overlooking some small, but extremely important concept; it seems like it should be very simple, and yet I just can’t seem to get it. You see, I can’t make my kite go. I think I have the basic principles of kite flying down, and I have the important elements: I have a kite and I have wind. . . . What more is there? And yet when I throw my kite up into the air, it just flops about pitifully and falls back to the ground, either that or it does start going; it shoots up into the air in a great arch which continues until reaching its terminus, back on the ground upside down. I think I might have gotten a defective kite or something; its very frustrating—my kite just can’t seem to figure out which way the wind is blowing. I can’t understand why it won’t work; it upsets me as much as animal crackers do. Actually not the crackers themselves, but the packaging. I’m sure you’ve seen it, it’s the one that’s made to look like a circus car filled with animals in cages. First of all, when was the last time you saw a fox that was the same size as a gorilla? And that camel is gigantic! Besides that, when was the last time you went to the circus to see a fox? So, they’ve got all the animals that need water on top like the walrus, hippo, and alligator, and they put the giraffe on the bottom so he has to forever bend his neck. It’s cruelly, I tell you! And while we’re on the subject (which, by the way, we weren’t!), you may or may not remember my last article when I explained all of my problems with migraines and closet doors? (I know it’s been two issues since then, but think hard.) Well, once again I was only thinking of myself and forgot to include the part where my good friends, Gaby and Mac, in an overwhelming display of self-sacrifice went several feet out of their way to bring me my can of spray mount which I had left in the art building. Thank you, Mac and Gaby; it’s people like you who bring order (or in your case, spray mount) to this crazy, mixed up world, and are then forgotten about when it comes time to write self-serving newspaper articles. Now where was I? I’ll just check my list of discussion topics, also known as the title of this article . . . Ah, yes. You know what I hate? Bad stuff, and, you know, those one things? There, that was pretty general griping.

Disclaimer: Warning, While Rick’s World continues to come to you at the same time in the same place every other week, I am continually getting further and further behind on my deadline for turning the articles in. Therefore there may come a time when I don’t actually write an article until after it has already been printed and handed out. Which you won’t even notice, but will seem really strange to me. So really this warning is for me, not you, and it isn’t much of a warning because I already knew it, and also it turns out it doesn’t work that way or you would have had this article last week. Therefore it would probably just be best if we all just ignored this section of the article, okay? Yaaaaaay Rope!!

The Scene

By Miss Kitty
Staff Writer

THREADS

For chicks: Capri pants, tight and reaching to just below the knee, are showing up. Wear them in dark blue stretch denim or cool white, with pastel-colored loafers or, for the more adventurous, with stilettos. Pair the pants with tennis T-shirts. Never, ever forget to remove makeup at the end of the day! Use a gentle, foaming cleanser instead of harsh soap. Hepcats: Seventies shirts, leaving the two top buttons open, are the way to go. Wear them tight, paired with boot-cut, low-slung pants and flat-soled black or brown shoes. Do not wear any shoes with tassels! Go for a slightly messy hairstyle, either spiky or the rumpled, just-got-out-of-bed look. Do you have the courage to wear nail polish? Everyone, Miss Kitty wants to see you wearing sunscreen! Not only does tanning make wrinkles; it gives you skin cancer.

PEOPLE

Amanda Smith is a fab dancing instructor with an eye for clothes. Her innovative flair combines style and trend for a great look. Bob Chitrathorn stands out in a crowd, always a good thing. ‘Fros are showing up here and there; go for it!

LEISURE

The heat of spring invites Miss Kitty to lounge around inside with a book. For a cult classic about starvation, try Valley of the Dolls by Jacqueline Susann. On a more serious level, Willa Cather is a fantastic writer. Check out My Antonia or A Lost Lady. And if for some reason your brain is awake these days, Anna Karenina by Leo Tolstoy rocks Miss Kitty’s world. For easy entertaining reading, the collected stories of Guy de Maupassant are a good bet. Just read!!

Will You Be My Date?

For those of you who missed out on Cheap Date II, you’re bad!! Okay, so you say you didn’t have a date. So??!! Like everyone there did. You didn’t have money? Um . . . it was a buck. Come on now.

On April 21, a lovely Tuesday night, the fortunate few who had nothing else to do received a lot more than they bargained for. We cruised on a slick 30-seater limo (okay, exaggeration, it was the LSU bus; let me have some fun here), which took us straight to the Old Spaghetti Factory in downtown Riverside’s exciting metropolitan scene. Our gourmet menu consisted of a tiny salad, all-you-can-eat sourdough bread (yes, some of us had a little too much), regular spaghetti, and what seemed like a tiny spoonful of sherbet ice cream. This was a dollar meal; can Baker’s beat that? After dinner, we boarded the limo a.k.a. school bus and headed on over to a full night of serious vending. The Tava Bowling Lanes held over 50 LSU students who received three free games of bowling. To top it off, at the end of the evening some of us received free bowling passes for doing certain tricks, such as getting a strike or a spare on command or knocking at least eight pins down by bowling backwards through our legs. Yeah, now you want to come.

So now our lil’ dream date is over. Whadaya think? Yeah, you know that was pretty dupe for a dollar.
Seventh-day Apathists?

By Roger Rustad
Guest Writer

Milap, I invite you to come down from your ivory tower and follow the advice of your Indian brother, Mahatma Ghandi, and “be the change you want to see” on campus. You bring up several good points, two of which are that SDAs have a tendency to avoid intellectual things that might be considered “worldly” and that SDAs who don’t challenge their upbringing will have a very stagnant faith. Now, with the niceties out of the way, I’d like to get on with my li’l agenda. I get the impression that you’re somehow a tad bit bitter about LSU, as if you were denied a true university experience; one that really challenged you. I have two beefs with this. First, many of these opportunities you say don’t exist on campus actually do exist. Second, if you don’t think so, then you should do something about it. The only thing that I hate more than people who whine is people who whine and don’t act on it.

You say in your article that we should form campus groups that are interested in serious discussion matters. There are lots of groups that are doing just that. S.A.G.E. (Students Association for Gender Equality) and the Earth Awareness Club are two great examples. In fact, both clubs do more than simply sit around and talk about things, they actually try to make a difference. Jeannie Shinozuka, the president of S.A.G.E., is putting together plans for students to volunteer at a Rape Crisis Center. Wendy Walters has organized beach cleanups and is currently trying to put together a recycling program on campus with her Earth Club. Worship groups have sprung up on campus to discuss “serious matters;” like the one recently started by Reuben Sutter that discusses things “normal” Sabbath Schools don’t address. In the mornings I see students gathered around the flagpole praying. Other students, such as the faithful few who volunteer at LSU’s Soup Kitchen, don’t even bother with discussing these things, but just volunteer where they see a serious need --and we don’t get any type of credit. Students on this campus ARE addressing problems that they see on campus; you just don’t see them.

Also, you suggest that we find “other areas of intellectual stimulation,” such as famous speakers and world-renowned artists. What do you call such speakers as Cornel West, Chaim Potok, Sheila Jackson, and Faith Esham? Milap, aren’t you part of the “nerd herd” in South Hall? The Honors program exists to break down many of these “walls” on campus, specifically those between Seventh-day Adventism and “the world” and between students and teachers. Honors core classes encourage students to do “intellectual stimulating” things, such as read about Plotinus, visit Buddhist temples, examine the Zapatista movement in Chiapas (ernt!), etc. Honors activities, such as camp-outs and pizza vespers, allow students to mingle with teachers and engage them on all sorts of “intellectually stimulating” topics. Honors is specifically designed to help students look around and see where they fit into the whole grand scheme of things. Ok, I’ll be the first to admit that our school is a little “weak” in some areas. Not all of our departments have learned from Honors’ great example. The choice and distribution of majors definitely shows that we aren’t truly a “intellectually stimulating” school. Students have their own building. We have no philosophy department, no political science major (only an emphasis), no creative writing major, no economics, no Latin or Greek (except for religion majors), and no drama major. We’re building a new science building, yet history, religion, anthropology, sociology, and political science all share not even one building. (Business students have their own building, but they wouldn’t know a decent education if it jumped up and ...). We shouldn’t fret these little things; fixating on them will only make you miss out on cool opportunities on campus. After all, many of these departments, though small, are close-knit. These limitations don’t necessarily take away from that “fire of learning;” in fact, this can be an advantage. Many of these departments are close, and the teacher: student ratio is really small.

My point, in case I haven’t made it quite clear enough, is that tons of opportunities exist here on campus--opportunities to work closely with teachers, opportunities to “make a difference,” and opportunities to engage in “intellectually stimulating” activities. Just look around you! If you don’t agree with me, take Ghandi’s words to heart and DO something about it! If students “fire” goes out, it’s their own dang fault!
For all of you who have patiently waited two whole weeks, with bated breath no doubt, to find out more about the available jobs with next year’s Criterion, I can now make the following humble offerings.

As I mentioned in the last issue, I am restructuring the way the Criterion works, and I will need help. Plans have changed a little since my last article, but they have now been finalized. I am looking for 4 (one each) interested and willing individuals to fill the following paid positions:

**PreNews Editor**

To assist me in my goal of making the Criterion a greater source of information to students, I am looking for a PreNews Editor. Yes, I know I made this word up – I’m allowed to. This person will work closely with SALSU and other event planners to get information about upcoming events, including sports games. LSU students deserve to know what is going on, and what to expect at a given function - the Criterion PreNews Editor will supply them with this much-needed information.

**HardNews Editor**

After an event happens, it becomes HardNews. The HardNews Editor will be responsible for making sure all major events are covered and that pictures are taken. The new emphasis for these stories will be participant interviews where the LSU students can voice their opinions. Variety is another goal of mine; writers will be encouraged to canvas the broadest cross-section possible. The HardNews Editor also has surprise occurrences in his or her jurisdiction. The tenure of contacts, natural disasters, and building renovations are all HardNews. This editor will also receive a bi-weekly salary.

**SoftNews Editor**

As opposed to HardNews, SoftNews is the human interest side of things, sometimes referred to as Feature News. Every issue will contain a Featured Student bio, to increase students awareness off each other’s accomplishments, as well as the now-familiar opinion articles and essays. This editor will need to have a wide base of contacts from which to gather these opinions. All responses and rebuttals to previous articles will also be channeled to this person. The SoftNews Editor will also receive a bi-weekly salary.

**Advertising Editor**

This person will need to be self-motivated and willing to work with businesses off-campus. The focus of advertisements will be deals we can haggle for LSU students, and the Advertising Editor should try to accept only those ads that offer LSU discounts. This position differs from all the others because the Advertising Editor will be paid solely on commission; the harder you work, the more you can earn.

These positions are by no means limited to English or Communication majors, but I do have some other general requests:

1) The Criterion staff will be tiny and intimate, so I will be looking for people who have sufficiently developed social skills.
2) Writing experience is welcome. The main job of the Editors will be to edit, not to write, but some knowledge of basic grammar will make your job easier.
3) I will also be looking for one specific course in your background: Newswriting. It’s alright if you haven’t taken it, but it contains such pivotal information that I will encourage anyone interested in joining the Criterion staff to look into it.

Finally, I have become aware of a certain amount of disappointment on campus that I will not be offering positions as staff writers. As each event is individual in nature and different viewpoints and personalities fit events differently, I have opted to encourage outside writers to participate in the Criterion. Contributing writers will be responsible to the Editor of their article’s genre and will be paid a standard flat fee per article. I am not looking for staff writers, but each sub-editor may be. For this reason I am beginning to accumulate an interested Freelance Writers Resource Guide and welcome any interested writers to submit their name.

Anyone who is interested in receiving more information on the positions of sub-editors or freelance writers should feel free to contact me. I am looking for new blood and new opinions, so keep in mind that experience is only a negligible requirement. Contact me at <bonncaff> to find out about my user-friendly application process.

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**Who’s Preaching the Word Where**

**Loma Linda University**

11125 Campus St.

**May 9:** Pastor William Loveless, “John Sings His Song Again”, School of Allied Health Homecoming

**May 16:** Pastor William Loveless, “The Certainties of Faith”

**Azure Hills**

Young & Restless Ministries

22633 Barton Road

Grand Terrace, CA

**May 9:** Pastor Tami McGrew, “Tamar” (Genesis 38)

**May 16:** Ms. Carla Gober, “The Alluring Wife” (Genesis 39:1-20)

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**Rewards Card**

**Collect SALSU Points this week!**

**Win Prizes!**

**Tuesday**

Brick Yard Bistro

SALSU O.S.C.R.s

Praise Night

Seinfeld Farewell Party

White Water Rafting

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**May 5, 1998**
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 even, 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!

Please contact Leslie Martin (X2454) or Jim Wilson (X2104) if you would like further information.
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.

“The Underground” was that the recent SALSU elections were “not clean,” and that Felipe Vielmann 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 Bertrand 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 tenure, I give you 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. Vielmann, 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 security’s 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 fire-arm, and that he was suspended until further notice! Never, 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, naysayers. 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.”
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Calvin & Hobbes®
SALSU Means Savings

By Mark Harris & Rolondo Mendez

Guest Writers

When you think value, think of SALSU. SALSU Rewards Week was May 11-17. Students were asked to sacrifice valuable study time to attend four out of the five events brought to them last week by SALSU. Their incentive? A stylish SALSU CD wallet won by collecting nifty stickers from SALSU officers at each event. Most students have already redeemed their cards, but the few who haven't must turn them in no later than Wednesday at noon to the SALSU office.

The activities started off with a bang on Tuesday at the Brickyard Bistro. For those who were unable to come, we had a tasty burrito, fries and a soda from Los Amigos. (This is commonly referred to as the LSU Special and can be yours for only $1.99 at Los Amigos.) If you would like to get in on this action just come to the Brickyard in front of the bookstore after Chapel every Tuesday until school ends. And unlike the bookstore, you can bring your backpack with you.

This year was the first time faculty and students joined forces to put on the SALSU O.S.C.R.'s. (If you were wondering what O.S.C.R.'s stands for, it doesn't stand for anything; it was the talent show about nothing.) SALSU officers arrived dressed to impress in stunning formal wear. (The male SALSU officers were outfitted with tuxedoes donated by Friar Tux Formal Wear.) The Oscars ambiance was completed by the red carpets and the giant gold statues surrounding the stage. The free munchies flowed like SALSU brand merchandise (which is not unlike the flowing of fine wine) as students mingled with their peers. Each person had ample opportunities to win free stuff, though unfortunately some people took advantage of this more than others. A variety of faculty and student acts filled the bill, including the chemistry department’s rendition of “El Paso,” the artist formerly known as Steve performing Eddie Van Halen-like guitar feats, and the sweet sounds of Royal Brown opening and closing the show. Other acts included Nathan Hatley’s bassoon solo, Dr. Ed Karlow’s literary rendition of Mark Twain, and media services’ own Don Cocchetti with original electric guitar compositions.

Rewards Week continued on Wednesday with Campus Ministries “Miracle-Grow” Praise Night in Matheson Chapel. As students wandered in late, they were greeted by a warm atmosphere as all were sitting on the carpet in a large circle singing songs. Various students shared some of their personal experiences with Christ, including a poem from Manasseh Nwaigwe. Students left with handfuls of seeds to spread across the land.

The week came to a close on Friday afternoon as 24 students packed their bags and geared up to go white water rafting on the Kern River. As the students cascaded down the falls you could hear a variety of things, but overall they were shouts of joy and excitement. The day ended with a Class 4 (Class 1 is beginner and Class 5 is expert) run down the river, and a group of wet and worn out students. The students closed out their adventurous Sabbath day by the campfire with their friends, some old and some made during the weekend.

SALSU Rewards Week was well received, as evidenced by all the students who flocked to events this week to fill out their SALSU Rewards Cards. This just goes to show that SALSU means savings.

LSU Students Honored

Two LSU students were honored as the outstanding majors in their departments at a Reno, Nevada convention on April 6, 1998.

Marcela Marillo was honored as a health science major, and Leslie Branson an exercise science major. These awards were bestowed by the American Alliance of Health Physical Education Recreation and Dance (AAHPERD).

The purpose of these awards is to recognize outstanding students majoring in exercise science and health science from colleges and universities that have professional preparation programs throughout the country. Only one student from each program is recognized.

This year 310 students from around the country were honored at a reception during the 113th annual convention of the AAHPERD in Reno, NV, April 5-9. NASPE is the largest of the six associations affiliated with AAHPRED.

According to NASPE Executive Director Judith C. Young, “These professionals will be the leaders of the future in improving educational programs and encouraging all Americans to make fitness and health a part of their daily lives. Their recognition as outstanding majors is a crowning glory of their college years and introduces them to the value of professional involvement.”

The National Association for Sport and Physical Education (NASPE), the largest of the six associations of the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (AAHPRED), is a nonprofit membership organization of over 25,000 professionals in the field of sport and physical activity. NASPE is the only national association dedicated to strengthening basic knowledge about sports and physical activity among professionals and the general public. Putting that knowledge into action in schools and communities across the nation is critical to improve academic performance, social reform and health of individuals.
Thank You, Anonymous

By Jennifer Wong
Editor

I recently received a letter from an anonymous Sierra Towers resident who expressed his concerns that this paper is not serving as a true student forum, citing the fact that more people knew about the contents of “The Underground,” a secret newsletter distributed to Towers residents, than this official school publication.

I acknowledge this fact readily. However, I think that it is also fair to point out that people will always have more interest in gossip and slander than news. And if anyone does care to read this publication, they will discover that pertinent issues are discussed. Although it came out late due to printing problems, the May 5 issue had a lengthy discussion of “The Underground.” In this issue, the resignation of SASLU’s social vice president is tackled, along with a further discussion of the banned Sigma Alpha Theta group.

As I have expressed before in my editorials, I do want this paper to be more than puff pieces; I want it to be a student voice. However, in order for that to happen, I need input. I appreciate the letter that I received, although, due to school policy, I am not allowed to publish anything without knowing who the author is. This person obviously has concerns and gripes that should be expressed and addressed. I welcome letters, e-mails, even verbal suggestions. If you feel like you have something that needs to be said, submit it as an article. This paper isn’t propaganda; it should be representative of the student body—YOU.

My staff and I try hard to cover things of interest, but if we’re not succeeding, we need to know. And we’re not that hard to reach. For example, all LSU students have free e-mail accounts; I’m no exception. My e-mail address is: jennwong@lasierra.edu. Don’t be afraid to use it.

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Students Bid Seinfeld Farewell

By Kathy Strawter
Staff Writer

Seinfeld is now just a part of rerun history. But the show’s last episode went out with a bang. Across America people celebrated it in many ways. Parties were thrown, and laughs were heard as the final episode of Seinfeld was shown on Thursday, May 14.

At La Sierra, it was celebrated with a gathering of 300-350 people in the Student Center in a SALSU sponsored the event. During the commercials, SALSU gave out hats, shirts, and candy. Heather Van Deventer’s mother also made cookies for the entire crowd of students that gathered.

Before the final episode was shown, NBC ran highlights of the most memorable moments of Seinfeld. Many students were heard oohing and ahing at the different highlights. Then came the actual FINAL EPISODE. It brought together some of the most memorable characters from Seinfeld. The Soup Nazi was there, among the many ex’s of George, Elaine, and Jerry. In the end, Jerry and his cohorts were sent to jail for being critical of everyone they came in contact with.

Students had many different responses to the final episode.

Desiree Bivens said that she was “disappointed with the ending of Seinfeld because it made it seem like there was going to be another season, and there’s not. It would be fun watching them fight it out in jail.”

Jessica Frederick commented on the party that SALSU threw for the final episode. She said, “It was a great way to get students to come together and interact. It had a good turnout.”

Ryan Cope commented on the MTV celebrity deathmatch between Jerry Seinfeld and Tim Allen. This was a claymation match that was shown on MTV right after the following episode. In it, Jerry and Tim fought; it ended in a tie. Also Mariah Carey and Jim Carey had a fight. Mariah came out the winner in that match. Copes said, “I was disappointed that they didn’t have MTV because we missed the celebrity deathmatch.”

Overall, the students were really impressed with the way SALSU handled the party. They got the students involved and people had a good time. So, farewell to “Seinfeld,” and we’ll see you in the land of reruns for many years to come.
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 that 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."
Another Look At Sigma Alpha Theta

It saddens me to know of all the negative perceptions that faculty and students of La Sierra University have of the members of the banned group, Sigma Alpha Theta. This group has been degraded and downplayed by false accusations and misleading rumors. I cannot allow myself and the members of my beloved group to be labelled in such a way, and so I feel the need to write this article to: 1) Refute the misconceptions about this group, and 2) give a clearer picture of what Sigma Alpha Theta is all about.

"Promise me you guys do not sexually harass girls," a student asked me recently. Obviously, our names have been tainted by the article written by Dr. Jorgensen in the Criterion two years ago. Suddenly, I, as well as the rest of Sigma Alpha Theta, have been labeled as "sexual harassers." This has been the most outrageous label yet, so it shall be the first I will refute. No current member of Sigma Alpha Theta has ever sexually harassed a female. The incident of sexual harassment was the immoral act of a single individual. This sort of behavior is neither condoned nor tolerated by Sigma Alpha Theta. In upholding the morals and beliefs of the group, the members of Sigma Alpha Theta immediately forced this individual to resign his membership. Unfortunately, the whole group was punished for his actions and was forced to disbanded.

In the April 7 edition of the Criterion, Dr. Jorgensen paralleled us to the social fraternity on the UCLA campus. Readers have gotten the misconception that Sigma Alpha Theta mimics the behavior of such fraternities and their "Greek" life. Public university campuses speak out against such fraternities. YES, Sigma Alpha Theta speaks out against such behavior too. These fraternities participate in hazings that endanger the life of individuals. Never in the history of LSU's Sigma Alpha Theta has such behavior taken place.

Sigma Alpha Theta has never tried to mimic the behavior of the typical social fraternity. Sigma Alpha Theta refuses to be like them; therefore, we refuse to be resembled to them. In fact, we strive to be different because the practices of the "typical" social fraternity conflict with the belief system of Sigma Alpha Theta members.

Dr. Jorgensen also suggested in the Criterion that Sigma Alpha Theta has strayed away from its original, positive aspects and that the members do not operate within the value system of the university community. This cannot be further from the truth. In fact, through years of refinement, the group has developed an even better mentality than before. Within our diverse group, we stress love for our God, love for each other, academic discipline, and physical, mental, spiritual, and financial support. (There is nothing hidden in this statement—this is what we value, and this is what we prioritize.) In fact or Greek letters, Sigma Alpha Theta, stand for "Altogether, from the very beginning, under God." The members of the group check each other to make sure these values are upheld. Why hasn't the university seen any actions based on these honorable beliefs? Quite simply, it's difficult to act out your beliefs when they're being suppressed.

The student body might be wondering why the group has continued to exist after being ordered to disband. The answer is simple. When one believes in something so strongly, and those beliefs are proven to be upright, then one will do anything to make sure those beliefs live on. And because we have refused to let our dreams die, we have once again been severely punished: suspended, threatened, fired, and expelled. At present, the members of Sigma Alpha Theta have been ordered to dissolve the group, or else be dismissed from the university. It has been made known to us that this punishment is to be carried out if Sigma Alpha Theta is found to exist even off campus.

The members of Sigma Alpha Theta are far from what they have been portrayed to be. From reading this article I sincerely hope stands for and what its members have fought so hard to keep alive.

SIFE Goes International

By Natan Vigna
Staff Writer

Some of the finest students of the country gathered May 11 - 13, at the Kansas City Convention Center to compete at the 1998 SIFE International Exposition, where La Sierra University had won first place consecutively from 1994 to 1997.

This year's Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE) competition drew over 150 schools from around the world. Over 400 CEOs, presidents, and V.P.'s from some of the top companies in the States judged how each team best met the seven criteria required to compete.

Pittsburgh State University from Kansas took the international trophy home after two days of high stress presentations that included hauling hightech equipment to different conference rooms. Northern Arizona State University came in second, and the College of the Southwest from New Mexico came in third.

All the presentations were good; it was hard to decide which one to pick, distinguished judge Phil Pifer, senior vice president New Ventures of Frito Lay, Inc., told Criterion after the awards ceremony, which also included fireworks.

Pittsburgh repeated some of the projects, according to April Aitken, who was part of the winning team last year. Heather Miller, public relations representative from La Sierra, commented that none of the presentations matched the level of professionalism and depth of LSU's presentation had last year.

Teams competed whole heartedly, even if they had a technical problem or more serious ones, like having no visas to enter the United States. Unable to get visas, the Albania National Champion team sent its presentation on a video tape and answered the judges' questions through a phone conference.

Founded in 1975, the goal of SIFE is to provide college students the best opportunity to make a difference and to develop leadership, teamwork, and communication skills through learning, practicing and teaching the principles of free enterprise.

Based on this mission statement, students participate in diverse projects that meet these criteria. Their mission: be the most effective in getting other people to really understand how free enterprise works. That's what the 220 Final Distinguished Judges looked for.

The exposition also featured three keynote speakers, a career fair, music shows, fund raisers, plus opportunity for students to network with hundreds of companies, and almost 1,700 other students.

La Sierra University did not compete this year. An administration mix-up at critical decision points made it impossible for SIFE to get organized and compete, administration officials said. At this point, it is not certain whether La Sierra will compete next year; the final decision will be made by June 1.
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Rick's World

By Rick Marson
Staff Writer

A terrible tragedy has be-
fallen something very close to
me, so close that at times it ac-
tually sat on my head. A hider
of bad hair, and a shielder
against wetness and harsh UV
rays. I speak of none other than
my hat. Not the red one I am
oft to be seen wearing, the other
one, you know the grayish one?
Last Sunday while moving a
pile of junk from one place to
another place in order to clear a
spot to sit down I was startled
to find my hat, which had been
carelessly placed beneath the
hulking pile of paper products,
crushed nearly beyond recog-
nition; after minutes of per-
forming mouth-to-hat resusci-
tation it was declared still not
alive and was rushed to another
part of THE ROOM where it
remains in critical condition.
Attempts to reshape the hat
were only partially successful.
It was a fine hat and if it should
never recover it will be greatly
missed.

Next week the twenty-third
Godzilla movie will be re-
leased, and it looks like it will
be very cool except for one
thing, it’s supposed to be a
Godzilla movie. From the trail-
ers I have seen, it looks more
like they rescaled a Jurassic
park dinosaur. Godzilla is sup-
posed to be a guy in a cheap
rubber suit! Now I don’t really
know what this new Godzilla
looks like since I’ve only seen
its foot and an eye, but you’d
never see the old Godzilla’s
legs bend that way; he didn’t
have haunches. And the old
Godzilla was a tail dragger, I’ll
bet you don’t see this new
Godzilla get mad and jump up
and down waving his arms.
They didn’t whip out a new
computer-generated Barney
when his movie came out, and
he was still very popular with
two-to six-year olds. I think
Godzilla deserves the same re-
spect. For all the special effect
equipment they’ve got they
could make a really cool
Godzilla that looks like a guy
in a cheap rubber suit.

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Rick’s World writer and
Grand High Poobah Rich-
ard R. Marson commented
in a press conference ear-
lier this week It’s mine
consarnit! I stole it fair
and square from the guy
who used it before me! Wait a minute; you’re not
writing this down, are you?
Who's Preaching the Word Where

Campus Hill
11057 Hill Drive
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May 23: Baccl. Service for SM & SD

Azure Hills
Young & Restless
22633 Barton Road
Grand Terrace, CA
May 23: Pastor Tami McGrew, “Eat, Drink and Be Careful for Tomorrow You May Die”
May 30: Dr. Sarah Uffindell, “Tell Him What He Wants To Hear?”

THREADS
Guys: Please, please, from the bottom of her heart Miss Kitty begs you to wear pants other than jeans. Jeans are fine, in their place (when they are dark, tight, and long) but experiment a little! Corduroys are good for the more conservative; the rest of you can go for slinky pants in thinner, softer materials. But watch the pants length! Make sure your pants cover the tops of your shoes.

Girls: The cold weather is giving a great opportunity for layers. Try a straight ankle-length skirt with a mock T-shirt and a sweater. Show off good legs with a short skirt (to the middle of the thigh, or right below the knee) and stockings, with clunky shoes. Forget about lime green; try shimmery gray instead.

PEOPLE
Laurel Tym has a nice classic style and a fabulous blue wrap dress. Meenal Rao has a great pair of jeans that show off her legs that go on forever. Raymond Sheldon rocked as a cowboy with the hots for a barmaid at the recent SALSU O.S.C.R.s. And Steve Guadiz was fab! Miss Kitty couldn’t take her eyes off him.

LEISURE
The Spanish Prisoner is the latest David Mamet film - a tale of intrigue, confusion, and betrayal. Sliding Door is good—except, of course, the ending. The Butcher Boy, playing in Costa Mesa, features Sinead O’Connor as the Virgin Mary!

Disclaimer: Contrary to popular opinion, even though Amber Coe is Entertainment Editor, she DOES NOT write this column! The author is a student not on the newspaper staff.
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SALSU Suitcase Game

By Karen Brown
Guest Writer

Sumo wrestlers, a velcro wall, carnival games, raffle prizes, and a lot of dancing-- that was the scene at the SALSU “suitcase game” in the Student Center on Thursday night, May 28. Many LSU students attended, packing the building and making it an incredible blowout.

“It was awesome,” said freshman Jamila Ponder. “The music hit me as I came in and I just couldn’t help but have fun. Who couldn’t?”

With all the events that took place, the most fun experience to many was the sumo wrestling. Students picked their opponent in a “do or die” bout to see who was the baddest, toughest wrestler around. Those who suited up for the match in the giant pseudo-sumo gear gave the crowd a good laugh with their silly gestures and their “wanna-be-bad” attitudes. Adding to the excitement of it all, the crowd cheered on the favorite contenders.

Although a multitude of activities took place--velcro-suited students leaping onto a huge wall, music playing, sumo wrestling, and more--there was one prize that lured the crowd to the party in the first place. SALSU called the event the “suitcase game” because everyone who came was supposed to bring a packed suitcase, ready for a “on-the-spot” trip to Disneyland with a guest.

Throughout the night, students competed in various carnival games like the milk can mania, darts, ping-pong fish, and hook a bottle in order to win raffle tickets. Every five minutes SALSU brand merchandise was raffled off to lucky students. But shortly after midnight, after the last hat was raffled off, the last polo shirt passed out, everyone gathered at the blue mailbox to watch the approach of a giant white limo. The tension was tangible as two winning tickets were drawn.

All was quiet as the final tickets were pulled from the black box and when the names were called, loud shouts like “Yeah!” and “I got it!” came from the winners.

SALSU brand merchandise, Jenny Penner, Brian Quitmeyer, and Danielle Udomrat were the lucky winners of the trip to Disneyland. They grabbed their packed bags and hopped into the limo headed for the Disneyland Hotel.

“The games were fun but the real action was in the dancing,” said Ponder. “The rapping and dancing that the guys were doing were so cool. I wonder why we can’t have more parties like that, because that was a party!”

Chalk up another awesome event from SALSU. The crowd raved, and everyone had a good time. This was one event that drummed up LSU school spirit and gave students a good night out.

LSU Students Honored

By Geoffrey Jutzy
Guest Writer

More than $200,000 were given to students of La Sierra in the form of grants and awards for scholarship at the special Awards Assembly on Thursday, May 28. University President Larry Geraty occupied the podium and explained the various awards to the audience and many of the surprised recipients. Dr. Adeny Schmidt, vice president for academic administration, read the names of nearly 160 students while the awards themselves were presented by faculty, visiting honored guests, or other private parties. One widow presented an award named in honor of her husband, who was in the very first graduating class from La Sierra.

The monetary amounts $100 Edmund C. Jaeger Scholars Book Awards to a $4,000 Marie Barber Marchus Endowed Scholarship, which was presented to Shelley Griffin.

The two unrelated Rosses, Sasha Anne and Emelly, swept the history department segment of the program. Sasha collected $1,000 in scholarships, as well as the Legislative Internship award that amounts to 12 units of tuition, and Emelly received $4,050. Both Sasha and Emelly had to accept their honors in absentia. They both chose as their proxy Jeanie Shinozuka, who provided the audience with an entertaining round of “musical chairs” as she came up to the front each time one of the Rosses’ names were called.

The thousands of dollars presented represent a mere fraction of the more than $2 million that the university will be giving away in scholarships this year.
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 . . .

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 four-score 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 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
Discipline Policy—No Sparing the Rod?

By Evan Graham

Staff Writer

"Guilty until proven innocent." That's how many students feel when they are disciplined on this campus. Many cite inconsistencies among disciplinary action, abuse of power on the administration's part, and the treatment of students on this campus as if they were high school kids.

"The administrators here know their power, and they abuse that power," says a former student. "They give us 'privileges,' not rights, and those 'privileges' are easily revoked."

A student describes this "abuse of power" in one instance. He says he was accused of a felony by the administration, though three police departments and his own legal counsel had confirmed that his actions never constituted a felony, and that the administration itself could be charged with intent for mental anguish.

Lennard Jorgensen, Vice President for Student Life, would not comment on such instances, and would only say, "No," without elaborating, when asked if he thought the administration takes advantage of the fact that this is a private university.

Students are "perturbed" at the various inconsistencies surrounding disciplinary action. "My punishment didn't even fit the crime," says the former student. "Some people weren't disciplined the exact same way for the exact same act." The former student claims that an infraction for which he was punished before led the disciplinary committee to punish him more severely than other students accused of the same act. But this infraction should have been expunged from his record after one year. Apparently, it wasn't.

"The dean was inconsistent in my case," says another student. "Instead of talking to me about my 'problem' directly, s/he threw the issue to Student Life. Taking my problem to Student Life was inconsistent with how other far more serious problems were handled, such as drugs and having the opposite sex visit. These other problems were handled 'in-house.' The others got warnings. I didn't."

"One thing all students have to understand is that while general policies are there to create consistency, every case must be looked at individually, because every case is different," Jorgensen says.

"I wish we could have more representation in the disciplinary committee," laments a student. "We should be able to represent ourselves. Also, the overall policy should be such that we are treated as adults, not high school students. This is not an academy. A knowledge-able source affiliated with the university agrees. He showed me a document approved by the SALSU senate during the 1993-94 school year, which proposes that students be able to designate their own advisor from the university community and be present with the advisor at all committee hearings. This way, the student has a better opportunity to defend him- or herself.

As the policy stands, students are treated like children, according to this source. "Suspension should only be imposed on students who pose a serious threat to the campus," he says. "Students who are acting obnoxiously should not be suspended." Many students have been suspended for so-called "obnoxious behavior," he says. "It is unhelpful to impose such penalties. Definitely, more constructive things can be done."

While Jorgensen agrees that "there are ways" of allowing students to represent themselves in committee meetings ("We're certainly open to all kinds of options. I'm not saying this a perfect system.") he does not agree that the policy treats students as children. He wishes people could witness what takes place in committee meetings. "What happens is very serious. I've seen student representatives leave meetings in tears because they had to do what was 'right' to discipline their friends. Adults argue back and forth about individual cases."

Jorgensen says suspension is a positive aspect to discipline, whether the student in question is a threat or not. "It gives us time to meet and decide upon a punishment," he says. "It's just like O.J. spending time in jail before his trial and acquittal."

But, he says, the overall policy is not perfect. "I think the system treats students as adults, but I'm not averse to change."
Students Create Websites

By Timothy Lee
Guest Writer

Recently, I went with my English 113 class to MICOL to create our own web pages. Not having any internet experience at all, I wasn’t looking forward to it, and I expected it to be difficult. But I didn’t know making your own web page was so easy. We started by having MICOL coordinator Denny Lin instruct us on various parts of a web page such as URLs, html, http. He went over each step with us slowly. It took us about three MICOL visits to finish our pages, but I think if our class were much smaller, we could have done it in one visit.

We mainly used Winscok FTP and Notepad to create each page. A decent page can be created with just those two simple programs. There are special programs for making more advanced web pages, but those take additional time to learn. I now have a web page set up under my name, which really does give me a great sense of accomplishment. Maybe not a great sense, but it is kind of cool.

"When we first had to go to MICOL to learn how to create web pages, I thought it was going to be a complete waste of my time. It’s too complicated; I didn’t think I could do it. But now that it’s all over, I have learned how to create a web page. In fact, I’ve created one of my own… I still can’t do it by myself, but that’s what the people working at MICOL are for, right?" says freshman social work major Sharon De Leon.

"I knew this class was capable of the challenge. And they proved me right. Some students were probably surprised to find a web page design requirement in an English 113 class. But since the emphasis was on critical thinking, students applied those skills to design a web page and import literary texts. Some of the pages were quite impressive," says English teaching assistant Christine Law.

"What I always like about teaching a computer class is to see people understand—eyes that 'light up' with understanding do make my day—and then be able to create something on their own. Web page design offers people some of the best opportunities to express their creative ideas without going into heavy duty computer programming," says Denny Lin. When asked if he would do it again, he said, "Absolutely! I can’t wait for the next assignment..." He now plans to teach web design and Windows 95 classes on campus, targeted at community users. "Besides exposing non-LSU students to computer technology, this program could help recruit new students as more people come in contact with services we can offer at MICOL," says Lin.

College grads entering the workplace soon will find they need at least three more things before conquering the world: a good resume, an interview suit, and some wheels. Ford Motor Company and Ford Credit are making that all-important car or truck purchase or lease easier for graduates. The Ford College Graduate Purchase Program offers recent graduates a $400 cash bonus on the purchase or lease of any eligible new Ford or Mercury car, minivan, pickup, or SUV. More than 32,000 college graduates took advantage of the program in 1997. "Our goal is to help build long-term relationships and loyalty," said Ross Roberts, Ford Motor Company vice president and general manager, Ford division.
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Any study who has graduated or will graduate from an accredited institution including four-year colleges, junior colleges, community colleges, nursing school, and trade schools, between Oct. 1, 1996 and Jan. 5, 1999, is eligible to apply for the offer. Students enrolled in graduate school are also eligible.

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Getting Down to Business

By Henry E. Felder
Guest Writer

In the May 5 issue of the Criterion, Roger Rustad takes Milap Nowrangi to task regarding Milap's argument on a lack of intellectualism at La Sierra. I was nodding in agreement with many of the points raised by Roger until he took an unnecessary swipe at business students. His claim that "... they wouldn't know a decent education if it jumped up and ..." can be interpreted in many ways. It could be a claim that there is a very good business education program here at LSU, but business students don't recognize it. Alternatively, it could be a claim that the business education program at LSU is not a decent one. It is the latter interpretation that I want to address. The business education program here is strong and getting stronger. The 76 units required for completion of the BA degree and the 108 units required for the BS degree are among the most stringent at this or most other universities. Over the past three years, the program has improved to the point that by fall of '98, the business curriculum will prepare students for professional employment, or for graduate studies in a variety of fields, in ways that would be hard to duplicate in any other major. The combination of required courses in economics (12 units), management (12 units), finance (8 units), accounting (8 units), statistics, business law, business policy, and marketing challenge students to be thoughtful and creative.

We also have a group of dedicated professors who help provide a strong business education. Of the 80 business courses scheduled to be taught next year, 93 percent will be taught by full time and adjunct professors who have doctorates in the area in which they will teach. Professors completing their doctorates in business fields will teach the other 7 percent. These professors have also helped increase the level of business research among undergraduates and graduate students. Our students are in demand by the church and by public and private sectors. Our graduates are proving the value of their business education in the Inland Empire, around the country, and in many other parts of the world.

The SBM is striving for continual improvement in its business education program. The faculty and I welcome any constructive comments or input that would make business education more than just a "decent" program, but rather one that is noted for its excellence.
Les Miserables: The Review

By Trent Loveless
Staff Writer

A sweeping tale of love, crime, forgiveness, mistakes, and revolution has hit theaters with the force of a cannon shot. Gather the Revolutionaries, sit back with your bread and wine (uh, I mean grape juice), and prepare to be carried away into the newest rendition of Victor Hugo's remarkable story Les Miserables. Filled with an all-star cast, Les Mis promises to transport the viewer into the strange and wonderful world of 18th century France, far beyond bounds of the hit Broadway play.

Les Miserables tells the story of an ex-convict Jean Valjean, and his efforts to start a new life for himself upon release from prison. The plot revolves around a cat and mouse game between Valjean and the relentless Inspector Javert, and is interwoven with stories of young love, revolution, and incredible acts of kindness.

Valjean, played by Liam Neeson (Schindler’s List, Rob Roy) must not only contend with the relentless persecution of Javert (Geoffrey Rush), but is saddled with the burden of raising a young girl who he adopts as his own child. Promising the girl’s mother, played by Uma Thurman (Pulp Fiction, Batman and Robin), that he will protect her child, Valjean sets out on the most remarkable and difficult quest of his life. The challenge of raising little Cosette. As the years pass, Valjean finds himself face to face with not only the pressures of being a wanted man, but the impossibility of raising a teenage daughter. Along with the traditional adolescent problems, he must try to separate Cosette, played by Claire Danes (Romeo and Juliet, Little Women) from her love interest Marius, a radical revolutionary leader.

Les Miserables is a dramatic, intense film that caters to a wide variety of patrons. It’s smartly written story line does great justice to Hugo’s novel and the superb cast of actors make it very enjoyable. While encompassing something for almost everyone, the film does lack the small snippets of humor that keep it from being a truly outstanding film and thus creates a rather heavy atmosphere. Les Miserables is currently showing at the Edward’s Corona dollar theater, and is definitely worth the low admission price.
The Scene

By Miss Kitty
Staff Writer

THREADS

Chicks: Pedal pushers! Miss Kitty is going crazy for the pretty little cut-off pants to be found in denim and shiny colors (available from around $24 at Contempo). Try them with a short-sleeved twin suit (Nordstrom has good ones) and the new Wok shoes from John Fluevog (www.fluevog.com). The shoes are wooden with a different kind of platform underneath. Great sandals for summer! Limbo Lounge is also selling some interesting checkered and polka-dot dresses that look suitably retro (around $50). Popping up here and there are huge, alien-shaped sunglasses. Wear them with shiny pastel makeup.

Hepcats: Mod is a look Miss Kitty would like to see some more people in. Try slim suits, skinny ties, fine leather shoes, and Italian shirts. Tight anything is good--and slimming as well!! Otherwise, the rave scene has influenced lots of guy clothes. Accessorize almost anything with plastic jewelry and chains. Square-framed glasses are excellent, in heavy black frames or other colors. The Adidas trend is over among the really trendy. Really short or slightly long fringed hair are two good options--live fast and dye your hair (as Manic Panic says). Baseball caps do nothing for anyone, and backwards sunglasses look like gang members. Try wrap-around psychedelic sunglasses instead, and just spike hair up with a little gel.

ANSWERS

Dear Miss Kitty: How can I find the colors that are best for me? I look really washed out in black and I don’t think lime green suits me very well.

Love always, Color-challenged in Angwin

Color-challenged, my dear, you are not alone. Everyone has a certain group of colors that suit them the best, and would do well to think about this issue. There are four main groups (winter, summer, spring, and fall, as divided in “Color Me Beautiful”). Dark-haired and dark-skinned people are usually either winter or fall. Winter is the only group that can wear black, pure white, pure red, and dark navy blue. You’re a winter if these are your best colors. If you look good in cool colors, but are blond or find black too dramatic, summer is your best bet. Summers should go for lighter blues, pink, silver, light gray, and other pastels. If you look really good in moss green or brown-red, you’re probably a fall. Other colors for fall are any shade of brown, tan/khaki, mustard, and warm dark gray. Warm blondes and red-heads are often spring. ONLY spring types should wear lime green. Other good colors are warm yellow, caramel, pale orange, and gold. Flatter yourself--think about color!!

PEOPLE

Eva Pascal has her moments: good platform boots, tan pants, fabulous hair, and an animal-print shirt. But lay off the gym clothes! They are meant for working out! Carrie Lewis’ pants are excellent, and she does some good shoes. Macarena Tapia does fab stuff with her hair and does dress-down cool well. Miss Kitty has to mention the disco cool of Chad Woofter, and of course the sideburns!

Suneel Mathudhu expressed a wish to be mentioned in this column--consider it done, Suneel.

Darren Chan has great attitude and glasses.

LEISURE

Miss Kitty loves going out to eat. One of her favorite places is Grapeleaves (off University, to the left when you exit the 91). They serve good Mediterranean/Arab food. Try the Mezze 1 for an assortment of Arab appetizers with free bread that will fill up at least two people. Nearby, on 3639 Main, is Simple Simon’s, a great place for breakfast and lunch. Their sandwiches, especially those with pesto spread, are delicious. “The Last Days of Disco” just opened—see it, love it, live it.

Love to all style fiends from Miss Kitty!!

Brickyard Bristo
Today, June 2
Immediately
After Chapel
In front of SALSU
Due to a perceived climate of suppressed discontent on campus, La Sierra’s administration is finding new ways to reach out to students and encourage across-the-board communication. One of the new initiatives enacted, as recommended by the integrated marketing team, will be the quarterly Focus Group meetings, the first set of which was held this past week. Administration is reaching out to students to improve “customer service” and allow for better “feedback,” but attendance has been surprisingly low. This forum for facilitating communication is practically unknown to the student body, precisely because communication needs work.

Many students don’t realize the weight their opinions carry with La Sierra’s administrators. One of La Sierra’s goals is to improve student satisfaction with the university, and to do this they have to get “feedback” on what the students think. Administration has even begun interviewing non-returning students to check up on the LSU experience. Over the telephone, ex-students are asked if there was anything the university could have done differently. Current students’ opinions are even more valuable. The Focus Groups are designed to become an environment where students can safely and anonymously voice their opinions. These meetings are taken very seriously by the administration, and information gleaned from the meeting is passed on to those units on campus who received positive or negative comments.

The meetings are held in three sets—one for freshmen, one for sophomores, and a combined meeting for juniors and seniors. The quarterly, roughly one-and-a-half hour, meetings include a free meal and are loosely structured to encourage a free flow of ideas. Two or three administrators sit down with the students who are able to show up and prepare to take notes. Students are allowed to speak their minds on a wide range of topics. There are only four specific questions asked: What do you see as the strengths of the university? Its weaknesses? Are there any opportunities we should be made aware of that we aren’t taking advantage of? and are there any internal or external threats to the university that we aren’t addressing? Beyond these, students are asked to speak frankly about any other issues.

The administrators who facilitate these meetings do their best to stay out of the students’ way as they share their opinions. Even if a speaker is voicing patently incorrect information, the facilitators won’t interrupt. They will take a moment after the meeting to continue.
The Nature of Wellness Fights Animal Testing

By Laura Chen
Guest Writer

Picture, if you will, the fuzzy, funny, warm-hearted character of Rafiki in Disney's The Lion King. Now imagine a baboon—like Rafiki—in an experimental lab, lying flat on an operating table, its head forced into an iron-like mask, its fingers clenched in fear. When the sharp, merciless machines begin pounding away at its tiny head, the baboon cannot even cry out in pain. The researchers have cut out its vocal chords. They have given the baboon no anesthesia or painkillers. It writhes in agony as the machines beat into its skull over and over again. The researchers are attempting to evaluate the effects of head-on car collisions on the brain. Obviously the brain damage is severe in this case, as the baboon takes numerous slaps and punches from the researchers who are wondering if he will dodge them or not. Not.

This really happened. And scenes like this are not rare. In fact, they are very common. Scenarios like this one and worse are all part of what is considered “science technology,” or, more specifically, animal testing. A new group, The Nature of Wellness, pioneers for animal rights in order to stop the insensitive and inhumane experiments performed on defenseless animals.

“If your dog got sick and were dying, do you believe it would be medically and scientifically possible to find a cure for Fido by experimenting on your healthy Uncle George?” The Nature of Wellness asks. Ridiculous! Yet millions of people believe that it is possible to find cures for human diseases by experimenting on healthy, non-human animals.

The Nature of Wellness claims that animal research cannot work, and its reasons are simple:

Every species is a biologically different entity. Non-human animals possess different genetic makeups that are largely different from human beings.

Animals react differently to chemicals, not only differently from humans, but different from each other. Aspirin kills cats. Penicillin kills guinea pigs. Yet sheep can drink enormous amounts of arsenic without even becoming ill. Obviously human reactions to each of these drugs is much different. There are huge differences in the immune systems of humans and other animals, for example, rats drink sewer water and cats lick dirt off their bodies without getting sick.

Human diseases cannot be recreated in animals. Once a disease is “recreated,” it is artificial and is no longer the original, natural disease the body literally produced.

Experimentation often does more harm than good since we depend on the results of animal testing as being correct. Humans and our environment are being poisoned by thousands of pesticides and toxicants that are routinely found “safe” based on invalid and misleading animal tests. “Experimental research with animals is the greatest fraud in the entire field of science and medicine,” says Christopher Anderegg, M.D., Ph.D., who heads The Nature of Wellness’ 11-member medical advisory committee. Dr. Anderegg, a 1987 graduate of the Yale University School of Medicine, has previously worked as an animal experimenter in several laboratories including the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zurich, Switzerland. He has since dedicated his efforts to fighting such experimental procedures after realizing the futility and dangers of experimenting with animals. “Human medicine cannot be based on veterinary medicine,” Dr. Anderegg states. “It is only through the use of truly scientific methods which are directly relevant to people that we can hope to understand the causes of human diseases and find their cures.”

The president and vice president of The Nature of Wellness have produced a 60-minute documentary film that highlights actual footage of experiments performed on animals in underground labs. During the last 24 months, Hidden Crimes has aired in approximately 500 separate segments on cable systems all over the country. The video shows shocking scenes of animals being cruelly and brutally abused. A pig is doused with flammable liquid and then scorched with fire so that researchers may test the effects of first-degree burns. Chemicals are poured into a cat’s eyes and its corneas are literally burned off so that researchers can determine whether a particular antiseptic is harmful. Dogs are placed in isolation for months at a time and eventually develop mental disorders so that researchers may document the results of loneliness and depression.

These images may seem mild on paper, but to see it with your own eyes is a different experience, one which you will never forget. It is heart-wrenching, mind-boggling, and most of all, completely unnecessary.

The advocates at The Nature of Wellness hope that viewers and readers will assist them in the prevention of further animal testing. If you remain unconvinced about the horrors of animal testing, they would be glad to send you brochures, pamphlets, and more information about their mission. Hidden Crimes, a documentary film, is available for purchase through the society for $15 dollars. If nothing else, let the shocking images in this film convince you.

“We offer true hope,” claims The Nature of Wellness. “After all, our way, we will no longer end up being the real guinea pigs.”

For more information or to contribute a tax-deductible donation contact The Wellness Society at:

P.O. Box 10400—Dept. DM—Glendale—CA—91209 (818) 790-6384

Or visit their website: www.animalresearch.org

Disclaimer: This article was strictly intended to review this one particular organization. I do not claim to be the expert consultant on animal research, nor do I have all the facts. If this article seems biased, well, that’s because it is.
As Flies to Manure

By Kristy Marson
Guest Writer

Did you notice that as it got warmer, when you walked on the grass it seemed to be making lots of buzzing sounds? It was the darn flies. Sure they are drawn to poop, but when all else is lacking, they go to the cool shade of a tree; of which we have, approximately, a lot of here. So, all of you that hated the cold weather and rain please, thank El Nino for getting rid of many flies.

Talking about annoying things, I was just noticing that the desk here is very dusty. Dust! That stuff is so pointless! If it was useful for even just one thing, I could make myself accept its existence. However, it isn’t good for anything; it doesn’t make anything grow or look nice. What a terrible inconvenience to those of us that like cleanliness! (If you are including yourselves into this group, most likely you shouldn’t be. When you get to your room do the finger test [Directions below] on the windowsill.)

Directions for the finger test: place your index finger on the sill; run your finger along the surface; look at finger. If your finger is clean (or looks like it is clean), you can pat your back; you are an official Clean Person. However, if there is a coating of grayish brown particles on your finger, shame on you! You are not taking proper care of your sill, and action should be taken immediately to remedy that. Your first thoughts are that you will let your roommate do the cleaning, but then your conscience gets the better of you and you realize that it is your duty to rid your room of that awful stuff. Under your sink, you have some lemon Pledge and think that that will be the perfect cleaner because it will make the room smell nice too. Nevertheless, be forewarned: a potent smell may occur; if you don’t have a screen on your window, don’t try this at home.

I was once cleaning my windowsill and thought that I would be smart and use some lemon Pledge (as all smart people are prone to do). I sprayed on a thick coating of it, since the sill was very dirty, and let it sit for a spell to soak up the dust. Then I began to wipe up the mess with an old rag. The rag soon became saturated, so I proceeded to rinse it off. When I returned to finish the sill, an entire pack of bees greeted me, no not just a pack, the entire hive was swarming around my window!

I used my wonderful sense of logic and deduced that they had been attracted to the lemon smell, which had brought them in droves from everywhere in the vicinity to reap from this obvious explosion of some very large lemon supply. I then started thinking that if I sprayed some of the Pledge on them they would go away, but unfortunately that didn’t work. Sure they didn’t like it, but they came back every time very upset. Finally, I covered up the smell of the Pledge with Windex (also something you shouldn’t do at home [didn’t your mom ever tell you not to mix chemicals?]!). It worked and they went away.

So clean your sills with Windex and watch out for flies in port-a-potties.

Squirrels and La Sierra cont.

committees as flexible as the policies security uses to determine where we can park. The cafeteria was serving some of the same food that we just ate today at lunch including those chips that did seem rather dry (six years out in the open will do that to chips). However, if one just focused on the lasagna in which the chips were found, one could still enjoy one’s open food.

At La Sierra in 1992, people were flocking to the Stahl Center to see Charles Teel parade around with real live Incas. That’s right. At this time, there was no such thing as Global Village, but there was such a thing as real live Incas. Indeed, those students foolish enough to be late to one of Dr. Teel’s classes were sacrificed to the god of the Incas. This punishment was almost worse than being forced to memorize all the ingredients in all the drinks that were served at the Eagle’s Nest. Indeed, some teachers dispensed the second option in an attempt to increase the average LSU student’s capacity for memorization. To some extent it was successful, or so I’ve heard. I don’t personally recall.

The Art Department was going through a difficult phase in 1992 as no one seemed to know where it was. There are myriad tales of students with the best intentions of pursuing art careers after a training alone seemed to know where it was. There are myriad tales of students with the best intentions of pursuing art careers after a training at La Sierra but having to choose rival schools after it was discovered that no one really knew where the Art Department was. The Visual Arts Center was thought to be a metaphysical mirage. People thought that they had seen it but upon closer examination they really did not know where it was. This dilemma still exists today as many people on campus struggle with the question of “Where is the Art Department?” In fact this question has reached such proportions that it is now one of the primary concerns of our religion professors on campus who believe that the answer to this question will reveal secrets such as why it is that sometimes in the cafeteria, the line to purchase one’s food is longer than the distance up the 2375 steps to Sierra Towers.

One of the most important things to know about La Sierra in 1992 was that it was home to the largest squirrel population per square mile in the world. As we see today, this tradition has not changed today and it helps to ensure that La Sierra retains its place as home to the largest number of squirrels in southern California. La Sierra will help to ensure that La Sierra retains its place as home to the largest number of squirrels in southern California. La Sierra will continue to be home to squirrels and will not turn any away. I am proud that I will soon be an alumnus of such a squirrel-tolerant institution.
Focus Groups cont.

rect the individual, but the leaders are there “to listen to what students feel,” says Tom Smith, vice president of enrollment services, chair of the integrated marketing team and one of the coordinators of the program. “We aren’t there to guide the conversation, but to stimulate it.”

In an attempt to reach the widest cross-section possible, a list is compiled of students that equally represents men and women, commuters and residents of dorms, transfers and ongoing students, Seventh-day Adventists and other religious affiliations. From this list is randomly selected a group of twelve per class grouping. In the first set of meetings, only five or six student representatives actually showed up. “Students are busy people, and even if they tell you they will be there, sometimes they can’t make it. Things happen,” said Tom Smith. This low turn out limits the variety of opinions presented to the administration, and may not accurately present the student body’s position. The only way to rectify this is to participate. How does one go about getting on this list? Interested students can contact recruitment and request to be included, but the random nature of the choosing process will not guarantee you a spot at the next meeting.

Even though they have only convened once, administration has “been excited about the meetings,” says Tom Smith. There have been some excellent critiques and some “great ideas” suggested.

Of course, the Focus Groups are never intended to become the only venue for students to voice their opinions. Other outlets for students include the Town Hall meetings and private appointments with administrators. La Sierra adheres to an “open-door” policy, so drop-ins are usually welcome, but it would be advisable to make an appointment if you want to bring along a sizable group.

Many forums exist for disgruntled students to be heard, and new ones are currently being implemented. If there are problems on campus that communication can heal, students need to make sure they take advantage of both the old and new venues.
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3 | Tuesday Tunes: Dead Week |
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5 | Senior Class Ice Cream Feed, Alumni Center |
6 | 7p "As You Like It", Clough Park |
7 | 7:30p Jaewon Yoon, violin, Performer's Certificate Recital, HMA |
8 | Sunset: 7:57 PM |
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