**Eight marketing students to compete**

By Marilyn Freeman

A group of Cal Poly agriculture students will travel to Washington D.C. this week to the national convention of the National Agriculture Marketing Association to participate in the student marketing competition.

NAMA is an organization comprised of professional advertisers, agricultural people and marketing personnel. In an effort to encourage students of agriculture, NAMA has added several student chapters to its ranks. Eighteen of these student chapters from all over the nation will compete in this year's student marketing competition.

Each of the teams will give a marketing presentation dealing with an agriculture product. They will be judged by professionals from such fields as seeding and machinery companies, farm media and advertising agencies.

The members of this year's Cal Poly team include: Steve Boizot, Kentra Houtzbery, Steve Israel, Lauren Shahana, Kirk Messick, Warren Loomis, Buzz Shaw and Fred Aikins. In addition, graphics major Jack Tilger was hired by the group to help with the slide presentation and some of the graphics needed for the project.

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**Music major may be added to catalog**

by Frank Van Brocklin

The halls of the H.P. Davidson Music Center may be ringing with stronger chords in the near future. A proposal before the Academic Senate would initiate a music major for the 1984-1986 catalog.

The proposal is in line with a mandate reaffirmed in 1980 calling upon any of the system's institutions capable of offering a quality program in art, music or drama to do so, Ronald V. Ratcliffe, chairman of Cal Poly's music department curriculum committee said.

The proposal was read before the Academic Senate in March and will go through a second senate reading on April 12, said Ratcliffe.

If the proposal obtains Senate approval, it is then reviewed by the University President and Academic Vice President. The President may or may not choose to adopt the proposal.

The new major would offer major concentrations in history and literature, theory and composition and applied music, Ratcliffe said, adding the proposal would open 120 positions for music majors. The students would be admitted by interview or audition.

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Ratcliffe added, "The student mix, the sharing of ideas between music majors and non-majors is a happy happening both ways."

Ratcliffe demonstrated the use of technology in music, noting the utility of electronic technology in recording, computer science in composition and architectural acoustics.

The addition of a music major would also be a major step in improving Cal Poly's cultural climate, Ratcliffe said. He noted that whereas most students would be unwilling to attend the performance of a professional musician they have never heard of before, they would be more willing to attend the performance of a fellow student. "Students attract other students," he said.

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**Jones hired, takes new job in Pasadena**

by Linda Reiff

Doug Jones, former student activities information director, who resigned from his position effective Friday, is the new director of public relations at the Arts Center College of Design in Pasadena.

Jones' position at Cal Poly was to be eliminated because of funding problems and he was to take a new position in financial aid, said Dean of Students Russ Brown.

Jones said his reassignment was only part of his decision to leave.

"I told the dean (Brown) several weeks ago that I would be leaving June 30, whether I had a job or not," Jones said.

Jones said he had been "mulling around" for a few days, and decided to accept the position in Pasadena early. He would not explain why he left Cal Poly Friday instead of June 30.

Brown said he was surprised that Jones left so early.

"I thought he would either take the transfer to financial aid or leave at the end of the year," he said.

Bob Timone, alumni officer who was on the team that originally hired Jones, said, "Doug was not particularly happy about some of the things that were going on, and about the reassignment."

However, Jones said that he left on good terms and had considered leaving for "some time."

"I've been there almost seven years. I'm 33 years old and it's about time I started thinking about what I wanted to do when I grow up," Jones explained.

Brown agreed that Jones' reassignment was part of his decision to leave, since financial aid was not within his primary training.

"There weren't many positions in his field available, so he elected to leave," Brown said.

Jones said his leaving had nothing to do with any problems the Student Senate has had this year.

"I want to make it very clear that I didn't even attend a Senate meeting this year. I stayed completely out of ASI," Jones said.

"Cal Poly was a great place to work, and San Luis Obispo was a great place to live. I'm going to miss my friends and the good times I had there," Jones said.

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**Student still missing; fruitless search ends**

The search for missing Cal Poly student Steve Gordon was called off Saturday night according to Sheriff's Watch Commander Lt. Duane Dague.

Gordon, an Engineering Technology student and Arroyo Grande native, has been missing since last Tuesday when he failed to return from a solo flight over the county airport.

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CTA fighting mad over firings

BURLINGAME (AP) - The California Teachers Association on Monday promised the “battle of the century” to prevent layoffs of 4,900 educators who have received notices saying they will not be rehired next year.

The teachers, from 205 school districts throughout the state, were given the notices before March 15, the annual deadline for notifying instructors that their contracts are not being renewed.

CTA president Marilyn Russell Bittle said the layoffs would mean cuts in virtually every subject area. “We’re seeing the result of an indifference by the governor and certain members of the legislature that is monumentally stupid and destructive in terms of the future of California’s 5 million students,” said Ms. Bittle.

She said the dismissal notices were cruel, and she vowed to wage “the battle of the century in Sacramento to save jobs and preserve the public school system.”

De Lorean’s bail may double

LOS ANGELES (AP) - Government prosecutors moved Monday to double bail for automaker John Z. De Lorean to $10 million, claiming that he apparently has access to over $17 million hidden in Switzerland.

But De Lorean’s defense team said “there are no monies secreted away in Switzerland and Mr. De Lorean’s use,” and called the government allegation “false, speculative and malicious.”

In 100 pages of documents and motions released Monday by a federal judge, prosecutors also claim the auto industry celebrity has a record of “dishonest dealings,” in prior bail matters. De Lorean also has been trying to sell his one cash-generating asset, a snowmobile company, “on an immediate cash basis.”

De Lorean’s defense team, which had asked that his $5 million bail be reduced to $2.6 million, responded that the automaker “has become a financial cripple as a result of the bond in this case.”

De Lorean, 57, who faces trial with two other men on charges of cocaine trafficking, has been free on $5 million bail since December. He was arrested Oct. 19.

Tennis player granted asylum

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) - The United States, risking a rupture in cultural relations with China and a flood of requests for political asylum, granted sanctuary Monday to teen-age tennis champion Hu Na.

The decision, which was announced in Washington by the Justice Department, turned aside appeals from China and cut off 8½ months of diplomatic wrangling within the State Department over the foreign policy implications.

The Chinese, who have been more vocal in this case than in any other defection, have demanded Miss Hu’s return since July 20, when she slipped away from the 32-nation Federation Cup tournament in Santa Clara.

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Most bike accidents are caused by carelessness

by Anne French

Carless students are responsible for most of the bicycle accidents reported in San Luis Obispo, but most of these accidents do not occur on campus, according to the Public Safety Department.

The most prominent accident-prone areas in San Luis Obispo are not on the Cal Poly campus but the downtown intersection of Higuera and Santa Rosa streets. San Luis Obispo Traffic Safety Officer Gary Nemeth claims the majority of bike accidents involve Cal Poly students. He attributes these casualities to cyclists riding at night without lights or reflectors, on the wrong side of the road, and in dark clothing which is difficult for motorists to see at night.

"Bicyclists should always carry a picture identification so the officer knows who they are," said Nemeth. He says bicycle accidents increase at the beginning of each quarter when new students start at Cal Poly.

Cal Poly ranks a close second with four of the top six "critical" traffic areas. Cal Poly "hot spots" include Grand Avenue from Monterey Street to campus; Black Street along the university proximity fields to Foothill Boulevard; from the freeway to Foothill Boulevard, and the intersection at San Rossa Street and Foothill Boulevard.

Cal Poly has the largest number of hazards within the inner perimeter road and on the south side of campus. Campus police lieutenant Leroy Whittier estimates that in fair weather, there are more than 2,000 bikes on campus at any time. Whittier said eight accidents were reported in 1982, adding that was a low rate.

To help control the obi and flow of bikes, the Cal Poly Bicycle Patrol Program was formed as an offshoot of the Public Safety Department. The four-member student team is headed by Jim McCown, assisted by Kristy Keller, Marc Duxbury, and Kathy Hill. Its adviser is Sgt. Steve Schroeder.

The main functions of the Student Patrol Board are to promote safety, provide free on-campus registration, and patrol lane perimeters.

If you see a bright yellow nylon jacket with the words "University Student Bicycle Patrol" on the back be aware that if you are in the incorrect lane you will be told to change lanes. Patrol member Keller laments the fact that they are not able to give citations to bike riders now but "possibly will in the future."

"I've seen bikers go flying through the pedestrian lane at about 20 m.p.h., showing no consideration or thought to pedestrians safety," said Keller. The Patrol operates an average of 10-20 hours a week.

"The Board is trying to come up with new methods for effective bike and pedestrian awareness. We've about to put up signs regarding wheelchair accessibility and we offer bike maintenance and safety tips," said McCown. Patrol member Keller said that because of an increased budget the Patrol Board was able to expand membership from two members to four this year, but most likely there will be reduced funds next year.

Because of the lack of participation the Board does not offer bicycle seminars with regularity but instead does it door-to-door in the dorms. They held periodical surveys to determine the need for additional bike racks and whether existing racks need to be relocated.

According to patrol head McCown, their primary goal is making Cal Poly a more conducive place to travel for everyone.

Clubs to hold ag week

by Marilyn Freeman

Information booths and livestock displays promoting agriculture will be part of a three-day Agriculture Awareness Week to be held at Cal Poly in the University Union Plaza.

The exhibit will be in the plaza between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. each day and is sponsored by Alpha Zeta, the agriculture honor fraternity on campus.

Its coordinator is Fred Fontanilla, a senior agricultural management major. "The purpose of Agriculture Awareness Week is to inform students of the various agriculture clubs at Cal Poly," said Fontanilla.

Among the 18 clubs participating in the event are the Agriculture Business Management Club, the Agriculture Engineering Society, the Science Club, the Crop Club, the Society of American Foresters and the Veterinary Science Club.

All of the clubs are planning displays for this second annual Agriculture Awareness Week, said Fontanilla.

The Agriculture Engineering Society is featuring displays on irrigation technology, farm equipment and computers in agriculture. The Crop Club booth titled "Seeding to Eating" deals with crop production. Other displays include a pasting area sponsored by the Veterinary Science Club and a livestock fitting display by the Veterinary Boots and Spurs Club.

Fontanilla said that ribbons will be awarded to the clubs with the most creative displays. He said, along with being creative, departments have also been encouraged to provide information explaining their major curriculum and classes available for general education requirements.

The conventions will last from April 6 to April 14. During this time they will also be attending various workshops, seminars and presentations concerning the latest agriculture marketing practices.

Team 'marketed' real product

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The Sonic Header is a real piece of equipment used in tomato production today. It is used on harvesting machines to determine the level at which tomato plants are chopped. Unlike older manual header models, the Sonic Header uses ultrasound impulses which reflect off the soil surface, thus automatically raising and lowering the sickle blades in accordance with the soil surface height. This practice reduces the number of times the harvester cuts into the ground. The result is a reduction in the amount of waste which enters the harvester.

The team researched the marketing potential for the Sonic Header until they arrived at a suitable strategy for their imaginary company. The complete marketing program involves projections for advertising, promotion, pricing, target markets, distribution, sales, service and financing.

Their presentation is a combination of slides, charts and verbal descriptions which illustrates the marketing plan. All this is aimed at convincing management executives to incorporate the product into the company's line of products.

Jack Herlihy, the coach of this year's team, said he believes the group will be up against some stiff competition. However, Cal Poly has been historically successful at the convention, according to Herlihy. "In the last five years we have taken two firsts and two seconds," he said.

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County dining guide assists nonsmokers

If you're the type of person who finds dining in a smoke-filled room unromantic and downright disgusting, the American Lung Association of San Luis Obispo County has a survival guide for you. The guide provides nonsmokers with a listing of those restaurants in San Luis Obispo County that offer non-smoking sections. It is appropriately titled "Guide to Restaurants with Non-Smoking Sections in San Luis Obispo County."

The one-page fold-out guide contains listings for restaurants ranging in quality from fast food places to polished dining rooms. The Lung Association has conveniently arranged the guide according to the city the restaurants are located in. The listings include both the street address and phone number of each restaurant. Particularly helpful for anyone planning a smoke-free night out are the notations on the number of non-smoking tables each restaurant provides. These notes can help nonsmokers decide if they should call ahead to reserve a table in a smoke-free section.

If even the mere thought of cigarette smoke turns your stomach, the guide mentions two restaurants — the Burger Factory and the Sugarless Shack — which do not allow smoking at all. Free copies of the guide can be obtained by calling Janet Stoseh at 543-4947 or writing to the American Lung Association at 1246 Morro St., San Luis Obispo. The Lung Association office hours are 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Thursday.

University Singers hosted by Mission this weekend

The Cal Poly University Singers will perform the program they prepared for their annual tour of California missions when they give a concert on Saturday, April 9, at Mission San Luis Obispo de Tolosa.

The 50-voice choir is in the midst of a tour of four California missions at San Francisco, Santa Clara, Carmel, and San Miguel under the direction of James Davis, a member of Cal Poly's Music Department.

Tickets for the San Luis Obispo concert are $4 for the public and $2 for students. Matinee tickets, available at the Julian A. McPhee University Union Office Ticket Office on campus or at the door one hour prior to the performance, will cost $3.

The program will include a selection of well-known choral works including "Missa Brevis" D, composed by Mozart, and Baldassare Galuppi's "Magnificat," an 18th Century setting of Mary's Hymn of Praise from St. Luke. Both compositions will be performed with chamber orchestra.

Regarding the program highlights will include a performance of Benjamin Britten's "Choral Dances" for the opera "Gloriana," composed by Britten in 1953 to honor the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II of England. Rounding out the program will be a selection of early English church music by such composers as Morley, Tallis, and Byrd.

Dept. affirms desire for major

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The chairman added that the advantages of a music major on campus far outweigh any imagined disadvantages. Although, the general curriculum has been received favorably in all quarters, Ratcliffe said, "The primary barrier is the campus-wide concern about the question, 'Will we have a new major, where will the students come from?'

The 130 music majors would represent only 0.8 percent of the total enrollment at Cal Poly. Furthermore, with the increasing student enrollment and the present demand for a music major by local students, the new major should not significantly cut into the enrollment of any other major.

Noo will the new major bring measurable costs for increased music staff or facility development. According to Ratcliffe, the only needed change to the facilities would be doubling the capacity of the electronic piano lab from 36 slots—change that would be necessary even if the proposed major were not adopted.

Initially, only two classes—Ear Training and Music Theory I and Theory IV counterpart—would need to be implemented. Both classes already exist as experimental portions of other classes.

The program is looking for as much positive student assistance as we can get. We're anxious to demonstrate that there is a demand for a music major," he said.

"Music is one of the oldest disciplines in any university," Ratcliffe said. "It's an abstraction in fact in most other institutions."

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Violist to perform here this weekend

Cal Poly's Quintessence
Concert Series will present violinist Paul Neubauer in the Cal Poly Theatre on Friday, April 8, at 8 p.m. At age 19, Neubauer is already acknowledged as a world-class musician. In 1980, he outperformed a number of seasoned players at the Lionel Tertis International Viola Competition and won the Grand Prize. Then just 17, he was the competition’s youngest entrant.

That prize brought him a recital debut at Wigmore Hall in London and a performance with the English Chamber Orchestra in London's Queen Elizabeth Hall. While in Great Britain, Neubauer also made orchestral and recital recordings for nationwide broadcasting.

In March 1982, Neubauer won the Jiilard Concerto Competition and as a result performed the Walton Concert at Alice Tully Hall in New York’s Lincoln Center.

Two months later, he won a Special Prize, never before awarded, at the Naumburg International Viola Competition held at Carnegie Hall, for which he will receive a fully subsidized period of study at Alice Tully Hall.

And in July 1982, by unanimous decision of the board of judges, Neubauer won First Prize and a cash award of $7,500 in the 2nd Annual Cal Poly Concert Artist Competition in Erie, Pa.

Born in Los Angeles, he began playing the violin at age seven. He made his debut with the Los Angeles Philharmonic when he was 13 and performed with the San Francisco Symphony a few years later. Currently a pupil of Paul Doktor at the Juilliard School of Music, he has also studied with Alan De Verlich and William Primrose.

Reserved seat tickets for Neubauer’s performance at Cal Poly are $8 for the public and $5 for students. They can be purchased at the Ticket Office in the Julian A. McPhee University Union on campus.

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League-leading baseball team hosts Northridge

by Dave Wilcox

While most students spent last week scrambling to add classes, Harr's Mustangs were scrambling about southern California adding up wins as they opened their California Collegiate Athletic Association campaign with four victories in five games.

There's a good reason. The road warriors are in a pleasant position—first place in front of 6-3 UC Riverside, and home tonight for a 5-5 double-header against 4-3 Cal State Northridge at John Luecke Stadium. Penciled in as started in the first game is Pete Spillane (0-0) while Mike Cook (0-3) is slated to throw the nightcap.

Though Poly has had 20 games rained out this season, the Mustangs have already swept 18 honors, only six less than they hit during the entire 1982 season. But while Harr is happy with the strength of power, he expects it. He wasn't so sure of his pitchers.

But Northridge isn't so easy to calculate this year. According to Harr, the Matadors, who usually follow the "You'll Score but We'll Score More" school, are stronger on the mound than at the plate this year. "They do have good pitching, but rumor has it they're not as strong a hitting club," Harr explained.

Harr and the Mustangs will get first-hand information tonight.

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The final score was Cal Poly 6, Riverside 3. The team is now 4-1 in league play, 7-2 overall.

Something new in spring tennis look—Injuries

by Teresa Mariani
Staff Writer

The Women's Tennis team came out on top after a Friday match against UC Riverside, even though Cal Poly's number one and number six seed players were out with shoulder injuries.

More injuries, this time to the top four players on the Cal Poly Pomona team, resulted in the cancellation of Saturday's Cal Poly San Luis Obispo-Cal Poly Pomona match. Athletic directors from both schools were still deciding Monday afternoon whether Pomona would default on the match or whether the match would be rescheduled.

At the Riverside match, coach Orion Yeast called on fourth seeded Jennifer Bechmann to fill in the number two singles spot, and Amy Jarvis to fill in the number five singles spot.

Coach looks for big men's match

by Mike Mathison
Staff Writer

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Opinion

A time to rally

The state legislature will know students exist after April 12 when several hundred students demonstrate in Sacramento to support higher education.

The Mustang Daily Editorial Board urges Cal Poly students to join students from the other university systems and prove that higher education is being ignored in the proposed state budget. Students from the University of California, California State Universities and Colleges, and community college systems plan to march on the Capitol.

A news conference will be held at 10 a.m., followed by a march from Front Street, down Capitol Mall, to the west steps of the Capitol. A simultaneous demonstration will be held at Gov. George Deukmejian's office in Los Angeles.

The rally is a significant step in swaying the outcome of the proposed state budget for higher education. Deukmejian has proposed to cut CSU's budget by more than $117 million and raise student fees by $220 a year.

Students' rights are at stake. The legislature needs to know California college students are serious about attaining a good education, but will not be able to get that education if the cost is too high.

The quality of education is also affected by cuts in California college budgets.

There will be more students per faculty member if state support for summer quarters at four campuses is eliminated. This elimination will throw out 350 faculty members. Libraries will become outdated if Deukmejian gets his way and cuts staffing by $3.5 million. And instructional equipment and computers will become outdated as soon as they come off the line if computer services are cut by $2.1 million.

It is impossible to have this much cut from the university system and maintain the high quality of education California students are used to. Students must show the state legislature they are able to join forces when there is a threat to their education.

Carpools will be traveling to Sacramento for the rally. Students who need a ride or can offer to drive, should sign up at the ASI table in the University Union Plaza today (11 a.m.-1 p.m.), Wednesday, (8-11 a.m.) and Thursday (8 a.m.-4 p.m.). Students should bring signs and posters to carry in the march.

A rally is tentatively scheduled after the Sacramento demonstration in order to perpetuate a high local public awareness.

If leaving school for a day is difficult, students can still voice their concern by writing to Deukmejian or their representatives in Sacramento. Send letters to Governor George Deukmejian, State Capitol, Sacramento, 95814; Senator Ken Maddi, State Capitol Room 5067, Sacramento, 95814; or Assemblyman Eric Seastrand, State Capitol Room 5136, Sacramento, 95814.

Please go to the rally or write a letter. Our future education is at stake.

Advice to 'Just friends'

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Khomeini's atrocities

Editor:

This is in response to the April 1 letter in the Mustang Daily. "If you foreigners do not understand it, too bad for you. It's none of your business. If some Persians don't understand it, too bad for them. It means, they have not understood Islam.

-Khomeini

The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights has been frequently breached. Here we illustrate violations by the Islamic Government of Iran of Articles 7, 9, 10 and 14, which concern the arrest, trial and treatment of prisoners.

The violation of human rights is nothing new in Iran. Under the Shah, political prisoners were tried by military courts controlled by the regime itself. Their attorneys were assigned by the court. Individuals were subject to arbitrary arrest and torture without being formally charged. The bodies of prisoners killed under torture were secretly destroyed.

The uprising of February 1979 forced open the doors of the prisons and brought down the Shah. But the Khomeini government has re instituted the same vicious practices, a trend which has been sharply accelerating since June 1981.

Individuals are arrested without cause, in violation of Article 9 of the Covenant. Arrested persons are denied the right to defense attorneys in violation of Article 14 of the Covenant.

In most cases, no trials are held. Prisoners are immediately executed or detained for indeterminate periods of time. Living conditions in the prisons are extremely harsh. Cells are packed beyond capacity; food is scarce and medical attention is denied. Families are given no information about their imprisoned relatives.

Interrogation is routinely accompanied by beatings, and if satisfactory information is not received, prisoners are tortured and raped. This violates Article 7 of the Covenant and Articles 38 and 39 of the Constitution of the Islamic Republic of Iran. Numerous cases of death by torture have been reported; bodies are dumped in deserted locations and no official announcements are made.

In the last eight months, an estimated 14,000 political prisoners have been killed. This figure exceeds the total number of persons killed in the rest of the world during 1980. Children, pregnant women and persons as old as 85 have faced firing squads. Wounded persons are dragged from their hospital beds and shot. Prisoners are given five minute summary trials by Islamic judges or no trials at all.

The Islamic regime has revived 100-year-old theological laws. Persons who insult Islam or curse the religious authorities can receive the death sentence. Evidence of these and similar charges may be provided by any two male witnesses, including agents of the regime.

International pressure has led the Islamic government, since November 1981, to modify their official announcements of executions. However, the executions themselves continue.

Many governments, such as those of Guatemala and El Salvador, blame their atrocities on right-wing terrorists acting beyond their authority. The Islamic Republic of Iran proudly admits its activities and principles.

Please join us in condemning Khomeini's atrocities.

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