The Collegian

After delays, Henry Madden Library nearly ready for offices across campus to make move

By Jessica Szalay
The Collegian

The Jan and Bud Richter Center for Community Engagement and Service-Learning has moved from the now demolished San Ramon portables, to the portables in front of the Science I building and then into Science I.

The Richter Center will be packing up and moving again, but university officials aren’t sure when.

The Richter Center is just one of many offices and departments across campus that are in limbo waiting for instructors to work on their office move and take place.

“We can get the office up and out of the way,” said Chris Fiorentino, the director of the Richter Center.

The approximately six-month delay in campus projects and office moves can be traced back to the state budget crisis that caused changes in the Henry Madden Library’s timeline.

In December of last year, the state’s Pooling Money Investment Board voted to cut off funds for highway, school and infrastructure projects, including California State University’s (CSU) state-funded projects.

All CSU state-funded design and construction contracts were suspended until funding could be re-established.

The projects put on hold included the $8 million worth of library furnishings. The university wasn’t even sure if it could pay the library contractor, Swinerton Builders, and their workers.

Because of the state budget crisis, the library’s opening was pushed back from January to February.

That one-month delay has had a domino effect on plans for the rest of the campus.

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MOVE: Many offices would have made move by now

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Industrial Technology building

For all of the university’s planned projects, Washington will work with the CSU sys-

tem’s Capital Planning, Design and Construction office on the re-appropriation process.

“We're in that, 'where do we go next?' phase,” Boyd said. “Where are we with design,

construction, man power, timelines, changes in plans?”

“We would have been completely moved into the library, we would have had all the

furniture in place, we would have been close to the middle of the basic

remodel of Thomas. Now, we'll just pick up the pieces and start again.”

— Robert Boyd,

Associate Vice President for Facilities Management

While the money will be available, the challenge, according to Boyd, is that all

levels of state schools are also getting money for their own delayed projects.

Across the state, projects will be starting up again as soon as possible, meaning many

will be fighting over construction, man power, timelines, changes in plans?

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“Sometimes students are last minute people,” Evans said. “If they come in and order a book and realize it will take 2-3 days to get it, they might have to go to look for it themselves. Other stu-
dents would rather order it and come in and pick it up and be out in five minutes. While others would still like to browse to see what we have here.

Having a library under construction for the past few years has left some students unable to navigate the build-

ing themselves.

“Some students haven’t had a working library since they started college and they’re having to relaunch how they work,” Evans said. “We have great personnel here to help with that.”

Sarah Smith, 19, a child development major, said that she prefers to use the inter-

net for school related information and she’s been in the library for only one reason.

“I only go in there for Starbucks and I’m out,” Smith said. “I’m too afraid of going in there and getting lost.

Stevie Brunwell, 18, a speech language pathology major and track athlete, said that she requests books online to save time in her busy schedule, but that the library

finally reopening has given her a quiet place to get away to.

“I live in the dorms and I go to the library whenever I can,” said Brunwell. “It’s a nice place to get away from everyone and focus on my work.”

After Brunwell retrieves her requested books, she heads to the second floor where she can plug in her laptop and get homework done.

“The study rooms are real-

ly nice,” said Brunwell. “I just like the quiet up there. I can get a lot done.”

Taylor Cook, 18, a psycholo-

gy major, said that she enjoys spending time in the library and is thankful she no longer has to go to public libraries for her school needs.

“I never know what book I might need, so I like to browse to see what they have,” Cook said. “I didn’t like the tempora-

ry system so I never used it. Now I spend a lot of time studying there.”

Cook said that her favor-

ite part of the library is the Peace Garden.

“I really enjoy the new library. It’s so nice and quiet and the view is so peaceful and beautiful,” Cook said. “I’m so thankful I have such a great study place to go to now.”

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Grades. What exactly is a grade? What is the difference between an A plus and a B minus? To know how much you apply yourself? That is basically what our grading system is. The D minus student can be something that he/she doesn't apply themselves to, to be home-schooled. Heck, if there is one thing out of my seven, years, I soon found myself repeating the same pattern as I had previously set at my last school, getting in and then getting the heck out. In fact, up until this year, I didn't even know we had a food court or a student government — ASI what? I had spent my nearly three years at Fresno State coming to campus, going to classes and then going home. I didn't care about getting involved or making friends like I had previously longed for. I just wanted to get my work done and then leave. And therein lies my biggest regret. This semester I was blessed beyond words to get to write for The Collegian. Never had I imagined myself writing for my college newspaper, but there I was, Copy Editor for spring 2009. I was ecstatic.

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I learned about student government and how important ASI is to our campus, how we are not properly trained to do the work we are doing. Yet, it takes approximately 1 million days to get a simple crime report. I even got to meet the president of our university, John D. Welty. I think I may have been the only student who asked if she just had the road block. To some, and probably to most freshmen, this could all seem very trivial and maybe even a little stupid or over exaggerated, but let me tell you, it surely is not. If there is one thing I could tell the freshman, sophomores and juniors of this campus, it's to get involved. Don't just come to campus just to get out as soon as the clock allows. Join a club or an organization. Get a job on campus. Do something, that in 20 years, you can look back and say "I did something that I was part of that" or "I helped start that."

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Years and years down the road the articles that I have written for The Collegian will still be in the archives. They may be moved to the upper most floor of the finest building on campus, but they will be acknowledged. And that is the greatest feeling in the world.

Rochelle Higgins
Freshman
Undeclared

During my first semester at Fresno State I enrolled in English 1A. On the first day of classes I expected to walk in and find a seasoned professor with tons of knowledge on the subject. However, a man walked in that looked to be in his early 20’s wearing a shirt and a blazer. At first glance I thought he was another student. Through course the it was apparent that he was no student but a teacher. The class was unprepared everyday and relied on the students to tell him what the class should do that day. He also was unaware of the school's common policy.

I understand that it is cheaper for the university to have T.A’s teach freshman courses, however, it is not beneficial to the students because at the end of the course only 5 out of the 50 students studied in the library and I had learned nothing.

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6. Corn breads
11. Brewpub fixture
14. Arles academy
15. "Leave" or "let" follower
16. "Butterflies ______ Free"
17. Fessing up
19. Blood, so to speak
20. Without a leader
21. King's territory
22. Board membership
23. Temporary period
25. Medicinal plant
27. Leaf under a petal
29. On the hook
32. "Little old me?!"
35. Black tea
37. Cornrow, e.g.
38. Airborne fish eaters
40. Calligraphic stroke
42. Mount in Europe
43. 1 inch = 10 miles, e.g.
45. Excessive sternness
47. End of the A-line?
48. DNA source, sometimes
50. Arboretum item
52. Change, as the Constitution
54. Mexican hotties?
58. Commend, as for bravery
60. Barely make it
62. Badgered
63. "Color me impressed!"
64. Done for

**DOWN**
1. Prefix with "linear" that means "straight"
2. Decide at the flip of ___
3. Christmas reindeer
4. Passes over in pronunciation
5. Bear necessity
6. Regulatory device of a sort
7. Type of stew
8. "Joy to the World" and others
9. Type of finish
10. Certain pol
11. Lose one's shirt
12. "Carmen" solo
13. Confined (with "up")
14. Acts the bellyacher
15. Roofing sealant
16. President-___
17. Angler's accessory
18. Accelerating forces
19. 1 inch = 10 miles, e.g.
20. Without a leader
21. King's territory
22. Board membership
23. Temporary period
24. Part of a bodybuilder's workout
25. Medicinal plant
26. Leaf under a petal
27. Corn breads
28. Nocturnal lemur
29. On the hook
30. "Carmen" solo
31. Cheese on a party tray, perhaps
32. Army eatery
33. "Free Willy" animal
34. Agitated
35. Black tea
36. Bad thing to be behind
37. Cornrow, e.g.
38. Airborne fish eaters
39. "Ghostbusters" goop
40. Calligraphic stroke
41. Surprise attacks
42. Mount in Europe
43. 1 inch = 10 miles, e.g.
44. Serpent's pigeon
45. Excessive sternness
46. Coke mixer
47. End of the A-line?
48. DNA source, sometimes
49. One opening up a can of worms?
50. Arboretum item
51. By a nose, say
52. Change, as the Constitution
53. Investigate (with "into")
54. Mexican hotties?
55. Deep olive green
56. Draw out
57. Clan divisions
58. Brushed layer
59. Infinitesimal amount
60. Barely make it
61. Afflictedly quaint, to a Brit
62. Badgered
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Dogs split with Rainbows

By Lorenzo Reyna
The Collegian

In a battle to keep conference tournament hopes alive, emotions ran high this past weekend at Beiden Field between Fresno State and Hawaii, which can explain the emotions of both baseball coaches.

Both Mike Batesole and Hawaii coach MikeTrapasso were tossed out of the game for crossing the umpire on Friday and Saturday.

The Bulldogs won the first two games on Thursday and Friday, to stay in the Western Athletic Conference (WAC) Tournament race, but then overcame a 7-0 deficit to pull away 14-11 on Friday night.

The Bulldogs scored five runs. They finally took the lead in the sixth by out-scoring the Rainbows 4-0 in the seventh inning by scoring three more runs.

Third baseman Tom Mendonca was one of the players responsible for helping the turnaround on Friday. He finished the game with three hits, four RBIs and a home run.

Even when Batesole was ejected, Mendonca knew it wouldn’t cloud the minds of the Diamond Dogs.

“He was walking out and the umpire threw him. Batesole was going to ask him what that pitch was and then hesitated from the umpire as if he was going to plead his case. The Rainbow coach was gone after that.

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However, Alan Ahmady cut the lead to 7-4 with a three-run homer in the fifth inning. But the Rainbows would score six unanswered runs to take a 13-6 lead. Hawaii would win that contest 15-10.

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“The split was probably what we needed in order to keep our fans together. Our fans have been great this season and we still hold out hope.”

Mike Batesole is the Head Coach of the Diamond ‘Dogs.

To be honest, we needed a spark, and Batesole sparked it off for us right there,” Mendonca said. “He was walking out and the umpire threw him. Batesole was going to ask him what that pitch was and he just crossed it. I think that umpire went too quick. But it didn’t matter.

Pitcher Holden Sprague was in the dugout when Batesole made his encounter with the umpire.

“I don’t think he went out there with the intention of getting thrown out,” Sprague said. “Whatever happened after that was a good thing. We can’t hang our heads on that.”

In the first game of the Saturday doubleheader, a tagout called led to Hawaii coach, Mike Trapasso being ejected in the first inning.

Trapasso didn’t agree with the out and ran to third base to plead his case. The Rainbow coach was gone after that.

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“The split was probably what we weren’t looking for this weekend,” Batesole said. “But it still keeps us in a spot where we control our own destiny. It still keeps us in a spot where we go down to Sacramento and get three of the four possible games against Sacramento and take three more runs.

That means that we go down to the regional and we’re going to figure it out or we’re going to figure it out the season’s over. That leaves us one weekend left to figure it out. The good news is we still got hope.”
The ‘Dogs came out swinging at this weekend’s Western Athletic Conference Tournament, winning the championship with a game to spare, as tournament MVP Morgan Melloh quieted the bats of Boise State, Louisiana Tech and Nevada.

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Champs, Again

Softball wins the WAC in dramatic fashion and makes 28th straight NCAAs

By Haisten Willis
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