University to gain from new cogeneration plant

by Louise Fox
Staff Writer

Why not kill two birds with one stone? The cogeneration plant will do just this when it is completed. Cogeneration means producing two types of energy—thermal and electrical. The process of the cogeneration plant consists of taking air and gas and running it through a modified DC-10 jet engine. To produce more electricity a steam turbine is used. The exhaust gas is put through a boiler and the steam is put through an exhaust turbine. Cal Poly will be using steam coming from the turbine.

The plant will produce 26 megawatts, 20 more than what Cal Poly currently uses.

The plant will also employ state workers, and Calpogen, a San Francisco-based company, will reimburse the state.

Calpogen is the third-party investor in charge of building the cogeneration plant. Pacific Gas and Electric Company will work with Calpogen by buying the electricity at regular cost from Calpogen.

Cal Poly will then buy electricity from PG and E and steam from Calpogen at the normal cost of natural gas.

The other utility involved is General Electric. They will be supplying the materials, designing, engineering and financing the plant.

The plant will be located at the entrance of Poly Canyon. Costing approximately $30 million, its estimated size is 150 feet by 150 feet.

Neither the university nor the state of California will be paying for the plant. All the money will be the result of a joint venture and Calpogen, but the percentage has not been decided yet.

An amount will benefit the university, said Ed Naretto, the director of Plant Operations.

Construction of the plant will begin in six months, according to Naretto, and the contract to install the plant should be complete within the month. By having the plant on campus, property, Cal Poly will receive funds from Calpogen for campus energy conservation projects. One such project is a heat balance and energy conservation study which will allocate to the university $40,000 to study the use of energy on campus.

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Travel Center offers fun through tours around globe

by Anne French

Whether you're a June graduate, continuing student, staff member, alumni, or even non-student, you may be yearning for another way... soon. The University Union Travel Center and ASI Outings may be your ticket to an affordable adventure.

Plan to visit Europe, Hawaii, or even Catalina, now is the time to establish travel arrangements, said UU Recreation Director Rod Neubert.

For example, those who think they can save more by traveling frugally may discover they will end up paying more and be cramped because of limited space.

And although Mexico is rumored to be the best vacation buy in years because of the devalued peso, Assistant Tour Coordinator Candice Anderson warned that "many airlines and hotels be the best vacation buy in years."

"Our program provides the best of care and nurturing for infant-toddlers and preschoolers," explained Ricketts. And the waiting list of parents wanting to place their kids at the center backs up her words.

"We provide a loving environment, encouragement for the children to make their own choices, and solve their own problems with the help of staff. Our goals are to help them develop good attitudes about safety, rights of others and self-esteem," Ricketts said.

The program for the preschoolers includes math, science, art, manipulative play, language arts and dramatic play activities, sprinkled with field trips around campus, naptime and freeplay.

A typical day for a Cal Poly preschooler might include story time, free play, a science experiment, and, of course, naps. "Although it looks like free play, really our activities are teaching tools. Group time provides valuable experience in learning social skills," explained teacher Lisa Nosal.

"A science project might be pouring water into sand and talking about erosion and soil saturation, then making a dam and learning about flood control. Motor skills and learning to read safety signs are part of riding scooters and trikes."

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L.A. Speaking of New Zealand, the Travel Center is organizing a goodwill camping tour of that country for next December with sign-up and deposit deadline passed.

For the three-week bike trip, Neubert emphasized, it is "best to be in shape.

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Kids get into painting while one of their teachers participates and supervises at Cal Poly's Children Center.

Tenth anniversary celebrated

Center fulfills a need for many

by Jan Sprague
Special to the Daily

It was conceived in the heat of controversy and born despite strong opposition from an administration that felt "the state is not in the business of child care.

Nevertheless, with the support and help of ASI, students and faculty, the Cal Poly Children's Center opened its doors and began serving student-parents Jan. 17, 1973. A decade later, the highly successful Children's Center is celebrating its tenth anniversary and plans on having a week of activities during homecoming.

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Violence mars US Festival

DEYORE, Calif. (AP)—Thousands of music fans broke camp and headed home from the US Festival Tuesday as officials investigated the death of a sleeping camper at the three-day rock party marred by one parking lot murder and scattered violence.

Crews began clearing piles of debris at Glen Helen Regional Park, where the festival returns for a one-day country music program next Saturday.

Officials said 137 people were arrested—about half for felonies including assault and battery—a security guard was seriously injured, a young girl run over by a car and two others killed in traffic crashes after leaving the Memorial Day weekend festival. Only 38 people were arrested at the first US Festival last year.

But for the most part, US '83 was a peaceful if sometimes sweaty and time-consuming experience for the several hundred thousand who flocked to the park to catch such popular acts as David Bowie, Van Halen, The Clash, Orice Osborne and The Pretenders.

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Beth Currier, assistant coordinator of Cal Poly Disabled Student Services, tested the limits of her disability on her second river rafting trip. Currier’s wheelchair sits folded behind her.

Below, Currier and her companions on the ASI Outings trip brave the American rapids.

Story by Dave Wilcox
Photos by Chuck Brahnard

So it’s not surprising Currier spent her Memorial Day Weekend careening down the American River with a group of students on an ASI Outings white water river-running trip—the second such expedition she’s made in a month. The second weekend of May found her shooting the Merced River rapids.

Currier, who holds a half-time position as assistant coordinator of Cal Poly’s Disabled Student Services, said she first thought of signing up for a trip after a slide show presented by Outings for the disabled persons on campus left her “drooling.” Her appetite for adventure whetted, Currier noticed a flyer advertising the Merced trip and promptly asked University Union Recreation Director Rod Neubert, who has logged over 5,000 miles of rapids himself, if it would be possible for her to participate. Neubert, who said he considers the Merced River the safest white water run that Outings sponsors, replied it would be “fantastic” to have her along.

Beth Currier holds no grudge against Nature. “I’ve always been a nature-lover. Maybe I appreciate the beauty a little more.”

Paraplegia News, January, 1983
Disabled student seeks wilderness adventures

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"Part of the purpose of Outings is to get people to live as full a life as they can," Neubert explained, "I have a lot of concerns anyway for white water river-running. This was just a little added worry."

Currier, who satisfies another desire—trailing and showing horses on her seven-acre Arroyo Grande ranch—has filled her life to the brim with accomplishments, attained for the most part before the relatively recent growth in public awareness of the disabled's special needs.

After graduating from San Marino High School, Currier enrolled at UCLA, where she received her bachelor's degree in psychology in 1966. There wasn't too much help available on college campuses in the sixties, Currier said, adding that there was no such thing as "adaptive physical education" or "disabled student services." Following some graduate work at Cal State Los Angeles, Currier earned her master's in counseling and guidance at Cal Poly in 1968.

A self-proclaimed "excellent swimmer," Currier admitted the rafting trips posed some unique problems. Primarily, it's tough to get around. "She really couldn't do anything without our help," Neubert remarked, but added the other rafters shouldered the extra burden willingly.

"I had to be lifted over most of the land by the river because it's all sand and rocks," Currier said. But the experience started some of the engineering minds on the trip churning.

"By the end of the (Merced) trip, I had them designing me an outdoors chair," she recalled.

Because she has poor circulation in her lower extremities, Currier explained that just sitting in the raft during the ride presented a minor problem. "The raft always has water in it. It's like soaking your feet in ice-water the whole trip."

While Currier is quick to assert she had a wonderful time on her first trip—why else would she go back?—she admitted some ulterior motives for taking the trip. "The exposure for others is good, sure," Currier said. "If any other disabled students want to go on an outing I'm available to share my experiences."

Neubert, however, pointed out that if he had five students in wheelchairs sign up for the next rafting trip he'd be, well, up a creek. "It would be hard to move around many persons in wheelchairs," he said.

Currier also reminded that not all disabled people who might sign up for outings will necessarily share her attitude. "'You shouldn't generalize and think all (handicapped) people are like Beth,' Currier, "she said. "Some people are bit-ter."

What new frontier will she try to conquer next? "I'm not able to hike. I can't get to the back-country, so I rely a lot on hiking," Currier said. "I've always wanted to try saltwater rafting."

Chances are Lopez Lake will have a new visitor this summer.

Beth Currier and friend explore the surroundings on a rest stop during a Memorial Day Weekend All Outings trip.

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The scene is San Luis Obispo's Fremont Theatre, Wednesday afternoon, May 26, 1983. At the front of the line they had been waiting for a whole night for this moment. Eagerly they clutched their crescent and worn ticket receipts and glanced nervously at their watches. Behind them, a huge line had developed over the course of the day, stretching for at least four city blocks. Anticipation and excitement filled the air.

Why?

The answer is four simple words—"Return of the Jedi." This is the title of the latest film in the mega-popular Star Wars saga. The scene is the opening day for the concluding act of the middle trilogy produced George Lucas's outer space epic. For the low price of $4.50, all of the questions and dilemmas left hanging in the two previous films are bound to finally be answered.

For many people, the wait for this film started in the summer of 1977, when the first Star Wars film debuted. This film, along with its sequel, "The Empire Strikes Back", were so popular that it has made "Return of the Jedi" the most popular Star Wars film of the year.

Suddenly, the doors swing open, causing an electrical charge of excitement to be released along the long line of people. With pulse racing and sheepish grins painted on their face, the crowd began to slowly filter into the ancient "art-deco" interior of the Fremont Theatre.

The tension in the theatre was thick and very similar to the feeling in a rollercoaster car as it makes its long uphill climb before the first big drop. The crowd, with visions of dashing in intergalactic space fights and exotic alien creatures, began impatiently clapping for the show to begin.

And then without warning, the lights dim. A ferocious roar of anticipation filled the house exactly what it expects—a thoroughly enjoyable and entertaining movie. It dishes out in sparkling hues the type of action and special effects which have made "Star Wars" and "The Empire Strikes Back" the second and third top-grossing movies of all time. With such a successful formula, director Richard Marquand keeps the film in "hyperspace" with a dazzling parade of special effects.

With due respect to the actors and actresses in the film, these special effects are the real stars of the picture. The effects in this film are much more sophisticated and complex than the ones in the first two pictures.

In a recent interview, Lucas commented that technology has caught up with his original vision.

"The effects in these films are more or less the way I wanted them to be in 'Star Wars': but I didn't have the technology to carry them out," said Lucas.

One example of how much the effects have improved from the first Star Wars film is the menagerie of exotic creatures which populate the universe. The strange assortment of "things" in Jabba the Hutt's lair make the bar scene in the first movie look like the Muppet show.

Lucas has used this newfound technology not only make some of the creepiest critters in the galaxy, but also some of the cutest. Taking a page from the notebook of his good friend Stephen Spielberg ("E.T.") Lucas has created a tribe of fierce and lovable teddy bears and the root of the Empire's evil, the Emperor (Ian McDermid) himself.

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Lucas and Leia join forces again for the third and most successful in the Star Wars Trilogy. To date the pair has helped bring in $41.1 million in "Jedi's" first six days.
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Special effects, not actors, are the stars of 'Jedi'

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It lacks the freshness and novelty of the first film. Although the original "Star Wars" is technically vastly inferior to the other two, every frame of the film is imbued with an innocent and magical spirit reminiscent of Walt Disney.

"Return of the Jedi" also lacks the sheer elegance and sophistication of "The Empire Strikes Back". The second film was the ne plus ultra part of the trilogy — displaying more depth and mood than most people thought possible in a movie of this kind.

Part of the problem lies with the director, Richard Marquand. He seems to be too concerned with cramming in special effects, and as a result, he needlessly confuses and overwhelms the flow of the story.

This fault is especially noticeable in the first part of the movie, during the rescue of Han Solo. It is extremely hard to tell exactly what is going on. This is because Marquand uses a lot of close-up shots in this sequence, and fails to give the audience a perspective overview of the scene. The end result is confusion.

Marquand also fails to match the major plot twists and climaxes with strong visuals. He failed to build pivotal scenes to their fullest potential.

A good example of matching a major plot development with a strong visual image was shown in "The Empire Strikes Back". When Han Solo got frozen in carbonite, it was a monumen­tal and apocalyptic event. The scene was shot very dramatically and carried a good deal of emotional weight.

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The film was riddled with problems. Lucas and screenwriter Lawrence Kasdan have filled the script with inconsistencies and banalities. Granted this is a fantasy/science-fiction film, and anything is possible. But the film must proceed logically and consistently within the context of the film's world.

In a few occasions, "Return of the Jedi" fails to do this. For example, Luke's Jedi powers are too inconsistent. One minute he has his powers, the next they disappear. The source of the power isn't the force, but the melodramatic whines of the screenwriters.

Another logic error in the film was done with the fighting abilities of the Ewoks. Although they have a great deal of courage, I doubt that they formed an armed legion of pointed sticks and rocks.

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Third film of trilogy lacks character definition

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The character of Han Solo was also downplayed. The script toned down the cynical swashbuckler shown in the first two films, unfortunately losing much of his aggressive spark and sense of humor in the process.

These characters, along with a few others, seemed to get lost in the background of the stunning qidal actors. As a result, the film lost some of its human touch and took on a mechanical tone.

But the exception to the rule is the character of Luke Skywalker. With the stage production of "Amadeus" under his belt, Hamill exudes confidence and presence on the screen. His "odipal" duel with Darth Vader at the end of the movie gives the film its strongest emotional moment.

LACK OF IMAGINATION

But perhaps the most disappointing thing about "Return of the Jedi" is that it is simply not as imaginative as the other two films.

With the exception of the Ewoks, nothing really new is added to the saga. As in the past films, once again there is a death star, a light saber fight, clash between two spaceships armadas, a ton of weird and exotic creatures and ghostly ex-Jedi knights. A lot of the aspects of the film have been seen before.

Lucas himself has admitted that this third movie was made primarily on momentum, and he is "burned-out" at the moment on the entire Star Wars saga. His loss of enthusiasm for the project unfortunately shows in the final product.

THE OVERALL EFFECT

Under close scrutiny, many problems can be seen throughout the movie. Nevertheless, the overall effect of the movie is satisfying and entertaining. The movie delivers what the people expect from it—superb special effects and lots of action.

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Children's center combines play and education

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Nap time is approached in the same positive way, Emanuel said, helping the children understand how important it is to rest their bodies.

"Each week we have a theme," says teacher Carmen Elkins. "For instance, one week the theme was dinosaurs. The kids helped construct a giant dinosaur out of cardboard boxes, then paint it. We made dinosaur cookies with the help of our cook Nancy, and had dinosaur bread for lunch one day and talked about how dinosaurs ate green leafy things."

Nutrition is an important element in the program at both centers. Cook Nancy McAnaney has a holistic philosophy, using natural foods for both centers.

"There's no preservative, no sugar, no white flour or rice in any of our meals," says Nancy, "even in the cookie recipe! We try to encourage the kids to sample new dishes and try a variety of foods."

Some of the fresh vegetables come from a garden at the Children's Center that the children themselves help take care of. The Center also has three red hens that the children help feed and collect eggs from, which are used in their meals. "Our milk comes from the Poly Dairy, as do most of our dairy products," says McAnaney. "I try to stress cultural awareness in the meals served. For example, we might have Indian corn bread muffins, or egg flower soup."

The infant-toddler center is just as inventive in its program for youngsters age 6 months to 2 years. Here there are no high-chairs or walkers, no cribs or playpens. "We go by the Magna-Garber philosophy of "ado-caring", explains Ricketts, "where the child is respected as a person and encouraged to explore and experience things in a safe environment."

Parents are often surprised at how much their children accomplish at the two centers. The happy faces also help reassure parents that their kids are getting the best of care while they are in classes.

"We were all children," Jorgensen points out, "and many of us had working parents who couldn't afford or find good quality care. Our on-campus center is such a relief for parents returning to school. Being only a few buildings away and having the chance to check in whenever they want is a tremendous advantage over old-style baby-sitting. That is one of the main reasons we want the infant-toddler center on campus."

Because the center runs on such a tight budget, parents are required to donate 10 volunteer hours per quarter.

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New energy plant brings cheaper power to school

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CalPegs will give $200,000 to the university for a computerized student simulator at the plant. It will be used by engineering students to study the methods of the generating system.

Other projects designed to help Cal Poly include replacing fluorescent lights with electric fluorescent lights in some halls at a cost of $8,000, and providing a $5,000 annual engineering scholarship to help pay the cost of education.

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Bear killed, two cars totaled in freak accident

by Nancy Stringer

Two cars were totaled in a freak accident on Highway 101 near Santa Maria, Wednesday. The accident occurred at 10:16 p.m.

A female bear on the shoulder of the road was hit by a black Honda Accord. The bear was hit by three cars, two carrying San Luis Obispo County residents, before it finally died.

No one was injured in the accident, but the impact of the 600 pound bear destroyed a Ford Pinto and a new Honda Accord.

The bear was hit first by the Honda. The driver, Cal Poly child development major Janet Ludka, 21, and passenger David Crellin, 21, were westbound on their way home from a YMCA counseling camp when they hit the bear at 10:16 p.m.

"I was turned around in the back seat fixing some things when I heard and felt the jerk from the impact," said Crellin. "We probably carried it 30 feet and it finally caused us to swerve up on the side of the road."

"At first I didn't know what we hit. But by the size of it, it occurred to me it wasn't a deer but a big fur ball," Crellin recalled.

After being hit the bear rolled off the hood and the car stopped.

When the two got out of the car, Crellin said, Ludka's first instinct was to run over since she knew first. "I told her to stay where she was," said Crellin. "It was still alive, but not a pretty sight," Crellin said. "All I wanted to do is run over and hug it."

"No more than 30 seconds after that, a Pinto carrying three Cal Poly students hit the bear at 66 miles per hour. Then flipped in mid air and skidded 126 feet," said Crellin. "The bear, thank goodness, was put out of its misery."

The Department of Fish and Game was called and arrived to remove the dead animal.

"That night while in the hospital Janet and I kept looking at each other and saying 'this didn't really happen. We didn't hit a bear,'" said Crellin. "He said it hurt to see an animal that beautiful be hurt.

"We were doing what we should be doing and it was已 and to see something die for something so silly."

Lowcost summer travel offered by ASI Outings

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Rio Grande Canon Trip in Southwest Texas, from June 10-26 for $161. (Because of unusually high water levels, the trip duration is subject to change.)

Check with Outing to find what equipment and incidentals are not provided that would help make your trip more rewarding.

If there is enough response, the Travel Center will reinstate its bicycle tour of Vancouver and the San Juan Islands in June. The estimated $275 cost provides for airfare, hotel accommodations, and insurance.
highly strong character and leadership qualities. The object of Alpha Zeta is to promote the profession of agriculture," said Alpha Zeta chancellor Gary Silva. "Our main activity is sponsoring Ag Awareness Week," he added.

Ag Awareness Week is an event which takes place at Cal Poly during spring quarter. During this time agriculture clubs present displays in the University Union Plaza.

"The main objective of Ag Awareness Week is to make people here at Cal Poly more aware of what the people in the agriculture department are doing," said Silva.

Next year's Alpha Zeta chancellor, Jeff Colombini, has some other ideas for making people aware of what happens in the Cal Poly agriculture department. "We are planning to begin an agriculture broadcast news report on KCOP next year," said Colombini. "We also would like to write some articles dealing with agricultural related activities at Cal Poly for state-wide agriculture publications."

Cal Poly's chapter of Alpha Zeta has 85 active members, said Silva. "We take an average of 25 members at each rush. We have rushes in the fall and spring," he added. "The pledges are required to wear the Alpha Zeta attire at all times for one week during rush," said Silva, explaining the strange formal wear of the Alpha Zeta pledges. "They are also required to do a service project in the community," continued Silva. "This year they cleaned up the Laguna Lake area and painted all the facilities out there."

Other community and university related projects sponsored by Alpha Zeta include car and guest speaker appearances. Alpha Zeta also sponsors the Rock Awards for the outstanding seniors in the School of Agriculture and Natural Resources. This year's winners include: Silva, who is an Agriculture Management major; Karl Swan­izer, Animal Science; Sharon Bockman Gibson, Dairy Science, and Neil Ander, Botany and Agriculture.

Alpha Zeta meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 p.m. Although they will not be holding meetings over the summer, they will resume again in the fall with a new group of Alpha Zeta pledges walking around campus in the semi-formal attire.

Children benefit from cultural exposure

"It's because of the great help from ASI, state grants, student volunteers and parental help that we are able to hire qualified people to staff our centers and devise our programs," says Ricketts. The qualified staff, mostly Poly graduates, gives parents peace of mind that their kids are receiving top care while they're in classes. Not only do the centers provide a necessary service for children and their parents, but both have become a viable resource for students from a variety of majors on campus. P.E., child development, dietetics, photography, speech pathologists, interior design and architecture students have all found the centers helpful campus resources. In fact, the design of the Children's Center and its imaginative play yard was created through architecture center projects.

"Without all this help," says Ricketts, "we would not be able to offer such quality."Scarbal, an architecture club on campus, has been a tremendous help in developing a cost-effective proposal for relocating and expanding the Children's Center, and the soon-to-be on-campus Infant-Toddler Center, currently located at 433 Grant St.

Of all the services both centers provide and offer, perhaps it can be said the main benefit is the exposure to a wide variety of cultures the children have.

"The kids at both centers reflect the international student population we have at Poly," says infant-toddler teacher Patty Greig. "We have kids from a multitude of ethnic groups: Vietnamese, Persian, Italian, Black, Mexican-American, Chinese, Spanish, and African. We are able to incorporate music and pictures, food and activities from different cultures, even with the toddlers."

Greig says not only do the children benefit from such exposure, but the parents, too have found themselves involved in bringing to class examples of how they celebrate different occasions. "For Cinco de Mayo, one parent brought in egg rolls to celebrate another time a mother brought in egg rolls to celebrate her son's birthday.

"The quality of our centers comes out in different ways," says Ricketts. "Cal Poly kids are learning more than play here. They're learning how to make choices, how to develop a variety of skills, and how to live harmoniously with each other."
Women hurl, hurdle, hustle to national track title

by Mike Mathison

The Cal Poly women's track and field team are national champions again.

For the third straight year, the last two under the NCAA banner, the Mustangs walked away with the Division II National Track and Field title.

The rain, which had junked and threw itself to earth, had been recorded in the second-place section by 90 points. Cal State Hayward was the winner.

In the six-day affair in Cape Girardeau, Missouri at Southeast Missouri State University, the Mustangs had four national championship lifetime bests, three season bests, and one school record.

There were three double-winners in the meet. One of them was distance ace Amy Harper.

She captured the 1,500-meter title on Friday in the pouring rain with a 4:24.26. She won the race by more than two seconds. Harper came back on Saturday in about 60-degree weather with matching humidity to win the 5,000 crown with a record 16:28.46. Freshman teammate Laila White did it no matter how she was feeling.


"I didn't have enough confidence in my approach than two seconds. Harper clocked a lifetime best 5400 free August 11 with a season best 4:43.53 and 9:32.98 and Bray a 9:35.35. Cal Poly freshmen and Heidie Ertl were 13th in the 10,000.

Winning all-America status in two events were Harper (1,500 and 5,000), Dubois (heptathlon) and 1,600 relay, Holland (both relays and 400 hurdles) and Chandler (400 relay and 400 hurdles). Dubois set the lone school record with 5,177 points in the heptathlon where she finished fourth.

Polly's other two national champions are Danella Barnes in the javelin and Sue McNeal in the high jump. Barnes threw the javelin 152-6 while competing on a very sprained right ankle. In Missouri, the local trainer told Barnes not to compete. They also asked Harter for a medical release.

"I had great care from Dr. Dan Palmer and trainer Steve Yoneca," said Barnes. "Every day from when it happened until the day I left, they there to make sure everything was okay." McNeal finally captured the high jump crown after placing second the past two years. She did it the hard way, Though, clearing 5-9½ and 5-10½ the winning height on her third tries. She missed three times at 6-0½. "I didn't have enough confidence in my approach at all," said the junior.

"One of my big problems is when I face anything over 5-10 it lacks of confidence because I haven't been jumping there enough this year."

Carrying 25-seconds from taking away the national title in the 800 was freshman Jill Ettlinger. She clocked a lifetime best 2:08.69 in the finals to place second. In the trials, freshman Alison Ellenby turned in a lifetime best 2:11.72.

"I know I ran harder than I ever have in my life," said Ettlinger. "It did 100 percent of what I could do. I couldn't have hurt to win. But I'm happy."

The only events in which the Mustangs didn't score were the 400 and 400 relay (where they had no competitors) and the 10,000.

Freshman Robyn Dubois and Heidi Ertl were 13th and 18th respectively, in the 10,000.

In the long jump and hurdles, her season best 20-7½ long jump was 1½ inches short of a win. It was also three-fourths of an inch off her lifetime best. Yarbrough clapped a relatively close 14.22 in the hurdles. Chandler was third in the same event.

Taking fifth in the discus was San Luis Obispo High School product Kathy Rahm. After two preliminary tosses in the finals, Kahn was near extinction. She qualified for the final three throws with a last-ditch effort in the prelims. And with one throw left in the competition, Kahn was scored eight to fifth with her 143-foot put.

Dana Henderson was eighth in the shot put at 34.90. Van Warmerdam was fifth in the 200 in 24.09. ESPN will show the women's finals this morning at 10:30 a.m. and June 14 and 15 at 12:30 a.m.
Bye, buy

The Last Word:

Graduation for some 3,000-plus seniors is now a little more than one week away. I still have about a year to go (two left), but quite a few friends will be going through ceremonies June 11. And for a day, a moment at least, students from various ethnic and socio-economic backgrounds, whatever their goals, will be equally recognized...almost.

Some graduates will be more easily recognized by their family and friends, who’ll be sitting in the reserved section, close to the action and not squinting in to the run.

Ah yes, economic bias invades even our sacred commencement exercises. After some confusion, graduation tickets were handed out last week, with each student getting one ticket, which will be honored on a first come, first serve basis.

A graduate, though, who can afford to, can avoid having late-arriving parents and friends, and attend a once-in-a-lifetime event merely by purchasing a senior breakfast ticket at $4.75 a plate. Each breakfast ticket bought reserves one seat for the graduation. Have eight friends? Buy eight breakfast tickets.

Now some may think I’m carrying this small matter to extremes after all what’s five bucks?, but this method of reserving seats reinforces the American tradition of rewarding the wealthy at the expense of the struggling and the inconvenience of the struggling. You can’t buy happiness, but you can certainly purchase your way out of waiting in line.

Enjoy your breakfast.

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Letters

Alternative remedy

(In reference to "Reagan's Remedy", May 24, right! Let's throw more books at the current education dilemma... if history dictates, it’s obvious that money will solve all the problems in our public education system. It is, I think, more reasonable for me to suggest that just maybe, by some small miracle, reducing gross inefficiency and mismanagement in the system may be a better solution. Money will surely "cure" these ills, by magic or something, I guess.

By the way, although you speak of "federal funding," keep in mind that you and I are the government and thus are undoubtedly the single most likely beneficiaries of increased spending on public education.

Paul Costanzo

The Mustang Daily encourages readers' opinions, criticisms and comments on news stories, letters and editorials. To ensure that letters will be considered for the next edition, they should be submitted to the Daily by 10 a.m.

Letters should be submitted to the Daily at least a week before they should be run. All releases must include phone numbers and names of people or organizations involved, in case further information is needed.

Letters and press releases may be submitted to the Mustang Daily by bringing them to the office in Room 226 of the Graphic Arts Building, or by sending them to Mustang Daily, 2101 Higuera St., San Luis Obispo, CA 93407.

DAILY POLICY

The Mustang Daily Editorial Board responds:

Two percent of Cal Poly's student body does not constitute a majority, and Mustang Daily strives to report on news and events which are of interest and significance to the majority of its readers.

Mustang Daily has printed at least three articles about the Interfraternity Council-sponsored escort service since its inception.

The term "frat" is used as an abbreviation for fraternity in order to conserve space in headlines when it is necessary. "Uni," is used to denote students who are not members of a fraternity, in order to abbreviate Mustang Daily, because it doesn't make sense. The use of "frat" as an abbreviation has never been used in a derogatory sense by Mustang Daily.

The claim that "public sentiment. is changing" and that a paper page about the Greek system has been made to "neuter the system" is not true. In the past nine articles relating to Greeks printed in Mustang Daily only three could in any way be interpreted as negative, and those were all regarding the Interfraternity Council-sponsored escort service, and not the Greek system. Mustang Daily and the Interfraternity Council are committed to making sure that students have as good a time as possible while being educated and affected by, what we all joined, an organization in which we have made life-long friendships and learned long-lasting values. We are students and staff of the university, and not just a few Greek organizations involved, and we are interested in improving the image of the Greek system. In fact, the amount of Greeks absent. Next year's quorum took place because of the lack of communication and effective leadership of the school Greeks. The Greek system is a week in which fraternity and sorority members celebrate being Greeks. In the fun and event-filled week the Greek system completes within itself each year and at the same time raises a considerable amount of money for philanthropies.

This was very poorly publicized. Granted, a small amount of money, but real.

Of course the school, students, the city of San Luis Obispo and others will look with scorn on someone displaying Greek letters if they do not understand what the Greek system is all about. I am asking the Mustang Daily to please begin to cover something which the students and affects many more. Please, cover things fairly and follow up on them. Support your peers and they will support you. Yes, we Greeks are not perfect, but who else do you think are? Just as you can abbreviate Mustang Daily, because it doesn't make sense. The use of "frat" as an abbreviation has never been used in a derogatory sense by Mustang Daily.

The Mustange Daily is and will continue to be objective, unbiased and accurate to the best of its ability in all news coverage.