Student's e-mail chokes system

Industrial technology senior Wayman Leming works on a computer in the Business lab, the site of the mass e-mail that slowed Cal Poly's system.

By Ryan Becker
Daily Staff Writer

A Cal Poly student severely overloaded Cal Poly's UNIX system last week by sending an e-mail message to thousands of people.

Ryan Rosner, a business sophomore, was caught using a computer in the business lab to send the e-mail. Rosner said he was completely surprised his e-mail caused such problems.

"I was just trying to use the business lab for a little business venture," Rosner said. "I didn't know the volume would hurt the system."

Rosner is involved in a multi-level marketing business which requires him to recruit salespeople. Rosner said he had a list of 500,000 e-mail addresses but had sent only about 10,000 messages.

"I would have kept going to 100,000 if it hadn't been a problem," he said. "I've made a lot of money with this."

Cal Poly's mail policies prohibit sending a single message to more than 10 users at a time. Mailing to larger groups requires the use of aliases. Dan Malone, a Cal Poly network analyst, said mass mailings can hamper system performance.

"Even though he was sitting in the Business Building, it affects the whole system," Malone said. "That business lab computer hands off the mail to the central UNIX system, and that computer has to send all the messages."

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Campus gets brighter lights

Students and faculty walking on campus at night should now feel more safe due to the installation of stronger light bulbs and two new light fixtures.

Ed Johnson, energy and utilities coordinator for Facilities Planning, led a group of student officials on a night walk Thursday to observe the improved lighting. The new lighting was installed in response to the identification of problem areas during a previous night walk.

The new lighting program was part of the Utilities project. New 250-watt light bulbs were placed in parking lots, along Perimeter Road and in certain pathways on campus that received complaints.

The parking lot behind the residence halls also got two new streetlights.

Tress and shrubbery often end up blocking lights and create places where people can hide, Johnson said. In those cases trees and bushes have been trimmed, cut down, or pushed back so light can get through.

In figuring out the best ways to improve lighting, Johnson needed to consider both efficiency and safety improvements.

By Calvin Liu
Daily Staff Writer

Holocaust victims remembered in SLO community ceremony

By Jessica Molin
Daily Staff Writer

A tale more haunting and harrowing than any played out on a Hollywood screen was told Sunday in Chumash Auditorium as part of the 10th annual San Luis Obispo Community Holocaust Remembrance.

Keynote speaker Alicia Appelmann-Jurman mystified and horrified an audience of about 300 with her story of bravery and survival during the Holocaust.

Appelmann-Jurman is the author of "Alicia My Story." She is the only member of her family who survived the gruesome genocide which took the lives of six million Jews and millions of gypsies, Slavs, political dissidents, homosexuals and other groups during World War II.

April 19 marks the anniversary of the day the Nazis invaded and began executing inhabitants of the Warsaw ghetto in Poland, according to Rabbi Lon Moscowitz. It also marks the day the Jewish resistance movement took force, Moscowitz said.

The remembrance day runs about a week from Israeli Independence Day, according to Capt. James A. Hillel, president of Cal Poly's Jewish group, Hillel.

"It's a day for the Jewish community to unite and remember the issue is whether or not our ability to host a party under the minor-in-possession law to be deleted from this section "will be pursued to its immediate challenge."

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SCLC discusses city alcohol ordinance, minors at parties and a class for drunks

A class for drunks, greater power for police and more responsibility for party-thowers were all topics at a meeting of the Student Community Liaison Committee.-SCLC Thursday.

A section of a controversial city ordinance meant to curb underage drinking was temporarily abandoned by San Luis Obispo Police Chief Jim Gardiner at the meeting, but much of the ordinance is still under consideration.

Gardiner said he had hoped to introduce a local initiative that would provide law enforcement officials more authority to cite minors for possession of alcohol, but abandoned the initiative due to legal ambiguity.

Under current law, police must witness a minor with an alcoholic beverage in his or her possession before they can issue a citation. Gardiner had wanted to expand this law so officers would not have to actually witness possession in order to issue a citation for possession.

The proposal was abandoned, Gardiner said, because state laws are not clear about the legal boundaries of this method of regulation.

"The issue is whether or not our state pre-empts our ability," Gardiner said. "I don't want to create something here that will come into immediate challenge."

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MORE RESPONSIBILITY FOR PARTY-THROWERS

Gardiner will still pursue the second section of the ordinance, 9.05.020, which deals with the hosting of a gathering. The section states that it is unlawful to host a...
Open House crowds city of SLO

35,000 visitors great for businesses, not so great for city police

By Jessica blond
Daily Staff Writer

Thousands of people converged in San Luis Obispo this past weekend, creating booming business for some, and big headaches for others.

The crowd at this weekend’s Open House event was estimated by ASI to be about 35,000, according to Cal Poly Public Safety Campbell said past crowd estimates have been as low as 25,000 and as high as 50,000 people.

For local businesses, the influx of people meant big profits this weekend.

Barbara Weibe, sales manager of the Embassy Suites hotel in San Luis Obispo, said all rooms for this weekend were sold out a month ago.

“We sell out every year for Open House,” Weibe said.

On an average weekend, the hotel reaches about 75 percent of its capacity. Weibe said that Embassy Suites often calls other hotels in the area to find somewhere to recommend to people they have to turn away. It seemed that all other San Luis Obispo hotels were sold out as well, she said.

Marilyn Allison, manager of the recently expanded Cal Poly Downtown store, said profits at least double during Open House weekend compared to other weekends. Allison said she thinks the nine weather helped increase business even more this weekend.

“Each year is a little different in terms of sales,” Allison said. “So we just make sure we have plenty of merchandise on hand and cross our fingers. It looks good so far, though.”

Eating dinner downtown meant a long wait during Open House weekend. The wait for a table at McClintock’s downtown, restaurant was up to 90 minutes at one point, according to employee Andy Wright.

“We were slammed.” Wright said. “The wait is usually no more than 20 minutes.”

At McClintock’s downtown restaurant, the wait was up to 90 minutes at one point, according to employee John Veldhuis. It usually takes 40 to 45 minutes at most to get a table at McClintock’s, he said.

Sgt. Jerry Lenthall of the San Luis Obispo Police Department said Open House weekend was second only to Mardi Gras weekend in the number of people it draws to San Luis Obispo. Lenthall said the number of calls to the police department more than double during Open House weekend.

“We’ve been busier in the first six hours of this Saturday than we were all day last Saturday,” Lenthall said. “And the evening hours are usually the busiest, when everyone is full of liquid courage.”

Traffic becomes a problem during Open House, especially when events such as the Tractor Pull or Rodeo come to a close, Lenthall said. But the most common types of problems that the police department deals with are alcohol-related incidents, he said.

“Alcohol consumption leads to behavior problems,” Lenthall said. “There are a lot of parties this weekend and the 12-pack mentality often leads to fights, domestic violence and other problems.”

According to Lenthall, there are twice as many officers on duty for Open House weekend. He said they are always on a alert mode to be sure the riots that occurred at the 1989 Poly Royal are not repeated.

In 1989, at the annual Poly Royal event, a mob mentality took over the streets of San Luis Obispo, Lenthall said. People threw rocks and bottles and set fire to the streets of downtown, he said.

The riots resulted in the event being shut down for four years. The more subdued Open House event has been occurring annually for five years without major incidents.

Lenthall said there is a concern that each year Open House has grown bigger, resembling Poly Royal more and more.

John Veldhuis, social science junior, said the traffic outside his Woodsicde apartment building on Saturday made it difficult for him to go anywhere.

“It was worse than rush hour on a Monday,” Popovich said.

Traffic was also a problem on campus, according to Popovich. "We went to the Tractor Pull, and it took forever to get out of there afterward," he said.

Neartly 35,000 attended Open House this year, causing crowds throughout SLO.
Open House remembered

(Left) Soil science senior Steve McShane is the target of a little whipped cream and fresh strawberries attack. (Below, left) Visitors could test their strength at Open House, and the weak could console themselves with any of the numerous types of food that clubs were selling. (Below, right) More tests of strength could be found at the rodeo where cowboys and cowgirls faced off against various animals. The rodeo is Cal Poly's biggest money maker at Open House. Daily photos by Maria Varns (left), Jason Kaltenbach (bottom left) and Michael Toews (bottom right).

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Prop 227 is bad news for kids

By Johanna Rubba

Whole new language at the same time? The failure to understand the child’s need to know the language which is the medium of literacy instruction is one of the reasons immersion programs so often fail. Resources also matter greatly. Mustang Daily recently reported on Pacheco School’s seemingly successful bilingual immersion program. Pacheco’s program will succeed because it is scientifically and pedagogically sound and it has community support: the willingness to pay for small class sizes, qualified teachers, and modern equipment. It will succeed because it serves not only working-class families, but also a middle- and upper-middle-class community. Parents of Pacheco children are active participants in their children’s education. Do the schools of most of California’s immigrant children attend the same service?

Children who speak a language other than English are bringing a valuable resource with them to this country: a resource which should be developed rather than allowed to atrophy. Who will be better prepared to succeed in the global marketplace: a person who is well-educated, fluent, and literate in two languages? Or someone who struggles with literacy in one language, having been denied the opportunity to learn reading, writing, and other basic skills in a language he or she already knew? Central and South America, China, Vietnam — these are the markets of the future. We will need a multilingual workforce to establish and build companies in those countries, and to staff them. What is the best way to produce this workforce? An LA Times editorial on October 26, 1997 cites a Los Angeles two-way immersion program similar to Pacheco’s, but using Korean and English. Calpoly’s third-graders, taking standardized reading tests in English, surpassed the national average in many cases while doubling the district’s average for English speaking children. In her article, MacKay cites additional research that shows that bilingual children enjoy cognitive advantages that monolingual children do not.

Allowing school children to acquire basic skills in their own language before being asked to learn English may well cause a delay in their acquisition of English. But such children retain the knowledge gained in these basic skills concepts when they change to English education instruction, and therefore do better than children who were unable to handle basic skills instruction at all because they understood little of the instruction. What's the hurry? Fourth-graders are not on the job market. Nor are seventh- or even tenth-graders. Children who are schooled first in their own language show social as well as cognitive advantages — more confidence in their abilities, higher self-esteem, less of a tendency to drop out and involve themselves in crime. You can't put an automatic time limit on doing things right. Programs should be held responsible for bringing children to English fluency, but they must be allowed the flexibility they need to do it successfully.

The fact that some 63 percent of Californians of this language-immigrant group support Prop 227, as reported recently in the LA Times, means that it is a sound initiative. Most Californians don't have the time to acquire specialized knowledge of the enormous number of complex processes of language- and literacy-learning in children, which only comes with years of reading research, observing children, teaching and learning language. That's why we have learning specialists, language specialists and education specialists. Just as we consult economists when formulating economic policy, or health professionals when formulating public health policy, we need to consult specialists in language and education when considering language education policy.

You're hearing from one right now: 227 is bad medicine for immigrant children. Vote against it.

Joanna Rubba is an assistant linguistics professor.

OPIINION

Stolen birds were our learning tools

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No, I'm not in response to Bob Gish's "Stolen birds fly the coop." No, I'm accused or even heard about a mudslinger that I don't know. I would know that one year of English immersion is not going to work for many children, especially in the primary grades, when literary skills are taught. Unfortunately, we do not have the science in order to find a profession. One needs only money and a popular idea. Whether that idea is based on sound science or popular myth seems to be irrelevant. But we shouldn't base education policy on popular myths of ancestors who learned English "naturally" or "from watching John Wayne movies." State Assemblywoman Martha Antonio acquired English through immersion. She testifies, "I did well picking up the language. But my sister and cousins had a very hard time. For every one of them, there must be 10 don't succeed," as quoted by George Skilling in Capitol Journal, LA Times on November 29, 1997. One of the most important facts to understand in this debate is that there are many kinds of bilingual education. In Sandra MacKay’s "Washing Educational Alternatives, a chapter in Language Diversity: Problem or Resource," she explains the different styles of programs, and points out that some mix elements from two or more of these five. Different programs have different rates of success. In addition, bilingual education programs are implement ed with wildly varying degrees of competence and consistency from one school to another.

Mismangement is most often due to insufficient expertise or resources, rather than the nature of the programs. And some programs don't work because their design just doesn't jive with the way children learn both a language and a subject. The marriage of pre-existing speech skills. Now must be done to all of us.

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Grooming for marriage

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In response to Kelly Youker's article on college grooming: I am also a Cal Poly student who is engaged to be married. No one can fit me on the groom's side. I can't answer your question of why there are no groom magazines. Simply put: Most males in the MF department anyway won't look at a magazine unless its filled with HEMI muscle cars. Maybe that's just what kind of thing that we men are out to deal with. So when my fiancé asks me for ideas for the wed ding I simply reply, "The wedding dress needs a train." At least a train makes deep rousing noises, is made of a lot of forged steel and is followed by a bespoke, right? Also, for people who are contemplating marriage but think school is too much, important, here is some trivia. Humans for roughly 80 percent of what they are engaged in their given day. So why postpone a lifetime of experiences when you won't remember why you postponed it to begin with? If it isn't true love, both of you will find a way to make it work. There will always be tough times throughout life, and most of the roughest must be encountered after graduating from college.

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Biology students climb aboard for 60-day Naval ship trip

By Christine Lawler
Daily Staff Writer

All aboard the Golden Bear for a "learn-by-doing" experience at sea.

Twenty Cal Poly students will soon board the U.S. Naval Golden Bear, a 500-foot, $200-million training ship. The trip will be the second in Cal Poly history.

The Cal Poly crew of 16 science cadets and four medical cadets will depart from Vallejo on May 3, sail the North Pacific seas for 60 days and return July 2. Along the way, they will make two to four-day stops in Hawaii, Japan, Alaska, Australia, Fiji, and Washington.

These students will attend various on-board biology classes seven days a week taught by biology professor Tom Richards. They will also have rotations in which they will learn about, and run, different parts of the ship. A biological training cruise course will help teach them all the aspects of operating a ship.

But it's not all work and no play. Some of the featured trips include SCUBA diving off the Great Barrier Reef and climbing Mt. Fuji. The ship will also be crossing the International Dateline, earning the traditional Naval title of Golden Shellback according to Naval tradition.

Cal Poly will participate in this trip through Maritime California State University, which also sends 180 of its own students as marine crew, or cadet core.

Richards, who started the program at Cal Poly last year, said he sees it as a once-in-a-lifetime experience. "You can't get more hands-on than this," Richards said. "These guys are going to take the helm of a 350-passenger ship and cruise all over the world."

Richards said the trip costs about $3,000 per student, which includes Cal Poly tuition, room, board, registration and training. In addition, the entire crew will be life-guard certified and receive Merchants Mariner cards by the time the trip's end.

Some students plan to do their senior project on the boat by studying the plankton (microscopic bacteria) and algae of the sea. They will collect samples three times a day and should have 160 samples by the trip's end.

Armie Parrilla, marine biology senior, is going for her second trip, and will be participating in the project. "I didn't expect to go again, but it worked out so I am," Parrilla said. "It was a great experience to be away from the norm and learn about other people and their cultures."

Parrilla said she learned a great deal about herself on last year's trip. "I found myself out there," Parrilla said. "It reinforced my idea to be a marine biologist."

Matt Oliver, ecology and systematic biology senior, is going on the trip this year. He said he found out about the program last year and knew it was the right trip for him. "I get to travel the world and have a good thing to put on my resume," Oliver said.

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This ship, the U.S. Naval Golden Bear, will be home to 20 Cal Poly students until July. The students will learn about both biology and ship operations. / Photo courtesy of Tom Richards

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A new program now allows undergraduate general engineering majors to pursue a master's degree in one extra year at Cal Poly.

Two students have already been accepted into the "4+1" program.

The program is currently only available to general engineering majors, said Dan Walsh, associate dean of the College of Engineering. The other engineering departments, however, have expressed interest in joining similar programs, he said.

"It's really exciting," Walsh said. "I think the terminal technical degree for most practicing engineers is going to be the master's degree."

The program can save a student up to 15 units and some units to be double-counted toward both degrees. In addition, the program waives the senior project requirement, so students can concentrate on a master's thesis.

Walsh feels the program is especially suitable for those students who find themselves at Cal Poly for a couple of extra years.

"Many times students will stay longer than the standard four years that the general public views as the incubator time to get your first degree," Walsh said. "Often times, this sort of thing happens because a student can't find a job, or out of sequence...and they're not using their time optimally."

The program is for anyone who, for academic or personal reasons, is forced to stay longer and can take advantage of the extra time by working toward a master's degree.

"You can end up taking a tough situation and turning it into something that is win-win," he said.

Walsh said the program is a response to both student and industry pressure.

"It's viewed as a segue to a more responsible, higher-paid position in the industry as you leave school, but it's also a suitable step if you want to go and get a Ph.D. somewhere," he said. "It's seen as a serving both ends, be it a bit more toward the industry, toward a professional position."

Walsh also emphasized that the 4+1 program is for all general engineering students.

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Mayor Ron Dunin started the city’s first Holocaust Remembrance Day in 1988. The tradi-
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The group presented three songs from its production, “Your’s, Anna’s,” a musical version of the memoir of Frans Frank. Its songs explored themes such as the frustration of being stuck in an attic for so long, and remembering what life was like before the Higgs.

The whole remembrance focused on Holocaust children.

“Many of the stories of children were killed during the Holocaust,” speaker Robert McGinn said, quoting a Holocaust survivor. “How many Nobel Peace Prize winners were among them? How many could have made a differ-
ence in the world?”

Appleman-Jurman was one of the children of the Holocaust who went on to make a difference. Audience members sat riveted as she told of the horrors she experienced, being taken into the forest and forced to work, and later sneaked her to their family away.

A couple named Mr. and Mrs. Gold had found her and saved her. She became a nurse among many Jews who buried dead bodies in the Jewish cemetery. They felt Appleman-Jurman’s body, warm with fever and realized she was alive, and pretended to bury her and later shuck her to their home in the ghetto and nursed her back to health.

“The Golds’ son had been killed,” Appleman-Jurman said. She was released to be able to save one girl out of the grave.”

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Ecuadorian jet crashes in Colombia

By Vivian Segovia Associated Press

BOGOTA, Colombia — A jell­
er chartering for Air France with 53 people aboard slammed into a fog­
draped mountain just after takeoff from the Colombian capital on Monday. Rescuers found no signs of survivors.

"I saw the plane crash into the top of the mountain and flip over. A few seconds later it blew up and our windows shook from the explosive wave," Yezid Gonzalez, who witnessed the crash from his office window, told the Radionet network.

He said the jet broke into three pieces.

At least four bodies were imme­diately recovered from debris of the plane, which was scattered in the underbrush and eucalyptus trees that cover the side of the 10,000­
foot mountain near Bogota's air­
port, rescuers said.

The plane crashed into the peak three minutes after taking off at 4:47 p.m. The aircraft, leased to Air

France by the Ecuadorian airline

TAME, was bound for Quito, the

Ecuadorean capital, civil aviation

spokesman Martin Gonzalez said.

The Boeing 727 was carrying 43 passengers and a crew of 10, Air

France spokesman Jose Maria

Rodrigo told The Associated Press.

Most of those aboard Flight 432

were French and Ecuadorian citi­

zens who had arrived on an earlier

flight from Paris, he said. Rodrigo

said there were other Europeans

aboard but he did not have their

nationalities.

Police said they recovered many

body parts but just four bodies.

Plane debris, burned clothing and

seats were also strewn across the

mountainside.

"There are hands, feet and legs. Most of what we have recovered are very small body parts," said a police

officer at the scene, Fernando

Melina.

Scattered in the rubble were

baby clothes, purses with women's

makeup, wallets with documents

and money, and a child's miniature

football. There was also a postcard

picture of the Eiffel Tower with a

message written in Spanish and

addressed to a residence in Quito.

Rescuers located the plane's flight

recorder, or black box.

A police jeep transported it from

the crash site to investigators in

Bogota.

"The plane was flying very low," said Sergio Rodriguez, a 15-year­

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National Youth Service Day

The third Tuesday in April to be the National Youth Service Day. It is a time to celebrate youth involved in service. How have Cal Poly students served their community?

Building Homes in Tijuana

This past spring break, a group of students from the Newman Catholic Center traveled to Tijuana to build houses for the poor. Over the course of six days, twelve students helped a family of six build walls and lay a cement roof, which will be the family's new home in a few months time.

The Newman Cross-Cultural Program offers students a great opportunity to learn and experience other perspectives. Emily Ramos, student coordinator, says this of her experience. "During my trip I saw how content people are with what little they have. They often don't have clean clothes or shoes, but that have their family and friends. It shows me how I can get by and through life without that new Garth Brooks CD, or really even a car or bike. It teaches me to put less emphasis on the material things in life and to appreciate the people I have in my life."

"The Newman Cross-Cultural Program is designed to educate students in awareness and appreciation of diverse cultures and to give us a solid spiritual foundation on which to base our desire to serve others," says Ramos. In addition to the Tijuana project, students traveled to the Navajo Indian Reservation in New Mexico and a refugee center in El Paso.

These three trips are funded through individual and group fundraising efforts as well as a grant from the Community Service & Learning Center. Each year, the Center gives out approximately $6,500 to clubs for service projects and students for senior projects with a service emphasis. The Newman Catholic Center was awarded $1,000 for their Cross-Cultural Program. "We recognize that there are many clubs on campus who participate in community service," says Sean McGowan, chair of the Newman Cross-Cultural Program selection committee. "We want to support them in their efforts in any way we can."

Lending A Helping Hand

Do you remember what you used to do after school when you were young? What if your parents worked and you were home alone for those hours immediately after school?

There are many children who face this scenario living in San Luis Obispo low-income housing. The volunteers of Helping Hands offer these children a brighter alternative. Monday through Thursday, volunteers spend two hours with the children at the housing complexes participating in a combination of community maintenance and recreational activities.

Helping Hands is a service program sponsored by Student Community Services. It teaches the children to be active in their community, to develop pride in their neighborhood, and to work with others. As members, volunteers develop friendships with the children and gain an understanding of their diverse social, economic, and racial backgrounds.

"Children have an amazing curiosity and exuberance that many people seem to lose as they get older. One of the most amazing feelings I have ever experienced in my life was when a little boy from this program said, 'You are the greatest,'" says Matt Huy, natural resources management freshman. "Besides, it's a lot of fun."

Exploring the Economics of Poverty

Students in Dr. Villegas' Economics 303 class do much more than just listen to lectures. They serve at homeless shelters, work with the mentally ill, and mentor latch-key kids. They do this in lieu of a research paper in order to gain further insight into the topics discussed in class.

Those who opt for the service-learning program volunteer for 8 hours during the quarter in their choice of a number of agencies dealing with the issues of poverty, discrimination, or immigration. Some students work with the homeless and explore the economic circumstances surrounding their situations. Others work with the mentally disabled and learn about the discrimination and barriers they face in society. Each student uses his or her agency as a case study on the financial and political issues of a community service organization such as funding, volunteers, and legal limitations.

Those who have completed the class have expressed that service-learning made the classroom topics more relevant and that the service showed them that the problems discussed really do exist. One student said "I was able to obtain first-hand experience on the application of economic models and knowledge and put it to actual use."

Economics 303 is not the only service-learning class at Cal Poly. Professors of ENGL, 215, POLS 210, REC 100, and Health Education 250 offer various service-learning experiences that enhance the learning for students as well as the connection between the classroom and the community. All this is facilitated by Study-Service Connections, a collaboration effort of Academic Affairs and Student Affairs, funded in part by the Cal Poly Plan.

Paint Your Heart Out

Put on an old shirt and grab a brush to help us paint homes in our second annual Paint Your Heart Out. This event, sponsored by Student Community Services (SCS), takes place Saturday and Sunday, April 25-26.

Last year, SCS painted a house on Johnson Ave for an elderly woman who had been asking for help for months. "Seeing the happiness on her face," says Steve Bennett, social science junior, "made all the work worthwhile." The paint was peeling off the sides of the house, making it a sore sight for the neighborhood. Bennett, who had never painted before, takes pride in his accomplishment. "I still drive by the house and smile to myself." SCS plans to paint two homes this year. One home is over 100 years old and historically was the original bakery in San Luis Obispo. At that time, the house had no kitchen and all baked goods were baked in an outdoor brick oven. Now, she asks for our help in re-painting her home.

If you are interested in volunteering for this year's Paint Your Heart Out, we are asking for volunteers to sign up for three-hour shifts (9-12 or 1-4) on either Saturday or Sunday. Food, fun, and free t-shirts will be provided to all participants. Please call or visit the Community Service & Learning Center to sign up.
NEW YORK — Two years ago, Muhammad Ali and author Thomas Hauser set off on a cross-country trip, talking to kids about tolerance.

They talked to black kids and white kids, Latin kids and Asian kids, rich kids and poor kids. They talked at inner-city schools and suburban civic centers. They talked and people listened.

"If you have an audience of 1,500 kids and if you reach 1 percent — and that's low with Ali — that's 15 kids who are a little less prejudiced," Hauser said. "Maybe those 15 kids talk to five friends and five others, and so on."

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Ali spreads tolerance message

By Hal Bock
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Coach Bill Fitch was fired by the Los Angeles Clippers on Monday, two days after the perennial NBA doormat finished a 17-65 season.

Clippers vice president of basketball operations Elgin Baylor said he planned to compile a list of candidates for the coaching job within a few days.

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We fire each other up by topping each other. It can get heated, but it's a heated friendly competition.

--Brad Pickett
Cal Poly pole vaulter

They have the same personali­ties," he said. "It's a real close-knit group. I think our guys are great. Real motivated. They put everything they have into that event."

All the members of the pole vault team feel that this is their year to shine. They say they have been jumping higher in practice and recently received some new poles that they feel will help their jumps.

"Bigger poles mean we can jump higher," Pickett said. "It's almost a maturity thing: We've hit the spot in our career where we think we're ready." Starkey said he believes that the pole vault team plays a big role in the success of the Cal Poly Track team.

"Almost every meet we go to," he said, "we place a guy in the top three."
On the side...

Top wait is finally over for Cal Poly wide receiver Kamal Loud. Loud has been the topic of conversation around campus for the last couple of weeks.
What round was he going to go in? Who was going to draft him?
Second round, sixth round and not at all, were some of the guesses thrown around in the conversations I heard.
But on Sunday, Loud got the word.
He went to the Buffalo Bills in the seventh round as a compensatory pick.
With no dictionary in sight, I have no clue what compensatory means or what it will mean to Kamal, but I'm pretty sure I know what him being drafted will mean to Cal Poly.
It signifies a step—a hop in fact—from Division II to Division I. I know the switch took place in 1994, but the toppling took a while to reach the rest of the country.
Now Cal Poly has arrived, with Kamal Loud's name as our stamp on the NFL.
Sure, he's not the first. There was Chris Thomas who broke into the National Football League in 1993 with the Fort-Niners and eventually the Washington Redskins, but he was different.
This is Kamal.
Though he was drafted No. 238 overall, Loud still has the best chance to make a splash in the NFL since John Madden.
Actually, Loud missed out on being Mr. Irrelevant in the draft by just four picks. That title—which goes to the last pick each draft—would have made Loud a household name and given Cal Poly even more recognition.
Loud still has to prove himself to earn a spot in the Bills lineup. On ESPN Sportszone they said, "Is he a natural hands catcher? Likes to catch the ball against his body. Is he not snapper quick or tough. May have trouble beating bumps and run coverage when he plays in better competition. Did not elevate his game as a senior."
You can't blame ESPN for thinking that Loud's numbers dropped his senior year, because I don't think ESPN watched any of Cal Poly's games.
The critics don't know that the Mustangs' system was geared for the run and the pass was almost a last resort.
He caught 60 passes and 1042 yards in his junior year. Last season he caught 33 passes for 708 yards. A drop, but not a drop in talent. Although you might not want to take my word on this or anything dealing with sports for that matter.
You see, this past weekend I went to a journalism convention in Los Angeles. One of the judges wasn't very flattering toward a sports talk show on KCPR that I co-host. He said not to shed, "Very little information or knowledge about sports. No evidence that those two know anything about sports."
I'm just wondering how is it that I have a column, a sports show and a job? Knowledge of sports. Good looks. Chops. Personality. Definitely not. Must be luck.
I guess your guess is as good as mine, but I hope you've learned one thing from me: Screw the critics.

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By Mark Hartz
Daily Staff Writer

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SPORTS TRIVIA

Wednesday's Answer:
The Fresno State hockey team filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection last Wednesday.
No one submitted the correct answer.

Today's Question:
Name the last Cal Poly football player to be drafted in the NFL draft.
Submit your answer to:
kklaney@pomail.calpoly.edu

BRIEFS

Cal Poly wrestlers earn individual titles

Cal Poly wrestlers Jaime Garza, Antonio Banuelos and Steve Strange each captured individual championships in the freestyle competition at last weekend's California Pila Junior State Championship in Bakersfield.
Garza won at 123.5 pounds, while Banuelos and Strange captured titles at 132.25 pounds and 182.5 pounds, respectively.

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