By Jana Larsen
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Sixty-five Cal Poly students and four professors recently returned from Sea Program in conjunction with the California Maritime Academy. The program spent spring quarter aboard the vessel T.S. Golden Bear with cadets of the CMA and students from California State University, Monterey Bay.

From April 21 to June 23 they traveled to Mexico, Peru, Chile, Panama, Honduras and the Cayman Islands. The students were required to take 12 units of credit from Cal Poly professors and other courses required by the CMA staff.

Cal Poly professors taught various courses that were indicative of the areas that were visited. The CMA-required courses dealt with ship familiarization, safety issues and learning about living aboard a ship. The students were also required to help with the upkeep of the 500-foot ship by cleaning designated areas each morning.

By Baker Congratulates
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

A witch doctor performs a dance for graduates Kari Kalvelage, Erika Lombard, Erica Peters, Sarah Ruvolo and Megan Winther. The group recently returned from the spring Study at Sea program aboard the T.S. Golden Bear.

Commencement held at sea for five graduates

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Commencement exercises were held for 65 Cal Poly students aboard the T.S. Golden Bear during the spring quarter training cruise. The California Maritime Academy staff and the participating Cal Poly faculty honored the graduating seniors with a private ceremony June 10, since the students were still at sea during the commencement exercises at Cal Poly.

The ceremony honored Kari Kalvelage, Erika Lombard, Erica Peters, Sarah Ruvolo and Megan Winther. Kalvelage, Lombard, Ruvolo and Winther received their bachelor of science degree in environmental science. Peters received a degree in biology and systematic biology.

"Dr. Gilroy, our PDC, told us that he received three degrees in his lifetime and missed every graduation, and really regretted it," Lombard said. "He told us that it was a special milestone in our life and we deserved a celebration." At the ceremony, which was held officially file for an impasse. This means the talks will be stepped up until a neutral mediator can be agreed upon. It is part of the bargaining team. "That's not bargaining, if they refuse to make a counter offer.," said Cal Poly history professor Mark Fortunat, who is part of the bargaining team. "That's not bargaining, if they refuse to make a counter offer.,"

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Negotiations between California State University faculty and administrators have stalled, leading the California Faculty Association to declare the talks in a state of impasse. CSU teachers are at the bargaining table to discuss changes to the merit pay system that is currently in effect. The CFA wants to place a moratorium on merit pay until further research can be done to decide if this is the best method of evaluation. We made an offer, and they didn't make a counter offer," said Baker.

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**News**

**Baker speaks in Taiwan**

By Nikki Wilson  
**SUMMER MAGIC STAFF WRITER**

Cal Poly President Warren Baker recently spent five overseas trips to strengthen ties with a leading technological university in Taiwan.

Baker was invited to deliver a commencement speech at Chaoyang University of Technology (CYUT), and to deliver a keynote address at a symposium on the trends in technological education. Baker also met with the president of Taiwan, Chen Shui-bian, to discuss academic partnerships between Taiwan's universities and Cal Poly as well as other California schools.

"We are trying to develop as many international opportunities as we can, because we know not only are they recording experiences for the students, but it really does contribute in a significant way to their education, particularly when you think about the global economy that we have today and the kinds of jobs that our students will be going into," Baker said. "It's important to have an international perspective.

Cal Poly and CYUT first established an exchange system in January of 1999. Two Taiwanese students just completed a year in Cal Poly's industrial engineering program. Two Cal Poly students will attend CYUT in the fall.

They (the Taiwanese students) enjoyed it very much, and they said that they are going to be extraordinary ambassadors for additional students to come here, said Baker. "They said that the system is a little different here (in Taiwan) and they took a while to get used to it, but they benefited greatly from (being) at Cal Poly.

We hope that the same will occur with the students going to CYUT from Cal Poly." CYUT is a private technological institution. There are several more or less on the island of Taiwan. Baker said Taiwan has a significant economy in the high-tech industry, contributing to the development of a number of polytechnic-like institutions. Baker also visited Hsinchu Science-based Industrial Park and the Industrial Technology Institute to discuss joint ventures. He noticed that the development occurring in that region is similar to that of Silicon Valley.

"There are a lot of commonalities between California industry and the high-tech industry developing in Taiwan," Baker said. "That was basically the topic of my conversation with the president of the Taiwan. He recognized that Taiwan's success in developing high-tech industries and bringing research has come from a combination of business- and industry-university partnerships. He felt that over the years there has always been a connection between California and Taiwan, and so we were exploring the potential that could be developed for Cal Poly and the Central Coast of California as well.

Other attendees of Baker's meetings included the president of CYUT and other CYUT officials, the administrative vice minister of education and the head of the Bureau of International Cultural and Educational Relations of the Ministry of Education.

Baker also had the opportunity to visit the National Taiwan University of Science and Technology, where a Cal Poly alumnus teaches architecture.

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**University now accepts credit cards**

By Alicia Kage  
**SUMMER MAGIC STAFF WRITER**

Students who were once frustrated by the fact that they couldn't charge fees at Cal Poly to their credit cards will now be able to access their charge cards. As of July 3, Cal Poly is allowing students to pay by credit or debit card.

Students can pay by credit card over the phone, online, or at the Career Center. The 2.5% fee is still in effect. A drawback to this system is that students are charged to use their credit cards, because the cost is not included in the government budget. VISA is not accepted because the company does not allow organizations to charge on a tier rate such as the other credit companies.

Reynolds said the tier system seems to be the most common charge schedule for students. The more students charge, the higher the fee. It ranges from $2 for charges of $200, to $1 for charges over $400.

Reynolds changes a flat rate fee of $15. This new policy is based on feedback from students who were able to pay tuition before the new policy went into effect.

"As long as nothing else is holding up a student's registration, it allows more people to (log on to CAPTURE)," said Reynolds.

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High school students learn about college

By Shannon Akins
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Nearly 50 teenagers have invaded Cal Poly. They are participants in Upward Bound, a national program that helps high school students prepare for college. Upward Bound in this area takes students from Rio Hondo, Santa Maria and Arroyo Grande high schools, and gives them the experience of living on campus and taking college courses for six weeks. "They're taking classes that they'd take in fall at a university," said program coordinator Jose Millan. This summer there are 49 high school students living in the dorms. They are first-generation college students and/or low-income students who have been given a head start on their college careers. "It's a preview of what college is going to be like," said Rosco Lopez, a Rio Hondo High School senior and Upward Bound participant. Lopez has been attending Upward Bound programs at various schools since junior high, and wants to pursue communications at University of California, Los Angeles. She said Upward Bound has given her a large amount of information on going to the UC and California State University systems. There are a lot of classes and tutoring offered, and the program helps students prepare college applications, she said. Students are encouraged to apply to Cal Poly, even if it isn't their first choice, as a backup, she added.

The program has been funded by a federal grant for the past 16 years. It operates year-round by offering academic advising and industry trips, and by taking students to visit colleges. "We want to guarantee that if a student follows the program, they'll go on to a four-year college," Millan said.

In addition to assisting students, Upward Bound also helps parents. It offers meetings on applying to colleges and information on how to finance students' college careers.
African AIDS epidemic a thing to fear

By Cory P. Callewaert

"Where your car?" the ferocious woman barked from her diesel Ford truck. She hocked her horn angrily and bellowed again. "Where your car?"

No, that’s not a mime; the woman didn’t bother to use a verb. Gone are the days when motorists politely strolled you from the library to your car, rolled down their window and pleasantly inquired if you were leaving. Now drivers feel it’s OK to bark and yell at people as they stroll through the parking lots.

Let me tell you that I took a really long time to pull out of that parking spot — we’re talking 10, maybe 20 minutes — specifically to annoy her.

Why does parking create such a fervor among Cal Poly motorists? Is it because we pay $42 to park three miles away from civilization? Is it because we have sunk great efforts to educate people on how to prevent contraction. The word "condom" has been implanted into the youth of today so much that it seems like "natural".

The group that is doing the best right now is 14- to 18-year-olds. I am shocked and troubled. Teenagers act responsibly. Are they actually listening to those who tell them the facts?

They are either using protection or not having sex at all. This is great, considering that half of all new infections in the world occur in people ages 15 to 24 years old.

So what should we do? We are in the most-affected age group, and we are also in college. I don’t know if you’ve noticed, but college students have a lot of sex. What we should do is be careful. Most people are using condoms or at least trying to.

So keep it up by strapping it up.

Cory P. Callewaert is a journalism senior and Summer Mustang staff writer.

Parking: Enjoy it while it lasts

"For summer quarter I encourage everyone to drive to school. Is that environmentally conscious? No. But do it at least once to know what it’s like. Truly, it is an experience not to be missed."

By Adam Jarman

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Reality TV yields crop of unqualified celebrities

What is it that possesses an otherwise intelligent American to tune in to a program deemed as reality or voyeuristic television? With the recent success of "Survivor" and "Big Brother," coupled with the longer-running MTV programs "Real World" and "Road Rules," we need to take a moment and think about what this means for our society.

For those who have been living in a broom closet the last few months, so-called reality television is our opportunity to look into the lives of regular people. People we wouldn't otherwise care or know anything about. So why, then, is it so interesting?

As an author stated, it gives us "wicked kick of peering through the keyhole." It allows us to pry into another's life from a safe distance. By doing this, we feel empowered, we believe we know them. They become, in a sense, ours.

Once you begin to follow the experiences of a person or a group of people, it can become an addiction. You want to know what is going to happen next, where the drama will lie, what the next mission will be, and, in the recent shows, who will be voted out. It has become a type of soap opera. The difference is, instead of a cast of wealthy doctors who never work and yet are millionaires, these casts contain people we can relate to.

We feel their everyday ups and downs, stresses and camaraderie, intelligence or even unbelievable stupidity to earn this fame. They simply lived in an altered state of reality and let us watch.

But what is the point? When you turn on the television, don't you want to be taken away from your life and transported to an alternate reality without life's reasons? The ratings for these shows indicate apparently not.

By watching these shows, we have created a new type of celebrity, the everyday celebrity. Someone whom you may love or hate, but a celebrity nonetheless. Yet these people have really done nothing to deserve that status. They have not generally demonstrated talent, 

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It's really not much different than talk shows. Jerry Springer and Sally Jesse get everyday people and let them talk about their problems and drama for the whole world to see. They ask questions meant to elicit a response that will increase ratings. How are their questions any different than "Real World" confessions or the staged challenges that contestants face? They are there to get a reaction from both the viewers and the participants. And it's working.

The rejects from these shows have already branched out, appearing on talk shows such as "Politically Incorrect" and in commercials. People magazine even did a feature on cast members back from Survivor Island.

Television, now more than ever, helps slacker celebrities obtain their 15 minutes of fame without any extraordinary accomplishments.

Nikki Wilson is a journalism junior and Summer Mustang staff writer.
**Artists’ alchemy is a potion of metal and light**

By Keri Christoffels

Modern technology meets raw creativity in The Alchemy of Metal and Light, a show featuring local artist Scott Potter’s unique industrial sculptures at the San Luis Obispo Museum of Art. From postmodern lamps to intricate metal composts with technology to create functional works of art, Scott Potter combines old ball bearings, each peg detailed with three tiny round metal pieces. The tour pegs at the base of the lamp appear as robot heads. The four pegs at the base of the lamp appear as robot-tastic they are thin metal pieces resting on real ball bearings, each peg detailed with three thin round metal pieces.

From postmodern lamps to insect sculptures called Garden Bugs are also displayed at the show. These pieces are made from the huts a 1950s vacuum cleaner. Each lamp is unique, and each lamp has a different name. The e-tickets are a unique bar code for each sale, which is printed on the ticket and scanned at show or game. This eliminates waiting in lines or being on hold and paying long-distance charges for tickets.

The e-tickets can be printed on regular paper with a standard printer. All one needs is the Adobe Acrobat Reader program. The latest version of the program can be downloaded for free at www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep.html.

The e-ticket system provides a method by which the identity of the legitimate buyer. The bar code on the ticket allows only one entry. Previous bar code tickets could still be picked up at will call or having them mailed. With e-tickets, customers can immediately take possession of their tickets.

Several Cal Poly students said they are excited about the new technology, such as Kim Kalin, an industrial technology senior who frequently attends concerts.

Kim Kalin said, “I’ve had experiences with tickets coming late in the mail before, and once they didn’t come at all.”

The e-tickets include coupons for local restaurants, bars, and other merchants. In addition, the company says its customers will soon be able to purchase tickets via cellular phones with an Internet connection.

All of these new services seem like the next step in online ticket-selling, and will eventually be offered for all concerts. Kris Wooten, an educator and systems biology junior, said she doesn’t like waiting for her tickets in the mail and is ready to use the service.

“I think it sounds like a great idea,” Wooten said. “I would definitely buy my tickets that way.”

**Mixing espresso with expression**

By Katherine Hays

If you’ve always had the urge to be the puppeteer, now’s your chance. Linnaeus’ Cafe on Garden Street, in the heart of downtown San Luis Obispo, opened June 20, 2000. The cafe is a forum to display the talent of what the cafe is all about.

“Welcome to a place where people can develop themselves,” Moore said. “We have a woman performer who said she’d never performed in public before, and she was great!”

Linnaeus’ Cafe offers live music several nights a week that range from jazz to folk. About two-thirds of the bands that play are local, while the others come from across the country.

“This priority is to display local talent,” he said. “But about four times a week we get groups from out of the area who are traveling throughout the community.”

Most of these acts are free to view, some run on the “pass the hat” system and a very few have a cover charge.

The cafe is open Monday through Saturday, 7 a.m. to midnight, and 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday.

**Thoughtful ‘Jesus’ Son’ is born at Palm Theatre**

**Surf crowds at concerts, surf Internet to get there**

By Jordan Roberts

Ticket companies are now offering their customers the opportunity to purchase tickets via their home computers. The “e-tickets” use a unique bar code for each sale, which is printed on the ticket and scanned at show or game. This eliminates waiting in lines or being on hold and paying long-distance charges for tickets.

Ticketmaster, the world’s leading ticketing service, recently acquired the Admission Network. Ticketmaster unveiled its own e-ticket option, which was supposed to debut in April but are still in the works. The e-tickets will include coupons for local restaurants, bars, and other merchants. In addition, the company says its customers will soon be able to purchase tickets via cellular phones with an Internet connection.

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“‘It’s great to do what you love,’ Potter said. His ambition is to make artwork a career. He believes that recognition isn’t as significant as being able to support himself through the art he loves. Potter’s work can also be found at www.metalmorphic.com.”

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Cory P. Callewaert

The story unfolds in a series of key scenes that revolve around the life of Jesus Son. The film is a thought-provoking commentary on the life of Jesus, the son of God, and his journey to become the messiah.

**Movie review**

The movie review for “Jesus’ Son” is available on the website www.movie-review.com. The review is written by a professional film critic who has watched the movie several times.

For more information on the movie “Jesus’ Son”, you can visit the official website at www.jesus-son.com. The website contains a synopsis of the movie, interviews with the cast and crew, and behind-the-scenes footage.

“Thoughtful ‘Jesus’ Son’ is born at Palm Theatre” appears in the San Luis Obispo Tribune, a local newspaper in San Luis Obispo, California. The article provides an in-depth analysis of the movie and its themes. The article can be read in its entirety on the newspaper’s website or in a print copy of the newspaper.
Sports

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Cot)rdinatot of the Year by Coaches

career came to an end when he broke his
foot. He decided to go back to
USC to finish his degree, which he
did in 1999.

"When that (baseball) didn't work
out for me, I knew I needed my
degree so I went back and finished up
for a year," he said.
In 1989 Brown became a graduate
assistant for the USC football team.
From there he went on to Trinity
University in Texas, where he not
only helped to coach the baseball
team but also became the defensive
coordinator for the football team.
Brown stayed in Texas for five years
and then went on to Santa Mary's as a
defensive coordinator, again for five
years.

At Trinity, Brown was named the
NCAA Division III Defensive
Coordinator of the Year by Coaches
Quarterly magazine. He was credited
with helping Trinity rank first in the
nation for scoring defense, second in
total defense, and third in rushing
defense.

"Our first three years we won three
games, but we were dealing with
young players. We took our
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in the season, we lost to them three
times," Smith said. "Each time we
lost by one goal." The Roadrunners
closed out the season against Nevada
when Ryan Katz ran down the left side of
the field and scored the winning
goal. The Zephyr goalkeeper's legs.

The Zephyrs scored the end and
tied the game. In
less than five minutes into overtime, Roadrunner
Bruce Katz ran down the left side of
the field and scored the
winning goal. The Roadrunners
will play in Stanislaus against the
Cougars on Friday. Then they play the Zephyrs again
before their game against San Gabriel Valley on July 22,
which will be played in Mustang Stadium.

By Shannon Akins
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Metter Lamar is resigning from the position at Cal Poly to take a similar position at the University of Texas at San
Antonio.
"She started a formal compliance program for students," said Alison
Cone, senior associate athletic
director. "We will certainly
miss her.

A part of the director's job is to
interpret the NCAA guidelines and
double check the
actions of Cal Poly's 20
intercollegiate
athletes.
She also made
sure recruiting
policies were fol-
lowed.

Lamar arrived at Cal Poly in 1994 to fill a
position that hadn't
existed before. She built a compli-
ance program that has kept Cal Poly out of major
trouble with the
NCAA for six years.

The program is a solid, educa-
tion-based program," Lamar said.
"I'm big on education and think the
more informed we are the better off
we are."

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Stanford University, and also
earned a degree from the University
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of Oregon School of Law in 1993.
Before she came to Cal Poly, she
was an administrative assistant for
the PAC-10 conference and assist-
ant at the Oregon School of Law
for three years.

Lamar said that she'll miss Cal
Poly but looks forward to opportu-
nities at the University of Texas at
San Antonio. The university will
host the women's Final Four
tournament in two years.

Sullivan said Lamar's position hasn't
yet been filled. Cal Poly will
search nationally and will hopefully
have hired someone by the end of
the summer, he said.

"She worked hard and went
down and beyond," Sullivan said.
"She kept student-athletes in
school.

Lamar and her advice to the next
director is to do their job.
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Lamar was also responsible for
preparing student-athletes for
NCAA rules.

"If you are scared, don't let (the
NCAA) see you're scared," she said.

Lamar came to Cal Poly about a
week before spring practice began to
work on the fundamentals. Currently,
the team is involved in a summer
conditioning program that is not
administered by the coaches due to
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and lay it all on the line. Then (the
next day) when you wake up, you can
look in the mirror and, regardless of
what the scoreboard says, (you'll
know) you've been successful as a
coach and they've been successful as
players," he said.

Alex Avina kicked a long ball to Dane McGrego, who
shot the ball through the Zephyr goalkeeper's legs.
The Zephyrs scored the end and
tied the game. In
less than five minutes into overtime, Roadrunner
Bruce Katz ran down the left side of
the field and scored the
winning goal. The Roadrunners
will play in Stanislaus against the
Cougars on Friday. Then they play the Zephyrs again
before their game against San Gabriel Valley on July 22,
which will be played in Mustang Stadium.

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**From farming to football**

New Cal Poly defensive coordinator focused on fundamentals of the game

By Nikki Wilson

SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly's football team has a new man behind its defense. Jeff Brown has been named the new defensive coordinator, taking charge of running the potent Mustang defense.

Brown grew up just outside Porterville, Calif., on a cotton farm. He is the youngest of five children, all of whom were involved in sports.

"My oldest brother was the first to play football," Brown said. "My parents didn't know what it was - my dad always played baseball."

Brown's brother Mike signed and played baseball with the Anaheim Angels organization. His brother Steve was an All-American linebacker at Oregon State and played professionally for four years.

"The competition aspect kind of started with my older brother," he said. "We weren't afraid of work - being on the farm, that's kind of what we did. Football was something that we enjoyed doing, and it was actually a way for us to have other avenues to get into school."

Football was a way for Brown to continue his education past high school.

"Where else in the world will someone say, 'I'd like you to play football for us and I'll pay for your education'? That was a good deal for me," Brown said.

Out of high school, Brown was drafted by the Yankees. Instead he chose to put off a baseball career to attend the University of Southern California where, as a freshman, he made the varsity football and baseball teams.

"The thing I can recall most was the people. In football, I had certain teammates, players who played the game, and when I went to baseball, they were different kinds of guys," he said.

Before finishing his degree in business, Brown was drafted by the Dodgers, where he played in their minor league system for four years.

Defensive coordinator Jeff Brown takes over a team that allowed 31.4 points and 415 yards per game.

**Roadrunners change coaches during playoff run**

By Sarah Doub

SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

In the middle of a run to the playoffs, the Central Coast Roadrunners' coach changed last Thursday.

Larry Smyth, the team's general manager, replaced first-year coach Bob Wilson. The decision was made by the ownership group, which includes Smyth, because it felt it needed to be closer to the team.

"We felt that, as owners, we should shoulder the responsibility of the team and not put so much strain on one man, who was basically a volunteer," Smyth said. "Bob Wilson wasn't paid very much for all that responsibility, so the word 'bureaucracy' is not accurate."

One of the harder responsibilities was keeping players committed, who are spread out at colleges such as Cal Poly, Fresno State, UC Santa Barbara and Saint Mary's.

The team has won their last two games under Smyth, which helps them stay in contention for the playoffs.

Smyth had coached the Roadrunners to the playoffs the two seasons before Wilson was hired.

Last weekend the Roadrunners beat the Stanislaus Cruisers 5-2 and the Nevada Zephyrs 2-1 in home games at Arroyo Grande High School.

In their four remaining games, the Roadrunners have a very good chance to compete in their fifth straight playoff since they began in 1996. "The Roadrunners have a very good chance to compete in their fifth straight playoffs since they began in 1996," Larry Smith said. "We certainly have the players to make it."

The Roadrunners (8-6, 38 points) are in second place behind the San Fernando Valley Heroes in the USL Premier League's Southwest Division. In their four remaining games, the Roadrunners have to

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**SLO Triathlon**

The City of SLO's Los Osos Parks and Recreation Department is holding its 21st annual triathlon on July 23, 2000 at Los Osos Park. The race will consist of a 0.5 mile swim, 15.3 mile bike ride and a 3.7 mile run. The triathlete's philosophy encourages completion as a participant's goal. Fees are $42.00 for residents and $56.00 for non-residents. Call 781-7300 for more information.

**Schedule**

**Thursday**

- SLO Blues vs. Humboldt Crab
  - at Humboldt
  - at 7:00 p.m.

**Friday**

- Central Coast Roadrunners vs. Stanislaus United
  - at Stanislaus
  - at 10:45 a.m.

**Saturday**

- Central Coast Roadrunners vs. Nevada Zephyrs
  - at Nevada
  - at 8:30 p.m.
- SLO Blues vs. Santa Barbara Foresters
  - at Santa Barbara
  - at 12:00 p.m.