Move afoot to censure Baker
Resolution accuses him of ‘blatantly violating’ policy

By Brad Hamilton
and John Hubbell
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A subcommittee of Cal Poly’s Academic Senate is scheduled to discuss next Tuesday whether Cal Poly favors student councilman Dave Romero, as hundreds of absentee ballots in the March 23 elections, he said, they were a factor in the county supervisor’s race.

A transportation survey conducted by the city in 1990 revealed that 22 percent of those who do not ride bicycles would do so if separated paths were available.

The city would need to purchase right-of-way access from Southern Pacific Railroad. Anderson said this would cost approximately $10 million.

City Councilwoman Peg Pirard said that seem pricey, but the cost is justified given the size of the property; she said parcels of land are several blocks wide. She said the city could sell off the parts it didn’t need and actually make money.

Safety and liability are the main concerns for both the railroad and the city. Southern Pacific is not liable for any bicycle accidents.

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Student bicyclists currently “trespass” along the railroad tracks where the city is looking into building a new bike path lane.

City looks at plan for track bike path

By Liz Weber
Staff Writer

Students looking for a smooth ride to school may get their wish if San Luis Obispo’s plan for a new bike path along the railroad tracks materializes.

This path, to extend from Orcutt Road to Cal Poly, would improve safety and convenience for the estimated 450 students who currently “trespass” along the tracks each day, said San Luis Obispo Bicycle Coordinator Craig Anderson.

The Senate dropped the ball and allowed the (ET and Home-Ec programs) to be defunded.

Barbara Andre, Discontinuance Review Committee

Committee has authored a resolution criticizing Baker for “blatantly violating due process” in phasing out Cal Poly’s engineering technology and home economics departments last spring. Technically, the university will move to withdraw funding from those departments but not mandate their closure, officials say.

“If that isn’t a discontinuance, Botwin said, “I don’t know what is.”

A 1981 Cal Poly policy says programs and department discontinuance are valid ways of responding to reduced enrollment and resources. (However, it) continues, “discontinuing an academic program, department must be done…” in a reasoned way which will minimize damage to institutions and to the majority of their programs.

Among other things, the policy states that the heads of affected departments be included as members of a “Discontinuance Review Committee.”

Kim Davis and Barbara Weber, who respectively head the departments of engineering technology and home economics, repeatedly said in spring that they had not been consulted about their departments’ phasing-out.

President Warren Baker said from his office Thursday that “you get used to those kinds of charges.”

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What the president-elect says he stands for

Washington, D.C.

Americans demanded change when they picked a new president, and that's what they're about to get. If Bill Clinton has his way, assault weapons will be banned, family leave will be guaranteed and so will a woman's right to abortion.

And so will a woman's right to abortion. Clinton, who takes office Jan. 20. He wants to phase in a 40-mpg auto fuel ef-

ficiency standard by the turn of the century, although he has wavered. He wants to limit carbon dioxide emissions to 1990 levels by the year 2000 to reverse global warming. For cars, he wants to scrap the massive spaced-based defense system known as Brilliant Pebble. He wants to build another Seawolf submarine and shrink the Navy to 10 car-

riers instead of 12. Clinton would give Hand Start enough money to cover all eligible 3-year-olds as well as older preschoolers. He would make college aid available to all, to be repaid through community service or as a percentage of future income. Every employer would be required to pay a 1.5 percent payroll tax for federal training and education programs.

He will push the trade agreement with Mexico but wants to negotiate additional safeguards for U.S. workers and in-
dustries.

Clinton will seek the line-item veto. He will increase spending for AIDS research.

He would put a two-year cap on welfare benefits, during which time a recipient would be helped with education, training and child care. After that, those who can work must.

The new testing program is likely to require repair

work on one out of every five vehicles to reduce emissions, EPA officials said. The cost could range from $30 to $120, although most of that was expected to be regained in fuel savings.

EPA Administrator William Reilly said the inspection program will cut smog causing emissions and carbon monoxide releases by 26 percent to 33 percent.

The improved inspection and maintenance rules were required by the 1990 Clean Air Act. The EPA directs that states develop "enhanced inspection programs" in 82 cities where there are the worst air pollution problems. In all, revised inspection programs will affect 177 regions in 38 states.

Various vehicle inspection programs already are required in more than 100 cities across the country. But in many cases the new requirements will be broader and be aimed at detecting vehicle emissions from other than tailpipe exhausts.

In an attempt to ease motorists' burden, the EPA required that tests be conducted only every two years, in-

stead of annually.

Staff asked to move due to racism

Education authorities have asked all 50 teachers and staff at a high school to take transfers after Aboriginal students complained of racism.

The New South Wales state Education Department said that in one incident, an Aboriginal boy was suspended for harassing a teacher who also described Aboriginal students as "scumbags" and "ver-

tims of their own actions.

They said racism was "a continuing source of con-

sciousness and tension" for students and staff at the school in the town of Casino, 375 miles north of Sydney.

Education officials began an investigation in July fol-

lowing complaints about mistreatment.
California's new law limiting congressional terms is heading for a confrontation in the courts, which have ruled that only the U.S. Constitution sets members of Congress that it would be struck down by voters, said he was confident the constitutional criteria: at seven years and a resident of his state. Voters in the previous year, effective Jan. 3. If Saddam Hussein acts up the time, place and manner of elections. 'I don't think we had really any construction management major William Summerral said be thought it was a good idea for Petersen to be on the council. "We need to get rid of some of the old incumbents," Summer said. "It's good to get new blood in there."

Civil engineering major Mike Schmitt also said he thought it was a good idea for Petersen to be elected. "We need a fresh face," he said. "While Schmitt said he felt Petersen's possible election would be good for Cal Poly and the community, he added that Petersen's inexperience is a drawback. Civil engineering major Eric Uriehult said he thinks it would be a really good idea for Petersen to be on the council because "he comes from a different background."

"In my mind... there is absolutely no question that the attempted state-imposed term limits on members of Congress are unconstitutional," said William Bagley, a former Republican state assemblyman and member of the No-on-164 committee.

Courts have historically ruled against efforts to alter constitutional standards for the Senate or House of Representatives. The U.S. Supreme Court, quoting founding fathers Alexander Hamilton and James Madison, refused in 1969 to let Congress exclude New York Rep. Adam Clayton Powell for alleged ethical violations, noting that he met the constitutional criteria at least seven years and a resident of his state. The qualifications of those who aspire to or hold this office are defined and fixed in the Constitution, and are unalterable by Congress. An opposing argument was outlined in "Washington's Way Street Journal by Neil Gorsuch, a scholar at Oxford University, and Michael Guzman, a legal assistant at the U.S. Supreme Court. They wrote that term limits were not qualifications but ballot-box rules allowed by a constitutional provision authorizing states to determine the power to limit congressional terms.

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The season premier of "L.A. Law" was such a disappointment because it, like so many other television shows, capitalized on the Los Angeles riots.

It seems we can't turn on the TV without seeing some show talking about the riots, with an episode about the riots. And the talk shows are having a field day. I can't begin to count how many times I've been asked if I was centered on the riots and the thousands of angles they have attempted to explore.

The entertainment world covered the riots like a pack of wolves on a setup of meat. Lexis-Nebraska (a computer database "newspaper library") reported a total of 6,633 articles published in newspapers and magazines across the country. Granted, the riots are a major part of history and cannot and should not be ignored, but this much coverage is excessive and obviously nothing more than an attempt to sell papers.

The media manipulated us to get viewers. They never showed King being tasered twice (at 50,000 volts a pop) and still resisting arrest, never showed him being hit five times and refusing to comply, until finally he complied and the beating stopped. They showed us what they wanted to and what would make people watch the show.

I know it's hypercritical to complain about the exploitation of the riots while I'm writing about them, but I hope we can stop using them to our own advantage and start using them to help those who were hurt by them.

I find it hard to believe that television executives truly care about the injustices in South Central Los Angeles. If they did, they would treat this as a learning experience and try to improve the conditions in Los Angeles (and around the world), instead of having their characters whine about how terrible the riots were.

"L.A. Law" is the American way, but to use this sort of tragedy to boost ratings seems wrong.

The "L.A. Law" show was weak and transparent. One character was arrested and another taken out of his car and beaten. The black token character was dragged down to the riot scene to take some publicity pictures and decided he had to stay in his expensive suit and help put out the fires.

With the amount of controversy surrounding the verdict, it is statistically impossible that an entire office of conservative lawyers would wholeheartedly agree that the verdict was "wrong." It would have been politically suicidal to have a character agree with the verdict or criticize the chaos that followed. Where will television producers judiciously ratings if they made some viewers think or upset them?

The talk shows are at least trying to generate some type of thought while trying to lure viewers.

The Oct. 19 episode of "The Faith Daniels Show" featured former LAPD Sgt. Stoney Koon and an audience filled with South Central residents. Naturally, it was a zoo, one which continued on Tuesday. Koon was accused of being a "prime example of a crooked cop" and a representative from Hands Across Watts said he wished Koon would meet with death soon.

Apparently, Koon has written a book about the use-of-force policy of police departments (the Los Angeles Times has already written 11 articles about it and it hasn't even been released yet).

The proceeds of "Presumed Guilt" will go to Koon. Why? Because he's been out of work since the beating occurred and must support his family. But he will be paid back into rebuilding Los Angeles once his debts are paid.

Let's not hold our breath.

Waldbenck reported two other books have been published about the riots. Five months is a relatively short amount of time to find a publisher, write, edit, print and distribute a book. I'm sure more will appear, and where will the money go? Some will undoubtedly contribute to rebuilding Los Angeles, but the majority of the money will go back into the pockets of the authors.

There was a lot of talk after the riots about urban renewal. President Bush traveled to Los Angeles about all allocating money to rebuilding Los Angeles. Unfortunately, this money is merely going to reconstruct the area, not the root of the problem.

One Los Angeles resident said in the Los Angeles Times that politicians are doing more harm than good.

"What our community groups are telling us is that it is no use meeting with politicians, because everything has gotten so politicized that they can't address substantive policies," said a member of the Korean American Interagency Council.

Arkansas Gov. Bill Clinton said on the Arsenio Hall show that he wants to do something to help the cause of the problem, not merely the effects. We can only hope.

Liz Weber is a journalism major. This is her first quarter reporting for Mustang Daily.
From page 1 figure out how to communicate," she said. "The Senate dropped the ball and allowed the program to be de-funded," she said. "The last thing to go should be a department from the academic side." Andre said the Senate needs to have input on the whole budget. 

"We need to work closer on a way to survive without cutting academic programs," she said. Political science professor Rich Gooden said he was against the proposed censure. "I am against Botwin's resolution because the language of the resolution is not accurate with what the issue was," Gooden said. "At no point did the administration say the programs should be discontinued and that is what the resolution said."

Gooden defended the administration's handling of the budget crisis. "I think the administration made a good decision regarding the crisis," he said.

"Some (senators) say the programs were not as marginal as others," Gooden said. "It's a judgment call, but it depends on the (senator's) criteria." Committee member Wes Mueller declined to say how he felt about Baker's actions. "It was not a formal resolution so I am not going to say anything about it," Mueller said.

Committee member James Vilkitis said he feels Baker and Kool did not do anything intentionally illegal. "It depends on the way you interpret the procedures," he said. "(The censure) is premature. I don't think much is going to be coming of it."

Committee member Chuck Dona said he wasn't at the meeting when the censure was originally discussed and declined to comment further. Charlie Andrews, who chaired the Academic Senate last year and is currently a member of the Executive Committee, also declined comment.

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This labor of love takes time
Fremont theatre facelift progresses slowly but surely

By Michelle Van Der Linden
Staff Writer

Plans for a party are under­­-way at San Luis Obispo's his­­toric Fremont Theatre, but don't pull out your festive garb yet.

The renovation completion celebration for the landmark was originally scheduled for May 29, but the project is still not completed.

Len Brower, Edwards Theatre Co. regional super­­visor, said the project is taking longer than expected because the restoration process is slow.

"If we could compare it to new construction, the new con­­struction would be much easier," he said. But Brower added the "most noticeable parts of the project will be done in about two months."

Brower said they've had the permits for a year, but "it's taken a while to get things lined up (because) we didn't have the manpower to get it all going."

Work started "full bore" about two months ago," he said.

The lighted marquee and the addition of neon on the face of the building are two of the most noticeable changes, Brower said.

"Basically, we are putting neon on the building that hasn't been there in years," he said. "Thirty years ago, portions of the neon started going out and it just became too cost­­ly to repair."

The restoration doesn't stop there. Numerous interior chan­­ges include the restoration of approximately 200 auditorium seats and a 22-foot-long lobby bench.

"We'll also be updating the concession stand," Brower said. "We're putting about $10,000 into that one."

He said the final estimates continue to grow with the project and said he "couldn't even begin" to place a dollar amount on the final product.

It's expensive, but "we are so in love with the project, we just can't stop," Brower said.

Even though the renovation is not directly expected to in­­crease profits, Brower said he expects the facelift will attract more movie-goers.

Although the Edwards Theatre Co. is 62 years old, Brower said they are new to this part of California and are committed to showing San Luis Obispo their showmanship by restoring the theatre to its original state.

Brower wouldn't discuss party plans, but said they are "kicking around a lot of ideas."
From page 1 on the inside.

Tonia Ziegert, who manages Benetton’s clothing store, said she would pack a student was elected.

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Polystorm reaches the top
By Brad Hamilton
Staff Writer

Cal Poly's best blocker in history said volleyball has taken away from your focus. "We'll take things one game at a time," Southern Utah's sixth-year coach. "Talking about anything other than Saturday takes away from your focus."

"Southern Utah is a good football team and very talented. We will have to be focused," Setencich added.

Southern Utah, which shares first-place with Cal State Sacramento, comes to town sporting a 2-1 WFC mark, 5-4 overall. A Thunderbird win would give them at least a share of its first Western Far Western Conference victory while a Mustang loss would spoil Cal Poly's hopes of finishing above .500.

Southern Utah enters with a three game win streak, including a 49-29 victory over Cal State Northridge last Saturday. The Thunderbirds lost to Northridge 14-13 two weeks ago, defeated Lael Perlstrom and San Jose State 40-14 a week ago in a non-conference game.

Ranked first in the WFC, Southern Utah's rushing game is averaging 173.1 yards. Its two key rushers are tailbacks Daniel Harris and David Robinson.

Cummings, who was an assistant to Mike Wilton when Perlstrom first came to Cal Poly in 1989, said he has served numerous roles on the team. He said he played a subliminal role in his freshman year, developed during her sophomore year, was the backbone of the team last year and is currently complimented by the talents of her teammates.

One of those teammates, Jennifer Jeffrey, is also climbing the career records list.

"She's smooth," Jeffrey said. "I have a lot of faith in her. She's a hard worker. She's just like me, out to have fun."

Competing represents fun for Perlstrom. "Even if I am playing back­ gammon, I want to beat you," Perlstrom said.

And when asked if volleyball takes too much of her life she said, "Sometimes I do feel it is my whole life, but if it is not volleyball it would be something else."

And volleyball will remain her life, said Jeffrey. "She plans on sending a video tape and a resume to professional teams in Europe. She said she has a good chance of making a professional team, which will provide her with a place to live and $40,000 a year."

She said she wants to continue playing as perfect as she can.

"I know I am going to make mistakes, but the less I make the better I play," Perlstrom said.

Even though Cal Poly's fate hangs heavily on the balance of several other games, Saturday's contest with Southern Utah is the only one Setencich is concerned with.

"To be honest with you, football coaches don't look past Saturday," said the Mustangs' sixth-year coach. "Talking about anything other than Saturday takes away from your focus."

"Southern Utah is a good football team and very talented. We will have to be focused," Setencich added.

Southern Utah, which shares first-place with Cal State Sacramento, comes to town sporting a 2-1 WFC mark, 5-4 overall. A Thunderbird win would give each return.

The Thunderbirds soared in the air last week, quarterback Rick Robinson passed for a season-high 299 yards against the Matadors.

The Southern Utah passing game could be a serious concern to the Mustangs, who are ranked last in pass defense in the WFC.

The Mustangs' defense has been weakened by the loss of defensive end Steve Santens and linebacker Ted Haberfield, both of whom are out for the season with injuries.

Cal Poly's rushing game is led by Brian Pitz (106 carries, 549 yards).

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