Opinion

The GLBU was out in force at Open House, but how was it treated?

By Mary Medley
Daily Staff Writer

An ASI representative and member of the Cal Poly Plan Steering Committee admitted to two students last week that he sent obscene and threatening messages to their anti-Cal Poly Plan website.

Biochemistry junior Justin Penza regrets what he calls a "bad call on my part," and he hopes his actions don't reflect on other ASI members.

The incident began when senior Kevin Rice and freshman Michael Leahy, both computer science majors, put up a website last Tuesday giving information against the plan.

Hoping to encourage discussion about the plan, the students included a feature that let browsers post comments on the page and add their names to a list of Cal Poly Plan opponents.

When Leahy checked the page last Wednesday morning, he was shocked by comments that were appearing on the screen as he watched.

Remarks such as "Kevin (Rice), we're gonna get you, man!" were appearing on the website. Some comments used profanity and some used sexually explicit language. One was even posted under university President Warren Baker's name. Eventually, 15 obscene messages were posted.

The user was still logged on, and Leahy said, "I updated a warning message. I said 'I know you're doing this, and I'll trace it.' The guy saw it and stopped posting," Leahy said. "I knew it was from off-campus and I couldn't really do much about it."

When Leahy checked the website that afternoon, someone was again in the process of posting obscene messages.

This time, when Leahy looked up the messages' source, he discovered they were coming from two different ASI computers on campus.

Armed with information that the comments were sent from computers using ASI hosts, Leahy and Rice headed to Wednesday afternoon's steering committee meeting.

Rice, having written the "con" statement in the Cal Poly Plan Referendum information packet, had worked with the steering committee before.

"I told them about the postings and I said, 'I'm going to be requesting an investigation by ITS (Information Technology Services), and I'm considering sending mail to the sexual harassment committee on campus, because of the sexual remarks,'" Rice said. "I'd already taken a copy to the (Cal Poly) police department to investigate if there was any criminal action."

After the meeting, Rice talked with ASI President Steve McShane, and the two agreed that they would try to work things out.

McShane said he then made an announcement to the steering committee and ASI members that were involved with the Cal Poly Plan. He said that the person responsible should contact Kevin Rice and settle it with him.

Later that evening, Penza called Rice and Leahy to apologize. Penza said he alone sent all the messages, and he used two different ASI office computers. He also said he had used his own computer to send the first messages.

Leahy and Rice accepted the apology and dropped the case. A formal report was never filed with campus police or ITS.

"He apologized, and I took his apology on good faith," Rice said. "In the past, we'd talked about the Cal Poly Plan and he had been really helpful, giving me information. From day one...

"Excerpts from Web postings"

The following messages were some of the 15 posted April 23 on the anti-Cal Poly Plan website and traced to ASI computers. Most of the senders' names were not listed in the ASI Directory of students.

- Davis Rehnquist, student: "Kevin, we're gonna get you, man!"
- Kevin's mother, student: "I am so sorry -- he was a mistake."
- Kevin, student: "I like small children and goats."
- Kevin, student: "Vote for Pedophiles of America."
- Kevin P. Rice, student: "Sometimes, I just like to expose myself in public."
- Paul Reubens: "I am not smart enough to understand the plan."
- Bill McNeil, student: "Boner!"

Cal Poly welcomes youngsters for Take Your Daughter to Work Day

By Kristine Hall
Daily Staff Writer

About 40 young girls went to work at Cal Poly on Thursday as part of the national "Bring Your Daughter to Work Day."

Girls, ages 9 to 15, spent the day on campus either with their mothers or with student volunteers who took them on tours of college departments.

"It's a perfect place to show the girls just work but education," said Patricia Harris, coordinator of Women's Programs.

Harris heard about the program five years ago through a promotion by the Miss Foundation, a part of Miss Magazine. She and a small group of women decided to start the program at Cal Poly on their own.

This annual event held on April 24 isn't just for mothers. It's for dads, grandparent, guardians and friends too. Harris brings her niece because her own daughters are grown.

"I've been a working mother all my kids' lives," she said. "It's good to let them know where you disappear to in the morning. It helps them visualize where you spend your day."

The day started with a tour of the Rec Center, Mustang Daily and a lesson in the library on the World Wide Web. The tour concluded after lunch with a visit to the Ornamental Horticulture unit and the Dairy unit.

This year's theme, "There is value in all of us," focused on building self-esteem. Four women speakers, including a firefighter and a mathematician, talked to the girls during lunch. They encouraged them to never stop asking questions, voice their opinions and live proudly in their bodies.

Research shows that girls start losing self-confidence between the ages of 9 and 15 and Harris said that is why she wanted to start something special for girls.

"It's open to boys and they have participated in the past," she said. "But we would like to keep the focus on girls."

The event was organized by Wendy Lutkus, a recreation administration senior. She began planning in January and said it went smoothly because the audience was interested and the parents saw the event as spending quality time with their child.

"It went really well. I think the part that caught their attention the most was the Web page."

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Polite pooch

Kali, a 6-year-old white lab, extends her greetings to everyone at Dog Days at the Park. She competed in the obedience competition held Sunday at Santa Rosa Park.

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Arafat: Israel's actions could 'blow up' peace process

By Hilary Appelman
Associated Press

JERUSALEM - Palestinian leader Yasir Arafat said Sunday there have been no new initiatives aimed at restarting peace talks with Israel, and warned that Israel's actions could 'blow up the peace process.'

Arafat spoke to reporters in the West Bank town of Jericho after meeting with Israeli legislator Yuval Beilin, a candidate to head the opposition Labor Party and an architect of the Israel-Palestinian peace accords.

Beilin told reporters he had never seen Arafat in such low spirits, and was worried about the prospect of new violence.

'I see here a situation that is close to despair,' Beilin said. On Saturday, a top aide to Arafat said the Palestinians had asked Washington to send Secretary of State Madeleine Albright to the region to jump-start the peace process.

By Rachel Brady

Raking in the green: campus arboretum sells its goods

Deep into Cal Poly's Environmental Science Unit lie five acres of beautifully manicured lawns and gardens that display plants all over the world. It's called the Leaning Pine Arboretum and it was the site of a plant sale, garden tour and speech Saturday.

Ornamental horticulture senior Melissa McDonald organized the event, which was part of her senior project. "This is the first ever arboretum plant sale," McDonald said. "I hope to have them continue."

Most of the plants for sale were donated by local merchants. The money raised was put toward the upkeep and improvement of the arboretum.

Shoppers were happy with the quality and helpful hints that they saw at the sale. "There are lots of good prices and everything's healthy," said San Luis Obispo resident Judy Monson. "There are also people around that can answer questions for you and a beautiful surrounding."

Ornamental horticulture majors had volunteered to work at the sale, not only by selling plants but also by answering customer questions.

Shoppers weren't the only satisfied ones present. Tom Eltzroth, environmental horticulture professor, was pleased with McDonald's hard work and the success of the sale. "She's done something real and different for us," he said. "This is the first attempt to bring the general public up here. As her adviser, I'm really proud of the work she did, and one piece of evidence is in the crowds we have here."

Shortly after the sale began, Dave Fross, Cal Poly alumni and owner and president of Native Sons Wholesale Nursery in Arroyo Grande, led a tour of the arboretum. He began by giving some history to the nearly 70 people on the tour.

"The arboretum began 23 years ago," Fross said. "I planted things during my graduate studies here."

He also described and named nearly all of the trees and shrubs in the arboretum.

The collections are arranged by their origin. They display plants from southwestern Australia, New South Wales, New Zealand, the Mediterranean basin and California. There are also palms and palm-like plants and some aquatic plants near a stream and pond.

Fross explained the abundances of Mediterranean plants.

"I'm living in a Mediterranean climate," he said. "I'm not in climate denial. There is a drought in California every year."

Not only does the arboretum have beautiful plant life, but its location overlooks the Cal Poly campus and the Santa Lucia mountains.

"This arboretum has some of the best views of the See PLANTS page 6

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One swift Pacific current claims Kansas family

OTTAWA, Kan. — In the days before she left for California, 10-year-old Ivy Pacheco chattered constantly about seeing the Pacific Ocean for the very first time.

She had never been there,” said Gwen Chandler, who is married to Ivy’s grandfather James Chandler. “She and her brother, Trevor “T.J.” both liked to swim. The things they were going to see, she was so excited about.”

Ivy, her mother, Mary “Paule” Pacheco, 38, and Ivy’s grandmothers, Judith Rombold, 65, drowned in the Pacific Ocean for the very first time.

Before she left for California, 10-year-old Trevor “T.J.” also liked to swim. TheThingsThebeach1isanisolatedareaabout35milessouthofMonterey.
Thethree,alongwithIvy’s8-year-oldbrother,treasurer “T.J.” had traveled to California on Thursday to watch another family member run in a marathon.

Ivy apparently got caught in a severe undertow and was being sucked away from the beach. Her grandmother jumped into the roiling waves to help and also was dragged in. Her mother then was pulled in as she tried to help the two.

T.J. had been walking along of his family on the beach and was not injured.

When others on the beach saw the family struggling, some tried to help and another ran to the closest house, about a mile away.

Terry Prince, a 48-year-old surfer, lived in the house with his friend Noel Thygesen.

“ Noel and I were drinking a cup of coffee when a lady came over and said there were three people stuck on the rocks,” Prince said in a telephone interview Saturday with The Kansas City Star.

“I woke up in a pyramid this morning and looked out and saw the New York skyline,” lead singer Bono said. “I woke up in a pyramid this morning and looked out and saw the New York skyline, ” lead singer Bono said.

The band featured 11 songs from its newest album, but also the standards that made them famous in a twihour performance that had the crowd dancing on top of their seats.

The lettuce is symbolic of money. If you get hit by it then you have good fortune,” Allen said.

Allen said the Lantern Festival is important to the Central Coast area because, unlike San Francisco, where there is a large Chinatown, Asian people have no common ground in the county and this event brings together normally separated Asian groups, he said.

“A typical image of Asian people is that we’re quiet, soft-spoken and the model minority,” Allen said.

“The festival gives us a chance to see others, make noise and be heard.”

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The Lantern Festival, held during Asian Awareness Month, tries to bridge the gap between races by learning to value other cultures.

“We want to reach out to the community and educate the community about each other’s ethnicity,” de la Cruz said. “Racism occurs because of ignorance, people need to value each other’s ethnicity.”

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“The lions scare away bad fortune, and bring a good year,” Allen said.

During the Lion Dance performance, team members throw lettuce at the audience.
By Randy Davis

I ought to read the Daily more often. Let's of chaff fall on the same point about Poly Plan vote coming up this week. Sophomores Paul Bias and Chris Mohler started a petition rejecting the plan as is. One point that stuck with me from their interview: three of the four student committee members are seniors - fee increases don't impact graduates.

Honest representation of the plan's proposal to have students pay for more benefit for the students. Remember in a moment, but we gotta look at the Rodeo controversy before space runs out.

I was amused to note that another attracted letters of protest from concerned individuals. Per usual the cow fellows defended the rodeo; sometimes well, sometimes poorly. I grew up with large beef and I've never been more bothered. Now, I grew up with large beef and Ya' gotta wonder if that was all on his lonesome...?

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He threw on a wet suit, grabbed his surfboard and headed for the beach.

Prince said he had little hope of finding the three when he saw the 6- to 8-foot waves pounding against barge rocks that jut out of the ocean.

"I thought the ocean had taken them out," Prince told the newspaper.

Still, he paddled out into the surf on his board.

"As God would have it, I managed to catch a wave and rode right up to Ivy," Prince said. "She was caught in an eddy in the middle of the bay. It just held her there just like a whirlpool."

Thygerson, who is a medic, and

Percent of the administration, that we weren't thinking for ourselves and we weren't representing the students. It's very untrue," Penza said.

Regarding the obscene messages, Mike Recca, Chair of the ASI Board of Directors, said, "It was a shock. I didn't know.'

McShane had a similar reaction.

"I was totally astounded when

I heard about it at Wednesday's meeting. I was blown away," McShane said.

Rice and Leahy are satisfied with the way the problem was resolved.

"But I do find it quite frightening that someone who is representing us would do that," Rice said.

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MISTER BOFFO

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I don't like your attitude.
Champions!

After just three years in the Western Women’s Lacrosse League Division, the Mustangs captured their first title Monday by defeating University of San Diego, 14-9.

By Kimberly Kenev
Daily Staff Writer

Two years ago they didn’t win any games. Last year they worked hard to reach the semifinals. This year they were undefeated and made it to the finals in the Second Division of the Women’s Lacrosse League (WWLL) southern section.

• Women’s lacrosse

And now the Cal Poly women’s lacrosse team are champions. They beat the University of San Diego Toreros, 14-9, Sunday in front of friends, fans and family.

“It all started two years ago; to win the league is incredible, it’s the best feeling,” said team member Kristen Reyes.

“Division I better look out.”

Next year the Mustangs face a new challenge as they step up to Division I of the WWLL.

But for now they can enjoy being champions and look back on a memorable season.

“This season was won by all of us,” said head coach Bob Kennedy.

Before the game, in a tight huddle, Kennedy pumped energy into his team with screaming cheers, telling the Mustangs that they are the best team. With their sticks in the air, the team yelled out a final, “Poly,” and then took their positions on the field.

USD opened up the game with a score just four minutes into the game. Cal Poly’s Reyes answered back immediately, passing the ball to Colby Lindeman who found the back of the net to tie the game, 1-1. Cal Poly scored two minutes later and took the lead.

Nina Ching scored next for the Mustangs running straight on the goal.

After battling back and forth down the field, the Mustangs managed to score two goals and tie the game again at 3-3.

Five minutes later Cal Poly scored again. Brooke Manchester circled the goal and dropped the ball into the corner as the goalie stepped out leaving it unblocked. Manchester assisted the next goal to keep Cal Poly ahead, 5-3.

Five more Cal Poly goals from Reyes and Lindeman secured the lead at the half, 10-5.

The second half of the game opened up with three quick goals from USD. Sharp skills helped the Mustangs score again with goals coming from Nina Ching, Annie Freccero and Lindeman.

With two minutes left the Toreros scored, but couldn’t take the lead from Cal Poly.

Goalie Karen “The Wall” Jensen was named Most Valuable Player of the game with 11 saves.

Cal Poly played its final regular season game Saturday against U.C. Santa Barbara’s “B” team.

Cal Poly dominated UCSB the entire game, winning 19-4. In the first half, the Mustangs outscored the Gauchos, 12-2. During the second half, Cal Poly slowed its offensive attack down slightly to work on individual plays, but scored seven more points to climb the win, 19-4.

“We work well together,” Kennedy said. “We are fundamentally sound.”

“We have the speed to bring the ball up the field, and we put pressure on UCSB’s goalie,” he added.

Jensen said the team knew it could beat UCSB but didn’t want to be too sure of themselves.

“We were confident we could win, but we stayed focused and concentrated on our game,” Jensen said.

Daily staff writer Alan Dunton contributed to this report.

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Associated Press

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