New business dean to start position in fall

By Katherine Hays
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Cal Poly's College of Business has chosen a new dean to succeed William Boynton, who is retiring from the university. William Pendergast, dean of the Fisher Graduate School of International Business at the Monterey Institute of International Studies, will actively take over the position this fall. He teaches in the seven academic areas and nearly 2,500 students that make up the College of Business.

Pendergast says that there are many reasons why he chose to come to Cal Poly. "I was really impressed by the students, they are very bright and enthusiastic," he said.

He also said the faculty and Cal Poly's "kind of doing things" philosophy played a role in his choice.

"I'm going to use open communication with the other colleges on campus to possibly create a program of integration between business management and other areas of study." For example, a lot of engineering majors graduate and then realize they're lacking the management skills necessary to move up the career ladder," he said.

Pendergast realizes this idea is in the earliest stages of development, and he hesitates to prejudge the program before he gets to work. In the short term, he just wants to talk to people about what they think needs to be done.

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Summer travel immunizations a must

By Alicia Kagel
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There are Web sites that provide the latest information on outbreaks of diseases abroad. Newkirk recommends the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site. After a destination is typed in, it will report any outbreaks in that region. Recently there have been reports of meningococcal disease (a bacterial infection that leads to meningitis) in Saudi Arabia, hantavirus (which has a 40 to 60 percent fatality rate and causes death within 48 hours) in Panama, and diphtheria (a bacterial disease that affects the tonsils and nose) in the states of the former Soviet Union.

Newkirk strongly suggests that students receive the recommended vaccinations. "You can get really sick and some people can die from these diseases," she said. She also said that traveling students should get medications at the Health Center or elsewhere to prevent malaria.

Barbara Schwenkoh, immunization coordinator at the San Luis Obispo Public Health Department, said some of the most common travel vaccines they administer are for hepatitis A and B, tetanus, polio, measles, and typhoid.

The Health Center provides these immunizations as well. The only ones Cal Poly doesn't provide are for yellow fever and cholera. Proof of the yellow fever vaccination is required for travelers who go to places such as Africa.

Most countries do not require proof of vaccinations, but why take the chance? At the county health department centers, the prices for shots vary.

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For students planning to travel abroad this summer, it would be a good idea to look into any necessary immunizations. The San Luis Obispo Public Health Department and the Cal Poly Health Center both provide low-cost immunizations to students.

Travel itineraries and how up-to-date people are on their routine vaccines determines what shots they will need.

"Most of Europe is completely clean and you don't need vaccines to travel there," said Barbara Newkirk, a nurse at the Health Center. She said it's the developing countries students have to worry about.

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Institute gives students a taste of future studies in engineering

By Cory P. Callewaert
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Instead of sitting by a pool or going to the beach, 78 selected participants are spending the beginning of their summer in class at Cal Poly's second annual Mechanical Engineering Energy Institute.

The institute started last week with about 28 students in its first session. The remaining students are participating in this week's session, which concludes Friday, and the third session, July 8-14.

The participants are high school and community college students, as well as teachers from San Luis Obispo County, Santa Maria and Bakersfield.

Those interested in the program downloaded applications from the mechanical engineering Web site and mailed them to Cal Poly with transcripts and an essay explaining why they wanted to participate.

"I'm trying to discover whether or not I want to go into engineering," said Kristina Smith, a 16-year-old East Bakersfield High School student.

Masoud Mehdizadeh, program director and mechanical engineering professor, said the program is important for high school students. "At this young age, we want to get them interested in energy engineering," he said.

Enron Wind Corp. and Texas are sponsoring the program, which is free for all participants.

"Without the support from the sponsors, we couldn't afford to do it," Mehdizadeh said.

Three mechanical engineering professors, Bill Clark, Sahwaf Moostafa and Glen Thomcroft, are helping with the program.

The participants learn about the current state and future of energy sources, conservation and use. Field trips (including a trip to Texaco's Kern River oil field) were scheduled.

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Newly appointed Ag reps will recruit, encourage students

By Shannon Akins

"We don't care where they go to college," said Mike Madonna, treasurer and agricultural engineering senior. "We just want them to continue (their education)."

Every year 30 new Ag Ambassadors are selected. They travel to the top feeder community colleges to hold conferences. They also provide tours of the Cal Poly campus.

Last spring students from Denmark, Switzerland and Norway came to visit Cal Poly's ag department for three days," said Sabol said.

Sharing ideas, Sabol says, is the main objective of the agriculture conferences. "It's not about competing with other colleges, he said. In January, the Ag Ambassadors played host to a conference for 14 different colleges. Purdue University, Texas A & M University and University of Alaska were a few that participated.

Aside from learning and sharing different agriculture ideas and techniques, being an Ag Ambassador is a management experience for students. Leadership learning and meeting new people are the biggest advantages Madonna said he's gained from the program.

Six hundred kindergartners from all over came to one school and we taught them how to plant seedlings," Madonna said.

Sabol said he couldn't count the number of Ag Ambassadors that there are. "Once you're an Ag Ambassador you will always be one," Sabol said.

Even if they aren't active, they'll always be welcome at events, he added.

Workshop teaches writing, marketing

By Cory P. Callawaert

A new creative writing workshop for budding writers is being offered this summer by NightWriters, a local organization devoted to helping its members with their writing and marketing skills.

"We wanted to give people an opportunity to get started," said Karen Juran, a NightWriters leader/instructor. "You have to start somewhere."

"Creative Adventures with the Written Word" is for teens and adults who seek guidance toward publication. This is NightWriters' fifth workshop in 10 years.

The workshop provides a non-threatening, non-competitive envi-

ment for those who want to experiment with their writing as well as learn the tricks of the trade, said Juran. The instructors are both published writers and experienced teachers.

Morning workshops will meet at Barnes & Noble at 9 a.m. on the sec-

ond and fourth Tuesday of the month. An evening class is offered at the SLO County/City Library on the second Monday.

The workshop is waiting for a few more participants before it gets start-
ed. There will be no charge for at least the first three sessions.

NightWriters will feature a guest speaker, Marcia Preston, at the SLO County/City Library on July 10 at 6 p.m. Preston is the editor and publisher of By-Line magazine.

Those interested in the morning sessions can call or e-mail Juran at 328-1405 or juran14@so.cal.com.

In the evening class, those interested can contact Wilma Gore at 782-9982 or by e-mail at must.write@gateaway.net.

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By Cory P. Callawaert

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range from $10 to $55 for administration fees. The Health Center costs up to $50, but administration fees are free for enrolled or continuing students. Spring semester grades are still available to receive these benefits for the sum-

mer quarter, but they must pay a $10 fee since they are no longer students.

Newlook suggests that students ask what immunizations they may need for traveling so they can be vaccinated well in advance. They can call and check in with their county health department center to make an appointment. The San Luis Obispo county health center provides clinics two to three times a week.

The Cal Poly and county health centers offer all immunizations and services at a low cost to students. Students can call the Cal Poly Health Center at 756-1211 or the San Luis Obispo Public Health Department at 781-9520 for more information.

Traveler's checklist

Taken from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Web site: www.cdc.gov/travel.

1. Carefully follow the information for your desti-

nation

2. Begin the vaccination process early

3. Find a travel clinic for immunizations

4. Plan ahead if you are traveling with children or have any other special needs

5. Learn about safe food and water, insect protection, making travel safe, and other precautions

6. Prepare for medical emergencies and non-medical emergencies, such as crime and natural disasters

Travellers' toll free health hotline number: 877-FYI-TRIP
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By Sarah Doub
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Summer Mustang Cal Poly finished with a flourish in a recent, national, human-powered vehicle competition. A team of students finished first in both the women's sprint and road race and placed second in the men's sprint race. Cal Poly's H-1 m a n - Powered Vehicle Club took third in the national overall. The event took place in Ohio, Calif. and was sponsored by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers. Teams from more than 30 American universities and colleges entered the 18th annual competition.

Even though the competition has only been around for 18 years, Cal Poly has been building human-powered vehicles for more than 20 years," said Jason Luke, industrial technology professor and team member. "There were a lot of prestigious universities there and Cal Poly came in third overall," said Fred Friedmann, mechanical engineering professor and the team's faculty advisor. "Colt State came in first." Cal Poly's vehicle, named Apollo, took two years to complete and was designed as a road, semi-reclining bicycle.

"Other than that the vehicle has to be human-powered and various safety precautions, there really aren't any rules," Luke said. "The vehicle can be any size and any design."

The contest's three parts include a written report and an oral presentation on design, women's and men's, sprint, and a 40-mile road race.

"A lot of our bicycle was designed by local businesses," Luke said. "We also received funding from Cal Poly because we are a club."

The team consisted of nine students, most of whom are mechanical engineering and industrial technology majors. One team member is a math science major and another is an education engineering and industrial technology minor. "That's what will help me and probably the other team members later in life," said Fred Friedmann, mechanical engineering professor and the team's faculty advisor. 

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to be done, he said. 'I think Cal Poly would do well with a program that teaches technology and global business," he said. His experience is in international management, and he has spent an extensive amount of time working overseas.

"We're living in a global economy, and the European market is on the rise," he said. "It seems as though there are few programs at Cal Poly to address this changing market."

He said he believes an outsider's perspective will be helpful in making their decisions about what international affairs at Columbia University in 1971.

Study shows minorities less likely than whites to get into law schools

(U-WIRE) AUSTIN, Texas - Minorities are less likely to gain admission to law schools than whites, according to a new released Monday. Polling for the Public, said the LSAT is a better indicator of law school performance than GPA.

"I don't know that there are many people who can tell very much that an 'A' in basket weaving from Osh Kosh is different from an 'A' in biology from Oxford," Shaw said.

The law was named for Jeanne Cleary, a freshman at Lehman College in the Bronx, who was assaulted and killed in her dorm room in 1986. Her parents fought for the law because they were unaware of previous crimes on the Lehman campus. The Victims of Foreign Wars (VFW) will host a Fourth of July celebration at City Park in Paso Robles. It will begin with a fly-by from Estrella Air Force at noon. The special speaker will be "Abraham Lincoln." A petting zoo, magic show, games, dance groups and singers will be just some of the entertainment offered. The activities will last until 6 p.m. Robert Petersen of the VFW said the purpose of the event is "to get kids away from shooting off fireworks at home and inspiring themselves, and to educate others as to what Independence Day is all about."
Celebrate and revere this Fourth of July

Once upon a time, men fought and died on the battlefields in honor of liberty, freedom and justice for all. It began with a declaration of independence from the British monarchs on July 4, 1776. July 4 is the proudest day in American history. It was the day that democracy was born. It was the day that the United States of America became a free country that answers only to its people.

And now, more than 200 years later, how do we, as Americans, celebrate this day? We get drunk and light fireworks. Not that there's anything wrong with having a barbecue and tossing back a few brews, but it just seems like a misguided way of celebrating a noble holiday. Although, in a roundabout way, Americans still celebrate those honorable aspirations of our founding fathers.

We are liberated for the day. The majority of us will be released from the shackles of school and work in honor of independence. We have the freedom to drink lots of good American beer for, for the low patriotic, imports from the rest of the world. Check out the supermarket circulars this weekend. There is sure to be 20 packs of gog for $10.99 plus California redemption value in honor of the day.

There is justice for those of us who prefer to celebrate in a quieter manner. Law enforcement agencies will be readily available to deal with rampant party-goers. A simple phone call and the neighbors become quiet. However, limits come with the choice to celebrate a day of honor with boozing and brawling.

We are not at liberty to drop fireworks off wherever we may please. Some Arroyo Grande residents can, but the governing bodies of San Luis Obispo, Morro Bay and Los Osos will not likely be putting up their "Fireworks Prohibited" signs.

If we are under the age of 21, we do not have the aforementioned liberty to drink beer or whiskey or wine or any other alcoholic beverage, for that matter. In fact, underage drinking is one of the major areas for justice to play its hand. Along with those who may receive tickets for minor in possession, there will be others who will receive them for drink in public, shooting off fireworks in areas of prohibition and the ever-popular underage drinking.

All will be granted the chance to appear before a judge to plead the circumstances of the case. But don't yell or honk, because that's inevitable plagues the college psyche. College is fun and then you have a career that you will hopefully enjoy. Marriage is great, as are kids. If you can have fun for most of your life, why can't you enjoy the end of it?

Some immature college student. Deal with it. It can be upsetting to be stuck behind someone who likes to slow down at every intersection on Shell Beach Road just to look at the ocean. You want to scream. "That's right, it's still the ocean, let's move on!" But don't yell or honk, because that's us in 50 years.

Sarah Goodyear is a journalism junior and a Summer Mustang staff writer.

I hope you have patience and like to drive slowly, because San Luis Obispo is about to be flooded with senior citizens. That's right. Big car driving, looking through-the-steering-wheel, curb-hunting senior citizens are going to invade San Luis Obispo and there is no way to stop it. Money magazine has named San Luis Obispo as one of the best places to retire. It cites things like the moderate weather, the small-town feel and the availability of health care. Look around and see how many new retirement buildings have been, or are being, built in San Luis Obispo. You will see nine. That equals a lot of old people and a lot of problems for college students.

College students and senior citizens just don't mesh. College students want to live fast and carefree. Senior citizens want to live slow and full of worry. College students like to party, while senior citizens like to sleep. The elderly seem to have trouble hearing everything but your party a block away. So pull out your I.D., because you'll probably receive a ticket for that "get together" you had last weekend. Where should you send your thank-you card?

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Senior citizens seem to complain too much, bother too many people and get in the way of good, fashioned college fun. Why is it that college students think this way? Why do these stereotypes fill you with contempt?

The answer is that college students fear the elderly. Deep down in the backs of our minds, the knowledge that aging is inevitable plagues the college psyche. You too will get old and you too will drive slowly. You too will be made fun of by some immature college student. Deal with it.

Here you are at the start of your life. You can waste your freedom. Responsibility gives you the feeling that life is in your control. It feels really good.

No one wants to see that he or she will eventually end up a little shorter and a littler slower with fewer functioning faculties. But it is going to happen, and it is not something to get infuriated about. It's a part of life.

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"A big goose or a duck."
Term limits improve California government; more needed

Term limits imposed on the California Legislature have helped make progress by providing fresh ideas and insight to the law-making process. Career politicians are now trying to change this law and extend term limits so they can hold onto power and hold back change.

Proposition 140 was passed in 1990 by 52 percent of California voters. It imposed limits of three two-year terms for the state Assembly and two four-year terms for the state Senate. Recent surveys show that voters overwhelmingly support these term limits over the legislature's new proposal for 12-year limits.

These self-serving legislators obviously pay no attention to the fact that 69 percent of voters say they would vote for the same term limits that were passed in 1990, according to a poll conducted by Diversified Research Inc. on June 6. Not only would this new proposal lengthen term limits, it would allow politicians to start over. This means it wouldn't matter how many they can hold onto power and hold back change.

Proponents hope that term limits will enable the legislature to take risks and push for ethics reforms. Higher productivity would result because the legislature would be more accountable. Proposals have shown that less than 5 percent of those seeking re-election have lost to challengers in recent years. The inevitable outcome of the unreformed system in government, as a result of long terms, needs reform. New faces and different voices will help stir things up and allow a chance for new ways of doing things. The legislature will need to make changes to accommodate this new system. It will take a little time and a few years to see if the system works.

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Rancid uses the Internet to debut its latest album, along with MP3s and band-related merchandise.

By Jana Larson
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Keeping up with the computerized world that most of its fans are involved in, the band Rancid is previewing its latest album on the Internet. The band is launching a series of four free MP3s and exclusive, self-directed interviews. The free songs and interviews give fans a chance to hear the music and learn about the new album before its actual release date. The new album, "It's Quite Alright," will be released Aug. 1 on Helicon Rock at www.rancidfrancid.com.

"Rancid is a pillar of punk rock at large," said civil engineering senior Bao Rock, program director for 91.3 FM KCPR.

"Epitaph (Helicot Records) uses the Web for everything, so I think it is very fitting for Rancid to launch its album on the Internet."

Brandon Rock
KCPR program director

The movie "Me Myself & I" is pure torture. Its main character makes fans of magazines that print pressur- e on women to "have it all," so marry the perfect man, have the perfect kids and maintain the perfect career.

In the first part of "Me Myself & I," the main character of Pamela, played by Rachel Griffiths, bemoans the fact that she pursued her career and didn't say "yes" to the proposal from her lover. She gets so depressed that she contem- plates committing suicide by dropping a hair dryer into her bath.

Coincidentally, the electricity shocks off just when the grooming imple- ment plummets into the bubbles. Then, next she gets hit by a car and has the chance to live the life she would have had if her old boyfriend was there, with some strange sort of cosmic phenomenon.

The last 10 minutes of the movie suddenly turn so perfectly imperfect that if you don't look away every few minutes, you might go into sugar-shock. Does this plot sound familiar? If so, that's because it is mintcondition of the 1998 movie "Sliding Doors," except it doesn't have Owen Wilson taking on a British accent.

Also, "Sliding Doors" didn't leave me with the same feeling that if you don't get married by age 25 you will be doomed to a meaningless life as a prune. This depressing image is accompanied by the impression that marriage will be your own person- al hell and that divorce is inevitable.

Fortunately, the premise of "Death by hair dryer" is fleeting because I know plenty of happily mar- ried couples and have witnessed my own parents' ideal marriage that com- menced after my mother turned 25.

If you have any major life decisions still to make, specifically involving career or marriage, I recommend that you don't see this movie.

This film does have its humorous parts and the acting is good enough. And, if your past decisions have been made with minimal feelings of regret, "Me Myself & I" will probably be enjoyable.

I suggest for those people that they go see the movie at the Palm Theater and then read "Good Housekeeping," from cover to cover.

By Patty Green
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

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Benefit to help fund cinema programs in Santa Barbara

By Keri Christoffels
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Six Mustangs play summer baseball for Blues

By Nikki Wilson
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly athletes have to juggle school, jobs, a social life and family as well as their sports. Six student-athletes do all this and play on the local, semi-professional baseball team, the San Luis Obispo Blues. Drew Ecklund, Phil Thompson, Jason Kelly, Mitch Caryler, Tyler Fitch, Jason Kelly, and David Krosh all play for the Cal Poly baseball team during its season. Beginning in May, they travel the state and play with the team in August, the league’s World Series is held.

So why do these guys spend their time off from Cal Poly baseball riding buses and staying in hotel rooms? Thompson, a kinesiology student, and Krisch, a computer science student, both said without hesitation: for the love of the game.

Many of the athletes hope to go on in the sport and play professionally. Playing with the Blues is an opportunity for them to be seen by scouts from both minor and major league teams while they continue their education. The team has had more than 20 players turn pro in the last 10 years, said Tim Golden, general manager of the Blues.

In addition to their busy game schedule, all Blues players are required to perform community service.

"Tim (Golden) makes it very clear that community service is a requirement when the guys join the team," coach Todd Coburn said. The team holds youth baseball camps and is involved with the San Luis Obispo Big Brother organization. The players also participate in autograph signings.

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The SLO Blues offer a chance for college players to retain their eligibility and play semi-pro baseball. Their next home game is on Friday against the Salinas Packers.

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"We're here for the community," Golden said. The team is mainly comprised of college students from all over the state and country with a few players not currently enrolled in school. Two players are from San Luis Obispo High School.

"There is no age limit for the players," Coburn said. While most of the team is recruited, there are some local players who are regulars.

The team was founded in 1947 at the Central Coast's only baseball outlet. Due to lack of community attendance and funds, the team folded in 1983, and was silent until 1994 when Golden started it up again. Now the Blues draw an average of 500 people per home game.

"A lot of people still don't know how much fun it is to go to a Blues game... they're missing out," Golden said.

Since the rebirth of the team, the Blues have maintained winning seasons, excluding its 1994 season. Coburn and Golden both agreed the outlook for this season is good, with the Santa Barbara Foresters and the Santa Maria Indians as their toughest competition.

"Beating the Indians on their field, with their fans, is one of the toughest things to do in baseball," Golden said.

The Blues had a 14-10 record when they left for a road trip facing Fresno, San Francisco, and Santa Barbara earlier this week. On Friday they will play a home game against the Salinas Packers at 7:15 p.m. at Sinsholme Park. The Blues will begin a tournament in Santa Maria at the Elks Field on Saturday.

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"I see the little girls now who know that it's okay to be tough," she said. "Now I hear them say that they want to be in the WNBA when they grow up.

Several members of the Cal Poly basketball team are also pitching in as coaches.

"This is the first year that our players have been able to work the camps usually they go home for the summers," Schneider said. "Now that we're an older team, with Chris (Bykland) and the other seniors, they're able to stick around for the summer.

Schneider began his camps several years ago, and the program has grown every summer. This summer there will be two camps by Schneider, one in Pismo Beach and one in Nipomo. The different venues allow kids further away to get involved who might not have been able to otherwise.

"It was hard for parents to bring their kids to San Luis for a few hours and then take them home," Schneider said. "It's much easier for the staff to travel to a facility that's closer to them.

Anthony Whall brought his 6-year-old daughter to the camps this year for the first time.

"She basically had no skills coming in, so she's learning how to dribble and rebound, and a little bit about the game," he said.

Besides basketball fundamentals, Whall says his daughter is also learning how to be a team player.

"She's learning how to interact with a larger group that she doesn't have the control of," he said. "She's learning she may not be as good as some or better than others, but it's all for the same goal.

When Schneider began the camps, the first change he made was to lower the age minimum from 9 to 5.

"When I was an assistant coach my kids were 5, 6 and 7, and they weren't allowed to go to camp until they were 9," he said.

Schneider credits his experiences as an athlete and as a father with helping him run a basketball camp. "As a father, I understand the growth process; I know what a 5-year-old can do and what a 9-year-old can do," he said. "I've been doing camps since I was 18. I've always loved camp. I wish we would have had more than a couple of parents agree that Schneider has the right recipe for creating a great basketball camp.

Fat Cusack has had four children involved in the program during the past five years. He says the benefits of the program are incredible.

"They're learning to work with a group of their peers, they're learning sportsmanship," Cusack said. "It's next for the kids to be able to interact with the collegiate players.

Intergation with the children of the community has always been a top priority for Schneider and the Mustangs.

"I made it an active point to get out and get to know the children," he said. "It doesn't matter where we go in this community—all the little kids know our players and our staff."

That recognition gives Cal Poly athletes the important position as role models, something they don't take lightly.

"It's part of our job as athletes to fulfill those roles, and show the kids how it can be done and what it takes to get to this level," Cal Poly center Chris Bykland said. "It's flattering seeing all those little kids looking up to you.

Schneider credits Cal Poly coaches for helping to cultivate the athletes as role models.

"I think the coaches have been recruiting quality student-athletes," he said. "Our athletes do a really great job—all of the athletes from the different sports.

He said he believes the camps are a good experience for both the children and his players.

"I think it's good for them to be around the little kids," he said. Schneider says it helps to remind the players about one basic but important fact.

"It's about having fun and enjoying playing the game," he said.

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Local youngsters learn at camp

By Katherine Hays
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Conducting annual summer camps is a tradition for Cal Poly baseball head coach Jeff Schneider. For kids, it's a chance to meet a few of their heroes, make some new friends and learn how to play basketball from a Division I coach. For parents, it's a great way to keep kids entertained during hot summer days and also a chance for them to interact with true role models.

Schneider's camps are conducted in several locations throughout the Central Coast for children ages 5-14. "Besides our games, this is the best thing that happens in our program," Schneider said.

"I think this is much more productive than anything else I could be doing today for Cal Poly basketball," he said.

To help out with the camps, Schneider enlisted the support of athletes from different Cal Poly sports. Carrie Wilson, a microbiology senior and member of the Cal Poly track team, is coaching at this year's camps.

She said she hopes to set a positive example for young girls.

Mustangs headed to big leagues

By Sarah Goodyear
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Four former Cal Poly baseball players are on their way to the majors. Steve Wood and Mike Shwam were selected in the Major League Baseball draft, while Joe Smith and Tanner Troper signed free agent contracts last week.

First baseman Wood was drafted in the 36th round by the Toronto Blue Jays. He graduated last spring after being selected to the second team all-Big West conference in 1999 and 2000.

Last season, Wood broke the all-time career home run record at Cal Poly with 44. The previous record was set by Joe Smith and Mike Shwam in 1982-1985 seasons.

"He had a great career, great head coach Ritch Price said. "There was no doubt that he could go pro. I just hope he will have the opportunity to play for an organization that he gets some good time with."

Wood's batting average for the 2000 season was .346. With 16 home runs, he had twice as many as his nearest follower on the team, Keith Anderson.

"Wood has a chance to hit at the next level. It's the culmination of a great career at Cal Poly," Price said.

The Milwaukee Brewers selected right-handed pitcher Shwam in the 43rd round of the draft.

"He's got some outstanding stuff. I think he really has a chance to go into pro ball and surprise a lot of people," Price said.

Smith, right-handed pitcher and outfielder, and Troper, outfielder, were also selected by Major League Baseball teams.

Sports Trivia

Last Week's Answer:
College basketball's "Leve Alcinder Rule" temporarily banned the slam dunk.

Congratulations Greg Jenkins!

Today's Question:
What jersey number was worn by baseball Hall of Famers Hank Aaron, Willie McCovey and Reggie Jackson?

Please submit your answer to: sports@mustangdaily.calpoly.edu

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