Student housing prices up

San Luis Obispo building codes blamed

By MARC MERRYETH

The good news is that student housing availability in San Luis Obispo is increasing. The bad news is that the cost of housing along with student demand for housing is increasing.

The San Luis Obispo Planning Commission estimates that about 400 new units have been built over the last two years to serve student needs. Each unit provides housing for two to four students.

Additionally, many of the Paso Robles construction workers are moving out of the area, and the major power plant is nearing completion. This frees up housing for students.

Ron Rearce, chairman of the Coalition for Economic and In­
dependent Development, believes that new housing developments in the Laguna Lake area and construction of student apartments behind Sierra Vista Hospital on Casa Street are meeting student demands for housing. Rearce said, "I haven't heard of anyone who absolutely couldn't find a place."

But the cost of this new construction is high. Rostrum estimated, and this cost is passed on to the renters. While a rent in the older student housing, like Foothill Gardens, is usually between $150 and $200 a month to share a room, at Mustang II it is $225 to $250 a month to share.

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dependent Development, agrees with Rostrum on this last point and pointed to the high construction costs in San Luis Obispo on the Council, the Planning Department and the Architec­
tural Review Commission.

Rostrum, who led the campaign against city parking garage plan and ran against Mayor

Doug Vanderpol, dairy science major, inspects the hous­ing plan in Mustang II Poly Housing Office. Although availability of housing for students is up this year, so is the price.

Graphics gets new specialist

By Wendy Walters-Burgener

The Graphic Communications Department has a new pre-press technology specialist. Michael L. Blum, who joined Cal Poly's graphics faculty in September, will be the department's coordinator of computer graphic communications as well as the lead professor in the area of pre-press.

"This is an area of electronic imaging which has had a hard time to happen at Cal Poly," he said. He plans on getting to know the school system, faculty, and students as well as seeing through improvements and upgrading graphics quality on campus.

Blum received his master's degree in printing technology at Rochester Institute of Technology. For the past three years he has been with a color separation trade house, Graphic Color Company in Oregon, where he was employed as a general manager.

While at Graphic Color Co., Blum introduced new systems involved with scheduling job tracking, and cost and quota controls.

Blum previously taught graphic communications at Cal Poly, during the Summer of 1981, and was an instructor at Oregon State for two years.

Blum is also a contributing editor for In-Plant Printer, and Printing Journal. His broad experience in the field of print­ing technology has made him a frequent speaker on such topics as color separation theory, film processing, halftone theory, typography, photo-typesetting and new developments in elec­tronic pre-press technology.

Because of Blum's intensive training, Harvey Levenson, department head of graphic communications said, "The entire faculty is delighted to have him and we looking to him to guide the department.

Levenson also said that Blum has the potential to become a national leader in electronics in graphic arts.

One of Blum's main short-term goals is the recruitment of more donations of graphic communication equipment and soft­ware. He also will be involved in research in the field of graphic communications, which is one of his main reasons for being at Cal Poly.

Another reason he accepted his current position, Levenson said, is because Blum feels that one of his greatest contributions to the area of graphic communications is that of educating people going into the field.

San Luis Obispo is expensive, but they say there is a reason for it. "In San Luis Obispo you get what you pay for," they said. You get the best police and fire protection in the country. You get advanced water treatment facili­ties and sewage management. For every new development there are paved roads including curbs.

Bob Ross, an independent developer in San Luis Obispo, said he believes the city regulations are necessary for maintain­ing the character and atmosphere of the town. Regulations will always push up developing costs he said, but San Luis Obispo is a sensitive area, a city in demand, and it needs to be carefully managed.

Where does this leave students? Rostrum said Poly has no plans for building more dorms or on-campus housing because the cost in too high now. Heareae plans to take The Affordable Housing Plan to the voters in November if the city council fails to act on it, but it is unlikely that this would have any immediate effect on housing costs.

The best advice for those on a tight budget appears to be to stick to older housing where rent is lower, or commute from less costly places like Los Osos, Atascadero and Arroyo Grande. Living in the dorms is another housing alternative.

Summer Quarter offered

By WENDY WALTERS-BURGENER

Cal Poly will be holding a Summer session this year.

Like last June, students will be able to speed up their education during the Summer months, from June 19 to August 31.

In comparison with other quarters, Summer Quarter has a lot of advantages. Don Coats, associate dean of educational services, said. Because of the smaller population, approximately 5,000 students can attend fewer parking problems, prime class hours, less competition for computer terminals, and greater interaction between teachers and students, Coats said.

Coats said attending Summer Quarter gives students a chance to "clean up their general education requirements, which enable them to take lighter loads during the rest of the year."

Although, going to Summer school apparently has some ad­vantages, school fees will remain the same and classes will be limited. On campus housing rates will also remain the same.

Information on specific pro­grams offered can be obtained through school advisors and the Summer Quarter Class Schedule, on sale April 26.
Remembering a King

He was a man with a dream. A man who cared about racial inequality and wanted to do something about it. He was Martin Luther King Jr., and he would have been 56 years old today, if not for a fatal day in April 1968, when he was assassinated in Memphis, Tennessee.

King spoke throughout the 1960s on civil and human rights, advocating non-violence as the key to social change. King was more than a leader for black Americans, though. He was a leader for everyone in the United States. He was convinced a campaign of united voices could change personal attitudes on racial prejudice and most certainly the government to take action.

King began his career as a preacher in Georgia. In 1956 he led a bus boycott in Montgomery, Alabama. Because of his dynamic personality and persistence in the boycott, the Supreme Court ruled that segregation on buses was unconstitutional.

King's dream was for true equality of rights and opportunities regardless of race. What he gained for blacks won the respect of many whites. Unfortunately, much of that respect didn't surface until after King's death.

As is so often the case, the value of somebody or something was not appreciated until after the fact. Now all anyone can do to show their support for King is to honor him. Today the Cal Poly Afro American Student Union® organized a silent march to show their recognition of a great man. The Mustang Daily encourages participation in this and other tributes to King.

The march begins in front of the Dexter Building at 10:30 a.m. and will proceed along University Drive to the University Union Plaza where two students will make speeches in memory of King. Ribbons are being worn throughout the week as another form of tribute. The red, black and green colors symbolize the struggle for black civil rights in the 1950's, said Dr. Willie Coleman, adviser to the Afro American Student Union.

King's dream of equality is one everyone shares. Whether a person is black, white, Asian, male or female, everyone has a dream. Thanks to a great man, Martin Luther King Jr., everybody everywhere can realize their rights and hopefully come a little closer to their dreams.

Do you have a dream? Remember and honor King, a leader of civil rights in America, today and throughout the week. He had a dream too.

South African archbishop follows in King's steps, works to end segregation

Editor

As we recognize Martin Luther King Jr.'s birthday this week, there is a tendency to view the occasion as an opportunity to review the events of the past, not of the present. With the institution of Rev. King's birthday as a federal holiday, the Martin Luther King story begins to fade into the realm of American folklore, as has happened with the memories of other national leaders such as Washington and Lincoln. Yet, King's vision is carried on through another leader, Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa, recent recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize.

Like Rev. King, Bishop Tutu is a deeply religious man struggling to end a system of social injustice in his own country, in this case apartheid, the forced segregation of whites and blacks. We should use this week to reflect upon the words of Bishop Tutu and their implications for us as citizens of the United States.

Blacks do not hate Whites because they are White. They hate a White-dominated system of miscegenation and oppression. This is what must be changed or overlooked for the sake of South Africa for the sake of all its people, both Black and White.

"What the future holds for our country will, ultimately, be determined by how Afrikaners and Blacks relate to one another. There is still good will among Blacks, although they are growing increasingly impatient, hate-filled and angry so that those of us who still speak about the possibility of peaceful change are a rapidly diminishing minority.

"Some people say, 'Our presence creates jobs and we have used our presence to change the situation. When Blacks get very cynical, they say, 'That's very interesting, but it looks as if you're benefiting from cheap labor.' At best, that argument amounts to amoralism —-money, the furnishing around, but not changing the structure of the building. We don't want our chains made comfortable; we want our chains removed.

Let us work with this present-day Martin Luther King to bring apartheid to a close.

Canterbury Club
Episcopal Students

Mustang Daily
WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan told Belgian Prime Minister Wilfried Martens on Monday that his country must accept new NATO missiles to strengthen America's hand in arms control talks with the Soviets, but the president failed to win a commitment that the deployment will take place in March as planned.

The two men, after nearly two hours of talks, reaffirmed their commitment to the NATO decision of 1979, which called for the deployment of SS-20 intermediate-range missiles and seek arms reduction of 1979, which called for the deployment of SS-20 intermediate-range missiles and seek arms reduction.

Martens, in his public departure statement, sidestepped the question of whether his country would go forward with deployment in March or whether it would accept the advice of his own political party and delay a final decision on basing the new weapons.

"I confirmed our attachment to the (NATO) dual-track decision. The president very clearly stated that alliance solidarity is essential as the United States returns to the negotiating table with the Soviet Union."

THE DOLL

by David Klein

NAIROBI, Kenya (AP) — A speeding express train derailed on a bridge in central Ethiopia and four passenger cars tumbled into a 40-foot ravine, killing 392 people. Ethiopia's state radio reported Monday night.

Other estimates put the death toll as high as 449. The broadcast, monitored in Nairobi, said 373 people were injured in the week Sunday afternoon.

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The talks scheduled to be given tonight by billboard artist Cort Kunt has been cancelled due to illness.

Kent was to speak tonight at 7 p.m. on "Designing your own world" as part of Create Peace World as part of Create Peace.

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U.S. missile deployment in Belgium delayed

The United States and the Soviet Union have agreed to a resumption of talks aimed at limiting strategic and intermediate-range nuclear weapons, as well as initiating discussions on preventing an arms race in space.

The official stressed that the Belgian prime minister said he would continue to consult with other allied leaders about the deployment and that there was "no disagreement" from the Belgian side to the president's arguments.

Ethiopian train derails, 449 die

Rail traffic between Addis Ababa and Djibouti was halted but a railway official said that was not expected to hamper severely the shipment of famine-relief supplies for drought-stricken Ethiopians.

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Writing Skills Lab available to Poly students

By KRISTIN RONCARATI
Staff Writer

Students seeking help on an important report or senior project, or those who need some basic coaching in the complexities of the English language can take advantage of the Cal Poly Writing Skills Lab. "Basically, the lab is for students throughout the campus who are writing a paper or a report. It is not just for English students," said Mary Kay Harrington, head of the writing lab. The lab also coaches students trying to pass the Graduation Writing Requirement (GWR) by giving students sample questions to work with.

There will be two workshops offered by the lab on Jan. 17, from 9-10 a.m., and on Jan. 18, from 1-2 a.m. Harrington would like to stress that the lab is not for last minute editing. "We are not an editing service," said Harrington.

The basic process for students who do not have reports needing revision is for the students to come into the lab and work on a sample essay for one hour. The student is assisted by one of seven English graduate students, and assistant work on the essays' organization and grammatical details. The tutors help the students improve the fluency of their sentence constructions, their editing skills and correcting sentence awkwardness. Harrington said that work on punctuation is "last on the list of important things."

Harrington said that the lab has been especially helpful for foreign students who use English as a second language. She cited the success story of one African student, from the International Agriculture Program, who came to the lab a year ago with very little understanding of the English language. With the help of the lab, the student recently passed the GWR.

Harrington said she feels that Cal Poly desperately needs a learning source such as the Writing Skills Lab, because of the abundance of technical majors. "Cal Poly is one of the few universities that doesn't have a large lab for students to go to. In a university with technical students, it is very important for them because they don't get the practice," Harrington said.

"It is a worthwhile project, I only wish we had a little more time and money," said Harrington.

The Writing Skills Lab originated three years ago in a small room in the English Building. Last year, however, the lab was transferred to Room 208 of the Robert E. Kennedy Library. Harrington said that the move to the library has made the lab more accessible to students. "If the room is full, we can send the students out somewhere in the library to work," said Harrington.

The lab has been very busy and Harrington said that it is better for students to come in early rather than at the last minute.

"We are very busy and sometimes can't spend a lot of time with the students. It is better to come in at 9 a.m. than at 11 p.m.," she said. The lab is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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CAD/CAM links with SD State

System simplifies engineering process; Poly is computer's specialty center

By JOHN SAKELSON
Special to the Daily

When Cal Poly links its Computer Aided Design/Computer Aided Manufacture facility to San Diego State University’s computer terminals next month, a lot more will have occurred than a simple connection.

The CAD/CAM system is a sophisticated tool which allows users to design structures on a graphic screen. The structures are then subjected to computer-simulated stress experiments which estimate the limits of the structure’s strength and flexibility.

According to Nils Sedwick, academic support manager for the program, CAD/CAM has greatly improved the way in which structures are designed and tested.

Before CAD/CAM, the design of a simple structure, such as a wall bracket, had to be drawn by hand. The designer would know how much weight the bracket was required to hold and try to design the bracket accordingly. A bracket above or below a narrow strength requirement would have to be redesigned.

The designer walked a very thin line. He had to achieve his objective with the least amount of material. He had to consult reference books of equations and find the best combination of size, design and weight. When he was through, he had to build a model of his structure and test it. Often, the test proved the structure unsatisfactory, and the design process would be repeated.

CAD/CAM, however, has changed the design process. Drawings can be made on a computer where corrections are easily made. Mathematical formulas and computations are stored in the computer’s memory, making reference books unnecessary. Also, the capacity of the computer to pick optimal solutions for the computations have improved the design success rate by 50 — to one.

The CAD/CAM facilities at Cal Poly are larger than those at any other California State University. Cal Poly is recognized as a specialty center for CAD/CAM and has been given many grants for new equipment.

As a specialty center, Cal Poly will share its equipment advantages in CAD/CAM with the other California State Universities. In this case, the sharing will be achieved through the link-up of Cal Poly’s CAD/CAM computer with the computer lines of the other schools. Yet the plan for this was not without its problems.

The computer systems between the schools are not directly compatible,” said Mark Cooper, director of the Computer Aided Productivity Center. “Therefore it was necessary for us to find a networking system that would tie them all together. Such a system was found with the X.25 protocol system. Basically, Cooper said, “it works just like an adapter. It allows different computers to understand each other.”

Cal Poly is eager to have such a link-up made because of the wide sharing of computer knowledge that will go on. Since all schools will use the same CAD/CAM mainframe computer, all will have equal access to the information of the other schools. In this way, the link-up represents not so much a unification of computers, as it does a unification of ideas.

To date, six California State Universities are scheduled to link up with Cal Poly. They are San Diego, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Long Beach, Pomona and Fresno. The date for the completion of the link-ups is tentatively set for August of 1986.
Veterans group blasts Reagan

SAN JOSE (AP) — A chapter of the Veterans of Foreign Wars has violated the organization's bylaws by blasting U.S. policy in Central America, a first-ever act of defiance by a VFW post, group officials say.

Bill Motto Post, 5888 in Santa Cruz has issued a statement on the VFW's red, white and blue stationery that accuses President Reagan of increasing tensions in Central America and states the post's support for non-intervention and self-determination in the region.

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Super deals in the works for Bowl ticket holders

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — In a Super Bowl version of "Let's Make A Deal," fanatic fans Monday offered to trade everything from a 30-foot sailboat to a dozen Cabbage Patch dolls for a few of the hottest tickets around.

People aching for a seat at the Jan. 20 game between the San Francisco 49ers and the Miami Dolphins combined equal parts of creativity and desperation in the classified columns of Bay area newspapers.

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Bill Bellamy fires a jumper against U.C. Riverside. The men are 13-2 this year, and will be on the road for two games this weekend. The next home game is Jan. 24.

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The contact with the youngsters perhaps has been her most satisfying experience, said Brisco-Hooks, who had gone into the Olympics virtually unrecognized outside track circles. "I think I had a hard time talking to kids before," said Brisco-Hooks, who grew up in the Watts section of Los Angeles and still lives there with her family. "I didn't really have anything I could tell them. But now, because of the Olympics, I think they really look up to what I tell them not to get involved with drugs, not to get in the habit of just 'hanging out' and not doing anything."

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Current netters better than old

by NANCY ALLISON

The 1985 women's tennis team was the first to practice a day in February, and
its annual alumni tennis tournament was played on Saturday.

The women netters competed against 15 former Cal Poly tennis players in what was a decisive win for the new team, 9-2.

The two alumni victories came from All-American Elizabeth George, who won by default against Laura Maggi, and from honorary alum


The women's team from this year's team came from Sally Russell, defeating Laura Moss 8-1, Kristin Levette, defeating Nancy Allison 8-7, Kathy Overbohred by this year's assistant coach Michelle Archuleta 8-4, Kathleen Branch defeating Mary Langfelder 8-0, and freshman

Cici Bic 8-0 defeating Nancy Allison 8-4.

It was the best alumni turn-out we've ever had," said Coach Orson Turner. 'The team is hop

happening for an equal amount of support from the student body at all our home matches this year.'

Laurie Moss was one of the alumni to return to the Cal Poly court.

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