Poly, high school donate chicks

Orphanage gets baby chicks for egg-laying

By Laura Fleischer

About 400 chicks made their way into the world Thursday from Cal Poly's incubators to embark on an adventure in the name of community service and caring.

The chicks, as part of a joint project between the university and San Luis Obispo's Mission College Preparatory High School, will be donated to an orphanage in Tacate, Mexico on Nov. 11 for egg-laying purposes.

David Rodde, teacher and director of community service at Mission High, started visiting and working with the orphanage about eight years ago.

This year, instead of visiting, he met Earle Polinsky, Cal Poly's poultry farm manager, and the two began putting the wheels in motion for the poultry project.

"We were immediately smitten upon Earle and his generosity," Rodde said. "He's like Santa Claus."

In July, Rodde and a high school student took 15 Cal Poly brown hens down to Rancho Nazareth, an orphanage that houses about 75 boys ages 5-12.

Rodde said the delivery of the chicks has been postponed until Nov. 11 because the border was closed last Friday when he originally scheduled the trip.

He said he feels this project will be a worthwhile exchange for both Mission High School students and the orphans.

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Nader favors Prop 103

Consumer advocate speaks in SLO

By Karen Williams

Consumer advocate Ralph Nader says he hopes auto-insurance reform legislation will lead to nationwide reform.

"Proposition 103 requires all insurance companies to stop ripping off customers," Nader said Sunday at Mission Plaza in support of auto initiative, Proposition 103.

He said the passage of Proposition 103 could lead to a stop, look, and listen approach by consumers, if not a trend.

"Nader said propositions three years ago by insurance companies' actions to restrict the rights of victims to sue. Their actions "really under mined their integrity and credibility," said Nader.

Unlike other insurance propositions, Prop. 103 does not attempt to deal with regulating attorneys' fees. Nader said it was unfair to focus on regulating lawyers, when, for instance, high salaries, such as physicians, are not regulated.

"If lawyers make too little, they will be unable to litigate complex cases, cases that are tried over a period of years, said Nader."

"Proposition 103 is very important to college students," he said. College students are stereotyped as reckless drivers and good drivers are not given credit for their safe driving records, he said.
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Editor — Hooray! We freed our enraped California gray whales. The world has paid more attention — and paid more for them — than the president's campaign.

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Another proposal was to use the proceeds from the tax on tobacco to pay for health care for low-income individuals. This would be a better way to ensure that everyone has access to medical care.

People should be allowed to smoke, but those same people should be made aware of the health risks associated with smoking. Smoking is a habit that can be difficult to break, but taking small steps towards quitting can improve health.

The idea of using the proceeds from the tobacco tax to fund state parks and recreation resources is a good one. These resources provide important recreational opportunities for Californians and should be protected.

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By Marcus von Engel

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This is a continuation of the article which appeared last week in Commentary.

The striking thing about German fraternities is that they assert their identity not only on the fraternities suffered their greatest aim in popularity; in particular, Verbindungen and student groups and their traditions, but also on the basis of their in the late 60s and early 70s, with the social strictures of traditionalism, and they are often considered to be democratic organizations. He combined them in an atmosphere of traditionalism. During this time many Verbin­
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was chair of the Academic Senate committee that organized the new grading system (following a review of grading policies and practices, grade inflation, possible reasons for testing and grading anxieties, etc.). The proposal ultimately gained support of both the Academic and Student Senates and the Board of Trustees many years ago — although not implemented until this year.

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With a C grade student can continue to take courses which depend on the material of the course in the C was earned.

The committee then began to review the current practice of assigning grades. But our view was that for most students, the anxiety and grade inflation are related. (How anxious are you prior to taking a test or a quiz that doesn't count?)

In particular, that anxiety could make final exams for some students is related to the fear that small mistakes can make large grade differences. If a student is on the B/C borderline going into the final (a B grade means the student will be in the top 25% of the class), how can the student's efforts be answered may determine which of those grades he or she will receive. Many students therefore prepare for finals by trying to protect themselves (by working standard answer tests) rather than trying to extract maximum possible test results from their last hours of study.

Rather than tie the ends together in a formula point system grading plus/ minus system. If small mistakes can only cost fractions of grade points rather than whole grades, the fear of testing will be reduced slightly.

The committee began to sense that there would be other benefits to the system beyond the possibility of the reduction of grade inflation. Many students sense that there is very little chance to raise their grade by performing well on the final. That is, an A is well out of reach but the B should be safe — so long as the test is fair (except for "disturbances")

Diligent students can be rewarded for the extra effort by raising the grade from a B to a B-plus — ample reason to work hard.

Under the old system, instructors in some cases assigned A-minus or B-plus grades. It is knowing that relatively small differences in the overall performance could separate grades in some cases (especially those where issues, such as the difference between C-plus and B-minus or B-plus and A-minus might reflect the actual performance much more accurately.

In our review of the grading system, it became clear that there was no single system that would work equally well for all instructors in all classes. At this univer­sity, we have courses ranging from basic skills and techniques to classes performing arts and all need to be graded. The committee decided that we will work in fine college may not work in horse showing or inter­
one which makes it easy to get off probation for the struggling stud­ent, since even C-plus grades will raise the GPA's. Some students who find themselves in that predicament another system which assigns B or better to all grades. There is a long and elaborate system. It is only as good as the care with which the assigned grades are determined.

My feeling is that for those instructors who can make use of the added flexibility of the additional grade subdivisions, it can more accurately reflect the performance of their students.

Ron Brown is physics professor at Cal Poly.
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Osos mom offers chicken soup to Poly
By J.W. McPhail
Staff Writer

There is a woman on campus who will bring you chicken soup when you’re sick. She’ll ease those midterm anxieties with hot chocolate and will read The Little Engine That Could to you. Or this woman may just come over and give you or your roommates hell about the hideous state of your apartment.

What woman? Your mom.

Well, not exactly your mom, but for $10 you can rent her. And she won’t hang around after the soup’s gone — if you don’t want her to.

Sherrie (who requested her last name not be used), is Cal Poly’s first Rent-A-Mom. She said she’s highly qualified. Since she is a mother of three college-age children and a full-time Cal Poly student herself, the Los Osos woman said, “she can see both sides of the issue.”

The idea came to her while “scarfing down pizza at Woodstocks” during WOW, said the young-looking 42-year-old.

While watching new students in the restaurant with their parents, she noticed the kids looked excited but scared about their new environment, and that the parents looked sad, “like

A sensual overload with scampi
By Stephen Carson

In my life there are two types of food, food and fine food. Food is the stuff that we all eat every day that takes care of our biologic- al needs. Fine food is an expe- rience, a sensual overload, and most importantly, it is a happen- ing.

Scampi, when done well, is a fine food.

Now this dish deals on a dif- ferent level than what I have written about in earlier columns, because it take a little more prep time and money, but it’s worth it.

I find that cooking is more en- joyable when you have good tools to work with. A sauce pan is a small fry pan of sorts and my favorite kind is the 10-inch nonstick omelette pan with a curve to the sides. Although any sauce pan will do, this one will make it much easier to work.

In Italian, scampi means shrimp. But, well it isn’t shrimp to the prawns. Prawns need to be cleaned and peeled carefully. Start with the skinny length prawns. Although any kind you do to these, are supportive of Sherrie’s new, one-of-a-kind service, she said, “They think it’s hysterical.”

Rent-A-Mom offers four basic services:

• The “bitch” session where you or the roommate of your choice is berated for “dobbiness” or some other negative trait (includes a dozen cookies so as not to be too severe);
• the test-anxiety visit, during which “mom” will read an inspir- ing tale, review study questions and bring hot chocolate;
• the chicken-soup visit for the sick student who, besides the soup, needs mom to sympathize and fluff up the pillow (jello on request);
• the letters-home service, where Sherrie will take your basic in- formation and turn it into a nice- ly handwritten letter to your parents — a copy is provided to you so you’ll remember what you wrote.

Sherrie calls Rent-A-Mom an “idea who’s time has come. Hours are flexible, she said, and the number is 528-2220.

these babies into cold water and this should loosen the veins so that you can pick them out later.

Now that the prawns are ready, it is time to start some rice for a bed, and to get the rest of the ingredients ready. Prepare these:

• Have a small bowl ready with flour in it for rolling the prawns in.
• Stick of soft butter
• About 1/2 cup of white wine
• Half of a lemon
• White pepper
• One clove of garlic, chopped or pressed
• A tablespoon or two of chopped green onions

Did you notice that I didn’t list the method of cooking? Because with scampi, there are many. Each one is better than the other. I decided to give the basic recipe and let you choose the one you like best.

For rice, first decide how many people you’re going to feed. Two cups of cooked rice is usually fine for two people, and might even leave a little to spare. A rule of thumb: when you’re making rice, always use as many cups of water as you want of cooked rice. So for two cups of cooked rice, put two cups of water in a saucepan to boil. Add a touch of oil or butter and a dash of salt.

When the water boils, add one cup of uncooked rice (use rice-
to-water-ratio of 1 to 2) and stir. Wait for the water to boil again. When it does, turn the heat down as low as it will go, put a lid on the pan and leave it for 20 minutes. Don’t peek — the rice is steaming and if you lift the lid, the steam will escape. After 20 minutes, lift the lid and fluff the rice with a fork. Replace the lid to keep the rice warm. While the rice is steaming you can be work- ing on the prawns.

Now read this section a few times before giving this a try, because it is very easy to overcook prawns. Overcooking will not ruin the prawns but it will make them a little tough. Start with your saute pan on med-high, add about one tablespoon of butter. While this is heating, roll your prawns in flour. Drop the prawns in the melted butter and cook for a minute on one side then flip them and add garlic.

After they have cooked on that side for a minute, add some white wine, another tablespoon of butter, a dash of pepper and give the lemon a squeeze, but catch the seeds. The prawns will be done in a very short time. They should not be clear in the middle, nor will they be tough. When they are done, take them out of the sauce and set them on the bed of rice.

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Scampi can be a simply splen- did meal to cook for your date. It is not as expensive as eating out, See SCAMPI, page 6
California will decide expensive ballot contest over car insurance

SCAMPI

From page 5 you won't have to wait in the gift shop for a hour or leave a tip and most importantly, you won't have to choose a wine and act as if you know what you are doing. I hope you understood the concept of sauteeing in this article. Remember, recipes are never set in stone so try sauteeing with other ingredients and experimenting. Happy meals and good questions? Drop me a line here at the Daily office.

SACRAMENTO, Calif. (AP) — In this state infuriated with cars but inflamed by soaring auto premiums, the insurance industry has raised a record $542.4 million for a campaign to defeat consumer-backed ballot proposals that would slash rates by at least 20 percent.

The contest over five conflicting auto insurance reform measures on Nov. 8 has grown into the most expensive political struggle ever waged outside a presidential contest.

All told, a combined $60 million has been poured into a political war pitting consumer advocates, insurers and trial lawyers against one another.

Industry analysts express fears that support for the tougher rate-cutting measures could spawn a nationwide "insurance revolt." More immediately, if Californians approve more than one of the five conflicting measures, it could likely trigger court battles that would produce unexpected hybrids.

But polls show Californians leaning toward approval of Proposition 103, the deepest and broadest of the measures on the ballot.

Proposition 103, supported by consumer advocate Ralph Nader, would lower almost all rates by an average 20 percent below 1987 rates.

It would require an additional 20 percent cut in insurance rates for good drivers. It also would give an elected insurance commissioner control over future rate increases, limit use of territorial rating to set auto insurance premiums and subject the industry to state antitrust and unfair business practices laws.

The rush to reform auto insurance was spurred by rates which had risen 40 percent between mid-1985 and the end of 1987, according to legislative studies.

The insurance industry claims its profits in the state are slim to none.

It placed rival Proposition 104 on the ballot, a 24,000-word measure that would create a no-fault system, temporarily cut personal injury premiums by an average 20 percent, and prohibit recovery for pain-and-suffering damages unless injuries result in death or permanent and serious disability.

"The key is getting a good no-fault law passed. And the bargain that the insurance industry is offering you is ... a good no-fault law .... I think it's a no-fault law that we could support for a few years," says University of Virginia professor Jeffrey O'Connell, an expert on accident law who is backing Proposition 104.

A second industry-backed measure, Proposition 106, would limit the contingency fees attorneys could charge their clients.

The fees are an payment the attorney gets from a settlement won for a client who cannot afford to regular pay-as-you-go arrangement.

The industry says high contingency fees drive up insurance rates.

But fees say the measure would make it difficult for victims of accidents to get legal counsel, while placing no limits on fees paid to lawyers working for insurance companies.

Nader claims the insurance industry placed its rival measures on the ballot as a tactic to muddy the water.

When Proposition 103 first hit the streets to get signatures (to qualify it for the ballot), the insurance industry feared they would have a very difficult time defeating it, so they put ... their propositions on the ballot to confuse the public and their ads are furthering that end," Nader said.

From the confusions is Proposition 100, financed largely by trial lawyers and supported by consumer groups, which would immediately roll back auto insurance rates to levels below those charged on Jan. 1, 1988. The measure also would prohibit limits on lawyers' fees.

A fifth measure, Proposition 101, sponsored by Democratic Assemblyman Richard Polanco of Los Angeles and Coastal Insurance Co., would cut certain benefits by up to 35 percent by capping attorney fees and injury claims.

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From page 1 people who could do it." He is a member of Access to Justice, a group he said uses citizen donations to fight for reforms.

Voter Revolt press secretary Carin Cann said the proposal is a model which takes the best ideas from insurance policies in about 19 states.

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The following summaries of the other auto initiatives are condensed from the California Bulletin Pamphlet, certified by March 1988. Proposition 100 seeks to regulate insurance companies by requiring the Department of Insurance to review and approve new insurance rates. It would prohibit rate increases by consumer groups, which would immediately roll back rates by Proposition 106, below those charged on Jan. 1, 1988. The measure also would prohibit limits on lawyers' fees.

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Survey says Bush leading race, Dukakis making gains

WASHINGTON (AP) - George Bush is holding an overwhelm-

ing yet uneasy lead in the race for the Republican nomination as his presidential campaign enters its final week, with Michael Dukakis making late gains among crucial voters who are Democrats dreaming of a com-
eball to the West and solidly supporting his

Democratic vice presidential nominee Lloyd

Bentsen is campaigning out of hope of a home-state upset.

Democrats in several key states say Dukakis' more aggres-
sive late-campaign style presents opportunities for a tur-

naround, and has given lifelong Democrat Riegle a second

look at the race. "There's a lot of movement out there," said

Franks O'Brien, a Dukakis aide to the Massachusetts governor.

By region:

— Bush has been leading in California, the nation's 37th state, with 47% of the vote, even though elsewhere Democrats claim

late gains.

Oregon and Washington are tossups while the remainder of the West is in Bush's column, according to the survey. However, Bush visited Montana and South Dakota last week in a bid to protect them from the Democrats, and Dukakis appeared to be closed the gap in Color-

ado.

In the Midwest, Iowa and Minnesota are leaning in Dukakis' direction... Bush is projected as the solid choice among the voters in the state's highest-income counties.

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Washington D.C., March 17 (AP) - A survey conducted for the National Journal shows that President Carter has gained eight points in the past two months, to 39%, while his Republican challenger, President Reagan, has dropped 11 points to 35%.

The survey, conducted for the National Journal by the Harris Survey Research Group, shows that Carter is now leading Reagan in the popular vote by 10 points, 39% to 29%.

The survey also shows that Carter is leading Reagan in the electoral vote, 302 to 34.

The survey, conducted from March 13 to 15, had a sample of 1,106 registered voters. The margin of error is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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Sports

LONG BEACH — The Cal Poly Water Ski Club captured first place in a nine-team competition Saturday.

Poly finished ahead of teams from San Diego State, UC Davis, Cal State Sacramento, UC Santa Barbara, Cal State Long Beach, CSU Northridge, UCLA and USC.

The intercollegiate meet was the first such event for the four-year-old club. The event was divided into three categories; slalom, trick and jump skiing.

In the Individual Trick event Dan Shier finished third and Sean Minor tenth for Poly.

Gaylene Thomas was fifth out of 17 skiers and Alison Sherrell came in 11th, in the women's slalom. In the men's B slalom, Greg Simpson and Steve Holly finished eighth and ninth respectively while Brad Peterson And Brian Rittmann were 14th and 16th.

All five of the Cal Poly entries in the Men's A Slalom division finished in the top ten. Dan Shier won first place and Dave Lax came in fourth.

To top off the individual awards, Cal Poly won the overall team title, finishing ahead of CSU Northridge, UCLA and Cal State Sacramento.

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Deadline for registration is 4pm the day of the race.

Mountain bike enthusiasts will be gathering at the entrance of Poly Canyon, Friday afternoon for Rec Sports third mountain bike race.

The 5-mile race starts at the entrance to the canyon and works its way up hills and down steep declines to the Sheep Unit. The race coordinator Stacey Stoddard said that riders will be allowed to race but the expects between 40-50 riders.

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Embedding Figure 3: Results of the Halloween Fun Run:

- Men's Div.: Craig Godwin 13:39
- Women's Div.: Teena Colerooll 15:53
- Senior's Div.: Don Domini 15:54
- 18 and Under Div.: Robert Yzaguirre 16:54
- Residence Hall Div.: Trinity Hall Time not available

Centepede Div.: Kevin Jones and Richard Clark 14:11

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