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Budget cuts impact Poly's sights, sounds

■ Teachers concerned as budget cuts loom over AV department.

By Lori Lautenschleger
Staff Writer

The budget cuts at Cal Poly will not only affect the number of students and instructors on campus and the number of classes offered, but they may also affect how those classes are taught.

The effect of the budget cuts on the distribution area of the audio-visual department will not be known until sometime in August, said Phyllis McWilliams, head of distribution.

The AV distribution area lends equipment, including slide projectors and videotapes, to instructors and then delivers it to classrooms.

The photography and graphics departments of AV have already been cut and McWilliams has been told by Norm Johnson, the director of Communication Services, that some of her student assistants might be let go.

Twenty-five students worked part-time last quarter at distribution in the office or in the "field" delivering equipment to classrooms, McWilliams said.

Two staff members from the photography and graphics department of AV have already been given their lay-off notices.

But it won't be just those working in AV who will be affected.

Teachers who use videos and slide projectors to help their students visualize concepts, See A/V, page 4



Asbestos warnings, such as the ones shown above, are hanging in two campus buildings while crews remove the hazardous material.

Removal of asbestos in two buildings continues

By Aaron Nix
Staff Writer

Most Cal Poly students attending summer classes know about the flurry of construction and remodeling work going on at various spots around campus.

What may surprise those students, however, is that more than just construction is going on behind the metal fencing surrounding the Engineering East and Business Administration and Education buildings.

Crews are busy removing hazardous asbestos used as insulation for pipes running through both buildings, according to Gary Yeo, state project manager for the business building site.

Yeo said the asbestos insulation probably dates back to the original construction of the buildings. Once wrapped around a pipe and placed behind a wall, he said, the asbestos is completely safe to the occupants of the building, but it must be removed before any remodeling or additional construction can be done.

"Asbestos is only dangerous if it is moved or disturbed," Yeo said. "Moving the insulation makes it 'friable,' or airborne, and that is when it poses a health risk to the public. As long as it remains behind a wall, it stays isolated and safe."

The removal of asbestos from the business building is being done in two separate phases, starting this summer and ending sometime toward the end of next summer.

The first phase, according to Yeo, consists of removing the hazardous insulation from the basement and second floor of the business building. The removal crews should be done this Friday, he said, See ASBESTOS, page 8

Cuesta students hurt by cuts, high demand

By Noel Eidsmore
Staff Writer

Cuesta College is having to turn away summer applicants because of reduced class offerings and increased student interest, which may be a bad sign for students arriving in the fall.

"Our turning away process is one of supply and demand," said Grace Mitchell, president of Cuesta College.

Cuesta's current schedule is based on the turnout for last summer's session, which had far fewer students enrolled.

Mitchell could not explain the increase in students wanting to get into Cuesta.

During this summer session, Cuesta has turned away more than 200 students.

That is bad news for fall students because their current schedule was based on last year's

enrollment, and class offerings have also been affected by the same types of cuts facing Cal Poly.

Proposition 98, which guarantees a certain amount of money for California community colleges each year, may be changed in the budget that is currently being debated, leaving Cuesta with less money than what it usually can count on.

This, coupled with dramatic cuts in Cal Poly's class offerings, could create a big problem for new students, as well as Cal Poly students who want to take care of required classes by going to Cuesta.

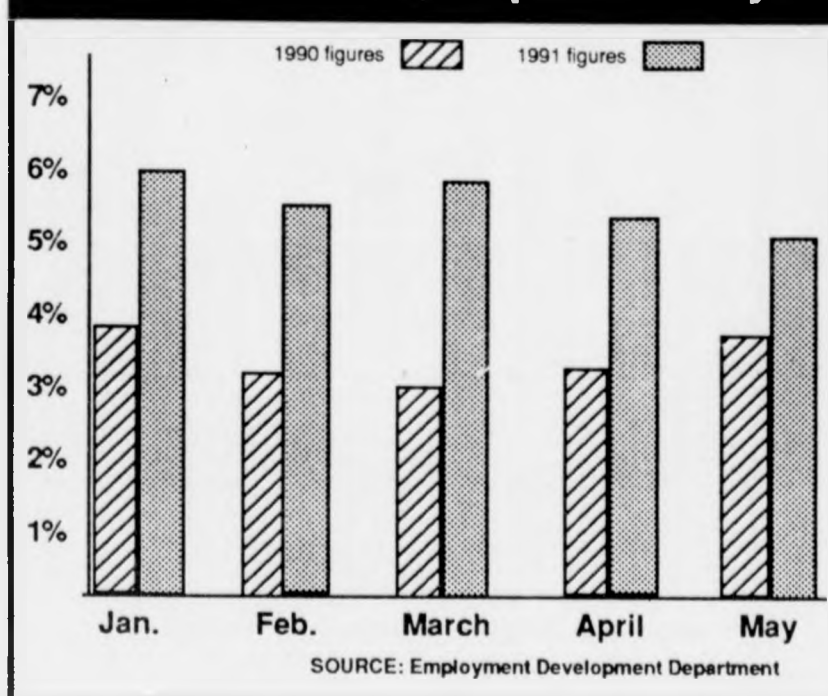
Cuesta has been turning away students for the past four or five years, operating at about 400 students over the cap set by the state. The cap determines how much funding the school will receive.

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County unemployment remains high, but officials pleased with recent drops

By Cathy Cameron
Staff Writer

Unemployment rates in San Luis Obispo County



Although unemployment rates are up from last year, state officials are optimistic that this year's rates will continue to fall.

The May unemployment rate in San Luis Obispo County was 5.2 percent, a 0.3 percent drop from April's rate. The figure does, however, remain higher than the 3.9 percent unemployment rate in May 1990.

A stabilizing workforce in San Luis Obispo County is one factor that should cause this year's unemployment rates to keep falling, said Norie Placak, manager of the Employment Development Department.

A stable workforce is one that will not be severely effected by economic swings, which is reflected in unemployment rates, Placak said.

Much of the stability of San Luis Obispo County's workforce and economy comes from the fact that

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Time's running out...

Library hours and services may be reduced with the state's budget cuts.

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Neil Pascale and Peter Hartlaub share opinions about South Africa's involvement in the Olympic games.

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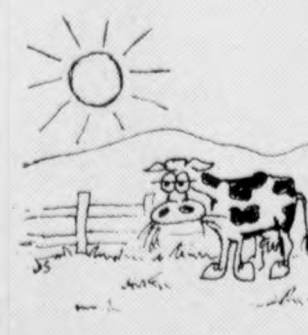
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Russia inaugurates its first elected president

MOSCOW (AP) — Boris N. Yeltsin formally took office Wednesday as the first elected president of the Russian republic, pledging to uphold human rights and break from abuses of the past.

"For the first time in Russian history, the citizens of Russia have made their own choice," the white-haired Siberian said in his inaugural address.

The people of Russia, Yeltsin said, "chose not only an individual, not only a president, but above all they chose the path along which our motherland is to travel. It is the path of democracy. The path of reform. The path of the restoration of human dignity."

"Great Russia is rising from its knees!" he said. "We certainly will turn it into a flourishing, democratic, peaceful, law-based sovereign state."

Men arrested for plan to assassinate Gandhi

NEW DELHI, India (AP) — Police have arrested two Sri Lankan Tamils accused of harboring the mastermind assassin of former Prime Minister Rajiv Gandhi, a news report said Tuesday.

P. Vijayan and his father-in-law, S. Bhas-karan, were arrested Monday in Madras as conspirators, raising to 12 the number of detained suspects in the May 21 assassination, the Press Trust of India said.

Senate votes to rebuild embassy in Moscow

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Senate subcommittee voted Tuesday to provide \$130 million to tear down the new, unoccupied U.S. Embassy in Moscow and to replace it.

The vote was the latest in a dispute that has raged among lawmakers and the State Department ever since listening devices were discovered in the embassy's walls as construction neared an end in 1985.

The money was included in a \$22.1 billion measure to finance the departments of State, Commerce and Justice and several other agencies in fiscal 1992, which starts Oct. 1.

Soldiers may be in Gulf until December

WASHINGTON (AP) — There are 44,000 U.S. military men and women still in the Persian Gulf and some may be there until late December, the Pentagon's spokesman said Tuesday.

Some five months after the end of the Desert Storm ground war, the ground force remaining in the region is composed primarily of "logistics" personnel dealing with the mass of equipment left behind, spokesman Pete Williams told reporters at a Pentagon briefing.

S.F. mayoral candidate wants less homeless

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Mayoral candidate Frank Jordan criticized Mayor Art Agnos for making San Francisco an "open city for the homeless" and vowed to implement a get-tough policy on transients.

"This whole homeless problem has gone the wrong direction. What we have to do first is screen the people who come to San Francisco," Jordan said Tuesday at a press conference in front of a homeless shelter.

Agnos has pledged that he will clear public streets of sleeping homeless people in two or three years, but Jordan criticized Agnos' policies, saying they encourage homeless people to come to the city.

Inmates spend \$15,000 in telephone call spree

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Inmates at the county jail sneaked through a loophole in the phone system and made more than \$15,000 worth of telephone calls to China, Switzerland and other countries at county expense.

The callers discovered a dialing pattern beginning with zero that allowed them to bypass local-only restrictions in the San Diego County phone system.

"They were racking up \$400 and \$500 bills a day," said Mary Rattray, the telecommunication network control manager for the county's Department of Information Services, "They were really having fun."



Information, tips on how to enjoy the solar eclipse

Mother Nature will be providing a rare and unique form of entertainment. North American residents will have the chance to see the first eclipse since 1979 today from 10:10 a.m. to 12:40 p.m.

According to John Poling, an astronomy teacher at Poly, San Luis Obispo will experience dimming of sun light as if there were heavy clouds.

Precautions should be taken to avoid eye damage. Sunglasses, including those with ultra violet ray protection, will not protect eyes. Special eclipse-viewing glasses or number 14 arc-welding glasses are suggested.

The small campus observatory located in the Science Building will be open during the eclipse with someone on duty to answer questions.

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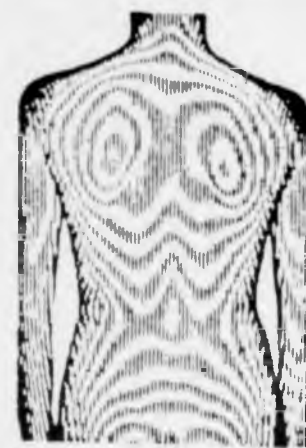
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Library officials foresee fewer hours, longer lines

By Jane Phillips
Staff Writer

Cal Poly library officials don't anticipate any layoffs due to budget cuts, but student services are going to suffer.

The library anticipated this year's budget cuts as far back as November.

"We knew they would make the cuts so we didn't fill

job vacancies," said David Walch, dean of library services.

The library has approximately 16 vacant positions, either from personnel who retired or resigned.

Most of the positions, if not all, will be held open to cover the weight of the cuts, Walch said. He said current employees will be repositioned for efficiency.

The level of services will not equal present levels, Walch said. Lines will be longer, it will take longer to

replace materials on shelves and longer to find materials.

A Resources Review Committee, composed of library personnel, has been formed to make recommendations and report on how to accommodate the shortfall in the staff, Walch said.

Paul Adalian, head of the library reference department and member of the RRC, said the committee is looking at each of the 11 library departments and how they are coping with the vacant positions.

Each department head was to submit a job description of the department's vacant positions to the committee, along with stating who has been doing this work.

The review committee must then decide how the workload is being distributed and how the lack of sufficient staff is affecting the rest of the department.

All departments have a vacant position except government documents, Adalian said.

So far the review committee has just been compiling information, Adalian said. He said the committee is expected to make its recommendations by the end of July.

Regarding library hours, the Library Advisory Council, made up of library department heads and staff and librarian representatives, has analyzed when library use is heaviest.

The council then recommended to Walch that beginning in the fall, evening hours be kept and weekend hours reduced, particularly Saturdays and the hours at the beginning of quarters, Walch said.

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Although library hours and personnel will be cut back, the budget for books will remain the same.

Most parking permit funds don't go to Poly

By Joe Cohen
Staff Writer

Most of the money spent on parking permits throughout the year doesn't stay at Cal Poly but goes to a reserve fund for the CSU system.

Right now it costs a student \$36 a quarter, including summer, to park in the student lots at Cal Poly.

In 1988 a task force from the Board of Trustees approved an increase for all California State Universities, raising the monthly cost for parking from \$7.50 to \$12 a month, or from \$22.50 to \$36 a quarter. The increase was based on parking demand, inflation, and a rise in the cost of living.

Currently, about \$467,000 out of the \$1.1 million budgeted for the 1991-92 goes into a CSU reserve fund.

That money provides new

parking spaces, maintenance of existing lots and any painting or resealing that may need to be done to needy schools in the CSU — not necessarily Cal Poly specifically.

About \$453,000 goes toward a campus parking fund. This fund pays for cashiers who take money for permits, parking officer salaries, grounds workers, electricity, supplies to purchase permits, postage and miscellaneous items.

The remaining \$135,000 pays interest on service bonds sold by Cal Poly. A security deposit is kept by the university in case several people want to cash their bonds at the same time, so their money would be available.

Last year more than \$100,000 was made from selling permits. The money was put into a parking reserve fund at the Chancellors office in Long Beach, and

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Local motorcycle team survives heat, tire problems at first endurance race

By Cam Inman
Staff Writer

Hot weather melted one of the tires on their motorcycle, but the extreme temperatures couldn't dissolve the enthusiasm of several Cal Poly students who participated in a July 4th endurance race.

Team Twister, a local motorcycle road racing team consisting primarily of Poly students, overcame the heat to place fourth in their class and 14th overall in a field of 24 at the six-hour endurance race at Willow Springs International Raceway in Rosamond, California.

A total of six teams competed in Team Twister's class, the 600cc Superstreet division.

It was the first endurance race for the newly formed team and bike owner/rider

Steve Alley was pleased with the results.

"Because of the heat, it wasn't our fastest effort. But it was a real triumph that we were able to maintain our pace throughout the race," said Alley, an art and design senior.

Alley and two other riders, Doug Highland and George Toepfer, each rode the Honda CBR 600 bike in 20-minute stints because of the heat, which ranged from 115 to 125 degrees in the shade.

The three-rider team completed 160 laps of the 2.5-mile paved racetrack.

For Highland, a June art and design grad, it was his first race as an American Roadracing Association rider. Toepfer is an aeronautical engineering major and Pat Slayter, of the pit crew, is an

architecture student.

The team was forced to change wheels at the beginning of the fourth hour when Highland lost the front tire in turn nine.

"It just slid out. I was lucky to save it at all," said

Highland. "The tire just melted in the heat."

Added Alley: "It was a gooey, sticky, icky mess."

The early wheel change dropped the team in the standings, but they went on to pick up one place overall and two places in their class in the final eight laps.

Team Twister's next race is tentatively scheduled for the end of August at Sears Point in Sonoma.

After that, the motorcycle team plans on becoming individual riders once again.

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VIEWPOINTS

Reactions to South Africa's Olympic involvement

PRO

By Neil Pascale

Four years after refusing to send an integrated team to the 1964 Olympics, South Africa was officially kicked out of the International Olympic Committee.

Some 21 years — and five Olympics — later, South Africa is being reprieved.

Why? Because the temporary execution of South African sports was a complete and utter failure politically. And, for the handful who don't know, politics was the black-hooded figure which so eloquently guillotined South African athletics.

Make no mistake, it wasn't that South African vaulters couldn't clear the high bar at Olympic standards. Instead, it was the politicians who thought they could vault South Africa into the twentieth century where human beings are treated more or less equally no matter what their color.

By eliminating South Africa from the Olympics, politicians thought they could ease racial segregation. Maybe even do away with it.

Yet, more than two decades later, apartheid is alive and well. Or better yet, alive, well and kicking — at least more than the South African gymnasts have been for two decades.

Granted, South African President Frederick W. de Klerk told the country's Parliament in February that he vows to do away with all apartheid laws.

However, blacks, who outnumber whites 5-to-1, are still kept like animals in chain-linked fenced neighborhoods. They still cannot vote, much less go to the same schools as whites.

So what's changed? Not much.

Certainly not the thinking of white South Africans who control the country politically and economically.

But sports is not so much geared to the older crowd. Instead, it's the younger generations that so adamantly attach themselves to athletics and their individual personalities. And it's the younger generation that will govern South Africa into the future.

And watching both blacks and whites walking under their country's flag, embracing each other after triumphant races can do no harm to the young South African viewer.

The president of the National Olympic Committees of Africa, Jean-Claude Ganga, envisioned a similar thought in a recent *Los Angeles Times* article.

"We will know we have succeeded," Ganga said, "when we see a black South African win a race and watch the whites cry when they see their flag raised and their anthem played."

Maybe Ganga is being unrealistic, like the politicians who axed South African athletics. Maybe he's asking for too much from a country that is so sharply divided racially and ethically.

But it's worth a shot.

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CON

By Peter Hartlaub

The International Olympic Committee and the United States government have made a very serious mistake by lifting restrictions on a "reformed" South Africa.

The mistake is in lifting punishments based on promises, not based on facts.

Let's look at the facts:

Fact: White athletes in South Africa still have far better facilities than black athletes, and many of these facilities are in areas that blacks are still not allowed to live in or visit.

Fact: In South Africa, school can still be segregated, all-white elections can still be held and blacks can be placed on lower pay scales because of skin color.

Fact: No plans have been made about giving any sort of compensation to the 3.5 million blacks who were forced to move off their land.

The IOC will tell us that South Africa should be rewarded because they have announced intentions to mend their ways.

President Bush will tell us that South Africa should be rewarded for taking steps to get in line with the new world order. But still the facts remain.

Lifting sanctions on South Africa and allowing them to compete in the Olympic Games sends a message that what they have done is sufficient. What they have done is not sufficient.

What they have done amounts to only a few of many racist policies changed and a limp promise to improve in the future.

Let's look at more facts about South Africa that had a little more influence in Bush's and the IOC's decisions.

Fact: Since 1971, South Africa has been responsible for over 50 percent of the world gold production and currently holds over 60 percent of the world gold reserve.

Fact: South Africa has a plethora of mines full of diamonds and other precious metals.

Fact: For military and trading purposes, South Africa has one of the most strategic locations in the world, and has the only ports available for ships traveling from the Indian to Atlantic oceans.

Bush and the IOC made their decisions based on economic reasons.

On January 15th, the United States sold out for oil.

On July 10th, the United States and the IOC sold out for gold.

By lifting sanctions, the United States and the IOC sent a clear message that South Africa has reformed.

South Africa is still a nation that commits unforgivable crimes against its people.

Bush looked out for the economic benefits of his nation, and in the process alienated every human being on this earth who has any concept of equality.

The recent actions by Bush and the IOC were both serious mistakes.

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EDITORIAL

Poly's library hours, services should not be cut to offset the state's budget crisis

Library hours should not be reduced due to budget cuts.

California's budget crisis has affected Cal Poly in the form of cuts to many departments and services. Now, the library appears to be the budget's next victim.

An advisory council recently recommended to library officials that beginning in fall, weekend and evening hours be reduced, particularly on Saturdays and those hours at the beginning of each quarter.

In an effort to save money, library officials are going to

leave 16 positions vacant. The absence of personnel is going to cause a noticeable decrease in services to students.

According to David Walch, dean of library services, services available to students in fall will not be equal to current levels.

In addition, library personnel expect lines to be longer and materials to be harder to find because there will be less staff available to check-in books and place them back on the shelves.

It is true that in order to meet budget needs, services

must be cut from somewhere. The library, however, is not the place to cut.

Statistics prove that more students annually utilize library services at Cal Poly than at any other university in the CSU system.

Given this fact, there is no excuse for cutting back on library services, especially library hours.

Cal Poly is an institution of higher education, and facilities and services which aid in learning must not be altered to the student's detriment.

CUESTA



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Reduced library hours have many Cuesta students, including Mark Astleford, studying outdoors.

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"We don't get reimbursed," Frank Gonzales, dean of admissions at Cuesta College said. "We've been underfunded by virtue of our population."

He said that operating over the cap was simply a matter of accommodation and a way to try to meet student demands.

One way Cuesta has been cutting costs is by reducing the number of classes it offers. Gonzales said that classes have been reduced by 3 to 5 percent

across the curriculum.

According to Mitchell, Cuesta has no money for new equipment — academic or athletic — and has cut part time hours. Several offices also have fewer hours.

Library hours are included in those that have been reduced. The library is now closed Fridays and is open one-half less hour per day than it was last summer.

"We try to do it (make cuts) so no department is affected unequally," Mitchell said.

Mitchell said that as many as

100,000 students may be turned away from California community colleges this fall.

Walk-in registration at Cuesta for fall began Monday, June 24 and Mitchell said students were camped out since midnight Sunday to make sure they got what classes were available.

The final state budget has not yet been passed and Mitchell said if all goes well, they may be able to add sections in the fall, but it is too early for them to be hopeful.

LIBRARY

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Walch said more students use this library than any other in the CSU system. The number of materials checked-out per Cal Poly student is 64 items a year compared to the average circulation per CSU student at 27 items a year.

"Because of this, we use a lot of student assistants," Walch said.

Student assistants work throughout the library. The library receives approximately \$135,000 a year from the state for student assistants.

Walch said other library departments usually contribute about \$100,000 a year to help finance the student assistants, but this year that will not be possible because of budget cuts.

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About 200 students were employed as student assistants last year. Walch said the number may decrease due to the budget cuts or students may work shorter hours.

Adalian said that every department will take a cut in student assistants.

Walch said the book budget must stay intact. Last year the annual budget for books, periodicals and serials purchases was \$1.3 million. Approximately \$550,000 to \$600,000 a year is spent on periodicals.

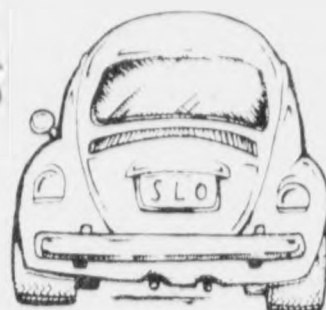
This amount has stayed the same for the last three years and has not kept pace with inflation, he said.

Periodicals are to be cut by 10 to 15 percent, Walch said.

The Serials Retention and Selection Committee, a standing group of library officials that reviews periodicals, has been working with department heads to produce a list of possible periodical cancellations.

A list is being prepared by library personnel based on information received by the departments and will be submitted to Walch on August 15, Walch said.

Titles will be cut following appropriate consultation between library personnel and department heads and faculty representatives, giving opportunity to discuss the cuts one last time, Walch said.



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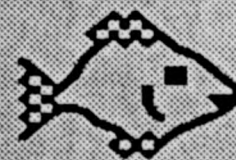
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The \$36 dollar per quarter fee Poly students pay is the lowest that any CSU school pays, which is based on the number of parking structures it has.

"Basically, we pay the least because we don't have any parking structures," Assistant Budget Officer Kimi Ikeda said.

Some CSU students pay up to \$18 a month, or \$54 per quarter.

"We are really dictated as to what we do," Ikeda said. "Some people think the campus administration is trying to pull one over on them by charging this summer. That's really not the case."

No universities in the CSU system lower parking prices during the summer, she said.

This will continue until 1993, when the trustees will again decide whether to raise, lower or keep the price minimums and maximums the same.

In the 1990-91 fiscal year — which ended July 1 — \$435,000 was collected from citations issued by parking attendants.

All the money will be used in the upcoming year to support on-campus programs, including free student/staff use of the bus, a vanpool program for faculty and staff, the on-campus escort service, installing emergency phones in the parking lot, bicycle safety and paying the salaries of cashiers who collect fines.

"Everything is self-supportive, taxes don't take care of anything," Ikeda said. "Everything from buying the parking stickers to building a parking structure."

A/V

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such as architectural styles, may have to wait longer for equipment, or not use it at all.

Students are receiving hands-on experience when asked to photograph or videotape projects for instructors. This is one reason AV is so important, McWilliams said.

"It's a proven fact that hands-on something is much better than trying to hear and learn from that angle only," she said. "Seeing is more believing than just hearing. Hands-on is more believing than just hearing."

Art Chapman, an architecture professor and director of Instructional Computing and Operations, said that he often uses the graphics area in AV.

He said that with the possible budget cuts, those services may now be contracted off-campus or done by individual departments.

But often the departments don't have the time or money to spend on graphics, flyers and posters needed for special projects. Thus, it is likely these projects will be eliminated, Chapman said.

Chapman also uses the AV distribution for equipment such as VCRs and slide projectors for his classes. If some student assistants are eliminated it will be harder to get equipment in the classroom.

"To speculate, if we couldn't have facilities delivered to our teaching space, then we would have to carry them ourselves, be-



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Coordinator Chuck McKee logs in off-air footage.

cause you have to have facilities," Chapman said.

Despite the fact that securing the equipment for use in classrooms may be a problem, the real concern is the personnel layoffs.

"Solving the mechanical problem of packing machines around is not a big deal," Chapman said.

Warren Delay, department head of social sciences is a frequent user of audio visual materials. "The business of

showing films, TV documentaries and so on, that we rent from the agency, either has to be delivered right to the classroom, which takes people, or it has to be shown on TV distribution which takes people to run, also," he said.

If AV hires fewer student assistants it may not be as easy to get videotapes delivered or equipment repaired, Delay said.

"Any sharp cuts in distribution would be very difficult because of the repair needed on equipment," he said.

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UNEMPLOYMENT

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23 percent of the people working in the county are government employees.

In April, only five counties in the state had lower unemployment rates than San Luis Obispo County. Marin County had the lowest rate in the state, with 3.5 percent unemployed. Contra Costa, Santa Clara and San Luis Obispo counties all had 5.5 percent unemployment rates.

Placak referred to places such as Cal Poly and the California Men's Colony as "protected environments," because only so many people can be laid off before the institution will not be able to function.

Unemployment rates started to rise last summer.

In July 1990, when the unemployment rate was 4.5 percent, Placak said she noticed there were more unemployed even before she saw the figures.

"All of a sudden, our lobby was full," she said.

The unemployment rate rose

steadily, reaching a high of 6.1 percent in January 1991, a 2.1 percent increase from the previous year.

Some of the changes in these rates can be blamed on the recession, but economically San Luis Obispo County has been traditionally strong and not as likely to feel the effects of a recession as much as the rest of the country, Placak said.

She said another sign that unemployment rates should start dropping is the increase in unemployment insurance benefits over the last few years.

When more benefits are given out, it has an "anti-recessionary" effect on the economy, Placak said. People gain stability and it helps stop the downward economic trend.

From July 1, 1989 to the end of June 1990, more than \$7.7 million in benefits were distributed, which Placak said would normally be considered a "good year."

During the 11-month period

from July 1990 to May 1991, the EDD gave out about \$14 million, a significant increase from the year before.

More benefits were given out from January 1991 to May 1991 than in the entire year that ran from July 1989 to July 1990.

The EDD has been using several methods to help employers and potential employees find each other.

One program they use is the summer youth employment program, which helps place high school and college students with employers. Mary Pielenz, the summer youth employment coordinator, said of the 17 years the program has existed, this year has been the most successful.

Placak said she thinks this is an especially important program because it can have long-lasting effects on the shape of the economy.

"We have to look to the future, and make sure kids have enough money so they can stay in school," she said.

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Bob Zany's Emcee Ron Coleman warms up an evening crowd for featured comedians at Mullarkey's.

ZANYISM THE BOB ZANY COMEDY CLUB HAS SLO LAUGHIN'

By Cathy Cameron
Staff Writer

Bob Zany's Comedy Outlet in San Luis Obispo is the only remaining place in the city where you can see a comedy show every Friday and Saturday night.

For the last three years, locals and tourists have been entertained by comedy club located in Mullarkey's restaurant in the Embassy Suites Hotel. The show costs \$7, but it's free if you eat dinner at the restaurant.

The comedians are booked through Bob Zany's, which has a chain of about a dozen comedy clubs, said Don Harrison, assistant manager of Mullarkey's.

The comedians come from all over the country and are dif-

ferent every week, he said.

Local comedians can bring a unique sense of humor to the show. Carol Hughes, an Arroyo Grande comedian who performed at the club on July 5 and 6, said she likes to perform at Embassy Suites because she can localize all of the jokes.

Hughes is in her late 40s and decided she wanted to become a comedian while she was attending Weight Watchers. Throughout her act she makes fun of her weight.

In one of her jokes, she tells the story of when she went to Marie Callender's in Pismo Beach with three of her friends after a Weight Watchers meeting.

"When our table was ready, they called over the loudspeaker,

'Huge, party of four, Huge,'" she said. "That joke works better in San Luis because people can picture it happening."

Hughes has been doing comedy for almost nine years, and has appeared on Hour Magazine and the Oprah Winfrey Show.

"I was so fabulous on Oprah," she said. "But they'll never show it again, because Oprah was skinny then. She was tiny compared to me."

Hughes has worked at this outlet of Bob Zany's three times in the last two years, and said she likes the intimacy of the 100-seat club.

"I'd say something nasty about the lack of intimacy in my life, but my husband takes it personally when I talk about him," she said laughing.

Local music group provides harmony in informal atmosphere

By Jane Phillips
Staff Writer

For many years, Linnaea Phillips brought folk musicians to the Central Coast to perform in her home for local music lovers.

Now, the San Luis Obispo Folk Music Society has taken over her task and coordinates at least one concert every month.

"(The organization) introduces music to people that they might not otherwise hear and tries to create a format that will provide a diverse variety of music," said SLOFOLKS President Haila Hafley.

Hafley said SLOFOLKS tries to create a setting which allows the audience to talk to the musicians — something carried over from Phillip's earlier concerts.

Now, concerts are held in either Linnaea's Cafe in San Luis Obispo or Coalesce Bookstore in Morro Bay. Seating at the shows is limited, with maximum capacities of 48 and 60 people respectively.

Phillips said her concerts created a spirit of camaraderie missing in big concert halls. Musicians have said that they feel indebted to SLOFOLKS because of the small, informal atmosphere they provide, she said.

However, city zoning codes would not permit the home concerts to continue, Phillips said. She added she also became too busy to coordinate the performances.

As a result, SLOFOLKS formed in 1985 by local folk enthusiasts who attended the original house concerts and wanted to continue bringing folk musicians to the area.

"Folk is a dying form of music unless it is kept alive by dedicated people," said Phillips.

SLOFOLKS Treasurer Jody Ramsland, who usually books artists six months ahead, said besides folk musicians, the organization also brings in bluegrass and blues musicians.

Ramsland said volunteers create fliers, posters, tickets and press releases. There are also about 10 or more volunteers who help display and distribute them.

SLOFOLKS is a non-profit organization run strictly on a volunteer basis. Ramsland said 10 percent of the money raised at the performances is used by SLOFOLKS to pay for publicity. The musicians get 80 percent and the remaining 10 percent goes to the venue.

Many of the musicians can be heard prior to the concerts in live interviews on KCBX or KOTR, both of which feature folk music programs on a weekly basis.

SLOFOLKS is presenting guitarists Peppino D'Agostino and Peter Finger in three central coast performances this month. The two performers will appear at Coalesce Bookstore on July 11 and 12 at 7:00 p.m. and Linnaea's Cafe on July 13 at 7:30 p.m.

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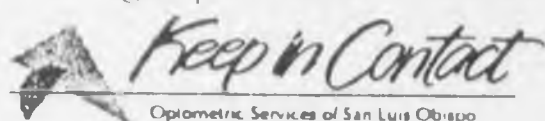
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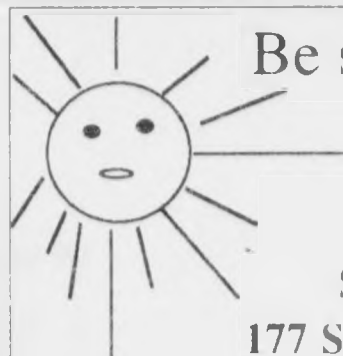
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ASBESTOS

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and then remodel work on both floors can begin.

"The plan is to move everyone in the old (business) building over to the new building when it is completed, which should be August 3 of next year," Yeo said. "That is also when phase two of the remodeling project will begin, with the crews coming back in and removing asbestos from the main floor of the building."

Once the remodeling project is complete, the old building will be used primarily for educational studies, while the new building will be inhabited by business administration.

Yeo emphasized that use of the old business building will not resume until insulation in all affected areas is removed and the project is approved by a hazardous material inspector.

Asbestos removal from the Engineering East building is being done in much the same fashion as the business building project, with crews completing the work in five phases between now and next summer, according to David Linton, project manager for the asbestos consultant firm handling the engineering building site.

The phase currently underway should be done sometime during the first week of August, said Linton, who represents the Maryland-based Dynamac Corp.

"The hazardous material removal is being spaced out over several phases so that construction isn't brought to a halt," Linton said.

Linton said the asbestos removal is being handled by two different companies, each specializing in hazardous waste management. Excel Environmental is handling the business building project, and Marcor is taking care of removal at the engineering building site.

Overseeing the work of both companies is Dynamac, a separate corporation that serves as a regulator of the removal process.

"It's important to remember that Dynamac was hired by the university, not by the removal companies," Linton said. "That means I work just like a building inspector, and therefore my responsibility is to the safety of the public and not to the companies doing the work."

Ensuring safety during the removal of asbestos means taking great measures to completely contain the material being removed, Linton said.

Those measures include making sure the asbestos is sealed in either double-thick plastic bags or airtight canisters.

Once properly contained, the asbestos can only be transported by licensed hazardous waste haulers and then taken only to specially designated disposal areas where it is buried underground, Linton said.

The area where the removal is taking place is sealed off and negative air pressure is maintained in the room, Linton added. Negative pressure is achieved by continually bringing fresh air into the area, and circulating old air out through a special machine that filters all asbestos dust before releasing the air out of the room.

Before leaving the removal area, workers must also go through a 'filtering' process, passing through a three-chamber entrance before coming into an uncontaminated area.

"The end result of the removal process is to make the area completely safe for the public and the construction workers."

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