Gov. cuts edu. budget, Fresno State hurts

By Michael Mygind and Dana Hull
The Collegian

A budget reduction proposed by Governor Jerry Brown forecasts even tougher times for Fresno State students and faculty.

Fresno State President John Welty announced last week that under Gov. Brown’s proposal, the California State University system would take another 18 percent reduction, amounting to an approximate $28 million cut for Fresno State.

“This reduction — on top of what we have already experienced — is devastating,” Welty said.

Included among the cuts Welty announced would be immediately implemented are hiring and travel restrictions, limits on major purchases and maintenance projects and possible enrollment limits for 2011-2012. In addition, the university summer program will be “self-funded” rather than state-funded.

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ASI President Pedro Ramirez has had a busy winter break. He traveled to Washington, D.C., was recognized by The Huffington Post and made local headlines by getting in a car accident.

In early December, Ramirez visited Washington, D.C., to advocate for passage of the DREAM Act, which would have given a path to citizenship for undocumented immigrants who entered the country before they were 16.

“The House of Representatives passed the DREAM Act by a vote of 216-198 on Dec. 8, but the bill failed to pass the Senate on Dec. 18, coming up five votes short of ending a Republican filibuster,” Ramirez said in a statement.

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Honors applicants lack diversity?

Editor-in-chief responds

On Dec. 8, 2010, The Collegian, in its last issue of the semester, published a front-page story, “Honors program lacks diversity,” which pointed out that the Smittcamp Family Honors College includes more white people than non-white people.

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his article generated quite a bit of feedback. The editor-in-chief has 405 shared links on Facebook and more than 50 online comments, with the vast majority criticizing it for accusing the Smittcamp Family Honors College, implicitly if not explicitly, of being racist toward non-white races.

Smittcamp Honors Scholar and Associated Students Inc. Executive Vice President Selena Farnesi submitted a response on behalf of ASI. Even a few students came into The Collegian’s office to make the same point.

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It must be pointed out that The Collegian did not mean to call SFHC racist or demean the institution in any way. That was not our intent. The headline should have been changed from “Honors program lacks diversity” to “Honors applicants lack diversity.” Both are accurate, but there is a difference. That was not our intent. But, it must be pointed out that The Collegian has been known to make factual errors in the past.

The Collegian was simply pointing this fact out. There is a lack of diversity within the Smittcamp Family Honors College. Whether that is a good or bad thing — The Collegian thinks diversity on the whole, is a good thing in society — is up to the reader’s judgment.

Whether this is a problem that needs fixing is also up to the reader’s judgment. One can hardly argue with the academic results of those selected for the scholarship.

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Pedro: Car accident raises legal questions

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the face of adversity. They didn’t hesitate to fight — or study, or work for — something the believed in. They showed their true selves. And in 2010, they accomplished monumental things.”

It was around this time, however, that the embattled ASI president began to create news for the wrong reasons.

On Dec. 10, Fresno State student Neil O’Brien started a website called the-realpedro.com, which, he said, is an “underground/online grassroots campaign to spread the word and expose the truth” about Ramirez.

O’Brien alleged that Ramirez has been illegally driving, working and contributing to political candidates, while questioning whether Ramirez is even an undocumented immigrant.

On Jan. 4, The Fresno Bee published an investigation into O’Brien’s claims about the ASI president. The Bee was unable to confirm many of his allegations, but did acknowledge that Ramirez himself admitted to having worked to help pay for his tuition.

The Bee also found a voter registration record matching Ramirez’s name and age from Tulare County. It is illegal for undocumented immigrants to register to vote.

Then, on Jan. 9, The Fresno Bee reported that Ramirez got into a car accident, which sent him to the hospital and started a backlash among some in the community.

It is illegal for undocumented immigrants to have a driver license. Ramirez had previously stated that he did not drive.

Welty told The Fresno Bee that he was “very saddened” about the accident. “Our first concern is for his recovery and my hope is that he will heal quickly and completely,” Welty said.

Ramirez will continue to face questions from his detractors as the spring semester starts, with O’Brien and his website likely leading the way.

“If Pedro has proven himself to be unfit for the position,” he said on his website, “then it is the obligation of the students to take a stand.”

— Neil O’Brien, Fresno State student

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continued from page 1 to the decision, Gonzales said he wasn’t surprised, and he doesn’t see another low that the students don’t need at this time.

Pachia Vang, a dietetics major at Fresno State, vented her frustration on the subject. “It kind of angers me; should an education be cheaper because we’re the future generation?” Vang asked. “It seems like things are just getting more and more expensive.”

This rise in cost could cause those that hope to transfer to or begin their college education at Fresno State to become overwhelmed about the higher price tag or skeptical about the school’s integrity. “They’re semesters, numerous students had to hold off graduation in order to complete classes that were previously cancelled.

Don Leet, professor of economics at Fresno State, added that this situation could have been avoided “only if we were willing to cut other areas like K-12 education or aid for low income folks or some other area.”

Leet continued noting that there are possible solutions to lessening these costs.

“The only idea that might work is a new severance tax on oil and natural gas extraction, There is a movement to tie this to higher education.”

In retrospect, this is clearly not the first time that the price for higher education has increased for students at Fresno State. But with thoughts being set on balancing school with work and for many, paying rent, this has caught students off guard that already have plates full of obligations.

For those who have negative feelings, they can look at this situation compared to the situation overseas in the United Kingdom, it doesn’t come off as severe.

An estimated 50,000 students, lecturers and supporters took part in the demonstration. The ruling coalition’s policy of charging students up to $14,000 a year for higher education from 2012. “Thesen Bates, contributor to AOL News, said. This demonstration turned into violent protest that resulted in arrests, injuries and property damage to the exterior and interior of the Conservative Party headquarters. Prior to this decision, cost of full tuition was $5,300 for students.

While the events surrounding this dispute are without a doubt unfortunate, it’s safe to say that students at Fresno State could have it a lot worse. “College education is still a bargain in California compared to state college costs in other states,” Leet said.

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Astrology sign changes

The Collegian

The announcement of zodiac sign changes made earlier this month has been a hot topic among many.

According to astronomer Paul Kunkle, because the position of the sun in relation to the constellations has gradually changed over time, the zodiac signs have also changed. Many people didn’t know that there are two different astrology systems. The Western system, followed by people in the United States and other Western nations, and the Vedic system, followed mostly by people in India and other Eastern nations.

The Vedic system astrology study the earth’s relationship to the stars, which is more closely related to Kunkle’s claims. The Western system is based on the earth’s relationship to the sun and the equinoxes, which has nothing to do with the constellations. Kunkle bases his claim on. In fact, Kunkle’s “revelation” is not news at all to astrologers that assert that both systems have been in place for hundreds of years.

Despite the hoards of news articles reassuring people that the Earth is not unaligned and explaining the differences between these two systems, Facebook, Twitter and other social networking sites are still flooded with comments by people fearing what these “changes” mean and disappointed that their zodiac sign has changed.

When it comes down to it, the Western and Eastern astrology systems are both legitimate. So for those of you who did not want to change your sign, stick with the Western astrological beliefs that most of us have been following anyway, for it has not changed. And for those who opted for a change or were intrigued to become the new Ophiuchus sign, go for it!

If nothing else, Kunkle’s announcement taught many people something they did not know before. When we think of astrology, many people think of the horoscope they read daily in the paper, and that’s as far as the thought process goes. This announcement has taught many people information they did not previously know and opened the door for them to do their own research should they choose to.

Perhaps when someone uses the line, “What’s your sign?”, the standard response will become “Western or Vedic?”

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Satellite Student Union
Red Friday launches the spring semester

Light rain and fog didn’t stop administration, students, faculty and staff from attending Red Friday last week. The event was sponsored by yours truly — The Collegian.

The University Student Union Pavilion was filled with members of several departments on campus, wearing Fresno State sweat-shirts and shirts or red attire. An assortment of donuts, bagels, cream cheese, jam and fruit started off the free breakfast buffet. Orange juice, hot tea and coffee were the three drinks of choice. Three booths lined up against the Wellness Lounge and Pro Hair and Nails. The Collegian’s advertising, online and editorial staff greeted guests at two booths, passing out brochures and red lottery tickets for a raffle. Between The Collegian booths were members of the Staff Assembly Executive Committee.

Guests had an opportunity to give their input for story and video ideas by filling out a slip and placing it in the “tip jar.” Unfortunately, I didn’t see many students taking advantage of the free breakfast that was advertised on The Collegian’s website and through numerous fliers. If the words “free breakfast” didn’t have students jumping out of bed, then I don’t know what else could have possibly motivated students to come to school over winter break at 9 a.m.

Oh wait, how about winning a free color quarter page advertisement worth $25? “We decided to give out a free ad because not a lot of departments know what The Collegian advertising can do for them,” Daisy Cordeiro, local advertising manager at The Collegian, said. “Departments on campus have a lot going on this Centennial year and it would be great for them to know that they can advertise on our campus newspaper.”

The housing department on campus was the lucky winner of Friday’s drawing, but there’s still a chance for those who registered to win to receive a 50 percent discount when they map out their ads in The Collegian this semester. The discount is available through Jan. 31.

The Lyles College of Engineering will be sponsoring the next Red Friday on Feb. 4 at 9 a.m. in the USU Pavilion. More free breakfast, chances to win prizes and an opportunity to meet new people.

Fraternity Recruitment
Recruitment Week: Jan 24 - 28

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Alta Gracia comes to college campuses

By Shavon Furrow  
The Collegian

Millions of people work grueling hours and live in poverty with no sure possibility they will have enough food for themselves or their family at the end of the day. This is the everyday challenge of many people who work in sweat shops around the world. In the town of Villa Alta Gracia, in the Dominican Republic, people have the possibility to earn a living wage for themselves. Knights Apparel has created a new brand of clothing named Alta Gracia, which means “High Grace,” to be sold on college campuses across the nation, and to give those who purchase the clothing the opportunity to help the workers who sew the apparel for a better life. Alta Gracia sells T-shirts, hoodies and sweatshirts for both men and women. The wages the workers receive are three times greater than the average sweatshop. With better pay, families are then able to survive and better their future. The clothing is currently sold at more than 350 universities across the United States, and is no more expensive than major brands such as Nike and Adidas.

California campuses, but Fresno State is not one of them. Dr. Matthew Jendian, department chair and an associate professor of sociology, is trying to bring the program to campus. I was invited to join the Faculty No-Sweat Network and promote the Alta Gracia label of no-sweat clothing at our own campus bookstore,” Jendian said. Jendian is one of more than 300 faculty members who are part of the “Faculty No-Sweat Network.” They stand along with the workers who make university logo apparel. Although the program is for a good cause, there is no doubt many students are facing financial woes and could possibly overlook buying Alta Gracia clothing.

“People need to make money somehow and why wouldn’t others help?” The program is currently being implemented at 23 California campuses, but Fresno State is not one of them. Dr. Matthew Jendian, department chair and an associate professor of sociology, is trying to bring the program to campus. I was invited to join the Faculty No-Sweat Network and promote the Alta Gracia label of no-sweat clothing at our own campus bookstore,” Jendian said. Jendian is one of more than 300 faculty members who are part of the “Faculty No-Sweat Network.” They stand along with the workers who make university logo apparel. Although the program is for a good cause, there is no doubt many students are facing financial woes and could possibly overlook buying Alta Gracia clothing.

It’s great and effective, but I don’t know if I would buy it because of my money problems,” freshman Jamila Woodfork said. Jendian feels optimistic that students will pick a garment of clothing a few dollars more that doesn’t exploit its workers rather than one that does. “It’s all in the marketing of the items,” Jendian said. “I think the fact that many of our students also coming from families who have experienced exploitation in the workplace might be particularly empathetic to others in similar conditions.”

Workers at the Alta Gracia factory are paid 338 percent more than the legal minimum wage in the Dominican Republic. The Worker Rights Consortium, the labor rights watchdog, set the wage based on a study of living costs in the local area of Villa Alta Gracia. The WRC continues to monitor the factory on a regular basis and all Alta Gracia clothing has a WRC verification tag.

Jendian spoke with the Kennel Bookstore and has high hopes Alta Gracia will make its way to Fresno State in the future. “My hope is that our campus will provide students with the opportunity to promote the rights of workers through their own purchasing power,” Jendian said. To find out more about Alta Gracia and to help bring the program to campus visit www.altagraciaapparel.com.
Glee fans can look forward to an exciting episode following Superbowl XLV.

By Maddie Shannon
The Collegian

Through all the Golden Globes and Oscar talk, TV is still bringing America’s favorite shows to the small screen. Critically acclaimed returning shows, much-anticipated new shows, and the absence of canceled shows will all have an impact on what TV audiences watch this spring.

Here’s this season’s TV lineup:

The New

The Chicago Code
Synopsis: Jarek Wysocki, a local police legend in Chicago, partners up with ex-partner Teresa, who is in charge of Chicago’s police force of 10,000 officers.

Actors: Jennifer Beals, Jason Clarke, Delroy Lindo, Matt Lauria, Devin Kelley, Todd Williams and Billy Lush.

Creator: Shawn Ryan, Tim Mineur and Charles McDougall

Fairly Legal
Synopsis: Kate Reed, a lawyer tired of the bureaucracy of politics and law, decides to leave a career in law to become a mediator. Constantly butting heads with her stepmom following her dad’s divorce, the changes pile on as she finds herself patching things up with her husband.

Actors: Sarah Shahi, Michael Trucco, Baron Vaughn, Virginia Williams and Tim Pelkington.

Creators: Bronwen Hughes and Michael Sardo.

The Old

American Idol
Where it’s changing: As most Idol fans know, Simon Cowell won’t be on the show anymore. The show’s scheduling will change too. The performance show will last 90 minutes with 30-minute results show. The main goal is to not go over the allotted time.

What’s staying the same: The glitz, the glamour and the drama that Bob’s Burgers and Glee

Where they left off: After Finn and Kurt’s parents got married, Kurt transferred to a private school in a neighboring town while he falls for one of his classmates. During Glee’s Christmas episode, Sue stole Christmas Grinch-style, but with some Christmas spirit, the Glee kids manage to get it back.

What’s changing: Kristin Chenoweth, who made several appearances in Glee’s first season, is rumored to be coming back to Glee.

Bones
Where they left off: Booth and Brennan take on the case of a mysterious death involving a surgeon. They decide it was “suicide by murder” and Booth tells Brennan how he feels about Hannah.

What’s changing: The latest case for the Bones team involves a body found in a shower, with suspected ties to a counterfeit operation. Hodgins and Angela have to make decisions about where they’re going to live. Booth and Hannah have a discussion about Brennan’s feelings.

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Associated Press

By Christy Lemire
Associated Press

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. (AP) – It seems only fitting that, at a Golden Globes ceremony where the host humorously insulted nearly every A-lister in the room, the big winner was a movie about a guy who rules up everyone on campus with his new and invasive website.

And that’s exactly what Ricky Gervais, and “The Social Network,” did Sunday night.

Sure, all the winners you expected won all the awards you figured they would. Besides best drama, “The Social Network,” about the founding of Facebook, won for David Fincher’s direction, Aaron Sorkin’s script and the critically savaged Angelina Jolie-Johnny Depp romp “The Tourist” — at the same time.

That was only the beginning of the overlook for Gervais and “The Social Network.” Despite receiving three nominations and awards.

The expected winners in the categories.

Even Robert De Niro, recipient of the Cecil B. DeMille Award for lifetime achievement — and a notoriously reticent public speaker — got in on the act. He joked during his acceptance speech about the HFPA’s reputation for shmoozing up celebrities.

“The important thing is we are all in this together,” De Niro said. “The filmmakers who make the movies and the Hollywood Foreign Press Association members who get in turn pose for pictures with the movie stars. …

“I’m sorry more members of the foreign press aren’t with us tonight, but many of them were deported right before the show,” he added. “Along with most of the waiters. And Javier Bardem.”

But Sunday’s show was full of predictable moments, too. The expected winners in the

‘Social Network’ big winner at Golden Globes

HFPA was hit with a $2 million lawsuit from its former publicist, who alleged that the 90-member group engages in payola schemes for nominations and awards.

It must be good, ‘cause it’s nominated, so shut up,” Gervais cracked in the show’s opening monologue.

“I’d like to quash this ridiculous rumor going around that the only reason ‘The Tourist’ was nominated was so the Hollywood Foreign Press could hang out with Johnny Depp and Angelina Jolie,” he continued.

“Just is rubbish. That is not the only reason. They also accepted bribes.” (The movie itself, by the way, was shut out despite receiving three nominations in musical or comedy categories.)

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Waste Land has artistic value, brings new perspectives

Brazilian artist subject of documentary on creating art with trash

By Maddie Shannon
The Collegian

Changing the way we look at art takes skill that most artists don’t have. In the film “Wasteland,” Vik Muniz, a Brazilian artist living in Brooklyn, discusses modern art with a trash worker who assists him in his latest project, collecting in Muniz’s unique artistic style—he uses odd materials to create images that tie in to the subjects themselves. In 2005, Muniz created self-portraits using leaves, gold pieces and chocolate syrup. In 2004, he used diamonds to create portraits of Bette Davis and Marlene Dietrich. While he uses odd materials to express his ideas, much of the modern art community has reacted positively to his novel style—one portrait he created for the Pictures of Garbage collection titled “Marat (Sebastiao)” sold for $50,000.

Looking at the way Muniz chooses to capture the essence of the subject, many audiences who enjoy traditional art and cinema may not appreciate the subtleties of the film—the way the plot follows not just the project, but also the lives of the pickers.

The connections that Muniz and his staff draw between the workers and the junkyard employees who embrace Muniz’s vision the most welcome the camera crew into their homes, even those who live miles out of town. The connections that Muniz and his staff draw between the workers and themselves make the film what it is—not just a documentary about an artist, but a documentary about the journey that brings people out of the worst conditions and onto something better.

“Did you not like modern art because you didn’t understand it?” Muniz asks.

“The junkyard employees who...
The Fresno State Hitch Hiker’s Club, then newly formed, pose for this picture, which ran in the Friday, Jan. 19, 1940 issue of The Collegian.

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dramatic acting categories all walked away with statues:

Colin Firth as the stam-
mering King George VI in"The King’s Speech," Natalie
Portman as a ballerina teeter-
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Hamler opts to forgo senior year

By Vongni Yang

Fresno State’s top receiver from 2010 will no longer be playing for the Bulldogs after declaring for the 2011 NFL draft.

Jamel Hamler, a junior, is coming off a career year after leading the Bulldogs with 54 receptions and 812 receiving yards to go along with six touchdowns despite missing a game and playing through minor injuries.

Hamler’s decision to enter the draft came about as surprise for many. Hamler is just the fourth player since Pat Hill became Fresno State’s head coach to bolt early for the NFL.

The other players to skip their senior years were record-setting tailback Ryan Mathews, who was drafted with the 20th overall pick by the San Diego Chargers last year, New England Patriots starting safety James Sanders and Richard Marshall.

Sanders was selected in the fourth round of the 2005 NFL draft and Marshall was picked in the second round in 2006.

Hamler enjoyed a very productive junior year. Against Idaho on the game-winning drive, Colburn hit Hamler for a 24-yard pass to set up running back A.J. Gillis’ touchdown.

On that play, Colburn connected with Jamel Hamler, who caught it in the air, broke a tackle and raced toward the Idaho 1, setting up Fresno State with a season-saving victory.

That single play was impressive and athletic by Hamler, but even then many fans expected that Hamler would be back for the 2011 season.

With an emerging Derek Carr waiting in the wings, a Carr-to-Hamler connection looked to be a serious threat to the Western Athletic Conference secondaries.

Skeptics believe that Hamler could use another year in season his game, but with higher-profile receivers such as Oklahoma State’s Justin Blackmon and Oklahoma’s Ryan Broyles opting to return for their senior years, Hamler could benefit for leaving school a year early.

While entering the draft might turn out to be a huge gamble for Hamler, the risks of declaring as a junior could pay off if he is indeed selected. But if Hamler isn’t drafted at all, he could take the free-agent route like former Bulldogs Seyi Ajirotutu, Paulson Moore and Clifton Smith.

All three went on to impress their respective coaches after being picked up as free agents. In their first year as pros, Ajirotutu, Moore and Smith made an immediate impact as special teams players. Smith made the Pro Bowl in 2008 as a kick and punt returner while Ajirotutu and Moore each played in more than 10 different games.

The main downside for leaving early is that Hamler will not have an immediate back-up plan if the NFL does not pan out.