Poly aid office buried in avalanche of paperwork

Staffers switch to serving students three days per week

By Leu Arcnds / The Daily Mustang

Backlogged by overdue student financial aid paperwork, Cal Poly's financial aid office will be closed to students on Tuesdays and Wednesdays indefinitely.

The closure is necessary for employees to more efficiently process backlogged applications, according to Financial Aid Director Diane Ryan.

Constant student inquiries as to the status of loan applications has prevented the financial aid staff from processing paperwork, thus forcing the temporary closure, Ryan said.

Ryan could not specify how long the office would remain closed.

"I kind of left that intentionally vague," she said.

Almost 1,200 student loans still remain to be processed, she said.

Financial aid officials are facing an Oct. 27 deadline to finish the forms. After that date, officials must begin processing aid applications for winter quarter.

Closing the office was a dilemma, according to Ryan.

"It doesn't look good when we close the window," she said. "But then again, neither does getting those loan checks out."

The office has reduced the amount of time it can provide face-to-face service due to the current overload.

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Emergency loan applications and other information are provided in a rack across the office.

Ryan said that Cal Poly students have had to wait an average of 10 to 15 minutes, she said.

Although the financial aid window will be closed, phone lines will remain open during normal hours to provide all services normally available, Ryan said.

Emergency loan applications and other information are provided in a rack across the window, and forms can be placed in the drop box next to the window for processing.

In your face

by Eric Dible

I felt sick when I first saw her.

The party may be over for Cal Poly students and other revelers from throughout the state who congregated annually in Isla Vista to celebrate Halloween.

Santa Barbara County Board of Supervisors on Sept. 28 unanimously passed an ordinance banning live bands during the Halloween celebration in the coastal town.

The ordinance prohibits gatherings of more than 500 people entertained by live or prerecorded music between 6 p.m. and 7 a.m.

The rule will be in effect Oct. 28-31.

The ordinance came to the supervisors after police said they had seen an increase of violence when music was played at the celebrations.

"Isla Vista is a very crowded area on Halloween," said Lance Craig, a Santa Barbara county sheriff's deputy. "There's an extra 25,000 people in a six block area.

The idea of the ordinance is to encourage people who have caused us a lot of trouble to stay away."

Craig's forces also took a beating in last week's 15-hour battle.

Many at Poly think S.B. overreacting

by Eric Dible

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Live bands can no longer play in Isla Vista on Halloween, thanks to a recently-approved county ordinance.

He also said there has not been enough formal study on the effects of marijuana for cancer patients, AIDS patients and others who are already available.

Christine Peralta, spokesperson for Citizens for Medical Marijuana in March, and referred the agency's conclusions and recommendations to the federal government.

"That's when the board that her agency does not support the proposal, based on the conclusion of Dr. Tom Maier, director of disease prevention for the county."

Maier said synthetic tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) drugs now on the market are sufficient for use by patients with AIDS and cancer.

Natural THC is the active chemical in marijuana.

Maier said marijuana is reportedly effective for eight diseases: glaucoma, epilepsy, muscular dystrophy, arthritis, cancer, anxiety and depression.

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"First it was Poly Royal, then it was Palm Springs now Isla Vista in Isla Vista. Where does it end?" said business owner Leonard Spoto.

Although he said he didn't approve of the ordinance banning live bands, Spoto said he would hold down to the coastal town this Halloween.

"I don't think it's going to deter people from going," said economics senior Jim Marocco, who attended the event last year.

Some students said they believe banning live bands is too strict a measure.

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MARIJUANA: County report rebuffs proponents' arguments for medicinal uses

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Mauer concluded marijuana is not as benign as its legalization advocates say it is.

"It is a widely used, illicit drug with known side effects which can endanger a user's physical and psychological health," Mauer said. He added that marijuana has limited accepted medical use. He said if marijuana was recognized by licensed physicians as a necessary drug, it could be reclassified by the federal government as a Schedule II drug. A Schedule II drug must be prescribed, and has to be approved by the FDA before moving from Schedule II illegal drug status to Schedule II.

Mauer said the original ordinance Citizens for Medical Marijuana developed was not supported by conventional medical research.

Peralta disagreed with the way the health agency analyzed the draft of her group's proposal.

(1) The analysis was slim, slanted, inadequate and not

reflective of the issue," Peralta said. "We disagree the marijuana has limited medical use. We stand behind the value of marijuana to be used for all life- or sense-threatening diseases.

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Peralta challenged the resources Mauer used for his report. "The report only included statistics based on the drug from the past 10 years.

"Most of the problems we have are alcohol related. If fines are increased, it'll discourage some drinking," he said.

Last year, Isla Vista had approximately 120 officers patrolling the area. This year the city plans on expanding its forces by about 30.

Isla Vista also will set up sobriety checkpoints throughout the county and barricades in high traffic areas, Craig said.

Halloween will fall on a Sunday night this year. Widroe said he hopes the day of the week Halloween falls on will help tone down the celebration in Isla Vista.

"University teachers at UCSB have been given too much credit for the problems and too much blame for the problems that have plagued the celebration in the past," he said. "We can't stop people from coming, but we'd like to have it back to a local event."

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"If you break the law, you're going to pay for it," he said.

"They're going to charge you."

REACTION: Poly students say S.B. crackdown is too strict, reactionary

Lompoc resident James Carroll is a Citrus Grove band member. He said he believes eliminating bands won't stop the problems that have plagued the celebration in the past.

"I think it's basically because they have riots all the time," Carroll said. "They figure if the bands aren't there, it'll turn people away. It's inevitable that there's going to be a lot of people there."

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FOOTBALL: Both sides of consecutive 40-point game

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The Mustangs also held San Francisco State inside its own 30-yard line nearly the entire second half. But even their single break through, a 57-yard drive, came to a screeching halt when sophomore linebacker Manvir Sandhu picked off a pass.

The Gators' offense amassed 61 yards in the second quarter—21 yards less than Gators junior cornerback Peter Varela's 82-yard return touchdown in the fourth quarter.

Senior defensive back Bobby Smith picked off a pass in the first quarter and bumbled his team leading interceptions to four.

The team hopes to improve to 1-1 in the AWC against their next opponent for Southern Utah in a game scheduled for Saturday, Oct. 16, in Cedar City.

"Everything happens next week," head coach Lyle Setencich said. "The biggest factor (in the game) is Southern Utah.

Cal Poly's men's soccer team hopes to improve to 4-0 and extended its winning streak to six games by defeating 16th-ranked Cal State Dominguez Hills 4-0 Friday night at Mustang Stadium.

The Mustangs (8-3-3 overall) got two first-half goals from senior midfielder Chris Corona to take an early lead. Corona's first goal midway through the first half came on a penalty shot which he drilled into the left corner of the net. His second goal came just two minutes later on a feed from junior forward Ryoshin Henderson.

"It's a result of the work ethics of the guys on the team," Gardner said. "It's also the result of outstanding play by Cal Poly's defense, too."

Although the Toros failed to score a goal, they played a physical game until the end.

"It is usually a physical game because it's a grudge match," Henderson said.

Both Henderson and Corona said trash-talking and cheap shots came throughout the game from Toro players. But the Mustangs' defense did not budge.

The Mustangs travel to CSU-San Bernardino Wednesday. Their next home game is against CSU-Bakersfield at 7 p.m. on Friday at Mustang Stadium.

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ON THE SPOT

What should be the U.S. role in Somalia?

“Beavis and Butthead will always remain on the air.”

I believe we should get all the military men out. They should solve their own problems. America has too much of a policeman type of mentality in all the countries that we’ve done.”

Justin Alswor, Mechanical engineering freshman

“Mayte will not wash her panties,” we said, confident that we had the smallest hint of their difference. This country still treats people who are homosexual or bisexual as second-class citizens; homosexuals are denied many of the things that heterosexuals take for granted. Gay men and lesbians are not allowed to serve in the armed forces. In many states, homosexual acts are a punishable crime. In many other states, you can be evicted or fired simply for being or bissexual. Homosexual mothers have their children taken away from them. In America, people’s lives can be ruined due to other people’s prejudices. There are also many reasons to cast off shame and walk into the open. We must send a message to Americans everywhere that gay people are not the bogeymen we are depicted to be. We are neighbors, classmates, fraternity brothers and sorority sisters, friends and family.

The closets we are in are often constructed of self-loathing and shame. By coming out, we take away the power some have to lessen our humanity. And if we want dirty jokes, we can get them from Beavis and Butthead.

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SOMALIA: Aidid sends signals he wants to talk

Earlier, another U.N. military spokesman, Capt. Tim MacDavitt, said the United Nations had not received official notice of Aidid's offer.

MacDavitt said no fighting was reported overnight Saturday, but attributed the quiet to heavy rain rather than Aidid's order. "Our experience is that militiamen do not like operating in rain," he said.

Since the Somalia operation began in December, 31 Americans and 90 peacekeepers have been killed.
Garage-sale shopping is a serious sport

If hunting is considered a sport, then shopping should also be considered a sport. But not just any shopping. It has to be garage sale shopping.

I will admit I have never stopped on camouflage clothing smeared with deer urine and ventured into the woods. Nor have I ever stuck up on a five-pointer standing by a brook rubbing on berries and then torn half its leg off with a .306 rifle.

But I have armed myself with a toy crossbow that shoots rubber darts and put some flies in a world of pain. So I do know the thrill of a kill. That glue-sniffing type of rush that makes you single inside argues for hunting’s classification as a sport.

Sweat能an in a shopping sense. There she was sitting at a small table in her garage sipping on a chopped coffee mug. And there it was — seemingly new Prince graphite tennis racquet the gray-haired woman was selling for $5. She had already knocked $65 off the original cost, but I figured on going in for the kill (in a shopping sense).

"Hey grandma, I'll give you a buck for this piece of crap," I bellowed.

"Well, I don't know. It's my grandson's," she responded unassumingly.

I slapped a Washington on the table and walked off.

"Thanks," I said.

Before I even reached the sidewalk, it hit me. My face flushed with warm blood, my vision and thoughts went blurry and my feet lifted four inches off the ground — the thrill of the deal. A $60-dollar saving on a $70 racquet.

So to all the hunters out there, I suggest you shelf your 100X scope and bolt action rifles and grab a $20 from the Versatall and hit the streets. You can still hunt with the same deer-slinging buddies, except this time it's for bargains, not squires or rabbits. And you can even continue dressing in camouflage. But I suggest you nix the deer urine.

Trade in your hunting zone maps for city maps and hit the places you seldom ventured in the newspaper. And if you can't break away from that don't-know-where-the- hell-are-you getting in the woods, I suggest you leave a city map at home and hunt for garage sale signs posted on street signs and telephone poles.

Garage sale shopping is cheaper than hunting. And the aftereffects of a kill are cheaper than hunting. Rather than paying your favorite butcher, "Leather Stripping" Larry $10 to reupholster a cushion on the $10 couch you just bought.

Garage sale shopping is dangerous for the victim. The old woman at the garage sale will get over her misfortune a lot faster than the deer whose heart got plastered all over the nearest pine tree.

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Poly football wins big again

Real test for the-4 Mustangs comes next week against AWCC foe Southern Utah

By Ann P. Barnes

Cal Poly turned the football scoring machine on full-power and cracked out a 44-21 victory against the San Francisco State Gators Saturday at Mustang Stadium. A crowd of about 5,500 witnessed the victory which marked the first time since 1963 a Cal Poly football team scored 40 or more points in three straight games.

That 1963 team went on to capture a California Colle­giate Athletic Association championship.

The win escalated the Mustangs' overall record to 4-1. The team is 0-1 in Ameri­can West Conference action.

It also dropped San Francisco State to 3-3, mapping a three-game winning streak, and sent the team home wondering if it has what it takes to finish a season with a winning record. The Gators last winning season was 1973.

In Saturday's attack, the team began on the ground with freshman running back Jacques Jordan capping off two 9-play, 61-yard drives with touchdown runs of four and two yards.

The offensive surge ended in the air with sophomore quarterback Mike Fisher passing for 247 yards and three touchdowns.

Junior middle blocker Natalie Silverman swings away in Cal Poly's 3-2 win over Cal Friday night / Daily photo by Ken Emerson