Mustang Daily

Snapshots of diversity on display

By Jesse Melend Daily Staff Writer

A mosaic of different cultures — composed of winning entries from the first Human Diversity Photo Contest — is on display at Kennedy Library.

The contest was open to all students, faculty and staff. The library received 52 contest entries. The event was held in honor of Joyce Curry-Daly, a Cal Poly professor who died last fall at age 52 of pancreatic cancer. Curry-Daly was a photographer and a member of the university’s cultural awareness committee.

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Need a bike? Public Safety’s annual Bike Auction takes place today and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Public Safety Services, Building 74. Get absolutely rock-bottom deals on “hot” bikes.

Join Poly Escapes for a free outdoor education seminar at 5:30 p.m., then for a slide show and cookies at 7 p.m., all in U.U. Room 220. This week’s topic will be situational leadership. Poly Escapes is a student-run group that hosts outdoor events ranging from outdoor survival classes to white-water river rafting trips.

WEDNESDAY
Enjoy a lunchtime excursion through Poly Canyon with members of your campus community. The hike begins at the gates of Poly Canyon promptly at noon. Hosted by Provost Paul Zingg and EAP Coordinator Jean DeCosta, the focus is to discuss the environment’s variants ecosystems and the human impact on those systems while cleaning it up.

THURSDAY
The SLO Business Improvement Association will be hosting its first event for downtown businesses on Thursday from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Farmer’s Market to display equipment and meet the public from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

FRIDAY
Children and their parents are invited to the “America Reads” event on campus today. The program will feature story reading by campus and community “celebrities,” storytelling by Cal Poly students, and videos on how children learn, plus presentations on the national program “America Reads.” For more information, call Margaret Gardner of El Corral Bookstore at 756-5316.

Shoot the rapids of the Kern River with Poly Escapes. Two of Poly’s very own river guides, Mike and Davey, will be leading a white-water river rafting trip this weekend. Cost is $50. For more info or to sign up, contact the Escape Route at 756-1287.

Join Brian and Nick as they lead a Poly Escapes trip to the Jennie Wildlife, in the High Sierra next to Sequoia National Park. Snow camping, snow shoeing and enjoying the wilderness are in store for adventurers who take this $20 trip. Sign up at the Escape Route, or call 756-1287.

SATURDAY
Woods Humane Society is holding an Adopt-A-Pet event today in Laguna Lake Park from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Leasing pets in need of homes will be there, just waiting to be adopted. Every year, more than 1,100 pets depend on Woods to find them new homes. Woods has been able to place 90 percent of these animals. If you have an empty spot in your life, stop by and adopt a fuzzy doggy or fluffy kitty.

ANNOUNCEMENTS
Free, anonymous HIV tests are offered by the San Luis Obispo County Public Health Department. Confidential testing is also offered for any one requiring documentation of their test result for $15. Both the blood test and the oral test, OraSure, are offered. Phone 781-5537 for an appointment, on Mondays from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. The Health Department is located at 2191 Johnson Avenue.

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became really nice. There are no walls between people there.

Agriculture professor Joe Sabol, who recently made a trip to Africa, took the winning photograph.

"We went to observe, learn and understand their culture," Sabol said. "I learned many, many problems there. It was an eye-opening experience." 

Sabol said during his trip he saw the prison cell where Nelson Mandela was held. He also was in Uganda for about a week before President Clinton arrived and saw the preparations being made for his visit.

"I asked a young woman what was going on and she told me 'the president of the world is coming,'" Sabol said. "I was proud they would make such a fuss for our president, but at the same time it was sad because they have so many internal problems they should be focusing on."

Environmental engineering senior Thi "T" Haong took second place for her photos from Bali and Thailand. Haong said she travels every summer.

"I believe that when you travel outward into the world you also make such a fuss for our president," Sabol said. "It was my pride they didn't do much publicity for the contest because they didn't do much publicity for the contest.

"The entries were pretty well balanced between students and faculty," Nelson said. "It was really nice to see that so many students entered." 

The 1997-98 Cultural Awareness Committee is made up of Cal Poly staff members. Cal Poly President Warren Baker was a director of the Cultural Awareness Committee.

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Love, not judgement

Editor,

I am writing this in response to Jennifer Flores’s article on the unfortunate experiences of her friend in the dorms. I agree wholeheart- edly with Ms. Flores, that in fact, the human race, should concentrate more on their actions rather than on words. I too, am saddened and angered by the fact that many Christians feel it’s their duty to degrade, insult and discriminate against outside of those things which they judge to be right. But, please, Ms. Flores, do not judge all Christians based on the acts of a few individu- als.

I am a Christian. According to Ms. Flores this means that I am not only intolerant, but that I will “find delight in humilitating” those who do not share my beliefs. I have yet, in my 21 years of attending Catholic services and 17 years of Catechism, been instructed that this is the way to live in Christ. I have always been taught that there is only one Judge, and we are not Him, Christ, rather than leaving us to judge others, taught about love.

The major message of His sermons always seem to concentrate on selflessness, forgiveness and love. It was not Jesus who taught those individu­ als to hate others because of his or her background. To those “Christians” I pose this question: Do you truly feel that your actions and words have served Christ, who ought to bring the world peace?

Jesus was a wonderful gift to this world, please do not insult His name by associating it with words of hate.

Tim Wilkinson is a materials engi­ neering junior.

Take Jesus to heart

Editor,

Jennifer Flores’s opinion piece in Mustang Daily May 7 was courageous and deeply move­ ing. She reminds me of Jesus standing up for the underdog. Ms. Selle complains that Ms. Flores personally insulted his character, and no more than a paragraph away, he calls Ms. Flores a “RACIST.”

I read Berger’s letter about Ms. Selle’s art, and I don’t know where he got the inten­ tion to ridicule. Selle infers that Berger is a racist because he made a bad judgement call on his artwork. But a racist is someone who judges another based on RACE.

I don’t know Mr. Selle, but after reading his bio, I must say, I would just want something as simple as to have his shoulders the size of West Virginia. He wrote:

“Undeveloped nations are bursting at the seams, whole countries are suffering, and developed nations are scrambling to continually increase their GDP (Gross Domestic Product), based on a system of ecological destruction. No matter what political boundaries are drawn on the globe, every human falls victim to environmental crimes, regardless of where they occur.

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What would be more harmful to California; the statistics of the children of bilingual education programs become more successful or their educationally successful parents generally have no interest in learning.

The next millennium draws near — no different from that which brought the world to an imminent environmental and human crisis.

Everybody’s got a color, so what’s this got to do with me, personally? Aside from the enrichment that I have gained in my life, I have not been made uncomfortable by their presence. I believe that the human race is not at a place for them.

The graduates of bilingual education programs become more successful than the students of English-speaking stu­ dents. I have worked in biling­ ual education pro­ grams for three years. I am working in one at Laguna Middle School.

I am sick and tired of those who judge me by the color of my skin and try to put me in my place by suppression, degradation, and dehumanizing me. What? I had to laugh because I still don’t know what color he is and I really don’t care! It sounds like he’s making his racist grievances with the very serious issue of race.

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Kim K. Runt is a daisies academy senior.

Let’s keep it positive

Editor,

In response to the May 7, 1998 Cal Poly Women’s softball article, I wish to express my disappointment in the lack of sports spirit shown to our athletes. I per­ sonally attended a few home games where statistics didn’t do justice to the effort and abilities of our players. The photos and general focus seemed to highlight­ ed the teams pitfalls of the 1998 season.

The Mustangs attracted their fair share of the seniors and players who, in past seasons, have placed teams in the top 25. Last year they ranked 7th in the nation. It is fair to acknowledge a poor season, for this season was exactly that. However, as a fan in support of the players, I feel espe­ cially those who will not get a chance of completing a great season on a back, not a slap in the face. I find it hard to believe the players were responsible for a drop from 7th in the nation to not even being ranked, especially since only three players did not return from the 1997 season. I felt the talent I observed was poorly utilized and the team’s poor coaching should be the topic for your next two-page article.

In closing I wish to thank the players and coaches, both the winners and losers.

Jeffery C. Hare is a daisies academy senior and a Daily Copy Editor.

Keep the letters coming.

And keep em to the point.

(under 100 words please, no life stories)

Brandon Liddell is a forefront and natural resources junior.

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Down to Earth

Sometimes I feel like a tiny grain of sand in the midst of mankind’s modern world, a place of unsatisfactory- ordered chaos, of great mankind’s modem world, a place by suppression, deprivation and censor­ ship. What? I had to laugh because I still don’t know what color he is and I really don’t care! It sounds like he’s making his racist grievances with the very serious issue of race.

Mr. Selle again, “I don’t consider myself an racist because he made a bad judgement call on his artwork. But a racist is someone who judges another based on RACE. I don’t know Mr. Selle, but after reading his bio, I must say, I would just want something as simple as to have his shoulders the size of West Virginia. He wrote:

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Way’s your passion and your soul, Mr. Selle? Obviously not in your photography. You say you’re like the money in your pou­ cher. Your letter concludes with “get a damn life.” I recommend you buy yourself a past pages of the newspaper.

Brad Davis is a journalism senior and a Daily Copy Editor.

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would honor her with the traditional gestures — a small gift or card and/or phone call.

Theresa Robles, social science senior, said: "Mother's Day does make me miss my mom even more, but it's a little commercialized. You have to buy her something when it should come out of your heart at any time of the year."

Keeping up with tradition, Mary Anne’s Hallmark in downtown San Luis Obispo sold a lot of cards according to employee Wes Frakes.

"We've been getting spanked the last couple of days; pretty much all the cards are gone," Frakes said.

"The funny cards are usually the first to go, and then people settle for the mushy kind as it gets closer to Mother's Day," he added.

Frakes said he didn't send his mom a card, but e-mailed her and sent scanned photos of his family.

Some students gave the traditional offerings to their moms.

Kristi Crumpacker, social science junior, said she sent her mom a present and would call her, although she wishes she could do more. Her mom lives in the Bay Area.

"I feel bad I can't be there, I've never gone home on Mother's Day and I just feel like I should," Crumpacker said.

Electrical engineering junior Edwin Escobar said he bought his mom a blank Mother's Day card because she doesn't speak English, and he also sent her flowers.

"I spent hours trying to write something nice for her, compliment her and tell her what a great mom she is, I remember all the circumstances we've gone through in this country and thank her for helping me through the rough times, Escobar said.

Other students were less apt to indulge in Mother's Day retailing.

History junior James Larkin said he didn't get his mom anything because he's going to see her next weekend.

"I will give her a gift then, but I don't know what, and I will call her," he said.

Many of those who had Mom in town took her out to brunch.

"Those restaurants all sold out early for Mother's Day brunch. There were also events to choose from such as a free Mother's Day concert at the Jack House Gardens on March Street, the Cuesta Wind Ensemble's Mother's Day concert in the PAC's Harmon Hall and a family carnival in Grover Beach.

At Thursday's Farmers' Market, 1,000 red roses were given out to the first 1,000 mothers to arrive.

Darlene Garza, physical education freshman, said she would celebrate Mother's Day with her two children.

"We'll probably go to church, and then lunch. Who knows, maybe they'll have a surprise for me," Garza said.

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Netanyahu, said it was unlikely that a new date for the summit could be fixed until late in the month because of Netanyahu's travel plans.

Erekat blamed Netanyahu for the breakdown in negotiations, noting the Palestinians had agreed to a U.S. compromise proposal in which Israel would withdraw from 13 percent of the West Bank in exchange for tougher Palestinian security measures.

"The Americans must take decisive decisions. They must stop Netanyahu before it's too late," said Erekat, distributing the impass to "Netanyahu's defiance" and calling the Israeli leader a "non-negotia- tor.

Israeli radio reported that Clinton would meet Netanyahu in Birmingham, England, during a conference of the world's richest nations next week.

In Washington, White House spokesman Barry Toiv said no decision had been made on the meeting, and that Clinton would decide whether to hold it after talking with his advisers.

Last week, Clinton offered to play host to a new round of Mideast talks in which Israelis and Palestinians would wrap up loose ends and start tackling the tough- est issues — such as the future of Jerusalem, Jewish settlements, borders and refugees. But the meeting was conditioned on Israel first approving the U.S. withdrawal plan — which Israel interpreted as an ultimatum.

The daily Maariv reported that Netanyahu accused the Americans of portraying him as an obstacle to peace during a Friday meeting with Ross.

"You want to depict me as the one who is thwarting the peace process, and I'm not prepared to accept that," Netanyahu told Ross, according to Maariv.

"It's impossible for you to invite me to Washington under such con- ditions. That's public humiliation," said Netanyahu, raising his voice and pounding on his desk.

Bar-Illan, who refused to com- ment on the Maariv report, blamed the breakdown on a breach of understandings with the United States that Israel would determine the size of the withdrawals and was alone responsible for security.

He also was critical of the United States for coaxing the invita- tion to Washington "in the form of an ultimatum" in which Israel had to agree to U.S. terms before it could attend.

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issues and bone their messages.

"Clearly, a lot of work and attention will be devoted to dis- tinguishing myself — and letting people know that I am the real thing," Davis said in an inter- view, adding that he would proudly discuss his record of public service if Checchi contin- ues to pin the "career politician" badge on him.

A spokesman for Lungren said he would focus on crime and education and, like Davis, remind voters of his years of public service. Lungren was last elected attorney general.

Lungren served in Congress. Ms. Harman planned to sug- gest Lungren and Davis have spent too much time in office, said Kevork, bar manager. For her part, Ms. Harman is serving her third term in Congress and worked in the Carter White House as a deputy cabinet secre- tary.

Besides drawing distinctions on issues, the debate will give viewers a glimpse of four very different personalities.

Ms. Harman boasts of a co- operative leadership style but occasionally grows combative when questioned by critics and reporters. Lungren is known for his glibness and confidence, but his temper sometimes flares.

Checchi is a former corporate executive unaccustomed to hav- ing his word questioned.

"For Davis, the question is not his command of the sub- stance, it's style," said Sherry Bebitch Jeffe, a political analyst at the Claremont Graduate University. "It's showing a little bit of charisma potential, break- ing out of the mold of the — for lack of a better word — 'gray' bureaucrat image."

Ms. Harman and Lungren have the most to gain from the debate. The congresswoman is last among Democrats in the lat- est Field Poll and needs to make a splash.
B-BALL from page 8

The Mustangs' first long-ball of the afternoon went off the bat of Jason Yount. It was his ninth of the year.

A Barringer walk started the Mustangs' mild rally in the bottom of the ninth. A Wood single put runners at second and third with one out for the Mustangs. Treasper followed with a liner down the leftfield line. The double scored Barringer and Wood, the last two Mustang runs.

On Saturday, the outcome wasn't any closer. The 49ers defeated the Mustangs, 25-7.

Wood hit his 17th homer and Obenour and Barringer each collected two hits. Day belted two homers, his 12th and 13th, for the 49ers, and Matt Brady got the loss (1-1).

Friday, 49er right-hander Caleb Balbuena shut out the Mustangs, 13-0. He allowed only three hits, two to Bailey and one to Treasper, while striking out eight. Zavelli (3-12.57) took the loss in the game allowing nine runs on 14 hits in five and two-thirds innings.

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A Roadrunner defender missed a kick to clear the ball. Heermon came out to get one on one, but Chivas Felipe Rodriguez dribbled around him and put the ball in the open goal.

"We need to be more explosive on the attack and that will help keep the teams off of us on the defensive," Smyth said.

In four games, the Roadrunners have scored only four goals. Smyth doesn't want to make excuses for the losses, but he points out that the team has had a lot of opportunities to practice together as a team.

"Unfortunately a couple of games have been like learning experiences and that is not where you want to be at this point in the season," Smyth said.

The Roadrunners are now 2-2 overall and 0-1 in league play.
SPORTS

SPORTS TRIVIA

Wednesday's Answer: A total of 170,000 tickets were sold to the World Cup after a telephone hotline opened April 23 for residents of France and other European nations. French officials said at least 20 million telephone calls were received by 90 operators.

Congrats Julie moonadoff!

Today's Question: Name the team who won the championship match of the women's water polo collegiate tournament on Sunday.

Submit your answer to: maeany@calpoly.edu

Please include an answer and your full and last name in your e-mail.

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BRIEFS

Summer Soccer Series

July Jeff Report

The Cal Poly men's and women's soccer teams are teaming up to present the Cal Poly Summer Soccer Series. Five day-camps will be offered to boys and girls ranging in ages 5-17.

Each camp costs $75 and spans four days.

The camp offers local children a chance to get away from the television, into the sun and work on their soccer skills.

"We have the finest facilities on the Central Coast and we saw a need for a quality day camp, as a result. Wolfgang (Men's head soccer coach) and I decided to combine our efforts to help develop young soccer players," stated women's head soccer coach Alex Cruzens in a press release.

The first camp, June 22-25, is for co-ed children ages 5-12 at the Cal Poly Rec Field.

The second camp, July 6-9, is for co-ed children ages 5-12 at the Cal Poly Rec Field.

The third camp, July 13-16, is for co-ed children ages 5-12 at the Cal Poly Rec Field.

The fourth camp, July 20-23, is for co-ed children ages 5-17 at the Cal Poly Rec Field.

The fifth camp, July 27-30, is for co-ed children ages 5-17 at the Los Osos Middle School.

Wood ties Cal Poly home run record

By Joe Helen
Daily Staff Writer

In his second-to-last at bat of the season, Steve Wood belted his Cal Poly record-tying 18th homer of the year. The Mustangs' 16-62, 7-21 dropped the game to the 49ers (33-20, 23-7, 19-8), concluding a three-game sweep for the 49ers.

The blast over the left-centerfield wall off Long Beach State right-hander shrimp was hit to the Cal Poly bullpen, according to Wood's timing, a five-run lead. Cal Poly scored once in the third, taking a 2-0 lead.

Sophomore first baseman got a chance in the ninth inning to break the record but delivered a sharp single to center instead.

He also got into the Cal Poly record books for doubles, hits and RBI in a single season. His 16 doubles ties him for seventh while his 58 RBI and 80 hits ranks him sixth.

Despite Wood's effort, the Mustangs dropped the game to the 49ers 9-0.

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Runners drop league opener and US Open qualifier games

By Kimberly Kenny
Daily Sport Editor

Wile E. Coyote could learn something from the Ambassadors and the Chivas.

Both teams managed to catch the Roadrunners this weekend.

The Central Coast Roadrunners controlled the tempo of the games, but the others pushed through to the goal with a more physical game. "We are only playing with intensity in sports and then we have a breakdown," said Roadrunner head coach Larry Smyth. "All it takes is one little breakdown to let somebody through."

On Friday night, the Roadrunners fell to the Silicon Valley Valley, Ambassadors 3-1, in a U.S. Open Cup qualifier game.

Ambassador Miguel Dumitru scored the first goal in the 96th minute. An ambassador took a shot that hit the top of the goal and bounced straight down. With goalkeeper Alan Beilke out of the goal, Dumitru rushed the goal and put the ball in.

Several minutes later the Roadrunners tied the score. Jose Espinosa placed a free kick into the center then Dana McGregor shot the ball to the back post and it bounced across the goal and in.

In the 68th minute, the Ambassadors scored again. Rafan Kaba dove to head in a deflected corner kick.

They came back to score again. With Beilke out of the goal on one side, Awan Kebreab put the ball into the other side of the goal.

Frustrated with trying to defend his goal alone, Beilke kicked the ball back into the goal as it bounced out.

On Saturday night, Roadrunner goalkeeper Brandon Harsman got a little taste of that frustration when the Southern California Chivas defeated the Roadrunners 2-0.

The first half of the game was scoreless, but attitudes were flaring. The referee and Chivas Mike Robles had multiple conversations on the field, resulting in a yellow card.

Robles managed to score the first goal of the game through Oscar Quinto passed the ball backwards to set up the shot by Robles to the upper left corner of the goal.

In the 75th minute the Chivas sealed their win with a second goal.

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