New Senate Sworn In Monday Night

New second semester members of the Student Senate elected last week will be sworn into office at a spring installation dinner at Marty's Valley Inn next Monday night at 7 p.m.

They are: David Ealing, vice president; Ralph Sanchez, AMS president; Karen Olson, AWs president; Kathy Basted, Dennis McMartin, Lovrta Biedy, Art Streano, Ellen Svensoon and Julie Tull, representatives.

Bearing no resemblance to Spiro T. Agnew, 19-year-old David Ealing pulled the Veep AS slot beating out Arthur Turawski.

The blond-haired sophomore plans an active hitch in office. Dave feels more student interest and activity is desirable and would like to see stronger individual participation of ICC members.

Stepping into the limelight as AMS president is 22-year-old Ralph L. Sanchez, Ralph ran unopposed for the AMS vacancy on his apt campaign slogan, "A tax in every pot."

The new president exhibited his enthusiasm and energy when he revealed these future AMS activities: a beard growing contest, followed by a dance, the awards and the annual surfing contest, beach party, billiards tourney, and intramural-type contests between area schools.

He came to Oceanside after a two-year hitch in the Navy in which he saw duty in Vietnam. After suffering a concussion from mortar shell explosions, he was hospitalized and received a 2-month early discharge to attend school.

Ambassador McGhee Keynotes 4th 'Studies'

With controversy and speculation as to what the Russian Bear will next pull out of his bag of tricks, the fourth annual Center For Pacific Studies will march to the theme: "Four Critical Challenges - American foreign policy as it relates to Russian relations with Middle East, Germany, the Balkans and Red China."

The three-day convention will get under way March 18-20 in Spartan Gym. An array of speakers is scheduled with the keynote speaker on the state Ambassador-at-Large George C. McGhee, Chief State Department troubleshooter. Ambassador McGhee's talk will be themed "Russia and Germany: Deadlock?" The Ambassador is a native of Waaco, Texas, and has earned an engineering degree from the University of Oklahoma.

As a Rhodes Scholar at Oxford University, he earned a Ph.D., in 1937, going on to attend the University of London.

Working for oil companies through the 1930's, he established an oil producing firm in 1940. World War II brought three battle stars and the Legion of Merit while serving as a Navy officer.

The 57-year-old statistician joined the State Department in 1947, serving in numerous foreign aid posts before moving on to become ambassador-at-large in 1963.

After resigning his post in 1963, he returned to diplomatic service in 1961 as Under-Secretary for Political Affairs and Director of the Panama Canal Company.

He served as Ambassador to Germany in 1963 and won appointment as Ambassador-at-Large in 1958. His wife is the former Cecilia Jeanne DeGolyer. They have six children.

College president Dr. John MacDonald will announce other speakers at a future date.
Registration At State: Is It Tough?

Editor's Note: Former Chariot Feature Editor George Colbert is now a Journalism major at State. He tells here in a new report how registering at Aztec campus is not too tough if you plan well.

For the MiraCosta student transferring to San Diego State College next semester, a few tips are provided to help him make a painless transition. February is not too soon to start thinking seriously about some of the problems one might encounter. A visit to venerable Aztec campus during registration and the first week of classes is an eye-opener.

In the first place, the visitor can find a place on the sprawling campus in which to park his car. If he is lucky he may even park beneath the bottom of the hill upon which is perched the Social Science building. Then he has but 152 steps to climb to reach West Commons where registration form "letalis" are queued awaiting the "go" signal, much akin to H-Hour. The surprising thing soon apparent will be the total dependence on computers.

Students mill about clutching dog-eared class scheduled cards that become so wrinkled the computer will either assign their name to classes of which he has never heard or reject his cards outright.

If the first alternative results, one is in too bad a situation for opening day and is unlikely to be among the ranks of students unable to register.

There is an institution at State not mentioned in the catalog. It is called "cruising." The term does not refer to one's presence at a happening but to his unregistered presence in a class. The class convenes for the first time at 9 a.m. in BA 447, for instance, 40 or 45 students file into a room in which 35 chain are rearranged in geometrical neatness.

The beaming professor of Accounting 189 welcomes the hopeful students, including the late-comers, and argues readily along the walls, eyeing morosely their seated classmates.

The IBM listing is read after the professor emphasized that only those names which appear thereon are officially admitted to the class.

Following the reading a furor develops as several students whose names were not called, object heatedly that they not only signed for the class but paid registration fees.

The instructor advises them to check with the Registrar. "The computer has dropped a few cards," he apologizes, "But everything will be straightened out. I'll just put your names on the waiting list ahead of those who could not register for the class."

As the Powers-That-Be have prescribed a maximum of 35 students for Accounting 189, then about ten names all on the waiting list the professor refuses to acknowledge the standard--and those students are recognized as "crashers." During the next several sessions, they must be present each time for to be absent means their elimination.

Sooner or later they will probably be admitted officially, as some students drop out and the determination has been made that the IBM listing also contains the names of those students who are to be in Accounting 198 (instead of 189) or Basketweaving 103, or whatever.

Fortunately there is more an optimistic side to the situation. The college has a large number of students (about 21,000) but out of all the confusion emerges the framework of skillful planning by the Administration which actually maintains errors at a very low level.

But all the planning in the world is useless unless those of the plans, the students in this case, perform their share of the two-way transaction.

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The cheerleaders of Accountancy 101

Dear Editor:

Students at MiraCosta are fortunate in having one of the finest junior college facilities in the state. Our professors have spent many years in study and have accumulated a wealth of teaching experience. They are concerned, not only with academic growth of the students, but with their personal growth as well. They are never too busy to discuss individual problems.

Few of our instructors will have the satisfaction of seeing a student walk as a, handful of students go on to achieve academic brilliance, but perhaps their greatest satisfaction comes in knowing that they have awakened a desire and need in some students to participate in the experience of education.

We tend to take our professors for granted as we go to class, but they personally thanked for their patience, encouragement, dedication and inspiration.

We wish to acknowledge the efforts of our faculty on our behalf by saying "Thank you." Thank you for the experience of education.

Virginia Hammelt

Dear Editor:

The Palomar College newspaper, "Telecope," using an article from the Cerritos College newspaper "Talon Marks," reported on the California college claimant who predicts the date of the BIG EARTHQUAKE as April 1, 1969.

This is reminiscent of other predictions during the last few years. We who still patiently wait recall the California minister who envisioned God's destruction of California via earthquake, and predict that some gentleman led a congregation out of state to the safety of Texas.

He arrived just in time for the minor quake that rocked the East Coast, an obvious stunt. Feelings of some were the same in San Francisco, 1906, after that infamous quake and fire. There were only a few buildings standing, one of which was Hotaling's Whisky Warehouse. Upon observing this, San Franciscan Charles K. Field wrote:

If as we say, some man spanked the town
For being over-frisky,
Why didn't he burn the churches down
And save Hotaling's Whisky?

Do women take their education as seriously as men? It is hoped that MiraCosta would like to thank you for all your "support" during the year, but unfortunately we are not too sure of your coming.

During football season, spirit was limited, and now during basketball, we have none.

Do you know what is the job of a cheerleader? It is to lead the crowd in cheers, not to merely entertain. At basketball games we are watched and then a small fraction is given. No more. They just sit, look, and comment.

We are a display that does not serve the purposes for which we are there. Sometimes, we wonder why we are out there, for all the support we get.

We have tried to do our job...

Have you?

The cheerleaders

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A New Beginning

Sincere apologies from the CHARIOT staff for the slight delay in this paper. Being a school with a fast turnover of students, we see many new faces on The Chariot staff each semester, most of whom lack any journalistic experience or training.

What with school starting in the middle of a week, two holidays, slow production, unanticipated delays slowed the press.

Happily we are back on the road to smooth production and will strive to present you with a readable, professional, interesting campus paper.

Letters may be typewritten or hand written. No particular format or style is necessary. We welcome letters from day as well as night students, faculty membership, school employees, students or slide under K49 door after hours. Names of writers will be withheld upon request.

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1. Who ran as presidential candidate for the People’s Party in 1892?
2. Where is the heaviest bell in the world?
3. Where is the heaviest bell in the world?
4. Which extinct animal was the most popular?
Underfoot

Queezy Steps on Campus
Lawns Tell Watery Tale

By Ted Mariconcelli

been walking across lawns lately after recent rains? Do you get a queezy feeling the sod beneath is about to give way any time? Have you experienced the man-made swamps near the Student Center?

According to Clinton Pedley, veteran Board of Trustees member, who tested the soil upon the purchase of the site several years ago, surface diablo clay and tight-packed silica sand forms a base that simply will not absorb water. Hence, that feeling is genuine. Water is moving under the grass.

"The black adobe soil (diablo clay) feeds plants quite well but the sand will grow nothing," Pedley said. A long-time leader in the flower industry, Pedley was concerned with landscaping the new campus.

"Lawns and ground cover will grow there but trees and shrubs will present a problem," he added. Another result from his tests showed the poor absorption of water by the campus soil.

Silica sand actually repelled water, he declared. "I could put a gallon of water in a hole in the ground and it would still be there weeks later."

Since water is repelled by the ground MC is built on, it runs down the slopes to form those swamps students often walk through. Where the ground is level, it stays just beneath the surface, giving the feel one is walking on a layer of quicksand. Now the obvious way to avoid wet or muddy shoes is to keep on the sidewalks.

Clinton Pedley

We bend over backward to help you.

Your faculty advisor asks you for advice?

Think it over, over coffee.
The Think Drink.

Power Failure Stops Campus During Exams

A massive power failure on January 24 caused many unplanned things to take place on MiraCosta College campus.

Not only did it bring an abrupt end to the Victor Valley basketball game in progress, but many final examinations had to be taken in the Library in the next few days.

The Communications, Science and Math Centers were completely without lights or heat. Cause of this power failure was due to heavy rains before and during final examinations. Rain-water flooded underground electrical conduits housed below the concrete benches scattered over campus and caused shorts in electrical cables not designed for underwater operation.

At the basketball game regulation time had expired, and the two teams had returned to their benches prior to an overtime period when zap! The lights unexpectedly went out. After ten minutes, the game was called a tie and players and fans groped from the gym. The lights did not come on again until 120 hours later.

Old Volkswagens never die.

Some of them turn into dune buggies. And go racing, and bounding, and bouncing around on the desert. Now, if you do all your driving around town, don't feel left out. Because the main point we want to make is this: The things that make a bug a good buggy are the same things that make it a good family car.

The air-cooled engine, for instance, can run all day in the desert sun without overheating. Your more conventional VW has the same advantage on a clogged freeway. When water and tempers start to boil.

The engine is also rear-mounted for better traction. Perfect for dune buggy drivers in all that sand. And not bad for you regular people just trying to get moving on a slippery street.

The Volkswagen has independent suspension on all four wheels. This is a very stable arrangement for racing—often flying—over the dunes. And very comfortable on a country road. Or an almost-paved street.

When an overly large dune is encountered, the VW's quick, precise steering can turn as fast as the driver can change his mind. Which can be a definite advantage in these days of defensive driving too.

Then there's the way the bug is built. Any car that could take ten years of normal driving, and then go banging around on the desert is obviously built to last.

So, if you need a good, practical, family car that won't cost you in a few years, drive a Volkswagen.

And if you ever do hear the call of the wild, you'll be ready.

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Basketball Team Wins Two Big Ones

Baseball Opens On Two Wins

The MiraCosta baseball team started the new season winning two and dropping one in action last week.

In a slugfest Tuesday, the Spartans won an 11-10 decision over San Diego City College on a grand slam homer by Jim Vesney. San Diego City retaliated Thursday by thumping the Spartans 9-3. But the Spartans picked up its second win via a two-hit 5-0 shut-out over Palomar College. Buck's teammates doubled the distance for MC.

The Spartans came from behind twice in the first meeting with SDCC to finally take the lead and victory.

Coach John Seeley's squad tied the score 7-7 in the fourth, pushing four runs across the plate. The scoring took place after two errors, and Louie Montanez singled to drive Buchanon home. The lead switched hands several times before the Eagles moved ahead by nine, 5-4-4. With two minutes remaining in the first half, MiraCosta hit for 10 straight points to pull ahead by two. Lanen made two, Allan Ruden two and Glover six in the scoring spree. Dave Kramer of MJC sunk his shot at the buzzer to knot the score.

The Spartans broke away in the second half, moving ahead 82-66 before the Eagles started to chip away the lead. Once down by 16, MJC San Jacinto fought back to cut the Spartan advantage to 7, trailing 89-82 with 4:12 to go.

MiraCosta then displayed a savage scoring attack, sinking 10 straight points before the Eagles could find the scoring range on Langen's charity line for MC.

Cagers End Play Tomorrow

Because of the Friday holiday, the CHARIOT was released today (Monday) and we do not have the results of the basketball clashes with Victor Valley and Barstow Friday and Saturday night.

The Spartans wind up the season tomorrow night, hosting the Antelope Valley Marauders. The teams met in the San Bernardino Tournament where MiraCosta won an 87-61 decision. In their first conference meeting, Antelope Valley took the victory 87-76 after the Spartans lost three men because of fouls.

The Marauders have a balanced scoring attack and usually make great use of the "press." Mike Buck led Antelope Valley, tallying 22 points in the last time the two schools met. Buck's teammates added with Jim Clark contributing 19, Steve Storcy 15, Jim Pugh 14, and Glen Christoff 11.

Come out and watch this last game. Give a great team a fitting finale.

Track Team Trains For First Meet

MiraCosta thincclads are exercising daily on the athletic field under the watchful eyes of Coach Earl Thompson Jr. in preparation for the upcoming Long Beach Relays on March 1.

First Desert Conference competition will be at Victor Valley on March 22 with the running of the Desert Relays. The Spartans will have their initial dual meet when they meet Imperial Valley, defending champions, on March 29 at El Centro. Favored DC track teams are IVC, COD, AVC and MCC.

Coach Thompson is very pleased with the excellent turnout of track candidates but he would like additional men to assure full representation in every event.

"We want winners in second and third places too," Coach Thompson said, "for it is here that track meets are won too." Further candidates are welcome each afternoon.

Promising point winners include Eddie Johnson, Larry Crayton, sprinters; Martin Nolanaco, Harry Renfro, distance events; Craig Vittlazo, javelin; Bob Glover, high jump and Rick Smith, Phil Noble and Jon Stewart, vaulters.

Defeat Mt. San Jacinto, COD To End Streak

By John Donnors

Chariot Sports Editor

The MiraCosta basketball squad broke a three-game losing streak with a double victory last weekend which included a 105-90 thumping of Mt. San Jacinto and an 82-59 drubbing of College of the Desert.

The Eagles and Roadrunners Lose Four

Spartans Drop Cage Games During Break

During the semester exams the MiraCosta basketball squad went into a slump, winning one while dropping four games plus one tie. Playing on the Spartan floor January 24, Victor Valley and MiraCosta played to an 85-85 standstill until a power failure stopped the tilt.

Renewing cross-college rivalry with Palomar College, the Spartans dropped a 70-62 decision to the Comets.

Four points put three starters out of the game against Antelope Valley when the Spartans went down to an 87-76 defeat.

Trailing 48-40 at the half, MiraCosta never threatened until 8:14 remained in the game when they tied 69-69. The Antelope Valley team then steamed ahead 31 points to pull away. The Antelope Valley Marauders coached by Jim Vesney and Glen Christoff 11.

The following week Imperial Valley topped MiraCosta 94-66, having nailed the Spartans 94-66, having earlier lost to MC 94-82.

Palo Verde, losing 66-65 to the Spartans in the first round, switched the tables around and squeaked out a 77-76 win.

LATIN — Rick Langen shows one of his versatile moves as he out-fakes a Palomar guard during their losing game last night on the Comet floor. PCC won 86-64.