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“Put that in your Potter box and smoke it.”
Fake IDs a real problem

By Devin Kingdom
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The money was just so good. John made $400 in one month for doing practically nothing. There were risks involved, but at this point it didn’t matter. They could buy beer with their fake IDs and make money selling them as well.

John, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, and a friend, both from the same small town in Northern California, were at one point supplying IDs for almost half of their senior class.

“We started making IDs so we could buy cigarettes ourselves,” John said. “But then we realized there was a really big market for fake IDs. We probably made over $2,000 total.”

John finally gave up making fake IDs last year because the risks were too high. Two men from his hometown were arrested for drink driving after they bought alcohol with IDs he had made. The arresting officers confiscated their IDs.

These risks were echoed by San Luis Obispo police officer Jeff Booth.

“It seems like a game to most people,” he said. “But the consequences of both making and using a fake ID are pretty serious.”

The penalty for using a fake ID usually results in a fine ranging from $253 to $400 and surrendering one’s driver’s license for a year (this can usually be reduced to a month with alcohol education classes). However, the penalties can be harsher if a fake name is used on the ID. This increases the violation from a misdemeanor to a felony, even if the person is a relative of one who made the ID. But even with knowledge of the

Diversity issues perplex Poly

By Andy Fahey
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

It has been nearly six-and-a-half years since California voted to ban Proposition 209, and Cal Poly is still recovering from its effects.

The state revolutionized the use of affirmative action programs in public institutions, 

“Prop. 209 had one of the most devastating effects on diversity,” said Jim Maraviglia, associate vice president of admissions, recruitment and financial aid. “When the campus lost the ability to use race, gender and ethnicity as a factor (in determining admission), it lost a great deal in its ability to select a diverse pool.”

Cal Poly’s total undergraduate enrollment for Fall 2002 was 17,401; 60.7 percent of whom were white, according to statistics from the Cal Poly 2002-03 Fact Book prepared by Institutional Planning and Analysis. In 1995, the year before Proposition 209 was passed, 59.3 percent of the 14,094 undergraduates were white. Although it is just more than one percentage point, the discrepancy may be larger because 12.3 percent of the students didn’t specify their origin last fall, compared with the 7.5 percent of 1995.

The number of black students on campus has decreased by 40 percent since 1990;1991 to 154 as of last fall. Students of Mexican descent have also shown a decrease in numbers in the last 13 years, though less drastic; they now represent 4.6 percent of the undergraduate population.

The Cal Poly Asian American population, meanwhile, has moderated. Students of Asian origin increased from 1,762 in 1990 to 2,029 in 2003.

“With affirmative action abolished in California, it’s a struggle to diversify the campus,” said Mark Fabian, coordinator of the Multicultural Center. Fabian pointed out that there has been an increase in applicants from diverse backgrounds, but the number of those accepted and enrolled has remained relatively stable.

Renowned viticulturist returns to campus, helps major

Richard Smart to teach continuing education wine course next month

By Luke Darling
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

To many students, the names of most wines might as well be in a foreign language, but this quarter a renowned viticulturist returned to Cal Poly to teach the language.

Richard Smart is teaching two upper-division viticulture classes as well as an intensive three-day continuing education course May 9 to 11.

Smart received a doctorate in science and agriculture from the University of Stellenbosch in South Africa, for his research in canopy management effects on vineyard quality and yield, as well as a doctorate from Cornell University.

“I’m particularly indebted to an American university, Cornell in particular and the studies of Nelson Shaull, and I’m quite happy to be contributing to an American major,” Smart said.

“It’s a little bit of a payback for me.”

College of Agriculture Dean David J. Webster said in a press release that he was very excited about the return of the viticulturist and hoped it could send a clear message to the growing industry of the Cal Poly’s advancement in the field.

The three-day course will be taught with fellow viticulturist Keith Patterson.

The course, “College in a Couch: Intensive Viticulture,” will cover topics that include vineyard management techniques, harvesting and site location.

Smart said he feels the course is designed for people interested in entering the wine industry or those who seek additional knowledge in the field, but do not have a substantial amount of time.

“Smart’s return to Cal Poly coincides with the efforts of the crop science department and the College of Agriculture to make viticulture a viable major.”

Currently the College of Agriculture and the Academic Senate have approved the poten-
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"They are not targeting schools of color per se, but there seems to be an invisible condition between socially and economically disadvantaged schools with race," Marutigov said. The schools chosen for the partnerships generally lack opportunities provided by other high schools, which creates a(n) invisible playing field. Students at those schools are not offered advanced placement courses, proper advising or test preparation, Marutigov said.

"There has always been an uneven playing field," he said. "I don't care what color, what gender, what ethnicity you are. In certain areas, there is not the same opportunities there are in others. Until we address the unequal playing field, it will continue to be much more difficult for certain segments to compete, and this is a very competitive place. Though the Partners Program has shown modest success, there is still a lot of work to be done. "We're seeing some better results," Marutigov said. "But we are anywhere near where we need to be. The answer would be unequivocally no."

The lack of diversity at Cal Poly can be attributed to a number of factors, including inadequate high school preparation and the cost of moving to and living in San Luis Obispo. A major factor, however, is the lack of funding available for the Partners Program. "We tend to compete for really high-quality students," Hellenbrand said. "And a lot of the very good students we admit are also getting offers from a lot of other places that could throw money at them."

Diversity has always been an issue at Cal Poly, but it wasn't until Proposition 209 passed that it became more of a local point at universities throughout California. Marutigov said. Competitive institutions like the University of California campuses at Los Angeles and Berkeley felt the ramifications as well.

"The highly selective institutions are struggling with the after-effects of (Proposition) 209," he said. "Without diversity, you're really not a university environment."

Affirmative action continues to be a prominent issue at college campuses nationwide. Two class action lawsuits filed against the University of Michigan, one to its undergraduate school and one to its law school, in 1997 accused the university of unconstitutional, racial discrimination.

"By law we are supposed to take any offers we see, and on average I probably take about three offers per weekend," Mother's Tavern bouncer Adam Miller said. "People will do almost anything to get them back. I've been offered money and even sexual favors if I return their ID to them."

Booth said he has an almost two-year investigation into both the use and manufacturing of fake IDs in the area, said there are currently three men on trial at the (San Luis Obispo) County Courthouse for making IDs, including two from San Luis Obispo and one from Paso Robles. According to The Tribune, search warrants were issued and police confiscated "several computers, image scanners, computer storage media and laminating and stamping machines" that would be used in the making fake IDs. All three men face fines as well as possible prison time.

The police have a number of businesses from time to time, Booth said. "Often, officers will just want outside a store and stop anyone coming out with alcohol that doesn't look 21 and check their ID." SLOPD also has a class once a year for businesses with ABC (Alcohol and Beverage Control) liquor licenses that shows business owners and employees how to spot common flaws in IDs.

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"By law we are supposed to take these, but the police are not supposed to confiscate them," he said. "I don't care what they're doing in Michigan," he said. "Michigan's undergraduate school uses a point system to determine admission to thousands of applicants each year. A minority member can get a 20-point bonus out of a possible 150 points and other factors such as grades, test scores and extracurricular activities are generally worth considerably less, according to an April 1 article from The Associated Press.

A federal judge in 2001 ruled that the law school's admissions policies were unconstitutional. The U.S. Supreme Court heard the case earlier this month and is expected to make a ruling sometime this summer.

The outcomes of the lawsuits are not likely to affect affirmative action practices in California, Hellenbrand said. "If they give a narrow ruling on the Michigan case, it shouldn't affect what we do here at Cal Poly, because we're not doing anything close to what they're doing in Michigan," he said.

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"When I get hired, I took the class that SLOPD offered, along with most of the other employees of bars and restaurants downtown," Miller said. "They give a presentation and also a printout of what characteristics you should be look­ ing for in a fake ID."

Booth said he hopes that through the class, businesses selling alcohol will be able to do a better job spotting the fakes and help curb the use of IDs in the city.

"The truly scary part is that for the right price anyone can get their hands on an ID, whether or not they're using it to buy alcohol or do something else," Booth said. "The technology is getting better and better, making fakes even harder to spot."

"I don't think I've taught such enthusiastic and hard-working students who are always willing to learn new and different perspectives," Smart said. A course description for "College in a Coach: Intensive Viticulture" is located at www.continuing-ed.calpoly.edu.
Poly's first doctoral candidates to begin classes fall quarter

By Stacee Doming

Friday, April 25, 2003

Cal Poly and University of California, Santa Barbara made history earlier this month when they announced the Central Coast's first joint doctoral program.

The Cal Poly University Center for Teacher Education and UCSB's Graduate School of Education will offer a Doctor of Education degree program in educational leadership. Students admitted to the program will begin classes in the fall.

This will be the first doctoral program offered by Cal Poly. The program consists of three years and two quarters of continuous enrollment, with classes held on both campuses, Cal Poly and UCSB.

"When you can bring these two stellar universities together in this way it's phenomenal for San Luis Obispo County and the rest of the Central Coast," program director Jim Gentilucci said. The program will be aimed to accommodate working professionals. By having an accelerated time frame, program participants will be able to remain employed full time while enrolled.

The idea has been in talks for the last 15 years, Gentilucci said. In 2001, the chancellor of the Cal State system and the president of the UC system reached an agreement to initiate joint programs between the two university systems.

"The program will take the best of both institutions and synthesize them together," Gentilucci said. The program takes the UC’s focus on theory research and combines it with CSU-applied practice methods, Gentilucci said.

The doctorate program is being funded by a $342,000 state start-up grant to be spread out over a two-year period. After the two-year grant steps, the UC system is committed to fund the program.

This is the first partnership between Cal Poly and UCSB, with other joint CSU and UC programs to follow. With course work beginning in fall, the program is currently accepting applications. Gentilucci said the program will only accept 15 students for the first year and 12 students for every year thereafter.

Some say the program was much needed on the Central Coast.

"Educational leaders are needed to meet the changing demands of California's public schools," Gentilucci said.

Program faculty Kenneth Palmer agreed.

"Before this program, education professionals' only source of administration training was at UCLA and UC Berkeley, and now that's no longer the case," Palmer said.

The program is arranged so its graduates will become scholar practitioners, bringing theory research and first-hand experience to K-12 schools, community colleges, univer-
Cal Poly Women's Tennis

Bull's-eye on their backs

Top-seeded Mustangs open Big West Tourney after first-round bye

By Michael Marquez

The Cal Poly women's tennis team enters the 2003 Big West Championships today at the Blackhawk Country Club in Danville, Calif., with one objective: Win the tournament and get an automatic bid to the NCAA Tournament.

The team boosted the program's best record since entering the Big West seven years ago with an overall record of 17-6, and the Mustangs are currently ranked No. 60 in the country.

"With the top seed, Cal Poly can sit back and watch the first round of play and will face the winner of Thursday night's UC Riverside (No. 91) - Utah State (No. 99) match today at 10:30 a.m."

Head coach Hugh Bream said he is confident that the women will play great solid tennis over the weekend and bring home a conference title.

"The way our team is playing at this stage in the season, we can beat any ranked team in the country," Bream said. "My confidence in this team is (greater than) any team I've coached at college level.

The Mustangs have worked and trained too hard to let this opportunity slip away, said senior and team captain Danielle Hustedt.

The tournament includes all 10 Big West schools. The Mustangs earned the No. 1 seed this year after posting an 8-1 conference record. Freshman Samantha Waller said she has been preparing for this tournament all season and can't wait until it gets underway.

"As a true freshman along with Chelsy Stoufer and Kristeen Grady, we all want to make a statement as the best newcomers in conference," Waller said.

In his third season, Bream has set a great foundation for Cal Poly women's tennis, posting a 18-25 overall record.

"My job as a coach is to build a program that wins conference titles and goes to the NCAA Tournament year in and year out," Bream said. "I want to help put Cal Poly on the map as one of the nation's top NCAA programs.

Big West Championship action began Thursday, as seventh-seeded Idaho took on No. 10 CS Fullerton, in addition to the UC Riverside-Utah State match.

Quarterfinal action will begin today. No. 4 Cal State Northridge will play No. 5 UC Santa Barbara, No. 3 UC Irvine will play No. 6 Pacific, No. 1 Cal Poly will take on the UC Riverside-Utah State winner and No. 2 Long Beach State will play the winner of Thursday's Idaho-Cal State Fullerton match.

Saturday will be the semifinals, with the championship scheduled for Sunday.

Following the Big West Championships, Cal Poly will await the NCAA Tournament selections. An automatic bid into the NCAA Tournament will be awarded to the winner of the Big West Tournament.

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What's not to like about softball?

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For one, it's hard for me to get motivated to go watch a team that has struggled this season and is now 20-31. I've been a Sacramento Kings fan for more than 10 years, and while I'm no bandwagon phony, it was hard for me to bring my Kings back when they weren't so great. I've also never been into softball. I just don't get the same thrill out of it.

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For one, shortstop and cleanup hitter Chelsy Stoufer is in the midst of a hitting streak. She extended it to 13 games Wednesday in a doubleheader against Loyola Marymount. It's gone largely unnoticed, perhaps because of Cal Poly's struggles or the fact that Stoufer's streak is still relatively small. Most major league hitting streaks don't even see large-scale coverage until they reach 20 or 30 games.

Additionally, the streak is not that big of a deal to Stoufer.

"Today was the first day I thought about it," she said after Wednesday's games. "I don't think about it at all. I remember it if we win or lose.

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Unique courses take students beyond the book
By Jenni Mintz
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Business sophomore Dan Beuchat wipes the sweat from his brow as he calculates the velocity-to-spin ratio that a 15-pound spherical object must move to knock down the cylindrical objects. This might sound like a conundrum from a physics book, but think again. It’s bowling class.

There is no dearth to the unique classes offered at Cal Poly. Others include viticulture, billiards, bee-keeping, life guarding, dance, glass-blowing and cheese-making, as well as many other interesting classes within different colleges.

There is no list of these unusual classes so many students are unaware that they even exist, said David Headrick and Michael Costello, two professors known by many students for captivat­ing their audience with jokes and passion for class material; “I like their teaching method because they make the class really interesting and fun,” said business fresh­man Jeremiah Rosenthal. “I like the lab a lot because it gets you out of the classroom. We go on field trips and we get to see things in the real world instead of a box. It makes learn­ing a lot more interactive.”

Costello said he expects students to take away practical information from the class, information that can be used for the rest of students’ lives. “Bugs are everywhere,” Costello said. “You don’t have to be a professional to learn about insects. They’re going to be with you no matter where you go, so you may as well know some things about them so you can be more prepared. Another class, Physics for Poets, is a new addition to the course catalog that satisfies a general education requirement. Physics depart­ment chair Richard Saenz said the class does not contain any poetry and has little math in it. “Nothing like them in the curriculum exists right now,” Saenz said. “I think that students will find this class interesting. The physics for poets class will deal with a lot of modern physics, relativity (and) quantum physics.”

Introduction to Meteorology is another new class offered next year that will be taught by physics profes­sor Gayle Cook. Many of the unique classes also count as electives, not just general education. Although some students may think elective units are a waste of time, Beuchat disagrees. “It enhances your college experience,” Beuchat said. “To some peo­ple, college is a very serious thing. It is important to get your work done, but have fun.”

Beuchat is taking bowling for the third time this quarter, as well as flag-football. “I take these classes because they are an added bonus for me,” Beuchat said. “I like to stay active, and it is hard to make myself go to the gym in my free time. It is nice to have it as part of my sched­ule to run and play as part of my class.”

Electrical engineering fresh­man Justin Hansen is taking the bowling class to relieve tension. “It is nice to have a fun class where you don’t have to stress about a grade when you are tak­ing all these math and science classes,” Hansen said. “It’s nice to kick back and relax.”

Ideas for unique classes go through an approval process. First the idea goes through the college’s curriculum committee, then the Academic Senate Curriculum Committee and the Academic Senate have to approve it. “New ideas for classes are always being discussed,” Hannings said. “Some of these classes are really interesting. I would like to take some of them.”

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Homicide rate, rape ratios on campus

Chief Tony Aeilts of the University Police Department (UPD) said there have been three homicides since fall quarter, 2002 will not be released until October.

Part I crimes include homicide, rape, robbery, aggravated assault, burglary, larceny-theft and motor vehicle theft. The reduction in crime on campus stemmed from a variety of reasons, including a stronger police presence in the Cal Poly community. "We're more involved with the community in various ways," said Chief Tony Aeilts of the University Police Department. "We try to be out and about more, and be more active with community groups. As we do that, we create a higher profile of police involvement in the area and "people become more aware that the police are around." Aeilts also credits the department's policy of community policing where they try and get to the root of the problem. Rather than just responding to the call and taking care of the issue at hand, the UPD tries to follow that up with finding out what the problem is and how to prevent future incidents, he said. "As we see issues out there in the community, what we really try to do is go to the root of the problem and get it fixed," he said.

The police, however, don't deserve all the praise. Cal Poly students can also be credited with the level of safety on campus, Aeilts said. "I think the level of maturity for your average student here is high," said Aeilts, who used his work experience with the Chico Police Department as a basis of comparison. "If you have that, (the chance of) the average person who might engage in a criminal act is reduced." That isn't to say that criminal activity on campus does not exist. "We're not an island," Aeilts said. "The fact is that people will come here and commit a crime."

Alcohol, as with most other universities, is a common denominator with occurrences of crime, he said. "If you drink a lot of alcohol or if you're around people who drink a lot of alcohol, your chances of being hurt in some way rise rapidly," he said. There have been 32 alcohol violations on campus in the last 10 years. "Off campus I've had an increase in students coming forward who have been sexually assaulted," Tregenza said. "And it's usually related to alcohol." Two rapes occurred on campus during winter quarter, according to the "Red Hand" report prepared by the Women's and ReMemBer programs on campus. Both rapes occurred within the residence halls. One happened in Tower 4 of Yosemite Hall and the other in Trinity Hall. Twenty-two other sexual assaults have occurred on campus in the last 10 years. "Off campus I've had an increase in students coming forward who have been sexually assaulted," Tregenza said. "And it's usually related to alcohol."

Safety concerns rise substantially when alcohol is involved. "They're vulnerable when they are drinking," said Cmdr. Bill Watton of UPD. "That's how some sexual assaults occur." Tregenza added that it's unclear whether sexual assaults are occurring with greater frequency or if it is just that more students are coming forward. A total of five students have come to the Judicial Affairs office claiming they were sexually assaulted. Besides sexual crimes, aggravated assaults are typically the only violent crimes committed at Cal Poly. There were 11 assault incidents from 1998 to 2001 on campus, according to crime statistics on security.upsam.org. Larceny/theft is by far the most common occurrence of crime at Cal Poly. From 1998 to 2001 there were 931 thefts reported to campus police. In 2001 alone, University of California campuses at Davis and Santa Barbara accumulated 566 and 375 thefts, respectively. Both of those campuses also had more violent see CRIME, page 10

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Crimes in 2001 than Cal Poly. Despite the almost daily incidents of criminal activity at Cal Poly, most students are not worried for their safety on campus.

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Liberal studies senior Kelly Izu had similar sentiments about her safety on campus.

"I don't really feel that there are a lot of people hanging around who shouldn't be here, and San Luis (Obispo) in general is a pretty safe place," she said. "I don't really feel threatened anywhere in San Luis (Obispo)."

It's important for people like Schmitz, Izu and all other members of the Cal Poly community to make simple informed decisions with regard to their safety. By locking doors and going out with trustworthy people, the chances of being a victim of crime are reduced, Arrolt said.

"Instead of having fear, they should be informed," he said.

UPD informs the public in numerous ways. The department puts on more than 100 presentations a year on topics like safety and crime, drugs and alcohol and sexual assault prevention.

In addition to responsible decision making, police recommend students call the authorities whenever they see suspicious activity or anything they're uncomfortable with.

"We try to encourage people to call and let us know because who knows what they're doing unless we go and check it out," Warton said.

For more information about campus safety, visit the UPD booth today in the University Union plaza from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. The department can also be reached at 756-6654.

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By Ebony Johnson
The Lantern (Chico State U.)

(U-WIRE) COLUMBUS, Ohio

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EC can reduce chances of becoming pregnant by 75 to 89 percent

By Daria B. Crittenden & Corinne H. Rocca

Friday, April 25, 2003

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- It should be noted that EC is not the same as the medical-abortion course.

The so-called "morning after pill" is a safe way to prevent pregnancy after unprotected sex.

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Although EC is less effective at preventing pregnancy than other methods of birth control like the pill, condoms and Depo shots. It offers zero protection against sexually transmitted infections, including HIV. Thus, EC should be reserved only for emergencies.

Two FDA-approved emergency contraception products are available in the United States: Plan B (containing both estrogen and progesterone) and Mifepristone (also known as Mifeprex). Mifepristone pills are used to stop gestation in the first nine weeks of pregnancy. EC prevents the start of pregnancy instead of ending an existing pregnancy.

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Finding a job in an unstable economy

By Susan Malanche  
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly graduating seniors are making last-minute and interview decisions while preparing for an end to college life and a job market full of many uncertainties.

According to Cal Poly’s Career Services Graduate Status Report for 2001-2002, graduates with full-time employment reached a record low of 68 percent. This is six percent drop from the previous graduating class. However, the number of students attending graduate school has jumped from 19 to 24 percent.

While the economy is stubborn and the stock market is down, students can anticipate new challenges after graduation. Career Services Associate Director Shel Burrell has noticed the economy’s effect on students.

“The is not as easy to find a job as before because students are interviewing and receiving 12 different offers, Burrell said. “More students are delaying and receiving 12 different offers,” Burrell said. “‘Everything has stopped to see how things will pan out.’”

According to the report, last year’s campus median salary was $39,000 compared to $42,000 the previous year. Computer science majors recorded highest at $60,000 annually, but that number also fell from $63,204.

Burrell said it’s hard to predict what majors and careers will be in demand.

“It’s not the major that’s the problem,” Burrell said. “It’s more what you’re willing to do with that major.”

Career Services offers current students and graduating seniors many resources that will prepare them for whatever direction they pursue.

“Career counselors related to specific fields and drop-in advising to look over resumes are just some of the services provided. Burrell recommends that students use their services to point them in the right direction.”

“Get some real info before you start to panic,” Burrell said. “It may be that an alternative plan will work.”

McCollum used Career Services while at Cal Poly and said internships will also open up a lot of opportunities and teach students to be flexible.

“It’s an option to take a test drive with a company and they can with you,” McCollum said.

According to the Graduate Status Report, graduates relied mostly on networking through personal contacts, prior employers and Internet listings to obtain employment.

Burrell recommends students pursue all options upon graduation.

“There’s no need to be terrified, but you do need to be flexible,” she said. “Above all, be confident about the education you’ve received and the capabilities you have.”

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Campus Connection

Educators discuss whether merit scholarships award deserving students

By Katie Flynn

(L'WIRE LOS ANGELES) — While some experts suggest that merit scholarships award only top students, others say being merit on SAT scores or GPA may favor affluent students.

"USC offers merit-based scholarships partially to attract high-achieving students to the university and also to make the cost of attendance more affordable," said Laurel Tow, director of the Office of Admissions at the University of Southern California, in an e-mail. "Many highly selective schools (like Stanford) don't offer merit scholarships because they have found that students will select them regardless of cost."

Merit-based scholarships are given to students with the highest GPA and SAT scores, who also have good recommendations, honor rankings and extracurricular activities. An essay and interview are also required. Nearly 10 percent of the USC student body have either quarter- four-year or full-tuition merit scholarships.

Stanford University and the Ivy League universities do not offer merit-based scholarships.

Stanford's student body is 11.6 percent black, 10.3 percent Hispanic, 23.4 percent Asian — a higher percentage of students of color than USC and Boston University, both of which offer merit scholarships to their incoming freshmen class.

"You're talking about using money to provide access to quality education to those who need it," Dowling said.

Merit scholarship programs "put a lot of money behind kids who don't need it already are doing well." — Patrick Callan, President, National Center for Public Policy and Higher Education

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The reality of Cal Poly Living

Now you are here, where do you live?

By Caroline Lindahl

Say 'good-bye' to mom's home-cooking and hot baths and 'hello' to cafeteria food and communal showers. Ahh, the luxuries of college housing. The comforts of home are a rarity amidst San Luis Obispo's student living, but you can find a diamond in the dorms with a little research and advice from someone who's lived everywhere - me! Incoming freshman should consider on-campus housing before looking elsewhere for housing. The dorms offer a great way to meet new friends and network with peers in your major. Not only is living in the residence halls convenient, but it's also extremely affordable. Cal Poly offers an installment plan for rent payable in three quarterly increments. A single payment can be made for $4,239. A meal plan must be purchased for on-campus, but a similar plan can be arranged. A single payment plan for food is $3,261. Despite the rumors of culinary catastrophes, the meal plan is a great way to avoid grocery shopping and encourage socializing. In addition, on-campus housing boasts high-speed internet in each room, laundry facilities, housekeeping and digital phone service with voice mail and caller ID. Visit www.calpoly.edu and click on the housing link for more information.

For those who prefer to reside off-campus, a variety of options can be found in close proximity to Cal Poly. Stenner Glen, the only off-campus residence hall, is located on Foothill Boulevard along the creek. The complex caters to college students with personalized meal plans, study halls, free tutoring, a computer center, and activities program, pool, fitness center and housekeeping. Prices start at $582 per month including able, high-speed internet and all utilities are paid, exclusive of phone. Visit www.stennerglen.com for more information.

Mustang Village I and Mustang Village II on North Santa Rosa Street feature unique accommodations for different student needs. Mustang Village I offers furnished studios, town homes and two bedroom/ one or two bathroom apartments. Planned as a student see HOUSING, page 18
Housing Supplement

New dorms set to open in September

By Jennifer Deyer
SPECIAL TO THE MUSTANG DAILY

Construction of the first new housing complex built at Cal Poly in 25 years will be complete in fall of 2003, said Alan Pepe, assistant director of Housing and Business Services.

The structure, its wooden skeleton just visible above a thicket of trees opposite the Housing Services Office, will be located at the intersection of Poly Canyon and Klamath roads.

Covering six acres, it will consist of 201 single-occupant apartments. Each will have four bedrooms, two bathrooms, a kitchen and a living room.

Students living in the new apartments will pay between $500 and $600 for rent, and rather than paying for a meal plan, they will be responsible for their food costs. Although designed to alleviate some of the housing needs at Cal Poly, the addition of the housing complex will pay between $500 and $600 toward the university's operating costs.

By Laura Newman
SPECIAL TO THE MUSTANG DAILY

The new 700-bed resident hall facility with a 700-bed capacity will be complete by fall 2006, Sarjeant said. There, as in the current resident halls, students will be offered a meal package.

The facility will extend from where the apartment complex ends to almost the end of Fremont Hall, Pepe said. The California State University Board of Trustees approved the final design plan in July 2000. However, the project has not always progressed smoothly.

Pepe said the original completion date of winter quarter had to be pushed back.

"The project has fallen a bit behind due to some construction, design and geological concerns that we hit," he said.

Construction of the apartment complex has been a multi-faceted process. In 1997, Pepe said the university began looking at housing market studies of other universities to get ideas for its own housing expansions.

"UC Riverside very much the bill of what we were looking for," he said. "We’re hoping to come up with a similar concept."

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More students will be living on campus

By Laura Newman
SPECIAL TO THE MUSTANG DAILY

New housing projects are sprouting up all over the Cal Poly campus. Twice as many students are expected to live on campus in the next three years, as opposed to the 30% who live off-campus now.

The increased number of on-campus residents will be in direct competition to student apartment complexes like Mustang Village, Valencia Apartments, Stenner Garden and Murray Station, but representatives from these complexes say they aren’t worried.

"We aren’t too concerned about it, because Cal Poly is also steadily increasing their enrollments," said Murray Station manager Stephanie List.

Cal Poly has projected an enrollment increase of about 20 percent, raising the number of admitted students from 16,355 to between 19,000... see CAMPUS, page 18
The average student can spend between $30,000-$35,000 on rent during their time at Cal Poly!

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and 20,000, according to the Cal Poly Housing Web site. "(Murray Station) is already more than half-full for next year," List said. "We aren't too worried based on this year, but we will take it a year at a time."

Valencia Apartments manager Mylea Christensen said she expects a decline in leasing due to the new Cal Poly year, but we will take it a year at a time. "We aren't too worried based on this continued from page 16

Christensen said.

Valencia Apartments manager and campus housing. Many complexes will be affected by on-campus housing, many complexes are devising incentives to attract new renters. Mustang Village manager Mike Holt said he is planning to throw new carpet, vinyl and purchase new furniture for the student apartments within the next few years. "Everyone is going to have to make the necessary changes to better accommodate the students," Holt said. "We are trying to up customer service and make (Mustang Village) more friendly."

Valencia Apartments have lowered their rent from last year. Christensen said. The managers of the student apartments agree that they have not yet felt significant impact from Cal Poly's

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community amenities include a pool, convenience store, two-acre park, barbeque areas, new computer center, big screen TV theater, free laundry facilities and a fitness center. Parking is available at an annual rate. Individual leases begin at $420 a month which covers water, trash and gas. Mustang Village II provides three and four bedroom apartments with only one resident per room assuring privacy. A wooded setting surrounds the complex, which includes quality furnishings and on-site parking. Management at both developments is available 24-hours a day for emergencies. Individual leases for Mustang Village II also start at $420 a month. Visit www.universityhouse.com for more information.

For the truly independent student, Valencia Apartments on Ramona Drive features furnished 3 bedroom, 5 bath town homes. Close to shopping such as Albertson's, Subway, Bagel Café and the Shack, Valencia offers a pool, Nautilus fitness center, TV lounge, computer lab with internet access, study hall and laundry facilities. Each room is wired for private phone lines and free parking and paid carparks make this off-campus housing easily accessible to campus. Good Student Discounts, a Financial Aid extension plan and quarterly and monthly payment plans describe the affordability of Valencia. A fixed utility rate of $600 for the year or $220 per quarter covers all utilities except phone and cable. Individual leases begin at $520 a month. Visit www.valenciamanagement.com for more information.

Take it from me, researching your future housing will help you prevent homesickness by choosing the place that makes you feel most comfortable. Just don't forget to bring mom's recipes!
Mind over Manners

Dear Miss Mind Over Manners,

I am a very hands on person. Unfortunately, that goes both at school and at the dinner table. Honestly, I have a hard time knowing which foods are finger-friendly. Can you please help me before my bad etiquette earns me a slap on the wrist?

Sincerely,
All thumbs,

Dear All thumbs,

I have to applaud you for asking a hands-down difficult question. Okay, I'll stop, but what makes this subject tough is its vague boundaries. Some people insist on eating everything with a fork and knife while others never bother to use them... go figure.

So with a helping hand from homecooking.about.com, the following are foods you should feel free to pick up.

- Bacon, chips, French fries, fried chicken and hamburgers are all a go, with the exception of a particularly messy burger; that should be tackled with silverware.
- Cocktail party snacks include items for guests, like hors d'oeuvres, olives, pickles and deviled eggs, are also to be eaten with your hands.
- The artichoke is eaten in two steps. First, with your hands, take a piece just before eating it. If you are served a hot roll, you can feel like a rebel without actually being one.
- Asparagus is another vegetable that can dine on your fingers. Use your judgment on this one though, if it is drowning in a sauce or looks soggy, reach for the tine.
- Although corn on the cob is synonymous with barbecues, that doesn't mean you have to break your teeth into a torrent of event. Once picked up, keep the mess to a minimum by butting one or two rows at a time and eating across the cob diagonally.
- Can't keep your hands out of the candy bar? That's fine, just please drop the weapon. Bread is always broken; never try to cut it with a knife. When serving yourself, rear off a piece, about as big as two bites worth, and finish it before going for seconds. If you ate a fan of butter, apply it to the piece just before eating it. If you are served a half roll, you can break this rule by tearing the roll down the center and placing the edges on your plate.
- Peanut butter and jelly, turkey on rye and egg salad sandwiches are all finger-friendly. In fact, as long as it isn't open-faced, too big or saturated with sauces and fillings, it can be handled with your hands.
- If your dessert has a cookie as a garnish, only use silverware if the cookie has become lost in the depths of your dessert. As for: Strawberries with hulls, cherries with stems and grapes in small bunches can be eaten with fingers.
- For all other varieties, use a spoon.

By sticking to these foods, you can feel like a rebel without actually being one.

- If something goes terribly wrong, talk about it. Chances are the other person has no idea you feel this way.

Andrea Svoboda is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily columnist.

U.N. should lead tribunals in Iraqi war crimes

Evidence proving that Saddam Hussein violated crimes under international law is undeniable. Sufficient facts exist to indict him for crimes against humanity, war crimes and genocide. There cannot be a doubt that Hussein and his officials must be held accountable for the years of rape, terror, murder and oppression they inflicted upon the Iraqi people.

The debate today is how exactly to institute this judicial process.

Several options rise to the surface of the debate table, including the International Criminal Court, a U.S. military tribunal or an Iraq tribunal.

The International Criminal Court will not likely be the route to prosecuting Iraqi criminals. Crimes committed prior to the court's adoption in July 2002 would not be covered under its jurisdiction.

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- Any judicial action taken in order to provide legal expertise and experience to the tribunal.
- The special tribunals created to prosecute the crimes in Rwanda and former Yugoslavia provide examples of legitimate trials of crimes against humanity. International influence can also provide reason to punish in order to establish justice and not simply revenge.
- The United States should have the influence to create the tribunal.

A United Nations-sanctioned tribunal should be created to prosecute the crimes committed against the people of Iraq. A panel of Iraqi, American and international judges should provide sure that the proceedings with prosecutors from Iraq and the United States.

The judges would decide the course of punishment for the convicted war criminals.

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The United States should lead the role of international influence, especially since the United Nations does not advocate the death penalty. Compromises must be made to adapt to the international community.

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Sincerely,
Friends 'Til the End

Dear Friends,

Here's a tip: Make new friends but don't become roommates with the old. Unfortunately, really good friends you have known forever have a tendency of making awful people to live with. With that said, living with others is basically about respect. Treat them as you wish to be treated.

According to "Emily Post's Etiquette" by Peggy Post, there are certain rules to living with roommates. First of all, remember this is not just your house, so value your friend's privacy. Don't invite people over that he or she feels uncomfortable with, and don't sneak.

If you need to borrow something like clothes, a bike or food, ask before you do so. You will have a much harder time explaining why their item is ripped, broken or eaten after the fact. Also, wouldn't you be mad if something of yours went missing?

If you are having a party, it should be a group decision. Agreeing to share clean up duties before hand is a good idea. That way no one gets out of not helping.

Don't wait until your roommate is pounding on your door to pay rent. This goes for utilities and any other expenses too. You should have some idea of when everything needs to be paid. As a rule of thumb, have your wallet ready a few days before that due date.

You and your friends should also split housework. That means no Cinderella, okay? So agree on who does what tasks and by when. Also, keep things tidy in between cleaning days. If you had a clothes explosion in your room, consider cleaning it. Don't let it take over the entire house.

If something does go terribly wrong, talk about it. Chances are the other person has no idea you feel this way.

Andrea Svoboda is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily columnist.

Letter to the editor

Editor,

With all the high school students touring campus lately, I can't help but wonder if one of them poscd as James Medina to they could be the first in their class to get into the opinion page ("War princess deserves respect," April 23). After student teaching last quarter at San Luis Obispo High, the remaining Medina uses to refuse Casey Comstock is almost on par with my former 17-year-old students. He asks, "How can we respect anyone who is willing to risk up to 30 years in jail for what they believe in?" Just because somebody believes in something, that does not make them right. You don't owe them any respect for it. Don't you think Hitler believed that he was doing the right? If you like your reasoning, you respect him for genocide, because he believed in the case. I don't want to put words in your mouth by saying you respect Hitler, but it just goes to show how misguided you are about anything.

You also state no one pays attention to people holding signs on street corners. I agree, but it is not because they are not throwing iron balls at cops (which you advocate), but because the majority of Americans realize those holding the signs (hippie liberals) are once again on the wrong side of history, and they do not want to be associated with it.

James, currently I am student teaching in an eighth-grade classroom. I think that class would be more your speed to get a handle on reality. Don't worry, I grade on a curve.

Matt Taylor is an education graduate student.

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Intramural Sports

IM sports a reprieve from school, work schedules

More than 2,500 students participate in Cal Poly leagues and tournaments each quarter

By Sarah Stephan
KNOXING DAILY STAFF WRITER

Even those whose love of sports outweighs their athletic abilities have the chance to experience the weekend practices and nightly games typical for signed college athletes.

For many Cal Poly students, recreational sports strikes a balance between stressful school schedules and demanding work commitments.

Every quarter, roughly 2,500 students participate in leagues and tournaments organized by Cal Poly Recreational Sports. The student-led intramural teams play organized games against other Cal Poly teams. The roughly 250 intramural teams are divided into three divisions, based on level of competitiveness. Students can sign up for any division.

Division I is comprised of the most competitive athletes. Students who have never played a sport before or don't want to play competitively are more suited for Division III. "In our program, there is really a niche for everyone," said Joe Long, assistant director for recreational sports. "The teams are self-governed and do a good job of recruiting everyone to play," said Dan Mason, mechanical engineering senior and student manager for recreational sports.

Playing sports in an organized recreational environment is a great way to relieve stress, meet people and stay healthy, Long said.

Resident hall students can immediately become involved in intramural sports by signing up for dorm teams. An inter-dorm league is arranged every fall quarter.

English junior Hillary Rieder joined an intramural soccer team her freshman year. Rieder's team designates a "beam mate" who is in charge of bringing snacks. The Capri-Suns and orange slices may have even helped her team win the division championship winter quarter.

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Every quarter roughly five sports are offered. In addition to the three levels of competitiveness, students can also choose whether or not they want to be on co-ed teams. Spring sports include 5:5 basketball, 9:9 soccer, slo-pitch softball, flag football and tennis singles. Students can formulate their own teams and sign them up the first Wednesday of every quarter in the Recreational Center. Individuals who want to play but have not yet formed a team can sign up as "free agents" the second Monday of every quarter. Student coordinators will then assign them to a team.

"I ended up having the best time ever," she said. "One time I even stole the ball from someone!" Rieder now plays intramural football and softball as well. She said she always tells new students that she meets to get involved and try a new sport.

To boost morale at weekend games, Rieder's team designates a "team mom" who is in charge of bringing snacks. The Capri-Suns and orange slices may have even helped her team win the division championship winter quarter.

Single elimination playoffs are held for qualifying teams at the end of each quarter. Working for Cal Poly Recreational Sports is another great experience. The student leaders are hired to organize teams and referees games. This enables students who are interested in sports but not in sports-oriented majors to have a job doing something that they like, Long said.

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Poly Royal a fond memory for many alumni

Riots ended popular event in 1991; drew more than 100,000 people

By Samantha Weeks

The legend of Poly Royal resides in the memories of alumni, administrators and police as more than an event for prospective students.

In the late 1980s to early 1990s, Poly Royal's success grew each year and more than 102,000 people gathered together for the event. Classes were canceled on Friday prior to the weekend, and the occasion was coined "Party Royal."

"People came to party from areas like San Francisco, San Diego and Humboldt," said Mike Kennedy, a Cal Poly Police Officer for 18 years.

Much of the partying took place between the corner of Foothill and California boulevards and reached to the 7-11 farther down the street. The streets were shut off for the students and visitors.

"The area around Campus Bottle was a spot where we gathered because it was near a number of fraternity houses," said Beige Razi, a Cal Poly student in 1991. "The cops were picking out faces in the crowd, breaking lights and the streets off campus. Cops were throwing bottles and rocks into the crowd, breaking lights and the trains, vandalizing cars, burning dumpsters and assaulting female partygoers."

Kennedy said ambulances had trouble reaching the injured people because the crowds were so out of control and would not let in the ambulances.

Police were completely outnum-bered and were dressed in riot gear anticipating trouble, Razi said.

"When cops show up in riot gear, people expect a riot," Razi said. "There was nothing set up for the students to do at night and all the activities to celebrate the school happened during the day. All kids would be partying on the street and cops would try to disperse the crowd by bombing the garbage and sometimes the houses of people because the crowds focuses on Cal Poly's legacy, Open House was not a big party; it's a celebration and it is a more positive event than Poly Royal," Kennedy said.

Poly Royal was originally intended to celebrate and show off Cal Poly to visitors, listen to speeches by professors and enjoy a barbecue.

"I'd like to see Poly Royal happen again, but in a safe and sane way," Kennedy said.

The event just needs to be better planned and provide something for people to do in the evening," Razi said.

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A rowdy crowd gathers at the intersection of California and Foothill boulevards during the second night of rioting during the Poly Royal celebrations in 1990.
President Baker appointed as chair of national tech board

By Grant Shellen

Cal Poly President Warren Baker’s history of involvement in information technology earned him a role as leader of a national commission dealing with the topic.

Baker was recently appointed to the board of the National Association of Land-Grant Colleges, and now chairs the association’s Commission on Information Technology. He has served on the commission for four years, and the board chose him as leader because he has worked with similar groups in the past, he said.

“They were aware that I have been involved in higher education information technology for over two decades,” Baker said. “They’re also aware that Cal Poly, in many areas, is progressive in the use of technology in higher ed.”

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“We’re trying to come up with a resolution that would avoid a lawsuit that would be pretty damaging to fair use.”

Another topic of interest is the Internet2 consortium, of which Cal Poly is a member, Baker said. Internet2 is the ultra high-speed network linking about 200 universities and more than 60 corporations. According to a Cal Poly news release from January 2002, a data file that would take most Internet users six hours to seven days to download would be received in 39 seconds by an Internet2-enabled computer. “It’s basically a way of getting more dedicated bandwidth for research,” Hanley said.

“The committee deals with issues outside the alliance, too. Recent lawsuits against universities due to illegal trading of mp3s and other copyrighted files have caused considerable alarm, Baker said. “There is significant concern about pirating that is occurring on university campuses,” he said.

Study: Greeks ‘get foot in the door’ in job search

By Olga Berdial

With parties, philanthropy and other aspects of college life aside, do Greeks have an advantage when trying to find a job?

According to Forbes.com they do. About 25 percent of the chief executives of America’s largest corporations on the Forbes Super 500 were members of college fraternities, the magazine found.

James Fujiwara, president of Cal Poly’s Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity, said Greeks have an advantage when it comes to finding a job after graduation.

“One thing that career services always tells students to do is network.”

Another factor is the Alpha Chi Omega sorority has a national Web site with an alumni link, where members can search a particular geographic area for a particular job. It then compiles a list of sorority sisters who are in that position, said Rona Kopej, a member of Alpha Chi Omega.

“The chances that someone you find will be from your chapter are slim,” Kopej said. “But even if they don’t know you, they are willing to help.”

Fujiwara, a business senior, said although the Greek system has broad connections, it takes more than knowing the right person to get a job.

“They can get your foot in the door, but they can’t get you the job,” Fujiwara said. “You have to have skills just like everyone else.”

Alpha Phi member and political science senior Kerenesa Pearce found involving in the Greek system might help, but it is not the only factor for being hired.

“The president isn’t the president because he was Greek,” Pearce said. “It takes a certain person to be in a position like that.”

It just happens that the same qualities that Greeks look for during recruitment might also be the qualities that employers look for, Pearce said.

Fujiwara agreed that Greeks learn many valuable skills that most students are never exposed to.

“Fraternities and sororities offer key leadership opportunities that many students don’t otherwise get,” Fujiwara said.

Chubs and other organizations that students are involved in also provide opportunities, but not to the same extent, he said.

Kopej said the leadership and organizational skills she learned last year as president of her sorority have proven most useful.

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Eating disorders cross genders on campus

By Khadija Ejaz
Dine OUT! (Editor, Oklahoma State University)

Eating disorders are not about food," said Cindy K. Washington, clinical counselor at University Counseling Services at Oklahoma State University. "It's about self esteem and the desire to feel good about oneself. The need for control in one's life is often projected onto food, and that's where it begins." There are various kinds of eating disorders.

According to the MenStuff Web site, people suffering from anorexia nervosa typically display a pronounced fear of weight gain and a dread of becoming fat, although they are dramatically underweight. Sufferers maintain their low body weight purely by restricting food intake and increased activity, but they might also engage in binge-eating and purging behaviors.

Another eating disorder is bulimia nervosa, in which sufferers engage in discrete periods of overeating followed by attempts to compensate for overeating and to avoid weight gain. Sufferers regularly compensate for their binge eating with self-induced vomiting, laxative abuse, diuretics or enemas, through dietary fasting or excessive exercising.

In addition to suffering from anorexia and bulimia at increasing rates, males are falling victim to a recently named disease — muscle dysmorphia, also known as bigorexia, the conviction that one is too small, according to the site. This syndrome is marked by an obsession with the size and shape of the body, constant working out and weight lifting even if one isn't involved in sport and the use of supplements to "bulk up," according to the site.

A subject of much speculation and study, eating disorders are symptomatic of deep social, emotional and psychological conflicts, rather than being a disease itself. Incorrectly considered a female disease, studies have reported that for every five people suffering from disordered eating, one is a male.

"I examine eating disorders more commonly in women because physically appearance might matter more to them, said K. Chelliah, industrial engineering and management graduate student. "The community these days portrays skinny people as desirable, although that is not always true.

Kaveta Chelliah
Oklahoma State graduate student

This is a silent, invisible illness that claims a higher number of victims than statistics show because accepting that one is ill is a big step, most people aren't ready for that," said Washington. Anorexic males tend to have more dependent and avoidant personalities. Males with anorexia do not tend to conform to the cultural expectations for masculinity such as competitiveness, muscularity, strength, physical attractiveness, independence and competence in athletics.

According to the Anorexia Nervosa and Related Eating Disorders Inc. Web site, the risk factors for males include being overweight as children, dieting more than the most powerful eating disorder trigger for both males and females, participation in sports that demand thinness, demand of thinness at work and sexual orientation.

The last risk factor is based upon the findings that some, but by no means all, males with eating disorders are members of the gay community, where men are judged on their physical attractiveness in much the same way as women are judged in the heterosexual community.

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The first step is to be evaluated by a physician to identify physical problems that are contributing to or resulting from the eating disorder and by a mental health therapist to identify psychological issues underlying food behavior.

Food is what the patients think about 24 hours a day, and that can stop them from doing a lot of things in life.

Treatment of males with eating disorders have proven to be a difficult task because most men are reluctant to admit suffering from a "female" problem. A number of physicians under diagnose males with eating disorders, as they do not expect to see them in male patients.

Most treatment programs and support groups have been designed for women and are populated exclusively by females. Males report feeling uncomfortable, out of place in discussions of lost menstrual periods, women's socio-cultural issues, female-oriented advertising and similar topics.

But like females, men do need professional help to recover. An eating disorder, in a person of any sex or sexual orientation, poses a dangerous threat to the mental and physical position of the patient. Detected in its initial stages, an eating disorder can be prevented from proving fatal.

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**Reality TV hits the big screen**

**By Christy Lemire**
AP Entertainment Writers

They might invoke my film critic privileges for saying this, but I have to admit it: I liked ‘The Real Cancún.’

The first so-called reality movie comes from the people who pioneered the reality-TV genre: Mary-Ellis Baran and Jonathan Murray, who created MTV's 'The Real World' more than a decade ago.

This is the story of 16 strangers picked to go on spring break in Cancun and have their lives taped. And their lives, at least for a week, consist of getting drunk on the beach, making out with random people, waking up hung over and doing it all over again.

Why, you ask, should you run out to the multiplex and spend money on something you can watch on television? Because it's more fun, and dare I say, real than even the franchise's hot tub romps in the most recent ‘Real World’ Las Vegas. And that makes the movie a mindless, guilty pleasure.

While the beginning feels like a tedious, big-screen version of a “Girls Gone Wild” video, and the sexual innuendos at the end drag on like bad midnight Skimjams fare, several moments are surprisingly funny and at times, laugh-out-loud hilarious.

Much of what makes it work lies in the casting. Sasha Alpert, a veteran of casting for ‘The Real World’ and MTV’s “Road Rules,” has a great eye for finding people who are fun, fearless and most importantly photogenic. Among the cast members, picked from 10,000 applicants...

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**Introducing a new generation of Presley**

**By Ryan Curell**
SUN/SMH Daily Staff Writer

When I look at the cover of Lisa Marie Presley’s debut album, I can’t decide what features of her parents I notice first. Could it be that gorgeous facial profile of her mother, or is it those lips and eyes of her legendary father? This uncertainty undermines my anticipation to listen to the album. Will “To Whom it May Concern” be a pop-rock awakening of her father or just a lame entry into the hit that Presley has prolonged for over 20 years?

The result is a mix of both — Presley showcases a deep, soulful vocal talent throughout the 11 tracks on “To Whom it May Concern,” though the tune and depth of her songs doesn’t overmatch, nor does it mark a distinct diversity from others who have made similar albums.

The lyrics, written by Presley, are a different comparison to the song compositions themselves. Presley poignantly explores feelings about her father in the single “Lights Out” (the best song on the album): “You were a million miles away / And I was crying every time / I'd know you / Then I didn’t want to see you / I still keep the watch two hours behind,” and the refrain, “Someone turned out the lights in Memphis / That’s where my family’s buried and gone.”

The problem isn’t with her lyrics, but the way the

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casts nationwide:

Jeremy, a tan, solid 22-year-old who proclaims early in the film, "Girls go on spring break to find guys like me." Roxanne and Nicole, 25-year-old identical twins who resemble Natalie Portman from the Dixie Chicks, and have no qualms about graining against each other outside if it helps them win a wet T-shirt contest.

And David and Heidi, 18-year-old best friends who’ve never hooked up, but have a pre-game scenario that rivals Dawson and Joey’s on "Dawson’s Creek."

Some of the most memorable moments come courtesy of Casey, a 25-year-old aspiring iTuxlel who must be a wet T-shirt contest.

Moments ciime courtesy of Casey, a 25-year-old aspiring entertainer that rivals the one depicted in "The King.

But just can only pull it off with the help of Lily (Wong), a. pickup artist who's such an old-school femine force, she can't even light her own cigarettes. While she and Jake have a ton of chemistry, their sexual tension would have been even more intense if they hadn't jumped into bed together in the middle of the job. If all this sounds familiar now, wait until you hear the characters talk; it sounds as if first-time screenwriter Doug Jung has been reading too much David Mamet. The twists and double-crosses, the cadence of the characters' speech and the repetitiveness of certain sayings are reminiscent of much of Mamet's work namely "Heist" and "Glengarry Glen Ross" (the latter of which Fokel also directed) with desperate, crafty characters doing whatever they must to get their hands on some cash.

Other moments recall "Pulp Fiction," with its images of a beachhead out Los Angeles where everyone has a gun pointed at someone else.

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Cal Poly: Best in the West, 10 years running

> Magazine ranks College of Engineering among best non-doctoral programs in the nation

By Chrissy Roth

For the 10th straight year, Cal Poly has been chosen as the best largely undergraduate, public university in the West by U.S. News and World Report.

A decade of such prestigious recognition makes it clear that Cal Poly's standards of education continue to be among the best in the nation, said Cal Poly President Warren Baker in a news release.

"Achieving this recognition for 10 consecutive years is further confirmation of the quality of our faculty and the instruction they provide our students, as well as the hard work of our support staff," Baker said.

Many factors may be attributed to such a high ranking. Paul Zingg, provost and vice president for Academic Affairs, stresses the relationship between instructors and students.

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While Cal Poly has proved to be a dominant figure in the academic realm, the administration has no plans of letting up. Zingg assures that the university will continue to strive towards improvement.

"Cal Poly has never been complacent," Zingg said. "It's never been satisfied with sitting on its hands and letting its reputation run itself out."

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The Cal Poly Space Systems’ rocket was launched over the weekend near Fresno.

BY GRAHAM WOMACK
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The Cal Poly Space Systems Club successfully launched a three-stage cluster rocket Saturday afternoon, under sunny skies in a farm field near Bakersfield. About 25 people, including a number of local middle school students, were on hand when the booster left ground at 3:30 p.m., ending four hours of frantic work by club members to fix electrical problems on one of the rockets and debate that the booster would not launch.

“We’ve been working on this project in small steps, and we finally put all the pieces together yesterday,” faculty advisor Deanne Deturris said.

The club staged its latest launch to gather data for NASA Langley Flight Research Center in Virginia, which gave the students a $52,000 grant two years ago to construct scale models of rockets and record in-flight data.

“That was the launch we’ve been looking for two years,” club member and 60-year aerospace graduate student Trevor Foster said.

The launch built upon the club’s last outing, Jan. 3 at Camp Roberts, where experimental in-flight data recording systems operated on one rocket. This time that equipment operated on all three rockets that diverged off of the center stage while it was airborne, enabling the club to record flight and landing data for NASA.

Vice President of Research and Development Thomas Farrell said a large measure of success for this launch came from the “clean and beautiful separation” by the three rockets and the “feedback landing” for the main stage, as each enabled greater data-gathering abilities.

After the booster launched, pilots Dan Macy and Foster used radio control to guide two of the rockets while the other dropped immediately, parachuting safely to ground. Electrical engineering freshman Chris LaFlash and Farrell stood by on laptops, monitoring in-flight data as it relayed.

The launch culminated a day that began at 7 a.m. at Cal Poly and almost ended at 11:30 a.m., when catastrophic problems on one of the rockets were identified during flight.

“We were seriously 30 seconds away from the countdown and one of the electrical systems failed,” said vice president of operations Andrew Gibson.

Club members worked frantically for the next four hours to fix the system which governed altitude measurements. LaFlash spent much of the time on a ladder, using soldering equipment and a screwdriver to fix the rocket while it remained on the platform, eight feet in the air.

LaFlash first added extension wires to the rocket’s battery to check its voltage. After LaFlash and other members concluded around 3 p.m. that the battery was dead, one of the members pulled his car up to charge the battery.

During the 15 minutes that the battery was charging, the club debated whether or not to launch. The club had built much of the rockets on-campus now, out of homemade parts, but Farrell said members feared any in-flight disaster would wreck the estimated $4,000 to $5,000 in purchased electrical systems onboard.

“We were afraid that the whole cluster would come screaming down, like a very expensive lawn dart,” Farrell said.

Most of the officers did not want to launch, Gibson said, but the members decided to risk it anyway.

“Some people would say it’s not worth the risk,” Farrell said. “But we take Cal Poly’s ‘Learn By Doing’ motto to heart, so we launched it anyway.”

The success of the launch could help secure NASA funding for next year, Deturris said.

“Basically, we’re proving we’re trustworthy,” Deturris said.

One final data-gathering launch is scheduled for April 25, when the club will do one more launch just to grab data.

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The launch is tentatively set for May 12 in Bakersfield, near Fresno. The club can’t launch in San Luis Obispo, Farrell said, because the vehicle remains experimental and the size of the motor requires FAA clearance, which would not be granted since there are no open fields for launch in San Luis Obispo.
NYU LGBT office, military club build ties

By David Keating
Washington Square News (New York U.)

(U-WIRE) NEW YORK — The controversy surrounding a student council decision last year to recognize a military club on campus has cooled, making way for an unlikely collaboration between the contentious organization and New York University’s lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender communities.

The new Military Science Club, initially called the ROTC Club, faced opposition in October when it was approved, with same-sex reservations, by the College of Arts and Science Student Council.

The debate centered on U.S. military policies that ban openly gay men and women from serving in the armed forces. ROTC, a popular college military organization that does not currently have an NYU office, is run by the various armed forces.

Since the council’s decision, the military club has made an effort to counter its negative image by reaching out to NYU’s LGBT community.

Jessica Pettitt, a program adviser for NYU’s Office of LGBT Student Services, said she was contacted by the military club soon after it was recognized by the council.

“They e-mailed me after they had been approved and said that the club wasn’t against the gay community and that they wanted to do something to counter this image,” Pettitt said.

Pettitt and military club member Austin Stringfellow then began to build a relationship between the two groups. LGBT Student Services hosted a luncheon Feb. 25 attended by representatives from the two organizations.

“They were worried about being perceived as a legitimate club,” Pettitt said. “For them it was about image control.”

This effort to clarify its image began when the military club changed its name, removing ROTC from its title to eliminate a perceived affiliation with the official ROTC organization. The change was suggested at multiple student council meetings in order to dissociate the club from the possible stigma of ROTC’s support for the military’s policies on gays.

Stringfellow, a General Studies Program freshman, said it became important for the club to show that it did not intend to discriminate against openly gay students.

“The lunch we had with the LGBT office was productive,” Stringfellow said. “We discussed their concerns for the possibility of our excluding people from the club and we had the opportunity to reassure them that the club would not exclude any student for any reason.”

The organizations made plans at the meeting for future collaboration between the two groups, including possible community service projects, sensitivity training and forums.

Peter Chien, an openly gay sixth-year graduate student who attended the meeting, said he felt that both groups have to work toward understanding each other.

“Even though I stress out about getting everything done, after a quarter is finished, I feel like I learned so much from the ROTC program that other teachers don’t teach.”

Jon Key mechanical engineering junior

Although the ROTC cadets train for war, they are not on active duty. "I'm not in danger of being called to war against Iraq," Key said. "I can honestly say that the mission was completed successfully. To those against the war, Key said it is their constitutional right to have an opinion.

As for these cadets, they tend to disagree.

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