Semester change may unify Cal Poly, CSUs

Chancellor Reed asks for student, faculty input; long process ahead

By Sonia Slutzki and Kirsten Orsini-Meinhard

Chancellor Charles Reed wants to see greater unification among the campuses' academic calendars, and David Conn, vice provost for academic programs and undergraduate education, Reed is asking for student and faculty input on the issue.

The Academic Senate and Associated Students Inc. will gather student opinion and evaluate the process of changing to the semester system, Conn said.

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IFC denies expansion

By Erin Crosby

Fraternities hoping to become members of the Interfraternity Council at Cal Poly will have to wait at least one more year.

At an Oct. 7 meeting, the IFC Expansion Committee decided that adding fraternities is not currently feasible due to factors such as the already high number of fraternities, poor fraternity-to-sorority ratios, lack of facilities and deferred rush next fall.

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PAC adds visual art collection

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By Jenny Ferrari

A life-size sculpture of a dancer and three glass-blown vessels have been loaned to the Performing Arts Center and will grace the center for two years.

An art advisory committee, established by the Central Coast Performing Arts Center Commission, chose both pieces of art for display. MUDRA, by Elizabeth MacQueen, is a 1,300-pound, life-size bronze sculpture of a dancer, which sits in the PAC's Lyn and Arnold Baker Lower Lounge.

MacQueen is an internationally renowned local artist. Her work can be seen in both public and private collections. PUCK, one of MacQueen's famous local sculptures, is displayed downtown near Jumbo juice.

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Jennifer Tavella, a Foundation intern at the Performing Arts Center, said the display is an honest.
Tavella explained what both pieces mean to her.
"The life-size sculpture of MUDRA is astounding and breathtaking. It took two years to build and is extremely detailed," Tavella said.

"The sense of movement is intrigui-
ging. The dancer looks like he should be flying through the air. It's very like-
like," she said.
Tavella also said the Colbalt Trio's blue color makes the artwork very appealing.

Those interested in viewing both pieces of artwork can book a tour or see them any time the PAC puts on a show.

For more information about the art-
work on display, contact Doreen Wetzel at 541-5463.

Dante Marion's Cobalt Trio consists of three glass-blow

blown vessels. Marion has gained national and
international recognition as a second-
geneneration glassblower. Marion's current work is inspired by Greek urns.
The Cobalt Trio is on display in the Rossi Grand Lobby of the PAC.

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The following are some written arguments from staff and faculty mem-
ers supporting and opposing a semes-
ter system.

Pro quarters
• The benefits do not outweigh the
massive effort required for the change.
• The quarter system allows greater
flexibility in the curriculum by permit-
ting a greater variety of course offer-
ings and exposing students to a greater
number of facul.
• Adverse guarantees further erosion of
our technical nature.
• The intensity of the quarter system
enables students to better handle
pressures and workloads of industry.

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end of the tunnel, Walters said.
"When the new sports complex
area is completed, there will be
more facilities for everyone to use
and it will lessen the crunch on stu-
dent organizations," Walters said.

Another major issue that IFC
faces is deferred rush next fall, which prevents first quarter Cal
Poly students from rushing.

According to Johnson, fraternities are worried about the impact of this
new regulation because many of the
pledges are first-quarter students.

Although the official numbers
have not been reported yet, Johnson
said that rush went very well this
quarter. Even with comparatively high
rush numbers in fall and spring, IFC
does not feel they can allow any
more fraternities on campus now
because of the lack of people rush-
ing.

Many fraternities are also worried
because the average size of fraternity
on campus is around 30, which is at least 15 members lower than
what they would like, Johnson said.
"The mean and median sizes of the fraternities on campus are lower
than we would like them to be, so
we want to see how deferred rush
affects the number of pledges we get
before we add any other fraterni-
ties," Johnson said. "Right now we
just don't have enough people to
sustain another fraternity."

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Capps’ opponent caters free food, message to students

By Leslie Stevens

Apparently Republican Congressional candidate Mike Stoker hasn’t forgotten what it’s like to be a college student.

Combining politics with a free lunch, he etched about 30 students to meet him on campus Tuesday to hear his views on top­ fare reform.

Stoker hopes to capture the Republican nomination for the 22nd District seat currently held by Democratic incumbent Rep. Lois Capps in California’s March primary election.

Borrowing the Republican label “compassionate conserva­ tive,” Stoker expressed that he can represent the diverse interests of the district and stressed his goal of becoming a party unifier.

“Frankly, I think we’ve become far too partisan,” Stoker said.

He added that he would support abortion restrictions, such as required parental consent for minors, mandated waiting periods and counseling of alternatives for women seeking abortions.

Stoker’s appearance on campus was organized by the Cal Poly College Republicans. Club chair­ man Tamas Simon said the club plans to follow up on the success of Stoker’s visit by inviting more Republican candidates to future campus meetings.

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Stoker also responded to a question about his views on the “hot-pota­ toe” abortion issue, a subject that has proved particularly divisive within the GOP itself. Stoker said he supports a woman’s constitu­ tional right to an abortion, but added, “(I) think Roe v. Wade was a bad decision.” He explained that to be consistent with the Constitution, abortion issues should have been left to the states. In addition, Stoker sup­ ports abortion restrictions, such as required parental consent for minors, mandated waiting periods and counseling of alternatives for women seeking abortions.

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By Mike Munson

Students from all over the state will converge at UC Berkeley this weekend for the California Students Against Sweatshops Statewide Organizing Conference.

The conference will focus on stopping the sale of clothing with university logos made under sweat­ shop conditions. Other goals are to increase understanding of worldwide sweatshop issues and to strengthen anti-sweatshop cam­ paigns on individual campuses.

Political science senior Chris Collins will attend as a representa­ tive of Cal Poly Students Against Sweatshops.

Collins said the national organi­ zation, United Students Against Sweatshops, has already had a posi­ tive impact on the industry. Schools such as the University of Michigan and the entire UC system have adopted rules against the use of sweatshop labor for university­ related items.

Collins said the organization still has unofficial status at Cal Poly, but several students and professors are involved.

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Letters to the editor

Death penalty is necessary Editor,

In response to Carolyn Ficari's announcement of exercising the death penalty ("Death penalty is not justice ... Oct. 19), I must admit capital punishment is a primitive, crude and unthinking solution to the question of how to deal with murderers. However, Carolyn's proposed solution (too wait until society realizes weapons and destruction are not the ticket to power) is not a solution, but a fantasy about how society "ought" to be. It bears no resemblance to reality. There will always be sick people with the means and the will to harm our sisters, brothers, mothers and all other people out there. I'm sure one day, all psychopathic raves will stop just moments before kidnapping an innocent girl, look in the mirror and have a life-changing revelation about love and service. Right? Love and peace are not the answer to this problem. Let's consider the PRACTICAL implications of putting Krebs in jail (i.e., avoiding the "unloving, unpelting" death penalty). Krebs' trial is already cost- ing taxpayers money. If Krebs goes to jail, all of us law-abiding citizens can look for­ ward to paying for his meals, clothing, medi­ cal attention and all other living expenses. Rachel and Aundria's families will have the privilege of paying for the living expenses of thousands of captives, one of which brutally murdered their beloved daughters. In addi­tion, allowing Krebs to live will only serve to instill a simmer of hope into the sick hearts of all the other psychos out there, who are even now plotting to kidnap and rape someone else's child. Maybe they'll get away with it, too. Avoiding the death penalty is a weak mockery of true justice. Let the execution of Rex Allan Krebs stand as the voice of an angry college cam­ pus, and let his death speak of our unsee­ing intolerance for this behavior. There is no room in our world for people like Krebs. It's time to eradicate our right to a safe world by showing Krebs and any other potential murderers that rape and murder will not only be looked down on, but also punished with the most severe retribution.

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Great jazz pianist Duke Ellington described a jazz concert as a give-and-take proposition between the musician and the audience. “You make them feel good, and then you feel good when out somewhere in the provinces, a doctor or a car washer or a farmer may travel 200 miles just to hear you.”

Performing live is what the art form was built upon, and fans can witness this creative process Saturday night at the Cal Poly Fall Jazz Concert.

“The spirit of jazz is improvisation,” music senior Anthony Enns said. “The point of jazz is to hear something new every time.”

Enns will be playing piano with the University Jazz Band in Saturday’s concert along with local jazz-funk band, Jivendirect. The two-hour show in the Cal Poly Theatre will feature classic jazz standards like “My Funny Valentine” and an experimental Coltrane piece entitled “Miles’ Mode.”

“I’m looking forward to the experimental piece because it’s a risky one,” said Paul Rindler, director of jazz studies. “The potential rewards are great, but it’s kind of dangerous too.”

Rindler said the spontaneity of jazz is what makes it so interesting to see live. “You can actually watch a person develop a musical idea. When you see it coming from them, rather than a recording, it’s a completely different experience,” he said.

Music senior Kim Koven will play electric bass in the Duke Ellington classic “Caravan.” Although her concentration is in classical music, she’s excited about the upcoming jazz performance.
invisible Monsters' examines conformity with clever plot and characters

By Brent Marcus
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

In the last decade, body modifications have become a popular form of self-expression. However, for some, this practice may go beyond mere aesthetics and become a way of life. In "Invisible Monsters," Chuck Palahniuk explores the theme of conformity and the impact it has on individuals. The novel follows the story of Alan Roberts, who decides to undergo a body modification surgery in order to fit in with his peers. However, the surgery goes wrong, and Alan ends up with a body that is both beautiful and grotesque. As he navigates his new existence, he is forced to confront his own identity and the expectations of society.

The novel is written in a playful and often humorous style, with Palahniuk using his characteristic dark humor to explore themes of identity and conformity. The protagonist's experience serves as a commentary on the pressure to conform to societal norms, and the novel raises questions about the role of appearance in society.

"Invisible Monsters" is a thought-provoking novel that challenges readers to think about the nature of identity and conformity. It is a must-read for anyone interested in exploring the complexities of self and society.
Jivendirect grooves on latest release, 'Grip'

By Matt Sterling

Mustang Daily Staff Writer

Self-described funk infused pop band, Jivendirect, release their second album "Grip" with a release party tonight at the Forum on Marsh Street.

The best band in the Mustang Daily reader’s poll last year was formed in 1996 by local vocalist and guitarist Damon Castillo. The band’s debut album, “Then When,” was released in 1998.

“We’ll be giving the people that come something we don’t give normally,” bassist Matt Taylor said. “There will be some special things at the show.”

The six members of the band are Castillo, pianist Kristian Ducharme, drummer Jennings Jacobson, saxophonist Larry Kim, trombonist Jim Richards and bassist Taylor.

Three of the band members are from Cal Poly. Ducharme is a computer engineering senior, and Kim is a business senior while Richards graduated last quarter with a degree in physics.

“The band performs all over the county, including a show at Cal Poly for Springfest last year, and they play at local venues Mother’s Tavern and SLO Brew.”

“We love to play for everyone,” Jacobson said. “Unfortunately, most of the places to play live (in SLO) are for ages 21 or over.”

Live shows give the band a chance to explore music, mixing things up a little bit, according to Kim.

“We’ve got a degree of interaction with the audience during our shows,” Castillo said. “We capture the moment live, and we also don’t want to sound exactly like our album.”

The new album has over 45 minutes of music spread over 13 tracks. The music has gained a new dimension since the last album, as Richards was added to strengthen the horn section.

“They’re one of the only bands I enjoy going to watch,” landscape architecture senior Angela Barley said. “The music has a lot of soul and is fun to dance and listen to.”

When putting the songs together, Castillo brings in vocals and instrumentation, the other members write their own parts and then they mesh the parts together.

“It’s hard sometimes because all of our visions for the songs aren’t the same,” Kim said. “But it adds to the diversity of our music because we all contribute parts.”

In addition to the release party, Jivendirect will be playing a concert on Saturday night at 8 p.m. in the Cal Poly Theatre. Unlike their normal shows, the band will share the stage with the University Jazz Bands, playing jazz standards and original material with members of the jazz bands.

“It will be different for us to play more jazz,” Jacobson said. “It will be a good chance for people to see us who have never seen us before.”

The CD release party begins tonight at 8:30 p.m. The show is open to all ages, and tickets are $5 at the door.

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Fuly Theatre may seem an odd choice for such a production, but Hopkins has a simple reason for bringing "Promised Land" to the campus. "I thought it because I thought it was one of the best plays of theater I've ever seen," Hopkins said that plays like "Promised Land" add spice to the mixture of classic dramas and musicals that appear more often on the campus stage.

"We like to put avant-garde theater on," because artistic diversity is a priority for the series," he said.

In addition to the nontraditional nature of "Promised Land," the fact that it is a new work sets it apart from many other theater productions.

"It's not a reinterpretation," Hopkins pointed out, "it's an original piece."

The critically praised production has been part of numerous art and theater festivals worldwide, and also won several awards, including one for best visual and sound design from the Festival de Theatre des Amériques in 1999.

"Promised Land" starts at 5 p.m. in Cal Poly Theatre. Tickets are still available, and Cal Poly students can get a seat in the center of the house for $14. Hopkins said.

The club always has generous giveaways for its clientele, includ-
ing trips to Mexico, Las Vegas and Disneyland. The next contest will be on Halloween, when the club will give away trips to Mexico to the man and woman wearing the best costumes.

The club starts the week off with Monday Night Football and free food. The food is different every week, but they have recently served barbecue, Mexican food and spaghetti. Tuesday is Karaoke night, and Wednesday is country-Karaoke night. On Thursdays, drinks are 50 percent off — except for wine and pitchers — from 9 p.m. to midnight.

On Fridays, well drinks are only 82, from 7 p.m. until 11 p.m. Saturday, students can buy one drink and get the second one for $1 from 8 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. There are DJs every Saturday night, and periodically on Fridays. The club also welcomes fraternity and sorority events.

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Hollywood meets White House, again and again

Celebrities seeking political office is not a new idea. A tap-dancing, curly-haired child star in the 1950s, Shirley Temple-Black went from being cast in a starring role beside Sonny Bono went on to become a U.S. ambassador in the 1960s. For Donald Trump, it could be a simple case of boredom. He's been the biggest developer in New York City, and now New York City is the hottest city in the world, according to a Newsweek article that ran Oct. 11. Trump is ready for a new challenge, and he certainly can afford a campaign. We’ve already had major sex scandals in the White House — why not a career?

What is the attraction of politics? For Ronald Reagan, it could be as simple as boredom. He's been a politician since 1965, and a few others, very clear in the infamous "City Slickers" interview that he has no hitcher than a high school education.

Commentary

Low state jobless rate is deceiving

The California government released its report on Oct. 15, proclaiming statewide unemployment is the lowest since 1965. In that time, the economy was centered on defense spending with the government creating jobs to add bulk to our inflated military and making sure the USA held the longest missile. However, during peacetime, this is the lowest unemployment rate.

The state unemployment rate is 5.4% and there are 31 million inhabitants, so even the best peacetime job market in 53 years, and most who want jobs can find a way to embrace a time clock. This translates into a field day for Cal Poly students looking for a job. For example, in the high-tech industry, companies are expanding daily and creating positions to meet a personnel shortage. Some of these jobs are virtually meaningless tasks, which are tailored to an individual's strengths. "Come to our company and be a Room Service Junior Director of Technological Fiddlers." Especially in the Bay Area, high-tech companies are exploding and are in constant need of more bodies to work.

Before thinking about a career, most students have to think about how to pay for their education. Because student grants and loans can only give so much, students often turn to part-time work to fill in the financial gaps. Unfortunately, this unemployment report doesn't amount to much for college part-time job hunters.

The most obvious side of the employment report doesn't mean college part-time jobs are being reduced. In fact, non-students make up the statistic pool; they are the ones getting jobs, regardless of their qualifications. Some of these jobs are of the merchandise variety. A friend of mine once worked at a clothing store and she was one of the most popular people run in the store. To her, a customer doesn't mean college part-time jobs are being reduced; it means creating positions to meet personnel need. Non-students make up the statistic pool; they are the ones getting jobs, regardless of their qualifications.

Commentary

Cameron Watts is a journalism senior and a Mustang Daily staff writer.

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Jets, Parcells deny claims of neglect

HEMPSTEAD, N.Y. (AP) — Bill Parcells insisted on Wednesday the New York Jets have not abandoned Kevin Williams, the defensive back who is on a respirator with a mysterious throat and lung infection.

Parcells took exception to the portrayal of the team's conduct by Jerome Stanley, Williams' agent. Stanley contends the Jets have not showed enough concern for Williams, who is in intensive care at Lenox Hill Hospital.

"We've never had a presence filed here in three years," Parcells said. "That's because we try to do what we think is in everyone's best interest all the time, and I would charge you to find many other teams that can make that statement.

"Kevin had carried about $1 of his salary. We elected to put him half of the remaining amount he was due. But in doing so I made another move that was, in fact, vastly economically more beneficial to the player.

"Williams will get approximately $175,000 from his $225,000 base salary."

"We had the option of not paying anything," Parcells said. "But in electing not to put him on non-football injury list prior to the sixth game, I assured him a credited, accrued season toward free agency.

"I thought that was in the player's best interest. Some people say that wasn't. Ask the people who are talking about these things if they'd prefer it the other way.

"The 24-year-old Williams is in his second season with the Jets. He is a backup safety and kick returner who appeared in four games this season."

Then he contracted the illness that originally was diagnosed as strep throat. He has had three surgical procedures to clear fluid from this throat and around his lungs. Parcells said doctors were "cautiously optimistic."

"There is not a job or business in America that would treat a employee like this," Stanley said Tuesday. "Nobody offered the family any communication or anything."

Parcells said he was simply following instructions from the team's medical staff in not contacting Williams while he is in the hospital.

"I told my coaching staff not to bother him, that this was a very fluid and changing thing," he said. "There's nothing we could do. The player was not going to be communicative. It was probably in the player's best interest to just let the medical team deal with it."
Webber enjoying his stay in Sacramento

CHICAGO (AP) — Chris Webber thought about leaving even before he got to Sacramento last season. It was after all, a small-market team that hadn't won for 15 years.

"That was my low point," he said Tuesday. "The Kings were the surprise of the NBA, finishing with a 27-27 record and making the playoffs. Webber had a coach who trusted him and didn't care about his previous problems. And with fans showering him with love, Sacramento turned out to be a wonderful place."

"I didn't know it was going to be a new beginning," said Webber, who led the team in rebounding last season and was a second-team All-NBA. "I thought it was going to be the continuation of things being bad. I'm glad it turned around and things are good." He went on to say that he loves living in Sacramento. "It's not just that I love playing for the Kings. It's more so that these owners, they make it enjoyable to go to work every day. It's almost like I'm not even working. It's more like something I have to do every day. The Kings supported the team when the team wasn't good at all, so it's easy for them to support a team that's balloons good."

"It's fun being in that situation and being with young guys and young talent." There's never been any question that Webber, a former No. 1 pick, can play. He averaged 22.8 points or better every year except his rookie season, when he averaged 17.5, averaging 10 rebounds per game. Kings coach Rick Adelman calls him one of the best passing big men in the game.

But he had a career's worth of off-court troubles in his first six seasons. He's on his third team — fourth if you count the Orlando Magic, who traded him to the Golden State Warriors on draft day. His last season with the Washington Wizards was marred by marijuana offenses, traffic violations and accusations of sexual misconduct.

When he was traded to Sacramento, he was so unhappy his agent hinted he might decline to play. "We heard throughout the off-season how he may not want to be in Sacramento, but after seeing the pieces of the puzzle they were putting together, I know with the success we've had that he'll change his mind," Kings forward Carlos Boozer said.

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Sports

Volleyball meets Utah State Friday

Mustang Daily

The Cal Poly women’s volleyball team is only midway through the Big West Conference schedule and it sits in third place, with a No. 15 ranking by Volleyball magazine.

But a postseason berth is the goal of the team, and with eight league games remaining, anything can happen.

The Mustangs play Friday and Saturday in Mot Gym at 7 p.m., against Utah State and Nevada respectively.

Cal Poly went 6-2 over their first eight league games, dropping matches to No. 3 Pacific and No. 6 CSU Long Beach State.

The Mustangs did win one of the more important games they played this year, beating UC Santa Barbara 3-2 on Oct. 7. The game marked the first time the Mustangs beat the Gauchos since 1989.

The Mustangs are led by senior Kari DeSoto, last season’s All-Big West First Team selection. DeSoto has already been named Big West Player of the Week early this season, along with junior Melanie Hathaway. Hathaway was a second team All-Big West selection last season.

The team is also very young with twins Kristen and Carly O’Halloran standing out among the seven freshmen on the team.

A day at the ballpark beats basketball outings

The smell of the grass. The crack of the bat. The feel of a warm hot dog.

If you’ve ever been to a major league baseball game, you know what I’m talking about. There’s something about walking up to a stadium and seeing the field for the first time. You watch your favorite players sprint across the diamond to their positions and experiencing the rush of the crowd as they stand next to you and cheer them home.

As a kid, I went with my dad to see the Oakland A’s play. That’s when the Bash Brothers were still in town. Jose Canseco traded slams with Mark McGwire while Dave Stewart shut out the opposing team.

My dad bought me my first hot dog there, singing the national anthem with me and later stood for the seventh-inning stretch. And even though we never caught a foul ball since we sat way up in the upper deck, we still brought our gloves.

In the past few years, baseball has lost some of its appeal among the fans. Even before the strike of 1994, people complained about the length of games and lack of action during them. This decade has seen professional football and basketball become the nation’s favorite spectator sports, with the Super Bowl and the NBA Finals scoring higher ratings than the World Series.

Baseball, once proclaimed the national pastime, has become boring. But in my opinion, a day at the ballpark beats a basketball game during the best time of the year — the summer.

Chris Arns

Freshman Kristen O’Halloran has been a standout for the Mustangs.