

THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

The City - Dubbed the "jewel" of the Southern California coast, the city of San Diego has grown to surround its natural harbor and is the seventh largest city in the United States and the second largest in California.

The Diversity - The rich flavors and colors of this diverse population blends all ethnic groups and all walks of life to create an amazing quality of life that makes San Diego all things to all people.

Natural Beauty - As America's seventh-largest city, San Diego also protects vast areas of open space for riding, hiking, skiing, and camping. The region also boasts more than 70 miles of beaches along its coastline. From Torrey Pines and La Costa to Aviara, Mission Bay or Singing Hills, beautiful settings offer an abundance of golf and tennis options.

The Weather - Meteorologists claim San Diego as the country's only area with a perfect climate. This year-round environment posts an average daytime temperature of 70 degrees, with an annual rainfall average of less than 10 inches.

Idealic Living - Whether watching the sunrise over the east county mountains or the sun setting over the Pacific, in San Diego, one is surrounded by natural beauty, pampered by an ideal climate, immersed in old-world traditions and able to enjoy a comfortable, friendly lifestyle that no other city offers. What a treat to live, play and study in "America's Finest City".

Places To Go - There's always something to do in San Diego. SeaWorld, the World-Famous San Diego Zoo, Wild Animal Park, LEGOLAND California, Balboa Park and historic Old Town are just some of the attractions that draw people from all over the world to the city.

San Diego also offers Tony Award-winning theatre, opera, symphony, art galleries and performance art for the culturally curious.

For that "night on the town" San Diego's night life beckons with over 200 nightclubs that offer toe-tapping beats of everything from country western to R&B.

San Diego, California...America's Finest City



Founded March 13, 1897, San Diego State University began as the San Diego Normal School, a training facility for elementary school teachers. Seven faculty and 91 students met in temporary quarters over a downtown drugstore before moving to a newly constructed 17-acre campus on Park Boulevard.

The curriculum was limited at first to english, history and mathematics, but course offerings broadened rapidly under the leadership of Samuel T. Black, who left his position as state superintendent of public instruction to become the new school's first president. Black served from 1898 to 1910.

From 1910 to 1935, President Edward L. Hardy headed a vigorous administration that oversaw major changes to the fledgling institution. In 1921, the Normal School became San Diego State Teachers College, a four-year public institution controlled by the state Board of Education. In that same year, the two-year San Diego Junior College, forerunner of today's local community colleges, became a branch of San Diego State, creating a union that lasted until 1946.

By the 1920s, San Diego State was already beginning to outgrow its Park Boulevard location, and San Diegans launched a campaign to build a new campus on the city's eastern border. In February 1931, students, faculty and staff moved into seven Mission-style buildings surrounding a common area still known as the Main Quad.

Four years later, the Legislature authorized expansion of degree programs beyond teacher education, and San Diego State Teachers College became San Diego State College.

In 1960, San Diego State became part of the newly created California State College system, now known as the California State University system. In the early 1970s, with legislative approval, San Diego State College became San Diego State University.

Beginning its 108th academic year in fall 2004, San Diego State University can take pride in more than a century of achievement in education, research and service. With an enrollment of more than 33,000 students, SDSU has grown into the largest institution of higher education in the San Diego region and one of the largest in California.

Renowned for its academic excellence, the university is home to top-ranking programs in education, international business, social work, speech-language pathology, biology and public administration, to name just a few. Overall, San Diego State students can choose from 79 undergraduate majors, 67 master's programs and 14 doctoral degree programs.



San Diego State University





San Diego State University



One in seven San Diegans with a college degree attended SDSU, making San Diego State a primary educator of the region's work force, as well as a leader in expanding access to higher education. Committed to serving the richly diverse San Diego region, SDSU ranks among the top universities nationwide in terms of ethnic and racial diversity among its student body, as well as the number of bachelor's degrees conferred upon students of color.

Increasingly recognized for innovative research, San Diego State has achieved the prestigious Doctoral/Research University-Intensive designation. This is granted by the Carnegie Foundation to the top 6.7 percent of the nation's research-conducting universities. Over the last three years, SDSU faculty and staff have attracted nearly \$400 million in grants and contracts for research and program administration. SDSU now ranks among the top 100 public universities nationwide in research expenditures, and SDSU's research funding has doubled from a decade ago.

Perhaps the most visible evidence of SDSU's continuing growth is a recent flurry of campus construction on Montezuma Mesa. Recently completed facilities, totaling more than \$200 million in value, include the Aztec Athletics Center, housing coaches' offices, training facilities and the Wise Foundation Hall of Fame.

Beyond accolades and campus expansion, San Diego State University remains, as always, most proud of its alumni family, now more than 200,000 strong. Among those who call SDSU their alma mater are Federal Trade Commission Chairman Timothy Muris, former Air Force Chief of Staff, Gen. Merrill A. "Tony" McPeak, National Teachers of the Year Janis Gabay (1990) and Sandra McBrayer (1994), and astronaut Ellen Ochoa.

Aztec alumni also include entertainers Gregory Peck, Art Linkletter, Marion Ross, Julie Kavner and Kathy Nijimy; Hollywood producer Kathleen Kennedy; soccer players Marcelo Balboa and Eric Wynalda; baseball players Tony Gwynn, Mark Grace, Travis Lee and Graig Nettles; football players Marshall Faulk, Brian Sipe, Fred Dryer and Kyle Turley; America's Cup skipper Dennis Conner; and basketball player Michael Cage.

The success of these individuals and thousands of other SDSU alumni attest eloquently to the success of their alma mater. From modest beginnings, San Diego State University has evolved into a premier center of learning, research and service.



SDSU'S Aztec Heritage

From the early decades of its history, San Diego State has identified itself with the Aztecs, one of the most sophisticated and distinctive societies in the history of the Western Hemisphere. A fitting choice for a university committed to internationalism and diversity, the Aztec identity evokes great pride in Mexico, as well as among many people in the United States, and certainly within the SDSU community. Consequently, San Diego State strives to honor the Aztec people by enhancing awareness, understanding and appreciation of Aztec culture and achievements.

Aztec History

Aztec civilization dates back to at least the 12th century A.D. The precise location is still debated by scholars, but tradition tells us of a place somewhere north of modern-day Mexico City known at that time as Aztlan, which meant "the place of the cranes" or "the place of the herons." The people who lived in this land were called Azteca meaning "those of Aztlan."

The Azteca eventually left their homeland and became known as the Mexica. Native folklore attributes this name change to the instructions of the people's patron deity, Huitzilopochtli (Hummingbird on the Left).

Around 1325, the Mexica settled on an island in Lake Texcoco, an area that is now the heart of Mexico City, and named it Tenochtitlan or "the place of the fruit of the cactus." A century later, the Mexica and two other Nahuatl-speaking city-states, Texcoco and Tlacopan, combined to create an entity popularly known as the Aztec Empire.



Boasting a strong military force, this new alliance commanded a sphere of influence that stretched across much of present-day Mexico.

Tenochtitlan and its surrounding valley evolved into a highly sophisticated, multicultural and multilingual city-state of several million inhabitants. At this same time, major European cities numbered only 30,000 to 40,000 in population. A cradle of innovation, the Aztec Empire developed advanced systems of trade, science, politics, religion, education and agriculture. The Aztecs also enjoyed sports and built grand ballcourts to accommodate team events.



Aztecs and SDSU

San Diego State University first adopted the Aztec name in the 1920s as a nickname for the college's sports teams. In 1925, the student newspaper followed suit, changing its name from *The Paper Lantern* to *The Aztec*. Since that time, San Diego State's celebration of Aztec heritage has permeated the campus. In 1936, a Donald Hord sculpture of Montezuma II, the last Aztec emperor, became a welcoming campus icon. With the passing years, Aztec themes echoed in the names, colors and architectural elements of new campus buildings. And Aztec culture became the subject of more than a dozen university courses.

In 1941, Monty Montezuma, a character based on Montezuma II, debuted at San Diego State athletic events as a symbolic personification of the Aztecs. Over time, the Montezuma character's look and activities have evolved from a sports mascot into a more dignified and accurate representation of the historical emperor. Montezuma now serves as the university's ambassador of Aztec culture, charged with the responsibility of informing and educating the San Diego community about Aztec civilization. SDSU continues to take pride in its affiliation with Aztec culture and to celebrate the Aztec virtues of strength, valor and intellectual achievement.



DR. STEPHEN WEBER



University President

Stephen L. Weber, the seventh president of San Diego State University, provides dynamic leadership to an institution that ranks among the largest in the nation and third largest in California. Educated as a philosopher, President Weber began his tenure at SDSU in July 1996 and shortly afterward initiated a broad-based dialog intended to set the course for the University's future.

Under President Weber's guidance, students, faculty, staff, alumni and community leaders participated in shaping this "Shared Vision." SDSU is now moving boldly ahead toward goals set by those discussions: reinforcing academic excellence, nurturing students, honoring diversity and social justice, carefully stewarding resources and further developing global programs.

In the process, SDSU has become an increasingly popular and selective choice among college-bound students. For fall 2003, some 45,635 undergraduate applicants competed for 6,545 vacancies. Not surprisingly, the overall academic quality of SDSU students is also rising. In addition, alumni involvement and private financial support of the university have never been stronger.

A champion of community involvement as well as academic excellence, President Weber has been an advocate for community service. Leading by example, he is immediate past chair of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities Board of Directors and co-chairs Partners for K-12 School Reform. He also serves on the boards of governors of The Peres Center for Peace and the San Diego Foundation, and on the boards of directors of the San Diego Regional Economic Development Corporation, the San Diego Science and Technology Council, and the California Healthcare Institute. He co-chairs the College Presidents Forum of the San Diego County Policy Panel on Youth Access to Alcohol.

In addition, President Weber is a member of the international advisory board for the Foundation for Children of the Californias, the advisory council of the San Diego Performing Arts League, and the honorary advisory board of the San Diego Science Alliance. He is a member of the San Diego Rotary Club, an honorary director of the Japan Society of San Diego and Tijuana, and a member of the advisory board for Bahcesehir University in Turkey.

Born in Boston, President Weber is a graduate of Bowling Green University with a B.A. in philosophy. He received his Ph.D. in philosophy from the University of Notre Dame in 1969 and is the author of numerous articles on philosophy and higher education.

President Weber's many awards include an honorary degree from Beijing Capital Normal University. He was named among the 1997 Headliners of the Year by the San Diego Press Club. Also in 1997, the San Diego Mediation Center honored him with its Peacemaker Award. In 1999, President Weber received the Executive Director's Award from the San Diego Education Association and the Gold Key Award from the San Diego Hospitality Association. He was recognized as a Leader of Vision by the League of Women Voters of San Diego in 2000.

Before coming to San Diego State University, President Weber served as interim provost of the State University of New York (SUNY). He also served seven years as president of the SUNY Oswego campus. Prior to that he was vice president of academic affairs at St. Cloud State University in Minnesota, dean of arts and sciences at Fairfield University in Connecticut, and assistant to the president of the University of Maine. While a faculty member at the University of Maine, he was recognized as the outstanding professor in humanities.

President Weber is married to Susan Keim Weber, who shares his enthusiastic commitment to SDSU. They have two sons.

MIKE BOHN



Director of Athletics

Mike Bohn, who developed new facilities, grew community and corporate support, and produced balanced budgets for the University of Idaho's athletics department, was named Director of Intercollegiate Athletics at San Diego State on Oct. 6, 2003.

Bohn brings new energy and a new direction for Aztec Athletics and he has hit the ground running, reaching out to all Aztec constituencies.

"My family and I are extremely honored to have the opportunity to join SDSU and lead the Aztec athletics department, which has a distinguished history and bright future,"

Bohn said.

"SDSU possesses tremendous coaching talent, outstanding facilities and there is vast potential in this program. Our goal is to take advantage of all of these assets in ways that will build teamwork involving people from every corner of the campus and the community. Aztec Athletics will serve as a rallying point for building collective pride for the university and San Diego."

Bohn spent just over five years directing the athletic program at Idaho. During his tenure, he successfully completed the move of the Vandals to the Division I-A ranks from the Big Sky Conference. He also balanced the department's budget in consecutive years after inheriting an operation that exceeded over \$1 million of debt in the three years prior to his arrival.

Under Bohn, Idaho began construction on the Vandal Athletics Center, the first facilities improvement for Idaho athletics in two decades. He was also the driving force behind a 20-percent increase in the Vandal Scholarship Fund, and a \$350,000 surge in annual corporate support.

Bohn arrived in Moscow after a three-year stint at Colorado State University. As associate athletic director for the Rams, he was responsible for all external revenue-producing operations, including ticket sales, fund raising through the Greater Ram Club, licensing, corporate sales, signage, capital campaigns, broadcasting rights fees, as well as special events.

Along with increasing revenue on several fronts, Bohn helped escalate student interest in CSU athletics while working with Associated Students of Colorado State University.

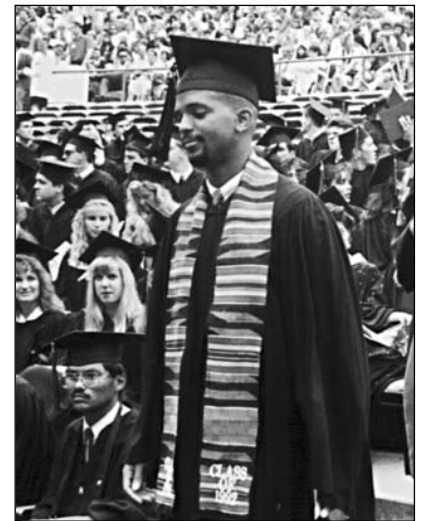
From 1992 to 1995, Bohn served as Director of Marketing for the College Football Association. The CFA consisted of six major football conferences encompassing 67 universities. Bohn was involved in many facets of the organization's operations, including the administration of a \$60 million television package. He also formulated a blueprint for the promotion and development of the image of college football as a whole.

Bohn's first job in administration came at the Air Force Academy, where he worked from 1984 to 1992. During his tenure in Colorado Springs, Bohn advanced from an intern to assistant athletic director. He served as executive director of the Blue and Silver Club, as well as other external operations throughout his stay at the academy.

Bohn is a graduate of Boulder (Colo.) High School. He was a member of the University of Kansas football and baseball squads. He graduated in 1983 with a bachelor of arts degree. He earned a master's degree in sports administration at Ohio University in 1984 and also spent one year as a graduate assistant football coach at Ohio.

Bohn is a former member of the NCAA Championships Cabinet and the Division I-A Athletics Directors Association Executive Council. During his stay at Idaho, he was a member of the Big West Conference executive committee and he served on the University of Idaho executive council.

Bohn is married to the former Kim Zeren. They have two children: Michaelyn is 20 and Brandon is 18.



The dual role of student and athlete can be a daunting challenge for any person at the Division I level. Recognizing that academic challenge, the Student Athlete Academic Support Services program has been developed at San Diego State to assist all student-athletes in achieving academic excellence.

It is a source of pride within San Diego State athletics that the department has developed one of the most comprehensive academic support programs in the country.

The Staff

The SAASS staff includes a learning specialist, four academic advisors, the department's director of compliance, an eligibility coordinator, a financial aid coordinator as well as a recruitment coordinator.

In addition to the full-time staff, the department employs more than 20 mentors and tutors.

Collectively, they operate a program that enhances each student's satisfactory progress toward graduation.

The Services

Throughout the academic year, advisors offer a variety of services to aid individuals in the development of their personal goals and the blueprint for pursuing those goals.

All new student-athletes are invited to an orientation that helps lay the foundation for

future successes. Each advisor teaches a section of the University's Freshman Success course (General Studies 100), which deals with specific transition issues for student-athletes. Topics include time management, study skills and test taking.

San Diego State Student-Athletes to Achieve a 3.2 GPA or Better (1994-2003)

1994	34								
1995	56								
1996	74								
1997	101								
1998	133								
1999	135								
2000	148								
2001	147								
2002	141								
2003	177								



Aztec Academic Services

Office Staff

Mark Gumble, Director of Academic Services
Women's Tennis
Women's Soccer



Mark Gumble

Bre White, Asst. Director of Academic Services
Football (Offense)
Cross Country/Track and Field
Women's Basketball



Bre White

Todd Snedden, Academic Advisor
Football (Defense)
Baseball
Swimming
Water Polo



Todd Snedden

Kristen Evans, Academic Advisor
Men's Basketball
Men's Golf
Crew
Volleyball



Kristen Evans

Kristie Smedsrud, Academic Advisor
Men's Tennis
Men's Soccer
Softball
Women's Golf



Kristie Smedsrud

In addition, the course also introduces new students to services such as the Love Library, University Advising Center, Career Services, Health Services and the counseling center.

The Resources

In the fall of 2001, the academic unit joined the rest of the athletic department in moving into the new \$30 million, 130,000-square-foot Aztec Athletics Center. The academic staff is located on the third floor of the complex and includes a new 40-station computer lab, individual study rooms and two lecture rooms.

The Commitment

San Diego State's annual Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet honors students with a grade-point average in excess of 3.2. In 2003, 177 student-athletes, more than one-third of the SDSU student-athlete body, were honored at the Scholar-Athlete Awards Banquet and attended a theatrical production downtown.

Life Skills

To further increase the opportunities for success, San Diego State is part of the NCAA's CHAMPS/Life Skills Program. The curriculum of Aztec Pride (Promoting Responsibility, Integrity, Diversity, Education) offers a wide range of programs and activities that enhance the educational experience. Special emphasis is placed on the areas of personal development, community service and career development.

In conjunction with the Student Athlete Advisory Committee, the Life Skills Program represents San Diego State's total commitment to enhancing the quality of each student's experience.

Community Service

SASS's Community Service program offers our student athletes the potential to develop leadership skills by volunteering in local community projects and events. Our student athletes have a chance to impact the lives of people within our local community by participating in a number of different events including Junior Seau's Shop-with-a-Jock, visits to

Children's Hospital, and elementary school visits where student-athletes read to the kids. These events provide our local community with role models for learning and giving while allowing our student athletes a fun-filled way to give back to those that generously support them on an annual basis.

2003-04 Men's Soccer Scholar-Athletes and Awards

The 2003 SDSU Men's Soccer team received the Faculty Athletics Representative award for the highest team GPA.

Monty Award (GPA above 3.5)

Colin Hanke
Kevin Sapanli

Big Red Award (GPA above 3.2)

Josh Boys
Frank Caruso
Tally Hall

All-MPSF Scholar Athletes

Colin Hanke
Kevin Sapanli
Eric Wohl





AZTEC ATHLETICS CENTER HIGHLIGHTS

The athletic department is now housed in the \$30 million, 130,000-square-foot Aztec Athletics Center. The new centerpiece of the department, which was dedicated in February of 2002, is located just across the street from Cox Arena and just east of Tony Gwynn Stadium.

◆ The entrance lobby of the Aztec Athletics Center houses the 5,000-square-foot Aztec Hall of Fame, presented by the Wise Foundation. The museum is the first permanent home of the Hall of Fame and features displays, informative kiosks, interactive video trivia games and a plaque commemorating the induction of each Hall of Fame member. Soccer players who are members of the Hall of Fame include Kevin Crow, Vidal Fernandez, Marcelo Balboa, Eric Wynalda, and the 1987 national runner-up men's soccer team.

◆ A state-of-the-art weight room, encompassing more than 15,000 square feet, is also located on the first floor of the building. It includes a running track for indoor timing.

◆ Each varsity sport, with the exception of the baseball squad which has a clubhouse at Tony Gwynn Stadium, has a plush locker room on the first floor of the building. The locker rooms include a lounge and television area and oak lockers.

◆ The sports medicine center and equipment operations are also located on the first floor and help provide incredible convenience to the locker rooms, weight room and other practice facilities.



Aztec Athletic Center





CENTER HIGHLIGHTS

◆ A first-floor auditorium that seats more than 200 has already been the site of major news conferences, watch parties and public forums.

◆ San Diego State's soccer offices are located on the fourth floor of the center. Along with coaches offices and conference room, there is an olympic sports recruiting lounge, which is among the finest in the nation.

◆ The academic center, complete with two lecture halls, private tutorial rooms, and a new computer lab, is housed on the third floor. The computer lab and study areas are flanked by academic counselors, tutor offices and learning specialists.

◆ The third floor is also home to the athletic administration and the men's and women's basketball staffs.

◆ Coaches offices and more administration offices are located on the fourth floor of the building, along with a recruiting lounge and a staff lunch room.

Aztec Athletic Center





AZTEC ATHLETIC FACILITIES

In place now on Montezuma Mesa are arguably some of the finest facilities in the United States and San Diego State certainly tops the charts on the west coast.

On the south, the Aztec Athletic Center is buffered by the new Sports Deck, where San Diego State's track and field team, along with both soccer squads, compete.

On the north side, it is connected to Peterson Gym, the home of Aztec volleyball.

The west exit of the building opens onto three 120-yard practice fields. One of the fields is natural grass and two utilize field-turf, providing San Diego State daily options for its workouts.

All of SDSU's new facilities, including the athletics center, Cox Arena, Tony Gwynn Stadium and the Sports Deck, have opened since 1995.

And the improvements aren't stopping anytime soon. San Diego State has plans for a new tennis stadium and softball facility located just west of Tony Gwynn Stadium. The preliminary timeline has construction scheduled to be complete by December, 2004.



Fantastic Facilities





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AZTEC ATHLETIC FACILITIES

The buildings are not just sparkling new, but they are already postseason tested. Cox Arena, the 12,400-seat basketball facility, has served as a site for the NCAA Men's Basketball Division I Championship (first and second rounds) as well as the NCAA Division I Women's Volleyball National Championship. The NCAA men's basketball tournament is scheduled to return to the facility in 2006.

The Sports Deck has already played host to the Mountain West Conference Track & Field Championships. Tony Gwynn Stadium also was the site of the MWC baseball tournament in 2001.

Incidentally, the three programs awaiting the new facilities, men's and women's tennis and softball, all claimed Mountain West Conference championships in 2002 and 2003.

Tony Gwynn Stadium and the Aztec Athletics Center were constructed thanks to donations by San Diego Padres owners John and Becky Moores.



SDSU Sports Deck

"When there's no room to build out...build up." That's the mantra of modern-day engineers and contractors and is something San Diego State took to heart when designing its soccer/track facility. The two year-old, \$13 million SDSU Sports Deck sits atop the university's newest two-story parking structure (PS 5). The facility is located at 55th Street and Montezuma Avenue at the site of the old Choc Sportsman Oval.

► The Sports Deck serves as the home for the men's and women's soccer programs as well as the SDSU women's track team. The track team competes on the Choc Sportsman Oval which surrounds the soccer field.

► The playing turf for soccer is a state-of-the-art natural grass surface with a built in automatic-drainage system. The facility features an all-weather track and was the site of the 2001 Mountain West Conference track and field championships.

► The stadium seats about 1,000 people. The facility includes an electronic message/scoreboard, which is be utilized for both soccer and track events. Future plans call for the facility to be lighted for night contests and seating capacity to be increased.

► The first official NCAA event was held at the Sports Deck on August 25, 2000, when the Aztec women's soccer team faced Mississippi in its season opener. SDSU won that match, 2-1.

► The first men's soccer contest at the site was held on Sept. 1, 2000, versus Christian Heritage. SDSU took that match, 5-0, making the occasion the facility's first shutout.

► The facility was dedicated on Friday, Oct. 6, 2000, during a men's and women's doubleheader.

SDSU Sports Deck Firsts

Men

Match
vs. Christian Heritage
Sept. 1, 2000
Goal
Carlos Menjivar, SDSU
Sept. 1, 2000
Assist
Carlos Menjivar, SDSU
Sept. 1, 2000
Win
vs. Christian Heritage
Sept. 1, 2000
(SDSU 5, CH 0)
Shutout
vs. Christian Heritage
Sept. 1, 2000
(SDSU 5, CH 0)

Women

Match
vs. Mississippi
Aug. 25, 2000
Goal
Nicole Findlay, SDSU
Aug. 25, 2000
Assist
Rebecca Prilaman, SDSU
Aug. 25, 2000
Win
vs. Mississippi
Aug. 25, 2000
(SDSU 2, Miss. 1)
Shutout
vs. Long Beach State
Sept. 24, 2000
(SDSU 1, LBSU 0)

SDSU Men's Soccer Sports Deck Records

Goals

7, SDSU vs. Christian Heritage,
Oct. 4, 2001
Assists
5, twice, last: SDSU vs. Christian
Heritage, Oct. 4, 2001
Points
19, SDSU vs. Christian Heritage,
Oct. 4, 2001

Shots

28, SDSU vs. Cal Baptist,
Sept. 18, 2000
Goals Allowed
4 three times, last: SDSU vs.
Gonzaga, Nov. 8, 2002
Saves
10, twice, last: SDSU vs. Loyola
Marymount, Oct. 16, 2002