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were in school and will continue through winter break. It can be seen on Charter Channel 6 on Wednesdays at 9 p.m., Fridays at 9:30 p.m. and Saturdays at 1:30 p.m.

The first time starting up, there were questions about its relevancy after the fact, but all of the information is still very relevant,” Merrill said.

Harris said although only about 150 people attended the fair, the impact of the fair goes far beyond that.

“Everyone that I have talked to who has seen the show says that they learned something from it,” said Ray Bennett, university police investigator.

Constance said the show will be successful if it teaches safety techniques and motivates people to incorporate these techniques into their lives.

According to Harris, Community Safety Fair is a unique way of dealing with a situation, which has enabled it to win a unique award. The show and the five media organizations that worked to put it together won the Crime Prevention Program of the Year award in the media category.

According to Constance, this award, given out yearly by the

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HIV tests available at Health Center

By Nate Pontious

It's early Monday, and Marilyn Pieters has only seven minutes to spare. She's a nurse practitioner at the Cal Poly Health Center and handles HIV pre-test counseling. At only 10:10 a.m., her morning is booked solid with pre-test interviews.

This is a common way to start the week and not all that surprising. According to the San Luis Obispo HIV Awareness Project, SLO County is listed as one of the top 25 highest result-reporting counties in California. Since 1985, there have been 67,859 HIV tests done in the county. Nineteen percent of those who tested positive are under the age of 29.

With barely time to talk between meetings, Pieters is aware of these numbers. She holds a 30-minute meeting with anyone who wishes to be tested. The interview, she says, helps to better assess each of these numbers. She holds a 10-minute meeting with anyone who wishes to be tested. The interview, she says, helps to better assess each of these numbers.

"That's one of the reasons we have students come in person — to have that support and liaison," Pieters said.

HIV testing is offered on Monday mornings and Wednesday afternoons at the Health Center. Anonymous testing is sponsored by the State of California Department of AIDS and is free for students and non-students alike. Confidential testing is also offered, the results of which are kept in a sealed file and cannot be released without written approval.

"It's my understanding that this quarter almost all the interviews are booked," says Health Educator Jopson Dominguez.

There are two options for students wishing to be tested for the HIV virus: the standard blood test and OraSure, an oral test. Blood tests are sent to the County Health Department and require a fee of $17. OraSure checks saliva for HIV antibodies and is free.

"If you have an aversion to needles, you certainly would want to go with OraSure," Dominguez said. However, many people feel the oral test is not as tried and true as the traditional blood test. These people are misinformed, Dominguez explained. In fact, the test is more than 90 percent accurate.

Pieters agrees that the oral test is just as reliable as a blood test. "They're equal, as far as sensitivity goes," she said.

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ATHLETES' SUCCESS DEPENDS ON PLANNING RIGHT MEALS

If you're a member of a sports team or just an avid athlete, it's likely you're aware of the need to eat well. The question is, are you consuming the right types of foods to maximize your potential?

An athlete performs his or her best when combining regular physical training with a balanced diet. What really improves your performance is healthy eating days or even weeks before a game or event, although the pre-game meal is just as important.

Because they expend more energy, athletes have increased energy needs compared to a non-athlete. It's important to consume a diet high in carbohydrates (55 to 60 percent of total calorie intake). Carbohydrates are the quickest energy source your body uses for the fastest possible performance. Protein aids in tissue repair and function. About 12 to 15 percent of your daily calories should come from protein. Excess protein intake does not add muscle because any extra protein consumed is either immediately used or stored as fat. A low fat diet (10 to 25 percent of total calories) is important because high fat foods will slow the absorption of carbohydrates.

Energy bars, supplements, caffeine and other products have no widely accepted and conclusive scientific evidence of working. They may, however, contribute to the "placebo effect." If an athlete believes something will work, he or she will attribute the effectiveness of their performance to whatever it was they consumed.

Although good nutrition is important year round, the pre-game meal can be a predictor of your performance during the event.

What should you eat before a game? A meal high in carbohydrates, protein, fiber and moderate in protein and low in fat. Examples include pasta with a low-fat sauce, a lean meat sandwich with low-fat cheese, a salad or cereal with low-fat milk and fruit, such as a banana. This meal should be consumed three to four hours prior to the event to allow for proper digestion and should involve fluids for hydration.

Remember, training and exercise may improve your performance and skill, but the proper diet provides the fuel to get you there.

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Bad artwork threatens our campus sanity

I try to spend as little time in the library as possible. I feel it is the last bastion of some understandable place on campus to spend one’s time. Of course, I think the library is a great resource for students and is without doubt an essential part of our university. Yet as soon as I cross the threshold of Robert Library, I find myself wanting to leave as soon as possible.

I recently began to subject myself to some deep psychoanalysis to discover why I had such an acute feeling for a building in which hundreds of people spend time on purpose. Was it the loveliness of the architecture? Was it the Ark? Perhaps something along the side of the building? No, it was neither of those. As I delved deeper into the depths of my psyche, I discovered that my distaste for building 35 comes from that hideous purple thing that hangs over students as they innocently study in the Reserve Room.

You know what I’m talking about. I’ve heard it referred to under many different names that ugly purple thing, that ugly, dusty purple thing, that ugly DNA-looking thing, that ugly thing that looks like a monster in the murals. It is this “thing” that creates tension within my very soul every time I enter the library. This thing (we will call it “it”) from now on) turns on me. From now on) it’s going to be removed. Surely it is time within my very soul to set it free from its hideous purple monster from the Matrix. It is this “thing” that looks like Illinois, that looks like New York, that looks like Portland, that I have discovered is inside me.

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Beauty is in the eye of the beholder. I don’t know how long I have been hearing that saying, but it must be from before my time. Everyone has his or her own tastes in the opposite sex, architecture, scenery and anything else you can look at. No one can tell you that you are wrong either, because it is your preference. Not them. So why is it that when it comes to art, people, especially those with power, want to tell other people what they should look at? Why is art any different?

Recently, New York Mayor Rudolph Giuliani refused to pay the October installment of the city’s $7 million subsidy to the Brooklyn Museum — because it had an exhibit containing art found threatening. When the museum refused to take the exhibit down, the city mayor filed a lawsuit to evict the museum from the building it has been housed in for the past century. Ironically, all the law from city hall brought much more attention to the exhibit than any public relations campaign could have.

The exhibit, named “Sensation,” contains 92 pieces by 42 artists. One piece in particular, The Holy Virgin Mary (1996), is at the center of controversy. The painting shows an African Mary with cutouts from porn mags of women’s crotches and clumps of elephant dung adorning her. Albright, this may not sound beautiful to any of us, but it may contain beautiful symbolism that may not be interpreted as such, per se. The artist claims that the magazine cutouts symbolize the sacred’s overcoming of the profane, and that the elephant dung adorns its symbolism. While none of us may ever have to come to those conclusions, others may.

Closer to home, some artwork “is to be removed” from the courthouse downtown. The artwork of some chili peppers, one cut in half, apparently offended someone in the building. The art was viewed as vulgar and a mild form of pornography. I have actually seen the painting, and while not the most beautiful thing I have ever seen, it was far from vulgar. I think it is too bad that an artist had to be humiliated because someone’s taste differed from theirs.

People see what they want to see. That is the bottom line. We all hear what we want to hear, remember what we want to remember and find interest in the things we alone like. Those are the facts of life. A society that indulges in sex and violence every day on television should be able to decide whether or not they can handle looking at some artwork. If they don’t think they can handle it, they can stay home or go to the park. The freedom to choose is a beautiful thing — one of the few things on which most of us would agree. We are born with the sense to distinguish between what is appealing to us and what is not. No one tells us. If they do, they are not only violating our dignity as a human being, they are wrong. Unless of course they like us the way we are.

Looking at the situation, it seems to be a problem of abuse of power, not of obscene artwork. Getting a little closer to home, one may think of certain red handprints scattered around campus. Not too long ago, the administration tried to tell the student body that the reminders were only graffiti and were against school policy. Again, it comes down to how you interpret things. Most of us would interpret the handprints as symbols for victims of sexual abuse. Agreed, they may not be the most beautiful things around our lovely campus, but they remind us that everything is not always wonderful here. I think there is beauty in education, but then again, beauty is in the eye of the beholder.

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I’m far too mature to reciprocate.

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Letters to the editor

It's not what they said, it's how they said it

I am writing in response to the fire and brimstone preachers in the University Union Thursday. They were wrong. They were also right. What they said was completely right. People who have their sins counted against them do indeed go to hell if they don't walk away from here with the impression that Jesus hates those who don't live the way He wants them to. He does not condone the message that those four men expressed in the UU.

Now instead of telling you of the condemnation of not following Jesus, I will speak of the wonderful benefits of following Him. I know I am loved by the universe. God is always watching over me. I KNOW and have a dynamic, awesome relationship with God. I am completely forgiven for all my sins. I am a child of God. I have great times of prayer and worship. God lives within me. I have a purpose to live my life. I am your to heaven when I leave this world. I have found a champion in Jesus. The people I heard were laughing about these preachers, others were very angry and offended. Well, I have just two words for all of you students who walked by these men and heard what they said: I APOLOGIZE.

Though I have never met these men, I feel a burden to speak on their behalf as a fellow Christian. I am deeply saddened that they chose to portray the Gospel of Jesus Christ in this way. This is not why Jesus came to earth. When Jesus walked the earth, He did speak of repentance from sin. But he did not indolent people with shallow and cruel remarks. Rather, he hung out with them and loved them! Throughout the Bible, you will find Jesus choosing to spend time with the sick, the sinners and the social outcasts who the self-righteous people of that time condemned (see Luke 7, John 4). He never hid the truth from them. He made it perfectly clear that they needed to ask God to forgive them for the things they had done wrong. But He did so entirely out of love. Jesus showed this love by dying on the cross so that all of us could have a relationship with God again.

While you are here at Cal Poly, you will have many opportunities to get to know who this Jesus really is. Whatever you do, please don't walk away from here with the impression that Jesus hates those who don't live the way He wants them to. He does not condone the message that those four men expressed in the UU.

Please read what He did say (in the Bible) and see that He is the God of love, not hate.

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The Body speaks truth Editor,

I have found a champion in Jesus. Preachers by and large just don't see because they rarely come out and say what they actually believe. They tell you what the most votes and piss off the least amount of people — oh no, but not The Body. Organized religion is a sham and a crap for weak-minded people who need strength in numbers. These words came from an interview for the November Playboy (how many current governors do you think would give an interview with Playboy?). I have never seen such bad ideas from any politician, and I love them. Being a Navy SEAL requires an extreme amount of self-reliance. If you are stuck behind enemy lines and your strategy is to rely on your own strength and skill to survive, chances are, you are going to end up a corpse. I suppose it is OK to have faith in something. Jesus has faith in himself. If some people want to believe in a higher being, that is all fine and well. The ones who make me laugh are the people who put us in a higher power but insist you if you don't also believe in their version of God who rules the world.

There is no way Jesus is giving the citizens of Minnesota any lip service. I hear his polls dropped 17 percent after that little quote aired. I guess some people go to church in Minnesota. But Jesus knew that too, but said what he believed regardless. Even if you go to church every Sunday, you have a hill to climb. If you have to admire anyone that says, "This is what I truly believe. I know it's going to piss off most of the country, but I'm not going to walk on a touchy question."

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Water ski team ready to compete

By Carolyn Ficara

Cal Poly's water ski team has hit the water for its first year of competition. The team is now practicing for this season's first tournament, Oct. 30-31 in San Diego.

Architecture sophomore Frank Mahan and close buddy Andy Proctor, a liberal studies freshman, met several years ago at a ski competition. Since both wanted to attend Cal Poly and continue to ski, they decided to form a water ski team.

"I've done all my life and skied in competitions a lot. Other colleges wanted to recruit me but I wanted to go to Poly because of the architecture program," Mahan said. "I still wanted to ski, so we decided to form a team here."

It took about a year to get the team organized and to work out details such as insurance.

The ski team is a member of the National Collegiate Water Ski Association's Western Division, which includes 16 teams.

"There are about 25 people on the team now. We are glad to have new members. They don't have to be a great skier to join. A person does not have to be able to ski on one ski and do some cuts and turns," Mahan said.

"The team spirit is wonderful. Everyone is included, encouraged and cheered on, whether they are a new member or have skied forever," Proctor said. "We do have a few skiers who are good enough to win some tournaments. We are going to be competing at a fairly high level for a new team."

The team, which owns two boats, practices most at Lake Nacimiento and at a private, man-made lake in Bakersfield.

Lakes chosen for competitions are designed to keep the water smooth, he said.

The Association holds 10 tournaments a year, five in the fall and five in the spring.

Cal Poly will compete in just one this fall. Mahan said.

The contest consists of three categories: slalom, distance jump and a trick run.

"All the teams camp over the weekend on the lake shore. It's a great way to get to know people and have a good time," Proctor said. "And spectators don't have to pay to get in."

Word still out on length of Irvin injury

IRVING, Texas (AP) — Wearing a protective collar around his neck, Michael Irvin flied home Monday and will meet further examinations to determine the severity of his injury.

Early indications suggest the Dallas Cowboys receiver will recover from a swollen spinal cord and herniated disc and will play again this season.

Irvin was injured when he was tackled early in Sunday's 13-12 loss to the Philadelphia Eagles, and now the question is how much time he will miss.

"It's really too hard to tell how long he's going to be out right now," trainer Jim Mauer said. "We're optimistic that Mike will be back this year."

Irvin, who is taking medication to reduce the swelling, will see a Dallas-area spine specialist Wednesday. An MRI will be taken and compared to one made hours after the injury. How much has changed will determine the next step in his treatment.

Exams Sunday showed swelling in the spinal cord in two places near the base of the skull. Mauer said he doesn't expect the new pictures to show any further damage that may have been obscured by the initial swelling.

"I think they got a pretty good picture of everything he incurred," Mauer said.

The trainer admitted Monday that Irvin lost some feeling immediately after the injury.

"He had some limitations on the field," Mauer said. "He didn't have full motor function and he had pinn in his neck."

Irvin was able to move his hands and feet within 15 minutes, much to the relief of his terrified teammates.

He then stepped to a stretcher and taken to the spinal unit at Thomas Jefferson Hospital, where he spent the night.

By Monday morning, Irvin had regained full use of his motor functions — the most encouraging sign yet.

"That's one of the reasons he's being released as early as today," Mauer said.

The 33-year-old has been a leader for Dallas on and off the field since joining the team in 1988. He hasn't missed a game because of injury since 1990. Emmitt Smith's rookie season.

"Michael has been a great player for this organization for a long time," said quarterback Troy Aikman, who has won three Super Bowls with Irvin. "He's made a lot of big plays in a lot of big games."

"We're going to miss his presence, and we'll miss his competitive spirit. Hopefully it'll only be two weeks."

"That's a highly" considering Mauer said Irvin is likely to be in the neck brace about a week as he deals with stiffness and soreness. The trainer said he wouldn't speculate whether surgery was an option.
**Sports**

**Raiders good, not good enough**

ALAMEDA (AP) — The Oakland Raiders are clearly tired of almost winning.

Their three losses have been by a total of eight points, the most recent coming this past Sunday, when they fell 16-13 to the previously winless Denver Broncos.

"We're missing something," said cornerback Charles Woodcock, the defensive trophy winner and last season's defensive Rookie of the Year.

No matter how close the Raiders (2-3) get, it's not still good enough. The general consensus Monday at the team's training facility was there's just no comfort in "almost" or "close."

"I don't see things as close," said Tyrone Wheatley, Oakland's leading rusher with 72 carries for 306 total yards. "You either do or you don't."

There was a lot of shoulder shifting and head shaking as players tried to explain why they couldn't get it done. Defensive tackle Darrell "close."" White of the Year.

"We're not looking at this as a game to the head by any stretch of the imagination," Gruden said. "But there is no doubt this is a big game."

At this point, the main uncertain­ty for Oakland is the status of offen­sive tackle Mo Collins, who injured his head against the Denver's right guard against Denver and is doubtful for the game. That means the Raiders will have to move Barry Sims to left tackle.

"We are at home and here we know we can beat them," Russell said. So far this season, the Mustangs are 1-0 when playing at home and 0-2 when playing away. The team's train­ing facility was

Coach Jon Gruden gave the Broncos credit for Sunday's victory.

"We lost 16-13 at halftime and withstood a second-half Oakland rally — including a last-minute drive that ended when Raiders quarterback Rich Gannon was intercepted. "We did do it consistently, I know we know how to do it," Gruden said.

"I can't be hand on some one, but," he said, "It's up to me to do what they need me to do."

Napoleon Kaufman had just three carries for 6 yards.

To make matters worse, the Raiders head to Buffalo this weekend, where they face the Bills (4-1) and quarterback Doug Flutie.

"We're not looking at this as a game to the head by any stretch of the imagination," Gruden said. "But there is no doubt this is a big game."

At this point, the main uncertain­ty for Oakland is the status of offen­sive tackle Mo Collins, who injured his head against the Denver's right guard against Denver and is doubtful for the game. That means the Raiders will have to move Barry Sims to left tackle.

"We are at home and here we know we can beat them," Russell said. So far this season, the Mustangs are 1-0 when playing at home and 0-2 when playing away. The team's train­ing facility was
Water polo making big splash

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Head coach

A new coach has gotten the Cal Poly men's water polo team focused on its goals — getting to Nationals in Arizona and bringing home a championship.

Practices at 6 a.m. haven't dampened the team's enthusiasm, whose record stands at 4-1.

Coach John Walker moved up to

"We're building a foundation this year that we will be building on for years to come."

John Walker

The Cal Poly water polo team watches closely as the Mustangs score a goal in a game earlier this year.

Young's concussion worse than thought

SANTA CLARA (AP) — Steve Young's concussion is more serious than originally thought and as much as the San Francisco 49ers quarterback wants to play, there's no telling when or if his doctors will let him.

So far, they've been reluctant to clear him to play, and coach Steve Mariucci said Monday that Young probably will miss his third straight game this week.

"Evidently, they don't feel this is the appropriate time to let him start competing around," Mariucci said. "I know we're all being very conservative and they are too because of the frequency of the concussions. They're taking their time. They're trying to make sure that when they say yes, it's a go."

Mariucci reiterated that even if Young eventually receives medical clearance, the team may continue to hold him out for an indefinite period just to make sure he's all right.

Young made clear he's anxious to get back on the field but conceded he's having difficulty persuading his doctors.

"I want to play," he said. "I don't want to watch, and I've got to get cleared. That's a process that the doctor is going to go through. He's the one that has to clear me and I've got to figure out how to do that."

Young, who started 38 Monday, sustained his fourth concussion in three years when he was leveled Sept. 27 by hitting Arizona corner Aaron Williams.

Though the 49ers initially described the concussion as mild, Young was knocked out for several seconds by the force of the blow. Conussions accompanied by unconsciousness are almost always considered severe.

"The fact that he was knocked out may be a little different than what he's had in the past," Mariucci said. "We think he's going to play and hopefully he will soon, but until he's cleared, we'll continue to rest him."

However, there are no plans for Young to be evaluated by his neurologist until Wednesday, making it highly likely that Jeff Garcia will get the bulk of the practice reps for Sunday's game against Carolina.

Garcia believed Young would be back by now, but that hasn't happened.

"I think it continues into this week, then it becomes a situation where it is more of a long-term thing than what everybody assumed would be a one or two week situation," he said. "I think if it goes into this week, then I think we're looking at potentially a change in the future, but it's hard to say."

Scheduling: the key to Poly's athletic success

Cal Poly students, like students at every other university, schedule their classes in a variety of ways. Some load up on easier classes to coast through, looking to boost their grade point average. Others will take difficult classes with a great teacher hoping to learn as much as they can about the subject and themselves.

In the classroom, there is, of course, a time and a place for both strategies. In the athletic department, there is a difficult schedule on the other side that leads to success.

Right now, women's volleyball and women's soccer are reopening the challenges of scheduling top-ranked teams, while the men's basketball team will have a difficult time gaining sympathy if they don't win.

The biggest beneficiary has been the volleyball team, ranked No. 20 according to Volleyball Magazine. Last year, they posted an impressive 11-match win streak but failed to get a win against the Big Three (U.C. Santa Barbara, Long Beach State and Pacific).

This year, the Mustangs placed these teams with more talent but more important, with better preparation. The Mustangs dropped two early non-league matches to No. 8 Colorado State (16-29) and Eastern Washington (15-3), but there are the same struggles and successes that take place. The experience the Mustangs get during these losses showed the Mustangs how they need to improve to beat and to become a top-ranked team.

As the first — and probably the biggest — stop by defeating U.C. Santa Barbara last Thursday. In the past, the Mustangs have been satisfied with one upset win, but the team should build upon this and establish itself as national power sooner or later.

The women's soccer team won't be cracking the polls this week, but they've made a remarkable turnaround after an injury-plagued 2-5 start. The Mustangs went from playing top-35 UCLA, BYU and Missouri without their starters to getting healthy and improving their record against Big West Conference rivals. Head coach Alex Greier provided an early rest for his team and will face No. 11 Santa