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Governor reaffirms support of fee hike

By Allison Gatlin
Staff Writer

Gov. Pete Wilson has reaffirmed his support of a 40 percent fee increase for the CSU system, telling the Board of Trustees he would veto a bill limiting fee increases to 10 percent.

"He's reconfirming his support," said Colleen Bentley-Adler, CSU spokesperson.

A 40 percent fee increase — which has been met with widespread opposition from students and lawmakers — was originally proposed by the governor in his budget last fall.

As an alternative to Wilson's fee increase, state Sen. Art Torres, D-Los Angeles, has sponsored a bill that would limit fee increases.

Wilson feels this bill will decrease the quality of education offered by these systems, said Franz Wisner, governor's office spokesman.

"He will veto budgets that penalize the UC and CSU systems," Wisner said.

"The governor feels that UC and CSU are truly first-rate institutions that set the standards nationwide."

Although he has not stated he will veto any budget that includes a fee increase of less than 40 percent, the governor will not approve a budget that he feels would lessen the quality of California higher education, Wisner said.

"Thus far, no one has offered a viable alternative (to the increase)," he said.

CSU trustees have been working with legislators to find such an alternative.

They have been lobbying for a compromise increase of at least 25 percent, Bentley-Adler said.

In addition to the possible cuts a fee increase of less than 40 percent would bring, the CSU has been asked by the state Department of Finance to prepare for cuts of up to 15 percent. The same has been asked of all state agencies.

Chancellor Barry Munitz has said he will not plan for cuts greater than 5 percent, Bentley-Adler said.

Munitz claims reductions greater than that would make the CSU system "unrecognizable," she said.

"Even at (5 percent) it would be horrendous for the system," Bentley-Adler said.

Board approves IRA Athletic Referendum opinion poll

By Carolyn Nielsen
Staff Writer

If you thought the IRA Athletic Referendum was old business, think again.

Cal Poly students will be seeing the referendum in the voting booth once more this spring. But this time around it will be in the form of an opinion poll.

The poll gives students a chance to voice their support or opposition to the fee increase, but will have no real effect on the decision that passed last fall. Wednesday night, ASI unanimously approved the survey structure to go on the ballot.

Industrial engineering senior Cindy Summerson originally created the opinion poll in hopes of repealing the IRA referendum. "I hope to see it voted down overwhelmingly," she said, adding that she believes opinion will show students don't want the athletic referendum.

At the same time the athletic referendum was passed, a $1 fee increase to keep the library open more hours was also approved.

However, students have not seen a change in library hours because only the state can collect money directly from students, ASI cannot.

Roger Conway, ASI executive director, has put a proposal on the chancellor's desk that may get around the legal hassle of collecting the $1 fee students approved last fall. The extra $1 was put on the ballot by a student petition for longer library hours.

Conway's plan is to hire students through ASI to work in the library as ASI employees rather than state employees.

This way, their salaries never have to pass through state hands. He does not expect an

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Conway, lecturer square off over accusations, petition

By Carolyn Nielsen
Staff Writer

Part-time chemistry lecturer Gail Wilson spent much of last quarter collecting signatures on a petition to put the employment of ASI Executive Director Roger Conway up for student approval on this spring's ballot.

This quarter, she may be spending time in court defending herself against a libel suit for accusations made in that petition.

ASI voted without objection, with one abstention, to keep the item off the ballot.

The university's lawyers say that Wilson's petition made "false and potentially libelous assertions."

Wilson said, "If what I said was libelous, they would have sued me by now."

Wilson said she is not afraid of a libel suit. At the open forum section of the March 11 ASI meeting, she said, "I encourage you to sue and bring this out in the open. It would be the best thing that could happen to ASI, to clear up this matter once and for all."

She handed Chairman of the Board Dennis Albiani a petition signed by 1,245 students asking that Conway be fired and replaced.

ASI President David Kapic said that ASI renewed Conway's contract last June and that there was a two-week period before the approval in which complaints

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ASI ELECTIONS 1992

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ASI campaign sings, like these found near the math building at Cal Poly, are being produced by candidates with limited budgets

Rules limit campaign spending

Candidates will have to follow specific guidelines

By Mary Kay Duffy
Staff Writer

Candidates in the ASI presidential race and other offices are limited on campaign spending by specific guidelines.

The president and chairman of the board both have a campaign spending limit of $700, with only $200 of that available for paid media, such as newspaper ads and television and radio spots, said Dan Nail, chair for the Election Committee.

Candidates running for the Board of Directors have a $50 limit with only $25 allotted for paid media, Nail said.

Financial statements are turned in the day after the election. The elections committee examines them, and they are made public, Nail said.

If a candidate has a misleading or fraudulent statement, the board decides what measures to take. Nail said such activities can be a potential means for disqualification.

However, "candidates use a lot of scrutiny when spending their money," said ASI President David Kapic. "They don't want to be questioned."

Candidates usually spend close to the limit, especially in a runoff when the campaign is extended for another week, Kapic said. "But, it all depends on the campaign."

"I copied my posters on a state-of-the-art photo machine with photo mode instead of printing them," said presidential candidate Bill Schultz. "I decided to go for quantity instead of quality."

While spending the limit is a concern, Kapic said lack of money should not be.

"It shouldn't stop anyone from running. If you are organized and motivated, you can get the funds," Kapic said. "You're given a lot of leeway. Nothing prohibits candidates from fund raising and getting donations."

Kapic said he received a substantial number of donations from alumni.

"Most of the time, the money comes out of the pockets of the students," Nail said. "If they get a donation, they count it on their financial statements."

"I've funded my campaign with money from family, family friends, alumni donations and myself," said presidential candidate Kristin Burnett.

Schultz said he has funded his campaign "through my election committee, parents and myself."

ASI Chairman of the Board Dennis Albiani, who is also running for ASI president, said he's raised half of his campaign spending and paid for the other half.

"I've gotten half my money from donations," Albiani said, "and the other from my own pockets."

Graduation panic...

The evaluations office has some advice for those students worrying about whether or not they'll be able to graduate in June.

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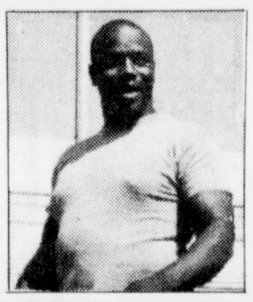
Coaching change...



The football team has a new defensive back coach.

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FYI...

DON'T FORGET to set your clocks ahead one hour Sunday at 2 a.m. in honor of Daylight Savings time!

WORLD

New watch uses radio signals to stay timely

TOKYO (AP) — For the truly time conscious, a Japanese watch maker said Thursday it has developed a watch that keeps exact time by automatically setting itself to special radio time signals.

Citizen Watch Co. said the watch is the first with a built-in radio that tunes to time broadcasts in different parts of the world that are linked to highly accurate atomic clocks.

The coded time signals are available in Japan, Britain, Europe and the United States, at different frequencies in each area, the company said in a statement. The watch can't pick up the U.S. signals, however, because of differences in coding.

Outside the reception areas, the watch runs with a normal quartz movement.

Citizen says it will begin selling the watch in Europe at the end of 1992 at a still-undetermined price. Marketing plans elsewhere haven't been decided.

Tokyo ends study on quake-predicting fish

TOKYO (AP) — Every day for 16 years, researchers watched a tank of catfish to see if the fish lived up to their fabled prowess at forecasting earthquakes.

The fish acquitted themselves well, but not reliably enough to please the precise demands of science. So, on Wednesday, the city sent the fish into retirement.

The money for the project — some $60,000 in 1991 — now will be used to fish for other ways to predict quakes.

Tokyo sits near several geological faults, and in 1923 an earthquake and resulting fires killed 140,000 people.

City officials say another major earthquake could hit soon. They predict it would kill at least 10,000 people and injure 150,000.

Yasuo Baba of the Tokyo Metropolitan

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NATION

Court convicts crime boss of murder charges

NEW YORK (AP) — John Gotti was convicted Thursday in his murder racketeering case, capping the government's six-year crusade to topple America's most notorious crime boss.

The verdict — guilty on all counts — came in at about 1:20 p.m. Gotti was smiling confidently at the forewoman as she read the verdict, but showed no reaction as she announced, "Guilty."

Gotti faces life in prison.

His co-defendant Frank Locascio was also convicted of murder and racketeering but acquitted on one count.

Gotti, dubbed "The Teflon Don" after three previous acquittals, was convicted of ordering the murder of his predecessor as head of the Gambino crime family, "Big Paul" Castellano, to assume control of the syndicate.

Castellano and lieutenant, Thomas Bilotti, were killed in December 1985.

Mideast parties agree to meet in Washington

WASHINGTON (AP) — Israel and its Arab neighbors have agreed to meet in Washington April 27 for a fifth round of talks aimed at achieving peace in the Middle East, the State Department said Thursday.

State Department spokeswoman Margaret Tutwiler also said the parties had all responded to a U.S. request to present a list of potential sites for a sixth round outside Washington.

She said there was "some commonality" in the lists and the State Department would announce before April 27 where the subsequent meeting would take place.

The Mideast peace talks began in Madrid last October, followed by three sessions in Washington.

Israel and its negotiating partners — Jordan, Lebanon, Syria and Palestinian Arabs

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STATE

Boy shoots classmate in April Fools' Day joke

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A 10-year-old boy who brought his uncle's handgun to school and accidentally shot a classmate told authorities the gun was supposed to be an April Fools' joke.

As other students at a church school watched Wednesday, the boy took the gun out of a backpack, removed the magazine, pointed the gun at the 12-year-old girl and squeezed the trigger, said sheriff's Deputy Bill Martin.

The boy didn't know that a round was left in the chamber when he withdrew the magazine the previous night and replaced it, Martin said.

Shameka Fletcher was shot in the chest. She was in critical condition Thursday at a hospital.

Investigators said no charges were planned against the boy because the shooting was accidental.

It was also unlikely his uncle would be charged with negligence under a new state law because the boy "went to great lengths to get the gun," Martin said.

Fire victims, insurers at odds on settlements

OAKLAND, Calif. (AP) — Victims of the Oakland hills fire said insurance companies have been sluggish in issuing settlements and many complained of having misleading policies, a state survey showed.

A state Department of Insurance survey released Wednesday found a "wide disparity" between victims' understanding of their settlement claims and what 27 insurance companies viewed as satisfactory payments.

"We find ourselves in the midst of a Kafka-esque nightmare in which no rules exist," said Immouma Ephron, a spokesman for United Policyholders, a consumer advocacy group.

At a meeting Wednesday night, Insurance

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FOOD & NUTRITION

Proper dieting, exercise lead to weight loss

By Nancy Simmons
Special to the Daily

Spring is in the air which means beaches and bathing suits are too. For many this could mean it is also time to lose those extra pounds that you may have gained during winter. How do you think is the best way to lost the weight? If you answered, "Go on a diet," you could be wrong. Calorie-restricting diets often lead to the following complications:

- the body does not get enough essential nutrients.
- chronic fatigue.
- impaired concentration.
- cold tolerance.
- unhappiness because food is restricted.

Not only does dieting lead to these complications, many experts now believe that dieting is ineffective to maintain permanent weight loss. According to a Yale University study published in the New England Journal of Medicine in June 1991, 59 percent of those on a diet gain the weight they lost back plus more. This weight is regained partly because the individual did not exercise. When many try to lose weight, they only restrict

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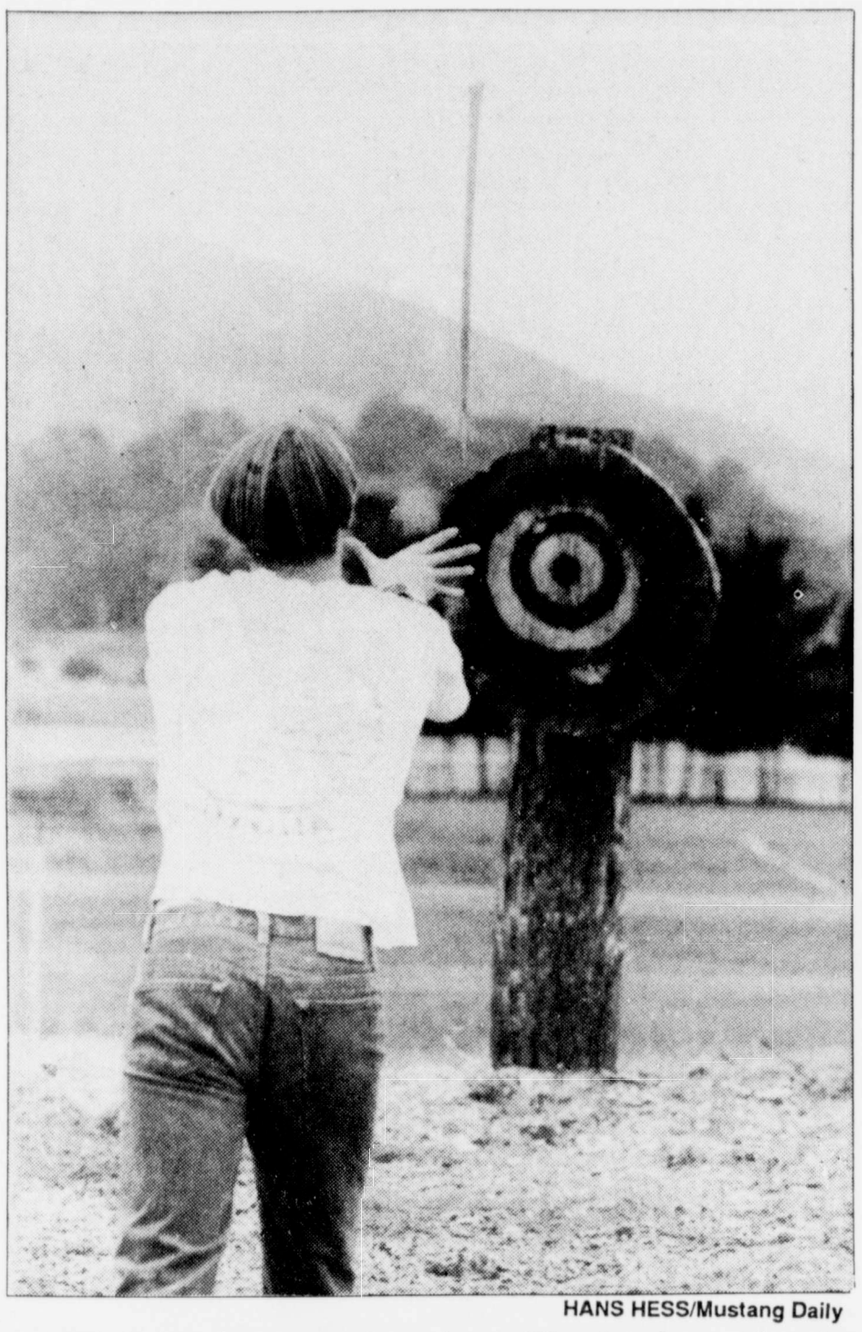

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Cal Poly's logging sports team hosts The Conclave, a logging competition including ax throwing, log cutting, tree climbing, log rolling and other competitions. Events will end April 4.

GALA plans education effort after setback from council

By Noel Eidsmore
Staff Writer

The local gay and lesbian community lost the battle for an antidiscrimination ordinance in San Luis Obispo, but it is still fighting for recognition.

Dana Belmonte, co-president of the Gay and Lesbian Alliance, said that Mayor Ron Dunin called him after the March 3 City Council meeting (at which the council voted not to make a decision) and told him why the ordinance did not pass.

Belmonte said Dunin said GALA hadn't done a good enough job of educating the public and hadn't shown enough instances of discrimination within the city to warrant a 'yes' vote.

"We went to the next council meeting and asked the City Council to come up with a proposal to form a gay and lesbian task force to deal with ... educating the community about our issues," Belmonte said. He said that once again, the council voted against making a decision.

Belmonte said that the private sector, represented by the Chamber of Commerce, has declined the invitation to be the forum for this educational process because it doesn't want to be responsible for this issue.

At the April 6 City Council meeting GALA and other local groups are going to ask the city to take the leadership role in forming the task force, headed by gays and lesbians, "to go about the harder road of communicating and educating," Belmonte said.

He said that Terry Friedman, the assemblyman who introduced a bill (AB 101) that would have made sexual orientation discrimination in housing and employment illegal statewide, has resubmitted the bill, but there are no guarantees that Wilson won't veto it again.

"We're not going to wait for the state to solve our problems, which is what Dunin and (Councilman) Jerry Reiss think we should do," he said.

Carroll Leslie, president of the Central Coast Gay and Lesbian Business and Professional Association, says that not much dialogue has gone on, even though her group has made itself available to speak at Rotary and other public meetings to present itself to the community and help set aside the fear and confusion many people feel.

Leslie wants to keep the City Council informed about similar issues in other cities.

"We plan on alerting them (the City Council) every time we hear about a city or state or county passing a similar ordinance," Leslie said.

"For example, the city of New Orleans just passed an ordinance exactly like the one we introduced in San Luis Obispo, and New Orleans certainly isn't the center of liberalism."

She said that politicians in the cities with sexual orientation ordinances recognize their obligation to protect everyone in their community.

Belmonte agreed and is looking forward to the upcoming City Council elections.

"All we're looking for with the current City Council is to proceed with this educational process ... for the rest of the year, until the elections in November," Belmonte said.

He said that the three seats that are up for election are those that didn't vote for the ordinance, and that the long-range plan is to support candidates who would vote for the ordinance as soon as they announce their candidacies.

Belmonte said many opponents of the ordinance say that gays and lesbians already have protection because of state labor codes. At the same time, he said, many rulings based on those codes are being appealed in the Supreme Court.

"It is not as effective as a straight forward law that's on the books," he said.

STATE

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Commissioner John Garamendi pledged his support to policyholders who bring their issue to court and said his office would investigate some companies and support legislation requiring insurers to clearly explain the language on policies.

"The insurance industry put on a good show last fall, but after the TV cameras left it seems many of them did also," Garamendi said at the meeting attended by about 400 people.

Twenty-five people died and more than 3,000 dwellings were destroyed in the Oct. 20 fire.

Companies reported that 71 percent of the claimants were paid in full for home loss, but only 30 percent of policy holders responded they had been paid in full, the survey showed.

Sixty-nine percent of the policyholders said they received partial or no payment, while companies said 27 percent received partial or no payment.

Eighty-three percent of the victims said they were underinsured, while companies said only 49 percent were underinsured.

Two companies, California Casualty Group and California State Automobile Association, paid full coverage regardless of policy limits.

CSAA reported that as of March 31, it has paid out $67.8 million to 387 fire victims, which included 194 for total losses. Homeowner claims could reach close to $100 million, the company reported Thursday.

State Farm policyholder Jeff Kahn said it's taken nearly 5 1/2 months after the fire to many settle claims, including his, and many owners are still unable to begin rebuilding.

"For my family, like many others, resolving our insurance claims is worse than the firestorm itself," Kahn said.

Finding the road to graduation

Procedural speedbumps slow unprepared candidates

By Laurie La Pensee
Staff Writer

Many graduating seniors are in the final 11 weeks of their stay at Cal Poly and panicking when they ask themselves if they have completed all the necessary steps to graduate.

During the first week of spring quarter, the Evaluations Office has been hearing repetitive questions about graduation requirements, said Paula Ringer, manager of the Evaluations Office.

Regardless of whether a student goes through ceremonies, he or she is not officially graduated until all of their graduation requirements are fulfilled, she said.

Two steps must be taken before a student can go through graduation ceremonies.

Students must complete a senior evaluation which outlines courses that still need to be completed.

The evaluations must be requested four quarters ahead of the expected graduation date and are returned approximately two quarters before the graduation date, Ringer said.

Also, students must fill out a form at the Evaluations Office declaring the expected graduation date.

Students who indicate they expect to fulfill their requirements in winter, spring or summer quarter are eligible to participate in June graduation ceremonies.

But having participated in the ceremony is not a guarantee that the degree will arrive in the mail. It only indicates students filled out the two proper pieces of paper.

Only after waiting for their degree to arrive in the mail and calling Cal Poly to inquire what had happened do some students realize why they did not graduate.

One of the most misunderstood parts of graduating requirements is whether or not a student had their general education fulfilled, Ringer said.

The completion of an Associated Arts degree or an Associated Science degree does not mean the general education requirements of Cal Poly have been fulfilled.

Many curriculum sheets list 300- and 400-series classes as general education requirements. Those classes must be completed at Cal Poly, according to the school catalog.

This problem only comes up at senior evaluation time, Ringer said.

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OPINION

COMMENTARY

A different outlook on AIDS virus

By Bryan Bailey

Many of my close friends would be among the first to tell you that I am not the world's most upbeat personality.

In fact, they'd probably leap at the chance to complain about how cynical I am.

Actually, I'm downright morose.

Maybe it's in light of this fact, plus the ingestion of a few interesting snippets of information garnered over the last week's spring break, that I have succeeded in formulating what a majority of contemporary society might view as one of the most repugnant positive outlooks on a topic that they have ever seen.

I believe that AIDS will save mankind.

Before marching down to the newspaper to have my arms ripped off for expressing the grossest of vulgarities, realize that there is precedence for this line of thought. Let's throw a little history lesson in to kick off the quarter, shall we?

Travel back in time with me now to 1665. April, to be exact, in the booming megalopolis of London, England.

What do we find here? History buffs would probably perk up with cries of "pestilence, of course!" Yes, of course – the Black Plague, the "AIDS scare" of the 17th century, which by the end of the month would wipe out fully 15 percent of London's population, literally thousands of people.

But there was a problem in London long before the plague.

An irresistible force rolled through the city, stifling, jostling, smothering, packing its ponderous bulk of humanity into every empty doorway and rat-ridden cellar available. A problem so oppressive no one could escape its influence.

People.

Too many people.

People packed into tiny living accommodations. People fighting for food. People sleeping in doorways. People lying amidst the rats, lying amidst the vermin which became the very couriers of death.

Too many people.

Zip back to the present now. Back to the present, where some say that the earth's population will swell to more than 7 billion people in the early stages of the 21st century.

The present, where millions of people, mostly children, go to bed bloated by hunger every night, with only the prospect of more hunger to look forward to in the morning.

The present, where more money goes into fertility drug research and Rogaine advertisements than to help shelter the homeless.

The present, where many people would rather bring another hungry mouth to feed into the world than face the idea of abortion, even though that mouth is doomed to remain hungry, never satisfied.

People.

Too many people.

Eventually, the earth is just going to split at the seams. People are propagating like mad, and most of the subsequent generations are living a hell of a lot longer. There are not enough people dying to make room for anyone else.

AIDS may change that.

According to a recently released U.S. Department of Health and Human Services survey, one out of every 250 Americans has the HIV virus which causes AIDS. Not one out of every 250 homosexual men. Not one out of every 250 hemophiliacs.

One out of every 250 people in the United States.

And every 13 minutes, another person contracts the HIV virus.

The implications of the numbers involved are staggering. It shouldn't take a math major to realize that the geometric progression here will leave a casualty count that will make London's Great Plague look like a minor traffic accident.

It's almost as if AIDS was created for population control. The one sure way to keep from getting the disease is abstention, which slowly chokes the steady stream of humanity to a trickle as surely as if the disease were allowed to run its natural course. AIDS attacks right at the very

core of the human instinct for self-preservation by preventing mankind from procreation.

Don't misunderstand me. Death as a result of AIDS is a terrible cruelty. No one deserves to go through that kind of pain.

At the same time, no one deserves to starve to death either. Or to be thrown out into the street to die because the space is needed for some more fortunate soul.

Yes, AIDS is probably the best form of population/birth control since the invention of the condom. You almost have to admire its potency; race, color, sex, age, sexual preference, rich or poor – none of these things matter.

Perhaps some day soon some bright young lab-rat will unlock the secret to the cure for AIDS, maybe even eradicate the disease altogether. Then the world can go on about its business.

Progressing.

Growing.

Multiplying.

People. Too many people.

I don't know if I'm too anxious for that day to arrive.

Bryan Bailey is a journalism senior. This is his second quarter reporting for Mustang Daily.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

New way to get funds for Poly

I am writing concerning the article which appeared in the Mustang Daily (March 13) entitled "State Subcommittee strikes blow to fee increase." Vice President of Academic Affairs Robert Koob stated that if there is only a 10 percent fee increase instead of the proposed 40 percent, "...it would mean roughly a two percent cut (at Cal Poly)."

The article went on to say that there would be fewer classes, less students admitted and more faculty layoffs. Basically, the same things students and the general populace of this state had heard for about a year. I ask a simple question. Why?

Why do we "have" to cut classes, faculty and services because Wilson won't give the CSU more money? What about Cal Poly's administrative salaries? The amount of money saved from cutting 10 part-time, highly effective lecturers could also be achieved if all administrators; i.e. presidents, vice-presidents, deans, associate deans, coordinators, etc., took cuts from the following scale:

Those with salaries over $150,000 take a 30 percent cut. Those between $101,000 and $149,000 take a 20 percent cut. And those between $80,000 and $100,000 take a 10 percent cut. This would save the university a substantial amount of money in addition to keeping the services and standards of Cal Poly at the high level to which it proclaims itself.

Or maybe the following should be taken into consideration. Last summer, before the 20 percent fee increase, all deans, Baker, Koob and several other "administrators" received raises. This was a selfish ignorant action that was a slap in the face to all students who had to pay more and to all faculty and staff who were handed pink slips.

I propose that the students and faculty should DEMAND that these administrators trim the fat from their monetary potbellies. No one working for the state should have more disposable income when everyone else is being told they have to tighten their already skinny belts.

If the administration would take the initiative to reduce their salaries to pre-raise levels or follow the percentage reductions above, faculty, students and staff would feel better about the sacrifices they are being asked to make and the administration can honestly say they did their part.

C. Leonard Coss
Human Development

Malcolm X was a human being

In response to Jefferson Kimbui's article, "Salvation is in the word of Jesus, not Malcolm X," (March 12 opinion page) I would like to ask, "Why is it always necessary for you people to use religion as a weapon?"

You are automatically assuming that everyone or the majority of people on this planet are Christians, and that's not the case, friend. As far as Malcolm X goes, he was a human being, just like you and I, who had his faults but also contributed immensely to civil rights.

He is not "the symbol of the devil" as you put it, which brings me back to my main point about religion. Just because someone is not a Christian does not make the person evil. They are merely different. I am a Christian, but apparently not the same kind as you.

I truly believe that, given the facts, Christianity is fully capable of defending itself. Please put yourself in the other person's position and realize that you would not want someone forcing their religious beliefs on you, regardless of how great the beliefs are, pal.

Sherman Jhanise
CRP

Concert reviewer is 'gutless worm'

Mr. Hartlaub:

I am one of the few readers who like your weekly bits of sarcasm. But your review of the Public Enemy concert (March 12) left much to be desired.

1) "It takes a nation of Millions to Hold Us Back" was P.E.'s second album, not their third as you stated.

2) I am not a journalist myself, but how do you find the incredible power to do a review with an open mind while you are "tanked up on King Cobra."

What kind of journalistic integrity is this? While I might agree that most of the idiot journalists I see on television seem to be "tanked up," I do not think you can give a fair judgment while "blasted on at least 40 ounces of malt liquor."

Maybe Chuck D. did not like you because you had beer breath during your talk. You had the honor of interviewing one of the generation's greatest spokesmen and you chose to be a blasted, gutless worm. Somehow I expected better from you. Stick to bathroom walls and burritos.

James Paasche
History

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Poly teams don't swim up to expectations

At nationals, men finish in sixth, women place 11th

By Neil Pascale
Editorial Staff

Entering the NCAA Division II National Championships with their highest preseason ranking ever, the Cal Poly swim teams finished well short of expectations.

The Mustangs were No. 3 in both men's and women's swimming and diving NCAA preseason rankings.

Yet, each failed to finish among the top five teams at the championships that were held on March 11-15.

The Cal Poly men's team placed sixth with 219 points while the women's team ended up in 11th place with 108 points.

Cal State Bakersfield dominated the men's field, nearly doubling the second-place team's score. Bakersfield wound up with 910 points.

Individually, however, the Mustangs posted several strong performances.

Poly's Jeremy Brannon swam his way to second place in the 50-yard freestyle. Also in the 50-yard freestyle, Poly's Trevor Sanders raced to a 10th place finish.

Brannon also claimed a fifth-place finish in the 200-yard freestyle.

The Mustangs' Dave Padgett finished 13th in the 100-yard backstroke and 17th in the 100-yard freestyle.

In relays, Brannon scored a second place in the 200-yard free relay with Padgett, Trevor Sanders and Scott Swoboda. The same team finished in third in the 400-yard free relay.

In the 800-yard free relay, Brannon, Sanders, Swoboda and P.J. Madigan took fifth place.

On the women's side, Poly's Stephanie Keller placed fourth in the 200-yard backstroke and fifth in the 100-yard backstroke.

Poly's Jennifer Fricker captured 10th place in the breastroke and Shannon Quinn placed 10th in the 100-yard butterfly.

Like the men's team, the Mustangs' women's team did well in the relays. The team of Keller, Fricker, Quinn and Anne Oberg swam to a fifth-place finish in the 400-yard medley relay.

BRETT MITCHELL/Mustang Daily
Cal Poly's men's team placed sixth at the national championships.

Mustang Menu

Tennis, anyone?

The Cal Poly men's tennis team hosts the Mustang Invitational starting today at 8:30 a.m. The Mustangs' first match starts at 1:30 p.m. Other teams include UC Davis, UC Santa Cruz and Cal State Bakersfield.

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At Home:
MEN'S TENNIS
at Mustang Invitational
On the Road:
BASEBALL
vs. Cal State San Bernardino
7 p.m.
On the Road:
MEN'S TRACK
at Fresno Relays

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At Home:
MEN'S TENNIS
at Mustang Invitational
On the Road:
SOFTBALL
at UC Riverside
noon
On the Road:
WOMEN'S TRACK
vs. Sun Angel Classic
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On the Road:
SOFTBALL
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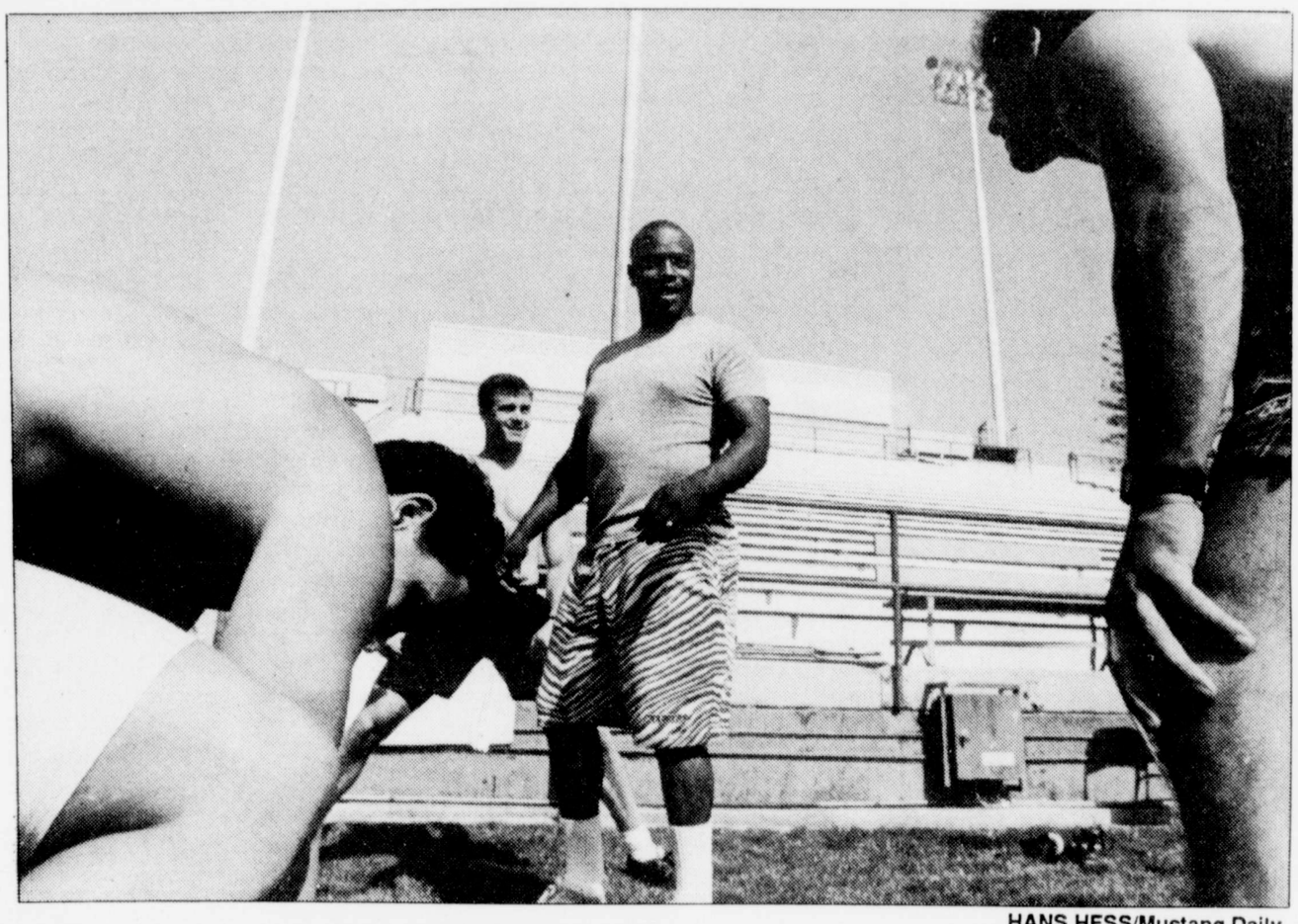

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LeCharls McDaniel, center, is bringing his pro football experience to the Cal Poly Mustangs.

Successful homecoming

After winning the Super Bowl, coaching in the pros, LeCharls McDaniel comes back to Cal Poly

By Ken Kaplan
Staff Writer

The stark white goal posts at each end of the Mustang Stadium football field are a reminder of seasons past and of the season to come for LeCharls McDaniel.

On the lush green turf, McDaniel, the newly appointed defensive backfield coach for Cal Poly's football team, watches his players as they are timed in the 40-yard dash. It is his first encounter on the field with his defensive unit, and the mood is relaxed and informal.

McDaniel replaces Randy Stewart, who left the Mustangs to take a coaching job at the University of Nevada-Reno.

The coaching position is a sort of homecoming for McDaniel, who attended Cal Poly and joined the Mustang football team in 1976.

He received his B.S. in social sciences from Cal Poly and is working on his master's from St. Mary's College in the Health, Physical Education and Recreation program.

After redshirting his first year, he saw limited action in 1977, but started at cornerback his final three years. As a senior in 1980, he was part of the Cal Poly football team that captured the Division II national championship.

McDaniel is pleased with his return. "Coaching here gives me the chance to come back where I had success as a player and a student. It's a good opportunity to have some fun in football."

A former professional football player, McDaniel played for the Washington Redskins from 1981-83, and the New York Giants from 1983-85, before beginning his coaching career with the San Diego Chargers. He was a member of the 1983 Redskins Super Bowl Championship team.

McDaniel said he feels playing at Cal Poly helped to prepare him for pro football.

"You know you have to work hard when you come from a small school," he said. "It's an advantage. But nothing can prepare you mentally for a pro training camp except being there."

He said he also credits Cal Poly for his solid work ethic and for helping to teach him to work hard.

Mustang Defensive Coordinator Bill Dutton said McDaniel's professional experience brings an added dimension to the secondary, or what he calls the back row.

"I expect us to be the dominant defensive team in the conference," Dutton said.

McDaniel's primary goal is to help get the team into the playoffs. He said he feels that by being consistent and solid in the secondary, the players' athletic abilities will surface and the team as a whole will benefit.

"We do well, and people across the country (will) know about Cal Poly — we're able to attract better students," McDaniel said. "The better we are, the better Cal Poly is. Our program — the football team — is advertising for the school."

McDaniel is happy with the attitude on the team. "Our players have the desire to be good."

McDaniel already has had a positive impact on recruiting top-level talent, according to Dutton. He was instrumental in bringing highly-touted defensive back Tylan Cook, a junior college transfer student from Los Angeles, to Cal Poly.

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Poly hosts 53rd annual Conclave

CLUB SPORTS

By Neil Pascale
Editorial Staff

The Cal Poly logging sports team is hosting the Association of Western Forestry Clubs 53rd annual logging sports competition, known as the Conclave.

The event, which will be held on Stenner Creek Road, started Thursday and will run through Saturday.

Clubs will participate in traditional logging sports including ax throwing, log rolling and tree climbing.

For more info, call Bernie Quinn at 542-9442.

• Ski teams

The Cal Poly ski club team raced to a couple of mixed results in a weekend of grand slalom racing at June Mountain, California.

The men's team captured first place on March 21 against UCLA and UC Santa Barbara.

The Mustangs' men's team was led by Allen Claussen, who finished in first place, Tim Rego, who placed 11th, and Scott Waite, who captured 12th place. However, only one skier, Claussen, was able to finish the grand slalom course the next day.

"The conditions on Sunday were very difficult," said ski club President Bret Winkler. "The clouds in the sky made the visibility flat which makes it hard to see bumps and drop-offs."

The women's team was unable to field a full team so they were not given any team points. However, Poly's Gina Piper and Gail Warfle finished in 12th and 15th places.

"The women are doing well, but are often competing shorthanded," Winkler said. "The women desperately need more members."

• Frisbee teams

The men's and women's Cal Poly Ultimate Frisbee teams are both ranked highly by the Ultimate Players Association.

With a 4-3 record, the women's team is ranked No. 4. The Mustangs fell two spots from last week's ranking.

The men's team, with a 7-6 record, is ranked No. 8 by the poll.

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Caltrans implements traffic conditions information system

By Romina Vitols
Staff Writer

California motorists are a step closer to improved freeway travel, according to researchers at Caltrans and Cal Poly.

The improvements will not be in the freeways themselves, but rather in the systems used to disseminate traffic condition information to motorists.

An inductive radio system known as INRAD is a short-range, two-way communication system between vehicles and the roadway.

According to Samuel Taff, an INRAD project manager at Cal Poly, drivers of vehicles equipped with the system are able to receive instant, localized information on road conditions with the push of a button.

Taff said commuters will be able to read traffic-related information from a computerized display screen mounted on the car's dashboard. This information will allow drivers to avoid congested or problematical areas rather than drive into them.

Along with the onboard computer, the INRAD system consists of a roadside loop controller, a communications processor and a central controller.

The "loop" is a sensor already implanted in the pavement of many Los Angeles freeways used to monitor traffic flow, as well as to sense vehicle presence at traffic lights.

When an INRAD-equipped vehicle passes over the loop, it receives information about its location and the status of traffic ahead. This information is displayed on the dash-mounted screen.

At the same time, the vehicle "identifies" itself and explains its own status to the loop, which then relays the information to a central location.

In July of 1990, Caltrans contracted with Cal Poly to help administer and implement the INRAD project. As a result, Taff said, approximately 90 percent of the system was developed by Cal Poly faculty and students.

"By providing hands-on training to the students," Taff said, "the program has fit in with the Cal Poly approach to learning."

The INRAD system was demonstrated last month along a five-mile stretch of the Pomona Freeway, when five vehicles equipped with the special computers, antennae and display screens endured a two-week series of tests.

The results of these tests, Taff said, "demonstrate the feasibility of this type of system."

Possible applications for INRAD include helping dispatchers keep track of fleet vehicles, and giving transit riders real-time arrival information.

Taff said INRAD could also assist delivery services in finding the most efficient delivery routes, while monitoring the locations of their vehicles.

According to Caltrans figures, urban freeway delay is estimated at 2 billion vehicle hours per year, and 70 percent of all peak-hour travel occurs in congested conditions.

"We've been wanting to solve these problems for a long time," said Taff, "but only recently has the technology become cheap enough to put into vehicles."

NUTRITION

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their intake of calories. Diet alone decreases the calories your body burns so exercise is necessary to burn the extra calories that are necessary for weight loss. Therefore, the key is to eat wisely and to exercise. Eating wisely does not mean that calories should be severely restricted but rather to eat a balanced and healthy diet. Some of the ways to do this include:

- Eat fish, skinned poultry and lean meat with the fat trimmed in places of high fat in red meat.
- Substitute lower fat cheese, milk, ice cream, sour cream, cream cheese, mayonnaise, etc., for their higher-fat alternatives.
- Eat only when you are hungry and stop when you are full.
- Don't skip meals. This often leads to over consumption when you do finally eat because you have starved your body.
- Limit foods that provide little nutrients and are high in calories such as candy, potato chips, etc. If you crave foods, eat them in moderation.
- Find some lower-calorie alternatives for desserts that still satisfy your sweet tooth such as frozen yogurt, sorbet and sherbet, angel food cake or fresh fruit topped with yogurt.
- Eat plenty of fresh fruits and vegetables since most are low in calories and provide many essential nutrients.

By modifying your diet in these easy ways mentioned, you will improve the overall quality of your diet and cut back on calories without too much trouble. Exercising helps you lose weight because you burn calories during and after the physical exertion. Exercise also increases your lean mass (muscle) and decreases the mount of body fat which dieting alone does not do. Experts recommend exercising at least three times per week for at least 30 minutes. These minor changes in diet and lifestyle could lead to permanent weight loss.

ASI

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answer from the chancellor's office soon, but he said, "This proposal is our last resort."

In other business, ASI is looking at a new loan for the Rec Center. Construction is moving along so quickly that it is ahead of scheduled funding. Shawn Reeves, vice president for finance said it should be complete by January 1993.

WORLD

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Marine Experiment Station says researchers studied old books and folk tales and discovered frequent accounts of links between catfish and earthquakes.

"In Japan, there is a widespread belief that catfish become more active before earthquakes, so we decided to see if it's true," he said.

Electronic sensors monitored the fish 24 hours a day and relayed information about their movements to a computer. The data were compared with records of earthquakes kept by the Central Meteorological Agency.

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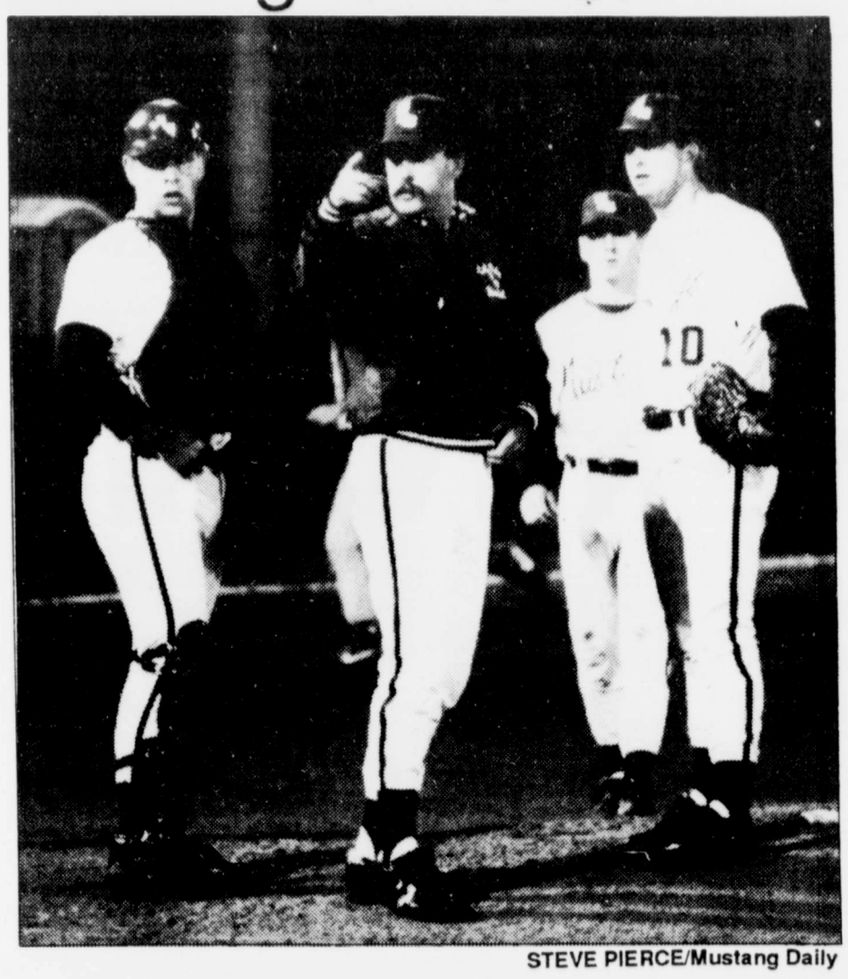

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Cal Poly and Head Coach Steve McFarland, center, hope to get good relief pitching while some of the starters get over injuries. Poly plays Cal State San Bernardino this weekend.

COACH

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Dutton said the IRA athletic referendum, passed by Cal Poly students last fall, provided a major boost to recruiting and will help bring Division I-caliber players to the school.

"This is the best recruiting season since I've been here," he said.

As the Chargers' assistant special teams coach from 1990-92, McDaniel not only coached the unit, but also prepared scouting reports.

In 1989, he served an internship with the team as an assistant secondary coach.

His career as an assistant secondary/special teams coach included a stint at Hartnell College in Salinas from 1986-89.

"I think I bring experience playing at this level and at playing and coaching in the NFL," McDaniel said. "I understand what the student-athletes are going through.

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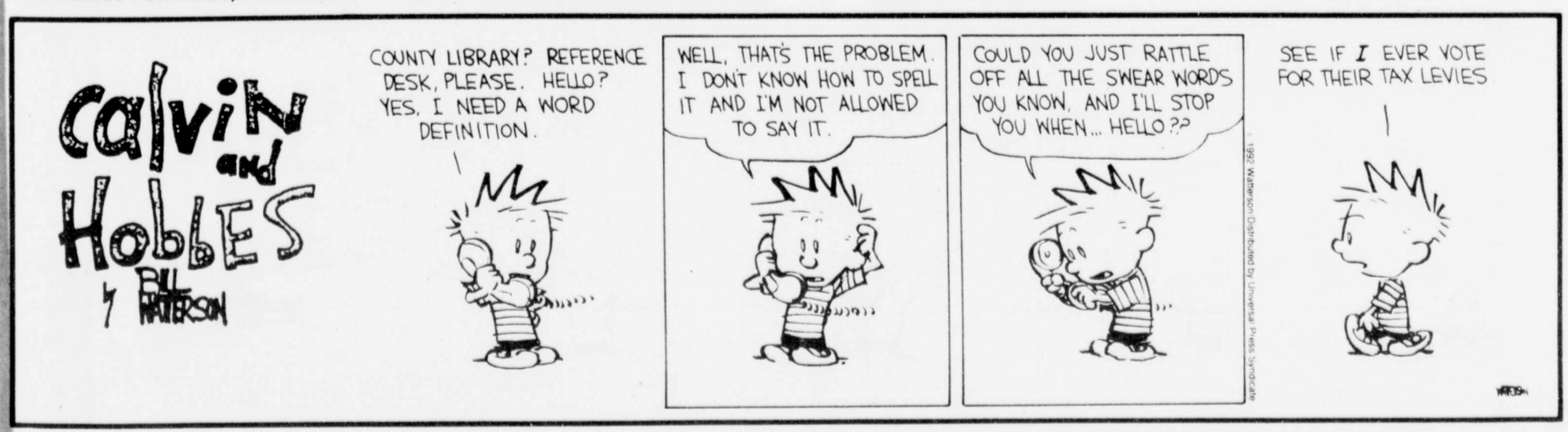

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DISPUTE

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could be made.

Wilson and her "Committee to Stop the Waste of Student Money" have accused Conway of hiring two secretaries instead of one, adding a new position of assistant director for Fiscal Operations, creating an extravagant travel budget for the University Union Executive Committee, planning expensive projects like adding a third floor to the University Union, overspending on the U.U. Information Desk renovation project and spending over twice the amount of money he is allowed for legal expenses.

Conway has much to say about Wilson's accusations. He said his position has always had two secretaries, the new position was approved through the Chancellor's Office and that during his seven-year term he has created budget surpluses totaling $1,893,913.

Conway said the university has spent about $3,000 responding to Wilson's "numerous frivolous claims" which he said have "no basis in fact."

Kapic said that this petition, although signed by 5 percent of the students, did not have to go on the ballot because it dealt with a personnel matter.

Wilson said she doesn't consider it a personnel matter. She considers it a matter of accountability for student funds.

Wilson said ASI is mistakenly calling her petition a referendum and that it is really an initiative. She said the ASI Code has no regulations regarding initiatives and her measure should have been put on the ballot.

Conway said the university's lawyers researched the matter thoroughly. "Ms. Wilson is not an attorney, and neither am I. She frequently makes statements like she has some kind of authority."

Cynthia Caldeira, an attorney who researched the matter, said, "The issues raised in the petitions are not matters which can be addressed by referendum or initiative."

Wilson said, "The initiative is to let the students make the decision."

Conway said the entire dispute between himself and Wilson stems from difficulties over funding the bowling alley. "This whole six-year thing is about bowling," he said.

Conway said when he came here he had to make cuts in three areas and decided to cut funding for the bowling alley because it was losing money. He said Wilson is an avid bowler and was very upset when the lanes were closed. He said she then introduced a referendum to re-open the lanes.

In April 1988, Wilson accused Conway of stealing bowling shoes, new and used bowling balls, a lane cleaner and a ball drill press. In investigation proved her allegations false; no equipment was missing.

Conway said, "Basically, she is playing this game on the basis of technicalities."

PANIC

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Sometimes students will change classes without checking to see if it's approved. Then at graduation time the requirement is still unfulfilled, Ringer said.

The same process can cause a student's overall earned units to be short of the requirement and can hold back the degree.

In addition, all students need to complete the graduating writing requirement. An average of two-thirds of the people pass the test, said Pat Grimes of the Writing Skills Office.

The next test will be offered April 18 and seven workshops to help students prepare for the test will be offered before the test day.

As with the senior project, completion of the writing test is a graduation requirement. Failure to complete it will cause a diploma to be withheld.

Each quarter a number of students do come back to take the test after going through ceremonies, Grimes said.

Some campus officials indicate 40 to 50 percent of students go through ceremonies without their senior project being completed.

Students should seek to speak to their academic faculty adviser when they have questions about substituting classes within their major, Ringer said.

Primarily the Evaluations Office deals with questions or problems with senior evaluations, transfer papers or credits earned for general education, Ringer said.

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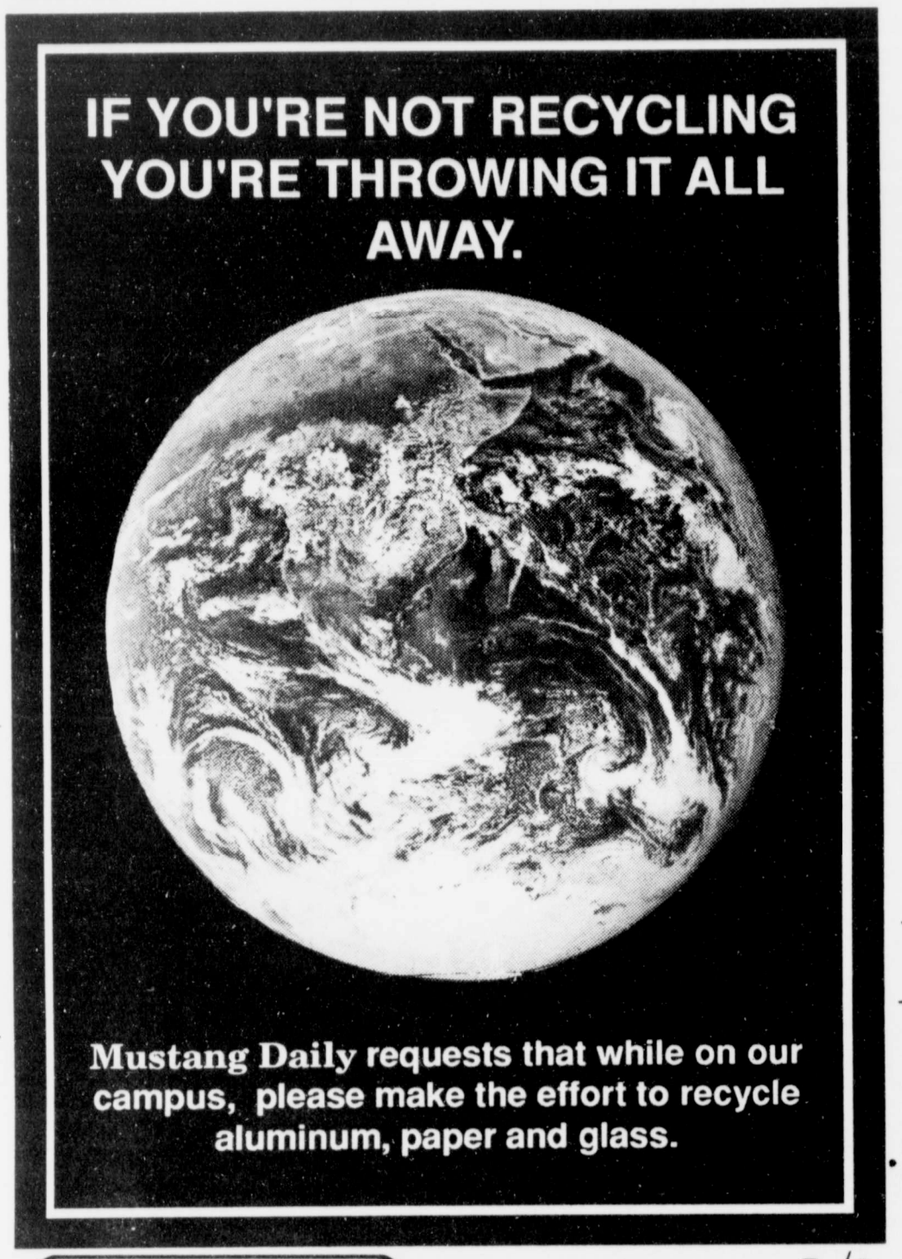

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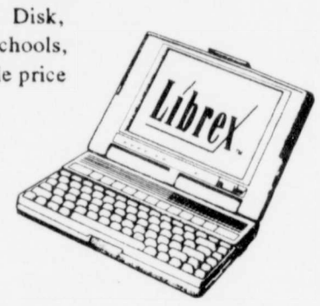

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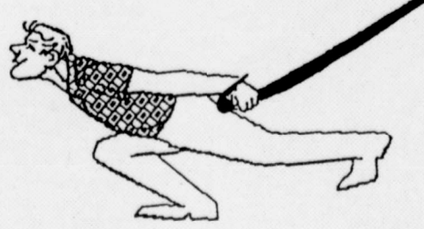

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