Susan MacDonald grew with college

By J. K. AMTMANN

In a time when colleges call the campuses they have come to have the same president for five years and refer to them as "trappings" and "of long duration," MiraCosta College has had a man bagged.

John MacDonald has been president of this school since 1965. More unusual and perhaps even unique is the administrative college system. MacDonald received his A.B. and M.A. degrees from Stanford University and his Ph.D. to be graduated from UCLA. He maintained close contact with for years "will likely be far from the future and that his "retirement" will likely be a typical retreat to quieter pursuits.

In a lifetime of service to the system, MacDonald received his Ph.D. from the same school. In the meantime, Oceanside and North County College, MacDonald spent four years to be graduated from UCLA, graduating from that school in 1940 with a degree in social science and physical education and a secondary teaching credential. MacDonald taught for a year at Citrus Junior College in Azusa, then returned to Humboldt, becoming the first person to receive a master's degree from that school (1950). In 1951 he accepted a job as teacher, counselor and coach at Oceanide High School, then later took a leave of absence to pursue his doctorate at UCLA. Having finished classes and while preparing to write his dissertation, he received a phone call from the superintendent of OCJC, asking him to return and become a member of the faculty. In 1952, he came back to Oceanide, this time at the college level, to instruct psychology and geography and to coach baseball and basketball.

"I never really wanted to be anything else," said MacDonald. "I knew when I was a sophomore in high school that I wanted to become a teacher. I had no administrative plans at all."

Planned or not, MacDonald's career has been unique in the community college system, being both long and distinguished. MacDonald's "something new" is his candidacy for the Oceanside College in 1941, then acting superintendent of the Oceanside Junior College and the Oceanside School district. In 1960, while acting superintendent of the Oceanside-Humboldt Junior College Board, MacDonald became chairman of the Oceanside district election committee to provide funds to build another campus. In October 1961, the $3.5 million bond issue, largest ever attempted in the Oceanside-Carlsbad area, was approved by the voters.

Mother smiled knowingly, and Father called us lazy.

Despite the passing of youth the annual malady persists. Chariot copy, Brian Wiersema later this month will be because whatever someone is there, it will be because someone up there likes it.

Late Monday afternoon, on the eve of the bi-weekly deadline of Chariot copy, Brian Wiersema had just enough time and too many things to do. I have not seen them this week.

Gone are those days sentimen- tally referred to as spring fever. Or should I say changed? Changed with age, as with age comes responsibility, as with age comes syndrome and neurosis. Guilt is scaring all the fish away. Procrastination leaves the ground too soggy to sit upon.

But take heart, brother and sis- ter students. Instead of regressing further, take heart! Let your wheels spin. They shall soon enough bite into the pavement and you will be off, like the driver in the cockpit of an exotic-fueled dragger. Yes, Fred and Ethel, there are remedies. I suggest a glass of honey and orange juice for Tom Duke, a promising piece of writing across the desk for Brian Wiersema. For me, it is fried chicken, Flerenca and Sherlock Holmes in bed. As individuals, or as the malady is, so are its cures. Perhaps for you it is simply a mat- ter of beginning to shovel away what winter has blew up against your house.

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call it the semester slump, even depression. Whatever one chooses to call it, it is a feeling of being out of sync with time and commitment. Of being weighed down with layers of winter apparel as spring thaw. The syndrome is an unusually clever ailment. It appears one morning, unannounced, perhaps after an unusually late night out.

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Editorial

MacDonald holds the competent blend of qualifications needed to be an effective council member in the growing Oceanside community. He does not represent any special faction in Oceanside.

MacDonald has previously served Oceanside as its first non-busing mayor to serve as President of Oceanside's Chamber of Commerce. He is also well familiar with the workings within Oceanside's political arena.

For an Acting class for students enrolled in journalism for children offered in spring of 1982, the fee is $20. Although registration fees may be paid at the first class meeting, participants must contact the college beforehand to indicate their interest. If they have never been interested, they may leave their names with the Admissions Office.
By ANITA WILLIAMS

The 10,000-bio. biology class met with the Humanity and the Environment class in F-1 on March 26 to hear a speaker from Australia. Peter Valentine, a teacher from Townsville, Australia, is an expert on the tropical rain forests of the northeastern coast of that island continent.

Just three miles from Sydney and fifty miles from New South Wales lies an area consisting of a combination of fairly arid grasslands, savanna woodland of eucalyptus and huge tangled rain forests. Mostly contained within an area 6 degrees south and 22 degrees north of the equator, this humid mass is just two hours drive from an alpine wilderness of snow and ice.

The statistics are staggering and include 800 species of trees. Wallaman Falls which thunder down 970 feet; fan palms with leaves three feet in diameter; trees with ‘buttress roots’ thirty feet away from their trunks; monitor lizards two feet long or more and butterflies with foot-long wings spread.

With a rainfall of 160 to 180 inches a year, this area has earned its name of Tropical Rain Forest. Known for years as ‘jungle’, this relatively new term – tropical rain forest – originated in the translation of a German manuscript in 1903.

Valentine says that it’s a real problem just getting a grip on it. What he means is that the forest looks impenetrable. It starts at the ocean’s edge in some places, covered with a coating of vines which contribute to the impenetrability. Near sea level are palm trees. They grow up the backs of the mountains to about 2,000 feet. It is penetrable, however, as Valentine has proved. (His last hike took two days to cover eight miles.)

There are few trees over one hundred years of age in the forest, as trees are wiped out by the great tropical cyclones which swing through the coast every hundred years or so. One of the big trees is a eucalyptus which also found in Antarctica and South America, confirming the theory of continental drift. Valentine said.

Among the dangers to be found in the tropical rain forest are two species of nettle, the urticati and the “lawyer vine.” The former, also known as “the stinging plant,” afflicts its victim with instant severe pain. A special feature of the pain is a particularly long-lasting “flashback” which can cause the victim to feel the pain again and again over months afterward.

The “bowler bird,” (B. W.‘s favorite) has a reputation of being quite a playboy. He builds and deorates his own bower to lure as many females as possible to mate with him. He gathers pieces of shell, bright stones, and colorful feathers to decorate it. All the while he has two or three apprentice ‘playboys’ who are willing to stand around and watch, in hopes of one of them eventually will inherit the bower as his own bachelor pad. His female counterpart, of another species, males, lays her eggs, then leaves that mate to care for the clutch of eggs while she goes off to find another mate and repeat the process.

Statistics and symbiosis and contrasts all make up the balance of Australia’s Tropical Rain Forest. Peter Valentine’s slide show and lecture made them all come alive.

Wonders of the wet tropical rain forest shared

GUEST SPEAKER AND VISITOR PETER VALENTINE

Campus Calendar

GENERAL

No MiraCosta classes will be conducted April 5-6 because of spring vacation; classes will resume Monday at 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. All offices and classes will be closed on Friday, April 9

LECTURE

Paintings by New York artist Pat Cauley will be exhibited April 12-22 at MiraCosta College’s James Cowley Gallery. Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon, 1 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Admission is free. For information, call 753-2131 or 755-5155.

Sculptures by La Jolla artist Linda Simon will be displayed April 26-May 6 at MiraCosta College’s James Cowley Gallery. Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon, 1 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Admission is free. For information, call 753-2131 or 755-5155.

MUSIC

The MiraCosta College Community Orchestra and Chorus will perform Sunday, April 25, at 3 p.m. in the college gymnasium in Oceanside. Donations for admission will be taken at the door. For more information, call the music department at 753-2131 or 755-5155.

FILMS

“Dead Reckoning,” starring Humphrey Bogart, and “Cras Cras,” starring Birgit Larmann and Yvonne Deravel will be shown at 7:30 p.m., Friday, April 9, at MiraCosta College’s Del Mar Shores Center. Admission is free. For more information, call 752-9100.

“The Strada,” an Italian film, will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 15, at MiraCosta College’s Del Mar Shores Center. This film is part of the college’s International Film Series. Admission is $2. For more information, call 942-1352.

“Suspicion,” starring Joan Fontaine and Cary Grant, and “Ministry of Fear,” starring Ray Milland, will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Friday, April 20, at MiraCosta College’s Del Mar Shores Center. Admission is part of the college’s Suspense in the Forties Film Series. Admission is $2. For more information, call 753-2131 or 755-5155.

“The King of Havana,” starring Humphrey Bogart, and “Background to Danger,” starring George Raft, will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Monday, April 23, at MiraCosta College’s Del Mar Shores Center. This double feature is part of the college’s Suspense in the Forties Film Series. Admission is $2. For more information, call 753-2131 or 755-5155.

“Around the World in Eighty Days,” starring Robert Newton, will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, April 25, at MiraCosta College’s Del Mar Shores Center. Admission is free. For more information, call 753-2131 or 755-5155.

IN THE TROPICS

A workshop called “Going For It on the Job and Life” will be presented by Kitty Morse on Saturday, April 3. This event will be from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at MiraCosta College’s James Cowley Gallery. Gallery hours are Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon, 1 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. Admission is $15. For more information, call 753-2131 or 755-5155.

“Across the Pacific,” starring Humphrey Bogart, and “Background to Danger,” starring George Raft, will be shown at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, April 15, at MiraCosta College’s Del Mar Shores Center. This double feature is part of the college’s Suspense in the Forties Film Series. Admission is $2. For more information, call 753-2131 or 755-5155.

MEETINGS

The MiraCosta College Governing Board will meet at 7 p.m. Tuesday, April 4, in the board room on the college’s main campus in Oceanside. Members of the public are welcome to attend. For more information, call the public information office at 753-2131 or 755-5155.

LECTURES AND WORKSHOPS

Writing for children will be taught in a one-day workshop presented by Jean Oppenheimer on Saturday, April 2. This workshop will be from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at MiraCosta College’s Del Mar Shores Center. Admission is $30. For more information, call 942-1352.

“Sharks” will be the featured animal in a lecture-demonstration by Dr. George P.E. Hamel at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, April 5, at MiraCosta College’s Del Mar Shores Center. Admission is free. For more information, call 942-1352.

A workshop on “The Psychology of Disability” will be presented on Saturday, April 17, to Carrie Naylor in MiraCosta College’s governing board room on the main campus in Oceanside. The event will be from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Admission is $10. For more information, call 752-9100.
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By ELEANOR EDWARDS

It seems that the college's Associa te Professor was in the habit of taking Saturday afternoon classes: The class was held in Room H-9 on the third floor of the new building. One of the professors was teaching a course on "The Age of Reason." The professor was explaining the difference between Locke and Hume, and the students were taking notes. Suddenly, one of the students raised his hand and said, "Professor, why did you choose those two philosophers for this course?"

The professor replied, "Well, I chose Locke and Hume because they are the most important philosophers of the Enlightenment period. They both wrote about the nature of knowledge and reality, and their ideas have had a profound impact on modern philosophy." The students nodded in agreement.

The class continued with the professor explaining the works of both philosophers. The students were engaged and asked many questions. The professor answered each question patiently and clearly. The class ended with the professor总结ing the main points of the lecture. The students thanked the professor for a great class and promised to come back for the next one.

The professor smiled and said, "I'm glad you enjoyed the class. I will be here next Saturday at the same time. I hope to see you then." The students nodded and left the classroom, eager to learn more about the Age of Reason. The professor turned to his next class and continued with his lecture. He was a popular professor, and his classes were always well attended. He was known for his clear and engaging teaching style and his passion for the subject matter. The students loved him, and they always looked forward to his classes. He was a great teacher, and he always put his students first. He was a true scholar, and he always inspired his students to think deeply and critically. The students knew that they were in good hands with him as their professor. They were grateful for his dedication to teaching and his commitment to their education.
Recreators follow wake of hot basketball year

By TOM DUKE

The state division II basketball championship slipped from MiraCosta College’s grasp March 21st when the Spartans dropped a close 65-62 overtime game in the closing seconds against Shasta College.

Thus ended a pendulous 14-12 season for the Spartans. There’s always next season for coach Clete Adelman and the returning players, but for the three MiraCosta standouts, Ed Rigney, Barry Pratcher, and Mark Shannon.

This year, another season has already begun. The four-year college recruiters are loose, and many have been among the three MiraCosta All-Conference players for their prospective basketball programs. A 6-6 forward, Pratcher played his high school ball at Fallbrook High School in San Diego County. He averaged 24 points and 12 rebounds per game as a senior. An outstanding player, Pratcher was named Most Valuable Player at the Pac-7 College League and a place on the All-San Diego County and All-San Diego Interscholastic League. "MiraCosta last year and continuing this year have been the first team All-Foothill Conference," he said. This year he led the Spartans in scoring with 20 points per game. Made first team All-Foothill Conference for the second year, and won a spot on the Junior College All-state team.

The highly recruited Rigney has received offers from at least eight colleges including five "full ride" scholarships. It’s up to him to make a decision but is leaning towards either Sonoma State or Humboldt State.

Coaches and managers have been eyeing the three MiraCosta standouts, Ed Rigney, Barry Pratcher, and Mark Shannon by coaching two high school J.V. teams. Pratcher by his two-handicap in golf. But basketball remains the love sport for all three. They even gave me their predictions for the NBA playoffs. Pratcher picks the Philadelphia Seventy Sixers because of Dr. J. Julius Erving and Darryl "Thunder Dunkin." Dawkins. I’ll put my money on the Lakers and Mr. "Magic" Earvin Johnson.

BARRY PRATCHER

championships. Rigney likes the Boston Celtics and their team concept with superstar Larry Bird as the catalyst. Shannon likes Larry Bird but thinks the Milwaukee Bucks will start rolling in the

By MIKE MILLER

Defending last year’s conference title is becoming a harder task each time the Spartan baseball team takes to the field. MiraCosta has found itself two games behind league leaders Mt. San Jacinto and Imperial Valley. With one third of the league schedule over, coach John Seely has become concerned about the team’s play. To get back in the title race, coach Seely stated, "We have to start swinging the bat better. Our strong hitters have to start coming through for us. The pitchers have to stop losing their own games in the field. The attitude of the team has to change to ‘more we than we’.

MiraCosta had a chance to gain on Mt. San Jacinto on March 22. Even though the Spartans out-hit the Eagles, they lost both games. In the opener, Scott Butcher held the visitors to three hits, but his three errors on the mound led to a 4-3 loss. The Spartans made a move in the 7th inning, trailing 3-1, but John Seely’s Greg Corona walked. Lee Ittner came to bat as a pinch hitter and got to second base on an error by the pitcher. The Eagles got all they needed in the first inning with four runs and added two more in the 7th inning. 12 Eagle batters come to the plate in the last inning. We needed a hit against a pitcher who needed one run as Butcher’s string of losses ran up to five. In these games, "The heartbeat of the team," Butcher’s tough-luck, "Sure, we’re not giving him enough support but you can’t give up that many walks and expect to win. People are going to get tired of hearing about his tough-luck. Coach Seely went on to say that lack of execution of the batter and his poor hitting decreased the team’s overall performance.

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1st place showdown still possible in baseball

TEAM'S EYE CONFERENCE SHIFT

By ED RIGNEI

The rationale behind the proposal was based on rapidly decreasing travel costs. Shields said, "In the Foothill Conference, MiraCosta teams routinely travel from two to four hours one-way for away games. Except for trips to Imperial Valley, travel to schools in the proposed conference will be less than an hour.

Shields sees advantages and disadvantages for MiraCosta in the proposal. The primary disadvantage is that MiraCosta, with a credit-student enrollment of about 6,000, will compete with colleges that have enrollments twice the size, or larger, than MiraCosta. Saddleback’s student population, for example, is in excess of 25,000.

“We’ll have to do the best we can, but I think that we will be able to compete very well,” Shields said. “We have good programs and good coaches.

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Men continue winning roll in tennis

By JOHN HERSTROM

The month of March proved a lion for MiraCosta College tennis. Both men's and women's teams finished the month at 6-1. The men are tied for the lead in conference play with College of the Desert, while the men trail undefeated (7-0) College of the Desert by a game.

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