Heart bypass goes smoothly

Mayor stable after surgery

San Luis Obispo Mayor Ron Dunin is resting comfortably after undergoing elective heart bypass surgery Thursday, a City Council secretary said Friday.

"The mayor is awake, responsive and in stable condition," said Becky Austin. Although Dunin is scheduled to remain in the hospital 10 days, Austin said, that figure may change depending on his rate of recovery.

Dunin, 68, has requested no calls or visits to his home during his recovery.

Vice Mayor Robert Griffin will act as mayor until Dunin returns to his post. Dunin will be absent from his duties for about four weeks.

— Stacey Myers

Baker sees Antarctica, evaluates research

By Elmer Ramos

Staff Writer

While students were preparing for and taking finals early last month, Cal Poly President Warren J. Baker was working at the bottom of the world.

Baker, a boardmember of the National Science Foundation, spent Dec. 2 through 12 in Antarctica to evaluate the foundation's research efforts and make recommendations for improvement. He spent most of his time at the McMurdo Science Station along the Antarctic coast, but also worked in the field, including an excursion to the coldest spot on earth: the South Pole.

Baker, who holds a doctorate from the University of Notre Dame, was not unfamiliar with polar research. He had done research in regions of Alaska above the Arctic Circle. However, he had never been to Antarctica.

"I didn't know what to expect; it is a very unforgiving environment," he said. "I was not really intimidated. In between his stopover in New Zealand and his arrival at McMurdo, Baker was presented with a survival bag filled with cold weather necessities ranging from facemasks and mittens to a heavy parka, gloves and boots to protect himself from the cold of the frozen continent.

One of the first things that Baker, a boardmember of the National Science Foundation, did upon arrival was to don thermal underwear, a clothing item designed to protect the skin from the cold of the frozen continent. "I didn't know what to expect; it is a very unforgiving environment," he said.

Baker was working at the bottom of the world, taking his post as Cal Poly President Warren J. Baker was working at the bottom of the world, evaluating research staff. Monday, January 12, 1987

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By Jim Hawkins

Staff Writer

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Working builds character?
Floyd Jones

Before I begin, let’s see a show of hands out there so I can get a better idea of who’s address­ ing, and consequently how I should attack this topic.

How many of you gang-ho, in­ dustry-type students are put­ ting yourselves through college with absolutely no relief funds from Mom or Dad?

Wow. That’s more than I expected. Good. Now I can get ornerry and ungrateful and you’ll understand!

Are you sure some of you aren’t cheating? OK, OK, don’t get hostile, I’m just making sure. You can put your hands down now.

For the longest time those I’ve talked to and I have been trying to find some, any, justifiably redeeming benefits mentally, physically, socially, spiritually or emotionally — for working 40 hours a week while taking a full load in school. Here’s what I’ve come up with so far, assuming it’s not work in my field.

Work provides some mental benefits. Remembering which prices to punch into a cash register is excellent training for recall on tests.

Unless intense physical labor is involved, work develops one physically about like eating develops strong table muscles.

Working full time does wonders socially, doesn’t it?

Spiritually I’ve gained a great sense of humility as a result of poverty, and I have kept good control of my emotions because I haven’t had time to develop socially.

Further, I’ve heard it said that working, in tandem with school, does such things as build charac­ ter, teach responsibility, and give one a foretaste of independence — in essence, what life is all about.

I’d like to meet the guy who invented that one. I’d also like to ask him if there’s something I’m missing in all this. If feeding all my money into an institution that I can’t take full advantage of is what life is all about, boy I’m sure looking forward to that!

As far as I know most extra­ curricular work makes great resume material, too. After I applied for a staff writer position on the Los Angeles Times I got a letter back saying my five years of restaurant experience might be useful in the staff coffee room.

Don’t get me wrong. I’m not bitter that a lot of students get $500 a month allowances (after rent, tuition, and auto insurance are paid), that students receiving such parental aid decide to work for whatever reasons and just happen to stumble into $15 an hour jobs, or even that some students complain about the col­ or of the 1987 Honda CRX their parents just bought them.

In fact I rather like it. But I think it’s only fair to say I’d rather work so much.

All I ask for, and I’m sure others do too, is a reason why it’s in one’s best interest to work oneself into a comatose state in­ stead of spending the weekend skiing at Tahoe or Mammoth. Maybe it’s God’s way of saving us from a broken leg or an avalanche or something like that. Maybe there’s a moral lesson to be learned in flipping a ham­ burger or washing someone’s dishes. I think about it so hard that I have to open a window to let that burning rubber smell out.

I don’t know, maybe I’m blow­ ing all of this open of proportion. Maybe there are some benefits of having through college by paying the bills that just don’t jump out and say “Here I am!” if anyone else knows.

There are, however, a couple of things I have realized through all the toil and strain. One is that I always have an excuse when I screw up my grades, and the other is that I never buy a hamburger and jelly sandwiches aren’t so bad after all.

Floyd Jones is Insight editor and likes everyone to think he works hard.

letters to the editor

Iranian arms scandal troubles reader
Editor — In the last month and a half I have read numerous articles been many television news reports concerning the Iranian arms scandal. I am very concerned. The fact that concerns me most is not that this particular transaction occurred. Dealing in weapons goes on all the time among countries of sim­ ilar, and not so similar political viewpoints. Although I am not hap­ py about this situation, I feel it is overshadowed by a larger problem which is currently bothering me. I am referring to the fact that the American people are being lied to by highly placed representatives in our government. The key word here is representatives.

It is not the job of our gov­ ernmental administrators to filter, censor, or alter the information presented to the American people. Any attempt made in this direction is a deviation from democracy. I have heard the excuses: “It was in­ tended to save the lives of the hostages.” “It was unaware of any wrongdoing.” “I was not fully in­ formed.”

I have seen a great number of politicians stand up and point the finger of blame in another direction. The lies, pointlessness, and nothing good will come of it. The deal is done, only the lies remain. My con­ cern is which of our representatives have covered or deflected the truth? Who has told us one thing and done another? Who can stand behind his actions and truthfully defend them? The answer to this last question seems to be very few under the cur­ rent administration.

I hold honest representation as one of the most democratic princi­ ples. Please consider it.

DERMOT WYNNE

Monday, January 12, 1987
Soviets may leave Afghanistan

PESHAWAR, Pakistan (AP) — A top Afghan guerrilla leader said Sunday he believes the Soviet Union wants to withdraw its forces from Afghanistan and may be ready to sacrifice the Afghan Communist government if necessary.

Gulbaddin Hekmatyar said Moscow's recent statements about wanting to pull out of Afghanistan appear genuine.

The Soviet-backed Afghan government has called for a six-month cease-fire with the guerrillas beginning next Thursday and proposed forming a government of national reconciliation to end the eight-year war in Afghanistan. The Soviet Union has strongly backed the call and said it wants to remove its forces.

Leaders of the seven-party guerrilla alliance individually have rejected the government's proposal and said they will go on fighting until Afghanistan is free of Soviet control. The leaders, all based in Pakistan, were to meet in Peshawar on Monday to enable the alliance to present a united response.

Hekmatyar, in the most optimistic reaction yet by a top guerrilla leader, said strong signs have emerged that the Soviets want a political settlement.

CSU reps say budget could hurt teaching

LOS ANGELES (AP) — California State University has been ordered to cut $27.4 million from its current budget because of state belt-tightening, and students complain they may bear the lion's share of the burden in the form of higher fees.

Faculty representatives warn the quality of education at the 19 CSU campuses will be hurt by the coming cuts, which still are being worked out by university budget-makers in preparation for a trustees' meeting Tuesday and Wednesday.

Gov. George Deukmejian ordered belt-tightening at CSU and in the University of California systems late last month, after revealing the current state budget, which runs through June, is $800 million short.

Bernard Goldstein, chairman of the university-wide faculty senate, said the quality of teaching would be hurt by expected cuts in faculty travel, and in ordering supplies and maintaining the schools.

"When you're talking about those things, you're talking about the basics," Goldstein said. "You're not talking about cream, you're not talking about fat, you're talking about the bone."

"It's unfortunate that all of the other state agencies are not being asked to give their fair share," Goldstein said.

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Innovative Voyager craft is work of Cal Poly grad

By Mary J. Westfall
Staff Writer

The Voyager’s non-stop flight around the world is not only a landmark in aviation history, it is a reason for Cal Poly to be proud.

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Wood described the craft’s long, slender frame as having a “high aspect ratio.” This ratio of wing span to plane width improves lift capability, he said.

Glider designs use this idea, he added.

The plane was constructed of graphite fiber, which is a lightweight composite material.

Wood said the use of composite materials is increasing in the aircraft industry. The Voyager’s success emphasizes the effectiveness of graphite fiber.

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Mustangs upset 14th-ranked Bakersfield, 64-59

Melvin Parker scores 25 in starting role to help Poly win CCAA opener

By Elmer Ramos
Staff Writer

BAKERSFIELD — The joke about Bakersfield often goes, "You wouldn't want to live there, and you wouldn't want to visit either." But after Friday's game against 14th-ranked Cal State Bakersfield, the Cal Poly basketball team probably will not mind its annual visit so much any more.

After six straight losses in Bakersfield's Civic Auditorium, the Mustangs put an end to the Central Valley jinx, defeating the Roadrunners 64-59. It was the California Collegiate Athletic Association opener for both teams.

Poly raised its record to 9-5 and extended its winning streak to four games. Bakersfield's own hot streak was ended at eight, as the Roadrunners dropped to 11-3.

The victory was a giant achievement indeed, considering the Civic is widely regarded as a visiting team's nightmare. A partisan crowd of 2,553 — a Civic record — was there to witness the renewal of one of the conference's most heated rivalries.

Past meetings have been marred by scuffles and bench-clearing brawls. By those standards, Friday's contest was relatively uneventful. Even the crowd was not as hostile as usual, failing to rattle the Mustangs.

"This is a confidence builder, beating one of the two best teams in the conference and doing it on the road," said Poly coach Steve Beason. "We confused them a bit with some defenses that they haven't seen and our guys executed effectively."

Melvin Parker was the most effective. The senior forward continued to justify his recent promotion to the starting lineup by pouring in 25 points and grabbing 11 rebounds, both game highs. He scored nine in the final five minutes to help ice the game.

"Most teams are looking to stop Sean (Chambers)," said Parker. "They weren't looking for me so I took up the slack."

The Mustangs looked like they were not even going to give Bakersfield a chance, exploding to a 15-3 lead behind Parker, Chambers and Mitch Pierce. Thoughts of a rout vanished, however, when Bakersfield clawed back to tie the score at 24. Poly held a 36-33 advantage at halftime.

Poly was ahead 46-41 with See BASKETBALL, page 6

Wrestlers remain hot with tournament win

By Dan Ruthemeyer
Sports Editor

After winning its last four dual matches, the Cal Poly wrestling team went into Chico on Saturday a very hot team.

And when time came to leave Chico late Saturday night, the Mustangs had continued their fine wrestling, topping Fresno State by a quarter point to win the Doc Peterson Tournament.

The tournament win was the first for the Mustangs in two years, and the first ever for coach Lennis Cowell.

"I think we surprised ourselves," said Cowell. "We didn't think we had a chance to win."

Poly's win came in a field of 33 teams, which included 16 college squads and 17 wrestling clubs.

Individually, the Mustangs wrestled strong in the upper weights, with 167-pound Eric Osborne, 177-pound Anthony Romero and heavyweight Ben Lizama each reaching the finals of their respective weight classes.

Osborne, however, was the only of the Cal Poly wrestlers to win a championship in his weight class. It was the first collegiate tournament win for the junior who has been ranked in the top 10 nationally.

After winning each of his first four matches by at least six points, Osborne picked up a close 5-3 decision over Cal State Bakersfield's Pat Hayek to win the championship.

Romero lost his championship bout on a 13-1 decision to Fresno State's Fred Little, while Lizama dropped an 11-5 decision to unattached wrestler Dave Orn­dorff.
By Jeff Blizzard
Staff Writer

The Lady Mustangs withstood a furious comeback by San Francisco State Friday night and hung on for the win, 63-60, in a non-conference game.

After Cal Poly lead the Gators 51-33 with 12 minutes remaining to go in the game, San Francisco State outscored them 27-10, to close the gap to one point.

Guard Julie Jordan, who scored 14 points, sank two free throws with 26 seconds left to give the Lady Mustangs the win. Starting center Sherrie Atteberry scored 15 points and had 12 rebounds. Guard Kim Lackore had 16 points and four rebounds.

Trina Tuamalosa, starting in place of injured starter Janet Jorgensen, added 10 points to the winning cause.

Gina Owens led San Francisco State in scoring with 16 points, while Megan O'Connell scored 14 and pulled down 12 rebounds.

Poly coach Jon O'Connell summed up the game’s last, frantic minutes: “They got pretty hot and our defense broke down,” said O’Connell.

“If we have them down, we have to keep them down. We can’t let them back in like that,” she said.

Cal Poly had a 27-20 halftime lead. The Mustangs outscored the Gators 24-13 in the first eight minutes of the second half, and after Jordan hit two straight free throws, the Mustangs led 51-33.

Later in the half, the Gators scored four straight points before Atteberry hit a bank shot to give the Lady Mustangs a 55-31 lead.

In an attempt to protect Parker and Chambers, who both had four fouls, Reason kept them out of the game for the next minute. They returned to the floor to a 67-57 advantage with 1:06 remaining. The outcome was never in doubt, however, as Bakersfield has shown its ability to make the three-point shot by conversing on 43.2 percent this season.

After Parker fouled out with 31 seconds remaining, Finley buried both free throws to trim Bakersfield’s deficit to three. Chambers, who was fouled a second time later, then converted his two free throws to put the game out of reach.

Bakersfield hit only nine of its 33 second-half shots and finished the game with a paltry .332 shooting percentage. Reason said the Mustangs deviated from their usual man-to-man defense to confuse Bakersfield.

“We decided to confuse Bakersfield,” Reason said.

“We felt we needed to shake things up. We put hands in their faces and pressured them.”

Paul Pierce, Bakersfield’s 6-9 center, did not get his first field goal until 3:32 left in the game. Pierce had nine and eight respectively. Pierce scored all of his points before injuring his leg late in the first half; he sat out the rest of the contest.

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“聚 Assistant coach) Mark Felix knows a lot about zone defenses, and we worked on them this past week,” said Reason. “We felt we needed to shake things up. We put hands in their faces and pressured them.”

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Parks said conference rules require that the choice be made no later than 30 minutes before tipoff. Reason, however, said he is not overly concerned by the prospect.
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Lizzie, who caught it in midair and banked it in. The lead was now trimmed to one point, 61-60, with 12 seconds left.

After a time-out by San Francisco State, Jordan was fouled. She calmly sank both free throws with 26 seconds left to clinch the victory. Sherinne Barlow, who finished with seven points, then stole the ball for the Lady Mustangs, who took the clock.

"I knew with Julie at the line that she'd make them both," said Jordan.

Jordon said that the key to the victory was the players' composure.

"I think we're learning to hold our composure; we weren't worried at the end," said Jordan. "We knew we were a better team than San Francisco State."

The Lady Mustangs begin conference play Thursday at Chapman College in Orange and will play at Cal State Dominguez Hills on Saturday.
Colds, flu on the rampage

By Amanda Evans

Staff Writer

Heather has the flu. She can’t get out of bed and keeps saying she’s going to die. While her roommate, Amy, makes the chicken noodle soup, she tries to think of a way of getting it to Heather without catching the virus. Heather, in the meantime, contemplates the agony of dying alone.

This is becoming a familiar scenario for Cal Poly students. According to the Cal Poly Health Center and other health clinics in San Luis Obispo, the number of cold and flu cases being treated has markedly increased. A spokesperson for the San Luis Obispo County Health Department said that they are being treated as such.

“For those cases, we’re prescribing amantadine for the virus and a cough medicine that is a little bit stronger than over-the-counter medications,” said Cochran.

Cochran also recommended avoiding aspirin while sick with the flu. He said that Reye’s Syndrome, a condition usually seen in children aged two to 12 years old, was sometimes found in college-age people, and has recently been associated with aspirin use. Other pain relievers not containing aspirin are recommended.

The flu vaccine that is available at both the Cal Poly Health Center and other health clinics in San Luis Obispo is being administered to the higher risk groups, such as those associated with the flu, said Dr. Burt Cochran of the Health Center. “It’s the type of all-over achiness you could relate to being run over by a truck.”

While none of the cases brought into the Health Center have been officially recognized as the Taiwan flu by the San Luis Obispo County Health department, they are being treated as such.

By Amanda Evans

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