Students to lose off-campus parking

BY JAY ALLING
Summer Mustang Editor

A residential, preferential parking district near Cal Poly’s south perimeter will have little effect on the campus.

That is the view of Cal Poly President Warren J. Baker, who said the residential district approved last week by the City Council can be offset by parking already available on campus.

The district—made up of Grand Avenue, Frederick Street, Bond Street, Hathaway Avenue, Langview Lane and Black Street—restricts parking there to residents with proper decals. The decals can be purchased by home owners in the district for $2. Guest passes can be reserved for $3.

Council voted 4-1 for the district upon request of residents who will be affected. Councilman Allen Bond was the lone dissenter.

San Luis Obispo Police Chief Roger L. Newman said Wednesday the department often receives complaints of illegal parking from home owners in the district. He said because the streets are narrow, driving in the district has been hazardous when parking spaces are full.

"We have had a lot of problems and a lot of complaints and I think it is worthwhile trying to experiment up there," said Newman.

The police chief said merits of the district will be evaluated at the end of the year. There is no way of predicting cost and effectiveness of the zone until then, he added.

However, Phillips estimated about 300 people related to Cal Poly park in the district daily. Of those, he said about 95 percent will purchase stickers for campus parking.

"The impact will not be great," said Phillips, referring to the transition of parking on campus.

"We do have advantageous space, but the spaces are not where people want to park," Phillips said. Cal Poly master plan calls for eventually making additional parking by paving over the baseball field near the Robert H. Kennedy Library.

New president takes trail west toward Cal Poly

Like the offers of the mid-1960s, newly appointed Cal Poly President Warren J. Baker has packed up and left California.

Baker, along with his family, loaded two vans last week and left Detroit for Cal Poly. He said they will probably arrive here today or Friday.

For more than two months, Baker said he has prepared to move Cal Poly problems. He also said he had to stay up late into the night before leaving his post as vice president of University of Detroit.

"Although I am fairly up-to-date on most of the major issues at Cal Poly, I'll work until I arrive to make any decisions. I know a lot of controversial issues were left up in the air when President Kennedy left," Baker said.

"I think it's a mistake to make changes too quickly," he added.

In addition to appointments already scheduled, Baker said he wants to meet with faculty, members and students soon after he begins his first work in the president's office starting Monday.

"I haven't talked to the students very much, other than the few days I spent on campus," he said. "The quality of the student body seems to be very worthwhile."

Baker said he was also impressed with Cal Poly's approach to education.

"The cooperative education philosophy especially struck me."

His children are looking forward to living in California, although they have never been here before. Baker said. The Bakers lived on the East Coast while Baker taught at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and Baker said they prefer either coast to living in Michigan.

The president and his wife, Carri, have four children: Carrie, 16; Kristen, 11; Christopher, 9; and Brian, 7.

"My oldest daughter will be a junior in high school in the fall and it has been a little difficult for her," Baker said. "I'm sure she'll adjust."

The Bakers said they plan to move into the president's house on campus by Monday when a moving van will arrive with their possessions.

According to Richard Tartaglia, Plant Operations chief in charge of maintenance, few if any changes will be made to the house vacated by former President Robert Kennedy. Only minor maintenance work such as general ground work and some interior cleanup will be done to prepare for the new president's arrival.

Once Baker moves in, he can have the house altered to suit his tastes, said Tartaglia.
Zoned out

A recent SLO City Council vote took advantage of students who are away for the summer. By a 4-1 vote, the council approved a ban on most parking near the south perimeter of Cal Poly's campus.

The district—formed by Grand Avenue, Hathaway Avenue, Black Street, and Longview Lane and Frederick Street—will prohibit vehicles from parking there without special decals. The decals are to be purchased by residents of the district for $5 a year. Guest passes may also be bought by the residents.

The council vote is disappointing in several ways. About two-thirds of the Cal Poly students are gone for the summer. They had no opportunity to speak out against the district. This is a shoot-the-base-while-he's-not-looking approach to government.

But, that is nothing new to the council which last summer approved the enforcement of the controversial R-1 zoning law while students were away.

This is not to suggest Council business should stop until Cal Poly students return from vacation. Rather, it means council should have more consideration for the students on issues so obviously important to them.

Equally upsetting is the thoughtless logic applied to the parking problem.

Residents of the district complained at the meeting last week that they were unable to park in front of their own houses. While this is an understandable complaint, the homes within the district all have driveways where the residents can park. A two-car family would have no trouble finding space—their driveways are clear.

It was found that the home owners needed extra room for a third or fourth car, then space in front of their home should be made clear. All the houses in the district could have one or two spaces adjacent to their home designated for use by permit only. Arbitrarily sectioning off crucial parking next to the campus just adds to impacted lots there.

Also, the prime time of near-campus parking use is the same as when the majority of classes are offered—during the morning and afternoon. These are the times when, presumably, the residents of those streets are working. When they come home from work, after 6 p.m., most of the parking spaces would be empty.

An analogy to the parking situation would be if residents downtown petitioned to have all parking in front of their homes designated solely for their use. Not only would the buildings be empty, but it would thousands of shoppers who paid to have the streets paved and maintained. People living downtown, they would say, will have to take the good with the bad.

So goes living next to Cal Poly.

What the residents next to the campus should really be upset about is the mandatory five dollar fee for the purchase of their parking space. They may park in front of their own homes.

The extra expenses, along with creating additional paperwork, and increased costs for patrolling for violators, constitutes one of the most outrageous laws since R-1.

The council should amend their ban so as not to prohibit all parking in the district. A few spots, sectioned off in front of each house would better meet the demands of Cal Poly and home owners. The council should meanwhile refrain from action so central to the needs of Cal Poly until the majority of students return.

A name is a name...

What's in a name? About 16 letters in my case. Which is only about too long, I'm thinking of changing my name. To what I don't know. Something short, though. If you've got a name like mine, and not that many people do, you know all the problems, and the two advantages that go with it is that it is longer than the little names on the SAT test.

Not only can people not pronounce it, but most don't even try. The first day of class when the instructor calls the roll he gets to the K in his name start to water. I can see the hump form in his throat.

"Jen..." he says.

"Here," I say, thinking please don't make me pronounce it.

"Would you pronounce that for me?"

"Krietemeyer."

"What?"

"Krietemeyer," I say a little louder. "Boy, that's a tough one. Why don't you just call yourself by your first name?"

Fine.

When I was in high school most of my friends called me Kris. When I came to college it turned to Kriet or Creed and sometimes there was a few other determinants that I can't mention here.

Anyway, you work with the public a long time is usually a hindrance rather than a help. My name tells me it's a good name because it's so unusual people will remember it. In some cases she's right but I really don't understand how people can remember a name that sounds like a few titles.

"Sure I'll have a message with Jeff Smith Agency now," says his secretary.

"Can you spell it for me?"

Buy oui. Not only can I spell it but so can everyone else in the newsroom—they hear me do it 20 times a day.

"I'm thinking I sell to a man who said my name sounded like it should be in the Olympics."

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Corporate connection

Editor:

The recent editorial concerning Chrysler Corporation contained several errors which deserve to be corrected.

A little research, just a walk downtown, would reveal that Chrysler is the only U.S. manufacturer offering a modern domestic luxury car with a limited warranty, and that Chrysler's Fall line offers more high fuel mileage than GM or Ford.

Also, I do not believe you can prove Chrysler's sales projections. They have been advising advertising schemes. I do believe this is what is called "buzz" in journalism class.

Furthermore, Chrysler is not a private corporation, sleep share of its stock have been available from your stockbroker for quite some time.

Lastly, your editorial ended with a value judgment with which I cannot agree. Chrysler is not on its own. Our government holds the automakers in a stranglehold of unnecessary regulation. One cannot sell this system to the public without the benefits of a capitalist system. If our increasingly insensitive government insists on running the auto industry, it must also be prepared to subsidize the losses it incurs by its own shortsightedness. It must also be prepared to risk a depression by allowing the tenth largest company to collapse in work. The need is for a system to work in the market of the automobile industry.

Our Dellouche
Cal Poly radio station, KCPR, was denied its usual share of Interim Departmental Related Activities (IRA) funding for the 1978-79 year after the ASI Finance Committee decided not to support the station, according to Director of Business Affairs James Landreth.

The decision was formally made by a joint session of the Finance Committee and the IRA Advisory Board in May. Landreth said four of the eight members on the IRA board were also on the Finance Committee. He said those four student members "were adamantly opposed," while the other three administrators and one faculty representative making up the Board were "lukewarm." Landreth said they had to go along with the student representatives in order to get a majority.

According to the former president of the IRA Board and member of the Finance Committee Larry Robinson, the Finance Committee felt KCPR did not need any IRA funds since it received $3,000 from an emergency request of the IRA board about two months earlier.

"We felt that we had other priorities," Robinson said. He said the Finance Committee felt the station should support athletics more heavily since it was suffering state budget cuts, as well as fine arts, which has not received any IRA funding recently.

According to Landreth, the Finance Committee felt KCPR was overstating its financial position. He said there was a controversy over the kind and quality of stereo speakers recently purchased by the station, and that the feeling was KCPR bought a "Cadillac" instead of a "Ford."

Dave Zimmerman, general manager of KCPR, sent a memo to the Dean of the school of Communicative Arts and Humanities detailing what the $3,000 was needed for. Those connected funds belonging to the Mustang Daily were given to KCPR after the Finance Committee had reviewed the memo, which contained among other figures, a figure for the cost of speakers and amplifiers to be purchased by KCPR.

"If they wanted to complain about it, they had a lot of time to do it," Zimmerman said of the Finance Committee.

Zimmerman said he did not think the equipment the station bought was more expensive than it needed to be. He said KCPR bought two pairs of JBL speakers, one pair of which was purchased for IRA funding at a cost of $1,900 , as well as an amplifier for $366. Zimmerman said this equipment was purchased at half the normal cost.

"We believe in buying quality and we did—we bought the best we could find," Zimmerman said.

"We were depending on the IRA fund to get us through the year," Zimmerman said. "We feel the IRA committee should support us since we are serving students and not just the Journalism Department," he said.

In cost, KCPR nearly $4,200 to operate for the 1978-79 year, not including the $3,000 it received in emergency funds.

Zimmerman has asked Vice President of Academic Affairs Hazel Jones what could be done to aid the station financially and she said the station could ask for contingency funding from the IRA fund. But Zimmerman said if that were approved, KCPR could only expect to get $1,500 out of a $7,500 balance in that account.
Crystal Gayle performs to lukewarm crowd at fair

BY JIM HENDRY

"Two hours for a dime, a price every time," the carols yelled at the slow-moving crowd as they passed by a portable booth. Only a few, however, stopped to take the long-haired Barker up on his hand-well challenge. Most people were heading towards the Country Fair's Main Grandstand to see the evening's premier attraction, Crystal Gayle.

Gayle, the Outstanding Female Country Vocalist by the Country Music Association and the Academy of Country Music in 1977 and 1978, Gayle draws quite a following in Nude audience even on a Wednesday night in Paso Robles. Shivering a little in the up right air, Gayle pranced on-stage to deliver a hurried country-pop set without a hint of an encore. In fact, some people started leaving before the lights were turned on. It wasn't Gayle's fault, however, it was just that everybody figured that after her hit "Don't It Make My Brown Eyes Blue" there was nothing else.

But the crowd couldn't be disappointed with all of Gayle's performance as she highlighted songs from all of her albums including the platinum "We Must Believe in Magic." Gayle's Nashville-based backing band performed with the smooth air of experienced country performers as the group played loud, but not too loud. After all, about half the crowd was over 40. After only a little over an hour, Gayle raised off-stage to only light applause as most of the crowd poured back out onto the fairgrounds for a quick corndog, a bear and a ride in the pick-up back home.

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