Playoff bound …

The Mustang catcher Jared Snyder swings at a pitch in Sunday’s loss to Riverside. Cal Poly’s baseball team will host the Western Regional this weekend at Sinsheimer Park. See related story, page 7.

Faculty support canceled class

They cite demographics as a reason to take cross-cultural course.

By Shirley Melsern

This week is shrinking, says Barbara Andre in support of Cal Poly’s continuing need for the Cross Cultural Leadership class. The class was canceled this quarter because of low enrollment.

The class is offered through the Cultural Neighborh(K)ds, church rites, and a self-assessment plan or examination of nontraditional leadership styles and the development of one’s position in relation to leadership.

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population will consist of Blacks, Hispanics and Native Americans by 2080, according to this month’s issue of The Atlantic.

More specifically, the article cited that 1.91 million Blacks held managerial and professional jobs in 1990.

The course is beneficial to every student, Andre said. "Most students have not gone through a self-assessment plan or examined their future goals," she said.

The class is offered through the psychology department and is part of a series of similar credit/no credit leadership courses which come under the “blanket” Psychology 251 title, Andre explained.

For the ethnic minorities who take the class, Andre said she emphasizes opening up an organizational or governmental system to change rather than assimilate and “sell out” one’s identity.

Some of the expected outcomes for the class include: an ability to define the role and function of leadership at Cal Poly, an assessment of nontraditional leadership styles and the development of one’s position in relation to leadership.

Students achieve these outcomes through a series of self-examinations and through understanding how governmental bodies, such as ASI, are structured and run, said Andre. "There are no easy answers" to the topics presented in the course, said Andre. She added that this is the reason the class is held in the Multi-Cultural Center.

Biking enthusiasts are hopeful that a proposal will allow mountain bikers back into Poly Canyon.

Because of continuous disruption to the agricultural area, a sign was posted last month prohibiting motorcycles and bicycles in Poly Canyon. A force, made up of concerned students, formed after the sign was posted and has been working to come up with a plan to reopen the Canyon to mountain bikers.

The ASI Administration Commission Task Force on Canyon Bicycling has been working with the administration and an agricultural department to come up with a proposal that would allow everyone to share Poly Canyon.

The leader of the task force, Kim McGrew, said the primary purpose of the canyon is for agricultural purposes. She said, "We would like to see a way where we can all use this (Poly Canyon) harmoniously."

The task force along with a representative from the Pacific Coast Concerned Mountain Bikers met last Thursday with Executive Dean of Facilities Administration Doug Gerard to discuss creative solutions to the problems facing Poly Canyon.

"It was a very supportive and cooperative meeting," said McGrew, an English junior. "Doug Gerard was very open to working with the group."

The main problems discussed were erosion, gates left open and bikers chasing animals. McGrew said.

Possible actions discussed to remedy the problems were requiring permits for users, using locks or latches for the gates, cut-out guards, signs and stiles.

"The easiest and least expensive solution are stiles at gated areas and signs to inform bikers."

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Man arrested for having loaded gun on campus

By Geoff Scratti

A Modena man was arrested last week and charged with possessing a loaded .22-caliber handgun on Cal Poly’s campus.

Jerry Ryan, a 20-year-old mechanic, was arrested at 10:20 p.m. May 7 by Cal Poly Public Safety and San Luis Obispo Police officers in the third level of the R-1 parking lot behind Trinity Hall.

Public Safety Investigator Mike Kennedy said Ryan was charged with a felony, possession of a firearm on California State University property. Kennedy said no one can bring a firearm onto public school grounds without permission from the school.

Ryan was apparently involved in a breakup with his ex-girlfriend who is a Cal Poly student, Kennedy said.

Kennedy said a witness at the scene told him that Ryan waved the handgun around and pointed it at his ex-girlfriend. According to the witness, Ryan then took the gun and pointed it at his own head. Kennedy said the ex-girlfriend was able to talk to Ryan and calm him down. He said she was able to take the gun away from Ryan and then took the gun up to her room.

The witness called Public Safety, and Ryan was arrested.

Kennedy said Ryan was taken to San Luis Obispo County Jail after his arrest where he posted $10,000 bail and was released that night.

The felony implication is serious, but in reality he was upset, and we think he was waving the gun around as more of a threat against himself than anybody else," Kennedy said. Ryan will be arraigned May 23 in San Luis Obispo County Municipal Court.

Task force working to reopen bike trails

Coalition looks to solve Poly Canyon woes.

By Gabrielle Friedly

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ASI Highlights:

Board of Directors meeting at 7 p.m. in UU 220. The meeting is open to the public. Business items: Resolution #91-17 Corporate Sponsorship Study and Resolution #91-18 CSU Unwarranted Rates.

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Graduating seniors feel the crunch as job openings decrease due to the recession.

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Feminism should support women, not degrade men

By Dave Gross

You've probably heard this phrase a dozen times. "I'm not a feminist, but..." What follows is the "but" that varies from person to person. The speaker usually concludes that because she is not a feminist, she believes that feminism is a good approach to gender equality. But this conclusion is flawed.

First, feminism is not the only way to achieve gender equality. Feminism is one approach, but there are many others. For example, some believe that the solution to gender inequality is to promote individual responsibility and personal accountability. While this may be a good approach, it is not the same as feminism.

Second, feminism is not about surgical procedures. Feminism is not about altering the human body to conform to traditional gender roles. While some feminists advocate for changes to the body, this is not the goal of feminism.

Third, feminism is not about male oppression. Feminism is not about making men feel inferior or less valuable than women. While some men may be affected by feminism, this is not the central focus of feminism.

Finally, feminism is not about political correctness. Feminism is not about enforcing strict rules about language and behavior. While some feminists may advocate for political correctness, this is not the central focus of feminism.

Feminism is about empowering women and creating a world where women are valued and respected. It is about promoting gender equality and challenging traditional gender roles. Feminism is about making the world a better place for all people, regardless of gender.

So, the next time someone tells you they are not a feminist, ask them why. Do they believe that feminism is the only way to achieve gender equality? Do they believe that feminism is about surgical procedures? Do they believe that feminism is about male oppression? Do they believe that feminism is about political correctness?

The answers to these questions will help you understand the person's perspective on feminism. And, as you can see, non-feminists may have valid reasons for not identifying as feminists. So, let's have a more open and respectful conversation about feminism and gender equality.
Tourist train collision kills 42 passengers

TOKYO (AP) — A crowded tourist train slammed head-on into a local train Tuesday in western Japan, killing 42 people and injuring 402 others in the nation’s deadliest railway accident in 19 years.

Several more passengers remained trapped inside crushed train cars more than 13 hours after the 10:35 a.m. collision near the town of Shigaraki, 230 miles west of Tokyo, said police in Shiga Prefecture.

“The intensive rescue work by dozens of firefighters and railway workers will continue late into the night and until the pinned people are taken out,” said a police information officer, speaking on condition of anonymity.

Mandela’s lawyers try to keep her out of jail

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Lawyers for Winnie Mandela say that as a first-time offender, the wife of black leader Nelson Mandela should not be sent to jail for her conviction on kidnapping and accessory-to-assault charges.

Defence lawyers said they would present that argument today to the trial judge, M.S. Stigmann.

On Monday, Stigmann convicted Mrs. Mandela and two co-defendants after a politically charged three-month trial stemming from the 1988 abduction and beheading of four young men, one of whom was subsequently killed.

CIA nomination stirs controversy from past

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Bush on Tuesday named Robert Gates to head the CIA, brushing aside questions about Iran-Contra links that made former President Reagan withdraw Gates’ nomination to the post four years ago.

Bush nominated Gates, 42-year-old intelligence veteran with extensive experience as a Soviet analyst, as director of central intelligence to succeed William Webster who is retiring.

Gates had been named deputy CIA chief in 1986, then moved two years ago to the White House where he worked closely with Bush as his deputy director of national security.

Report: Loan program is poorly supervised

WASHINGTON (AP) — Banks are bailing out their farm borrowers by using loan guarantees to shift the risk to the government through a poorly supervised federal program, congressional auditors say.

In many cases that have been reviewed by auditors, loans were guaranteed without credit checks or adequate documentation about the borrowers’ farm plans, the General Accounting Office said in a report to the House Agriculture Committee.

The Farmers Home Administration believes its purpose is to “move money out to the farmers,” said John Harmon, a GAO expert on agricultural issues.

Health director warns soda might be unsafe

SACRAMENTO (AP) — California’s outgoing health director says soda pop might contain an unacceptable level of chloroform, a carcinogen.

Dr. Kenneth Klaver wrote a letter last week to the federal Food and Drug Administration, urging that agency to limit the concentration of chloroform in soft drinks.

“In my opinion, this isn’t something that’s cause for panic,” Klaver said Monday. “It’s an issue that’s cause for further investigation and fixing.”

Robert Achermann of the California-Nevada Soft Drink Association said manufacturers were surprised by the letter.

Michael Landon tries experimental therapy

LOS ANGELES (AP) — “Highway to Heaven” actor Michael Landon is waging his battle against cancer with a cutting-edge therapy that pits microscopic bubbles of fat against the tumor in his pancreas.

The angelic TV star and pioneer patriarch of “Little House on the Prairie” is the first pancreatic cancer patient to receive the therapy, said Clay Presnant, chairman of the Los Angeles Oncologic Institute at St. Vincent Medical Center.

The microscopic bubbles, called liposomes, are designed to deliver more chemotherapy to the tumor and less to other parts of the body — and thereby reduce toxic side effects such as weight and hair loss.

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**CROSS-CULTURE**

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Center, U.C. room 217D.

The open discussion with students and attendees concerns the idea that we are all equal," said Andrae, referring to the M.C.C. ... where exotic posters hang, and large comfortable-looking couches serve as seating.

Andrae said she tried to have nine students in the class each quarter.

The reading list for the class includes ethnic writers such as Martin Luther King, Jr., Cesar Chavez and Maya Angelou.

The subject of cross-cultural leadership is also addressed by the "Black Support Group," said the group's coordinator, Lockley Geogahan, associate director for Student Life and Activities.

About 30 to 45 people meet every Friday from 5 to 8 p.m. in Engineering South.

Geogahan said that the group discuss alienation, isolation and various historical leadership styles.

Andrae encouraged students to take the class next fall. She said, "They might not learn hard-core data, but they will learn much about themselves."

**SCIENCE**

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The latest success for NSS, a group founded by famed rocket scientist Wernher von Braun in 1954, is the space advocacy group that has grown tremendously in recent years to its current size of 35,000 members. The Society's growth prompted the initiation of a membership magazine in January 1988, and increased success has prompted the bold new move to public distribution.

"The space advocacy movement keeps getting stronger," stated Lori B. Garver, the Society's executive director at its Washington, DC headquarters, "and increased exposure of AD ASTRA will certainly give NSS greater impact."

Public fascination with the space program is enormous, yet AD ASTRA is the first monthly magazine to address that interest directly.

"I'm excited to see AD ASTRA go public here in the local community," said Jim Spellman, executive director for the National Space Society's Western Spaceport Chapter, the largest local chapter that covers Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo county.

"To see AD ASTRA on the shelves of Books West, B. Dalton and Waldenbooks, along with other local bookstores will certainly make our local efforts in reaching out to the general public much easier to do with one month's issue, in comparison to our collective public activities that we do each year."

AD ASTRA was founded by NASA and is also excited by the new challenge. "AD ASTRA can inform and it can teach, but mostly it can inspire. By going to the people we may be able to inspire a much broader audience to see the everyday benefits that space technology and development has played in their daily lives.""
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By Laurie La Pensee

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areas of commercial aviation and space aviation are growing, Cummings said. Due to the advanced fighter contract recently approved by the federal government, contractors Boeing, Lockheed and Pratt & Whitney will be hiring more people. Northrop and McDonnell-Douglas did not get contracts and thus are likely to be hiring fewer people, Cummings said.

Students need to look harder this year than engineers in the last 10 years, Cummings said. "But the jobs are out there.

Many seniors at Cal Poly, however, are not convinced. At least a few students believe the outlook is so bleak that they are looking for positions overseas. Architecture seniors Daniel Schallit and Matthew Moelter said they plan to participate in the Prague program — a six-week design class in Czechoslovakia — after graduation in June.

After six years of studying and working in architecture and construction companies, "I'm going to Europe to look for a job," Schallit said. Moelter said he would go to San Diego to work as a bartender if he was not going overseas. "I wouldn't even bother looking for an architecture job."

Moelter said hearing about so many layoffs has made his general outlook of the job market very pessimistic.

After working for firms and attending school at Cal Poly for four years, Moelter has no aspirations to look for a job and would rather take time to see the world. But job openings may not be as scarce as some may think. Though less than before, companies are still recruiting from Cal Poly because of past success with its students.

"Cal Poly is one of the top schools we recruit from in the West," said Jim Pangburn of Ernst & Young Accounting Firm. Ernst & Young is the largest professional services firm in the United States and the second largest in the world.

This year, the Northern and Southern California offices of Anderson Consulting will hire 150 college recruits. Last year the firm hired more people from Cal Poly than any other school on the West Coast.

Nationally, 20 Cal Poly students were hired last year. This year the company is seeking 15 college recruits.

"The hurting economy has not affected us as much as (we) expected," said Lisa Gelhaar of Anderson Consulting. The company is currently busier than it has been the past six to eight months. "The fact the war ended early has helped."

But while accounting majors may appear secure for now, students in architecture may have to wait longer for a job than students with other degrees.

Traditionally it takes three to six months after graduation for an architecture student to get a job, said Ellen Polinsky, architecture counselor of the Placement Center.

While job searching, architecture students may experience delays, Jerry Alexander of RTKL Architecture said. Students may be told to wait awhile for a job offer, "but the offers are still better than last year," Alexander said. "Patience is the key.

"Knowing students will develop as they work, we don't see INSIGHT, page 8
By Rob Brockmeyer

Staff Writer

The Cal Poly baseball team did not know how important last weekend’s sweep of Cal State Dominguez Hills was until Monday.

It turned out to be the decisive factor in deciding who would be the top seed and the host of this weekend’s NCAA Division II Western Regional.

The West Regional committee had to pick four out of Cal Poly, UC Riverside and Cal Poly Pomona. All three had 18-12 conference-leading records and were even in team head-to-head competition, as the committee looked at each team’s record against the fourth-place Toros. Cal Poly Pomona went 3-3 against Dominguez Hills, while Cal Poly and UC Riverside posted 2-2 records against the Toros. Since Cal Poly took four of six from UC Riverside, the committee awarded the Mustangs the top seed.

Lost & Found

Roommates

Mustangs will battle Sonoma, Riverside starting on Friday.

Sonoma State, the Northern California Conference regular season champion, captured the second seed, while UC Riverside got the third spot. Cal Poly Pomona was eliminated from playoff consideration based on its record against Dominguez Hills.

The double-elimination Western Regional will be played at SRO Stadium in Simi Valley Park on May 17-19. In the first round on Friday, UC Riverside will battle Sonoma State at 2 p.m., and the loser of that game will play Cal Poly at 7 p.m. Saturday’s second round will see the Mustangs play the winner of Friday’s first game, while further games will be determined later.

In regular season play, Sonoma State ended the Mustangs 7-4 at SLO Stadium in the team’s only previous meeting this season. Against the Highlanders, Cal Poly was 2-1 at home and 2-1 at Riverside.

The Mustangs posted a 16-7 home record and was 20-15 versus Division II. Cal Poly would have won the Conference title if not for the Northern California Conference Association title outright if it had been declared earlier. However, the Mustangs will be monitoring the scoreboard in the upcoming weekend when the Highlanders in a makeup game on Sunday. The original game was rained-out over the weekend.

Highlander pitchers Jeff Wagar, Brian Mainor and Brandon Rock were raked early as Cal Poly took the lead in the top of the first inning. Wagar gave up two runs for the Mustangs in the second inning, while Mainor allowed seven runs and Rock surrendered two runs for the Highlanders in the last two innings.

The Mustangs held the Highlanders to just six hits and two walks in the contest.

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Dave Arndt, a representative for the Central Coast Concerned Mountain Bikers, said signs would be posted where the vegetation is sensitive, informing bicyclists to be careful.

Arndt, an Instructional Support technician for the Cal Poly physics department, said posting a sign with trail rules at the canyon entrance is another possibility to educate bikers.

"We have to change the way we are using it (Poly Canyon)," he said.

Gerard said, "We want to protect all parties involved."

The coalition met with As-sociate Dean of Agriculture Larry Rathbun Monday to discuss the feasibility of using signs and stiles.

Rathbun said the meeting went well. "We are evolving a mutual understanding about the canyon," he said. "We hope to solve the situation in a week to 10 days."

"We don't want any malice," he said. "We want to approach the situation in a professional manner."

Arndt said the School of Agriculture is still concerned that when the grounds are muddy, the bikes chop up the land.

"People argue that cattle chops up the ground when its muddy, but mountain bikes just add to this problem," he said.

"We have to be concerned about how we use the land."

The coalition will present a proposal to the ASI Administrative Commission on Thursday. If accepted, the commission will present the proposal to the Cal Poly administration and School of Agriculture for approval.

Gerard said, "By all means, if an acceptable proposal is presented, the canyon will reopen on a trial basis."

McGrew encourages all concerned mountain bikers to show support by attending the ASI meeting Thursday at 5 p.m. in U.U. 220.

BASEBALL

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on a Juan Rojo single that scored Scott Mollahan from second base and Mechanical Engineering senior with a concentration in public relations. This is her first quarter reporting for Mustang Daily.

students at the Springboard Job Fair in Chumash Auditorium on May 22.

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