ASI president criticizes Poli Administration

By JULIA PRODIN

ASI President Kevin Creighton criticized the Administration in his State of the State Address Wednesday night as "listening but not hearing" the concerns of Cal Poly students.

In his address to the Student Senate, Creighton said his two biggest concerns are the lack of attention from the university administration concerning a Great Row and the AddDrop Policy.

"I have been annoyed at the Administration's response to my request for information on the possibility of a Great Row. I was promised a letter from President Baker in January - it's April. Why is it taking so long?"

The letter from President Warren Baker was to have included precise information for the fraternity system to make a proposal. The California State University Board of Trustees to purchase land for a Great Row. The trustees have said that no Cal-Poly land can be leased to another party, but that did not include selling the land.

Creighton said that the trustees should look at the fraternity system's proposal as unique and allow them to buy the land. Creighton said the whole process is stagnating until Baker sends him a list of guidelines for the fraternity system.

Creighton said a test of student influence with the Administration will be the final decision on the proposed AddDrop Policy, which has been held up in various committees since September.

"I want to measure the role of student influence at Cal Poly," said Creighton.

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No solution seen for class shortages

By MARC MEREDITH

Classes that should be taken in sequence but aren't offered that way are a problem, said students who want to take the next class in their French sequence but can't because the department doesn't have the resources to offer the class.

William Little, Foreign Languages Department head, said in order for the department to completely cycle its courses, that is to offer all classes in a sequence every quarter, it would be necessary to add at least two instructors full-time and the resources simply aren't there.

The problem is one of time for the students. In the French class scenario the students took French 102 Spring Quarter, 1984. They were then faced with a six month wait until French 103 was offered. Winter Quarter, 1985. Then they were told the next class in the sequence, French 201, would not be offered until Fall Quarter, 1985, another six month wait.

The department has told students that the second year classes need not be taken in sequence, so motivated students could take French 203 which is offered this quarter. However, the French instructors are discouraging all but the brightest students from doing so citing lack of preparedness for the more advanced class.

Little said the system has worked for Spanish classes but is a difficult situation for both the staff and the students. "The problem is intolerable," he said, but the university is not giving enough resources to completely cycle classes.

The Administration has been alerted to the problem, Little said, but everyone is in a hard place right now and we all have to work with less resources than we would like.

Odile Clause, the French professor teaching this quarter, said there are only 6-4 instructors for three classes and three minors, which aren't enough and would be necessary to triple the department size to cope with a university of 15,000 students, even at a polytechnic university.

"Especially here," he added. Vice Provost Malcolm Wilson, who oversees academic scheduling for the university, said his office hasn't been made aware of any scheduling difficulties and that students who have complained that isn't satisfied at the school level should contact his office.

Wilson said he thought part of the problem might be the number of students taking foreign languages classes. When numbers are small, he said, the department would only offer the class once a year.

But Little said his positive classes would be filled if they could be offered. The thing that's lacking are the resources, he said, not the students.

For those students currently involved in the situation there appears to be no easy solution. They are faced with a struggle for a low grade in an advanced course or for a long wait until the Please see TECHNOLOGY, page 3

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Prof discusses technology advances

By JAN SPARGUE

"Allowing ourselves to think the unthinkable when dealing with our advancing technology is a human asset that may help us deal with those changes we'll deal with in the future," a Cal Poly English professor said Thursday.

Dr. Michael Orth, a Cal Poly English professor, demonstrated his views of technology by donning a winged hat.

Orth's talk was part of the communicative Arts and Humanities lecture series: "Imagining the Imagination."

Orth illustrated his view of some types of technology to an audience of about 50.

"In World War II, while near the German border, my commander told me that when the Russians come, climb to the top of a haystack, wave a bottle of vodka, and shout, 'Never Mind' in Russian. Well I say that to technology today," said Orth, adding that technology can be viewed as a beast or a savior.

Orth said he feels the gray style of technology, or physics, has received more attention than its counterpart, the green style, of biology. "The most formidable change has come from green forms," said Orth. "Our fragmentary understanding of DNA is enough not only to read the code, but create it eventually."

Orth cited examples such as test tubes and bio-machines and touted drugs that are in use today as ways in which technology is shaping the future. Whether it's good or bad remains to be seen, said Orth.

Technology may soon offer time to lake the next class in their sequence, so motivated students could take French 203 which is offered this quarter. However, the French instructors are discouraging all but the brightest students from doing so citing lack of preparedness for the more advanced class.

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Children's Center dilemma: facing possible ASI cuts

By JAN SPARGUE

Whether or not Cal Poly students should help support the campus Children's Center is an issue that has struck many sensitivities, from ASI Finance Committee members to the student parents who say they need such a facility in order to complete their education.

The issue is one that has many people searching for the right answers.

ASI Finance Committee member Jeff Hunt would like to see alternatives to the current Children's Center program explored.

"The Children's Center got $38,000 last year from ASI and now they want a $2,000 increase," said Hunt. "The issue here is, should ASI give enough of its budget to an organization that serves only one-half of one percent of the student body?" Hunt said he would like to see the program scaled down to decrease costs.

The Children's Center will receive most of the money for its $353,000 budget from the state, but relies on ASI funding for the balance. Priority enrollment is given to lower income student parents when filling the 36 available spaces. Children of faculty and staff are admitted when there are no families to fill fee-paying slots.

Hunt questions whether ASI should be subsidizing a program used by faculty and staff.

ASI President Kevin Creighton said he would also like to see less student money go into the Children's Center budget.

"Why should the student body be paying close to $40,000 a year to subsidize childcare? Why can't the state pick up more of the funding for this program?" asked Creighton at the annual budget hearing of the ASI Finance Committee, adding that childcare should be the parent's responsibility.

Margo Dade, a single mother of two who attends Cal Poly and works at the El Corral Bookstore, said she feels the student voice isn't enough of her responsibility for her children herself. But if I don't do the help, it'll be hard for me to help myself," she said.

"I'd like to ask students who are not parents to try to understand what it's like when I take a fall class load, plus work, plus raise a family," said Dade.

Creighton said students agree with the proposal to add Drop Policy but the faculty is divided.

Little said a two week wait and a two week plus one day drop period is "The change to the new AddDrop Policy has been too slow," he said. "If the student voice is heard, they should be able to initiate change."
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President, California Polytechnic State University

From: The students

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Sincerely,

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CHILDREN'S CENTER

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Center's list for about a year. She said she hoped she'd be allowed by Fall Quarter, when her husband Isaac will be entering Cal Poly to finish his engineering degree and she'll be working full-time to help support the family. "We can't afford any place but the Center," said Lorraine.

Dianne Long, faculty adviser for the Children's Center, sees a number of ways to approach this issue. "If ASI objectives are to serve a large number of people, then they'll have to give concerts over a children's center for students. On the other hand, they want to see long-term benefits, they'll choose to support the Center, said Long.

"The size of the program is not a factor," said Lang, "because of economies of scale. A smaller program would mean less state funds."

ASI has a $8.4 million budget to distribute to about 45 campus organizations. The Committee has also felt increasing financial restraints, said Hunt. Because of inflation, many campus programs have increased costs. ASI Executive Director Roger Conway agrees that the budget is diminishing. "I haven't heard anyone say that the Children's Center isn't a good program," Conway said ASI Controller Yvonne Rickers.

"Does ASI feel a Children's Center is important enough to support or not?" asks Ricketts. "We're not running a babysitting service. We run a comprehensive program that provides a service for student-parents, a lab for students from a variety of majors committing, said Conway.

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African relief in Pismo Beach

By BRUCE PINKLETON
Staff Writer

An African famine relief rally will be held in downtown Pismo Beach on Saturday, April 6, beginning at 10:15 a.m.

"Small Town with a Big Heart" is the theme of the rally, which will be held in the Burger Factory parking lot, 690 Dolliver, Pismo Beach, and run throughout the day.

Assemblyman Eric Seastrand will provide opening remarks when the ribbon cutting ceremony takes place, about 10:30 a.m.

The rally, sponsored by Burger Factory restaurants and the Red Cross, is part of a larger nationwide effort aimed at alleviating starvation in famine-stricken parts of Africa.

A $5,000 goal has been set and Red Cross representatives will collect all donations to make sure the money is handled properly.

"100 percent of the money donated is guaranteed to go to the African famine victims," said Burger Factory owner Diana Perparos. The Red Cross has pledged to use other funds for administrative costs involved with relief efforts, she said.

On display in Kennedy Library currently is an exhibit of artifacts collected by Cal Poly Peace Corps workers. Materials from different parts of the world are combined in the first floor display to illustrate the many cultures.
Eleven women have qualified for nationals

While other students take break, Mustangs run well over vacation

BY KELLY MOORE

While many Cal Poly students spent the spring break baking in the sun or sleeping in until noon, the Cal Poly women's track team used the vacation to quality Mustangs for nationals and set a school record.

Before finals began last quarter, the Mustangs trained for three weeks without a meet while preparing for finals exams. The weeks of work more than paid off, with eight Mustangs hitting qualifying marks in the Stanford Trackfest last weekend, giving Cal Poly 11 national qualifying performances on the year.

Nine lifetime bests and a new school record in the heptathlon by sophomore Sharon Hanson were also recorded at the meet with UCLA, Stanford, more than 15 other colleges and the World Class Track Club.

Three Cal Poly relay teams grabbed a first, second and third. Valerie Brisco-Hooks, a three-time Olympic gold medalist, led the World Class Track Club in setting a new meet record of 43.65 in the 400-meter relay, with the Mustang relay team of Ceci Chandler, Felicia Saville, Patrice Carpenter and Veronica Storvick garnering third in 43.69.

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Other national qualifiers include Katy Manning, second in the 3,000 9:46.7; Laurie Hagan, seventh in the 400 low hurdles 56.2; Robyn Root, fifth in the 5,000, 17:00.3; and Colleen Kevany, third in the javelin (142-0).

The Asi, UU, and Children's Center audits for FY 1983-84 are complete and copies are in the Asi Business office if you wish to review them — UU 202.
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Lowenbrau. Here’s to good friends.
Easter egg hunt set for Sunday

The traditional hunting for colored eggs on Easter Sunday continues for area children, ten-year-old and below, this year at Laguna Lake Park.

The event, sponsored by Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity, will begin at noon and feature hunts with prizes and a visit by the Easter Bunny.

Jerry Hansen, chairman of this year's event, said that he hopes for another fun filled time for all the kids. "Last year there were over 100 kids participating and we hope for an even bigger turnout. A lot of work has gone into planning this years hunt and we want as many kids as possible to participate and have a great day." Laguna Lake Park is located on Madonna Road, east of Highway 101.

For more information call Phi Kappa Psi at 543-9652.

Barber's objective reporting. In 1966, when he told his listeners the last-place home team was playing before a Yankee Stadium crowd of 413, Yankee management bristled.

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Life after broadcasting has treated Barber well. He has spent the last 19 years writing six books, tending his garden in Tallahassee, Fla., and enjoying time with his wife Lylah.

He is spright and trim, and still speaks his active mind on National Public Radio every Friday morning.

While Barber is reticent about today's broadcasters, he does enjoy the way Vince Scully calls a game. "Of course, he's my boy," he said. Barber "I broke him in at Brooklyn."
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