Students face 10 percent fee hike due to budget cuts

Legislators also slash personnel, program funds

By David C. Holbrook

Because of California State University budget cuts made by the governor and state legislators this year, Cal Poly faces a 10 percent hike in student fees and nearly $5 million in program and personnel cuts, Budget Officer Richard Ramirez said Monday.

The cuts come in the aftermath of a budget deadlock in Sacramento that, at its worst, left the state operating for a month this summer with no budget, he said.

The total CSU support budget for the 1990-91 year is approximately $209 million less than the CSU trustees' initial request. This has forced them to dip into the lottery fund, raise student fees and prorate cuts to the 20 campuses.

Cal Poly's budget this year is $107.8 million, an 8 percent increase from the 1989-90 budget. But despite the increase, it is not sufficient to cover all mandated costs, programs and inflation, Ramirez said.

One CSU mandated cut at Cal Poly is $350,000 from the management personnel plan budget. The library volumes and instructional equipment replacement programs, which together total $2.5 million and were cut from the state general fund, now will be financed by lottery revenues.

Besides the mandated cuts, Cal Poly is required to find a way to save an additional $3 million by making "unidentified cuts." By freezing new non-faculty positions, approximately $1.2 million will be saved, Ramirez said.

Of the remaining $1.8 million in unidentified cuts, academic affairs will feel the brunt — approximately $1.1 million — and the rest will be divided among various programs throughout campus, as yet undecided.

Frank T. Lebens, associate vice president for academic resources, said that "the biggest impact of the cuts will be in academic affairs' ability to offer classes."

There were about a dozen position cuts because of budget enrollment increases that will not be filled, he said, at a loss of up to 50 new classes per quarter.

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Second opinion

Native American burial grounds need repatriation

Did you know that the University of California at Santa Barbara is built on a Chumash burial site? Many of the remains are used in New Hall's anthropological center while others rest not-so-peacefully in a basement.

Understandingly, many Native American activists are angry about this type of excavation and have secured passage of legislation which requires the retrieval of their ancestors' bones. Yet there is also vocal opposition to such legislation.

One of those opposed is the University of California, which has some 12,000 skeletal entries which are used for anthropological, ethnological and biological research.

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Students will feel budget cuts

General trends throughout universities across the nation show that college budget cuts are the norm. On this note, Cal Poly is once again feeling the crunch of another budget cut. This year's budget cut will be felt stronger than ever by students.

It is understood that state revenues are tight everywhere. It is also understood that when funds are granted to one place, they are taken from another. However, education must be placed as the state's top priority in order to ensure California's successful future.

It is not surprising that the state's budget is in a critical position. Nor is it alarming that the state's need for revenue cuts would ricochet all the way down to Cal Poly's level.

At Cal Poly, it is no surprise that these budget cutbacks may come from a wide variety of facilities and branches of the university. This year, though, budget cuts are being predominantly felt in the classroom.

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Hijack attempt foiled by KGB security unit

MOSCOW (AP) — A special KGB team foiled an attempt to hijack an airplane by a man claiming to have a bomb in his briefcase, the Tass news agency reported Tuesday. The would-be hijacker, Grigory Polyakov, 53, boarded the flight from Leningrad to Arkhangelsk on Monday night and tried to divert it to Stockholm, Sweden.

The crew convinced him that the plane needed refueling and landed. Authorities negotiated the release of the 66 passengers. KGB security then captured Polyakov. The report said he had previous convictions, including one for attempting to leave the Soviet Union illegally.

Man dies weeks after hitting lottery jackpot

BOSTON (AP) — A 37-year-old cafeteria cook died of a heart attack weeks after winning $3.6 million in the Massachusetts lottery.

"All he really bought was a Dalmatian puppy for the (two) kids. He couldn't have afforded that before," said William Curry's sister-in-law Shirley Bourdon.

Curry died Monday, his first day back to work at the Blue Cross-Blue Shield lunchroom after two weeks off to celebrate. Curry insisted on keeping his job of 20 years.

Last week, he cashed the first of 20 annual installments of $180,722. His fortune goes to his wife and children.

Two 10-year-olds set Alcatraz swim record

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Two strong 10-year-olds made history Monday when they became the youngest swimmers ever to make the 1.5-mile swim from Alcatraz to the city.

Pat Reid completed the swim in just under an hour to break the "youngest swimmer" title set in 1955 by John Hunter, then 14. Emma Macnair-Mackin, who last year became the youngest swimmer to cross the Golden Gate, arrived 18 minutes after Pat to be greeted by 25 classmates from the San Francisco Community School in the Excelsior District.

Stuntman dies while practicing cliff jump

MALIBU, Calif. (AP) — A movie stuntman who apparently miscalculated his landing died after practicing a jump off a seaside cliff, officials said.

Jay Currin, 34, of Canoga Park suffered internal injuries and died at a Westlake Village hospital Monday evening, said a Los Angeles County sheriff's deputy.

Currin was attempting a fall from a cliff at Point Dume State Beach when he landed on the edge of an air bag and was thrown onto rocks along the beach, officials said. Paramedics airlifted the stuntman to the hospital.

Currin, who was a veteran stuntman, was part of a crew filming a movie. The film's title or any of its stars was not disclosed.

U.S. begins effort to limit customs delay

LONDON (AP) — U.S. immigration officers began checking passports Tuesday at London's Heathrow and Gatwick airports in an effort to reduce customs delays in the United States, the U.S. Embassy said.

Officers will check documents for four months as part of an experimental program. A record number of tourists has resulted in routine delays of two hours at busy U.S. airports and some waits of up to five hours.

The British represent 6% of all international travelers entering the United States. Passengers on selected flights will be checked before boarding in London.

New Jersey schools spend most per pupil

NEW YORK (AP) — New Jersey, in the midst of a taxpayer battle over school finance, spent the most per pupil on average of any state last school year — $8,439, according to an annual teacher union survey.

Nationwide, estimated spending per pupil averaged $6,439, according to the National Education Association's "Rankings of the States, 1990," due for release later this week.

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Peace Corps holds fall recruiting

Organization will attempt to attract new volunteers

By Michele Morris

Every day is Earth Day for the Peace Corps, and it is actively looking for new volunteers with the desire to help people and preserve the environment. Recruiters and returned volunteers will be on campus this week to give information and accept applications.

Cal Poly graduates have historically been supportive of Peace Corps. Since the Corps’ beginning under President John F. Kennedy in 1961, dozens of Cal Poly alumni have served as volunteers, according to Peace Corps literature.

Jeff Carnahan, a returned volunteer, recruiter and Cal Poly, graduate student, sees his time in the Peace Corps as a smart career move. He is working on his master’s degree in agriculture and international development. He was placed in the Federated States of Micronesia to work in agriculture and to teach English.

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The purpose of the reconstruction is to increase safety and the integrity of the roadway and shoulders. The present portion of Highway 101 over the grade was constructed in 1938. Since then, portions have been realigned and improved, but not since 1975 has the highway had any major reconstructing.

Caltrans’ nine-week reconstruction project will bring it up to current standards.

Old, deteriorated pavement and guard rails are being repaired or replaced, and the whole area will be resurfaced, said Joachim. In addition, the center median barrier is being raised eight inches, and three new turnouts — two southbound and one northbound — are being constructed to help alleviate traffic congestion.

Anyone interested in information about traffic conditions in the construction zone can tune in to CalRadio 530 AM. For general information, call the Caltrans 24-hour phone line at (800) 549-1047 or 546-2672.
Overcoming alcoholism

By Natalie Guerrero

National statistics of alcohol addiction and related problems are often hard to grasp. A 1987 finding showed 34 percent of fourth graders felt pressure to drink wine coolers, and another 51 percent of sixth graders felt impressed to try beer, wine or liquor. In addition, one person dies from an alcohol-related motor-vehicle accident every 22 minutes. These are but a few examples that are startling the nation. Yet, these statistics are not far from those in San Luis Obispo County. At least 30 percent of the families in this county are affected by alcohol abuse and addiction, according to the San Luis Obispo County Health Agency.

One statistic even closer to Cal Poly relates to charges of driving under the influence (DUI). Thirty percent of the last 400 DUI first offenders in San Luis Obispo have been Cal Poly students.

The results of alcohol-related problems are not only for the individual who commits the fault. Debby Jeter, a family therapist for the past 13 years, said alcoholism results in such misfortunes as dysfunctional families and unproductive members of society, not only striking the individual but the community.

Jeter, who is also the supervising alcohol therapist at San Luis Obispo Alcohol Services said, communities are also hurt by other people's misgivings. She noted the recent decision of not continuing the traditional Poly Royal affairs because of riots associated with alcohol.

"It's not just the individual who should get all the blame," Jeter said, "but the community needs to form ways to help people overcome this disease and create an environment that does not promote the abuse of alcohol.

For the past 17 years in San Luis Obispo County, the Alcohol Services has played that supporting role. The program, part of the county health services, originally worked out of San Luis Obispo General Hospital. But it has since moved and expanded to four locations: San Luis Obispo (994 Mill St.), Atascadero, Cambria and Arroyo Grande.

Alcohol Services, through its Community Recovery Centers (CRCs), provides a wide range of group therapy and counseling such as Adult Children of Alcoholics, women's groups and short-term individual counseling. Other services include drunk driver programs for court-ordered first and multiple offenders and a Home Detoxification Program supervised by registered nurses.

Most services are paid by state and federal funds except the drinking driver programs. The drinking programs cost a first offender $418 for a four-month program while an 18-month program for multiple offenders costs $1,700.

All programs share a common goal in providing a sober environment where treatment and recovery from alcohol-related problems can be achieved. This is done either by one-on-one counseling or group settings. Groups usually range from eight to 15 people and meet weekly. Role playing and inductive discussions, where clients can express their problematic experiences with alcohol, are the methods used to allow people to interact with each other.

In the driving programs, participants are ordered by the court to attend such sessions. Educational meetings take place in a classroom setting with about 35 other offenders. Individuals then go to a smaller group meeting that includes about 15 people. "Everyone in the room at the beginning feels victimized," Jeter said, "and after four to six months, many people start to realize that they choose to drink and drive. That's a sobering thought.

"People share their own experiences with each other, which brings healing to their lives," Jeter said.

One successful personal story Jeter recalls is of a young person whom she wanted to keep anonymous. This individual was a child from an alcoholic home who always seemed to get in trouble with the law for minor theft and who never was a good student. Caught by law enforcers more than once, this person was sent to join the Cambria Connection Players—a teen drama group, which performs plays tackling the issue of alcoholism at schools and civic functions. Reluctantly, this individual joined and within a year was a changed person. Jeter said. The youth became a dedicated student and was elected a school officer by his classmates.

"He began to live a different lifestyle without the ties children from alcoholic families carry," she said.

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"Alcohol Services is also part of the large California State Master Plan (the roadmap for the future of CSUs by reducing postponing and/or eliminating alcohol and drug related problems," said Carol Folsom, health educator for Alcohol Services.

Alcohol Services undertakes this plan through their Community Recovery Centers (CRCs). The CRCs become the hub around which education is taught about alcoholism and where sober, social activities dwell. CRCs come up with programs to best fit their own community. Some activities with great success in the past have been sober Monday Night Football settings, beach barbecue, dances and Superbowl parties, Folsom said.

In the education realm, people are taught the three basic stages of alcoholism. People learn that in the early stages of alcoholism, a person has the ability to drink great amounts. This is a person who may challenge anyone to drink more than him but always outdrinks the other. The middle stage becomes apparent when a person finds it becoming very difficult to stop drinking such a large amount, an activity that was once a game. In the last stage, a person now only needs a small amount of alcohol to get the same effects of being intoxicated.

"Alcoholism is a disease but effects people differently," Jeter said.

Within the education process comes the push for community awareness of this tragedy. CRCs encourage local participation in their committees. A person need not be a recovery alcoholic to help.

Cal Poly students are welcome to become members of the CRC boards and advise participants of other methods, volunteer time in the different offices, write articles for their newsletter or be a

Scientists claim benefits of new gas surpass risks

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The environmental benefits of Atlantic Richfield Co.'s new premium unleaded gasoline outweigh any possible health risks suggested by private tests, scientists said.

Private tests indicate the gasoline, designed to reduce pollutants, produces a 34 percent increase in emissions of a suspected carcinogen over other gasolines. But scientists said the fuel's overall benefits to clean air and health are worth it and that the increased concentrations of 3-butoxyxene were too small to pose a health threat.

Natalie Guerrero is a journalism senior minorin in international relations.
the only issues raised by the bill that are under fire. Critics are bashing a stipulation which requires all institutions to submit a complete inventory of their collections to the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) by 1992. The institutions would foot the bill for taking inventories could be fined if the deadline is not met.

In addition critics claim that the bill's definition of who can claim Indian remains, which is based on "preemption of a cultural affiliation," is unreliable. UC officials argue that the clause would generate arguments among Native Americans trying to claim remains.

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Ribeau wants to promote liberal arts at university

By Alison Sherrill

A change of pace and the challenge of bringing liberal arts into a technical school awaits Sidney Ribeau, new dean of the School of Liberal Arts. Ribeau took his new position last month.

Ribeau said he was attracted to the Cal Poly campus because of its strong reputation. "Both Cal Poly's academic programs and its students have an excellent reputation throughout the CSU system," he said.

His first impressions of San Luis Obispo and the Central Coast were of both the beauty and the slow pace, "It is an area conducive to thinking and writing," said Ribeau.

Ribeau was also impressed with the possibilities that exist within his new role as Dean of the School of Liberal Arts. Others may view a strongly technical university as a difficult environment for the School of Liberal Arts, but not Ribeau. "It is a perfect opportunity to bring together the strongest minds from several areas of study."

Ribeau is currently working on some interdisciplinary programs.

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He said he hopes to bring together philosophers, sociologists and engineers to look at "technology's impact on society."

Ribeau is also working with faculty members on the possibility of an ethnic studies program at Cal Poly.

While at Cal State Los Angeles, Ribeau spent three years as chairman for Pan Afric-an, a group that studies different ethnic and race relations in third world economic developments.

Ribeau said any program developed for Cal Poly would be done as is appropriate for both faculty and students. As well as these special projects, Ribeau said he is excited simply to get back in the classroom. He plans to teach a speech class this spring.

Ribeau also will be working with students through the Student Liberal Arts Council. This involves representatives from departments within the School of Liberal Arts who meet to discuss problems and goals for the school. Ribeau believes this is a valuable forum for liberal arts students because they can affect the school's operations and planning. They can also gain insight into the structure and goals of the school.

However, Ribeau said the essential mission for himself and the School of Liberal Arts is to instill in students of all majors exposure, understanding and appreciation for the arts.

As for the often heard criticisms of graduates in technical fields who lack both oral and written presentation skills, Ribeau does not discount this. "One of liberal arts' key roles is in the General..." See RIBEIAU, page 11.
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Education and Breadth requirements where the different majors learn basic skills involving writing, critical thinking and decision making and oral presentations,” he said.

Beyond the GRE level, learning how to communicate in writing or verbally should be learned within the context of the student’s major, said Ribeau.

He said, however, that including liberal arts in the education of a student doesn’t simply improve them as a package for future employers.

Ribeau views exposure and appreciation for the arts as imperative for an enriched human experience with peers, faculty and parents.

Many other existing programs will continue with Ribeau as the new dean. Programs offered in connection to the School of Liberal Arts include the ECPM, Mustang Daily, Model United Nations, as well as many other theater, dance and music events.
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**Medical calls up in last few days**

By Jason Foster

The Fire Section of Public Safety received an unusually high number of calls for medical assistance in the previous five days, said Fire Captain Randy Bello of Public Safety on Tuesday.

Between Friday and Tuesday, the section responded to 10 medical calls, almost all of which were minor, said Bello.

"Nobody - was a real, real serious case," he said.

During this period, calls included a student who fainted outside of a classroom, a university secretary who fell and broke her nose, a student who got hit by a truck, a fractured ankle, a drunk having trouble breathing and someone suffering from tonsillitis, said Bello.

"Over a two-week period it's normal to have that many calls," Bello said. "But these were all within a span of three or four days."

Bello said there was nothing unusual in the nature of the calls, just that the calls were coming "a little closer together."

Bello said most of these cases were sent to the Health Center for receive treatment or be observed.

Dr. James Nash, director of Health Services at the Health Center, said that the center has been busy treating students and staff involved in campus accidents since the beginning of fall quarter, but not for any reason out of the ordinary.

"We haven't seen anything in particular - a lot of injuries, but that's nothing unusual," he said. "We're always pretty busy with these same kind of things."

Nash also said that over the weekend the Health Center saw relatively few people.

"Over the weekend we had a low number of people in," he said. "We had a fairly busy weekend, but nothing we'd call 20 (over a weekend)."

**PEACE CORPS**

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Carman said the peace corps has three goals: To provide other countries with the skilled manpower they need, to enable volunteers to come back to the U.S. and tell people what other countries are really like and to make other countries aware of what Americans are really like.

"People in other countries know John Rambo, better that they know John Kennedy," said Carnahan. "They just know what they see in the media."

"Employers appreciate the volunteers' willingness to accept a challenge, to try something new, to be innovative and to see a job through," Carnahan said.

Students without degrees in the technical field shouldn't be discouraged, he said. They should get involved in community service, show that they are interested and take action.

In response to increased requests from other nations with environmental needs, the Peace Corps is particularly seeking volunteers to work in forestry, small business, biological science, water management, soil conservation, environmental awareness and wildlife management.

Peace Corps volunteers currently are working in Belize to preserve the world's largest barrier reef. They are developing and testing nurseries for plantation forests in western Samoa. In Morocco, volunteers are working on flora and fauna surveys for a national park. This year, more than 600 volunteers are working to address the global environmental situation.

Thousands of volunteers are working in areas from English teaching to small business and are learning how to integrate environmental education into their programs. The U.S. Peace Corps has more people working overseas on environmental projects than any other organization in the world.

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The Peace Corps' fall campaign, the first of this academic year, began yesterday and continues through tomorrow. Information tables will be set up in the University Union Plaza from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. all three days. The following film and discussion seminars will be held in the University Union Plaza from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. all three days.

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