Examining The Health Center

See Story
The Handicapped

Considering Cal Poly's popularity, most students who manage to enroll at the university figure they have it made.

For the handicapped, however, admission to the university only means they have passed the first of a long line of battles. For them, the uphill struggle against architectural barriers can prove tougher than the academic battle.

To help them along the way Student Community Services offers the Disabled Student Service, an organisation which aims to help both permanently and temporarily disabled in their journey toward graduation. Sometimes this trip can be more circuitous for the handicapped than for the majority of students.

English major John Hougham, who travels about in a wheelchair, said in a Mustang Daily story that ramps on campus are poorly located. The state has allocated $187,750 to Cal Poly for the removal of architectural barriers to comply with the 1972 American Standards Building Code. Some of this money should go toward relocating the ramps to expedite the mobility of the handicapped. It has taken society a long time to recognize curb cuts and lighted stairways are poorly located. The state has provided long overdue funds for overhauling architectural barriers. Susie Littlefield, an animal science major and member of the Disabled Student Service, pointed out in the Mustang Daily story that students can help out by volunteering their services to the organization by calling 546-2476. Offering a helping hand can be more than just a step for a volunteer but a giant leap for a handicapped person.

At this point, it would be unfortunate to totally change the rules of the game in midcampaign, and there are strong arguments for giving the new law a chance. But there are several serious questions that have been raised by a coalition of politicians and constitutional experts who represent a broad spectrum of political thought, and these questions need to be quickly answered.

The 1947 act sets limits on contributions and expenditures for national office, requires strict reporting procedures, and provides public financing for presidential candidates.

Opponents say that limiting the size of individual contributions violates the constitutional rights of free speech and work to the disadvantage of independent candidates who often must rely on several large donations to get their campaign started. Full disclosure, it is argued, inhibits individual donors. At the same time, the law does not address advantages now held by incumbents, and these advantages are emphasized by restrictions limiting incumbents and challengers alike.

We continue to support the basic concepts of limits to campaign spending and general disclosure of where a politician's campaign funds originate. Given the history of wrongdoing during the 1976 elections and the convictions that resulted, we cannot agree with those who equate the giving of money to a politician with the exercise of free speech. And, too, as former Watergate special prosecutor Archibald Cox said, "the arms race of political contributions" must be curbed to lessen the influence of political money on the operation of government. But the present limit of $100 for anonymous donors might be raised substantially (say, to $500), so long as there is no assurance that such contributions necessarily represented the hidden buying of favors in government. And as long as larger donations are fully disclosed, the $1,000 ceiling on individual donations might be raised to allow donors of greater means to more fully express their political preferences.

At the same time, limits on overall spending (as included in the new law) could often incumbents' ability to attract more money and the advantages that come with already holding office.

The basic purposes of the Federal Election Campaign Act — reducing the potentially corrupting influence of money and making the whole campaign process more open — still are valid. It remains for the Supreme Court to decide how those goals can best be met.

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by STEVE SEYBOLD
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Associated Students Inc. Films Committee override on Oct. 28 veto to show the x-rated film, "Emmanuelle," was next quarter, how the Kiting into motion the Tueaday and voted 19-6 to retain its advisor's veto.

The veto is an automatic procedure for any x-rated film chosen by the Films Committee. In a memo to the Films Committee, adviser San Spoden said his decision was "based upon my understanding of University policy regarding the exhibition of x-rated films on campus."

Bay Group To Rock Sunday

Tower of Power will provide a rhythm and blues concert as the final fling before final examinations at City College.

The San Francisco Bay Area band, group, who emerged on the popular scene during the hard rock of the 1960s, will appear in Civic Auditorium at 7 and 10:30 p.m.

Ken Gordon, student chairman of the Concert Committee of the Associated Students, Inc., says the over 1,000-olds from the surrounding community are invited to share in the concert.

Tickets are now on sale at the information desk in the lower center of the Vet Hall.

Tickets are now on sale for the Jester's Ball, a fund raising dinner and dance for the Central Rehabilitation Clinic, to be held Saturday at San Luis Obispo Vets Hall at 8 p.m.

The Pow'r River Dinner Band and the Gourmet College will provide the dance music. Guitarist Steve Miller, direct from an L.A. concert at the Troubadour in Los Angeles, will play along with classical harpist Darlene Miller and the San Luis Jazz Orchestra.

The ball will have a Medieval theme, with costumes optional. Games and booths typical of that time will be found downstairs in the "lower center" of the Vet Hall.

Xmas Gifts For The Less Fortunate

Christmas dinner and toys under traditional in many American homes. Times being what they are, though, some families have to do without these holiday basics this year.

Not so in San Luis Obispo if Grass Roots II has something to do with it.

The social service agency, located at 126 South Archer, is collecting toys from community members and individual donors, for children of low-income families.

A parent wanting to give a present but unable to afford it may call Grass Roots and explain that type of gift is wanted.

With luck and the Christmas spirit, the parents will be able to wrap the gift at the Grass Roots office and take a present home. Donations are also being accepted for the Christmas Basket fund which will provide needy families with pie, vegetables, and turkey with all the trimmings.

Last year a student donated $70 to the fund. The money bought Christmas dinner for 22 families.

If It rains, well celebrate on Dec. 13 and 14.

XFilm Veto Overridden

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Administrative bulletin 09-4 of the Campus Ad-

ministrative Manual states, "The decision of the Review Board is final for all practical purposes since it represents the best judgement of democratically selected representatives of the three major segments of the total com-
paign, community, However, the President retains the right to refuse to accept the Review Board's recommendation or veto its proposed action."

The Review Board will decide if the film fulfills the guidelines, which justify showing it on campus.

The Review Board must find such things as "socially redeeming value" in the film. Films Committee Chair-

man Jim Fauster said, "It is my understanding that the Review Board should be set up within a week or so to decide on the issue. If it takes much longer than that, we'll lose the film game."

If history sets the precedent, however, it may take much longer than "a week or so."

In December 1972 the ASI Films Committee chose the "Best of the First Annual New York Erotic Film Festival" for the next quarter. After overriding its advisor's veto, it took four months until the Review Board was called together to disapprove the film.

"Emmanuelle" is a French film of a young woman prompted by her husband to explore the avenues of an "open marriage" and eroticism.
Health Center Diagnosis

An Examination Of Cal Poly's New Student Hospital

After Its First Full Year In The Health Business

Getting sick or injured is almost bearable three days for Poly students. Students, Poly medical personnel and professionals from San Luis hospitals have expressed their respect for the Health Center both as a modern medical facility and as a treatement center.

Prior to last year, when students needed medical attention they were forced to use a rather shady arrangement dividedly overcrowed and outdated health facility.

But a million-dollar addition to the 15-year-old Health Center has changed all that. The ultramodern addition completed in Sept. 1974, has brought the latest in medical technology and treatments to aiding Poly students.

The reception lounge, offices and treatment centers maning the interior facilities, have plush, bright decor—vivid purple and yellow walls, burnt orange carpeting and royal blue lounge chairs suggesting a hotel rather than a medical complex. Music filters through the hushed corridors, adding to the physical sensation of under the great patient waiting their turns.

Dr. Billy Mounts, director of Poly's Health Center, has visited health centers at other colleges throughout the state and admitted that some are more lavish. But quickly added, "But I wouldn't trade with them."

The two-story addition increases the Health Center by 19,000 square feet to a total of 31,500 square feet, more than doubling its original size. It is designed to serve a maximum of 16,000 students.

Mounts, who has been at the Health Center for 20 years, is proud of the new facility and especially satisfied with the additional space it provides:

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Health Services Assistant David Graham is proud of the fact that the Health Center provides modern diagnostic equipment and adequate space to accommodate the university's unprecedented maximum enrollment.

"I think we're the only service on campus where the patients meet the needs of all our students," said Graham.

The addition, which is entirely student-financed, includes examination and consultation suites for each physician, expanded diagnostic x-ray department, physical therapy room, clinical laboratory, administrative and clerical offices and physicians' conference room.

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Maountain said that, in the planning stage, there had been some disagreements between the medical staff and the architects.

"The staff was thinking in terms of function, and the architect was thinking in terms of aesthetics." Mounts gave credit for solving the difference of opinions to the campus facility planner, Peter Phillips.

Consequently, the staff—everyone from the physicians to the nurses and lab technicians—is very satisfied with their new facility. They work in attractive, quiet, spacious surroundings conducive to efficiency.

Mr. Laris Larson, a registered nurse in the new infirmary, pointed out the differences of opinions to the campus facility planner, Peter Phillips.

Dr. Andrea Brauninger is co-director of La Femme Clinic (women's medicine). She said that the new facility "is functioning very well, and I am very pleased with the new building. It is meets the needs of the staff and students."

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The Original Facility

constructed in 1969, now houses a 30-bed infirmary, a gynecology room, pharmacy, mental health clinic, new oral health program and physicians' library.

Designed by an architect who previously had no experience with medical facilities, the new addition would be expected to have some layout or structural problems.

But Graham is pleasantly surprised with the structure's design, and says that problems have only been minor.

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She says some architects students are working on a new directional system that will tie the old facility to the new one.

Although Mounts is happy with the new addition, he is still not completely satisfied with the Health Center as a whole. "We are improving, but we have not arrived. I don't think this is the ultimate," Mounts said.

He regrets that the emergency entrance was relocated, "The emergency traffic pattern has been completely changed. It took some readjustment. This has been a problem and continues to be one."

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Mrs. Larson, R.N., cited several programs that have been added since the new facility was built, including a new oral health program, nutrition counseling by a nurse-practitioner, La Femme clinic for women, a course in human sexuality taught by the doctors and a self help clinic.

Mrs. Larson is director of Triage, another innovation at the Center. Triage is a French word meaning "sorting".

It is a halfway point designed to handle students who do not have appointments. Each student is first seen by one of four nurses who examine him and analyze his symptoms.

If a x-ray or lab work is indicated, the student is sent to the appropriate station before he consults with a physician. This saves time and footwork for the doctor, and minimizes the student's waiting period.

Mrs. Larson pointed out Cal Poly is the first state university to employ the Triage concept, and this other schools are beginning to inquire about it and pattern their centers after ours.

THE EMPHASIS AT the Health Center is now on preventive medicine.

Last year, for the first time, the Health Center sponsored a Well Day Program designed to inform students and the community of the preventative medicine programs at Poly.

Booths were set up to demonstrate aspects as oral health, women's medicine, first aid and safety, physical fitness, allergy control, blood pressure, and physical exams. The "Go To Health" buttons passed out were particularly popular.

Educating the student about health problems and ways to prevent the symptoms are a priority of the Health Center according to Mrs. Larson.

Pharmacist Bennett summed it up: "This is a part of their education, but the students don't realize it. It's a halfway point in their lives between mother and down-town." (the outside world) Bennett said.

San Luis Obispo hospital administrators concurred with the Health Center staff in supporting the effectiveness of the new, expanded structure.

A year has passed since the addition of the new artery was added. The medical complex reflecting the injection of new equipment and space is thriving with renewed efficiency.

Although minor structural malfunctions need remedi­ing, the basic building facility has been diagnosed and cured by those that know best, the ailing student.
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White House Press Secretary Ron Nessen also confirmed there would be no communication to mark any new breakthroughs in U.S.-Chinese relations at the close of Ford's visit, but he insisted the mission produced many "good signs" that should offset skeptical questioning of this development. "Every public sign has been a good sign," Nessen told reporters at the end of the third of Ford's four days in Peking. "There have been no bad signs."

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Cramming: The Final Act

by STEVEN SEYBOLD Daily Staff Writer

With finals week upon us once more, many students begin cramming 10 weeks after the last test. The methods students use for their own test vary from class to class, but few methods are as effective as study groups.

The study group allows students to get the help they need to prepare for their exams. It also provides an opportunity for students to learn from each other and to share their knowledge.

Students who use study groups report that they are more likely to succeed on their exams than those who study alone. Study groups also provide a more enjoyable and less stressful learning environment.

In conclusion, study groups are an effective way for students to prepare for their exams. They provide a more enjoyable and less stressful learning environment, and they allow students to learn from each other.

Christina Collins, a senior in Animal Science and Sociology, said, "I think study groups are a great way to learn.$
Poly Cagers To Host Aggie Invitational

by JON HASTINGS
Daily Sports Editor

I am glad to see the Cal Poly Athletic Dept. knows how to schedule a basketball tournament.

Whoever is in charge of scheduling deserves a few marathons this weekend. Stanislav State, Occidental and U.S. International will be invading the men's gym this Friday and Saturday to compete in the sixth annual Aggie Invitational.

Stanislav! Occidental! U.S.I!? That's right, and that's how home teams are supposed to host basketball tournaments. After all, it is no fun watching the championship game from the bleachers. I mean, you don't see UCLA inviting the Lakers to its tourney.

Eerie Wheeler's undefeated eagles should have little trouble with Occidental Friday and just as easy of a time Saturday night in the finals. But, like any coach, Wheeler has to call Occidental, Stanislav and USIU line basketball teams. Occidental and USIU are good basketball teams for their division, but they are just not on the same level as the Mustangs.

So the closer game this weekend could be when the Poly junior varsity hosts Harbor JC in the Friday preliminary at 9:30 p.m.

Even though Cal Poly should run away with the tourney title, sometimes it isn't all that easy. The football team should have beaten Nevada, Reno. But if the Mustangs show up on time and play reasonably inspired basketball, they should have little trouble.

Wheeler's crew will be playing a tough schedule and they deserve a piece of cake tourney like this.

With the likes of Washington State, Memphis State and Cal State LA ahead of them, the team needs a little morale booster. Winning a tournament, no matter how weak, has got to give them a shot in the arm. Currently the Mustangs are playing as if they don't need any shots. Gerald Jones, Andre Keys and Paul Mills all scored and rebounded at will in victories over San Francisco State and U.C. Davis last week.

Jones had 27 points in the San Francisco game while Keys led all scores with 16 against Davis. Mills was in double trouble figures in both games.

If the Mustangs receive the same kind of effort this weekend the referees might have to stop the games on TKO's. But, you take them when you get them, and the Mustangs should get two this weekend.

'All' Film Set For Monday

A film of the Muhammad Ali-Joe Fraizer title bout in Manila will be shown on Monday Dec. 8.

Sponsored by the Ethnic Programming Board of Cal Poly's Associated Students, Inc., the film will be shown at four different times in Chumash Auditorium of the Julian A. McPhee University Union.

The public is invited. Admission will be $1.25 for university students and $2.00 for all others. Tickets will be on sale one half hour before the showings.

Film times will be 6 p.m.; 7:30 p.m.; 9 p.m.; and 10:30 p.m.

The film was obtained from the headquarters of Muhammad Ali by the Black student representatives on the Ethnic Programming Board. It is slated for release on television in 1978.

The fight, the second championship match between Fraizer and Ali, was won in the United States on closed circuit television only.