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First Lady: My mail is sad



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NANCY REAGAN
... travels to California

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Nancy Reagan asks students to shun drugs

PASADENA, Calif. (AP) — First lady Nancy Reagan made an emotional appeal Wednesday for youths to shun drugs, telling more than 600 students and community service club members that they must stand up for what they believe.

Her voice breaking at times, Mrs. Reagan quoted from one of 61,000 letters she had received last year, mostly dealing with drugs.

The letter, she said, was written by a young man named Ray who was in jail for using cocaine.

"Although he'd once lived a happy life with loving parents and good friends, now he had lost it all," she told the audience of 300 students and members of the Pasadena Kiwanis and Rotary clubs. "Drugs took everything, his dignity, his honor, his self-respect . . .

"And then he said: 'Mrs. Reagan, why did this happen to me? I hurt so bad and am so sorry for the course my life has taken. Some say I'm bad. I don't know. All I know is that I hurt deep within me, and I pray it goes away. Please, take it away, Mrs. Reagan.'"

She told the students they are not alone when they say no to drugs.

"There are millions of kids your own age who would come running to your side if they only knew you needed help," she said.

She told them that standing up for their beliefs can be difficult, but that is a part of learning to be yourself.

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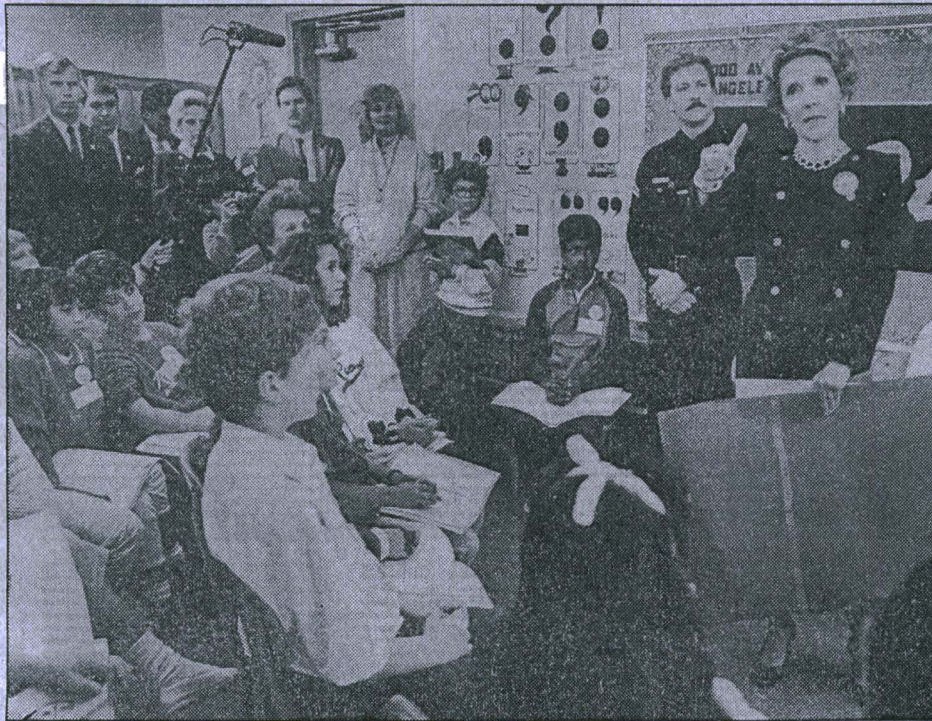
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Nancy's lesson on saying 'no'



Paul Chinn/Herald photographer

Nancy Reagan answers questions from reporters after anti-drug program at Rosewood Elementary School in which she took part in two role-playing skits in front of

wide-eyed students. The first lady, whose "Just Say No" slogan has been adopted across the nation, participated in the program sponsored by the district and LAPD/A-6.

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Nancy Reagan has DARE for West Hollywood students

By Patricia Freeman
Herald staff writer

At the prospect of a visit from Nancy Reagan, some schools might have worried about cleaning up crack on the playground.

But at Rosewood Elementary, the pristine West Hollywood school where the first lady brought her anti-drug crusade yesterday, the administration simply worried about cleaning up.

"They painted every single room, and they waxed every floor," said fourth-grader Maggie Penn. "They made me clean my whole desk, every inch of it."

The furniture had to be moved

out, the buckling floor tiles blow-torched, and then the Secret Service men came with their bomb-sniffing dog.

"They even put fertilizer on the lawn," said sixth-grader Gary Bowman. "It smelled like somebody barfed."

Undaunted, half the Rosewood student body stood on the fertilized lawn yesterday, waving at television cameras and wriggling with excitement as they waited for the first lady, who was going to spend an entire half-hour in Mrs. Kline's sixth-grade class.

The occasion was a half-hour session of Project DARE, an anti-drug-abuse program sponsored by the school district and the Los

Angeles Police Department. DARE — Drug Abuse Resistance Education — was designed in 1983 to teach kids how to avoid drugs.

Nancy Reagan has become known since then for her personal solution to the drug problem, "Just Say No."

The students shrieked as a silver limousine pulled up to the curb and the first lady stepped out, wearing a smart navy blue suit.

A crowd of men in gray suits with cords coming out of their ears led her to Room 8, where pictures of her and the president hung amid a display of construction-paper Valentine hearts.

In no time, officer Greg Boles had recruited her for a role-playing

exercise.

"Mrs. Reagan, you're going to be at a party, and someone is going to offer you a marijuana cigarette," he said.

The first lady's smile faded momentarily. But she rose to the occasion.

"No thanks," she told her temptor. "I don't smoke."

When class was over, she told the sixth-graders, "You've got to feel good about yourself. There's a great big wonderful world out there, waiting for you."

"... And remember ... just say no."

Erica Margolis twisted in her seat. "Have you ever noticed she gives the same speech wherever she

goes?" she whispered to the back row.

Then the class presented Mrs. Reagan with a gigantic envelope of valentines, plus her very own DARE-logo jacket.

The congeniality of the afternoon was spoiled only momentarily, by the perspiring horde of reporters in the back of the classroom.

One wanted to know the first lady's response to the hospitalization of President Reagan's former national security adviser, Robert McFarlane, who evidently tried to kill himself with an overdose of Valium.

"That," Mrs. Reagan said, "is way off the subject."



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Reaching out—Nancy Reagan is greeted by children of Rosewood Elementary School in Hollywood Tuesday. The

visiting Mrs. Reagan warned the children about the dangers of drugs and urged them to reject the pressure to use drugs.

KEN LUBAS / Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON WAYS

Nancy Reagan, who's been sticking close to the White House since the president's prostate surgery, left him to fend for himself yesterday when she flew off to California for two appearances in her crusade against drug abuse. En route she stopped in Phoenix to visit her mother.

Today, she's due at Los Angeles' Rosewood Elementary School to participate in Project DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education), jointly sponsored by the Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles Unified School District. Tomorrow she goes to lunch with more school kids who, like her, will be guests of the Pasadena Kiwanis and Rotary clubs.

A White House spokeswoman said she did not know if Mrs. Reagan planned to continue her house hunt while in California. She is scheduled to return to Washington Thursday.

And not a minute too soon. The president, pondering the secret of 35 happy years of marriage for the occasion of the Reagans' March 4 anniversary, told Good Housekeeping magazine, "I'm afraid I don't have an answer. How do you explain that someone is the most important part of your life and that you can't imagine life without her?"

Life with her, he said, "is what I dreamed as an adolescent that marriage should be."

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MEDIA ADVISORY

On Monday morning, February 9, 1987, Mrs. Reagan will travel to Los Angeles, California. On Tuesday afternoon, she will participate in Project D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) at a local elementary school. Project D.A.R.E. is a joint project of the Los Angeles Police Department (L.A.P.D.) and the Los Angeles Unified School District and is intended to prevent drug abuse among school-age youth. Classroom instruction is conducted by a uniformed L.A.P.D. officer.

On Wednesday, February 11, 1987, Mrs. Reagan will attend a luncheon in Pasadena, California, sponsored by that city's Kiwanis and Rotary Clubs. Club members will bring student representatives from Pasadena area junior and senior high schools. Approximately 650 guests are expected. Mrs. Reagan will make remarks. She will return to Washington, D.C. on Thursday, February 12, 1987.

Members of the press who wish to accompany Mrs. Reagan on her trip to Los Angeles should contact Mrs. Reagan's Press Office (202) 456-7136 by 12:00 noon, Friday, February 6, to reserve space. Since space is limited, reservations will be accepted on a first come, first served basis.

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PEOPLE WATCH

President Reagan proclaimed himself completely recovered from prostate surgery and quipped: "My blood pressure is down so low that I can start reading the newspapers and watching the TV news." He joked that his doctors are "so skillful I'm thinking of having them work on the budget." Then he made this blooper as he launched his welfare reform program: "So even though there may be some misguided critics of what we're trying to do, I think we're on the wrong path." (Reagan greets Stars & Stripes crew, 3C)



By Tim Dillon, USA TODAY
REAGAN: Makes a blooper

■ Nancy Reagan, who stayed close to the president while he recovered from surgery, has traveled to Los Angeles to promote anti-drug abuse programs. She returns to the White House Wednesday.

■ Rep. Robert Torricelli, D-N.J., leaves Wednesday for Iraq and a visit to the battle front with Iran at the invitation of the Baghdad government. Purpose: demonstrate his belief that selling arms to Iran was a "foolish judgment."

■ House Speaker Jim Wright, D-Texas, and his wife, Betty, will be honored tonight by the Women's National Democratic Club. Among those joining in the \$150-a-plate tribute: club president Marelyn Tank and Democratic fund-raiser Pamela Harriman.

■ The National Association of State University and Land-Grant Colleges has named its new Black Education Fund scholarship for Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall.

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NEXT WEEK AT THE WHITE HOUSE: PRESIDENT REAGAN WILL HAVE A SERIES OF MEETINGS THAT WILL INCLUDE THE TOWER COMMISSION, MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET AND DISCUSSIONS OF WELFARE REFORM.

ON MONDAY, THE PRESIDENT WILL RECEIVE A BRIEFING ON WELFARE REFORM, HAVE AN ISSUES LUNCH WITH SENIOR STAFF, GREET THE WINNING AMERICA'S CUP CREW AND MEET WITH DEFENSE SECRETARY CASPAR WEINBERGER.

ON TUESDAY, IT WILL BE PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMATIC CREDENTIALS.

ON WEDNESDAY, REAGAN WILL MEET FOR A SECOND TIME WITH THE TOWER COMMISSION, WHICH IS INVESTIGATING THE ROLE OF THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL IN THE IRAN ARMS-CONTRA AID SCANDAL. THE BOARD HAS ASKED FOR THE PRESIDENT'S NOTES ON THE FIRST MEETING AND WHAT THE WHITE HOUSE CALLS "APPROPRIATE EXCERPTS" ARE TO BE DELIVERED BEFORE WEDNESDAY'S MEETING.

THE TOWER COMMISSION IS SCHEDULED TO REPORT TO REAGAN ON FEB. 19 AND WAS EXPECTED TO MAKE PUBLIC ITS FINDINGS AFTERWARD.

ALSO WEDNESDAY, THE PRESIDENT WILL MEET WITH SECRETARY OF STATE GEORGE SHULTZ.

ON THURSDAY, THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE WILL DROP BY A CLOSED DINNER OF THE REPUBLICAN EAGLES AND ON FRIDAY, HE MEETS WITH WELFARE EXPERTS, VICE PRESIDENT BUSH AND SHULTZ BEFORE GOING TO CAMP DAVID FOR THE WEEKEND.

✓ NANCY REAGAN WILL FLY TO LOS ANGELES TUESDAY TO PARTICIPATE IN A DRUG ABUSE RESISTANCE EDUCATION EVENT BEING SPONSORED BY THE CITY POLICE AND ITS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. MRS. REAGAN WILL ATTEND A LUNCHEON IN PASADENA WEDNESDAY SPONSORED BY THE KIWANIS AND ROTARY CLUBS BEFORE RETURNING TO WASHINGTON THURSDAY.

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First lady visits school, defends drug budget BY LINDA RAPATTONI
LOS ANGELES (UPI) First lady Nancy Reagan, appearing at an elementary school, warned students about the dangers of drug abuse and defended her husband's budget, which critics claim will cut drug enforcement programs.

"Actually, there are no cuts," Mrs. Reagan said Tuesday about the proposed budget while conceding it includes fewer capital purchases of equipment to combat drug smuggling.

"Last year, there was a big increase when we brought in the (military) helicopters and all that went with it," she said. "This year's (budget) went down because you don't buy helicopters every year."

During her appearance at Rosewood Elementary School near West Hollywood, Mrs. Reagan urged a sixth-grade class to reject what will probably be life-long pressure to use illegal drugs.

"It's going to continue all your lives, even when you get to be adults," she told the students. "I've seen many adults on drugs."

Asked by reporters for her reaction to former National Security Adviser Robert McFarlane's apparent drug overdose suicide attempt Monday, Mrs. Reagan answered, "Sorrow."

The first lady participated in a skit aimed at encouraging students to turn down drugs. Her half-hour appearance emphasized the importance of self esteem and assertiveness.

*1110 AP-Nancy-Reagan,0216 First Lady: ±Just Say No'

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USA TODAY'S BRIEFING ON WASHINGTON

PEOPLE WATCH

Embattled White House staff chief **Don Regan** — an ex-Marine — got a morale-booster gift Wednesday from his boss. **President Reagan** gave him a long-sleeved white sweatshirt emblazoned with the Leathernecks' emblem. Superimposed over the device: "Hang tough, Marine." The gift seemed aimed at countering criticism that Regan failed to protect the president from the Iran arms scandal.



■ Comedian **Pat Paulsen** launched yet another of his campaigns for president with a series

REGAN: Got presidential boost

of one-liners. Slogan: "Pat Paulsen for president — he's got to sleep someplace." Paulsen, appearing at a capital nightclub, said he's learned a lot from his previous campaigns, which date to 1968: "I learned I didn't get a lot of votes." His "star wars" position: "If Joan Rivers and Johnny Carson want to fight, let them go ahead."

■ Navy Pacific commander Adm. **James Lyons** scrapped a jogging requirement for those over 45 because he feared the physical fitness test would result in too many heart attacks. "I expect you to be physically fit. I don't expect you to die getting there," he told his 238,000 people.

✓ ■ **Nancy Reagan**, in California campaigning against drugs, said she gets "the saddest mail of anyone in America ... people in pain often need to write what they're feeling;" most of 61,000 letters she got in '86 dealt with drug abuse.

■ A bust of **Walter Mondale** will join 37 other busts of former vice presidents on display at the Capitol. The Senate commissioned New York sculptor **Judson Nelson**, 43, to create a Mondale bust from Italian marble.

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Pupils Polish an Apple for the First Lady

By GARRY ABRAMS,
Times Staff Writer

When Nancy Reagan comes to school, routine plays hooky.

In fact, you could say the whole place goes to the beauty parlor.

From the moment students and teachers learned the First Lady would be visiting Tuesday as part of her continuing war on drug abuse, everyone at Los Angeles' Rosewood Avenue Elementary School in the West Hollywood area primped and preened mightily for their hour and 15-minute dash through the limelight. The preparations paid off. Her visit was

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MARIANNA DIAMOS

Second-grade pupils at Rosewood Avenue Elementary School show Principal Ann Dorr valentines they made for Mrs. Reagan.

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SCHOOL: Sprucing Up for First Lady's Visit

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completed without a hitch, school officials said Tuesday afternoon.

Students made posters and wrote letters for Mrs. Reagan to take back to Washington. Parents paid for a welcoming banner. McDonald's restaurant chipped in for commemorative plaques. The policeman in charge of the sixth-grade anti-drug abuse class bought a new uniform. Work crews planted flowers, mowed the lawn as if it were the 18th green in a major golf tournament, erected a rope barrier around the school's entrance to hold back onlookers, repaired a sidewalk damaged by tree roots and performed other cleaning chores normally scheduled for summer vacation.

Meanwhile, Secret Service men from the White House protection detail poked into nooks and crannies, imparting a serious accent to the holiday mood that practically radiated from the hallway paint.

"They've made sure it (the school) was all sparkling," said principal Ann Dorr, who joked, "I wish she (Mrs. Reagan) was coming over for dinner at my house so I'd get some of this." Generally, she added, students and faculty seemed "awed" by the visit and "very proud" that their school had been chosen.

Although Dorr was uncertain why her school had been selected, she said Rosewood's diversity probably was a factor. The school's 437 pupils include students from 25



MARIANNA DIAMOS

Assigned to cover Nancy Reagan, students Jeen H. Byun, left, Igor Minevich ponder competing with adults in the media crush.

countries who speak 13 languages, she said. One of Mrs. Reagan's mementos is a school cookbook containing recipes for Chinese chicken salad, Ethiopian meat stew, Russian stuffed peppers, Korean chicken, Egyptian lamb and Texas sheet cake.

Dorr, who noted that preparations for the visit helped add a couple of hours to her work day, said she had spent much of the time

since mid-January saying "no" to parents and students who wanted to meet the First Lady, get her autograph or watch as she participated in a Project DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) class, a drug-education program that's a joint venture between the Los Angeles school district and the Los Angeles Police Department.

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VISIT: Pupils Polish Apple at Rosewood School

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"Everybody wants to have their whole family here but it's impossible," she said, explaining that only students, faculty, press and school district and police department higher-ups, including Chief Daryl Gates, were allowed inside the school.

As vicarious compensation, the school assigned two fifth-grade students from the school newspaper to document Mrs. Reagan's appearance. School reporter Igor Minevich, who said he is "almost 11," conceded that he lost sleep anticipating his assignment. One worry, he said, was what to wear. Then Minevich confided that he had finally decided, "I'm just going to wear normal clothes, not a suit, but make sure they're clean." Photographer Jeen H. Byun, 10, said he intended to use his small stature—

about four feet—to move through a forest of adult legs for good camera angles.

Monday, as last-minute touches such as the rope barrier were put in place, Rosewood's students and faculty seemed to be erecting a cool facade over their anticipation.

"I'm just going to play it by ear," said officer Greg Boles, who would teach the anti-drug awareness class attended by Mrs. Reagan. Boles added that he's used to teaching in high-pressure situations, having previously taught while Chief Gates looked on.

However, Boles, a former undercover narcotics officer, said he had intensified instruction somewhat so that students would be ready for role-playing skits for the half hour Mrs. Reagan would attend the class.

Principal Dorr said the visit had

had a quieting effect on the usually "rambunctious" class of sixth-graders taught by Boles. "They're kind of shy about it . . . they've calmed down completely," she said. "They're taking it very seriously."

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First lady urges 6th-grade class to shun drugs

Los Angeles Daily News

LOS ANGELES — First lady Nancy Reagan defended proposed federal budget cuts for drug-enforcement programs during a visit yesterday to a Los Angeles elementary school, where she urged students to "say no" to drugs.

She said the federal government would spend more than ever to fight drug abuse in the coming year, even though the president's budget proposal would trim nearly \$1 billion from drug programs.

"Actually there are no cuts," the first lady said. "Last year, there was a big in-

crease for the helicopters and other equipment. This year it went down from that because you don't buy helicopters every year."

The first lady took her national campaign against drug abuse to Rosewood Avenue Elementary School, where she participated in a sixth-grade drug-education class. Students at the school are participating in the Los Angeles Police Department's Drug Abuse Resistance Education, or DARE, program.

"There's a great big wonderful world out there waiting for you," Mrs. Reagan told the 32 sixth-graders. "It can be interesting, challenging, rewarding. We need you, but we need you clear-eyed, clear-headed. We don't need you all drugged up."

Jamaal Cuthbertson, 11, said Mrs. Reagan's efforts encourage children to shun drugs "because she's a big celebrity. Plus, her words are good."

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STAR NEWS 2/13

Many thanks to a public relations man who didn't say no

Worried about throwing a huge party two weeks from now, a party including one of the most famous women in the nation on the guest list? Call Milt Walker.

Milt deserves the bulk of credit for Nancy Reagan's "Just Say No" lunch Wednesday in the Ambassador College student dining center.

The story would be worthy of "That's Impossible" had TV not found that show impossible to maintain.

As the new president of Kiwanis International, Rosemead's Frank DiNoto last fall asked Walker to chair his public relations committee. Milt, chairman of the Pasadena First National Bank board, accepted. A big job, but not much larger than others Milt has handled well in the past.

Knowing that battling drug abuse is a No. 1 priority for Kiwanis and the first lady, Milt immediately began working with Kiwanis headquarters to set up an affair spotlighting the cause.



Editor at large

CHARLES CHERNISS

Mrs. Reagan's staff was asked to find an appropriate time, a date when she would be visiting her home territory for other reasons. Hoping she wouldn't just say no, Walker & Co. thought that time might be later this year or sometime next year.

In late January he received a call telling him of the first lady's availability for lunch on Feb. 11.

Walker had two weeks to plan and pull off an immense affair.

His first concept was merely a joint service club meeting of Pasadena

Kiwanians and Rotarians. Rotary reserves the Pasadena Hilton Hotel ballroom for its Wednesday lunches on a regular basis, making the idea seem even more feasible.

"Great," Kiwanis President Mike Keelin said.

"Great," Rotary President Phil Taylor said. "We have ladies' day scheduled that noon. It's perfect for our wives."

"No dice," or words to that effect, Mrs. Reagan's staff said. She wanted to meet and perhaps persuade kids. If adults were included, that would be fine, but there had to be at least one youngster for every adult.

Suddenly, the Hilton ballroom wasn't big enough. A place capable of seating and feeding 100 Kiwanians, 200 Rotarians, 300 kids plus wives and dignitaries wasn't to be found.

Ambassador College came to Milt's rescue, but could handle only 600. The wives and most of the dignitaries were

dropped from the guest list.

Pasadena schools, public and private, pitched in. They provided the kids and tons of enthusiasm.

It all worked out; no major hitches. Each adult coughed up \$20, which paid for his lunch and a kid's as well.

The lunch went so smoothly it wound up a half hour ahead of schedule. Mrs. Reagan was gracious, witty and much appreciated by the crowd.

Pasadena Kiwanis and Pasadena Rotary members dug deeper into their own pockets and put together a \$5,000 check for Mrs. Reagan to present to local "Just Say No" organizer Barbara Mouron of San Marino.

Milt today returns to the less hectic world of banking. Phil Taylor is seeking another date for Rotary ladies' day — as if the ladies are still speaking to him.

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The sole problem popping into my

head as Mrs. Reagan spoke was that she was preaching to the saved.

It seemed certain the clean, eager youngsters in the crowd already had learned to "Just Say No," loudly and clearly. Perhaps they'll be able to impart the message to others.

Pray they can.

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By ironic coincidence, the lead Star-News story on the day Nancy Reagan came to town was a feature about an 11-year-old caught selling cocaine and the fact he is not unique.

We frequently see stories about girls barely into their teens being arrested for prostitution.

Think about those and other social atrocities the next time you hear a pitch for legalizing so-called "victimless crimes."

Editor Charles Cherniss' column appears Tuesday through Friday and on Sunday.

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NANCY REAGAN
... speaks to students

Nancy Reagan brings her message to Pasadena . . . 'Just say no' to drugs

By JANE ESTES
Staff Writer

First lady Nancy Reagan challenged an audience of 300 clean-cut Pasadena students to say no to drugs Wednesday.

"When you say no, you may feel like you're alone, but you're not. There are millions of kids your own age who would come running to your side if they only knew you needed help," she said at a luncheon of the Pasadena Kiwanis and Rotary clubs at the Ambassador College student dining room.

Many young people across the coun-

try have formed "Just Say No" clubs to counter the pressures to use drugs, she told the students. The students were invited through the Pasadena Unified School District to hear Reagan speak, Rotary International spokesman David Blackmer said.

The youths were selected from student councils and from Interact and Key clubs, which are the high school service clubs sponsored by Rotary and

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Reagan: First lady speaks in Pasadena

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Kiwanis, said Larry Foster, superintendent for secondary instruction of the Pasadena Unified School District.

Students also were invited from the Pasadena Community College Circle K Club, a Kiwanis college group, and from Imperial High School, operated by Worldwide Church of God, Blackmer said. The church also sponsors Ambassador College.

Reagan's voice broke as she read a letter she received from a young man who was in jail because of his cocaine addiction.

"I hurt so bad and am so sorry for the course my life has taken," he wrote. "Some say I'm sick; some say I'm bad. I don't know. All I know is that I hurt deep within me, and I pray it goes away. Please take it away, Mrs. Reagan. If not for me, for others. Help us. We must let people know danger. . . ."

"Anyone who tries a drug takes the greatest risk he will ever take in his life. Mrs. Reagan, please tell them for me. I'm just like them. I am them. If I told my story of pain and misery, I know not one person would take a drug if they had to lose what I've lost."

Most of the more than 61,000 letters Reagan received last year were about drugs, she said.

Reagan urged her audience to take a stand against drugs, citing celebrities such as Tom

*'Standing up for
what you believe
can be difficult.'*

— Nancy Reagan

Cruise, Rob Lowe, Eddie Murphy, Sylvester Stallone and Mr. T as some famous figures who have rejected drug use.

"Standing up for what you believe can be difficult," she said. "It's part of learning to be your own person. And you may get ridiculed. You may get called names. You may be made to feel you don't fit in or you're not cool."

A survey of 223 California teen-agers shows only 12 percent are afraid of cocaine, Reagan said. They should be and adults must care that they aren't, she said.

"We must care because drugs threaten to take away what we love most in life — our children. And our children are in danger of losing something they don't even know they have — their childhood," she said.

Reagan's commitment to fight drug abuse among school children won her the 1986 Kiwanis World Service Medal. She also was praised for being the host of "The Chemical People," a 1983, public television program that resulted in the formation of more than 10,000 community task forces in the country.

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Mrs. Nancy Reagan
First Lady's Office
White House
Washington D.C.

Dear Mrs. Reagan:

On behalf of the Kiwanis Club of Pasadena, I'd like to thank you once again for being our speaker at our recent joint meeting with the Rotary Club of Pasadena and students from throughout the public and independent Pasadena schools. Your words were so well listened to by the students and will have a long and lasting effect on each child who was there.

You should know too, that your presence in Pasadena is not yet forgotten. Some of the schools already have plans to promote the "Just Say No" campaign during this school year, and our own club and the Rotary Club have scheduled programs to learn more about this very worthwhile campaign.

On a personal note, I must add that having the opportunity to meet you was a real "highlight" of my life. I knew I was nervous, though, when I began to introduce myself as the President of the Rotary Club! My wife and I admire and support all the work that you and the President are doing for this country.

Kindest Personal Regards,

Michael P. Keelin
President



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First Lady Nancy Reagan
The White House
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Dear Mrs. Reagan:

Thank you for attending the joint luncheon of the Kiwanis and Rotary clubs of Pasadena, which included 300 students from Pasadena schools.

Your positive message to them will be most influential and they will resist the temptation to use drugs. In addition, these students will have a positive influence on their peers.

We are most grateful for your dedication in your efforts to eliminate the use of drugs. The tireless hours you spend have a beneficial effect and as both a citizen of our nation and as president of Kiwanis, I commend you for accepting this challenge. We are also deeply appreciative of the public service messages you have made for Kiwanis, and for the many courtesies that you have extended to us.

Most sincerely,

Frank J. DiNoto, President
Kiwaniis International

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First Lady takes anti-drug act to school



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Nancy Reagan waves to well-wishers as she arrives Tuesday at Rosewood Elementary School

The Associated Press

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She acted out two scenes with students, refusing offers of beer and marijuana.

"No thanks. I don't smoke," she said, adding when pressed, "because I don't like it," and "no, I'm not afraid."

Last year, about 12,000 elementary students and 7,000 junior high students went through semester Drug Abuse Resistance Education courses in the Los Angeles Unified School District. More than 110,000 other students had one-day classes, and some 6,000 teachers had DARE training sessions.

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PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Baryshnikov won't dance in Soviet Union

Mikhail Baryshnikov, the famous Soviet-born ballet dancer and artistic director of American Ballet Theater, said Wednesday he will not dance in the Soviet Union this month.

An invitation to Baryshnikov to dance in Moscow was made public here two weeks ago by Yuri Gregorovich, artistic director of the Bolshoi Ballet, at a news conference announcing that the Bolshoi will dance in America this summer.

Baryshnikov said through his manager Edgar Vincent that he told Gregorovich he might be willing to dance at the Bolshoi if American Ballet Theater could make a two-week tour of the Soviet Union in October.

The initial response from Moscow was enthusiastic, Baryshnikov said, but later he heard that American Ballet Theater would not be invited because the Bolshoi Theater will be closed in October for renovations.

However, the dancer said, he never suggested any specific theater and was willing to wait for an appropriate theater in either Moscow or Leningrad.

"My hunch is that, with a little good will on both sides, this can be worked out. What every Russian knows is how to stand on line," Baryshnikov said.

Baryshnikov, 39, defected in 1974 from the Soviet Union where he had been a member of the Kirov Ballet in Leningrad. He has not been in the Soviet Union since he defected.



BARYSHNIKOV

Names & notes

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FORMER FIRST LADY PAT NIXON, 75, is in a Manhattan hospital, recovering from surgery to remove a small malignant tumor from the inside of her mouth. A hospital spokesman said she entered the hospital Monday and that her prognosis is excellent....

BRITAIN'S Prince Andrew, son of Queen Elizabeth II, took his seat in the House of Lords Wednesday, as millions watched a live telecast.

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Nancy Reagan gets 'the saddest mail of anyone'

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Nancy Reagan, making her second appearance in as many days in Southern California to press her war on drugs, Wednesday told a luncheon gathering that she gets the saddest mail of anyone in America.

Addressing a joint meeting of the Kiwanis and Rotary clubs in Pasadena attended by 300 students from area schools, the first lady said most of the 61,000 letters she received last year dealt with drug abuse.

The letters, she said, came from the families and friends of people who had died or been emotionally destroyed by drugs.

"And I was thinking the other

day, I probably get the saddest mail of anyone in America because people in pain often need to write what they're feeling," she said in her speech at Ambassador College.

Since moving into the White House in 1981, Reagan has visited some 60 cities and six nations to promote her pet project — drug prevention. Tuesday, she ad-

dressed sixth-graders at an elementary school in Los Angeles.

Her voice cracking with emotion, Reagan read a letter at the luncheon from an inmate who told of how cocaine had destroyed his life.

The letter, Reagan said, was written "for others who aren't yet suffering the way he suffers."

She warned the students that by

turning down drugs, they may be ridiculed by peers and "made to feel you don't fit in or you're not cool."

"But just remember, (actors) Tom Cruise and Rob Lowe are against drugs. Eddie Murphy is against drugs. Two pretty tough guys by the name of Sylvester Stallone and Mr. T are against drugs."

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NANCY REAGAN WATCHES HER STEP AS SHE arrives to rain dampened Southern California where she will participate in two events tied to her crusade against drug abuse. Mrs. Reagan will stay with friends in the Los Angeles area. (UPI)

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First lady Nancy Reagan, in Los Angeles during a three-day trip to the West, shakes hands with students of Rosewood Avenue Elementary School.

First lady goes to school

She brings her anti-drug message to L.A. elementary students

By JAMES W. SWEENEY
Daily News Staff Writer

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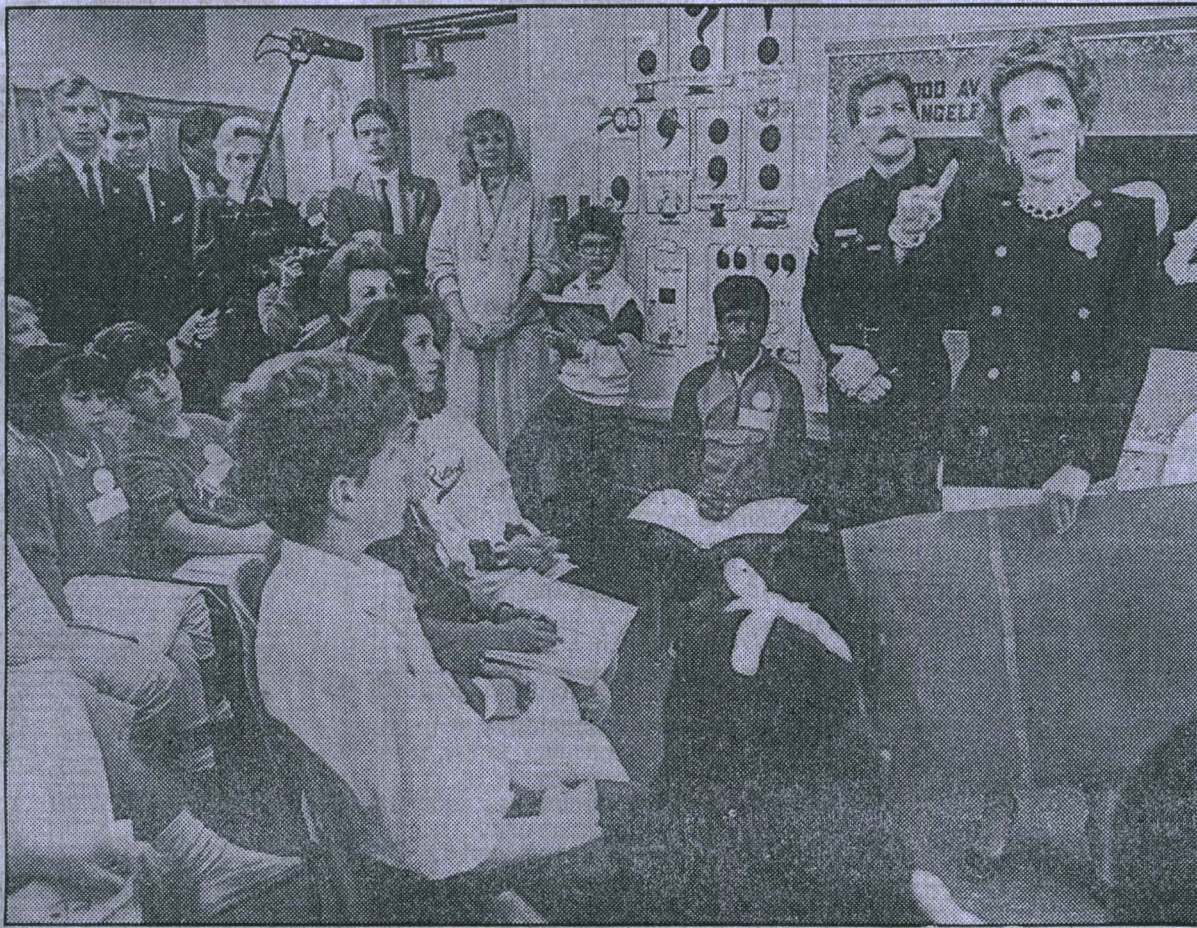


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Nancy's lesson on saying 'no'



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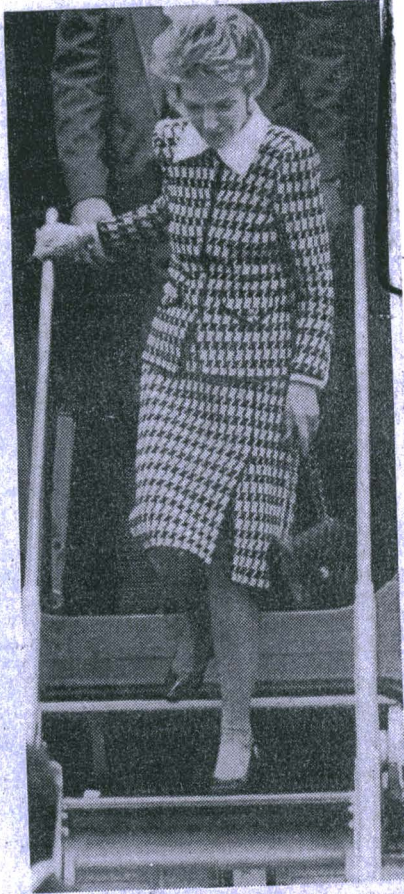
Nancy Reagan answers questions from reporters after anti-drug program at Rosewood Elementary School in which she took part in two role-playing skits in front of wide-eyed students. The first lady, whose "Just Say No" slogan has been adopted across the nation, participated in the program sponsored by the district and LAPD/A-6.

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First lady visits L.A. sixth-graders

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First Lady Nancy Reagan waves to well-wishers and students after arriving Tuesday at Rosewood Elementary School in Los Angeles. Mrs. Reagan, who was participating in a drug abuse resistance program, encouraged the students to say 'no' to narcotics

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Nancy gets saddest mail

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LOS ANGELES

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how to be both assertive and respectful in refusing offers of beer and marijuana. ■

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Mrs. Reagan makes emotional anti-drug appeal

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FIRST LADY WAVES TO CROWD
Nancy Reagan greeted by students upon arrival at West Hollywood school.

Mrs. Reagan Urges Avoidance of Drugs

WEST HOLLYWOOD (AP) — Nancy Reagan spent half an hour with the students of Rosewood Elementary School advising them that when it comes to experimenting with drugs, they should just say, "No."

The first lady joined in a 30-minute session of Project DARE — Drug Abuse Resistance Education — a program sponsored by the school district and the Los Angeles Police Department. The project began in 1983 and teaches children to avoid drugs.

The fourth-, fifth- and sixth-graders squealed in delight as Mrs. Reagan's limousine stopped at the curb Tuesday. A crowd of Secret Service agents led her to a classroom where photos of

her with the president mingled on walls with paper valentines.

She helped officer Greg Boles in a DARE role-playing exercise.

"Mrs. Reagan, you're going to be at a party, and someone is going to offer you a marijuana cigarette," Boles said.

The first lady's smile faded.

"No thanks. I don't smoke," was her reply.

She told the students they can do just as well without drugs.

"There's a great big wonderful world out there waiting for you," she said. "And remember, just say no."

Students presented her with a giant envelope filled with valentine cards and a jacket with the DARE emblem.

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Shun drugs, first lady urges in emotional plea to youth

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She told the students they are not alone when they say no to drugs.

"There are millions of kids your own age who would come running to your side if they only knew you needed help," she said.

She told them that standing up for their beliefs can be difficult, but that is a part of learning to be yourself.

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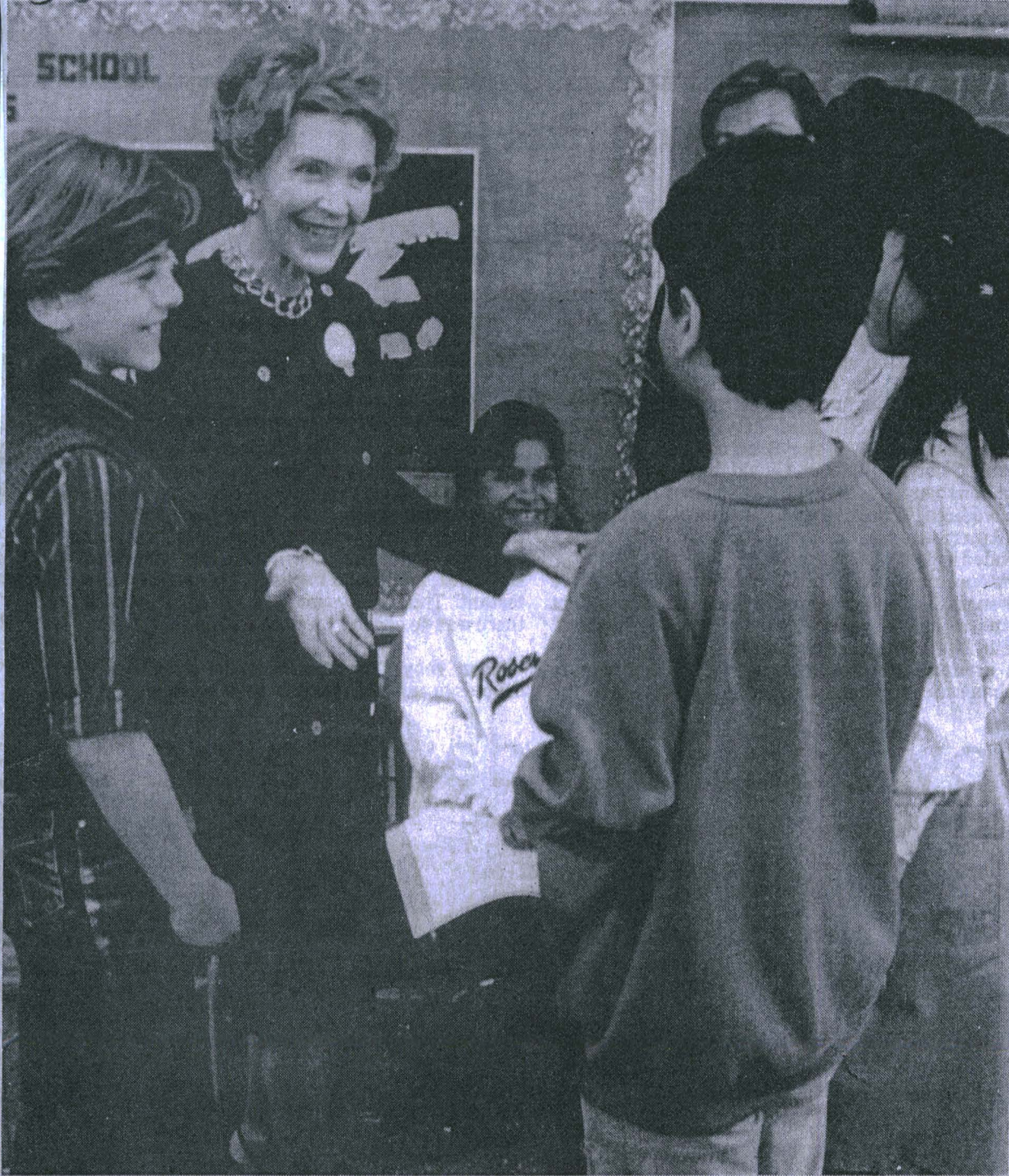
FIRST LADY Nancy Reagan, talking with students of Rosewood Elementary School in Los Angeles about the dangers of drug abuse, urged six graders to reject life-long pressure to use illegal drugs.

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Drug dangers

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Nancy Reagan talks with students of Rosewood elementary School in Los Angeles about the dangers of drug abuse Tuesday and urged the sixth grade class to reject life-long pressure to use drugs.

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Nancy Reagan has DARE for West Hollywood students

By Patricia Freeman
Herald staff writer

At the prospect of a visit from Nancy Reagan, some schools might have worried about cleaning up crack on the playground.

But at Rosewood Elementary, the pristine West Hollywood school where the first lady brought her anti-drug crusade yesterday, the administration simply worried about cleaning up.

"They painted every single room, and they waxed every floor," said fourth-grader Maggie Penn. "They made me clean my whole desk, every inch of it."

The furniture had to be moved

out, the buckling floor tiles blow-torched, and then the Secret Service men came with their bomb-sniffing dog.

"They even put fertilizer on the lawn," said sixth-grader Gary Bowman. "It smelled like somebody barfed."

Undaunted, half the Rosewood student body stood on the fertilized lawn yesterday, waving at television cameras and wriggling with excitement as they waited for the first lady, who was going to spend an entire half-hour in Mrs. Kline's sixth-grade class.

The occasion was a half-hour session of Project DARE, an anti-drug-abuse program sponsored by the school district and the Los

Angeles Police Department. DARE — Drug Abuse Resistance Education — was designed in 1983 to teach kids how to avoid drugs.

Nancy Reagan has become known since then for her personal solution to the drug problem, "Just Say No."

The students shrieked as a silver limousine pulled up to the curb and the first lady stepped out, wearing a smart navy blue suit.

A crowd of men in gray suits with cords coming out of their ears led her to Room 8, where pictures of her and the president hung amid a display of construction-paper Valentine hearts.

In no time, officer Greg Boles had recruited her for a role-playing

exercise.

"Mrs. Reagan, you're going to be at a party, and someone is going to offer you a marijuana cigarette," he said.

The first lady's smile faded momentarily. But she rose to the occasion.

"No thanks," she told her temptor. "I don't smoke."

When class was over, she told the sixth-graders, "You've got to feel good about yourself. There's a great big wonderful world out there, waiting for you."

"... And remember ... just say no."

Erica Margolis twisted in her seat. "Have you ever noticed she gives the same speech wherever she

goes?" she whispered to the back row.

Then the class presented Mrs. Reagan with a gigantic envelope of valentines, plus her very own DARE-logo jacket.

The congeniality of the afternoon was spoiled only momentarily, by the perspiring horde of reporters in the back of the classroom.

One wanted to know the first lady's response to the hospitalization of President Reagan's former national security adviser, Robert McFarlane, who evidently tried to kill himself with an overdose of Valium.

"That," Mrs. Reagan said, "is way off the subject."

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NANCY REAGAN

... speaks to students

Nancy Reagan brings her message to Pasadena . . .

'Just say no' to drugs

By JANE ESTES
Staff Writer

First lady Nancy Reagan challenged an audience of 300 clean-cut Pasadena students to say no to drugs Wednesday.

"When you say no, you may feel like you're alone, but you're not. There are millions of kids your own age who would come running to your side if they only knew you needed help," she said at a luncheon of the Pasadena Kiwanis and Rotary clubs at the Ambassador College student dining room.

Many young people across the coun-

try have formed "Just Say No" clubs to counter the pressures to use drugs, she told the students. The students were invited through the Pasadena Unified School District to hear Reagan speak, Rotary International spokesman David Blackmer said.

The youths were selected from student councils and from Interact and Key clubs, which are the high school service clubs sponsored by Rotary and

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Kiwanis, said Larry Foster, superintendent for secondary instruction of the Pasadena Unified School District.

Students also were invited from the Pasadena Community College Circle K Club, a Kiwanis college group, and from Imperial High School, operated by Worldwide Church of God, Blackmer said. The church also sponsors Ambassador College.

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"Anyone who tries a drug takes the greatest risk he will ever take in his life. Mrs. Reagan, please tell them for me. I'm just like them. I am them. If I told my story of pain and misery, I know not one person would take a drug if they had to lose what I've lost."

Most of the more than 61,000 letters Reagan received last year were about drugs, she said.

Reagan urged her audience to take a stand against drugs, citing celebrities such as Tom

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Cruise, Rob Lowe, Eddie Murphy, Sylvester Stallone and Mr. T as some famous figures who have rejected drug use.

"Standing up for what you believe can be difficult," she said. "It's part of learning to be your own person. And you may get ridiculed. You may get called names. You may be made to feel you don't fit in or you're not cool."

A survey of 223 California teen-agers shows only 12 percent are afraid of cocaine, Reagan said. They should be and adults must care that they aren't, she said.

"We must care because drugs threaten to take away what we love most in life — our children. And our children are in danger of losing something they don't even know they have — their childhood," she said.

Reagan's commitment to fight drug abuse among school children won her the 1986 Kiwanis World Service Medal. She also was praised for being the host of "The Chemical People," a 1983, public television program that resulted in the formation of more than 10,000 community task forces in the country.

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They welcome her 'DARE'

Students at Rosewood Elementary School in Los Angeles cheer the arrival of first lady Nancy Reagan Tuesday for her "Just say no" anti-drug campaign. Mrs. Reagan and a police officer dem-

onstrated how to be assertive in refusing drugs or alcohol. More than 100,000 students have taken the one-day classes called Drug Abuse Resistance Education (DARE).

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Many thanks to a public relations man who didn't say no

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Worried about throwing a huge party two weeks from now, a party including one of the most famous women in the nation on the guest list? Call Milt Walker.

Milt deserves the bulk of credit for Nancy Reagan's "Just Say No" lunch Wednesday in the Ambassador College student dining center.

The story would be worthy of "That's Impossible" had TV not found that show impossible to maintain.

As the new president of Kiwanis International, Rosemead's Frank DiNoto last fall asked Walker to chair his public relations committee. Milt, chairman of the Pasadena First National Bank board, accepted. A big job, but not much larger than others Milt has handled well in the past.

Knowing that battling drug abuse is a No. 1 priority for Kiwanis and the first lady, Milt immediately began working with Kiwanis headquarters to set up an affair spotlighting the cause.



Editor at large

**CHARLES
CHERNISS**

Mrs. Reagan's staff was asked to find an appropriate time, a date when she would be visiting her home territory for other reasons. Hoping she wouldn't just say no, Walker & Co. thought that time might be later this year or sometime next year.

In late January he received a call telling him of the first lady's availability for lunch on Feb. 11.

Walker had two weeks to plan and pull off an immense affair.

His first concept was merely a joint service club meeting of Pasadena

Kiwanians and Rotarians. Rotary reserves the Pasadena Hilton Hotel ballroom for its Wednesday lunches on a regular basis, making the idea seem even more feasible.

"Great," Kiwanis President Mike Keelin said.

"Great," Rotary President Phil Taylor said. "We have ladies' day scheduled that noon. It's perfect for our wives."

"No dice," or words to that effect, Mrs. Reagan's staff said. She wanted to meet and perhaps persuade kids. If adults were included, that would be fine, but there had to be at least one youngster for every adult.

Suddenly, the Hilton ballroom wasn't big enough. A place capable of seating and feeding 100 Kiwanians, 200 Rotarians, 300 kids plus wives and dignitaries wasn't to be found.

Ambassador College came to Milt's rescue, but could handle only 600. The wives and most of the dignitaries were

dropped from the guest list.

Pasadena schools, public and private, pitched in. They provided the kids and tons of enthusiasm.

It all worked out; no major hitches. Each adult coughed up \$20, which paid for his lunch and a kid's as well.

The lunch went so smoothly it wound up a half hour ahead of schedule. Mrs. Reagan was gracious, witty and much appreciated by the crowd.

Pasadena Kiwanis and Pasadena Rotary members dug deeper into their own pockets and put together a \$5,000 check for Mrs. Reagan to present to local "Just Say No" organizer Barbara Mouron of San Marino.

Milt today returns to the less hectic world of banking. Phil Taylor is seeking another date for Rotary ladies' day — as if the ladies are still speaking to him.

The sole problem popping into my

head as Mrs. Reagan spoke was that she was preaching to the saved.

It seemed certain the clean, eager youngsters in the crowd already had learned to "Just Say No," loudly and clearly. Perhaps they'll be able to impart the message to others.

Pray they can.

By ironic coincidence, the lead Star-News story on the day Nancy Reagan came to town was a feature about an 11-year-old caught selling cocaine and the fact he is not unique.

We frequently see stories about girls barely into their teens being arrested for prostitution.

Think about those and other social atrocities the next time you hear a pitch for legalizing so-called "victimless crimes."

Editor Charles Cherniss' column appears Tuesday through Friday and on Sunday.

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First lady 2428 to address students

From Staff and Wire Reports

Three hundred Pasadena school children will hear first lady Nancy Reagan's "Just Say No" to drugs message today at the Ambassador College student dining room.

Reagan will speak at a joint lunch meeting of the Pasadena Rotary and Kiwanis clubs. Each member of the two clubs, which together have 300 members, has invited one student from Pasadena schools to hear her speak. The students will be bused to the meeting, said Milton Walker, former president of the Pasadena Kiwanians and Kiwanis International public relations chairman.

Reagan has been involved with the Kiwanis International drug abuse rehabilitation program and was a recipient of the organization's World Service Medal.

Reagan is in Los Angeles County this week as part of her "Just Say No" drug prevention campaign. She participated Tuesday in the Los Angeles Police Department's DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) program at Rosewood Elementary School, where she told students to "remember what you've learned here, because as you get older the pressure doesn't stop."

"There's a great big wonderful world waiting out there and we need you," she said, "but we need you clear-eyed, clear-minded, and we don't need you all drugged up."

The first lady also commended Los Angeles Police Chief Daryl Gates for providing a way for law enforcement and school children to work together to fight drugs.

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First lady, pupils battle drug abuse

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Nancy Reagan sat on one end of a half-circle of students as police Officer Greg Boles taught 11- and 12-year-old Rosewood Avenue Elementary School students how to be both assertive and respectful in refusing drugs.

She acted out two scenes with students, refusing offers of beer and marijuana.

"No thanks. I don't smoke," she said, adding when pressed, "because I don't like it" and "no, I'm not afraid."

Last year, about 12,000 elementary students and 7,000 junior high students went through semester Drug Abuse Resistance Education courses in the Los Angeles Unified School District. More than 110,000 other students had one-day classes, and some 6,000 teachers had DARE training sessions.

"I've seen a lot of kids on drugs trying to get off drugs, and it's a very sad thing to see," the first lady told the students.

"You've got to feel good about yourselves," she said, adding that there was a "wonderful world" waiting for them.

The students gave her a DARE jacket and a big valentine.

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FIRST LADY NANCY REAGAN, r, chats with Leeanne Camiling, l, as Mrs. Reagan attended a luncheon at which she told her audience of Kiwanis and Rotary Club members she must be the recipient of the saddest mail in the nation. Ms. Camiling is the Lt. Governor of the Key Club at Marshall high School in Los Angeles. (UPI)

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Prison compromise derided

By ELLIS E. CONKLIN
Daily News Capital Bureau

SACRAMENTO — A compromise calling for a scaled-down state penitentiary in East Los Angeles and a second prison in a rural part of the county triggered stinging criticism from several state lawmakers Tuesday, who questioned the state's insistence on one downtown site.

The latest proposal, known as

"You could build 10 prisons by the time you get out of court. What is wrong with the other sites? Why Crown Coach?"

— **Diane Watson**
State senator

the sagebrush-barrio compromise, calls for building a three-story, 1,200-bed prison on the site occupied by the Crown

Coach Co. at 10th Street and Santa Fe Avenue. A second prison would be built at an undetermined site in northern Los An-

geles County. The Crown Coach property is in escrow for sale to the Ramser Development Corp.

"I don't understand," said Sen. Art Torres, D-Los Angeles. "Why are we back at Crown Coach?"

Llewellyn Werner, Crown Coach chairman, told the committee the site has been sold "and it's an irrevocable sale to Ramser," which plans to build a light industrial park at the proposed prison site.

Werner bitterly accused the state of dragging its feet for more than two years in negotiations to buy the property.

"But let me tell you all, if you think you're going to take my property by eminent domain, you got a fight on your hands," Werner said.

The proposal by Sen. Robert Presley, D-Riverside, calls for the state entering into condemnation proceedings to get the

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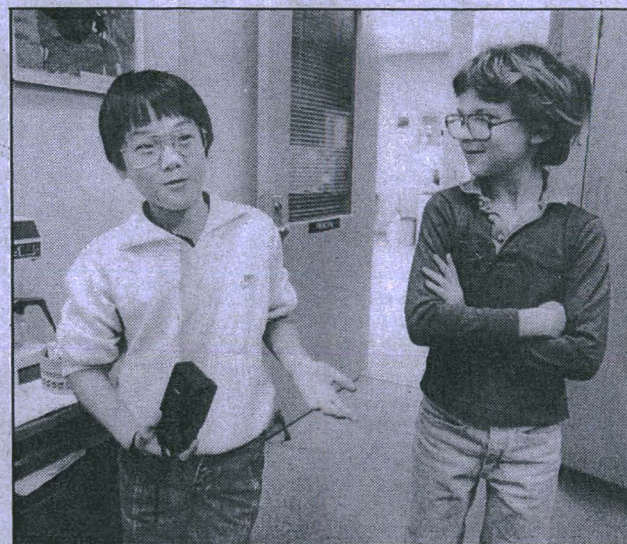
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As vicarious compensation, the school assigned two fifth-grade students from the school newspaper to document Mrs. Reagan's appearance. School reporter Igor Minevich, who said he is "almost 11," conceded that he lost sleep anticipating his assignment. One worry, he said, was what to wear. Then Minevich confided that he had finally decided, "I'm just going to wear normal clothes, not a suit, but make sure they're clean." Photographer Jeen H. Byun, 10, said he intended to use his small stature—

about four feet—to move through a forest of adult legs for good camera angles.

Monday, as last-minute touches such as the rope barrier were put in place, Rosewood's students and faculty seemed to be erecting a cool facade over their anticipation.

"I'm just going to play it by ear," said officer Greg Boles, who would teach the anti-drug awareness class attended by Mrs. Reagan. Boles added that he's used to teaching in high-pressure situations, having previously taught while Chief Gates looked on.

However, Boles, a former undercover narcotics officer, said he had intensified instruction somewhat so that students would be ready for role-playing skits for the half hour Mrs. Reagan would attend the class.

Principal Dorr said the visit had

had a quieting effect on the usually "rambunctious" class of sixth-graders taught by Boles. "They're kind of shy about it . . . they've calmed down completely," she said. "They're taking it very seriously."

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