Come hell or high water, I’m gonna get that lousy car

By Tracy C. Fowler

After staying awake for more than 76 hours with his ankles packed in ice, an only slightly bleary-eyed Mark Reimer won a brand new sports car in the Mitsu-Oh Mitsubishi Marathon.

Reimer, a Cal Poly business senior, placed his hand, along with hands from 30 others marathoning, on a 1990 Mitsubishi ship in downtown San Luis Obispo.

One entrant was chosen at random from each of the 30 participating local businesses. Each business donated a 1990 Mitsubishi car, and 30 Cal Poly students who tried to make the cut were the only ones to qualifications.

Local businessmen and politicians gathered downtown on Monday for the groundbreaking ceremony of San Luis Obispo’s second multi-story parking garage.

The four-story structure will be built at the corner of March and Chorro streets and is expected to be completed by fall of 1990. It will have about 300 parking spaces and will cost an estimated $4 million to build, said Forrest Watts, chairman of the city Parking Management Committee.

Watts, who has been involved in the planning of the structure from its early stages, said the development met many delays in deciding on the site and the carefully chosen design of the structure.

“It’s a big building,” he said, “but we want it to have it designed so it didn’t look like a big building.

“We wanted to have it blend in with the area a little, and not be a big ugly thing.”

The bottom floor of the structure will be leased by Riley’s department store, who sold the lot to the city. They will use the bottom floor for an expansion of its retail stores. Watts said this will help the structure blend in with the rest of the downtown shopping towns.

Pierre Redemaker, president of the Business Improvement Project, said the structure is an important step in addressing the traffic congestion.

“(The structure) is a small tangible tip on a broader effort of people throughout the city to address the traffic problem,” he said. “It’s more than just steel and concrete, it’s a symbol of the relationship between the city and its citizens.”

Student maintains his innocence in rape

By Laura Bestor

A Cal Poly economics senior pleaded innocent at his arraignment after being charged with the rape of another student, a detective of the San Luis Obispo police department said Monday.

According to Detective Craig Gill, Robert Gordon Taylor Jr. was arrested on March 17 at the Mathematics and Computer Education Building on campus.

Taylor was last enrolled winter quarter 1989. According to the Greek Directory, Taylor is a member of Alpha Epsilon Pi fraternity (SAE).

Taylor’s trial is scheduled for July 17 in San Luis Obispo Superior Court.

Gill said she asked Taylor to come over to him and led her by the hand, without saying much, to his nearby apartment.

According to Gill, Taylor was last enrolled in the computer science department. Taylor told her that he was going to rape her.

She was quiet about the incident for a few days, Gill said, but eventually told a professor who referred her to the Health Center.

INSIDE

One little apple ruined Adam’s and Eve’s whole stay in Eden, but today’s consumers have to worry about every kind of produce they buy. In response to recent controversies about chemical use in produce, Cal Poly has formed a committee to study sustainable agriculture.
Ticket sales are essential to grad

Editor — In response to "Grad ticket sharks prey at Poly" (May 22): Schuermann obviously understands neither the plight of some students nor the economics of a capitalist market.

I am graduating in June, and I have sold all my grad tickets. I wish I could have bought them for my friends. However, unlike many students at Poly, I do not have money and daddy to pay for my education. I have had to work, sometimes two jobs at a time, to pay for my education. Financial aid has been cut so much recently that it comes nowhere close to paying my expenses. Especially at the end of the school year, when summer savings are long gone, I have to scrimp and save to pay rent every month. Don't talk to me about conscience until you have been there, too. I need the money. My parents cannot come to my graduation because I have lost my homework, would his professor forgive him? He blew it, not me. Why should I give my tickets to him?

Jeff Kidd
Computer Science

As your friend who lost his tickets, I sympathize, but if he lost his homework, would his professor forgive him? He blew it, not me. Why should I give my tickets to him?

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I truly hope before you become a DVM you learn not to jump to conclusions. Next time you decide to leave a note, leave your name and number if you think you are so right.

Dennis Gunter
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Taco loses $200 Bell, ‘feels naked’

By Mike McMillan

“We feel naked,” said Maider Toney, area operations manager for Taco Bell.

Taco Bell’s rooftop alarm was not functioning last Saturday due to a new phone system being installed in the restaurant.

“About a year and a half ago I scared away some kids after hearing their footsteps on the roof,” said Toney. “This time we were so busy that nobody heard them.”

Toney said if the bell is not returned within a few days, Taco Bell will ask for a full investigation.

“We just want to get it back,” Toney said. “Right now we’re just taco. There is no bell.”

PARKING

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Mayor Ron Dunin agreed that the structure is a symbol of unity between businesses, citizens and politicians.

“I hope that this trend in unity of business will spill over into the rest of the community so it can become a united community towards united goals,” he said.

DA VINCI

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could have won the Igor I. Sikorsky Award of $25,000 offered by the American Helicopter Society. This prize is awarded to the first team that builds a human-powered helicopter. In order to win, the helicopter must fly for 60 seconds, remain within a 10-meter square, and reach an altitude of three meters.

But it wasn’t the money that first attracted the students. Constructing the first human-powered hovering machine was their top priority. They also wanted to prove that their rotor design could stand the test of being in motion. The rotor blades were tested at NASA’s wind tunnels in Mountain View, Calif.

In March of last year, the Da Vinci II, last year’s project, crashed inside a McDonnell Douglas hangar in Long Beach. Da Vinci IIIB however was a lot better and lighter than Da Vinci II, Perón said. “Performance isn’t the problem, it’s the stability,” Perón said.

Da Vinci IIIB, with its 100-foot diameter weighs about 140 pounds. Because of its light weight and since the helicopter can’t take any wind, all testing is done indoors. “The people at Vandenberg were fantastic for allowing us to stay here all week,” Perón said.

The 45 students, mostly aeronautical and mechanical engineering majors, will wait until school is out before repairing the “moderately damaged” rotor blade, said Cal Poly spokesman Bob Anderson. “Hopefully in September, the club will have another test flight, I know they’ll be back for sure.”
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Philip Farley, former alternate chief negotiator for the SALT I and ABM treaties, will give the lecture as part of a three-day campus visit. Farley will briefly review the status of arms control negotiations now under way, the hurdles they face and hopes for what they might accomplish.

Now a senior research associate at Stanford University's Center for International Security and Arms Control, Farley was involved in the strategic arms and anti-ballistic missile talks from 1969 to 1973 with rank of ambassador.

Some of his work at Stanford has included co-authoring a study of the "Star Wars" missile defense plan.

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The grapes of wrath
Long-stemming controversy over chemical use prompts the state and Cal Poly to act

By Jenny Midgett

strongly than ever, said Judy Fraser of the San Luis Obispo County Agricultural Commissioner's Office.

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