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Report says ET should stay

Recommendation to be forwarded to Academic Senate

By Brad Hamilton
Senior Staff Writer

A review of Cal Poly's engineering technology program has found the department's cut unwarranted.

ET officials say there is little hope, however, that the program will be revived despite the favorable report.

By a 5-1 vote, a discontinuance committee that evaluated the major recommended ET be retained by the university because no specific reasons for its discontinuance were identified.

"(ET) looked like a strong program to us from every direction," said committee member Norm Eatough, a chemistry professor. "It is as strong as any other engineering program."

Kent Butler, associate dean of the College of Engineering and a member of the review committee, opposed the recommendation. He could not be reached for comment Friday.

The committee began meeting

in fall 1992 and finished its work at the end of winter quarter. It presented a report to the Dean's Council last Monday and will present a report to the Academic Senate sometime this quarter. The Senate will then pass its recommendations on to Baker, who will pass his recommendation to CSU Chancellor Barry Munitz.

In its report, which totals more than 100 pages, the committee also recommended the administration:

- plan an orderly phase-out period from fall 1992 through spring 1995 without "undue harassment."
- create a long-range course schedule so ET students can plan accordingly.
- allow students to graduate with a program that continues to meet professional standards and assist ET faculty in relocating to other Cal Poly departments.

Kim Davis, a member of the committee and ET department head, said the administration

will likely approve many of the recommendations. But that four faculty members already have received one-year layoff notices indicates little support by administration to relocate ET faculty, he added.

The committee's recommendation to retain ET has no chance of materializing, Davis said.

"We were told before the committee met that no matter what the (investigation's) outcome, ET would be discontinued and defunded," Davis said.

"It's unfortunate the process was backwards," he said in a past interview. "The review should have been done first and then a decision made on the review process."

Many faculty members agree the process was inverted. But a movement to censure President Warren Baker for his alleged mishandling of the cuts died from lack of support in the Academic Senate last fall.

"If you base your decision

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Teens clash with frat; cars smashed

By Brad Hamilton
Senior Staff Writer

A Cal Poly fraternity sponsoring a philanthropic event at the Pismo Beach Veterans Hall witnessed some not too charitable behavior Thursday night.

A lip-synching contest held by Sigma Chi, part of their annual Derby Days competition, included some sinking of fists into lips.

A brawl broke out around 8 p.m. in front of the hall while about 200 fraternity and sorority members enjoyed the contest inside.

After the fight had cleared, between 18 to 25 cars belonging to Cal Poly students were left with shattered windows, according to witness reports.

Physical education sophomore Derek Tidwell believes seven men came back about 10 p.m. and busted car windows with lead pipes.

Tidwell said about seven local males in their late teens showed up to the event with one thing in mind: "to fight." The local "wanna-be gang members" were hassling people in front of the hall and were denied entry into the event, Tidwell said.

Tidwell's brother Gannon, who was organizing the event, approached the teens outside to ask them to leave when he was "sucker punched," his brother said. A brawl between 15 fraternity members and the teens quickly ensued.

The brawl lasted "a good couple minutes" until several Pismo Beach police officers broke up the fight, Derek Tidwell said. He said no arrests were made.

A member of Sigma Kappa sorority had three of her car windows shattered. She said her Volkswagon Golf and

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Candidates offer varied solutions to campus issues

Marquam Piros

ASI President

If elected ASI President, Marquam Piros said he would like to see a better unification between students and ASI.

Piros believes the bridge to a stronger student/ASI relationship is information and communication.

He also wants to build a better relationship between Cal Poly and the city.

"I know David Blakely, Ron Dunin, Jim Gardiner, Penny Rappa and have worked with Peg Pinard and with the Chamber of Commerce," Piros

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Marquam Piros



Shawn Reeves

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ASI President

Shawn Reeves says he will make downsizing the ASI administration an important goal if he is elected ASI President.

In an interview with the Mustang Daily Editorial Board, Reeves said he also wants to strengthen campus relations with the city of San Luis Obispo.

"Dr. Allen Settle and I have been talking about bringing back Poly Royal," Reeves said. "I'd also like to see student-community relations continue with outreach and Good Neighbor Day. I'd like to

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Michael Yenigues

ASI President (Write-in Candidate)

Michael Yenigues said he began his last-minute presidential campaign because ASI is not looking out for students' needs and wants to see the current level of consciousness raised.

Yenigues says his relationship with political science professor and San Luis Obispo City Councilmember Allen Settle gave him the needed city contacts to start improving the student-community relationship.

Yenigues said he wants to use those contacts to find ways for students solve city problems.

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Michael Yenigues

Ballot will include fee questions

In addition voting for ASI president and chairman of the board, three advisory questions will be on the ballot asking students how they feel about fee increases. The questions below will be used to gauge student opinion.

The yes or no questions read:

1. If there is a fee increase, 30 percent should go to financial aid.
 2. If there is a fee increase, it will be phased in over three years.
 3. There should be a fee increase.
- Similar questions were administered during last year's elections.

Editor's note: These profiles are based upon meetings the five candidates for ASI President and Chairman of the Board conducted with the Mustang Daily editorial staff. Each candidate was asked the same three questions in addition to a series of individual questions. Photos by Steve Pierce

Phil Eugenio

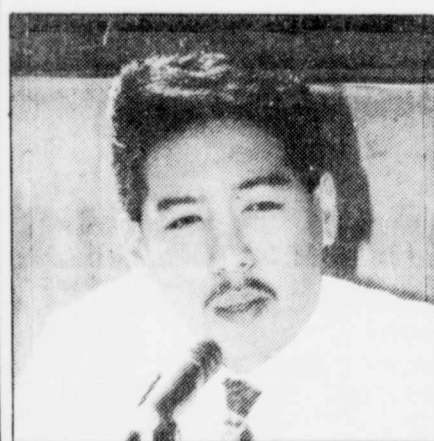
ASI Chairman of the Board

If elected ASI Chairman of the Board, Phil Eugenio said he wants to break up the monotony and the boredom of board meetings, and discuss issues at a level all students can understand.

In the area of city-campus relations, Eugenio said he doesn't have many city contacts. "My involvement has been limited because I got in (to ASI) to improve student involvement and with cultural clubs," Eugenio said.

Eugenio said athletics should be supported — as

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Phil Eugenio

Raoul Ortiz

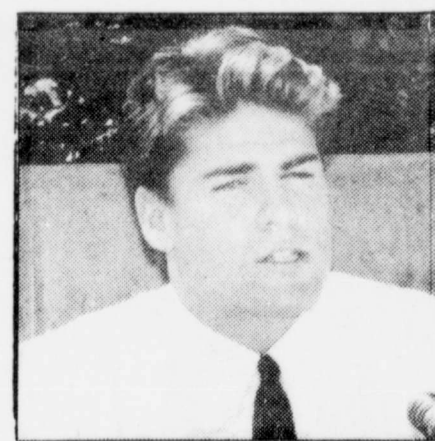
ASI Chairman of the Board

Raoul Ortiz would like to try and bring Poly Royal back if he is elected ASI Chairman of the Board.

Ortiz said his contacts with San Luis Obispo City Council Member Allen Settle, Mayor Peg Pinard and Police Chief Jim Gardiner will help him if he is elected.

"They are helpful in letting me know how the city sits on things," he said. "The communications I have with them are helpful now and for next year."

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Raoul Ortiz

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Cal Poly track and tennis teams performed well this weekend, while baseball and softball suffered losses **back page**

WORLD★NATION★STATE

Yeltsin vows to remain in office if he loses referendum

Moscow, Russia

Intensifying his campaign for the April 25 referendum on his leadership, President Boris Yeltsin claimed Friday that extremist forces could take power if he loses.

Then in a gesture to voters angered by soaring inflation brought by his economic reforms, Yeltsin said he would repeal a sharp price hike for gasoline and rents for state-owned apartments in the Moscow area.

Yeltsin, increasing the campaign rhetoric, said a victory by his hard-line opponents would shake the world.

The referendum "is the fate of Russia, and you all realize this full well," he told Russian newspaper editors and broadcast chiefs at the Kremlin.

But Yeltsin said even if he loses, he would keep the presidency until early elections, the ITAR-Tass news agency said. Yeltsin's term expires in 1996.

And if he wins, and voters also call for new legislative elections, Yeltsin said he would consider it a sign the legislature had lost its power and he would assert presidential authority.

Yeltsin did not elaborate in his speech, part of which was broadcast on Russian

"If there is no president (as a result of the vote), the power will be assumed by the most extremist forces and the entire world will shudder."

Russian President Boris Yeltsin

Television.

A similar threat to assume special powers last month led to an impeachment effort by parliament. A legislative leader said Friday that a vote for new parliamentary elections would not mean parliament had been dissolved.

The referendum is shaping up as the climax to the power struggle between Yeltsin and the Communist-dominated Congress of People's Deputies, Russia's highest parliamentary body.

"If there is no president (as a result of the vote), the power will be assumed by the most extremist forces and the entire world will shudder," Yeltsin said.

His main rival for power, legislative speaker Ruslan Khasbulatov, told Russia's regional lawmakers earlier Friday

that while the referendum is important, it will not solve the country's main problem: the catastrophic state of the economy.

"A small group of new tycoons who are enriching themselves are closely connected with the existing political regime" and have become its main power base, Khasbulatov said.

Addressing popular discontent over the economy, Yeltsin said the Moscow city officials responsible for raising the price of gasoline and rent should be punished, the Interfax news agency said.

Gasoline prices doubled Wednesday, from about 170 rubles a gallon (21 cents) to 340 rubles. Rents also doubled.

Yeltsin, who has seen his authority stripped away by Congress, originally sought the referendum as a way to settle

the power struggle by asking the people to pass judgment on his leadership.

But hard-liners in the Congress added more questions to the referendum, including one on support for his painful economic reforms that may prove embarrassing to the president.


Besides the questions on his leadership and economic reform, the ballot also asks whether there should be new presidential and legislative elections.

The Congress set up rules for the referendum that will make it harder for Yeltsin to win the vote. Pro-Yeltsin legislators asked Russia's Constitutional Court on Thursday to clarify the voting rules.

At issue is the number of votes needed to make the referendum valid: a majority of people casting ballots or a majority of Russia's 106 million eligible voters. If the court backs parliament in requiring a majority of all voters, it will be more difficult for Yeltsin to secure a victory.

When Yeltsin was elected president in June 1991, he won with more than 60 percent of the votes cast — but that was only 43 percent of eligible voters.

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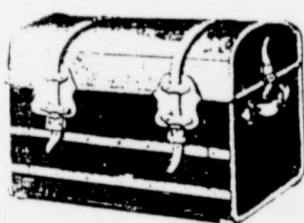
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PIROS

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said. "With those contacts, I'd like to increase awareness."

"I'd like to see communication open up with Cal Poly organizations. If they're doing something that would enhance our standing, I'd like to compile that information and bring it to the City Council every month and show them what students are doing. I'd like to make them aware of the money and time that's going back into the community from this campus."

In an interview with Mustang Daily's editorial staff, Piros said he stands behind last year's athletic referendum. The vote narrowly approved student funding to move the athletic department to Division I.

"Students passed the referendum," he said. "I feel it's my responsibility to further champion that voice until another one comes along."

Piros said he supports athletics — and other non-academic students organizations — for benefits that the classroom can't offer.

"I think the athletic department should continue to grow," he said. "Athletics provides diversification. It brings a different element and unites students together."

Piros said he believes that Cal Poly's move to distance itself from the California State Student Association (CSSA) was a positive one. The CSSA is a lobbying organization for the CSU system, although Cal Poly hasn't been a member for four years. Other CSU campuses — including Stanislaus, San Bernardino and Sacramento — have left the organization.

"I believe the CSSA

represents the majority of voices of students in the CSU system, but not necessarily Cal Poly's," Piros said. "CSSA opposed the 40 percent (student fee) increase."

Cal Poly supported the increase, Piros said.

Piros said he would like to see changes in the way ASI allocates money for such things as club trips and the proposed ropes course. Piros also hopes to promote diversity at Cal Poly by incorporating cross-cultural workshops in his administration.

— Kelly Rice

YENIGUES

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"I'm meeting with the Housing Authority, the Chamber of Commerce and the United Way to find funding for programs for students to work on," Yenigues said.

With regard to the athletic referendum, Yenigues said academics should come first.

"I love athletics. I played (football) here," he said. "But it's not a well-funded program and it doesn't get a lot of support. With the budget cuts, we need to get down to priority issues. And education has to come first. Student education is why we're here."

When asked about the disintegration of the California State Students Association (CSSA), Yenigues said he doesn't "want to see any body of students disintegrate. It takes a lot less effort to improve it than to start a new one. I think we should use it and improve it."

But Yenigues was uncertain of Cal Poly's current relationship with the CSSA.

Yenigues believes there is something fundamentally wrong

REEVES

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bring community recognition back to Cal Poly."

With regard to the athletic referendum, Reeves said a balance between athletics and academics must be reached.

"Athletics is very important to the university, but it has to be managed," he said. "We need to concentrate solely on academics. We have to determine what is the correct mixture."

But Reeves said he believes it is up to the students to decide the fate of athletics.

with ASI. He said he went to ASI to get help with his Campus Watch Program, but encountered bureaucratic red tape.

"I went along with the idea that ASI is there to listen to student needs, and policies are created from those needs," Yenigues said. "But it doesn't work that way."

"The president is there to represent every student. Going to club meetings, department heads, making the effort. Leadership is getting out on your feet. I know how the government works and I know how it's not working for us."

Yenigues said he believes campus concerts aren't frivolous expenditures, but thinks ASI needs to work on its planning.

"They (ASI) need to use more common sense," he said.

If elected ASI President, Yenigues says he wants to create a campus-community task force to bring back Poly Royal.

"As a representative of Cal Poly, I want to go out and change the students' image," Yenigues said.

— Kelly Rice

"The referendum was held when fee increases were not known," he said. "We need to find out what the students want to do. Go straight to them and find out what students want. It's something that needs to be measured."

Reeves said he thinks the dissolution of the California State Students Association is good. Cal Poly has withdrawn membership from the organization, which lobbies CSU students' concerns to state legislators.

"Our comments (to CSSA) fell on deaf ears," Reeves said. "We need to go the Chancellor's office in Long Beach or to the legislature's office to talk."

The area that Reeves most wants to improve is ASI administration spending.

"We don't want to lay anyone off, but we need to cut back," he said. "Downsizing and scaling back will be important."

As president, Reeves would also like to see more communication between ASI and students.

"I don't think it's a perfect system," he said. "I'd like to see ASI taking a role of educating by using the executive staff or getting someone from (public relations) to channel information."

The development of new programs and student involvement are also goals Reeves would like to set.

"ASI should also take and develop programs," he said. "If certain ones are not meeting student desires, they should be phased out. ASI can do more to bring new ideas in. The current level doesn't utilize students. I think it should."

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A change in ASI's position on the athletic referendum should come from students, he said.

"The athletics referendum was voted on by the students," he said. "In order to change it, you need to go to the students."

"I don't know why I'm paying ... for somebody else's scholarship. If we're going to downscale (eliminating the fee) should be done first."

Ortiz called the California State Students Association (CSSA) unprofessional. "The lobbying efforts sucked," he said. "It's unprofessional and it's costing us money per head. We pulled out and now, perhaps, we can start something new with the others."

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EUGENIO

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long as that support doesn't come at the expense of academics.

"If we're having to cut back, we shouldn't just look at athletics," he said.

"We have to look at all areas and shouldn't target just one."

Eugenio called the California State Students Association (CSSA) "disorganized."

"I really like how we separated from the CSSA," he said. "It wasn't doing anything for us as a whole."

"The representatives represented the majority opinion, but didn't mention the minority opinions. I like the idea of joining the others (non-CSSA members) to form our own organization," Eugenio said.

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COMMENTARY

Gains and pains



By Michael Christopher Gong

After his inauguration, one of Bill Clinton's first duties was to give the State of the Union Address, basically telling everybody in society what they already knew — that the economy is in shambles.

Addressing the "state of the union" cannot be judged a difficult task considering that anyone could have addressed the "state of the union" and arrived at this same conclusion.

However, in the midst of the unsightly gloom, there seems to stand a savior, and he holds his "No Pain, No Gains" economic plan. Hopefully, as President Clinton progresses on his four-year term, we may see some dramatic changes and some brighter attitudes.

As we are soon coming to the close of another long and stressful academic year, I wonder about the state of the "Union" here at Cal Poly. We face the ever-growing fear (or threat) of budget cuts and increases in registration fees. As current discussions indicate, departments may be cut, along with personnel and faculty. Little cuts may be taken from here, there, and practically everywhere. Finally, when these little cuts are added up, the only thing left recognizable may be the food at the stalls.

Just recently, I read that a mandatory \$28 health fee would be included in our fall registration fees. Personally, I haven't spent \$28 at the Health Center in all my three years at Cal Poly, and don't see the justification of this added cost. If Clinton wants to consider a "you-use-you-pay" tax on energy, then we should consider the same for the services at the Health Center.

Though the budget may be a big issue around campus, Cal Poly has also seen its share of problems in other areas; more

specifically, those areas too dark and too scary at night to walk.

The university recently added another transformer to stop the unexpected flickering of the lights that made them turn off every 15 to 20 minutes. But the question I ask is, is the transformer a tradeoff for higher registration fees?

With the recent rape-crimes

I realize that the economy... literally cries out for assistance, but to recognize the same cry in the education system in which I am now devoting several years is sad and depressing.

and the discussions of the lighting around campus, we are now steered toward the consideration of "foot police." I think this is a great idea, but are we then admitting that life at Cal Poly is rapidly worsening? Remember that we are only near the beginning of the third quarter of this academic year.

I still haven't mentioned the arguments over student evaluations or clubs being able to sell food on campus. Dear Dr. Ruth might say that a little argument at times could strengthen a couple's relationship for one another, but, in general, these issues have taken their toll not to strengthen but to depress.

In addition, while researching for a topic about crime, I noticed the general increase of campus crimes from last year (just to mention a few — the joyriders in

the RA's stolen car, the one-way mirror man, the rapist around campus, the money scams, and, not forgetting, the bomb threats).

With this lengthy list of dismay, the only good seems to have been the constant mention of Hillary Clinton, Chelsea Clinton and her cat Socks.

I realize that the economy is in bad shape and literally cries out for assistance, but to recognize the same cry in the educational system in which I am now devoting several years is sad and depressing.

But what should we do about these issues and problems? We already know that taking George Bush's ostrich approach has just worsened the economy. Maybe we should take the initiative, like Clinton is with our economy. First and foremost, we could address the state of Cal Poly and become aware of the issues which change the way of life of students around campus.

In a past issue of Mustang Daily, a short poll was taken responding to the mood around campus. With the budget cuts and other issues, the response was, as expected, grim.

If an increase in registration fees could solve all our problems, I would be all for it. Hey, maybe I'll get that class I've been trying to get for the past quarter or two. Maybe the professor I get next quarter is an ex-early-retiree. All we can do is trust, and expect hard times to come.

Just think, the solution to all our problems may be the old, worn-out cliché, "No pain, no gain."

Michael Christopher Gong is an electronic engineering sophomore at Cal Poly.

ASI

Election Endorsements

Editorial Board vote count

ASI President

Mike Yenigues	4
Marquam Piros	1
Shawn Reeves	1
1 Abstention	

ASI Chairman of the Board

Raoul Ortiz	5
Phil Eugenio	1
1 Abstention	

ASI Presidential Endorsement -- Mike Yenigues.

While it's true that Yenigues lacks the experience of his two opponents, it is his motivational drive and charismatic presence which make him a viable candidate for ASI President. Yenigues' knowledge of ASI, despite his eleventh-hour write-in candidacy, illustrates his dedication to the ideal of bettering student government for the good of the student body.

Yenigues, however, does have a way to go when it comes to the inner workings of ASI; he would do well to surround himself with those who do have experience. Marquam Piros and Shawn Reeves are two knowledgeable, concerned individuals, but they lack the communications skills necessary to lead a student body sorely in need of motivation.

While the Daily editorial board was not entirely satisfied with one single individual, Yenigues showed the qualities of leadership this campus needs most.

ASI Chairman of the Board -- Raoul Ortiz.

Raoul Ortiz brought attitude to Mustang Daily's endorsement meeting -- a quality that earned respect. Ortiz is a work-horse; his experience at ASI as the author of one of its infrequent bills proves his tenacity and willingness to shoulder the burden which will be thrust upon him as a principle player in next year's ASI government.

Ortiz is the first person in the last three years to come to a Daily endorsement meeting with a specific plan to bring back Poly Royal. In addition, he addressed issues directly rather than couching them in political jargon.

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BRAWL

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several other cars parked on Bello Street near the hall were damaged.

Derek Tidwell said the three security guards hired to supervise the event were unable to stop the brawl and were no help in preventing the cars from being damaged.

"The worst thing was that some people's cars were damaged, and they had nothing to do with the brawl," Tidwell said.

A Pismo Beach Police Department official said the department was unable to release information Sunday.

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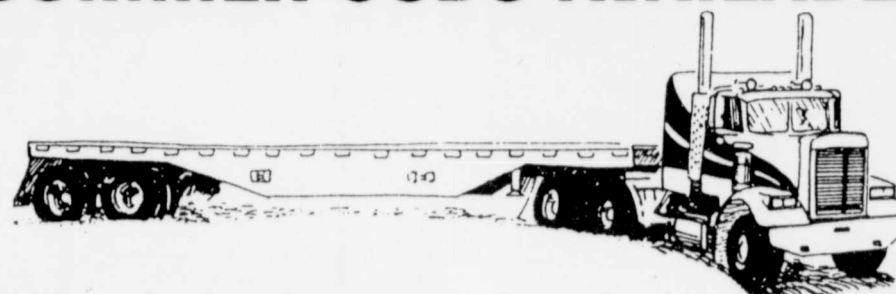
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ET

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upon the data, you would go along with the recommendation (to retain ET)," Davis said.

In case of future program discontinuances, the committee unanimously voted to recommend every effort be made to review a program prior to announcing its cut.

"(The committee) uncovered some mistakes (in the discontinuance process)," Eatough said. "I hope they are not made again. I don't think they will (be)."

"I think if Baker had a complete report in hand he would have made a different decision," Eatough said.

The committee found ET continued to evolve with new course offerings and restructuring of the curricula to support industry needs.

There continues to be a strong demand for ET graduates in California, and only Cal State Sacramento and Cal Poly Pomona will continue to offer the major, the report said.

The committee found all faculty members properly qualified and involved with outside consulting to hone skills.

ET has two cabinet files full of letters from outside sources voicing

concerns over the department's demise.

"Cal Poly has always focused on the 'hands-on' aspects of the educational process which singles the university out against its competition," wrote Greg Shelton of General Dynamics. "The mix of engineering and engineering technology at Cal Poly has always addressed the broad range of disciplines required by industry."

The committee also found that recent Cal Poly alumni have obtained employment at a high rate and hold responsible positions in industry. Starting salaries are in the 74th percentile of all undergraduate programs listed in the Employment Status Report.

A national report said engineering has suffered a 12 percent decrease in college enrollment, and ET has suffered an 8 percent dip. Davis said Cal Poly's enrollment trend runs parallel with the nation's.

The committee's report stated student demand exceeds accommodation, and employment opportunities exceed the number of graduates.

Last year, Baker said ET was targeted because of a 22 percent decline in the department's enrollment and because many

aspects of the program could be integrated into other engineering programs.

Because ET was found to be a strong program, Eatough said it appears no program or student is safe on campus when the budget ax starts swinging.

"I hope justice prevails," Davis said. "If you make a bad decision, it's okay to say you did. But correct it and go on. All humans make mistakes."

Train severs man's leg

By Chris Brandi
Staff Writer

A man believed to be an illegal alien was hospitalized Sunday after his leg was cut off just below the knee in an accident involving a freight train.

The accident occurred on the train tracks just north of Orcutt Road.

According to San Luis Obispo Police Officer Jerry Lenthall, the

victim's companion dragged him off the tracks and called for help.

The men, who did not speak English and were believed to be traveling north from Mexico, could not tell police what happened.

"Right now every indication is that he was on the train and fell off," said Lenthall.

The victim was listed in stable condition at French Hospital late Sunday.

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Late rally keeps Poly from singing the blues

By Christopher Black
Staff Writer

The fat lady was kept waiting until the final frame in both baseball games Saturday as the Cal Poly Mustangs split a doubleheader with the UC Riverside Highlanders at SLO Stadium.

Unlike Friday night's contest where Cal Poly exploded for 10 runs and 14 hits in a 10-0 pasting of Riverside, Saturday's games were more nerve-racking for the Mustang faithful.

Riverside snuck away with a 2-1 win in Saturday's opener, while the nightcap was decided on Rob Neal's RBI single in the ninth to give Cal Poly a 10-9 victory.

The first game, featuring a pitcher's duel between Riverside's Tom Tennison and Cal Poly's Paul Souza, was ultimately decided by a blunder in the outfield.

With one out, a man on first and the

score deadlocked at 1-1, Riverside's Jim Doyle looped a base hit to center that was over-pursued by Scott Ferreira, who was replacing an injured Ben Boulware.

The miscue enabled UCR's Jeff Waymire to take third and eventually score on Dean Funkhouser's single.

The narrow 2-1 defeat overshadowed a strong pitching performance by Souza, who scattered 10 hits over 8 2/3 innings, struck out five and walked none.

"Souza pitched a good game," Cal Poly head coach Steve McFarland said. "We just didn't score any runs ... and had some miscommunication in the outfield. But we got them back in the second [game]."

Yes, they did.

After coming back from a 7-0 deficit to even the score at 8-8 in the seventh inning, Cal Poly set the table for another nail-biter.

In the top half of the nightcap's ninth inning, UCR took a 9-8 lead on a one out single by Sommer McCartney, scoring designated hitter Vince Simili from second.

With two outs and McCartney standing on second, Darren Daskocil stroked what looked to be another run-scoring single. Mustang left fielder Phil James, however, delivered a pinpoint throw to the plate, nailing McCartney and ending the inning.

Cal Poly's Brent Simonich led off the home-half of the ninth with a walk, and advanced to second on a textbook sacrifice bunt by James. With one out, Duke Dodder beat out an infield single, moving Simonich to third. UCR reliever Daron Kirkreit then tossed a wild pitch, scoring Simonich for the tying run.

With James standing on second and the game tied, designated hitter Rob Neal

hit a sharp single to center, scoring Simonich and winning the game and the series for the Mustangs.

"That was a big win for us, especially from the team's standpoint," McFarland said. "After losing the first as close as we did, this was an important one."

From a coaching standpoint, Saturday's nightcap was significant as well — the victory marked the 10th consecutive season in which a McFarland coached team has won 20 games.

Cal Poly improved its record in the California Collegiate Athletic Association to 8-6 (20-11 overall). UC Riverside fell to 6-7 (14-19).

Cal Poly hits the road on Tuesday to play Fresno State, followed by a three-game set at Cal Poly Pomona on Friday and Saturday.

The Mustangs next home series is April 9-10 against Cal State Los Angeles.

Poly dominates own tournament

By Chris Brandi
Staff Writer

The Cal Poly men's tennis team used its home court advantage to dominate the second annual Mustang Invitational this weekend.

The Mustangs handily beat U.C. Riverside and U.C. Davis in the three-day invitational, which consisted of two 16-player singles tournaments and a 16-player doubles field.

"We made a nice statement by beating Davis," said Cal Poly's second-year coach Chris Eppright. "They were our toughest loss during the season."

In the finals of the upper-bracket singles tournament, Cal Poly's Mark Nielsen lost to Mark Segesta of Davis, 6-1, 6-1.

"Nielsen played smart and consistent in the semifinals," Eppright said. "Segesta did a great job of controlling the points in the finals. He forced Nielsen to miss a lot of points."

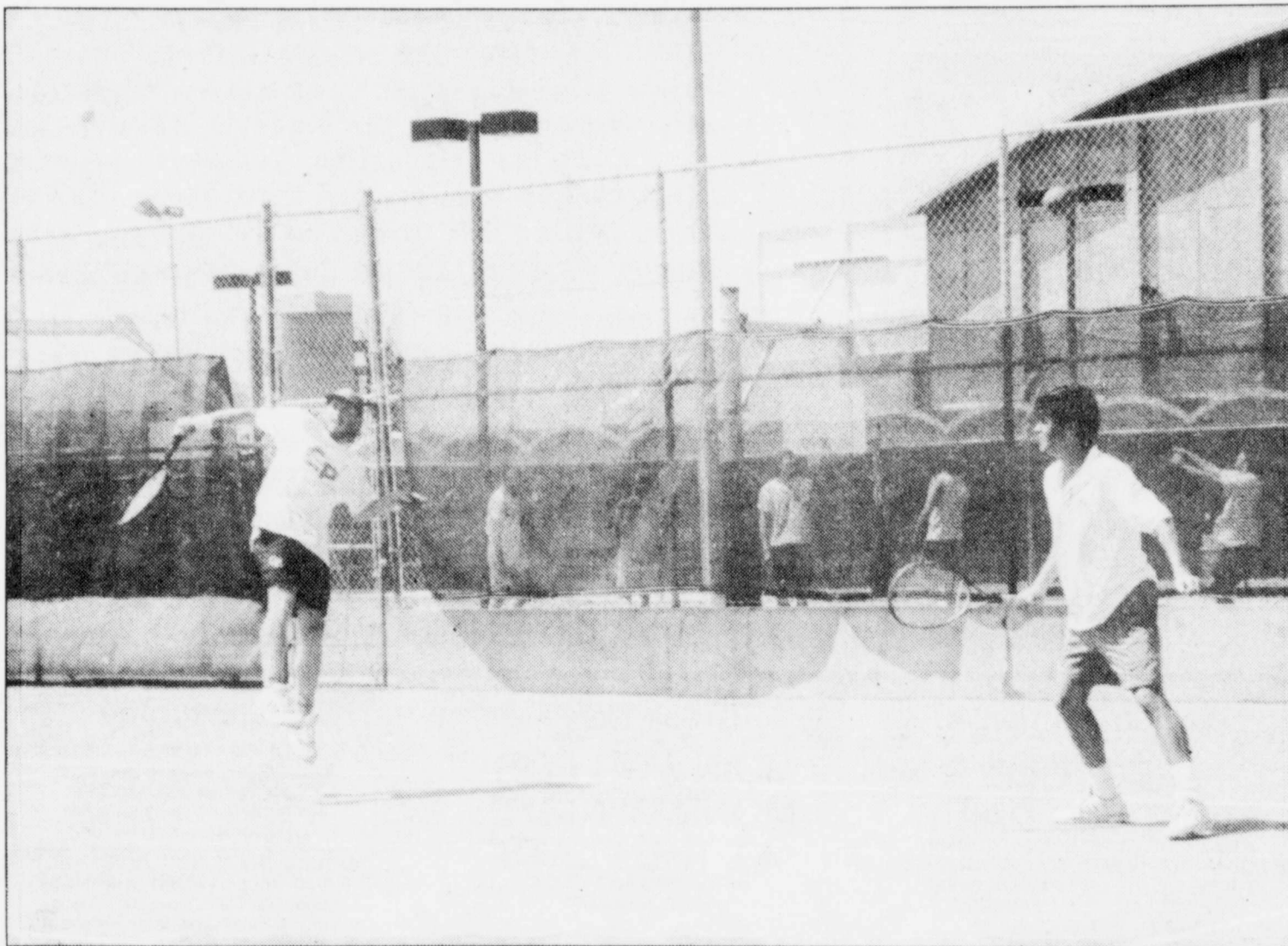
Mark Ollivier, who also played in the top singles bracket featuring the teams' No. 1 through 4 players, fell to Segesta in the semifinals.

The consolation bracket in the 1-4 flight was won by Cal Poly's John Montgomery.

In the second bracket featuring the teams' Nos. 5 through 8 players, Josh Johnston beat Mustang teammate Dave Mullarkey for the championship, 6-2, 6-4.

The lower bracket's consolation championship was won by John Cristofano in a default.

U.C. Riverside's team, which



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Cal Poly's Scott King, left, delivers a lob Saturday while Mustang teammate Dave Mullarkey looks on.

came in third in the tournament, left after Saturday's competition.

Riverside's Jim Yarnell was supposed to play Cristofano in the consolation championship, but was not around to compete.

Marc Ollivier and John Montgomery beat Mustang teammates Mark Nielsen and Ricardo Reyes, 4-6, 6-3, 7-5, for the doubles championship.

In the semifinals, Ollivier

and Montgomery beat Davis' top team which was also ranked No. 1 in NCAA Division II.

There was no Sunday competition in the doubles consolation due to Riverside leaving the tournament.

Cal Poly will travel to San Diego State on Friday and then play its last conference matches Saturday at U.C. Riverside and Sunday at Cal

Poly Pomona.

"If we can win those two (conference) matches, we will clinch the (CCAA) title," Eppright said.

Victories in their remaining matches will also give the Mustangs an invitation to the NCAA Division II National Championships, which will be held May 14-20 in Edmond, Okla.

Softball title bid looks dim

By Cam Inman
Sports Editor

Cal Poly suffered a severe setback Saturday in its bid to unseat perennial power Cal State Bakersfield atop the California Collegiate Athletic Association softball standings.

The Mustangs were swept by host Bakersfield, 5-0 and 11-3, in a CCAA twinbill.

Cal Poly, which entered Saturday in first place with a 11-1 CCAA record, fell to 11-3 in conference, 20-10 overall.

Bakersfield, the defending CCAA champion, improved to 10-2 in conference, 16-2 overall.

It was the first meeting of the year between the CCAA's top two teams. In last week's national polls, Cal Poly was ranked sixth and the Roadrunners were tied for 10th.

The losses not only hurt Cal Poly's chances of winning the CCAA, they also snapped the Mustangs' eight-game win streak.

"It wasn't so much we played poorly as it was they played well," Cal Poly coach Lisa Boyer said. "If we had played better, I still think they would have been the better team on this day."

In the opener, Bakersfield scored a pair of runs in the second, another in the fourth and two more in the sixth as Cal Poly was held scoreless for the first time since March 2.

Julie Rome, who tossed a no-hitter Tuesday, was dealt the loss, dropping her record to 10-5.

In the nightcap, Bakersfield banged out 12 hits and jumped to a 3-0 lead after the first frame.

Cal Poly's four errors in the second game also didn't help. Three Mustang errors in the opener gave them seven on the day.

Cal Poly's Christy Panches remained consistent at the plate, going 2-for-3 in both games to raise her batting average to an amazing .532.

Marlo Aubert went 2-for-4 in game two, including a triple.

Cal Poly returns to Bakersfield on Friday for the Pepsi Cola Classic. The three-day tournament features 10 teams, with the Mustangs opening against Cal State San Bernardino at 1 p.m.

Cal Poly's next conference games will be on April 21, when the Mustangs host Bakersfield.

Mustangs run past CCAA competition

By Brad Hamilton
Senior Staff Writer

The Cal Poly men's and women's track and field teams complimented themselves with two first-place finishes over two California Collegiate Athletic Association opponents Saturday at Bakersfield.

The men snagged 70 points to put themselves atop Cal State Los Angeles (59) and Cal State Bakersfield (37).

The women tallied 66 points, topping Los Angeles (50) and Bakersfield (33).

The men's victory was

anchored by first-place finishes in six events.

Brian Adamic's consistent excellence in the pole vault earned him the top spot. Adamic cleared 16-0, three feet more than the closest competitor.

Gabe Manville and Aaron Maddiex contributed to Cal Poly's success with first and second place finishes respectively in men's high jump. Both jumped 6-7 1/2, but Manville used fewer attempts at the mark.

Pat Zweifel and Mario Morales scored another one-two punch for Cal Poly in the 3,000m. Zweifel finished in 8:30.9 for first, and Morales was second at

8:36.

Cal Poly's Chris Carter served the role of a one-man terror. He placed first in shot put (54-9), second in discus (138-7) and fourth in the hammer throw (147-04).

Other first-place finishers include Matt Hooper, who tossed the javelin 177-1, and Ben Fay, who ran 54.79 in the 400 meter hurdles.

The women also stood atop the first place stand six times.

In the women's high jump Diane Vorbel and Robin Campana cleared 5-2. Vorbel was awarded first because of fewer attempts.

Cal Poly had first and third place finishes in the javelin throw and 400 meter race.

Allison Eilerts threw the javelin 127-1 to finish first, while Erica Ahmann took third with a toss of 118-8.

In the 400, Gabrielle MacKenzie finished first (57.3), Dina Moore third (58.1) and Lori Linker fourth (59.2).

Other winners included Kerri Gabrielson in the 100 meter hurdles (16.1) and Jennifer Lacovara, who ran the 1,500 in 4:39.25.

The track teams' next competition will be at the Mt. Sac Relays in Walnut Saturday.