The controversial credit/no credit grading policy will no longer be available to students as of Fall 1998, Academic Senate Representative Harvey Greenwald told the ASI Board of Directors Wednesday. President Warren Baker approved the Academic Senate's resolution, which called for an end to credit/no credit for general education and breadth courses. Last quarter ASI wrote a resolution supporting credit/no credit. Because ASI and the Academic Senate could not resolve the conflict, Baker had to make the final decision.

ASI's resolution stated that the elimination of credit/no credit would result in "more students taking less units per quarter and graduating later in order to maintain their GPA, which is important when applying to graduate school."

Board Chair Michael Rocca said he doesn’t necessarily agree with Baker’s decision.

"But I want to see student involvement through the entire process of framing the curriculum," Rocca said.

The Board of Directors also unanimously approved a pay raise for administrators. The 4.5 percent pay raise came before ASI fall quarter, but the issue was delayed until Wednesday’s meeting, according to ASI Executive Vice President Arturo Rodriguez. Rocca added that the general salary increase is an adjustment for inflationary costs.

ASI also discussed results of a survey which shows that the majority of students are opposed to the sale of alcohol on campus. The survey polled 300 Cal Poly students and was conducted by an ad hoc committee formed last quarter to investigate student sentiment regarding the university’s alcohol policy.

Brooke Forrar, ASI Program Board representative and Business Council representative reported that the program board is running out of money. They will have to tap into their reserve account until they can make a profit with the sale of concert tickets.

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Local church will hold King celebration Sunday

By Amy Conley
Daily Staff Writer

The celebration honoring Martin Luther King Jr. has already begun for some and will continue through the weekend.

On Sunday, the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship will host the second of two talks on Martin Luther King Jr. Rev. Tom Norwood will speak about King, from his birth Jan. 15, 1929, to his assassination April 4, 1968. Norwood will talk about King's importance to both African Americans and others.

The forum last Sunday featured Cal Poly speech communications senior Terry Burge and Arroyo Grande High School sophomore Justin Whitaker. The two talked about what it is like to be African American and the influence of King's legacy in the modern world.

Burge, from South Central Los Angeles, has been a public figure at Cal Poly and has appeared on local television news stories about racial issues. He brought attention to racial graffiti in the spring of 1996 when a Cal Poly student wrote, "Dead nigger storage" on a sign hanging from a tree on campus. Burge also volunteers as a counselor at a South Central high school on weekends.

Whitaker performed a dramatic reading tracing racism through American history. He started by quoting the Gettysburg Address, King's "I Have A Dream" speech, and told stories from the lives of everyday blacks from the 1850s to the present day.

Both men told the audience the importance of remembering King and evaluating the progress in fighting the racism. "In order to see the light of Martin Luther King's teachings, we must see through the darkness of racism," Whitaker warned.

Burge said that King is still an inspiration to inner-city school children. "King was as Kennedy was to most Americans," Burge said. "There was none like him before and none after." The audience commented on the speakers and shared their memories of King. Fellowship members interjected several times, asking Burge questions about obeisance, whether inner-city children could understand King's speech and about racism at Cal Poly.

All are welcome to the next forum this Sunday at 10:30 a.m. in the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship at 222 Foothill Blvd.
Linnaea's: more than coffee, tea and biscotti

By Brad Davis
Daily Staff Writer

Before the trendy coffee-house craze of the ’90s there was a quaint cafe nestled on Garden Street in San Luis Obispo. This particular cafe is known as Linnaea’s.

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“I think that every older person should know a young person and every young person should know an older person,” Phillips said.

Her reason: “Kids keep everyone young.”

The cafe spent years in the making. Phillips, originally from Tacoma, Wash., grew up with little money. She was still in high school when her father passed away in 1951. Phillips was then forced to find work to help support her and her mother.

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“We’ve accepted that (the cafe) is cozy,” Phillips said joyfully, “I really want to encourage that feeling. It’s comfy to be here.”

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Beginning in the early ’70s, Phillips spent 10 years directing events for the Mission Plaza which grew phenomenally under her supervision. This is where she made an important observation.

“What I discovered was that people liked getting together,” she said, “but as the events grew, it was harder for people to really get to know one another.”

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Tom Norwood very, owner of the former Norwood’s Books and a friend of Phillips, gave her the idea to open her own cafe.

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“You have to know one another to have a community in a cafe,” Phillips said.

One of Phillips’ best friends, Sandy Abernall, said, “She has a strong following, especially for her local business.”

It could be that Linnaea’s is so popular because it caters to a variety of groups.

“This is kind of a schizophrenic cafe,” Phillips added. “The older crowd comes in during the day. The young kids and college students usually come in at night.”

In addition, Phillips noted that the cafe spent years in the making. Phillips, originally from Tacoma, Wash., grew up with little money. She was still in high school when her father passed away in 1951. Phillips was then forced to find work to help support her and her mother.

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Proud to be 100 percent pure American

**ALAN DUNTON**

Since I can remember, I have always been forced to trace back my family roots. The question of nationalism has been asked repeatedly of me. I have always expected to name some far away place as being my hometown. This don’t seem totally bagus to me. Granted, if I looked at my family tree, I could trace back hundreds of years and find that there was once a Danton living in Ireland and a Beardsley living in Scotland. However, the closest relative I’ve ever come to those rain plagued countries was through watching Mel Gibson take on the English in “Braveheart.”

Telling someone I’m Irish and Scottish is a lie. I have no desire to be Irish or Scottish. I have no desire to travel to Ireland or Scotland. I don’t even like Irish coffee or Scottish potatoes. Why am I forced to be someone myself about who I am? Too many of my family’s generations have been in this nation too long for this behavior to continue. My own great-grandmother is still alive and kicking at 103, and she’s been in the United States of America for her whole life.

I have made the decision to start a new trend, one that runs against every flaw in the system. I’ve been brainwashed to believe. I am announcing to the world that I am an American. Do not claim to be a Native American, rather claim to be an American from the homeland of God best country in the world, the United States. Patriotism feels great, I urge you to try some along with me.

The reason I am an American is that I was born in America, raised by Americans, who were raised by Americans, etc. I do not think like a foreigner. I prefer football American style where guys knock each other into the ground, instead of the other football where a high-scoring game is 2-1. Like most Americans, I am not sophisticated enough to believe for one second that America is inferior to any body. Like material possessions, and I do not believe we have natural resources that I should. I am a firm believer in basic human rights which include life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. I am an American, one of you, and I do not care what color, height or sex you are. If you were born and raised anywhere between San Francisco and New York you are, whether you like it or not, an American.

If I were to travel to Scotland nobody would consider me to be Scottish, they would say, “Hey, look at that guy.” So I ask, if I’m an American in any other part of the world, why would I renounce my true heritage in the very country that has made me what I am? The whole notion of being anything else is ridiculous. These are my questions to you. I am ashamed of why do people want to be something they’re not? America is the greatest country one could ever hope for. Just look at how many people each year try to make this land their home. The next time you have to tell somebody your nationality for any reason, look them squarely in the eye, and proud and say, “I am an American.”

Alan Dunton is a journalism junior.

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**FEELIN’ THE BEAT:**

The conformity of non-conformity

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Barry McCaffrey, the Clinton administration's drug czar, has gone as far as calling Proposition 215 a "Cheech and Chong policy."

"The medical community deserves more respect than having a retired general in Washington tell us how to practice medicine," stated Dr. Marcus Conant, an AIDS clinician and lead plaintiff in the lawsuit, in a recent press release. "Physicians should be allowed to discuss medical marijuana without having to risk arrest or other punishment by the federal government."

This sentiment was echoed by Dr. Richard Ascoli, a physician at the Cal Poly Health Center. He said he believes the federal government's involvement is an intrusion into the sanctity of doctor-patient rights.

There are many, though, who say Proposition 215 is merely a smoke screen for legalization, and not medical. He, like the federal government, believes more scientific research needs to be done.

"There are very limited scientific studies that demonstrate its values," Bragg said.

A common claim among Proposition 215 proponents is that the voice of the voters has spoken but won't be heard. This has caused some Cal Poly students to question the effectiveness of the initiative system.

"The will of the people just gets bypassed by the government," said Kevin Minton, an English graduate student. "What's that point?"

The refusal of the federal government to allow an initiative legally passed by California voters to disturb Minton.

"It lends credence to the argument that voting is a pressure valve to release our anxieties," he said.

Unlike the University of California system, Cal Poly has not taken action to implement any new policy brought about by Proposition 209, said Juan Gonzalez, vice president for student affairs. Administrators, however, are in the process of preparing a plan of action should the measure have to be enforced.

"We are not taking premature actions," Gonzalez said. "We have to wait until the legal entanglements are clarified. We don't solve a problem until we have a problem."

But if the injunction is lifted, Cal Poly will have to change its admissions guidelines.

Cal Poly is the only California State University campus currently using criteria beyond grades and test scores for admission. The university uses a point system in which students from underrepresented groups, women in male-dominated majors and others with various characteristics receive additional points toward their admission.

Cal Poly resists to this multi-factor admissions formula because it is the only CSU campus that is impacted, said Director of Admissions Jim Maraviglia. With the measure enforced, this system will need revision, not a complete overhaul.

"We're looking for ways to address economically disadvantaged students in the state," Zingg said. "Our mission is to serve California and to ensure that our student body is broadly representative of the state of California."

Some students have mixed feelings regarding the legal gridlock surrounding Proposition 209. John Garcia, accounting and international business sophomore said he is anxious to know what the final outcome will be.

Garcia said he has kept a close eye on the proposition since it first got on the ballot. If Proposition 209 is implemented, he worries that minority-owned businesses will suffer since affirmative action requires the state award a certain number of contracts to them.

"They don't have the same resources that others do," Garcia said.

Yvette Agredano, a political science junior and member of ASI's Cultural Relations Committee said she understands why the initiative continues to cause confusion. It began with the proposition's name, Agredano said.

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She thinks using the words "Civil Rights" in the measure's name is misleading to some voters.

"They don't see, however, current litigation as a confusing matter of equal opportunity," she said.

"The judicial process takes a while," Agredano said. "It's rather have a pause that people consider gridlock than have (Proposition 209) go into effect until a decision is made."

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"We had a Steinbeck evening which featured reading, eating and dancing," Phillips said fondly. "Linnaea, which featured reading, eating and dancing," Phillips said fondly. "Linnaea, which featured reading, eating and dancing," Phillips said fondly.

Eventually breakfast was served and the hours were extended. "Bent was so low. I thought I could just open three days a week," Phillips said. "So it was kind of by accident that we were open all those hours." Linnaea's is open seven days a week.

Today, Phillips is still hard at work managing many activities simultaneously. Aside from owning Linnaea's, hosting various events inside the cafe and working part time at the Cuesta College Library, Phillips also has a radio show on KCGBX.

"I interview people that are socially involved in the community three times a month," Phillips said. "It didn't used to be as often a while ago." She's been working for KCGBX for the past 15 years.

"She's so modest. She does so much," said Linnaea's employee Nancy Thomas.

Dave Welch, another Linnaea's employee, describes Phillips as compassionate.

"She's a great listener and she likes to talk to a lot of people," he said. "She honestly does care about other people."

Sometimes Phillips will bring in a platter of cookies that she bakes at home and will walk around the cafe handing them out to customers. This gives her a chance to talk with her patrons.

Justesen refers to her friend as "the spirit of San Luis Obispo," just one more way to describe a multi-faceted woman with a passion for living. But to know who Phillips is, one must see her in action. She is the mainstay of the community in Linnaea's at 1110 Garden St.

MUSTANG DAD

Study shows national rise in teen drug use

By Jeffrey Kassoff

(Awire) LOS ANGELES — Record numbers of college freshmen nationwide are earning high grades, spending time to volunteer, and treating financial aid as a basis of choosing a college, according to a UCLA study released Jan. 14.

The Fall 1996 study of national norms for American college freshmen made its debut this morning, indicating record-level results.

The survey, conducted by the Higher Education Research Institute at UCLA's Graduate School of Education and Information Studies, also indicates changing social and political attitudes.

An all-time high of 31.5 percent of college freshmen report having "A" averages in high school, whereas a record low of 14.6 percent reported averages of "C" or lower. Students are also challenging themselves with more college-preparatory classes than ever before, according to the study.

Participation in community service also reached an all-time high with 71.8 percent of freshmen saying they volunteered last year. In addition, more than ever expect to earn graduate degrees. A record 38.9 and 15.1 percent hope to attain master's and Ph.D. or Ed.D degrees, respectively.

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Ferraro also announced that the Steve Miller Band is scheduled to perform at Cal Poly April 11.

The Freshman Year Initiative was also introduced to the board of directors by Juan Gonzalez, vice president for student affairs. This initiative would help new students make a smoother transition into college life. Among those involved in implementing the initiative would be Student Life and the Information Services.

This Freshman Year Initiative would go beyond Week of Welcome. Gonzalez said, and could be implemented as early as next fall.

"If you can help students identify resources and help them become a part of the community," Gonzalez said, "there is a tendency for people to perform better academically."
Dennis Rodman might face assault charge

By Ron Lesko
Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — This time, Dennis Rodman might be facing more than a suspension. Prosecutors were considering assault charges Thursday against the Chicago Bulls star for kicking a courtside cameraman in the groin during a game at Minnesota's previous night.

"He wants to say that it's not OK for Rodman to do that," said Gale Pearson, the lawyer for cameraman Eugene Ames. "If we were on the streets, it wouldn't be OK. You've got to call it what it is, and that's an assault." The NBA said Thursday it is reviewing the incident and considering a suspension, which would be the second of the season for Rodman.

Although the extent of Amos' injuries weren't known, they weren't believed to be serious. He was treated and released at the hospital Wednesday night.

Minneapolis police spokeswoman Penny Parrish said no charges would be filed Thursday. Pearson said she and Amos planned to meet with prosecutors Friday.

Rodman said he didn't intend to hurt Amos, but doubted the severity of the injuries.

"I thought I hit him in the thigh, then all of a sudden he went back," he said. "I said, 'What's wrong with you?' I'm sorry, I hit you. Then all of a sudden he says, 'Get away from me.'"

All of a sudden he passed out. I'm like, 'Yeah, right.'"

Amos, described by Pearson as a Chicago native and lifelong Bulls fan, is an in-house cameraman who was working on a freelance basis at the Target Center.

He filed an assault report Wednesday night after talking to police at the Hennepin County Medical Center, where he was taken for an examination after being carried off the arena floor on a stretcher.

Last season Rodman, who has won five straight NBA rebounding titles and earlier this week reached 10,000 rebounds, was suspended six games for head-buttting a referee and then will make a decision."
Women’s hoops looks for improvement

By Megan Lehman Daily Stall Writer

The Cal Poly Women’s Basketball team will be given a chance to improve their struggling Basketball team will be given a chance to improve their struggling

Women’s basketball

Cal Poly is coming off a loss to U.C. Santa Barbara, who defeated the Mustangs 102-60 last Monday. The loss put Cal Poly at 0-2 for Big West Conference games. Although the Mustangs tied a school record by losing 11 consecutive games, forward Jocelyn Edmonds added 10 points and seven boards while Kathleen Knight grabbed a career-high 10 boards.

Putting this game behind them, and realizing they only have one win under their belt (which occurred more than a month ago when they beat Fresno Pacific 67-59), the players still remain positive about the remaining 13 games left in the season.

But the team is still getting used to the addition of new teammates Jackie Maristela and Lauren Andrade.

Maristela, who joined the squad only four games ago, had to sit out all of fall quarter to clear up problems with her transfer transcript.

But she seemed to arrive just in time.

The team had just lost guard Rae Ann Yip, one of their leading scorers. Yip will miss the remainder of the season due to a stress fracture she suffered in a game against Saint Louis. This season, she played in 11 games. Starting in eight of those games, she averaged 6.6 points per game and 4.5 rebounds per game.

Maristela said: “It’s hard to lose her to injury, because she is such a great leader.”

As for Maristela, who is now starting at point guard, she is still getting used to the team and only began to feel at home with the players, coach Booker said.

“Her maturity on the court has been a big asset to the team.”

Booker said. Overall, despite its record, the team is currently ranked in the nation for three-pointers. Freshman Stephanie Oserios is 9th in the nation with 5.1 per game. As a team, Cal Poly is ranked as number 20 with 5.8 three-pointers per game.

Cal Poly is also ranked third in the Big West for steals, with 10.5 per game. Booker said that speed is a main factor for this, which is something that they will focus on this weekend to help obtain a victory against Irvine.

“We have the advantage speed-wise against Irvine,” Booker said. “We’re going to try and push the ball down the court quickly and look to get some fast breaks.”

The team has high hopes of coming away with two wins this weekend.

“We’ve played to the best of our ability yet,” Oaks said. “If everyone shows their true skill and plays up to their potential, we should have a very positive weekend.”

Booker agrees.

“We’re playing some pretty good basketball. We had a tough game against UCSB, but they are hands down the best team in our conference,” Booker said. “As for this weekend, we’ll give it all we’ve got.”

Men’s tennis adds to storms in Northwest

Daily Staff Report

The men’s tennis team will travel to the Pacific Northwest this weekend to take on University of Portland, University of Oregon and University of Washington.

Men’s Tennis

Both Washington and Oregon are favored to win and will provide some tough competition for the Mustangs, while Portland may not be as difficult.

The Mustangs defeated both Portland and Oregon last year, 7-0, in Portland. They defeated suddenly by Washington, 6-1. The lone win came from Chris Magyary at the number-one singles.

Head coach Chris Eppright said, however, that Portland has added five new players, all foreign, to their roster. He added that the Mustangs are favored, but he isn’t sure what kind of threat Portland’s new players could mount.

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Two of the matches will be held on indoor courts, which many of the players are not used to. Both Eppright and Magyary said the change will not affect the team in a negative way.

The trip north comes right after two 7-0 losses to UCLA.

Men’s tennis vs. Univ. of Oregon @ Eugene, OR, 12:30 p.m.

SUNDAY’S GAMES

• Men’s basketball vs. Cal State Fullerton @ Mott Gym, 7 p.m.*
• Women’s basketball vs. Cal State Fullerton @ Mott Gym, 3 p.m.*

WOMEN’S GAMES

SATURDAY’S GAMES

• Men’s basketball vs. Cal State Fullerton @ Mott Gym, 7 p.m.*

TODAY’S GAMES

• Men’s tennis vs. Univ. of Portland @ Portland, 12 noon**
• Women’s basketball vs. U.C. Irvine @ Irvine, 7 p.m.*
• Wrestling vs. BYU @ Provo, Utah, 7 p.m.**

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• Men’s and women’s swimming vs. U.C. Davis vs Rec Center Pool, 11 a.m.

SPORTS

Women’s hoops looks for improvement

Palmer leaving clinic in high spirits after surgery

ROCHESTER, Minn.—Golfer Arnold Palmer is making "extraordinary recovery" from successful surgery for prostate cancer, the Mayo Clinic said Thursday.

The clinic said Palmer, 67, was expected to leave the hospital on Saturday.

"He is in excellent spirits, is getting around with minimal discomfort and is very ready to return home, which he should be able to do tomorrow (Friday)," Mayo spokesman Mike O’Hara said.

Palmer planned to return to his home in Florida as soon as possible to continue his recovery, said Palmer spokesman Joe Giffen.

He checked into the clinic Monday after learning Friday he had prostate cancer. His surgery was Wednesday. He has withdrawn from the Senior Skins Game competition in Hawaii on Jan. 25-29.

Although Palmer hasn’t won on the PGA Tour since the 1973 Bob Hope Desert Classic, he remains perhaps the most popular player in the game and still earns more in endorsement money than any other golfer.

The men’s basketball team faces Cal State Fullerton Saturday night at 7 p.m. in Mott Gym.

The Mustangs are 2-0 in Big West play and face the Titans who were picked to finish fifth in the Big West. The Titans defeated Long Beach earlier this season and can’t be overlooked by the Mustangs.

While most students will be off celebrating Martin Luther King Jr. Day on Monday, the men’s and women’s swimming and diving team will take on U.C. Davis in the Cal Poly Rec Center pool.

“We are very appreciative of the Rec Center for letting us use the pool,” head coach Rich Firmian said.

Firmian added that the teams usually compete in Mott pool and the use of the Rec Center pool is very exciting to the team.

Consideration against U.C. Davis starts at 11 a.m.

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