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Registering the blues

by CRAIG BEEM
Daily Student Editor

Much like the loss of death, monitors walked the wooden gangplank, checking out classes with such speed, that three unfortunate students signing up last for winter quarter classes registered nothing more than a look of weariness. A look at the infamous cancellation board at 3 p.m. showed nearly 75 percent of classes offered at Cal Poly were closed. The classes still open did not seem to mean much to anyone.

Brian Sears, an Agricultural Management major, was sitting disconsolately watching the board. He would not register until 4:30 p.m. — dead last.

"Right now I've got one class out of four," he said, "I'm just trying to figure out what to do.

For Sears, there is nothing available in his major. He has taken all his support classes, like chemistry and math. What is bothersome to him is that he is depending on veteran's benefits to get through Poly. To be eligible for such benefits, he needs a minimum of 18 units. And he cannot substitute benefit courses such as physical education because he would lose his eligibility.

"I wanted to take accounting, stats, ag econ, all of which were closed," he said.

"I could go to Cuesta and take equivalent courses. That's the only option I have. I'm not going to rely on going around and trying to add, which I'll try anyway.

Sears was "pretty disappointed" when he realized he was registering last. He tried to change times with a friend, who had an earlier time and wasn't attending school this quarter. But that idea fell through.

"I tried to be a monitor in previous quarters," Sears said, "but I understand there's a waiting list and it's pretty hard to get in.

Asked if he had any suggestions as to the registering process, Sears said:

"I don't think this system of registering is the best," she continued. "They should use computers. They are more efficient. But is there a fair way to register to make everyone happy? I don't think so.

Inside the Physical Education building, the monitors responsible for handing out pulled cards are also the ones who must close out a class when the cards are exhausted. The monitors are first hand the faces of hopeful students who have just been shut out.

One monitor, Paul Young, said he had heard nothing from students "but a bunch of dirty words. I'm just not going to be so easy on them, that's all — except the pretty ones.

Asked how the monitors react to a closed class, Young said:

"Skeptical. They just stand there with their mouth open. Disbelieving is the exact word." (Continued on page 6)

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Central Coast to become recycling testing ground

by EDGIE IBAIDOLASA
Daily Staff Writer

The environmental zone of the nation will be located on the central coast as San Luis Obispo becomes a guinea pig for project SOROT, the Separation Office for Recycling Trash, in April.

The recycling experiment differs from other projects, marking the first time that a federally funded recycling project—employing the services of a private refuse handler—has been used in a rural setting.

Community members will be requested to voluntarily separate newspapers, aluminum cans, glass and tin cans from their perishable trash in which it is set out to be collected. Separate trucks will pick up the two piles of trash with the recyclable items being shipped to special locations.

The Environmental Protection Agency is contributing $45,000 for the project, with $85,000 of it going to a technical consulting service in Long Beach. The county is pitching in $19,962.

Local coordination of the activities will be done by ECO-SLO, San Luis Obispo's environmental agency. Cal Poly's Natural Resources Management Club, the Environmental Science and Engineering Club, representatives from the journalism department and all other interested persons are also being asked to become involved in advisory, educational and publicity capacities.

This project was developed due to a state mandate requiring each county in California to reduce the amount of land used for landfill by 25 per cent by 1985. At the moment, project SOROT is in the planning stages. According to Connor, they are in the process of finding markets for recyclable items, investigating acquisition of equipment, making maps and route studies and laying groundwork for community education and publicity.

SOKT has been successful in Downey, Calif., as well as Somerville and Marblehead in Massachusetts. "The goal in these cities was to break even with the project," Connor said. "But I feel that breaking even is not enough. If we can put money back into the project and back into the community, then so much the better." If SOROT proves to be economical in San Luis Obispo, then the idea will be tried elsewhere in the country.

Rare books donated to Poly library

Twelve volumes of rare old books have been received by the library at Cal Poly Condoned by Mrs. Carolyn W. Amorean, as books in two volumes from 1803 to 1816 Wallace Obispo ob­ tained from a small local volume of scarce and unique works. The time that was, and after it was using there.

"I pooled them up in a general area, and she said to me, 'I want to do something with them.'" We said, 'Let's see, and now and then we are using them.'

"The sides consist of 'Our Country,"' by Wilmett Morgan, Bell.


Also included was a volume of custom bindings from 1779 to 1816. The carved wooden cover are pages of dried and pressed specimens.

According to Dr. Norman Alexander, chairman of the university library, the books will be placed in the Special Collections area of the library under careful supervision.

"We have plans for a Rare Book Room where people can sit and read those books in comfort and they will be well supervised," Alexander said.

The collection is comprised of professional artists who exhibit regularly in galleries and museums throughout the country, and the arts exhibit is one stop on many of the artists' itineraries for 1977.

"Faculty Meeting" will be held on Jan. 26 in the Gallery is open Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 12 midnigh.t; Friday, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.; Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m.; and Sunday from 11 a.m. to 12 midnight.

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**Power systems seminar**
Robert Edgil of Southern California Edison Co. will speak at a seminar in power systems sponsored by the Electrical Power Systems Seminars. The topic of his speech will be "Electric Utility Power Systems Planning." There is no admission charge and refreshments will be served.

**Chess tournament**
The Caliwa Chess Club of Cal Poly is sponsoring a chess championship to determine the top player on campus. The tournament will be held Jan. 8 and Jan. 9, beginning at 9:30 a.m., in Room 112 of the Mathematics and Home Economics Building. There is $1 entry fee and players must join or be members of the U.S. Chess Federation.

**Cuesta jazz ensemble**
A multi-screen slide presentation of the Cuesta College Jazz Ensemble appearance at the Monterey Jazz Festival in Switzerland will be shown at the college Jan. 8 at 8 p.m. and Jan. 9 at 2 p.m. in Science Forum 3101. The program is open to the public without admission fee.

**Weekend workshop**
The ASI Human Understanding and Growth Committee is sponsoring a weekend workshop on Jan. 12 and 13 at Casa Penelope in Cambria. All interested faculty and staff of Cal Poly are invited to attend. The workshop is aimed at teaching group dynamics, self-awareness and leadership skills.

Sign-ups start Jan. 10 at the University Union ticket booth. Lodging and meals are available for $30 per person. An additional $6.50 will be paid by the ASI for those who register by Jan. 9. For more information, contact the Activities Planning Center at 546-5909.

**Poly Phase**
The Poly Phase textbook exchange will be open in the Musings Lounge in the University Union from Jan. 4 through Jan. 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

**Art exhibition**
The San Luis Obispo Art Association is presenting an exhibition of paintings by Leon and Chester Amyx, father and son professional artists. The senior Amyx lives and teaches in Salinas, while Chester lives in Moor Bay, teaching painting, drawing and design at Cuesta College.

The Amyx show will be on display in the Gray Wing of the Art Center, 1010 Broad St. from Jan. 9 through Feb. 13.

**Don Pasquale**
Western Opera Theater, the acclaimed touring company of the San Francisco Opera, will present Donizetti's "Don Pasquale" on Jan. 14. The Cuesta College Community Services event will be at 8 p.m. in the college auditorium.

Admission will be $5 for adults and $2 for students and children. Tickets are available at Brown's Music in San Luis Obispo, Ascadero Pharmacy, Arroyo Drug, Pianist's Music in Morro Bay and Paso Robles and the Cuesta College Community Services Office.

**Guitarist in concert**
Classical guitarist Peer Madlem will appear Jan. 8 at 8 p.m. in the Cuesta College Auditorium. General admission will be $2 and $1 for students and children.

**New chief named for Poly bookstore**
Ivan L. Sanderson, general manager of the San Francisco State University Bookstore since 1976, has been appointed manager of the El Korral Bookstore at Cal Poly Foundation Board of Directors.

Sanderson will succeed Mary L. Green, who will retire in Jan. 1980, after 25 years of service to Cal Poly, including the last nine years as bookstore manager.

Dr. Robert E. Kennedy, president of the Foundation Board of Directors, emphasized that Sanderson comes to Cal Poly with many years of university bookstore experience.

"Prior to his position at the San Francisco State University Bookstore, Sanderson served over two years as manager of the Stanford University Bookstore," Kennedy said.

"He also served 18 years at Brigham Young University Bookstore as branch store manager and while at BYU, he was a member of the religious education faculty and served as assistant director of religious education."

Kennedy also noted Sanderson's "outstanding leadership skills, which he brought to the position of College Store manager and while at BYU."

Sanderson, University of California at Berkeley graduate, is a member of the National Association of College Stores (NACS) Management Seminar and is a consultant on NACS Advanced Management Seminar at Harvard University.

**Registering only blues**
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Karen Gorry, another monitor, said, "A lot of students have come in with empty things (packets) and tried to get what they can take. It's like the last class before final exams are closed.

Rookie Fox explained that students respond in different ways to closed classes.
"They'll come in here and some will be nice and some won't. But it's nothing we can handle. If it's closed off, I can't let them back in. A lot of students say they can back off or talk to the instructor or administration."

"What really gets them mad," Fox concluded, "is when somebody gets the last card right before they take it. Nobody wants to go to the administration or say, 'Why not? That's their favorite line.'"

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Former Cal Poly cowboy earns third consecutive all around world's title

Tom Ferguson, a former member of the Cal Poly rodeo team, won his third consecutive world's all around cowboy title during the national finals of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association in Oklahoma City, Ok., Dec. 8-11. Ferguson outpointed all other performers in the contest, earning $9,000 more than the nearest contender.

This was the first time the world titles were determined on the results of the national finals alone. The more than $9,000 earned by Ferguson at the finals brought his season total earnings to $88,000, the most ever earned by a cowboy in the history of professional rodeo in the United States.

Ferguson had set the previous record of $62,250 in 1974. Although Ferguson, who turned 26 years old on Monday Dec. 19, was the top money winner in the finals, he failed to capture a world title in his two events, calf roping and steer wrestling.

In addition to the cash awards, Ferguson won a new pickup truck and a saddle. The supplemental Winston awards—presented to performers at mid-season, at the end of the regular season and during the finals, will bring the Poly alum's earnings to more than $130,000 for the year.

Cal Poly's other contender for the world's title, Bob Berger of Norman, Ok., was thrown from two bulls and lost his chance at the title.

Ferguson, who made his home in San Martin when he attended Cal Poly from 1969-73, was a member of three Cal Poly national champion collegiate rodeo teams—1970, 1971 and 1972.

In earning his record earnings, Ferguson participated in 110 rodeos and the national finals. He traveled more than 100,000 miles during the 1976 season.

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Women roundballers regroup after three-week holiday

by EDDIE FALLS

Daily Sports Editor

Already winning as many as they did all last year, the women's basketball team prepares for next week's game against Westmont.

Head Coach Mary Mantland thought they have the best Coach Mary has not played a game since the Cal Poly Pomona Invitational Dec. 11. Although far from perfect, she doesn't think it will hurt the team.

"I don't think it will affect us," said Stallard. "I would have liked to have played a game this weekend. I won't let it happen again when it's time to schedule. But I don't think it will hurt us. We had a strong, good workout and the girls looked good.

Poly, having come off a dismal season last year, seems to have turned things around. Stallard's team is 4-3 so far and continues to improve.

"The first win was the key," said Stallard. "The girls from last year had to know they were winners." Poly is not a tall team. There is no woman over 6 feet. So Stallard has to rely on quickness and shooting. If those two elements aren't present then trouble brews.

"In three of our losses we had a cold period that lasted (Continued on page 8)
Mustangs seek remedy before league opens

by KEVIN FALLS
Daily Sports Writer

Although their record may indicate otherwise, the Mustangs haven't all that bad.

Since the season is still young, one can still call it a run-in with some tough luck. Full of confidence after winning four of five games at the season's outset, the Mustangs hit the road for the first time on the road trip. They didn't win a game, but Head Coach Ernie Wheeler, remembering a loosing streak that killed his team last year after a fine start, is not ready to push any panic buttons.

"I want the people on this campus to know that we played three Division I schools on that road trip," said Wheeler. "We were within five points in the third quarter and we have an extra week of preparation. They blew us out of the gym."

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Women ready after long holiday layoff

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