Poly sets bidding date for construction of rec center

Bidding process on 105,000 square foot building will start in April. Construction will take two years after that.

By Grant A. Landy

A tentative date has been set for the bidding on the 105,000 square foot recreation center funded since 1987, ASI Executive Director Roger Conway said Wednesday.

Executive Dean of Facilities Administration Doug Gerard informed Conway late Wednesday afternoon that April 9 would be the anticipated date to start the bidding for the center's construction.

The bidding process takes four to six weeks, said Stephen Adams, ASI associate director for concerts and events. After the bid goes out, construction should take approximately two years.

The Recreation Sports, Physical Education and Events Center — as it is tentatively called — will stretch from the west side of Moti Gym, throughout the space now occupied by the Health Center parking lot and reach to the inner edges of the softball field.

"There will be no facility like it from Stanford to Santa Barbara," Rec Sports Director Rick Johnson said.

The facility

The main center is a massive, split-level facility, housing more than 95,000 square feet of usable space, Johnson said. It includes:

• Multipurpose gymnasium,

SLO profits from university

By Karen Travis

The money that Cal Poly students spend for haircuts or laundry supports more than just the businesses offering these services.

"Of each dollar spent locally by Cal Poly faculty, staff and students, some portion is re-spent," a business administration professor said at a press conference Thursday.

Kenneth Rienier said a study was conducted to find out the overall sum of direct and indirect benefits to San Luis Obispo in the 1989-90 academic year. "We wanted to find out the effect Cal Poly has on the community," Rienier said.

Cal Poly was the single largest source of economic benefit for the 1989-90 academic year, generating $176 million.

"In addition to being a conduit through which state and federal funds are brought to the county, the university is a magnet which brings students and their money to the Central Coast," Rienier said.

White House expresses worry over peace plan

By Marlilyn Fitzwater

WASHINGTON (AP) — The White House expressed "serious concern" Thursday night about a Soviet-Iraqi plan to end the Gulf War, but said it would consult with coalition partners about the initiative.

Spokesman Martin Fitzwater said that in the meantime, the U.S. and its allies will "continue to prosecute the war."

Fitzwater said President Bush had not decided whether to begin a ground war. Bush himself went to the theater and was not available to comment.

Soviet President Mikhail S. Gorbachev called Bush Thursday night to brief him on details of the plan. The press saw no plans to have a U.S. leader on the plans.

Weekend weather:

Partly cloudy, becoming sunny and breezy.

Highs: 60s and low 70s

Lows: 50s

n.w. winds 15 mph

3 ft. seas, 7 ft. n.w. swells

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And speaking of motion... Find out all the latest on sports, where things fly at you at high speeds. Page 5

ASI prepares for spring elections with plans to attract candidates

By Kelli Martin

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Drunk driving is no accident**

In response to Matthew Cegaleg's commentary (Feb. 20) about his cousin's death, I would just like to point out that Joey didn't have an "accident." Drinking and driving is not an accident. Driving 100 mph is not an accident. I do hope your letter gets through to people. Drinking and driving kills.

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**War doesn't promise peace**

I find it disturbing that this country is rushing into a war, saying it will bring peace, while the White House has yet to say anything on what will happen after the war. How can we be fighting for peace if we have no idea what kind of peace we are looking for?

History suggests that we can't. The aftermath of World War I saw the merciless punishment of Germany, the carving up of the Ottoman Empire by the French and the British, and the alienation of our ally Japan by not allowing it to take part in some of the spoils. Drinking and driving for peace but did lead to future problems.

World War II gave us the Cold War and the nation of Israel forced upon outraged Arabs.

Korea let us with a large force staying behind to preserve the stalemante. Does any of that sound like peace?

Just because this country was stupid in the past does not mean it has to be stupid now. But unless we stop and think about what this stupid will probably turn out to be one of the Nixon adjectives to describe us.

Dan Howard
ENVE

**Kids are buying cigarettes**

Something else to consider regarding the sale of cigarettes on campus is the easy access by elementary school visitors.

Let me begin by dispelling a few common lies and myths about today's peace movement. We are not nor have we ever been in support of Saddam Hussein. In fact, this organization was lobbying against selling weapons to Iraq in the mid-80s while the Reagan/Bush administrations sold his weapons and called Iraq as an ally.

We support our soldiers 100 percent. The days of the anti-soldier peace movement have ceased to exist since Vietnam. Many of our organizers, including myself, have loved ones in the Persian Gulf. We believe that you can support our soldiers but not the political policies and leaders that put them there.

Soldiers in combat do not fight for lofty causes, but politicians do. Soldiers do not fight to "Free Kuwait" or to stop world communism. Soldiers fight in combat to stay alive and to go home. They fight for their buddies and for their unit. We can and do support our soldiers to do anything they have to do to get home alive.

Lastly, the peace movement's major goal is the withdrawal of Iraq from Kuwait. However, we are also cognizant of how "brutalities of war" will quickly triple in number once land warfare begins. Brutalities of dead Marines and their grieving widows, brutalities of dead Iraq civilians and brutalities of even more dead Kuwaitis from the combat of two massive armies.

We oppose this war because there are many proven ways to stop Hussein short of getting 100,000 people killed and creating a $400 billion dollar deficit for this country. The sanctions were and are still working very well. Despite what President Bush has said, Iraq has lost over 50 percent of its gross national product (GNP) since sanctions were started. Ex-Joint Chiefs of Staff Admiral Crowe and General Jones, the heads of our military for the last 10 years, both testified emphatically to Congress that the sanctions were working and that military action was unnecessary.

We are talking about the complete collapse of Iraqi industry and Hussein having less and less ability to pay his armed forces.

We also support the long-term (three to seven years) military boycott of Iraq. This means stopping weapons sales to Hussein's military.

We oppose this war because we are opposing our fine young soldiers who took oaths to defend this country by asking them to fight and for something much less than our own self defense. Many Americans readily admit to me that they are in a war about the Bush administration's desire to achieve much more military and political control of the Persian Gulf and, therefore, over the price of oil and flow of oil. I invite those same people to ask themselves whether it is right to send American soldiers to fight for the price of oil and the oil price? Is the answer a resounding "yes"?

For people who think this war is not about oil but about some other lofty cause, I ask them whether they think if Kuwaiti's main export were oranges, would we care about this tiny Arab country? Are we supposed to believe that the vast majority of these soldiers are so benevolent that they want nothing from this wealthy oil rich region but the "freedom" for a tiny Arab country? Small countries are invaded and occupied all the time on our violent planet but do we turn close to half a million soldiers out?

After the war we will establish military bases in Kuwait, Bahrain and maybe Saudi Arabia, playing off these governments with a continued Iraqi, Iranian or Lebanese threat. We can control these governments and their economies like we do in Panama, Honduras and the Philippines. These countries will need our defense, and we can call a lot of the economic shots.

People have to question authority. Very few Americans are doing this with their President, their media or their military. Ask the hard questions. We owe it to our service people.

If Hussein is such a little "Hitler" then why was he an ally of the armed and supported for 10 long years? Senator Boren, the Senate In­formational Force out of the Central Inte­ligence Agency knew that Iraq was massing an invasion force on the Kuwait border four to six days before the invasion, yet nothing was done? In fact, Hussein was reassured twice diplomatically within a week of the invasion that the U.S. had no obligations to defend Kuwait. Who lobbied the hardest in Congress to pass the authorization for war? Was it the Israelies, the military industry and the oil in­dustry? Why? Or why hasn't former Chairman of the Zapata Oil Company in Texas, George Bush, called for any energy conservation or alternative energy development in the face of this crisis?

If you understand that this is a war about oil, then you must recognize the sheer immoralty of asking a person to fight, die or be mentally or physically maimed for something much less than the clear defense of his or her country. It is not very pleasant to imagine that Mr. Bush started this war with political and financial in­terests first on his list. This war will allow him to remain popular throughout a dismal economic future, it will galvanize his party, it will revive the military industry, and it will secure our dominance in the Persian Gulf.

Real patriots can tell their country when it's right as well as when it's wrong. There are plenty of sham patriots out today. We have to have the courage to do right by our soldiers, letting them fight only when it is 100 percent clear that it is our only option, and that it is the defense of our homeland that is at stake. Nothing less is acceptable.

If you want to support our soldiers then end this without class that lives and don't support the leaders that want them to fight for the political and financial interests of the few.

Armando E. Zumaya
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**Stop U.S. soldiers from fighting for Mideast oil**

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US troops suffer from salmonella, botulism

SOUTHWESTERN THAILAND—Albania (AP) — Several outbreaks of salmonella poisoning and botulism have hit U.S. troops since the Persian Gulf conflict began, an Air Force hospital commander said.

One U.S. Air Force transportable hospital serving a task force fighting wing reported treating 600 patients for botulism last month and is now treating soldiers suffering from salmonella poisoning.

Both types of food poisoning can be fatal, but no deaths from the diseases have occurred so far among U.S. troops, Col. Alvin Ostler, commander of the 383rd Air Transportable Hospital, said Wednesday.

Albanian soldiers fire shots to disperse mob

VIENNA, Austria (AP) — Soldiers fired warning shots Thursday to drive pro-democracy demonstrators out of an exclusive area where Albania's leaders live, and protesters burned books by Communist Albania's late leader.

It was the second time in two days in the Albanian capital, Tirana, that security forces fired in the air to disperse crowds seeking a break with the Stalinist past and a quick transition to democracy.

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Poetry, fiction reading ‘celebrates the arts’

By Laura Carrillo

The event, which was a part of Liberal Arts Week, was held in the Sandwich Plant. Laura Perkins, the English senior who organized the event, said afterwards that she was pleased with the turnout.

"The audience responded with laughter and at times with tears," said Kincaid, who helped Perkins with the event. There were 13 readers, more than organizers had originally planned to have.

Students interested in reading their poetry went through a selection process. Students submitted their works to a liberal arts poetry contest. A panel of judges then evaluated the work and selected people who would read their work. There were 32 student entries submitted.

"I used to believe writing a poem meant slicing your wrist and trying to scribble a note with blood before you drop. Open it up and for a split second there’s nothing—just a barren crevice, gaping and empty. Then it pours and you stab with your quill and try to fly with what’s drawn but it slows until you tear back into it and there’s never enough or there’s too much at once to control. And when you’re done, the feather falls.

It is the opposite. It is a cry for healing, desperation to check the flow, urgency. It is often pain, and the need to stop hurting, to pull ourselves closed, crudely stitch our rifts. It traces the seam, down the sleeve and buttons the cuff as we look around to see who’s seen, who’s found a way inside us, like an infection, like a virus, like laughter.

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Lacrosse beats Occidental, 8-4

By A. Mortimer Naughton
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The Cal Poly lacrosse club won its first game of the season Saturday, beating Occidental College 8-4 in Los Angeles. However, it lost the second game of the weekend against Loyola Marymount, 9-5.

Matt Adler was Poly's high scorer in Saturday's game with two goals. The Mustangs never trailed after taking an early lead.

"We just broke down," said Bob Rose, the official chairman of the fund drive, is optimistic. "Each time (the teams) will meet their goal. They are very enthusiastic."

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The Cal Poly men's tennis team has been working hard the last few days, playing three teams and participating in the San Diego Intercollegiate Tennis Tournament.

The Mustangs took fourth place in the 16-team tournament, falling behind Rice University, San Diego State and University of San Diego.

Cal Poly fought Cal State Hayward Feb. 18 and came out on top 8-1. All six players won their singles matches and two doubles teams won their games.

Hayward was given its only win by default. Cal Poly did not perform as well in its matches against the University of San Diego and San Diego State, losing 6-3 in both games.

The Mustangs had a lot of trouble Feb. 13 against USD, especially in their singles matches where only Marc Ollivier beat his opponent, Axia Maslyshka, 7-5, 6-3. Doubles had a little more luck, with Max Allman and Ollivier beating their opponents, 6-4, 6-7, 6-4.

John Montgomery and Eric Sasan lost to Fredrick Assater and Mashakes 4-6, 7-6, 6-4, but Mark Nielsen and Ricardo Reyes won their match 6-2, 9-6, 6-4 against J.J. Shobar and Matt Forte.

In their meeting with the Aztecs, Cal Poly had other problems. All three doubles teams lost to their opponents, but singles had a better day. Eric beat Ricardo Herrera, 6-3, 6-0. Nielsen won 6-4, 6-3 against Chris Numbers, and Ollivier triumphed over Dan Peterson in three sets, 6-3, 7-6.

The Mustangs finished the week with a season record of 4-4 and go on to meet Cal Poly Pomona Feb. 23.

On the first day of the tournament, CORE, the top seed in its pool, immediately threw a wrench into the gears of Cal Tech's Ultimate Machine. The final score was 15-1.

The Mustangs began quickly in the next game against San Diego State, surging ahead 5-1. The Aztecs were stifled by CORE's flexible zone defense. San Diego showed some skill but could not close the gap as Cal Poly won 15-8.

The next game was the game of the day. Arizona State's Aerobic Jihad sent a strong crew to face the high-flying Mustangs. The battle raged from the start, and CORE called a timeout when

Les Lea, goalie Greg Schwartz had an excellent game, stopping more than 75 percent of Occidental's shots.

The first quarter of Sunday's game looked good for Poly. The Mustangs controlled the ball nearly the whole quarter but failed to score. Half-time saw Loyola leading 5-3 with a pair of goals by Poly attackman Brett Lunde keeping it close.

But things turned bad for Poly in the second half. "We just broke down," said Lea.

He credited defensemen Mike DiGiuilio, Mike Goodman and Scott Birchett with excellent defensive play.

Cal Poly's record moves to 1-4. Last year, the team won its division and was forced to move into Division I, the toughest division on the West Coast.

Next weekend the team will host Stanford and Humboldt State at Mustang Stadium on Saturday and Sunday respectively. Both games are at 1 p.m.

By Scott Kipp
Special to the Daily

SLO CORE (Comrades Of Radiant Energy), Cal Poly's men's Ultimate Frisbee club traveled to UC San Diego last weekend for the Winter Collegiate Ultimate Invitational.

CORE advanced to the top pool but lost to the Santa Cruz SLOGS 4-2 and finished the 16-team tournament in fifth place. The Mustangs next will get a chance to play Santa Cruz at the Stanford Invitational on March 9-10.

"The war itself continues," he reported in a brief statement. "We will continue to seek consensus with the U.N. resolution and the president will make decisions concerning the ground war as appropriate."

Senate Republican Leader Bob Dole, in a speech on the Senate floor, said, "Let's be cautious." He said that Saddam "might be playing a stalling game."

Earlier, Bush and leaders of Congress registered disappointment with a defiant declaration by Saddam in a radio address ... Defense Secretary Dick Cheney said allied forces were massing for "one of the largest land assaults of modern times."
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- sporting four basketball courts and six volleyball courts which are interchangeable and a competition court
- 2500 sq. ft. aero/side room
- 5000 sq. ft. weight room, which includes Nautilus, free weights and Lifecycles
- nine indoor racquetball courts, three of which are glass courts
- outdoor pool, 50 meters with 18 to 20 lanes
- wrestling room
- gymnastics room
- full men's and women's locker rooms
- 3,000-plus seating capacity
- Rec Sports offices
- Program Board and Events offices
- conference rooms

A separate "lower" facility, found close to South Perimeter Road, will house the Physical Education Department, faculty and staff, while maintaining classrooms and labs.

Johnson said that the split-level construction allows many activities, such as basketball and volleyball, to be going on simultaneously without interference. "The two levels give us all kinds of latitude," he said.

**What Goes**

The size of the structure will completely alter the area west of Mott Gym, adjacent to South Perimeter Road.

The four full basketball courts, six racquetball courts and the Health Center parking lot will be completely demolished, Johnson said.

He said that the students were especially concerned about basketball access on campus and racquetball play after demolition.

"The biggest issue (from the students) is basketball on campus," Johnson said. "I don't know if you've been out there, but it's pretty packed."

The plan now is immediate construction of three full-size courts and a half court slated behind Mott Gym where the putting green and golf driving facility is currently located. No new location has been determined for the golf driving facility.

The plan is to make the basketball problem will be taken care of, Johnson said that racquetball lovers will be disappointed. Once the present courts are demolished, they will not see courts on campus until the center is complete.

The loss of staff parking for the Health Center also will be a problem. The recreation and collegiate softball teams. As of now, the ar-

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Candidates must submit a $10 dollar filing fee and attend a mandatory meeting on April 1.
According to the ASI election packet, each candidate for ASI office and Board representative must be an enrolled Cal Poly stu-
dent with a cumulative grade point average of at least 2.3.
Candidates must maintain a 2.0 GPA and carry at least seven units during the term in which the election is held.
Active campaigning begins on April 2, and voting will take place two weeks later on April 16.
A complete financial statement from each candidate is due the day after elections. The only change made this year is a $100 dollar increase in the financial limit allotted to the president and chairman of the board.
"This is the future of ASI, and it is important we take an active role," Denholm said.
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Diaz advises people to get out of the environment where the relationship took place.
He said to avoid going places and doing things you used to do as a couple.
"Keep busy, active and involved," said Diaz "and avoid obsessive or destructive behavior such as overeating, hybernating.
We are here to help students, so if they need further advice they should seek counseling," said Diaz.
"Dating allows you to explore the personalities of different individuals and decide what kinds of people you're most compatible with," he said. "It's like shopping, you need to shop around for the best value or deal.
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Two or three industry representatives will be at each table.
"Students choose in advance the company with which they want to talk.
Executives and recruiters from Xerox, Lockheed, Boeing and about 40 other companies will dine with students. Students will make contacts and learn about employment opportunities in the industry.
"Students get to know what goes on in the real world," said civil engineering sophomore and SWE committee member Date Smith.
"You get to meet professionals and find out about your major.
"Keynote speaker Nance Dic-
ciani will address real world issues in engineering. Dickiani is General Manager of Air Products and Chemicals.
She has received national recognition for research and development as a chemical engineer. She is a senior member of SWE and received the club's achievement award in 1987.

Other outstanding SWE
members will be announced at the banquet, including outstanding women engineers and the most supportive professor.
It is important to recognize women engineers, Smith said, because there are only a few. She said it is intimidating to be the only woman in some engineering courses.
"The awards encourage women to continue their education into an engineering career," Smith said.
"The ceremony also encourages people who are intimidated by engineering to become a part of it.
Tickets for the banquet are $4 for SWE members and $10 for non-members. All majors are welcome.
"It's a pretty good price for the people you meet, dinner and the speaker," Lung said.
Lung sat with Anderson Con-
sulting representatives last year because they were recruiting computer scientists.
She said she gained valuable experience and learned about the consulting aspect of her major.

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REC CENTER

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who have funded the complex free access to the facility (for as many quarters as they paid a fee
for it) when they return to Cal Poly. He knows, however, that relatively few graduates stay in the
area.

“We feel compelled to live up to some sort of responsibility to the students,” Johnson said. “It’s their center.”

Interestingly, the delay has also had positive effects. Adams said student money stayed in the bank
earning interest for a two-and-a-half-year period. The money accumulated will hopefully negate need for a bank loan, he
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The proposed Recreation Sports, Physical Education and Events Center will be situated between Mott Gym and the Health Center. It will include an aerobic room, weight room, multipurpose gymnasium, gymnastics room, wrestling room and nine indoor racquetball courts.

ECONOMICS

The survey was conducted to compile those economic benefits as a follow-up to surveys done in
the 1970s and 1980s.

“Our biggest surprise from this survey was the amount (of money) students are spending,” Riener said. “The largest single item in the list of benefits is the approximate $93 million spent annually by Cal Poly students in and around San Luis Obispo.”

University payroll and visitor spending follow closely behind.

In addition to benefits such as the purchases of food, clothes and apartment rentals, the survey
also identified less obvious economic benefits resulting from restaurants and transportation.

“The impact Cal Poly has on these items needs to be understood,” Interim Dean for the
School of Business Walter Perlick said. If in the future San Luis requires that Cal Poly grows in size, he said, the university needs as much information as possible about its economic impact on the community. “We need to help the community and our school establish dialect,” he
said.

Riener said this survey could be the boost the community needs regarding Cal Poly growth.
He said Cal Poly’s influence should be appreciated.

FRISBEE

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sleeping with some strong cuts back to the disc. In the match, which uses no referees, the
SLUC
made some questionable calls. They were the tournament’s eventual winners.

CORE won two later games against Las Positas College and a conglomerate team consisting of San Diego State, UCLA and Pomona-Pitzer’s Brain Eaters to finish in fifth place.

CORE hopes to qualify for the national tournament in Madison, Wis. May 24-26.

Ultimate Frisbee is often erroneously called Frisbee football. Almost every major college has an Ultimate Frisbee team that plays intercollegiate games.

Cal Poly has had a team since 1978, which has competed in the national championships twice. The team was ranked 13th in the nation last year.

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