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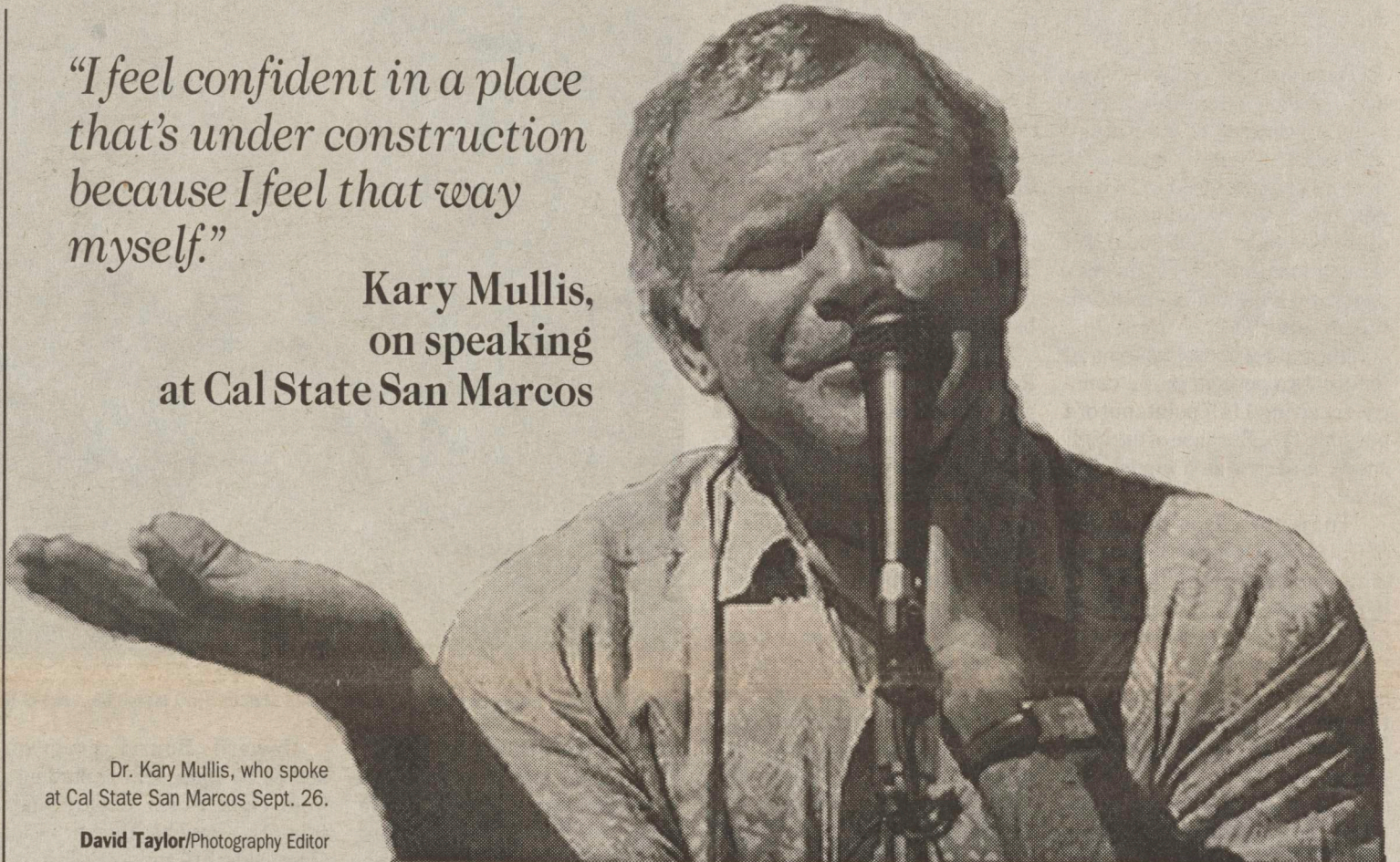
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Kary Mullis,
on speaking
at Cal State San Marcos



Dr. Kary Mullis, who spoke at Cal State San Marcos Sept. 26.

David Taylor/Photography Editor

MULLIS SPEAKS

Nobel laureate talks about AIDS and face on Mars

By Roman S. Koenig
Editor-in-Chief

A crowd of nearly 400 people turned out Sept. 26 below the Academic Hall to hear a presentation by the colorful and controversial scientist Dr. Kary Mullis.

The scientist's speech covered his theories about AIDS and the alleged government cover-up of artifacts photographed on the planet Mars. Mullis, who won the 1993 Nobel Prize in chemistry for his development of the polymerase chain reaction (PCR), came to Cal State San Marcos as part of the university's Arts and Lectures Series.

"I feel confident in a place that's under construction because I feel that way myself," he told the audience, referring to the chain-link fence behind him blocking campus construction.

Before beginning his main speech, Mullis talked about his development of PCR, a process of cloning DNA that has many applications for medicine, criminal justice, genetics and biotechnology. PCR provided the scientific theoretical basis for the novel and film

"Jurassic Park." The scientist was also called as a witness for the OJ Simpson defense team based on his PCR fame, although he never testified. Mullis, 50, admitted that his development of the process changed his life in terms of public recognition.

"I didn't just go off the deep end after that," he said. "I've always been off the deep end." Mullis explained that society needs eccentrics. "You've got to have a few nuts and give them a microphone once in a while."

The bulk of Mullis's lecture focused on his theories concerning the transmission of the disease AIDS. He said he does not agree with conventional theories and treatments for the ailment.

Mullis explained that he disagrees with the conventional theory that the HIV virus is the primary cause of AIDS. He said that in research he has done, and in asking other scientists for their basis for this theory, no credible scientific proof has been found to prove that HIV causes the disease. In science, he said, "you don't make a

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NEWS

Upward Bound given million-dollar grant

The Upward Bound program at Cal State San Marcos had a lot to celebrate last week.

The program recently received a \$1.1 million federal grant from the Department of Education. The grant, which makes up 95 percent of Upward Bound's budget, funds the program for another five years (1995-2000). An orientation for current participants and students interested in the program was held Sept. 30.

The grant proposal was among the top two percent in the country, receiving 114.7 points out of a possible 115. Because of the high score, it serves as a model program.

"The grant reflects the quality of CSUSM's Upward Bound program and the university's ability to compete nationally for federal funds. It also demonstrates CSUSM's commitment to sharing education with all people of the North County community," said Dr. Bill Stacy, university president.

Upward Bound is part of the TRIO programs which were designed by Congress in the 1960s to provide access to a college education for low-income, first-generation college-bound and

college-going students.

"CSUSM's Upward Bound is an excellent example of the results these programs produce. The proof is in the graduation rates of our students," said Calvin One Deer Gavin, director of the university's TRIO programs. "Upward Bound serves 8 local high schools. There have been 15 local area graduates, all have now gone on to college." The program began three years ago.

Joy Moore, a graduate of Rancho Buena Vista High School and Upward Bound, now attends CSUSM. "Upward Bound provided me with the opportunity to make a solid connection with campus life and personal skills to achieve excellence as a better communicator with all people," she explained.

Through its training, tutoring and counseling, Upward Bound helps students who otherwise would probably not consider pursuing a college education, prepare for university study. Upward Bound offers tutoring, college field trips, cultural activities, multicultural understanding, personal and family counseling, supplemental instruction, peer mentoring, college classes, lead-



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Calvin One Deer Gavin, director of Cal State San Marcos TRIO programs, speaks to a crowd in the Dome last fall.

ership conferences and more. Through the many academic and personal experiences, from ninth grade to 12th grade, Upward Bound helps students find direction, focus on academics in high school, and ultimately graduate from college.

Upward Bound program serves 50 high school students from eight North County high schools: Rancho Buena Vista; Oceanside; El Camino; Fallbrook; Escondido; San Pasqual; Orange Glen; and, San Marcos. The program is now in the process of

recruiting new participants. Students must be from one of the eight high schools served by the program and in either the ninth or 10th grade.

Call 750-4014 for more information about TRIO and Upward Bound.

Federal financial aid threatened by Congressional ax

By Tony Barton
News Editor

Students may be seeing a change in the way their federal financial aid is handled if measures being prepared by Congress are instituted.

Items such as student loans and grants would be among those affected in a \$2.6 billion appropriations cut proposed by members of Congress.

"At this point the House and the Senate have their own writeups," said Financial Aid Counselor Gerrie Hatten. "Both are bad. The House (of representatives) is worse."

Intrastubsities on student loans, which allow students to draw loans without collecting interest or beginning payment un-

PRESIDENT'S TAKE: President Clinton addresses students about impending financial aid cuts. See page 5.

til six months after they graduate, is one item on Congress' change list. Limitations on or removal of the interest subsidies on stipend loans are being considered.

The House of Representatives has also proposed a dismantling of the direct loan program, the program which serves Cal State San Marcos students. Loans would be directed back through the Federal Family Educational Loan Program (FFELP), a lender loan program which utilizes over 200 lenders and over 20 guarantee agencies. According to Hatten, this service would require

some students to keep three or four contacts for the same loan. The current direct loan program is run directly through the government, requires only one contact, and is "easier to manage." The Senate has not proposed cutting the direct plan, but has talked about cutbacks to the program.

"My wish is that those schools who wish to be in the direct loan program can be in it," said Financial Aid Director Paul Phillips.

Congress has also proposed raising the standards on students eligible for federal grant aid. Under the plan, students receiving \$600 or less under a pel grant

would be cut out, but the needier students would receive more money.

Either of these proposals passing would be grim tidings for CSUSM where a large amount of students receive pel grants and direct loans. Furthermore, direct loans replaced lender loans exclusively for the first time this year. It would cause a fair amount of administrative hasssle to switch back.

"We'd go back only if we were forced to," said Hatten.

The Associated Students has been busy getting petitions signed for congressmen Randy Cunningham (R-San Diego) and Ron Packard (R-Oceanside) urging them to "support continued funding for college loan and stu-

dent aid programs (i.e. Federal student aid)." Roughly 75 people called their congressmen on Sept. 12-13, according to AS President Charles Ragland.

"We'd like to see more grant money not loans," said Ragland.

Financial Aid offers a computerized scholarship search service, called Fund Finder. Free to CSUSM students, it is available Monday-Thursday from 11 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Fridays from 9:30 to 11 a.m. Several posted scholarship opportunities have Oct. 12 deadlines.

The Financial Aid Office is located Craven Hall 4204. New hours for the office, effective Oct. 9, are Monday-Thursday 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Fridays from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Call 750-4859.

WHAT'S NEWS

Women Studies Association to sponsor Girl Scout workshop

Cal State San Marcos's Women Studies Student's Association (WSSA) is sponsoring a workshop for the "Women Today" Junior Girl Scout badge Oct. 28 from 11 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. on campus.

The fee for the workshop is \$2.50 per girl. The fee does not include lunch so girls should bring their own. Registered independents are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult. Check-in will be from 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. The workshop will consist of interviews conducted by the girls, lecture and discussion.

Registration for the workshop must be received no later than Oct. 8. Contact Vicky LaVelle at 430-2671 for further information and registration forms.

Campus food drive underway

The Pan African Student Alliance of Cal State San Marcos is conducting a food drive beginning this week for those in need.

The organization has joined forces with Brother Benno's to help provide canned food and meat for North County's starving and hungry.

Three drop-off boxes for canned food have been placed on campus. Locations are at the Dome, Academic Square and the main entrance to the Academic Hall. To donate meat, call Evelyn Thomas at 434-8180 to make arrangements.

Blood drive starts today

The Community Blood Bank is holding an on-campus blood drive from 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. today and tomorrow (Oct. 4 and 5) at the parking lot in front of the Dome.

The event is co-sponsored by the Associated Students. Those interested in donating blood can sign up at the Associated Students office, Commons 205. Donors must be at least 17 years old, 110 pounds and in good health. Donors should also eat a well-balanced meal before giving blood and drink plenty of non-caffeinated liquids.

Call 739-2900 or 750-4990 for information.

Pow Wow is this weekend

The third annual Cal State San Marcos Pow Wow happens this weekend from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m., Oct. 7 and 8, on campus.

Various Native American tribes will present dances, food and booths featuring arts and crafts. For more information, call Bonnie Biggs at 750-4337.

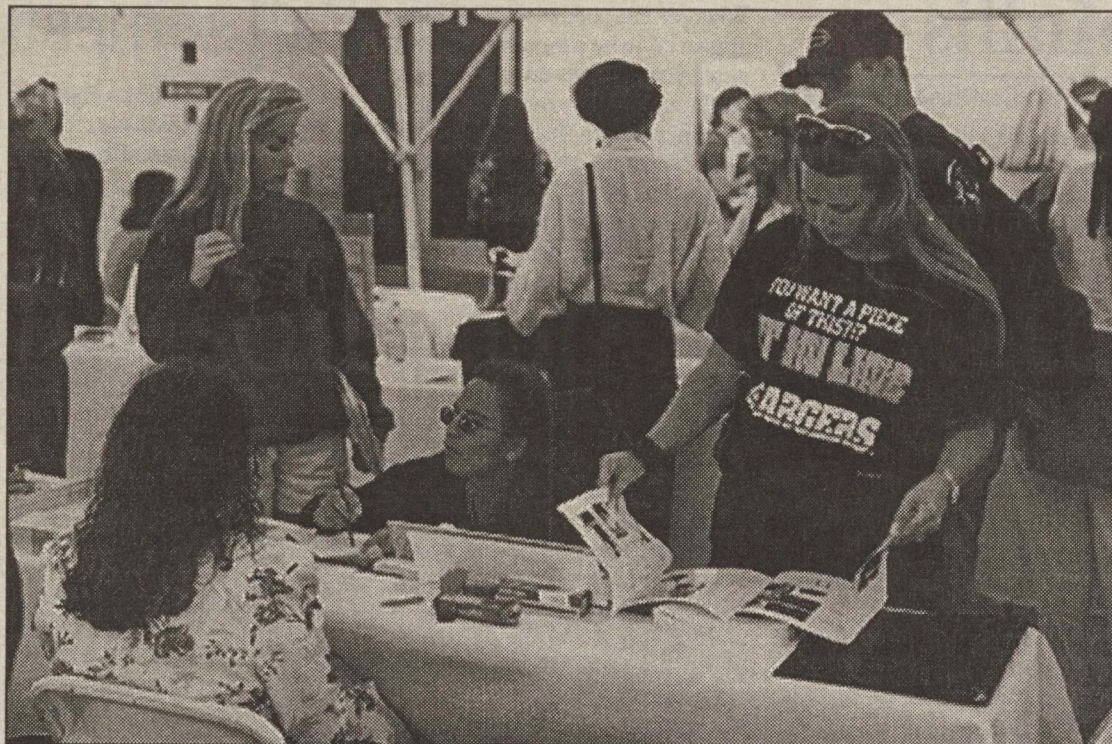
Lip sync rescheduled

The Associated Students has announced the rescheduling of a lip sync contest for 12 p.m. Oct. 25 in front of the Dome.

Various campus clubs will be represented on stage, winners of the contest will win money or a plaque. Students interested in signing up for the event can do so in room Commons 205. Call 750-4990 for more information.

Send us your news

The Pride is looking for news submissions from both campus and off-campus organizations. Please send submissions to our address: The Pride, Cal State San Marcos, San Marcos CA 92096. Submissions can also be e-mailed to student_newspaper@csusm.com, or delivered to our office, ACD-324.



Students and employers met at the annual Cal State San Marcos Career Fair Sept. 27.

David Taylor/Photography Editor

Career Fair offers opportunities

By Paul Hilker
Staff Writer

Cal State San Marcos's only Career Fair of the 1995-96 school year was held in Founder's Plaza Sept. 27, hosting 83 business organizations looking for prospective employees. Businesses ranged from Lady Footlocker to Pepperdine University's School of Law. Some of the more well known organizations included Blockbuster Entertainment, The Good Guys and federal agen-

cies like the San Diego Police Department, social services and the FBI.

Present at the exhibition of potential employers was a large representation of accounting and financial planning firms, and technological industries, including GDE Systems Inc., a computer systems analysis and testing company, and Remco Business Products, which sells office technology supplies.

"The career fair is one way to connect the University and the community," said Diana Sanchez, a career center representative who, along with Career center director Sandra Punch, organized the fair. "It's an important educational opportunity for students to see what's out there."

Those interested in dates for which certain employers plan on-campus visits for interviews can contact the center at Craven Hall 4201, or by calling 750-4900.

Students, staff can make a difference

Upcoming event encourages community involvement

By Greg Hoadley
Staff Writer

Students and staff of Cal State San Marcos will have a chance to "make a difference" beginning Oct. 27, when the national Make A Difference Day campaign kicks off. Started by USA Weekend and coordinated by the Points of Light Foundation in Washington DC, Make a Difference Day encourages the spirit of volunteering, according and an opportunity to get involved in the community, according to Cliff Briggs, director of Service Learning.

"It teaches the meaning of community, the ethic of service and the value of active learning," he said. Briggs, along with Program Specialist and CSUSM student Gina Forsythe who is helping to

oversee student recruitment, are trying to get students and campus clubs to participate. Their goal is to get 300-plus volunteers in on the action.

While initial recruitment has been slow, "it is starting to pick up. More students are coming by and asking about involvement," Forsythe said. Each group will be placed with a community agency in the North County area, such as the Boys and Girls Clubs of Carlsbad and Escondido, the Elizabeth Hospice in Escondido and St. Vincent de Paul Village. Groups and individuals who wish to participate should contact Briggs or Forsythe in the Learning Resource Center, Craven Hall 5318. Sign-ups will be accepted until mid-October.

There will be a special sign-up event Oct. 13 in ACD102. Wayne Dosnick, Rabbi and author of "The Business Bible: Ten New Commandments For an Ethical Workplace," and "Golden Rules: Ten Ethical Values Parents Need to Teach Their Children," will speak on "the ethic of doing good."

The official kickoff is 7:30 a.m. Oct. 27. Associated Students President Charles Ragland will attend along with university President Dr. Bill Stacy, and Briggs is hoping to involve some local celebrities as well. Refreshments will be provided by Starbuck's Coffee and Big Apple Bagels, among others. Free T-shirts and other prizes will be given out as well.

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statement like that one without a source. You've got to have reasons for everything you say."

He described how he believed the government and pharmaceutical firms are making money off this unproven theory and treating AIDS victims with a drug that kills them faster than the disease itself.

"A lot of people who have died of AIDS have actually died of AZT," he said. "It's a poison," originally developed as a chemotherapy treatment for cancer. "AZT kills all the cells it gets into eventually."

While he disagrees with the established view of how AIDS develops, Mullis said he has his own theory.

"Everybody's met one or two people who died of AIDS," he continued, "but they each died differently. In fact, the 'thing' AIDS isn't a 'thing' at all. It's a whole lot of people sick at the same time with different things."

Mullis described a kind of "viral overload," where people infected with AIDS have acquired it because of an overexposure to too many otherwise harmless viruses all at the same time. Individually, these viruses are not harmful to the immune system, but collectively they cause its degradation. HIV is just one of these many viruses, he said.

"What happens when you get 10,000 times the exposure to viruses totally harmless by themselves, all at the same time?" he asked. "The immune system would start to do funny things. And to kill people with the use of a drug that does little and kills people, it's criminal."

He added that the conventional development of an AIDS vaccine will not work based on this theory.

Despite his disagreement with currently-accepted theory, Mullis said he was open to it provided he sees the scientific proof. "If somebody came out with a study that said HIV causes AIDS I would say 'good,' because I'm tired of this."

Mullis moved his presentation from the realm of the inner body to outer space. He talked about an alleged cover-up on the part of NASA and the government to hide the facts about monuments on Mars.

"What was our space program developed for? To collect rocks?" he asked the audience. He explained how, in 1978, NASA's

Voyager snapped photos of what appeared to be a face and several nearby structures on the planet's surface at the region called Cydonia. While the press at that time was told that subsequent photographs six hours later showed nothing there, he explained, NASA never took such photographs because the Martian night had set in.

Three-dimensional computer enhancement of the known photographs shows that there is indeed a face, he said, "Like Mt. Rushmore but better art." Fifteen years later, when NASA planned to take photos of the same region, he said, the cameras on board the space craft conveniently malfunctioned.

Mullis said that the discovery of the face and other structures such as pyramids are exactly what we want the space program to find, explaining the ridiculousness of sending a small land-based machine to look for ATP when right beside it is a pyramid and a face.

He told the audience that the Internet is a blessing because information is so accessible about issues such as this. "Those pictures, fortunately, due to the internet, are not easy to suppress," Mullis said.

After his main lecture, Mullis answered questions from the audience.

Continuing on the theme of government cover-ups of alien life, one audience member asked Mullis if he believed there was a cover-up with regard to the top-secret "Area 51" military base in Nevada, which some claim houses alien bodies and space craft. "They say they're alien bodies stored out there. I think Jimmy Hoffa's out there," he responded.

Another audience member asked Mullis to talk about his experimentation with LSD. Mullis told the audience that, while it improved his thought processes and opened his mind to new ways of thinking, the drug is not for everyone.

"For some it's good. For some it's bad," he said. "But to not know about it and find out about it is stupid." Mullis noted that although LSD was legitimately tested by scientists for its good purposes, "It was a typical response by human nature to (suppress) something new and unknown," thus leading to its being made illegal.

Campus dignitaries and the press were invited to a personal reception with Mullis after the lecture in university President Dr. Bill Stacy's conference room.

Fall semester marks ELM deadline

The deadline is approaching for students to take care of the Entry Level Mathematics (ELM) requirement, announced Cal State San Marcos Test Coordinator Susan Buck. The test dates are Oct. 14 and Nov. 18. The (ELM) requirement is a mathematics requirement of all CSU campuses. Most currently enrolled Cal State San Marcos students have already satisfied the ELM Requirement or are currently enrolled in Math 050. Students unsure of their ELM status are advised to contact Admissions & Records at 750-4800.

The ELM requirement is met in four ways: completing (with a grade of C or better) CSUSM's Math 050 course; completing (with a grade of C or better) a college course that satisfies general education quantitative reasoning; a satisfactory math score on certain exams such as SAT, ACT, AP and the College Board Achievement Test; or a passing score (550 or above) on the ELM exam.

Students must attempt to complete the ELM requirement by the end of their first semester at CSUSM. Those not clearing the requirement will not be eligible

to register for the spring 1996 semester.

The ELM exam is a 75 minute multiple-choice test consisting of 48 intermediate algebra questions and 12 geometry questions. The passing score is a scaled score of 550 (which equals 39 correct answers out of a total of 60).

Students can pick up a test registration packet in the Office of Admissions and Records or the Testing Office. The registration form must be mailed or brought to the Testing Office. An admission ticket will be mailed to registrants one to two weeks before the test date. A \$16 test fee is due on the day of the test.

ELM workbooks and ELM test preparation books are available in the University Store. Free math tutoring is available at the Math Lab. The Math Lab is located in Craven Hall, room 3106-I. The phone number is 750-4122. Test prep workshops are offered by the ASPIRE Program. Call 750-4014 to register for the next ASPIRE workshop.

Questions regarding the ELM exam can be answered by contacting the Test Office, 750-4966, located in the Career Center (Craven Hall 4201).

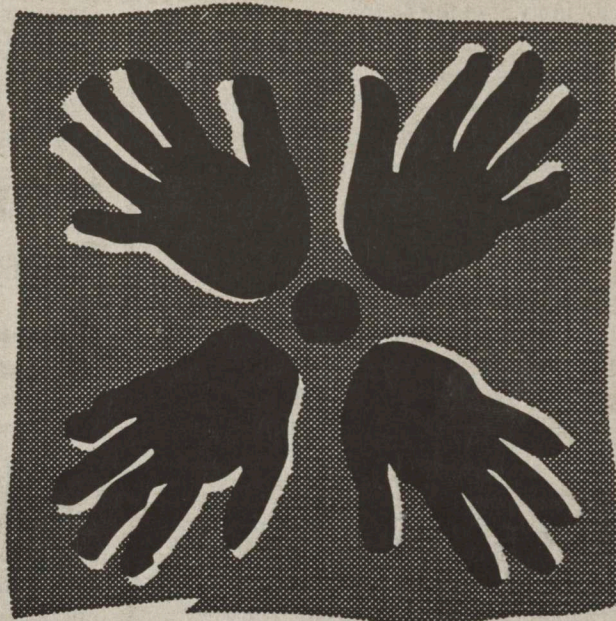
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OPINION

Bill Clinton

Education needs support of you and Congress

Students:

This is a busy time for you. But while you are choosing classes and making the decisions that will help you build a good life for yourself, the Congressional majority is working to make drastic cuts in education — in your student loans, in national service and even in your scholarships. And the cuts will jeopardize the future you and your generation are working toward.

I want you to know that I oppose these cuts. I will do everything in my power to fight them and to see to it that the dream of higher education remains real for all Americans. I will do this not only by defending the opportunities of those of you who are already in college, but by opening the doors further to make sure that even greater numbers of deserving Americans have the chance to stand where you stand today.

For the first time in a long time, leaders from both parties are resolved that we must balance the federal budget. From the day I took office, I've been committed to this goal — to getting rid of the budget deficit that quadrupled our national debt in the 12 years before I came to Washington. So far, we have made great progress. In three years, we have cut the deficit nearly in half, from \$290 billion to \$160 billion.

Now we are ready to eliminate the deficit entirely. On this, the Congressional majority and I see eye to eye. But *how* we get rid of the deficit is another matter. The majority in Congress wants to balance the budget in seven years and do it while giving an unnecessarily large tax cut. But in order to do these things the Congressional majority would make enormous cuts in education.

My balanced budget plan would take more years than Congress's to eliminate the deficit, but that's a small price to pay to keep your scholarships, your student loans and national service safe and well. It would also preserve our ability to protect the environment and the integrity of Medicare for our older citizens.

Balancing the budget is about more than numbers. It's about our values and our future. Education has always been the currency of the American dream. When I was your age, it was assumed — based on our long history — that each generation

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Irving F. Davis

Seek religious wisdom as well as education

There are times when "confusion" impairs "enlightenment" in the classroom. This happens when students' moral values clash with classroom innuendoes. Veiled reflections on character raise very personal questions which go beyond the classroom.

When the president of the United States gave his third State of the Union address, he ended with the words, "and God bless you all." Was he seeking divine care for our nation? Can he say this to us and oppose prayer in school knowing that the Congress opens with prayer? When students pay registration fees with money printed with "In God We Trust" on it, does this show their faith in God? Is there any wonder they are confused in the classroom when they face situation ethics, individual rights, humanism and man as his own master? On the outside we may have many storms, floods, even earthquakes over which we have no control. Is there anything we can do but accept them as "acts of God?"

There seems to be one inevitable answer to these confusing questions. Can we petition for help, invoke trust or seek relief without acknowledging God? If the president, the Congress, our currency and the forces of nature rely on God, then it must come down to the student to acknowledge God.

Our university, as an institution of higher learning, teaches us how to live in this world. Education is part of that process. Seeking the wisdom of God is another part. That responsibility resides with the individual. To lay to rest any confusion, this is a challenge for the student. Do not be intimidated by anyone when it comes to your belief in God. Do what is right

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regardless of what anybody says. Don't compromise what you believe. You will gain the respect of your fellow classmates and teachers by taking a strong and courageous stand and not yielding to what you know is wrong.

In conclusion, seek God's word. "Let the wise listen and add to their learning and let the discerning get guidance," states Proverbs 1:5, 2:2. "Turn your ear to wisdom and apply your heart to understanding." A Word to the wise should be sufficient, even on a secular campus.

Dr. Irving F. Davis, Ph.D., is a professor emeritus of Cal State Fresno and pro-tem adviser of Cal State San Marcos's chapter of Inter-Varsity Christian Fellowship.

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Performance review

Campus rocks to alternative sounds

By Julia McKinlay

Entertainment Editor

Students were entertained for two days last week with music performances sponsored by Associated Students. The bands performed Sept. 20 and 21.

Shree took center stage with a one-man acoustical jam and soulful tunes on Sept. 20 in front of the Dome. The following day, Bricks and Bones captured the ears and the applause of students lounging around for lunch.

Shree, a 25-year-old San Diegan, is a one-man folk music band who is no stranger to the music business. As a child, his mother managed a band and he found himself traveling around San Diego County in the company of many musicians.

Shree, which is short for his full name Shreegunshra, found his roots in the music of such notable singers as Terence Trent D'Arby, Stevie Wonder, and Tracy Chapman. The simplicity of their words ignited a passion for Shree when he picked up his first guitar at the age of 16. For the past six years, he has found both the inspiration and impetus for his music through the lyrics of others,

especially those of Rev. Gary Davis, Ottis Redding and Sam Cook. Folk music, he explained, "Is the most honest thing I ever heard."

Shree does credit life as the greatest source for his music. Many of his songs are based on personal experience or on the troubles of his close friends.

"There is truth behind most of my music," he said, adding that things must be going very well for him at this point because he hasn't been able to produce any new songs. "When I am happy, I have writer's block," he said. Indeed, with a CD entitled "Something He Said" released and available at all Music Trader locations and an untitled release due out next year, life is good.

He will also be performing at a Bill Silva Presents benefit at Mission Beach this coming October.

In contrast to Shree's melodic, easygoing musical style, Bricks and Bones tore up the stage with ripping guitar riffs and bold drum beats reminiscent of Sound Garden and The Cure. The trio includes lead singer and Cal State San Marcos student Jonathan Schoon, bassist Willy Carter and

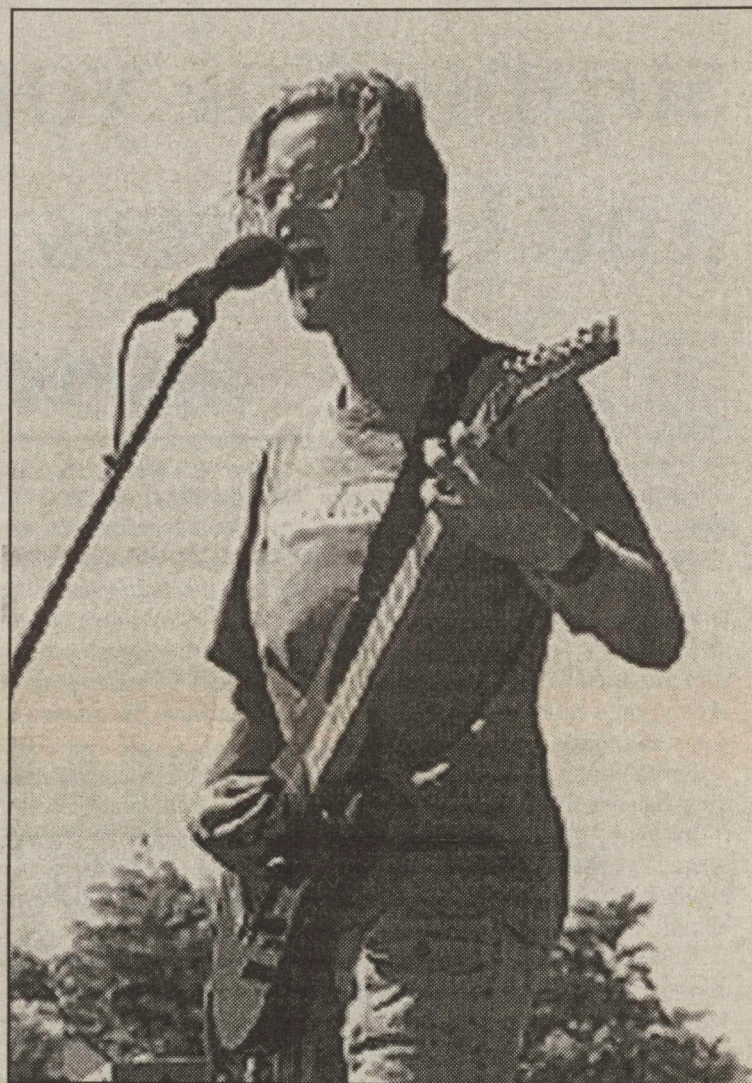
drummer Eric King, who recently joined the band. Although the group has only been together for approximately six months, they play tight and compliment each other nicely. They even do a rendition of "Purple Haze" that would make Jimi Hendrix proud.

Currently Bricks and Bones does not have a release available at any music retail stores. Tapes are obtainable, however, through Jonathan Schoon. The group will be performing at The Metaphor in Escondido on Oct. 14.

The lip sync event which was to accompany Bricks and Bones on Thursday was postponed to a later date. Apparently, the groups competing in the event felt they didn't have enough time to prepare for the performance. The lip sync event will be held Oct. 25. If you have any questions about the competition or would like to compete as a group, contact the AS office.

Just a note from the bands...

Thank you, CSUSM, for your support and for being so helpful. The performances wouldn't have been success without your involvement.



Roman S. Koenig/Staff photos

Comic artist signs in San Marcos

By Joyce Kolb

Business Manager

Trapped in a digital world, a three-dimensional rendition of Marvel's Ironman comic book character is poised to fight. He is a sculpted figure which virtually exists within a computer. Scott Easley, 27, created the first computer-generated comic book poster, featuring Ironman. He recently came to San Marcos's Sky High Comics to do a signing on Sept. 24.

"I think it's a great idea [to have store signings]," said Myra Montgomery, 17, a Sky High Comics employee. "People get to learn about the creative process. It's good for the community. It'd be nice if we had more people signing like this."

Easley used a silicon graphics workstation to create the 22 inch by 34 inch poster. The artwork was essentially sculpted within the Canadian program Soft Image. It was the same program used to do special effects in the hit movies "Jurassic Park" and "The Mask." The poster was a display of reflections and colorful brilliance. It took Easley only one

month to create.

"Ironman exists as a physical object within the computer," explained Easley.

The object can be fully rotated. It was composed of only spheres, cones, cylinders and cubes. The artwork was rendered at the actual size of the poster and printed at 2400 dots per inch (most personal laser printers print at 300 dots per inch).

Easley went to UC Santa Barbara and majored in English. He said that it was absolutely worth it. All of his computer training was on-the-job and he takes art classes. Easley suggests to aspiring artists that they study the Old Masters of art, such as Michealangelo. From the comic book world, they should pay special attention to the works of Berni Wrightson, Michael Kaluta, Richard Corben, Frank Frazetta and Simon Bisley.

Sky High Comics owner Mike Harris remarked, "I think that with the direction comics are going, it's about time we added computer graphics to the comics and the artists receive the attention that they deserve."

Above: Jonathan Schoon, Cal State San Marcos student and lead singer of Bricks and Bones, jams Sept. 21. in front of the Dome. Below: The whole band. From left to right: Willy Carter, Schoon and Eric King. Folk singer Shree performed Sept. 20. A lip sync competition scheduled after the performances has been moved to Oct. 25.



Album review

Morrissey's latest is brilliant

By Jill Ballard

Entertainment Editor

Morrissey has done it again. He's released another fabulous album. To say that "Southpaw Grammar" is his greatest album wouldn't be fair since Morrissey has never ever released anything less than brilliant, but "Southpaw Grammar" has a style apart from any of his past works—just as all Morrissey albums are unique.

The mellow and smooth sounds of his last album, "Vauxhall And I," have been replaced with harder and more prominent guitars and percussion while the voice steps back slightly from the forefront leaving the music to take more control. The opening track, "The Teachers Are Afraid Of The Pupils," clocks in at 11:19 minutes, making it the

longest Morrissey song ever released. Despite its length, however, there is not a dull second in the song. It's a haunting tale of a teacher who lives under the strain of threats and harassment from his students and their parents, "Say the wrong words to our children and we'll have you/It's never too late to have you!" It reminds me of those court trials where school teachers were being wrongly accused of child molestation.

"To be finished would be a relief" is the driving line of the song, but thankfully that is not the case for the album as we are next treated to another masterpiece, "Reader Meet Author". This song is a blast against authors who are ignorant to their readers' hardshipped working class lives, "And the year 2000

won't change anyone here/As each fabled promise flies so fast you'd swear it was never there/ Oh have you ever escaped from a shipwrecked life?" The song concludes by accusing the writer of lying.

The next track is the radio-only US single as well as the second UK single (release date Sept. 25) "The Boy Racer," a fanciful James Dean-esque song about a good-looking young man who speeds without getting pulled over, has too many girlfriends and thinks he's got the whole world in his hands when he stands at the urinal. Morrissey seems to be almost envious of the carefree danger defying lifestyle of the boy racer, "Have you seen him go though ohhh/Boy Racer ohhh/ We're gonna kill this pretty thing/ He's just too good looking." The next track, "The Operation," is introduced by a lengthy drum solo. The song never explains what kind of operation was performed on the patient, but the person apparently got a new demeanor out of it, "You say pleasant things when there is no need to/Everyone I know is sick to the back teeth of you." It's not the happiest of Morrissey songs, but it's still a lively and exciting number.

The next track is "Dagenham Dave," the first United Kingdom single which itself is a must find because it boasts one of Morrissey's best b-sides to date. "Nobody Loves Us," is a moving exploration of the attitudes of

neglected children and how they are negatively viewed by society. The other b-side, "You Must Please Remember," is another good reason to get the import single. It's a sad tale of being haunted by painful memories while at the same time others are opting for repression. "Dagenham Dave" is a whimsical sing-

along song about a guy not unlike the charming boy racer. The chorus is just a repeat of "Dagenham Dave" over and over until the fascination with this ordinary boy hits its final line, "I could say more, but you get the general idea."

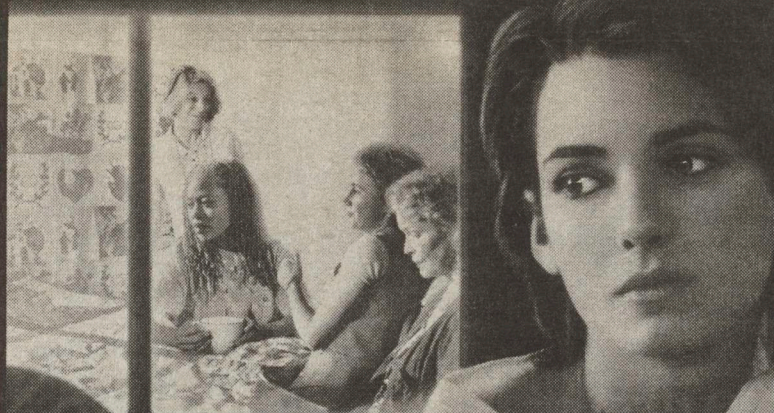
Then we are given the gift of one of Morrissey's greatest talents, lyrical sensitivity. It's a caring, outreaching plea to "Just Do Your Best and Don't Worry," a song directed to the overly self-critical, "With your standards so high and your spirits so low/At least remember this is you on a bad day/You on a pale day/Just do your best and ohhh/Don't worry ohhh/The way you hang yourself is oh so unfair." The next song, "Best Friend On The Payroll," is about a live-in right hand assistant who's welcome has worn out, which leads us to the final track, "Southpaw." This song is the only one I didn't really like, but that was only because after the singing ended, the boring music just droned on.

This album is a brilliant work of art despite its one minor downfall for me. I highly recommend it to anyone with taste for catchy songs with meaningful lyrics.



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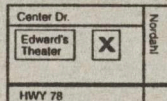
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The facts speak for themselves. Earnings for those with no post-secondary education have fallen substantially in the last 15

years. The only people for whom earnings have increased steadily are people exactly like you — those Americans with more education. Every year of higher education increases your earnings by six to 12 percent. Those years also mean a stronger overall economy and richer lives for those who have them.

Balancing the budget will be good for our economy and your future *if it's done right*. But simply balancing the budget won't do us much good in the long term if your generation does not have the education it needs to meet the challenges of the next century.

Just think over what the Congressional majority's plan, if it went through, would do to you, your classmates and any of the one of two college students who receives federal aid. It would:

- Raise the cost of student loans by \$10 billion over seven years by charging you interest on your loan while you are in school. This would increase the cost of a college education by as much as \$3,100 for undergraduates and \$9,400 for graduate students.

- Deny up to 360,000 low-income students desperately needed Pell Grants in 1996.

- Shut down Americorps, our national service initiative, which gives thousands of young people the chance to earn and save money for college while serving their country.

By contrast, my balanced budget plan builds on the national consensus that we must help people help themselves through the power of education. It eliminates *both* of our deficits: our budget deficit *and* our education deficit. My plan cuts wasteful spending by more than \$1 trillion, but it also increases investments in education by \$40 billion over the next seven years.

Think over how my balanced budget plan would help guarantee your future and all the hard work you're about to put into it. It will:

- Increase funding for Pell Grants by \$3.4 billion. Almost one million more students would benefit from the scholarships, and we would raise the top award to \$3,128 by the year 2002.

- Expand Americorps to let even more young Americans serve their communities and go to college.

- Protect our direct-lending program, which makes student loans more affordable, with more payment options and saves taxpayers, parents and students billions of dollars.

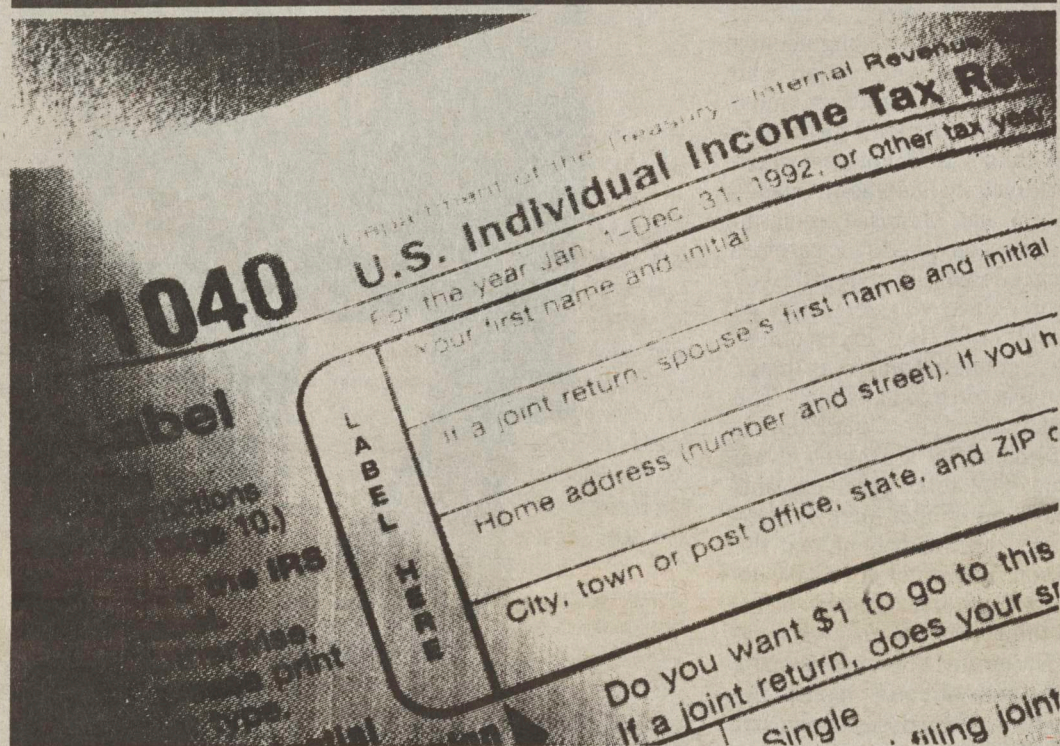
In taking on the responsibility of educating yourselves you have chosen the right and difficult path. You did the work you had to do to get into college. You may be working now to pay your way, and your family may have worked long hours and made great sacrifices to help you get where you are today.

You deserve the nation's support, and your future success will likely repay our common investment. I do not accept the arguments of those who condemn irresponsibility in young Americans and then seek to deny the nation's helping hand to the millions of you who are doing the right things.

I hope you'll support my efforts to protect education and balance the budget. The fight for education is the fight for your future. In my life — and in the lives of countless Americans — education has meant the difference between the impossible and possible. It should be true in your lives, too. With your help, we'll keep it that way.

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Corrections/Clarifications

In the Sept. 20 edition of The Pride, the name of a campus fraternity was misspelled in an article about rush week. The correct name of the organization is Tau Kappa Epsilon.

The names of two former Associated Students officers were also misspelled in an article. Those names were Wendy Corbin and Kris Christenson.

The Pride regrets the errors.

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