Free tax aid available now for students

Senior accounting majors are providing free income tax assistance daily until April 15. In its fourth year at Poly, the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance program (VITA) operates out of Mustang Lounge from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. All forms and assistance needed in filling out income tax returns are available free. VITA aide Laura Gilboy said, "Since we are not licensed accountants, we cannot provide actual preparation of tax forms but do offer any help needed."

All VITA aides have received special training and have completed tax courses in the Business Administration Department.

Taxpayers wanting VITA assistance are advised to bring their last year's returns, W-3 wage statements from employers, tips for taxpayers: I. No taxes are to be paid if income earned is below $2,500 but a return should be filed to claim any withholding tax deducted from pay checks. I. Waitresses, busboys and others earning tips must report the income on tax forms. I. A duplicate copy of any form filed should be kept as a guideline for next year.

by MERRILL McCARTY

If you’ve noticed a different looking bus around town, you’ve seen the beginning of a general expansion of service by the San Luis Obispo Transportation System. Starting April 1, the system will add a new route to the two already existing, and will serve these routes with three new buses, one of which is operating now.

Old and new city buses go opposite directions on routes through San Luis Obispo. Photo by Ken Chan.

SLO—the bus stops here

by DENISE COLTON

"Give a gift to nature and plant a garden. If you cannot find space in touch with Community Gardens,—we can help," says Larry Jacobs, Community Garden Project Director.

Community Gardens is a student-volunteer organization trying to consolidate dormant land and idle human energy by creating neighborhood gardens. The variety of community-run gardens will work with students, senior citizens, school age children and anyone interested in having a garden.

"Community gardens provide recreation, exercise and an opportunity to work with soil and sun for many people who would otherwise not have the opportunity or resources."

Volunteers will learn correct ways to design, garden, test soil samples, or whatever needs to be done to their land.

Cal Poly Ornamental Horticulture and Soil Departments will help garden advisors in establishing Saturday training and maintenance programs which says he promises to be considerate of his neighbors and to keep his land clean. A student’s land will still be his own even if he is unable to attend it over summer break.

Renters will sign an agreement which says he promises to be considerate of his neighbors and to keep his land clean. A student’s land will still be his own even if he is unable to attend it over summer break.

"The community garden would not want to break-up a friendship," Jacobs says.

"The gardener can grow any seasonal crops on his plot. Trees and permanent fixtures will not be permitted," says Mr. Roquet. Water for the community garden project will be provided by San Luis Obispo. An eight inch pipe line will be constructed along with picnic tables and restrooms at the Laguna Lake area.

The garden program will be presented to the city council for approval by a citizens advisory committee on Monday night. Community gardens has received support from Obispo Beautiful and ECO-SLO environmental club.

"I hope our plans are approved swiftly—in time for spring planting," Jacobs says.

Petterson, Gurnee win

Former Cal Poly student Steve Petterson has won a San Luis Obispo City Council seat. He was elected over his opponent Wilbur Danley, with both voters to Danley's 967.
Premier Music

Editor:

After reading Annette Jarvis's letter the feeling is that by boycotting grapes and lettuce, and protesting Frank Fitzsimmons appearance she is helping the farm workers. Let us go a little deeper into the problem.

The overriding obstacle in how to improve worker conditions lies in the farmers inherent inability to pass along cost of production increases to the consumer. As a result vast industrialization of agriculture has occurred.

There is no coincidence that the mechanization of many California crops coincided with the birth of the agricultural labor movement. An economist would phrase it as, "Labor replacement through capital substitution.

Let us analyze what this would mean to the workers- 1) The more he presses for "more pay" the quicker he will be replaced by a machine and 2) When he is replaced by that machine he must enter and compete in a job market which is already overcrowed with a qualified and unemployed work force.

One can be assured that the predictable outcome of the activities of the United Farm Workers and the Teamsters will be an industrialized agriculture in California.

Industrialized agriculture will displace hundreds of thousands of workers.

Just as the invention of the mechanical cotton picker and the depression started a depletion of millions of Negroes to the North, so will the combination of urbanization and capital substitution create a large exodus of Mexican-Americans from rural and suburban areas to the urban ghettos.

One cannot believe that Annette Jarvis's support of UFW is anything but a well intentioned desire to help improve the lot of all farm workers, as well as that of the remaining operations of the "family farm." Accordingly, one should consider the totality of the problem and review the economic and social validity of a course of action which treats the symptom rather than the disease.

Thanking you for your consideration,

Ralph P. Lovechetti

A closer look

Editor:

I can agree with one point Alison Harvey made in her Wednesday editorial: the giving of 50 per cent A's, B's and C's does not prove that "an extensive amount of learning is taking place.

If federal mill inspectors graded 95 per cent of all beef as "prime," we would be justified in suspecting that a great deal of utility grade beef was being mislabeled.

Her other assertions are shallow, hasty generalizations and old truths served up with an earful of sophomoric sound. She believes that those who can, do, and that those who can't- teach- a tired old adage. Does Ms. Harvey believe every slogan she hears?

In fact, a great many of the facts she has had experience in business, government and business. Does she think they were all fired before they took up teaching? What does she expect the teachers of humanities, such as historians, to "do," make history?

Their role is principally to foster an awareness of our past and our potential, an awareness of who and what we are as inheritors of our cultural tradition. Apparently, Ms. Harvey is not interested.

She seems to think it a bad thing that students can get good grades by telling the teacher what he wants to hear.

In most disciplines (note the word!) there is a validated subject matter. The teacher's job is to teach it, and questions can be seen in perspective only against this background.

As long as the instructor does not require the student to accept his private interpretations of disputable points, he is entitled to ask students to show that they have learned the subject matter. Is the history of the United States irrelevant to Ms. Harvey? She prates about some shadowy entity, "real learning." What is it?

She only says that it is "interesting." Unlike the things she learned in school, those things can be practiced and used by everyone. It is the type of learning that gets kids interested in school.

Who are these "professionals?" Didn't they, in fact, learn those same things? Does she think that they regret the things they learned? When she says she only wants "real learning," what is it? She only says that it is "interesting." Unlike the things she learned in school, those things can be practiced and used by everyone.

Sincerely,

Charles Wm. Strong

Slogans

Editor:

I am writing this letter in regards to the speech given by Frank Fitzsimmons. I do not feel that the Mustang Daily is being democratic in their articles and coverage regarding the issue.

I thought the character of a good newspaper was its ability to present the whole story, not a biased one-sided report. I would hope to see a more accurate report of the whole story, rather than the tactical use of slanting journalism practices.

The Mustang tried to make Fitzsimmons look like someone he isn't. Anyone who was there knew that he avoided the whole issue. Instead of presenting facts and related information, he devoted his whole speech time to a slanderous attack upon Cesar Chaves and the Mexican people.

He devoted his whole efforts to verbally painting a picture of the whole farm worker movement as being communist supported. And those who didn't support the UFW as being good Americans.

I always thought that the good Americans who founded this country were the ones who were willing to fight for their rights, freedom of thought and speech. Even against such powers as the crown of England and the Teamsters.

I considered Fitzsimmons speech to be insidious and degrading of my character and intelligence.

I thought that his use of McCarthy tactics was outdated and irrelevant. The issue was not whether the UFW movement was communist or not, but whether the rights of the workers were being denied.

All in all, it was very disappointing with Mr. Fitzsimmon's speech.

I truly thought that a man of his fame and ability would have been able to present a more intelligent speech than he did. It is a shame that one so potentially informative as Mr. Fitzsimmons had to be such a rip-off.

I sincerely hope that the next time a speaker of such stature is brought to the university, we will reflect the character and person he is.

Thank-you,

Richard Avila

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Emeritus honors granted

Eight persons who have retired from university service since the close of Fall Quarter in 1987 have been designated as emeritus members of the faculty and staff by university Prov. Dr. Robert E. Kennedy.

Emeritus members of the community are granted certain rights, privileges and benefits that include library services, use of staff dining facilities, campus parking privileges and use of the campus transportation system. The music of Tim Weisberg and his duo of Baird and Rodney will be presented in Chumash Auditorium of the University Union on Saturday, March 8 at 8 p.m.

The city Insures that the exhibit will Include works of painting, drawing, ceramics, sculpture, photography and metalworking. Erin Weisberg is a well-known flutist who displays a combination of rock and jazz. Since first receiving recognition at the Monterey Jazz Festival in 1969, he has released four albums and played with such acts as Focus, Davis Mason, the Mahavishnu Orchestra and Paul Butterfield. He has also appeared on television program "Midnight Special." The sound of John Baird and Mark Rodney is "folk-jazz" as they both sing and play acoustic guitars. The duo has been touring the United States playing Carnegie Hall, Bitter End, Fein Forum, and Troubadour.

Art work by 16 faculty and staff members of Cal Poly's Art Department will be displayed from Monday, March 10 through Friday, April 11 in the University Union Galerie. Titled "Assembled," the exhibit will include works of painting, drawing, ceramics, sculpture, photography and metalworking. The low cost Veteran Group Life Insurance program can provide as much coverage as did the BGLI program, and can be converted into commercial coverage at expiration, as BGLI was. It cannot be purchased in an amount greater than the amount of BGLI previous, held at the time of separation. The BGLI program is available to all veterans regardless of service branches. More information and applications can be obtained from the Vet Rep's office in University Union Rm. 106.

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VETERANS

Veterans separated between April 5, 1970 and August 1, 1974, can now obtain up to a five-year extension on Servicemen's Group Life Insurance (SOLI) coverage. The low cost Veteran Group Life Insurance program can provide as much coverage as did the BGLI program, and can be converted into commercial coverage at expiration, as BGLI was. It cannot be purchased in an amount greater than the amount of BGLI previous, held at the time of separation.

The BGLI program is available to all veterans regardless of service branches. More information and applications can be obtained from the Vet Rep's office in University Union Rm. 106.
Mustang netters whip Fresno State

Fresno State was the latest victim of the Mustang netters Tuesday by an 8-1 score. The win gave Ed Jorgenson’s crew a 4-1 mark for the season.

70 G price tag on latest Rolls model

LONDON (UPI) — Rolls-Royce unveiled its latest model Wednesday, a two-door sedan. The price tag said $90,900, making it the world's most expensive production automobile.

But wait, the salesman said, the price includes taxes. And, he added, if you've got the money to pay for it and at least a year to wait for delivery, you'll be happy to know it gets 14 miles per gallon.

The Shah of Iran and 119 others are in line ahead of you for the new Camargue so, since it takes six months to make one and only one or two are coming off the line weekly, you had better hurry.

Pete Lambert opened the rout with a 6-3, 6-4 win. Jim Martin won his match 6-4, 6-4. Tom Zurn was a victor 6-2, 6-1. Craig Parson won easily 6-3, 6-1 and Charles Doussien came away a winner 7-6, 6-3.

The Mustangs only loss came in the third singles match where Lou Brewer defeated Mustang Rudy Van Solinge 6-3, 6-3.

In doubles competition Lambert and Martin defeated Fresno’s Dennis Alexander and John Davis 6-4, 4-6. Zurn and Parson beat Brewer and Larry Douglass 7-6, 7-6. Van Solinge and Doussien also won 6-1, 6-1 over Gary Fagilage and Dave Comb.

The Mustangs will try for their third singles match where Lou Brewer defeated Mustang Rudy Van Solinge 6-3, 6-3.

The Mustangs ran their record to 3-1 Monday by defeating Cal State Bakersfield 3-0. Fresno State will travel to Fresno State Friday.

Fresno State upset the Mustang bandwagon Tuesday by sweeping a doubleheader from the high-flying Cal Poly team. The Bulldogs won 9-0 and 5-0.

The Mustangs had been riding a 10-game win streak, so they followed Saturday’s sweep of Cal Poly with a 9-0 victory over the Mustangs Wednesday. The Mustangs played Stanford Wednesday and are at University of Pacific today.