Film examines plight of missing dissenters

By Michael Fisher

"Las Madres." a documentary film about the mothers of sing Argentine political dissenters, and its maker at-ted about 120 per ole to the Latin American Studies

In the past 10 years, an estimated 30-40,000 civillans have been kidnapped, tortured and killed as political subversives by the government. The film details this period of Argentina's history and documents the stories of some of the women whose family members disappeared because they openly disagreed with the government or engaged in activities the government deemed threatening.

One women told of how her son disappeared shortly after he began building a daycare center for children living in the shantytowns of Buenos Aires.

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Since the film's completion, nine top military leaders in the former government have been tried, of which five were convicted and four acquitted.

Munoz said the mothers now "want the military to release the files of those who disappeared, telling who took them and where, how and where they were tortured, and where they were buried.

College students can get credit cards even with student status

By Mike Rivers

Access to credit may now be just a phone call away. Students wishing to cross their palms with plastic may now call the College Credit Corporation, which upon request will send a kit containing credit applications from major credit card companies and instructions on how to proceed.

There is one hitch, however. In order to be eligible, a student must be a junior, senior or graduate student.

Ed Soloman, president of the College Credit Corporation, says that 10 years ago it was ex-tremely difficult for a student to obtain a credit card. "Students were routinely turned down because they were college students," he says.

Soloman says that student complaints about this discrimination prompted him to set up a business marketing credit card applications to students. Soloman says his company represents and markets a number of large companies in the credit card business.

"We help students establish credit with top line companies like Sears, Zale's and VISA," he

Soloman's company usually works with campus student organizations that need to raise funds. In addition to making money, student groups utilize his business in order to gain practical business experience, he says.

When a student calls his company. Soloman says they screen the student for his or her academic status before sending the student a kit explaining the program.

The kits contain several applications. Students are encouraged to return the completed applications, which are then reviewed for completeness. If a student forgets to sign on the dotted line, the company will return the application to the student before mailing the application on to

the credit card company, Soloman says.

"This is a special college program,"
Soloman says. "Applications are given special consideration. It's the best chance a student has

of obtaining a credit card." An estimated 1,000 to 2,000 students from the University utilize the services of his company each year, Soloman says. Students interested in obtaining a kit can call 1-800-245-6665.

Students can also get their own credit through direct contact with Sears, says Susan Duchak, a Sears representative.

While Sears does occasionally use Soloman's service, they also have their own direct mailing program, Duchak says. The Sears company has had a program of marketing applications to students for more than 10 years, she says.

"We consider the market to be important to:

She says their program is also geared mostly toward students who are upper classmen. She estimates they reach 85 percent of the upper class student market either through direct mail or by means of campus advertising, such as postering

and newspaper ads. When asked about the risks associated with student applicants. Duchak says her company believes obtaining credit is a good learning experience for students in terms of learning to meet commitments and taking on responsibility. It also. helps students establish a credit background, she

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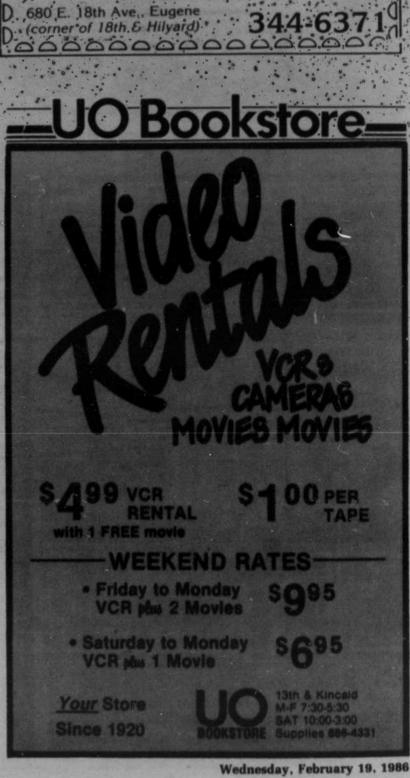
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