Senate favors two week add/drop
Some faculty would prefer one-week limit

By Cass Caufield  Staff Writer

The Student Senate voted its support for a resolution that would maintain the current add/drop period of two weeks, although there are several faculty members who would like to see the period shortened to one week.

"There are several departments that have voted unanimously to shorten the period," said Ralph Jacobson, a member of the registration and scheduling committee.

No action will be taken, however, until the committee can fully investigate the effect of CAPTURE has had on the add/drop period, Jacobson said.

The resolution was unanimously approved by the senate and is that Cal Poly students would rather have the current add/drop period lengthened, and that other colleges and universities that use similar touch-tone registration systems have two weeks or longer add/drop periods.

Paul Marcillac, senator from the School of Architecture and Environmental Design and co-author of the resolution, said professors are in favor of a one-week add/drop period because of the low attendance during the first two weeks of class when students are still changing their schedules.

It is not clear when exactly the registration and scheduling committee will deal with this issue. Steve McGary, chairman of the committee, was unavailable for comment.

In other business, Steve Adams, ASI Associate Director for Concerts and Events Management, announced that the Rec. Sports Events Center will be receiving the expected government funding and the final working drawings will be started later this month.

Final Rec center drawings to begin

By Shanna Phillips  Staff Writer

The governor's budget, released Tuesday, Jan. 10, gave the go-ahead on final working drawings for the Rec Sports Events Center to start.

The drawings are scheduled to begin later this month and construction will be completed by 1991, said to Stephen Adams, associate director of ASI and the University Union.

The drawings will take six to nine months to complete, which may cause a three-month delay on the project.

"The Senate must approve the drawings before construction can take place," Adams said. "If the drawings aren't finished before the Senate meets in May, then they have to wait to be approved in October when the Senate reconvenes."

As of July, the figure for the entire portion of the project was $57.5 million and the student portion was $5.5 million. Adams said this is the first time state and student money have been combined on a single project.

"The student money is there," said Adams. "We have to wait for approval and funding by the state."

The drawing process takes place in three phases. The first is the schematic phase, which figures and sketches are done and the rooms are sized.

In the second, preliminary phase, details are worked out and actual calculations are used. This was completed in December.

In the final working phase, color, design, heating and electrical outlets are decided. If this stage is approved by the Senate in May or October, construction can begin.

Fall 1989 is the estimated date for initial construction.

"To do a good job (on the drawings), it will take that long," Adams said.

Once construction begins, it will take 18 to 24 months to complete, which projects a completion date of 1991.

The facility will be similar to the current gym, except that there will be more seating and upper and lower levels.

The center will make it easier to hold concerts and other activities.

"The gym is impacted during the winter quarter, and only two student events can be held then," Adams said.

Library tightens reins on potential borrowers

By Kathryn Brunello  Staff Writer

An author who wrote the screenplay for the 1987 film Full Metal Jacket was recently convicted of stealing books from Cal Poly and various libraries worldwide, leaving the Kennedy Library with new restrictions and about 500 fewer periodicals.

When issuing associate library cards, the library now requires both a social security number and a California driver's license number.

We are being considerably more cautious with those people who are not directly associated with the university," said Johanna Brown, head of loan services at the library.

Officials say financial constraints must be removed from UC, CSU

SACRAMENTO (AP) - The state's two big university systems won't be able to educate the California students who qualify for admission unless the state's innovative-construction budget process is changed, legislators were told Thursday.

"University of California will be unable to sustain its historical commitment to UC-eligible California residents unless the financial constraints are removed," UC representative William Manner said to the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Committee.

"If we are going to serve all California State University-eligible students, we are going to have to put a great deal more into the system than looks like in the cards," said CSU assistant chancellor D. Dale Hanner.

They spoke as a hearing the committee held on Proposition 98, the initiative approved by voters in November that guarantees that 40 percent of state general fund spending go to public schools and community colleges.

Gov. George Deukmejian says Proposition 98 means that public schools and colleges would get 8 percent funding increases under his proposed 1989-90 budget, while the rest of state spending is squeezed down to 4.4 percent.

Deukmejian wants the entire budget process to be reviewed to remove budget restrictions such as Proposition 98, the constitutional spending limit and mandatory inflation increases for programs such as welfare benefits.

Hanner said Proposition 98 was not to blame for all the problems, but said it was "the last straw that is about to bring about the crisis that will bring action."

Sen. Alan Robbins, D-Van Nuys, said the state university systems, not in a "protected category," would be increasingly caught in "budget gridlock."

"We've got this bookkeeping mentality with a very low ceiling over our head," Petris said. "No one has told us that we're going to be squeezed down to 4.4 percent."


"We've got this bookkeeping mentality with a very low ceiling over our head," Perris said. "No matter what happens, we don't hear talk about revenue enhancements, which used to be called tax increases."

The committee chairman, Sen. Alfred Atiya, D-San Jose, said tax increases would not be needed to help the budget problems. Instead, the Legislature could correct some of the mistakes in the 1987 tax conformity law that were believed to cause part of the $1 billion income tax shortfall.

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Marin Luther King Jr.'s birthday will be cele­ brated on Monday. To some that is the only tangible mark he has left on our society. But that is beside the point of this column.

In Wednesday's paper Chris Thomas seemed to imply that King's vision was blinded by his call for integration. As so often is the case with issues involving race, the whole picture is distorted by people who have a narrow perspective and refuse to see the issue from different angles.

The message that King brought forth was dynamic, powerful and compelling. The mistake that many make is to isolate "the dream" to only include black Americans.

The dream is not a black one but a transparent one that shines through race, religion and ethnicity.

One of the key things that King tried to point out is that this nation will not reach its full potential unless all people who comprise its population are contributing to it.

The goal is not for blacks or any other minority to rise above the majority but to find an equitable coexistence with each other. Thomas seemed to feel that blacks would be better off finding a way to exist without working within the present system.

The system right now has major flaws that make it very difficult for minorities to get ahead. However, if we as minorities can create our own system and deal with international entities, as Thomas suggested, then surely we can devise a method of increasing our lot in an integrated America.

I refuse to believe that the only way to find real success and happiness is by hiding within an isolated black community. Nor will I fear to venture outside of a black society because I want to prove that I respect and love what being black means and stands for.

Being black doesn't mean that I have to hold some deep resentment for the system that happens to be very white. How often have whites used other minorities as scapegoats for their woes? Black leadership doesn't need to create its own systems, it needs to change the attitudes of those people they supposedly lead.

From people who have never finished high school, to those who have received college degrees and to those who refuse to take charge of their own lives, it is always easy to blame white society for their shortcomings. There are too many young black women having babies they cannot support. There are too many young black men fathering babies that they refuse to claim. There are too many blacks selling and pushing these illicit items on other blacks. And there are too many blacks killing blacks.

Those are the problems and blacks are the solutions. You (Thomas) may not like the system but you can't run from it, and a refusal to find a way to succeed within it spells your own doom.

Let it be known that there are problems that affect the black society more adversely than any other. Some of these problems are due to past and present racism. Some are due to administrations that have paid very little attention to the black community.

The sooner blacks and other minorities choose to realize that the system, regardless of whether it is good and all that is bad, then the harder it will be for anyone to dismiss us as inconsequential.

America is a melting pot, or a tossed salad, whichever you prefer. However, it hasn't become that way easily! Our country is what it is because people refused to make themselves outcasts. The formation of this country is just as much our responsibility and duty as anyone else's. If we chose to let others dictate our future then we are truly guilty of being the guilty party.

My hope is that you didn't mean it when you wrote that Dr. King believed in the kind of the white man more than you do. Negative feelings produce negative results. Posing this ending to the speech, please Chris.

I am sick and tired of the black and white, Jew and Gentile, Protestant and Catholic, will hold hands and sing in the words of Dr. King, "We shall overcome." I am sick and tired of the black spiritual, (not white, minority) message "Thank God Almighty, we are free at last."

Bill Graver
Electronic Engineering
Poly’s depth is key
Mustangs face Cal State
in conference swim meet

By Michael J. Levy
Staff Writer

Following a win over Pomona Pitzer on Monday, the Mustang swim team is preparing for their first conference meet on Saturday.

Both the men and women won easily against Pomona by scores of 137-88 and 131-96, respectively. Head Coach Richard Firman expects much of the same for tomorrow’s meet against Cal State Los Angeles.

Instead of the usual head-to-head competition, Firman said, the L.A. meet will be run a little differently for the men.

“We’ll run match races with guys of equal times,” said Firman. “We’re a little more experienced and have more depth than Cal State L.A. has.”

The Mustangs have 26 swimmers compared to L.A.’s 10, although two of those 10 are returning All-Americans.

Firman expects wins from three swimmers on the men’s team: Dave Padgett in the 50 meter and 200 meter backstroke, Ryan Huckabay in the 400-meter individual medley and 200-meter fly and Dave Pope in the 400-meter IM.

As for the women, co-captain and returning All-American Janice Lesyna looks to be the favorite in the 100-meter and 200-meter backstroke. Also competing for the 200-meter backstroke will be Barb Carson, who has already qualified for nationals.

Others who have qualified for nationals and are favorites for tomorrow’s meet are Dana Giacone in the 100-meter and 200-meter breaststroke and Tania Ziegart in the 1500-meter.

The next league meet for the Mustangs will be Friday Jan. 20 against Northridge. It would be the most important meet of the year for both the men and women as Northridge is the perennial national champion in Division II, according to Firman.

Despite this, the Mustangs should fare well against Northridge because of their depth.

“Northridge will have the stars to win events, but not the depth to get points,” said Firman.
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Adventurers, ASI Outings join to tame wilderness

ASI Outings is a unique organization in that it is run completely by volunteers, he said. "It has been rated within the top five (flying) programs (in the United States), and that's competing with organizations that are run for profit," Crew said.

Participants in all three winter trips not only rented most of their equipment from the Escape Route, but received a lot of tips and advice prior to their ASI organized trips.

The program provides instructional video tapes, instructors and weekly leadership workshops to anyone, students, faculty, staff, alumni and their spouses.

"The workshops help people to practice leadership skills," said Laure Tartaglia, union program coordinator. "(ASI) Outings is students working for students. We want people to know that it's easy to plan a trip and that we can plan quickly."

"One time we told them to brin g a snow snake, a sled and a spoon," she said. "We blindfold ed them and led them to Morro Bay where we put everyone in rafts and paddled around the bay watching the sea en, eating Marie Callender's pie."

The program has two to three activities planned each weekend and holds general meetings every Tuesday at 7 p.m. in US 220.

"Mystery Trips" are one of the activities that ASI Outings coordinates. People are given a rough idea what to bring to a meeting place, then they embark on an adventure.

"One time we told them to bring something green and a blanket," said Tecisnesh. "We blindfolded them and led them to Morro Bay where we put everyone in rafts and paddled around the bay watching the sea en, eating Marie Callender's pie."

"Mystery trips are a chance to do all the things you never planned to do — spontaneously," said Shiers.

ASI Outings tries to keep trips affordable and easy to students, Tartaglia said. Because all of the trips are led by volunteers and the leaders pay the same fees as everyone else, there is great incen tive to keep the costs down.

Tartaglia said the Escape Route is a resource center for everyone. If anyone has an idea for a trip and there are enough people interested, ASI Outings will do its best to help equip and organize the activity.

Trips in the past have included spelunking (exploring caves) in Sequoia National Park, orientation weekends at a local ranch, kayaking and day hikes in the San Luis Obispo area. A proposed dog-sledding trip in Mammoth is also in the works for enough people show an interest.

"There are no real limits," said Tartaglia.
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Poly crops unaffected by winter temperatures

By Nicole Cerotin

On Dec. 15 the temperature dropped low enough to bring what would be the last cold spell of the year over the San Luis Obispo County, and though the cold weather has continued into the new year it is affecting people much more than crops.

"The weather has been ideal for us," said George Gowgani, crop science department head. He added that the low temperatures have been especially beneficial for Cal Poly's resident tree crops.

"The cold weather is a two-edged sword," he said. "It's good for some and bad for others..."

Gowgani said he is not fearful of a prolonged cold spell hurling Cal Poly crops because temperatures in this area traditionally begin to warm up in mid to late January. If the nightly temperatures continue to be low, frost and freezing problems can be abated by initiating windmills to generate circulation of warm air and lighting smudge-pots in the orchards to warm the trees, he said.

County growers have not been affected much either, Gowgani said. He could only recall one night that caused growers to worry about their crops.

"Rainfall has had a nice distribution," said Gowgani, "and the rains came off and on in a fairly regular pattern as they have been, it allows the field and orchards time to dry out, making it easier for weeding and general care. Gowgani said he can only hope the rains continue.

There's nothing fishy about it... classified advertising works!
Santa Ana winds toss trucks, destroy blimp

Santa Ana winds with gusts to 100 mph raked Southern California late Wednesday and Thursday, tossing trucks off freeways, churning dust clouds that closed roads, shutting a major airport, and shredding one of the world's biggest blimps.

As many as 2,000 truck drivers and unhappy campers waited at an Ontario truck stop for the winds to ease.

Thousands of others were stranded at Ontario International Airport, where the blimp used to promote Slice soft drink was closed for about 10 hours.

Thousands of others were chewed up 200 acres of brush in an Ontario truck stop for the winds to ease. When power lines fell.

In Rancho Cucamonga, winds tore away the roof at the San Bernardino County sheriff's substation over the officers' briefing room and their lockers, said Deputy Denise Garland.

She said flying debris struck several private cars owned by deputies but there was no immediate estimate of damage.

The winds blew the used to promote Slice stowed in the tower at Ontario International Airport, said airport manager Michael DiGirolamo. The winds blew about 100 mph Wednesday afternoon.

Thousands of others were injured in San Diego County, a fire department official said Deputy Denise Garland.

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Last spring

Alquist said lawmakers could say to taxpayers: "Sorry folks, we gave you tax reduction for two years, but we can't afford it. We're going to have to ask for some of it back to meet the needs of the state."

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Doctors had learned in late 1988 that chemotherapy would have been useless. It was the hope of the doctors that chemotherapy would be enough to find a bone marrow donor. A transplant of bone mar­row was thought to be Cohen's best hope of survival because conventional chemotherapy had failed.

Residents of Davis had rallied around Cohen hundreds of people had bone tests done to see if they could donate bone marrow, and hundreds of others donated a total of $50,000 to help pay for the tests.

Cohen's family set up a trust fund to help pay for the blood tests and has asked that contributions be contributions to the fund. Money contributed to the fund will be used to offset the cost of the blood tests. Twenty thousand dollars still needs to be raised to pay for the tests, and any additional money left for will be donated to a charitable organization involved in bone marrow transplants.

The memorial service will be held at the Jewish Festival of Lights in Davis on Jan. 15 at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Jan. 15.

Cohen is survived by his parents, David and Rachel Cohen of Davis; brothers Ilan Cohen of Santa Clara and Yoni Cohen of London, England; and a sister, Zahava Cohen of Herzlia, Israel.

Correction

A sculpture by Cuesta College art instructor Randall Johnson was misidentified as one by Mor­ton Bradley in a page 3 of Thursday's Spotlight. Mustang Daily regrets the error.

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