Harris takes over as EE department head

BY LISA SHIDLER Staff Writer

Dr. James G. Harris began his new position as head of the Electronic and Electrical Engineering Department.

Harris was named department head Sept. 1 after being recommended for the post by Dr. Hazel J. Jones, former vice president for academic affairs, and Robert G. Valpey, dean of the School of Engineering and Technology, and a faculty committee.

Harris, 42, believes Cal Poly's Electronic and Electrical Engineering department is successful because of its educational approach, which includes emphasis on design and the use of laboratory vehicles as educational vehicles. He said he believes two trends show the success of the department. One trend is the increasing demand for Poly graduates, as shown by the number of interviews given, which increase every year, according to Harris.

The second trend is the increasing amount of applications from students hoping to get into the department. Harris said two to three years ago, two students applied for every space open, but last year five students applied for the same space.

Harris said he believes Poly's department is successful because the quality of students has increased, shown by SAT scores and grade point averages.

Harris said the most exciting part of engineering is the constant change and improvement in technology, but added this also causes problems for his department. As such, the department curriculum, class content and laboratory equipment must continually be updated. As a result, one of Harris' first short term goals is to review the curriculum and improve it as necessary.

Other problems seen by Harris include the fact that the department is heavily laden with very few assistant professors. However, Harris said the problems at Cal Poly are those facing almost all other EE departments at other colleges.

Harris said he is also concerned with long range goals for the EE department, as well as for Poly as a whole. "Cal Poly is ready for a spur of educational changes and improvements," he said, "but must still retain the traditions that make Poly unique."

One aspect Harris believes Poly should improve is contacts with industry to gain explicit support for programs. In this way, donations of equipment and money, as well as offers of internships for students, would be gained.

Many years of experience preceded Harris' move to Cal Poly. He earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in electrical engineering from the University of California, Berkeley, and his doctorate in 1968 from Syracuse University in New York.

After graduation, he taught full time at Howard University and at Federal City College.

Most recently, Harris was employed by TRW Corporation's Defence and Space Group as the assistant project manager for software development. The new department head is a member of both the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers and the Society of Industrial and Applied Mechanics.

POLITICAL ISSUES TAKE BACK SEAT IN DEBATE

BY KATIE SOWLE Staff Writer

The political issue almost took a back seat in the Kurt Kupper vs. Seastrand debate. The two state assembly hopefuls spent more of their energy arguing over Seastrand's ties with the John Birch Society, rather than increasing any issue.

An audience of about 70 gathered in the Cal Poly Theater, and gave warm applause to both candidates racing for the 29th District assembly seat.

Seastrand countered by saying the money from the action groups actually comes from local donations collected by the state organizations. The committee members are not something dark and sinister, but composed of donations from local people," he said.

Another area of the civilized mudslinging was Seastrand's past membership with the ultra-right-wing John Birch Society. Kupper insists that Seastrand is "on the edge politically," dealing with others such as Secretary of the Interior James Watt, Kupper sees Seastrand as too extreme in his conservative views.

The Birch Society tries to apply simple solutions to complex problems, said Kupper, and in my experience, there are no simple solutions." in his present bid.

Seastrand had a calm counter-attack he called the charges a backhanded attempt at controversy. "Those people are trying to conjure up an issue where none exists," he said.

He explained that he agrees with the main ideals of the conservative group, less government interference with the individual. Seastrand also believes these views are shared by many in this district.

On some issues the two concur. They both oppose an enlargement of the California Men's Colony and an additional prison in the San Luis Obispo area. The two candidates think it would be unfair for the people of this district to carry such a large share of the criminal justice system.

They also agree that California regulations are driving small businesses out of the state. With an improved business climate, Seastrand believes "more jobs will be created, and our tax revenue will increase."

The two disagreed on Proposition 11, however. Kupper is for the bottle deposit initiative, but Seastrand thinks the measure will create more trouble than it's worth.

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The debate was sponsored by the Cal Poly Speaker's Forum and the League of Women Voters.

The perpetual Poly parking problem received a little relief earlier this summer with the addition of approximately 75 parking spaces on California Street near campus. Cal Poly's plant operations completed the new parking lot just before school began.

WOW students disturb town

BY SCOTT SWANSON Staff Writer

Cal Poly students celebrating Week of Welcome (WOW) were responsible for a number of disturbances and pranks last week, according to campus police.

The majority of complaints received by the university Department of Public Safety came from off campus as students whooped it up in San Luis Obispo.

The biggest incident occurred in and near Mission Plaza about 11 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 12 when city police found groups of students participating in the traditional WOW event known as the "Sewer Patrol" or "Sewer Toxir."

According to police, at least 1,820 students in approximately 160 groups walked down San Luis Obispo Creek to Mission Plaza.

Police also found some students from the Sewer Patrol bathing and washing their clothes off in the public fountain inside Mission Plaza.

City police also reported that groups of students were seen jaywalking five or six abreast down the middle of several downtown streets. Other students were seen kicking over boxes of trash left out on Higuera Street for morning pickup.

Things were quieter on the Cal Poly campus. Poly police said President Baker's house was "T.P.'d" once, while the Mustang statue was hit three times during the week. According to investigator Wayne Carmack, the only clue police have is a jacket one person forgot at the Mustang statue.

Campus police also said that several dorms were reported to be missing furniture. The absent items include couches, chairs, tables, and lamps, which were taken mainly from the lobbies. Carmack said police have descriptions of three men who may have taken some of the furniture.

Parking was also a problem during WOW Week, according to police. "The parking was absolutely crazy," said Sgt. Bruce Miller. "People were parking double and in the fire lanes. I guess people think that because it's WOW Week, they can park anywhere they please."

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Tubes rock again as Poly's first concert

Veteran Bay Area rock group The Tubes will return to Cal Poly as the first 1982/83 Concert Committee attraction on Saturday, Oct. 2. The 7 p.m. concert, scheduled for the main gym, is open to the public over the age of 18. Student tickets, on sale at the University Union, are $7.50, while the general admission price is $8.75. Public tickets are $9 in advance, and a dollar higher at the door. All Cal Poly, Craft Thrills and Rex Hall Records locations in San Luis Obispo are selling tickets.

The Tubes appeared at Cal Poly in 1977 in a colorfully staged show. Since that time, however, the group has sold its propes and are performing a more restrained, but no less colorful, set.

The Tubes had top-40 hits in the songs, "What Do You Want From Life?" and "Don't Touch Me There." Since then, the group has moved from A&M to Capitol Records, and released a new LP last year, "The Completion Backward Principle."

The Tubes are comprised of Rick Anderson on bass, Michael Carton on synthesizer, Prairie Prince on drums and rhythm section, Roger Daltrey, Keith Moon, and John Entwistle—collectively known as the Who—who took us down a much more realistic road of adolescence than the Beach Boys with their two-girl-for-every-guy utopia.

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**Poly Notes**

**"The Sting"**
The Cal Poly Chess Club will show the movie "The Sting" Friday in Chumash Auditorium at 7 and 9:30 p.m. Admission is $1.

**Folk Dancing**
A Fall Folk Dance Festival is being held 7 to 10 p.m. Saturday, September 25 by the Cal Poly Interfraternity Folk Dance Club. Included will be traditional dances from Greece, Hungary, Israel, Russia and more. The festival will be at the San Luis Obispo Recreation Center at Santa Rosa and Mill Streets. A $2 donation is requested.

**ASME Meeting**
The American Society of Mechanical Engineers will hold its first meeting of the year 11 a.m. today upstairs in the MB Building. Upcoming projects and events such as a Robotics speech, pizza feed, and Morro Bay Power Plant tour will be featured.

**SAM Meeting**
New members are invited to join the Society for Advancement of Management at its first meeting today at 1 p.m. in Ag Eng 123. Discussion will include the free membership barbecue Friday and trip to the watersides Saturday.

**ASI Tutorial**
The ASI Tutorial Program will begin next Monday, September 27, offering free tutorial in math, science, engineering, biology, English and other subjects. The program is located in Chass Hall, Room 104 and is open 8 to 4 daily and evenings in the residence halls. Contact Danita Reed at 1256 for more information.

**AMA Barbecue**
Cal Poly's chapter of the American Marketing Association is holding its first membership barbecue for Friday from 5:30 to 7 p.m. All majors are invited to the barbecue, held in Couru Park. The barbecue is free.

**Peace Vigil**
Action for Peace will hold a candlelight vigil tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Mission Plaza to express concern over military preparation for nuclear war.

**LSA Barbecue**
A Welcome Back Barbecue is being planned by the Lutheran Student Association for all new and returning students. It will be held at the Mt. Carmel Lutheran Church, 1701 Frederick St. at 5 p.m. Sunday, September 26. A $1 donation is requested.

**Yet Stl Meeting**
The first meeting of the quarter of the Veterinary Science Club is planned for 6:30 p.m. tonight in the Room 225 of the Ag Building. New students are welcome and there will be a speaker discussing entrance requirements for UC Davis.

**Surf Contest**
An "Off the Lip Tube Classic" surf contest will be held Saturday by the Cal Poly Surf Club on Old Creek, south of Cayucos. The contest is for Men 18 and over and for juniors under 18. The cost is $6, with trophies and medals awarded to top finishers. Take the Huddo Drive exit off Highway 1 to Old Creek. The first heat is at 7 a.m. and applications are available at Central Coast Surfboards.

**Waterpolo's Back**
The Cal Poly Men's Waterpolo Club is starting practicing its practice 7 to 9 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday at San Clemente Pool. The club's first competition will be Saturday and Sunday, September 25 and 26, at the Whittier tournament. Call Paul Cusuf, waterpolo coach, at 544-7819 for more information.

**Study Lists**
Fall Quarter study lists are available at major departments for students to pick up. The lists show all courses and sections in which the student is officially enrolled. Each student is responsible for the accuracy of the list.

**Circle K Membership**
The Cal Poly Circle K Club is sponsoring a membership drive. It is a good organization with the objective of providing college students with community involvement and helping those in need. The club meets each Monday evening at 6 p.m. in Room 152 of the Math Building. For more information, contact Donna at 543-7803 or Fred at 543-2382.

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Outdoor lifestyle thrives in SLO

BY SHARYN SEARS
Outdoor editor
The spectacular Central Coast—where our skyline is marked not by towers of concrete and glittering lights, but by Chasparal Point and Cayucos brush—has an environment
ally rich and beautiful landscape.
San Luis Obispo county abounds with recreational activities that can be
enjoyed by both the avid outdoor enthusiast and the less athletic person who
seeks a physical and emotional outlet from the daily grind.

Break away from your routine for a weekend camping trip: both the Monta
dana de Oro and Morro Bay state parks are within thir
ty minutes and offer an en
joyable and affordable coastal camping ex
periences.
Montana de Oro has about 40 campsites available on a first-come, first-served basis. They are "primitive" campsites which include running water, vault toilets, trash facility, and usually a barbecue pit. On the inside side, Lopez Lake offers a picnic area as well as day use recreation. Sailing, fishing, sailboating and water ski
ning are among the ac
tivities allowed on the lake. The lake offers 22 miles of shoreline and 359 camp
sites. Eighty-four sites are available for reservations, which must be made in ad
vance and the rest are on a first-come, first-served basis. Primitive sites are $5 per night; with electrical hookup they are $6 per night. Entry fees for boats, sailboards and jet skis are $3.50 per day. For reserva
tion information, call 549-5319.

Camping gear and sup
plies need not strain your budget—they can be rented through the ASI Outings Committee, located in UU 132. They of
fer everything from camp
ning stoves, sleeping bags, and water bottles to backpacks and canoes, and all at rates which ease the pressure on your pocket
book. The Outings Com
mittee also sponsors their own tours throughout the year and welcomes anyone looking for outdoor adven
ture. Meetings are held Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. in UU 305.

If you are new to the San Luis Obispo area and in
terested in discovering the local geography, the Morro Bay Museum of Natural History offers guided hikes. It is free and re
quires no reservation. This week end's hikes are as follows:
Sat. Sept. 3—Marines who live native to the Morro Bay estu ary will be examined during a hike to the estuary food factory.
Conservation-minded people who wish to recycle instead of throw away may take advantage of San Luis Obispo's own recycl
ing center. Sponsored by CO SLO, a San Luis Obispo organization serv
ing the ecological interests of this area, the center is located at Prado Road and Highway 101.

Materials accepted for recycling at the center are: newspapers, card
board, paper, motor oil and aluminum. Motor oil should be brought in plastic gallon containers, such as an old milk jug, and may be emptied into an empty drum at the recycling site.

Aluminum products will be bought for 20 cents a
pound. Aluminum buyers will be open on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday from 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
The recycling center is open Monday through Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. If you are unable to make it out to the location, ECO SLO of
fers several drop-off sites throughout the county. There is one in Baywood Park behind the Baywood News, and in Morro Bay it is located just off Morro Bay Boulevard across from the police station. Drop-off sites are also available in other spots in the county and their locations can be obtained by calling ECO SLO at 549-5319.

According to ECO SLO

spokesman George Crane, the organization also func
tions as a clearing house for information about en
vironmental issues. Their office

Palm St. in San Luis Obispo offers a library containing material on various ecological sub
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Grumbles

Before she retires, Pellaton criticizes athletic program

BY DAVE WILCOX

There was no time for gold watches or farewell tears.

What with the People's Republic of China women's Junior national volleyball team arriving at noon Wednesday, retiring Associate Director of Athletics Evelyn Pellaton was too busy making sure every visiting player had a rose and fresh fruit waiting in their hotel rooms to worry about her own departure.

But, before leaving her cramped office in the physical education building for the last time, Pellaton did take time to direct a few parting shots at the Cal Poly athletic department—where she has spent the last 16 years of her career in education.

There have been a lot of changes since Pellaton joined the athletic department, but a lot more needed change. "I'm concerned with the stability of the athletic department."

Pellaton, who has seen the athletic department's budget expand from a measly $800 a year in 1966 to its present $800,000, blames most of the department's problems on financial irresponsibility.

Each sport at Poly, Pellaton explained, is allocated a certain amount of money which it somehow—by ticket sales, etc.—must make back. If the sport fails short of their financial goal, the original budget must be cut.

"Some sports," Pellaton said, "spent more than they had." She declined to say which sports.

Of course, if the associate director of athletics knows this ongoing overspending, other must know as well.

"The people who know we are in a position to act aren't doing anything about it," Pellaton said.

Along with correcting the mismanagement of the budget, Pellaton asserts that some personnel changes within the department need to be made.

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The university, accord ing to Pellaton, is now advertising nationwide in search of a new athletic director. The current athletic director, Dick Heat on, is entering his second year at that position.

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The San Luis Obispo County Emergency Preparedness Plan is like waving out onto the freeway wearing a blindfold and hoping for the best.

The plan assumes a great deal. It assumes that any emergency occurring at the Diablo Canyon nuclear power plant can be anticipated and prepared for. It assumes that those in charge of supervising evacuation and radiation protection training, etc., will make no mistakes and races, and cool and calm in their positions. Amazingly, the plan assumes we would know beforehand of an impending nuclear attack. As if the attacker would be considerate enough to call ahead.

The Pollyannish plan likewise assumes that we, the public, will remain calm and carry out our instructions without attempting to leave the area in a massive, frenzied. But, most ludicrous of all, the emergency plan assumes there would be a purpose or a need to evacuate.

In the event fissionable radiation was released from the reactors at Diablo, people within 10-15 miles would receive 500 rems (unit of radiation) and become prompt fatalities, according to testimony by Michio Kaku, professor of nuclear physics at the City College of New York. David Pankoska, Ph.D., geneticist at the University of Cincinnati, has reported that if a single nuclear bomb were dropped on Diablo, approximately 50,000 of 166,000 square mile in the state of California would be contaminated. More than half the state's population would have to be evacuated. Even with the optimistic assumption its citizens would stay calm, the evacuation of Pismo Beach, directly downwind of Diablo, would take approximately three hours in the event of an accident. Experts report radioactivity could reach the community within one hour. City Planning Commissioner Effe McDermott and others are demanding a fallout shelter for 10,000 persons be built before the plant is opened.

Here at home, no definite plans have been established for evacuating Poly students. We are supposed to meet at three as yet, undesignated areas and picked up by as yet, undesignated persons. Sounds insane? It is.

The Emergency Preparedness Plan is not only inadequate, it is worthless. It's like trying to stop a gunshot wound from bleeding with your fingers. Even the sirens, which supposedly warn us of our impending doom, would be useless. Several people have reported that they were wearing headphones when the sound system was recently tested, and they did not hear anything but music. At least it would be a pleasant way to die—listening to your favorite album. And what of the deaf? Or those without even the minute chance of escaping by car due to physical or mental handicaps?

Let's put our energy where it matters. Forget the plan. We can keep the possibilities of nuclear emergency minimal with a very simple action. A nuclear freeze. And keep Diablo closed.

Without nuclear power plants or weapons, any plan for a nuclear emergency becomes nonexistent.

The Last Word:

Strike on

If the National Football League players hadn't gone on strike, I wouldn't have. It's tough being a Monday Night widow. and my patience was nearing end.

The NFL—once the instigator of my household fights and the cause of cold leftover dinners in the fridge—has decided to save my sanity. The grown men who watch others destroy themselves on Monday nights (and Saturdays and Sundays with an occasional Thursday tossed in...) will have to seek other entertainment until the billion-dollar squabbly stops. They may even have to do productive things.

I've heard all of the rationalizations. I know the country's best entertainment and best economy booster will suffer. But I know by economy won't. My PG&E bills will be smaller and I won't have to toss out the platefuls of dinners that are left to grow cold while Howard Cosell's voice goes on and on. Strike on, I say.

Jeanette Van Berkel is a senior Journalism major and a Mustang Daily copy editor.

Express your love

Stop. Look. They're all around you—family, lovers and friends. It's a shame how fast time will go by. Yet we fail to make good use of the moments and do not spend quality time with those we love the most. We're often too selfish with our time. We prefer to do what's easiest: we talk about things we'd like to do and think about things we'd like to say. But, that is the extent of it.

Yes, it's difficult, because it makes one so vulnerable to others. It involves a risk which may not have the most desirable outcome.

A woman said to her fiance, "I need you. You've one of the most important parts of my life." And the man said, "I've never needed anyone."

That undeniable outcome can be hard to hear. But to have the peace of mind that you've shared your heart openly and honestly is worth it.

Isn't that what life is all about? Sharing your life with another? I believe that it's about time that we all take a second look at how we treat the people who are an important part of our lives. When was the last time you told your parents, "I love you?"

When was the last time you sat down with a friend and opened up your soul to them? The one thing in life, which is most important, is the hardest to do: express your love to one another. Since no one can survive in this world alone, we must reach out to each other. Stop. Look. And act.

Realize that someday they will be gone.

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