T he angle of the sharp, new pocket knife needed to be tilted a bit closer to the ideal 45 degrees. 

Cautiously, Julian Kayne inched the blade toward his body. "You always want to cut into your body," the man across the table tells him. "That way you never cut yourself." 

Kayne, a Cal Poly employee in the agricultural engineering department, stops briefly to examine the cut he just carved. "I don't think I've gotten this right," Kayne replies. "May I try again?"

It's Valentine's Day and love is in the air. Bonding a plum tree's branch to an apricot tree's root is the best way for rare fruit growers to express that "love." As the rain pounded onto the metal roof of the Cal Poly crops unit, more than 80 people, including Kayne, gathered inside to observe and learn the proper methods for cutting and grafting. The second 1998 meeting of the California Rare Fruit Growers was underway, and its busy members and guests were happily buzzing among the clusters of plants, fruits and trees.

A table spread with unusual, yet tasty items such as avocado cream pie and candied palm fruits was overshadowed by more enticing offers of free science—triggery live pruning removed from trees—and $1 root-stocks.

Scientists contributed from members' "Pink-Lady-apple" and "Rio-Oso-peach" trees were quickly snapped up. Art Henzgen, who buys and sells root-stocks for the organization, reported that everyone was after the Nemaguard stocks, which can be used to successfully graft and grow peaches, nectarines and pears.

The California Rare Fruit Growers use grafting to allow them to grow unique varieties of fruits which normally wouldn't be able to grow in California's climate or in...

**Students trying to undo 209's affects**

Amid the continued controversy over Proposition 209, groups of students have band­ed together in an effort to bring affirmative action back to the state's public colleges and universities. Students for Equal Opportunity (SEO) was formed by a group of UC Berkeley law students who hope to place their proposed Equal Educational Opportunity Initiative (EOI) on the ballot this November to help combat the drop in minority enrollment on college campuses, particularly in graduate programs.

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**ASl tackles car, bike parking issues**

By Andy Joseph

Members of the ASI Board of Directors unanimously approved two resolutions Wednesday night which may increase the avail­ability of student parking for both vehicles and bicycles on campus.

The first resolution requests that Parking Services consider creating addi­tion­al stalls on California Blvd. because important student services, such as Career Services and the business computer lab, are located nearby. Currently there are only 32 general parking stalls on California Blvd. Soncia Lilly, ASI executive director, asked whether or not campus parking was aware a request was being created by ASI.

"Have we talked to parking about this at all?" Lilly asked. "Do they know it's coming?"

The ratio of student parking permits to general spaces is nearly two-to-one, and College of Business board member Kevin Schimmel, who presented the resolution, said Parking Services is aware of the problem. They know. They have always been saying they've been working on it, so they should be ready (to consider the resolution)," Schimmel said.

No date was set when the reso­lution would be presented to Parking Services or when the park­ing changes would take affect if Parking Services were to create new spaces.

The second resolution approved asks that ASI Facilities and Operations and University Facility Services look into the possibility of...
A chronic disease self-management course will be held every Thursday between today and April 2 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church located at 2344 Nipomo Street in San Luis Obispo. The course is designed for people with chronic diseases like heart and back problems, asthma, etc. The course fee is $20 for materials but supplies can be borrowed. For more information call Tina Salter or Pam Dudley at the San Luis Obispo County Public Health Department at 781-5500.

The Cal Poly Steering Committee will be having an orientation meeting about the Cal Poly Plan today at 4 p.m. in the Business Building room 205. Come and learn about new changes and how to apply for funding for this year’s Cal Poly Plan cycle. Also, you will be able to hear from campus colleagues about their successful Plan projects. Get informed! Call 756-2186 for more information and visit the Poly Plan website at www.calpoly.edu.

Come to the Physics Colloquium today from 11 a.m. to noon to hear Barry Walker speak on “Nonlinear Dynamics of the Light-Matter Interaction.” It will be held in building 52 room E45.

Eat, Drink and Be Merry! Mardi Gras is today downtown. Come enjoy the festivities, eat some gumbo, make a glittery mask, and watch the parade move down Marsh Street!

National Engineers Week begins Sunday and carries on until Feb. 28. Activities during the week will include bowling, basketball and volleyball tournaments, career counseling and engineering contests. Almost 50 professional, honorary and service engineering student clubs are eligible to participate in one of the week’s most exciting events, the Club Carnival which is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 26.

Absentee ballots are available now until March 3 for the special Congressional election on March 10.

ASI Election packets for president, chairman of the board and board of directors are available until Feb. 27 at Student Life and Activities, U.U., 217. For more information see Bob Walters or call Diane, election chair, at 489-2846.
This is a good way to get this "Gen-X" stigma off of us, to show that we do care and we are conscious. —Ryan Trammell

Social science junior

installing new bike racks and relocating current bike racks where needed.

The resolution states racks are often full, so students have to park their bikes illegally. In turn, due to the fact that there are not enough racks available, students are ticketed.

To reduce tickets, along with student gripes, the resolution suggests several bicycle racks be moved from low-demand areas and utilized more efficiently in higher-demand locations.

It also suggests additional bicycle racks be installed to combat the problem.

Schimmel said that shouldn't be a concern because no where in the resolution does it address exactly where or at which buildings racks will be relocated or installed.

Adviser of the ASI Board of Directors, Bob Walters, said the next step is up to facilities.

"Facility Services and Public Safety will check into this," he said. "It's a concern and there are now a number of groups they need to check with."

The members of ASI are requesting Facilities and Operations and University Facility Services inspect the situation and report back to the Board of Directors by the end of the quarter.

Consider the Alternative:

Atheists United of San Luis Obispo

Members of Atheists United meet to share rational non-superstitious ideas and to work in the preservation of church and state.

Members and guests who share these ideals are encouraged to join us.

Meetings are the third Saturday of each month, 4:30 pm, at the SLO Library Conference Room.

Next Meeting: February 21

Questions? Call 549-6332 or slo atheist@optonline.net

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Wednesday, March 11 and

Thursday, Mar. 12

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Voter pamphlet available at Health Center, Kennedy Library, College Dean and Vice President for Student Affairs offices, the University Union information desk, and at the Health Center website, www.calpoly.edu/~hps/healthfee/
Running Thunder—the home team advantage

By Philip Hartstein

In response to Mr. Thes' and Mr. Nielsen's article on Feb. 11, about Running Thunder's Rudeness.

Running Thunder is a club that dedicates its time to promoting pride and spirit into the students, faculty and staff that are associated with this great university. We would like to start by addressing those points one at a time.

First, we too are avid basketball fans, all 140 of us. We too have attended every basketball game this season and for the last three seasons when nobody else came. Not to mention the fact that we were 4 points short on the road to winning the Fullerton game where we remained standing the entire time and won again. The fact that we are a Division I Yes! I said Division I basketball program, we feel that we need to do everything in our power to act like one. If our odds increase when we stand up, then we will stand up until payday.

The point is that if you look at the other teams in our league you will notice that they have been around a lot longer than we have and they already have their traditions.

If you go to UCSB, UOP or Reno for that matter all of their students, and all of their paid patrons, stand up too. Wow, what a concept. Perhaps that is where the term "home team advantage" came from. That is one of the reasons we were able to beat the spread on a team that was ranked over 150 spots higher than us. As the saying goes, "It's not who wins or loses, it's how they played the game that counts." Those and Nielsen's second point was that we were asked to sit down. For those who asked nicely, they were responded to nicely. For the gentleman with that small child, I personally offered him a seat next to us in the third row with no obstructions, but he refused. The ticket on that side of the gym are "standing room only," and, hey wait a minute, isn't that the student section? So much that mean that families with children should be on the other side? So, I apologize to all of those basketball patrons who were confused about the seating arrangements in our tiny gym.

The third point is that we are not just a group of uniformed men. We rally ourselves around helping increase the quality of our athletic program. On many occasions we have sat down with Coach Schneider to discuss getting students involved. He wants us to stand, he wants us to chant, and he wants our energy to grow to fill the entire gym.

What I don't understand is why everyone goes to the games, stands up for a shirt, and then they all sit back down again. We are in the fledgling stage of our Division I program and now is the time when we need to form our traditions and get the crowd involved.

The only other point that I would like to address is that if we could all get excited about going to our athletic events and get fired up about the team, we could use the fact that we have a small gym to just kill any chance of winning the other team might have. All it takes is for you to clap a few extra times, yell at the referees when they make calls and join in with the chants and I promise that you will have a more enjoyable experience. There is no greater feeling than when your team wins after you gave them all of your support and after the game the coaches and players walk across the court to thank you. Then you can say that you were part of that success.

If you have any suggestions then call us at 8306 or drop by the University Union. We are in Room 220B.

Philip Hartstein is Running Thunder President and an industrial technology junior.

Greeks should ditch the booze

Editor,

I am writing in response to some heavy criticism of the Greek system that I've read and heard. Such statements include what Alan Dunton wrote in the Wed. Feb. 11 Mustang Daily that "the foundation of Greek life... is alcohol omnipresence."

As a member of the Greek system, I would like to describe what the true foundations of the Greek system are. Paraphrasing many of my first and foremost about brotherhood and sisterhood. The first fraternity, Phi Beta Kappa, was founded at the College of William and Mary in 1776 to provide close friendship and a forum to discuss ideas students were learning in classes.

Many fraternities and sororities soon followed and most were founded on Christian principles. My fraternity, Alpha Gamma Omega, has remained Christ-centered since its founding in 1927. If the Greek system has become known for anything other than fraternity, leadership, and altruism and fraternities and sororities have strayed from their own foundational principles.

Not all fraternities and sororities are solely about drinking. In talking to several friends in other Greek organizations, I have discovered that many organizations still hold to these principles. There is even a movement among fraternities to go alcohol free. Fraternities and sororities participate in sports and inter-Greek social functions that encourage friendships and a sense of community. They also provide service to the school and the surrounding community. I am part of a group made up of seven members of fraternities and sororities that is striving to bring integrity back into the Greek system.

I have benefited greatly from my experience in Alpha Gamma Omega. It has built into me a strong faith, and an attitude of service and friendships that will last for life.

It is unfortunate that the Greek system has become known as a group of the biggest parties on campus. I feel that the heavy use of alcohol is extremely damaging, disruptive to the learning process and goes against what the purpose of fraternities and sororities is. My challenge to non-Greeks is to consider and discover the positive aspects of the Greek system. My challenge to those involved in the Greek system is to consider and return to the principles on which fraternities and sororities were founded Brotherhood/brotherhood, leadership, academics and philanthropy.

Peter Larson is a crop science senior.

The price of parking at Cal Poly is misleading. More than a debit to your wallet is the cost to your mental and physical well-being. For $36, the student is supposed to cruise endlessly around a parking lot packed tighter than Rosie O'Donnell in a minivan. In addition, there is the dental damage caused by grinding molars as you struggle to get a spot. I challenge the clock to wait. It doesn't. Being tardy to class is not changed by parking-lot facial antics. And a warning to onlookers: Do not confuse the gnashing of teeth with a smile because 20 minutes into the search for a parking space, tempers shorten—we become dangerous and our circulating rhythms becomes predatory. However elusive, once located, this white-lined, rectangular-shaped piece of real estate entitles the parkee to a trek through the canyons of asphalt where the only manifestation of law and order is represented by the painted white lines. For $36, the student is supposed to circle rhythm becomes predatory.

Phyllis M. Mehlman

Looking for your car in the shadowy recesses of Cal Poly parking after a late-night class means a big gulp of danger in the search, and one of relief after you have slid in behind your school and punched your lock down. Almost two years ago, Kristin Smart disappeared from Cal Poly. Poul play is suspected and her case remains unsolved. Simple safety precautions on campus should be the follow-up. Poor lighting encourages problems, and why not double- or even triple-check? Other businesses use them, and as one of the paying customers here, on the issue of personal safety, I feel short-changed.

Last year, another student and I did a piece on Kristin Smart for CCTV. One of the things her mother said remains with me. At first, I dismissed it as the words of a grieving mother, but over time they have made a definite impression. Paraphrasing Denise Smart: "The disappearance of my daughter means no more than the loss of another child." At the time, her statement gave me a shiver. It still does, especially in the long dark walk to my car after an evening class.

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The United States is feeling threat­ened, not just by Saddam Hussein again. Instead of acting in a rational manner that would serve the long-term interests of the U.S. and the rest of the world, Clinton has decided to show Iraq who's boss by trying to get support to bomb Iraq in a sustained three-to-four­
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himself into submission. Anyone who
would feel the need to create a "human
shield" around this or any man has been
gotting way too much propaganda.
We should have finished what we
start during the Gulf War, but then-
President Bush pulled us out too early
before we could finish our goals. We
needed to eliminate Hussein and his
supporters, or he would continue to ter­
rorize the Middle East.
Instead, we left the man in power
and he has continued to stockpile arms.
He has been keeping things from the
U.N. by not letting them search for
weapons, and it was rumored that it
was U.S. intelligence that helped the
Iraqis build up their chemical weapons
that the U.S. knew nothing about.

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its soil. Grafting entails the joining together of a scion from one variety of fruit tree to another growing tree. There is no blending of genes in grafting, so it does not produce a strange hybrid fruit, but it does allow different varieties of fruit to flourish on one tree.

While there are several styles of cuts used in grafting, the basic procedure is performed by simply cutting a wedge into the existing branch, shaving the bark away from the scion and uniting the two twigs into one.

Grafting is common in the fruit industry. Because fruit growers need to be able to produce a consistent abundance of fruits, they use grafting to increase the number of fruits produced in a limited amount of space.

The California Rare Fruit Growers have taken this practice into their backyards. Kayne, like several of the people who attended Saturday's party, learned hands-on how to graft a fruit tree for the first time.

He was practicing with two apple tree scions and plans to begin grafting regularly once he has mastered the technique.

"Cal Poly is in the process of developing a permaculture site on campus, which will include a place to plant fruit trees," Kayne said. "We're going to create a food forest out there (behind the tractor practice site) using the principles of permaculture design."

Kaye said permaculture is a design system which uses the Earth's ecological systems as a model. The site will consist of several plant zones strategically placed in order of their dependence on human care. The first zone will include vegetable plants which require daily maintenance. The fruit trees Kayne was learning to graft need to be visited only every-other day and therefore will be placed in the second zone.

Kayne said the department plans to offer a permaculture extended education course next.

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winter quarter because that is the time period when taxes are prepared. Jack Roberson, lead instructor for VITA, said this is the seventh year the business department has worked the national program into its curriculum as a senior project opportunity.

"VITA is one of the senior project options for accounting students and it is done in conjunction with the IRS," he said, adding that Cal Poly is unusual because the students actually go out into the community, in both San Luis Obispo and Santa Maria.

"It's done throughout the country, but most other schools do it on their campus mainly for students," he said. "Our view is we should do it mainly for the community. We certainly do student tax returns, but we want our students to have a wider breadth of returns that they do."

Aside from the experience students gain by going out into the community, it also allows students to make contacts with a variety of people. Meeting people from different backgrounds and with different tax issues can be a new adventure for the students.

"Many Cal Poly students have not had close contact with lower economic people and by looking at their taxes, they look at a whole variety of issues concerning those people," Roberson said. "It also gives students a lot of empathy for people and the struggles they go through."

Munoz agreed and added, "For us it's a great experience being able to do the taxes, but at the same time, it's great being able to communicate and we basically learn how to interact with people."

Accounting students involved in the program have a short process to complete before they are allowed to work on the community's taxes. Students are trained in January and tax sites are opened up in February through the end of March. Munoz said the process includes one class and a number of exams.

"We have to take one tax class before we do VITA," he said. "Then we have four sessions where we go over very specific issues. Among other things, we have to pass a federal tax test and a state tax test."

The students are not alone while working on the community's tax returns either. Roberson said there are always professionals at each site available for problems students may run into and for review.

"All tax returns students prepare are viewed by either myself, other instructors or CPAs. They are in close association with practitioners and learn about skills in different aspects. And the practitioners get to see Cal Poly students in action," Roberson said. "Last year, VITA students completed over 1,400 tax returns. Roberson said, on average, anywhere from 40 to 80 people use the sites on a daily basis. This year there are 76 students volunteering in the program."

VITA students are available 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. every Wednesday and 12 to 4 p.m. every Saturday at the Central Mall in San Luis Obispo. They are also available 1 to 4 p.m. every Saturday at the Santa Maria Mall. Both sites will be open until March 18.
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With a couple of plum rootstocks and several varieties of plum scions in hand, Kaye easily blended in with those whose favorite hobby or commercial business is rare-fruit growing.

Standing before the crowd of current and future growers was Joe Sabol, an experienced grower and professor in the agricultural education department. He listed several reasons for grafting: "First of all, grafting allows you to be certain of the produce, at least most of the time, you're growing," he said. "Unlike planting seeds, you're not going to end up with a variety that's different than you expect."

He explained that when someone plants one variety of an apple seed, what will grow from that seed is most likely not going to be the same type as the original. Most often, he said, the new variety will be something that isn't even edible because the only way to reproduce the clone of many fruits is by grafting them.

Sabol spoke about the increase in the root's strength which grafting provides, as well as the ability to control the tree's size by purchasing a dwarfing rootstock that will cut the plant's size in half.

Among the gray, dormant branches of the tree, a sign of life appears natural. Sabol explained that this is a low-chill variety of apple. Most apple trees blossom in March or April, but even with this rain, low-chill varieties blossom in February.

"That's why I like messing around with this stuff (grafting)," Sabol said. "Because while half of the tree is dormant, the other half is alive and blossoming."

During the eight years Sabol has spent producing rare fruits, he has transformed his backyard into a gardener to grow several varieties of fruit on one tree.

Sabol said. One man in the crowd described his friend's tree which produces more than 30 varieties of fruit as, "Anything you grow that you didn't think you could grow."

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Wells is currently ranked 16th in the nation and has a good chance at becoming an All-American.

"He's definitely one of the most exciting of our wrestlers and he really gets the crowd going with his funky, unorthodox style," Cowell said. "David does it all by playing a mental game with (his opponent) and he's very good at all aspects of the sport."

Wells' teammate Mike French said Wells' style is definitely funky, and successful at the same time. "He's awkward. He's the most unconventional wrestler you'll ever come across and that's why he's so good," French said, adding that people never know what to expect from Wells.

"He's got a body that can bend every which way," he said. "He's a human Gumby. He can put his heel on the back of his head. You can see the hairs fly. He's a freak," French added.

Wells acknowledged his strengths and abilities, but said there is one area of wrestling he is working hard to improve this season.

"I know my weakness is on my feet. I've been working on that in practice and on basic takedowns," he said. "My main objective when I go out there is to get an early takedown and then coast on top trying to score points."

Cowell agreed and added that Wells' "leg-style" is very good and he is developing a better style on his feet.

"He's really improving on his feet and that's one area that's made him a better wrestler," Cowell said. "One thing that's nice about him is we know he has come back next year."

Wells said he hopes to graduate in another year. He said he would love to end up working in the Los Angeles area because he enjoys the city and he could be near his family. He added that whatever he ends up doing, it will not involve wrestling.

"I hate to say it, but, no, I don't plan on continuing with wrestling. I hope to get set up with something decent when I graduate and pursue something new," Wells said. "It's been like nine years and, when I think about it, I know it's time for change."

The U.S. women's team, with an emotional 3-1 victory over arch-rival Canada, captured the first Olympic hockey gold for women — a hard-fought victory that brought smiles, tears, hugs, handholding and a group rendition of the national anthem.
Hall said her teammates have made her competitive this year. "I'll never stop swimming," she said. "I like the 400 IM cause that's what I'm best at," Hall said. "The IM and the breaststroke are nice because they're the main events swimmer on the team, but I think the main reason is I just love swimming and being with my teammates," Hall said. "I'll never stop swimming."
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Canada 12
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Finland 8
United States 8
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France 5
Switzerland 4
South Korea 2
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Women's basketball
Long Beach State 75
Cal Poly 58
Pacific 68
Cal Poly 61

Baseball
San Jose State 1
Cal Poly 2
San Jose State 8
Cal Poly 0
San Jose State 7
Cal Poly 4

Men's basketball
Cal Poly 81
Long Beach State 79
Cal Poly 83
Pacific 114

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Stanford 9
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Long Beach State 79
Cal Poly 83
Pacific 114

Wrestling

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U.C. Davis 15
Cal Poly 20
Cal State Fullerton forfeit
Cal Poly
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Last year San Francisco State won the national championships after capturing three weight classes.

This year the Gators are 10-9 overall with wins against Stanford and Cal State Fullerton.

Cal Poly also defeated Stanford over the weekend and posted a win over Fullerton who had to forfeit due to weather conditions.

The experienced Mustangs led the team to victory over Stanford, 27-9. Welk, David Wells and Joey Hart scored three straight majority decisions. Cal Poly continued their stampede over the Cardinal with a win by Bowles and Mike French.

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