Children's Center granted accreditation

By Rachel Brady
Daily Staff Writer

The ASI Children's Center was recently granted accreditation, making it part of an elite 5 percent of early childhood programs that receive this honor. The National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC) puts programs seeking accreditation through an extensive procedure. It includes a self-study, a collection of information from parents, teachers and administrators, classroom observations and finally a review by a team of national experts. NAEYC is a large organization whose purpose is to promote awareness of child care and to be an advocate for quality child care.

Patty Greig, ASI Children's Center program coordinator, said the accreditation demonstrates the excellence of their center. "It helped show that we are a model program for our community," Greig said. What started in the 1980s as an after-school program for underprivileged children has now grown into a full day program for preschool-aged children.

Five year old Ryan Higginbotham shows his karate skills Saturday during the Wisteria Festival.

Jujitsu highlights Japanese Wisteria festival in Avila

By Jaime Boroski
Daily Staff Writer

A bit of Japanese culture swept through Avila Beach with Saturday's annual Wisteria Festival hosted by the San Luis Obispo Buddhist Temple. The Wisteria festival is the celebration of Shinran Shonin's birthday, the founder of the branch of Buddhism that the temple practices.

"The event gets its name from the Wisteria flower, a symbol on the Shonin family crest in Japan. "The festival is a cultural sharing," said Janis Eto, event coordinator. "It's where we can show the different areas of Japanese culture that people might not be exposed to." In sharing the Japanese culture, the festival provided activities for the whole family with its booths, displays and demonstrations.

In its fifth appearance at the Wisteria Festival, the Cal Poly Kodokai Jujitsu team, led by Sensei Hayawo "Ken" Kiyama, guided the audience through a brief representation of one of its classes. "We model the movements, which makes it more of an art form than a sport," said John Pearson, Cal Poly alumnus and Kodokai student for 11 years.

Pearson, one of the eight Kodokai students who performed at the festival, said that the official ASI club has a total of 25 members. These members practice twice a week for three hours at a time yet do not compete with other teams. Jujitsu incorporates passive resistance in manipulating, not injuring one's opponent. "It's manipulating the body through Aikido and Jujitsu.

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"It's manipulating the body through Aikido and Jujitsu," Pearson said. "It's a passive not an aggressive martial art. According to Pearson, concentration, discipline and contribution in the community are the key elements of the art form.

"The Sensei (coach) wants to build concentration and give students a helping hand with their studies through discipline," he said.

Speakers make light of AIDS awareness

By Rachel Brady
Daily Staff Writer

When one hears the word AIDS, the last thing he or she probably thinks about is humor.

But on Thursday night, nearly 500 people in Chumash Auditorium were laughing during "Friendship in the Time of AIDS.

This presentation, sponsored by Panhellenic Council, Interfraternity Council and Student Community Services, featured T.J. Sullivan and Joel Goldman, who used humor and frankness to talk about AIDS and HIV.

Sullivan began the program by discussing his previous feelings about AIDS, before Goldman informed him that he had contracted the disease. "It wasn't something my friends and I were talking about after work," Sullivan said. 

"We didn't know anybody that had HIV. We didn't think it happened"
**Scholar criticizes theories on Jesus's life, personality**

By Kimberly Nancy

Friday Philosophy at Poly Lecture Series presents "Resistance to Cinema: Philosophy and the Fear of Film" May 16, 3 to 5 p.m. in U.E. 220.

Saturday Giant mural and other art will be presented by county high school students May 17 at the Central Coast Mall, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. The theme is tobacco use and its negative affects.

For more information, call Rick Minnis at 756-1291.

Cal Poly's ASI Ethnic/Cultural Relations Committee presents "Culture Fest," and international festival May 17, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be food, dances, cultural community leaders and much more. It will be sponsored by Mayor Settle and Senator Jack O'Connell.

For more information, call 756-1291.

Sunday The SEO Green Party presents Peggy Law of National Public Radio (NPR), "Making Contact: Building Effective Independent Media," May 18, 6 p.m. at the Excellent Center for Arts and Culture, in Grover Beach. For more information, call 544-8346 or 238-4454.

Announcement Cal Poly Health Services presents Free Anonymous HIV Screening. Tests will be done weekly. Appointments made only by phone. The test will be food, dances, cultural community leaders and much more. It will be sponsored by Mayor Settle and Senator Jack O'Connell.

For more information, call 756-1291.

The Cal Poly Rose Float Committee needs donations of purple, bougainvillea, pampas gras.s, and lunaria for this year's "Havin' Fun" rose float. Contributions must be made by May 23. For more information, call 756-1268 or Saturdays 544-7730.

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**Editorial:**

**By Kim berly Kaney**

Daily Staff Writer

Jesus was a "lavish sage," a wise man of few words, a man who didn't initiate dialogue and like a western cowboy — he was a modest man. He didn't promote celibacy; he celebrated life freely. He was a party animal that enlivened a dull cocktail party. Jesus was just like the average professor at Cal Poly without tenure, or that's what a group of secular scholars of the Jesus Seminar found.

How did the Jesus Seminar come to these conclusions? Birger Pearson, professor and interim director of the University of California at Berkeley's Religious Studies program, was critical of the seminar's conclusions Friday in the second part of the Cal Poly Philosophy Department's lecture series.

Students, professors and community members filled every chair in the room and many sat on tables to hear the speech entitled "A Cynical Look at the Jesus Seminar."

"The Seminar completely misunderstands and overlooks ideas," Pearson said. "Too bad it was such a waste."

The Jesus Seminar is a collective scholarly inquiry that began in March 1985 by Robert Funk of Berkeley to promote analysis of all the published sayings of Jesus. Funk, together with other New Testament scholars, gathered twice a year to study certain passages and determine what Jesus really said as opposed to what he is reported to have said in the New Testament and other sources.

The scholars created a color coding system to identify each passage. Red indicates a passage that was certainly said by Jesus and pink passages are not exact but close to what he might have said. Black indicates a passage that is totally opposite from what Jesus would have said, while gray passages contain the completely wrong wording but include ideas that are characteristic of Jesus. Each scholar then voted on the authenticity of each passage. It took six years for the scholars to finally publish their work in a book, "The Five Gospels." It contains an analysis of every passage from the gospel according to Mark, Luke, John, Matthew and Thomas.

The majority of the book is colored black, and there are very few red passages. "The seminar is led by secularism; their colors fit 20th century mainstream." Pearson said. "They rob Jesus of his Jewishness and his religion; they remove his circumcission."

Pearson said critically analyzing the methods of the Jesus Seminar and its historical premises can help explain how they reached their conclusions.

According to Pearson the seminar used the wrong pillars of scholarly wisdom. First, they made a distinction between the historical Jesus and the Christ of Christian faith. Second, they showed a preference for synoptic gospels, those written by the gospels of Mark and Luke, against John. Third, they placed the gospels in chronological order, and then they looked at the idea of the existence of a hypothetical "Q," a mixture of the gospels of Mark and Luke, they talked of the liberation of eschatological Jesus from German philosopher, Albert Schweitzer's Jesus. Eschatological is the idea that the blog is coming to an end and that certain results can be predicted. Sixth, they compared the oral Jesus and the written Jesus. Finally, they used the burden of proof argument, where the proof must be established for the credibility of the blog.

"Each time period that looks at Jesus makes him into a politically correct freak," Pearson said. "But one can not sweep four centuries of research under the carpet."

According to Pearson, the Jesus Seminar is part of the third quest for the historical Jesus. The first critical study started first with an investigation in the 18th century. This was followed by critical studies by German and American scholars. The most notable was Albert Schweitzer who won a Nobel prize in 1906. All three groups have struggled with many ideas but have shown Jesus to mirror them. Schweitzer said Jesus was a stranger and an enigma to the world.

The new quest of the seminar is to determine the theological meaning of Jesus' sayings, by situating them within their own context like Schweitzer did. One student at the speech found Pearson's viewpoint

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Nearly 200 students sacrificed sleeping in Saturday morning to get up at 8 a.m. to take part in Good Neighbor Day.

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According to Rodriguez, the majority of people that participated in Good Neighbor Day were students.

The city of San Luis Obispo, the Parks and Recreation department, Residents for Quality Neighborhoods (RQN), the county Board of Supervisors and community members gave ASI suggestions for tasks that needed to be done to clean up San Luis Obispo. These activities ranged from moving lawn, painting fences and washing windows to cleaning up trash in parks. The goal was to create a better Cal Poly student image in the community. "Since the majority of Cal Poly students are not from this area, community members feel that they are being taken advantage of," Rodriguez said.

ASI members welcomed this type of activity. "We enjoy working with students and would like to see a cooperation between students and RQN continue," said RQN member Victoria Smith, 8 months, welcomes visitors at the ASI Children's Center. The recognition may also benefit the children at the center.

"We'll get more exposure and hopefully people will start more places like this in other areas," said Tammy Brokaw, a liberal studies senior. Brokaw has worked in the center for three years and hopes that their curriculum is one that many others will adopt in the future.

"Here we have the attitude," said Katy Thompson, age 2 years, "We want to share the kids." said Katy Thompson, age 2 years.

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President Baker and sacred memories

By Randy Davis

Imagine my surprise when, toward the end of "Der Stürmer," I found part of a speech I vaguely remember from a friend's sunny Poly graduation long ago.

In my warped, underground sort of way, think we should revisit the passage in question. After a bit of explanation I think you will see why the expressed sentiments should revisit the passage in question. After a bit of explanation I think you will see why the expressed sentiments should revisit the passage in question.

On both occasions, complete strangers asked me how old they were and when I told them to guess, both guessed 15.

Now maybe I dug my own grave by asking them to guess, but both of these people thought that I was too young to drive a car, let alone the truth is I am 21 years old, but I am also 5'1", which leads many to the assumption that I am a lot younger than I really am.

This has always been the theme for me. When I was in elementary school, my best friend was (and still is) a beautiful, tall, older-looking girl.

Whenever we went somewhere together, I was often mistaken for her little sister even though I am five months older than she.

It also plagued me in high school when I went to a tennis match with my older brother's girlfriend. She is a mere one and a half years older than I am, but someone asked her if she was baby-sitting.

Now that I have recently turned 21, the stories are getting more interesting. When I go to buy beer or get into a bar, the cashier or bartender says, "Can I see your ID?" What's wrong and smiles are really saying is, "Let me see your sorry fake ID so that I can deny you.

My exposure to this type of thing was during my birthday weekend in Las Vegas. While I went there to celebrate my new freedom, I discovered that this freedom was only possible after I flashed my valid ID to the entire casino. During one memorable incident, I was standing next to my mom at a slot machine watching her lose quarters.

The pit boss actually yelled at me and said, "You can't be in here." She didn't ask for my ID or politely ask me if I was old enough, she yelled at me.

I am sure that a lot of people are out there cursing me for my complaint. The common response that I get when I express my frustration is, "You may be hummed now, but when you are 40 and you look 27 you'll be glad." But this is not necessarily the case. My mom, who is 41, used to hear this all the time when she was my age. She passed on to me a sad realization. She said, "When you're 40, you will look like a short, 40-year-old."

I know that there are a lot worse things in life than looking young. It is not the end of the world and I will probably live through it. But when guys around look at you like you are some kind of genius prodigy that is in college at age 15, really rides up the disarmament factor and adds to my belief that I will have to go to SLO High in order to get a date. Hey, maybe there's still a chance to get asked to the prom.

Rachel Brady is a Journalism junior and Daily staff writer.

Keeping students out of the PAC

Editor:

Nothing has ever infuriated me during my time at Cal Poly until today. I went to get tickets for a play at the Performing Arts Center that I had seen advertised in Mustang Daily.

I was told that the tickets were sold out and had been for more than three months, actually.

That got me thinking. Why was this the first time I heard about this play? Why hadn't they advertised this and many other plays earlier, say at the beginning of the quarter or at the beginning of the year?

I came to a conclusion. It is my opinion that the people who schedule and advertise these events don't want students to attend. I discussed my ideas with some friends first to see if I was way out of line and most of them agreed with me that the whole situation sucks. A few people did receive a schedule of events and told me that they should have bought my tickets early. I asked them how they got schedules and they told me that they were mailed to their parents because they had contributed. After I heard this I really felt discriminated against as a student.

The idea that people would try to keep other people out of something really disgruntles me. I now know what discrimination feels like and I don't like it.

So to prevent this whole situation from happening again I went to the ticket office and had them put me on their mailing list. I also found out that I could pick up a schedule of events in the summer, around August.

So what's my point? Get down to the PAC and get yourself on the mailing list or stop by the ticket office in September to get a schedule. Don't let the elite community of San Luis Obispo have the PAC all to themselves.

Morgan Steinhagen
Landscape architect freshman
A Buddhist lecture and traditional tea ceremony followed the calligraphy and painted Kimono talents and invited audience couldn't get a grip on it no matter how hard he said. "I felt stupid. I felt helpless. I just learned how wrong he had been."

Aside from the youth activities, the festival featured a large display of Buddhist wood carvings, floral arrangements, flowerings of azalea Bonzais and pottery by local artists.

At the heart of the festival stood food booths where the aroma from the variety of Japanese cuisine lured hungry stomachs. For under 85 people could enjoy sushi, Teppan 'stir-fried chicken, vegetables and rice', gyozas (meat-filled dumplings with special sauce), and Tempura. For dessert, Kuri Manju (dessert buns filled with a sweet bean filling) and strawberry shortcake were sold, both of which could be washed down with coffee or free Japanese tea provided by the temple.

"People really look forward to it," she said. "One year people even came out in the rain."
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are accepted by mass media, they are accepted as martial artists, cooks and other stereotypical figures," said James Lee, architecte

The group compiled a list of six popular Asian male figures, including actors Pat Morita, Bruce Lee, George Takai and Russell Wong, professional golfer Tiger Woods and television cooking show host Martin Yan.

"Of these six, four fit into typical Asian male stereotypes," Lee said.

The group considered George Takai's role as Sulu on Star Trek as a strong one and a departure from which the other entertainers' most famous roles fell prey. Lee then pointed out that even though Tiger Woods' media persona is not stereotypically Asian, the media itself does not acknowledge Woods' Asian background. "That's what we have to change," Lee said.

According to incoming fraternity president George Tolosa, Omega Xi Delta is a community-based Asian-interest fraternity whose purpose is to dispel Asian stereotypes.

The final Culture Talk of the quarter will take place in University Union room 220 at 1 p.m. Thursday, May 29. According to Culture Talk coordinator Everardo Martinez-Inzurza, the discussion leader for the day will be Carl Wallace from the Center for Teacher Education.

"Carl Wallace coordinates a tutor education program which prepares Cal Poly students to go to community schools to provide mentoring and tutoring," Martinez-Inzurza said.

According to Culture Talk student coordinator Kelly Kammermeyer, the day's discussion will focus on Cal Poly's African-American student population. "We're going to combine the topic of mentoring with a discussion of why so few African-American students come to Cal Poly," Kammermeyer said.

"Often, the ones who do come leave quickly or their GPAs drop. We'll talk about why and what can be done."
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BASEBALL: from page 1

John Arnold added the fifth run for Cal Poly by singling home Kolda to make it 9-1.

Long Beach added two in the eighth inning but reliever Kevin Mohr shut them down and Snowden came in to finish off 1-2-3.

Saturday's game was a close one down to the end, with the Mustangs hanging on for a 2-1 victory. Freshman Luther Salinas (4-3), who didn't make it out of the first inning last weekend, stayed strong despite walking three and hitting two. New Mustang defense helped Salinas by turning two double plays, one in the first and one in the third inning.

Price was pleased with the way Salinas pitched and noted that having a freshman pitcher beat one of the best teams in the country was a huge win for him and the Mustangs.

Long Beach scored the first run of the game in the fourth inning. Third baseman Izzy Gonzalez got to second on a Ryan Brennan error, then first baseman Tony Sanchez and left fielder Paul Fox both went by hit by pitches. Designated hitter Keith Cowley followed with a sacrifice fly to center field for the RBI. Catcher Casey Martin flied to center and Cowley was caught stealing to end the inning.

The Mustangs countered with a run in the fifth. Boyd Dodder led off with a single and advanced to second on a Marty Camacho single. R.J. Hauser brought him in with a single. Cal Poly scored again in the sixth on a sacrifice fly by Dodder that brought in Arnold to put the Mustangs up 2-1.

Long Beach State pitcher Marcus Jones (9-5) was equally impressive, pitching the entire game, giving up only two runs on six hits. In the last meeting between the Mustangs and the 49ers with Jones on the mound, he struck out 16, including Kolda four times.

Friday night, Cal Poly tagged Long Beach No. 1 starter Rocky Biddle for nine runs (eight earned) in six innings, highlighted by a Kolda grand slam. Mustang starter Mike Zirelli remained strong in the late innings, getting a lot of help from the "Blair air" that kept some long shots in the park. Snowden pitched the first nine for Zirelli, who grabbed his tenth win of the season against five losses. He gave up five runs on 10 hits with seven strikeouts.

The Mustangs now look ahead to next weekend's first-round playoff game against University of Nevada, Reno, at the Big West Tournament in Long Beach.
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No Kidd-ing Around

Wham, bam, thank you ma'am,
Scott Kidd's busting records,
And he's got another grand slam...

By Kimberly Koney
Daily Staff Writer

A first glance you see a rough exterior and a big frame, poised in a staunch stance with his arms folded, looking everywhere but at you. His focus never leaves the game — each thought is critical and concise. He holds the school record for the most hits in a single season.

This black and white uniformed exterior hides the real kid inside. Cal Poly senior second baseman Scott Kidd takes baseball seriously but said he wouldn't play if it wasn't fun anymore.

To Kidd fun is playing well, and he does just that. Kidd holds Cal Poly's second all-time highest batting average, .422. He topped off the season with a grand slam in Friday night's game against Long Beach State and claimed the Big West Conference batting title.

"He goes out and practices hard everyday; he plays the game the right way," said head coach Rick Price.

Kidd said he takes maybe one day off a week from practice. He puts in whatever time his swing needs. The 23-year-old said he is old and more in-tune with his hitting so he really knows what it should feel like now.

"It's all I have done for a long time and I have been taught by so many knowledgeable people," Kidd said. Kidd said he owes a lot of his success to the support of his family. The youngest of two, Kidd has never had to get a summer job. His dad, who was also his high school coach, made sure Kidd could play in summer leagues to continue to improve his skills.

Price has been another influential person in Kidd's life. He has known the Cal Poly coach since he was 16. He grew up playing for Price in the American Legion.

"He helped me a lot when I was younger," Kidd said. "He showed me the way to becoming a Division I player. I can't express how much he has done for me."

From high school in Cupertino, Kidd followed Price to DeAnza Junior College in San Jose.

"When he first played for me in junior college, he was an inside out, all pull hitter — everything was hit to right field and he was an outstanding defensive player at shortstop," Price said.

This weekend, the Mustangs swept the Rams and now they have a batting title to back it all up.

Mustangs place third after sweeping Long Beach State

By Jennifer Carnohan
Daily Sports Editor

LONG BEACH — When Cal Poly and Long Beach State met in mid-March, the 49ers' pitching duo of Rocky Biddle and Marcus Jones shut down the Mustangs in a three-game sweep.

Cal Poly 11 2 9
Long Beach State 5 1 3

This weekend, the tables were turned. Cal Poly, with great pitching from starters Mike Zinelli, Luther Salinas, Jason Porto and reliever Chad Snowden, picked up the sweep with wins of 11-2, 2-1 and 9-3. The Mustangs finished the regular season at 15-15 in Big West play (36-19 overall).

The sweep, coupled with Cal State Fullerton's two wins over U.C. Santa Barbara this weekend, puts the Mustangs in third place in the Big West Southern Division. This means Cal Poly will play northern division winner University of Nevada, rather than

Softball snubbed for playoffs

Daily Staff Report

The Cal Poly softball team was not selected for the NCAA Division I softball playoffs. Cal Poly (27-17, 10-4) was seventh in the Pacific region before this weekend.

The NCAA selected the top six teams from the Pacific region including Cal State Northridge, UCLA, University of Arizona, Cal Berkeley, Long Beach State and Fresno State.

"Despite us not being selected for the playoffs we are one of the top 32 teams in the nation," head coach Lisa Boyer said. According to Boyer, the Pacific division is the strongest region in the country, but the NCAA has to be balanced in their selections.

Chris Hoke from the NCAA office said the teams were selected regardless of region based on the strength of their schedule and significant wins throughout the season.

"We had a great season and the players should be proud," Boyer said. — Kim Koney