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Fleeting fame



Troy Hinerman, a salesman at Guitar Center on El Cajon Boulevard, selects one out of about 159

The Daily Aztec/Robert Gram different styles of drumsticks for real rockers and fantasy ones.

Music stores cash in on rock hype

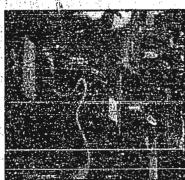
By Jeffrey Berend Daily Aztec staff writer

The sound of speed-metal guitar blazes through stacks of Marshall amplifiers at one end of tho store. The crash of drumsticks striking cymbals envelops the room, while a smooth jazz chord is played on a Fender Rhodes keyboard.

Dollars are exchanged for dreams.

Hoping to get their share of Andy Warhol's 15 minutes of fame, musicians flood into the eight music shops on El Cajon Boulevard — just a few blocks from SDSU.

The "Miracle Mile" of music stores is hard to miss. There's a shop on almost every corner, with bold signs in the windows



claiming "Thousands of Guitars" and "Outrageous Deals."

Some of the customers at the stores buy and play instruments for the pure essence and soul of music, while others are drawn by the hype and glitz of rock 'n' roll.

The idea of huge stage shows and world tours brings them in.

Visions of wailing on a guitar like Eddie Van Halen or drumming like Omar Hakim make customers want to cash their paychecks and head for their local guitar

At least that's what the stores are hoping for.

"We sell dreams, flash," said Brian Thoryk, a manager at Guitar Center. "It's sizzle. We get doctors and lawyers and all sorts of people who want that image."

It's all those folks - and their money - who have made music a million-dollar industry for shops on the boulevard. Selling instruments has long been a profitable business locally, but a few years ago the music retail business boomed - thanks to Music Television.

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Equity in education discussed in speech

'A legacy of discrimination'

By Leslie Keesling Daily Aztec staff writer

The 19th-century ideals of rugged individualism and the "self-made man" are myths that will lead to the downfall of this nation, especially in the case of education, said Herbert Carter, executive vice chancellor of the California State University system.

"If we do not take care to preserve the humanity of all who walk this land and show them their potential. we shall sow the seeds of alienation," Carter said in a speech Tuesday night to a group of students, faculty and administrators in Casa

Carter spoke of the need for educational equity and affirmative action in the CSU system and across the nation. He explained that California is experiencing phenomenal population growth, particularly in the way of ethnic minorities.

By the year 2005 the majority of the state's expected population of 35 million will be people of color, which will cause a special need for higher education for such people, Carter said.

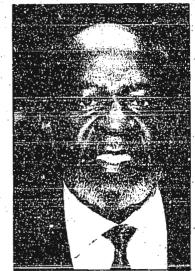
"These children are a legacy of discrimination and they must overcome poverty and prejudice," Carter

'We are responsible for overcoming the lingering societal expectation" that these children will not succeed, he said.

Universities nationally have not done their fair share of recruiting ethnic students, Carter said. The universities have not been "risk-takers," and hold the "self-made man" philosophy, he said.

He said the notion of self-reliance that universities have promoted is not conducive to educational equity and affirmative action.

"Those who see educational equity and affirmative action in this light see the nation's future in a weak and unpromising way," Carter said.



Herbert Carter

"How will we ensure common good unless we assure every child has a real epportunity to develop and be a contributing member to this world? Either we will build an inclusive socicty with opportunity for everyone or we will pay for it in ways we can't understand.'

Carter cited the philosophy as written in the preamble of the United States Constitution: "We the people of the United States, in order to form a more perfect union ..."

Carter said "we" in the Constitution symbolizes humankind struggling together for common goals and achievements. The nation's universities, including SDSU, must take heed of this idea when instilling affirmative action and educational equity.

SDSU President Thomas Day, who attended Carter's presentation, said he agreed with Carter that universities as well as society must address the issues of affirmative action and educational equity.

Day said the United States must be true to its principles of equality for everyone.

It was important for SDSU that Day chose to attend the speech, Carter said, because it showed his concern for promoting such issues.

There is some cause for real alarm'

budget may be affected by systemwide shortfall

By Bob Mazzeo Dally Aztec staff writer

Unless funds are found in the state budget to finance a California State University system deficit of \$80 million, SDSU may have to make cut-. backs in the future, said a university vice president Tuesday.

Albert Johnson, vice president for academic affeirs, said during the University Senate meeting that it was premature to discuss specific cutbacks or programs that would be affected.

"There are draconian ideas being considered," Johnson said. "One idea is to cut out the division of computing information resources at the Chancellor's Office. They have 150 employees."

Another idea is to tax the public Johnson said. five percent across the board, Johnson said.

"The budget problem could be very serious," Johnson said. "People in the Chancellor's Office are starting to use the word 'holocaust' to describe the situation. I hope that appropriately describes the seriousness of it."

The budget deficit has increased during the last three or four years because the CSU system spent money for certain obligations not funded in the state budget by Gov. George Deukmejian, Johnson said.

"Given the current status of budget receipts for the next year and given the uncertainty of Propositions 108 and 111, there is some cause for real alarm about next year's budget,"

Propositions 108 and 111, if passed by voters, would change Gann spending limits for the purpose of providing adequate future funding for SDSU and other CSU campuses. Johnson warned that educators shouldn't depend too heavily on the passage of these propositions.

"There has been wide amount of speculation - not even speculation, (but) assertion - that if the overturning of the Gann limit should pass, that's our salvation," Johnson said. "That is not necessarily true."

There will be some hard choices to make if voters fail to pass the propositions or if state tax revenues fail to increase, Johnson said. Even if the propositions pass, there will be no simple answers on how to come

up with \$80 million, he said.

Johnson said that one of the primary causes of the deficit has been the merit salary adjustment for nonfaculty, which has amounted to almost \$7 million.

All the Gann limit modification does is remove some of the restrictions on spending, Johnson said.

"Unless there are comparable increases in receipts, there is nothing to spend," Johnson said. "The prediction in December was that (state revenues) were falling significantly behind expectations by a quarterbillion dollars,"

A revision of the state budget in May will reveal whether enough monies exist to fund the CSU budget, Johnson said.



Albert Johnson

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MTV made it seem possible for anyone to become a rock star. People can now watch the "rock 'n' roll fantasy" on their televisions 24 hours a day.

At the same time, new technology in music brought the synthesizer and MIDI equipment to an apex. Advertisements showing how easy it could be to play music opened doors for aspiring rockers everywhere.

They go to the stores in search of the "big sound."

"There's no better rush than the power of playing loud," said Tim Ramage, an employee of American Dream Music. "It's like playing cowboys and Indians when you were a kid.'

The influx of technology also brought some pretty lofty price tags for state-of-the-art equipment. Thousand-dollar guitars, amplifiers, keyboards, drums and computerized samplers are becoming standard in the stores.

"We sell guitars that range from \$200 to \$3,000," Thoryk said. "People want to play whatever the hottest guys are playing, and that stuff is usually the most expensive."

The influence of music like techno-pep and rap has added to the demand for high-tech equipment, Thoryk stated.

Some claim technology is replacing musicians. Today, digital samplers can take the sound of a saxophone, program it in and forever replicate that instrument.

In a studio, one person and a keyboard can replace an entire orchestra: no need to hire studio musicians when the job can be done faster by a computer.

Instrument technology has been blamed for taking work from musicians, and forgoing individualism and personality in music.

Thoryk argued that there will

always be a demand for live music, and people haven't yet learned how to correctly use the technology.

Workers at the stores agreed the crescendo of technology can't go too much farther, and that people will

start going back to the basics.

"Everybody's so jammed up with technology they can't keep up," Ramage said. "It's to the point where it's like a checkmate situation."

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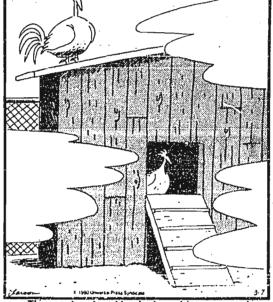
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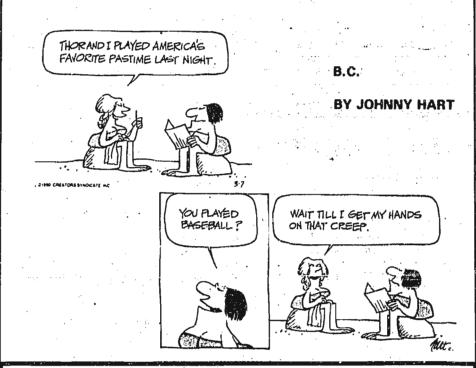
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The rooster stared back at me, his power and confidence almost overwhelming. Down below, a female paused warily at the coop's entrance. I kept the camera running. They were beautiful, these "Chickens in the Mist."

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More Pizza For Your Dough

Vitamin supplements not vital

By Katie Deininger Daily Aztec staff writer

True or false: Vitamin and mineral supplements are always necessary for a balanced diet.

True or false: Taking more vitamins or minerals than you really need is never harmful.

If you answered true to one or both of these, you could be damaging your health, not to mention spending money on supplements you don't need.

Vitamin and mineral supplements are probably not necessary for a balanced diet if enough dairy, meat, fruits and vegetables and grains are eaten, said Anna Lopez, a health educator at SDSU's Health Services.

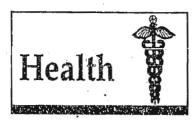
The amount of food someone needs to cat varies according to height, weight and activity level, Lopez said.

"The average person with a balanced diet shouldn't need vitamins," Lopez said.

If you are allergic to or don't like certain foods, or if you are eating less than 1,200 calories a day, a vitamin and mineral supplement might be a good idea, said Margo Avery, a health lecturer in SDSU's Family Studies department.

Avery recommends multivitamin and mineral supplements that provide 100 percent of the U.S. Recommended Daily Allowances for such nutrients as iron, vitamin D, vitamins B6 and B12 and folic acid, to name a few.

Exceeding RDA limits or taking too much of one vitamin or mineral can have toxic effects or it can block



Tips on buying healthy vitamins

When buying supplements, it is important to make sure that the vitamins and minerals are balanced so that they react properly with one another, Roy Vartabedian writes in his book, "Nutripoints, The Breakthrough Point System for Optimal Nutrition."

Buy supplements that are close to, but no more than 100 percent of, the recommended daily allowances. If they far exceed the RDAs, they should be avoided. Variabedian writes.

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"Natural" vitamins are no more effective than "synthetic" vitamins, according to Variabedian.

Vitamins are best when used fresh and become ineffective over time. If there is no proven nutritional need for certain vitamins, as in the case of lecithin and vitamin B-15, don't buy them.

Take vitamins while esting a well-balanced meal. Some evidence indicates a few are best taken on an empty stomach, but this hasn't been proven conclusively.

the body's absorption of other nutrients, said Roy Vartabedian in a book published this year entitled "Nutripoints, The Breakthrough Point System for Optimal Nutrition."

For example, in some cases, too much vitamin A can cause death because the liver can't process it, according to Variabedian. In his book, he cites Eskimos who won't cat vitamin A-rich polar bear liver because they know it will kill them.

"It's important to remember that nutrients have to work in concert, and too much of one or another can be useless or even dangerous," Vartabedian writes in his book. "For example, increasing zinc intake by only 3.5 milligrams per day above the RDA of 15 milligrams a day can decrease copper retention as well as interfere with calcium absorption."

If a supplement is needed, the \$3 bottle of multivitamins that includes 15 or 20 vitamins and minerals within RDA standards is usually as effective as the \$10 bottle, Avery said.

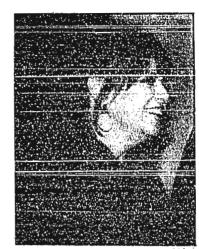
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'They blow dry their brains instead of their hair. And they're not all blondes and not all women.'

 Linda Ellerbee, on some of today's news anchors

Ellerbee hurls barbs, sheds light on media

By Adrian Vore Dally Aztec city editor

She's spent 17 years in television news, wrote a best-selling book and recently started her own production company. Not bad for a person who crammed for her first reporting job by reading textbooks for two days only to get fired later.

Such is the life for rather unconventional Linda Ellerbee — writer, journalist, producer and coffee salesperson. And her talk Monday evening to a packed Casa Real audience showed off her independence.

She was supposed to open SDSU's College of Extended Studies four-part lecture series on the news media by speaking about "Women, Men and Media." Instead, she took a different path to rail on certain elements in her profession as well as defend others, talk about her life, answer questions and entertain the crowd with funny anecdotes and one-liners.

Here's a sampling of some Ellerbee-isms.

On the all-fluff and no-stuff anchors (she calls them "twinkies") that grace newscasts across the country: "They blow dry their brains instead of their hair. And they're not all blondes and not all women."

On political debates: "They're more choreographed than the Bolshoi Ballet."

On reporters asking people who have just experienced a tragedy how they feel: "It's the act of a moral

dwarf and such people should be fired."

On keeping her career in perspective: "News is important but it's not serious. ... You can get another job but not another family."

The 45-year-old Ellerbee, who was without her trademark big glasses (she wears contacts now), told how she left college after two years to get married. A few years later, her husband left her.

She ended up sending letters to every newspaper and wire service in the country asking editors to gamble on her because she knew she could do the job.

She received an answer from the Associated Press in Dallas that told her she could take some tests and see what happens. She flew to Dallas, went to Southern Methodist University, bought all the textbooks for Journalism 101, checked into a motel and read them in 48 hours. She took the test, was hired — and later fired.

One night in 1972, Ellerbee said, she wrote a letter to a friend on one of the AP's computer terminals. She ripped on the country's role in the Vietnam war, Dallas papers and Dallas itself. The letter mistakenly went out over the wires.

She lost her job, but she received offers for several more. One was from a Houston station where the news director liked her "funny" writing.

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Gas tax unfair, unworkable

Gov. Deukmejian's uphill battle seems to be running out of gas.

The governor's desire to raise the tax on gasoline — Proposition 111 the state's need to improve and expand roads, but voters are against the increase. Roughly 36 percent of those taking part in a Los Angeles Times poll supported the tax increase, while 49 percent opposed it and 15 percent were undecided. The governor's problem as the proposition's main proponent is that these numbers need to change before the June vote.

Logistics surrounding the poll are predictable. The tax would affect poorer citizens more than the wealthy, and is therefore opposed by low-income people, blue-collar workers and women. White-collar workers, men and people with higher incomes are

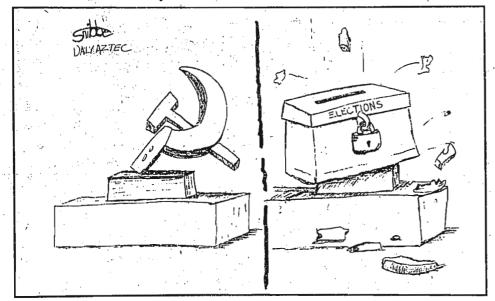
The tax is unfortunate because it is levied unfairly. Those who can least afford the tax will be taxed as much as those who can easily do so.

The gas tax is only one example of how the tax system in this country is unfair. But here is the timeless dilemma: How does a government afford to operate without reducing individual incentive?

In the Soviet Union and other socialist or communist countries, taxes have broken individual incentive. The tax rate in Sweden is so high that ambitious individuals leave that country to avoid losing their wealth. Not exactly an altruistic move, but understandable just the same.

Therefore, the Soviet Union is once more the bad guy and the United States wears the white hat, no? No! The problem in our own back yard is one of misdirected incentive. Case in point: On the cover of the Los Angeles Times' Southern California Job Market supplement comes the questioning headline, "Is There More Than Money?" From the same confused attitude comes the confused question, "How Can America Solve Its Problems?" Unfortunately, there's probably a cause-and-effect relationship between

Anyone on the SDSU campus with an answer to the incentive/greed tax dilemma can stop by The Daily Aztec offices in the Professional Studies and Fine Arts building, room 361. If mailed, the stamp is not tax-deductible.



Some good reasons to get involved in your local A.S.

What is Associated Students?

Here at SDSU, A.S. is a \$7 million nonprofit organization, with a portion of that money raised from your registration fees, run by a board of directors — A.S. Council made up of elected student representatives from the seven colleges, undeclared students, the five ethnic organizations and several other appointed positions. The purpose of the A.S. Council is to set policy for all managed programs, and to review and approve the budget, providing programs and services for everyone on campus, including faculty and staff.

The A.S. Council is aided in this endeavor by 10 boards and committees ranging from the Finance Board to the Recreation Board. It is the recognized leader among student-body organizations in the CSU system. Furthermore, the A.S.-run Aztec Center was ranked fourth nationally among student unions in a New York Times education supplement. In addition, when the Student Activity Center opens, our A.S. will be the only student-body organization operating a major on-campus arena facility. With all this recognition, it is a shame that more students aren't knowledgeable about A.S., and more involved. In last spring's A.S. elections, only 11.7 percent of the student population voted.

A.S. President Kevin Faulconer says many students just don't want to get involved. He adds, though, that there is a lack of awareness amoung students that many of the activities in which they participate are overseen by A.S. These activities include concerts at the Open Air Theatre, bowling at Aztec Center, Comedy Night at Monty's Den, intramural sports and many others.

I hope some of these things would be encouragement enough to get you more involved with A.S. because, whether you actively participate or not, many A.S. decisions made during your years here do involve

Another major reason to get involved with A.S. is that you are helping to pay for it! Every semester, when you send in your registration with that check for \$423, about \$51 is directed to A.S. Of that \$51, \$25 is set aside for the Student Activity Center that will begin construction in the not-so-distant future. The rest of those A.S. dollars go to cover the many A.S. facilities, programs and services. So you can now see that you have a financial involvement with A.S. Like the saying goes, you should get your money's worth.

Yet another reason to get more involved is that you will gain some valuable experience and have a good time doing it. Active A.S. involvement can be a valuable experience and tun - maybe even something for your resume (there is nothing wrong with that).

How does one become involved in A.S.? Some easy ways are to go out to Comedy Night, go bowling, play on an intramural team, take a class at the Mission Bay Aquatic Center, attend a lecture or even eat at Aztec Center. Or take a few minutes and vote at election time the spring elections are right around the

If you want to play a more active part in decision-making, attend your own college council's meetings, where you can share ideas about activities you would like to see happen. You can also voice your viewpoint on issues affecting you and other students in your college or the school as a whole. Attending the meetings of one of the ethnic organizations is also a good place to get more involved. There, too, you can have powerful input on issues and activities of that organization or A.S. Most of the college councils and ethnic organizations meet weekly. To find out their specific meeting times and places, call the A.S. office at 594-6571.

Another major area of involvement would be to apply for a position on one of the A.S. boards or committees. Most are filled for this scinester, but there are still a few open seats available. On a board such as Cultural Arts, you can play a part in deciding on lecturers, artists and entertainers. If you are concerned with how A.S. is spending its money, then the Finance Board would be a good place for you. For more information on the boards and committees, contact the A.S. Office. If the seats on a board or committee are all full, you can still attend the meeting and apply for a seat next semester.

The single biggest step you could take is to run for a seat on the A.S. Council. As an elected representative from one of the college councils or as an executive officer, your role would be to see that students' interests are being met. Running for an office is a great way to get more involved.

I hope you have a better understanding of what A.S. is all about here at SDSU. The next time someone asks you, "What is A.S.?" you will be able to answer. Remember: A.S. can only be what students make of it; you are involved whether you participate or not, so participate.

Letters to the Editor

This is 'just one dude's opinion'

I'm writing this letter for two reasons: the current hubbub between United Student Freethinkers and the A.S. Council is pointless, and the concept of atheism is getting so muddled up in the process that it could use some redefining.

First things first. According to Jeff Stinchcomb, the writer of the March 1 front-page article, "... the group's religious or political orientation was the primary subject of the council's debate, because it does not generally fund those types of groups." How is this, when A.S. Council President Kevin Faulconer said, "There is nothing in our bylaws that says we can't fund political or religious groups"? This means that the council member who moved to retract the motion said - in a prepared statement - "To support atheists, the A.S. would have to support other religious groups to prove that we're not biased." Well, if it because they are anti-communist"? I

doesn't sound like you are already biased against "... those types of groups"!

John McCready is coming across like a major jerk in his angry claims that his group is not "... capital N-O-T, a religious group." But he does have a right to be mad. A.S. Council approved USF's funding "without discussion," and now, two weeks later, they decide that they don't want to fund them after all. I've even been hearing rumors that question the validity of the council's ability to rescind a motion that has been moved, seconded and passed, and that the only option they should have is some sort of modification, not a retraction. The council shouldn't be able to change its mind like this, and there shouldn't be a problem with whether or not groups are religious or political in the first place. Truly, a pointless situation.

Now, about atheism: Is it religious, or is this - as McCready said in the Feb. 28 article - "... as stupid as saying they (Young Americans for Freedom) are communists

think a better argument could've been made if he'd related anarchism to government instead. After all, is an anarchist a kind of politician? Is an atheist a kind of priest? Or are both social reformers instead?

Though I don't like to classify people, I suppose I must be an atheist. I honestly believe that religion is not that far from mythology in that most of it is just an explanation of the unknown by men who, at that time, didn't understand the sciences of physics, astronomy, meteorology and so on. A decent part of any religion (some more than others) also deals with how to live "the good life" (as my World Religion professor once put it), and has therefore been vital in (what's been for the most part) the peaceful development of man. I do appreciate this fact, but I just find it a bit out of date in our modern world.

There is one real contribution I have seen in religion, and that is the occasionally occurring belief in an afterlife of one sort or another. Without a religion I feel a great deal of anxiety concerning death and my mortality, and sometimes truly wish I could bring myself to believe in a paradise or utopia, but I know that I can't - and I accept that. I have no

hopes that religion will vanish any day soon, because I know that its purpose as a spiritual guide and support is still important in today's modern world.

reading.

Erik Sugimura undeclared sophomore

'Stand-up Thinker' should take a seat

Is it just me, or does everyone think Loren Hecht has her head up her ass? Well, apparently she does, in lieu of her segment abut the "extraordinary invention of the modern-day toilet."

What is her fascination with fecal matter all about? Personally, when I leave a "load" of "immeasurable loveliness" (as she puts it), I have no desire to hang around and contemplate it. And the times I have noticed it, I've never seen any message from God about its significance. Loren ... pull your head out ... it's just shit!

My questions to you, Loren, are: What do you do if you walk into a stall where someone has forgotten to

flush? Do you rejoice in the chance to ponder the meaning of some anonymous stranger's existence? Why not just crap into a Petri dish? It will last a lot longer, and may give This has been nothing more than you some deep message that might just one dude's opinion. Thanks for not be evident in the brief and fleeting toilet visit. What about diarrhea? What would you do if, as Thomas Sieck suggests, you had to wipe someone else's ass? Imagine the possibilities!

I think it's time you consider changing your title from "The Standup Thinker" to "The Sit-down Thinker."

Cameron Davis graphic design freshman

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From there it was off to New York and later the networks, where she was at the helm of "NBC Overnight," the ABC series "Our World" and worked on several projects.

Her latest project is her own production company, which will make documentary films. It was to save the one-time financially troubled company that she did the Maxwell House coffee commercial, which became a target for media critics. She admitted she sold out, but the money she received from the commercial saved her company.

In between her jokes, Ellerbee brought the

crowd to a hush when she told of the media's arrogance.

"They are absolutely convinced they are smarter than you." She said that NBC news anchor Tom Brokaw once told her that the news is approached on the assumption that the audience has never heard of Lebanon.

But she also defended the press from those who are too quick to criticize it. She once received a letter from a person who called her "Ms. Killerby" for not praising "patriotic" Ollie North.

"Media facts don't stop being facts because you don't like them," Ellerbee said.

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'My life has changed'

He's drug-free — at last

By Audrey Wolfe Daily Aztec staff writer

At first glance, John Macaulay seems like he has it all. The Stanford graduate and former San Francisco 49er center is a medical student at UCSD. He lives off investments made from his six-figure income during his five years as an NFL player.

But Macaulay is also a recovering drug addict. He readily admits the past eleven months have been especially miraculous—he has been free from alcohol and drugs and wants others to be aware of their dangers.

He talked openly Tuesday afternoon about his addictions at the Free Speech Area. The event was sponsored by Student to Student as part of National Collegiate Drug Awareness Week.

Macaulay, 30, grew up in Bonita and said he started abusing alcohol and drugs just like everyone else — by stealing beers from his parents' refrigerator.

He said his addictions started in high school. He was taller than his friends and liquor store employees didn't "card" him so he purchased all the alcohol for his friends



John Macaulay

in an effort to gain acceptance, he said. At Stanford he abused more drugs and his addictions continued.

"Everyone wants to check out my Super Bowl ring and I can't tell you the number of times I put it up for money to go cop dope," Macaulay said.

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Music

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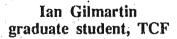
What would you like to see change at SDSU?



Lorna Lounsbery freshman, undeclared

"Better on-campus housing. It should be more affordable. You are never able to get a hot shower except at 2 a.m.

a hot shower except at 2 a.m.
"The meal card system sucks even if you don't eat—they still deduct it. The unused portion should be returned at the end of the semester."



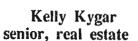
"They should solve the overcrowding problem. There are too many students for such a small campus. Enrollment should be cut back or they should have a transportation system so some of the parking lots can be used to build classes."





Nathan Ramsey junior, mechanical engineering

Make it harder for people to get handicapped parking permits so only people who need them can have them. If people knew how hard it was ... they wouldn't abuse it."



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Lupe Talamantes senior, psychology

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Drug

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During the five years he was in the NFL, he said he abused all the drugs that the training room would give him. The NFL was aware of his abusive nature and kicked him out of the league. But his addictions continued, he said, and they included marijuana, cocaine, alcohol, speed, valium, narcotics and heroin — which nearly cost him an arm due to an abscess.

"I can't tell you enough about seeking recovery and how much my life has changed (since recovery). I feel like I'm able to love and be loved and I know what I want.

"I don't go along with a crowd in a peer pressure type situation because it's hip, slick and cool to be downing pitchers (of beer) or whatever the case may be. I see the ultimate dead end in that situation."

SDSU President Thomas Day, who spoke briefly at the event, said drug and alcohol abuse "destroys everything the university stands for."

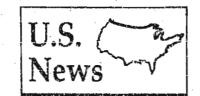
Family Channel has traditional values

LOS ANGELES — Weary of TV series about tough cops wasting drug lords and rapists? Jaded by talk-show interviews with "parents of slain prostitutes" or "lovers of suicidal AIDS victims"?

You won't find themes like those on the Family Channel, a burgeoning cable network that defines itself as much by what it doesn't show as what it does. The working philosophy is that at no time during its 24-hour programming schedule will you find anything that could make anyone in the family uncomfortable, uptight or out of sorts — watching alone or together.

"We felt that there was a dramatic need for a service devoted totally to traditional family values," said Tim Robertson, president of the 13-year-old Virginia-based network that grew out of his father Pat Robertson's Christian Broadcast Network. "That need has increased dramatically in the last three to four years."

Instead of jumping on the socalled "reality-" and "trash-TV" bandwagon, the Family Channel (designated "FAM" in listings) has filled its schedule with enough comedies, classic movies, Westerns, children's shows, dramas and adventures to make it the fifth-



largest basic cable network in the country. (USA, TNT, TBS AND ESPN are the top four).

The network can be seen in 48.5 million homes, about 43 million more than the other "family" network — the Disney Channel, on pay cable. The Family Channel is already presenting four original half-hour prime-time series, and with the expenditure of an additional \$100 million, it will soon have a total of eight.

"There is very little television fare left anymore that the average famly can sit down and watch together arter appin," said Jim Loper, executive director of the Television Academy of Arts and Sciences. "With the burgeoning number of channels out there — upwards of 50 most places — there definitely should be one that conveys this kind of material. (The Family Channel) is filling that gap."

Although it continues to air some religious programming, with three-

and-a-half hours of the "700 Club" daily as well as early-morning Bible shows, the mix is about 78 percent entertainment. And access to the channel has done nothing but grow — fron 28 million households in May 1985 to 35.8 million two years later, to its current 48.4 million houses.

"At 'FAM,' we say 'let's have programs that celebrate love and life,' "added Robertson. "Let's talk about values between husbands and wives and children, where they can have loving, caring relationships in which children aren't smart-alecks and the parents aren't buffoons. We feel there is a very clearly identifiable niche that exists there, for both viewers and cable operators alike."

So far that has meant an everrevolving spate of so-called "evergreen" series: Westerns such as "Bonanza," "Wagon Train," "Gunsmoke" and "The Big Valley"; family-centered sitcoms such as "Hazel" and "Father Knows Best"; and detective and spy series like "Hardcastle and McCormick," "Scarecrow and Mrs. King" and "Remington Steele."

But a large part of the channel's philosophy is to create original series that will sustain viewership. Last year the network aired "Bordertown," a Western with a twist. A small town that straddles the U.S.-Canadian border, it is ruled on one side by a gum-chewing, rough-hewn U.S. Marshal with an itchy trigger finger. On the other side is a clean-shaven, polished and polite Canadian Mountie who likes to do everything by the book. It became the No. 1 original series on basic cable.

Neither of the two principal characters drink or smoke, in keeping with the channel's philosophy that role models should not indulge those vices. Nor do any of the series portray easy acceptance of casual or extramarital sex.

Last month, the channel premiered "Zorro," a new series about the swashbuckling defender of old Spanish California. Filmed in Spain, the new series has challenged "Bordertown" (which is filmed in Vancouver) for the No. 1 spot.

In spite of the emphasis on series, the channel airs 10 to 12 original films each year as well. Coming this month will be "Zorro: The Legend Begins" — a two-hour special on the origins of the masked swordsman, and "Last Train Home," starring Ned Beatty.

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Now I grant you, this isn't a tragedy of epic proportions, but it sucks. Spring doesn't begin for me until baseball starts. These unions, committees and associations are messing with the national pastime.

If you haven't noticed, the sports section lately is becoming less and less of an escape route from the outside world. From the gut-wrenching death of a blossoming young superstar to cheating and point-shaving in college hoops, the world of sports is being invaded by reality. And where in this time of need are the boys of summer to soothe our worried minds?

They're sitting on their tails at a bargaining table.

It's time to play ball, guys. Ninety-nine times out of 100, I side with you against the fat-cat owners. But now the lockout appears to have come down to one issue: arbitration.

The owners want arbitration eligibility to remain at three years. This means a player has to play three years in the league before he can seek a raise via arbitration. The players union wants the limit rolled back to two years.

Commissioner Fay Vincent reportedly has proposed a standard of 21/2 years. Vincent said Donald Fehr, the executive director of the players association, rejected the proposal and offered no counterproposals.

Hey, players: Take it! The offer is more than reasonable. Saiaries are at an all-time high right now, and a half-year difference isn't going to kill anyone.

It's time for the players to prove that fan/team loyalty goes both ways. With salaries rising, ticket prices are bound to follow. The fans will still show up at the balipark.

But will the players? It's time to compromise, to get out there and play baseball. Show the fans that your loyalty to them is worth waiting an extra six months to get the Mercedes re-upholstered.

Nobody wants to lose games on the schedule. Remember I w lame 1981 ended up being? Ti season split in half, and eight teams made the playoffs. Baseball is a same of numbers: 60 feet, 6 inc., 3; nine innings; 90 feet and 162 games. To lose any of those games for somefling as dumb as saving face is unfair to everyone involved.

Players like Nolan Ryan, Bert Blyleven and George B an are in jeopardy of losing time they'll never get back in trying to climit up the record books. Young players will be losing key diamond time needed to mature and learn the game. And the ultimate irony is that all the players will be losing games that they need to count toward arbitration.

But as always in these type of disputes, it is the baseball fans who will lose out the most — no box scores. no cutting school to sit in the bleach-

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Dietz missing Aztec win

By DeRon Simon Daily Aztec sportswriter

San Diego State renewed its cross-town rivalry with the University of San Diego Tuesday, beating USD 7-2. That, however, wasn't the biggest developement of the day for the Aztec baseball team (11-6).

Nincteen-year veteran head coach Jim Dietz missed the game because of a reported irregular heartbeat. Dietz checked into a hospital yesterday for tests, which will continue through today with X-rays. A diagnosis will be made when the tests are completed.

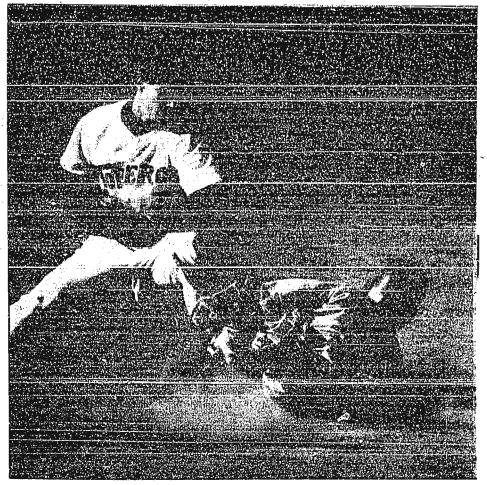
Dietz missed one game in '89 because his wife had surgery. He has never missed a game because of health reasons.

"For the last couple of weeks he's been complaining of pains in his right side," said assistant coach Gary Kondratek. "Carol (Dietz's wife) has been harping on him for a while, he finally got smart and had it checked out."

Dietz has been confined to four or five hours of work per day. His doctor has ordered him to refrain from any physical labor until the problem can be diagnosed. It is unknown when Dietz will be able to return to action. He will probably miss this weekend's series against the University of Nevada at Las Vegas.

Kondratek said that Dietz's condition may have been brought out by stress over the latest developments about his program's funding.

"He goes to bed every night worrying how he's going to pay the baseball program's bills," Kondratek said. "He doesn't even sleep at night.



The Daily Aztec/Anthony Tarantine

SDSU second baseman Scott Dennison slides into second safely as USD infielder Chad Boyd Please see DIETZ on page 13. tries to apply the tag. The Aztecs won 7-2.

Aztecs face Air Force in WAC tourney opener

By Mike Sullivan Daily Aztec sportswriter

The Western Athletic Conference men's tournament begins tonight in the Special Events Center in El Paso when eighth-seeded San Diego State meets ninth-seeded Air Force in the preliminary round of the tournament at 6:05 PST.

The winner of tonight's game will play WAC regular-season champion Colorado State tomorrow in the quarterfinals. SDSU (13-17, 4-12) finished the season by losing its last six games. The Falcons (10-19, 3-13) lost their first nine conference outings before improving during the second half of the WAC schedule.

"Air Force is playing well right now," said SDSU coach Jim Brandenburg, who on Monday had his contract extended through the 1992-93 season. "It's very important for us to play hard and play well. We think if we can get hot, we can do something in this tournament."

There are eight other WAC coaches entering the tournament with the same sentiments. Before the Aztecs can even worry about making a mark in the tournament, they have to beat Air Force.

The Aztecs and Falcons split their two meetings this season. SDSU won 72-68 in Colorado Springs on Jan. 13. Air Force won the rematch on Feb. 15 at the Sports Arena,

The Falcons are led by senior guard Ray Dudley, who was named first-team All-WAC for the second straight season. Dudley, averaging 21.5 points per game, led the WAC in scoring for the second consecutive

Dudley, who was hampered by a knee injury for most of the season, is the sixth-best scorer in WAC history with 2,116 points. He needs 16 points to surpass Arizona's Bob Elliott (1973-77) for fifth place.

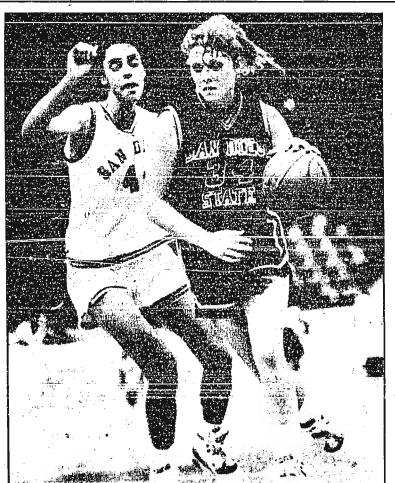
Senior playmaker Jeff Bowling joins Dudley in the backcourt. Bowling leads the conference in assists (7.0) and set a school record for most in a season (203). He has 426 for his

career, one short of Bob Djokovich's (1975-78) school mark. Bowling is Air Force's career leader in steals with 120.

SDSU will counter with junior Arthur Massey (7.0 ppg) and senior Rodney Jones (4.1) at guard. Massey scored a season-high 17 in SDSU's loss to Air Force.

Six-foot-four senior Michael Best will start along with 6-5 junior Michael Hudson at forward. Brandenburg has opted to go with a smaller, quicker lineup in the absence of junior center Marty Dow, who is out for the season after undergoing surgery Feb. 13 to repair a torn tendon in his right foot. Junior Neil

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The Dally Aziec/Jeff Lancaster Aztec forward Lori Lollis drives to the hoop in a past game at the Sports Arena. SDSU plays San Jose State in the first round of the Blg West Tournament.

Nevada-Las Vegas is tourney favorite

Aztecs oppose San Jose State

By Leanne Howard Daily Aztec sportswriter

Not many coaches are optimistic after a loss, especially after losing the last game of the season to be denied a perfect 18-0 Big West Conference record.

But then there's Nevada-Las Vegas coach Jim Bolla.

"It wasn't in my plans to be 25-2," Bolla said. "As for the (73-65) Fresno loss (the Lady Rebels' only conference loss of the season), if there's such a thing as a good loss, maybe that was it. We've had great practices ever

Don't forget, practice makes perfect.

"Our philosophy right now is we might be the No. 1 team but we have to come ready to play," Bolla said. "If we don', it's likely to be a long, long night."

It will be a long night for whichever team, San Diego State or San Jose State, gets the opportunity to play the Lady Rebels after their 14-day hiatus.

The seventh annual Big West

Tournament begins today at the Long Beach Arena with seventhseeded Pacific (7-11 in conference) playing 10th-seeded UC Irvine (0-18) at 1 p.m. Eighthseeded SDSU (6-12) plays ninthseeded San Jose State (2-16) at 3

First-round winners then will take on either top-seeded UNLV or second-seeded Hawaii on Thursday. The other first-round games will be played Thursday with the winners advancing to the quarterfinals Saturday afternoon. The championship game will be played at noon Sunday.

Here's a glance at the teams in order of regular-season finish:

UNLV Lady Rebels Coach: Jim Bolla (194-52, 9th

Season record: 25-2 overall, 17-1 Big West

Starters: Pauline Jordan, Sr., F-C, 6-3, 16.6 ppg., 12.3 rpg.; Linda Staley, Sr., G, 5-10, 9.7 ppg., 2.7 rpg.; Vicki Lander, Jr., G, 5-8, 12.2 ppg., 2.9 rpg.; Geannine Jordan, Sr., F-C, 6-2, 12.1



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Mental error gives SDSU softball loss

By Shaun O'Neill Daily Aztec sports editor

When a softball team with only one win on the season takes the nation's fifth-ranked team into the 13th inning, it has to be encouraging.

When the struggling team loses on a mental error, it has to be discouraging.

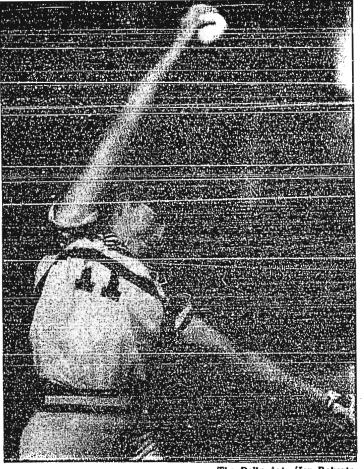
That's what happened Tuesday in San Diego State's 1-0 home loss to Cal State Fullerton.

The Aztecs (1-12) wasted an excellent effort by sophomore pitcher Sara Ahern (0-5) when they allowed a runner to score from third with two outs in the 13th on an illegal pitch. Sue Campbell stepped out of the catcher's box before Ahern could release the first pitch on an attempted intentional walk to Fullerton shortstop Charlotte Wiley.

"It's just unfortunate," said SDSU coach Linda Spradley. "It's unfortunate for the catcher; it's unfortunate for the team. We've done a lot of intentional walks before. Sue's never made a mistake like that."

The Aztecs made very few mistakes — especially Ahern. She allowed nine hits and just one walk in her 13 innings. But the only player who walked, Malia Ouzts, was also the only player who scored.

"In (Ahern's) last four starts, she's pitched better and better," Spradley said. "She's really



The Dally Aztec/Jay Roberts Sara Ahern pitched 13 innings, allowing nine hits, one walk and one run in the Aztecs' 1-0 loss to Cal State Fullerton on Tuesday.

Fullerton pitcher Ann Van Dortrecht (7-2) was one step ahead of Ahern, though. She left SDSU runners stranded in the ninth, 12th and the decisive 13th to continually frustrate the

It was a career-long outing for Van Dortrecht, who was a second-team All-Big West selec-

tion last year as a sophomore. "She pitched an exceptional

game," said Judi Garman, head coach of the 13-5 Titans. "We didn't expect them (the Aztecs) to play so well."

But Spradley did.

"Everyone was really intense during the pregame warmups," Spradley said. "I had no doubt we could win this game."

Because the first game lasted so long, the second game of the scheduled doubleheader was canceled after an agreement by the coaches.

Tourney-

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ppg, 7.2 rpg.; Mandy Hannah, Jr., G-F, 6-0, 10.4 ppg., 4.7 rpg.

Scouting report: The Lady Rebels are ranked No. 5 in the country in the Associated Press poll. Pity the poor team that will play UNLV in the second round of the tournament.

Hawaii Wahines

Coach: Vince Goo (59-26, 4th

Season record: 25-2 overall, 16-2 Big West

Starters: Judy Mosley, Sr., F, 6-1, 26.3 ppg., 14.6 rpg.; Ayesha Brooks, Sr., G, 5-9, 15.4 ppg., 3.1 rpg.; Tondi Redden, Sr., G, 5-8, 11.6 ppg, 3.0 rpg.; Melissa Barker, Sr., G, 5-7, 10.8 ppg., 3.2 rpg.; Kalei Namohala, So., C, 6-1, 6.3 ppg., 4.6 rpg.

Scouting report: The 14thranked Wahines are coming off two impressive island wins over Long Beach State. Look for All-American candidate Julie Mosley to lead the Wahines in scoring and rebounding.

Long Beach 49ers

Coach: Joan Bonvicini (298-61, 11th year)

Season record: 22-7 overall, 14-4 Big West

Starters: Penny Moore, Jr., G-F, 6-1, 14.2 ppg., 7.5 rpg.; Angie Lee, Sr., C, 6-4, 12.3 ppg., 9.8 rpg.; Dana Wilkerson, Jr., G, 5-6, 16.6 ppg., 4.8 rpg.; Trise Jackson, So., G, 5-6, 12.8 ppg., 2.4 rpg.; Vjera Kaludjerovich, Jr., F, 6-2, 7.6 ppg., 2.4 rpg.

Scouting report: Since its beginning in 1984, Long Beach State has won three Big West Tournament championships, a record they share with UNLV. But that's not the only thing the two schools have in common: Both are ranked in the Top-

25 — the 49ers rank No. 10 — and both look to avenge final-season losscs. Long Beach State has an 11-1 record in the four years of the tournament.

Fresno State Bulldogs Coach: Bob Spencer (156-100,

Season record: 18-10 overall. 11-7 Big West

Starters: Simone Srubek, Sr., C. 6-6, 20.7 ppg., 8.4 rpg.; Mary Gainey, Sr., G, 5-6, 5.7 ppg., 2.3 rpg.: Yannick Souvre, So., G-F, 5-10 10.4 ppg., 3.5 rpg.; Geri Gainey, Jr. G, 5-6, 13.3 ppg., 3.8 rpg.; Stacey Cornaggia, So., F, 6-3, 9.2 ppg., 5.6

Scouting report: Fresno State would like nothing better then to win the tournament because it may be the Bulldogs' only chance at a berth in the NCAA Tournament. With losse: to Fullerton and Pacific during the regular season, the Bulldogs have al but eliminated themselves fron being selected to participate in the NCAA Tournament on the merits o their season record. The Bulldogs 73-65 win over UNLV a week age makes Fresno State a logical choic for an upset.

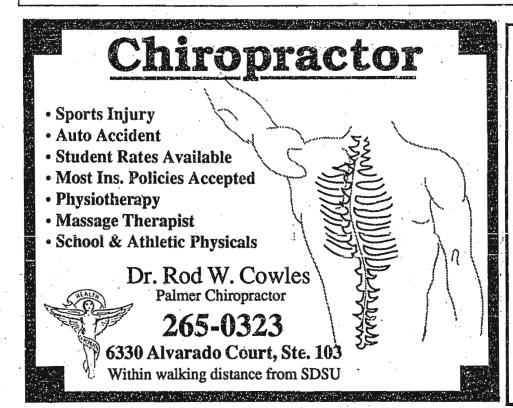
Cal State Fullerton

Coach: Maryalyce Jeremiał (76-67, sixth year)

Season record: 14-13 overall 9-9 Big West

Starters: Kathy Werth, Sr., F 6-1, 11.1 ppg., 6.5 rpg.; Genia Mill er, Jr., C, 6-3, 24.2 ppg., 12.0 rpg. Jill Matyuch, Sr., G, 5-8, 14.6 ppg. 4.2 rpg.; Jeannine Battaglia, Sr., G 5-5, 4.2 ppg., 3.2 rpg.; Joey Ray, So. G, 5-7, 4.8 ppg., 2.0 rpg.

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SDSU loses close match with 49ers

By Leanne Howard Daily Aztec sportswriter

They did everything but win. That was the story as the eighthranked San Diego State men's volleyball team fell to No. 3 Long Beach State 12-15, 15-9, 15-9, 7-15, 15-12 before a crowd of 583 in

Peterson Gym last night.

"We basically did everything we wanted to do," SDSU coach Jack Henn said. "We felt we were going to match-up better with bem and I think the changes we made in the line-up helped us. Our problem ast night) was that we self destructed. We didn't have the killer instinct."

The Aztecs took the first game but then dropped the next two after having an early lead in both.

"We broke down," Henn said. "We had troule whenever we were forced to side-out for a long time. We would give up runs of points and good teams will take advantage of

"Long Beach by far is the best team we've faced this year. They are strong in all positions and are real experienced. Everything falls together for them."

SDSU 25-k a 10-0 lead in the fourth game before allowing the 49ers to sang

"Long Bc. Let down in that game," Henn said. "I think they expected us to roll over and let them win. We surprised them and as a result they had a mental let down and didn't hit smartly."

The Aztecs had tied the score at 10-10 in the fifth game but could only muster two more points before the 49ers went ahead for the win. As a team, the Aztecs hit .348 per-

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Aztec middle blocker Mike Mattarocci attempts to block a shot from

Long Beach State's Mark Kerins Tuesday night in the 49ers 12-15, 15-9, 15-9, 7-15, 15-12 victory.

cent. Eric Etebari led SDSU hitters with 22 kills. He also recorded nine digs. Junior outside hitter Doug Potter had 20 kills for a .356 hitting percentage while teammate Sean Clark

had 18 kills and a .481 hitting percentage.

Long Beach was led by freshman Brent Hilliard who had 30 kills and a .386 hitting percentage.

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Steinly, who has started six games in Dow's place, will come off the bench.

"We played with the smaller lineup against Colorado State, and it worked fairly well," Brandenburg said of Saturday's 62-45 loss. "A big concern of ours is depth. If we get one or two cheap calls, it really hurts

Best and Hudson both fouled out in the Colorado State loss as the Rams used a 21-4 spurt down the stretch to turn a close game into a

Best (11.1 ppg) has scored 31 points in the last two games after scoring just 18 in the previous four. He's second in the WAC in steals (62) and fourth in assists per game at

Hudson (7.5 ppg) scored just two points against Colorado State, but had reached double figures in eight of his previous nine games. Although shooting just 38.8 percent from the floor, Hudson has made 26 three-point baskets, second on the team to Best's 55.

Air Force starts a pair of juniors at forward, 6-6 Dale French and 6-4 Chris Lowry. French is the Falcons' second leading scorer at 13.5 ppg. Lowry, who is second in the WAC in three-point-field-goal percentage at 45.7, is averaging 12.3 points.

Starting in the middle for the Falcons is 6-8 junior Aaron Benson, averaging 6.0 points and a teamleading 6.1 rebounds.

Benson's job will be to slow down SDSU junior forward Shawn Jamison, who carned honorable mention All-WAC honors on Monday and was named to the conference's All-Newcomer team. Jamison leads the Aztecs in scoring (16.7) and

rebounding (6.8).

Jamison made 13 of 21 field-goal attempts in the two games against the Falcons. The 6-foot-8 junior leads SDSU in field goal percentage and is seventh in the WAC at 56.3.

Jamison, who has had to carry the team since Dow's injury, has become increasingly frustrated as the Aztecs' losses have mounted.

"I've never been on a team that has lost this many games," Jamison said. "We can still win a few games if we play hard and just play the game."

Said Jones: "We're going to go to the WAC tournament and maybe surprise some people," Jones said. "Who knows? Anything can happen

Best also feels good about SDSU's chances.

"Any team in the WAC can be beat on any given night," Best said. "We just have to limit our mistakes."

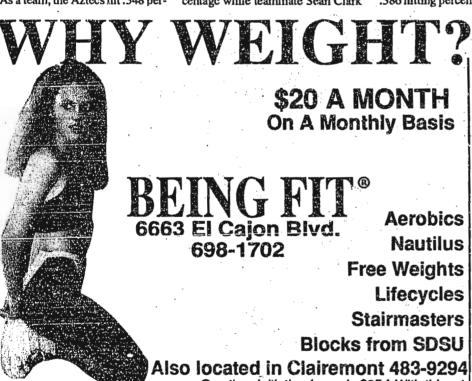
This will be the first time SDSU and Air Force have met in the WAC tournament. The Aztecs have won 15 of 21 regular-season meetings with the Falcons.

SDSU is 0.2 in WAC tournament play under Brandenburg. The Aztecs lost 70-57 to Utah in last season's preliminary game and lost their first game in 1988 to Wyoming 83-76.

The Special Events Center has never been an easy place for SDSU teams. The Aztecs have won just iwo of 14 games in the building - both coming in the 1985 WAC tournament, which SDSU won to advance to the NCAA tournament.

Will history repeat itself? Probably not. But Brandenburg is still hopeful.

"All we have to do is get hot and not get into foul trouble, and we can do something," Brandenburg said.







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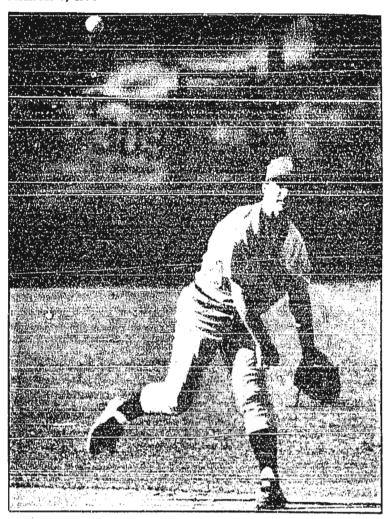
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The Daily Aztec/Anthony Tarantino Aztec second baseman Scott Dennison throws to first in the Aztecs' 7-2 win Tuesday.

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The baseball program recently had \$15,000 cut from its budget along with a full-time assistant coaching position.

"Jim doesn't know what to do," Kondratek said. "The guy's trying to run a top Division I baseball program with very little help from the athletic department.

"It's gotten to the point where he has to walk around after games and collect aluminum cans to raise: money. There's no reason he should need to be doing that."

On the brighter side, SDSU is back on the winning track. Kondratek and Gary Brown took control and the Aztecs never missed a beat.

"We have a great record

together," Brown said. "Last year we went to Long Beach and beat them and before that Gary and I went to UCLA and beat them. We're tough."

Brian Grebeck continued his torrid pace, reaching base five times on three walks and two hits. Grebeck added three runs scored, a stolen base and an RBI. He has reached base 14 straight at-bats, tying an SDSU record.

Kevin Nielson went 51/2 innings against USD (7-11) to pick up his third win of the season. Rusty Filter came on to relieve in the sixth and pitched his -second consecutive impressive performance to pick up his third save.

SDSU faces UCSD on Wednesday at 5 p.m. at Smith Field.

Aztecs lose to Toreros across town

By Jeff Calden Daily Aztec sportswriter

The San Diego State men's tennis team expected a tough match Tuesday at USD and the Torcros didn't disappoint, defeating the Aztees 6-3.

The victory raised the Toreros record to 9-3 on the season while SDSU fell to 7-4.

"USD is a very good team," SDSU coach Hugh Bream said. "They really got off to a good start in singles, which is their strength, and then played solid tennis."

The Torcros, who are ranked 16th in the nation in singles play, captured the first three matches of the

In No. 1 singles, SDSU's Tole Marinkovic took the first set 7-6 over USD's Jose Luis Noriega before dropping the next two sets 6-0, 6-3. Noriega is currently ranked No. 2 in the nation as a singles player.

'Noriega is definitely one of the best," Bream said, "Last year he won the Rolex National Clay Courts Championships. Tole played really

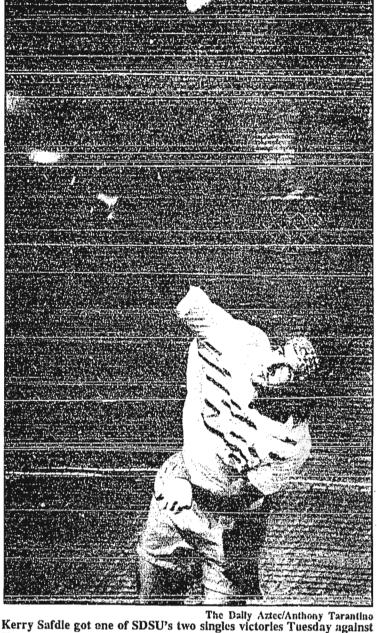
In No. 2 singles, Dan Mattera of the Torcros defeated Aztec Ricardo Herrera 6-4, 6-0.

Kerry Safdie got the Aztecs their first victory of the day when he beat USD's J.R. Edwards 6-4, 6-4. Chris Toomey defeated the Aztecs' Dana Gill at No. 4 singles 6-0, 6-2 and USD's Kevin Bradley took the No. 5 singles match over Woody Yocom of SDSU 6-3, 6-0.

"The No. 2, 4 and 5 matches were a little disappointing to me," Bream said. "We just weren't in those matches. We are definitely talented in those spots but we didn't compete as well as we could have.

"Getting down 0-3 in singles is tough. It's like being in a hole from the start."

In the final singles match of the day, SDSU's Hunter Gallaway raised his record to 9-1 by defeating



USD's Sven Dargatz 4-6, 6-4, 6-4. Although the Aztecs won only one of three doubles matches, Bream was much more pleased with his

USD in the Aztecs' 6-3 loss.

teams play in the pairs. "We played very well in doubles," Bream said. "Our intensity level was twice as high. We needed that same kind of intensity in singles."

In the No. 1 doubles match, Marinkovic and Herrera defeated Noriega and Edwards 6-4, 0-6, 6-3.

In the second doubles match, Yocom and Dax Peterson lost to

Mattera and Bradley 6-4, 6-7, 6-2. The Toreros took the last match of the day when Toomey and Tim Bubnack beat SDSU's No. 3 doubles pair of Jeff Belloli and Matt Rivera

"When you get down 4-2 in singles, everything has to go right from then on for you to win," Bream said. "The pressure was totally on us at that point and it makes it tough."

The Aztecs next match will be at home against Vanderbilt University at 11 a.m. Saturday.

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win the batting title.

And most important, a delay of the season will really screw up rotisserie leagues. Talk about serious fantasy leagues may have to start

swamp whose or which player will

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Scouting report: Genia Miller will be the person to control on Fullerton. The 6-3 junior center has scored at least 10 points in 33 straight games. Look for Fullerton to give the top four teams a good scare.

UC Santa Barbara Gauches Coach: Mark French (32-49, 3rd

Season record: 13-14 overall, 8-10 Big West

Starters: Barbara Beainy, So., G, 5-11, 12.9 ppg., 4.1 rpg.; Coryna Truitt, Sr., F, 6-1, 14.5 ppg., 6.7 rpg.; Becky Brown, Fr., F-C, 6-2, 7.5 ppg., 5.7 rpg.; Susie Mathews, So., C, 6-4, 6.4 ppg., 5.0 rpg.; Lisa Cohen, Fr., G, 5-7, 4.0 ppg., 1.8 rpg.

Scouting report: When Mark French took over UCSB's head coaching position three years ago, the Gauchos had just finished two

dismal years during which they'd gone 10-44 overall and 2-30 in conference play. Now, starting three sophomores, UCSB almost is playing .500 ball.

Pacific Tigers Coach: Melissa DeMarchi

(19-36, 3rd year)

Season record: 13-14 overall, 7-11 Big West

Starters: Charlene Alden, Jr., F, 5-11; Tine Freil, Fr., G, 5-10; Charman Logan, Jr., G, 5-9; Lena Peterson, Jr., F, 6-0; Julic Szukalski, Sr., C, 6-3, 17.9 ppg., 9.2 rpg.

Scouting report: There's no doubt that Pacific, which plays UC Irvine in the first round of the tournament, will make it to the second round to play Hawaii. But the Tigers probably won't make it much further - Pacific lost twice to Hawaii, 63-53 and 87-68, in the regular season. Look for Pacific's Tine Freil, who leads the nation in assists with 10.7 per game, to try and get things going for the Tigers.

SDSU Aztecs Coach: Beth Burns (7-22, 1st

Season record: 7-22 overall, 6-12 Big West

Starters: Julic Evans, Sr., G, 6-1, 22.6 ppg., 4.7 rpg.; Dec Dec Davis, Jr., F, 5-8, 8.3 ppg., 4.5 rpg.; Crystal Lee, So., G, 5-4, 9.0 ppg, 3.2 rpg.; Lori Lollis, Fr., F, 6-1, 8.6 ppg, 5.5 rpg.; Melanie Usher, Jr., C, 6-0, 7.2 ppg., 5.0 rpg.

Scouting report: The Aztecs have beaten their first opponent, San Jose State, twice so far this season, but if they hope to do it again, senior guard Julie Evans will have to have a big night. In the previous two matchups between the teams, Evans scored a total of 55 points.

San Jose State Spartans Coach: Tina Krah (12-95, fourth

Season record: 4-23 overall, 2-16 Big West

Starters: Lora Alexander, Sr., F, 5-11, 18.0 ppg., 10.5 rpg.; Hulett Brooks, Fr., F, 6-0, 9.4 ppg., 4.9 rpg.; Karen Smith, So., C, 6-3, 4.7 ppg., 4.5 rpg.; LaTasha Causey, Jr., G, 5-5, 7.3 ppg., 3.7 rpg.; Jodi Page, So., G, 5-8, 4.6 ppg., 1.7 rpg.

Scouling report: This will be the Spartans' first appearance in the Big West Tournament. The Spartans are down to just eight players and their leading scorer, Lora Alexander, has been hampered with a shoulder

UC Irvine Antenters Coach: Dean Andrea (153-181, 12th year)

Season record: 1-26 overall, 0-18 Big West

Starters: Yvonne Catala, Fr., F, 6-1, 10.9 ppg., 5.3 rpg.; Kathy Lizarraga, So., G, 5-4, 8.7 ppg., 1.5 rpg.; Jenny Lee, Jr., G, 5-7, 9.0 ppg., 4.9 rpg.; Geanine Hobbs, So., F, 6-1, 3.7 ppg., 3.9 rpg.; Kim Cox, Fr., C, 6-4, 4.2 ppg., 3.9 rpg.

Scouting report: This is the first year that all 10 women's teams are participating in the tournament. Andrea, usually a champion of the 10-team tournament, thinks maybe this year his team shouldn't go.

"This would have been a good year to go on sabbatical," he said.

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Opera has lived too long with a bad reputation. Even more than its symphonic counterpart, this important segment of our Western musical heritage is considered highbrow elitist entertainment, nothing more than a blast of bombastic vocal and scare the baby. After all, you listen to opera

late at night to annoy your neighbors, right? "Officer, he's playing that classical music again!"Not many people consid-affectionate wit and music er opera as entertainment which can be easily appreciated, viewing it some strange hybrid of Muzak and yodeling.

A perfect illustration of the public misconception about opera is the current Pepsi commercial to feature yuppie goblin Michael J. Fox in another "Get the soda, please the debutante" vignette. This time, the insufferable Canuck searches out the precious elixir backstage at the opera,

bursting into the performance by mistake to ruin the music's climax, and his romance in the process. The irony here is that the opera being staged isn't an opera at all, but rather a Monty Pythonesque satire of one. In the same way that the English histrionics meant to shatter champagne glasses . comedians mocked game shows and political theories alike in their brilliant "Communist Quiz,"

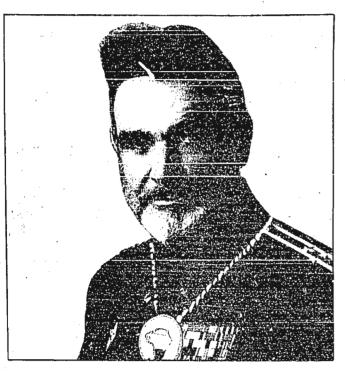
the Pepsi director creates a montage of opera's cliches, splicing bits of Wagner, Verdi, Mozart and whatever else comes to mind. We see the helmeted, pig-tailed Valkyrie, the grizzled, frowning King and the chorus of stern townsfolk, all

blasting out musical sturm und drang like escapees from a loony bin attempting Wagner's Ring cycle - a musical Marat-Sade, one could say. The average Joe who views this thinks, "Oh, that's what opera's like. No wonder I can't stand it." What a travesty, when commercials define our cultural episteme.

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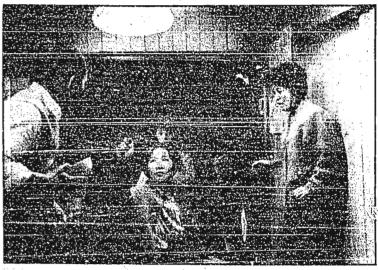
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Pacific Rim Film Tour begins in San Diego with five feature films March 7-14 at the SDSU Little Theater and the La Jolla Museum of Contemporary Art. These five films, which have received little or no distribution in the United States, comprise the top selections from The Hawaii International Film Festival over the last three years.

Two of the films, Far from War and Maori, are directed by women and deal with women's issues and themes of crosscultural and cross-generational encounters. For more information, call 594-6575.

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ANOTHER WORLD — Yun's Town, from Japan, is part of the Pacific Rim Film Tour.

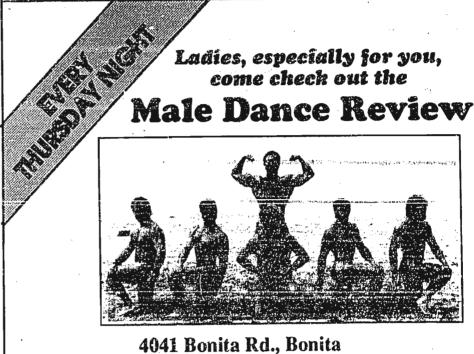
neously by an interpreter for the out the world. hearing members of the audience. Bragg, who studied mime under Marcel Marceau, is the cofounder of the National Theatre of the Deaf and has since gone on to perform with the troupe through-

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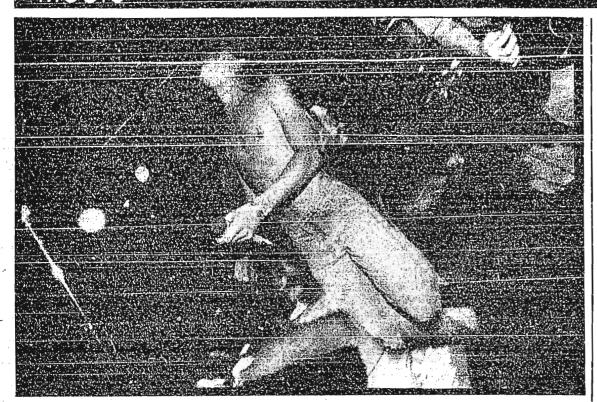




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Tasting the Rocky Mountain Fluid

Denver band knows where they're from

MUSIC: The Fluid, Friday at the Spirit, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park (276-3993). With Sister Double Happiness.

By David R. Stampone asst. Stanza editor

"Ladies and gentlemen, all the way from Detroit, the Motor City, it's the ..."

No, wrong, let's make that "out of the Sub Pop stable, please welcome Seattle's sons, the ..."

Nah, scratch that one, too. How bout, "San Diego, put your hands together for that rockin' band from Minneapolis, the ..."

Oh God, definitely not that, least of all the cliched intro ...

Yes, but all these erroneous presentations of Denver quintet the Fluid are takeoffs on real-life blunders, the latest one being the "from Minneapolis" faux pas on a flier touting the Coloradans' local appearance this Friday at the Spirit.

"It gets pretty humorous after a while," expressed an amused John Robinson, vocalist for the group, in a phone interview Monday morning. "I haven't heard that one before, though. That makes the fourth place we're from ..."

We could possibly complicate matters even further here by revealing that it was a *German* record label that first distributed the Fluid's records and financed their second album *Clear Black Paper*, but perhaps we should take it from the top and not get ahead of ourselves, OK?

"Yeah, one place in Muncle, Ind., billed us as being from Detroit because they'd read our reviews at the time that said 'Detroit-style rock, blah blah

The "blah blah blah," of course, refers to the names critics considering the Fluid inevitably drop when comparing and influence-citing, names of immortal Michi-



YOUR KINDA THING — The Fluid are one of many prize bands on the Independent label Sub Pop. Top, singer John Robinson in fine Fluid form.

gan rock legends like Iggy and the Stooges and the MC5. Robinson, however, doesn't dodge such well-intentioned references, although, he does have every right to note ...

"When those reviews started coming out comparing us to the MC5 and all, only one of us, Rick (Kulwicki, guitarist) even had an MC5 record, and he'd only listened to it once, so we went out and got some records to see what (the critics) were talking about. It turns out it's a real accurate thing. It gets tiresome, but it's a real funny thing since we had to go get the MC5 records to know what they meant. And the other influences are correct; I mean, we've certainly listened to Iggy Pop and the Stooges."

And so have a lot of the better rock bands on the American underground independent rock circuit, but it's a matter of creative inspiration, not slavish imitation. The Fluid have taken the format and shaped their own distinct sound, tweaking the whole thing enough to blow any charges of adherence to a rock 'n' roll auteur theory out of the water. Drummer Garrett Shavlick gives up the requisite sock while bassist Matt Bischoff keeps things moving with timely throbs, sometimes bringing the group back into the fray with his accelerated bridges as on "Girl Bomb" from the latest LP, Roadmouth.

Kulwicki and James Clower lock horns on guitars, grinding out riffs and leads that give the critter teeth, as Robinson is left free to romp about, singing in a variety of

styles. "I like to do what fits the song best," he modestly said.

Robinson's lyrics can be a simple statement on the weather, not to be read for existentialist implications - "Cold Outside" - or a subtle comment on thoughtless power-wielders, as in "Fools Rule," a particularly memorable track off Roadmouth. Two reasons the tune sticks in the memory so well are the extremely hooky nature of the chorus and the honest lyrical content of same: I know - I'm a little crazy/I know - that they wouldn't save me/I don't - scream like a baby/I don't - know, who can save me.

The stuff chugs along at a good clip, too, though no doubt not as frisky a pace as that of the two early '80s Denver punk bands the Fluid formed out of, White Trash and the Frantix.

After pulling together in 1984 (the Fluid is Robinson's first group), the band reached the world at large through the enterprising German label Glitterhouse, which signed them up from afar on the strength of their first LP Punch 'n' Judy on a nowdefunct, Denver label. Glitterhouse then delivered the Fluid to Sub Pop domestically as part of a licensing swap that gained them German distribution rights to the Rehab Doll record by Seattle homies Green River, hence the frequent mistaking of the Fluid as Seattle-based (as are most Sub Pop artists).

Is all this clear now? No prob If not, just remember this: from Denver, Sub Pop recording artists the Fluid, Punk/hard rock. Excellent.

Austin's atypical Glass Eye to make San Diego Debut

MUSIC: Glass Eye. Saturday at the Spirit, 1130 Buenos Avenue, Bay Park (276-3993). With Life of Wryley, Dark Globe, and Modern 700.

By David R. Stampone asst. Stanza editor

They may call themselves "the band with the stupidest name in America" — well, at least guitarist Kathy McCarty does in her cartoon bio of the group — but the Austin, Texas-based combo deals in decidedly smart pop. However, do not call their peculiar, eccentric fare "quirky ..."

"We really hate it when people call us 'quirky,' " explained keyboardist Stella Welr Monday night from a phone booth cutside San Francisco's I-Beam club before a gig. "To us, that implies a real self-conscious pretentiousness, and we're just not that way. I mean, we just get together and let it happen and we don't think we're that weird. We want to be original and different but I don't think we're as inaccessible as some people say."

People do have every right to scratch their heads, however, at the off-beat feel of Glass Eye's music. Bassist Brian Beattie's production skills, sought after by others in the alternative music world, including the Dead Milkmen on their last two albums, ensure a clear, uncluttered sound where each of the quartet's members stand out — sometimes in calculated sync, sometimes not, but provocatively holding together anyway.

"I think one of the main things is we have a lot of space in our music," Weir said. "I don't play very much and I do that on purpose. Actually, I've played plano since I was four, but someone once told me something to the effect of how I must've not had much training 'cause my parts are so small and sparse. And I was like, "Well, no, I can play Rachmaninoff's 'Prelude in C Sharp Minor,' but I just choose to play these tasty little parts."

Sometimes Weir doubles along with Beattie's brooding basslines, as on "Hoedown" off their latest LP Hello Young Lovers, Glass Eye's fifth record. On the album's "God Take All," the fretless bass in given an eerily prominent sound, recalling the jazzy strains of the late Jaco Pastorius.

"Yes, Brian likes to make anr...ying sounds with his fretless bass during soundchecks to drive

us all crazy," revoaled Weir of Beattle and his Steinberger fivestring fretless. He also writes a good deal of the songs, which he also sings.

Almost all the other songs are written and sung by the aforementioned McCarty, a vocalist who can sound like Throwing Muses' Kristin Hersh only ... different, apart. Her guitar-playing is another idiosyncratic element in the band, sometimes a lightly picked punctuation to the songs, at others a barrage of meaty six-stringed squalls.

Since their formation in late 83 as a trio with Scott Marcus keeping his own peculiar sense of 4/4 time on drums, Glass Eye has gone through a number of personnel changes, the first being Weir's quick addition on keyboards after she observed the group practicing in the warehouse she shared with roomate McCarty and asked to join. The three transplanted Connecticut natives welcomed the Texan aboard and they were on their way, until Weir and Marcus left in May of 86, subsequently replaced, respectively, in a reconstituted Glass Eye. When the two newer members left around this time last year, Weir and Marcus were in position to rejoin, bringing the band to its present state.

"There's a real chemistry between the four of us and something about Scott and I being away for a while and coming back ... I dunno, I think it's better than before, we appreciate each other more and it's just great."

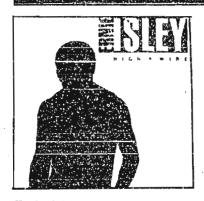
Still, there are those people who need to label the band, to get a handle on the somewhat unconventional instrumentation and shifting points of view the songs are sung from. The fact that they are from Austin, home of the Tall Gators and Stevie Ray Vaughn, may be what keeps people thinking of them as, comparatively, avant-garde.

"I guess, maybe for Austin," sighs Weir of that oft-offered description. "But we sure don't think we are avant-garde ... I mean, we think we're pop - I think we're original and we're not very blues-based or rootsy, but I think we're pop and these people who act like we're such weirdos and totally out there, I don't understand where they're coming from. They must just listen to Top 40 ..."

Or at least, they're certainly not looking at things through a Glass Eye's perspective.



THE SAMMY AND SANDY FAN CLUB — Austin, Texas' Glass Eye are Brian Beattle, Stella Welt, K. McCarty and Scott Marcus.



Ernle Isley High Wire Elektra Records

Of all the major black musical innovations pioneered in this century (jazz, rap, blues. juju, reggae, rhythm and blues, soul, heavy metal, high life, etc.) the most unjustly maligned is funk.

This is probably because funk's emphasis on rhythmic development offends ears raised on the European sensibility of harmony over rhythmic pulse -a shame because, as the Godfather of Soul, James Brown, once said, "Life is a drum; the heartbeat is a drum."

It used to be that the greatest musicians chose jazz, but these days more and more of them are playing funk, hidden in relative obscurity from the white recordbuying masses.

Ernie Isley, who has spent the last generation playing superlative sonic squeals soaked in wahwah for his uncles, the legendary Isley Brothers ("Shout," "Twist and Shout," "Pop That Thang"), is one of those musicians. And

although a brilliant guitarist, he is

relatively unknown to the public. All this should change with High Wire, the best fusion of rock 'n' soul since Prince unleashed Purple Rain in 1984 (with apologies to Living Colour). With a rock-hard thythm section that provides musical tension galore, Isley is poked, prodded, pushed and propelled to some of his finest music ever. High Wire is loosely a concept album about a man going through a personal hell, but who somehow manages to get through it with his talent intact and more inspired than

In the tradition of the best blues aibums, Isley faces the demons plaguing him head on, without resorting to phony "peace, love, you-can-make-it-baby" catch phrases. In the opener, "Song For The Muses," Isley exclaims with chidlike giee, "I want to change - the sound!" He doesn't so much change the sound of black America so much as modify it, creating a record that should influence popular music for the next five years, and will appeal to rockers as well as

The most accessible cut is "She Takes Me Up," an instant black-metal classic about lusty Intercourse with someone you care about. It's Isley's (whose singing, while quite soulful, isn't his strongest suit) best performance. He sings with the passion

of a man who has just discovered the joys of uninhibited sex ... with someone you actually like. Of course, Isley communicates this best on the riveting solo that ends the song. In fact, the highlights on High Wire are instrumental, because when Isley plays that Fender Stratocaster, you can hear the smile on his face.

For a guy who took guitar lessons from Jimi Hendrix as a kid, Isley has learned that guitar legend's most important musical lesson — "Copy me by not copying me." It makes the Hendrix tribute on the inside cassette flap one of the finest tributes to Jimi yet. But then again, High Wire's a great tribute to Ernie Isley as well.

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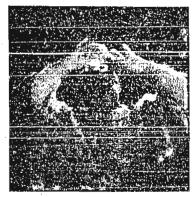
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The Sun Ra sound is one combining elements from many aesthetics, and the master himself is quick to assert that what he and his Arkestra (the band that has supported him on an infinite number of recordings) create is very much an all-encompassing musical experience which must be hoard in its entirety — musical, poetic and philosophical — for its full meaning to be grasped. Sun Ra was "born" in Birming-

ham, Ala., somewhere between 1910 and 1916 - the subject of much contention, as Ra is adamant that it was only in Birmingham

where he landed on the way from his true birthplace, the planet Saturn, from where he was sent by his omnipresent Creator to communicate with us here on

For this communication, Ra and his Arkestra croated a new language through their experimental modes of expression and discourse. Ra's goal lies in a pure interpretation — the mirror-imaging, almost — of the voice of the creator (his God) through poetry and music, so that we can travel across what he calls "the bridge of sound-vibration path ... to the treasure house of needs fulfilled,"

Listen to this Blast First compilation of material Ra personally chose from '60s archives and you are taken to all manner of invigorating domains. This is avant "out there" jazz of the finest order, and it's little wonder that innumerable contemporary bands (especially, though not surprisingly, those of a harder, rock-oriented approach) cite Ra as a major Influence. Limilless the music may be, but the overall ambient air is one of closure. Ra's desire is for the ultimate unifying anguage, encompassing the endless expanse of his music.

it sounds contradictory, but it isn't - Ra realizes that all our worldly woes lie ultimately rooted in language. The Arkestral experlence, which is in every aspect perfectly exemplified on Out There a Minute, is an attempt at remedying the harm done to us

by language. But Ra is quick to stress that their work is a total approach, exemplifying poetic and philosophical discourse, which surrounds a central musical core.

With such an approach, the disparily of language subsides as Ra's innovations help unify the whole, rather than confuse many. If he is to succeed, as he does here throughout Out There A Minute, then he must continue to produce a unique experience for the listener which gradually helps patch up the broken mirror of language's fall. Until then, when the voice of Saturn comes to speak volumes for everyone, we must content ourselves with such inspirational recordings as this.

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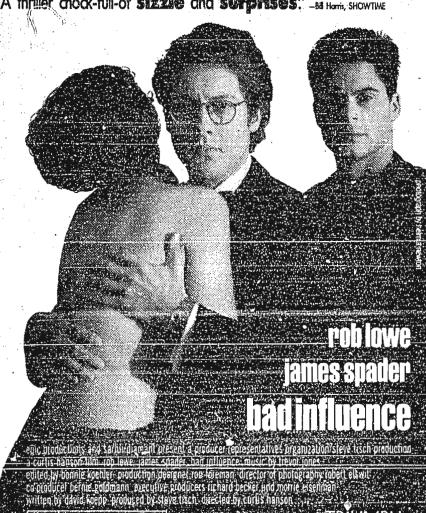
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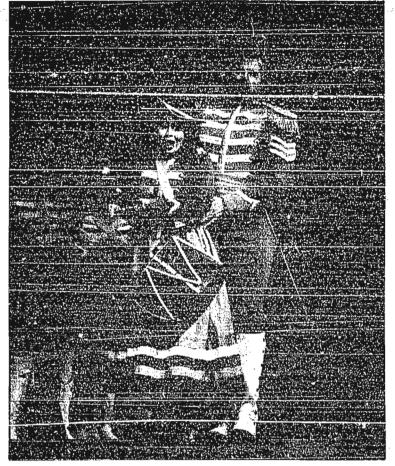
CULTURAL ARTS

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Thankfully, pcp culture has helped to expand opera's audience, tco. In part, this change can be credited to the popularity of films like Amadeus and Dangerous Liasons, with their operatic themes and scenes. Equally, though purists might roll their eyes in disgust, opera has benefited from the success of rock operas, that invention of the 70s which has become a staple of Broadway and West End entertainment, and a source of enormous profit and acclaim for the likes of Andrew Lloyd-Webber and Rupert Hine. For the most part, though, opera has maintained its unwelcome image as a source of pop songs for classical music buffs, with the only aria most people know still being "Ave Maria."

Some people just don't care about popularity, thankfully, content instead to slog along with dogged determination and reach a small but satisfied audience. Such is the case with the San Diego Opera, which has kept our city well-represented operatically for the last quarter of a century. Its 1989-90 season offers several fine works, particularly the current production of Gaetano Donizetti's La Fille du Regiment (The Daughter of the Regiment). Donizetti's 1839 comedy offers more than fine music, however; it's accessible and highly entertaining, exactly the qualities needed to shatter the aforementioned stereotypes and demonstrate how charming and upbeat opera can be.

Opera can described again, purists, forgive the lawyerly over-simplification -



LOVE ME! - Nova Thomas is Marie and John Del Carlo is Sulpice in San Diego Opera's production of The Daughter of the Regiment.

as classical music with words, symphonic works where voices taking as integral a part as the instruments do. Opera has several genres, two of which are the Italian opera buffo and the French opera comique. Many operas use the former genre's recitative concept, which requires that all vocal parts be sung, even incidental lines. No matter how minor the quote - "Get the door, John, I have to use the bathroom" --- the character will hum the words while some instruments bumble along underneath. Such unrelenting music, along with the fact that many operas are not sung in English, compounds the unintelligible quality non-fans often ascribe the art form.

Donizetti's work, however, is not limited to opera buffo, often using the tradition of opera comique, after the Paris opera house of the same name. Though the subject matter tends to be lighter and the melodies sweeter, this genre's biggest difference is its use of stage dialogue. Characters in opera comique will intersperse their musical perfor-

to conventional theater. Though the language may still be foreign — French, in this case — the sense of normality that natural speech instills makes the performance warmer and more tolerable to novices. It helps as well that the San Diego Opera uses the OperaText system, which projects brief translations over the stage like subtitles in a foreign film.

Along with his dramatic works like Lucia di Lammermoor and Roberto Devereux, Donizetti composed several comic operas, of which Daughter is the most famous and successful. It tells the story of Marle Birkenfeld, an orphan raised as a mascot by her father's Napoleonic regiment. After falling in love with a Tyrolean youth named Tonio, she is separated from him by her aunt, the Marquise of Birkenfeld, who attempts to remold her into an aristocrat. The drama hinges on the stifled romance of Marie and Tonio and on the attempts of the Marquise to conceal the fact that Marie is really her illegitimate daughter. After two acts of easy but entertaining twists, the story reaches a happy ending and a rousing finale.

Donizetti's music is as listenable as his plot is comprehensible. Under the masterful baton of conductor Richard Bonynge, the local orchestra captures the score's dynamics with elegance, the stirring overture setting the pace for the spirited melodies which follow. The singers, though, are the focus of the performance, particularly the young lovers, Marie and Tonio. Nova Thomas, who appeared in last month's Dialogues of the Carmelites, returns as Marie, the fullthroated drummer-girl who enthralls both Tonio and her regi-

mances with spoken parts, akin ment. Thomas has a peculiar quaver to her voice at times, but such poor trills don't offset her rich tone and considerable range. Paul Newfield, a newcomer worth watching, plays her beau Tonio and delivers a performance of cheerful intensity, particularly during "For My Love," his delightful celebration of his love for Marle. His negotiation of the tune's barrage of high C's - nine in under two minutes --- earned him a rare show-stopping ovation.

The singers make good comedians too. At the opening of the second act, Harlan Foss, who plays the Marquise's foppish servant Hortensio to the hilt, leads Marie through a delightfully cumborsome dancing lesson, accompanied by three onstage cellists who mime the real orchestral part. Later in the same act, the Marquise (Heather Begg) attempts to give Marie a singing lesson, only to have it hijacked by the affectionate Sergeant Sulpice (her surrogate father, played by the robust John Del Carlo), who leads Marie through an intricate yet decidely funny spoof of the folk song she is supposed to be learning. Daughter's comedy is almost as important as its music. and in this fine production, it works just as well.

The San Diego Opera is producing Daughter of the Regiment on March 9 and March 11, at 8 p.m. and 2 p.m., respectively. Donizetti's lively music, uncomplicated story, and ample dialogue combine with Beni Montressor's bright costumes and styllzed set to make this the most accessible and engaging of operas. Anyone curious to appreciate an unknown musical genre should take it as an open invitation to discover just how down-toearth opera can be. E



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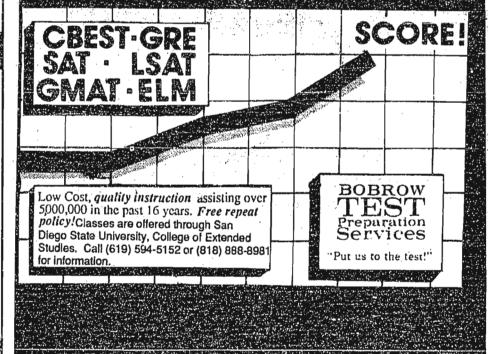
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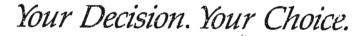
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The Hunt for Red October ends up empty-handed

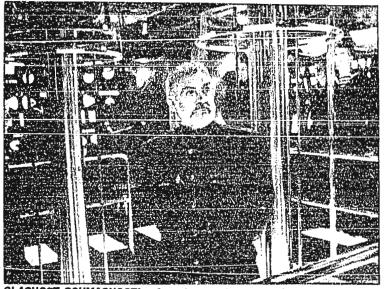
FILM REVIEW: The Hunt for Red October. A Paramount Pictures release. Directed by John McTiernan. Produced by Mace Neufeld, Screenplay by Larry Ferguson and Donald Stewart, from the novel by Tom Clancy. Starring Sean Connery, Alec Baldwin, Scott Glenn, James Earl Jones and Sam Nelll.

By Kevin Bortfeld Stanza editor

Obviously, The Hunt for Red October, the Cold War thriller based on the Tom Clancy best seller from a few years back, has a serious strike against it: The immediate thrill (for moviegoers and armchair foreign policymakers) of the Cold War is gone. So rather than the spine-tingler of current affairs the book was, the film takes on a feet, however slight, of a historical picture.

All this reality stuff, of course, could take second place to the film as it is on screen - how it plays as a singular context, on its own as an action film or, in this case, a sub-action film, which John (*Die Hard*) McTiernan's *The* Hunt for Rod Octobor is, in both senses. It's a subparthriller about subs and, of course, those brave, brave men who drive them, or guide them, or navigate them or whatever the hell they do.

A few things they do do for sure are watch a lot of sonar screens, raise a lot of eyebrows and make



GLASNOST, SCHMASNOST! — Sean Connery is a Russian nuclear submarine captain in The Hunt for Red October.

a lot of maps. This activity makes up the bulk of this film's "action," all done with the most stern of faces, the most urgent of jargonjumbled dialogue and the most sluggish of pace. And while hardcore submarine and Clancy fans might find this movie enjoyable and a little easier to follow, the rest of us laymen have to sit through minute upon minute of gratuitous, inaudible dialogue that screenwriters Larry Ferguson and Donald Stewart seem to have included just to heighten a sense of urgency that the film can't seem to build any other way.

Red October's namesake is a deadly submarine (it can't be detected by sonar) under the direction of an enigmatic Russian captain, Ramius (a majestic Sean Connery). When the sub starts to near America's Eastern Seaboard, both superpowers get nervous - the U.S. because

they're scared of the sub's firststrike capability, and the Soviets because they suspect that something's fishy with Ramius. There is. He and his fellow officers of the Red October are, via their invisible transport, fixing to defect. After much paper shuffling, Ramlus and crew find themselves in the middle of a deadly sub sandwich.

A bright young CIA analyst, Jack Ryan (played, to much waste, quite ably by Alec Baldwin), figures in the mess by taking the initiative in revealing the specifics of the case to his superiors, and also by taking a special interest in Ramius. The two, we're sure, are bound to face each other in the end: one a concerned young family man from America, the other a driven war veteran from Russia. They do, and as expected we're in for a heartwarming finale where we find out

that -- whether here or "over there" --- people are people. Or actually, men are men. This is a man's movie where manly men sport big manly undersea weapons -- who needs women? Of course, The Hunt for Red October, while purporting to have a peace-keeping premise, doesn't see the silliness of the game. It's in awe of it, and this is why the film is silly itself.

Also contributing to the silliness: the unnecessarily overblown dialogue (James Earl Jones bellowing "Mother of God!"); the alarmingly weak special effects (torpedoes spinning through the water look so cartoonish that you half expect to see The Little Mermaid swim past); the clumsy attempts to milk as much action out of any possi-ble avenue for it (when Ryan is helicoptered to a submarine, the copter is in danger of running out of gas); a disgustingly pandering reverence for the warmth of American soil (when a Soviet officer gets shot, he moans, "I would have liked to have seen Montana"); and Sean Connery's phenomenal toupee (you only wish someone will yell out, "Hey, raccoon-head!").

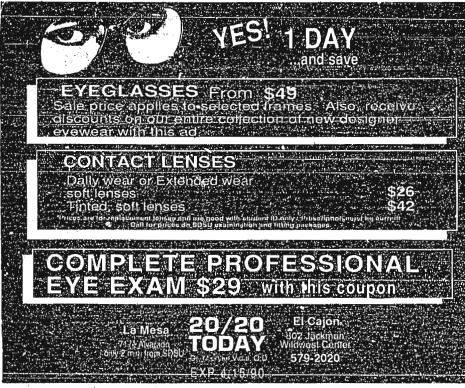
To be fair, The Hunt for Red October picks up a little at the end, when the real "action" starts, and there are some sparkling over-water shots -- one in particular where a sub (which one is hard to say, since it was hard to keep track of them at the time) thrusts itself out of the ocean like a humpback whale. But underwater, the photography is murky and undistinguished, giving no feel of a great undersea battle - only great undersea bewilderment.

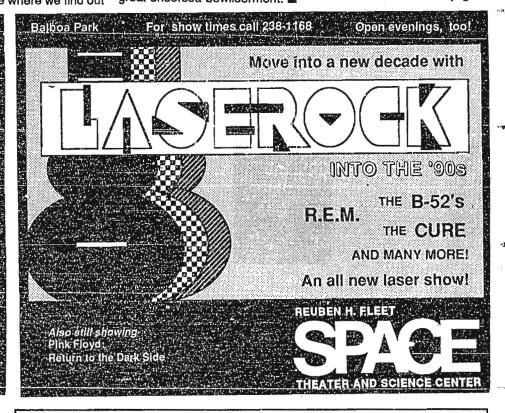
Boorman's latest loses in sugary search for levity

Where the Heart Is, the latest film from John Boorman (Hope and Glory), would fit well on a double-feature dud with Francis Ford Coppola's "Life Without Zoe," the weakest film short in last year's auteur triple-play, New York Stories. Both films are set in the Big Apple, both films work from screenplay collaborations between director and daughter and both, while colorful and exciting visually, plummet into annoying tries at artiness and failed, precocious attempts at comedy.

Dabney Coleman stars as a wealthy demolition contractor who decides to teach his spoiled kids a lesson by booting them out of the family Manhattan brownstone and into a crusty old Brooklyn tenement. The initially whiny youngsters (Uma Thurman, Susie Amis and David Hewlett) turn creative, making their new pad into a bohemian playpen, complete with a grizzled bum (Christopher Plummer), a supernatural babe (Sheila Kelley) and a budding fashion designer (Crispin Glover) as boarders. Later, Dad and Mom go broke, come running back to the kids, and lots of lessons are to be learned for everyone.

Boorman's script, co-written with daughter Telsche, tries for meaningful, multileveled, ensemble loveliness, delivering line Please see FILM on page 8.







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OH, OOOOMA --- Suzy Amis, left, and Uma Thurman in John Booman's Where the Heart Is.

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after line of affected screenplay poetics on notions of art-as-life and life-as-art, the coexistence of art and capitalism, the haves and the have-nots, the breaking down and bringing up of generations. and the destruction and resuscitation of big city life.

Too bad what's funny and what's not funny wasn't on

Telsche's and Dad's list: The dialoque is flat, the stabs at humor flatter. By the time we get to the too-cute Fellini-esque ending of this often picturesque film (artist Timna Woollard's living trompe l'oell pieces are astonishing), we see that Where the Heart is simply doesn't know where the joke is.

- Kevin Bortfeld

Men Don't Leave avoids falling into family doldrums

Men Don't Leave would seem at first to be exactly the sort of film that inspires the overuse of the adjectives "heartwarming," "touching" and "poignant." It starts headfirst down the wellworn path as any of a dozen other movies that have as their premise the emotional turmoll of family life, the wide-eyed coming of age of children and the shifting nature of relationships (Parenthood, et al.). However, just when things begin to settle in, and just in time to avoid falling victim to impending banality, Men Don't Leave shifts in tone and motive in a smartly and suprisingly unobtrusive flicker of the plot. In one monsent, Men Don't Leave transforms itself from likable but overworked family dramedy into a fantastically ironic and subversively comic story about coping with life's true unpredictability and awkwardness.

Written and directed by Paul Brickman (Risky Business), Men Don't Leave stars Jessica Lange as a lifelong housewife and mother of two sons who, after the death of her husband (the aforementioned plot flicker), is forced uneasily and all too quickly into the role of protector and provider. Lange is surprisingly dead-on in her character - her face seems to really carry the weight and despair of the death of her husband, yet is able to let little bits of happiness wash over her when things get truly weird. And they

Men Don't Leave gets its real attraction from its playing of absurdity off ordinary life. In one scene Lange has an uneasy first date with Arliss Howard's character (he is fabulous here). She

rebuffs his ladvances and he counters, absolutely stonefaced, "I like you a lot. I would like to get to know you better. If it can't be physical, then let's go bowling." Brickman's screenplay is peppered with gems like this, and his direction is so perfectly affectionate toward the material that the film almost develops a kind of body language.

A big part of why Men Don't Leave works is Brickman's adeptness at uncovering the funny, sad, weird, angering and justplain-stupid aspects within ordinary life, and in doing so adding a subtle comment about the real meat of human existence.

Men Don't Leave is an uncanny film. It never really breaks out of its solid base in the everyday long enough to be fully either a comedy or a tragedy, completely absurd or objectively serious. It balances delicately between all of these so well, just to watch it accomplish that seems enough.

-- John J. Cataldo

MOVIES

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STANZA RECOMMENDS ...

FILM: If you haven't yet seen it, take a trip to the College Theater and check out Internal Affairs. The formula, good guy/bad guy dualism of this moody cop thriller gets a wonderfully sleazy treatment in this film from British director Mike Figgis. Richard Gere does a fine job at getting under your skin as a vicious, amoral cop, and Andy Garcia equals him in squaring off the intriguing (if seemingly routine) doppelganger. Internal Affairs isn't brilliant to the core, but it certainly is rotten to it in the best sense of the word.

MUSIC: As lead vocalist extraordinaire for one of the world's greatest bands, Bad Brains, H.R. (a.k.a. Paul Hudson) is an explosive spearhead to some intoxicatingly explosive music. He's no Human Rights, who'll be at SOMA on Sunday. Along with brother and fellow Bad Brains member, drummer Earl Hudson, H.R. and Human Rights verge into progressive, sometimes Prince-like territory - a nice contrast to the invigorating rasta-core of Bad Brains. U.K. reggae upstart Tipple Irie opens.

less compelling with his other band,

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Rock: 7:30. Head: 5:45, 9:20. 3/9, The First U.S. Erotic Film Festival: 5:45, 7:45, 9:45. 3/10, Michelangelo: Self-Portrait: 3:45, 7:30. Vincent: 1:45, 5:30, 9:20. 3/11-3/13, The International Advertising Festival: 5:15, 7:30, 9:45; Sunday matinees at 12:45, 3:00.

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The Grove, 3450 College Ave. (229-0561). Men Don't Leave: 11:30, 2:00, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00. White Girl: 11:30, 1:45, 4:15, 7:00, 10:00. Where the Heart Is: 12:00, 2:15, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45. Revenge: 11:30, 2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:30. Stella: 11:45, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30. Driving Miss Dalsy: 12:00, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45, Glory: 11:30, 2:00, 4:45, 7:30, 10:15. Born on the Fourth of July: 12:00, 3:30, 7:00, 10:15. Nightbreed: 3:30, 7:30. Blood of Heroes: 1:45, 5:30, 9:30.

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Starting Friday: *The Last of the Finest*: 12:30, 2:45, 5:30, 7:45, 10:00. Driving Miss Daisy: 12:30, 3:00, 5:10, 7:25, 9:40. Men Don't Leave: 12:45, 3:15, 5:45, 8:15, 10:40.

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Wednesday, Mar. 7: Peter Murphy and Exene Cervenka, California Theatre, 1122 Fourth Ave., downtown (278-TIXS). Azz Izz, The Belly Up Tavem, 143 S. Cedros Ave., Solana Beach (481-9022). Den of Thieves, Misguided Children, Rictus Grin and A-Wry, the Spirit, 1130 Busses, Ave., Roy, Pork (976-2003) 1130 Buenos Ave., Bay Park (276-3993). M-80 and Meat Wagon, the Casbah, 2812 Kettner Blvd., downtown (294-9033). Scott Hamilton and Dave McKenna, through Sunday, March 11 at Elario's Summer House Inn. 7955 La Jolla Shores Drive, La Jolla (459-0541). Forbidden Pigs, Winston's, 1921 Bacon Street, Ocean Beach (222-6822). Smart Teens, Megalopolis, 4321 Fairmount

Thursday, March 8: Chris Isaak, The Belly Up Tavern. Distant Thunder, Infant Addicts, Unwritten Law and Psycho Rangers, the Spirit. Johnny Taylor, the Bacchanal, 8022 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., Kearny Mesa (560-8022). Glory Stompers, the Casbah. Cardiff Reefers, Winston's.

Friday, March 9: Strange Brew, Uiterior Motives, and Azz Izz the Bacchanal. Junkyard, Black Crow and Danse Macabre, Iguana's, Pueblo Amigo Shopping Center, Tijuana, Baja California (278-TIXS). Mary's Danish, Triton Pub, UCSD campus, La Jolia (534-4559). The Fluid, Sister Double Happiness, Holy Love Snakes and Miniature, the Spirit. Azz Izz, Winston's.

Saturday, March 10:

L.A. Guns and Shark Island, Iguana's. Glass Eye, Life of Wryley, Dark Globe and Modern Zoo, the Spirit. Fragile Thunder, Sunset Jams, and Baby Dinosaur, the Bacchanal, The Bus Boys and Robert Vaughn and the Shadows, Rio's, 4258 West Point Loma Blvd., Loma Portal (225-9559), Azz Izz, Winston's.

Sunday, March 11: Human Rights and Tippa Irle, SOMA, 555 Union Street (Union and Market), downtown (259-0803, 296-XXXX or 278-TIXS).

Monday, March 12: Rob Base and DJ EZ Rock, the Bacchanal.