



Candidates Visit Campus Hoping to Collect Student Votes

By: Steve Compian
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An audience that fluctuated between 50 and 70 CSUSM students listened to congressional and assembly candidates speak during a forum held outside the Dome on November 2.

Reactions from people in attendance were positive. Both listeners and speakers enjoyed what they hoped would be a recurring activity held at the school.

"I think it's a pretty good forum," said Social Science major Joe Gonzales. "It's a good chance for students to hear third-party candidates, too." Gonzales, however, added, "I wish it could be a little longer."

The congressional candidates in attendance were George Barraza (Democrat), Eric Hunter Bourdette (Natural Law), Cameron Durckel (representing



Assembly and congressional candidates spoke during a forum held outside the CSUSM Dome on November 2. Photos courtesy of Robin Milch.



The audience included CSUSM students, faculty, staff and the public.

Republican Randy "Duke" Cunningham) and Daniel Muhe (Libertarian). The Assembly candidates in attendance were Barbara Bourdette (Natural Law) and John Herrera (Democrat).

Tony Castro, a Liberal Studies major, liked the idea of having a forum on campus. "It brings up a number of good issues. I read people by their facial expressions, so I really appreciate seeing and hearing the candidates. I also think it's an especially good idea for the younger voters."

ASI Corporate Secretary Jocelyn Brown was another student who enjoyed the forum. "I've never heard the views of the Natural Law people and it blew me away because they addressed all the issues that concern me," said Brown.

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CSUSM Job Fair a Success

By: Melanie Addington
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CSUSM held its annual job fair on November 1, from 4pm to 7pm, at the California Center for the Arts in Escondido. Eighty-two employers were in attendance and were looking to hire CSUSM students.

350-400 attendees included CSUSM students, alumni and the public. Some students, such as Mark Davis, found the experience successful. "It was worth the visit," said Davis, "It was helpful that you could talk with the company representatives about current and future job openings."

Other students had expected better or different opportunities. When asked if he found what he was looking for, CSUSM student Brian Loya replied, "Nothing I am jazzed about."

Although many students were already milling around the tables at 4pm, Dean of Student Affairs, Jonathan Poullard, and CSUSM administrator Suzanne Green officially welcomed the crowd by giving out door prizes, including CSUSM T-shirts and a gift certificate to Mimi's Café.

Eighty-six companies were expected to attend but four of the companies, including North County Times, did not show up. In a phone interview, a representative for North County Times said, "[We] were under the impression that we were just a co-sponsor [for the event]. We handled it through our P.R. Department and not our Human Resources Department." North County Times had a booth at another job fair in San Diego that day and had not planned on attending the CSUSM job fair.

The other companies in attendance included a wide range of companies, including 24-Hour Fitness, 7-11, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Morgan Stanley Dean Witter, US Navy and YOH Scientific. "To have [eighty-two] employers here for a school this size is phenomenal. It is really a testament to the work of the Career and Assessment Center," said Dean Poullard. The job fair was a joint effort between the Career and Assessment Center (CAC) and the Alumni Association.

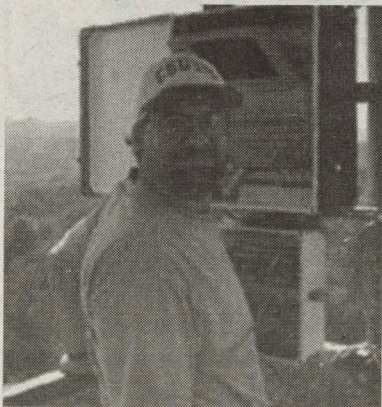
Professor Researches Global Warming in Alaska

By: Jeff Brownlee
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Biology Professor George Vourlitis is a three-year veteran of the faculty of CSUSM. This native San Diegan, however, was in the Arctic regions of Northern Alaska for seven years conducting experiments on global warming. During this period, Vourlitis was able to verify existing theories of global warming and document this phenomenon.

Professor Vourlitis was enthusiastic about discussing his research on global warming.

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George Vourlitis/Courtesy Photo

Breast Cancer Awareness Presentation by Dr. Liss and Dr. Carpenter

By: J. Ryan Sandahl
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"I do not like to be called a breast cancer survivor," said Professor Andrea Liss, "It is a label of the complexity of what it's like to go through breast cancer. It limits the sense of oneself."

As part of Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Professor Liss gave a presentation on breast cancer Tuesday, October 31. Liss, an art historian and cultural theorist in the Visual and Performing Arts Department, began her presentation by reading a story about a mother dealing with breast cancer. Liss, the mother, has lived through breast cancer surgery and experimental chemotherapy treatments.

After Dr. Liss read her emotional story, Dr. Michelle Carpenter, a breast surgeon, provided information about breast cancer. Carpenter said that one out of every eight women will get breast cancer at some point in their lifetime, assuming the average life span is eighty years. The majority of women with breast

cancer are between fifty and seventy-five years of age. One percent will be in their thirties. Another one percent of those will be women in their twenties. This, however, does not mean that twenty year olds have nothing to worry about. "The fact is, every woman is at risk to get breast cancer," said Carpenter.

Men are at risk, as well, though less than one percent of all people diagnosed with breast cancer are men.

Carpenter recommends that women get a mammogram every year starting at age forty. She also says self-examination every month is very important because mammograms may not show everything.

"A mammogram could come up clean, but the woman could still have breast cancer," says Dr. Carpenter.

Women should not be afraid to examine themselves because the majority of women find their own lumps—oftentimes in the shower. If a lump is detected, Carpenter says that it is best for the woman to see a breast surgeon that specializes in breast cancer.

She warned that some doctors misdiagnose problems and dismiss a lump that they think is not cancerous. Unfortunately, these misdiagnoses may turn out to be cancerous lumps and that complications could have been prevented if they had been correctly detected.

Breast cancer is also genetic, so if it runs in the family, the chances of getting breast cancer are much higher than those without breast cancer in the family. Things like breast implants and birth-control pills do not affect the probability of getting breast cancer.

Dr. Carpenter brought along models for everyone in the class to feel what the lumps might feel like inside the breast. She encourages women to be aware of the possibility of getting breast cancer. Carpenter hoped to inform women, not to scare women. Overall, it was a very informative presentation.

180,000 women are diagnosed with breast cancer every year. The earlier it is caught, the better the chances are for survival.

CSUSM Prof. Researches Global Warming

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What is global warming?

Global warming, explained Professor Vourlitis, is a natural phenomenon. The Earth is much warmer than can be accounted for by its proximity to the sun. Carbon dioxide is emitted into the atmosphere from microorganisms living under the soil and as a bi-product of plant respiration. This carbon dioxide traps heat from the sun, thus warming the planet.

Since approximately 1850, however, levels of atmospheric carbon dioxide have risen from a steady 250 parts per million to current levels of 350-365 parts per million. Vourlitis emphasized that this rise in carbon dioxide levels coincides almost exactly with the advent of the Industrial Revolution and a dramatic increase in the combustion of petroleum-based fuels. The "smoking gun," to use Vourlitis' term, implicates human activity in global warming and lies in chemical analysis of atmospheric carbon dioxide.

Plants and microorganisms

produce carbon dioxide with a heavy Carbon-13 atom. Carbon dioxide produced by the combustion of petroleum fuels produces a light Carbon-12 atom. At this point, scientists have verified that the recent increases in atmospheric carbon dioxide levels are made up of carbon dioxide molecules containing the light Carbon-12 atom. This analysis is so precise at the molecular level that scientists have been able to trace excess carbon dioxide in the Alaskan atmosphere to a specific type of coal burned in antiquated Eastern European furnaces.

Global warming research in Alaska

The arctic regions provide the optimum conditions for Vourlitis' research due to their ultra-sensitivity to changes in temperature. These regions represent a climatic "canary in a coal mine," to use his turn of phrase. This sensitivity allowed Vourlitis to study a subtler phenomenon of global warming.

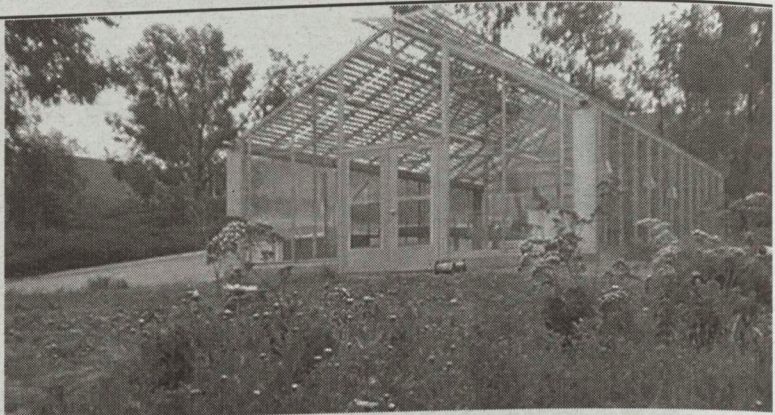
As temperatures rise, the Arctic permafrost emits more carbon dioxide due to the increased activity of organisms living underground. Eventually, this increased emission overtakes the carbon dioxide removed from the atmosphere by plants during photosynthesis. This excess carbon dioxide results in further warm-

ing and takes on a kind of "snow-ball effect".

Vourlitis' research verified that this phenomenon was, in fact, taking place in Northern Alaska. This research also revealed a more startling and previously only hypothesized trend of global warming. Over a period of years, Vourlitis was able to observe arctic plant life increasing their uptake of carbon dioxide, apparently in response to increases in nutrient availability caused by long-term global warming. The plants seem to be evolving in response to the selection pressures of global warming. More accurately, and even more striking, the Arctic ecosystem itself seems to be trying to reestablish equilibrium through the increased carbon dioxide uptake of the plants. As Vourlitis' area of expertise is Ecology/ Evolution, the opportunity to observe such an extraordinary phenomenon was particularly gratifying to him.

What are the consequences of global warming?

When asked about the possible consequences of global warming and possible solutions, Vourlitis responded in a very sober and down to earth manner, "Increased flooding, more frequent and severe storms, decreased crop yields, increased pest and insect infestations,



CSUSM greenhouse enables Vourlitis to observe ecosystem behavior.
Photo by Melanie Addington

increased incidence of tropical diseases in temperate areas, increased soil erosion, and more frequent and severe wildfires, among other phenomenon can be expected over the next 50 years if current patterns of global warming continue." Vourlitis emphasized that as dire as the consequences of global warming may be, the solutions are simple and within the control of everyone.

Possible solutions for global warming

Basic conservation methods, such as reusing, recycling, carpooling, purchasing grocery products in bulk, minimizing water used in gardening and bathing and using heating and air conditioning sparingly, will significantly slow the effects of global warming. The best solution, however, lies in limiting fossil-fuel emissions and deforestation, which

will require a fundamental change in lifestyle. Vourlitis was particularly adamant about the use of curbside recycling programs, which he feels are a powerful tool in eliminating waste and furthering conservation. Such recycling programs include the recycling bins available at CSUSM.

Professor Vourlitis also displayed great enthusiasm when discussing the greenhouse at CSUSM, describing it as his "laboratory". The greenhouse enables him to construct and observe models of ecosystem behavior on the CSUSM campus. Though not as glamorous as arctic Alaska, the greenhouse serves as a valuable tool in Vourlitis' research.

Vourlitis also teaches Human Impact on the Environment (BIO 338). He earned his Ph.D. in Ecology/ Evolution from UC Davis.

Candidates Hold Forum at CSUSM

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Not everyone in the audience, however, was a CSUSM student. Retiree Jack Jeffries came to the forum to hear how the candidates stood on the issue of senior citizens and their prescription medication payments.

Some of the other issues that were discussed were abortion and health insurance for college students.

Carol Herrera, whose husband, John, is seeking the 74th assembly seat, said, "I thought the forum was a marvelous opportunity to get the views of the candidates. It let's the young people think through the views of today."

Candidate John Herrera echoed his wife's comments by saying, "I'm happy to be at this forum. These are the future leaders of our community. Things are going to change for the better, but only if students get involved." Mr. Herrera closed by saying, "I'd definitely like to see more forums like these."

George Barraza, who is running against Duke Cunningham for the 51st Congressional District, felt CSUSM was an excellent setting for talking with the voters. "I think it's an ideal forum, especially since students are educated and well informed. Hopefully

forums like this will occur earlier and will become the requirement for candidates."

Congressional candidate Bourdette urged the students to vote, "Most of the young people age 18 to 22 don't vote. In the last election Bill Clinton only received 37 million votes. You represent a huge block of voters if you'd only get together in your own self interests."

Robin Milch, ASI Vice President for External Affairs, organized the public assembly and also served as the moderator for the open forum. Milch kept the forum running smoothly, even when some lively sparring occurred between congressional candidate Barraza and Durckel, who was there to represent Cunningham. The mud slinging happened after Barraza was asked by a student what he would change if elected.

Barraza said he would be more responsive to local problems. "During the energy crisis, Bob Filner came back from Washington, so did Brian Bilbray. He [Cunningham] couldn't find time to leave then and he isn't here now either. He just doesn't care."

Durckel countered with, "Congressman Cunningham couldn't be here because he is busy working on the federal budget." He then made a comment about Barraza's aggressiveness. Barraza wasted little time in retaking the podium, and even accused Cunningham of being physically abusive while serving in Congress.

The candidate forum, hosted by ASI, and was also recorded by KDCI-TV (Oceanside Public Channel 17).

Weekly Web Site American Civil Liberties Union



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The web site for the American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) is www.aclu.org. This web site contains information on issues

that affect everyone.

www.aclu.org is neatly organized by categories including students' rights, free speech, police practices and workplace rights. The information is composed of regularly updated current news, legislation, court rulings and their implications.

The web site has a link for joining the "action alert list," an e-mail list the ACLU uses to send subscribers information on current legislation that affects civil liberties. E-mail from the action alert list contains a link to a web page for faxing or e-mailing your representatives about issues in the alert.

With elections approaching, people may find the "Freedom Scorecard" helpful and interesting. This section of the site allows a person to look up the voting history of representatives on civil liberty issues, as ranked by the

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Wetlands Could Be Destroyed

The Campus Beat

By: Benjamin Wayne
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Local conservationists opposed to the city of San Marcos' plan to extend Las Posas Road across Agua Hedionda creek and through the Hedionda Valley wetlands, have submitted their comments to three state and federal regulatory agencies.

The agencies, which include the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, the California Department of Fish and Game and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineering and Wildlife Services, are currently reviewing the Las Posas project and will render a decision shortly.

"We are waiting to hear if the Army Corps and the Regional Water Quality Control Board will issue permits to allow the road to impact the wetlands," said Sandra Farrell of the Friends of Hedionda Creek, a local conservationist group. Farrell's group is concerned that if allowed to proceed, the road's construction will severely damage the environmental integrity of the Hedionda Valley wetlands.

Agua Hedionda creek bisects two large areas, approximately 1,500 acres, of undisturbed coastal sage scrub and wetland habitat in the Hedionda Valley. Species living in the area, which include

the endangered coastal California gnatcatcher and the least Bell's vireo, depend on the freshwater marsh habitat that the wetlands provide. Clearing land for a new road would require the city to fill in the valley's natural ponds, to clear the riparian vegetation and to displace hundreds of animals from their home.

Furthermore, Ferrell points out that native species of Hedionda Valley depend on the creek's constant water supply as a resource for survival. The area is considered as a natural wildlife corridor as it provides habitat linkage for both the flora and the fauna in the valley. If the road is allowed to extend through the Hedionda Valley, it will split the corridor into two--restricting movement to and from the creek. "The road extension will destroy sensitive wetlands and create a conflict situation for wildlife that find their corridor turned into a 45 mph road," added Farrell. "The result will be wildlife being lost to roadkill."

Aside from Farrell's group, the Sierra Club's San Diego Chapter has also sent letters urging the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, the California Department of Fish and Game and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineering and Wildlife Services to reject San Marcos' permit requests for the

Las Posas project.

Sierra Club officials have pointed out that the Hedionda Valley lies within the Multiple Habitat Conservation Program's (MHCP) focused planning area (FPA), an agreement between the city of San Marcos and the San Diego Association of Governments (SANDAG) whose general goal is to protect areas of high habitat value. The focused planning area's specific goal is to "direct land development to areas outside the FPA in exchange for conservation inside." By initiating the Las Posas project, the city of San Marcos has gone against the MCHP and against the specific goals of the focused planning area.

"It is unconscionable that the city of San Marcos would promote such a plan in that it will destroy a valley which is covered with undisturbed coastal sage scrub and wetlands habitat, two of the most valuable and rapidly declining types of habitat in our region," said Mary Hendricks-Clarke of the Sierra Club in a recent statement to the California Regional Water Quality Control Board.

As criticism for the project mounts, the city of San Marcos has maintained a relatively quiet defense. "Although Friends of Hedionda Creek has sent packages to all members of the San

Marcos City Council and members of the planning department, asking that this area be preserved, no one at the city has responded," added Ferrell.

Nevertheless, Ferrell's group is not depending on the city of San Marcos or the regulatory agencies to do the right thing. At the moment, Friends of Hedionda Creek has been working with other local environmental groups to secure the funds to buy back the valley.



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Who do you think will win the presidential election?

By: David Ruiz



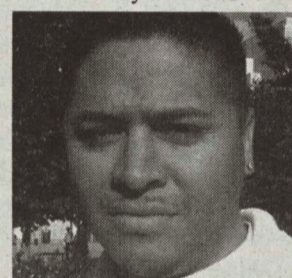
"I wish that nobody would win the election so that we can recognize that the system that we have in place is not an effective one. Maybe that would force change."

Honey Folk



"I honestly have no idea. I think that they both have an even chance."

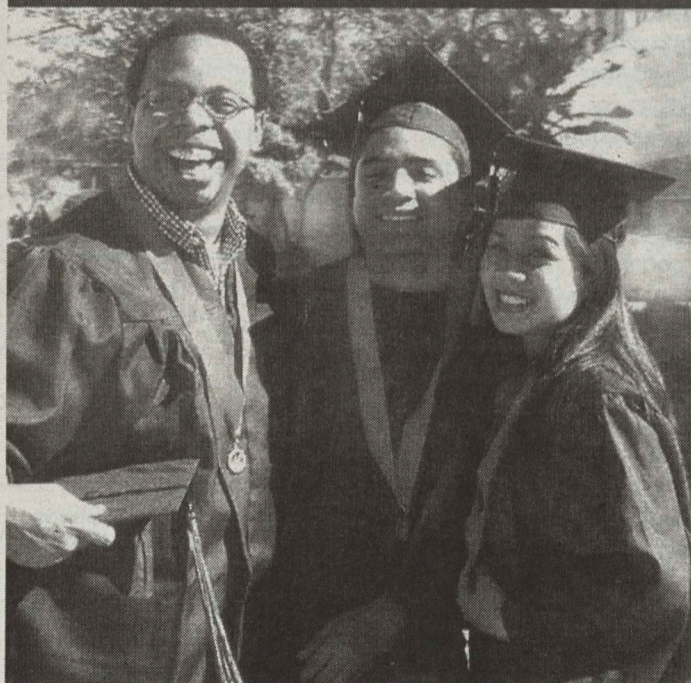
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"I think Bush is going to win because he has more integrity. Bush represents the people but it's going to be close."

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CSUSM Student Denise A. Vasseur Remembered

By: Paula Graves Vickery
Contributing Writer

A memorial for Denise A. Vasseur was held on November 4, 2000. Denise was a graduate student working on her Master's Degree in Psychology at CSUSM. She was also a full-time zoo-keeper at the Wild Animal Park in Escondido. Most importantly, she was my friend. Whether one knew her as a friend, colleague or a student, most people agreed that she had been blessed with a generous spirit and was extremely well liked. All of us in the Psychology Department respected her.

I met Denise four years ago when she entered the Master's Program in Psychology. I was drawn to her from the beginning. Even before we were introduced, I couldn't help eavesdropping as she compared stories of her adventures in Africa with another student in the class. Denise had blue eyes that sparkled, a shiny cap of auburn hair and spoke with a crisp British accent. She was confident, self-possessed and intelligent. Denise was powerful. And quite frankly, she made Indiana Jones seem kind of wimpy.

Denise had finished the course work for her Master's and was planning to present her thesis proposal this semester. Denise was both dedicated and passionate about animal conservation and education. She was also interested and intensely concerned with primates. Denise's thesis was an investigation into lan-

guage-related hand preferences in Bonobos apes, a species that scientists believe is closely related to humans.

While at San Marcos, Denise had the good fortune to have both Dr. Gina Grimshaw and Dr. Nancy Caine as her advisors.

During a small gathering for Denise's family and friends, Grimshaw said, "Her thesis work was very important. Nancy Caine and I plan to see to it that the project Denise worked so hard on is completed and published with her name on it."

Denise was always creative in the ways she went about accomplishing her personal, professional and educational goals. For example, she wanted to teach, do research, travel and, most importantly, get to know the man she would later marry. She followed Charles, a career Marine, to Japan. While Charles was stationed in Japan, Denise taught English and volunteered at the Ueno Zoo in Tokyo. This left her time for riding on the handlebars through the country on weekends while "Charles did all the pedal work."

I was especially impressed by Denise's accomplishments because of some of the obstacles that were present in her life. There were times when finances were a problem but she was

determined to pay for her own education and not have the aid of loans. Denise loved her job but it was physically and mentally demanding for her. It was not unusual for her to come in with a bruise or scratch inflicted by a clumsy rhinoceros or an anxious lemur. Denise also had Graves disease, a chronic health condition that caused her to feel very badly at times and to suffer a great deal of fatigue. Most students in the Psychology graduate program agree that keeping up with the workload can be a challenge, Denise rarely complained. She seemed energized by challenges and just lit up when she discussed her work, my work, or any new theory or concept to which we were introduced.

I will remember Denise's



Denise connects with Amy the chimpanzee at the Jane Goodall Orphan Chimpanzee Project in Burundi Africa, 1994. Photo courtesy of Charles Vasseur

courage, determination and self-discipline. I will also remember how she gracefully accepted the fact that she did not have the luxury of time and good health that others may have had.

I will mostly remember Denise's intelligence, and sense of humor, the way she could help me figure out a problem that I was struggling with and then make a joke that would leave me feeling like I was the smarter of the two of us. At least I think that was what she meant.

Denise was not a part of my day-to-day life. What we shared was a bond based on a mutual understanding and respect of what we half jokingly and half seriously referred to as our "burning need to know." We also shared a belief and a commitment to a possible world, a world that might exist if only humans would become educated and enlightened about the world around them and were willing to share that knowledge with one another.

On September 22, Denise and her husband Charles were planning to celebrate their fourth wedding anniversary. When Denise failed to return home after work that Saturday, Charles waited only a few hours to call the police and to report her missing. Charles said it was unlike Denise not to call or to be late. There were a lot of rumors but no concrete news of what had

happened or where Denise was until September 29. Police arrested Denise's coworker, Patrick Hamilton, who had also been missing and was suspected of abducting her. Upon his capture, the forty-one-year-old Vista man confessed that he had strangled Denise during an argument.

My last conversation with Denise was on September 18 to discuss the plans she had for my very special eleven-year-old friend, Andrew. Denise was scheduling a VIP treatment and tour of the park for him.

"I'm so excited," she said, "Children with an interest in animals are my favorites. They are all potential." Her eyes sparkled and were so full of light that day.

The day that we learned that Denise had been murdered, Andrew knocked on my door. He had seen the television reports.

"How could this happen?" he asked. My heart broke seeing the fear and confusion in his eyes. "I'm so sorry," was all I could say.

I am planning to take Andrew to the Park and we will stand together in Denise's favorite spot. I hope in that space he will experience the peace and beauty of the possible world that Denise worked so hard to create. Afterwards, I know when I look into Andrew's eyes I will see Denise's light. Thank you Denise.

Questions regarding donations for the Vasseur family can be directed to Paula Vickery at: P Vick76650@aol.com.

"If It Has Wings and Two Legs It's a Vegetable!"

Remembering Denise A. Vasseur

By: Kirsti K. Gepp
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Peking duck, roasted turkey, chicken curry...they are not what comes to mind when thinking of vegetarians. But, if you are an animal expert, you might just be allowed to make up your own rules. Denise—a longtime vegetarian—who sometimes had an appetite for these winged delights, insisted they MUST be vegetables then! Only someone with a firm comprehension of species paired with an indestructible sense of humor could have said such a thing and be serious about it. We believed her because of that mischievous smile that would accompany such stubborn declarations.

This kind of persistence would do wonders at other times in Denise's life. Her ingenious style of rediscovering the world around her was born long before her fellow students found out that she could make an undergraduate behave like a docile elephant...long before she became best buddy with Bahati, a chimpanzee in the heart of Burundi...and long before she disclosed that

her pet snail was able to most naturally remove body hair...

Denise was born to Sheila and David Wardill on September 10, 1969 in Newcastle, England. As a curious child she owned an assortment of pets and showed an early interest in animal behaviors. It is not inconceivable that she may have been the perfect example of a child enthusiastically eating her vegetables, if her mother just understood that these included turkey sandwiches and chicken stew! Denise's teenage years were mildly rebellious British-style. The idea of a big-haired, leather-garb-wearing Denise listening to punk music while living the 80's culture probably elicits a twinge of recognizable blush in some of us!

Fancying Denise's sense for the unique, a local British newspaper picked up on her unusual scientific declaration that her pet snail ought to be considered a gentle hair remover. An entire page of the local newspaper explained this nifty discovery accompanied by an oversized picture of a smiling Denise with her slippery friend crawling up her arm. As she got older, her unusual interest in animals kept growing. While attending the University of Stirling in Scotland for a Bachelors of Science in Psychology, Denise spent much of her free time working at the Edinburgh Zoo. Human psychol-

ogy had captured her interest, but animal behavior had become her passion.

After graduating in 1992, Denise took up work at a Newcastle pet store to raise money to volunteer in Africa. In 1994, she seized the opportunity to be part of a difficult but very rewarding project in Burundi, East Africa. The Jane Goodall Chimpanzee Project worked with international and local experts to relocate chimpanzee populations--threatened by poaching--from war-torn Burundi to Kenyan National Parks. It fully ignited the special passion Denise developed toward working with primates and particularly chimpanzees. Her Burundi experience did not resemble the Out of Africa cliché. Civil war and tough living conditions demanded volunteers with unyielding dedication. Nevertheless, Denise was captured by the African continent like many others who arrived with an open heart.

In Burundi, Denise met her husband Charles Vasseur, a Marine on Embassy Duty. Her initial attraction to highly prized hot showers and American pizza—only available at Bujumbura's Marine House—soon gave way to a close partnership with Charles that would eventually lead Denise to the U.S.

After leaving the project in Burundi, Denise returned to

England to earn her teaching certificate from Shane English School at the University of Cambridge. In 1995, after receiving her teaching credentials, Denise decided to spend a year instructing in Tokyo. Denise became an enthusiastic English teacher who, bearing in mind her considerable talents in teaching anything to anyone, most likely bestowed many of her Japanese pupils with a solid working knowledge of the English language. Not leaving animals out of her sight, she volunteered at the Ueno Zoo. There, she worked on her research investigating animal signaling and language on which she would continue with tenacity for years to come.

In 1996, Denise and Charles moved to Southern California and got married. Continuing her passion for animals and research, she began working at the San Diego Wild Animal Park. At the same time, she taught English at CSUSM and soon thereafter, entered the university's Experimental Psychology Graduate Program. At CSUSM, she has boggled many of us with her ever-original ways of presenting and teaching academic topics. Denise the teacher and a boring lecture were mutually exclusive, as most of us will admit without hesitation. Undoubtedly, her talk on operant conditioning for an introductory psychology

class will bring forth smiles for a long time to come from those fellow students and professors who reminisce that lecture. Who else but Denise could have turned an unsuspecting undergraduate into a peanut-eating elephant while happily and noisily demonstrating how chimpanzees vocalize their emotions? In essence, Denise's sense of humor, intelligence, and originality reinforced our ideals on how one ought to learn in the classroom and in life. She did continue her original research on primate language at the Wild Animal Park through her Master's thesis at CSUSM. Denise's thesis project examined language-related hand preferences in Bonobos (also known as Pygmy Chimps), an endangered species thought to be human's closest relative. Undoubtedly, she has been the only graduate student among us who has had a firm idea about the subject of her Master's thesis many years prior to entering the program!

On September 22, Denise was taken from life and from being a wife, daughter, sister, friend, student, researcher, and animal conservationist. She will continue to inspire many of us. We will forever remember her smile—that same great smile which could make us believe that some vegetables may have wings and two legs!

Good Bye Denise.

Remembering the Veterans

By: Steve Compian
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Unlike other holidays, Veterans' Day is not a festive occasion for backyard barbecues or watching football games. Veterans' Day, which falls on November 11, was established to remember the men and women who served in our nation's defense and especially those who have made the ultimate sacrifice.

Gulf War Memoirs

"Dear God, please don't make me shoot this man!"

By: Steve Compian
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During the Gulf War, I was an infantry platoon sergeant in the Marines. My job was to train and care for sixty-six men, who operated from three armored personnel carriers. Two weeks before the start of the ground war, I was diagnosed with classic gallstone syndrome and given a choice: go to Germany for treatment or gut it out. I never saw Germany, but I would see Kuwait City.

We waited near the Saudi-Kuwaiti border for Iraq to comply with United Nations sanctions and as the deadline passed, we realized the ground war was imminent. So we bowed our heads to ask for God's forgiveness and the strength to do what had to be done (I noticed even the atheists bowed). Then we mounted our vehicles and moved into our battle positions.

Marine Corps units pushed north, along the eastern coast of Kuwait. We breached two sets of "impenetrable defenses" that the Iraqis lined with surface-laid land mines. We drove through the minefields, which were about a hundred yards wide and several kilometers long, after Marine Corps engineer units had cleared lanes for us to cross safely. The mines reminded me of neatly laid rows of crops, until one disabled a tank and injured its crew. On the other side of the minefields were the Iraqis.

Some Iraqi units offered stiff resistance, but most began surrendering en masse. Thousands of their soldiers waved anything white as they signaled their intentions. The number surrendering was so unusual it almost overwhelmed us. Seeing them made me feel sad. Many were older looking, pot-bellied men who could have been anyone's uncles or grandfathers. Most were not soldiers at all.

Thousands of them had been placed there as human sandbags by the Iraqi government. They did not fight, nor understood why they were there. They knew, however, they could not return home (for fear of being executed) until we had attacked them. Instead of attackers, we became their liberators.

CSUSM has more than 500 veterans among its faculty, staff, and student body. Many students attending school here also have friends and loved ones who are veterans. For them, Veterans' Day carries a special meaning.

A look at veterans on campus

ASI Executive Vice President Raeanna Wertz was a corporal in the Marine Corps who served

My platoon's mission was to provide protection for a Marine Tank company. The "tankers" were confident they could defeat enemy artillery, tanks, and aircraft, but their blind spot was dealing with ground troops. The tank commander summarized our duties, "Your job is to keep people away from my tanks, at all costs." It was a symbiotic relationship. The big guns and heavy armor of the tanks provided protection for us unless enemy troops appeared. Then we would have to protect the tanks by dismounting from our vehicles and engaging the ground troops. It was on the second day of the war that we would return the favor.

While traveling by one oil field known as the Emir's Farm, our convoy came to a halt. The tank commander barked excitedly, "Green (my code name), four Iraqis are running at us from our nine o'clock. Get 'em away from my tanks!" I grabbed our Kuwaiti interpreter, Lieutenant Nasser, and left the armored personnel carrier to intercept the men. They were about four hundred yards away and closing.

I told Nasser to instruct them to move south toward a POW collection point. Nasser began shouting and waving frantically at them. As the Iraqis ran toward us they shouted back and it sounded as if they wanted to fight. Again I yelled at Nasser, "Tell them to go south!" He ignored me and moved away as he continued to shout in Arabic. I tried to warn them myself by using what little Arabic I knew, "Kief (halt)!" Again, they ignored me.

The situation began spinning out of control. The four men were now three hundred yards away and closing. The tank commander became impatient as I heard him yell over my radio, "Green, what the hell is going on? Get them away from my victors!" I tried catching Nasser, but the weight of my equipment made me feel as though I was stuck in the sand. I yelled at him again, but he continued to scream and he balled his fists at them.

They were two hundred yards away and closing. I was supposed to be the one in charge and yet, I was not in control at all. The Iraqis continued moving toward us, Nasser was screaming at them, and the tank commander was screaming at me because the halted tanks had become vulnerable to attack. I wasn't sure if the men were going to fight or if they posed a threat to the tanks. So I decided to take a more serious posture.



from 1982 to 1988. Wertz looked back on her decision to join the military, "I didn't realize it at the time, but upon reflection, I think serving my country was a

I angled away from Nasser, so that I was like the apex of a triangle between him and the Iraqis. Then I took a knee and aimed my rifle at the advancing men. Again I screamed, "Kief!" Suddenly, three of the Iraqis dropped to the ground and began praying, but the fourth continued running at Nasser. As I followed him with my rifle, I thought *Dear God. Please don't make me shoot this man!*

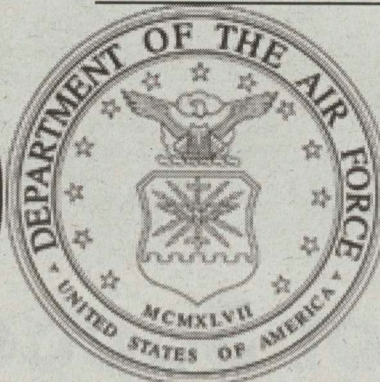
Everything appeared in slow motion as my mind raced to catch up with the unfolding events. I thought about firing a warning shot, but my Marines might have misinterpreted that as a signal to commence fire. I continued shouting other Arabic terms not knowing if I made sense. Then the tank commander's voice came over the radio at a high pitch as he ordered his tanks to man their machine guns.

The Iraqi was less than a hundred yards away and closing rapidly. In twelve years I had trained for every conceivable event, but I did not practice for this one. I could not let the advancing Iraqi near the tanks, but couldn't shoot an unarmed man. His robe-like garment prevented me from assuming that he wasn't armed. I cursed the little Kuwaiti interpreter for putting me in the predicament while I cried and prayed for a way out of the situation.

Nasser ran toward the Iraqi and as they got closer together, I decided either way someone might accuse me of making a mistake. So I decided to err on the side of humanity and I lowered my rifle as the two men met. Instead of fighting, they hugged and kissed each other. Then they danced around in a circle, until Nasser pointed them south. The Iraqis ran off, waving as they disappeared into the desert.

I wasn't sure what had just transpired. Were they Iraqis or were they friendly Arabs? I didn't have much time to assess the situation and I really didn't care. We needed to return to our vehicle so the convoy could continue moving.

The little Kuwaiti ran toward me, smiling as if looking for thanks. I gave him a "congratulations" between the eyes. Then I picked him off the desert floor by the scruff of the neck and tossed him back into the armored personnel carrier while telling him, "Don't ever get out of the vehicle again!" The tank commander called on the radio for a status report. "All secure," I told him as we resumed moving in the direction of Kuwait City.



sacrifice that most people take for granted or don't fully understand."

Tricia Lyon, a Liberal Arts major at CSUSM, talked about the deep respect she has for veterans because her father, Oceanside Mayor Dick Lyon, was a Navy SEAL who served in Korea. "My father always attends the Veterans' Day memorials, and I try to go to as many of them as possible," she said, "You can learn so much about having love for our country by talking to the veterans, especially the older ones."

Some students have family members overseas. Veterans' Day can be a painful reminder for them that peacetime assignments could escalate into wartime commitments. "It's hard to keep your mind on your studies, when your heart is in the Indian Ocean," said one student.

CSUSM professor David Whitehorse is a Marine Corps veteran who served with distinction during three tours in Vietnam, from 1963 to 1972. Whitehorse, who earned a battlefield commission, says his greatest achievement was helping a large number of his men return home safely. He also remembers fifty-seven Marines whose names are etched into the wall of the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C. The memorial wall contains the names of every service person that died in Vietnam.

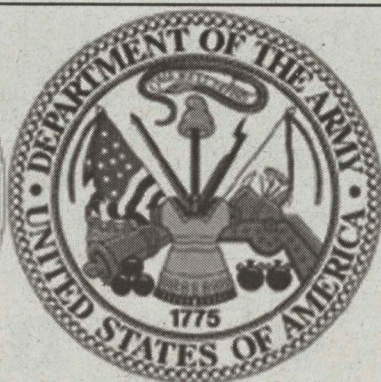
As a Master Sergeant, Professor Whitehorse left the Marines on disability due to wounds suffered in combat. Like many Vietnam veterans, he still finds it hard to talk specifically about his wounds or how he received them. "For twenty years many of us never even spoke about serving in Vietnam. We just didn't do it," he said.

Also, like many other veterans on Veterans' Day, Whitehorse's thoughts are not for himself, rather his thoughts are for those who gave their lives and for those who still serve. His message is not to take freedom for granted.

History of Veterans' Day and veterans of the U.S.

The practice of commemorating our veterans began at the end of the World War I. The idealistic hope had been that World War I would be the "War to end all Wars," as the nation mourned 126,000 Americans who lost their lives in battle. The wars, however, did not end.

Sixteen and one-half million Americans fought in World War II where four hundred and seven thousand of them died in service. More than 295,000 of those deaths occurred in battle. Americans



lost their lives on the shores of Normandy, in naval battles like Midway, and on beaches of Iwo Jima and Okinawa.

Shortly after the end of WWII, the United States sent troops into ferocious combat in Korea. In less than three years, 54,000 Americans died in battles such as Pusan, Inchon, and Chosin Reservoir. Their survivors commemorated their fiftieth anniversary this year.

Later, in Southeast Asia, the United States engaged in an undeclared war that cost the lives of another 58,000 Americans in Vietnam, including nineteen women. Those veterans fought against communist aggression in the jungle and meddling from superiors in Washington, only to return home to an ungrateful country.

The last major war of the century occurred in the Persian Gulf that cost the lives of another one hundred forty-nine Americans. It was not the first time Americans had died in the Middle East, nor would it be the last.

In 1983, terrorists killed 241 marines, sailors and soldiers when a truck loaded with explosives rammed into the American Embassy in Beirut, Lebanon. In June 1996, another terrorist attack cost the lives of eighteen Air Force personnel who died at Khobar Towers in Saudi Arabia. On October 12, 2000 the most recent terrorist attack occurred against a U.S. naval vessel. A bomb exploded against the USS Cole, killing seventeen of her crew and injuring thirty-nine others.

Many other military members have given their lives in service to our country. From the Spanish War, to Grenada, to peacekeeping missions in Somalia and Bosnia, our veterans continue to answer our nation's call to duty.

According to the Department of Defense, 650,954 Americans gave their lives while fighting in combat during the twentieth century. That number does not include several hundred thousand more who also died in non-combat roles or 84,000 Americans who are missing in action. Many other Americans returned from the wars disabled; some physically disabled, some emotionally disabled, and some both.

Annually, military service members continue to risk their lives while serving in the line of duty, and sometimes during peacetime. This April, nineteen Marines died when the experimental MV-22 Osprey aircraft they were flying in crashed in Arizona.

Last December a CH-46 helicopter crashed off the coast of Point Loma killing six Marines and one sailor. A total of 113 service members died during 1999.

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Why not Soccer at CSUSM?

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CSUSM has only two sports, golf and track. Two years ago a soccer team was started by a group of six dedicated CSUSM students whose goal was to found a soccer program that would bring attention to the school. The goal of the students was to create a soccer team that would proudly represent CSUSM. The soccer team originally started not as a collegiate team, but as a club team. The team played in the Oceanside league for a year and was very competitive, making it to the playoffs of Division II and placing fourth out of sixteen teams. But winning in a club league was not enough for the team, the students wanted to have a bigger challenge, a chance to play other universities.

About one year ago soccer became an official club sport at CSUSM. ASI sponsors the soccer team, but the team players must pay for their own uniforms and their own medical liability insurance. The team has also been

promised goal equipment to use on the soccer field in order to host home games, but ASI has not delivered on its promises to the team.

The team traveled to CSU Long Beach, UC Santa Barbara, UC Riverside and Pepperdine University. We performed valiantly against these schools in our first year of competition, and the future could be brighter if ASI would deliver on what they promised. We have now had four away

games with other universities but no home games, which was another promise that we are waiting for ASI to fulfill.

Tired of asking, "When will the goals arrive?" the team coach offered to pay for the goals out of his own pocket, but he was turned down by the university.

While struggling with recruiting players and trying to get a field to play on, the team has managed to stay alive. Our

hope and goal of being a competitive team is slowly disappearing since last week the team was informed that all of our home games after November 7, 2000,

were cancelled because of defective goals. When we inspected the goals, we found only a scratch. Who is trying to soccer who at CSUSM?

As CSUSM students, we have certain rights. We were promised our own goals and at least

some home games so that our families and the student body could take pride in the team. We can only dream of the day when a Cal State Cougars' soccer team takes the field. All the members of the team are CSUSM students who take time out of their busy schedules to play soccer. We want the university to recognize that we do exist and that we would like to play some home games. The teams we have played so



far have expressed their willingness to play us on our field on a Wednesday or Saturday afternoon when we can get the most support. We urge all CSUSM students to come support our soccer team on NOVEMBER 7 when we take on UCSD at UCSD at 7:00 p.m.

The Mangrum Track and Soccer Field are not named just for track but also for soccer. Let's stop the political bureaucracy that is stopping soccer from becoming an official sport at Cal State San Marcos. Most students don't even know CSUSM has a soccer team and that we have been representing them for two years. We are putting the word out to gain support for our team. All we are asking for is a few home games so that our families, friends, students and alumni can enjoy a competitive soccer game and cheer on the Cougars. For some of us it's our last season of collegiate soccer and we would like to play on our home field just one last time. WE JUST WANT TO PLAY AT HOME AND EXPAND SOCCER AT CSUSM.

What Exactly Is a Politician?

By: Darren Marks
Contributing Writer

"This is my third time running for office, but I am not a politician." I am running for State Assembly, but I am not a politician." If you were one of the handful of students who bothered to show up to ASI's candidate forum last Thursday outside of the Dome you got to hear our local underdog candidates cling to the opportunity of boring an audience. Absent the front-running Republicans, Libertarian, Natural Law and Democratic Party candidates came ready with long-winded rambling speeches that turn off an already apolitical demographic.

The generation infamous for asking presidential candidates whether they preferred boxers or briefs and firing up a unprecedented digital economy sat outside enjoying the Southern California atmosphere seemingly hungry for some mid-day munchies and maybe for a candidate that would speak about issues pertinent to collegiate aged voters. Promising a program for every-

thing under the sun, the candidates did not ask if we young people want an oversized intrusive government responsible for running our lives. Like their main party counterparts the predominantly third party dais politicized their issues in hopes that one issue might resonates on your head and you'd vote for them. If the candidates were for a real change in politics do you think they might have asked how they could represent our (the constituencies) views rather than spoon-feeding us empty promises they know that they cannot deliver on.

Could it just be that the days of charismatic leadership are over? When it comes to charisma in our leaders are there any more JFK's? Reagan's? Heck, I'll even settle for a Clinton when it comes to charisma and reaching out to an audience.

Surprisingly the town hall Q&A formatted event turned out to be a candidate lecture followed by a few questions, as a disappointed attendee I guess I can use this article as the forum to

dare the candidates to answer my question:

Candidates, once they have filed papers intending to run for office seem quick to duck the term that they are not politicians. Please define what a politician is, why you are not one.

Is it not about time that we stop accepting politician's lies about how they are not politicians, put them in their place, remember if it walks like a duck and quacks like a duck it is not a penguin my friends. I say we should not accept candidates who want to make the term politician a noble phrase once again, as public service is. I am sure



we all remember the Maverick independent standing Senator John McCain whom was sick and tired of all the special interest in Washington. Special interest enraged Mr. McCain so deeply he came and left through the back door when the lobbyists threw him million dollar fundraisers. Or my other favorite example is Al Gore's lambasting of Hollywood, however Hollywood seems to be good for multimillion dollar if not entertainment. Since it is obvious

that our elected officials bow to "special interest" I say it is time that we everyday folks start our own large interest group, we could call ourselves Knowledgeable Voters of America. We will not stand for corruption, empty promises, or Washington's do as I say not as I do mentality. I promise you the larger we get lobbyists will not stand a chance against our group.

Generation Xer's could be the driving force in politics like we are on the internet, but it would require some actual leg work, I know this sounds like a mean thing to actually ask you to do something extra in your already busy day. You woke up this morning, came to school, picked up a school paper, but did you vote yet? If you take a second to think about it, our electoral process is like prom night back in high school. We wait four years for prom, after countless hours of preparing you get all jazzed up for the big night, you show up for the event, you find out it was fun but nothing as great as you wished it would be. In the end the gullible innocent virgin gets screwed by the fast talking smooth date. If you do not like my scenario, go vote.

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win the
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Candidate: 0%

I wish that none
of them would win:
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Legend of Baggar Vance photo courtesy of Dreamworks

Baggar Vance is Truly Legendary

By: J. Ryan Sandahl
Pride Staff Writer

Robert Redford creates visually appealing films. Though most of his work is good, he sometimes drags a film on for three hours, like *The Horse Whisperer*. With *The Legend of Baggar Vance*, however, Redford has succeeded in making a film that could have been poorly dragged out to three hours, but is a pleasant two-hours in length and is a sure contender for Best Picture of the Year.

The story of Baggar Vance is told by an old man (played by Jack Lemmon) who was a young boy during the Great Depression. The narrator recalls the tale of the greatest golf match ever played in Savannah, Georgia during this time.

Junah (played by Matt

Damon) was the best golfer in Savannah, and he won every tournament until he was called off to fight in World War II. Junah is traumatized by the war and disappears for ten years. When he returns to Savannah, he is a broken-down drunk that has lost his swing.

Meanwhile, the love of his life, Adelle (played by Charlize Theron) has set up a tournament on her father's golf course in which the winner will receive ten thousand dollars. Adelle's father had amassed a huge debt and then shot himself, leaving Adelle to deal with the creditors. She sells almost everything she owns to raise the ten grand to hold the golf tournament. Adelle then goes out and convinces legendary golfers Bobbie Jones and Walter Hagan to play in her tournament.

Baggar Vance (played by

Will Smith) appears and persuades Junah to enter the tournament. Not only does Vance caddy for Junah, but he also wants to help Junah rediscover his swing. Vance tells Junah that every man has one authentic swing, and he simply has to find it.

While playing, Vance tells Junah that golf is a game that cannot be won, only played. Vance's advice is very true but it takes a while for Junah to learn this. Adelle still loves Junah but Junah has been unable to let go of the burdens of the war. Vance helps him with that as well.

By the start of the final round, Junah has begun to work through his burdens and rediscovers not only his swing, but also his heart. It is after these rediscoveries that the greatest golf tournament in history can finally begin.

The film is well directed and story oriented. Many people find golf boring to watch, but there is enough humor and drama going on to make the golf scenes interesting. The actors all give strong performances, particularly Smith who is calm and sophisticated in this movie as opposed to the roles that he is known for playing. Perhaps Smith is becoming a serious actor? Charlize Theron plays her role of Adelle very well and proves that she is a star on the rise and one to watch for in the future. *The Legend of Baggar Vance* is rated PG-13 and has a running time of 127 minutes.

A Literary Presentation of Gorky's Images: The Poetry of Jerome Rothenberg

By Christopher F. Orman
Pride Staff Writer

Approximately thirty people attended Jerome Rothenberg's poetry reading on November 3 at CSUSM. Rothenberg's poetry, being a mix of surrealistic images with multitudes of allusions, offered the listener a refreshing glimpse into life's most doleful experiences.

Echoing the sentiments of T.S. Eliot, Rothenberg described his poetry as, "dependent upon the work of others in an attempt to let the past come into the present." Throughout the evening, the names of surrealistic painters such as Arshille Gorky and Paul Klee collided with the writing of Dante and John Milton. Such a mix of artistic allusions gave the audience poetry layered in meaning.

Midway through the evening, Rothenberg read some of his infamous Gorky poems. Each poem had the same title as a Gorky painting. Rather than simply describing the painting, Rothenberg created scenes of emotional distraught from the painting's title and Gorky's choice of color and brush strokes. One of Rothenberg's Gorky poems, "The Diary of a Seducer," alludes to one of Gorky's paintings, Kierkegaard, and the angels of medieval magic. The poem contained images and poetic-literary goals quite similar to Andre Breton's poems inspired by Joan Miro's "Constellations."

Loaded with disjointed images, Rothenberg conspicuously represented surrealism in words while loading each rhythmic line with verbal textures; thus pushing the listener toward a multitude of plausible connotations.

The most captivating moment of the evening came with Rothenberg's last poem, a translated Navajo song for horses. At the beginning of the poem Rothenberg emphatically crooned and chanted, forcing the audience to follow every word being spoken. By purposefully drawing out words, such as "you," Rothenberg could closely adhere to the musicality of the Navajo song; therefore, creating a proper representation of Navajo poetics.

With over fifty books of poetry published, Jerome Rothenberg has habitually interwoven his artistic and literary interests into his work. Currently working on translations of Pablo Picasso's poetry written from 1935 to 1956, Rothenberg admitted that no literary interest remains separated from his work, as he reiterated, "I have so many academic pursuits and most of them will influence my work. It is only natural for [Picasso's] work to become part of my work." Like a mad jazz performer, Jerome Rothenberg will add more remarkable artwork to our world and continue educating the masses by default. It is conceivable that a listener of his poetry would be inspired to read Dante or to examine Gorky's paintings, and as such, Rothenberg achieved his goal.

The Blues: Whiskey Delight

By: Melanie Addington
Pride Editor

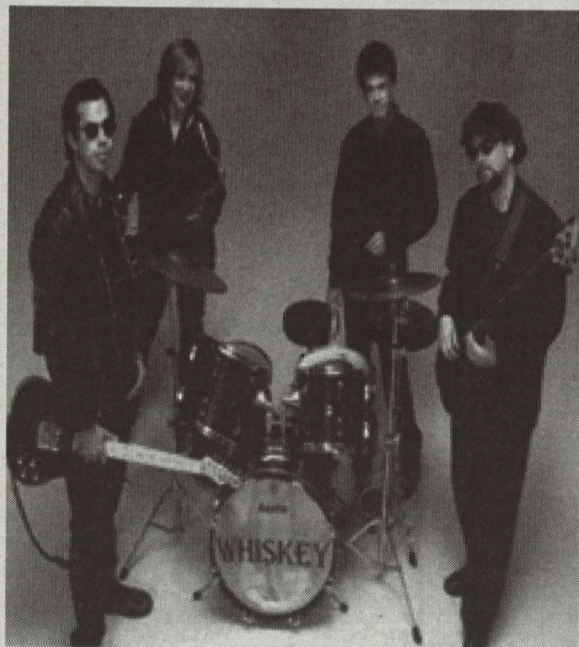
Everybody loves the blues. At least with a band like Whiskey, everyone *should* love the blues. A delightful down and dirty sound, Whiskey provides great entertainment for an evening out. The band is still considered to be in its infancy stage after being together for only for ten months, yet its chemistry misleads you into thinking the members have known each other forever.

I first heard Whiskey this past February at the Pounders Bar in Escondido at one of its first gigs, and the band was nervous. But lying underneath all that nervous tension was the makings of a great blues band. Lead singer Gino Meregillano sang from deep within what pain lies in his heart. Meregillano jokes, "I think I sound like some kind 'a bastard child of Elvis, Dwight Yoakam, and Jim Morrison." Drummer Russ Noel, in his Beatlesque manner, drummed soul into the songs. Cristy Tomcik is quite talented as she blew on her sax. Cristy's boyfriend, Lane Walker, plays bass.

Since that first night, Whiskey has mellowed into their surroundings. The band's new-relaxed state lends a hand in pro-

viding a comfortable and soothing blues sound. With cover songs like "Have you ever loved a woman," "Bad like Jessie James," "Mellow down easy," and "Crossroads," Whiskey goes down smooth.

When asked about the band's



Whiskey photo courtesy of Gino Meregillano

musical choices, lead singer and guitarist Gino Meregillano pointed out that, "we play mostly 'standards.'" I prefer that to "covers because covers implies contemporary music like pop or rock etcetera. We do have about eight original songs that we mix up in the set."

Whiskey is influenced by a variety of musicians, including Louis Jordan, Brian Setzer, and B.B. King. "Russ is into the Beatles, Christy is into swing,

come.

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Lane likes old school jazz and alternative," says Meregillano. He believes that his "biggest influences for the band are probably Albert King, T-bone Walker, Buddy Guy, Freddie King, and Brian Setzer." Meregillano adds, "As far as singing, I really like Elvis, Tom Jones, and Jim Morrison."

When asked about Whiskey's plans for the future, Meregillano states that the "next set date is December 3, we're doing a toy run for the Vietnam Vets Motorcycle Club." When asked why they are waiting so long to play, Meregillano replied that, "there are some shows coming up before that but the dates are not confirmed yet. [Also,] some time in November we will go into the studio to record five original songs to [be] used as a new demo." He adds, "We will record more a little later and produce an entire CD with everything on it."

Drummer Russ Noel just finished taping, "Who Wants to be a Millionaire?" and his show will air sometime in November or early December.

To find out more about this local blues band or to find out about upcoming shows, visit Whiskey on their web site, www.whiskeyblues.com.

November 6-10**Berlin Wall Exhibition**
Location: Palm Court

A week of celebration sponsored by the German Program and the German Club.

Tuesday, November 7**High School Conference Committee Meeting**

Location: Student Lounge
Time: 6pm

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Location: Student Lounge
Time: 7pm

Elections 2000

Location: Voting polls in Commons 206
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Location: University Hall 327
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Time: 7pm-9pm

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Location: Library Conference Room
3pm-4:30pm

Respecting Diversity

Location: Commons 206
Time: 3pm-4pm

Learn to appreciate and respect both the differences and similarities of people.

Stretch & Relax Stress Management

Location: Student Health Services, Conference Room Suite 100
Time: 3:30pm-4:30pm

Please wear comfortable clothing.

Thursday, November 9**Anime Project Alliance Meeting**

Location: University Hall 370
Time: 4:30pm-10pm

Meditation Group

Location: PPHS Building
Time: 12pm-12:30pm

Friday, November 10**Using MLA/APA Formats**

Location: Academic Hall 314
Time: 10am-11am

A review of the rules of the MLA and APA writing formats.

Careers for Science/Math Majors

Location: Craven Hall 4201
Time: 2pm-3pm

Find out about occupational opportunities for math and science majors

Saturday, November 11**Future Educators Club CPR Class**

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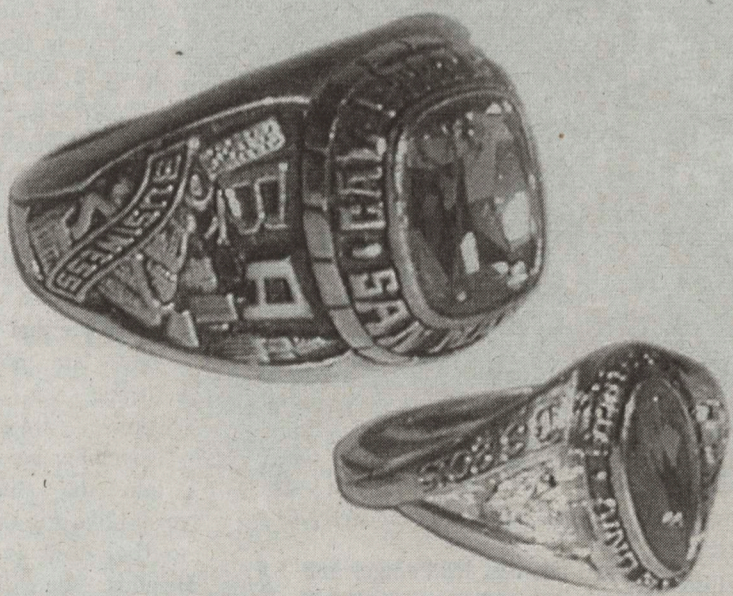
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