A. Senate considers change in sr. project

By Jerry McKay

The Academic Senate will vote Tuesday on a proposed resolution that would give each department the flexibility to decide whether or not a written senior project requirement is required as part of the graduation requirement.

Currently each department is under obligation by the university to require a written senior project from all students as a condition for graduation.

If adopted, the resolution would "allow each department to decide, in conjunction with its faculty, the nature of the senior project for students in the various curricula."

Alan Cooper, a biology professor and author of the resolution, said the resolution is "opposed to the resolution that the senior project should act as a culminating experience. It should bring together in a professional study that which represents the sum total of their university experience."

A commission established by the California State University chancellor has submitted its recommendations for internationalizing CSU general education curriculum. The major fields of study in the CSU curriculum — business and industry, and the creative and performing arts — will be affected if the commission's recommendations are implemented, but not to the extent that students will be required to spend more time in school completing more general education requirements. The CSU commission, which was established in September 1985, is composed of CSU administrators and faculty, and representatives from government and industry who were asked to study how the CSU system can establish closer, more productive relations with nations on the Pacific Rim:

Pacific Rim nations consist of approximately 25 countries bordering the Pacific Ocean, including Canada, the United States, Mexico, New Zealand, Australia, the Philippines, China, Japan, the Soviet Union and nations in Central and South America.

Plans to modify general education curriculum to include information and material on these nations were recommended by the commission, because of the impact these Pacific Rim nations have on the United States.

Cal State Dominguez Hills President Richard Butwell, chairman of the commission, presented two major steps to get the plan underway:

He said a review of the CSU general education program must be made to determine the best way to introduce information and material on Pacific Rim nations. Also, there must be an effort made to identify and expand existing programs that foster a greater understanding of economics, cultures, politics and educational systems of Pacific Rim countries.

Cal Poly School of Agriculture Dean Lark Carter is the university's representative on the commission.

Carter said there is a definite need to introduce into the CSU curriculum internationally-focused courses concerning Pacific Rim nations.

"There must be an increase of opportunities for CSU students to study foreign languages — not just Spanish, but Asian languages such as Japanese and Chinese," said Carter.

The agriculture department, in cooperation with the School of Liberal Arts, succeeded this winter in identifying and expanding existing programs that foster a greater understanding of economics, cultures, politics and educational systems of Pacific Rim countries.

System overuse causes problems

By Monica Fiscalini

UNIX sounds harmless doesn't it? But for many computer science students, the UNIX computer system is a thorn in their sides.

UNIX is user-friendly and flexible, allowing the user to do many things that the other two computer systems on campus don't allow, said Neal Pollack, a Cal Poly software specialist.

The system is so popular that 60 students may want to log on at one time. The problem is that UNIX has the capacity for only 28 to 30 users.

UNIX is intended to be used by upper division computer science students and Pollack believes there is a potential problem of lower division students wanting to use it too. He said the other two systems on campus are for lower division students and that is where they belong.

City Council decision

Owners get right to buy

By Stacey Myers

The San Luis Obispo City Council unanimously approved a motion Tuesday that allows owners of a mobile home park to convert the park from rented spaces to individually owned spaces.

The resolution gives the tenants of Chumash Village Mobilehome Park on South Higuera Street the option to buy the space upon which their mobile homes sit, instead of renting that space from the park's owners.

However, not all the tenants were pleased with their new option.

"I am in a total state of awe," said Ellen Davis, a 14-year resident of the park. She said she was uncomfortable with the new option.

Kites rise highest against the wind — not with it.

—Winston Churchill
It has been said that God created us in his image. If this is true, then we should be able to learn what God is like by observing people. So what does God look like? It would be hard to tell by looking around at the people here. Is God tall or short? Is he fat or skinny? And, what color is he/she?

I know there are people who would like to think that God is white, but how can one be sure? After all, most people in the world are non-white.

But then again, maybe I am taking the phrase too literally. Maybe what is really meant is that God created us in his mental and spiritual image. Well that would put rest my questions about God’s appearance, but I am afraid it would raise other questions about the nature of God. Is God courageous and compassionate, or is he cruel and intolerant? Because people are created in his image, I thought I would watch them and listen to them in hopes of finding the answer, but the evidence turned out to be so conflicting that I only got confused.

Just the other day I heard a lady say that God is generous and wants us to be happy and drive a nice car. She drives a real nice car. Then the very next day I heard this guy, who claimed to know God personally, say that God would pick you up and throw you into a fire and leave you there forever if you didn’t pick the right religion, which, by the way, happened to be his religion. Now which is it?

Their ideas about God were so different that I got to thinking they probably didn’t have the same religion.

This brings me to another question: What religion is God anyway? While walking through the University Union Plaza, I got to thinking that God must be a Christian, but then again I haven’t walked through the plazas of colleges in Africa, India or China.

But, even if God is a Christian and therefore created Christians in his image, it would still be hard to figure out what God is like because Christians differ so much from the next. Listening to Jerry Falwell, one might come to the conclusion that God is a conservative anti-communist who hates Russians, taxes and liberals.

Now I am not saying that there might not be some truth to this. After all, there does seem to be a lot of people created in this image. Even our president who referred to “Him” in the State of the Union Address seems to have been created in this image.

The only problem is that there are other Christians who do not fit this image. Looking at Mother Theresa, one might be tempted to think that God isn’t really a devout anti-communist at all, but is a God full of compassion and concern for the needs of the people he created. Certainly, there are people created in this image, but their numbers are probably too small to draw any real conclusions about the nature of God.

It seems to me that there are almost as many different ideas about the nature of God as there are people. Maybe God did create us in his image, but then again maybe we create God in our image.

Jerry McKay is a journalism senior and suspects God is invisible.

letters to the editor

Grad students decry Poly's lack of support

Editor — We would like to thank you for your recognition of graduate students in the article “For a few dollars more” (Jan. 28). However, we agricultural graduate students feel you did not focus on the most important issues facing us at Cal Poly. We are limited access to financial resources, insufficient facilities appropriated to conduct the required graduate-level research, and lack of incentive for faculty to work with graduate students.

According to your figures, post-graduates are approximately 1/15 of the total student population at Cal Poly. Yet, we do not receive near that fraction of the university’s resources. Office and library space necessary to conduct research is practically nonexistent. Furthermore, our base of financial assistance is restricted and does not include such programs as Pell and Cal grants.

Although we are grateful for those faculty who are supportive, there are more than a few who feel that working with us is a waste of their and the university’s time. Unfortunately, the university does nothing to dispel this attitude since they do not provide sufficient release time to justify the faculty’s effort in working with graduates.

Finally, we would like to comment on Marilyn York’s statement on the orientation of graduate programs at Cal Poly. We fail to see the difference between “in-depth graduate programs” found at UC campuses and “complimentary programs at the graduate level” here at Cal Poly. This should be clearly outlined for us in the Graduate Studies Bulletin or by the Administration before we invest the time and the money to come here. Since Cal Poly thesis students are obligated to meet stringent thesis and exam requirements (comparable to any other university), we feel the Administration’s recent description of graduate programs at Cal Poly is an attempt to justify the lack of resources allocated to us.

The potential exists for in-depth graduate programs. However, agricultural graduate students have to question why this university continues to promote graduate programs while giving minimal support.

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BLOOM COUNTY

by Berke Breathed
Senate overrides Reagan's veto

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Reagan suffered a major domestic spending defeat today when the Senate completed a congressional override of his veto of popular $20 billion legislation to combat water pollution.

The clean-water bill became law following a 86-14 Senate roll call a day after the House, with most Republicans ignoring Reagan's call for fiscal restraint, voted 401-26 to override the veto.

"This is not only a good bill, Mr. President, it is a necessary bill," said one of the law's chief architects, Sen. Robert Stafford, R-Vt.

Another key Republican, Sen. John Chafee of Rhode Island, called the veto "a serious mistake. ... I am saddened that the president missed an opportunity to join the Congress in taking an important step toward meeting our common goal of assuring cleaner lakes, rivers and streams."

Vandenbergs launches missile

VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE (AP) — An unarmed Minuteman III missile made a successful half-hour flight Wednesday to targets in the Pacific 4,200 miles southwest of here, an Air Force spokesman said.

It was the 126th in a series of test launches of the Minuteman III, which is capable of carrying a nuclear warhead, Senior Airman Bruce Fredette said.

The Minuteman III's three dummy warheads were tracked to the U.S. Army Kwajalein Atoll after the 1:30 a.m. launch, Fredette said.

A crew from the 2nd Airborne Command Control Squadron based at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb., issued the launch command from a specially modified Boeing EC-135 jet, he said.

The missile can be launched from its silo by airborne command in the event ground crews are disabled.

LA teachers to walk out for a day

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A one-day walkout by up to 21,000 teachers in the nation's second largest school district is expected to trigger mass absenteeism by children Thursday despite assurances classrooms will be staffed.

With summer-like temperatures forecast near 80 for Thursday, school district spokesman Bill Rivera said: "It will be an attractive beach day. I'm sure."

"They are planning on taking hundreds (of students) into the auditoriums to show them movies all day," said Wayne Johnson, president of the 32,000-member United Teachers of Los Angeles.

Johnson said he expects 20,000 to 25,000 teachers to stay out. The union represents more than two-thirds of the district's 26,000 teachers.
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This could be one reason why the United States has lost its competitive edge on the world market," said Carter. "Students entering the business world soon will be aggressive to regain the competitive edge in the world market and in political concerns. To do this, students must be aware of Pacific Rim peoples and their cultures."

Foreign languages department head Bill Little supports the implementation of a Pacific Rim program. He said that making foreign language instruction a state requirement is a good idea, but that the emphasis should be on Spanish.

"There is a problem with the introduction of making Asian languages available on campuses," said Little. "These languages are difficult to learn and I think that the major problem right now is with the Spanish language. We need to start small with this program instead of jumping ahead of priorities."

Little said that as of fall 1988, students entering the CSU system must have completed at least two years of foreign language instruction in high school.

"There is no blanket requirement for taking foreign language in college, but there is a movement in that direction," said Little. "The initiative for a foreign language requirement is stalled right now. The main problem is funding for hiring instructors."

Little said there is also a problem with where to get units for a foreign language requirement. He said the foreign languages department is sympathetic to students who say that not all students are capable of learning a foreign language, and that a blanket requirement would only penalize those people.

"There are also students to whom foreign language is irrelevant. Students are preparing for careers and the curriculum doesn't leave room or time for foreign language study," said Little.

He said there is a need for a blanket requirement, but the reality is that it may not come into existence.

"We do need to expand into Asian language but this won't be an easy task. The reality is there are too many competing interests as far as general education curriculum," said Little. "The entire task of introducing more foreign language study in the CSU system requires a lot of time and a lot of money."

Little said Cal Poly President Warren Baker, school deans and faculty members have discussed a plan for a study quarter in Japan, which would be modeled after the London Study program. Implementation of this program would follow one of the commission's recommendations for the Pacific Rim program.

Little said the reality is that the United States and California are behind other countries in understanding and dealing with different cultures. This, he said, is because as a nation the United States doesn't have a generalized consciousness that it needs to have people trained in foreign languages and cultures.

"We need public support to fund a program like the Pacific Rim program. Cal Poly and the CSU system are representative of a growing awareness of the need to learn about foreign peoples, their languages and cultures," said Little.

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Transfer students

Do they have it easier than freshmen?

Though some belittle the value of a community-college education, many students and educators agree that two-year colleges ease the transition from high school to the four-year college.

By Elmer Ramos, Staff Writer

In the early 1960s, a committee appointed by then-Gov. Edmund G. Brown Sr. issued the Master Plan for Higher Education in California, which stated the intent of public education in California. A section of the study calls for the strengthening of community college role in preparing students for four-year colleges.

Title 5, another state document, affirms the Master Plan's recommendation. Section 91.17 of Title 5 states: "In determination of priority for admission: (1) it is the policy of the state that students who begin their higher education in California public community colleges be able to continue their education without interruption, shall be considered..." California's four-year colleges - the California State University in particular - then renewed their commitment to accept all qualified community college transfer students. In turn, community college enrollment increased.

The emergence of the Master Plan and Title 5 also renewed the debate of the following issue: Is it to the student's advantage to attend a community college before going to a four-year college? While Cal Poly transfers trend to agree that they were well-prepared for the university, some educators feel students are better off if they attend a four-year college from day one.

"It (community college) prepared me real well for Cal Poly," said Dave Manes, a senior business major who attended Chabot College. "It's like a stepping stone, going from easy to medium to hard instead of going from easy to hard." Although Jenifer Bowles-Martinez, a career technician at San Luis Obispo High School, said community colleges do a fairly good job of preparing students, students should jump at the chance to go straight to a four-year college.

"If you can get in then you should go," she said. "If you want to end up there anyway, you should have the continuity of having been there all four years.

Polsy's image attracts freshmen

Sid Bennett, coordinator of Cuesta College's career transfer center, disagreed: "It's hard to make a blanket statement about students coming from community colleges, but I think they tend to be more focused than those who enter four-year colleges as freshmen. As people become more focused, they become more motivated and they do better." Because of the number of community college transfers at four-year colleges, the issue is a critical one indeed. Ralph Bigelow, director of academic studies for CSU, said community college transfers account for more than 46,000 - or about half - of all students receiving bachelor's degrees from CSU.

Dave Snyder, Cal Poly admissions officer, said the increase in transfers is due mostly to the "60-40 rule," informally adopted by the California State University's 19 campuses shortly after the release of the Master Plan. "No one really knows who came up with the 60-40 rule," Snyder said. The rule says that CSU must accept 60 percent of transfer and 40 percent freshmen. This guarantees that qualified students can get into CSU to continue their education.

However, Snyder said, Cal Poly's freshmen admissions ratio is closer to 50-50 for fall quarter and 55-45 for other quarters. This is due to recent changes in Cal Poly's applicant pool, he said.

"There is no real reason known but the image of Cal Poly has put it up with the University of California and private schools," he said. "UC and the private schools traditionally admit mostly freshmen so Cal Poly's pool has changed to mostly freshmen too.

"Also, there are less transfer students in the pool because of the decline in community college enrollment around 1982 due to budget cuts from Proposition 13. The declining transfer applicant pool and the increasing freshmen applicant pool in the early '80s led to the increase in freshmen admissions here.

A time for decision making

The decline in community college enrollment appears to have bottomed out, Snyder said. Much of the reason for rising enrollment, he said, may be due to realization that community colleges provide an excellent option for high school seniors unsure of their future.

"Students usually enroll at community colleges because their grades are low, they are unsure of course of study, they lack maturity or they cannot afford to attend a four-year college," Snyder said. Still, many students do not see how attending a community college can be a positive experience. But Snyder said those who study there usually reap benefits.

"Often, the transfers have taken more time to put it all together and they know where they're headed," he said. "You don't transfer as a junior without having made significant career decisions.

And although many feel community colleges hold an inferior education, Snyder said, Cal Poly students who attend community college before they enroll and those who enroll as freshmen achieve similar success rates.

Cuesta's Bennett said about 80 percent of the students at the community college intend to transfer to a four-year college. Students who plan to study certain majors can attend community colleges without losing much ground, he said.

"Business is one major where you can make good progress toward a degree at a community college," he said. "Sometimes it can be faster to do it this way because it can be easier to get classes. But it's harder if you plan to major in architecture or engineering because a lot of those classes aren't offered at community colleges.""
### Transfer

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Moving away also causes a lot of stress. Fellow student Mikes said the biggest factor in deciding which route to take should be whether the students know what they want to major in. If they know that, then they should go straight to a four-year college, he said. Even if the students are wavering, it would not hurt to skip community college, he said. "You can still take different classes because your first two years here, you take GE (general education) courses anyway," he said. "And GE courses here are no harder than at a community college."

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**David Kann, a Cal Poly English professor, said students are better off going straight to a four-year college. The academic atmosphere is stronger, there is a more comprehensive library and fellow students provide a greater range of knowledge, he said.**

"The problem with Cal Poly is that students must declare a major before entering," he said. "Often, that is a choice that is dictated by parents or comes out of ignorance. In that case, community college is better for them." Kann and Emile Atalla, a Cal Poly computer science professor, agree that the quality of the community college usually dictates how well prepared the transfer student will be. While some community colleges have teaching tools and classes comparable to Cal Poly's, Atalla said, many do not.

Community college students, he said, also should make sure the classes they take are equivalent to the ones at the four-year college they plan to attend.

"The advantage of coming in as a freshman is that you are indoctrinated into Cal Poly's system," he said. "The transfer's disadvantage is that he may have learned a different system or program. If you come in as a transfer, you are gambling on the homogeneity of the things you have learned."

### Entertainer Liberace dies in Palm Springs

**PALM SPRINGS (AP) —** Liberace, the unequaled king of glitter who dazzled audiences for four decades with romantic piano flourishes, outrageous flashy costumes and a trademark candelabra, died Wednesday. He was 67.

"He was surrounded by family and friends at the time as was his wish," said publicist Denise Collier in New York. She said Liberace, who slipped into a coma Tuesday, died at 2:05 p.m. A mortuary station wagon left with the body at 3:45 p.m. Family and friends waved as it pulled away.

Dr. Ronald Daniels said the cause of death was cardiac arrest due to congestive heart failure brought on by subacute encephalopathy, an inflammation of the brain.

Liberace had been gravely ill for weeks with what aides said was anemia, emphysema and heart disease. Spokesmen denied a published report that he had AIDS. A University of Minnesota cardiovascular specialist said Wednesday that AIDS can cause encephalopathy, but Collier again denied AIDS killed Liberace. "It is obvious from this statement (by Daniels) he did not die of it," she said, but added that the cause of the brain inflammation was listed as unknown.

At his bedside were Seymour Heller, his manager, his sister-in-law Dora, sister Angie and her family, and housekeepers Gladys Luckie and Dorothy MacMahan, and several unidentified neighbors, Collier said. "Lee was my dear friend for over 40 years," actor Mickey Rooney said after learning of Liberace's death. "His legacy will be forever memorable."

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From page 1 of Chumash Village. “Who, in their 60s or 80s, wants to go into debt to buy a home?” she asked.

“Please allow these people the dignity to do what they want to,” she said “and don’t force them into a welfare state just to protect what they already have.”

But another resident of the park, Jack Graham, favored the council’s decision.

“A rent receipt is worth zero,” he said. “I’d rather pay an extra $70 each month and earn some equity on my property. Equity is worth something.”

The council meeting, attended primarily by senior citizens, ended a two-month series of hearings on the conversion project.

In December the Planning Commission first reviewed the resolution, but when public testimony lasted more than three hours, the commission continued the hearing to the Jan. 14 meeting, when members voted 4-2 to allow the conversion to individually owned spaces.

Most of the tenants opposing the move were concerned that they would no longer be able to afford the park after the conversion because if they chose not to buy their spaces, someone else might.

Michael Multari, Community Development Director, emphasized that the city did not want any tenant to be forced out of the park because of economic reasons.

“People who want to rent will be displaced by this measure,” he said. “I’d rather pay an extra $70 each month and earn some equity on my property. Equity is worth something.”

The tenant protection measures (in the resolution) virtually assure that no low-income people will be displaced by this measure,” he said. The resolution states that tenants who wish to purchase the spaces will be eligible for loans from the city, and that tenants who don’t want to buy but want to continue renting their spaces will be offered lifetime leases. However, the rents under those leases would no longer be contained by rent control — another issue that worried tenants opposed to the conversion.

Councilmember Glenna Dovey said she understood the council’s decision.

“People who want to rent will still be able to do so — they’ll just be making the rent check out to someone else,” she said.

Thursday 5

• ASI Outings will hold a communication and leadership seminar at 11 a.m. Thursday in the University Union Craft Center Gallery.
• There will be a Multicultural Plaza Festival with food and music at 11 a.m. Thursday in the University Union Plaza.
• The School of Liberal Arts and the philosophy department will sponsor a speech on “Sacred Rage: Militant Islam and the Middle East” by Nancy Gallagher of UCSB at 11 a.m. Thursday in University Union Room 220.
• The School of Liberal Arts will sponsor a speech on “The Crisis in Lebanon: A Historian’s View” at 7:30 p.m. Thursday at the Congregation Beth David, 2912 Augusta St.
• The Counseling Center will hold a re-entry discussion group workshop at 11 a.m. Thursday.
• The Learning Assistance Center will hold a test preparation workshop from 10 a.m. to noon Thursday.
• The Placement Center will hold a summer job search workshop for all majors at 11 a.m. Thursday in Business Administration and Education Building Room 206.
• An International Agriculture Exchange Association speaker will discuss internships in international agriculture from noon to 4 p.m. Wednesday in Agriculture Building Room 138.
• The Financial Aid Office will hold a S.A.A.C. form workshop from noon to 1 p.m. Thursday in University Union Room 219.

Friday 6

• The Veterinary Science Club will feature a talk by veterinarian Joel Pascal on surgery, restraint, handling, shock and anesthesia at 7 p.m. Friday in Fisher Science Room 286. Donations are 50 cents.
• The Escape Route will show videos on windsurfing, cross country skiing, rock climbing, and more from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday.
• Contributions to Calendar must be received by noon two days prior to the event.

America’s Cup returns home to US

FREMANTLE, Australia (AP) — The America’s Cup is America’s again, and Dennis Conner now can be remembered as the first man to retain the Cup instead of the first to lose it.

“It’s a great moment for America, a great moment for the Stars & Stripes team,” Conner said after guiding the 12-meter yacht Stars & Stripes past Kookaburra III Wednesday and completing a 4-0 sweep.

His blue-hulled boat with the red and white lettering won the final race easily, by one minute, 59 seconds. The gunshot signifying that Stars & Stripes had crossed the finish line, its huge American flag waving, was the opening signal for the victory celebration.

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Proposed 'no smoking' in UU to be decided

By Catherine Hernandez
Staff Writer

The Cal Poly University Union Advisory Board will meet today to vote on a proposal to make the U.U. entirely smoke-free.

UUAB Chairman Bretten Osterfeld said the proposal to prohibit smoking in the U.U. was brought to the board's attention by Rec Sports, but other people have also voiced concern over smoking in the building.

The only area in the U.U. that currently allows smoking is the billiards area of Rec Sports. Osterfeld said the first requests to prohibit smoking in this area came in November after video games were moved into the billiards area. The proposal was written out of concern for non-smokers who were placed in a smoking environment in order to play the games.

"It was less pleasant for them to play because they were subject to the smoke," said Osterfeld.

"There are currently two large 'smoke eaters' in there that pretty much eat up the smoke in the games area. But, people in the billiards area are still subject to the smoke. We are considering moving the machinery to Mustang Lounge until it's renovated to help with the smoke problem, or just completely abolishing smoking in the U.U.," Osterfeld said.

Jennifer Smagaia, games area manager, described Rec Sports as "lobbyists to the UUAB."

"Recreation Sports has a fitness and health philosophy, so we don't advocate smoking. And I think most students agree. Cal Poly students generally have a tendency towards fitness. There are not a lot of smokers so I think they will be gung ho on eliminated smoking," Smagaia said.

When the no-smoking proposal was brought up last quarter, it was greeted with support, Osterfeld said. "They (the UUAB) don't think people who don't smoke should have to be subjected to the smoke of those who do, because not only has it been proven bad for your health, it doesn't fit the atmosphere. "Some action has to be taken to remove the smoke from the area. There is a conflict between the health-conscious atmosphere and then lung disease, cancer and stuff like that," Osterfeld said.

Iranians say US reporter will be freed

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — Iran said Wall Street Journal reporter Gerald F. Seib will be expelled Thursday, five days after he was arrested and accused of spying for Israel while visiting the country by government invitation.

Its official Islamic Republic News Agency quoted an Information Ministry official Wednesday as saying the decision to free and expel the 30-year-old American came after "a judicial probe into his case ended."

Three other Westerners held by Iran on espionage charges remain in prison. American telecommunications engineer Jon Pattis, Canadian engineer Philip Engs and British journalist-businessman John Cooper were arrested last year.

IRNA gave gave no details of the Seib investigation or findings, but he apparently was cleared of the allegations. The report did not say where the Thursday flight would take the journalist, who is based in Cairo.

Seib was among 57 foreign correspondents invited to Iran for a tour of the border battle zone where Iranian forces have pushed into Iraq toward its southern capital, Basra.

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Men's track team looking for conference championship

By Arlene J. Wieser

The Cal Poly track team has set high goals for itself this coming season, and with both new and returning athletes, those goals may be met.

Last season the track team finished second in the California Collegiate Athletic Association championships behind Cal State L.A. and 11th in the National Championships. This season some faces have changed.

Non-Returning Athletes

Jim Dieter. A four-time All-American and 1986 conference champion in the shotput and the hammer throw events, Dieter has completed his four years of eligibility to compete in events. He continues to go to school at Cal Poly and will coach the throwing events this year.

Joe Rubio: the conference champion at 5,000 meters and sixth place finisher at the National Championships. Kevin Pratt: an All-American in the first runner in the 1600-meter relay, Pratt helped the relay team to a first place finish at the conference championships.

Arnold Maler: All-American third-leg runner in the 1600-meter relay that placed first in the conference championships.

Sprinters and Hurdlers

This includes the 100, 200 and 400-meter runners. The team will have Eric Josephson, its top 100 and 200 meter runner returning this season. Dave Johnson, the team's best 400-meter runner and also top hurdler will be returning as well.

Mid-distance Runners

This category includes the 800 and 1500-meter runners. Leading the mid-distance team will be veteran Brian Porter who qualified for nationals last year in the middle distances. Two newcomers will also be added to the team — Doug Hancock from West Valley Junior College, and freshman Tom Halaszynski.

Javelin

The cross-country team looks forward to a strong season. Last year the team placed first in the conference championships and placed fourth in the National Championships.

One of the lead runners this season will be Christopher Craig. Craig placed first in the 10,000-meter and second in the 5,000-meter at the conference championships.

Michael Miner will also be on the returning team. Miner's best event is the 3,000-meter steeplechase. Mike Livingston is also a returning athlete whose specialty is in the 5,000 and 10,000-meter races.

Pole Vaulter

Last season the Cal Poly team took five of the top six positions in this event at the conference championships. The team will be adding four more pole vaulters this season.

The four new recruits are Kevin Rankin from Los Gatos High School, Steve Williams from Service High School, Todd Arnett from Los Altos High School and Steve Toney from Menlo Atherton High School. Toney’s vault of 16'2" earned him first place at last year’s state high school championships. The other three recruits have all vaulted over 16 feet as well.

Sixteen feet is the qualifying mark to participate at nationals.

High Jump

Leading this year’s team is Anthony Wudy, whose best jump is 7'7". Long Jump and Triple Jump

Leading this year’s team are veterans Bill Freeborn and Mark McGowney.

Shotput/Discus/Hammer Throw

Leading this year’s team are veterans Ron Beach and Bubba Bentley. Rookie Paul Nightswonger will also be on the team.

Javelin

Leading javelin thrower this season is Brian Warren, who placed second in the conference championship and holds the Cal Poly record in that event.

In all, this year’s team includes 11 All-Americans, five conference champions and four other national qualifiers.

According to Cal Poly track and field coach Tom Henderson, the main goal of this year’s team is to win the conference championships. The secondary goal is to do well at nationals. In order to meet these goals, we may sacrifice some dual meets, said Henderson. "We are going to gear the whole season for the individual until the last two meets, then it is an entire team effort."
Cal Poly women’s tennis

Mustangs hope to get stronger

By Ken Miller
Staff Writer

Even though the Cal Poly women’s tennis team was beaten by UC Santa Barbara 9-0 in its first match, coach Miguel Phelps said the women will get stronger as the season progresses.

Santa Barbara crushed Cal Poly, winning the six singles matches and three doubles matches.

Phelps said Cal Poly has never won a game against Santa Barbara, adding, "We did have one exceptional match where we had them at match point. If we'd gotten it, it would have been a first, but UCSB beat us hands down."

The women’s tennis team has consistently been in the top three of its conference, but last season put the Mustangs fourth in the CCAA.

"I feel that we've got the potential for a very good year, especially with the experience we have, since most of our players are returning," Phelps said.

Of the returning players, Patty Hilliard and Susan Norman are the first and third singles players, while Wendy Elliott is second.

Hilliard is sitting out the early season with a foot injury.

Hilliard, who made the all-conference team for 1986, is ranked 19th in the western region. Her record last season was 6-13. Wendy Elliott last played in 1985, when her record was 12-5. Susan Norman finished last season 5-7 overall.

Phelps, a first-year coach from Cuba, said that the team's biggest weakness is its attrition rate. "A few of our players are ill or ineligible because of grades. However, in the second half, we expect to get most of them back."

The women's team played at the CSULA Invitational in Los Angeles from Jan. 29 to Feb. 1. Norman lost in the quarterfinals to the number one seed from Cal State Los Angeles, 6-1, 6-1. Elliott lost to the number two seed 6-1, 6-2.

Elliott and Amy Lansford placed second in doubles, with a team from Loyola Marymount taking first place.

Lansford and Chris Calandra made it to the semifinals in singles play, where Calandra lost to the number one player from Loyola Marymount 2-6, 1-6 and Lansford lost to the number one player from Cal State Bakersfield 6-7, 2-6.

Phelps was pleased with the way his team played in Los Angeles, saying, "As long as the girls play the way I want them to play, I'm proud of them."

Rec Sports run scheduled

Cal Poly Rec Sports is sponsoring a Valentine's Partners Fun Run on Wednesday, Feb. 11 at 4:15 p.m. The 2.3-mile run begins in front of the Main Gym and goes up Poly Canyon and back.

Runners will race as teams of two, and each team's overall pace will be determined by the runners' combined times. Prizes will be awarded to teams in the mixed, men's and women's divisions. The run is open to all Cal Poly students, faculty and staff.

The entry fee is $4 per couple and the deadline for sign-ups is 4 p.m. on race day. More information is available at Rec Sports, University Union Room 118.

"Give credit to Troy Trobaugh," said Swoboda. "He's a breast stroker, which we are in dire need of, and he's really pulled through for us."

Swoboda also gives credit to freestylers Dave Zimmerman and Steve Schiel, who are part of the freestyle relay team, and butterfly swimmers Mike Delboisblanc and Neil Leary.

Swoboda says that after leaving Cal Poly, he wants to become a teacher and a swimming coach in Northern California.

"I feel that we've got the exceptional talent here, and we're going to be very, very strong," Madrigal said he believes that Swoboda is "going to be very, very competitive with anyone in his division." Madrigal said there are so many factors that have to fall into place, but added, "If everything goes right, he'll be very tough."

Swoboda's goals for this season include winning two individual events at the national level and qualifying for three national relays. "We've already made one medley relay," he said optimistically.

But Swoboda's positive attitude doesn't stop when his events are over. He is very conscious about the others on his team.

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“Everybody is having a tendency to rush towards it because it is our best machine,” said James Lillge, a computer science instructor.

Pollack said, “We’re almost getting Nielsen Ratings back from the students because they’re more or less choosing the system of choice.”

Dan Stubbs, computer science department head, is working on the problem. A department meeting was held Tuesday to discuss cutting down on the use of UNIX and getting funds to upgrade the system. An upgrade, which is hoped to be in effect in March, would cost $45,000. The upgrade would allow a minimum of 48 to 50 people to work at the rate that 28 to 30 people can now. Before the system was upgraded two years ago, only eight to nine users were handled at one time.

Stubbs said he is doing all he can to deal with the problem. He hopes to move classes to other machines in the spring. Stubbs called the situation a “substantial problem,” and “an impediment to the academic process.”

Frustrated UNIX user Bob Messing, an electronic engineering major, remembers when people had to stand in line for a terminal. Now there are enough terminals, but users have to sit in queue. They are assigned a number by the computer and when it is their turn they are given one minute to respond.

Andy Sobel, a programming assistant in the library, explained that if students miss their chance to log on because they were not paying attention then they have to start over and are put at the end of the line. There are other problems with logging on. Messing said sometimes the computer forgets him and he has to start over.

Greg Claggett, a computer science major, said many people are using UNIX who could be using another system and he believes this is part of the reason that he has had to wait two hours to log on.

Lillge said that more internal communication and central leadership are needed. “Right now we’re all operating without knowing what anybody else is doing,” he said.

Pollack, who believes that a balance is needed on campus said, “It’s easy to get caught up in a situation where you say, ‘This is great, I think everybody should jump on it’ and then you’d have to have one computer the size of a whole building on campus just to support everybody. That’s not necessary — a good idea.”

PROJECTS

From page 1 requirements he would like to see implemented in the biology department.

He said if he had his way, the senior project in the biology department would become a “senior honors project” for students headed to graduate school.

“The senior project has very little value for the C student who comes in and says ‘I’m graduating in spring; what can I do a senior project on? ’”

He said most senior projects are just library reports, although he has had some great ones. Cooper told about a student who diagnosed a plant disease and found a control agent for it.

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