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Nurses Now Partnership Established To Address Nursing Shortage

The College of Health and Human Services and the School of Nursing have joined with six local hospitals and healthcare leaders to establish a program called *Nurses Now*—a community-based partnership that will take an important step towards addressing the nursing shortage in our community and beyond. The partnership is a visionary collaboration between the private and public sectors to work together in solving a community challenge.

California ranks last among the 50 states in the proportion of registered nurses per population. Our state currently has 566 registered nurses per 100,000 residents, compared to the national average of 798. In San Diego County it is estimated that there are over 700 nursing vacancies alone.

Because of the rapid increase in our population, plus the high turnover among nurses, many feel that the nursing shortage will get worse before it gets better.

The *Nurses Now* partnership will allow local hospitals and SDSU to take important steps to address this problem. As part of the partnership, each of the partners—Alvarado Hospital Medical Center (Tenet Healthcare), Children’s Hospital and Health Center, Kaiser Permanente, Scripps Health, Sharp HealthCare, and UCSD Healthcare—have agreed to donate \$70,000 per year for the next three years as part of the *Nurses Now* program.

The SDSU School of Nursing will use these funds to hire six additional faculty members and, as a result, will be able to enroll an additional 120 students over the next three semesters (40 in Fall 2000, 40 in Spring 2001, and 40 in Fall 2001). Finding qualified students to fill
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Among the many services that School of Nursing Students perform is the administering of vaccinations at community health fairs and shot clinics.



Nurses Now Partners



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Message From The Dean



Dolores A. Wozniak

We have accomplished a great deal this year through the efforts of the faculty, staff, and alumni. Change seems to be inevitable in an information technology environment. Little time is left for thinking and pondering over issues before decision making. At first blush it appears that society has responded favorably to real-time communication. The question which remains is

where will this new information age take us in education, healthcare and social services, and the work environment. I'm not sure we know all the parameters that need to be in place for those discussions and what possible outcomes will be forecasted. The next ten years will be exciting ones for academics and health and social services professionals.

Urban universities are being called upon to work for the betterment of their communities. Since its inception, the College of Health and Human Services, through its academic programs, has improved the health and welfare

of people in its academic neighborhoods. It is by nature that professional programs use the experiential learning methodology. Our students and faculty volunteer in local communities such as City Heights, Linda Vista, Logan Heights, and San Ysidro, to name a few. Hopefully, our presence makes a difference and communities utilize the intellectual resources and professional skills of the faculty and students to find solutions to complex urban issues.

Another outstanding example of community/university partnership in solving a community workforce issue is the "Nurses Now" project. This is an innovative partnership where six hospitals committed funds to the university, for at least a three year period, to increase the number of nursing faculty to increase the enrollment of students to help resolve the current and continuing workforce shortage of nurses in the community.

It is in the best interest of the university to continue to foster collaborative activities with the community to make a better place for all San Diegan's and enhance the economic development of the region. I need everyone's support, faculty, student, alumni, and community to make these activities successful. I hope you will respond favorably when called on.

Monty Awards and 2000 Commencement Celebrations



SDSU President Stephen L. Weber



School of Social Work alum, Robert Ito prepares to accept his Monty Award for CHHS Distinguished Alumnus



SDSU Provost Nancy Marlin presents Nursing Professor Barbara Riegel with the 2000 Monty Award for Outstanding Faculty Member



CHHS Dean Dolores A. Wozniak, SDSU President Stephen L. Weber, Commencement Speaker Margaret Kelley, and SDSU Provost Nancy A. Marlin



Students file into Cox Arena prior to the 2000 CHHS Commencement



GSPH Grad Wei Chen and faculty member Winnie Willis

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Two New Nursing Scholarships Endowed

In recent months the School of Nursing has received two separate gifts to endow scholarship for nursing students. The *George and Ruth A. Warwick Scholarship* was established by a \$100,000 gift from Ruth Warwick, and the *Alvarado Health Foundation Nursing Scholarship* was established by a \$36,000+ gift from the Alvarado Health Foundation.

These scholarships come at a particularly beneficial time for our School of Nursing. Beginning this fall, 120 additional nursing students will be enrolled as a result of the *Nurses Now* partnership. The College greatly appreciates Mrs. Warwick's and the Alvarado Health Foundation's generosity.

Below are descriptions of each of these scholarships:

Ruth Warwick Establishes Nursing Scholarship

Ruth Warwick, a retired nurse and San Diego resident, recently donated \$100,000 to the School of Nursing to endow the *George and Ruth A. Warwick Scholarship* for nursing students. Mrs. Warwick was a dedicated nurse for many years who established this scholarship as a way to do something to help students who are interested in a career in nursing. All upper division and graduate nursing students are eligible to apply for the *Warwick Scholarship*.

Mrs. Warwick, who was educated back East, is passionate about the importance of higher education. At a recent campus event, she mentioned how impressed she has been by what she has heard about the SDSU Nursing program and was pleased with the *Nurses Now* program and the role that SDSU has taken in addressing the nursing shortage.

"We greatly appreciate Ruth Warwick's generous gift to the SDSU School of Nursing. Her personal awareness of the critical shortage of nurses in San Diego County and her personal dedication to the nursing career make the *George and Ruth A. Warwick Scholarship* especially meaningful," said SDSU President, Stephen L. Weber.

Alvarado Health Foundation Donates \$36,376 To Establish Nursing Scholarship

The Alvarado Health Foundation generously donated \$36,376 to endow a scholarship for students in the SDSU School of Nursing. The gift comes after the Alvarado Health Foundation took action to dissolve their charitable association and decided to endow the *Alvarado Health Foundation Nursing Scholarship* with their final donation. All nursing students are eligible for this scholarship.

"The Alvarado Health Foundation has supported scholarships in the School of Nursing for years," said Dolores A. Wozniak, Dean, College of Health and Human Services. "A number of our students have benefitted from their generosity. With the establishment of this new endowment, SDSU nursing students will continue to receive this scholarship in perpetuity. I appreciate this latest gift from Alvarado Health Foundation; however, I am sorry to hear that this fine foundation will be closing its doors. Their service to our community will be missed."

The College of Health and Human Services greatly appreciate this generous donation. The Alvarado Health Foundation is to be praised for their years of support towards healthcare research and delivery.

Dr. Robert K. Ross Scholarship Established

A scholarship is being established in the College of Health and Human Services as a tribute to Dr. Robert K. (Bob) Ross, who is resigning from his position as Director of the San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency.

In June, Dr. Ross, who has served as the Director of HHS since 1993, announced that he is resigning his position with the County to become President of the California Endowment in Woodland Hills, California. The California Endowment is a charitable foundation with assets totaling \$3.7 billion, which has issued \$495 million

in grants since its beginning in 1996, including \$21.3 million to organizations in San Diego.

Dr. Ross is known for his ability to get bring together people and organizations and get things accomplished. His leadership ability and understanding of the multiple health challenges facing our community will be missed.

If you would like to make a donation to the Robert K. Ross Scholarship, contact the College of Health and Human Services Director of Development, Kathy Drucquer Duff. Kathy can be reached at 619-594-8674 or via e-mail at kdrucque@mail.sdsu.edu.



Fieldstone Foundation Honor

On May 12, luncheon was held at the University Club to present the Fieldstone Foundation with the Tower Society Crystal. A member of the Tower Society is an entity which has donated more than \$100,000 to SDSU.

Since 1981, the Fieldstone Foundation has supported the Student-to-Student program, the School of Social Work, the Entrepreneur Management Center in the College of Business Administration.

"We truly appreciate the Fieldstone Foundation's

longtime support of our programs. The investment in the future of young people is well commended," said SDSU President Stephen L. Weber.

Are you locked into your stocks? Capture your appreciation now ...and enjoy the appreciation of our students for years to come

The Weingart-Price Fund recently made a \$5,000 grant, through the San Diego Foundation, to the Consensus Organizing Center in the School of Social Work. This is the Weingart-Price Fund's second contribution to this organization. They also made a \$25,000 grant in 1999.

This format of the Consensus Organizing Center is based on recognizing emerging leaders and providing these individuals with the organization and training that they need in order to succeed. The Consensus Organizing Center's experience combined with the commitment of those involved provide the organization necessary work through complex government and political processes and obtain real results that provide tangible benefits to San Diego neighborhoods.

We thank the Weingart-Price Fund for their generous support of this worthy project. The work that CHHS faculty and staff do to help these neighborhoods to grow and improve would not be possible without the assistance of the Weingart-Price Fund.

Note: This article is one in a continuing series of how planned gifts can benefit the College. Charitable Gift Annuities are the focus for this edition.

A gift of stock to the College of Health and Human Services will allow you to by-pass capital gains tax and receive an immediate income tax deduction for the full fair market value of your stock.

Your gift can work wonders for people and programs you care about. For more information on this gift option, contact Kathy Drucquer Duff, Director of Development, at 619-594-8674 or via e-mail at kdrucque@mail.sdsu.edu.

Gift of Stock

Donor in combined federal/state income tax bracket of 35%
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Gift of Stock valued at \$10,000; original value of stock \$2,000; Capital Gains=\$8,000

Value of Stock	=	\$10,000
By-pass of Capital Gains (25% of \$8,000)	-	\$2,000
Savings in Income Tax (35% of \$10,000)	-	\$3,500
Cost of \$10,000 Gift to SDSU	=	\$4,500 *

* Gift entitles donor to become a Benefactor in the Friends of SDSU, SDSU's Giving Society.

Social Work Emeritus Professor Honored



Maria Sardiñas

In April, School of Social Work Emeritus Professor Maria Sardiñas was awarded a Lifetime Achievement Award by the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), California Chapter. Sardiñas taught at

SDSU for 23 years, and for over 40 years she has worked to improve the quality of life of the mentally ill in San Diego and elsewhere.

During her career, Sardiñas served on the Executive Committee of the Board of Directors of the International Association of Psychosocial Rehabilitation Services, and she helped to develop programs such as the Institute of Chicano Affairs, Centro de Familia and Casa Familiar and was a founding member of Trabajadores de la Raza. Through the development and promotion of her

psychosocial rehabilitation program for the severely and persistently mentally ill, Sardiñas has had an impact on the entire mental health delivery system in San Diego County.

Previous honors that Sardiñas has received include being named the Mental Health Person of the Year in San Diego County, an annual scholarship has been established in her name, and in November of 1999, the Maria Sardiñas Clinic was dedicated in the South Bay area of San Diego County. In addition, the College of Health and Human Services and School of Social Work are developing the Maria A. Sardiñas Visiting Professorship and Behavioral Health Project as a tribute to the work that Sardiñas has done at SDSU and in the community. If you would like more information about this project, please contact Kathy Drucquer Duff in the CHHS Development Office. Kathy can be reached at 619-594-8674 or via e-mail at kdrucque@mail.sdsu.edu.

The NASW Lifetime Achievement Award honors the lifetime work of one California social worker each year. We congratulate Sardiñas on receiving this wonderful recognition of her tireless work.

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these spaces will not be a problem. The School of Nursing has been an impacted program for over 10 years, and each semester 60-70 qualified students are turned away.

Although these additional students will not graduate for three years, they will be filling rotation spots in local hospitals as part of their education, and with each semester the increase in the number of nursing students will help ease the strain that is being placed on hospital nurses. Currently, the School of Nursing provides over 350,000 hours to the community

The Power of Partnerships—Solving the Nursing Shortage

October 7, 2000, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., Doubletree Hotel in Mission Valley

The SDSU School of Nursing and the Gamma Gamma Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau are sponsoring a conference to discuss the nursing shortage and how the San Diego healthcare community has come together to address this community-wide challenge. The conference will include:

- ❖ Presentations by experts who have studied California's nursing shortage
- ❖ A panel discussion including representatives from the SDSU School of Nursing and *Nurses Now* partnership healthcare organizations
 - ❖ 3 CEU's
- ❖ A raffle to raise money for scholarships to support nursing students

The cost of the conference will be \$35.00, which includes the conference registration, brunch and the CEU's. All proceeds from this event will be split between the Gamma Gamma Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau and SDSU in support of scholarships for nursing students.

For more information or to register, please contact Marguerite Jackson at the UCSD Medical Center at 619-543-6620 or e-mail her at majackson@ucsd.edu.

prepared to succeed. A mentorship program will provide nursing students with an opportunity to voice their concerns and discuss their challenges with someone who has walked in their shoes and can share first hand the rewards of a nursing career.

The *Nurses Now* partnership is an excellent example of how the College of Health and Human Services is working with healthcare professionals and community members to improve the delivery of health and human services.

We will continue to update you on the progress of the *Nurses Now* partnership and other other community-

"As an educator and a nurse, I am excited by the opportunities that this program will provide to our students," said Patricia Wahl, Director, School of Nursing. "*Nurses Now* creates a winning situation for everyone—our students, our *Nurses Now* partners, SDSU, and the San Diego community."

Nursing Students Wanted

With the establishment of the *Nurses Now* partnership, the SDSU School of Nursing will be enrolling an additional 120 students over the next three semesters. If you, or someone you know, is interested in a career in nursing, we encourage you to apply. The deadlines for submitting an application are listed below:

October 16, 2000, for the 2001 Spring Semester

March 12, 2001, for the 2001 Fall Semester

Applicants must have been admitted to SDSU. For more information contact the School of Nursing at 619-594-2540 or via e-mail at nursing@mail.sdsu.edu or visit the School of Nursing on the web at:

<http://www-rohan.sdsu.edu/dept/chhs/nursing/index.html>

Community Response to Nurses Now

"We are thrilled to participate in *Nurses Now* because we believe that the project will significantly increase the number of nurses available, allowing us to provide better service to the community."

Daniel L. Groves
Chief Executive Officer
Sharp Memorial Hospital

"We lose a lot of students with a desire to be nurses but who get discouraged by the waiting lists and move on to a different career. *Nurses Now* will allow us to educate many of these students and keep them in our community."

Marlene Rupp
Director of Educational and Consulting Services
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Thank You! for your generous contributions to the College of Health and Human Services over the past year.

During fiscal year 1999-2000, our College received more private support than in any year in recent history. Part of this success comes from the marvelous response to our *Nurses Now* partnership that we received from local hospitals, but we have also received tremendous support from alumni, parents, faculty, staff and community partners.

Programs that benefitted from the Annual Fund and Private contributions include:

Student scholarships, fellowships, and assistantships
 Student professional development, internships, fieldwork, and mentorship programs
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 Equipment including clinical and research equipment, computer software, audio tapes, publications, books, human anatomy models, and classroom materials
 Honoraria for distinguished lecturers
 Faculty research and professional development

Many of our donors support several areas within the University, thank you! The CHHS Donor Roll recognizes gifts specific to the college. The Donor Roll acknowledges gifts made July 1, 1999 to June 30, 2000.

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Answer the Call.

The College of Health and Human Service Annual Fund Campaign is about to begin. Your participation in this important effort goes a long way to help fund many programs that provide faculty with resources and tools to inspire and teach today's students while also allowing many students to begin to continue their education here at SDSU.

Within a few weeks you will receive a card from a student inviting you to be a part of this year's annual fund drive. Please answer the call with a resounding yes! Your gift, no matter the amount, will be a worthwhile investment in CHHS and SDSU. We thank you in advance for supporting our programs.

Thank you to all nursing alumni who have supported the Nursing Mentorship program that is being established as part of the *Nurses Now* partnership. The primary purpose of *Nurses Now* is to graduate more nursing Mentorships will be an important part of our goal to ensure that Nursing Students are prepared to succeed. Your support is important to achieving this goal.

College of Health and Human Services Faculty News

Professor Of Public Health Wins ACHE Book Of The Year

Dennis D. Pointer and his co-author James E. (Jamie) Orlikoff are the winners of the prestigious 2000 James A. Hamilton Book of the Year award from American College of Healthcare Executives (ACHE). The award is given annually to the author(s) of the best healthcare management book published during the previous year. Pointer is only the second two-time winner of the award

in its 45 year history. His book, **REALLY GOVERNING**, won the award in 1996.

Dennis Pointer Ph.D., Hanlon Professor in the Graduate School of Public Health, has been elected a public Board Member of the American Board of Medical Specialties.

Published by Jossey-Bass, **BOARD WORK GOVERNING HEALTH CARE ORGANIZATIONS** provides board members, board chairs and CEOs with a comprehensive

model and associated set of actionable principles for significantly increasing governance performance and contributions. "This is the best book on governance I have ever read," says Stephen Shortell, Ph.D., Blue Cross Distinguished Professor at the University of California - Berkeley.

Dr. Pointer, the author of four previous books and over 80 articles, is the John J. Hanlon Professor of Health Research and Policy, Graduate School of Public Health, San Diego State University.

Mr. Orlikoff is President of Orlikoff and Associates, Inc., a Chicago-based consulting firm specializing in governance and leadership development.

Dr. Pointer and Mr. Orlikoff received their award in March at the Malcolm T. MacEachern Memorial Lecture and Luncheon during the ACHE's 43rd Annual Congress in Chicago.

National Resource Center On Aging And Injury Announces Web Site

The National Resource Center on Aging and Injury (NRCAI) has recently established a web site featuring a searchable database of information about preventing unintentional injuries such as falls, motor vehicle and pedestrian injuries, and burns. The site, located at www.olderadultinjury.org, was introduced at the Gerontological Society of America Conference in November 1999. An interactive library containing books, articles, newsletters, fact sheets, and videos is available for interested consumers and professionals. The NRCAI encourages requests for information, submissions of resources for the library, and collaborative efforts in the aging, injury prevention, and corporate network. Additionally, professionals may submit injury prevention information or join in the national dialog using interactive features of the website.

NRCAI staff conducted symposia and roundtable discussions and sponsored exhibits at recent Society for Public Health Education, Gerontological Society of America, Promoting Independence and Quality of Life for Older Persons with Disabilities, and American Society on Aging conferences. Recent media coverage has included an Associated Press article "Hip Fractures Are Increasing," March 3, 2000, feature articles in the April 2000 issue of Parent Care Advisor, the November/

December issue of Aging Today, and the American Society on Aging Newsletter.

The NRCAI, which is directed by SDSU's Dr. E. Percil Stanford with Dr. Barbara Du Bois as Associate Director and Carol Yavno as the Coordinator, is in its second year of a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Division of Unintentional Injury Prevention in the University Center on Aging at San Diego State University, and in collaboration with the American Society on Aging, San Francisco, to develop a resource center for the prevention of unintentional injuries among older Americans.

The goal of the National Resource Center is to establish a national focal point for disseminating injury prevention information and strategies to a wide range of individuals, organizations, businesses, and institutions with the potential to reduce unintentional injuries among older Americans. The NRCAI will reach out to older adults of all income levels and ethnicities and to the professionals who serve them.

Congratulations to Kate Walden-O'Cull, M.S.W., Lecturer in the School of Social Work, who was one of seven recipients of a SDSU Eleventh Annual Exemplary Academic Advising Award.

School of Social Work Professor **Concha Barrio** successfully competed for a new minority Faculty Research Career Development Award from NIMH. She is the first social worker to be awarded this very prestigious and valuable five-year research career development award.

elen Wallace, M.D., the Graduate School Public Health received the American College of Nurse Midwifery's award for her new book, Health and Welfare for Families in the 21st Century, published by Jones and Bartlett, Sudbury, Massachusetts.

ew Shapiro, Ph.D., Professor of Communicative Disorders, co-authored the book, Language and the Brain: Presentation and Processing, and wrote/co-wrote five articles which were published in peer-reviewed publications in the year 2000. In addition, he has given three talks and has been invited to give the keynote address at the 9th International Aphasia Rehabilitation Conference in Rotterdam, The Netherlands.

era Gutierrez-Allen, Ph.D., Asst. Professor of Communicative Disorders, was selected Search Mentor in the American Speech, Language, Hearing Association's Search in Higher Education Mentoring Program for a total of 12 students from diversity programs throughout the U.S. This award was made a cause of the quality mentorship experience offered in *(continued on Pg. 9)*

College of Health and Human Services Faculty News

School Of Social Work Professors Assist With Welfare Reform

This spring, professors from the SDSU School of Social Work served on a panel with local and national social workers and single parents to discuss welfare reform and the effects that recent legislative changes have had on local families.

The panel found that two programs that have had a negative effect for those coming off welfare are the CALWORKS program and San Diego County's "get a job, any job" program. The CALWORKS program delegated social programs from California to individual counties. The "get a job, any job" program encourages welfare recipients to find work and get off welfare. The shortcomings of these two programs are that they do not consider the immediate effect that coming off welfare has on these families, and they do not adequately address education and job training.

The effects of these programs are far reaching. We have people in San Diego County who are working full-time and earning only minimum wage while trying to support a family. These people are coming off welfare and as a result are living on the street because their income doesn't meet their needs. Children in these families are having increased trouble in school. The number of absences is up and even when in school, these children have trouble concentrating. They are thinking more of how to survive than to learn.

"The National Association of Social Workers and the School of Social Work need to organize their efforts to improve welfare programs. We need to get a plan on paper that gets results."

Anita Harbert
Director, School of Social Work

The panel encourages social workers to work together and become more active at a political level in challenging what is being talked about as a very successful welfare reform program. The panel also encourages elected officials and social workers to think about what happens to parents when they come off welfare. We cannot assume that welfare recipients are lazy. We need to provide job training and educational programs for parents and children. Through a concerted effort we can create an effective program that will allow these families to succeed.

SDSU Center On Substance Abuse Working To Reduce Alcohol And Other Drug Problems

Alcohol and other drug (AOD) problems are among the most serious health issues in the United States. The use and misuse of licit and illicit drugs costs society billions of dollars each year. Such problems adversely impact numerous sectors of society including the legal system, health and human services, and the educational system. As such, high quality AOD-related research is of great import. AOD research includes epidemiology, studies examining etiology, clinical treatment trials, and prevention trials.

The SDSU Center on Substance Abuse coordinates research and prevention projects that address a wide array of AOD-related problems and issues. Current projects include a prevention program with the goal of reducing binge drinking among college students, a DUI education and intervention program, and several smaller research studies. In the past year, investigators at the Center have received grants from the National Institute of Alcoholism and Alcohol Abuse, The U.S. Department of Education, The CSU Faculty Fellows Program in Applied Policy research and the County of San Diego. If you would like more information, visit the Center on Substance Abuse on the web at <http://www-rohan.sdsu.edu/%7Eecosa/>.

GSPH Participates in Public Health Week

Since 1995, the first week in April has been Public Health Week. This year the Graduate School of Public Health participated by displaying an exhibit at the County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency's Rosecrans location; sponsoring a Public Health Week display on campus; offering free Hepatitis B immunizations, offered through partnerships with Children's Hospital and the San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency; distributing free Public Health Week bookmarks; and by offering free showings of the following movies with a public-health theme: "And the Band Played On" and "Miss Ever's Boys" (The Tuskegee Story).

"Public health is something that is taken for granted—clean water, clean air—things that surround us every day," said Professor of Public Health Michael Peddecord. "The theme of Public Health Week is to hike public awareness about public health efforts and how all of this is important in the quality of life we have."

Thanks to the work of the faculty and students in the Graduate School of Public Health, the SDSU community now has a better understanding of what public health is and what steps are needed to improve and maintain our quality of life.

Dr. Gutierrez-Clellier
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Research Lab.

Dr. John Clay received a \$1.2 million four-year grant for the Environmental Alcohol Prevention Project from the NIAAA. It was one of five projects funded that targets substance abuse among college students. The project is also supported by a \$250,000 grant from the DOE.

Barbara Riegel, DNSc., Professor of Nursing, is the chief investigator on a research project that was recently awarded funding from the National Institute of Nursing Research. The project is titled, "Nursing delivered focused education and counseling intervention decrease delay seeking treatment for myocardial infarction." She also co-authored the book, *Improving Outcomes for Heart Failure: An Interdisciplinary Approach*, Aspen Publishers, Gaithersburg, Maryland. In addition, Dr. Riegel co-published an article, which appeared in the *Journal of Cardiac Failure*.

Catherine Loveridge, Ph.D., Professor of Nursing, is the Principal Investigator (PI) for a study funded by a local hospital organization. (Continued on Pg. 1)



you're not a member of the SDSU Alumni Association you're missing out! By joining the SDSU Alumni Association you'll enjoy a number of special benefits and services including, growing privileges at all CSU libraries, discounted membership at the Aztec Recreation Center (ARC) on campus, 10% discount on SDSU logo items at the Aztec Store in Fashion Alley and The Campus Store, and many more. It's easy and affordable, call the Alumni Association at (919) 594-ALUM (2586).

Now you can receive alumni news on-line! Contact aluminfo@mail.sdsu.edu to find out more.

Root for the Aztecs on the Road!

Aztec Road Trips are a great way to experience all football and to celebrate SDSU! Call 9-594-ALUM (2586) for more information.

Alumni News

SDSU Alumni Association Chapters

Stay Connected and Have Fun!

This past year the SDSU Alumni Association officially launched its chapters program and now has seven chapters that have been recognized (including African American; Asian Pacific Islander; Child and Family Development; Imperial Valley; Orange County; Sacramento Capitol and Taiwan).

Alumni chapters are designed to keep alumni like yourself in touch with SDSU and other fellow alums. The primary purpose for which a chapter is formed is to advance and establish a mutually beneficial relationship between SDSU, alumni, and friends, as well as to provide an avenue for alumni to continue their connections with the University through the SDSU Alumni Association. Alumni chapters provide many benefits:

- ❖ An avenue to renew old and establish new friendships with fellow alumni.
- ❖ Valuable career connections. Networking is the name of the game for career development these days and chapters can help you make those connections with other SDSU alumni.
- ❖ Increase the prestige of the University through positive interaction with the community, with fellow alumni, co-workers and potential students.
- ❖ Provide a nationwide network of personal and professional support and assistance to fellow alumni.
- ❖ Assist current students by building scholarship funds.

If you are interested in participating in or starting an Alumni Association Chapter, visit the SDSU Alumni Association webpage (www.sdsualumni.org), click on "Stay Connected," and follow the simple directions, or you can contact Jackie Koeller at 619-594-0416 or via e-mail at jkoeller@mail.sdsu.edu.

**Don't miss out...
The SDSU Social Work Alumni Chapter is forming!**

CHAPTER GATHERING and INFORMATION MEETING
Thursday, September 21, 2000
Mission Valley Hilton, Sports Board Room
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
**light refreshments will be served*

*Be one of the first charter members of the
Social Work Alumni Chapter at SDSU!*

Welcome by,
Robert Ito, CEO Occupational Training Services, SDCHC
RSVP by September 15 to: Jackie Koeller:
jkoeller@mail.sdsu.edu (619) 594-ALUM (2586)

2000 Homecoming Information and Events

Celebrate State!

Homecoming this year will be held on October 28 against the Colorado State University Rams. Actress and SDSU alumna Marion Ross has agreed to serve as Honorary Homecoming Chair. In addition to the game, there will be a SDSU Happy Hour at Dick's Last Resort, Pre-'55's Reunion and a FREE Homecoming tailgate party for all alumni members, co-sponsored by the Alumni Association and the Aztec Athletic Foundation.



Marion Ross

HOMECOMING EVENTS

- October 27 Young Alumni Happy Hour, Dicks Last Resort**
- October 28 Pre-'55 Reunion, SDSU, 8:30 a.m.**
- October 28 Homecoming Game SDSU vs. Colorado State University Rams, 12:00 noon**

For more information about these or other alumni events, contact the SDSU Alumni Association at:

Phone Number: (619) 594-ALUM (2586)
E-mail: aluminfo@mail.sdsu.edu
Web address: www.sdsualumni.org

**Alumni Association
Launches New Web
Site**

The SDSU Alumni Association has made it even easier to stay connected to your alma mater. The new site is a great reference for what's happening with SDSU alums—and is linked to several other SDSU pages.

Click www.sdsualumni.org to see what exciting Aztec information is available! From membership benefits, class notes, and alumni events to Homecoming, Career Information, and Athletics, it can all be found at www.sdsualumni.org.

College of Health and Human Services Student News

Department of Communicative Disorders Awards First Ph.D.

At the May 2000 College of Health and Human Services Commencement, Kathi Kohnert became the first graduate of the SDSU/UCSD Joint Doctoral Program (JDP) in Language and Communicative Disorders.

The JDP, which was established in 1996, is made up of faculty from the Department of Communicative Disorders, Department of Linguistics, and the Department of Psychology at SDSU and the Department of Cognitive Science, Department of Communications, Department of Linguistics, Department of Neurosciences, and Department of Psychology at UCSD.

Dr. Kohnert's dissertation, "Lexical Skills in Bilingual School-Age Children: Cross-sectional Studies in Spanish and English," conducted under the guidance of Dr. Elizabeth Bates, Professor of Psychology and Cognitive Science at UCSD, is an outstanding study of the developmental trajectories that take place as bilingual children learn to coordinate two languages. This work has important implications for helping researchers and teachers better understand normal bilingual language learning as well as shedding light on the language abilities of bilingual children with developmental language disorders and in bilingual adults who may acquire a language disorder later in life as a result of stroke.

The importance of Dr. Kohnert's research program has

been recognized by many others, including granting agencies and journal editors. In addition she has received several awards including research support through the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association and awards through the CSU Graduate Student Research Competition. However, the clearest acknowledgement of Dr. Kohnert's substantial abilities was seen when she was invited to give several job talks for faculty positions across the country that subsequently resulted in several highly competitive job offers.

In the end, Dr. Kohnert selected an excellent faculty position at the University of Minnesota in the Department of Communication Disorders. We are very proud of Kathi and pleased for her; however, we will certainly miss her. Throughout her studies, Kathi worked extremely hard and showed both a high degree of patience and a sense of humor as one of the first students in our new doctoral program. Moreover, she served as an outstanding mentor to new doctoral students as they entered our program. She leaves a legacy for other students to follow. We expect that Kathi will make major contributions to the field and achieve great success as a teacher and researcher at Minnesota! Best wishes Kathi!

School of Nursing Premiere's New Nursing Video

On June 1st, the School of Nursing hosted a reception for all alumni and friends to premiere the new School of Nursing video. The video, which was a gift from the graduating class of December 1999, can be used as a student recruitment tool and to highlight the School's program and facilities. Please contact the School of Nursing at 619-594-6384 if you would like to view a copy of the video.

Students Host Workshop On Nursing Burnout

During the Spring 2000 semester, the Advanced Community Health Nursing class had a unique opportunity to apply theory into practice. In one semester the course integrated most of the principles of organization, management, negotiation, program planning, proposal writing, advertisements, financial management and above all group consensus and teamwork. At the end of the semester, the students used this knowledge to organize and host a workshop titled, "Burnout in Nursing Workshop." The workshop was held on May 6th as part of Nurses Week 2000.

The workshop discussed the importance of humor, effective communication, self-care, stress reduction and conflict resolution. The speakers and the 100 plus participants agreed that the workshop was a tremendous success.

"This class and workshop will prove to be a very memorable experience that these students will take with them," said course instructor Rita Morris, Ph.D.

Social Work Student Receives Diversity Scholarship



Celinda Vasquez

On Friday, May 5, School of Social Work student Celinda Vasquez was awarded a Diversity Scholarship from the Leadership Alliance at the 7th Annual National Diversity Conference. The theme for this year's conference, which was hosted by the Leadership Alliance, is Collaborations with the goal to bring together Communities, Industry, Institutions, and Students.

The Leadership Alliance, founded in 1992 and based at Brown University, is the largest coalition of its kind in the nation addressing the shortage of under-represented minorities in graduate school and

professoriate. The Alliance creates a pipeline of outstanding opportunities including K-12 programs, undergraduate research programs, graduate support programs and fellowships, faculty development opportunities, and national symposia. In the process, the Alliance seeks to develop a generation of outstanding minority leaders and role models not only in higher education, but in the public and private sectors as well.

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 titled, "Staff Nurse Attention Study." Dr. Overidge and her co-workers, Dr. Marguerite Jackson of UCSD Medical Center are, are surveying over 2,500 nurses to determine their perception of Magnet Hospital characteristics embedded in their organizations. Such characteristics are related to the hospital's ability to recruit and retain nurses during staff nurse shortages. They hope to report findings in October, 2000.

Ita Morris, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Nursing, was selected the winner of the 1999 Urologic Nursingatherine-Ann Lawrence Literary Excellence Award for an article entitled, "Female Genital Mutilation: Perspectives, Risks and Complications in Urologic Nursing." Dr. Morris is also the recipient of a federal grant award from the Office of Women's Health, and she is working with a team of experts to develop a curriculum on reproductive Health for Special Populations with a focus on female genital mutilation. The curriculum will serve schools of medicine, public health, and nursing to introduce the little known reproductive problems of female genital mutilation.

CHHS Faculty Obtain Tenure And New Tenure Track Faculty Arrive On Campus

During the previous Academic Year, the College of Health and Human Services had a number of promotions and additions to its tenured and tenure-track faculty.

The following College faculty members obtained tenure during Academic Year 1999-2000:

- ❖ **John Clapp, Ph.D.**, School of Social Work
- ❖ **Melinda Hohman, Ph.D.**, School of Social Work

We congratulate Drs. Clapp and Hohman on this receiving this honor.

In addition, beginning with the Fall 2000 semester, the following individuals have joined the College of Health and Human Services as tenure track faculty:

- ❖ **Laura Dreisbach**, Department of Communicative Disorders
- ❖ **David Engstrom**, School of Social Work
- ❖ **Jon Won Min**, School of Social Work
- ❖ **Richard A. Shaffer**, Graduate School of Public Health

We congratulate them on their new positions and welcome them to SDSU!

SDSU Minority Admissions Increase

Aggressive outreach efforts and a high level of student satisfaction are credited with boosting minority admissions for first-time freshmen at San Diego State University.

Fall 2000 admissions by Latinos (not including Mexican Americans) and Asian Americans were among the highest increases, 29 percent and 24 percent respectively, compared to fall 1999. Approximately 641 Latino students have been admitted thus far, up from 497 last year. Admissions by Asian American students increased from 1,760 to 2,190. African-American admissions increased by 21 percent - from 570 to 689; American Indian admissions increased by 21 percent - from 78 to 94; and Mexican American admissions increased by 15 percent - from 1,688 to 1,945.

"SDSU is successfully attracting more applicants with diverse and academically strong backgrounds," said Stephen L. Weber, president of SDSU. "A key part of our mission is providing a diverse learning environment

and a positive campus climate in which students from many different backgrounds can grow and prosper. These figures are indicative of our success."

More than 45 percent of SDSU's students come from underserved ethnic, cultural or linguistic populations. SDSU's outreach efforts target schools in economically disadvantaged communities to encourage interest by students who may not have considered applying to the university. SDSU has also implemented a variety of programs to ensure that students are satisfied with their educational experience. A May 1999 student survey found that among those who perceive themselves as a minority group member, 94 percent said that they were either very satisfied or satisfied with their experience at SDSU and that they felt comfortable on campus in terms of their personal beliefs or characteristics.

SDSU's enrollment is currently 31,413 including graduate and undergraduate students - making it the second largest university in California.

Scholarships Available To Relatives Of Alumni

If you have a relative attending SDSU, they may be eligible for a \$1,000.00 scholarship from the SDSU Alumni Association. Scholarships are available in three areas: 1) to a first semester SDSU student; 2) a continuing SDSU student; or 3) a Leadership Scholarship. Criteria and applications are available through the SDSU Alumni Association (619) 594-2586 or the SDSU Scholarship Office (619) 594-6180. Deadline for applications is Monday, September 25, 1999, and winners will be announced at the October 28 Homecoming game.

SDSU Welcomes New Student Affairs Vice President

SDSU President Stephen Weber recently announced the completion of a successful search for a new Vice President of Student Affairs with the appointment of Dr. James R. Kitchen. Dr. Kitchen joined San Diego State in mid-July. Dr. Kitchen succeeds Dr. Dan Nowak, who served 26 years at SDSU.

Dr. Kitchen has more than 23 years of experience in the academic community, most recently serving as Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Dean of Students for the University of Kansas. During his career he has also worked at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas and St. Cloud State University in Minnesota.

At the University of Kansas, Dr. Kitchen was responsible for overseeing International Student Services, Greek Programming, Minority Student Programs and Development, Services for Students with Disabilities and many more student-oriented programs. During his tenure at UNLV he received the Consolidated Students University of Nevada Faculty Excellence Award.

After accepting the SDSU position Kitchen observed, "San Diego State University is a great institution with a wonderful reputation. The opportunity to play a role in

the continuing development of SDSU holds tremendous appeal to me as a long-time professional in the educational community. During the evaluation process it became evident that this university values Student Affairs as an integral part of its mission," he explained. "That philosophy complements my own core belief that every effort should be made to interface a continuous academic and social relationship for both students and staff."



Jim Kitchen

Rick Bay, chair of the search committee, summarized the committee's evaluation of Kitchen by saying, "Our committee recommended Jim because he's highly articulate, fiscally responsible, has an open communications style, manages with a collaborative philosophy and most important, has proven himself to be an advocate for students and their development."

Please join us in welcoming Jim Kitchen to SDSU.

Trolley Station Coming To SDSU

Plans for the new San Diego State University Trolley Station are moving forward swiftly with the recent announcement by Secretary of Transportation Rodney E. Slater to commit to funding the trolley extension in the amount of \$330 million. Slater and Nuria I. Fernandez, acting administrator of the Federal Transit Administration, visited the SDSU campus during the summer for a special ceremony to announce the funding agreement. The

event, held adjacent to the site of the new station near the Aztec Green, included remarks from SDSU President Stephen L. Weber and several local elected officials and transit board members.

With the funding assured and completion of an agreement between SDSU and the Metropolitan Transit Development Board regarding construction of the project, work is scheduled to begin this November. One of the first tasks will be relocation of utilities along the underground route. Construction on the SDSU station – which will be located 60 feet below ground – is expected to begin next spring. The new 5.9-mile trolley extension will be completed in late 2004.

The University has developed a trolley construction communications program to keep faculty, staff and students informed about the project. For more information, call the Trolley Construction Talkline at (619) 594-TALK.



SDSU Enters Exchange Program With Cuban Uni

Earlier this year, San Diego State University officials led by President Stephen Weber traveled to Cuba to sign an agreement to create an historic university exchange program with the University of Havana. The SDSU exchange will be the first to allow students to stay for a semester or a full year to study Cuban culture, language and business practices by attending regular classes at the University of Havana. The SDSU students will be fully integrated into Cuban university life, living with the peers in dormitories or in private homes.

"The exchange program offers many rich educational opportunities for our students and faculty in business, sciences and the arts," Weber said. "To be a partner in this historic agreement in international education is gratifying for San Diego State University because the relationship between the United States and Cuba has been virtually nonexistent for 40 years. We hope that education, which really about sharing ideas, can be a bridge to enhance understanding and cooperation between our two countries."

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CLASS NOTES

urie Friday Walsh, A., '86...is serving as president of the Northern California Chapter of the National Gerontological Nurse Practitioners. She works as a Geriatric Nurse Practitioner for Kaiser in Sacramento. Her second child, Ryan Michael, was born on November 11, 1999. **urie is working on compiling an e-mail list for the School of Nursing, Class of '86. e-mail her at urie.Walsh@kp.org.**

Kelly L. Sledge, M.S.W. '94...joined with fellow alum Dina Lopez to establish an organization named POWER (Positive Opportunities for Women, Youth & Families Engaged in Recovery). POWER's Healthy Dwellings Initiative, which includes an annual Body and Soul Health Conference for Women, has been selected to receive a National and Child Health Special Achievement award from the Center for Collaborative Planning and the David and Lucile Packard Foundation.

Patrick Spears, M.S.W. '91, B.S.W. '98...was awarded his M.S.W. from SDSU in May 2000. Patrick works at the YMCA in the Youth and Family Services Division as the director of their "66 Program."

Stay involved with your alma mater!

There are lots of ways to stay involved with SDSU, whether you live across town, or across the country. We encourage you to stay connected, and be a part of the CHHS family. A few ways you can do this include: participating in any of our internship programs, attending continuing education seminars, donating to the College through our Annual Fund, listing open positions with the SDSU Career Center, reading about College highlights on our web page, joining the SDSU Alumni Association, cheering on the Aztecs at home and away sporting events, attending campus productions, or submitting class notes and updates for publication in our newsletter. You are an important part of our family, and we hope you will stay connected to the College and SDSU.

Communicative Disorders

Amy Huber, B.A. '96...received her Masters degree in Social Work from the University of Texas in Austin in 1999. She is currently a Licensed Master Social Worker for the Seton Health Network in Austin. Amy has worked with all types of patients from children with terminal illnesses to heart transplant recipients. She provides a full range of services from emotional support to resource referral to crisis intervention in the ER.

Maria Betancourt, M.A. '98, B.A. '94...works for the Chula Vista Elementary School District and has obtained her Clinical Clearance Certificate. Maria is now a proud grandmother and the mother of a future teacher and a police officer.

Public Health

Maureen (Tyman) Spring, B.S. '80...currently works as a Division Safety Manager with Albertson's Inc. for their Big Sky Division which encompasses all of Montana and western North Dakota. Maureen worked for almost 20 years in the insurance industry as Safety Engineer/Loss Control Rep. in San Diego-LA counties. She is married with 2 boys—Wesley, age 8 and Phillip age 10.

Alvaro Garza, M.P.H. '83...is now an M.D. working as the Chief for the Office of Bi-National Border Health for the California Department of Health Services.

Martha Johns, M.P.H. '85...became an M.D. and is now a faculty member at St. Anthony Family Medicine Residency in Denver. Martha is also in private practice of family and preventive medicine and is a faculty member for the Bayer Institute for Health Care Communication.

Athena Phipps Atkinson, M.P.H. '88...works for OB/GYN specialists of the Palm Beaches; she is also a Certified Nurse—Midwife in private practice. Athena is happy to be allowed to start/have her own clients of women and to provide women's health services. She adopted a five week old baby named Sienna, who is now two years old.

Stephen H. Miller, M.P.H. '96...has served as the Executive Vice President of the American Board of Medical Specialties (ABMS) since January 1998. At that time, Dr. Miller left the practice of medicine; however, he still teaches at Northwestern University School of Medicine in Chicago. The ABMS is the umbrella organization for the 24 boards certifying specialists in the United States. Approximately 87% of all U.S. licensed physicians (610,000+) are certified by one of the boards which belong to the ABMS.

Ann Stawicki, M.P.H. '96...is the Director of Specialty Services Marketing at Hoag Hospital in Newport Beach, California. She is responsible for developing the

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hospital's marketing strategy as well as oversight of community relations activities. Ann moved to Orange County in 1993 when she started at Hoag Hospital. She is married and has two children, Jack born in 1995 and Julia born in 1996.

Brian Kuck, M.P.H./M.S.W., '98...works for EdiX, a Division of IDX Systems, one of the nation's largest HIM vendors. Brian writes business proposals and contracts and manages the implementation schedule. He also works per diem as a medical social worker for Sharp HealthCare's locked psychiatric units. Brian has been married for nine years and is the father of three beautiful children.

COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES CLASS NOTES

Nursing

Teri Friedman-Smith, B.S.N. '77...works as a Psychiatric Nurse at Pinegrove Hospital in Canoga Park. She took a year off from Nursing to get her paralegal degree at UCLA. Teri married a wonderful man named Clive, and they are hoping to start a family soon.

Nancy (Taschinger) Blevins, B.S.N. '81...worked for many years in the areas of critical care, trauma and ED. Nancy left the clinical setting and became actively involved with the American Association of Legal Nurse Consultants (AALNC). She is presently on the Board of Directors for the national organization serving as a Director at Large for the western states. Nancy is employed as an legal nurse consultant (LNC) for the law firm Gray Cary Ware & Freidenrich working in the areas of product liability, med-mal, toxic tort and aviation law. She and her husband enjoying living and raising their 10 year old son, Mitchell, in San Diego.

Tracey (Edwards) Juretic, B.S.N. '92...worked for five years in critical care until her kids came along (Taylor and Ramsay). Tracey has been married to husband Mark for six years. She now works part-time in cardiac rehab in Santa Maria, California, and she loves it!

Tanna Renee Thomason, M.S.N., '93...has published several articles on cardiac related topics; acute myocardial infection, and congestive heart failure. She is a board officer for the S.D. Chapter of American Association of Critical Care Nurses (AACN), an Adjunct Faculty in the Department of Nursing at Point Loma Nazarene University, and a lecturer on various critical care nursing topics.

Charles Christensen, B.S.N. '95, Cynthia Christensen, B.S.N. '95...Charles is a trauma nurse in a level one trauma center. He has his CEN and is an ACLS instructor. Cynthia is a concurrent review nurse in New Jersey. She formerly worked in home care and hospice. They bought a new home in 1997 and live in New Jersey with their 3 daughters and yellow lab, Fletcher.

Rochelle A. Andres, B.S.N. '95...has worked as a staff and charge nurse on cardiothoracic unit at Huntington Hospital in Pasadena since 1996. Rochelle attended UCLA School of Nursing graduate program, graduating in June 2000 with an M.S.N with an emphasis on Family Nurse Practitioner and subspecialty in Occupational and Environmental Health.

Gina Romano, B.S.N. '99...has worked as a clinical nurse in the surgical/medical intensive care unit at UCSD Medical Center since July 1999. She is the recipient of the American Association of Critical Care Nurses Vision Partner Scholarship.

Social Work

John Sneed, M.S.W. '68, and Cathy Sneed, M.S.W. '74...are living Brownwood, Texas, and are both Social Workers in private practice. In addition, Cathy is teaching Social Work at Howard Payne University.

Mark Odom, M.S.W. '82...is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker and Coordinator of Older Adult Services for the Orange County Behavioral Health. He supervises a multidisciplinary team of older adult specialists and substance abuse counselors that provide outreach and intervention to home bound elderly who have cognitive, substance abuse or mental health impairments. Mark lives in Irvine with his wife Denise, step-son Matt (16) and children Andrew (9) and Hillary (8), where he coaches baseball and soccer and leads the neighborhood cub scout pack.

Lisa Snyder, M.S.W. '87...was named NASW Region E Social Worker of the Year for her pioneering efforts in developing support groups for individuals with Alzheimer's and for bringing public attention the subjective experience of the disease. Lisa works at UCSD's Alzheimer's Disease Research Center.

Helene (Smith) Stovall, M.S.W. '87...received her LCSW in 1992. Helene is currently the Director of Social Services at the Redding Medical Center and Guardian Rehabilitation Hospital and Program Manager for the Behavioral Health Unit at Guardian Hospital. She married Jerry Stovall, LCSW, in 1992 and has two daughters, ages 19 and 6.

Lori G. Robinson, M.S.W. '89, B.A. '82...has worked for the San Diego Regional Center since 1986. She has been a Project Manager for the last five years and has SDSU M.S.W. interns working for her.

Nancy Kirchoff Lindholm, B.A. '92...recently moved from Minnesota to Knik, Alaska, where she is working in Anchorage with a school based program, On Target. She works with children meeting SED criteria. She married a man that she has known for 30 years, and she loves Alaska.

Che LeSeur, M.S.W. '94...worked for the San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency since 1994. In May 1999, she earned her LCSW and is now working for San Diego County Adoptions.

MaryElizabeth (Plaine) Metcalf, 'M.S.W., '99...worked as the Executive Assistant at FORkids, Inc., in Norfolk, Virginia for the previous year. FORkids, Inc., is a private, non-profit shelter program for homeless families in the Hampton Roads area. In May 2000, MaryElizabeth got married and relocated to Northville, Michigan.

Walter Philips, M.S. '85...has been named the Executive Director of the San Diego Youth & Community Services by their Board of Directors. Mr Philips will assume the directorship of the social service agency on July 10.

San Diego Youth Community Services is a comprehensive, local non-profit organization that has helped stabilize the lives of over a half million San Diegans since 1970. Its services focus on homeless and runaway children, young persons in need of drug or alcohol treatment, and families in crisis. The nationally recognized agency was founded 30 years ago when it opened the first emergency shelter for homeless youth. Elements of its programs have been replicated in communities across the nation.

"We are very excited about the prospect of Mr Philips joining San Diego Youth Community Services as its Executive Director," said Warren Johnson, SDYC Board President. "We look forward to the wealth of experience and knowledge, and compassion he will bring to the agency and the young people we serve."

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