Crafts turn U.U. into a shopping mecca

By Matt Lazier
Daily Staff Writer

Harry Sharp, interim Dean of the College of Liberal Arts, welcomed prospective students and their parents as part of Cal Poly's third annual Open House Friday.

"We would like you to start a count of the 'welcomes' you receive," Sharp joking told students during the program at Cal Poly's Rec Center. "By October, you should be up to 3,204."

"The arts and sciences are the core of the university," Sharp said, urging the visiting students to come to Cal Poly in the fall. "Every student has taken many liberal arts classes as part of the general education requirement."

Sharp and Associate Dean Susan Currier presented speeches by student and faculty representatives of the Liberal Arts program. The presenters shared positive experiences they have had in the College of Liberal Arts and encouraged the prospective students to join in.

"All the programs are there and they are able to broaden your horizons," said Alyson McLamore, assistant professor of Chemistry. See WELCOME page 7

Visitors urged to take classes in liberal arts

Exploding hydrogen gas, kim chi, and a tractor pull—Open House showcased Cal Poly's brilliant and bizarre.

The third annual Cal Poly Open House, April 19-20, was a chance for prospective students to show off for the community and prospective students. And they did just that.

Phil Bailey, dean of the College of Science and Math, held chemistry magic shows every hour which included setting fire to balloons filled with hydrogen gas. The balloons exploded into fireballs, catching the ceiling on fire.

There were also chemistry demonstrations in the Science Building. Families watched students blow glass, wrap DNA around a stirring stick, and remove the iron from breakfast cereal.

The food choices at the student booths were also diverse. Kim chi, American Indian fry bread, burritos, barbecue and, of course, Cal Poly ice cream filled the stomachs of the estimated 40,000 people that came to Open House.

Many went to the tractor pull, rodeo and agriculture exhibits that helped fill the north side of campus with noise and excitement. Students and their families wrestled a mechanical steer, watched students wrestle a real steer at the rodeo and witnessed students trying to steer-gassed up tractors at the tractor pull.

The engineering department was hopping with an engineering exploration and the Robo-Rodentia, a competition between mechanical rats. The National Organization for Women, various sororities and fraternities, the Rose Float. See Open House page 3

Open House fiesta

By Amy Cadey
Daily Staff Writer

Mongoose (left) playing a doo-dooke drum, while Richard Pollard (right) displays some Malawi-African wooden carvings / Daily photos by Joe Johnston

Downtown residents complain about noise

By Jeff Douch
Daily Staff Writer

Playing music, bands and all other types of noise are being quieted in downtown San Luis Obispo.

In recent weeks San Luis Obispo Police have been enforcing the city's noise ordinance at a few local bars in the downtown area in response to complaints by local residents.

According to management at Rhythm Cafe, police recently asked them to turn off the music one Thursday evening after noise by residents complained. Management said they told the disk jockeys at the fraternity function to turn it down, but the D.J. would only turn it down for a brief instant.

"This was the first time we had been warned and it was because of the D.J.," Rhythm Cafe management said.

The noise ordinance law that pertains to San Luis Obispo is five pages long and details different ways someone can receive a noise violation.

According to San Luis Obispo Police Lt. Hazauri, noise is a growing problem in the city.

"It only takes one person to be disturbed by a violation to be issued," Hazauri said. "What people don't remember is that there are residents that live in apartments above the stores downtown."

About five weeks ago Mongoose was asked to re-evaluate their music situation.

According to Don Dominguez, Mongoose manager, they were never given a ticket or even warned by police.

"We were asked by community development planning to re-evaluate the situation, due to complaints by nearby residents," Dominguez said.

Prior to community development stepping in, Dominguez said the disk jockeys would turn the music up to 102 by 9 p.m. because they thought it was a way to attract customers.

"All we were really doing was playing needless noise," Dominguez said. See NOISE page 3

Alumni teach students how to land a job

By Shari Coffeiberry
Daily Staff Writer

While students were being welcomed during Open House weekend, some were learning what their options were for when they leave Cal Poly.

Incoming Liberal Arts students were treated to a careers forum composed of Cal Poly Liberal Arts alumni Saturday morning.

Associate Dean Susan Currier welcomed students and their parents to the forum and introduced the three guests: David Camp, Mary Harris and Bob Starr.

For the three panelists, it was somewhat of a reunion. All were graduates in 1979 or 1980. Camp and Harris received political science degrees and Starr was a social science major.

Camp and Starr used their degrees to enter the business industry, while Harris became an attorney and still resides in San Luis Obispo.

Even though each panelist had taken a different direction to get to where they are today, the advice gave to students was similar. They stressed that it is important for students to become fluent in at least one language. See FORUM page 3

At the University of Arkansas, a dead tornado in Arkansas on Monday.
Today
A European travel workshop is taking place in building 52, room E-45 at 7 p.m. to discuss youth hostels and traveling on the Eurail.

A European travel workshop, sponsored by the city of San Luis Obispo, is taking place downtown San Luis Obispo. Deadline for proposals is April 30.

The Department of Graphic Arts, 226 Cal Poly, is having a discussion titled "S.L.O. Rocks; Basic Design." This is an opportunity for students to voice their concerns and have questions addressed.

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FORUM: Foreign languages are very important

"I can tell you there are jobs out there for anyone who can communicate well, is flexible and has some hard skills, too," Starr said. "It has played a big part in my career."

Anita Botello, a political science junior and one of the student ambassadors, agreed with Starr.

"I am trying to find hard skills to incorporate into my studies," Botello said. "I think that will make us more valuable in the job marketplace."

Even though the panelists only represented two of the 12 majors in the college, incoming students were able to ask student ambassadors from various majors any unanswered questions.

Patrick Lane, a Cuesta College student who will transfer as a junior in the fall, plans to major in human development.

Lane was one of 600 to 700 students welcomed on Friday to the College of Liberal Arts.

Currier said enrollment in the college has increased so much from last year that the welcoming, which normally takes place in the Cal Poly Theatre, was forced to move to the Rec Center.

State troopers patrolled Fort Smith to guard against looters after five people who police said were about to start looting were arrested and charged with prowling. The National Guard ordered 45 members to report for duty.

The Red Cross said 636 houses, 30 apartment units and 217 businesses were damaged. Of those, 35 houses, five apartments and 78 businesses were beyond repair. Damage was put in the millions of dollars.

The tornadoes were part of a series of storms that moved away from Arkansas into Oklahoma. Radio and TV reports had warned that storms were coming, but a tornado knocked down telephone lines that would have carried word to emergency workers to start the sirens, Fort Smith police Sgt. Tim Randolph said.

In Fort Smith, a 2-year-old girl and a 5-year-old boy were crushed to death.

"The house had fallen on him," said Michelle Hooper, a neighbor of Kyle Richard Johnson's. "He was dead instantly."

Six blocks away, rows of 10-foot trees 2 feet in diameter lay across High Street, where Angelica Marie Fleming died. In St. Paul, where police found the bodies of a man and his son in the ruins of their house Monday.

"It just disintegrated as I understood it," Deputy Bill Mason said.

The man's wife was critically injured. Their names were not immediately released.

In Fort Smith, firefighters expected their house-to-house search would last into the night. The worst damage was in a historic district downtown — where some of the buildings date to the 1800s — and a residential area 1½ miles away. Several buildings downtown collapsed.

The main sewage treatment plant "just disappeared" as well, Randolph said. "There were several buildings down there and they just disappeared." Roger Weaver, 52, of Alma, said he had been up all night cleaning remove debris from the streets so ambulance and fire trucks could pass. On his way to the scene, he said, he saw four tractor-trailers on Interstate 40 on their sides, "all of them pointing in different directions."

The twister lifted a pickup truck, spun it around and sent it nose-first into a house and about 3 feet into the ground, he said.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN THIS SUMMER

On Huntington Lake in the Sierra National Forest is now hiring general counselors and specialists in: archery, arts & crafts, horseback riding, waterskiing, jet skiing, windsurfing, sailing, riflery, fishing, rock climbing, & ropes course. Lifeguards needed. We will be on campus soon to interview prospective staff. For more information and an application please call 1-800-SS4-2267.
Opinion

No cruelty here

Editor,

Once again a misinformed individual wants to ban rodeo. I am really tired of these misinformed people attacking rodeo, something they obviously know nothing about. First of all, American rodeo has no ties to cock-fighting or dog-fighting (both of which are illegal). Also, horse trapping has never been an event in American rodeo because rodeo was derived from the working range horse. Real cowboys would compete with the skills they used daily on their ranch. Roping calves and steers was necessary in order to doctor them, rid the ranch horses of lesions and start them under saddle.

Rodeo is a way of life for many people. I grew up learning how to ride from the time I could walk, and I grew older, I wanted to test my skills against others and rodeo provided the opportunity for me to do so. The money I make enabled me to go to college. I am assuming that Mrs. Peggy Koteen did not attend our Cal Poly rodeo. If she had, she would have seen that not one animal, repeat, not one animal was hurt or killed. Out of all the rodeos I have attended, I have never seen one animal hurt or killed. The only dead animals I have ever seen were those that got flattened by motorists, but I never see animal rights groups trying to protect these animals. I imagine true animal activists don't use makeup, eat meat or run over animals in the road. I suppose if it came down to it, they would swerve their cars off the road and over a cliff to miss a rabbit or squirrel.

Rodeo animals are the lucky animals. They have a great life. First of all, they are specifically bred to be a performance animal in the arena. It is really hard to breed a horse to buck. I have put a Secessian bred bucking strap onto many of my horses, just like they do in rodeo, to see what would they do. They did absolutely nothing. Bucking horses are bred to buck, just as cutting horses are bred to cut cattle. Another problem with Koteen's argument is that animals are not chocked in ropings. In breaking, the calves are roped, then they break loose from the saddle. In team roping, the steers' horns and herna bases are protected by horn raps. In calf roping, the calf is roped then the horse leaves slack in the line. All of these events are also done on working ranches and have been in practice for at least 100 years. So are these animal activists out to ban ranching and all animal products? All of these events are put together for the public to see what the cowboys do. That is what we call rodeo.

She also said "necks are snapped backwards." If any animal, including humans, has its neck snapped backward, they would die from a broken neck. This, of course, then is a false statement. Also, animals are not hit with electric prods. No one working behind the chutes would ever use force to hurt the animals.

Ranchers, cowboys and rodeo competitors all love animals. If they didn't, they wouldn't dedicate their lives to working with them or raising them. It is in the best interest of any stock contractor to ensure that none of his animals are hurt. The Professional Rodeo Cowboy's Association has a hall of fame in which top animal athletes are pictured. Many rodeo animals claim fame along with a long life, in which they only have to work eight seconds a week. The other days they get to roam around in the pastures and think about funny stuff. It's going to be next week to dump that cowboy hard into the dirt.

I urge everyone involved to get the real facts about rodeo and find out what a great American sport it really is.

Amy Van Buskirk
Agricultural science junior

About that deadline...

Editor,

I read from the ads in the Daily that applications for editor in chief are due April 30. Would that be at 11 a.m. or 5 p.m.? I would really hate to accidentally miss that deadline by just a couple minutes...

Brian Johns
Computer science senior

Opinion

What are you doing with my money, Mr. Baker?

Just after reading the recent article about president Warren Baker's address in support of the Cal Poly Plan on KCFP, I had to sit down and vent some student angst into the ears of my worst enemy: Since I’ve known Baker for over a year, I know about the Poly Plan. Just the other day as I sat in class pondering the Plan, instead of paying attention to

that discussion going on around me, I did a quick calculation and figured out that the 20 of us in that particular class spent about $800 for that hour of instruction. I’ve completed about eight years of higher education and 98 percent of those eight years consisted of classroom instruction, that’s right folks! Four walls, a bunch of desks, a chalk board, a teacher and some books. Think about that. Major instruments used by various institutions to bestow an education on me. I cannot put a price on the contributions of my teachers or the lessons I’ve learned from other students, but I can approximate the value of walls and desks and it doesn’t come to $800 an hour.

Some lecture classes that hundreds of students attend require tuition totalling in the thousands of dollars.

That’s just tuition money which is supposed to be the smaller fraction of the overall cost of an education.

I realize that universities are more than desks and books. They are about advancing the human potential and exploring the natural world through a disciplined thought process. This high expectation of universities to push the envelope of understanding is why we get state and federal money. Student's shouldn't be expected to pay for the abstract achievements made by expensive, esoteric studies. Young people with meager resources should be subsidized, not expected. After my years in state college and universities, I know full well that not only am I paying for the cost of my personal education, but I'm also helping to fund other areas of the institution. That's a burden I should not have to bear.

Yes, Mr. Baker, while you point to your techno-whiz-gigs and computerized fizzle-bangs, I sit in class rooms with desks and chalk boards and wonder what you’re doing with my money.

by Mike Brennan

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Dear Mr. Baker, while you point to your techno-whiz-gigs and computerized fizzle-bangs, I sit in classrooms with desks and chalk boards and wonder what you’re doing with my money.

I think that an institution like Cal Poly, which is graced with some of the finest minds in the world, could operate more efficiently, possibly even bring down the cost of tuition, get students to graduation on time and still have enough left over for a cheeseburger and fries. If the leader's would lead and allow the competent and conscientious to do more with less. As I walk by the workmen putting the finishing touches on the Fine Arts building every morning and look over at the new Rec Center, Mr. Baker, I'm reminded of what my father used to tell me. "You've already spent your allowances and no, you can't have any more."
Never again (as long as you're Jewish)
by Jason Joyce

For the last few years, the Jewish community has re­
ally taken the final bit of hope we have for the
Jewish people came this last week with the Holocaust Re-
memorance. All of the flyers and the article written in the
Mustang Daily disturbed me.

I first hit me when I was walking to
class and I saw a flyer. It was a picture of Nazi concentration camp
victims with the phrase "Never Again!". But
the final proof I needed for my essay was the theory came in the Wednesday article about
the service. It was a quote from David
Blankety. "It's important for all people to
remember the atrocities of the past in hope that
they will never happen again."

The only thought that comes to my mind
is Where has the Jewish community been
the last five years? During that time millions have died in
ethnic cleansing movements in Bosnia and Angola. The
atrocities of these movements are by no means any less
traumatic than the Jewish suffering at the hands of the Ger-
mans. And during this time I have heard nothing said by
the Jewish world. With all their political and economic
power, they have done nothing to stop the holocaust of the
Serbs.

Then they came for the Muslims and you didn't speak up — because you weren't
Muslim. And since you didn't care, who's gonna care for you when the hate groups come back again?

Jason Joyce is a bio-chemistry junior.

DEFENSE

Misjudgment and misrepresentation
by Thomas Patchell

Dear Miss Hansen,

It appears I owe you an apology. It's not for anything I
did or said, but for what I thought that I am apologizing:
Before I read your commentary in the April 4 edition of the Daily, I had no idea that you could write a quote that was
written "Johnny Pope" article of a few days later.

As an article before laying
my eyes on this gem, I thought you had in some way mis-
represented Catholicism or made an insufficient show of your
understanding of Catholicism as a religion. I actually found myself agreeing with
Ortiz's point of view which seemed to be that you
should have a better understanding of your
religion before representing it publicly. Luckily,
I was looking through back issues of the Daily for another article I come across
your "Snow White." I overcame my dread
and read the article. My point of view then the article was not at all what your Second
attacker made it to you. It said nothing about your views on homosexuality, abortion or the sacraments or any other
particulars of Catholicism as a religion. Ortiz's approach
was to set up these freshmonic hay-people because they are
easy to deal with on his underdeveloped argumenta-
tive level and because you struck a myelin-coated group of
people. I hope there will not be attack to his followers "If they
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Is my memory failing me,
or in the Gospel you both profess to read
the do not want to hear to
his followers "If they
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the dust from your sandals and move on"?

As I read your article, I felt I
was too harsh on the guy that
was trying to share his faith with her. How-
ever, I admit that my own sarcastic attitude
did not help the rebuttal, nor did I back up all of my arguments against Rome with all of
the necessary references. To refute and oppose anyone's view, without producing enough fac-
tual and intellectual support, is not very scholarly.

I know that issues in the Opinion page will always be
heated. If those in charge in the future exercise a bit more
reason, as do not encourage for inflammatory commen-
taries, opinions could still be debated and turn out to be more
informative and productive.

Blankety's approach is one I feel is free from religious
beliefs. Everyone practices daily living according to what
they believe. So, it would be fallacious to believe that just
because someone doesn't worship Jesus Christ on a weekly
basis they are "free from religion."

So, in closing, Lisa, please forgive me for the bogus attitude. And to my friends that were
offended, please forgive me. I appreciate all of
the e-mail I have received, especially from a Roman Catho-
lic theologian on campus, with whom I wish to author future commentary on our different faiths. I hope that the
e-mails I have previously answered gave a proper defense for Protestantism and my motives. Thanks to all who have
come to me in private, in love, "hoping all things" and "be-
lieving all things." And most of all, I thank my Lord and
Savior Jesus Christ for using me as an example to others
for what to not do, and for giving me the grace and mercy
to endure (Hebrews 12:5-7).

Thomas Patchell (John Patrick Ignatia) is a graduate student in English and he knows you're wrong before you open your mouth.

From The Hip:
If you could spell anything with the Poly "P," what
would it be?

Interviews by Cari Feretti
Daily photos by Juan Martinez

Pull — for the Cal Poly tractor, back after 6 years.

Clint Cowden
Agricultural engineering
sophomore

"Pride because Cal Poly is a great place."

Ryan Waterman
Business/history senior

"I'd restore it to its original structure — it
looks great."

Kelly Kalcevich
Bio-science junior

"Penis!"

Katie Tumason
Food science freshman

"Peer Counseling be-
cause it's stressful being
here."

Nicole Baggett
Physical education
sophomore

"Poo because it's better
than swearing."

Heidi Fassnacht
Architecture sophomore

"Prazz because Cal Poly's exciting."

Eric Vigil
Education graduate student

And this, dear readers, is the last I expect to hear about this.

APOLOGY

Faith and facts

by Walter Ortiz

I would like to publicly apologize to Lisa M. Hansen
for my extremely sarcastic rebuttal/commentary. I would
also like to apologize to my brothers and sisters in Christ
when I have offended. The intention of my commentary
was to point out some truths and falsehoods about the Ro-
man Catholic and Protestant religions, differences in what
their followers.

As long as men remains on this earth, there will always be religious
disagreement because no one is Omniscient. And since everyone is biased, we will all judge
everyone else's religion according to our own bias. These are
simple truths built into the faculty of all men everywhere.

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Eric Vigil
Education graduate student
Shakespeare: To be read or to be seen?

By Randy Nelkin

A memorial for a popular Cal Poly lecturer is nearing completion as the anniversary of his death approaches.

Professor Richard Young, who taught in the College of Architecture and Environmental Design, passed away May 15, 1995. Young, 62, collapsed as he was changing clothes in the locker room at the Rec Center, he was later pronounced dead of a heart attack at Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center.

A memorial of Cal Poly, Young lectured in the architecture department for seven years, he then taught courses in the construction management department for his last three years.

The memorial project is being funded by an endowment and construction management senior Colby Powell.

According to Powell, the permit process began during last fall semester and construction started in the middle of winter quarter.

The memorial will consist of redwood seats with brick tiles, an inscription to Young, and a plaque.

Other faculty members delivered lectures on topics ranging from current literary trends in Germany to movie-watching techniques.

The memorial was finished by Open House weekend, with the exception of the plaque, Powell said.

According to Powell, the memorial will be dedicated May 16.

Wind Orchestra, Jazz Band entertain for Open House

By Amy Young

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By John Howard

SACRAMENTO — It was the size of a shoe box, neatly wrapped, and heavy, when it ar­rived at the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Sacramento office. Miller described it to police as a "political bomb," the kind local Republican prosecutor, John Miller, had received in 1995. Now, he said, it looked like a bomb. "You know what, it looked like a bomb. That's just human nature," he said, "hah, hah, this could be a bomb." He was interested in the package. People passed it around and discussed it and actually said, "hah, hah, that could be a bomb."

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Mustang Daily won 16 awards this weekend at the California Press Association's annual journalism competition. Editors and staff writers took three 1st place distinctions, four 2nds, three 3rds, and six honorable mentions from the field of 18 university newspaper staffs including San Diego State, UC Berkeley, UCLA, and San Jose State.

Here are the winners:

**Entertainment Reporting:**
1st place - Erin Massey, Arts Editor

**Sports Reporting:**
1st place (tie) - Melissa M. Geisler, Sports Editor

**Feature Reporting:**
2nd place - Mark Armstrong, Staff Writer

**Front Page Layout:**
2nd place (tie) - Steve Enders, Staff Writer
2nd place (tie) - Garrett M. Mettler, Managing Editor

**Sports Feature:**
Honorable Mention - Ajoy Bhambani, Former Sports Editor

**Human Interest Article:**
2nd place - Dawn Pillsbury, Opinion Editor

**Humor/Satirical Column:**
Honorable Mention - Dawn Pillsbury, Opinion Editor

**News Reporting:**
Honorable Mention - Karen Spaeder, Campus Editor

**Sports News:**
Honorable Mention - Greg Manifold, Assistant Sports Editor

**Sports Photo:**
Honorable Mention - L. Scott Robinson, Former Photo Editor

**Feature Photo:**
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**News Series:**
3rd place - Rodney De La Cruz, Former Staff Writer
Lisa Hersch, Former Staff Writer
Leslie Miyamoto, Former Staff Writer
Jason Plemons, Editor in Chief

**Entertainment Photo:**

Photo Editor Larry Rodenborn took 1st place for this shot of a blissful trumpeter (left) in the ten-piece blues band Pocket Rockets. Photo Editor Joe Johnston garnered a 3rd place award for his shot of the puffy-cheeked flame blower (below) from the performance troop Pyrophilia. Both acts performed at the University of California at Irvine on Saturday.

**Feature Photo:**

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Substance behind the Smack
Israeli warplanes turn from Hezbollah to new target

By Greg Myre

BERUIT — Lebanon — Israeli warplanes turned to a new target in Lebanon on Monday, attacking the heavily fortified base of a Palestinian group in hills outside Beirut after 11 days of focusing on Hezbollah guerrillas.

U.S. Secretary of State Warren Christopher pressed ahead with efforts to broker a cease-fire, meeting again with Syrian President Hafiz Assad to present a peace proposal.

As Lebanon's Muslims memorialized victims of last week's Israeli bombing raid on a U.N. base in south Lebanon that killed scores of refugees, peace remained elusive.

On the 12th day of fighting, Israeli air force jets hit a fresh target — a command base for the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, like Hezbollah, the Popular Front opposes the Middle East peace process. The Syria-based group has frequently attacked Israel over the years but has not been directly involved in the recent fighting.

The choice of targets suggests growing Israeli frustration over efforts to pin down the elusive Hezbollah guerrillas, who are largely invisible in the valleys of south Lebanon.

The raid was the first in or near Beirut since Israeli warplanes Rocked Hezbollah strongholds in the southern suburbs last Tuesday.

Fighter-bombers fired at least eight rockets into the well-protected Popular Front base on the coastal hills of Naameh, just south of the capital, sending pillars of smoke into the sky. There was no immediate word on casualties.

The Palestinian radicals are well-protected in Naameh by a concrete tunnel network that periodic Israeli air strikes over the years have failed to destroy. Hezbollah said it fired 30 Katyusha rockets into northern Israel on Monday, and the group threatened to introduce new weaponry into the conflict.

"Hezbollah possesses weapons which it has not used yet," said Hashim Nasrak, the group's southern commander. He did not elaborate.

Lebanese Prime Minister Elias Hrawi was en route to New York on Tuesday to address a special session of the U.N. General Assembly on Tuesday, while Lebanese Prime Minister Rafik Hariri traveled to Damascus, Syria.

"These negotiations will definitely go on tomorrow and probably the next day," State Department spokesmen Nicholas Burns said after Christopher met with Assad in Damascus.

The plan presented to Assad does not call for a significant withdrawal from southern Lebanon, where Hezbollah is most active. That topic, he said, is reserved for peace discussions between Israel, Syria and Lebanon.

Following his talks with Assad, Christopher was to fly to Israel to meet with Prime Minister Shimon Peres.

Since the fighting began between Israel and Hezbollah guerrillas, at least 137 people have been killed, most of them civilians.

"Although no Israelis have been killed, more than 300 have been wounded on both sides. The attacks have forced 400,000 Lebanese and 20,000 Israelis from their homes.

"Fighting in the main battle zone in south Lebanon has abated in the last couple of days. The Israeli army told residents of two towns near the Lebanese border that they could come out of bomb shelters, and educators planned to reopen schools there Tuesday.

"Amid rain and gray skies, Israeli warplanes mounted night air raids on suspected Hezbollah strongholds in eight villages near the market town of Nabatiyeh and 12 others close to the port of Tyre.

And Israeli artillery shelled areas just north of an Israeli-occupied enclave, from which guerrillas have been trying to drive Israeli troops for more than a decade.

Shortly after midnight, Hezbollah responded with rocket fire that the Israeli army said injured two people.

At the U.N. base in the south Lebanon town of Naameh, the whosh of outgoing Katyusha rockets could be heard, followed shortly afterward by the third of incoming Israeli shells.

"It's not a secure position," said the commander of the U.N. base, Lt. Col. Wame Waqainvaluagal. "One is nervous about it, but there's nothing we can do."

At the Qana camp, earth-movers cleared the charred debris from the site of Thursday's attack in the compound housing refugees. There is still no official death toll, but counts range from 76 to more than 100.

In mourning ceremonies across the country Monday, flags flew at half-staff while radio and television stations played somber music and announcers read verses from the Koran, Islam's holy book.

Shops and businesses were shut and residents in Beirut and other cities lit candles on their balconies. People also hung black flags outside their houses, on streets and car antennas.

Some 300 doctors, nurses and workers gathered in front of the American University Hospital in Beirut to observe a minute's silence at midnight.

African peacekeepers enforce cease-fire in the streets of Liberia

By Gary Abramson

MONROVIA, Liberia — Taxis and residents ventured out warily Monday on to streets charred and scarred by the fighting over the last week as Israeli bombing raids on a U.N. base in south Lebanon that killed scores of refugees continued.

Young fighters in battered minivans sometimes drove their cars still crumpled by the city with rifles propping open the windows but the third day of a truce among the country's main warring factions was holding as night fell.

Monrovians who fled homeless embattled neighborhoods they hadn't seen since fighting began April 6. A few taxis were out, charging five times the usual rate.

Deputy Assistant Secretary of State William Twaddell and three other U.S. officials landed late Monday in Monrovia and planned to meet Tuesday with leaders of the Liberian government and the African peacekeeping force.

About 2,000 U.S. Marines stationed on Navy ships off the Liberian coast, but they plan to remain there unless needed to bolster the 230-person force protecting the U.S. Embassy.

Twaddell's meetings will focus on logistical or training assistance the United States might offer the eight-nation African peacekeeping force.

The peacekeepers have been accused of standing by while young fighters of Liberia's warlords dictated their way through Monrovia, the capital. They deny wrongdoing, however, saying their mandate requires them to remain neutral.

These kids come by to find a rife at us and say, "If you try to stop the looting, I'll shoot you," said one weary peacekeeper, Nigerian soldier Saki Alum.

More than 2,000 people have been evacuated on U.S. military aircraft to neighboring Sierra Leone and Senegal since April 10.

The evacuations continued Monday, as American helicopters ferried out 22 Libereans from Monrovia and the U.S. embassy compound. Another 30 were to be evacuated later Tuesday.

They were among the thousands of civilians trapped inside the besieged Barricade Training Center army barracks, the center of the fighting.
Assemblyman pleads innocent to perjury, corruption charges

By Ivan Ramirez
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Executives of Bell Atlantic and Nynex said Monday that their $23 billion merger will benefit both customers and employees by creating more jobs than layoffs and providing better, simpler service.

Opponents fear the industry is undoing the 1984 breakup of the old Bell System, which was meant to encourage competition.

Some consumer advocacy groups objected on the grounds that the deal violated the spirit of the telecommunications deregulation law passed two months ago.

"The public was told the new law would lead to new entrants in every market and instead we are seeing the same old monopolies banding together to prevent competition from developing," said Bradley Stillman, telecommunications policy director at the Consumer Federation of America.

New York State Attorney General Dennis Vacco said Monday his office already had begun to review the deal.

"I find it somewhat ironic that several years ago there was a breakup of AT&T. Ma Bell as it was called, and now the Baby Bells are coming back together," Vacco said. "We have to take a very careful and close look at it to make sure it's not going to diminish competitiveness, especially for telephone rates.

The new Bell Atlantic, serving 13 states and the District of Columbia, will have revenue of $27.8 billion, 97 million lines and 133,000 employees.

Before its breakup, AT&T Corp. had annual revenue of $60 billion, 110 million phone lines and 1 million employees. It's making even more money today, with annual revenue of $80 billion, 80 million long distance customers and 300,000 employees.

AT&T is shrinking with the spinoff of its communications equipment and computer manufacturing businesses. By the end of the year, it will employ 200,000 and have revenue of around $55 billion.

It has been clear well before passage of the telecommunications reform that Bell Atlantic and Nynex would merge. They united their cellular operations last summer and their discussions of an outright merger became public in December.

For most residential users, the deal will have no obvious impact; most people will continue to have just one choice for local phone service — their existing Baby Bell carrier. The only difference is that the two will now change its name to Bell Atlantic.

Neither company now is seeking any rate changes, nor would they until after the deal is closed, year from now or so. And it will be several years before AT&T, MCI, Sprint, cable or cellular companies can provide adequate competition to the local carriers.

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Clinton, Democrats urge Dole to schedule vote on minimum wage

By John D. McCain

WASHINGTON — The Clinton administration and leading Democrats turned up the pressure Monday on Senate Majority Leader Bob Dole to schedule a vote promptly on legislation to raise the minimum wage.

"It's time for Senator Dole to lead, follow or get out of the way," Labor Secretary Robert B. Reich said.

"Let the majority rule. Let the Democrats and Republicans who support a higher minimum wage have a vote," Reich told the spring meeting of the AFL-CIO Building Trades Council. "The time for talk is over."

Senate Democratic Leader Tom Daschle of South Dakota also urged Dole, the Kansas Republican virtually certain to face President Clinton in the election next November, to move quickly.

"Senator Dole says he is a doer," Daschle said. "The time has come to stop talking and start doing. ... Let's do it. Let's pass it."

In a speech on the Senate floor, Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., said he would offer a minimum-wage provision to other legislation as early as this week. He urged Dole to reconsider his position.

"There is no reason to delay or saddle the minimum wage with other controversial measures," Kennedy said. "Senator Dole says it's politics, but it's hard to believe that this kind of inside-the-Beltway politics will work to his advantage."

Democrats are seeking a 90-cent increase in the wage floor, spread over two years. They contend that when adjusted for inflation, the current $4.25-an-hour minimum, adopted in 1991, will by next January result in the least buying power of any minimum wage in almost 40 years.

Dole and many other congressional Republicans contend raising the minimum wage will result in a loss of jobs. Some businesses, they say, would have to lay off workers if they had to pay more.

"Somebody is going to lose their job because somebody else gets an increase," Dole said Sunday on CBS' "Face the Nation."

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Sen. Edward Kennedy

Dole and House Speaker Newt Gingrich acknowledged an increase is likely this year, possibly as part of a package deal that includes tax-cut and work-rule legislation.

The administration insists any minimum wage increase should not be cluttered with other proposals.

"Every day Majority Leader Dole delays a clean vote on the minimum wage with inside-the-Beltway political games, the real value of the minimum wage moves closer and closer to a 40-year low," presidential economic adviser Laura D'Andrea Tyson said in a statement Sunday.

In his AFL-CIO speech, Reich too called for "a simple, up-or-down, yes-or-no vote. No riders, no amendments, no back-room deals on anti-union, anti-worker provisions."

Reich, who has led the Clinton administration crusade for a higher minimum, contended the issue is "an issue of basic fairness."

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SAN FRANCISCO — Erma Bombeck, the housewife whose wry take on suburban life—from cleaning toilets to getting the kids to eat their spinach—earned her a wall of fame of yellowing columns on refrigerators across America, died Monday after a kidney transplant. She was 69.

"Erma Bombeck taught us to look at the funny side of things," fellow humor columnist Dave Barry said.

Bombeck died a hospital in San Francisco, where she underwent a transplant earlier this month.

The titles of her books reveal her way of looking at the world. "I Lost Everything in the Postnatal Depression," "The Grass Is Always Greener Over the Septic Tank," "If Life Is a Bowl of Cherries, What Am I Doing in the Pits?" and "When You Look Like Your Passport Photo, It's Time to Go Home."

Bombeck began her column in 1965. It appeared twice a week in about 600 newspapers, amusing readers with her gentle, self-deprecating humor.

Writing about her son's speed in the 100-yard dash, Bombeck said: "9 1/2! I figured it had to be 9.9! I knew that?" Heloise said. "I used to call her and say, 'Did you have a spy in your kitchen? Did my husband call you and tell you I do that?"

"She knew the joys and trials of our daily lives, yet she managed to say things with such hilarious humor that it all seemed OK."

Bombeck was diagnosed in 1992 with breast cancer and underwent a mastectomy. Shortly after that, her kidneys began failing from a hereditary disorder. She underwent dialysis four times a day at her home and went on a waiting list for a kidney transplant.

The Committee to elect Steve McShane for ASI President presents the following activities for all Cal Poly Students

April 23 A 24 Stop by Steve's booth on Dexter Lawn
April 25 Stop by Steve's booth in the U.U. plaza (11am-2pm)
April 26 Stop by Steve's booth in the U.U. plaza (11am-2pm)
April 30 Rally on Dexter Lawn!!!

U.S.I.S. SOCCER Opening Ceremonies, Friday, April 26
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Sierra Club to fight commercial logging

By Scott Sonner
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Sierra Club for the first time is advocating an end to all commercial logging of national forests after members of the century-old environmental group voted by a 2-to-1 margin to change their timber policy.

Casting mail-in ballots over the past three months, members voted 39,147 to 20,287 in support of banning logging on all federal, publicly-owned lands in the United States, a club spokesman said Monday.

The votes were tallied on Saturday. The turnout reflected about 10 percent of the San Francisco-based club's national membership of 587,499.

While the club opposes logging in many cases it never formally before had advocated an end to all logging on national forests.

Disgruntled members of the club—who recently formed a spinoff group, John Muir Sierrans—have been pressing for a formal change in the logging policy for years. Muir was the naturalist who founded the Sierra Club in 1892.

"I'm thrilled. John Muir is smiling wherever he is," said Chad Hansen of Eugene, Ore., co-founder of the John Muir Sierrans.

"It is one of the most significant things that has happened internally in the environmental community for a long time. It helps to bridge the gap between grassroots activists and leaders of national environmental groups. It puts us on the same page in terms of a very strong offensive strategy," he said.

Daniel Silverman, a spokesman for the club in San Francisco, said a change in daily workings of the club regarding logging was unlikely to be immediately noticeable.

"The only change will be if legislation is introduced in Congress that specifically says no logging whatsoever on federal property, then we will support that legislation," he said.

Pull this!!!

The Tractor Pull, which was discontinued after the last Poly Royal, returned to Cal Poly's third annual Open House / Daily photo by Dawn Kalmar

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Clemency sought for triple murderer Keith Williams

Earlier Monday, Williams' lawyers argued for clemency before the state parole board, while Merced County Sheriff Tom Sawyer said that "It's time to do the right thing" and put Williams to death.

The eight-member state Board of Prison Terms voted in closed session on a recommendation to Gov. Pete Wilson after taking public testimony. But neither the board nor Wilson's office revealed their recommendations.

"Mr. Williams is a convicted murderer, and so far we haven't seen anything that would change the governor's mind," said Ron Low, a spokesman for the office. "But the governor takes clemency proceedings very seriously and will review all of the materials before making a decision."

Williams, scheduled to be executed by lethal injection May 3 at San Quentin for the 1976 murders of brothers Miguel and Salvador Vargas and the brother's friend, Louie Meza.

He was convicted of fatally shooting them while stealing a $1,500 check that he and his friends had used to buy a car from Miguel Vargas. According to an appeal, Williams shot the men, then had sex with Meza in the back of a car, shot her and left her naked body in a field. He was acquitted of raping her.

According to Sawyer and a summary of the crimes by the state attorney general's office, Williams bragged to his partner, Robert Leslie Tyson, that he was having sex with Meza when he shot her.

He admitted the killings and offered a defense of diminished mental capacity, which, if successful, could have reduced the charges to manslaughter.

Previous appeals, rejected by state and federal courts, have failed to obtain medical records and presented psychiatric testimony that appeared to hurt his case.

The appeal filed Monday in U.S. District Court said Williams' mental illness, questioned by the state Supreme Court, is documented in 595 pages of medical records newly obtained from the federal prison system, where Williams was an inmate from 1977 until May 1978, five months before the killings.

In response to previous requests, prison officials had released only 20 pages of records and denied that additional documents existed, defense lawyers said.

One document quotes a doctor as saying Williams had "a history of repeated severe head injuries with brain skull fracture as well as a 14-15-year history of heroin use."
Lakers likely without Peeler for first-round

The Associated Press

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Anthony Peeler, an important reserve for the Los Angeles time defending NBA champion night's opener of their first-round 92-88 victory at Portland.

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Magic Johnson, George Lynch,
Sedale Threatt, who averaged 9.7

Open House calm for police

By Tam Broggy

Daily Staff Writer

The story on crime during Open House weekend at Cal Poly was a boring one.

Tom Mitchell, University Police chief, reported officers had few problems during the weekend, aside from an increased amount of parking problems on Friday.

"When you have 5,000 people on campus and 16,000 students trying to go to class, you're going to have a parking problem," Mitchell said.

Mitchell said that although parking was a problem, it was nothing like last year's Open House. Last year, cars were backed up on Highway 101 all the way to Cuesta Grade because of difficulties people had exiting the highway at the Cal Poly exit.

Mitchell said University Police got together with Cal Trans to put signs on the highway directing visitors to take the Santa Rosa Street exit.

The only incidents that Mitchell said required major attention from university officers were the arrest of a drunk at the rodeo arena and the arrest of a woman at El Corral Bookstore who was found to have a small amount of an illegal drug in her purse for theft.

Mitchell said the theft was probably not related to Open House.

According to police logs, of­
ners issued three alcohol viola­
tions on Saturday and two
booths were vandalized Friday night.

"Things at Open House were
very quiet," Mitchell said. "It
was actually a pretty boring weekend; Cal Poly students should feel proud that they can handle this kind of weekend."

Mitchell said the main reason why Open House activities do not generate the same problems as the old Poly Royal celebration is Open House is academically-oriented, instead of a four-day party like Poly Royal.

San Luis Obispo Police Capt.
Cliff Chequiod said it was a busy weekend for the San Luis Obispo Police Department, but the police called police with were not in the same ball-park as the problems experienced during Poly Royal.

"There were some parties, but no large parties and there was no resistance to police presence," Chequiod said.

Chequiod added that police performed a sting operation that yielded several arrests for fake identification and one arrest for drunk driving.

Power outage hits Poly on eve of Open House

By Sandra Houghton

Daily Staff Writer

A high-voltage underground cable near the music building blew early Friday morning, temporary disrupting power in several buildings on the southeast side of campus.

The cable, which blew apart due to age, cut power for two hours early Friday morning to the south mountain dorms, the housing office, Mott Gym, Mott pool, the child care facility, Hillcrest (building 81) and the old portion of the Health Center.

Facility Services restored power by re-routing the cir­
cuit, said Bob Patte, associate director. Main power in the music building could not be im­mediately restored, however, so

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