SLO City Council may vote tonight on rental issue

By Steve Jones
Staff Writer

The controversial rental regulation ordinance aimed at gaining final approval at tonight's City Council meeting amid charges of conflict of interest aimed at all three councilmembers who voted for the ordinance.

The ordinance, which limits the number of adults who may live in a single-family house, was conceptually approved two weeks ago. The council tonight will likely more than likely cause the ordinance be approved in its final form.

City Council write-in candidate David Blaine and Ron Bearce, director of the Concerned Citizens of SLO County, each separately appealed to the state Fair Political Practices Commission, stating a conflict of interest existed.

The charges stem from councilmembers Penny Rappa, Allen Settle and Peg Pinard all owning rental property in San Luis Obispo. Settle and Pinard both own three rental houses while Rappa owns one "four-plex."

Mayor Ron Dunin abstained from voting on the ordinance two weeks ago, citing a conflict of interest caused by moving from one apartment complex to another.

Dunin was publicly criticized by Settle for "copping out on a hard decision."

Blaine announced last week at a press conference that he had sent a letter to the FPPC requesting a ruling on the issue. He stressed that he wasn't accusing anybody, he "just wants to get things out in the open."

He also took the opportunity to accuse Bearce, whose group faxed a memo to the FPPC the previous day, of using the issue for political reasons. "I realize that in the past 24 hours several other groups with which I am not affiliated have made similar announcements," a Blaine press release read. "However, I feel this issue is being used for political purposes and the problem of large groups of students living in R-1 (single-family housing) neighborhoods is still unresolved. I do not believe in attacking City Council decisions without proposing a better solution."

By KArcA Kcadio

2 students design and create El Corral window displays

By Karen Krendor
Staff Writer

Two Cal Poly students added an unexpected twist to Webster's definition of art by working on the window displays.

Sophomores Robin McCorkle and Alex Salazar are the creative forces behind El Corral's recent window displays. "I love my job!" said McCorkle, a home economics major. "It's neat to be paid for something that's so much fun."

McCorkle and Salazar committed to 15 hours a week at the bookstore, said A.J. Schuermann, assistant graphics coordinator.

They are given two weeks to complete a project, he said. "It's in the spirit of Cal Poly's 'learn-by-doing' motto," Schuermann said.

Salazar, an architecture major, recently completed his first display, called "Art Gallery."

He said his job is similar to his work in the architecture department in that he first spends four to five hours coming up with a concept. Remaining hours are spent working on the display itself. If more than 15 hours are required to complete the project, students may work during business hours on Saturday, said Schuermann.

Salazar's current display features prints by such artists as Van Gogh and Picasso. The display is promoting an art print sale running from Oct. 16-20. The prints are arranged in the window so the whole display can be seen at once, Schuermann said.

The window dressers must follow work within the theme of what the bookstore is trying to promote, Schuermann said, yet they are free to go with what they're feeling.

The graphics people at El Corral look for architecture or interior design majors to do the windows. They must have a good eye for color and be familiar with three-dimensional concepts.

Soccer squad salvages tie

Poly gets equalizer with 30 seconds left

By Adrian Hodgson
Staff Writer

The Cal Poly men's soccer team saved its best for last Sunday against CSU Northridge. The very last.

Trailing 1-0 with about 30 seconds left in regulation, Mark Mitchell met a Tim Hire corner kick and headed it between a defender and Matador goalkeeper Mike Littman into the net to send the game into overtime.

Each team had opportunities to score during two extra 15-minute halves, but neither could capitalize on its chances, and the game finished knotted at 1-1.

"We are fortunate that we tied," said Mustang Head Coach Wolfgang Gartner. "We didn't play well in the first half."

The Mustangs looked sluggish in the first half as Northridge dominated most of the play.

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Goodbye SLO, hello L.A.!

Can you picture San Luis Obispo as a "yuppified microcosm" of Los Angeles? Our Marni Katz can, and here's her thoughts on the subject.

Blurbettes...

More of those tiny stories. We've got: book sales, poetry presentations, reunion banquets, plus much more!
Fickle fans bail when team loses

Editor — About a week ago, tuning in to our local television news sports segments, I was surprised to overhear the Cal Poly football coach comments on the team’s loss to Portland State and the current state of morale his players are seemingly in.

He said one of the most difficult aspects he has to overcome is the comments from some people of this community saying players aren’t giving their all. You stink.

Growing up in this community, it has been a thrilling privilege to watch the exciting competitive sports events Cal Poly has given us. Namely football. As an avid fan, it has also been an unique experience to see the fickle attitude of fans within our community as they address the outcomes of intercollegiate sports.

When a team suddenly loses two or three games, there’s about a 50 percent drop of attendance at the next game.

Many of us have had family members or friends participate in sports. We have watched and supported their efforts and enjoyment at participating in competitive athletics.

The outcome of the game has never been the major focal point; win or lose, we were there giving 100 percent support to their 110 percent effort.

So here the question arises: Why the fine line between 100 percent support for friends and family but only partial fan support for Cal Poly teams, when the outcome of a few games are not as important as the fun and enjoyment of being there to support one’s team? It is hoped that we as individuals, and members of this community, will begin and continue to take pride in, and strive to recognize the efforts and accomplishments of others — truly athletes.

Scherly Gilden Human Development

SLO changes, loses its appeal

When I first came to San Luis Obispo more than five years ago from that Southern Californian lump that most non-natives tend to generalize as Los Angeles, I thought I had stepped foot into some sort of paradise.

The grass was green, the air was clean, the people were friendly and traffic was good.

I thought I would graduate from U.C. Santa Barbara (naturally, in four years) and spend the rest of my days making my relatives in Southern California envious of an employed citizen of this charming community.

But, unfortunately, things are changing here — in a mighty big way — and now I’m just scratching my claws, dying to get out. Gone are the days when passing a person on the street would bring an almost certain smile or a warm hello. No longer can I breathe the air and drink the water with complete satisfaction that I’m not littering my internal organs with dirt, pollutants or worse.

And say “sayonara” to Sunday strolls through a downtown of quaint shops and neighborhoods of charming homes and subtle farms.

It may sound cynical, but it’s true. Ask anyone who’s been here long enough to know — San Luis Obispo is going downhill. It’s becoming an economically-inflated, yuppie micromoslem of Los Angeles, and as much as many may claim to be trying, I’m not sure there’s any way of turning back.

There’s now a competitive edginess to the people of those of us who were once so low-profile and kick-back it seemed you had to stare forever to catch one of them moving.

The 45-minute to an hour commute that we once mocked, is now a reality on the Central Coast, as fewer people are seen farther into surrounding areas, trying to escape increasing house payments while living on congruently declining salaries. The only people it seems who can afford to live here any longer are parents- or loan-supported students and professional money managers who shuffle real estate and buy cars that appreciate.

Of course there are those who haven’t been trying to cope on a SLO-scale dollar and who are now making it in this community — and making this community what it is. That’s right, it’s those from “The South.” Those who can sell their modest, three-bedroom homes for a quarter of a million and invest it in two of San Luis Obispo’s dress codes that litter the once-sacred hillsides. This way they can live in one and buy a chardonnay, SAAH and dinner at Brubek’s with the $1,000-a-month they’re pulling like teeth from renters in the other.

But the residents aren’t the only ones having trouble paying rent. The cute family-owned shops that once stood as landmarks in the downtown shopping community are now being pushed out by extortionate lease payments that only trendy corporate fast food chains are finding the money to pay.

Even most local politicians play the real estate game, making money off other people’s money. Yes, even our policy-makers have changed. There was a time when local politicians seemed to be earnest community members concerned only with the betterment of the area, whereas now the majority of them are carpetbaggers. Then again, perhaps nothing has changed on that subject at all in the past five years except for my insight into what makes a politician.

But certainly everyone knows who will agree that the town has changed, I’ll venture to say it’s not for the best. San Luis Obispo is sliding down a steep slope into the basin of Los Angeles, and soon the two cities will become one heaping mass. Perhaps those who have taken over the community will find a way to keep hope and reverse the trend. Or perhaps they will simply continue in their paths and then move on to their next destination when they can’t stand it here any longer.

By Marni Katz

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"If those people who made the allegations had even tried to listen at the beginning of the (rental regulation) hearing," Pinard said, "every one of the councilmembers stated where they were in relationship to the FPPC. We have already asked for a verification from them and it is said, 'Anyone who owns three or fewer rentals does not have a conflict of interest.'"

"It is clear," Pinard said. "It speaks out the exact number. It had been tried at a case in Los Angeles and this is their ruling."

"So Mr. Blaine and Mr. Bearce apparently didn't listen to what had already been questioned and had already been clarified."

Yet Bearce maintains that a conflict exists for a couple of reasons.

He said that a unit is defined as a two-bedroom house apartment in the city zoning regulations.

"If the units is the factor, which is what it is in this ruling. Settle and Pinard have houses that are three-, four-, and I think even five-bedroom houses," Bearce said. "When you total the number of units they have, based on this ruling, they have a conflict of interest."

The city zoning regulations section on density outlines a studio or apartment as .5 units, a one bedroom dwelling as 1 unit, three bedroom dwelling as 1.5 units, and four-plus bedrooms as 2 units.

L.A. ruling could apply here

Aside from this, Bearce also said that a ruling in the proportionately larger city of Los Angeles could be challenged if it were applied to San Luis Obispo.

Yet mayoral candidate Settle took a different approach.

"It is up to the individual councilperson to determine whether the ordinance will affect their property," Settle said. "It will not affect me unless I do have property."

Rappa said that Bearce's accusations don't surprise her, but that she doesn't have a conflict of interest.

"The bottom line is if you own three or fewer rentals, you may vote on a rental regulation ordinance," Rappa said. "I think Mr. Bearce can't read conflict of interest statements."

What conflict of interest means

The Political Reform Act of 1974 spells out the criteria involved in establishing a conflict of interest. It says there need only be a connection established between the ordinance and a change in property values. It doesn't matter whether the individual councilmember will profit from the decision or not.

In order for a conflict of interest to exist, four criteria must be met:

• The official makes, participates in or uses his or her official position to influence a government decision.

• It is foreseeable that the decision will affect the official's economic interest.

• The effect of the decision on the official's economic interest will be material (defined as at least $200).

• The effect of the decision on the official's economic interest will be distinguishable from its effect on the public, generally.

Whether or not these criteria have been met is yet to be determined by the FPPC.

"They may get off on a technicality," Bearce said, "but the jury of voters may find enough evidence to rule against them on Nov. 7."

Bomb at newspaper kills 4

Colombia blast blamed on drug lords

BOGOTA, Colombia (AP) — A car bomb wrecked the Vanguardia Liberal newspaper publishing in northeastern Colombia on Monday and killed four employees of the paper, which had joined in a condemnation of cocaine barons.

Reporters said a soldier helped a drug trafficking suspect escape in the United States escape from a hospital in Barranquilla.

The newspaper's publisher blamed drug traffickers for the bombing in Bucaramanga, a city of 400,000 people 175 miles north of Bogota. He said he did not know whether the paper could continue publishing.

The Vanguardia Liberal is the main daily of northeastern Colombia.

"Although I can't identify the perpetrators, I can say that, basically, they are the same group of drug traffickers that condemned our paper," the paper said. "We have already been questioned and had already been clarified."

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Acclaimed poet to present work

An award-winning poet who has received national acclaim will be the next speaker in the Arts and Humanities Lecture Series.

Ali, who teaches poetry at Arizona State University will discuss "The Validity of Poetry in the Last Decade of the 20th Century," on Thursday, Oct. 19 at 11 a.m. in University Union room 217D of the University Union.

Ali was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize and her poems have been described as "dramatic monologues," poems written from another person's point of view. Her characters include John F. Kennedy, Joseph McCarthy, Marilyn Monroe and Gen. George Custer.

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Reunion banquet to honor alumni

An honored alumni and reunion banquet will take place at 7 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 27, in the Glory Hall of the Cal Poly University Union.

Among the alumni being honored are: Al Amaral, executive director of the Cal Poly Foundation; Christopher Clark, professor of architecture and founder of a Honolulu-based architecture firm; Marc Logue, an owner of a computer firm; Alfred "Colton" Qoyawama, who works with a utility company and does numerous activities for which he has received recognition; Fred C. Schuck, who works for the State of California; Guy Thomas, who works in the printing industry; and Dr. Michael R. McGinnis, a professor at the University of Texas Medical Branch.

Student voices make a difference

Alan Vander Horst of ASI community relations said the student turnout at the Oct. 3 City Council meeting was responsible for the modification allowing residences to have six or more rather than five occupants per house.

Vander Horst said another large turnout at tonight's city council meeting at 7 p.m. at City Hall will also be beneficial for students opposed to rental regulations.

"By filling the room once again, it is hopeful that the students can maintain their recent achievement," Vander Horst said.

Relationships is topic of speech

"Long Distance Relationships" will be the topic of a presentation Oct. 19 at 11:10 a.m. in the Health Center Conference Room, downstairs building 27.

The one-hour discussion will cover topics such as the importance of making friends at school, expectations of a long distance relationship, communication skills and more. Everyone is invited to attend.

Library to hold books, mag sale

The Cal Poly Robert E. Kennedy Library holds its annual book sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in room 509 Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 18 and 19. Books, pamphlets and paperbacks will be on sale from 10 to 50 cents, said Joan Kennedy, library assistant.

Professor to talk about Buddhism

Judy Saltzman, Cal Poly philosophy professor specializing in Asian religions, will speak about Tibetan Buddhism and the Dalai Lama Thursday at 11 a.m. in the Multi-Cultural Center room 217D of the University Union.

A 30-minute film on the Dalai Lama, who recently won the 1989 Nobel Peace Prize, will also be presented. For more information, call 756-1405.
Critics name film 'Raging Bull' best of the past decade

LOS ANGELES (AP) — "Raging Bull" has been voted the best film of the decade and Meryl Streep and Jack Nicholson selected best actress and actor of the 1980s, according to a critics' poll in American Film magazine.

The poll of 54 leading critics, published in the magazine's November issue, named Martin Scorsese as the decade's best director for his films "Raging Bull," "The Last Temptation of Christ," "The King of Comedy," "After Hours" and a segment of "New York Stories."

Woody Allen finished second in the directors' category, followed by Steven Spielberg. Allen was chosen as the decade's best screenwriter as Allen's "Hannah and Her Sisters" was selected as the best script.

Some of the decade's other best movies, the critics said, include "E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial," and "Blue Velvet," among others.
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The Matadors also had chances in overtime. Co-captain Keith Martin hit a free kick from 30 yards which Crouch just managed to get to, and the rebound fell to Reyes. From almost point-blank range, Reyes hit a shot which Crouch somehow pushed out of bounds with his right hand.

Martin hit the post with five minutes left in overtime, and the ball came back to Bill Durkin, who missed a shot on an open goal after Crouch had committed to the initial shot.

Gartner said his team is still in the hunt for a California Collegiate Athletic Association title but it must win its next two home games, Wednesday vs. CSU Dominguez Hills at 7 p.m., and Saturday vs. CSU Bakersfield at 7 p.m.

The Mustangs 4-0 win last weekend against Chapman coupled with Sunday's tie against Chapman will help the Matadors keep their CCAA record to 3-1-1 in the CCAA, and travel to Bakersfield Wednesday to face the league-leading Roadrunners.

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dimensional design, said Schuermann.

Students are reimbursed for materials, Schuermann said.

Recycling is also encouraged, he added.

Perhaps the most challenging display was during Week of Welcome, McCorkle said. The theme was the "Tide Is Rolling In," symbolizing the wave of students that return every year, she said. Lots of foam core was used in the display in order to create an image of students riding in on waves.

"The students are creating an excellent image for the store," said Schuermann. "It's really a good quality craft."

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Four journalists were assassinated this week, unidentified gunmen last week in the cities of Medellin and Cali. Medellin is the base of the most notorious cocaine cartel.

Drug traffickers claimed responsibility for killing two of the journalists, both from El Espectador, a newspaper opposed to the government.

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