Student missing

Approximately 60 rescue workers are involved in a search for Cal Poly Engineering Technology student Steve Gordon after he failed to return from a solo flight from the county airport on Tuesday, a Sheriff's Aero Squadron spokesman said.

Gordon, an Arroyo Grande native, departed from the San Luis Obispo County Airport between 3:30 and 3:45 p.m. on Tuesday after renting a Cessna 152 Trainer from Air San Luis, said Bryan DuVall, commander of the Sheriff's Aero Squadron. "He told the owners of the plane that he was taking a one-hour, scenic flight to practice maneuvers," DuVall said.

And he didn't return.

Gordon's plane was equipped with an Emergency Locator Transmitter (ELT) which begins broadcasting a signal upon impact, DuVall said. "The FAA (Federal Aviation Administration) has alerted us to some ELT signals, one coming from west of Bakersfield and one coming from just west of the Channel Six transmitter of Cuesta Grade. We're investigating that one right now."

Joining the Sheriff's Aero Squadron in the search is the Civil Air Patrol, the FAA and the Coast Guard, DuVall added.

Wholton's "fact sheet" claims that since 1979 the California State University budget has been cut by nearly $75 million. These state imposed reductions have caused fees to rise an average of $45 in 1981-1982.

The mid-year budget cut of two percent in 1982 caused the CSU Board of Trustees to institute a $46 emergency fee. This was followed by $12 million in program cuts and the emergence of the State University fee, averaging $100 per student. The fee was an attempt to replace $25.7 million of withdrawn state support.

The current budget was slashed by $18.6 million. In response, the CSU Board of Trustees increased student fees by $64 to make up $15 million, while cutting $8.9 million from student programs.

Governor George Deukmejian's 1983-1984 budget calls for an $8.5 million cut in computer support. A fee increase of $230 is also proposed.

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Legislature to be shown students exist

Support for Higher Education activities, endorsed by the ASI Senate and coordinated by senator Doug Wholton will begin Tuesday April 5 in the University Union Plaza.

The activities, which include a letter writing campaign, student voter registration and distribution of fact sheets on fee structures are an attempt by Wholton to make students aware of the actions they can take in addressing the problem of fee increases.

"We want the legislators to be aware that we do exist, that we are somebody to be reckoned with," Wholton said. "We must take the steps necessary to insure that the quality of our education is not lessened by tuition fees."

A rally is tentatively scheduled for the end of the week. Flyers on both this rally and a rally to be held in Sacramento on April 12 at the State Capitol Building will be distributed. Car pools will also be organized for those going to Sacramento.

"One legislator made the statement that students couldn't band together to join forces in response to the fee increase," Wholton said. "This gives us even more incentive."

Student debates in Reno Saturday

This experience can be "better than any course in constitutional law," he said.

For club members it means hours of library research and documentation to present strong evidence for persuasion.

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Asi President Kevin Mosses said in his officer report that the Board of Trustees supported the fee increase with the stipulation that those sports the IRA supports would have free admission to students.

"Since the IRA Board agreed to include it in the free admission to sports, students had been coming in and expressing concerns," ASI President Sandra Clary said after her officer report. "But tonight they might have student desires had been overlook." The senate had supported it with the free admission stipulation but it was in sort of a wishy-washy way, that's why it was brought up tonight. Tonight they were overwhelmingly for the reconsideration."

Both actions were an attempt to make students more involved in curing the impact of budget cuts.

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An order will be signed this afternoon to begin construction of a major airplane landing strip and control tower on Cal Poly agricultural land, the Mustang Daily has learned.

President Warren J. Bayker will sign into effect the plans worked on in secret for the last six months by members of the Federal Aviation Administration and senior aeronautical engineering students, according to sources close to Bayker's office.

This will be a senior project for 30 unnamed aeronautical engineering students. Construction will begin in May.

One administration official said the plans were completed in secret to prevent community interference. Citing an "overriding need," the official said the school will build the strip even though San Luis Obispo already has an airport.

Sculptor comes from behind, adds to mascot

by H.S. Pyle
Staff Writer

Opening ceremonies for the 1983 Poly Royal will feature the unveiling of an addition to the bronze Mustang located in the plaza between the Administration Building and the University Union.

The bronze Mustang was unveiled last Poly Royal in celebration of the fifth anniversary festivities. Accompanying the Mustang will be a 115 pound ceremonial mound located directly below the flank of the rearing horse.

Sculptor Chip Menyure is a cowboy and fellow professor of Roy Harris who sculpted the 700 pound Mustang last year.

Menyure said adding the mound was an attempt to continue the attitude of "learning by doing" by creating a realistic view of the motto. "It's an attempt to remind Cal Poly students how they can use what they learn in real life situations," he said.

Funds for the $17,000 project were raised entirely through donations. Roughly one-third of the budget went to design and construct the one foot mound, and the rest paid for the production of 200 one-tenth scale replicas. Less than 10 of the miniatures remain and any extra funds raised from the donations will be used to establish an alumni endowment for research and training activities.

The mound took six months to design and build. Construction of the pile required 75 pounds of adobe, with a final application of a dark patina.

Menyure won't release a piece of art unless it meets strict guidelines. The first guideline is to have a creative idea and an abstract design.

"This is a creative idea because no one has ever done this sort of a sculpture before," said Menyure.

The second guideline is authenticity and accuracy; this is where the cowboy's experience is invaluable. "It's given me a background to draw from now," he said, adding, corporate and modern works are so much more valuable because the artists design their own pictures.

Menyure put up the idea of a bronze mound after years of working with horses. To design the strip, Menyure said he walked around the horse unit inspecting different piles.

"Cal Poly students who have seen me think I'm crazy when they catch me out in the middle of the pasture poking at and taking photographs of the drop," he said.

Despite Menyure's well-planned research, the project was almost not completed in time for the Poly Royal deadline. According to the cowboy, he spent many late nights trying to carve the individual shapes that make up the whole mound.

"But when the chips are down, it's amazing how fast I can work," said Menyure.

Opening ceremonies will begin at 10 a.m. Friday, April 22 in the plaza between the University and the Administration Building.
Reagan brain transplant works

by Dr. Michael Weckler
Medical correspondent

President Ronald Reagan has made medical history by becoming the first human being to successfully undergo a brain transplant operation, a White House spokesman said today.

In a press conference, spokesman Larry (No True) Spakes announced that at 8 a.m. today the president underwent a 15-minute operation to completely remove all gray matter and replace it with that of a donor.

The operation, which was brought about by medical, political and moral implications, was performed by frontman Lobotomy at the University of Lobotomy Medical Center.

Lobotomy, who received his A.A. degree from Cuesta College, is a former mechanic and garbage man, who was performing his first operation.

"It was a map," Spakes said. "It's a bit like working on a car, only simpler."

The doctors who assisted Lobotomy were amazed at the president's courage.

"I discovered all sorts of things that we had to go with a 'green' surgeon," said a member of the team, "but he pulled it off, he worked like a real pro, and he didn't even blanch at the goopy parts."

"I've seen worse messes in a garbage can," joked Lobotomy.

Time was an important factor in the success of the operation.

"Sensility was acting in rapidly, and we had to act fast," said a hospital aide who asked not to be identified.

"It's a shame they couldn't find a human donor," Spakes said, "but we think we have found the next best thing."

The donor, a chimpanzee named AI Most Hominid, was once a chauffeur for Be Rebozo and was implicated in the Watergate scandal. Homind received a massive cardiac arrest, due to continual self-abuse, just moments before the operation.

Due to the president's rapidly deteriorating mental condition, the team of doctors decided not to wait for a human donor, and go ahead with the transplantation of the chimp's brain.

"Most of the administrative decisions are made by someone other than the president anyway," said a White House aide. "I don't think his new brain will be a detriment at all -- in fact, it's hard to tell that he's even had an operation."

Moments after leaving his bedside, First Lady Nancy Reagan said the president is doing well, and "is his old self again."

"It's just amazing," she said. "He seems to be on the road to full recovery, probably before the end of the fiscal year."

"I think Ronnie will do just fine with his new brain," she added. "It's just a little brain but his thinking process seems to be even clearer than before."

He is more patient now and more willing to listen. His motor control is just fine, though his speech is a bit sloppy.

The President's difficulty with speech is attributed to the fact that the donor, being a chimp, could only communicate in sign language, and did not possess the capacity for speech, said a hospital spokesman.

Ronald Reagan, in obvious pain, meets the press for the first time since his twelve minute surgery. Doctors said Reagan was going bananas prior to the surgery but is looking chirper now.

"Other than the fact that he is frustrated about not being able to talk he seems just fine," said a janitor who asked not to be identified. "He is resting comfortably and is eating gobs of bananas."

The president will probably remain in the hospital overnight, just to make sure that there are no complications.

"We're taking precautions in case something comes up," said head surgeon Lobotomy. "We're going to implant a large zipper completely around his skull in case we have to go back in."

If another transplant is needed a more suitable donor will no doubt be found, Lobotomy said.

"We're thinking in terms of a gorilla or a whole next time," he said, "or perhaps even a human being."

Dining hall to close down

by Linda Reitt
Staff Gourmet and Big Eater

Cal Poly's dining hall has been condemned and will be closing later next week, an official of the San Luis Obispo County Health Department announced Wednesday.

Steve Corn of the Health Department said that the dining hall has received thirty complaints in the last four months concerning the dining hall. The department has just completed a four-week undercover investigation of the facility and has determined that the dining hall is a "health hazard."

The actual closing date will be either Thursday or Friday of next week.

Detective R.U. Hungary, head of the undercover investigation, reported numerous problems throughout the dining hall operation.

"I discovered all sorts of things that were wrong with the food, ranging from nails to roaches," Hungary said.

Hungary used a laboratory analysis system to determine that the spots on the glasses were not from the washing process, but were actually the remnants of previous drinks.

Hungary and his team of investigators also checked into six complaints that frogs were floating in the punch during the last week of the winter quarter.

These claims coincided with a report from the biological sciences department that seven dissecting frogs were stolen from a zoology class laboratory on the final day of instruction.

The Health Department will issue a complete report on all the investigation findings next Monday.

The general feeling among the students is positive towards the upcoming closure of the dining hall.

Willy Peak, a freshman food science major, said he is delighted about the closing.

"It's about time they (the Health Department) did something about this place. The dining hall has been a disappointing artificial substitute for my mom's home cooking," Peak said.

Val Gerl, a sophomore whose major is undecided, said: "'Like, oh my God, I find grody dirt all over my diet salad, like, everyday. It really perturbs me royally, but I'm like, wow, really stoked that it's closing soon."

The dining hall investigation condemnation has prompted questions concerning the competence of the other dining facilities on campus.

A source who wished not to be identified said the Student Senate might form a committee to conduct evaluations of Cal Poly's food facilities sometime in the future.

Several students have expressed their concern that the snack bar may also be closed.

Ira Scentimer, a member of a sorority, said that during fraternal and sorority socials will stage a protest if their central meeting area is also closed.

The Health department has not decided yet if they should also check the snack bar.

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Poly Royal: Funicello or Van Halen

Bayker proposes ‘P.R.’ excitement

by Twilight Zone
Staff art partner

A slate of controversial regulations have been slipped onto this month’s Poly Royal celebration in an effort to avoid the problems generated by the open house and the Poly Royal. While Poly Royal has become too much of a carnival atmosphere, groused Cal Poly President Warden Bayker in explanation of the new rules. “People look around making all kinds of noise, recklessly throw their candy wrappers in the Sheep Unit and just generally make a big nuisance of themselves.”

The regulations include a new dress code, a crackdown on the food booths and entertainment, and an admission fee.

Because last year’s Poly Royal was almost cancelled when a big crop of marijuana plants was discovered in the O.H. Unit, Bayker has been especially sensitive to avoid the problems generated by the open house and heading up the coast for a few weeks. "Hey, we've all got problems, OK?"

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The dark blue liquid, which Spills calls OpticMethanol (OPMB), is the result of three years of research by Spills and his assistants, working under a grant from Ronco Inc.

Trifle called the discovery a major scientific breakthrough. "Spills' find has the potential to affect all our lives more than any invention has since the development of the atomic bomb," he said. "I have no doubts that the government of the United States and most of the nations of the world will be contacting Dr. Spills concerning his discovery."

Though the researchers had spent thousands of hours conducting experiments and collecting data, their efforts had been fruitless until last month.

"Toward the end of the last month, Spills told me he was close to discovering the solvent," said Trifle.

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"I think this one's really gonna catch on," said Oddo. "We've got 15 students already enrolled and I hear there is quite a waiting list for future classes."

"I've never seen anything take off quite like this," said Oddo. "It's the best thing I've done since I invented super glue, though we never could get the top off the blue bottle to use the stuff," he said.

The work that Spills has done has qualified him for the No Bull prize in chemistry. "I hope I win," said the chemistry professor. "I need the money for a new coffee maker." Dr. Spills said that he will not negotiate with anyone over the rights to his formula until he has completed his next project: inventing a container which will hold the solvent.

**Treasury Department agent Latza Baggs displays money that will refund Cal Poly students overcharged on student fees over the last 10 years.**
School of Agriculture sponsors Poly yearbook

by Kristen Simon
Staff Writer

"From Ags to Riches" is the theme of the 1983 Cal Poly yearbook which goes on sale today in the University Union.

The yearbook, which will be available during finals week, is being put out by the School of Agriculture. Usually the costs are divided between all the schools, but the interest was so low this year the aggies jumped at the chance for free publicity.

A spokesman for the School of Architecture and Environmental Design said that any excess funds in their budget are being used to transport the structures in Polo Canyon down to Poly Grove. "We'd like to lend a hand, but it is impossible at this time," he added.

"The theme of the yearbook will be carried throughout all the sections with inserts of quotes from successful graduates of the school. The cover will feature a color portrait of the Rhinestone Cowboy. The yearbook is being offered in both hard and soft cover editions with the soft cover considerably lower in price. All photos are being taken by Art 221 basic black and white photo class, according to Lin Hogg, publicity director for the School of Agriculture.

"The graphics and illustrations are being done by the Graphics Club and all English 115 classes will be required to write copy for the book in lieu of a term paper," she added.

Special sections include: undergraduates and graduates, clubs and organizations, sports, activities, candidates, and a special "prized pets" page.

Negotiations are going on with department heads for a list of photoscheduling. Also, dormies should check with their resident advisors for dorm photoshoots.

"We don't want to leave anyone out. We're being very careful to make sure every student appears at least once in the book," Hogg added.

The biggest problem so far has been faced by the photographers assigned to the swine unit. "It is very difficult to get all the pigs to pose for one group shot," said Penny Flash, photographer.

"Unfortunately, we haven't figured out a way to keep the pigs from rolling in the mud before we photograph them," she added.

The "prized pet" page will feature award winning reptiles and tropical fish raised at Cal Poly. Candid shots are being obtained by various interest groups on campus and all members of the casts or plays are being re-acted for photographers.

"Because of the lack of interest from other schools within the university, the School of Agriculture is assuming full responsibility for the production and distribution of the yearbook.

"We want to put out the best yearbook this school has ever had," Hogg stated. "We also want to make a lot of money. Hopefully the book will sell really well."

All profits from the yearbook will benefit clubs and organizations within the School of Agriculture. If, for some reason there is a loss, it will be covered by the families of the Ag students.

"All other schools showed such great apathy, we felt it was only right for us to assume the responsibility," Hogg said. "It would be a great disservice to the students of this university if they didn't get a yearbook for this year.

"We added. "A yearbook is a keepsake of memories. Who would ever want to forget their time here at Cal Poly?"

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Dining hall condemned
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Will Gram, member of the ASI special events committee said the committee is organizing a special dinner for the last night of the dining hall will be open.

It's going to be a blast. Everything is going to be free, for anyone, meal card or not. We've ordered 2,000 pounds of steak and 4,000 lobsters. Plus, we're trying to get a license from the state to serve beer, but probably no hard liquor.

Gram said that anyone interested in coming should plan to get in line several hours before the dinner.

"I'm sure that people will be out there in lawn chairs the night before, in order to get the choicest piece of steak and lobster," he added.

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Learn by doing

KCPR has a right to make its mistakes — and triumphs — in public.

When Cal Poly President Warren Baker decided this week to refuse the campus radio's request to broadcast country-and-west, he refuted Pol's learn-by-doing motto.

It's more than a motto in the Journalism Department. The San Luis Obispo broadcasts 24 hours a day whenever Pol is in session. As the students and faculty go from pop to classical to country, KCPR also broadcasts city council meetings, interviews with campus experts, hourly newscasts, and campus announcements.

Operating in the county seat forces KCPR to remain competitive with San Luis Obispo's youth-oriented commercial stations. The student disc jockeys get "real life" experience every time they turn on the mike — what better training could it be to have a furry little feline around the apartment?

It didn't matter that pets were illegal in our complex or that our food bills would get a considerable hike. Never mind the responsibility. A cat was what we wanted and a cat was what we got.

Or I got, as the story goes, since I raced to the given address that afternoon and picked up Sunldst, the skinny orange tabby that has since been dubbed "my cat."

Cats are so cute, I thought. They cuddle on your lap, purr when you pet them, race to the litter box. The only occasional annoyance might be when they make bread dough out of your stomach, but that can be overlooked.

Sunkist, like all cats, hates water. It was a battle of the minds. Sunkist, like all cats, hates water. I refused to bring the box in, with hopes of training her to tolerate rain for the few seconds she would be victim to it. I even put newspapers outside both the front and back door where the porch is slightly shielded from the rain.

It was a battle of the minds. Sunkist was too smart to get wet when it was easy to stay dry, and I was too stupid to realize it.

In the end, it was my nose that decided and the litter box came inside. Sunkist still bites my nose while I sleep, but only once. Now she gets booted from the room on the second attempt. She's still cute, but we'll all be glad when spring is here.

Think about the responsibilities a pet entails. I do ... now.

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