Poly Royal board selects school alum as honored guest

Community, university work cited
By Ann Slaughter

Phyllis Davies, a Cal Poly alumna committed to helping people help themselves, will be the honored guest at the 58th annual Poly Royal on April 27 and 28 at Cal Poly.

Davies was selected by the Poly Royal Board because of her involvement with the university and community. She graduated from Cal Poly in 1966 with honors and earned a bachelor's degree in agricultural business management. She frequently returns to Cal Poly to speak on issues as parenting, grief, international agriculture development and world hunger.

She was surprised to learn she was selected to be this year's honored guest.

"I don't think of myself in those terms," Davies said. "I'm just doing what I need to do."

She will make a short presentation at the opening ceremonies on April 27 at 10 a.m. The theme of her presentation will be "making a difference in the world and how you do that," she said. "How students can capture an image of the world and how they register for their first class and would be back at 4:30 p.m."

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Taking classes for fun?

Guest columnist Dave Cox examines degree requirements and tells how he feels leisure courses should be taken to broaden one's knowledge.

A comeback win... and a vacation...

The Cal Poly baseball team comes back in the third to beat Westmont College on Monday night. Also, find out why coach Steve McFarland's giving the guys a few days off.
In memory of a friend

The Mustang Daily editorial staff would like to express our deep sense of loss over the death of fellow editor Jay Gamer. We would like to offer our heartfelt sympathy to Jay's family. We can only imagine what you must be going through. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

Editorial

Anti-smoking ads long overdue

California will be the first state to launch a massive anti-smoking campaign to stop drug use. The program will target, among other groups, children ages 16 to 14. Massive media campaigns to stop drug use have ignored the equally serious problem of kids taking up smoking. Smoking kills an estimated 30,000 Californians each year, yet hundreds of possibly ill-informed children still take up the deadly habit everyday. One can't walk through Farmer's Market on a Thursday night without seeing dozens of kids trying to be "cool." It was the tobacco industry that put the idea into their young minds, and it is high time our government acted to change those misperceptions. The legislature is to be applauded for this campaign that is long overdue.

Letters to the Editor

Drug legalization to solve problems

I read the commentary on the war on drugs. First I want to comment that I am in favor of the total legalization of all drugs. I am tired of watching all of our civil rights erode because of this so-called war. It is man's natural condition to want to change his states of consciousness and that's what drugs do. Why are we so worried about illegal drugs? According to a report by the National Institute on Drug Abuse, heroin, cocaine, and mari­juana account for 65% of all drug problems in the United States. 6,000 deaths a year, while alcohol and tobacco kill 470,000 people a year.

Also, since our nation is growing very concerned over the pollution of our environment, I felt it important to pass some information on to you. While everyone knows that most of our pollution comes from the industries in manufacture and use of petrochemicals, few know that there is a natural substitute that can replace many of these petrochemicals. It is the fastest growing biomass on the planet and grows wild in all 50 states. It can be used to make cloth, food, fiber, paper, paint, varnishes, plastics, and fuel. This unique plant is called hemp, also known as marijuana. Unfortunately, it was outlawed in 1937 after the petrolchemical industry helped to pass the law. Passage through Congress with little debate.

In 1916, the Department of Agriculture released a study of hemp paper. The report stated that an acre of hemp, in annual rotation over a 20-year period, would produce as much pulp for paper as 4.1 acres of trees over the same time period. Since the report was published, over half the planet has been deforested to make paper from trees!

The legalization of drugs can reduce crime by taking the profit motive out of selling drugs, giving the government a new source of income through taxes, give true "freedom of choice" back to Americans, giving struggle farmers a new crop with which they can hopefylly succeed, and help save the environment.

So what are we waiting for? It is time for legalization before the war on drugs takes away all of our civil rights and destroys the planet.

Steven Spencer
Business Administration

Qualifications not just pretty faces

It's difficult to believe that on a competitive campus, such as Cal Poly, there are hundreds of campaign signs, posters, and stickers with only the names and smiling faces of the candidates. This may help me recognize a candidate's wholesome face and name, but tells me nothing of who the candidate really is. Signs should have a brief list of goals, experience, and involved activities in order to help Poly students vote for the best qualified candidate, not the candidate with the prettiest face and most interesting name.

Ramy Jarallah
Business

CORRECTION

We would like to correct an item that ran yesterday on our front page story about the Sanam concert this Poly Royal. There was a total of 900 tickets sold, 500 reserved tickets and 400 general admission tickets. Mustang Daily apologizes for the error.
S.C. man challenges state religion law by running for governor

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — A 47-year-old mathematician professor says he wants to run for governor, even though he is not allowed to according to South Carolina law.

Herb Silverman, a College of Charleston professor, says he wants to challenge Article IV of the state constitution, which prohibits candidates from seeking the governor's office if they deny "the existence of the Supreme Being."

"It's primarily to challenge the fact that technically I'm not allowed to run for governor," Silverman said from his office at the University of California at Davis, where he is on a research sabbatical.

"As a civil rights issue, as far as I'm concerned, that's unfair," he said.

"I am an atheist and feel that atheists should have the right to run for governor," Davis, where he is on a research sabbatical.

Silverman's political background is limited to service as the speaker of the faculty at the College of Charleston.

"I do care about the issues and I'm going to be campaigning on the issues. To me, winning would be to help change the minds of a lot of people concerning the issues," he said.

"This is not an anti-religion campaign — I view it as a civil rights issue."

Silverman, a Philadelphia native, joined the College of Charleston faculty in 1976 after receiving his undergraduate degree from Temple University and his doctorate in math at Syracuse University.

Two men accused of slaying UC student make first appearance in Richmond court

RICHMOND, Calif. (AP) — Two men accused in the kidnap, rape and murder of a University of California student made their first appearance before a judge Tuesday in a courtroom cleared of California student made their first appearance before a judge Tuesday in a courtroom cleared of all other persons.

Julian Covington, 20, of Hawthorne in Los Angeles County, and Jamal Fountain, 19, of Richmond, stood before Bay Municipal Court Judge Bosia Dreibleib as she read nine separate charges stemming from the

slaying of Sally Ann Mayne, 20.

Mayne, a popular UC Berkeley student and athlete, vanished March 10 after playing hockey at Sickles Ice in Berkeley. Her body was found the next morning at Point Isabel Regional Park near Richmond. She had been shot once in the head.

Deputy Public Defender Bill Egan said his office could not represent two defendants in the same case because there would be a conflict of interest. He entered a plea of innocent for Covington.

The judge ordered Fountain to return later at which time she is expected to appoint a private attorney to represent him.

The two men were in jail in Marin County when they were arrested in the Mayne slaying last week. They were being held on charges of attempting to rob four other students in San Francisco nine days after Mayne's body was found.

GARNER

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GARNER was happy as a journalist major," Garner’s mother said.

"He was really enjoying his journalism classes and looked forward to being the sports editor."

Garners had been a writer for the Mustang Daily since last June, first as a stringer for the Summer Mustang last year and then as a sports reporter during the fall and winter quarters. In March, Garners was selected as the sports editor for this quarter.

During Garners’ two quarters as a sports writer, he worked closely with sports editor Rob Loomis, who said that Garners was the best sports reporter who ever wrote for him.

"I probably learned more from him about writing than he did from me about editing," Loomis said. "He was a big reason the sports section was so good this year; he was always willing to go the extra mile to make a story complete."

Ed Heim, a professor in the journalism department at Cal Poly and former Mustang Daily, worked with Garners during his time on staff.

"The death of Jay Garner is a tremendous loss for Mustang Daily," Heim said.

"The establishment of the memorial fund would be an appropriate way for people who, by all accounts, embodied the high ideals and standards of professionalism," said Michael Davis, a College of Business and Economics professor, who has served as a mentor to Garner.

Garners was a long-time resident of San Luis Obispo and graduated from San Luis Obispo High School in 1984, where he ran track.

He was also a member of the Waterki Club for part of the time he was a student at Cal Poly.

Garners has two sisters: Patti, 22, and Suzy, 20.

The family has announced a memorial service to be held for Garner on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. at Old Mission Hall in San Luis Obispo.

BOND

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Bernstein said that requests for bond money are aimed at particular phases of the planning and construction of facilities.

"We have four projects and there's a whole list of projects out," said Bernstein. "Each year, the university requests money for particular projects and that's all been figured out over the past year."

Bernstein said that there are a series of steps to the construction of a new facility. With every step the university will go back to the state system and make a decision on what the bond issue means.

new fund requests for the planning, construction or equipping of the facilities, each being a separate and independent project.

Director of Facilities Administration said the bond will pay for new buildings, with every project having its own independent bond for a certain amount of money.

"The bond is essentially the sale of the university's bonds to investors, with the proceeds being used to pay for projects," said Gerard. "We're talking about a range of other bonds or other investments that would be sold to the public. What the bank does is sell a bond, the bank agrees to loan the money."

Garners said that the State of California guarantees the repayment of the loan and is known to have a good rating among creditors and a fairly strong economy.

One drawback is that there is no guarantee that the proposition will pass. Gerard said the university systems are optimistic that it will pass, but that there are no alternative sources of money now being considered.

"We don't know what would happen if the bond issues don't pass," said Gerard. "We'd have to re-think very carefully as to how the bond issue is to be used."

Gerard said that if bond money is the preferred way to attain funds by state analysts, then the same projects may be requesting money from the second ballot to be held on November.

"We have an information campaign to get people to ask what you get out," said Gerard. "And as long as California is the growing and vibrant state that it is, then I don't think there is the desire out there to help the universities."

There are two main purposes for the bond measures. One is to bring all of the campus systems accommodate rising enrollments as well as more and more California research campus. Another is to improve the safety of older buildings by bringing them up to environmental safety standards.
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Those are the words of a released prisoner of conscience from Paraguay. The letter he received is one of thousands written by members of Amnesty International, hoping to free those who they believe have been wrongly imprisoned.

"It's the power of the pen," said Mark Bridgeford, chair of the tabling and outreach committees for Cal Poly's Amnesty International.

Amnesty's letter-writing is probably its most well-known and most effective activity. Members write letters to governmental officials concerning the three main goals of Amnesty International.

The first of these goals is the release of all prisoners of conscience. They are people who are imprisoned for their beliefs, race, gender or religion and have not used or advocated violence. The second goal is fair and speedy trials for all political prisoners. The third is to achieve an end to torture and executions in all cases.

Amnesty groups are sent an Urgent Action sheet asking them to write letters on behalf of a particular prisoner. The letters are usually sent to the head(s) of state of the country holding that prisoner.

"The idea is to bombard the guy with letters," Bridgeford said. The letters should be "written in a diplomatic sense, asking for a report and requesting immediate release."

The diplomatic manner of the letters is to show that Amnesty is not necessarily accusing the government of wrongdoing, but is informed, concerned and determined to see a release, he said.

Bridgeford, a political science sophomore, said he was surprised that the letters really are effective. Often it is the official's fear of damaging his reputation that results in the release of a prisoner of conscience, he said.

"Amnesty is a non-political group," Bridgeford said. "We are just for human rights, but that often ends up working toward democracy.""Amnesty has taken some criticism for being so "non-political." Since the organization refuses to support any sort of violence or advocacy of violent acts, there are many unjustly imprisoned people who they overlook.

One such prisoner was recently-freed South African activist Nelson Mandela. Mandela, who was imprisoned for 27 years, has advocated violent uprise against the oppressive government.

Sue Davis, president of Amnesty's San Luis Obispo group, said that Amnesty has "sort of a Ghandian principle" regard to violence.

"We can't say, 'this person's really a good person — he just acted like a thug,' " she said.

"There's enough work for us without those cases."

Amnesty members sometimes do write letters on behalf of a prisoner when it is unclear if the prisoner advocated violence or not. For such "investigative cases" members write letters but do not include Amnesty International in the

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Stockton truck driver killed in train collision possibly blinded by fog

WASHINGTON (AP) — Blinding fog may have caused a train-truck crash near Stockton that killed three people shortly before Christmas, according to just-released federal documents.

The papers of federal investigators include testimony that the San Joaquin Valley’s dangerous fog cut visibility to near zero on Dec. 19, the day David Haskell, 47, drove into the path of an Amtrak train. The impact killed the trucker, the train engineer and assistant engineer.

However, Edward Debranetski, chief National Transportation Safety Board investigator, emphasized that the agency has not definitely blamed the crash on the fog.

“There is no conclusion yet,” he said.

Medical reports in the documents released Monday show that neither engineer Edward McMillon, 48, or assistant engineer Michael Passerella, 40, had any drugs or alcohol in their systems.

Radio transcripts in the released papers show a crew member’s reaction.

Shortly before the crash, a member of the crew said the train was cleared to leave Stockton. The next radio log entrance came at 9:37 a.m.


Ten seconds passed, followed by: “Go ahead 708.”

Five more seconds passed, then: “We’re derailed. Our train is turned over. There’s a fire. We’ve just struck a vehicle. I’ll find out if we’re all right or OK.”

The impact killed the trucker, David Haskell, 47. The driver of the other vehicle was not hurt.

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DAVIES

From page 1 of moving forward and accomplishing something toward a better world."

Working with the School of Agriculture, Davies has been instrumental in obtaining major donations for the school.

She is the author of "Grief: Climb Toward Understanding." She turned to writing to express her grief for the loss of her 13-year-old son, Derek, who died in a midair collision near San Luis Obispo in August 1984. It is a story of how she turned grief into growth.

Davies is a national co-chairman of volunteers for World Neighbors, a non-profit organization working to eliminate hunger, disease and poverty in Asia, Africa and Latin America.

She has led international development study and evaluation tours to many areas of the Third World, including Peru, Bolivia, Indonesia and Honduras. Davies will be making her fourth trip to Honduras in August. She has had the opportunity to share this experience with her family.

"Through the experience with a global vision it's very special and unique to have youngsters growing up with a real sense of their connection to not only their own nation, but the Third World countries," she said.

Davies co-founded the San Luis Obispo County Compassionate Friends, a support group which helps parents deal with the loss of a child. With her husband, Bill, they find helping people through a difficult time a rewarding experience, she said.

Davies is a member of the National Speakers Association and Toastmasters International. She is also a Hospice volunteer and has been involved with efforts to find affordable housing for students, the disabled and those afflicted with mental illness.

She and her husband co-own the Davies Co. Inc., a property management company. They live on a farm near San Luis Obispo.
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Baseball
Mustangs get comeback win over Westmont, get a few days hiatus

By Rob Brockmeyer
Staff writer

To find a solution to the Cal Poly baseball team's season-long woes, head coach Steve McFarland will give his team a couple of days off to regroup.

"I'm not satisfied with the way we're playing," said McFarland Monday. "We need to take a fresh look at why we're committing so many mistakes."

He said he will use the time before the next game on April 17 to re-examine his pitching staff.

"We don't have the pitching to rely on, so we dig ourselves into holes early in games," said McFarland.

That was exactly the case against Westmont College Monday night at Sinheimer Stadium. Under a full moon, the Mustangs charged back from a 6-2 deficit in the third to win 9-8.

The Warriors batted around in the first and tagged Mustang starter Chris Romero for four runs on five hits. Westmont added two more and led 7-3 through 5 1/3 innings.

In the bottom of the fifth, Cal Poly struck back, scoring two runs on no hits. With one out, Sean Harper grounded home Gerald Rucker, who had reached on an error. Harper later scored on a passed ball, but was hurt when he was spiked during a collision at home plate with pitcher John Lester. He received five stitches on his right leg, McFarland said, but is expected to return next week.

The Mustangs scored three more in the seventh and eighth innings, setting the stage for the ninth.

Westmont rightfielder Mike Kinnaman botched Rucker's load-off single, enabling Rucker to take second. Reliever Mark Mattingly retired the next two, but intentionally walked Drew Herring. Doug Noce then ended the game with a RBI-single to left-center, scoring Rucker.

"Doug is the guy that you want up there in that kind of situation," said McFarland. "He waited patiently for his pitch and stroked it for the game-winner."

Senior reliever Dennis Reed picked up the win, while Mattingly suffered the loss.

Next week, Rucker and Phillip James each tallied three hits. Harper knocked in two runs, while Herring had one RBI and a double.

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Cal Poly's next game is at Fresno State on April 17.

Crew
Cal Poly rows well at San Diego regatta

The Cal Poly crew team competed in the San Diego Crew Classic over the past weekend, and did well in several classes of racing against stiff competition.

In the men's varsity eight-man race, the team placed third in its heat which qualified it for the Cal Cup finals. Poly placed sixth in the final race, but also qualified for the Cal-Visitors Challenge petite race, which is a heat race for those who didn't place in the top three. The Mustangs placed second in the race behind San Diego State University.

The women's varsity eight-person team placed second in its heat which qualified it for the Cal Cup finals. Poly placed third in the final race, also qualifying for the Cal-Visitors Challenge petite race, which is a heat race for those who didn't place in the top three.

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AMNESTY

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By David Davis

Amnesty chooses to support a prisoner only after two reports document that the person has not been involved in violent ac-

tions.

The Rev. T.S. Farisani, a South African exile now teaching at a Lutheran seminary in Berkeley, supports Amnesty despite its lack of involvement in the Mandela case.

"There are many ways of fighting evil," Farisani said. "Their organization makes different plans to pursue their goals. Amnesty International has done good work along their own lines." Mandela is not an egotistical person, he said. "He would ap-

preciate the work of an organization like Amnesty" in cases other than his own, Farisani said.

Amnesty has stuck to its original intention of supporting only non-violent prisoners, Farisani said.

After a prisoner is determined non-violent, the information on the individual case is sent to a local representative of one of over 150 countries. The local group, like the one in San Luis Obispo, asks the prisoner to write letters continually until release or a change of status is reported.

Moling in Liberia

"Some groups write for the same person for 10 or 15 years," Davis said. San Luis Obispo has been writing for one man for six months and "hasn't heard much," on his condition, she said.

The case is that of Joseph Kallon, who is impris-

oned in Liberia, a country in Africa, Davis said. The Liberian government claims that Kallon was involved in an op-

position party plot to kill the Liberian president. Davis and Amnesty believe otherwise.

"I don't even know if he was in an opposition party," Davis said.

Receiving no word on a prisoner's status can be extremely frustrating, Farisani said. The local group has, however, had suc-

cessful letter-writing endeavors in the past. After six months with no word from a imprisoned person, who had been in the pr

isoned in Paraguay sent a letter of thanks and some of his leather crafts to the group after his release. Such feedback is ex-

tremely rewarding, Davis said.

The on-campus group tends to receive even less feedback because they do not focus on just one prisoner.

Clarissa Nantes, president of Cal Poly's Amnesty Interna-

tional group, said that "every month they (Amnesty Interna-

tional) put out a newsletter of people who are released or if their case is still pending."

In South Africa, 99 percent of the prisoners of conscience that Amnesty had been writing for were recently released, Nantes said. Many human rights violations, however, continue to occur there, she said.

Statistics such as these are reasons why Nantes has "felt really good about being in this organization."

Nantes, an engineering science senior, has been president of the group for two years. She discovered Cal Poly's Amnesty International group during Uni-

versity Union night during Week Of Welcome of her sophomore year.

"I knew Amnesty was involved in human rights, so I started go-

ing to the meetings," she said.

Currently, the on-campus group is involved in several ac-

tivities.

A return to the grassroots

Bridgeford said "tableting has been the best event." Amnesty has had a table set up in front of the library with pamphlets and petitions for students to sign. An Amnesty member has been on hand to tell students about specific cases and Amnesty in general.

The information at the tables has focused on one particular country each month. In March the focus was El Salvador. Throughout April the group is focusing on Liberia, but will also be spending some time on the death penalty.

"We've gained six new members through tableting," Bridgeford said. Tabling reflects Amnesty's "return to grassroots," he said.

Some people sign the petition but most people just walk by, Bridgeford said. Most people are concerned about human rights but not enough to disturb their busy schedules.

Opposed to the death penalty

At a table set up in the Uni-

versity Union, Amnesty members recently asked students to sign a petition for clemency for convicted murder Robert Alton Harris. Harris was sched-

uled to be executed on April 3, but was granted a temporary stay that was appealed but upheld by the U.S. Supreme Court. It would have been the first execution in California in 23 years.

Amnesty International, as an organization, is universally op-

posed to the death penalty. "We want a commutation (for Har-

ris)," Nantes said. "That would change it from a death sentence to a life sentence."

Nantes and Bridgeford agree with Amnesty's stand on capital punishment.

Not all of the members of the Cal Poly group are totally op-

posed to the death penalty, Nantes said. The group often asks people if they are concerned about human rights but not enough to disturb their busy schedules.

"We want to get people thinking about it," she said. "We want people to know why we're against it."

Bridgeford, who wears a button on his backpack which reads 'Abolish the Death Penalty,' said "I think if people knew the facts, they'd be against the death penalty — or at least what it's being carried out.

Bridgeford pointed to the long, expensive appeals process as a practical reason to oppose the death penalty. "And then there are the moral arguments," he added.

Bridgeford said that Amnesty in often mistakenly seen as an organization only for liberals and the politically active.

Bridgeford is the only political science major in the 15- to 20-

member group. "Most are business or engineering majors," he said.

It's a way for someone who's not involved to become active," he said. "It's a breaking ground — bingo, you're into the whole activist mode.

"I encourage people to look in," he said. "Amnesty has been the most successful organization toward human rights."

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U.S. officials had said the Kwangju facility would reopen at a new location Friday, nearly a year after a wave of firebomb attacks forced it to close.

Radicals have attacked the center about 30 times since a civil uprising in the city in 1980. City residents accused the United States of allowing South Korean troops under U.S. command to suppress the uprising, which killed 200 people.

"The Korean government has reportedly expressed views that it was undesirable to reopen the center a month before the 10th anniversary of the Kwangju protests on May 18," the South Korean news agency Yonhap said.

It quoted an official at the center as saying U.S. officials in Seoul had decided to postpone the reopening.

Radical student leaders Tuesday announced a campaign aimed at permanently closing the cultural center. About 500 students fought police with firebombs while trying to march off a campus in Kwangju and vow to drive out "U.S. imperialism," Yonhap said.

In Seoul, about 200 students armed with hundreds of firebombs battled police at Sogang University, shouting anti-U.S. and anti-government slogans. The students demanded U.S. Ambassador Donald Gregg be expelled.

Six students armed with homemade bombs and clubs attacked Gregg's residence in October. Gregg escaped unharmed.

Meanwhile, in Itaewon, an entertainment district near the U.S. military headquarters in Seoul, four Korean civilians were injured in clashes Tuesday with two U.S. soldiers.

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