Here we go again: Swanson, Hammond runoff

By Julie Brandt
Staff Writer

It's a runoff again between Kevin Swanson and Tyler Hammond in the ASI presidential election. Out of 3,092 votes cast in the election, Swanson received 975 votes or 31 percent, while Hammond received 899 votes or 29 percent.

The runoff election will be held next Wednesday.

The third runner up was Mike Hogan Jr. with 719 votes. Kevin H. Fox received 174 votes for fourth place. Fifth place with 149 votes went to "Bill the Cat," a write-in candidate. Steve Johnson received 94 votes for sixth place. Write-in John Carroll received 18 votes. "Gumby" got 17 votes and write-in Cleve Wogsland got 16 votes.

Both of the winning candidates were pleased with the results of the election. Swanson said, "I get the feeling I have a tremendous amount of support that I didn't know I had. I am appreciative of the support the students have given the ASI elections. I hope the students come out and vote one more time."

Hammond said, "I am really excited that I am in the runoff election. I hope that people look at the experience, qualifications and leadership of the two candidates. I think it is unfortunate that I received negative coverage by the Mustang Daily and I hope that the students look beyond that and vote for the person they feel will do the best job."

John Watson, ASI elections committee chairman, said, "It was a really clean election this time."

This was the second election to take place this year. The Student Senate threw out the original campaign results because of alleged campaign violations and the fact that the senate never approved election rules. Senators decided that the new election was the least expensive way to solve the problem.

In the original election 3,403 people turned out to vote. Out of those votes cast Hammond received 1,114 while Swanson received 735 votes.

Cheap's the word: Cal Poly is listed as a college 'best buy'

By Jennifer Smagula
Staff Writer

Cal Poly is a public college with an "Ivy twist." That's the conclusion of Money magazine, which lists Cal Poly in its May issue as one of the ten best colleges in the United States for the price.

Other universities which offer "solid education without a status label" are the University of Massachusetts, James Madison University, the State University of New York at Geneseo, Trenton State College, Appalachian State University, Northeast Missouri State University, University of Minnesota at Morris, Northern Arizona University and Evergreen State College. The colleges were listed roughly from east to west.

Money magazine polled education associations, high school guidance counselors and professors of higher education. The criteria on which the poll was based included: the selectiveness of the institution, emphasis on undergraduate education, whether campuses are residential rather than commuter, and whether the school tries to reach beyond the region, state or the U.S. for their student bodies.

Out of the ten colleges listed, Cal Poly has the second largest enrollment (13,147 students) and an acceptance rate of 39 percent. The University of Massachusetts has the highest enrollment (19,385 students) with an acceptance rate of 50 percent. No. 109 California Polytechnic State University San Luis Obispo

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Opinion

A Failure to Communicate

The nuclear disaster in the Soviet Union has been a communication nightmare. How many died? Two or 2,000? Was it really a meltdown? Is it still burning?

Out of the cloud of radiation comes little word from the Soviet government as to the situation at Chernobyl.

The political hierarchy in the Soviet Union apparently believes the system functions better in a silent atmosphere. It certainly functions more smoothly — there are no bothersome watchdogs, like our media, to muck things up.

Contrary to the old saw, what you don't know can't hurt you. What you can't see can hurt you too, and a heavy dose of nuclear radiation is one of those things.

Whether the disaster at Chernobyl could have been avoided is open to debate. What is indisputable is that the Soviets could have exercised their obligation to the international community by giving warning of the disaster.

The United States was not immediately affected, but Finland and Sweden were. They deserved notification and the chance to inform their citizens so they could protect themselves from radiation.

A parallel can be drawn between the accident at Chernobyl and the accident at Three Mile Island a few years ago. There is still disagreement over whether or not government officials attempted to cover up the seriousness of the situation. But no one could argue that practically everyone in the industrial world knew of the disaster soon after it happened, thanks to the unrestricted media.

The Soviet government has a right to a communication system contrary to our own. But it is inhume when the most innocent people and most non-political of countries can be killed by Soviet arrogance or fear.

Letters to the Editor

New York City isn't toilet of the state
Editor — I would like to thank Kenneth Dintzer for enlightening me about New York. I too recently spent some time in Kingston, NY. It wasn't one-coop but two, and I was able to take a more leisurely look at New York City ("the toilet" of "the bathroom" state). Until reading Tuesday's article, "New York, Big City, Big Dream," I was under the impression that it was a good place to visit. I am so grateful to Ken for setting us straight on NY. I now realize how lucky I was to get away from there and will stay clear of NY from now on. I must have been blinded by all that worthless culture. The countless art museums, street musicians and vendors, concerts in Central Park, Rockefeller Center, Greenwich Village, historic carriage rides, United Nations, Empire State Building, Statue of Liberty, Radio City Music Hall, pretzels and hot dogs on every corner, Broadway, taxi rides, Trump Tower, Bloomingsdales and Macy's. This list hasn't even dented the available sights that could trick you into enjoying yourself in NYC.

As for up-state New York, how could I be so silly as to think it was beautiful? Maybe you have one heck of a bathroom but what about Woodstock, the Catskills, Hunter Mountain Inn, Westpoint, The Manhatten View that overlooks the Adirondacks, the Senate House, Antiques Row of Saugerties, Richard's Farm, the colors of fall, skiing in the winter, or ice skating in a country pond?

Ken, is it just me, or do you always go through life with your eyes closed? I feel sorry for you spending so much time in a fascinating and beautiful state and getting something out of it. It is not my home, but I would love to visit again soon. I left many great friends and memories there.

I'm sure you've heard the definition of an optimist vs. a pessimist. I guess your cup is half empty. That is my answer to the burning question you are so tired of hearing.

BILL VALENTINE

In defense of New York City's greatness
Editor — Here I go again — defending the great city of New York. Columnist Ken Dintzer didn't like his one and only visit to New York. I can't say I blame him — after all, all he did was wash his car at a washed and visit electronic stores near Broadway. I don't think this is what most people do when visiting a new city. May I suggest that he visit Wall Street, the New York Stock Exchange, Fifth Avenue, the Empire State Building, the Museum of Art, or any number of fun and exciting things there are to do. If he likes to court danger he could stroll around Central Park or hang out in the subway. There are lots of ways to get your kicks. Or if all else fails, he could take the ferry to the Statue of Liberty where he can just shed a patriotic tear or two. New York is no more dangerous and the neighborhoods are less scary than Los Angeles or San Francisco.

I hope that sometime soon this gentleman will visit NYC again, and this time I bet he will have a great time. After all, where else can you do a half a million things all at a quarter to three?

TERRI WENGALER

ASI executives thank volunteers in fire
Editor — The tragic occurrence with the Poly Royal Building on Saturday of Poly Royal certainly impacted the Poly Royal weekend. In a situation such as this, however, it is important to point out the valuable assistance being given by so many volunteers once the fire broke out. Many members of the Poly Royal Executive Board were in the vicinity when the fire ignited and a few went into the building to help make sure everyone was out before the Fire Department entered the scene. Others from the Poly Royal Board held the crowds back until the ROTC students came and took over that responsibility. The Poly Royal Board also set up a lost and found area and an emergency center area almost immediately and assigned the ROTC, the Fire Department and others as well as Public Safety in any way possible. Fortunately, there were no lives lost in this tragic occurrence but we certainly would like to commend not only the firefighters and Public Safety, but the Poly Royal Board, the ROTC students and their leaders, and members of the student body who helped tremendously in a very difficult situation.

KEN BARCLAY
Adviser to Poly Royal

BOOM COUNTRY

Kelly shouldn't have been so pessimistic
Editor — This letter is in response to Jeff Kelly's grossly pessimistic view of life here at Cal Poly in the April 30 edition of Mustang Daily.

Jeff, it is grateful that he chose to use the Poly Royal theme and poster as a vehicle to convey his negative attitude.

We would like to remind him of the existence of the great people and events here at Poly. We believe that most students (and even ASI candidates) are people trying to do good. How about the faculty who are usually willing to allocate extra time and effort for the students?

Let us remind him of the truly successful 54th annual Poly Royal (despite the tragic fire, not to mention sporting events, and special events such as WOW week, just to name a few).

Second, we are convinced that perhaps Jeff has only bothered to glance at the front page of the Mustang Daily for the past quarter. May we suggest the highlights column or some of the more positive news features found elsewhere in the Mustang Daily.

Hopefully we are not ignorant of reality; however, our reality is viewed from the positive attributes and events here at Poly. And "why this new high in low achievement?" Perhaps Mark's choice to devote too much time to such negative issues and events even further contributes to this new low.

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**Newsbriefs**

Friday, May 2, 1986

Soviets say radiation decreasing

MOSCOW (AP) — The Soviet Union told a nervous world Thursday that radiation from the nuclear plant disaster was decreasing, but one of its diplomats said other countries should not relax because the "accident is not over."

The Kremlin presented a calm face, rejecting offers of help from the United States and other countries, but an international bone-marrow transplant organization said its offer to aid victims had been accepted.

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Libyan students may be expelled

SACRAMENTO (AP) — U.S. Attorney General Edwin Meese III indicated Thursday that 2,000 Libyan students in the United States are among those under scrutiny for possible expansion to ease the threat of terrorism. We're reviewing that to be necessary and possible," Meese said.

FBI Director William Webster told a Senate subcommittee Wednesday that three-fourths of the 2,000 Libyan students in the United States are financed by Moammar Khadafy. "The leak of about a quarter-cup of kerosene-type fuel was followed by two others that failed to produce any additional leakage.

The Challenger disaster, after a small amount of fuel leaked past a valve in the engine system of a Delta rocket. The initial threat was phoned to Cal Poly police at 8:20 a.m. in the form of a tape recording, said dispatcher Patty Wilhelm. A call made shortly thereafter to Mustang Daily was apparently the same tape recording.

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Wilhelm said the word "bomb" was not heard, but officials who listened to the recording could hear: "... will go off between nine or (unintelligible)."

Officials listening to the call heard something about the business building and the architecture building. Wilhelm said officials began evacuation procedures in those buildings prior to 9 a.m.

There was another call to the library circulation desk at 10:02 a.m. Stack Supervisor John Buell, who was working at the desk, said the call was not from a recording. "They said two bombs were in the library to go off today. I asked what they wanted and who they were," he said.

The call to the library was intelligible, but Buell said the caller wouldn't respond to his questioning.

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**Correction**

The faculty allocation story (May 1) contained a factual error regarding the number of positions allocated to the School of Communication Arts and Humanities. The article stated that 3,780 to 3,500 students were in need of general education and breadth requirements area A courses, but this estimate was based on fall allocations of 333.34 positions. In actuality, the school ended up with a yearly average of 139.03 positions. Therefore, the increase of only one faculty position was in addition to the year-end average, or approximately a seven position increase since fall. Mustang Daily regrets the error.

**Three more campus bomb threats**

By Craig Andrews Staff Writer

Three campus buildings were evacuated Thursday morning after Cal Poly police received calls claiming bombs were planted.

By early afternoon, safety officials found no explosives in the Architectural and Environmental Design Building, the Business Administration and Education Building or the Robert E. Kennedy Library.

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**NASA postpones satellite launch**

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. (AP) — NASA on Thursday postponed for at least 24 hours the first space launch here since the Challenger disaster, after a small amount of fuel leaked past a valve in the engine system of a Delta rocket.

The leak of about a quarter-cup of kerosene-type fuel was found a little more than three hours before the rocket, carrying a weather satellite, was to blast off.

Spokesman Hugh Harris of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration said the standard leak test on the launch pad was followed by two others that failed to produce any additional leakage.

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Cal Poly student dies after week in coma

By Sandy Bradley

A senator-elect from the School of Agriculture died Wednesday of injuries she suffered in an April 22 car accident on Highway 1.

Sue Dürrer, a 20-year-old dairy science major, was removed from her life support system Wednesday afternoon at Sierra Vista Hospital after it was determined that she would not recover from the coma she slipped into after the accident.

The police report said the car accident occurred shortly after 11:30 p.m. when Dürrer was driving home from a friend's house in San Luis Obispo. She was only one mile from her house in Morro Bay when she apparently fell asleep at the wheel and lost control of her vehicle.

A hospital spokesman said Dürrer was admitted to intensive care with multiple trauma and head injuries and was expected to recover.

Dürrer was described by friends and faculty as a popular and very active student at Cal Poly.

"What she accomplished in 20 years, most people don't accomplish in 75," said one of her advisers.

She was a vice-president of the Dairy Club and had the honor of being the chairperson of the Cal Poly Dairy Classic Sale in March. She was active in the Alpha Zeta honor fraternity and in the California Young Farmers.

She was chosen as the semi-finalist to go to Connecticut as the National Distinguished Junior Holstein member, and was also the first vice-president student affiliate national officer of the Dairy Science Association.

"She was always a positive person. You could go to her when you were at the bottom of the world and she'd be able to turn it around for you," said one of Dürrer's friends, Julie Rasmussen.

She was involved in several other organizations, honor societies, clubs and projects.

A funeral will be held in Dürrer's hometown of Tillamook, but a memorial service will be held at Montana De Oro beach in Los Osos at 6 p.m. on Wednesday, May 7.

Poly wants AIM computer system

By Gita Virmani

Cal Poly is working with two other California State Universities and the Chancellor's Office to get a new computer system for administrative purposes.

Cal Poly, Cal State Long Beach and Cal State Los Angeles will refine a request for a proposal to get the Administrative Information Management System, or AIM, computer for each campus, said Frank Lefebvre, director of operations, Office of the President.

The proposal, which will be released in July, is part of a complex state bidding process. After the process, Cal Poly will hopefully get AIM within a year, Lefebvre said.

The projected cost ofAIMS for Cal Poly is $1 million per year for the first three years. About one-fourth of that amount will come from Cal Poly funds and three-fourths will come from the CSU system, said Russell Brown, dean of student services.

There will be continuing maintenance costs as new hardware and software become available, he said.

The AIMS computer will ease competition for computer memos between administrative processes and instructional usage, Lefebvre, who is in charge of the AIMS steering committee said.

"Originally the CSU system thought that all administrative processes could be handled by one computer (the current CYBER system), but demand and need grew," Brown said.

"Also, instructional work on the computer is going up because more classes are using computers," he added.

The competition for CYBER is tremendous and everyone suffers from slow response time, said Joanne Temple, supervising programmer for the Cal Poly computer center.

Lefebvre said the capabilities of CYBER are not up to speed as far as administrative processes are concerned.

"The AIMS computer is definitely in need because CYBER has a fixed memory size, so only a limited amount of information can be put on the system," Temple said.

Student services will be improved through the AIMS computer.

Financial aid processes and curriculum planning will be better and business aspects such as billing students and record keeping will be more effectively and rapidly transacted, Brown said.

"Ultimately, we're hoping for faculty access to help with student advising," he said.

The AIMS computer should help solve some scheduling problems that revolve around coordination of classes.

"The extent of the AIMS computer's ability to help with scheduling depends on the software available," Lefebvre said.

"Hopefully the software will enable us to optimize our faculty resources." It is hoped that we will be able to better predict enrollment changes in advance so that when general education and breadth requirements peak, resources will be in the right places," Temple said.

She said she hopes the AIMS computer will enable students to make changes in their schedules prior to each quarter if students don't get all the classes they require.

The AIMS computer is only for administrative purposes and CYBER will be left in service primarily for instruction, Brown said.

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Of 60 percent. The poll indicates that both Trenton State College and Cal Poly have the lowest acceptance rates of all the universities listed.

Four departments on campus were noted as outstanding: architecture, engineering, computer science and agriculture.

Vice Provost Malcolm Wilson said, "The recognition underscores Dr. Baker's efforts off campus." The recognition is also due to the emphasis on teaching, he said.

Gar Day Ding, Dean of the School of Architecture and Environmental Design, said that readers of the poll need to be careful of ratings because everything is multidimensional.

"The faculty, students and spirit of the school are all factors involved in the rating of the schools," he said.

Neil Webre, computer science department head for computer science, said industry's high regard for Cal Poly's programs make the school one of the best in the country. "All the equipment decisions from industry are an indication of our success," he said.

Wilson, Ding and Webre are excited about the national recognition. All three stressed that while it is nice to receive the acclaim, Cal Poly depends upon the position for its continued success.

Corrections

In the "Bodybuilding" story (Insight, May 1), the date of the bodybuilding competition at the Veterans Memorial Building was incorrect. The date should have read May 3.

In the "Green triumph" story (Lifestyle, April 30), the reporter's name was inadvertently left off the story. The reporter was Susan Harris.

It's a fact

Mr. Big, who is the boss of Pottawatomie-based foreign agents Boris and Natasha on the television show "The Bullwinkle Show," lives in the Kremlin.
Rough ruggers

Among other Poly Royal festivities, the Cal Poly Rugby team played an exhibition match against a city team from San Luis Obispo.

Lakers back to Dallas leading 2-0

DALLAS (AP) — The Dallas Mavericks hope "Game 3 Lightning" will strike the defending world champion Los Angeles Lakers in their NBA Western Conference semifinal playoff series just like it did in Reunion Arena last year.

The Lakers, who had swept two lopsided games in the Forum from the Mavericks in the 1985 playoffs, were shocked 125-115 at Dallas when Rolando Blackman scored 31 points. The Lakers rebounded with an overtime victory in the next game and eventually won the series in five games.

The Lakers are back in Reunion Arena tonight after a hard-earned 117-113 victory Wednesday night over the Mavericks, and again Los Angeles owns a 2-0 advantage in the best-of-seven series.

Game 4 also will be played in Reunion on Sunday.

"These are the greatest fans in the NBA," Mavericks guard Brad Davis said. "They always give us a lift."

The Mavericks need a lift, to help them overcome the Lakers, led by Kareem Abdul-Jabbar.

Abdul-Jabbar blocked a shot and hit three sky hooks in the final three minutes Wednesday night.

Dallas guard Derek Harper, who led the Mavericks with 19 points, 16 assists and seven steals, said his team deserved a better fate.

"We didn't choke," Harper said. "They got the ball to their legend (Abdul-Jabbar) and he did the job."

Abdul-Jabbar, the highest scorer in NBA history, scored 12 of his 26 points in the fourth period.

"I think I should have the ball in those late fourth-quarter situations," Abdul-Jabbar said. "I'm always ready to play in the fourth period."

The Mavericks, who got a pep talk stressing team unity from owner Donald Carter before the game, outplayed the Lakers until Los Angeles got the ball to Abdul-Jabbar.

"They were struggling," Dallas center James Donaldson said. "They made a lot of turnovers and weren't into their game, but Kareem saved them."

Mark Aguirre, who had 28 points and 12 rebounds, fouled out with 5:33 to go and the Mavericks' offense suffered.

"I was forced to gamble by leaving Mark in the game," Dallas Coach Dick Motta said. "His sixth foul was a fluke."

The Mavs think the rabid Dallas fans, who turned out an average of 16,900 during the regular season, could be the winning edge.

"The Reunion will be rocking," Motta said.
Clemens finds way into record books with 20 strike-outs

BOSTON (AP) — It took another pitcher to let Roger Clemens know that he was flirting with history as the Boston Red Sox right-hander neared a major league record 20 strikeouts.

"He told me I needed two strikeouts and to go out and get it," Clemens said of teammate Al Nipper's comments entering the ninth inning of Boston's 3-1 victory Tuesday night over the Seattle Mariners.

"I'd love to throw as hard as he did tonight," Clemens said.

That entire inning was all adrenaline. I was just out there throwing," Clemens said.

It was a power-pitching performance that left Nipper in awe.

"Td love to throw as hard as he did tonight. That was something nobody has ever seen," Nipper said.

That was the greatest game I ever saw anyone pitch. We're all going to Atlanta tomorrow and get our arms operated on," Clemens said.

Throscopic surgery Clemens underwent in Columbus, Ga., last Aug. 30 to repair torn cartilage in his right shoulder.

Although Clemens says in history, "All the injury is behind me. I'm tired of hearing about that. All I know is what the record book says.

Clemens' effort moved him past three of modern baseball's legendary pitchers in the record book.


But Clemens' record performance was not limited to the nine-inning feat.

He fanned eight consecutive batters from the fourth into the sixth innings to tie the American League mark accomplished twice by Ryan with the Angels and once by Ron Davis while he was with the New York Yankees.

The 20 strikeouts also snapped the eight straight strikeouts of one pitcher at Fenway Park set by Jack Harshman of the Chicago White Sox on July 25, 1933.

All the statistics and names are not wasted on Clemens.

"To be mentioned in the same breath with all the great pitchers who have played this game, I have no words for that," he said.

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Student Senate asked not to urge divestment

By Dawn J. Jackson

A native South African asked the Student Senate Wednesday not to urge the Cal Poly Foundation to divest itself of its holdings in American corporations in his country because it would hurt the wrong people.

A resolution that would stop the senate from encouraging divestment and instead endorse Foundation investment policies was a discussion item for the meeting. The resolution, which would override a past senate decision urging the Foundation to divest, will be voted on at the senate meeting next week.

Phillip Niven, a white man whose family lives in South Africa, said, “By supporting divestment, you would be sending a message to the government, but it wouldn’t reach the black people — the ones you really want to reach. They don’t have the access to television and the media; the government doesn’t want them to hear.”

He said that when a company such as Apple Computers pulls out of the country, all the black people know is that their money disappears, and that their children have no food.

“I don’t think that starving the wrong people, punishing the wrong people, making them watch their children starve, is the answer,” said Niven.

He said he is not trying to blame the American corporations for the problems. “It’s not their problem, it’s ours.”

“I know the blacks will take power; it’s only a matter of time,” he said. “But when they do take power, they will need an economic base.”

School of Business Senator John Watson, who authored the resolution, agreed with Niven, saying, “The South African government is lousy and should be condemned, but this should not be tied to apartheid.”

The resolution states: “American companies operating in South Africa which adhere to the Sullivan Principles are helping to improve the currently poor situation of blacks.”

Watson said all of the companies that the Foundation invests in adhere to the Sullivan Principles, which provide for more equal opportunity for South African blacks. He also said the presence of these corporations are a moderating influence upon the government of South Africa.

These guidelines, which consist of six voluntary principles, such as non-segregation in the workplace, were written by black minister Leon Sullivan in 1977. The Foundation divested last year of its corporate holdings in companies that didn’t adhere to these guidelines. Watson said the policies of the Foundation will not allow them to further invest in companies that don’t adhere to the principles.

Alan Moore, member of the ASI Finance Committee and the elections committee, was first to speak in opposition to the resolution. His reasons were threefold: he said it’s not a good idea to go against past senate items on a whim, but the senate should show some solidarity with the Academic Senate, which unanimously called for divestment; and American corporations are a moderating influence upon the government of South Africa.

Mendes agreed the senate should not make a habit of overruling past decisions, but when the senate reconsidered basic policy, Mendes said there has to be some kind of change. He said last year when the decision to urge divestment was made, the Foundation did not have a set investment policy. Now it does.

Former senator Mark Reichel also opposed the resolution on moral and business issues.

He said investment in South Africa is not prudent anymore, and there are many more corporations the Foundation could invest in that would yield a higher rate of return. He also said American companies in South Africa have a “wholesale disregard for human rights.”

Reichel also condemned the government of South Africa. “Things can’t get much worse. The policies of apartheid will never change until blacks are given a vote.”

He compared the government of South Africa to that of Poland, saying these are the only countries which have called Nobel Peace Prize winners “traitors of the state.” South African Bishop Desmond Tutu and Polish Solidarity Party leader Lech Walesa were given the award.

Reichel said even though the Foundation divestment would be a moral and not an economic statement — because someone else would probably buy the stock right away — “What’s wrong with making a moral statement!”

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Student Senate asked not to urge divestment

A native South African asked the Student Senate Wednesday not to urge the Cal Poly Foundation to divest itself of its holdings in American corporations in his country because it would hurt the wrong people.

A resolution that would stop the senate from encouraging divestment and instead endorse Foundation investment policies was a discussion item for the meeting. The resolution, which would override a past senate decision urging the Foundation to divest, will be voted on at the senate meeting next week.

Phillip Niven, a white man whose family lives in South Africa, said, “By supporting divestment, you would be sending a message to the government, but it wouldn’t reach the black people — the ones you really want to reach. They don’t have the access to television and the media; the government doesn’t want them to hear.”

He said that when a company such as Apple Computers pulls out of the country, all the black people know is that their money disappears, and that their children have no food.

“I don’t think that starving the wrong people, punishing the wrong people, making them watch their children starve, is the answer,” said Niven.

He said he is not trying to blame the American corporations for the problems. “It’s not their problem, it’s ours.”

“I know the blacks will take power; it’s only a matter of time,” he said. “But when they do take power, they will need an economic base.”

School of Business Senator John Watson, who authored the resolution, agreed with Niven, saying, “The South African government is lousy and should be condemned, but this should not be tied to apartheid.”

The resolution states: “American companies operating in South Africa which adhere to the Sullivan Principles are helping to improve the currently poor situation of blacks.”

Watson said all of the companies that the Foundation invests in adhere to the Sullivan Principles, which provide for more equal opportunity for South African blacks. He also said the presence of these corporations are a moderating influence upon the government of South Africa.

These guidelines, which consist of six voluntary principles, such as non-segregation in the workplace, were written by black minister Leon Sullivan in 1977. The Foundation divested last year of its corporate holdings in companies that didn’t adhere to these guidelines. Watson said the policies of the Foundation will not allow them to further invest in companies that don’t adhere to the principles.

Alan Moore, member of the ASI Finance Committee and the elections committee, was first to speak in opposition to the resolution. His reasons were threefold: he said it’s not a good idea to go against past senate items on a whim, but the senate should show some solidarity with the Academic Senate, which unanimously called for divestment; and American corporations are a moderating influence upon the government of South Africa.

Mendes agreed the senate should not make a habit of overruling past decisions, but when the senate reconsidered basic policy, Mendes said there has to be some kind of change. He said last year when the decision to urge divestment was made, the Foundation did not have a set investment policy. Now it does.

Former senator Mark Reichel also opposed the resolution on moral and business issues.

He said investment in South Africa is not prudent anymore, and there are many more corporations the Foundation could invest in that would yield a higher rate of return. He also said American companies in South Africa have a “wholesale disregard for human rights.”

Reichel also condemned the government of South Africa. “Things can’t get much worse. The policies of apartheid will never change until blacks are given a vote.”

He compared the government of South Africa to that of Poland, saying these are the only countries which have called Nobel Peace Prize winners “traitors of the state.” South African Bishop Desmond Tutu and Polish Solidarity Party leader Lech Walesa were given the award.

Reichel said even though the Foundation divestment would be a moral and not an economic statement — because someone else would probably buy the stock right away — “What’s wrong with making a moral statement!”

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SLO's own country western star: making music and making friends
Tom Cruise’s ‘Legend’ is far from legendary

By Kenneth Dintzer
Special to the Daily

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By Sally Kinsell

Hundreds of women have taken their bras off in front of crowds of people for this man. Who is he?
Monte Mills, of course! Every Thursday night, Monte Mills and his Lucky Horseshoe Band, a country western group, sing at McLintocks Saloon in San Luis Obispo. From the looks of the crowds they attract every time, it appears that they definitely have made it big in this town.

But what is the secret to success of this band? Most of their fans would point to Monte and say that the man, and his act, have character. A typical Thursday night at McLintocks calls for four hours of hand-clapping country music and an occasional rock 'n' roll song. Anyone who goes to see his act would say this 40-year-old man, who prefers to play rock 'n' roll, is one of the most distinctive and popular features here — tonight we're going to go good ol' gal, so we started to hang our bras up, said Monte. "One time we had a bra come out and hang on the wall, starting a tradition. People booked right on it. It was a show stopper at first, but they're kind of used to it by now; they've come to expect it."

Expect it is right. No sooner does Monte have to start belting out his versions of favorite country and western songs than the crowd starts yelling for some woman to take off her shirt. Monte told the crowd once, "One night we had 19 bras hung up here — tonight we're going to go for 20." The many women who have shown off their "lucky horseshoes" have all been photographed and placed in the lucky horseshoe scrapbook, Monte said. But Monte does more than just watch women take off their clothes for him. When he first came to San Luis Obispo 15 years ago, he was planning to start a horseshoeing business. He did just that, and began selling a little bit on the side. Eventually he and a few of his horseshoeing buddies gathered up a band and began playing throughout the county.

Besides Monte, the Lucky Horseshoe Band consists of four other members. Scotty Wright plays saxophone, Greg Timmoor plays lead guitar, Larry Hankel plays the drums and Gary Steinman plays bass. All these men have regular day jobs around the county, said Monte. Monte has also hung onto his day job, keeping his lucrative horseshoeing business in operation. "It's pretty hard to make a living during the week just singing," he said. "One thing nice about the two different jobs is that they break each other up. With horseshoeing, I go out and work with my hands and make an honest living. Then I turn around and get my socializing out of the way, and get an income out of it at the same time."

Monte performs at more than just his Thursday night McLintocks gigs. He said one of his favorite things to do is to perform at private parties such as weddings and dances. "What really makes me feel good is when we play a dance and a couple of kids get together and later call us up to play at their wedding."

He said he has even been asked to play at a funeral and a baby shower. Monte said part of the reason he has become successful in San Luis Obispo is because he really tries to keep in touch with his audience. "I like to get a rapport going with the fans, when they feel comfortable enough to loosen up and have a good time. People entertain themselves more than they can be entertained.

He said his mother once sent him a card that read "Happiness is not a steady diet of it," he said. "The music from the big band era is some of my favorite. It's very positive and wholesome."

Since he began singing professionally, Monte has cut three albums, played gigs all over the county and traveled in California. But he said he doesn't plan on leaving San Luis Obispo any time soon to try to make it big somewhere else.

"I'm just not willing to give up what I already have," he said. "He's very happy with the way things are going for him right now, with his dual career as a singer and a horseshoer. "It's a good lifestyle. I'm very thankful I've gotten to the point where I enjoy doing both of them and it doesn't feel like work."
**BLOOM COUNTY**

by Berke Breathed

Local band Fatz rocks the Spirit tonight and Saturday.

There will be acoustic blues music at 8 tonight at the Monday Club with Paul Geremia performing in a concert sponsored by the San Luis Obispo Blues Society. Tickets are $8 at the door.

**calendar**

"Ain't Misbehavin'" the musical celebration of the life of Fats Waller, premieres at 8 p.m. Thursday at the Cal Poly Theatre. Songs such as ""Ain't Nobody's Bizness If I Do"" and ""The Joint Is Jumpin'"" will be performed. Tickets are $5 and can be reserved at the University Union Ticket Office or by calling 546-1421.

"Working," a montage of songs, monologues and character studies of working people from Studs Terkel's novel, continues this week. Tickets are $7.50. Call 543-3737 for more information.

That Gilbert and Sullivan classic, "Pirates of Penzance," concludes this weekend at the Great American Melodrama and Vaudeville. Watch Frederic fall in love with the lovely Mabel.

Secret Service plays rock and ska at 9 tonight at the Darkroom. There's rock with Bedrock on Saturday.

There's good times for all with the Paperboys, performing at 9:30 p.m. Saturday at Shady Grove.

The Shake rocks Shenandoah at 9:30 p.m. through Sunday. Starting Monday the Plumber's perform.

Alex McFee will perform songs with his original blend of rock, jazz, country, blues and classical music at 8 p.m. Saturday at Linnan's Cafe on Garden Street. McFee plays synthesizer, electric and acoustic guitars and the harmonica.

Linda Rondstadt does not appear. Following the show is a circus-themed revue with juggling, singing clowns and "a real trick circus dog." For ticket reservations call 499-2499.

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Monice Piper headlines at Bob Zany's Comedy Outlet at 8 p.m., Randolph's this weekend. Bob Nickman and Michael Pace also perform. Shows at 6 and 10 p.m. and I.D. required.

Submissions to Spotlight Calendar must be received by 5 p.m. Wednesday for consideration for Friday publication. Send to Spotlight, Mustang Daily, Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo, 93407.

**Singer Bob Seger billed for $48,500**

Fort Lauderdale, Fla. — Two brothers billed rock star Bob Seger out of a $48,500 down payment he made on a 40-foot pleasure craft, say pros-ecutors who have charged one of the yacht brokers with grand theft.

Seger signed a $178,449 purchase order for a Finnish motor-boat in March 1985, when he was in Miami to record his most recent album, "Like A Rock."