Poly students take a step closer to Hollywood

By Jenni Mintz

A few Cal Poly students will have a chance to step into the world of moviemaking after "The Last Year," a film about a gay student attending a Catholic college, is shot on campus sometime around Dec. 11 to Jan. 12, 2002, in San Luis Obispo County.

The movie will be filmed around the time that the campus would be waiting for Cal Poly's decision on the location for the movie's novelty.

"It's hard for me in these classes because I often ask for his opinion as a male. He said he is the only other male. He chose child development because that is exactly what industrial engineering degrees are about making everything run smoothly and making sure there is no waste," he said. "It was a culture shock for me since I knew I would be in the minority but did not think it would be such a small minority. This was another reason why she became involved with SWE. She said many women come to Cal Poly as an engineer but take a few classes and are scared off because they find themselves outnumbered; SWE also acts as the only female in many classes and Harris is no exception."

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Cal Poly ROTC gives up the Golden Bear

By Stephen Curran

ROTC cadets from throughout the four western states were urged to be all they could be at this year's Ranger Challenge, held at Fort Hunter Liggett.

The two-day event culminated in an awards ceremony Saturday night in which 22 teams were recognized for their strength and endurance.

Cal Poly, last year's winner of the Golden Bear for overall team, was forced to relinquish the trophy to Souther Utah University.

"This year was a building year," said Ethan Guthausen, history senior and team captain. "We're setting the stage for the years to come."

However, Cal Poly did not walk away empty-handed. Knowledge senior Christine Gritzke came away with the top award in the Physical Training exercise for a third year in a row.

For Gritzke, though, the challenge is not just to beat the other cadets competing that year, but to beat her own score as well. And she's done that, getting a higher score each year.

"I'm always trying to compete at the same level as the guys," she said.

For coach and military science professor Maj. Paul Bachner, the see CHALLENGE, page 5

Cal Poly's gender stratification in academic majors

Child development, psychology majors have few male students in the classroom

By Kat Corey

It is the first day of the quarter and Darrin Woods sits at his desk, watching people casually stroll in the classroom and take a seat.

As the professor begins to speak, he looks around the room and suddenly realizes he is the only male in a room of 59 women.

"Children really are the primary teachers," he said. "It was a culture shock for me since I knew I would be in the minority but did not think it would be such a small minority. This was another reason why she became involved with SWE. She said many women come to Cal Poly as an engineer but take a few classes and are scared off because they find themselves outnumbered; SWE also acts as the only female in many classes and Harris is no exception."

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Cal Poly reaches out to women who feel outnumbered in the College of Engineering

By Malia Spencer

Graduating from Cal Poly in five years is typical for most students. Graduating from Cal Poly in five years with a bachelor's and a master's degree in engineering is unusual.

Graduating from Cal Poly in five years with these degrees as a woman is even more rare — that is exactly what industrial engineering senior Jenn Harris is doing.

Many students refer to the College of Engineering as "the men's college," but Harris' 2001 fall graduation makes her unique. She is currently the president of the Cal Poly chapter of Society of Women Engineers (SWE).

SWE is part of a national organization that works to support women in engineering and also to encourage young girls to pursue engineering degrees. Cal Poly's SWE currently has 260 members and 35 officers, and claims to be the largest professional club on campus.

Harris' commitment to promote women in engineering led her to pursue the SWE presidency in May.

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Panel addresses difficulty of trusting media

By Emily Schwartz

What is the role of the media in times of war? Four panelists attempted to answer this question and discussed the responsibility of the media in relation to the war on terrorism.

"The public looks to us to be a voice of clarity at a time like this," said panelist Sandra Duerr, vice president and executive editor of The Tribune. "Our goal is to make that information as accurate as possible."

Friday's discussion in Robert Kennedy Library, titled "Journalism and Terrorism," also included panelists Mark Sappenfield, correspondent for The Christian Science Monitor, Marvin Sosna, Cal Poly journalism professor and Michelle Hatfield, news editor of Mustang Daily.

Among other issues, panelists spoke about the media's responsibility to relay accurate and balanced information to the public.

"I think the media tries to be representative," Duerr said. "Balanced stories don't distort the news, they are just representative of all sides of a story."

Sappenfield said the media's choice of words is imperative, to avoid incorrect and misleading information during this time of fear.

"You have to be very aware that what you're writing is going to be heard," he said. "You must be aware of every word and how you use it."

Sappenfield recently drove from California to Alabama, stopping to talk to people about their feelings on the war against terrorism. He said that although Americans seemed fearful of what might be ahead, they are still going on with their lives. "I think people have been clear-headed through their fear," he said. "I found people weren't scared to the point of inaction."

Americans seem to have feelings of uncertainty rather than fear at this point, Sosna said. He said he believes this uncertainty has caused people to point a finger at the media because they want someone to blame.

"Uncertainty creates people to suspect the media and scrutinize it. It's a dangerous time," he said.

Sosna added that perhaps too much emphasis has been placed on the media since the terrorist attacks. He said the media's job is to tell the story, and it is up to the audience to take the information and interpret it.

"It's not so much what we present, but how the reader perceives it," he said. "The media are not historians. We are simply players in the game."

"...And Then Came Summer." London's ambition is giving him a director's dream.

A director's dream

London aspired to be in the movie business since age 14. After reading books and researching the career, London decided he wanted to produce. He has written four screenplays, one that won an award in the Academy of Television and Art and Sciences. Two of his movies have been released, includ-

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WASHINGTON —- Trace amounts of anthrax were found in the Veterans Affairs Medical Center's mailroom on Sunday in Washington, D.C.
Only a few employees are taking anthrax tests for possible exposure and authorities said that it is unlikely that the center's 200 patients are at risk for contamination. The mail for the hospital passes through the Brentwood postal processing plant.

Bali tests for anthrax spots for the Bellmawr Mail Distribution Center near Camden, N.J., returned negative even though the center's 10 employees have been put on a 10-day course of antibiotics. The tests were taken after an employee of the facility contracted skin anthrax. The unidentified victim is now in recovery.

Bellmawr is the third New Jersey mail facility to be contaminated by anthrax. The other two are a Princeton post office and a mail processing center near Hamilton Township.
Tests from a West Trenton post office, also in New Jersey, returned negative even though an employee of the office is recovering from skin anthrax.
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ASI Fee Referendum Information

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Polling locations:
Fisher Science, University Union, Dexter Lawn, Ag Bridge, and the Rec Center.

www.fees.calpoly.edu/referendum.htm

OBJECTIVE STATEMENT

ASI fees have not been increased in thirty years. This proposal would increase the ASI fee effective Fall Quarter 2002 and is intended for the continuation of current ASI programs and services. The proposal also provides for subsequent annual adjustments of the ASI Fee by use of a price index. The index seeks to facilitate ASI’s ability to enhance desired levels of service and plan for the future expansion of programs. This index would become effective Fall Quarter 2003. Below is a list of how the increased funds will be utilized:

- Enhance and expand ASI Events (Concerts, Special Events, UU Hour, Club 221, Homecoming)
- Enhance and expand ASI Club Services and increase Club Co-Sponsorship Funding
- Enhance and expand Poly Escapes (Outdoor Recreation/Adventure Program)
- Enhance Student Governance, Representation, and Advocacy
- Funding for ASI Support Services
- Protect against inflation

Current Increase New
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Spring Qtr. $23 $17 $40
Summer Qtr. $21 $19 $40

PRO STATEMENT

"Cal Poly students must support this ASI fee increase for three important reasons:

First, for more than five years an ASI fee increase has been needed to maintain quality and quantity of programs and services while fighting the financial effects of inflation. Every year, ASI student leaders and staff are forced to reduce operating budgets or fund deficits from general reserves, that have now dropped to an appropriately low levels, in order to balance the budget among all ASI programs and services. The general programming portion of the ASI fee has not increased in more than 15 years.

Second, by eliminating the financial hardships created by inflationary pressures, programs will be able to expand as the campus population grows and demand for ASI programs and services increases. Every student at this campus has been touched by at least one of the areas targeted by the fee increase: ASI Events, ASI Club Services, Poly Escapes, ASI Student Government, and associated support services. All of these programs are very popular and the students and staff are eager to expand the quality, quantity, and scope of offerings.

Finally, indexing the fee for inflation will provide stability and insure the long-term viability of the expanded programs and services. An indexed fee helps future students avoid the financial challenges we face today.

ASI consistently receives accolades for the quality of academic programs and the graduates it produces. Students at Cal Poly deserve a vibrant and active campus environment that compliments the academic reputation and achievements of the university. 1 hese assumptions seem to be a bit far-fetched.

CON STATEMENT

The proposed increase to the Student Body Association (ASI) Fee, which, if passed by students, would take effect beginning Fall quarter 2002, appears to be legitimate in its claim that it will maintain the quality and quantity of programs and services funded by ASI. However, it is a proposal ideologically flawed, and at an extra $65 per year and per person, students should consider exactly what their extra money hopes to accomplish.

First, ASI believes that the student fee increase holds the potential to impact Cal Poly students in two key areas: expanding and maintaining ASI programs and services. As part of their proposal, ASI also asserts that the fee increase will aid the projected rise in student enrollment over the next five to ten years and the associated increase in on-campus population. In addition, the document proposes that it will ease strained relations with the City of San Luis Obispo regarding the responsibility of the University to provide a full-service campus. It goes as far as to imply that by increasing funding for ASI, students will be more likely to stay on campus rather than "disturb" the quiet community. These assumptions seem to be a bit far-fetched.

Being fair to ASI, which does strive to improve the quality of life for students, it is important to highlight exactly what the proposal plans to accomplish. The fee increase aims to enhance ASI Events, which includes concerts and homecoming, expand club services, boost student governance and representation and improve Poly Escapes. Though all these programs are excellent, the problem is that they only affect a small percentage of the student population.

What about ASI related programs and services like intramural sports, McPhee's Games and Bowling Center, the Craft Center, and Recreation Center operations? Why should students vote to put their money into an ASI fee category at all, rather than in services like the Health Center or Information Technology Services. If Cal Poly truly wishes to cope with the masses of new students coming to the university, we should instead consider raising fees for the construction of more dorm facilities, the creation of more classes, and the hiring of more teachers.

Not only is the fee increase asking for money that will not solve Cal Poly's real financial challenges, but the increase is rather steep, and, in addition, is attached to a continuous indexing process. By using the HEPI index, the fee will go up each year with the rise in inflation in order to maintain the programs at a stable level without the deterioration of quality caused by inflation. But this comes as an annual burden to students without having to seek their approval for more fee increases.

So, before you vote, consider thoroughly the potential the ASI fee increase has to directly impact you.

Submitted by: Eric Tower, College of Liberal Arts

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"When I was in grade school, I never once had a woman professor," Freberg said. "I had professors argue with me that women didn't belong in graduate psychology." Freberg said there are several types of psychology, whereas females have more of a problem with it. "I'm a minority," she said. women engineering students, and therefore she is a minority. "Men are more of a problem for young girls to look up to," Harris said.

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SWE dedicates a lot of the club's time to engineering and the opportunity to create networks for students to use. SWE runs an event called Building an Engineer in which the club brings added to the campus and teaches them about engineering. This program also gives the girls role models to look up to. Harris said that it is helpful for young girls to see women engineering students and know it is possible.

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Harris said. These programs are designed to change the perception of what an engineer is. Harris said she believes that without changing the general stereotype to let young girls know that they too have an opportunity for engineering, the industry will never change.

"All the women in engineering come together, we know we are not alone and that other people are doing it," Harris said. "But I have proved otherwise."
Opinion

Don't blame violence on lyrics

In a recent lawsuit aimed at the heavy metal band Slayer, San Luis Obispo Superior Court Judge Jeffrey Burke ruled that Slayer lyrics, although "repulsive and profane," did not provoke three teens to murder 15-year-old Elyse Pahler in 1995. The suit was filed in 1996 by Pahler's parents, claiming the band's music incited the murder of their daughter.

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Music is the media of choice for many consumers today, especially within the teen population. Many teens use music to help define their social group and express their cultural identity. Music can be a good tool for teens to express themselves individually as well, but the lyrics themselves don't always have a positive message. Some lyrics advocate violence, sex, suicide and even murder. However, lyrics cannot be held responsible for actions taken by the listeners. It is the responsibility of the entertainers, to teach children the difference between right and wrong.

The Parental Advisory Label was created by the Recording Industry Association of America in 1985 to help parents censor what their kids listen to. The label identifies music releases that contain explicit lyrics, including representations of profanity, sex and violence, so that parents can make informed listening choices for their children. Some retailers even have in-store policies that prohibit selling music labeled Parental Advisory Label to those younger than 18.

It's time parents get more involved in their children's lives. Music can be a tool of communication between child and parent. Parents should ask their teens questions and see how the music they listen to makes them feel. Parents should see what kind of messages their teens are getting from certain artists and clarify any distorted views they might have. Since adolescence is often an impressionable time, parents need to step in and fulfill good morals in their children. When teens turn into young adults, they need to be able to make educated choices, free from any negative influences.

It's time parents get more involved in their children's lives. If we're going to blame music lyrics for our children's behavior, we can't stop there. We must also point at a finger at sex and profanity marked by tees, but "pre-" and "post-" games. But we can't blame the show "Beverly Hills, 90210" for teen pregnancies, nor can we blame PlayStation for the Columbine murders.

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Letter to the editor

Children are constantly exposed to violence

Editor,

I was intrigued by Laura Vega's commentary "Haunted house mirrors cruel acts of terrorism" (Nov. 1), and I thought that she brought up some very valid points. With the ongoing war, there has definitely been an emergence of "bin Laden bashing," this particular haunted house being an ideal example. While I have no sympathy for him, I also seriously question the effect these public displays of violence and animosity have on children.

Vega pointed out the old-age question of how much violence and hate to which children should be exposed. The majority of the time this question is in regard to television and movies, but in this case we have a haunted house. While innocent on the surface, Vega conveyed the duality of it. Critics of movies and television often do the same. But on the subject of violence in movies and television, I have mixed feelings. During my childhood I was exposed to the same TV violence that other children were exposed to, and yet I never had the urge to enact a violent scene I had seen. However, I do realize that every child is different and that there are children who will re-enact these scenes. Talk to any nurse who works in the children's ward, and I'm sure they can vouch for it. There are also some particularly brutal or vicious attacks that make the national headlines. So if a child will re-enact a WWF wrestling move on the 5-year-old neighbor, killing her, then what is stop him or her from attempting to kill the 5-year-old Arab neighbor, who in his or her mind may be related to bin Laden? So with that, we add the element of racism into the fray. It is widely known that violent behavior is linked to previous violent behavior. This is known as the circle of violence. A father who abuses his son may raise a son who will in turn abuse his wife and his own son. Given that a child can be inflicted with a violent mindset, then it is reasonable to assume that a child could also be inflicted with a violent mindset. Children who grow up hearing prejudiced remarks often begin to express these remarks themselves.

In Vega's case, we do not have oral prejudice, but visual prejudice. If a perfect example was the lynching of African-Americans in the South. My knowledge regarding the effect these lynchings had on Southern children is nil, but I would make the assumption that the effect of lynchings is similar to the effects of "bin Laden bashing." But the effect of this is unknown to me. I would rather not make a misinformed hypothesis.

To briefly address Ric Rose's letter titled "There's a difference between theater and terrorism" (Nov. 2), he stated, "Vega has too little confidence in a child's ability to distinguish ... (Osama bin Laden) from the other 99.99 percent of Arabs." This is a very valid statement. Can a child distinguish this difference? Many adults cannot. That is proven in the fact that there have been many mass crimes against the Islamic-American community throughout the country.

Government shouldn't be master of our domain

(L'WIRE BOSTON) - Yet another attempt at filtering media to be "kid-friendly" has come on the table, but this time it's not an encroachment upon the First Amendment that's the problem, it's a lack of effectiveness.

Representatives in United States House of Representatives are considering a bill that would establish an Internet domain for children to post web "kids.us" would be similar to "com" and "org," and would contain material suitable for children under the age of 13. Websites would have to apply through a pre-existing board in order to be deemed "kids.us" acceptable. The site would be constantly monitored and parents would have the option to restrict their child's computer so that he or she could only access "kids.us" sites.

This bill - although well intentioned - would be ineffective. Children who can only access "kids.us" would have a far more limited pool of educational resources than children who can access all sites on the Internet. It seems contradictory to the government's efforts in sponsoring a 21st century "kid-friendly" Internet. And should the Internet - the pinnacle of 21st century communication - be subject to "kid-friendly" standards?

Furthermore, creating a "kid-safe" Internet is endangering a parental responsibility upon the government. If parents closely monitor their children - like this site will do - then the domain would not be necessary. Parents should be watching what their young children are looking at on the Internet, instead of relying upon the government to do so.

Just as ratings in the upper corner of a TV screen will not prevent a child from watching a show, establishing a different domain will not prevent children from surfing through graphic pages.

In addition, do U.S. citizens really want the slowest system in the world? We think not.

Staff Editorial, The Daily Free Press (Boston U.)
Sports

**Cal Poly loses in straight sets to UCSB**

By Laura Vega  
**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

The UC Santa Barbara volleyball squad, ranked No. 21 last week, completed a regular-season sweep over Cal Poly on Friday night in the Thunderdome. The Mustangs dropped the Big West match, 23-25, 22-30 and 26-30 before a crowd of 547.

Cal Poly’s biggest challenge in the contest was regaining service opportunities, Mustang head coach Steve Schlick said. “Our receptionist serve was up and down,” Schlick said. “We were unable to diversify our offense. It made it harder for us to score.”

Cal Poly trailed by as many as seven points in the middle of the first game. Cal Poly came close to catching the Gauchos at 18-22, but Santa Barbara’s defense denied a Mustang comeback. Senior setter Brooke Rundle recorded nine digs for the Gauchos in the first game.

“Offensively, it wasn’t one of the prettiest matches for either team,” Gauchos head coach Kathy Gregory said. “It was a match where no one really played great and it could have gone either way.”

The score remained close early in the second game, but the Gauchos then took a 12-point lead on a nine-point run. The Mustangs trailed UCSB again in game three. A big block by junior setter Carly O’Halloran ignited a five-point Mustang run to pull them within 1 point at 20-21. A few plays later, a kill by junior middle blocker Worthy Lien put the Mustangs at 24-25. The Gauchos, however, kept the lead to clinch the sweep.

“We just didn’t have the emotion,” said Gwen Hubbard, Cal Poly’s sophomore defensive specialist. “We came out flat, and we just didn’t get going until the last game.”

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**Poly comes up short against division leaders**

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With flowers in hands, and their parent’s by their side, the seniors stood on the grass at Mustang Stadium on Friday for their second to last game as Mustangs.

Seniors Katie Bowe, Sandy Ocegara, Amy Turner and Carolyn Schifftner basked in the cheers, having tied for first place in the Big West conference. They showed Cal Poly why they are the dominant team of the Big West.

“We weren’t thinking about who would win the conference,” Turner said. “We just wanted to have fun and win.”

**Freshman outside hitter Jessica Diepersloot said the Mustangs struggled against the Gauchos.**

With only six shots on goal in the first half, the Mustangs knew they had to pressure the Titans more on offense.

“We had trouble getting the ball down the field, but we scored the goal by pressuring (Cal State Fullerton’s) defense,” said junior defender Brooke Filippone.

Despite Cal Poly’s efforts, they went scoreless in the second half as the Mustangs fell to Cal State Fullerton.

“We weren’t expecting them to come out as tough as they did,” said sophomore defender Annette Croes. Filippone had 14 shots on goal compared to Cal Poly’s 10.

“All season we have been struggling to put goals in the net. We just aren’t finishing,” said Croes.

Cal Poly had two opportunities to put the match away with penalty kicks. However, both shots were wide of the goal, keeping the Mustangs one goal behind the Titans.

“We didn’t take advantage of the opportunities, and it killed us in the match,” Croes said.

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