ASI board to decide on country concert

By Chris Brandi

If rumors prove to be true, students may soon be losing their late-night study spot. Farm Boy restaurant, the 24-hour diner on the corner of Santa Rosa and Marsh streets, is in the process of changing owners. It has been speculated that the owners of Margie's Diner, another local eatery, will purchase the establishment.

Margie's Diner owner Ken Johnson cautioned against making any definite statements about the fate of Farm Boy. But Johnson said that if he does purchase the restaurant, the name will be changed to Margie's Diner. Johnson did not specify whether the new restaurant would be open 24 hours a day and said he was not aware that students regularly use Farm Boy to study.

The possible changes at Farm Boy are coming as a shock to several Cal Poly students. Brent Manley, a biological science senior, said not being able to study at Farm Boy would be "disastrous to his study habits." Manley, who has been coming to the diner for the past four years, said he usually visits Farm Boy three to four times a week.

"I do all my studying here," Manley said. "It's the perfect atmosphere and the waitresses are great.

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Overaa said a friend showed her the diner during her first quarter at Poly. Now she comes to Farm Boy about five times a quarter.

Elise Aguja and Patty Peinado, both math seniors, said they come to Farm Boy because the library is an inconvenience.

"If we are going to meet with a big group, this place is great," Peinado said. "We don't like to go to the library because there are no seats.

Aguja said she likes not having to order a meal if she wants a seat in the restaurant.

"All you really have to do is order a drink and you can stay for as long as you want," Aguja said.

Although no final decisions have been made, Farm Boy employees received a letter informing them that the change of ownership was in process, but had temporarily been put on hold.

According to Mariano Harvey, a Farm Boy employee, for the past four years, many employees have been turning in applications at Margie's Diner. But no job offers have been promised, she added.

Harvey said she decided not to work at Farm Boy.

"I'm leaving for various reasons. For one, I have a short time left at Cal Poly whose tuition has helped pay for my college education," Harvey said.

"Another reason is that I'm putting together a program for nursing students," Harvey said. See FARM BOY, page 7

Rec Center use may cost non-students Faculty and staff would pay fee

By Chris Brandi

People other than students at Cal Poly may be able to use the new Rec Center — for a price.

As the new facility nears its opening this spring, there has been speculation among the Victoria committee that the only people allowed to use the facility for free will be those who paid for it — the students.

The Center Use Committee met Monday to discuss prohibiting membership to non-students when the new facility opens. The only exceptions mentioned were for job requirements of some physical education and Rec Sports staff.

Other staff and faculty may have to pay a quarterly fee or purchase a year-long pass to use the facility.

"There are people in Rec Sports and Physical Education, whose primary place for employment is the Rec Center," said Mariano Harvey, ASFs representative Vice President and the committee chairman.

"These people need to be in top physical condition and need to know how to use the equipment."

However, there are students who may have paid their fees before the new Rec Center opened for the fall. A student classified as a non-student may need to pay a quarterly fee.

See REC CENTER, page 7

Two-car collision leaves no injuries

By Chris Brandi

Two vehicles collided on California Avenue yesterday.

Chad Broksky, 21, of Los Osos, was uninjured when his car flipped over after striking another vehicle around 3:15 p.m. Tuesday afternoon.

According to San Luis Obispo Police Officer Tom Owen, Broksky, who was traveling north on California Avenue, swerved to avoid a car entering the intersection from Taft Street.

That car was being driven by Sarah Stover, 19, of Atascadero. Stover claimed her vision was blocked by another vehicle.

Wearing her seatbelt may have saved Broksky from serious injury, according to Owen.

"He could have easily been thrown from his vehicle," Owen said.

Stover and five other occupants of the vehicle all claimed to be wearing seatbelts. Stover was cited for driving a vehicle without insurance.

There were no injuries incurred in either vehicle.

ASI board to decide on country concert

By John Hubbell

ASI's Board of Directors will decide tonight if Cal Poly will set the stage for a big-name country concert in late April after a subcommittee approved the plan Monday.

If directors approve, the university will host its first country music show — and the first outdoor popular-music concert — in years.

The Board will meet at 7 p.m. in Room 220 of the University Union. The meeting is open and allows for student comment.

The concert, which would feature singers such as George Strait, Trisha Yearwood, Garth Brooks and others, would be held on campus, according to campus recreation director Bob Wahler.

"Maybe a lot of people (will) want to go home," Wahler said.

But rodeo events are already scheduled for early Saturday evening, according to Bob Wahler, the university's assistant director of student life and activities. And an outdoor concert should be held in the early evening in order to be "community sensitive," Wahler said.

Further, Wahler said an artist such as Chesnutt — whose current popularity is well-documented by local and national country music sales — is likely to draw a large crowd. Documents supplied by ASI Concerts and presented to the Finance Committee show recent Chesnutt shows in other areas have sold well.

"For a while, I couldn't get away from 'Bubba Shot the Jukebox' (one of Chesnutt's latest releases)," Wahler said.

Holding a concert in Mustang Stadium is an unusual event for Cal Poly. The last concert was a Mother's Day show featuring Bob Hope. It posted large losses.

ASI Concerts has held two events this academic year. A Chumash Auditorium concert featuring South Coast native Toad the Wet Sprocket posted a $3,000 profit in fall. A winter quarter performance by alternative band Faith No More has so far posted losses of $8,700.

Ensuring safety at a country-format stadium concert would be "reasonably manageable," according to Joe Risser, Cal Poly's Director of Public Safety.

"My guess would be that the group of folks that would come would be less of a problem than what would come to a hard rock concert," Risser said Tuesday. "Most country folks don't ... advocate the overthrow of the government or the police."

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The concert would be a $57,000 venture for ASI, which would have to sell 2,000 tickets at $28 per ticket to break even.

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**NEWS BRIEFS**

Crowd gathers as King testifies

Los Angeles, Calif.

Rodney King took the witness stand for the first time Tuesday and said he was "attacked" by police officers in a beating that left him in pain and confusion.

"Physically I felt horrible," King said, recalling the beating. "I just was wondering what did I do to deserve that type of pain."

King's testimony in the federal trial of four policemen was met with a mix of emotions. Some demonstrators were spitting on the courthouse steps, while others chanted "Justice for Rodney." The crowd included students from various universities who had marched around the Capitol.

Holloway said officers tried to arrest one student who was blocking the door, but he resisted and kicked at them. The student ended up face down at the bottom of the steps outside, with three officers on top of him.

**Court won't revive abortion law**

Washington, D.C.

The Supreme Court on Monday refused to revive an invalidated Louisiana law that would have outlawed nearly all abortions in the state.

The court, without comment or any recorded dissent, let stand rulings that said the anti-abortion law would violate women's constitutional right to end their pregnancies.

Freshman Sen. Linda Lingle, whose neighborhood north of South Central suffered heavy damage in last spring's riots after the officers were acquitted of most counts in a state trial, waited nervously for King's testimony to begin.

**Event sponsored by UC and CSU student groups to lobby lawmakers.**

Federal marshals carefully controlled the scene inside the courthouse. No cameras were allowed inside. Only reporters and a handful of spectators were allowed inside Judge John G. Davies' dark and cloistered courtroom.

He poured himself a glass of water and in a slow and hesitant voice, King for the first time publicly described what happened the night of the arrest. As he continued to answer questions, he seemed to grow calmer.

**Federal Law**

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Some demonstrators were spitting on officers from a second-floor balcony, Holloway said.

"Things just kind of escalated," said Katherine Carter, a University of California, Santa Cruz, sophomore who attended the rally.

** Sacrmento, Calif.**

A student rally at the state Capitol over potential fee increases ended Monday in a noisy confrontation with police and the arrest of one demonstrator.

About 400 state college and university students marched around the Capitol and staged a rally on the statehouse steps when a group of shouting protesters moved inside.

State Police Lt. Aubrey Holloway said officers ordered the students to leave because they were disrupting the Capitol and blocking access to the rotunda.

"Police surrounded us on three sides," said Matthew Holck, a graduate student of physics at California State University, San Diego.

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Gang members answer questions on lifestyle

'Misunderstandings' clarified in dialogue on Cal Poly campus

By Keri Greenberg
Staff Writer

A group of gang members think Cal Poly students have a lot to learn.

Addressing an audience of students and community members in a Fisher Science lecture hall, six former and current gang members fielded questions recently about what they called an often misunderstood lifestyle.

Robert Payán, who coordinates Youth at Risk Programs for the Parks and Recreation Department in Ventura, was herself involved in gang activity 20 years ago. Now, she works with kids to provide lifestyle alternatives for high-risk individuals.

Payán traveled with current gang members to Cal Poly two weeks ago to speak with recreation administration majors about the needs of an active gang community.

She said her life changed when she was arrested at age 16 for assaulting a police officer.

"I also stabbed someone that night," she said. "But I was not arrested."

Later, she went to college and then worked for the State Department of Corrections.

Formerly associated with Avenue Gangsters, the largest gang in Ventura, she now provides lifestyle alternatives for members of the community in which she was raised.

Of her first efforts was to give teens a place to go to stay out of trouble.

"We expanded recreation areas to provide a place for kids to go on evenings and weekends," Payán said. "Then, we began employing high-risk youth. There are now 70 youth employed by the city of Ventura."

"Change is a process," she said. "It doesn't happen overnight. There is no sure-fire way of getting out of the gang lifestyle."

"They are full of shit," he said. "They just don't know what is going on."

Payán said many people are misinformed about the backgrounds of gang associates.

"But at risk is not confined to low income anymore," she said. "The gang mania and hysteria is now crossing economic borders."

"Also, the kids don't necessarily come from bad families. Some are latch-key kids and some are from single families, but not all."

"People think all gang members fight," she continued. "I've never seen Tony fight, but he's been shot and stabbed."

Tony said a stereotype exists about his lifestyle.

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Robert Payán Youth at Risk Programs coordinator
Recipe for unhappiness

By Steve Geahry

Prejudice is everywhere. Everywhere you look you can see prime examples of bigotry. Our little campus is no different and it is an exception. You can find many beautiful examples of bigotry.

Learning all the aspects of making a perfect bigot is very important. If you gather all the ingredients and carefully make the mod, other than that you will have a glimmering, shiny new bigot, ready to face the world.

And this is a good thing, because all we need in the world today is more hate, death, intolerance, fear and close-mindedness. Then, when we have all this, maybe in the future, we can stop all those African-Americans, Asian-Americans, maybe even world-wide, unity, a grotesque.

Do not ponder these questions.

Making a bigot is difficult, but worthwhile, especially when you will have one less being, beating, screaming bigot to make this world a better place.

One ingredient that adds to our lot of recipe is a couple handfuls of close-mindedness. This does not add much to the basic bigot, but it assures that our bigot will be one forever.

Also, add a dash of intolerance. This includes tolerance on the basis of race, sex, physical characteristics, mental abilities, sexual orientation, religious beliefs and any others that may interest you.

Actually, you had better make it a couple dashes, because any or all of these add so much to the basic bigot, and there are so many choices. It is no wonder that the idea of bigots everywhere really draws little or no attention from the average person.

Now that you have spent the time creating the perfect bigot, and you have your fresh, clean bigot waiting to bash, insult, yell at, discriminate against and maybe kill someone, it is time to look at your creation and reject.

Having now mixed everything together, all you have to do is force a little parental influence into the mold, and results abound.

But now what? What are you going to do with your bigot? Sure, it has no problems fitting into today's society, some may even celebrate its existence. But what else can you do? Simply enjoy the feeling that you have created a monstrous bigot, and feel good about it as your creation beams on its first victim.

Think hard. You have created a bigot. Good for you. Can you imagine what this world would be like without one? With people working together for the common good instead of against each other, forcing each other down? Thanks to you, a negative chain of bigots floats over our campus, even our country.

Thanks to you, people of different races, religions, sex and other differences will be questioning each other's intentions instead of seeing the power in each other's ideas. Every day I look around and am thankful; thankful for the gun shots, people screaming, and the blood.

The mold is now empty. It is up to you. What is your next bigot going to be like?

Promised was a recipe for an intolerant bigot. The promise has been fulfilled, now it is up to you. Support your creation. Don't ever let those ideas of equality rear their ugly head again. How long has our society survived without the need for equality? There will always be a need for bigots; care is real based on bigotry. How else can we make people feel small, alone, without power, and experience other than the ones to suffer. People lose their options towards personal growth, diversity and autonomy when they choose to nominate themselves as small. Only those who are truly uneducated are capable of completely closing their minds to others.

Discrimination is difficult to deal with. At some point in our lives we all experience some form of discrimination. It is unfortunate to think that it is only then that we will learn of the pain and suffering we not only feel but have caused for others.

More 'cleaning house'

Let's really sweep out the closet! Friday, March 5, the Daily ran a sad but incredibly important written commentary about homosexuality by a homosexual person. Though I felt sorrow for the writer in his/ her/ its exasperation of his/ her/ its situation, I noted that in his/ her/ its liberation, he/ she/ it was still living by the stereotypical labels to which they were to see that, under it all, we are all human, well, that might as well be the end.

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Some of the structures were built in an effort to experiment with state-of-the-art materials or new design techniques. Others, like the Greenhouse, were meant to be functional.

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Wells said there is an application process for becoming a caretaker but the position isn't advertised.

"Because it's a rent-free situation, advertising attracts the wrong kind of people who are looking for something for nothing," he said.

Zweifel praised Wells' dedication to the canyon and said he was the perfect person to be caretaker.

Next summer there will be a second caretaker when Wells is joined by his fiancé, architecture senior Chandra Walker. They plan to be married in August and hold the reception at their home in the canyon.

Wells said his 20-minute walk to school is like taking a trip between two worlds.

"Sometimes it's a culture shock in the mornings to go from the peace of the country into the hustle of campus," he said.

"It's so quiet and beautiful. I've had deer walk right up to my front door, even a couple of foxes. I love it out here."

The Design Village is marked by signs so visitors can give themselves a guided tour. The village is located northeast of campus, at the end of Canyon Road.

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FARM BOY

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...in an application because she likes working the night shift, Harvay said. “The students are so easy to work with. I’m not interested in working anywhere where the students can’t hang out.”

Cal Poly math professor Jean McDill says his IPD has been going to the restaurant for many years and had to wait until they were done with the west offices.

“I think they have made something very special,” McDill said. “It’s a real homey atmosphere. It would be a shame to see them let go, especially after how supportive they have been to the students.”
Cal Poly commits to new conference

By Michael Sheets
Staff Writer

The results of months of negotiations by the Cal Poly athletic department are finally being seen. Cal Poly and four other universities have indicated their intent to align with the Western Football Conference as it begins its first season at the NCAA Division I-AA level, according to Dr. Vic Baroza, Commissioner of the Western Football Conference. The WFC has been at the Division II level for the past 10 seasons.

Joining a Division I conference has been one of the major priorities of the Cal Poly athletic department since the student sports referendum passed in November 1991. Cal State Northridge, Cal State Sacramento, Southern Utah University, and UC Davis will join Cal Poly for the 1993 football season.

"We've been successful on the Division II level," said Baroza, "and this move for the conference provides all of our institutions with a strong foundation for the future in football, as well as other sports." McCutcheon said the step is a positive one for the university, but is not the perfect solution. "We'd like to have as many teams and schools as possible (in the conference)," McCutcheon said. "But now we can put a package together in detail and market it to other schools who are interested in joining."

Pettas joins football staff

Cal Poly's football team not only has a new conference, it's got a new coach. John Pettas, who comes to Cal Poly after serving as a volunteer assistant defensive coach with the San Francisco 49ers last season, will coach the quarterbacks and wide receivers for the Mustangs.

Pettas, 43, is a 1973 graduate of Cal Poly and was the starting quarterback for the 1971 and '72 Mustang teams.

Prior to his stint with the 49ers, he coached at Kent State, the University of New Mexico, the University of Nevada-Reno and at Colorado.

Concurrent to the new WFC, a new Division I multi-sport conference has been created which will provide an umbrella for four of the member universities' sports programs, including Cal Poly. Although UC Davis will not participate in the multi-sport conference, at least two other institutions have expressed interest in joining. The names of these institutions were not released because they are currently assessing their athletic programs.

A meeting of the multi-sport conference will be held April 14 in Sacramento. The conference would encompass such sports as baseball and basketball.