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ASSOCIATED STUDENTS STAFF

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AZTEC AQUAPLEX

Everyone into the Pool!



Pictured left to right: Sophie Smith, Madison Huth, Spencer Huth and Brady Schiller in April 2007.

When is the last time you went to the **Aquaplex**? Was it opening day March 1, 2007? The Aquaplex operates seven days a week now and throughout the summer. The \$12 million outdoor facility, located on the west side of campus, includes a 50-meter Olympic-size pool with 4 diving boards, a 20-person hydrotherapy spa and a 7,300 square-foot recreation pool.

At the Aquaplex you'll find lots of great programs for education, fitness and fun. Water

aerobics takes place six days per week, open swimming is available during all operating hours and the diving boards are open daily. We regularly host adult learn-to-swim lessons, private lessons for people of all ages and this summer will again offer youth learn-to-swim lessons for children 6 months and up. Our swim lessons are American Red Cross Learn-To-Swim certified and students are provided a positive and fun environment to acquire lifelong aquatics skills. Swim lessons are offered for seven different levels to teach skills ranging from water entry, water safety and advanced stroke refinement. Private lessons are also available to meet more specific aquatic needs. Once your kids graduate from the Aquaplex learn-to-swim lessons, they'll be ready for summer camp at MBAC! Check the Aquaplex Web site for current programs: aztecaquaplex.sdsu.edu

Swim lessons take place in the rec pool, which is warmed at 83-84 degrees. The rec pool features a shallow end with a beach-style entry.

15 QUESTIONS

1. What is your name?
My birth certificate says "Myrma June Barreras." But I've gone by June all of my life because no one can mispronounce June. EVERYONE mispronounces Myrma! In case you were curious, here it is phonetically: "Meer-ma." My "official" title is Ticket Office Manager. I would like to put "multi-tasking extraordinaire" on my name tag, though!
2. Which A.S. department do you work in? Describe your job in 25 words or less.
I work in the Cox Arena Ticket Office & Aztec Center Ticket Office. I deal with ticket office customers everyday WITH A SMILE ON MY FACE. Was that convincing?



June Barreras

3. How many years have you worked for A.S.?
I've worked WITH A.S. since 2000 when I was the ticketing manager for House of Blues Concerts and I dealt with former ticket office manager for Cox Arena, Ellen Crowell. I started working FOR A.S. in October 2003 when Ellen retired from the position. It's been a great 5½ years, so far!
4. What was the last movie you saw? Thumbs up or thumbs down?
I should plea the fifth when it comes to this question. "Twilight"... Now OK, I'm not one of those crazy "Twilight" fans. I only saw it FIVE times since it was released in November. I know people who watched the movie five times IN THE FIRST WEEK after it was released!!! I was trying to plea the fifth on this, wasn't I?
5. What is your favorite restaurant?
Well, it depends on the food. I LOVE Bombay for Indian food. My favorite Thai is Lotus Thai. Baja Betty's in Hillcrest has a great atmosphere. But I absolutely love, love, LOVE Whisk-N-Ladle* in La Jolla! The owners are two young foodies who love good food and good wine. The menu changes daily. Homemade chorizo, hand cut pastas, crispy sweetbreads, etc. I'm going to call and make a reservation RIGHT NOW!!!
6. What is your favorite dessert?
Whisk-N-Ladle's Brown Butter Napoleon, Roy's Signature Melting Hot Chocolate Souffle and ALMOST ANYTHING from Extraordinary Desserts.
7. Which three people (living or dead) you would like to have dinner with?
I would have dinner with ANYONE if they brought me to Whisk-N-Ladle! Can you tell I really, really like that place?
8. What city would you most like to visit or visit again?
I would love to visit the Philippines. Specifically the province my family is from: Bangued, Abra in the northern part of the Philippines. The last time I was there was when I was 9. I wasn't able to fully enjoy my trip because I spent most of the time wanting to be back in the United States!
9. Would you rather build a sandcastle or a snowman?
I don't like the snow so much... I had my heart broken by my first boyfriend on my first skiing trip. What a jerk! He could have at least waited until we came home from the mountain to break up with me!!! Uh, sorry, I digress... Sandcastles for me, thank you!
10. Who is your favorite singer / musician / musical group?
I think I have very eclectic taste in music. I love 70's R&B because it takes me back to good times with my family when I was a child. I am a Rush and Journey fan. My absolute favorites are Sade and Janet Jackson. I've loved Sade ever since 1984 when Diamond Life came out. I've been to every Janet concert in San Diego. I just became a fan of Ray Lamontagne. I have always been a fan of Chris Isaak. Matchbox Twenty is another one of my favorites. Joss Stone is brilliant! I love her soulful sound... I still find it hard to believe that voice comes out of that girl! My all time favorite of favorite is Harry Connick Jr. The first time I saw him was on a Saturday Night Live episode in January 1990. He's brilliant on the piano, has a voice that makes me melt, and it doesn't hurt that he's GORGEOUS!!!
11. What do you want to be when you grow up?
I don't plan on growing up for a while... Have you seen my office???
12. What type of pets do you have and what are their names?
I have one bird and two dogs. My bird's name is Yoshi... She's a love bird and yes, I only have 1. I'm a terrible bird owner, I'm sorry, but I love her very much and my two dogs keep her company... Zoe is my dachshund and she loves anyone who will let her sit on their lap. K.C. is my miniature poodle. She is 7 months old and is a bottomless pit of energy!
13. Do you like to cook and what is your specialty?
I don't cook. But I LIKE to THINK I like to cook.
14. "Most people don't know that I like to...
...on EVENT NIGHTS after my ticket office closes, get as far away from Cox Arena or the Open Air Theatre as I possibly can!!! After working a 13 hours on the day of an event the LAST thing I want to do is stay and watch the show!
15. Who is your favorite actor or actress?
I will watch ALMOST anything that Denzel Washington is in. But I won't watch Training Day because I don't like that he's the bad guy in that movie. As long as I can mute the sound, I will also watch anything that Keanu Reeves is in. I like to just LOOK at him. It's so very painful to listen to his acting - think Bram Stoker's "Dracula!"

AZTEC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

A.S. Staff Honored



Congratulations to the following A.S. employees who received awards at the Annual **Aztec Achievement Awards** dinner, which was held yesterday in Montezuma Hall:

Outstanding Advisor Award
Harvey Goodfriend Award
Presidential Leadership Awards

Glen Brandenburg
Janice Dils
Dan R. Cornthwaite
Jennifer Esquivel-Parker
Government Affairs Office Assistants: **Dan Barry, Chelsea Machado, Stephanie Savoian, Tracie Ugamoto**

At this event, the tradition of "passing the gavel" was held and AS welcomed the incoming A.S. Executive Officers, who will be sworn in at the A.S. Council meeting on May 6:

Tyler Boden, President-elect
Jeremy Katz, Executive Vice President-elect
Alyssa Bruni, Vice President of External Affairs-elect
Ignacio Prado, Vice President of Finance-elect
Natalie Colli, Vice President of University Affairs-elect

MISSION BAY AQUATIC CENTER

Green & Greener!

GREEN — It's been six months since the **Mission Bay Aquatic Center's** photovoltaic power system came online and so far its use has prevented the emissions of 38,109 lbs of CO² into the atmosphere. That's the same amount of CO² produced by one car in 1,386 days. The average household produces 22,750 lbs of CO² per year. In the six months, the system has produced 30,638kwh's of electricity, enough to power 609 homes for one day.

GREENER — The MBAC is installing four integrated solar thermal collectors on the roof and an ultra high efficiency water heater in its continuing efforts to reduce the environmental impact of its operations. The solar collectors will heat over 75% of MBAC's hot water with the sun and on cold or cloudy days the new water heater will heat the water at 95% thermal efficiency. Overall, this will reduce MBAC's natural gas consumption by 80%. The system was paid for with two grants, one from the California Department of Boating and Waterways and one from the California Center for Sustainable Energy's Solar Water Heating Pilot Program. The system installation is part of a larger project that will add an accessible and family restroom. The entire project is to be completed this month.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MAY
4th - 7th **Spring SDSU Hand Craft Faire, Campanile Walkway**
13th **Last Day of Classes**
11th - 21st **Final Study Lounge, Casa Real, Aztec Center**
14th - 21st **Final Exams**
22nd - 24th **Commencement, Cox Arena**

A.S. Welcomes

All new full and part-time employees.

Michael Anderson
Eric Angel
Jasmine Burton
Zachary Campbell
Veronica Coffey
Michael Connolly
Courtney Fone
Christina Gamboa
Sharon Gordon
Scott Grant
Sarah Grieco
Nicole Harlin
Paul Hernandez
William Horner
Sarah Kovash
Kellie Libebus
Michael Lusk
Conor Magill
Nicholas Olivias
Curtis Peterson
Emily Pool
Allen Ramirez
Mariano Robles
Joseph Sanchez
Hardik Shukla
Branden Sidwell
William Suto
Sarah Swan
William Tennyson
Jeremy Thacker
Michael Tseng
Marcus Van Leeuwen
New hires as of 4/11/09



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