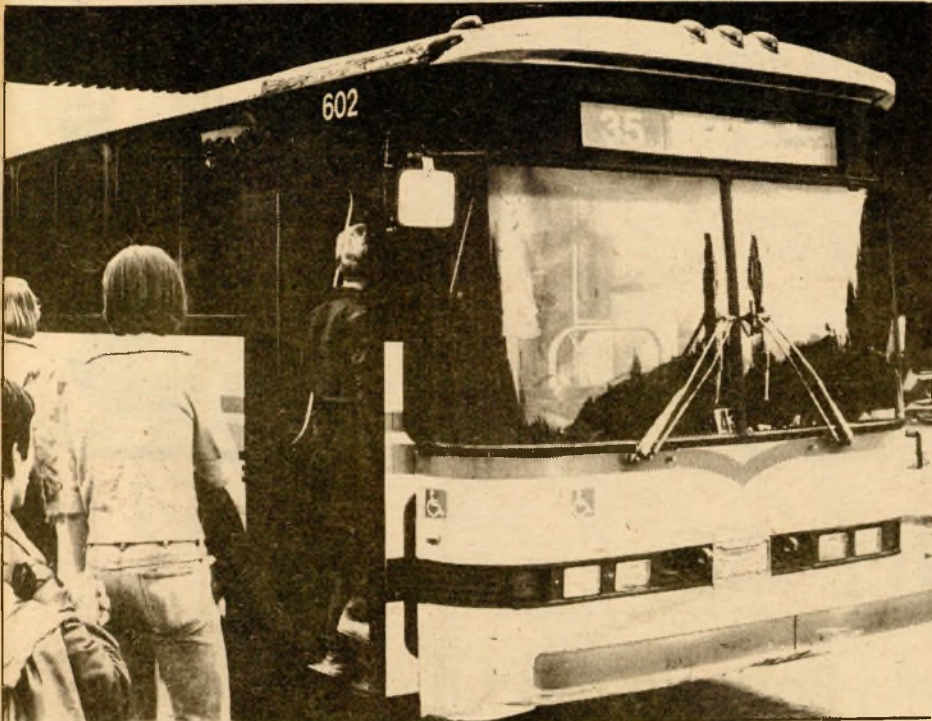


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Students board new bus at Foothill.

Photo by Clay Holden

New registration process: will it pass the test?

By CHRISTINA ROSCH

We're operating on a trial and error basis right now," stated Admissions Supervisor Eileen Paulsen in reference to the computer registration system new to Foothill this fall.

The major error, agree most students, is in the phenomenal lines it is producing.

The long, snaking lines outside of the Admissions Office last week were formed by students who wanted to add or drop a class, which now must be done through the computer terminals. This process has proven to be more time consuming than formerly, when students could just drop off their cards.

Contributing to the long lines this last week was the fact that the Admissions Office was understaffed. Four employees called in sick and, as Registrar Irel Lowe stated, "We cannot afford to hire part-time workers to run the terminals."

Lowe admits that the lines will continue to be a part of the computer registration process in the quarters to follow.

However, the results, according to Lowe, of adding and dropping through the terminals will be to the students advantage. "By going through the terminals there will be no lost cards, no mix-ups for the students," said Lowe.

Another benefit provided by the computer registration system, explained Lowe, is the instantaneous status available on students. This is a far cry from the old system of individually sorting through class cards and sending out for information from the main computer terminal at De Anza College. "The old process could take up to a week at a time," explained Paulsen.

Foothill and De Anza College have been operating on a computer system since 1967, yet only this fall did both campuses make the move toward computerizing the registration process.

According to Lowe, he and the members of the Admissions Office had to do a lot of convincing as to the efficiency of (Continued on page 8)

New 35 bus line offers direct route to Foothill

By LINDA WILCOX

Foothill students who live in Palo Alto, Mountain View or Los Altos now have access to a new bus line that runs directly to the college from the employment area in Menlo Park.

The 35 line was approved Monday, August 31 by the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors and began operating Monday, September 21. Currently buses arrive at Foothill at 8:11 a.m., 8:39 a.m., 9:22 a.m., 9:49 a.m., 4:30 p.m.,

5:21 p.m. and 6:01 p.m. They leave Foothill at 6:40 a.m., 7:10 a.m., 1:27 p.m., 1:57 p.m., 2:38 p.m., 3:08 p.m. and 3:50 p.m.

At this time no midday or evening service is available on this line, but if ridership increases service could be expanded. An evaluation of the line will be held after 90 days. To date buses have been full.

Palo Alto Vice Mayor Ellen Fletcher, who is also a representative to the county transit commission, said in an interview that she has been asking for a more direct route to Foothill from Palo Alto since she joined the commission in 1977.

"At first I thought of rerouting the 23 bus (which turns off El Monte at Foothill Expressway). But instead the commission came up with an entire new bus line, which I thought was just grand," Fletcher said.

She agreed "the timetable is just disastrous." Persons who attend 8 a.m. classes cannot arrive in time. "Unfortunately the time schedule was adopted after the bus line had been approved — it should have been before," Fletcher added. "By the time this gets corrected the year may be over."

Further information about this or any other bus line is available from County Transit at 965-3100.

Students honor Mitchell

Memorial services were held Aug. 18 in honor of Foothill biology teacher Murray M. Mitchell. Mitchell, a member of the Foothill faculty since 1968, was killed in an automobile accident on Aug. 8.

Foothill President James S. Fitzgerald said that "hardly a week went by when a student didn't go out of his way to express joy to me at having Murray as a teacher. This is quite rare and confirms the high quality of the learning experience which was always present in his classes. The college was always deeply impressed by the way he cared about his students."

Ed Cook, one of Mitchell's former students, said, "Mr. Mitchell was a great teacher and we want to do something to honor him." Cook and others who knew Mitchell encourage his friends to write their feelings about Mitchell in a book located in the library.

A picture of Mitchell and the words, "For the family of Murray M. Mitchell—some thoughts from his friends at Foothill" will be printed on the inside cover. At the end of the fall quarter, the book will be presented to Mitchell's parents and sister in Santa Cruz.

Biology instructor William Hines commented, "He was totally devoted to teaching." According to Hines, Mitchell left his personal library, containing many valuable books and \$30,000 worth of videotapes to the Foothill science department.

Mitchell earned his master's degree from the University of California at Davis and bachelor's degree from Berkeley. In 1976, Foothill students awarded Mitchell the Salgo-Noren Teaching Excellence Award in recognition of his lecturing ability, originality of material, receptivity to questions, and knowledge of subject matter.



Murray M. Mitchell

ASFC positions now available

The following student government positions are open to Foothill Students enrolled in eight or more units who hold the \$8 Student Body Card:

Vice President of Activities, Senior Senator, Senator, Finance Director, Mass Communication Director, Student Campus Center Director, Activity Publicity Director, Social Affairs Director, Public Events Director, Marketing Director, Community Affairs Director, Legislation Director.

"This year's student government has the serious job of solving the financial problems facing student activities," Warren said. "Applicants must be motivated and dedicated to this cause." Experience is preferred but NOT necessary.

Editorials



Face off!

The staff of the SENTINEL would like to welcome all new and returning students to Foothill College for the 1981-82 school year.

We are aware that many students were given a bad impression of Foothill by their peers and high school counselors. For whatever reasons, Peninsula high schools have tended to foster negative attitudes regarding community colleges in general.

We believe that this impression, whether promoted by snobbery, over-zealous parents, or the opinion that a good education must be accompanied by an excessive price tag, is misleading and shrouds the many benefits that Foothill has to offer.

Not only does Foothill charge no tuition, but it also offers students the opportunity to participate in outstanding programs. The Music Department has consistently produced high achievement in both instrumental and choral categories. Last year's sports programs included many teams and individuals who were successful in state championships. The Drama Department staged three major productions last year. Foothill also has its own radio station, KFJC (89.7 FM), with the most powerful transmitter of any campus station in the Bay Area.

We are glad that students resisted the pressures of their peers, parents, and counselors and selected Foothill as a place to continue their education. We hope that everyone tries to take advantage of the full range of benefits that Foothill has to offer.

—Bill Anderson & Linda Wilcox

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Reader's Forum

Parking fee hits hard

Editor:

Sometimes, as hard as it may be, we have to change old customs. The parking lots are a case in point.

The newly installed parking fees hit hard in many wallets. And if that wasn't hard enough to swallow, we now have to deal with the fact that the new brightly colored stickers have letters indicating what lot to park in.

Maybe I'm the only student it inconveniences but I have my doubts. When I'm running late to an important class and the line of cars waiting to get

in stretches for miles, it does not please me to search for the lot corresponding with the letter on my shiny sticker.

This little hassle wastes precious time. Time many of us would like to use getting to class.

If in any way this little problem can be alleviated, I'm sure it would be gratefully appreciated by the students. Besides, if the masses have to pay a parking fee, the masses should be able to park where they choose.

—Tim Goodman
Foothill Student

Tuition unfair to transferees

Editor:

Most students at Foothill College are unaware of the plight of the transfer student who is forced to pay the same \$48 per unit fee as those students who are foreign to this country.

I am speaking of the student who is a new resident of California. These students, who are born and bred Americans, are given the same status as a foreign student who is not a U.S. citizen.

The majority of these foreign students will return to their native country, while most of the U.S. students will remain in this country and return their education to the system, or at least

the country from which they received it.

It is wrong that the school administration demands such a high fee for American transfer students. It seems to be a problem that administrators are unable to see.

It is necessary that school administrators recognize this problem and deal with it accordingly. One solution would be to charge American students half the normal fee for course units, or not to charge them at all.

—Steve Jones
Foothill Student

'Aura of tranquility' on campus

Editor:

I would like to comment on the aesthetic value of the Foothill College campus. The grounds and the buildings themselves are very pleasing to the eye.

The grass is always nicely trimmed and mowed. I rarely see a brown cast on the grass. The grounds-men are attending to it whenever it needs just the slightest bit of care.

The buildings are nice to look at. There isn't an overabundance of metal used on the outside of the structures. The wood makes it look very natural.

The location of the campus also plays a determining factor. The hills are woody and the air seems cleaner than in San Jose or Palo Alto. It isn't stuck in the middle of a big city; therefore there seems to be an aura of tranquility surrounding the campus. Nor is it located far away from the Bay Area cities. It is easily accessible via highway 280.

The campus is very beautiful and well planned. I hope that it always remains so.

—Marci Osborn
Foothill Student

On the Spot

By STEVE McBRIDE & KEVIN CLAY
 Was the first day of school what you expected it to be?

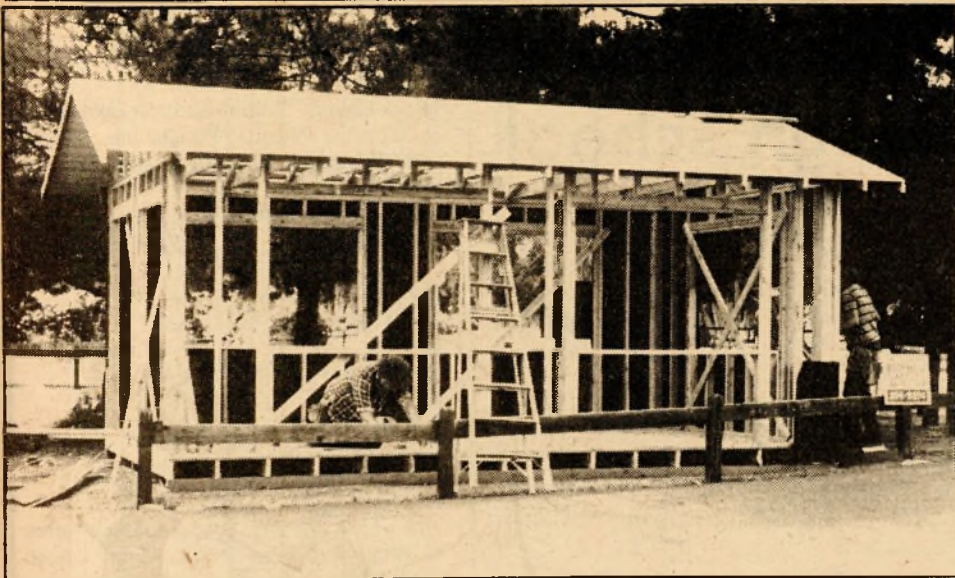


Photo by Clay Holden

Soon to be completed Traffic Control Office will handle one-day parking permit sales.

Foothill's failing finances fed by student parking fees

By MICHAEL J. HARRIS

Parking fees imposed on Foothill-De Anza students this quarter are expected to pave the way in up-grading roads and parking facilities throughout the District. According to District officials these fees may only be the first in a series of charges to students.

In addition to the parking fee, Campus Police now have the authority to issue Santa Clara County traffic citations instead of the Foothill College parking tickets of previous years. The tickets, issued for improper parking (\$5), expired parking permits (\$5), and improper use of handicapped parking (\$25), will be handled through the county courts exactly like other tickets issued by police officers throughout the county.

According to Foothill police chief Joe Silva, 50 percent of the fines collected will come back to the Foothill traffic department and the other 50 percent will go to the county court system.

During a phone interview Chancellor Thomas Fryer said, "Student parking fees are a direct, if not delayed result from the passage of Proposition 13."

The suggestion to install parking fees started in 1978 but was voted down because of the cost of implementing the program and the undesirability of the fee. "It was more trouble than it was worth," Fryer said.

"After the budget analysis for this year, the Acting Director of Business Services instigated a study which showed that \$200,000 in additional revenue could be added to help balance the budget by imposing a \$10 parking fee on students," Fryer said.

Sacramento informed the school district that the surplus fund, which was set up to insure financial security for colleges after Prop. 13 passed, would run low this year and might dry up by next year, Fryer said.

According to Fryer, the record-high attendance of 44,028 students last year in the Foothill-De Anza Community College district and the higher anticipated attendance for this year creates a bind.

"Do we close the doors to new students when enrollment reaches a certain level, or do we find alternative sources of revenue to pay for the added students which the state will not recognize in the form of added capital?"

Fryer also made a prediction that the situation will get worse before it gets better. "I do foresee in the future more student fees," Fryer said. "I understand that I'm the bad guy, but what can we do? Providing services, making facilities, faculty and educational programs available is the joy I get from my job . . . sticking students with fees is the pits."

"Parking fees are just the tip of the iceberg in the dilemma of Foothill's financial problems," Silva said. "The money raised through issuing parking permits by state law can only be used for the upgrading of parking facilities, roads, and anything else directly involved with the traffic department."

Director of Plant and Service Operation, Milford Leal, predicted that the cost of repaving the Foothill road could cost upwards of \$81,000, not including the parking lots.

Dean of Students Demi Georgas said that the sale of student body cards are down by 50 percent over last year. This could be a result of the parking fee. "Sales are so disastrous that we need to cut back in the co-curricular activities." What this could mean is a reduction in the amount of sports activities, a cut in the number of SENTINEL issues, less stage productions for the fine arts division, and the loss of other student activities.

Georgas also sees added student fees in the future: "Each and every year the state legislature puts up a bill to mandate student activity fees, but as of yet it hasn't made it."

Fryer, Georgas, Silva and Leal all made the prediction that the Foothill-De Anza Community College District will go to a tuition system in the near future, unless the student government, the student body and local business can find an alternative source of revenue.



GEOFF HENDERSON (Psychology):

Oh yeah. It was everything I expected it to be — lost freshmen, beautiful people, and a casual setting.

PAT BOOMER (Graduate):

I wasn't here my first day. When I got here it was as expected. School is school. Classes, studying and standing in line.



DARRON McCULLER (Business Administration):

Yes, I guess.



SUSAN McFARLAND (Art):

It was hard for me to know what to expect because I'm new here. Foothill is smaller than the school I used to attend. Where I went it was more casual — the O.p. scene.



SOPHIE BRANDT (Undecided):

It was better than I thought it would be. I saw a lot of old friends. People were nicer and my class with Dr. Roth makes it all worthwhile.



News

Mountain View campus opens

College finds new home in old high school

By JENNIE TROSSMAN

Foothill College's Mountain View Campus has moved from San Ramon Avenue to the former Mt. View High School site at 650 Castro Street.

The high school site is more appropriate for adult use rather than the San Ramon site where the facilities were designed for elementary school students.

More than 40 fall quarter classes previously scheduled for the San Ramon

facility will instead begin next week at 650 Castro, about a block from El Camino Real.

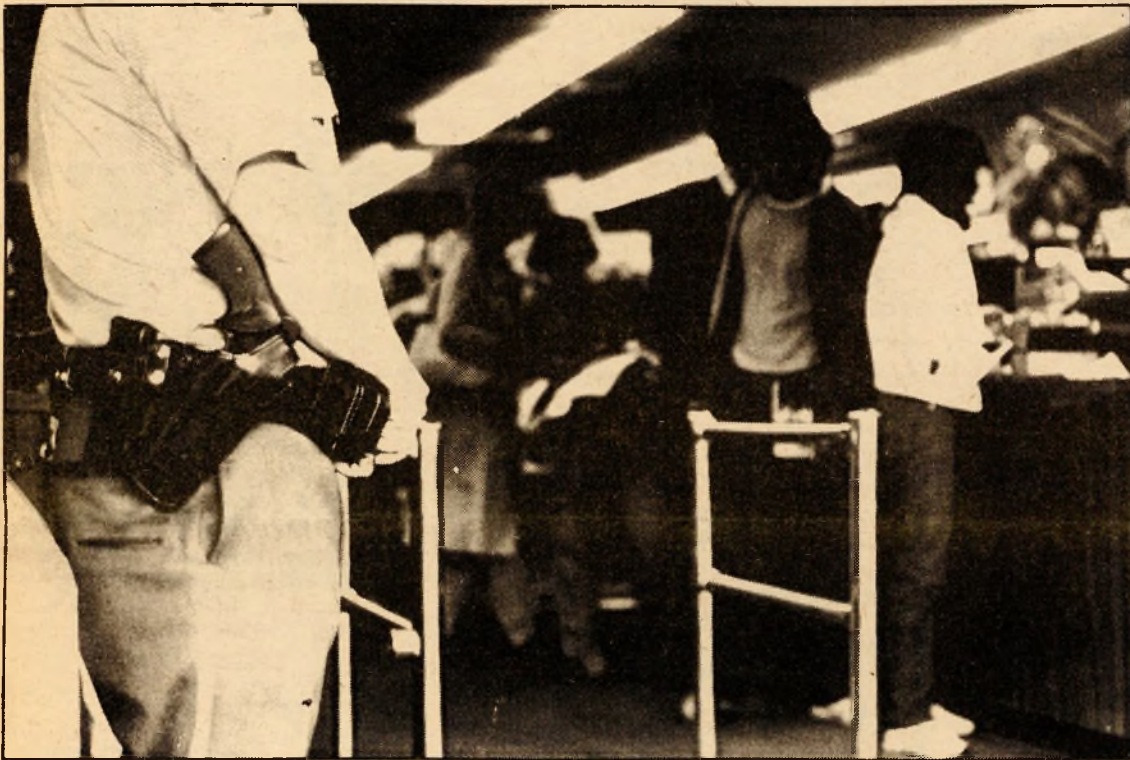
According to Hortensia Butler, assistant dean for the Mt. View Campus, the new downtown location will be more accessible and visible to community residents, with major roadways and four bus lines serving the immediate area.

The college has leased eleven classrooms, including laboratory space which "will be ideal," according to Butler,

for the campus' many electronics classes.

Facilities also will include a business lab for self-paced typing and business skills classes, a student lounge, bookstore space, and larger counseling and registration areas.

Cost to lease the new facilities, \$51,894 for the year, is virtually the same as the old site. The College will sub-lease the San Ramon site to the Refuge Temple until June 30, 1982, when the Foothill lease expires.



Foothill Bookstore: "What's the hold-up?"

Photo by Clay Holden

Calendar

- Friday, Oct 2—
 - Rock Light II—Multimedia Laser Light Show, De Anza Minolta Planetarium, 9 p.m. \$3.75/general, \$2.75/10 & under, 60 & up
- Monday, Oct. 5—
 - Organization Board of Directors 9 a.m.—C-31
- Tuesday, Oct. 6
 - Clubs 1 p.m.
 - Intramurals 1 p.m.—PE area
 - Booktalk 1 p.m.—A61
- Wednesday, Oct. 7—
 - Co-Rec Night 7 p.m.—PE area
- Thursday, Oct. 8—
 - Clubs 1 p.m.
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Sports

Soccer team continues winning ways

By JEFF JOHNSON

George Avakian, soccer coach at Foothill, described coaching this year's soccer team as a "coach's dream come true."

After winning the state championship last year, Avakian wondered if this year's team could measure up to the caliber of last year's team, but now he has no doubts.

"This year out of a squad of 24, we have 17 freshmen, most of which were the finest local high school players. Usually we only have seven or eight freshmen, but this is great," said Avakian.

Avakian has high goals for each player and two main ambitions for this year's squad.

"My main objective for the team is to develop every player to his fullest

potential, secondly, God help us, make it to the State play-offs," said Avakian.

"To say I'm excited is an understatement and it is going to be an honor for us to represent Foothill and to wear the Foothill colors," added Avakian.

With last year's State championship and the influx of top-level high school players, Soccer America, a soccer publication which does national soccer rankings, picked Foothill as the number one team in California and with a 4-1 record so far, Foothill should retain their ranking.

Foothill's first victory was over Skagit College, the Washington State Community College champions.

In Foothill's next match, Foothill played poorly, according to Avakian, but



Ronnie Morris dribbles past Skagit defenders.

held on to beat National Collegiate Athletic Association Division Two champion Humboldt State.

Mission College handed Foothill its only loss by a score of 1-0 in a game that Avakian described the team as playing "only 50-60 percent of its capacity."

Santa Rosa, the Camino North Conference winner of last year fell victim to Foothill by a score of 3-1.

"I was especially happy with this victory because Santa Rosa has always been our rival," said Avakian.

Foothill's latest game and triumph was over Consumnes College, 4-1.



Foothill's Bob Grochau powers past Washington State Champion player.

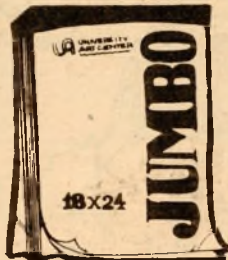
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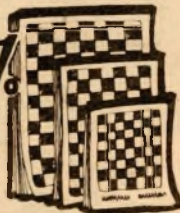


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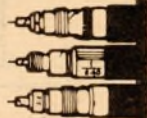
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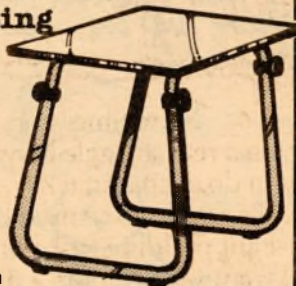


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Volleyballers in playoff hunt

By STEVE JONES

The Foothill women's volleyball team is headed for a state tournament berth under the direction of new head coach, Elaine Rotty.



Photo by Gary Brauch

Cornerback James Moss was voted Most Valuable Player for Foothill against Hartnell.

Owls off to slow start

By JEFF JOHNSON

Foothill's football team opened its 1981 pre-season with two consecutive losses, and, according to Coach Jim Fairchild, it is because of the mental mistakes and a poor passing game that is stopping the Owls from victory.

Last Saturday, against Cabrillo, Foothill, losing 17-3, turned the ball over twice by fumbles and four times by interception. Though Foothill gained 46 more yards than did Cabrillo, the turnovers are keeping them from its first win.

"The things we have to practice this week are holding onto the ball and improving our passing game," said Fairchild.

Russ Peoples was named as the player of the game because of his "excellent running and devastating backing," said Fairchild.

In Foothill's home opener two weeks ago, penalties kept Foothill from holding its lead in the games.

Foothill, losing 21-7, played defending small college state champion Hartnell team to a 0-0 tie at the half. Foothill took the lead in the third quarter as tailback Ricky Cheadle scored on a one yard touchdown run.

But then Hartnell rallied.

"Then we started getting penalties. We had a 40 yard pass interference call that really hurt, but I would have to say that we got beat by Hartnell's long passes," commented Fairchild.

Fairchild named James Moss as the outstanding player of the game but also made note of Ui Zarko's key fumble recovery and John Marinchak's crucial interception.

Hartnell has been picked to win the state championship for the second year in a row.

The team's only returning player, Lori Goldau, was voted as the tournament's most valuable player.

The team has a depth problem with only two reserve players on the bench. Rotty feels that the team's inspiring unity and spirit will enable them to be a

real threat in the conference.

The real test for Foothill will be when it meets conference powerhouse De Anza on Thursday, Oct. 15 at 6:30 p.m. at De Anza. In order to attain a spot in the state tournament, Foothill must beat De Anza.

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News

24-hour campus radio station

KFJC: more than meets the ear

By LORI GRIMINGER

"No matter what your tastes are, you're in for a unique experience when listening to KFJC 89.7 FM," says Doc Pelzel, broadcasting instructor and KFJC supervisor. The radio station, located on campus in building M-1, is a 24-hour station and broadcasts all year round.

The station's policy encompasses, first, a substantial portion of new music. The wide spectrum of sounds ranges from New Wave to the daily out-to-lunch shows from 10 a.m. through 1 p.m. such as Big Band, Blues, Jazz Reggae, Soul and imported hits.

Foothill Owl football games are broadcast exclusively live on KFJC and are announced by Tony Onisko. Both home and away games are featured, ranging as far afield as Aptos, Concord and Oakland.

The news department attempts to cover local news that will not be featured on other stations. Currently KFJC has a multicultural program consisting of Vietnamese, Greek and Sri Lankan programming.

KFJC's Public Affairs department features interviews with people in areas such as aviation politics and science.

Listeners are encouraged to participate during the shows with phone-in questions.

Short informative drop-in features varying from agriculture, movie reviews and politics are also aired.

KFJC's Entertainment Calendar and Concert Outlook inform the listener of performances around the Bay. Complimentary tickets to upcoming shows are periodically given away.

KFJC provides two public service announcements from college and non-profit community organizations regularly every hour.

The station offers a free program guide which is printed quarterly and features program schedules, graphic art and music interviews.

According to KFJC supervisor Pelzel, KFJC is a non-commercial station which offers a blend of alternative music usually not heard on other stations. With 250 watts and enough power to reach Marin County, Oakland and Berkeley, KFJC is a plus for the local listener's enjoyment.

Registration

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the system before Chancellor Fryer would approve it. San Jose City College and Mission College are two of the community colleges currently employing the computer registration system, and they were researched by Foothill-De Anza administrators.

Research revealed that the computer system, hooked up to a telephone line to De Anza, will save Foothill money in the long run. Less people will be needed to work on the registration process and less money will be wasted on cards that must be key punched.

At a meeting with the Admissions Office last Thursday, it was decided that the computer registration system will be used for winter quarter registration. For students with 30 units of credit or more, pre-registration by mail is still an option.

Within the next year Foothill hopes to replace its IBM Model 370 computer with a larger one that is now on order. The new computer will have a larger data capacity load and, as Lowe hopes, will speed up the system and reduce overload breakdowns.

While the terminals eliminate tedious paperwork for the Admissions staff, students continue to be disturbed by the long wait to reach the terminals. As one student in line on Friday commented, "We're adding gray hairs, not classes."

Renae Long, music major, suggested a possible solution. "I think there should be two separate lines - one for adding and dropping and one for complete registration. This is ridiculous! I'm supposed to be at work right now."

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