A reader delves into the horrors of child abuse today.

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Physical education freshman Amanda Verselle who lives in Sequoia Hall said that Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights are big party nights in the dorms.

"It's never quiet until about one or two in the morning," she said.

Public Safety Sergeant Robert Shumacher said that winter quarter at Cal Poly is usually quieter than the other quarters in regards to alcohol.

"Alcohol has always been a problem, it's just more of a problem this year than it has been in previous school years," he said.

Shumacher said that public safety has dealt with about half a dozen vandalism incidents this year related to alcohol use on campus. He also said that they have received numerous alcohol related noise complaints, arrested quite a few people this year because of alcohol related incidents and have given three or four DUIs this year. He said that these incidents have occurred more often than average this year, and they have arrested more people for being drunk than in previous years.

Another survey distributed by the testing and assessment office surveyed 853 Cal Poly students to evaluate their attitudes towards alcohol and drug use.

Director of the office, Stephan Lamb, said that this was the third year that the office has surveyed Cal Poly students to evaluate their opinion about the alcohol and assessment office in November asked 515 Cal Poly students their opinion about the alcohol use.

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Part two of two

Academic Senate postpones reading on GE&B changes

A second reading of the general education and breadth (GE&B) curriculum proposal was postponed by the Academic Senate on Tuesday.

The proposal would restructure the GE&B program including changing the current 79 units to 72 units required for undergraduates.

The new meeting date for the reading will be during finals week on Tuesday, March 18 at 3 p.m. Faculty who have scheduled other events and want to attend that meeting will have to make arrangements to have other faculty administer finals.

The decision to postpone the reading was based on concerns from senate members. Some representatives said there would not be ample time to make amendments or alternative reports for the curriculum proposal before the second reading. Those reports can now be submitted to the Academic Senate office until 5 p.m. on Tuesday, March 11.

Amy Morrell-Bossa, representative from the College of Engineering, said, "From what I heard from my colleagues they would have liked to have more time on the GE&B issue for a response."

Other representatives agreed.

But John Hampsey, GE&B Ad Hoc Committee chairman, disagreed with postponing the time line any further.

"What we're putting forward is something similar to a curriculum proposal" we put forward last spring," Hampsey said. "So it's not like we're taking people by surprise.

Another issue regarding the extended GE&B time line regards a list of courses with proposed changes from three to four units. That list was submitted separately from the GE&B curriculum proposal.

According to Academic Senate Chairman Harvey Greenwald the proposed list will sit idle in the vice provost's office until a decision on the new GE&B is made.

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Data book: Female enrollments fuel rise in black student ranks

By Robert Greene
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — More blacks are going to American colleges and universities, due to sharply increased numbers of black women enrolled, data released Wednesday showed.

Despite the increase, proportionally fewer blacks than whites attend higher education. Also, too many drop out in the first year, according to a study by the Frederick D. Patterson Research Institute, research arm of the College Fund/UNCF, formerly the United Negro College Fund.

"The data show that African-Americans have made considerable progress, but many hurdles remain," said William Gray III, the fund's president and chief executive officer.

Wade accounted for 10 percent of undergraduates in 1994, up from 8.8 percent a decade earlier, the institute said. The college-age population is 14.3 percent black.

Whites accounted for 75 percent of students but 68.2 percent of the college-age population.

"Like many of the black women in college, she's seeking a professional degree, although her choice is a rarity."

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Cohousing makes its way to Central Coast

By Shawn Pratt
Daily Toll Wire

Imagine coming home after a long day at work and your work is actually complete. There would be no running to day care to pick up children or worrying about what to make for dinner. Instead your children are cared for by a neighbor and you join your friends and neighbors in the common house dining room for dinner. This is cohousing — living privately within a community.

Cohousing has made its way to the Central Coast. A new housing development, Tierra Nueva Cohousing, is due to break ground late this spring in Oceano. Arroyo Grande resident Grell Grell generously donated the land. The five-acre avocado orchard next to the community of Halcyon will be developed into 27 single-family homes with a common house and workshops.

Grell Cohousing Group organized the Tierra Nueva Cohousing project. Frank Ricceri, a Grell Cohousing member said it has been in existence since 1988. Early on, architects realized they needed some organizational help. In 1986, Kay and Floyd Tift of Cayucos agreed to collaborate with the group. The Tifts lived in Finland, a "conscientious community," in Scotland, for many years. They developed short cuts to learn how a large group can serve each other. "It will be a pedestrian community," said Ricceri.

"The architecture is designed for social interaction between neighbors. It will be a pedestrian community," Frank Ricceri, a Grell Cohousing member said.

"I am looking forward to the social benefits," said Steve Brown, cabinet maker for a local school district, "having everyone close by like an extended family."

Living in such close proximity may not appeal to all people, though. "Cohousing is not for everyone, but it gives real choices to people," Ricceri said. "This type of housing seems to be a growing trend, especially among future architects. Cooper said several fifth-year architecture students are working on such design projects."

"Cars will be parked at the edge of the street, fences will be minimal and the homes will be clustered around pedestrian courtyards. Solar energy will also be used in the complex, Ricceri said.

Cohousing may lower the cost of living through shared facilities, but the purchase price is about the same as a condominium. The units range from two bedrooms to four bedrooms at the cost of $143,000 to $267,000 respectively. Monthly fees are required for the homeowner's association.

Several purchases have been made in the Tierra Nueva Cohousing development. There are 17 residences to date. One resident who couldn't afford to buy on his own went in with a friend.

"Along the same lines as cohousing, others in the area are trying to strengthen their neighborhood as well," said Steve Brown, cabinet maker for a local school district.

"Having some reasonable expectations of people or animals will be necessary," said Havlik. "For example, about 100 species of plants or animals will be necessary for social interaction between neighbors," Ricceri said. "It will be a pedestrian community."

Survey shows anti-Semitic sentiment growing on Internet

LOS ANGELES - Anti-Semitic hate messages have burgeoned on the Internet, although bombs, shootings and other violent acts have diminished, a survey by the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith shows.

For the second straight year, the number of anti-Semitic attacks reported in the United States declined, the ADL's 1996 Audit of Anti-Semitic Incidents found.

There were 7,722 acts of hate nationally last year, down from 8,143 in the previous year, according to the report released Tuesday.

The definition of hate acts range from anti-Semitic comments to violent attacks. They also include Holocaust-denial advertisements in college newspapers and the distribution of hate flyers in Jewish neighborhoods.

Some of 1996 attacks include:
- A bomb placed at the door of a New York City Jewish center.
- Arson attacks in New York, Georgia, Virginia, Arizona and Connecticut.
- A BB gun shooting during morning prayers at a Wisconsin synagogue.
- Desecration of more than 100 tombsitones in the Chicago area.
- Wreath laid in painted in Washington, D.C.
- Destruction of a 15-foot menorah at the See HATE page 10.

"It is not impossible to get this, and it is very rewarding to connect on a regular basis with a group having common interests," Keller said.

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Vandalarizing our dear presidents

"JONNY VANDAL"

It's almost March and that time of the year again for our student elections. ASP President Steve McShane announced that he is throwing his name in the hat again this year and promises to meet the required deadlines this time around. Isn't that special. In all fairness, more power to you, Steve. I guess he is a dedicated student representative. Or, maybe he just likes the perks. Nice parking spots and knobbling with the elite of our institution. Enjoying all the sporting events he can. Slimming back a couple of beers with the take to the bite off of that O.J. Will, who can blame him; he's got all that Poly Plan crap to deal with. If the Poly planners are good at anything like if you want access to com-

puters, lower class sizes and if you want to graduate in four years. Duh. What kind of student would answer in the negative to these questions? They never give them a break. Here is a reminder, some if they would like $1 million. Or course they would. But if you tell them what has to take place to get that mil, they're likely to change their mind. Little! On you guys, have someone show you how to write a survey that means something. I'm sure someone in this great university of ours knows a little something about survey methods.

Remember a couple weeks ago I filled you in on a tip I heard President Baker is undergoing an image change? Well, back to the good ol' days of the '80s. Scorsese Baker will be taking questions next Tuesday from a panel of students and faculty. Scorsese Baker. Will you be able to address the prez on anything you could ever want to ask: the Poly plan, the math department, campus land use, whether he wears boxers or briefs...that kind of thing.

Oh, wait! It's going to be held in a small room in the administration building, and you need to get on a list to get in. Maybe it's not such a big deal. I still think he needs a new hairdo, maybe a pierced nose and lip or a trendy tat on his ankle - who knows, maybe he already has a piercing. No. He can only hope that the 15 of you lucky souls who do get in will get some good answers. Then maybe you can get it on the board to show everyone about what went down, fill out a couple surveys and the story can be written with the old man. Sign me up!

Well, until next time, it's better to mix in solitude and reprieve with a crowd.

Jenny Vandall

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THE PHYSICS OF CHILDREN'S ABUSE

VALERIE HANSEN

Kim became pregnant in high school and had her first baby by the time she was sitting in my first college class. Her little girl, Kaylee, came along soon after. I wasn't surprised, as I remember always telling me she wanted kids.

We lost touch for awhile there, but she called me while I was studying in London and told me she was getting married and wanting kids. I was flattered and accepted the honor. The next time I saw her, I realized just how different we were.

She provided for her kids all the material things they could desire. The house looked neat and orderly and she dressed them in the cutest outfits. On the surface, it looked as though she had it together. Then it all began descending as clearly as she spoke to them. "Dammnit, Kaylee, I told you not to do that here!" she yelled as she grabbed the frightened little girl's arm and yanked her out of the way. I heard the thunder of the blow (although most simply call this a spanking) from the other side of the room. I watched the little girl's eyes and saw the sadness and fear Kaylee slowly walked into the kitchen with her thumb in her mouth, a vice to muzzle her crying. "Quit crying!" Kaylee yelled after her.

I didn't say anything then, as I ques-

tioned whether a parent should be able to discipline their child any way they feel is appropriate to them in their home. It's not as though it was imposed on me. I mean, I was in my house, I rationalized. I didn't say anything when she threatened Jonathan, 5, that she'd "beat his butt" if he didn't do as she told. I didn't say anything when, on the day of the wedding, Kim grabbed her little boy by the arm and drug him into the bathroom to get her dress done. I didn't say anything. Later, I sat with Kim a letter and telling her what I observed. I still haven't written that letter. I feel a loss of words when trying to tell someone their child rearing falls into the definition of child abuse. I vowed to always say something in the future when I saw some type of injustice happening to a defenseless child. But, I still wasn't sure of an approach. Then, I looked to this area and feel compelled to share it with you.

ANGER

BY SHARON KINGSTON

I like a woman with surprises. And you never fail to surprise me.

I remember when you had just gotten back from your assignment in Tibet. We

were at the aquarium, talking about the Dalai Lama - remember? We saw that man first time he's been in Seattle! Roaming, out of control. Dangerous. He was astonished to find his hand caught in your yells. You looked to him so calmly.

"The harder you pull, my friend, the tighter it gets."

"What are you?" he was clearly surprised when he failed to pull away. "You're not angry," you said. "You're afraid. And you're giving your fear to him. Look.

You pointed at the little boy. A sharp red welt was forming on his face. "Is that real-

ly what you want to do?"

He tried again to pull away, but you held him fast. His clean-shaven face was red, his eyes gasped.

I was fascinated. I watched.

You told him that it's okay, that every-

one is afraid. "Take me, for example," you said. "I'm scared to death of spiders. And the IRS. I'm afraid of parking structures and men and my rear view mirror. But it's okay to be scared. It's a scary world."

Your smile was small but genuine.

He pulled away hard and broke your grip - or you let him go - I couldn't tell which. He yelled at you: "You're crazy! This is my family! It's none of your business!"

But Greg was still looking at you, his

face closer to his. "You know: The harder they pull, the tighter it gets."

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Hall said from a student's standpoint that drinking on
campus, especially in the residence halls, is inevitable and
pretty hard to stop.

Jeff Van Lone, Sierra Madre Hall coordinator of Student Development, said that the residence halls hold a zero-tolerance policy toward alcohol.

"We deal with people on an individual basis and try to keep our policy consistent," he said.

We're really trying to hold students accountable for their behavior who do violate the policy," he said, adding that he's concerned with student success at Cal Poly.

Allen said that the housing department tries to ensure a consistent judicial process for policy breakers.

Usually the first offense results in a document by the Resident Advisor (R.A.). If the offender continues to break the policy, the next step is a meeting with the Coordinator of Student Development. After that, the offender might be sent into housing and alcohol program and if the problem still persists, then the housing license is canceled.

Allen assured that throughout the process the department tries its best to educate through workshops and community service.

Allen said he's been told by residents that not only is education the department's primary objective, but it begins before the resident ever sets foot on campus.

Allen said that the alcohol situation has changed within the last few years because the incoming residents have already experimented with alcohol at home and in high school and bring those experiences to the dorms. Previous residents usually had their first experiences with alcohol in their first years of college.

"Our part is to educate about the policy and help deal with problems and help students make choices on how to deal with it," he said.

The housing office sends out numerous letters and pamphlets to parents and incoming residents to inform them about Cal Poly's alcohol policy, the residence hall policy and alcohol abuse in general.

One newsletter that was sent out stated that "by maintaining a dry campus, the university hopes to provide a conducive academic environment and a safe and secure living environment."

Allen also personally sent out a letter to parents encouraging them to discuss problems and situations they could encounter at Cal Poly, such as peer pressure and substance experimentation.

Allen asked that the parents "begin the dialogue with your student so that we can continue that dialogue once they arrive on campus."

That letter included a written exercise for parents and students to share their views and opinions about alcohol in a "non-threatening atmosphere.

The housing department also gives the residents a desk calendar that includes all the rules and regulations regarding alcohol.

Allen said that the residence halls provide many different extra-curricular activities for residents to reduce boredom and thus act as a deterrent from alcohol.

"I think that students are very concerned with their rights," he said. "But it's been my goal to educate people on their responsibilities. I think that students are becoming much more aware of the alcohol policy." Verselle said that the information the housing department sent her and her family before she moved into the dorms helped familiarize her with campus expectations and rules.

"It's not that big of a drinker," she said. "My parents and I decided that my dorm room would be used as a place to study, not a place to drink."

Verselle said that her fellow dorm residents don't pay very much attention to the alcohol free policy or about the repercussions of being caught with alcohol.

"Everyone locks their doors to make sure that they don't get caught," she said, adding that she was personally scared to drink in the dorms and has never actually drank alcohol on campus. "Once some people knocked a fire extinguisher down, and within the last month five fire alarms have been pulled."

Verselle estimated that about 60 percent of the residents drink off campus although a lot of drinking goes on in the dorms before and after parties.

"She added that she had mixed feelings about the alcohol policy. "I've stayed on a wet campus and it was really messy," she said. "But on the other hand, people go to college to become responsible. (Residents) should have more freedom by having a couple dorms that aren't dry so people can give you a choice."

Ecology and systematic biology sophomore Jen Nazfzar lived in Sierra Madre last year and said that the people in her tower drank almost every night.

"The R.A.'s said that they knew what was going on, but they tried to ignore it because they couldn't do anything about it," she said. "The R.A.'s had a philosophy that as long as they didn't get any complaints, they wouldn't do anything about it."

Nazfzar said that it was easy to get away with having alcohol in the dorms and two people even sneaked a keg into their room for about three days without getting caught.

"At first it was fun, and then it started getting annoying about half way through the year when people began to party more," she said. "Eventually, it made life more difficult because if I needed to study I'd constantly be interrupted by people wanting to party."

Business junior Gavin Hartley lives in Lassen Hall, a transfer dorm, and has lived in Yosemite Hall for two previous years.

"Compared to Yosemite, Lassen has no alcohol," he said. "Friday afternoons rolled around and rooms turned into bars (in Yosemite) and you heard bar activity and noises and craziness."

Hartley said he hasn't drunk in the dorms.

"To me (the dorms) doesn't seem like the place to drink," he said. "Bars and people's houses off campus are better. It's not against the rules there. Most of the people who want to drink have moved off campus."

"I can see why (drinking) isn't allowed in the dorms," he added. "Liability insurance would be crazy and since the majority of residents aren't 21, then I don't think that they should allow it."

Van Lone said that the alcohol situation in the dorms has not become a greater problem within the last few years, but the housing department will continue to prioritize intervention and education methods.

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Sunday morning at the swap meet

By night, the concrete lot located off Highway 101 on Prado Road makes home to a sea of cars and movie goers. It's a drive-in.

By day, it's an empty lot. But every Sunday morning, beginning at 7:30 a.m., the cars come back, this time loaded with everything from kitchen supplies and used clothes, to musical instruments and bootleg CD's. For $1 you can park your car, and for another seven you can sell it. It's the San Luis Obispo swap meet, and it features everything and anything you could never need.

THE MUSIC MAN

Milt Shochet has been coming to the San Luis Obispo swap meet for almost three years selling musical instruments and accessories. Shochet's collection includes everything from harmonicas and guitars to banjos and clarinets. He also sells an Indian-made sitar, an instrument difficult to find in most music stores.

"Sunday's I go hang out by churches, and when the old ladies come out with their instruments, I steal them," Shochet said joking. "Actually, I buy them from wholesalers."

Mike Jones, a Morro Bay resident, is a casual vendor. He loads up his pick up truck once or twice a month with surf boards and odds and ends, and spends a few hours bargaining with buyers. Walk a little further down the aisle and you'll see a lonesome dog with a price on his head. Next comes a peddling magician who stakes his claim underneath the towering movie screen every week selling trick gum sticks, hand buzzers, disappearing ink. And a desperate vendor selling antique cameras and tools has a for sale sign on the van that faithfully draws him there. You can try selling anything at the swap meet, and people do.

THE BUDS

Environmental horticultural science students Wade Stever, Matt Taghon, Melissa McDonald and Niles Gregory maintained the plant and flower vending lot run by the campus agricultural landscape club last Sunday. The group sets up every week at the San Luis Obispo and the Nipomo swap meets to raise money to travel to a competition in Dallas. Cal Poly's program is the defending national champion.
By Kelle Karhausen
Arts Weekly Staff Writer

"Here will we sit, and let the sounds of music, under stillness and the night, convey the teaches of sweet harmony," from The Merchant of Venice by Shakespeare.

Sweet harmony and the full, vibrant sounds of the Cal Poly Wind Orchestra, University Jazz bands and Percussion Ensemble will fill Harmon Hall at the Performing Arts Center this Saturday, March 1. The music of Grammy nomine jazz trombonist Bill Watrous will join the annual Pops Concert at 8 pm.

"The concert will merge the world of high-level professional jazz and classical performance with the youthful excitement of more than 100 young university performers," conductor and music professor William Johnson said.

In the style of the Boston Pops Orchestra, the audience will be served complimentary beverages and dessert in the center's lobby during the two intermissions.

Senior music student Anna Binneweg will conduct the Wind Orchestra in the piece "March to the Scaffold" by Hector Berlioz. This is her second year conducting and she looks forward to the concert. She finds it more challenging to conduct this year because she is in the ensemble would agree that she is a great conductor.

The Wind Orchestra and Watrous will perform "Theme and Celebration for Trombone and Wind Orchestra," the piece written by Watrous and Shelton Berg. The Wind Orchestra will also play "Centennial Celebration Overture" by James Barnes, "Fifth Suite" by Alfred Reed; "The Thunder March" by John Philip Sousa and a variety of musical sounds.

Johnson said he tries to make sure that every piece they play at concerts is different because the audience gets more excited.

Best commented on playing with Watrous. "It makes us work 10 times stronger, especially because we are playing a piece he wrote." Watrous will join the University Jazz Band No. 1 for one of the pieces by Tom Kuhus and

Wind Orchestra honored again

By Kelle Karhausen
Arts Weekly Staff Writer

The Cal Poly Wind Orchestra, which will perform at the annual Pops Concert Saturday night at the Performing Arts Center, will join four other groups from throughout the country next week at the American Bandmasters Associations (ABA) National Convention in San Diego March 5-8. It is the second time the musicians will perform in the event, the last time Cal Poly attended was in 1991. The See ORCHESTRA page A4

24-hour pottery fundraiser

By Lenne Chavarian
Arts Weekly Staff Writer

It's coming! It's bigger than the Paly Plan! More exciting than the Utilidor Project! And it's taking the ASI Craft Center by storm! Throwfest '97 is here. The Craft Center will open its doors to anyone for 24 hours of free pottery throwing demonstrations by guest potters and fundraising for an on-campus scholarship.

Anthony Palazzo, architecture senior and assistant manager at the Craft Center, oversees the event. "It's the biggest event of the year," Palazzo said enthusiastically.

From "English to business majors and kindergartners to retired folks," Palazzo said anyone is welcome for those who want to keep their masterpieces, the cost is $3, no matter what size or shape. All proceeds go to the Denise Waters Scholarship and an off-campus organization. This year, all the money will go to the scholarship. "This year we wanted to keep the money on campus," Palazzo said.

Henry Wessels, ceramics instructor and one of the guest potters, was pleased about the generous effort by the Craft Center.

"It is a tribute to what a good student and person Denise was," said Wessels, who helped create the scholarship.

The art and design department is also helping the Craft Center by donating extra pottery wheels for the event. The EAT Club, specializing in ceramics, glassblowing and sculpture, will assist with set up and instruction of the event as well.

This year's Throwfest will be Chad Steel's first. Steel, graphic design junior and 3D Art Club member, was excited to get the event going enthusiastically.

"I'm excited. Anytime you get free clay to throw, and everyone for one, together, it's a lot of fun," Steel said. "I think it's a great way to get everyone together in a peaceful setting.

"It's one big clay party," Palazzo said with excitement.

"For those not sure of what exactly to do, ceramics instruction videos will be playing around the room and Craft Center staff will be available to assist in assembly and decoration.

Four guest potters are scheduled to make an appearance. They include Richard Bows of Cayucos, Larry Shep of Shep Stoneware, Mike Taniguchi of Los Osos, and

Dave Matthews unplugged in Los Angeles without his band

By Emily Bradley
Arts Weekly Staff Writer

LOS ANGELES - In a sold-out acoustic show Saturday night, Dave Matthews proved that, even without his band, he's the "Best of What's Around"

About 1,700 devoted fans rocked to a relatively low-pro-
By Brian Johnson
Arts Weekly Staff Writer

So you look at your watch and see you have an hour to spare. Why not take a trip to say, Madagascar? You can with Jeannette Belliveau's book, "An Amateur's Guide to the Planet: Twelve Adventure Journeys and Lessons for the Contemporary United States."

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Imperial Cruiser, new CD steps up in the SLO scene

Down a narrow dirt road and up a hill to an abandoned dairy, the six-player band Imperial Cruiser jammed Tuesday night preparing for their CD release party tonight at SLO Brewing Company. Imperial Cruiser just released their first CD "Soul Tanker" which went on sale Tuesday at the Wherehouse, Cheap Thrills and Liquid CDs.

The band, clad in flannels and denims, could be mistaken for an early 90's grunge band from Seattle, but as soon as they play the first bar of a song, that image disappears.

Imperial Cruiser crosses the lines between blues, soul, rock with funk, and in their song, "La Senda," they even add a Latin twist. While they grove, the band shares a bond. They might all be focused on themselves one minute and then the next propelled into a complete balance with each other.

As drummer Paul Cranmer, 24, said, the band plays "a soulful band of funk-rock."

"Reminiscent of early seventies rock with a flavor of late sixties," guitarist Mark Cummins, 25, added.

The band agreed that they play "danceable music that’s fun to listen to, easy to hum to, and exudes the good things in life."

Their unity becomes evident in their lyrics. "Guilty Train," written by lead singer Danielle Donahoe, expresses a strive to become stronger and more harmonious.

"Moving forward, moving on. Find the places I belong. In our lives we learn to live each day. Growing stronger, growing on."

"Moving towards that vibrant sun. Overcoming troubles, come stronger and more harmonious."

"The production is pretty much complete," lead singer Danielle Donahoe said. "The album was Matt and Pat's stuff," Cummins said. "One of the new songs we have is a rhythm that I made up four years ago and brought out of the closet."

The band has been busy since they began recording in August. During the past few months they have been putting together the CD, promoting it, creating a web page and moving their practice zone from the industrial area of San Luis Obispo to a newly carpeted, insulated room on a top an isolated hill.

"The production is pretty much an inside thing," Pat Golliher said. "I think (the album) is awesome. I'm really happy the way it turned out."

"On our CD there is a diverse range of songs," Cummins said. "You can tell they are all in the same band, but they don't throw you through a loop."

Imperial Cruiser unanimously agreed that their favorite aspect of being in the band was playing live shows. They said they have a great time playing together because they are all friends.

"You're playing with all your friends and then you look down into the audience and you see all of your other friends," Donahoe said.

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Imperial Cruiser and the Allstars play SLO Brew tonight

By Sheehan Hobbit
Arts Weekly Staff Writer

The Imperial Cruiser and The Allstars play SLO Brew tonight.
Cruiser

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"It's so fun," Gollibah said. "And they actually pay you sometimes."

The rest of the band said they are excited about the CD release and the band's future.

The band has completed two new songs and said that they hope to begin a second album in August.

Peterson, 28, who acts as producer, started the recording label Chux Deluxe Entertainment, and set up the band's web page a few weeks ago. Peterson said that hopefully in a few years Chux Deluxe will have more bands on the label.

The web page shows the CD cover and instruments used in its production. It lists the eight tracks on the album and gives their lyrics, and also lists their upcoming concert dates.

Imperial Cruiser performs with Santa Barbara-based bands at their CD release party tonight.

SLO Brew General Manager Pat Johnson said that the band really gets a strong response from employees and the crowd and usually open up for other bands about once every two months.

For more information on the band or their new CD, across their web page at www.chuxdeluxe.com or email to info@chuxdeluxe.com.

Matthews

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shared the stage with Matthews was Tim Reynolds, whose mastery of the instrument is heard on a number of the band's CD tracks and was especially visible in his long, drawn-out solos Saturday night.

Reynolds has played in a number of shows with Matthews recently, including two at the popular South Street Thursday and Friday night.

The two appeared, rather dramatically, straight out of the sides of the restored theater opened to find just Matthews on a stool and Reynolds standing next to him on a bare stage with a simple black background. Right then the audience knew it was not going to be a big production of lights and effects, but instead an intimate jam session.

For anyone fortunate enough to have seen the November concert series and this recent event would have had a rare view of two uniquely different shows.

Without his band, Matthews shined at a different level, especially with his popular ballads "Ill Back You Up," "Crash," and "Say Goodbye," each which carried on for a good 10 to 15 minutes.

Since the show was so long, at least three hours without an intermission, you name it, they played it. Tracks appeared from all of the band's mainstay recordings "Remember Two Things," Under the Table and Dreaming," and "Crash." Unlike many of Matthews' performances, they played only one cover which appeared as the encore. Matthews mumbled, in his usual, lovable fashion that it was a Coughing Soul song, leaving most of the audience a little perplexed, but still immensely impressed.

They should have been satisfied simply for making it into the show like tickets sold out in under three minutes, leaving many of the heart-broken fans lingering outside in hopes of a ridiculously overpriced scalper ticket.

Other noteworthy numbers were "Tripping Billies," "Dancing Is Fun," and "41." The entire set included extensive guitar work on the CD tracks, so for this live, acoustic version, the two musicians went crazy with unrecognizable chords and base lines (yes, on their guitars).

One disappointment for Matthews' female fans may have been that he sat on the stool all night, restricting him from his characteristic dance. Yet, they evidently forgave him, screaming choruses of "We love you Dave" between songs.

The dramatic setting, mellow audience (who remained contentedly seated the entire show) and two incredible musicians proved that the oversized, over-played large concerts we are usually exposed to are simply over-rated.

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Ethnic group fights Beijing's rule

By Virgil Drouer
Associated Press

LAGGING Russians may delay space station construction

WASHINGTON - The start of construction on the international space station may be delayed from November until mid-1998, the administration of NASA administrator Dan Goldin told a House appropriation subcommittee Wednesday.

"It is my sense that the first element launch is going to be delayed," Daniel Goldin told a House appropriation subcommittee. He stressed, however, that a decision will not come before late March or early April.

A Russian space tug to provide altitude and other important controls for the space station was scheduled for launching in November. The first U.S.-built element is expected to follow a month later.

The tug has been built with American funds. But the Russians have fallen eight months behind on the third element, a service module for guidance, navigation and control. It was to have been ready by April next year.

"It is my assessment we will not see the service module until December 1996 or later," Goldin said.

The tug exists to help balance the work of the approaching Russians. But with nine months not enough to accommodate delays in the first phase of station building. But, he said, it is important to keep the second phase on time in order to have the completed station occupied by astronauts and cosmonauts by 2002.

The United States is pushing the Russians to hold to their commitments.

"We can't have thousands of people all over the country waiting from week to week to learn what the Russians are going to do," he said.

Goldin said a NASA team will go to Russia in the second week of March, and Goldin will go in early April, to get definitive answers to what can be accomplished.

Yuri Koptev, head of the Russian Space Agency, indicated this week that the Russians might not be able to meet even the November launch date for the first element.

Goldin said he thinks Koptev might have been referring to the modifications being considered for the tug, which would take about seven months.

The station is to be a partnership among the U.S., Russia, the 12-member European Space Agency, Japan and Canada. The United States is spending $17.4 billion for the station, in addition to $10.2 billion cost of earlier designs that were scrapped.

By Birgit Brauer
Associated Press

ALMATY, Kazakhstan - Turked away in a remote corner of the globe, Muslim separatists in western China have chafed at Beijing's rule for decades in a quest for autonomy largely hidden from the outside world.

Beijing could not keep a speck of deadly riots and bomb blasts quiet, and one of China's most volatile ethnic problems is receiving attention at a time when the Communist leadership is particularly sensitive to disturbances.

At least 10 people were killed in riots this month in China's western Xinjiang region, and separatists also are suspected in bombings of three public buses Tuesday in the Xinjiang regional capital of Urumqi.

"There are lots of people engaged in separatist activity out here," said a state-run newspaper editorial written at the height of the Xinjiang television who gave his name only as Zhang. "This is the work of bad elements.

The separatists want autonomy for the Uighurs (pronounced WEE-gers), an ethnic group that accounts for two-thirds of the region's population. It is one of China's largest and most sensitive to disturbances.

The Uighurs are a Muslim, Turkic-speaking people who have never assimilated with the majority Han Chinese. China's Communist rulers have controlled Xinjiang for a century, with room to maneuver in 1991 with the breakup of the Soviet Union. The creation of five new, mostly Muslim states in Central Asia has led to the reopening of the long-closed border with China.

Today, there is a booming trade among Uighurs, who cross back and forth across the China-Kazakhstan border, selling their goods at huge, outdoor markets. The growing contacts and influence of Islam have increased talk of autonomy.

"If we had weapons, we would already be in Xinjiang," claimed Modan Mukhismi, spokesman for United National Revolutionary Front, a Uighur separatist group in Kazakstan. "If we had weapons, we could raise 10,000 men here in Kazakstan overnight to go and fight for our homeland.

Such statements appear to be mostly bravado, but the Chinese government has grown increasingly nervous and cracked down on the separatists last year following a security accord with Kazakstan.

Uighur groups in Kazakstan claim more than 50,000 Uighurs were arrested last year in western China, though the figure cannot be independently confirmed.
Baseball dedicates season to Robinson

By Ronald Man
Associated Press

NEW YORK - Baseball dedi­cated its 1997 season to Jackie Robinson on Wednesday and will donate $1 million to his founda­tion in honor of him breaking the sport's color line 50 years ago.

"It was baseball's proudest moment then. It's still baseball's proudest moment, and I believe it will always be baseball's proudest moment," acting commissioner Bud Selig said. "Should it have come earlier - certainly. There should never have been a barrier."

At a news conference attended by Robinson's widow, Rachel, Selig said:

"All major and minor league players and all major league umpires will wear 'Breaking Barriers' arm patches this sea­son; all teams will use balls with the commemorative logo in their home games from the start of the season; $100,000 gold and 200,000 sil­ver commemorative coins will be sold by the U.S. Mint; teams will show Robinson video spots created by filmmaker Spike Lee on their stadium score­boards and television broadcasts; the All-Star game in Cleveland will be dedicated to Larry Doby, the first black player in American League; and he will be honorary captain of the AL team; the residue of racism is still with us and the struggle is still on." Rachel Robinson said. "We need to have a vision and we need to have a plan."

When Robinson made his big league debut for the Brooklyn Dodgers on April 15, 1947, he became the first black in the major leagues since Moses Fleetwood Walker of Toledo in the American Association in 1884.

President Clinton said Tuesday he will attend cere­monies at Shea Stadium on April 15 to mark the anniversary and 1997 will mark "the start of the series of steps during the game between the Los Angeles Dodgers and the New York Mets.

"The Robinson challenge was not just to the pitcher, but to soci­ety as a whole," said NL president Len Coleman, the chairman of the Jackie Robinson Foundation.

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CYCLISTS from page 12 whose role is to make sure another team cannot make a successful fast break to gain control and win the race.

All three racers will compete in all this weekend’s events.

Some elaborate cargo has included a large Lazyboy recliner and even dogs. According to Ferguson, the crazy race has even expanded to Europe. At last year’s championships two men from Switzerland liked the Bob trailer’s unique and practical use and decided to take the race back with them to Europe. They held a Bob Trailer European Championship. Ferguson hopes to hold a Bob Trailer World Championship some time in the future.

But this weekend Cal Poly students can cheer on their own Wheelmen team and watch this unique race right here in San Luis Obispo. Students also volunteer to serve as course marshals to direct traffic and help with registration.

BONDS from page 12 doing all of those situps and stuff,” said manager Dusty Baker.

Bonds huddled down 7-8 carped Tuesday morning while going to vitamins and landed on his hip on the marbles floor below. He said the fall left him feeling “like something’s pinching a nerve in my hip every time I lean forward.”

Bonds flashed a thumbs-up sign as he arrived at the Giants’ clubhouse Wednesday morning, then immediately headed into the trainer’s room. He then went though the team’s annual photo day, though he refused to take off his cap as requested by the Fox network.

“I’m a baseball player,” he explained to the Fox camera crew.

DRESSING UP: The face of the Giants’ roster changed drastically this offseason when the team brought in 14 new players through trades and free agency.

Now the team’s look will be changing in another way.

Manager Dusty Baker told his club in a team meeting Tuesday that rules for traveling attire will be more carefully followed this season.
Professional, collegiate cyclists set to invade SLO

By Kimberly Keaney
Daily Mail Staff

Whoosh! They are powerful enough to ride alongside a locomotive, able to hop a curb in a single bound and will streak by you like a speeding bullet. Don't blink this weekend or you'll miss them.

Who are these supermen and women on two wheels? They are collegiate, graduate and amateur cyclists who will take over downtown San Luis Obispo this weekend. The Cal Poly Wheelmen have hosted the annual Cal Poly Classic and San Luis Obispo Criterium. The Sunday criterium, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., will transform downtown San Luis Obispo into a 5-mile circuit through city streets. The loop will start at the intersection of Chorro and Higuera streets and continue down Higuera Street to Broad Street. The route will then turn right on Monterey Street and go straight through Mission Plaza, turning at One Street and finally turning back onto Higuera Street.

Western Collegiate Cycling Conference and United States Cycling Federation racers will compete in 10 separate events based on their different levels of racing. The Cal Poly Wheelmen have hosted the Cal Poly Classic since the early 1960s. Each year, they have always held a criterium around the dorms on campus. However, this year, because of the Utilidor project, the Wheelmen have decided to use the original San Luis Obispo criterium course for their events. The Wheelmen are a very notable team within their conference, according to Wheelmen President Brandt Ferguson, a journalism senior. The team hosted the first ever national collegiate championships in 1988 and became the only team to host the event twice last year when the National Collegiate Road Championships were held at Cal Poly again in June 1996.

"This is the second most important and popular race in our conference," Ferguson said. "All the teams in the conference come because this event is centrally heated." The collegiate teams from Stanford University, U.C. Santa Barbara, U.C. San Diego, U.C. Davis and Cal Berkeley will also compete in a team-time trial and road race on Saturday around Santa Margarita Lake. In the team-time trial starting at 8 a.m. four-member teams will compete to check the fastest individual time on an 11-mile course. The day will then continue with the road race at 11 a.m.

Teams will earn points based on their placing in each event. The collectively highest scoring team will win the Cal Poly Classic. US Cycling Federation winners will receive cash prizes and awards from sponsors. Other awards and points will also be given for intermediary sprints called "primes" during the criterium.

There are 110 members in the Cal Poly Wheelmen club. The membership is comprised of 50 members and 30 others from mountain racing.

"The women put us over the top. They are what makes our team dominate," Ferguson said.

Cal Poly women are constantly one step ahead of their competition. Cal Poly men are competitive on the same level as their opponents.

The Wheelmen placed second behind Stanford at the national championships in June. They also captured the Western Conference Mountain Bike Championship in December.

Leading the Wheelmen team this year for the women are Lana Sullivan, a physical education senior, and Jeanne McFall, an environmental engineering junior. McFall transferred to Cal Poly from Oregon State to be a part of the Wheelmen team.

She said she was impressed by Cal Poly's team when she saw them in action at the national championships in 1995. After competing in just three competitions so far this year, McFall has already earned four medals, including first place in the Davis time trial.

Sullivan is the best all around rider on the team, according to Ferguson. She won rider of the week at Cal State Fullerton and hopes to be on the national team that will compete in Durango, Colo., in May.

Leading the men's team is Evan Smith, who graduated from UCLA and came to Cal Poly to race with the Wheelmen while he gets his teaching credential.

"I'm like a work-horse, I'm the defense," said Ferguson, who added that Smith is a consistently aggressive cyclist.

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SCHEDULE

MUSTANG DAILY

SUNDAY'S GAMES

• Baseball vs. Portland State @ Sinsheimer Park, 2 p.m.
• Softball vs. Cal State Fullerton @ Cal Poly, 12 p.m.
• Wrestling @ Pac-10 Championships @ Long Beach, All day

NOTES

The Cal Poly Softball team has been ranked No. 17 in the USA Today Division I Softball National Fastpitch Association top 25 that came out Wednesday. The Mustangs are 16-2 early in this 1997 season and start Big West Conference play this weekend against Cal State Fullerton.

• Baseball vs. Portland State @ Sinsheimer Park, 2 p.m.
• Women's tennis vs. St. Mary's College @ Cal Poly, 9:30 a.m.
• Softball vs. Cal State Fullerton @ Cal Poly, 12 p.m.
• Wrestling @ Pac-10 Championships @ Arizona St., 12 noon
• Women's lacrosse vs. Univ. of San Diego @ Baseball practice field, 11:30 a.m.

TOMORROW'S GAMES

• Baseball vs. Portland State @ Sinsheimer Park, 2 p.m.
• Women's tennis vs. Cal State Fullerton @ Cal Poly, 7:30 p.m.
• Swimming @ Big West Conference Championships @ Long Beach, All day
• Men's volleyball vs. Westmont @ Rec Center, 7 p.m. (Club)

SATURDAY'S GAMES

• Baseball vs. Portland State @ Sinsheimer Park, 2 p.m.
• Women's tennis vs. Westmont College @ Cal Poly, 9 a.m.
• Men's basketball vs. U.C. Irvine @ Irvine, 7 p.m.
• Women's basketball vs. Univ. of the Pacific @ Long Beach, 2 p.m.
• Swimming @ Big West Conference Championships @ Long Beach, All day
• Men's volleyball vs. Fresno State @ UCSD, 6:30 p.m. (Club)
• Women's lacrosse vs. Univ. of Redlands @ Track field, 1:30 p.m. (Club)

The Cal Poly baseball team takes its 4-2 record into play this weekend against Portland State University.

• Baseball

The three-game series against the Vikings starts Friday at 2 p.m. at Sinsheimer Park. Saturday's game is at 7 p.m. and the series concludes on Sunday at 1 p.m.

The Mustangs are coming off a sweep of the Univ. of San Francisco last weekend in San Francisco.

Portland State brings its 2-11 mark to San Luis Obispo after two recent losses to UNLV by the scores of 7-4 and 15-0.

The Mustangs offense is on fire, having scored 34 runs in the last four games. Cal Poly pitching has also been strong, led by Mike Zirelli, who is 4-0 and a 1.59 ERA.

Relief pitching is also getting on track, according to Jeff Wallace, Cal Poly's team pitching coach.

Probable starters this weekend are Mike Zirelli on Friday, Chad Staley on Saturday and Kevin Mohr.

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Bonds OK after spill

By Rob Gaiser
Associated Press

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Barry Bonds slammed a few batting practice pitches out of the park Wednesday and crowded around with fellow Giant outfields Claude Osteen and Glennallen Hill during a baserunning seminar.

In short, he hardly looked like a guy who 24 hours earlier had scared the Giants when he injured his right hip by falling down a flight of stairs at his rented spring training home.

Bonds was cleared to practice Wednesday morning after the chief radiologist at Scottsdale Memorial Hospital reviewed an MRI taken of Bonds' hip and told Giants trainer Mark Letendre he found no damage.

Preliminary results of the MRI were inconclusive Tuesday night, apparently because the film had not yet been able to dry.

"It's a bruise to the soft tissue of the right hip," Letendre said. "He reports to work today willing and able to do baseball activity.

Bonds came to Scottsdale with little early Wednesday and was scheduled to see a chiroptactor. But he had little trouble at the workout — except for the tough stretching exercises imposed by the physical therapist Stan Conte.

"He said Stan was killing him