Free English workshop to aid deficient grammar

Students distressed with the muddled, mangled English grammar principles may find relief by participating in a series of English writing workshops beginning next week.

The workshop sessions will be on a voluntary basis, no charge, no credit, no grades, according to Dr. Edward Cairns, director of English composition, who's handling the English Workshop program.

Twelve sessions—and tentatively one more—are scheduled throughout the days and evening hours, Mondays through Thursdays.

Cairns said the program was designed to assist students struggling with English composition classes but that anyone having difficulties with or wishing to develop his writing skills can attend the sessions.

Job outlook improved

For students graduating this year, job prospects are the best they have been in four years. According to Dr. Robert Valpey, dean of Engineering and Technology, "The upsurge is tremendous, especially in the fields of engineering and technology. The last year or two has seen more industrial engineer recruiters on campus than there have been students to be recruited."

Job prospects are even better for future graduates. Valpey says there are indications that students who complete their undergraduate degree studies in engineering between 1973 and 1976 may have their choice of careers.

The 1973 Engineering Manpower Report and other nationwide trends support Valpey's assertion. These trends are in direct contrast with the decline of job prospects two years ago.

The College Placement Council (an organization that works with colleges and employers in helping students in their career planning and placement), said there would be a reverse-increase in hiring of 10 per cent for Ph.D. graduates, 25 per cent for master's degrees and 15 per cent for bachelor's degree holders.

"Prospects appear brightest for those students majoring in engineering, particularly at the bachelor's level, where hiring is expected to improve by 17 per cent," the council said.

The council also found that business, science, mathematics and other technical disciplines should also show strong improvement in job openings. Aerospace companies, though in a financial bind, reported that they planned to hire about 91 per cent more engineers. Metals estimated an increase of 102 per cent and chemicals foresee a 38 per cent increase. Liberal arts and other nonbusiness graduates will only have a four per cent increase.

Another survey conducted by Frank Endicott, professor emeritus of education at North Western University, said the job outlook is very good for women and members of minority groups. The survey also indicated an increase of 18 per cent over last year in the hiring of women graduates with bachelor's degrees.

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Vietnam war will end "with honor" Saturday, President Nixon told a nationwide audience Tuesday night.

Nixon said an agreement was initiated in Paris Tuesday by Henry A. Kissinger, his chief negotiator, which would give rise to effective peace in Vietnam within 90 days.

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Damage costs rise as the flood water subsides

Damage due to the recent floods has increased at least to $4,000,000 for the entire county, according to State, County, and City officials.

Between 600 and 1,000 homes have been damaged mostly in the Laguna Lake and South Higuera areas and 50 to 60 businesses in the downtown and South Higuera areas also suffered damage. While the greatest amount of damage is private, schools, hospitals, and recreational leases are included in the $4,000,000 loss.

Public facilities, utilities and unincorporated area damage appears to be nearly $500,000. This category includes such items as debris cleanup, street, sewer, road and building repairs and telephone, power and railroad losses, among others.

Members of the Office of Emergency Services, Department of Water Resources, Corps of Engineers and other State and Federal agencies are in the area conducting surveys for compilation of reports is being expedited.

Through both the City of San Luis Obispo and the County Board of Supervisors have declared a local emergency. Governor Reagan has withheld his disaster proclamation pending full receipt from all state or the state.

Damage to this campus were estimated to be a minimum of $36,000 according to Business Affairs Director James Lang.

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**The flood: whose fault?**

**Bruce Patrovsky**

Most people consider floods to be an act of God. To hear KARY owner Homer Odom speak, San Luis Obispo Mayor Kenneth Schwartz and other local officials are responsible.

Odom claims that not enough was done after the 1969 flood to prevent this one. He intends to file a $5 million class action suit against all city councilmen for negligence.

Odom also cited city officials for listening to "birdwatchers" and ecologists; and of placing more value on grassy banks more than property and public safety. While most of the media were trying to calm people down and render assistance, KARY was broadcasting inflammatory statements. Flood victims were encouraged to attend an emergency city council meeting that afternoon, and vocally demonstrate their grievances.

I talked to many people who were flooded out. Surprisingly few shared Odom's vindictive attitude. Some accepted the flood as a price to be paid for living immediately adjacent to Laguna Lake and other hazard areas.

Many solutions are being advocated to prevent a repeat occurrence of the floods. Some people, like Odom, are not adverse to paving the creeks. In Los Angeles all the creeks are paved; and a creek called the "Wash." These are former running streams which once had salmon and steelhead.

One of the things which makes San Luis Obispo an attractive place to live is the relative natural state of the creeks. It would be a shame to squander one of our major assets. The steelhead trout and grassy banks can be preserved, and the flood danger lessened, with some imagination.

As more and more of this area is paved over, there is less exposed earth to soak up the rain and release it gradually. Rain which falls on cement is almost totally run-off. If more of the San Luis Obispo Creek watershed is paved over, we can expect worse floods.

There are other ways to prevent a recurrence. One is flood-control, and creek set-back lines. Another is for upstream check-dams to even out the runoff. Certain major obstructions could be removed from the stream bed, and the Laguna Lake outlet definitely needs to be enlarged. There are solutions to the problem without sacrificing the ecological resources of the creeks. Do not let inflammatory rhetoric and political opportunism affect better judgment.

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**Simulation award gets bounced by lady defending Crazy Horse**

**Editors**

I would like to make a few points concerning Paul Simon's latest "awards" (Jan. 17), particularly the one concerning the bouncer at Crazy Horse. The article seemed to assert some sort of blame on the bouncer for causing trouble. I suggest that Mr. Simon get his facts straight before printing such accusations, or I would have to see his column become no more than a soapbox page.

I was a fellow employee at Crazy Horse. I see the hassles every bouncer encounters, night after night. With all of the troubles caused by various intoxicated patrons, the employees are not about to provide any more. But when underage students come out and drink, or bring their girlfriends with phony ID's, it is the bouncers' job to remove such persons and confiscate ID's. Most of the time the bouncers were warned nicely at first, as they were at the incident last weekend, but if they persist in breaking the law in our establishment, they deserve to be seated (and forced if necessary) to leave.

I am presently coping with a few elderly citizens in the community who would like very much to see Crazy Horse shut down, so the last thing we need is trouble with customers.

To the many people who enjoy the atmosphere at Crazy Horse and feel that such a place was needed in San Luis Obispo, come but and party and have a good time...but please, no hassles.

Thank you.

Irene Morris

**Bible viewed differently by religious sects**

**Editors**

Mr. Besler, I am very happy that your life was transformed when you let Jesus take over, but I do not feel that you should use the effect that "Jews don't understand the Bible" as an example of the different way people view their scriptures.

This kind of statement exemplifies a tremendous lack of knowledge on your part about Judaism and Christianity.

Remember, Mr. Besler, that most of your Christian ideals are derived from Judaism and Judaism was an established way of life over 3,000 years before Jesus was born. The Old Testament was written in Hebrew, so how can you possibly say the Jews don't understand it?

The proper thing to say is that Jews "interpret" it differently than you do. We do not recognize Jesus as the "only way" nor do we say that Judaism is the only way to experience a happy life. Rather, we leave that up to individual conscience.

Mike Kresover

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**Tuna boycotter hopes to end porpoise plight**

**Editors**

I've heard some pretty horrifying stories of fishermen chopping off the heads of porpoises and then tossing them back to sea to be cleaned up by sharks. This occurs, evidently, because this extraordinarily mammal likes the same food that the tuna do. So the tuna fishermen net and then butcher our friends, eliminating competition. —another discouraging example of capitalist society.

It seems to me that we as friends of the porpoises, should have porpoises. Please work to protect these beautiful beasts.

As a surfer and friend of these beasts I know that they are beginning not to trust us anymore, just as the buffalo and redman. Formerly, they trusted us as fellows of the sea. Now they seem to consider us invaders of their sea. Of course, it is of the urgent. Let us reconcile with our brethren.

Until I hear of some action on this situation, I'm not buying tuna and am suggesting the same to my friends. I'm sure Blenkins and Chicken of the Sea (a division of Ralean Purlin) will be heartbroken at the loss of such ardent tuna-eating money makers. Also, write and tell Roger C.B. Morton (Secretary of the Interior, Washington, D.C.) to protect porpoises.

Randy Jertberg

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**Tra-la-la from Long Beach U**

The 86-member Chamber Choir from California State University, Long Beach is scheduled to perform at 8 p.m. Thursday in College Union room 220.

The guest choir is under the direction of Wesley Reed who is also director of the Men's Chorus and the administrator of the Choral Studies Program at Long Beach.

The Chamber Choir performs concerts annually throughout the Long Beach-Los Angeles area besides this show. Admission is free to students and the public.
Ex-Peruvian president to discuss Latin road

Former Peruvian President Fernando Belaunde Terry will speak at 9 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 9 in Chumash Auditorium on foreign affairs and the importance of road transportation in developing nations.

The talk is jointly sponsored by the School of Architecture and Environmental Design. Admission is free.

Under the Belaunde administration, Peru joined with the governments of Colombia, Ecuador and Bolivia in the development of the Marginal Forest Highway through those countries in 1917.

The highway brought settlers to unused land along its route. A study showed that the road would pay for itself with new agricultural output including bananas, beef, rice, tea and coffee.

ASI budgets due Thursday

Deadline for submission of 1971-74 ASI budgets is Thursday, Feb. 1, according to Mike Meiring, ASI finance committee chairman.

Groups wishing to receive funds from next year's ASI budgets must have submitted requests to the finance committee by the deadline date.

As of the Jan. 21 Finance Committee meeting, only two such requests have been received, according to Meiring. Those will be under discussion at the Finance Committee meeting of Jan. 26.

The Feb. 1 deadline will not apply to those organizations that submitted late requests. Deadline for such forms was Jan. 16.

Belaunde was troubled by the fact that South America's population lived densely along the coast while fewer than five per cent lived in the back country of the jungle heartland. Much of the continent was not being used despite its being one of the largest arable land masses in the world.

Construction of the highway resulted in growth of new houses and living complexes along its route. New industries bolstered the economy. Agricultural productivity increased to help feed the growing nation.

Belaunde's idea for the Marginal Forest Highway has promoted other roads in various parts of the world.

Portance of early applications for admission by those hoping to begin their studies here during the 1974-75 university year. He said many prospective students mistakenly believe that applications for admission for the Fall Quarter 1974 cannot be made after Nov. 30. Late applications for the 1973 Fall Quarter are still being received and applications for 1974 Winter and Spring Quarters will be received during June, 1973 respectively.

Applications are being encouraged in majors which are likely to have student spaces unfilled, including several in engineering and technology, agriculture, and in science majors such as chemistry, physics, and mathematics. Late applications are also being accepted in business administration, economics, and political science.

Valpey urges students wanting to begin their studies at the university next fall to contact the counselor at their high school or community college, or to visit the university Admissions Office, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. on weekdays and from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays.

Bike-A-Thon

Chris-K Club will sponsor a Multiple-Sclerosis Benefit Bike-A-Thon Saturday. Cyclists will begin at Mission Plaza in San Luis Obispo, travel along Johnson Avenue and Orcutt Road to Lopez Drive and return along Highway 117 (Edna Road and Broad Street) back to the starting point.

"All bike riders are invited to join in the Bike-A-Thon," says James Marchall, president of Chris-K. Participants obtain their own sponsors and Multiple-Sclerosis is paid for each mile the biker rides. The donation per mile is up to the sponsor. Riders under 16 must have parental consent and all funds go to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Application blanks are available at the Activities Office.
Mustang pole vaulter Dave Hamer clears the fourth floor place in the Sunkist Invitational in Los Angeles, Calif., last weekend, clearing 17 feet.

**Brown Sunkist winner**

Wade Reynaldo Brown and Dave Hamer qualified in last week's Invitational indoor meet at Los Angeles, Calif., with some tough competition. The Mustangs cleared 17 feet in winning the pole vault.

**Cost of living Increases**

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The government said Tuesday sharp increases for eggs, fresh vegetables, new cars, rent, property taxes and home insurance pushed consumer prices up 0.8 per cent in December to close out 1971 with a 3.4 per cent increase in the cost of living for the year.

Although this was the same as the 3.4 per cent rise in 1971 and still above the administration's target of a 2 to 3 per cent annual rate of inflation, the White House said "substantial progress" had been made in the fight against inflation.

**Faculty ready?**

Family and staff members, how are your basketball skills shaping up?

If you are ready for a little action, a team comprised of family and staff members is being formed to challenge the Mustang basketball team next Monday at 6:30 p.m. The game will be a preliminary contest to the Mustang-Hayward State game.

Those interested in playing are asked to attend practice with Coach Dave Humann at 840-8894.

**Judo club set**

A new Judo club is being offered by the Judo Club of this campus beginning Thursday night.

The beginners class in Kodokan Judo will be held Tuesday and Thursday, the entire quarter from 7 to 9 p.m. in room 301 (the wrestling room) of the Men's Gym.

The cost to participants will be the quarterly Judo Club fee of $6 for men and $8 for women, with the renewal fee being $8 per quarter.

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**Why does a man join Maryknoll?**

There are probably as many reasons as there are individual Maryknoll priests and Brothers. Some men who are called to serve among the poor are being drawn by the teaching of Fr. Duff, who has been called upon to change their lifestyle. Others have been attracted by the opportunity to work with the poor and to share their concerns. Many men are interested in the challenge of working with the poor and in sharing their beliefs. Some men are drawn to the education of young men and women. If you keep saying you want to do something with your life—the answer is: "Here's your chance to prove it."