**Campus**

Some international students are finding difficulties registering for classes.

**Opinion**

The campus’ homosexual cliques have been conveniently broken down today.

**Sports**

Cal Poly signed some new recruits recently. Get the scoop in Sports.

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**Poly Plan to get national attention at Washington higher education meeting**

By Brian Johnson
Daily Staff Writer

The Cal Poly Plan will be getting national attention soon. The American Council on Education (ACE) has asked Cal Poly to share the plan in Washington D.C. during its annual conference from Feb. 22 to 25. Representatives from Cal Poly will speak Feb. 25th. ACE, an umbrella group for all higher education associations in the country, includes most colleges and universities throughout the United States. School leaders go to the conference and attend seminars and lectures to discuss issues facing higher education, such as funding and quality of instruction.

There is a unique aspect to what Cal Poly will accomplish. Cal Poly will lead its own panel discussion. Paul Zingg, provost and vice president for academic affairs, said it is common for panels from different schools to speak jointly on various issues, but rare that a single university will accomplish what Cal Poly will accomplish. "I think they feel the plan is an innovative and important response to the pressures facing colleges and universities today," Zingg said. "The invitation lets us know they think we have something valuable to share."

To have a committee set up to guide the plan, where there is an equal number of staff, faculty, administration and students is very unusual," Zingg said.

"With this plan, no one is boss," Keetch said. "That's what's so unique. Everyone sits around a table and there is no vote. If someone feels uncomfortable with a proposal, it is worked on until it is solved."

"This kind of shared governance is very unusual," Keetch added. "From what I know, it's seen PLAN page 2"

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**Spotlight on female composers opens Women's Week**

By Kellie Harboun
Daily Staff Writer

Women composers took the spotlight Sunday afternoon in the gala opening of Cal Poly's 15th anniversary of Women's Week. The concert, performed by women, delighted an audience of Community members at the Performing Arts Center Recital hall.

"I think a lot of people were curious about women's music," said Pat Harris, director of the Women's Center. "I had a professor tell me I thought only men composed."

The concert covered a chronological account of important women composers including Barbara Streusi, Maria Callas, Clara Schumann, Mildred Hill, Maria Samonowska, Lili Boulanger, Germaine Tailleferre and Katherine Hoover. A highlight of the concert was the credit the performers gave to Mildred Hill who composed the music for "Happy Birthday."

"It's just a great way to begin with something really special and then work our way into the rest of the week," Harris said.

Local artist Liz Murakoa contributed her vibrant and colorful wall and floor art for the event. The musicians draped themselves with Marusha's canvases while several other paintings covered the walls of the recital hall.

The chamber music Sunday was performed by Jennifer Sayre, harpist and Cal Poly music professor. Susan Azaret-Davies sang and played the piano and Virginia Wright played the clarinet.

Sarah Pillow, a native of San Luis Obispo, came from New York City to take part in the performance and sing in her hometown. Pillow said she enjoyed singing a historical survey of music, along with the challenge of singing in other languages.

"As far as I know there has never been a concert in San Luis Obispo of just women composers," Sayre, the concert coordinator, said. "I feel it's something that has been neglected because traditional women have been at home, and did not consider themselves worthy to be played out, but their music is equally as good as men."

Cal Poly professor Alyson McLamore gave a pre-concert lecture in the University Union for concertgoers. She talked about each of the composers, and the kinds of music to be performed at the concert. A moderate crowd attended the event, with a handful of students also in attendance.

Catherine Riedstra, first-year graduate student, said, "I am a women's studies minor, interested in art and women's contributions to the world which are overlooked in our mainstream education. In order to get a full education I have to supplement it with performances like this."

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**Small fire closes Rec Center Monday**

By Selena Lay
Daily Staff Writer

The Rec Center was closed Monday after a fire started in the fitness room (aerobics room) when an electric battery on a golf cart being stored there caught fire.

According to a university police news release, the fire started at approximately 4 a.m. Cal Poly Public Safety was notified by a fire alarm signal at the Rec Center.

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**Recent rains postpone building of Prado Center**

By Selena Lay
Daily Staff Writer

More than 45 volunteers are waiting to get their hands dirty. The Prado Day Center's groundbreaking ceremony was on October 5, but rain has since delayed construction.

The center was created by business leaders, charities, religious organizations and others in the community who wanted to provide more help for San Luis Obispo County's homeless and others in need.

There are approximately 2,300 homeless people in San Luis Obispo county, according to Ann Travers, county homeless services coordinator.

The center has received building material donations and plenty of volunteers are waiting to help with construction.

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International students face problems with registration

Many international students use to have problems using Cal Poly’s Touchtone Registration (CAPTURE) system to register for classes because of the health insurance holds on their records.

This problem, however, has now been solved.

Barbara Andre, the coordinator of programs and services for international students, said students usually had to renew their mandatory health insurance policies for the following quarter while their policies for the present one were still in effect.

Last quarter, 40 out of 50 students who needed to renew their policies hadn’t done so the day before CAPTURE started.

Nelise Roch of Alumni Insurance Agency and Administrators, who handles the insurance policies of Cal Poly’s international students, said that the company was sending out notices 30 days in advance of the expiration of a student’s policy. However, these reminders were useless because students received them after CAPTURE began.

International students who did not have such a policy in effect at the time of registration had a health insurance hold placed on their record, Andre said. This meant that they were not allowed to CAPTURE classes.

Alumni Insurance has solved the problem by saying that, effective next quarter, they will switch to sending out reminders two months in advance, thus reaching the international students about two weeks before they need to CAPTURE.

The problem of health insurance holds started when all international students with F-1 and J-1 visas had to purchase mandatory health insurance in order to register for classes at any California State University (CSU), according to an executive order from Charles W. Lindahl, then associate vice chancellor of academic affairs for the CSU system.

This order, which went into effect in fall 1995, says that international students must have a health insurance policy that meets several criteria. These include medical benefits of at least $50,000 and a deductible that is less than $200 per illness or injury and a medical management benefit of at least $10,000.

Andre said that in order to clear the registration hold mentioned above, a student had to do one of two things through the Global Affairs office.

“If a student was to come to my office, let’s say the day that he or she needed to CAPTURE... if he or she had an alternate policy, we would look at it and review the clauses in it to see if it met the requirements of the Chancellor’s office,” Andre said.

She added that students who decide to go through this route have to fill out a petition for alternate health insurance.

“Or I would give him or her the brochure for Cal Poly’s policy, which is administered through the Health Center, and if they filled out a personal check for that policy made out to Alumni Insurance, I would at that point clear their record. I would send them then mail (their application) for them,” Andre said.

According to Nancy Reynolds, assistant director for the accounts management department of Fiscal Services, Cal Poly did make an attempt at one time to alleviate the problem by including the health insurance fee in the registration fee since many non-international students also use Cal Poly’s health insurance policy.

Reynolds said the problem was that the technology wasn’t available to incorporate a new fee, which would be payable to a third party, in the university’s present accounting system.

Reynolds also said the fee for international students could not be included in the non-resident tuition fee that international students pay because “non-resident tuition is set at a certain amount and the (university) cannot add on to that.”

The reason that many international students ended up with holds is because of the confusion as to who was sending renewal notices.

Students arrested in suspected burglary

Two Cal Poly freshmen were arrested late Sunday on suspicion of burglary at a house in the 1400 block of Slack Street.

According to police, the victim heard suspects Eric Hold, 18, and Christopher Bielicki, 18, breaking into his house.

The victim, Josh Fernandez, told police he witnessed the two suspects preparing to take items from his living room.

The suspects then fled on foot back to campus. Fernandez caught up with the suspects, tackled one of them and searched his backpack for possible missing items. No items were recovered.

The two were booked in San Luis Obispo County Jail.

again, and Fernandez had reportedly seen them both running toward Yosemite Hall. Fernandez flagged down Cal Poly University Police, who then contacted the San Luis Obispo Police Department.

Authorities went to Yosemite Hall and questioned the residence hall advisers. One RA had a photo album of current residents. Fernandez identified both Held and Bielicki from the photographs.

The two suspects returned to their residences and practically walked into the police officials and Fernandez.

They were both arrested and booked in San Luis Obispo County Jail.
The energy and excitement are building as the Housing Staff prepares for the coming year. Here are some new programs and services you may want to factor in to your decision making...
**Opinion**

**The gay scene at Cal Poly: exactly what it is.**

**KEN ROBINS**

There is one subject at Cal Poly that no one seems to find particularly offensive, and yet one has an opinion, and is quite vocal about it. That would be the topic of homosexuality. Having lived with being a homosexual here, I thought I should make a public opinion of my opinions, and observations, since I am about to graduate. There are three social rings of homos here. The first is made up of older, established homos who play it low key for their own personal reasons. The second ring is made up of younger homos who want to go out and party, and feel that they have the right to do so. The third ring is made up of those who feel that they cannot go out because they fear for their own safety. The second ring is perhaps the most important of the three, since they are the ones who are most likely to go to public places and meet others who share their interests. The third ring is perhaps the most important of the three, since they are the ones who are most likely to go to public places and meet others who share their interests.

**Editor,**

I find the editorial "Just Say NO.4," printed in the Feb. 6 Mustang Daily quite ironic, in that it ran the same day as the cover story concerning student apathy at Cal Poly.

Steve Enders wants to know why "everyone still seems to care" about the O.J. Simpson trial. Why really should they care? The Simpson trial was an event almost devoid of substance. In terms of political importance, the O.J. Simpson trial was an event almost devoid of substance. In terms of political importance, the Simpson trial was an event almost devoid of substance.

Julie M. Teague  
NUTRITIONAL SCIENCE SENIOR

**Editor,**

There were a couple of things that bothered me about Steve Enders' opinion article published in Thursday's Mustang Daily. First of all, what makes Steve think that the president of the State of the Union address is more newsworthy than the O.J. trial? The State of the Union is an event almost devoid of substance. In terms of political importance, the president's annual address is almost irrelevant in the overall picture. Steve listed seven criteria that determine news value.

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As a result of that, I remember suggesting a gay bashing booth. Let's hope we're not going to see that again.

Marcin Sosna, Journalism Editor

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Due to editor's policy, we do not print the names of contributors.**

KARL GAMBIER

**The gay scene at Cal Poly: exactly what it is.**

"In the more impressionable years of our life, when we were young, we played, ran around, energized ourselves with ice cream from the ice cream man who roamed in the grass. The best place to do these activities of time past and present was in a natural environment. We played in the sunshine, we played in the grass, we played in the yellow flowers and bushes. These natural places allowed our imaginations to soar. These natural places were always preferred over the concrete jungle when we were young, and today as well.

What is the concrete jungle? The concrete jungle is what surrounds us everyday. The concrete jungle is nothing but a desolate jungle. The trees are just angular concrete. The fields are covered in concrete. The concrete jungle is usually in some angular concrete. The concrete jungle is a dead quiet environment. There is something wonderful about the soft green grass, swaying trees and smell of flowers and bushes. These natural places allowed our imaginations to soar. These natural places were always preferred over the concrete jungle when we were young, and today as well.

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- Asian Women In American Culture: Myths and Realities from 11 a.m.-12 p.m. in UIU 219
- Women’s Rights as Human Rights from 12 - 1 p.m. in UIU 219
- Mothers and Daughters: A conversation -- Balancing a Successful Career and A Family from 12:1 p.m. in UIU 220.

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"It was my understanding that the health insurance company was going to do that, but as one of my students pointed out today, it says in the brochure that they will not do a reminder," Andre said. "So what we're going to institute through our office, on our e-mail distribution list each quarter, is to remind folks generally that they need to make sure their health insurance is still current and hopefully that will alleviate some of the problems." Andre said.

Aside from the health insurance policies of international students, the federal immigration office is currently considering passing a law to make health insurance mandatory for every one in the United States, Andre said.

RECRUITS page 8 team.

Hathaway was also listed in the "Fab 50" selection team. She earned four First-Team All Northern League selection honors (1993-96), was league MVP in 1995 and also earned two All-Santa Barbara County selection team honors (1995-96).

"(Hathaway) is a quick, dynamic athlete," Schlack said. "Her explosive jump and speed, combined with her volleyball skills, will make her fun to watch."
Signing frenzy scores recruits in football, volleyball, soccer

By Melissa M. Geisler
Daily Assistant Managing Editor

Last Wednesday was a busy day for three Cal Poly coaches. Head football coach Andre Patterson, head volleyball coach Steve Schlick and head women's soccer coach Alex Crozier all announced they have signed recruits for the 1997 fall season.

Football
Twenty student-athletes have signed national letters of intent to enroll and play football at Cal Poly.

"This is the most well-rounded class out of the four classes I have been part of recruiting," Patterson said, and added that the congratulations on successful recruiting should really go to his assistant coaches.

One of Patterson's top recruits for next fall is quarterback Chris Czernek. Czernek (Newbury Park High School, Newbury, Calif.) was the first quarterback in the country to throw back-to-back 4,000 yard seasons and he set a state record with 4,360 passing yards in 1995 — ranking him first in the state and fourth in the country. Among other awards, he was named Marmonte Offensive Player of the Year and Los Angeles Times Offensive Player of the Year.

"Chris is a tremendous gift for us," he said. "He brings some great things to our program."

Other recruits Patterson commented on were wide receiver Anthony Ramos (Dos Pueblos High School, Goleta, Calif.) and two local offensive linemen from Acescadero High School, Sonny Smart and Tim Troutman.

Ramos had more than 6,000 yards in total offense in his high school career and had 45 touchdowns passing in two seasons. He was named Santa Barbara County Player of the Year and earned All-County and All-League honors last year.

"I haven't seen an athlete with quickness and speed like Ramos in a long time," Patterson said. He added that Ramos will be one of the players to watch next season.

Smart was an All-League First Team star for Acesacdero High School and played for four straight CIF Championship teams (1993-96). Troutman was named Student Sports Magazine High School Academic All-American last year and was team captain.

Other recruits are:
- Bryan Andrews, running back, Bishop O'Dowd High School, Oakland, Calif.
- Billy Betz, defensive lineman, San Lorenzo Valley High School, Santa Cruz County, Calif.
- John Broussard, defensive back, Wasco Union High School, Wasco, Calif.
- Masked Fitzer, defensive back, Lompoc High School, Lompoc, Calif.
- Russ Hauens, tight end, Centennial High School, Bakersfield, Calif.
- Scott Herzing, offensive lineman, Leland High School, San Jose, Calif.
- Ryan Hightower, defensive back, Wasco Union High School, Wasco, Calif.
- Chris Jones, wide receiver, Strens Ranch High School, San Diego, Calif.
- Craig Knowles, defensive lineman, Cabrillo High School, Lompoc, Calif.
- Ryan Pittman, offensive lineman, Los Lomas High School, Walnut Creek, Calif.
- Amrer Rose, defensive back, Kennedy High School, Richmond, Calif.
- Jeff Shaw, fullback, Carpinteria High School, Carpinteria, Calif.
- Joe St. Meyers, wide receiver, Hancock College, Whittier, Calif.
- Jeff Wallace, offensive lineman, Santa Ynez High School, Santa Ynez, Calif.
- Mike Younghood, wide receiver, Kennedy High School, Richmond, Calif.

Volleyball
Two student-athletes have agreed to enroll and participate in the women's volleyball program at Cal Poly.

- Nathaniel Lones, defensive lineman, Mammoth High School, Mammoth Lakes, Calif.
- Ryan Pittman, offensive lineman, Las Lomas High School, Walnut Creek, Calif.
- Ammer Rose, defensive back, Kennedy High School, Richmond, Calif.
- Jeff Shaw, fullback, Carpinteria High School, Carpinteria, Calif.
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Women's Tennis vs. Santa Clara

Singles
No. 1: Karen Apra (CP) def. Lindsey Colker (SC) 6-4, 6-3
No. 2: Donna Tam (CP) def. Jill Hamilton (SC) 6-4, 7-6 (7-4)
No. 3: Karly Kolb (CP) def. Tara Reagan (SC) 6-0, 6-0
No. 4: Kim Westerman (CP) def. Sandy Needam (SC) 6-3, 6-3
No. 5: Natalie Grub (CP) def. Janen Hamilton (SC) 7-5, 6-0
No. 6: Sara Duncan (SC) def. Hanna Brummett (CP) 6-3, 6-0

Doubles
- Cal Poly won all three doubles points by default

Final Score: 8-1

Santa Maria, Calif.:
Both recruits are outside hitters. "We needed help with ball control letes."

Women's tennis team swept its three matches this weekend, defeating Northridge, Santa Clara and U.C. Davis. Karen Apra, Donna Tam, Karly Kolb, Kim Westerman and Natalie Grub all won each of their three matches. The women's team is now 4-0.

SPORTS SCHEDULE

TODAY'S GAMES
- Baseball vs. Fresno State @ Fresno State, 7 p.m.
- Men's tennis vs. Fresno State @ Fresno State, 1:30 p.m.

TOMORROW'S GAMES
- Baseball vs. Westmont @ Sinshemere Park, 2 p.m.
- Wrestling vs. Cal State Fullerton @ Fullerton, 7 p.m.

SCORES

Baseball Line Scores

Game 1
USD 0  6  1
Cal Poly 7  9  0
WP: Mike Zirelli (2-0) LP: Brian Springer (0-1)

Game 2
USD 9  17  2
Cal Poly 3  6  3
WP: Bart Muddin (1-0) LP: Chad Snowdon (0-1)

Game 3
USD 1  5  1
Cal Poly 5  7  0
WP: Ken Dolan (2-0) LP: Kevin Reese (0-1)

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