Vietnam vet and Pulitzer Prize finalist discusses books in Chumash

By Laura Dietz
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Honors students at Cal Poly have the opportunity to have all of their questions about Vietnam and writing answered on Oct. 15, when Vietnam veteran and author Tim O'Brien visits campus.

O'Brien will have a discussion and lunch with Cal Poly honors students participating in PREFACE, Cal Poly's shared reading program.

"He is an interesting guy and this is an interesting book, so I think it will be a good lecture," said business junior Joshua Enquist, honors dorm resident advisor and Honors Club president.

O'Brien is on a nationwide tour promoting his most recent book, "Jah, Jake.

His book "The Things They Carried" received the National Magazine Award and was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Critics Circle Award, according to an article in the Los Angeles Times.

He will be signing books Friday afternoon at Novel Experience downtown, followed by a radio interview on KVEC 920 AM.

O'Brien will also give a lecture that will be open to the public in Chumash Auditorium at 7 p.m., followed by a book signing.

Carol MacCardy, an English professor and PREFACE committee member, said O'Brien came to Cal Poly eight or nine years ago and gave a memorable lecture.

"That was another reason we wanted him to come and speak - he related well to students," MacCardy said. "He is not just funny; he is also thought provoking.

PREFACE is designed to bring faculty, staff and students together across campus and across colleges, said Patricia Pence, coordinator for Accelerated Academic Programs. This is the first year of the program, and the Honors students are the pilot group. "Years down the road, we hope to ask all incoming freshmen to read the book," Pence said.

PREFACE began this summer when all Honors students received a letter asking them to read "The Things They Carried" and help launch the program, she said. There will be activities throughout the year for this group of students following the theme of the book.

She said that other possible activities for winter quarter include a film or panel discussion complementing the book.

The students in the program get together for the first time on Oct. 9. They met with their discussion leaders, one faculty or staff member and one student, to talk about the book, MacCardy said.

Liberal studies junior and Honors student Kimberly Kelly said that students in her discussion group had a positive attitude about the program.

"The people who were there were excited to talk about it and were really into the discussion," she said.

Enquist, who also leads group discussions, said about three-fourths of the students had read the book, and see O'BRIEN, page 3
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addresses are posted.

**What's Going On**

Coming up this week

*Senior project help* - Wednesday at 5:10 p.m. in the library, room 111h.

**Bontoc Eulogy** film - A film will be shown in the Multicultural Center at 7 p.m. on Wednesday. It shows the exploitation of indigenous Filipinos during the 1904 World's Fair.

*Tom Sgouros and robot presentation* - A presentation on artificial intelligence and free will will be hosted on Thursday at 7 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium.

**John Steinbeck: Naturalist or Spiritualist** - Susan Shillinglaw will be speaking about Steinbeck in Phillips Hall in the PAC on Thursday at 11 a.m.

*Paso Robles harvest festival* - Friday and Saturday, Paso Robles' wineries will host a wine tour. For information, call 234-8463.

**DATING**

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engagement or marriage.

Journalism senior Ryan McAdams knows the results of online dating first hand. His mother married an online suitor in August.

"My first impression was that you will never find someone," McAdams said. "It was not until someone so close to me was into it that I realized real people participate in online dating. With the new-age technology we have it is not as out-of-the-ordinary to meet someone."

Busy lifestyles are the main reason for using online dating.

"You can shift through millions of profiles in less than a second," Rowland said. "Imagine trying to do that in the real world."

John E. Willcock is the owner of HappyBoard.Buy.com and has a daughter who is in college.

"Because of time, and the usual boring hangouts, (my daughter said that online dating) has become a quiet, one-on-one way of meeting a boyfriend/girlfriend besides the people one is dating or hanging out with," Willcock said.

Amy*, a 23-year-old Cuesta student, had a six-month online relationship her freshman year while she was attending Cal Poly. But the relationship didn't begin through an online service. Instead, Amy was BM'd by a person who saw her on campus.

Claiming she got her e-mail address through some friends, he and Amy started talking online. For one month, they would spend five hours a night talking over the Internet. Even when they were transferred to the California State University at Fresno, they continued to talk.

"You talk to them so much it is almost like you are in a relationship, but you really don't know who the other person is," Amy said. "It's like you are attached to a computer monitor."

The relationship was finally broken off when he continued to avoid meeting Amy in person. She was convinced he was hiding something. After the two broke up, he has not gone back online under his original user name.

However, when talking to strangers online, common sense is required.

"In terms of advice, I think it's important to be honest but careful," Rowland said. "I think the end, people are looking to be reassured about whether they have been deceived."

"Name has been changed at source's request."

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years in the agriculture industry as the university.

"Since she's worked in the industry, she understands the issues facing agriculture and can prepare students to work in the industry and face these issues," he said.

Earl Williams, president of the California Cotton Growers Association, agreed.

"She will bring to Cal Poly a different perspective because she's been involved in the industry," Williams said. "She can form a bridge between academia and industry."

Some prominent issues facing agriculture today are the use of pesticides, genetically modified food and the leaching of agricultural products into ground water, Fox said.

Although she is now an agriculture professional, Fox did not grow up in the field of agriculture.

Raised in blue-collar Bloomfield, NJ, Fox is the daughter of a waitress and a milkman. In high school, Fox studied typing to become a secretary. Now, she said she hopes to reach students like herself who didn't grow up in agriculture and show them that agriculture is more than "just going back to the farm."

With crop science and horticulture enrollment dropping, Fox will have to address the problem of decreased interest.

Figures are down to 373 students for fall quarter, whereas last year there were 424 students, according to an Institutional Planning and Analysis report.

Fox said she understands that agriculture does not have a prestigious image and that this is the primary reason enrollment decreases.

By keeping the image of her daughter in mind as the typical student that she is trying to reach, she said.

"She's a city girl, all decked out in Abercrombie and Fitch," Fox said.

Fox turned her life toward academics because teachers made such a difference in her life, she said.

While at the College of the Redwoods in Northern California, and a member of the Sierra Club, a professor advised Fox to come to Cal Poly and take an active role in agriculture to make a difference for the environment.

"It's been my dream to get my doctorate and return to Cal Poly because my experience as an undergrad here was so positive," Fox said. "The faculty really cared, not like at big universities where students just get in the way."

Fox's familiarity with California agriculture also brought her back to Cal Poly.

"She doesn't have to adapt to agricultural practices in California as would someone from another state," Weirsh said.

Fox came from no academic background. She transferred into a sociology degree.

Still, she considers herself behon'den to the culture. "I was in high school in New Jersey, I had no idea I would be involved in agriculture and academics in California," she said. "Agriculture has been an evolution in my life."

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Campus Express Club is Cal Poly's premier value club. Add value to your Campus Express Club and lock a laundered car probably died slow- and painfully from being overheat- ing or asphyxiation, authorities said Tuesday.

The victims apparently boarded the grain hopper in Mexico four months ago and may have been snug- gled into the country, said Jerry Heemson, director of the Immigration and Naturalization Service in Nebraska and Iowa.

Their nationalities were unknown and authorities said they did not know if the victims were men, women or children.

The car had been latched from the outside and there was no evidence of food or water inside, Sheriff Tom Hogan said. He said it was difficult to count the huddled bodies; authorities said there were as many as 11.

Authorities removed the bodies Tuesday, one day after they were dis- covered near Denison, 60 miles northwest of Omaha, Neb. The rail car was sealed and moved to Des Moines for examination by investiga- tors.

Former ImClone CEO Sam Waksal pleads guilty in insider trading scandal.

NEW YORK — Samuel Waksal, the jet-setting scientist who founded ImClone Systems, pleaded guilty Tuesday in the insider trading scandal that threatens his friend Martha Stewart and her home-decorating empire.

Waksal, 55, became the second person to plead guilty in the federal investigation into trading of the biotechnology company's stock. He did not implicate Stewart in his plea, and the plea was not part of an agree- ment to cooperate with authorities.

Prosecutors also announced that they are investigating previously undisclosed sales of $50 million worth of ImClone stock by an unidentified Waksal associate that may result in new charges against Waksal and oth- ers.

Waksal pleaded guilty to six counts, including securities fraud, bank fraud, conspiracy to obstruct justice and perjury.

He admitted to a scheme in which he tipped his daughter, Aliza, to dump ImClone stock just before it plunged in value on bad news from the Food and Drug Administration.

International Briefs

Finnish police arrest teen as nation mourns mail bomb vic­ tims.

HERSINKI, Finland — Police arrested a 17-year-old boy Tuesday for allegedly providing information over the Internet about how to make explosives to the suspect in the deadly bombing at a suburban shopping mall.

The teenager, who was not identi- fied, is accused of giving instructions about building a bomb to the suspect, Perri Gerri, but he was not believed to have been involved in placing the bomb in the mall outside Helsinki, said Detective Chief Superintendent Tero Haapala.

Gerri, 19, died in the blast along with six others. The bomb injured 89 people.

The 17-year-old was being held on a preliminary charge of assisting in a grievous act of destruction, which car- ries a maximum sentence for a minor of about seven years.

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Briefs compiled from The Associated Press were supplied by the Daily managing editor Malia Spencer.

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This Saturday, Oct. 19, the third annual Cayucos Music Festival goes off on the Cayucos embarcadero. The festival is the culmination of an ongoing senior project of Cal Poly graduate Kevin Costigliolo, who said he wanted people to come together to enjoy local musicians and artists. He worked close with the Cayucos Chamber of Commerce to organize the event.

"It's a cool project that brought some organization of music to the area and it's a chance for people to get out of town and support local music," Costigliolo said.

Eight local bands with a variety of styles will perform on two oceanfront stages from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Morro Bay's Bootsie Merango, a high energy funk-rock group, will play along with Los Osos' own Outrohose, a jam-funk band.

A group of Cal Poly students known collectively as Joose offer up their own brand of blues-jazz fusion. The alternative rock band Glider from Atascadero is also slated to play.

The African dance and drum performers known as Higher Movement and Hawaiian music from Na Mele o ke Kai will also be in the lineup.

Kirk Henning will provide the audience with storytelling entertainment.

The event has been popular with Cal Poly students in the past, according to organizers. Graduate student Jan Tatala has fond memories of last year.

"I'm a slave to the groove," Tatala said. "It's always a good time when you have music, the beach and beer."

The $5 admission benefits the Cayucos Chamber of Commerce and Trees for Cayucos, an organization that plants trees in town and helps keep the streets and the beaches clean.

Bonfires on the beach will follow up the day's performances, Costigliolo said, with an aftershow at the Cayucos Veterans Hall from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m.

Admission to this part of the event will include performances by Tea Leaf Garden and New Clear Days.

Advance tickets are available at the Hempshak, or online at www.jamba.netickets.com, for $10 and $12 at the door.

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Using, buying fake IDs not worth the consequences

S
o you’re bitter that you’re not old enough to enjoy the bars? It’s true, finding a fun party or just hanging out with some friends will leave you a lot happier than if you attempted to hit the bars with a fake ID.

After learning about the consequences for trying to use a fake ID, I don’t know why people continue to use them.

In the past year alone, the San Luis Obispo Police Department has prosecuted more than 500 people for trying to use fake IDs, either at bars or local grocery and liquor stores. Beware that the cool guys behind the counter at Cork ‘N’ Bottle and those friendly bouncers downtown will confiscate them and turn them away.

It is true that this isn’t the biggest crime to be committed and is certainly not violent. After all, it isn’t like you are dealing drugs or stealing someone’s car, but fake IDs are still considered a misdemeanor.

Lt. Jim English of the San Luis Obispo Police Department said that punishment for getting caught with a fake ID can range from a several-hundred dollar fine and losing your driver’s license for a year to spending up to six months in jail.

Those facing this steep punishment face having their cars impounded for 30 days. Along with losing the license and paying a heavy fine, I am sure your old man won’t be too thrilled when he gets a notice in the mail telling him that his child was caught either purchasing alcohol or pretending to be someone else, just to go out and party.

Letter to the editor

Music needs to be protected

Editor,

Ms. Corbin’s editorial on MP3 downloading (Oct. 14) fails to demonstrate any understanding of what music is, fundamental.

It is by choice that the inventor sells his motor; and that the musician sells his music. This means they enter into a voluntary agreement with the consumer, which allows the person could have created instead the consumer; without the choice.

This agreement is reached by a trade of value: The motor, or song, in exchange for money, which the purchaser has earned by means of his own work. This is a picture of what “property rights” stands for — that a man has an undeniable right to what he has earned, and none to what he has not.

The man who states that a musician has an obligation to give his music to the consumer, because the consumer enjoys it, is merely one step away from the man who demands that I give him my land because he uses it. He breaches the same idea, and ignores the same right.

Could Ms. Corbin ever write a single note of a single song by the Dixie Chicks? Does she believe that, since the correct answer is no, she has the right to the music? That her inability to produce music makes it her gift to the students and the community. It’s impossible to even drive on Del Playa past 9 p.m. because the strip is packed with college students.

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tion to exercise," Nickel said. "The
stretching is my favorite but I love
to walk more than anything."

The club will participate in Make a Difference Day on Oct. 19.
Healthy Helpers members will be in
the children's section of the San
Luis library from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.,
where they will put on a puppet
show and make crafts with the kids.

Cox said the volunteers gain as
much from helping the community
as the community gains from them.
"We get so much out of it," Cox
did. "It's huge. You get to commu­
nicate with people you wouldn't
normally communicate with."

One of the main purposes of cre­
ating the club was to benefit the stu­
dent volunteers, Styles said.
"I wanted students to have some­thing they could bring a vision or a
passion to," Styles said. "It gives
them resources in the community
and helps them find themselves and
what they want to."

Students interested in joining
Healthy Helpers can e-mail the club
at healthyhelpers@yahoo.com.

Shop offers wide range of plants,
gives students opportunities

By Christen Wegner

The shop sells everything from
freshly grown green bell peppers to
the newest variety of mum in the
world.

The Cal Poly Plant Shop, located
across from the horse unit, prides itself
on being one of the best and cheapest
places to buy a wide range of products
for the flower enthusiast or the casual
gardener.

"We offer different types of plants,
cards that are hard to find and quite
different from those sold at Target or
Home Depot," said Elizabeth Bemis,
business and horticulture senior.

Another service the shop offers its
students and shoppers are new and
various varieties of plants.

Horticulture seniors Rodney
Wilkinson and Stacy Medema, who
have an emphasis in production, are
currently working on their enterprise
project.

An enterprise project is something
that many students must participate
in to graduate.

Not unlike a senior project, horti­
culture production students are
encouraged to decide on a crop, grow
it, market it and sell it.

However, Wilkinson and Medema
aren't growing the typical rose or
daisy, instead, they are focusing their
project on Belgium Mums, a new
breed of the flower.

The team recently displayed the
plants at the Plant Shop and have
received good remarks about the
experiment plant.

"We didn't know how well the
plants would grow or whether or not
people would buy them," Wilkinson
said. "We had some mums go over
really well and bought up fast, but
some weren't as popular."

Learning different aspects of pro­
duction and marketing are the bene­
fits of an enterprise project.

"We learned a lot from the (mum)
project because it allowed us to learn
about sales and marketing, something
that our classes don't always focus on," Wilkinson said.

Another student who has success­fully
finished her enterprise project is
horticulture senior Savannah Bluth,
who also has an emphasis in produc­
tion.

"The projects are next ways of see­
ing everything from start to finish,
from seedling to a full grown plant," she
said.

Many of the products sold at the
Cal Poly Plant Shop are not only
grown on the premises, but are grown
by the Cal Poly Crop Science Club.

In order to attract more shoppers,
the shop creates displays ranging from
blooming flowers to seasonal items
like poinsettias for Christmas.
Pumpkins serve as the shop's cur­
rent display. Known by the Crop
Science Club, the pumpkins are an
attraction for all those looking for the
perfect gourd to carve for Halloweens.

Another benefit of an enterprise
project is the funding and supplies stu­
dents receive. Following Cal Poly's
"learn by doing" philosophy, the
school will pay for all aspects of the
project so that the student may suc­
cessfully grow their product.

The only requirement is that the
students pay back as much of the bor­
rowed money as possible from their
profits.

"I have had a couple projects mess
up, so it's nice that I didn't have to
lose any money," Bluth said. "You also
learn a lot from doing one of these
projects, as well as have a lot of fun."

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Sports

Cal Poly Women’s Soccer

Potent offense rises over Pacific

► Schlegel tallies sixth goal in 3-1 victory
By Christen Wegner
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Dominant.
That is the best way to describe the Cal Poly women’s soccer team’s effort against the University of Pacific on Sunday.
Cal Poly (8-5 overall, 2-0 Big West) racked up 17 shots on goal in its 3-1 victory, showing the Tigers (8-4-1, 3-1-1) that the team came to play.
"We played really well and came out hard early," senior defender Annette Croteau said. "We wanted to score early and put them away early."

One player that stepped up during last weekend’s home stand was senior midfielder Mandy Enfield. She scored her first two goals of the season, including the game-winner in Friday’s match against Cal State Northridge, as well as Cal Poly’s first goal against Pacific on Sunday.
"The whole team played really well, but Mandy really stepped up this week," head coach Alex Crozier said.

The entire first half was all Cal Poly. After the first 12 minutes of the game, the team drove the length of the field and scored. Enfield kicked a ball into the corner of the goal to put the Mustangs up 1-0.

Cal Poly struck again after two scoring opportunities were squandered by diving stops from Pacific goalie Megan Pickering.
Senior forward Megan Schlegel scored her sixth goal of the season on an open net, putting Cal Poly up 2-0.

Midfielder Scott Gellman (8) and the rest of the Mustangs look to rebound against Fullerton today.

Cal Poly’s Heidi Spink escapes a sliding tackle during the Mustangs’ 3-1 win over Pacific on Sunday.

"We played really well as a team because even after they scored, we didn’t let them get away from us," Crozier said.

Annette Croteau
Cal Poly defender

didn’t let them get away from us," Crozier said.

Three minutes later, senior defend­er Brooke Flamm kicked a line­drive into the net to provide the Mustangs’ final margin of victory.
"Pacific is a strong team and we knew we had to keep an eye on cer­tain players like forward Regina McGee," Crozier said. "She has a lot of speed and the potential to hurt you offensively, so we had to respect that."

So far, the team is tied for fourth in the Big West Conference with a 2-0 record.
"Our main goal is to play hard and win every conference game," Crozier said.

Cal Poly’s next two matches are away games against conference teams Idaho State and Utah State, both wireless in conference play.
Utah State forward Bridal Turner is having one of her best seasons of her college career, and leads the team with 11 goals.
"We have a tough road trip coming up, but we are totally in control of our own destiny," Crozier said.

Cal Poly Men’s Soccer

Mustangs look to jump-start season tonight vs. Fullerton

► Team remains positive despite 2-8 start
By Olga Berdial
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Cal Poly men’s soccer team (2-8 overall, 0-1 Big West), is confident in its ability, despite its first league loss to UC Riverside Saturday.
"I think we are capable of beating any team in our league right now," Cal Poly defender Brad Hallock said. Head coach Wolfgang Gartner said the losing record was due to problems earlier in the season when a few players were intimidated by their challenging position.
"College sports have become very competitive and demanding," Gartner said. "It’s hard trying to match what other schools have." The fact is Cal Poly can’t afford to lure the top players with scholarships and other enticing perks.
"We don’t have the soccer player that can choose between any school he wants," Gartner said.

Although it’s hard to match the level of expertise and experience some other schools have, Gartner acknowledged that the final score of a match doesn’t reflect the effort put into it.
"That maturity and that experience, show, not so much in the score line but when you’re watching the game," Gartner said.

The same awareness of how much work is put into each game was echoed in the words of Hallock.
"It just comes down to how hard we play and if we put in a lot of hard work," Hallock said.

Hard work and encouragement are things that Brian Reed, a defensive midfielder, feels are put into every game, whether won or lost, he said.
"Every game but one we’ve outplayed the opponents, we just haven’t had the necessary breaks. It’s about luck," Reed said.

Gartner agreed, saying that on paper a team like Cal Poly could never beat a team like Stanford or Portland, yet he feels that the team is good enough to compete with the ranks of top teams.

What the team needs now is a confidence-building win, he said.
"If we can win that will boost the efforts of this team all around," Gartner said.

Looking for a win today against Fullerton might be difficult. Fullerton (3-6-1, 0-1-0 in Big West) could pose a challenge for the Mustangs.

"Fullerton is going to be tough," Gartner said.

Reed suggested that going in as the underdog might actually be a benefit for the team.
"People probably counted us out judging by our overall record," he said. "They probably think we’re pushovers. That’s going to work to our advantage."

Gartner captured the thoughts of the team when he said that a win could change the entire outlook of the team.
"A win would make a significant impact on their morale and the belief that they can make a run for the Big West," Gartner said.

Cal Poly’s Heidi Spink escapes a sliding tackle during the Mustangs’ 3-1 win over Pacific on Sunday.

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