

Editorial

New council's actions re-establish 'democracy'

Democracy has traditionally been viewed as a slow and inefficient system which many times produces ill effects on those it governs. But there is one case at De Anza which proves that this process can remedy ill effects produced by governing predecessors.

THE NEWLY ELECTED CESDAC Council, in their first meeting, faced a staggering blow to their credibility but demonstrated the ability to deal with it within the system they were originally intended to follow.

A bill for \$424 for roundtrip air fare to Baltimore, Maryland, as well as billing indicating a misuse of book allowance funds were presented to the council by Extended Activities Adviser Bruce Fremd. Although these erroneous expenditures occurred in January, knowledge of them did not reach Fremd until the bills were received and did not reach the council until last Tuesday (see story page 1).

LA VOZ FEELS the council acted in a responsible manner in taking immediate action to rectify the matter.

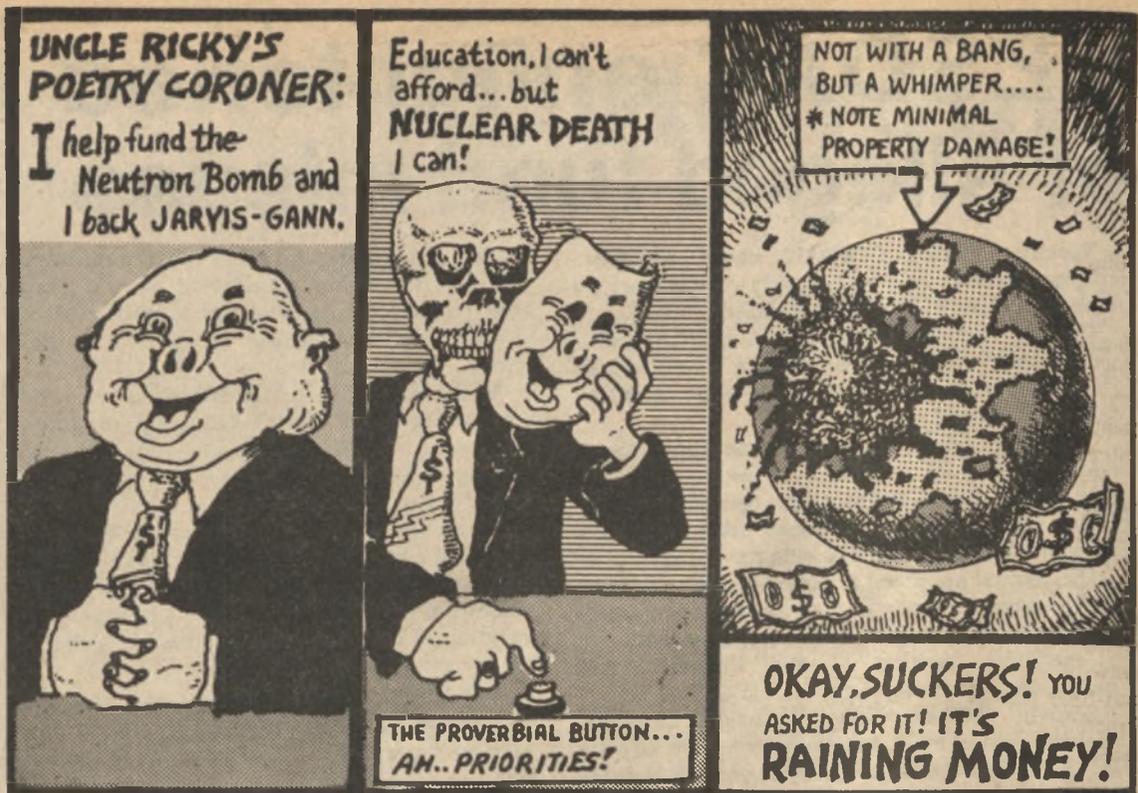
Book allowances, (\$50 per council member per quarter), which are questionable in themselves, will not be easily misused with the aid and watchfulness demonstrated by Fremd.

ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITY is displayed by the council in their discussion of rewriting their inadequate constitution that only contributed to the irresponsibility of past councils.

Another step forward the council is taking involves planning and attending an open house at the De Anza Sunnyvale Center on May 30 in an effort to increase their knowledge of student needs at the campus extension.

Perhaps their most progressive effort is working with ASDAC. Bringing the councils together in joint efforts, such as Cellar-by-Night, shows their willingness and openness to provide activities that will benefit both day and evening students.

La Voz feels evening students can and should restore trust in their new representatives and adviser who are acting in the best interest of those they govern, in a manner which is neither slow nor inefficient.



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Staff column

Stokely embellishes oratory

By PATRICIA BARRUS

Just about everybody was interested in Stokely Carmichael's April 26 appearance on De Anza's campus. He is a fascinating public figure, and his history and career are part of our history.

If you missed it, you shouldn't have—and a number of people have told me they were sorry they did.

HIS PHILOSOPHY, his political clout, his WOW! delivery and undeniable presence (in the dramatic sense) are attention-grabbers. And it is well worthwhile just to know what he is up to these days.

A large part of the content of many courses on De Anza's schedule is aimed at preparing students to hear and intelligently evaluate whatever information comes their way.

English 1A, psychology, political science, economics and speech classes all deal with the concept of propaganda. It includes choosing a hall

slightly too small for the expected crowd so it will be packed, and it takes in the plain folks image of the speaker, some oversimplification of the problems and their solutions, some glittering generalities and a lot of name-calling.

IT ALMOST SEEMED like Carmichael had been in those classes too. He did it so well.

All this is by way of saying I believe in having a great variety of views presented and am not at all concerned about anybody's being snowed by them.

From Carmichael's viewpoint however, I hope he appreciates his good fortune. He is not only provided with a forum on which to shout revolution—he is paid for it!

DOES HE EVER think about what would happen to him in the communist countries if he spoke out this way against the prevailing philosophy and form of government?

It is indeed a wonderful world we live in!

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LWV applauds new voter jump at Flea Market

Editor:

Two hundred very grateful people registered to vote last Saturday at the League of Women Voters' De Anza Flea Market booth. They also greatly appreciated being able to obtain our "Election Extra" newspaper, which explains the ballot propositions in layman's language, and our flyer listing TV programs and public forums on the Jarvis-Gann initiative.

We felt so appreciated, and we in turn so much appreciate La Voz's publicizing voter registration and the Flea Market staff's cooperation and assistance that we'd like to take this means to say, "Thank you!"

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