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Summer schedule trimmed down

Self-supportive session 'a one time
arrangement for Cal State San Marcos'

By KIM SCHLATTER
Pride Staff Writer

Since the beginning of the semester, rumors of a decision to abandon the summer session in 2004 had many students worried. Just before spring break, however, Cal State San Marcos administration put an end to the rumors by announcing their plans for this year's summer session.

• Quick facts: Past summer session enrollment and class availability

Academic Year	Enrollment	Number of classes offered
1999	1,677	147
2000	1,657	157
2001	1,430	*
2002	1,868	210
2003	1,823	217

*Specific figures not available due to blended program with multiple colleges

Demand for a wider range of summer classes has increased at CSUSM; this summer session will include an anticipated 150 courses.

According to Rick Moore, director of communications for CSUSM, classes this summer will be offered in two six-week sessions running from May 24 to August 18. Even though the summer session will be self-supported by CSUSM, the students will not be affected by the University's decision to not rely on state funds, Moore said.

The tuition for continuing undergraduate students will be the same as the fall and spring semesters: \$594.00 for up to 6 units and \$1,023 for 6.1 to 12 units. Students will be allowed to take a maximum of 12 units combined in the two sessions.

"This is a one time arrangement for Cal State San Marcos," Moore said. "The self-supported session is a way to avoid using funds that will be used for the fall and spring semesters."

The main focus of the summer session will be to offer students the "hard-to-get classes" needed

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College of business adapts to impending budget cuts

By KYLE OTTO
Pride Staff Writer

Proposed 2004-05 budget cuts will force the College of Business Administration to accept fewer students, increase class sizes, offer fewer sections, and terminate adjuncts, said Dr. Dennis Guseman, dean for College of Business Administration.

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's plan to reduce the CSU budget by \$240 million will cause the college to limit the number of students it will accept. This agrees with the Governor's proposed schedule of a 5 percent system-wide enrollment reduction in the coming year.

"The focus that we have is on serving current students, as opposed to bringing in more students, so we can devote our resources to getting the current

students to graduate," Guseman said.

The college currently serves 1,809 undergraduate B.S. students, and 140 M.B.A. students, 14.3 percent of total university enrollment.

The college will increase class sizes for certain classes, but some classes must remain small, Guseman said.

As a result of reductions, five fewer classes will be offered, or 10 percent of the total number of courses.

"Economizing" measures will be implemented in an effort to curb costs. They may include faculties reducing copying costs, consequently increasing use of online formats for class syllabi, etc. Travel allocations will also be restricted to faculty, provid-

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Photos by Tom Pfingsten/The Pride

J.J. Koon envisions the office that Parking Services will occupy on the top story of the parking structure planned for 2009. Koon is a senior and the head coach of CSUSM's baseball team.

Parking remains hot topic

Koon spends his 1-10 p.m. shift checking for parking passes in one of several notorious "parking carts."



Future plans for expansion include \$24M parking garage in 2009

By BRETT DAVIS
Pride Staff Writer

Many students at Cal State San Marcos have a pre-conceived notion that the parking system gets financial assistance from the CSU. The truth is that it is totally self-sufficient.

All of the money that goes into this system comes from the revenue created from the selling of parking passes. This money goes toward worker salaries, operating expenses such as cleaning and lighting, and toward a reserve for

future projects of expansion.

Lots X, Y, and Z were completed to the tune of \$613,000. These are the dirt lots located on the northeast corner of Craven Road and Twin Oaks Valley Road. The money was used for gravel and dirt, along with lighting and appropriate adjustments to the intersection of Craven and Twin Oaks.

Parking plans for the future include a \$24,000,000 parking structure to open during the 2009-2010 school year. This structure will be built where lot N is located, and will spare students from some of the long uphill voyages to campus.

There are also plans to expand lot K at University Village Apart-

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Student parking given to faculty

Eighty spaces assigned beginning April 12

By ELIZABETH BALDWIN
Pride Staff Writer

Students will lose around 80 parking spaces in Lot N, east of Science II building, on April 12. The parking spaces will be adjusted from general parking to faculty/staff only.

According to Rick Moore, director of communication, there should be minimal impact on student parking availability due the departure of approximately 147 student teachers on assignments off-campus.

The new spaces will make room for employees of Finance and Administration Services that are moving from Ranchero's Drive to Craven Hall.

Robert Williams, business operations coordinator of parking services, said there will be signs posted to notify students of the new faculty/staff spaces.

Williams added that there will probably not be any grace period given to violators after the change.

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ments by summer 2004, as well as lot E, the current faculty/staff lot.

Parking tickets at CSUSM usually run \$25, and can reach up to \$100 for parking in a reserved spot. Revenue from the tickets that are issued does not go back into the parking system, but rather to San Diego County for various alternate modes of transportation such as vanpools and carpools.

The repeal rate for parking tickets is around 80 percent, meaning that only 20 percent of the contested tickets actually

result in a fine. There is a 21-day grace period during which students have the chance to contest the ticket. After appealing, the contestation will go in front of an appeal board, which is made up of three people who are not affiliated with the parking system.

It normally takes six to eight weeks to receive a reply, after which time the ticket will either be dismissed or upheld. If the ticket is upheld then you have an option for a second level hearing. In other words, tickets can be appealed twice.

If students drop classes or dis-

enroll, the parking institution will consider refunding your parking pass on a pro-rated scale. Many students are unaware of this and simply throw their passes away not knowing that they might be eligible for a refund.

Information on parking services can be found on their website at www.csusm.edu/parking. On the site there is information concerning future plans of action including expansion and parking pass increases. It is also a good forum in which to appeal parking tickets.

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"Lot N will go back into general use this summer along with a lot of reconfiguring of other lots," said Williams.

This summer parking services will be adding general parking spaces to Lot N, Lot K, east of University Village and Lot O, front of University Village.

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for graduation. Course selections will also allow residents of the University Village Apartments to complete required courses in the summer, considering that those students have a full-year contract with University Village.

For the summer session, CSUSM will offer at least 150 classes over a 12 week period. If students need a more extensive class selection, the university will try to meet student demands.

The schedule of classes for summer session 2004 is available at <http://sweb.csusm.edu/schedule>. Priority registration began yesterday, and general registration begins April 24.

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ing fewer opportunities to attend conferences and seminars. This will impact "currency": the ability of instructors to remain on the cutting edge of their field.

"Faculty will have to delay some things they'd like to do for a year," Guseman said.

Guseman characterized expected budget cuts as a "bump in the road," saying: "We want to minimize any long-term damage. We have to look at this as a short-term phenomenon. We don't want to make some decisions that will impact our ability to continue to grow for the future."

Rather than focusing purely on cutting costs, the college will generate additional revenues. The college has already had some success in such efforts, Guseman said. "The business community really does realize the importance of having quality education."

One such fundraising measure is to increase the fees for companies hosting students in the college's "senior experience" program — a program allowing students to collaborate on projects with businesses in the community. Additional revenues accrued from businesses in this manner would help defer costs incurred by the program.

Evidencing the fruits of appeals to the business community for support, Guseman revealed a check for \$10,000,

donated by Geico, providing the college with two \$5,000 scholarships each year to be continually funded.

Regarding how cuts will affect faculty, Guseman said that, "No tenured or track faculty will be released. Because we're offering fewer sections, we may use fewer adjuncts," including those faculty who have been teaching less than two years, typically teaching one or two classes. "We have some excellent adjunct faculty, and our desire is to keep those," he said.

Despite budget reductions, the college's \$27,640,000 business building, to be completed by January 2006, will not be threatened. Funding for the building comes from a different budget than the colleges operating expenses. The building "has always been protected under the Governor's economic stimulus plan," Guseman said.

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New ASI representatives chosen; two fee increases passed

During Associated Students, Inc. elections that were held the week before spring break at CSUSM, a handful of new ASI board members were chosen, including a new president and executive vice president.

Voting students also passed two fee increases, both proposed by Students Health Services. The first will increase the SHS fee from \$35 to \$50 per semester; the second will raise a more obscure fee of \$3 to \$25 to maintain SHS facilities and save for a future permanent facility. In all, CSUSM students will be paying \$37 more per semester as a result of the election.

According to an election tally sheet, about 500 students voted in the four-day election. With over 7,000 students at Cal State San Marcos, that equates to a 7 percent turnout — decidedly low, but characteristic of CSUSM.

Candidate/referendum name	Position	Votes in favor	Votes opposed
Manal Yamout	President	371	n/a
John Gehris	Executive Vice President	316	n/a
Shannon Barnett	Vice President of External Affairs	355	n/a
Marc Anthony DeGuzman	Vice President of Finance	318	n/a
Roy Lee	Vice President of Communications	298	n/a
Andre Rosemond	Undergraduate Representative	249	n/a
Dustin Lacasse	College of Arts and Sciences Representative	176	n/a
Cheyenne Barr	College of Arts and Sciences Representative	152	n/a
Kellie Klopff	College of Business Representative	74	n/a
Natasha Woods	College of Business Representative	47	n/a
Dorothy Lung	Environmental Affairs Officer	278	n/a
Elizabeth Sheets	Director of Recruitment & Student Mobilization	301	n/a
Michael Daniel Zepeda	Director of Fundraising	265	n/a
Student Health Services Fee Increase	n/a	289	204
Student Health Facilities Fee Increase	n/a	261	230

ANALYSIS

The reality of elections: if you didn't vote, don't complain

By TOM PFINGSTEN
Pride Staff Writer

Before students left campus for spring break, their fees were raised by \$37.

These were not forced increases, such as resulted from Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger's budget cuts. These were optional, and were open to be voted on for four days by any student at CSUSM.

Whether the fee increases were needed is not the point. Rather, the shocking thing is that 93 percent of CSUSM students apparently did not care that they might be required to pay an extra \$37 per semester from now on.

Almost five hundred students voted on the two fee increases proposed by Student Health Services. Of those, 289 voted yes on the first increase and 261 on the second (ostensibly 261 of the same students that supported the first).

That means that about three hundred students decided that all seven thousand of us will pay \$37 more every semester until we graduate — and not only us, but also new students who will have to abide by the results of last month's vote.

I have a hard time believing that all of the students who didn't vote will not care or notice when the increases take effect next semester. In fact, I'll bet that more than a few will be standing out in front of the cashier's office, shaking their heads and complaining about how high the fees are.

Out of all of the reasons to vote, direct monetary incentives should rank among the top two or three. For students, I would expect it to be number one. My guess is that at the very least, seventy or eighty percent of CSUSM students care when their fees go up. So why wasn't there a seventy or eighty percent turnout for the election?

The next time you have the chance to vote on a fee increase, you will have the same two options you had this time: to vote, or to let a minority of the student body decide how much money you should pay for extra-curricular services.

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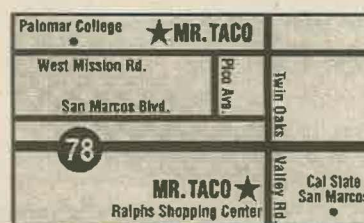
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Workshop leader Laura Weide adjusts a harness on a student volunteer last week at the sex toy workshop.

A pleasurable event Sex toy workshop instructed, delighted large audience

By CHAD SPINKS
Pride Staff Writer

Even though spring break had started for most students Thursday evening, March 25, there was a line of over 150 students standing outside of the Arts 240 lecture hall. The students were waiting to participate in the final segment of the Women's History Month series — a sex toy workshop.

Thirteen events were sponsored by the women's studies department and organized by student Josh Harris throughout the month of March, and included such events as a vaudeville performance, hula dancing and a slam poetry reading by Bridgette Gray.

"We had a hard time judging how many people would turn out," said Harris. Harris said that the only other event with such a large turnout was "The Vagina Monologues," where people were actually turned away. He said this event was more fortunate since there was enough room for everyone who came to have a seat in the audience.

The two hour sex toy workshop was led by Laura Weide, a self proclaimed "missionary of pleasure," and aimed at educating students about their bodies and understanding sexual pleasure. The lecture encouraged safe sex and enlightened the audience

about pleasures of the flesh.

As the crowd packed into the lecture hall, a few curious individuals ventured to the table at the front of the room where a number of sex toys were on display.

As the eager crowd took their seats Harris gave a brief introduction by paying tribute to Marcy Calderon, a human sexuality activist.

Weide, with blond braided pig tails, black rimmed vintage glasses, dressed in a black western shirt adorned with embroidered red rose patterns and black leather pants, took the stage. She started the evening by encouraging volunteers from the audience to participate in a game that involved sex anatomy terminology. Volunteers walked to the front of the room and were challenged to guess the anatomy term displayed on large pieces of poster board behind their backs. Clues were shouted out by the audience for the volunteers to guess from, and as Weide had predicted, it was pandemonium. The room erupted into cheers and light-hearted laughter as the crowd shouted descriptions for words like "perineum" and "frenulum."

After the short exercise, Weide went into a discussion about the biological anatomy of male and female genitalia. Weide provided

information about anatomy and dispelled myths by answering questions from the audience. Discussion ranged from Kegel exercises, to orgasms, to safe sex, to masturbation, and a variety of other sexual topics.

After the discussion, Weide turned to the sex toy table. She explained the design, application, and safe use of the various toys and passed them through the audience. The lecture hall buzzed with the sound of vibrators and a few brave audience members even volunteered to model for the "strap on" products.

After answering questions and the toys were put away, Weide encouraged everyone to have a safe and fun spring break.

"I was concerned that in a workshop like this that everyone would be quiet, but I was surprised at the level of comfort," Harris said.

Weide, a sociology graduate, has been an activist since 1995, and said she enjoys leading sex toy workshops and the opportunity to educate people, while organizing against groups encouraging the oppression of sexuality.

Weide said she has not faced much opposition to her workshops. "I think people self-select," she said. "People who don't want to hear about it don't show up."

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Transition Program develops skills, maintains campus mien

By LORIANN SAMANO
Pride Staff Writer

They pick up the trash, gum and cigarettes off of the cement pathways around campus. They clean the tables where students eat, inside and outside of the dome. They clean the pay phones, receivers and mouth pieces alike, not forgetting the trashcans and recycling bins the campus community also uses. They help in keeping the Cal State campus clean.

George Carlson, the first facilities director at CSUSM initiated and supported the Transition Program in 1994 — a program involving emotionally or physically disabled students who learn skills to become more productive in personal and social situations. Currently, Chuck Walden, facilities director, supports the program.

The students seen working in teams around campus and eating lunch next to you in the Dome are part of the Transition Program. The program is involved with Vista Unified School District teachers Steve Molina and Dora Stabinski. The program also works in conjunction with the CSUSM facilities department, and Lead Custodian Carl Hanson. Hanson helps over see the program and works closely with the ten students.

Hanson said the program is,



Photo by Loriann Samano/The Pride

Three Transition program students sweep the walkway in front of the Craven Building.

"well organized and very much an important component in keeping the campus clean." Hanson

acts as the intermediary between the facilities department and the teachers from Sierra Vista High School.

Every Monday through Thursday, the students are bused to the CSUSM campus to meet with their teachers, Molina, Stabinski and Hanson. They all meet around 7:30 a.m.

Hanson supplies them each with any materials they may need and then Molina and Stabinski

"...Very much an important component in keeping the campus clean."

Carl Hanson, lead custodian

split them up in two groups. Each teacher takes them to different parts of the campus and they begin their work until about 1:30 p.m.

On Mondays and Wednesdays some of the students attend an academic course called Skills for Independent Living. This course is held during the school semester and helps them learn functional

living skills.

The students are chosen for the program, which is comparable to an internship, based on their productive level. The students are paid a stipend, based on how they follow directions and their level of productivity, as well as the initiative they show. The program also helps them mainstream into the real world and interact socially with some of the students and staff on campus. Some students end up with the ability to get jobs in the fast food industry and two of the students will soon be working for the Dome cafeteria.

This program is a "win win situation," Hanson said. "Not only do they learn skills to be productive, but we also gain help from being short staffed in the facilities department."

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Letters to the editor

ASI elections were a sham

Dear ASI and Student Body,

As a candidate who ran in last year's ASI Student elections, I must say that this year's ASI election was a complete joke. Every position ran with only one candidate who was unopposed. I can see several reasons for this mockery of the democratic process. First, those in charge of publicizing and encouraging the student body to run for office obviously did not do their job. Some particular ASI officers who stand out in my mind as ones who have failed the student body in this election are Erin Dalman and Erik Roper. These two were mentioned in a Pride article a few weeks back as the individuals responsible for getting the student body informed and involved in student elections. It is the job of the Vice President of External Affairs to "inform the students on student relevant matters," if ASI elections are not "student relevant," pardon me. Erin Dalman is our Vice President of Communication and one of her duties is to "publish a monthly newsletter to inform the student body of pertinent ASI issues." Well, I guess the ASI elections this year were not a "pertinent" enough issue to warrant any communication whatsoever to the student body! The elections this year were a disgrace. I feel the President of the University, Karen Haynes, must look into it immediately. ASI's own goals were not attained this year as far as their own elections are concerned. According to their goals outlined in their mission statement they want "to create an environment where students can acquire leadership skills and participate in self-governance." My fellow students, this is not self-governance when ASI fails to run a respectable election. Another goal of ASI is to "foster a sense of community and pride among all students." I must say that I am not proud of my school's election process this year and I do not see how anyone can feel "proud" of their school when an election of this magnitude is run with every candidate running unopposed and with ASI failing to properly inform the student body (that is us). I feel no sense of community when ASI alienates the student body in this way. Again, I ask with a sense of urgency that President Karen Haynes look into this matter immediately. If I were President of a prestigious and growing University, such as Cal State San Marcos, I would not allow a matter like this to go unaddressed.

Respectfully,
Austin Myers
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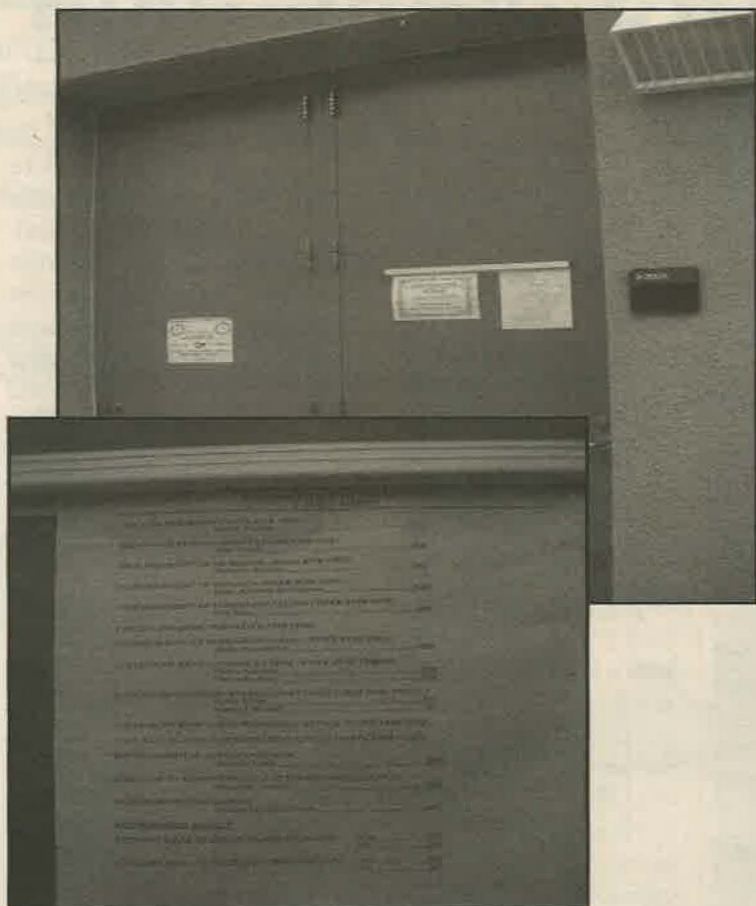


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As a candidate who ran in last year's ASI Student elections, I must say that this year's ASI election was a complete joke. Every position ran with only one candidate who was unopposed. I can see several reasons for this mockery of the democratic process. First, those in charge of publicizing and encouraging the student body to run for office obviously did not do their job. Some particular ASI officers who stand out in my mind as ones who have failed the student body in this election are Erin Dalman and Erik Roper. These two were mentioned in a Pride article a few weeks back as the individuals responsible for getting the student body informed and involved in student elections. It is the job of the Vice President of External Affairs to "inform the students on student relevant matters," if ASI elections are not "student relevant," pardon me. Erin Dalman is our Vice President of Communication and one of her duties is to "publish a monthly newsletter to inform the student body of pertinent ASI issues." Well, I guess the ASI elections this year were not a "pertinent" enough issue to warrant any communication whatsoever to the student body! The elections this year were a disgrace. I feel the President of the University, Karen Haynes, must look into it immediately. ASI's own goals were not attained this year as far as their own elections are concerned. According to their goals outlined in their mission statement they want "to create an environment where students can acquire leadership skills and participate in self-governance." My fellow students, this is not self-governance when ASI fails to run a respectable election. Another goal of ASI is to "foster a sense of community and pride among all students." I must say that I am not proud of my school's election process this year and I do not see how anyone can feel "proud" of their school when an election of this magnitude is run with every candidate running unopposed and with ASI failing to properly inform the student body (that is us). I feel no sense of community when ASI alienates the student body in this way. Again, I ask with a sense of urgency that President Karen Haynes look into this matter immediately. If I were President of a prestigious and growing University, such as Cal State San Marcos, I would not allow a matter like this to go unaddressed.

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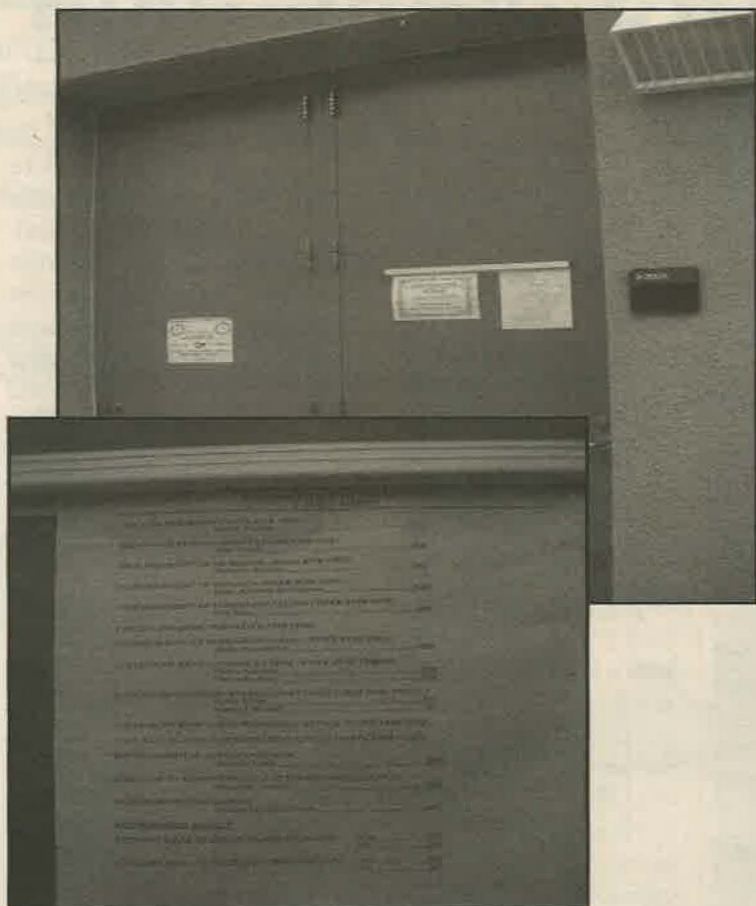


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