Crisis: Emergency in coffee-growing

Football fireworks

Delta Upsilon and ASI sponsor fireworks show as part of Centennial Celebration

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So why would a fraternity want to apply for a "use permit"?

Chris Allen, vice president of Phi Delta Theta, said their main reason for requesting a "use permit" is because without it, it is illegal to put fraternity letters on a house.

"We want people to know that it is on first house," Allen said.

He said a few years ago they had an unofficial house in north San Luis Obispo, but they wanted something closer to campus and they liked the character of the Football house.

Members of the fraternity have already been living there for two years now. Allen said, and nothing will change except that the whole fraternity will be associated with the house.

Along with the "use permit" come many rules and regulations, not to mention a hefty price. Shouls said if they receive two noise violations within six months, they may have to call home. The San Luis Obispo Planning Commission voted 4-2 in favor of the frat house request.

The 12 months of Cal Poly men

By Whitney Koblin

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The monarch of all butterflies

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MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

It may be seen on crisp, winter mornings in the garden, upon the milkweed plants among the flowers adorned with dew. As it flies around gracefully, its sheer beauty and splendor become apparent from the sunlight glinting off its large vibrant orange wings with black and white markings—wings that could be those of a monarch butterfly.

Dennis Frey, ecologist and biology professor, and Helen Johnson, citizen scientist and Monarch Program member in San Diego, are making an informational video featuring some Cal Poly students that presents the latest research on the life of the monarch butterfly in the western United States.

"We're going to feature their natural history, their abundance, their patterns of migration and kinds of habitats that they use to overwinter," Frey said.

Although western North American monarchs will be the main focus, the main 34-minute video will compare their abundance and migration patterns to those found of the eastern Rocky Mountains, Frey said.

"The main objective is to create awareness and to compare and contrast the monarch butterfly's biology in the west with that in eastern North America," Frey said.

The second objective is to correct some erroneous information about monarch butterflies in terms of mating activity and migration, he said.

During the winter, western monarchs will migrate south on the stretch from Mendocino County to a large site at Pismo Beach, which draws over 50,000 visitors a year, Frey said.

Frey said that many visitors at the Pismo site are under the false impression that the butterflies stop there and then will eventually make their way to Mexico. "This (the Pismo Beach site) is where they are programmed to arrive at, and that's as far as they go," Frey said.

The video will be available on digital video disc (DVD) as well and will be targeted toward students in middle school up through college level, Frey said. It will be primarily sold to school systems, docent organizations and various agencies such as the California State Parks, Friends of the Monarch and the Monarch Program, he said. Once the video is completed, it will have an inaugural showing at the Western Monarch Symposium on Nov. 11 in Fremont, Calif., according to the synopsis.

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"We need public awareness of our west coast population, and this has conservation in mind. If you make people aware that there is this valuable aesthetically pleasing resource in California, then you can start to develop some conservation measures to protect those resources," Walsh said.

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National Briefs

Bush speaks to American public

WASHINGTON — President Bush made an address Thursday evening that summarized the current situation and made several requests. Bush said that the United States has accomplished a "great deal" in the war against terrorism, especially against Taliban and al Qaeda training camps and air defenses. He said that all missions were going as planned.

Bush encouraged American citizens to "go about their business" in a normal fashion despite further terrorist threats; he also asked all American children to donate $1 to help buy food and medicine for Afghan children.

— CNN

FBI fears more attacks on U.S. soil, law enforcement on highest alert

WASHINGTON — The FBI said that it received new information on Thursday that there may be additional attacks within the next several days in the United States, on U.S. interests overseas and abroad. But specific targets have not been identified.

Law enforcement agencies have been put on full alert for the second time this week and the FBI has requested extra security for crop-dusting operations. Supervisors of water supplies, nuclear and electric power facilities, crop-dusters and the drivers of hazardous waste trucks, among others, have been notified to boost security in case of attacks.

— AP

U.S. image relay satellite launched

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. — International Launch Services, a joint venture between Russian companies Khroushchev and Energia and U.S. company Lockheed Martin Corp., said that it launched a satellite for the National Reconnaissance Office (a U.S. intelligence agency that designs, builds and maintains spy satellites) on Wednesday.

Experts said that the satellite had image relay capabilities. The satellite orbited the earth at 25,000 miles high and was launched on an Atlas rocket. The satellite launch had been planned for months and is not specifically planned for the military action in Afghanistan.

— Reuters

Third person infected with anthrax

ATLANTA A Florida woman's nasal swab has tested positive for anthrax. But a Center for Disease Control spokeswoman said the woman appears to be healthy and is not showing any anthrax symptoms. The second man who tested positive for anthrax from a nasal swab test remains healthy as well. Neither person seems to have contracted the actual disease.

Anthrax infection usually occurs from skin contact with infected animals or from eating undercooked meat from infected animals. Several thousand anthrax spores must be inhaled before the bacterium attacks the lungs, making infection through inhalation rare. The disease cannot be transmitted from person to person.

The CDC has 15 investigators in South America.

— The CDC

Middle East

KABUL, Afghanistan — The first daylight air strike occurred in Kabul on Thursday. Targets included the eastern part of Kabul where an al-Qaeda training base is located and a munitions dump in Kandahar.

The Taliban claim that 115 people were killed in Wednesday and Thursday's attacks, 15 of those killed were women. The woman was reportedly hit by a missile. The reports have not been confirmed by any sources outside of the Taliban.

The United Self Defense Forces of South Korea and Thailand (a joint venture between Russian companies Khrunichev and Energia) operate a satellite that does the licensing for "Sesame Street" products, is outraged and is exploring legal options to stop this unauthorized image of Bert.

— Reuters

Female correspondents face cultural barriers in reporting on terror

By Tara Weiss

They are clothing cultures. One is a world that prefers women to leave the house covered from head to toe. In the most extreme areas, women must paint the windows of their homes so men can't see them.

In the other world, women compete for jobs with men, wear Ally McBeal-length skirts and get elected to public office.

Those worlds are colliding as female journalists are dispatched to cover the events in and around Afghanistan. As visitors, female journalists must strike a balance between respecting the Muslim culture and Islamic religion and doing their jobs.

"It's a fine line to have to walk," MSNBC's Ashleigh Banfield said. "It's frustrating when men won't address you or you can't go into an interview.

Banfield, co-anchor of MSNBC's "Newsnight," was assigned an America almost as much for her style (black titanium Lactif glasses and sleek blond hair) as she is for her reporting. (People magazine did a spread on Banfield's top glasses.)

But when she was sent on assignment to Islamabad, Pakistan, on Sept. 25, she called her blonde hair brown and cut it extremely short to blend in among the people of central Asia.

"I open a war traveling this part of the world and found that blond hair was in fashion," Banfield said. "I would still like to see that." Calling from the Marriott Hotel in Islamabad, "In a situation where my safety can be jeopardized, it won't even be a decision."

Banfield worked as a free-lancer in southeast Asia, India, the Middle East and the Soviet Union. Upon arrival in Pakistan, she began wearing clothing traditional to that region, including a chador (turban) and dupatta, a long head scarf.

Amy Kellogg, a London-based foreign correspondent for Fox News Channel, was sent to Islamabad shortly after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Kellogg, an experienced war reporter, covered the war in Chechnya while based in Fox News Channel's Moscow bureau.

Kellogg takes a different approach. Rather than wearing the same clothing, she wears baggy pants and tops. "I don't want to offend people here; it's an Islamic country, although it's moderate," Kellogg said, also calling from the Marriott Hotel in Islamabad. "I have a suitecase full of head scarves, and I went on a shopping spree for bags, clothes before I left London. But Islamabad is a cosmopolitan city. Most women do cover their heads, but not all of them.

I've been covering the political side of the story, so I've been good with officials and analysts," she said. "They're all cosmopolitan and have met Westerners. That said, I feel as if I'm in a place like Afghanistan, then I really have to change the way I do things."

Now Kellogg (also a blonde) covers the Marriott Hotel's arms, legs and chest and neck. She travels with a travel agent, producer, cameraman and a local interpreter.

"Here it's a matter of respect and getting your job done," Kellogg said. "If I'd gone to Saudi Arabia, you couldn't work. But you don't want to offend people by being provocatively dressed."

Both women say their gender hasn't hurt them. "It's a fine line to have to walk," MSNBC's Ashleigh Banfield said. "It's frustrating when men won't address you or you can't go into an interview."
You will believe in Fate

John Cusack and Bridget Moynahan, above, star in "Serendipity," currently playing at movie theaters. Cusack and Moynahan play an engaged couple in the film, until fate steps in and turns their relationship upside down.

"Serendipity," though a predictable comedy, should leave a smile on your face...

Webster defines serendipity as "an aptitude for making desirable discoveries by accident." However, in the movie "Serendipity," starring John Cusack and Kate Beckinsale, these "desirable discoveries" are no accident. After fighting over the last pair of black, cashmere gloves at Bloomingdale's in New York City during the holiday season, Jonathan Träger (John Cusack) and Sara Thomas (Kate Beckinsale) end up spending a magical evening together, which ends when Sara decides to tempt fate. As she reaches out to give Jonathan her name and number, a truck drives by and blows the paper out of her hands and into the mess of litter on the streets of New York. Sara sees this as a sign, but decides to give it one more chance. She writes her name and number in a book ("Love in the Time of cholera") and sells it to an undisclosed bookstore the following day. Jonathan writes his name and number on a $5 bill and Sara uses it to purchase something at a newsstand. Sara tells Jonathan that if they are destined to be together, the items carrying their phone numbers, which are now circulating in New York, will be brought back into their own hands by fate. Flash forward a few years and the predictable end, it is still exciting to see them chase after each other through the streets of New York. The on-screen chemistry between Cusack and Beckinsdale is perceptible, but the only time they act together is at the very beginning and the very end of the film. The movie is at it's best when the two act together, but the strong supporting actors play a huge role in adding to the comedy of this film. Dean Kansky (Jeremy Piven) plays the role of Cusack's best friend, an obituary writer for The New York Times, who's never really taken chances in his own life. He becomes transfixed by his friend's adventurous, crazy romanticism and aids him in finding his destiny.

Eve (Molly Shannon) plays a similar role as Beckinsdale's close friend and a New Age shopkeeper. Eve assumes a typical Molly Shannon role. The real kicker in this film is Eugene Levy, whose role as an anal Bloomingdale's salesman adds a definite comedic sense to the film. Cusack's role is a lot more comfortable than his role in America's Sweethearts and Beckinsdale is as lovely as she was in Pearl Harbor, but with a British accent this time, (although she did have the Neve Campbell look in this film). British actor-turned-director Peter Chelsom (Hear My Song) does a good job harmonizing the coincidences and little moments when Jonathan and Sara almost meet. They are suspended, in a romantic comedy kind of way.

First-time writer Marc Klein writes a few stale jokes, but uses some witty stuff as well, especially Dean's "eulogy" for a love-but Jonathan.

"Serendipity," though a predictable romantic comedy, should still leave a smile on your face as you walk out of the theater. Cusack and Beckinsdale throw themselves into their roles, and although they don't have much on screen time together, they can still make you believe in fate.

The California Polytechnic State University Foundation's Annual Audit FY 2000-01 has been completed.

Public information copies available at Foundation Administration (Building 15) and Campus Library.
By Audrey Amara
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

For those who like seeking trouble for fun, "Joy Ride" is a perfect example of the trouble coming back to haunt you.

The movie takes off right from the start by showing two brothers, Fuller and Lewis (played by Steve Zahn and Paul Walker, respectively) , meeting around with the citizen's band radio (a walk-talkie style of radio) on a barren stretch of highway somewhere in Wyoming. Lewis had been on his way from school in California to pick up his friend Venna, played by Leelee Sobieski, who goes to Boulder College in Colorado. From there, they were going to drive across the country for the holidays in his new 1971 Chrysler Newport.

Of course, things get off schedule when Lewis has to make a detour to bail his brother out of jail in Salt Lake City, Utah, on a charge of drunken driving. Fuller is a "live on the edge" type of goofball and likes to make everything fun — whatever the cost.

On the way to pick up Venna, the brothers start goofing around on the CB radio and with a little egging on by his brother, Lewis seduces a truck driver who calls himself Rusty Nails. The driver is looking for a woman named Candy Cane, and calls out for her over the CB radio.

Lewis, who does a great impression of a slightly accented woman's voice, pretends to be Candy Cane and talks the lone truck driver into meeting "her" at one of the cheap roadside motels that is scattered alongside the never-ending stretch of highway.

The man in room 17 is next to the motel office and therefore is a perfect victim for the brothers' prank.

"...the movie does keep the audience on the edge of its seat with its ongoing murderous obstacles..."

The truck driver is never seen in the movie and at the end it is up to the viewer's imagination what happens to him.

Joy Ride leaves its audience with the feeling of a slightly accented woman's voice, spitting to be Candy Cane and flying across buildings, doing gravity-defying stunts and talking with acrobatic feats.

The acting is painful, with neither notable acting abilities, nor their capability to do many of the stunts without special assistance. It seems to be an attempt to make the movie more artful but their capability to do many of the stunts without special assistance is impressive. Yen and Guan display the "old school" style of kung fu that is dazzling yet unbelievable.

Intended to be a prequel to Once Upon A Time in China, also directed by Yuen Woo-Ping, Iron Monkey (Miramax) follows in the Hong Kong movie tradition of breathtaking action sequences but fails to meet the standards of some of its more artful predecessors.

Taking the fun out of 'Road Trip'

Audiences won't go bananas for 'Iron Monkey'

By Katrina Lang

Local Showtimes
Fremont
Bandits
Iron Monkey
Max Kazha's Big Move
Don't Say a Word

Downtown Centro 7 Cinema
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Carly Romano
Sarandon
Training Day
Zoolander
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Sunset Drive-In
Hardball
Palm Theater
Hearts in Atlantis
Bread & Tulips
Liam
Apocalypse Now Redux
Coffee crisis and fair trade choice

In many coffee-growing countries, crisis is brewing. International coffee prices have fallen since 1997, and no significant recovery is expected. The collapse has worsened rural poverty, spumed immigration to the United States, and in some areas, stirred the specter of civil unrest. Coffee prices are currently at all-time low, diving below 60 cents a pound last August and remaining around 62 cents through April, and is now at 50 cents with no increase in sight. This is the dark side of coffee, the world’s second-most-traded commodity after petroleum.

A key factor supporting these prices is the near-monopoly control of supply. Only four corporations - Procter and Gamble, Philips, Merck, Nestle and Lipton - account for about 40 percent of U.S. retail coffee sales and almost 50 percent of worldwide sales. U.S. corporations are making windfall profits on coffee. Starbucks, for example, reported a 38 percent in profits this year, caused by the decreased cost of raw materials and increased prices for its coffee drinks.

U.S. policy has also helped cause the decline of coffee prices. In the late 1980s, opposition from the Bush administration forced the collapse of the International Coffee Agreement, a decades-old cartel-like pact between coffee growers in consuming nations that guaranteed relative high prices. After the pact ended in 1998 and the market was deregulated, prices plummeted.

For millions of impoverished farmers worldwide, coffee has become a cruel business. Producer prices are at all-time low while prices on the retail end are mostly at all-time high. As a result, coffee growers can no longer subsidize their farm sectors are falling deeper into debt while their people are becoming even more impoverished. In Mexico, this report says tens of thousands of people who once made a living from coffee in southern Chiapas state have migrated to the nation’s major cities and the U.S. border. In the April 1999, according to the Fair Trade movement has been to ensure that the vast majority of the world’s coffee farmers get a fair price of $1.26 per pound regardless of the market price of $1.26 per pound, much needed credit at fair prices and long-term relationships. These fair trade payments are invested in health care, education, environmental stewardship and economic independence.

Also, we have the opportunity to make educated decisions as consumers. Making the choice to purchase Fair Trade coffee is a choice to make the world a better place.

Marina Sterner is a chemistry senior.

Letters to the editor

Forum was informative but not balanced

Editor,

What happened to all the conservatives? While attending the "Special Forum on Terrorism & Politics" on Tuesday, I was educated, entertained and somewhat pleased with the panels' opinions and responses to today's political subjects. However, it was lacking a major concept to balance the heavily liberal-oriented guests. I saw Scott Hamburge, a former Democratic attorney general for Massachusetts. I also saw Patricia Ireland, former president for the National Organization for Women. I then listened to Larry Noble continually spew the standard liberal rhetoric.

Where was the big-time conservative to combat the views of the Democratic panel? The political exchange was declared a "fiasco" where different ideas can be exchanged and digested. The only problem was that there was no conservative base to make the occasion even more enlightening. The forum's goal was to be "stimulating" and "informative." While I must say that it followed through with its target, it would be foolish to claim that it would not be more "stimulating" or "informative" if there was a conservative voice to accompany the Democratic presence. In order to have a well-rounded discussion on political topics, there needs to be more than just a Democratic voice.

Ashley Campbell is a political science junior.

To me it's all the same: the unbelievable deaths of innocent civilians. Does an American life inherently bear greater significance over the life of a non-American individual? American lives do not have higher value than Japanese, Vietnamese, or Afghan lives - we are intrinsically equal. How would you feel if a country obliterated your home and murdered your family and told you it was because they didn't want to lose any more of their soldiers? I don't see the logic behind the idea that we have the full backing of morality to engage further in the cycle of bloodshed. Upholding the "moral" of self-preservation leads only to the cycles of violence, vengeance and hate - we sink to the level of fundamentalists and religious, religious, religious.

There is a piece of paper somewhere that states all men are created equal. Perhaps someone smuggled out a word or two along the way.

Brian Takeuchi is a landscape architecture freshman.

Letters to the editor

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**NEWS**

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"I wanted to get Pyro Spectacular incorporated into my life," Gilliland said. "When I am here, I am pretty far removed from southern and northern California and there are not many shows done here."

Gilliland said that the fireworks shows around here are usually on the Fourth of July. He has performed in New York and downtown L.A. He was the fourth of July show at that time. He mentioned that he wanted his own show, and because it is hard to be involved in a show outside of San Luis Obispo, he decided to do one here at Cal Poly.

"I definitely got a better perspective of the business side of a show because of talking to sponsors and all that is involved," Gilliland said.

Gilliland started working on getting a fireworks show here for Cal Poly more than a year ago. He wanted to do for spring Rush at Oceano Dunes, however, the show was shut down a year ago. He wanted to do one here at Cal Poly.

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Matt Gilliland

business junior

News

**INTEREST in Mid-East courses growing at Boston universities**

By Elise Castelli

The Deco Desk Pets

(U/WIRE) BOSTON — Boston students and area residents expressed a growing interest in both Middle Eastern and terrorism studies since the Sept. 11 attacks, forcing schools to accommodate the overflow of students.

Dr. Erik Goldstein, chairman of International Relations at Boston University, will use a restructure of courses and increase the number of similar courses this semester.

In response to a petition signed by 90 students, BU plans to bring back classes, Small Wars and Terrorism, which ended five years ago when the professor teaching it left the University.

Goldstein said interest in Middle Eastern courses was high even before the attacks, a fact which he attributed to the violence in the Middle East over the past few years.

"International relations was already one of the most popular majors, with over 800 students," Goldstein said. "The interest in the major remains strong and has been growing for some time.

In addition, BU students and teaching fellows have organized an informal weekly forum since Sept. 11, where anyone interested in the subject can meet with professors to discuss the latest developments.

At Harvard University, Professor Nor Yalman said he has also seen a marked increase in interest, noting the growth of his class on the formation of the Middle East since World War II. Enrollment in Yalman's class, usually 50-60 students, has jumped to 300, he said.

Yalman has adapted his course to allow for 10-minute updates on the situation during each class. The course, Yalman said, is also available on the Internet, so improved students who are not in the class can access the information as well.

In a symposium, Harvard may also hold special lectures through its International Relations department, although nothing is definite yet.

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Chairman of International Relations, Boston University

Middle Eastern studies courses have also experienced a significant enrollment spike at Northeastern University, according to spokespeople from this course.

Fielden said three classes in particular have seen a substantial increase in enrollment, and noted the content of one class. Introduction to International Affairs, was changed to help answer students' questions about reasons behind terrorism.

"We needed to have a teach-in because you can't handle these issues in lecture," Sullivan said. "It's so complicated — the history, the culture, the politics and the consequences... So we spread out these teach-ins for the entire semester."

Fielden said the first lecture on Oct. 3 was standing room only, and additional lectures will follow.

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recovering alcoholic who has been sober for 23 years.

"I come to tell people that any one given drunk on any one given night could cost you everything," Green said.

The aim of his presentation was "to come to tell people that any one given drinking session for men and four for women" occurs more often among college students than non-college students. In a study by the ACHA, 67.5 percent of college students had consumed alcohol within the past 30 days, and 40 percent took part in binge drinking at least once within two weeks of the survey.

Shannon Jerger, biology senior,

"There has to be a line between drinking and going out and getting drunk," Jerger said. "It's a lot to drink, then his friend should take their car keys and offer a ride home, he said.

Another problem for alcohol drinkers is not knowing exactly what an alcohol problem is, he said. "The number one thing I think you don't know is if you have an alcohol problem or not," Green said. "You don't have to be an alcoholic to have an alcohol problem."

A 1999 Core Survey taken at Cal Poly showed that 60 percent of its students have tried to four drinks a week and 80 percent drink less than two a week, if at all.

There is a fine line between alcohol use and alcohol abuse, just as in controlled substances, Green said. According to ACHA, alcohol, alcohol or drug abuse is described in terms of how it is being used. If it is used in a way that affects one's behavior, relationships, finances or performance in school, work or athletics, then one may be considered an alcoholic.

"I am intrigued with the charter and the alcohol-free concept," Aiken said.

Chairman Stephen Peterson was one of the two commissioners who voted against the request and he said so because he did not agree with the noise conditions that were added to the permit.

"They are already regulated to the point where they can't do anything. Why add more to it?" Peterson said.

Even though the planning commission granted the request for a "new permit," they cannot officially put up their letters for the permit since the public has 10 days to file an appeal.

The city's big box ordinance was also discussed at Wednesday's meeting. Big-box stores refer to chain retail stores like Target or Walmart.

The planning commission decided on street parking restrictions and to limit single-story retailers to 10,000 square feet. This decision, however, left the door open to increasing the square footage to 137,500 if the developer was willing to build multiple stories. In this event, the commission agreed that the ground floor be limited to 50,000 square feet. This decision seemed to favor big-box stores, such as Costco and Home Depot, who usually have single-story buildings, but leaves room for department stores.

The commissioners also recommended retailers build no more than one parking space per 300 square feet of floor, in an attempt to limit the size of asphalt that typically accompanies large stores.

"The Planning Commission's actions were only to buy us a little more time until the City Council is expected to take the issue up for a final decision in November."

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through Jan. 11 for the price of $12.95.

A business major, Ventimiglio wanted to learn the entrepreneurial skills he would need in the future. The entire process has been wonderful experience," he said. "I learned more experiencing firsthand than I could have in the classroom. "I learned more than I was growing experience, it was a lot to take on in addition to 17 units.

The models will appear at The Graduates on Oct. 20, take part in a model auction for one date with a model of choice toward the end of this quarter and another event at SLO Brewing Co. with date pending.

All proceeds of the model auction, will be sold to the World Trade Center relief effort.

If it goes well this year, there are plans to repeat the idea next year. Gentlemen, be patient, because Ventimiglio said that, depending on the success of this year's calendar, there may be a female calendar next year.