Commission helps students deal with stressful landlords

By Lynne Hasselman

Many college students know the frustrations of dealing with unreasonable landlords who ignore pleas to make repairs, hold deposits and take advantage of students. The Human Relations Commission Department of San Luis Obispo, which deals with problems between tenant and landlord, said at least half of all their cases involve college students.

"The peak period for disputes to arise between tenant and landlord will start in about three weeks when students start to relax and notice repairs that need to be made," said Gwen Guyre-Powell, a human relations aide. "Through the middle of the year we see a lot of lease questions from people who are trying to get out of a lease agreement. When school comes to an end, we see students who are having problems getting their security deposits back."

"It is very important to try and preserve, if possible, the long-term relationship between tenant and landlord because each will probably have to live with the other for the rest of the year. One of the services the Human Relations Commission frequently supplies is a trained and neutral third party who helps negotiate an agreement between tenant and landlord before the case has to be resolved in the courts," Guyre-Powell added.

"Most landlords in San Luis are honest but a very small percentage, say one or two, take advantage of the age and relative inexperience of college renters," she said.

Though most communication problems are handled out of court, the same names of fraudulent landlords keep coming up again and again but are not released by the city because of liability.

One landlord in San Luis Obispo refused to return a student's $1,000 cleaning deposit even after the girl took her to small claims court and won. The landlord, who resides in another part of the state, will not pay according to the court order and hangs up on other people who call to ask about the return of their deposits.

Another landlord holds the security deposit of a student in the apartment complex and refuses to return it until the end of the summer.

Sudden rent increases is another area that college renters are frequently forced to face.

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SLO boasts 1st U.S. motel

San Luis Obispo landmark caused 'motel' to be coined

By Kristie Kuechler

San Luis Obispo is the home of the first motel in the world. The Milestone Motel, now located on the Monterey exit, opened its doors in 1926

"The motel plan eliminates a long walk through dark streets in a strange town between a garage and a hotel," read a 1926 article from the Los Angeles Times. In 1926 no one knew what the word meant, so newspapers ran a definition explaining to people what a motel was.

The word was entered into the dictionary in 1930. Arthur S. Heineman was the Pasadena architect who started the idea of roadside lodgings with his design for the Milestone Motel.

In 1926, the Milestone Motel contained 24 rooms and dining quarters. The sign that hung outside the motel originally read, "Milestone Motel - Arthur S. Heineman was the architect.

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Letters to the editor

The dejection continues

Editor:
For the last two years, I have attended Cal Poly. Unfortunately, the school isn't run as well as I heard. What I don't understand is why general education classes are so hard to get.

Well, I finally realized why it is so hard. For the past three quarters, I have been keeping tabs on the class scheduling by the administration. It appears that every class (e.g. Phil 331, Phil 335, Eng 122, Eng 335, Hist 315 and many others) is in high demand by all students of Cal Poly. These classes seem to be scheduled to a room of small capacity; while other classes such as FDSC 150 and IT 130 are available within seconds, there are rooms left open at 8:45, but only attract 20-25.

I am not only saying this because I hear of the problem. I am a victim of this problem and hope to see a change, soon. With more than 17,000 students at Cal Poly, I honestly believe that you can get enough support and information from them. All it takes is the initiative to check if there is a problem. And I can already answer that question.

In my opinion, it appears that the administration, or whoever is in charge of class scheduling, makes a decision to simply just get it done or does not know how to do it. But the people involved somehow seem to have the ability to make sure that the fees for tuition come in on time or that parking passes are given out in a timely manner.

With all this money coming in, and I mean all of it, why can't they hire more full-time teachers to compli­mente this general of class defici­ency?

Some full-time teachers actu­ally make more money than the industries that they teach about. I mean, $40,000 is more than enough for two or three classes. Why do they use their extra time to create more classes in the room that is not being used? My recommen­dation to the class scheduling seems to be in be high de­mand and which buildings can satisfy that demand.

I have always heard that it is difficult to get into Cal Poly in four years, but I always thought it was because of its high education level, not the un­experienced level of the scheduling committee. I am not saying that the level of education is low, because it isn't. I am just saying that the system is really screwed up. I hope that the people responsible will come forward and correct this problem as soon as possible.

Anecdote

Children's Center in need

Editor:
I would like to thank you for dedicating one of your columns to the parents, students and staff of the Children's Center. Let's face it - it was a selfish type of protest. College has never been cheaper, nor have I seen such a support for students. In such a support, some people were there to enlighten themselves so that they could make a useful and meaningful contri­bution to their country, most were being the beasts to avoid the draft.

So we can sit around today and point at us students and say we are selfish and uncar­ing about the world? Did we create the nuclear weapons to destroy the world a few times over? Did we pollute the earth with toxic waste and chemicals and put the environment in peril? No. We were too young. But believe me, we care.

We have grown up in a world that seems insane, to me at least, but as for my part I am bewildered about the solution and how I can help or change things. The problems are astronomical. I wasn't around to help create the situation and I feel overwhelmed when I think about reversing it. But for some reasons, I feel compelled to try. I think about it, and I suppose that's a first step.

I am appalled by my own generation sometimes. I must confess, Cal Poly is a good example of this. There isn't sufficient, single parent families, and 70 percent of women with young children employed outside of the home. Moreover, those nuclear families of the 80's are relying more on institutions (preschools) to aid in the upbringing of their offspring. Around 300 children here and numerous others at local preschools (Zion, SW Christian, Johnathan, etc.) demonstrate San Luis Obispo is in transition. The growing number of parent-students, combined with the fact that this campus offers the least amount of space for children than any other CSU campus, both give Cal Poly in cen­tre for change.

a's dishearten the ASI depart­ment's question of the new Children's Center being a sound investment of student dollars, not only will students benefit by profit and experience, but we all agree on the impor­tance of parents having the chance to gain a higher educa­tion level to more effectively rear our next generation.

- Katherine M. Moeller

Who is more selfish? The hippies or yuppies? by Berke Breathed

Self-centered, me-generation, party pre-oc­cupied and self-serious and care less about others. That's what the student of the '80s is being called, mostly by the people who were part of the tumultuous '60s era, when protest was the 'in' thing. Yes, they had a lot to protest about. But they didn't have the right to sit back and criticize contemporaries for our values and I am basically sick of hearing the crap.

Materialistic: This is the major charge leveled against us. We don't care about anything but making money. Yuppies. The term is worn well and actually sym­pathizes with big business.

It is no wonder our generation worships money. We've seen our leaders walk out on peace talks and take suspiciously imperialistic stands in the world. We've seen the poor quality of education in our high schools and the low incentive a bright student has to become a teacher. I was extremely lucky to have had really good teachers in high school, and knowing what I know now makes me respect them twice as much. They work for little financial reward, which in itself tells them that society as a whole does not value them much. They know they are important — incredibly important — and shouldn't they get paid on par with doctors, lawyers and engineers? Aren't they performing just as important a task for society?

If you come down on us that we all need to become more altruistic. I want to be a journalist so I can make a difference in this world. If you spent your time reading this instead of downing a beer or watching "Three's Company," then there is hope for you, too. I'm not sure what the best recourse is to save the world, but I think it's worth doing. We can't just sit back and let the country be run by politicians. We need to take an active part; not just sit back and criticize everything, or students, or anyone.

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Reporters' notebook

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State

Tax money returned
WASHINGTON (AP) — More than four-fifths of the windfall which states could have gained because of federal tax reform has gone back to the taxpayers, according to a national survey released Monday.

Twenty-two states made major changes in their tax codes after Congress approved a sweeping federal tax measure last year, and another nine states were reviewing their tax systems, the National Governors' Association said.

"1987 has been a landmark year for changes in state tax systems," said governors' association executive director Raymond C. Scheppach.

Transients hit Venice
SANTA MONICA (AP) — A dwindling band of transients who decided to carry the message of their plight to affluent sections of Southern California decided Monday to skip Malibu celebrity digs and head south to Venice, Ledeen: U.S. in error

WASHINGTON (AP) — The United States ignored a chance to talk directly to a high Iranian official in fall 1985 about improving relations between the two nations, and instead strengthened radical elements of the Iranian government through swaps of arms for hostages, according to Iran-Contra testimony released today.

Michael Ledeen, a former U.S. consultant on terrorism who was involved in early discussions about the Iran arms sales, said the Iranian official "believed it possible to, in essence, change the nature of the Iranian regime through peaceful, parliamentary methods."

Ledeen said the official believed the changes could lead to Iran's abandonment of terrorism and to better relations with the West.

Nation

Schroeder won't run
DENVER (AP) — A tearful Rep. Pat Schroeder announced Monday she will not enter the race for the 1988 Democratic presidential nomination, saying, "I could not figure out how to run and not be separated from those I served."

Schroeder, a veteran of 15 years in Congress, had spent nearly four months testing her potential political and financial support, and her announcement stunned supporters who gathered at noon in the outdoor Greek Theater in Denver's Civic Center Park.

"I learned a lot about America and I learned a lot about Pat Schroeder (this summer). That's why I will not be a candidate for president. I could not figure out how to run," she said.

World

Kim forms new party
SOUTH KOREA (AP) — Former Prime Minister Kim Jong-pil said Monday he was forming a new political party as a first step toward becoming a presidential candidate in elections this year.

Kim's candidacy could damage other presidential hopefuls, especially governing Democratic Justice Party candidate Roh Tae-woo, by siphoning off middle-class and business support, political observers have said.

His candidacy also could damage the hopes of opposition party candidates, added the observers, who spoke on the condition of not being identified.

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Nuclear study given
AUSTRIA (AP) — The Soviet Union will present a detailed report on the Chernobyl nuclear plant accident during the one-week International Conference on Nuclear Power Performance and Safety which began Monday.

Morris Rosen, director of the security department of the International Atomic Energy Agency, said the study to be presented Wednesday will be "more informative than earlier reports."

The agency is sponsoring the conference.

Rosen told journalists covering the conference that the new Soviet report would contain the latest data on the environmental consequences of the April 26, 1986 accident, the world's worst nuclear plant disaster.

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Committee helps pre-med students

By Diane Wright

A committee designed to help advise students interested in pursuing a career in medicine will be holding an orientation meeting next week.

Harry Fierstine, associate dean of the School of Science and Mathematics, is the chairman of the Health Professions Committee and will preside at the meeting, which will be held Tuesday, Oct. 6.

"We are serving people in all majors," said Fierstine. He said students do not have to be science majors in order to be admitted to medical schools, provided they meet medical school requirements while attending Cal Poly.

Fierstine said medical schools like to see applicants that are liberal arts majors because of the "human skills" they have learned.

Career information in the fields of medicine, dentistry, nursing, optometry, chiropractic, pharmacy, physical therapy, podiatry, public health and veterinary health care will be presented at the meeting.

One of the major roles of the committee is to keep students informed of the latest application requirements. The committee advises students on specific courses required and how to obtain them.

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Kaminski, a junior biology major, "Our landlord increased our rent by 20 percent and only gave us one month's notice. There were five of us living together and since none of us could afford the increase, we were forced to move out."

"Since Cal Poly is talking about increasing the enrollment size and the City Council is basically sticking to a no-growth policy, I can see the potential for tenant landlord problems is going to become more of a problem," she said. "Students would sign a lease, but landlords to jack up the price of rent." But tenant landlord problems have greatly decreased from a few years ago, Guyre-Powell said.

"Up until very recently the demand for housing far outstripped the supply," he said. "Students would sign a lease for an apartment that was in very poor condition out of sheer desperation."

"I usually don't have any more problems with renting to college students than I have renting to families," said Frank Yost of You Properties. "The only real trouble I have is renting to WOW (Controlled Tenancy). The WOW leaders invite their groups over for parties all the time and the neighbors go crazy. In that case just telling them that they're causing a problem is usually enough for them to stop."

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By Coleen Bendy Staff Writer

High up above the city of San Luis Obispo rests an old brick building that many Cal Poly students are familiar with, and may have actually visited once or twice on a dark night with a full moon.

Called an abandoned asylum, a haunted house, but actually an old juvenile detention center, Sunny Acres is a source of controversy in San Luis Obispo.

The building, located on a hill behind General Hospital, was built in 1932 as an orphanage and was converted in the 1930s to a juvenile detention center. In 1975 the building was declared to be unsound and was boarded up. It is now walking distance from a modern probation center.

Since then it has been used by vagrants as a place to sleep, satirical worshippers as a place to perform sacrifices and teenagers as a place to party.

The building is a large, schoolhouse-looking structure that seems to be in good condition from the outside. The inside has been somewhat mutilated by vandals. There are satirical drawings on the walls, and one can easily imagine what it must have been like to spend some time in one of the tiny, barren cells upstairs. A peaceful but lonely feeling is evoked from the place by day, but an altogether eerie feeling is provoked at night.

The county-owned building was supposed to be torn down last summer, but the county did not receive bids for the work. The photos by
bricks alone would be worth the cost of tearing it down, but that incentive still did not attract bids.

The county recently put heavy steel mesh over the windows downstairs and upstairs, and cut down a tree that gave access to an upstairs window, in hopes of keeping trespassers out. The building is nearly impenetrable now.

The San Luis Obispo County Archaeological Society wants to save the building, to turn it into a museum displaying information about the Chumash Indians. They believe that this county is lacking in natural history museums.

Chief of Probation Don King believes that it would cost more to restore the building than it would cost to build a completely new one, but he is aware that some locals would like to save Sunny Acres as a historical landmark.

Crime Prevention Coordinator Steve Seybold said that although there have been a few incidents of vandalism and trespassing, the police are not constantly being called up there. Yet he said any abandoned building is a potential problem for the community.

The final decision of Sunny Acres’ fate will rest with developers. The county agreed to spend $15,000 to hire a consultant to help decide what to do with the land. They have decided to lease the land to a developer, who will then make any decisions about what should be done with it.

Kyle Bowers
Former Iranian officer executed

NICOSIA, Cyprus (AP) — The former right-hand man of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomini's chosen successor was executed by a firing squad at dawn on Monday in a Tehran prison.

Mehdi Hashemi, charged with treason, died a victim of the power struggle in Iran's divided hierarchy. His execution indicates that "pragmatists" leaders who want to end Iran's isolation have gained the upper hand.

Tehran Radio, monitored in Nicosia, reported in a terse announcement that Hashemi was shot at 6 a.m.

Until his arrest last October on the orders of the powerful Parliament speaker, Hashemi Rafsanjani, Hashemi was the chief lieutenant of Ayatollah Hussein Ali Montazeri, 55.

Montazeri is Rafsanjani's political rival. Khomini, Iran's leader and revolutionary patriarch, chose Montazeri as his political rival. Khomeini, Iran's clergyman, was sentenced by an Islamic Revolutionary Court for the United States.

After Hashemi was arrested, apparently with Khomini's approval, his supporters leaked details of their clandestine meetings with Robert MacFarlane, President Reagan's former national security adviser, to the Beirut weekly Ash-Shara.

Four days later Rafsanjani, under pressure in Parliament, had to disclose the contacts with "the Great Satan," Iran's term for the United States.

Soon after, Hashemi was shown on Iranian television, which is run by Rafsanjani's brother Hadi, is a former colleague of Bork, said the Reagan administration chose to highlight the implications of the right-wing agenda.

The government said he built up caches of weapons, along with cyanide and booby-trapped pens, that he is a secret police model airplane, to assassinate opponents.

Montazeri's humiliation appeared complete. In recent months he has been reintroduced to some degree of the press refer to him as "the future leader of the Islamic Revolution."

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Back on track
A painful back injury has failed to spoil Claudia Hemmersbach’s senior season

By Kristine J. Abbey
staff writer

Not too long ago Cal Poly volleyball coach Mike Wilton thought he would have to start the 1987 volleyball season without veteran setter Claudia Hemmersbach, who was suffering from lingering back pain.

But Hemmersbach did start the season and Wilton said she has been playing at the top of her game in spite of still experiencing some discomfort.

Hemmersbach, a senior, ruptured two disks in her back while practicing her jump serve in her sophomore year. She fought pain through last season but never missed a game.

"I'm seeing her move around the court as well as she has in her four-year career," said Wilton. "At first it was very iffy; in fact, we were pretty certain that she wasn't going to play. But as she started to try to work out she started to see that she could play."

"She didn't touch a volleyball from the end of last season until Aug. 13, and the setting position really demands a lot of practice," Hemmersbach said. "At the back school I relearned how to do everything — sit, walk, run and supposedly play volleyball — with my back in a neutral position," she said.

When the back is in a neutral position, the spine is in a straight line from the shoulders to the hips. Hemmersbach was advised to use muscles other than her back muscles to move with. Her doctor said she could play volleyball without pain or further injury by using this method, but Hemmersbach said the game is too spontaneous to keep the neutral position.

Although Hemmersbach said the pain in her back is worse than it was at the beginning of last season, she has set high personal goals for her final season. She said she'd definitely like to make the all-league team and maybe even become an all-American.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Cal Poly hires new swimming coach

Richard Firman has been chosen to coach the Cal Poly men’s and women’s swim teams.

Firman, who coached swimming and diving at Concord High School last spring, replaces Bob Madrigal, who is pursuing graduate studies at the University of Oregon.

Firman received his bachelor’s degree in psychology from Cal State Bakersfield in 1986 and his teaching credential from National University in Oakland.

Last year he was the head of a research team for United States Swimming Inc., working at the Olympic Training Center in Colorado Springs. He also has served as a coach at Cal State Bakersfield, Northgate High School and for the Walnut Creek Aquabears.

INTERNSHIPS IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

Merrill Schwartz from the Washington Center will be on campus October 2 to discuss the Center’s symposia and internship opportunities in Washington, D.C. Plan to attend one of the meetings held from 11-12 and 12-1 in Ag. 241.

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Ten returning starters look to improve on second-place finish
By Julie Williams
Staff Writer
If last year’s performance by the Cal Poly men’s soccer team is any indication of how things will go for the Mustangs this year, it promises to be a rewarding season.

With all but one starter returning from the 1986 team, the Mustangs are an experienced squad and feel ready to improve on last year’s second-place finish in the California Collegiate Athletic Association.

Last year’s schedule was a tough one and head coach Wolfgang Gartner said some bad breaks made it even tougher. The Mustangs finished 13-8 overall and 7-3 in the CCAA.

"Playingwise, we’re better than we were last year," said Gartner, "and if things start to go our way, I think we will be very successful.”

After tying Division 1 Stanford last Friday, the Mustangs’ record is 2-3-1. One loss was to UC Santa Barbara, which recently fell to Stanford, 5-0. Another defeat was to Division I San Diego State and the third was to Humboldt State.

Gartner said the loss to Humboldt was particularly tough because it came at the end of a road trip and the Mustangs had expected to do well.

"They put one in the goal early, and although we had many chances, we just couldn’t do the same," he said. "It had been a long trip and we were tired both physically and emotionally.”

While on the road, the Mustangs also faced St. Mary’s and Chico State. Gartner said the 3-1 win over Chico was his team’s

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From page 4 take emphasis with human pa­tients or animals.
Another major role of the committee is to assist students applying to medical schools by writing a letter of recommenda­tion II teams throughout the en­tire season, and at one point were ranked as high as No. 8. But this year the expectation are higher.

"Every year we want to im­prove, and in order to do that this time we have to win the league," said Gartner.

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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — A Superior Court judge Monday blocked the first California mountain lion hunt in 16 years after receiving the state's application to conduct an analysis by the state Fish and Game Commission, which approved the hunt for 150 mountain lions in a wide area of Northern and Central California starting Oct. 10.

The ruling makes it unlikely that the hunt will begin as scheduled unless the state gets a quick reversal.

Marilynn Bonin, spokeswoman for Gov. George Deukmejian's Department of Fish and Game, which backs the hunting plan, said no decision has been made on an appeal. She said the commission could consider the issue in a telephone conference Tuesday or a meeting Friday in Long Beach.

The ruling was praised by the Mountain Lion Coalition, whose members include the Sierra Club, Defenders of Wildlife Fund for Animals, the Wildlife Conservancy and the Animal Protection Institute.

The state commission did "what we thought was very poor research, and ignored our concerns about the impacts of this hunt," said coalition spokesman Bill Yeates. "This was nothing more than a commercialized trophy hunt."

National Rifle Association spokesman David Marshall condemned opponents of the hunt who have offered no credible evidence that the mountain lion population would be threatened.

"If any species is endangered or threatened, usually the sportsmen are the first ones to intervene," Marshall said in an interview. Noting that the state's game management program is funded by hunting and fishing license fees, he said opponents "want to control the agenda but not pay the freight."

The 79-day hunting season would be the first since 1971, when hunting of mountain lions — rewarded by a bounty only a few years earlier — was banned by the Legislature. A bill to extend the moratorium was vetoed by Gov. George Deukmejian in 1985, and attempts to reintroduce it were killed in an Assembly committee this year.

Hunting was not allowed, however, until a hunting season was approved by the Fish and Game Commission. The commission acted this April after the state department reported the statewide mountain lion population had grown to 5,200 and would not be threatened by the killing of 190 lions.

Four hunting zones were established north of the Tehachapis, with the San Francisco Bay area excluded. Marshall said the 190 permits, at $75 each, had been drawn from more than 4,000 applicants.

The groups that filed suit contended the state failed to conduct a proper study of the impact of the hunt, not only on mountain lions but also on their prey and habitat.

"Without that analysis, which includes such factors as the recent forest fires and destruction of habitat, the court has no evidence to infer that they've done their job," in protecting natural resources, said Michael Remy of Sacramento, a lawyer for the opposition groups.