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PLIMPTON DELIVERS EXCITING LECTURE

by Susan E. McClain

Adventurer-writer George Plimpton came to Cal State on Thursday, October 10, through the efforts of the A.S. Special Events Committee, as well as the Delta Sigma Phi and Sigma Chi Fraternities. He spoke to a group of students, faculty, and staff, nearly filling the SUMP, about an assortment of topics concerning his life and career.

He started by giving two examples of his sense of humor. The first was an April Fool's joke he played on sportswriters across the country. He wrote an article about a football player named Sid Finch, who could throw a ball 168 miles an hour. Sportswriters believed and repeated the story nationwide, embarrassed when they found out that the story was fictional.

His second example was about when he was attending Harvard University and tried to join the staff of the campus paper Lampoon. In order to do so, he had to go through an initiation of sorts. He had to run in the Boston Marathon. Since it was not specified that he had to run the full length of the marathon, Plimpton joined the race a couple of blocks before the finish line. As short as his run was, Plimpton said it gave him a true sense of what it is like to actually run in a marathon. This was probably the start of his career as a participatory journalist.

His description of participatory journalism is "that of entering the occupations of other people, and then writing about the experiences." He also described it as a way of fulfilling those lifetime dreams that everyone experiences.

His stories of people who fulfilled their lifelong dreams included two football fans in New York and California who tried to run with the ball and tackle the quarterback, because they had gotten bored with the game. Florence Foster Jenkins had a "voice like a crow" but dreamed of singing at the Metropolitan Opera House, so she hired out Carnegie Hall for one night in order to do a concert for all of her friends.

Plimpton said that his predecessor in participatory journalism was Paul Gallico, a journalist for the New York Herald in the 1930s. According to Plimpton, Gallico didn't feel it was "fair to criticize someone in the athletic field, unless you've tried it." Gallico then got into the ring with Jack Dempsey for 45 seconds, and went down the Olympic ski slopes, although he had never been on skis before.

Gallico is the author of "Snow Goose", "The Poseidon Adventure" and "Farewell to Sport", which Plimpton read while he was working for Sports Illustrated. After reading the chapter "The Field", which describes Gallico's different confrontations, Plimpton went to his editors asking if he could set up similar confrontations.

Plimpton said his first confrontation was pitching in a post season all-star baseball game. Willie Mays popped up off his pitch and was out when the ball was caught by an outfielder. Then Ernie Banks "hit a triple of the left wall", and Frank Thomas hit a...
New Center Aids in Academic Advising

by Susan E. McCall

The newest office on the Cal State, San Bernardino campus is the Academic Advising Center. The center was established with the beginning of this Fall term to meet the needs of students who were perceived as not receiving proper academic advising, according to Dr. Robert Lee, director of the center.

Lee said that there are two main goals that the center was designed specifically to fulfill. First is to advise all students with undeclared majors. Before this year, many undeclared students were not receiving adequate advising. They were being divided among the various departments for advising until they declared a major.

As of Fall 1984, there were 411 students with undeclared majors at CSUSB. Lee estimates that there are 450 this year, about eight to ten percent of the undergraduate student body.

The second goal of the center, according to Lee, is to advise all new students, whether or not they have declared their major, regarding general education requirements.

Lee said that the center is not restricted to advising only new or undeclared students. The center will serve as a centralized information center for all students on campus.

According to Lee, at least one faculty advisor will be on the center most of the day and into the evening to answer questions any students may have regarding faculty or academic programs. "If we don't know the answer, we'll find it for the student or refer him to the proper person or department," Lee said.

He stressed that academic advising isn't something that happens four or five days a week, it should be an ongoing process that lasts all quarter long. He said that during Spring quarter they will be especially busy, because advising will be required for each student in order to prevent an overloaded system that will be implemented next Fall. They hope to alleviate some of the rush on the center, by encouraging students to make appointments early in the quarter.

According to the For Your Information 1985-1986 Guide, "the center will coordinate, on an ongoing basis, special services that currently are not being offered or are offered sporadically." Some of these services include "contacting students in good standing the first quarter they fail to register, collecting data on why students leave our campus, and meeting with prospective re-entry and older students."

Lee said that the center will also be the location for evening colloquiums provided by Steve Provny, Associate Dean of Academic Programs. He counsels students on such matters as "advice in choosing classes, internships, and part-time jobs, and the various services for students who normally are not on campus during regular office hours.

The faculty advisors in the center are Dr. Robert Lee, director and professor of English, Dr. Russell Barber, assistant professor of anthropology, Dr. Richard Mom, professor of economics, Dr. Elinore Partridge, assistant professor of English, Dr. Cynthia Paxton, assistant professor of health science, Dr. Ronald Pendleton, associate professor of education, and Dr. Paul Vicknair, assistant professor of mathematics.

There is still one faculty position open that hasn't filled yet, according to Lee.

The center is located on the first floor of Pius Library in room 107. The phone numbers for the center are 880-7911 and 887-7520, and the hours for the center are 8:30am to 5pm, Monday through Friday. Students should make an appointment to see an advisor, but it isn't required, according to Lee.

Public Administration Association Activities Planned

by Jackie Wilson

Sexual Harassment. What is it and what can be done if it happens to you or a student or faculty member? Mr. Dale West, Campus Personnel Officer heads the sexual harassment committee here on campus. He, along with other committee members J.C. Robinson, lunch supervisor, Jack Wilson, Steve Minzel, Diane Helpem, Martha Kazo, Lynda Warren, Linda Snyder, Carl Leonardi, and Elaine Evason worked together to answer this question.

The main goal of the committee centers around three main components. The first is the campus policy about sexual harassment which, stated in the Fall 1985 Schedule of Classes is as follows: "The Senate Chambers of the Student Senate and the Student Personnel Office has the end result of trying to make faculty and students more at ease with the problem in order to come forward and report incidents of sexual harassment if it should happen here on campus."

AVOIDING SEXUAL HARASSMENT

The innovative large-scale printmaking artwork of Garner Tullis will be on display in the Art Gallery beginning Monday, October 14. The exhibit will consist of twelve pieces, most of which will be on paper ranging in size from 4 feet by 5 feet to 6 feet by 8 feet. Some pieces will be three-dimensional, including one work in bronze, one free-standing wooden piece and a large paper relief. Garner Tullis is well known for bringing industrial-scale techniques to artistic endeavors," said John Nava, Art Gallery director. "Usually printed artwork is limited by the size of the printing press, but Tullis has been working to bring printmaking to a larger scale, like painting, and trying to develop it into a major form of art."

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The Coyotes, whose record now stands at 4-5, posted wins against UC San Diego (3-0), UC Santa Barbara and a graduate of Aquinas High School, Eric Rigney, a freshman from San Bernardino's track team, subjectively, from one of the following categories: Outstanding offensive achievement in intramurals. Outstanding and one assist for 19 points. Followin Franklin is senior Marc Owens with six goals and one assist for 19 points. Owens is from San Bernardino and is a graduate of Aquinas High School.

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When the Coyotes beat Cal Baptist 1-0, they set a school record for most goals scored in a game. Three days later they broke that record when they tallied 11 goals against Christ College.

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Top finishers for the women were Cathy King in 24th place with a time of 20:06 over the 3.1 mile course and Rebecca Hodde in 35th place with a time of 20:43. Both runners are freshmen. King is from Fontana and Hodde is from Sunnymead.

Eric Rigney, a freshman from Riverside, was the first Coyote runner to complete the 5.2 mile course. He finished 26th with a time of 34:09 while Jeff Carter, a junior from San Bernardino, finished in 30th with a time of 34:32.

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Cross Country Performs Well

After running in the Bakersfield Invitational, Cal State, San Bernardino will be on its home turf for Christ College Saturday, October 12 and Whittier and Cal Tech Saturday, October 19. Both meets will start at 10 a.m.

At Bakersfield, the Coyotes represented themselves well as they competed against primarily NCAA Division II schools. The women's team finished fifth out of 11 teams while the men's team finished in sixth place.

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Volleyball Plays Two Matches And A Tourney

After a week off, Cal State, San Bernardino's volleyball team resumed action with two matches and a tournament.

The Coyotes, in conjunction with the Soroptimist Club of San Bernardino, hosted its first ever volleyball tournament Saturday, October 12. Whittier College, Master's College and Cal Baptist joined Cal State in this year's tournament. Prior to the tournament, the Coyotes played two away matches, Cal Baptist and Southern California College.
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Doing what comes naturally

Party-school bunnies living it up

by Ed Garrett

The rabbit population at California State University, San Bernardino, is really multiplying and it’s causing problems for campus officials.

For the last three years, the furry little creatures have been fouling the lawns of the 437-acre campus, a situation which is proving costly.

"During certain times of the year, they dig up the mous," said Robert Lohes, assistant director of plant operations. "Have we to bring in fill dirt and grass seed. It costs us about $5,000 to $6,000 a year.

The rabbits invade the campus at night and in the early morning hours. On one occasion, Lohes counted approximately 500 rabbits.

Lohes believes that the excessive rabbit population is partly the result of environmental rejuvenation from fire damage, and from the rabbit’s natural tendencies.

"After a fire you have all new tender growth, then the rabbits go out to the commercially planted growth," Lohes said. "We’re right about in that period of time."

In addition, recent construction in the area has driven away coyotes and dog packs, natural predators of rabbits.

The rabbit predication gained national attention during the summer following an Associated Press story which ran in various newspapers across the country, including the Evening News in Benton, Illinois. A story was later written in the Los Angeles Times. Lohes has received possible solutions from other states, including Texas, Colorado, Arizona and Alaska. "One woman said she would take all the rabbits if we would trap them," Lohes exclaimed.

The groundskeepers are currently monitoring the situation, and until a solution can be found, Cal State will continue to receive an arithmetic lesson, rabbit style.

"They can multiply," Lohes said. "That’s one thing they know how to do, multiply and add."

Activities and changes spur interest

by Ed Garrett

Recent changes at California State University, San Bernardino, are enhancing student interest in campus activities, according to Jeanne Hogan, director of activities.

Among the changes are last year’s selection of the coyote as university mascot, and the selection of the "Coyote Bookstore" as the new name of the campus bookstore.

Another development is the introduction of fraternities and sororities at Cal State.

These changes and developments appear to indicate that student awareness of campus activities is on the increase.

"I think there has been a campaign to make people more aware that this is a college campus," Ms. Hogan said. "I think that the image campaign will be very good if it can do that, if we can shake people out of, what I think, is an untrue image."

Ms. Hogan said that Cal State’s choice of activities are well suited to the needs of the predominantly older student body. She stated that Cal State, San Bernardino students are more interested in activities that relate to their majors, such as guest speakers and seminars. The recent change from college status to university status is also enhancing student interest in the campus. Ms. Hogan said that the students she has spoken with have taken a great deal of pride in the fact that Cal State is now a university.

Fall enrollment exceeds university’s projections

When asked if other colleges in the area have experienced similar enrollment increases, Wilson said no. Community college enrollments have been declining over the past two years. The number of registrants at Valley College has dropped by about 1,000 students this year. UC Riverside and the University of Redlands’ enrollments have remained the same.

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THURSDAY, OCT. 17
Thursday, Oct. 17

MEETINGS
Pep Club, 12-2PM, PE-129.
Black Student Union, 1-2PM, S.U. Senate Chambers.
Latter-Day Saints Student Assoc., 1-2PM, S.U. Room A.
Baha'i Club, 1-2PM, S.U. Room B.
International Students Assoc., 2-3PM, S.U. Senate Chambers.

LECTURES/DISCUSSIONS
Rape Crisis: "Being More Aware" by Joan Wells, Coordinator for San Bernardino Rape & Crisis Agency, 12-1PM, SUMP. Sponsored by CSOCW.
"Geographical Prospectives on the Soviet Union" by Prof. Richard H. Rowland, CSUSB Geography Department, First Annual Phi Kappa Phi Lecture, 3PM, Panorama Room (Lower Commons). Reception to follow. Info: 887-7341.
"Ethics of Abortion", Panel Discussion, 7-9PM, S.U. Room A & B. Spons. by the Philosophy Club.

SPORTS/LEISURE
AEROBICS, 5:15-6:15PM, SUMP. Cost $20 for 10 weeks, 2 sessions/week. Per-session TBA. Info: 887-7498.

FRIDAY, OCT. 18
Friday, Oct. 18

MEETINGS
Campus Crusade for Christ, 6:30-9:00PM, CA-139.

SPORTS/LEISURE
CSUSB Men's Soccer vs. Biola University, 3PM, Home.
Film: "Oklahoma" by Humanities Dept., 4-7PM, PS 10. Info: 887-7473.

DANCE
Associated Students Dance, 9PM-1AM, SUMP. Info: 887-7498.

SATURDAY, OCT. 19
Saturday, Oct. 19

MEETINGS
Associated Students Special Events Committee, 8-9AM, S.U. Senate Chambers.
Associated Students Board of Directors, 10AM-NOON, S.U. Senate Chambers. Agenda posted in Student Union. All students especially welcome.
Latter-Day Saints Student Assoc., 1-2PM, S.U. Room A.

SPORTS/LEISURE
AEROBICS, 5:15-6:15PM, SUMP. Cost $20 for 10 weeks, 2 sessions/week. Per-session TBA. Offered by the A.S. Activities Office. Info: 887-7498.

CSUSB Women's Volleyball vs. UC San Diego, 7PM, Home.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 23
Wednesday, Oct. 23

MEETINGS
Psi Chi, 12-1PM, PS-207, "Getting Into Graduate School", By Dr. Robert Cramer, Psychology Department.
M.E.Ch.A., 12-1PM, S.U. Room B. Information Management Association, 12-1PM, S.U. Room B.

SPORTS
Intramural Basketball, 2:15-4:00PM, Gym.
CSUSB Men's Soccer vs. Christ College, 3PM, Away.

MUSIC
Cal State Faculty Recital, 8:15PM, Recital Hall. Dr. Arthur A. Moorefield, Music Dept., to play the harpsichord, piano, and organ. Cost: $3.50 general; $1.75 students and seniors. Open to the public. Info: 887-7454.

"Close’s performance stands out."

JAGGED EDGE

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HEALTH

In the past few years, there have been serious outbreaks of rubella (German measles) and rubella (two-week measles) on several university campuses. That’s a chance! Your Health Center has a combination vaccine available for both measles and mumps called the MMR vaccine. There is no charge for this service.

Rubella or Rubella-What’s The Difference?

Rubella is also called German measles, and it's a common disease of children. Usually it's very mild and causes a slight fever, rash and swelling of glands in the neck. The sickness lasts about 3 days but sometimes, especially in adult women, there may be swelling and aching of the joints for a week or two. Very rarely, rubella can cause inflammation of the brain (encephalitis) or cause a temporary bleeding disorder (purpura). The most serious problem with rubella is that if a pregnant woman gets this disease, there is a good chance that she may have a miscarriage or that the baby will be born crippled, blind, or with other defects.

Rubella, or two-week measles, is the most serious of the common childhood diseases. Usually it causes a rash, high fever, cough, runny nose, and watery eyes. Sometimes it is more serious and causes ear infections or pneumonia or rickets, which could lead to convulsions, deafness, or mental retardation. Who Needs To Be Immunized? You may need an immunization if you do not have a record of either having both measles and rubella or receiving an effective measles and rubella vaccination. There is no risk of repeating the vaccination if you’re not sure you’re protected. You may also need an immunization if you were born between 1957 and 1968. People in this age group are unlikely to have had a natural measles and rubella infection, and if immunized at that time, probably received a measles vaccine now known to be less effective than the measles vaccine developed in 1963. Avoid Risks To Yourself And Others. Get Immunized Now!

Don’t Delay! Now is The Time To Get Your Measles, Mumps, And Rubella Vaccination. Free At The Health Center.

CSUBS B.N. ASSOCIATION

The meeting of CSUBS B.N. Association will be held Wednesday, October 16 at 12:00 noon in SUMP room B. Future activities and lecture series will be discussed.

REMINDER

Please pick up your cash or unused books from the A.S. Book Co-op by October 25, 1985. Go to Associated Students office for pick-up. Evening students may call 887-7944 and arrange for evening pick-up at Student Union desk. Thank you for your cooperation!
The following part-time jobs are available at the time the Chronicle goes to press, however, we cannot guarantee that they will be available at the time the newspaper is read. Additional jobs come in every day and are posted daily, so check the part-time job board in the Career Planning and Placement Center, SS-116.

RIDE TO CHURCH PROVIDED

The First Congregational Church of Riope invites you to ride to church. 10:00 a.m. A ride to church from campus will be provided if needed. Call Joan Craven 675-0145 for information.

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homerous into the triple tier, inspiring Plimpton's book "Out of the Box." Then, "for the sake of literature," Plimpton tried boxing three rounds with light heavyweight champion Archie "Mongoose" Moore, who had knocked out more people than anyone else in the history of the sport, 164 to be exact, according to Plimpton. A friend of his talked to Moore before the match and described Plimpton as an intercollegiate boxing champion with aspirations of taking Moore's title. After Moore tried to knock Plimpton out, he ended up holding Plimpton up for the remainder of the three rounds.

Plimpton had also made arrangements for a match with heavyweight champion Mohammad Ali, but it was cancelled after Ali's jaw was broken. But Plimpton still got the experience of being a prospective opponent of Ali. He said that Ali studies and "dances" his opponents, and makes sure they know he's done it. Before the match was cancelled, Ali called Plimpton at 2am one morning, and told him, "You gonna fall down during the ring instructions," then hung up, leaving Plimpton to digest the thought.

Plimpton also played football, with the Detroit Lions (inspiring his book "Papa Lion") and the Baltimore Colts, and basketball with the Boston Celtics.

"Surely, 20 years ago, Plimpton joined the Boston Bruins hockey team, although he could barely skate on ice. He played in the penalty box for five minutes as the goal tender against the Philadelphia Flyers. He said he had originally painted a big blue "P" on his goalie mask, thinking it would distract opposing team members. When the Birds first obtained one, it looked a lot like a target, he got rid of it.

During his five minutes as goal tender, the Flyers took six shots, only getting one in successfully. When reviewing the game tapes, Plimpton said that he realized he had almost nothing to do with the shot that he missed, the puck just bounced off him. Plimpton said that his most frightening confrontation, which he still has nightmares about, was not athletic at all. It was when he was a triangle with the New York Philharmonic on a one month tour of Canada. He said his "knowledge of music was very skimpy," and he had realized that mistakes cannot be made in music, unlike spots where mistakes are expected.

Philharmonic conductor Leonard Bernstein fired Plimpton in London, Ontario for "destroying a symphony" by playing the bells incorrectly, Bernstein retired the next day in Winnipeg to do nothing except hit the gong once at the end of "Little Rustik." Plimpton said he hit the gong so hard that the musicians in front jumped. Bernstein thought it was great, and Plimpton appeared on the back of their album cover, in the liner notes as a soloist on the gong.

Towards the end of the evening, Plimpton answered a series of questions from members of the audience. He explained that he auditioned to play himself in the movie (based on his book) Pulp, but he wasn't funny enough. So Alan Alda portrayed him instead. He also said that he and the athletes on the team played with got along well. His purpose in being there was to sit in corners, listen and observe. "It is like being a guest in someone's house. You have to be on your best behavior. You won't be invited back there or to anyone else's home," he said. Although he was an athlete in a book by John Wayne, as well as the one that joins their teams, because he was a journalist for a respected league.

Plimpton said that of the things he still would like to do, one is to sing at the Metropolitans Opera. He has considered playing a deaf mute in an opera authored by an American. The person Plimpton told the audience that he holds in awe is Muhammad Ali. He described Ali as "the most electrifying athlete to watch." Four of Ali's quotes that Plimpton thinks should be in Barlett's Quotations are: "I'm the greatest," "Float like a butterfly, sting like a bee," "Mr. We," and "I ain't got no argument with the Viet Cong."

Plimpton said if he could return as an athlete, he'd be a tennis player. His reasons were that you "play until you're 92 years old" and also the "women look at you." Some of the movies he has been in include "Rock Around the Clock," "Detective" (with Frank Sinatra), "Shoot Out at Rio Lobo" (with John Wayne), as well as "Lawrence of Arabia," "Reds," and "Volunteers." His advice to anyone interested in participatory journalism was simple, "Do not do it!! For those who choose to ignore that, he said to "learn to write, writing daily or keeping a diary. Also, read a good deal. "And if you're lucky, you'll have a good teacher in writing." He said he was assured humiliation in everything he does, but he still does it, "for the sake of literature."
BASEBALL & DRUGS: "...A Kid's Game...?"

Editorials: Baseball and Drugs by John Purcell

A high school baseball coach was found telling his players, "You have to have a little bit of a kid in you to play baseball." You do have to have that kid inside you to play the game well. The kid inside is the part of the player that enjoys sliding headfirst in the dirt because he doesn't care about being cut by a tear. The kid in you to play baseball was fond of telling his players, "It's a kid's game played by men." The kid inside is the part of the dayer that enjoys sliding headfirst in the dirt because he doesn't care about being cut by a tear. Baseball players possess talent that fans have dreamed about since childhood. The child cannot understand why someone so gifted would jeopardize such a coveted talent.

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The child inside Garagiola that made this statement during a telecast of NBC's Major League Baseball Game of the Week. It is the child in Garagiola that is upset at what today's players are doing to his game. The child cannot bear to see the reputation of his game damaged. The thing that bothers the average fan the most about baseball's drug problem is that baseball players possess talent that fans have dreamed about since childhood. The child cannot understand why someone so gifted would jeopardize such a coveted talent.

The child is innocent, as is the game of baseball itself. But why does the child allow the man to ruin the body with drugs? Along with innocence comes ignorance and the child doesn't know better. A child doesn't know about agents, or tax shelters, or incentive clauses. The child doesn't care about these. All he wants--all he needs--is to play the game.

It has been reported that over 40% (11 out of 25) of the players on the 1982 World Champion St. Louis Cardinals were under the influence of drugs. Doc Ellis, a pitcher for 12 years, has admitted that he pitched a no-hitter while high on LSD. Is the pressure really that great? Is it that much greater in baseball than in any other job, and, for that matter, are baseball players that different from others?

No. The kids inside of them got those players through their games. But how long can the child go on before being chocked out by cocaine? The child in Doc Ellis was finally suffocated after 2 years. Ellis now says he could have played longer had he not abused drugs.

As the coach said, "You have to have a little bit of a kid in you to play baseball, but you can't be all child because we're not just talking about a game. We're talking about life." Baseball is a lot like life. We all need to keep some part of our childhood, our innocence intact.

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