Enrollment is down; expenses are up

by Edward Karlsson

The college's curriculum committee is searching for new recruiting methods for boosting enrollment, which dropped seriously this spring.

This is due, according to many subjects covered by the school's board of governs agenda Feb. 21, 1984. It contains a summary of the Jan. 31 and Feb. 7 meetings as well as that of Feb. 21, and is available at the Learning Resources Center.

Spring enrollment is 6,083, a drop from the 7,162 last year. Full-time college-credit students number 1,165; part-time, credit students total 4,356; 1,011 are non-credit, and 371 are seeking high school diplomas.

Girl-wall continues to improve around here as women's enrollment steadily climbs to up 68.8 percent of the student body, over 57.3 percent last spring and 58.9 percent in the spring of 1982.

All the ethnic and area-of residence breakdowns are available for the student to peruse.

O nlookers delighted

Students do it subconsciously

by Andy Mauro

About 50 good-natured students showed up at the last meeting of the student senate last week, while, from a banner closed the doors, an introduction was made and Karl Santo, a San Diego count, intoned: "Breathe deeply and listen to reason," he ordered in a firm but gentle way.

"It is difficult to be purely objective, said Clay Wiest, head of the Miracosta College's psychology department. "If you feel very strongly about a given view, it can hardly conceal how he feels even if he tries to do so."

It was pointed out to Wiest that in an English class assigned to write an essay, the students are cautioned not to get their religion or politics into it, because the teacher "is, in effect, a captive audience. But teachers have been known to let their own opinions mingle with the curriculum."

Wiest said, "Now in a religious school, I'd expect certain amounts of religious doctrine, partly because those who go there expect to get it."

"In the English department, it's particularly easy to touch upon almost any subject imaginable as a topic for writing. But I think there's a great deal of difference between making people sensitive to the delicate environment, both real, and either extreme, spending hundreds of millions of dollars to save the snail darter (a little fish)."

Wiest said that in the English department, students are encouraged to express their opinions freely, but they are expected to know the difference between stating facts and writing about what they personally believe.

Two students were interviewed on the subject of objective teaching at Miracosta. One of them commented on the teaching presented in a history class: "Mr. (Keith) Enger has been very fair. He hasn't subjected anyone to his political opinions, strongly in class. He will listen to other people's opinions. I don't think any of my teachers has ever done that way biased. I'm usually fairly aware of things like that because I don't like people forcing their opinions on me." The student said.

Another student has been studying political science and has nothing but praise for the professor, Leon Baradat. Last semester this student took Introduction to Soviet Political Society and is now taking American Institutions and History. Speaking of Professor Baradat's instruction in general, the student said: "I found it to be totally unbiased and fair. Just when you feel

Professor says teachers should be unbiased

Teachers in a tax-funded college should confine their instruction to the course material, but when they have strong feelings about their subject matter, it is difficult to be purely objective, said Clay Wiest, head of the Miracosta College English department. "It is incumbent on a teacher or professor to be as honest as possible about objectivity," said Wiest. "I know that's difficult to do, because a person who feels very strongly about a given view can hardly conceal how he feels even if he tries to do so."

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Proposed calendar for fall '84: too good to be true

By Paul Pattison

Most of the students agree, most of the faculty agrees, even the student senate agrees on a new calendar for the 88-85 school year at MiraCosta College.

The proposed new calendar would look like this: The fall semester would begin on Aug. 20 and end on Dec. 21. A combined Christmas and semester break would follow until the beginning of the spring semester on Jan. 16. The spring semester would last until May 26.

Like about everyone else on campus, I like this new proposal. Although school does start earlier than before, there is no loss of summer vacation because the spring semester ends early.

Also, with this new schedule, the troublesome two-week Christmas break is replaced with a much more realistic winter semester break. It sounds almost too good to be true, and it is.

MiraCosta President H. Deon Holt recommends that we hold off on implementing the new schedule until we have "analyzed the experience at other community colleges."

Holt also says that a change to the early "calendar" has dropped the enrollment at several colleges, something he says, MiraCosta cannot afford with the advent of tuition by the Fall '84 semester.

Holt, however, is not the only opposition of the proposed early calendar. A number of students do not like the change because it will make those students with children left to arrange for baby-sitters until the public schools open. Other complaints range from not enough surfing time in the summer to conflicts with summer job schedules.

It's hard to have sympathy for the latter complaints, but not for Holt's. How many times have you been frustrated by having a favorite class of yours cancelled because of lack of enrollment? No one knows exactly what will happen to enrollment because of next year's tuition.

We can't afford to risk losing more students just because we want a more convenient schedule. Although I am in favor of the new schedule, I think we should wait at least one more year before putting it into action. After all, what do we have to lose besides nothing?
MCC students: Meet a whale

by Salvacion D. Worth

The Marine Biology students at Mira Costa College are sponsoring two whale watching cruises on Friday, March 23 and Saturday, March 24. Participants will get a chance to view the beautiful Pacific gray whale in its annual migration along the California coast. The gray whale makes the longest migration of any mammals, traveling up to 10,000 miles.

Whales have a highly developed brain and are among the most intelligent of all animals. Gray whales are distinguished by their dolic simple, hard, beak-like nose, called a "prob". They have a low back slant and a small hump at the top of their back. Males can measure about 46 feet, while females can measure about 40 feet.

Pacifica gray whales are the most common type of whale seen in the U.S., ranging from the Aleutian Islands to the California coast. The gray whale makes the longest migration of any mammals, traveling up to 10,000 miles.

The Pacific gray whale is the most observed cetacean along the west coast of the United States. This year, the effects of the "El Niño" made the gray whales' migration last longer. They normally migrate during the months of December through March.

Tickets for the whale watching expeditions may be purchased at the cashier's window at the student center. The cost is $4.50 per person with an A.S. card, or $5 without the card. Tickets purchased at the dock will be the regular price of $7, if available. Each boat holds approximately 100 people.

To prepare the whale watchers, a film and talk will be offered Wednesday, March 21 at 2 p.m. in Room G-13. Those interested in joining the cruise are advised to be at the Oceanside Harbor 30 minutes before the departure to secure parking places. There will be no refunds for those who miss the boats.

Call 757-2121 or 755-5155 for more information.

Students to experience exotic Asian cuisine

Have you ever wanted to compare Asian culinary delights?

Well, here's your chance as MCC presents a series of restaurant tours that will introduce you to the cuisines of Vietnam, Japan, Korea and the Philippines.

First, participants will dine at the A. Dung Restaurant in Mira Mesa on Friday, March 16. Vietnamese food is influenced primarily by the Chinese and French cultures. This particular restaurant is becoming better known, partially because of a favorable review on a San Diego television station.

The multi-course meal will begin with Lau Hang sam, a hot dish of meat, shrimp, chicken and vegetables in a clear broth that tour members will be advised to prepare. In addition to learning how the foods are prepared, participants will learn how the foods relate to the country's culture.

Other foods will include Cha gio, Vietnamese spring rolls, Bo cuon lah, chicken lettuce leaves filled with ground beef mixture and broiled over charcoal; and Com chien tham cam, shrimp and chicken rice.

The cost of this tour is $15 per person, which includes box transportation leaving the main campus at 4:30 p.m. and the Del Mar Shore Center at 5:15 p.m. Return times will be 8:30 p.m. to Del Mar and 9 p.m. to Ocean- side.

The deadline for registering for the tour is Monday, March 12.

Japanese food will be featured April 28 on the second of the Asian dining tours. This excursion will begin at the Japanese Cultural Center in Vista for Hana Matsuri, the annual flower festival. The group will then go to the Japanese restaurant Yae in Rancho Bernardo and will be sampling lobster tempura, saki yaki beef, futu maki sushi and other Japanese specialties.

Next, on May 11, participants will dine at the Seoul House in San Diego, where the main entree will be Kal Bi, a barbeque main dish of Korea. The ser- vice will conclude on June 15 with a visit to Chris' Nayong Filipino restaurant, also in San Diego. Here guests will sample foods that have been influ- enced by the Chinese, Spanish, Indonesian and American cultures.

For information on the series, contact the college's "Browtors community services bulletin, available free of charge.

14 - "Hey Editor, Do I Have a Story for You," one-day seminar from 2 to 5 p.m. at MCC in Room F-6, on how to write press releases and communicate with newspaper editors.

Campus Calendar March

1 — "The Rise and Fall of Ancient Mexico." Historical Perspectives Lecture Series, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Carlsbad City Library. Sponsored by the Mira Mesa Women's Club. Fee to the public.

3 — "Memory Improvement," a one-day seminar from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at MiraCosta's Del Mar Shores Center. Presented by Dr. Kevin E. Wellman. Call 942-1352 for information.

5 — "Motivating Magic," a one-day seminar from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Del Mar Shores Center. Presented by Dr. Chris Vlach. Admission is $19 and pre-registration is required. For information, call 942-1352.

6 — "Alternatives to the Apocalypse: Transforming the Presentism," second of a four-part series called "Beyond 1984" by 8 p.m. at the MCC Theater. Presented by Dr. Evan C. Vlach.

7 — "Financial and Estate Planning," one-evening seminar from 7 to 9 p.m. at MCC Theater. Presented by five prominent financial professionals. Admission is $3.

9 — "Skills and Strategies for the S.A.T.," one-day seminar from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Del Mar Shores Center. Presented by Jane Peets for high school students. At the Del Mar Shores Center. Admission is $3.

10 – "Office Automation", one-day seminar from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Del Mar Shores Center. Presented by Dr. Evan C. Vlach. Admission is $5. For information call 942-1352.

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15 — "Financial and Estate Planning," one-evening seminar from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Del Mar Shores Center. Presented by Dr. Chris Vlach. Admission is $5. For information call 942-1352.

17 — "A Far-Far Eastern Experience: Viewing Cooking," one-day seminar from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Del Mar Shores Center. Presented by Kitty Morse. Admission is $3.

19 — "Beyond 1984." Presented by Salvacion D. Worth. Admission is free of charge. For information call 757-2121.

24 — "Office Automation," one-day seminar from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Del Mar Shores Center. Presented by Dr. Evan C. Vlach. Admission is $4.

25 — "Writing from the Heart," one-day seminar from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Del Mar Shores Center. Presented by Diane Scholfield. Admission is $3 and pre-registration is required. Fee to the public. For information, call 942-1352.

26 — "Skills and Strategies for the S.A.T.," one-day seminar from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Del Mar Shores Center. Presented by Dr. Evan C. Vlach. Admission is $5. For information call 942-1352.

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**Educator to present optimistic view of 1984**

The year is here: 1984! But what now? This will be the focus of a lecture entitled "Alternatives to the Apocalypse: Transforming the Presentism." The second of the "Beyond 1984" series will be presented by Dr. Evan C. Vlach at 8 p.m. in the college theater by Dr. Evan C. Vlach, professor of sociology at Colorado State University. Admission is $5.

Dr. Vlach will talk about today's mood of apprehension and dread regarding the future, but he will also present his research on socie- ty's attitudes toward the subject, plus discuss alternative ways to transform prospects of Armageddon to optimism.

The lecture series is being sponsored by the college's Community Services Department and its Friends of the Humanities group. Other topics will be "Expanding Human Intellel- lence: The Power to Know Through the Arts," on March 26 and "The Artist as Reflection and Prophet of Change," on April 26. The series begins in Janu- ary with a talk by business and industry leaders. For more information call 757-2121 or 942-1352.

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OCEANSIDE — It's a sunny after
noon and eight girls are lying on a par
achute spread out on the grass near the MiraCosta gym.

A woman wearing a bright red lea-
der stands in the middle of the group. As she
issues instructions, a partner kneels next to each girl and begins
lightly massaging the leg, the knee joints, the muscles of the back and the shoul-
der.

This is how track practice at Mira-
Costa begins under the leadership of Meredith Marrin, the new assistant women's track coach.

Marrin has never competed in track. Her specialty is biomechanics and kine-
movement. Her job is to improve
athletic counseling, stretching routines, muscle awareness exercises, meditation and massage.

Carrie Thomas, sophomore in business administration, is working with the women's coach, Al Gilbert.

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