Wildflower 2003

By Michael Marquez
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Only the die-hard Wildflower volunteers attempted to make the journey to Lake San Antonio for the 2003 Jamba Juice Wildflower Triathlons early Friday morning as rain poured down. Tri-California headquarter official Beck Gray said the event ran quite smoothly despite the low number of volunteers. "Definitely the volunteer turnout was the lowest its been in past years," Gray said. "The rain obviously played a huge factor in the low volunteer attendance." Gray also said some volunteers were asked to work double shifts to make up for no-shows. Business senior Cierra Graves said that despite the wet weather, students were in good spirits and ready to make the best out of a cold and muddy situation. "I attended Wildflower two years ago and there were definitely less volunteers and guests within Beach City this year," Graves said. Graves said she encouraged students who attended Wildflower this year not to be discouraged from volunteering back next year.

Athletes and volunteers camped out at Lake San Antonio this weekend for the 2003 Jamba Juice Wildflower Triathlons. Despite rain and fewer volunteers, officials still said the event was a success.

Changing the world one mind at a time

Group launches Cal Poly’s first women’s awareness literary magazine

By Sarah Stephan
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has," said famous anthropologist Margaret Mead.

The creators of the first Cal Poly Women’s Awareness literary magazine want their publication to help women on campus realize that they too can change the world. Psychology sophomore Julia Sinclair-Palm and landscape architecture sophomore Jenny Stende1, CPWA club members, said they created the literary magazine for students to see the creativity of Cal Poly women.

"We wanted to have a place where women could present their work," Stende1 said. "This way we can learn to appreciate each other and build strength."

After setting the theme “The Woman I Am,” Stende1 and Sinclair-Palm publicized on campus for students to submit artwork, poetry and other forms of expression. The roughly 20 submissions are intermixed with photo collages, quotes and facts. Sales of the magazine began at Open House. Sinclair-Palm said CPWA also plans to sell the magazine at the Culture Fest May 18. The literary magazine can be purchased at the Women’s Center for $2. Proceeds go toward CPWA events and charities.

Sinclair-Palm said "The Woman I Am" is important because it gives women an outlet to put their work on display.

"We hope to create a tighter community, a unity on campus, by letting people read about what others go through," she said.

Changing the world one mind at a time
The stresses of college can be overwhelming. Midterms, friendships, family and pressures all contribute to various factors in students' daily lives.

"Students at Cal Poly have a lot of burdens," said Todd George, preclinical coordinator and head of Counseling Services. "The institution is very challenging and students have a tendency to pick up ineffective coping strategies."

For this reason, Cal Poly continues to support, in National Anxiety Disorders Screening Day. The National Anxiety Disorders Screening Project began in 1994 and is held annually on the first Wednesday of May throughout the United States and Canada. Cal Poly has been an active participant since inception.

On Wednesdays, tables will be set up in the University Union Plaza from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Volunteers from the Student Health Advisory Council will distribute materials and administer self-assessment forms for anxiety disorders.

"Student can fill out the test at the table or take it home," said project coordinator Bob Neganti. "Counselors will be available upstairs in room 208 of the Student Services Building to help interpret the results and recommend the appropriate course of action."

Meeting with a counselor is highly encouraged. Students can draw some logical conclusions from some of the answers, Neganti said, but they may struggle with parts of the test.

Stendel said the club has received positive feedback from students on campus and plans to make the literary magazine an annual publication.

"This year was a good start," she said. "We gave people an example of what we want the magazine to look like and we should have even more interest next year."

English senior Haley Myers said the club is working toward the goal to raise awareness about women's issues on campus.

"There are things that happen on campus every day that need to be talked about," she said. "We need to create awareness to these subtle things that happen."

Myers said she founded the CPWA club last year with many goals in mind.

"In starting the club, we wanted people to realize that the word 'feminist' doesn't have the bad connotation it once did," Myers said. "The feminist movement has changed a lot since the (1970s)."

Since last year, membership has grown to more than 70 people. Myers said another goal of the club is to make women more confident.

"I have seen women's ambitions grow and their confidence rise since the club started," Myers said. "We want women to know that they are not alone in their thoughts and ideas."

"I really wanted people to understand that feminism is about having equal rights," she said. "Men and women need to have equal opportunities."

"The school has provided our organization with great graduates, so this is our way to give back," said Mark Montoya, Morley Builders vice president.

The newly planned structure. The raised private funding will combine with $17.7 million of state funds allocated to the college as part of Proposition 47.

The new structure will be built on the site of the air conditioning building, next to Engineering West on South Perimeter Road.

It will provide the construction management program with some much-needed-curriculum changes, said construction management department head Al Haulk.

"The new building will allow us to do seminar-style teaching with a dedicated space that students can move into for a quarter and work on complex construction problems," Haulk said.

"Most construction management is currently being taught with an academic curriculum much like that of a history major. He said the new facility would give the construction management department a chance to go beyond lecturing and tackle their coursework in a more hands-on fashion.

"We are supporting the building of the conference rooms because we want to support a space where people are encouraged to work together," Montoya said.

Haulk said he wants to see construction management move to an integrated curriculum that mirrors the signature learning style of Cal Poly.

Zweifel said the outlined construction is the most comprehensive planning program the college has ever had.

"This will raise the bar and set our program well above any other program like it in the nation," Zweifel said.

The construction management program is expected to grow by about 33 percent in the next five years. The addition of the new structure will almost double the department's space to nearly 46,000 square feet.

The new space will offer more labs and technologies never before seen at Cal Poly. A large commercial and residential building lab is one of the planned additions.

The construction management program's graduates are heavily sought after, Zweifel said. More than 200 firms try to recruit a graduating class of around 60 students.

"We have an outstanding relationship with the industry, so lots of companies want to be involved," Haulk said.

**The Middle East: No Justice, No Peace** - The Muslim Student Association will sponsor this event tonight from 6 to 8 in the PAC, room 124.

"Concert for Peace and Justice" - The Progressive Student Alliance will host the concert May 12 at 7:30 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium. Local bands Treluna and Mr. Poppin's Robot will perform.

**WOW Shopping Spree Fund-raiser** - The WOW Orientation Program will host the Supermarket Spree May 14 at Albertson's. Two winners will be selected to race through the store for three minutes. Tickets can be purchased between May 5 and 12 at the Los Osos Valley Road and Foothill Albertson's, in the WOW office in the University Union, and the WOW booth in the UU Plaza.

**Rec Center Intramural Sports** - The Rec Center will host a co-rec five-on-five floor hockey tournament in mid-May. There will be golf tournament May 16. Sign ups for both events have already begun.

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National Briefs

Key FBI witness made, then retracted allegations about lab WASHINGTON — A prominent FBI witness told federal investigators that his lab colleagues had performed shoddy work in the Timothy McVeigh case, then abruptly retracted several statements before appearing as a prosecution witness at trial, a transcript shows.

FBI explosives expert Steven Barimeister, who since has risen to the FBI lab's chief of scientific analysis, inititated a meeting Dec. 19, 1996, with the Justice Department inspector general. The Associated Press obtained a copy of the transcript.

After receiving a Miranda warning about his constitutional rights, Barimeister proceeded for 68 pages of the transcript to correct or retract earlier statements he made that col­ leagues who worked on the bombing evidence did not use proper tech­ niques or were unqualified to do some of the tests they performed.

SARS fear is latest strike against tourism industry LOS ANGELES — It's already been a challenging year for the tourism industry. The war with Iraq and concerns about terrorism have kept many people at home.

Now the industry is dealing with a new concern — the fear of severe acute respiratory syndrome, or SARS. From California to Portland, Ore., where Nike Inc. canceled an Asia-Pacific conference in June, to New York’s Chinatown, from Mayor Michael Bloomberg launched a few weeks ago to dispel any fears, worries about SARS are taking a toll on tourism.

SARS was the nail in the coffin of one revival of tourism from Asia,” said Jack Kyser, chief economist at the Los Angeles Economic Development Corp.

Consumer groups trying to create three strikes law for corporations SACRAMENTO — Borrowing from a popular punishment for repeat criminal offenders, California consumer activists are trying to create a three-strikes-and-you’re-out law for corporations.

"If this is good enough for individual felons in California, it's certainly appropriate for the offenses of the world," says Carmen Balter, a con­sumer advocate for the Foundation for Taxpayer and Consumer Rights.

The foundation and several other consumer groups, as well as organiza­ tions representing environmentalists, labor unions, seniors and trial lawyers, are backing a bill that would bar a corporation from doing business in California if it's convicted of three felonies in a 10-year period.

The bill was approved last week by the Senate Judiciary Committee and is awaiting a vote in the Assembly Appropriations Committee, the last step before reaching the full Senate.

The measure, by state Sen. Gloria Romero, takes its name from the state’s three strikes law, which provides sentences of 25 years to life in prison for people with two prior vio­ lent or serious felonies who are convicted of a third felony.

International Briefs

Space station men return safely in Russian capsule, but land far off course ASTANA, Kazakhstan — A Russian capsule safely returned two astronauts and a cosmonaut from the international space station on Sunday, but the landing, nearly 300 miles off target, triggered a nerve­racking two-hour search in the steppes of central Asia.

The three men were finally spotted in the vast, brown, barren stretch of Kazakhstan by a recovery plane and waved to show they were fine. A helicopter arrived for them an hour or two later.

"I was just happy we were down, that everything was safe," astronaut Kenneth Bowersox told The Associated Press while flying back to cosmonaut headquarters at Star City outside Moscow. "It was the most beautiful dirt I’ve ever seen.”

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Student pulled from dorm fire had apparent stab wounds BOWLING GREEN, Ky. (AP) — A college student who had appeared to be stab wounds was pulled from a dormitory fire that authorities were investigating to determine if it was deliberately set, the state fire mar­shall’s office said Sunday.

"Apparently this is a crime scene," said Ken Meredith, a spokesman for the fire marshal’s office. "There is a young woman suffering from stab wounds, and it appears that the fire was set deliberately.”

Bob Skipper, a spokesman for Western Kentucky University, said the fire seemed to be a random event.

"We are aware that there are other wounds, but at this point we don’t know what caused them or how they are related to all of this," Skipper said. He said authorities had talked to the victim’s roommates, who weren’t home at the time of the fire.

A Kentuck State Police arson investigator was at the dormitory Sunday afternoon.

About 50 people were in Hugh Poland Hall when the fire started shortly after 4 a.m. in a room on the second floor, Skipper said. The fire was confined to one room in the nine-story dorm, which houses about 300 students, and it was put out by the dormitory’s sprinkler system, he said. All those who had been inside the dorm had been accounted for Sunday morning.

Andrea Pendleton, a freshman from Lexington who lives in the dorm, said she saw two firefighters carry the burned student out by her arms and legs.

"All of her clothes were burned off,” Pendleton said. She said Emergency officials treated the victim for about 15 minutes before taking her away in an ambulance.

In the dormitory, there was smoke also were found in and near the graves.

Pope canonizes five new saints before 1 million people MADRID, Spain — Showing unusual energy, Pope John Paul II proclaimed five new saints Sunday before a crowd of 1 million people as he urged Spanish to remain faithful to the Roman Catholic Church.

Facing the vast crowd spread out in the form of a cross, John Paul spoke in a strong and clear voice in the major event of his weekend visit to Spain.

"Don’t break with your Christian roots,” the 85-year-old pope said during a three-hour Mass, taking up a theme he has sounded across an increasingly secular Europe.

The Spanish royal family and most members of the government attended the service, with the vast congrega­tion filling four bandstands intersect­ ing at Madrid’s central Plaza de Cibeles, where a white altar was erect­ed.

The pope sat in a special hydraulic chair on wheels that allows him to celebrate Mass without getting up. He suffers from the symptoms of Parkinson’s disease — slurred speech and trembling hands — and crippling hip and knee ailments.

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National/International News

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Prejudice is the child of ignorance.
—William Hazlitt

RACE UNITY DAY 2003
Putting the 'I' in ASI

It takes a special pair of students to run for ASI president and vice president. The duo has to be motivated. They have to be concerned about the school, about their peers and will trying to make a change. They must be honest and sincere. They must have a great slogan.

With this in mind, we, Roth and Hill, are making a late run at the ASI presidential and vice presidential seats. Sure, campaigning may have started last week, but this column right here gets out to 6,000 people alone. If that isn't good publicity, I guess we need another platform or two to run on, so we'll make it quick - we'll be your resumé booster? OK, so maybe for most of the candidates it is. For us, though, we've gotta look out for number one - it's a dangerous world and, since we will have no campaign budget. "Why would they do such a foolish thing?" you may be asking. Well, we asked for a point - all of these glitzy posters and fancy shirts are too much for these elections. Can you really tell that someone will be a good candidate by seeing their shining face held up by a wooden stake? Probably not. Plus, we write for the Daily - we're poor.

Instead of posters we will just use this here Mustang Daily to put our faces out there - hell, maybe we'll put in a house ad on election day for good measure, just to seal the deal. As far as the kids go, we know that everyone will want to wear one that says "Roth and Hill - Putting the 'I' in ASI". So here's the plan: You bring the plain white Hannes T-shirts and we'll bring the sharpies. I'll be so DIY that KCFR will even join in. Plus, homemade shirts are coming back into the style.

Another issue the Roth and Hill administration will address - reluctantly (all the other campaigns are doing it) - is parking. Yeah, we all know it is a bitch to park and you don't want to wake up a half hour earlier to ride the bus. Neither do we. But what can we do about it? Build more parking structures? Bulldoze the swine unit to pave in more spots? Here's the plan: You bring the plain white Hannes T-shirts and we'll bring the sharpies. I'll be so DIY that KCFR will even join in. Plus, homemade shirts are coming back into the style.

Letters to the editor

Collateral damage more of a threat than war

Editor

The letter is in response to John Holbus' column on April 29 ("Tell it to you: Picking apart the liberal agenda"). Holbus is proud of the fact that the war took only "one month," and now Saddam posed little imminent threat posed by Saddam and his corner of the "axis of evil.".

Yes, the threat was so imminent that we could not wait for 30 more days of inspections, at which time the President of the United Nations would re-evaluate a joint offensive.

Yes, the looming threat had to be faced preemptively and unilaterally by the United States, whose national security was seriously compromised by the "axis of evil." But the reality of the situation is that, while a "dirty war" in the Arab world had little impact on the United States. The fact that the war lasted only "one month" in U.S. troops massed against across northern Iraq and swiftly seized the capital is testament to the fact that Saddam was weak and incapable of defense, let alone offense. Had his removal been bought about by joint diplomatic efforts with our allies, the war would not have been the imperialist menace we now present to the Arab states and Afghanistan. Bush and his clan will be faced with unfoldable collateral damage, lost of which will be the threat to national security that they imagined was present prior to the war.

Angela Ryan is a senior history. Maybe it really is 'happening' in Soledad

Editor

Solead may not have the most "happening" party atmosphere ("Finding out what's really happening in Soledad," April 28) but surprisingly there are a lot of activities to participate in. The Soledad chamber of commerce is not trying to make Soledad the next Baja California, but to let people know that there is more to the quiet farming community than meets the eye.

Into rock climbing! The Pinnacles National Monument offers the best climbs in the area. You can maybe come back with after a good day of climbing. There are also other backpacking trails that wind through the Ventana wilderness and into Big Sur. With all this adventure nearby, it can be said that Soledad is "happening" in certain circles. And finally, if you like authentic Mexican food that rivals the best San Luis Obispans has to offer, stop by Soledad for lunch. Brett Witzel is a graphic communications junior.

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New store looking to float on Cloud 9

Head shop fights the stigma of being a controversial fixture in a conservative setting

By Samantha Weeks

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The use of "medical marijuana" has recently been declared legal in California, but the use of marijuana for medical purposes has to be supported by a physician's prescription. Therefore, those who smoke medical marijuana or tobacco in San Luis Obispo will find Cloud 9 a useful store for either their health or habit.

San Luis Obispo City Council members Christine Mulholland and Ken Schwartz agree that it is fine to have these alternative shops in the San Luis Obispo. "I see no problem with head shops being located in our town," Mulholland said. Schwartz said there are some restrictions on tobacco shops in San Luis Obispo due to certain zoning ordinances that pinpoint which commercial districts permit these types of shops.

"Dealing with law enforcement and being able to operate legally has been two of the more difficult things in running the shop."

Brady Daniel
Cloud 9 owner

"My impression is that stores like this need to sell more than tobacco goods, because it doesn't seem like the smoking population in this town is that big," McGranahan said. Daniel said Cloud 9 is trying to cater to the college student population and the locals of San Luis Obispo.

"We're a smoker's boutique," he said. "We are quite a bit different than the average store. We're specialists in smoking; we're for the adult smoker enthusiasts."
Landscape architecture senior Erin Carroll is taking his senior project to new heights as he proposes to build a sandboard park on the Cal Poly campus and then similar parks across the country.

"I first got the inspiration for my project in 1998 by going out to the local sand dunes at Montaña de Oro and riding an old beat-up surfboard down the dunes," Carroll said. "I saw the potential for a sport that was very similar to snowboarding, but right here in our back yard."

Carroll admits that the site he selected for his project — the hill between the Environmental Horticulture Unit and Poly Canyon — is a bit unrealistic, but he said he believes concepts similar to his will be built in the future at many designated sites around the country.

Professor William MacElroy said Carroll is exploring a new dimension in the design of man-made sandboard parks.

"All sandboard parks are currently based on natural sand dunes," MacElroy said. "Carroll's project would be the first park designed specifically for sandboarding."

There were many obstacles that Carroll had to overcome to begin his project. Not only did he have to convince his professors that he had a legitimate project, but he also spent much of the year visiting remote sand dunes to develop criteria that would provide for an ideal sandboard park.

"I drove 11 hours to visit a sand dune called Sand Mountain in Nevada," Carroll said. "It is a 600-foot sand dune, 10 times that of any local dunes here on the Central Coast. I studied the slope, elevation, wind patterns and tried to recreate a similar dune environment in my project."

With the help of soils professor Thomas Roehr, Carroll developed a model using carpet materials and bristles that would drastically help sand stabilize and stay on a slope longer, keeping it from migrating to the bottom of the slope too fast.

Carroll also developed systems that would facilitate creating artificial sand slopes and ideas for ramps and jumps that would greatly enhance the design. However, Carroll did not leave his ideas on paper.

"I built prototypes of ramps and jumps that were a part of my design and then tested them at the Montaña de Oro dunes," Carroll said. "I wanted to see if my ideas would really work, and it was a complete success."

One of the ramps had steel rollers to help riders take off at fast speeds, while the other ramp was a "launch ramp that was made of a plastic carpet material."

"Using these two ramps, I transformed a plain sand dune into the beginning of a sandboard park," Carroll said.

In fact, Carroll plans to spend the rest of spring quarter marketing his sandboarding ideas to Cal Poly and ski resorts as a potential tourist development.

"Ski resorts are the most likely place where sandboarding could evolve from its current primitive form to a more modern form, with all the amenities such as chairlifts, and grooming mechanism," Carroll said. "Any ski resort is already set up to accommodate sandboarding in the summer months. It is just a matter of further developing my ideas in my project and finding a person willing to take the investment risk."

Landscape architecture senior project presentations will occur next in the CAED architecture gallery from 1 to 6 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

"Some of this year's projects are really expanding the sphere of the types of projects landscape architects can be involved in," Carroll said. "All students are welcome to check out the presentations during the upcoming week. The proposed projects will blow your mind."
Track and Field
James, Brown are Athletes of the Week
CALS Poly Sports Information Report

Poly senior Ryan James was named Big West Track and Field Male Athlete of the Week. The James had the top collegiate finish in the javelin throw with a throw of 213 feet, 11 inches at the UCSD-Poly dual meet on April 26. With the distance, James broke his personal record and the Cal Poly all-time record by 11 feet, a record that he previously held. Cal Poly senior Stephanie Brown was named the Big West Track and Field Female Athlete of the Week after placing first in the discus and shot put at the USCD Triton Invitational. Brown's distance of 189 feet, six inches in the discus broke her personal record as well as the Cal Poly all-time record.

Brown's previous best mark was 183 feet, 11 inches, set the week before at the SAC Relays. The previous Cal Poly record in the discus was 189 feet, set in 1995 by Enka Alman.

Wrestling
Mustangs sign four recruits for 2003-4
CALS Poly Sports Information Report

The Cal Poly Department of Intercollegiate Athletics has announced the signing of Ralph Garcia, Yuri Kalika, Chad Mendes and Ben Shapiro to enroll and participate in intercollegiate wrestling at Cal Poly.

Ralph Garcia 197 lb.
Moorpark College/ Thousand Oaks
After picking up two sectional titles last season, Garcia tallied a 60-6 record at Moorpark College. He is a two-time national Community College state champion and a two-time community college All-American. "Ralph is very physical and is mature enough to step right in and fill the spot left with the graduation of Pac-10 champ David Schenk," Cowell said. "Ralph will definitely give us depth in the upper weights."

Yuri Kalika 174 lb.
Calvary Chapel HS/ Alarhus, Denmark
A three-time league champion, Yuri Kalika also has a sixth-place finish at the state championships, a second-place finish in the sectional championship and a third-place finish in the Masters tournament to his credit. He finished fourth at the Junior Freestyle Nationals and is a two-time Cadet National All-American. "Yuri is a welcome addition to Cal Poly middle weights," Cowell said. "He really has the size to excel and you can see it in his eyes as a competitor. We look for Yuri to be a contributor to the success of the team in the future."

Chad Mendes 125 lb.
Hanford HS/ Hanford
A three-time league champion at Hanford HS, Chad Mendes has been named the Los Angeles County outstanding wrestler and has finished second and third at the sectional championships. He has also finished third, fifth and eighth at the state championships, compiling a 152-20 record, 56-2 as a senior. He is a national high school All-American, Cadet Greco National All-American, and recorded an eighth-place finish at the Junior Freestyle nationals. "Chad is a tremendous addition to our lighter weights," Cowell said. "He's an excellent technician on his feet and is as tough on the mat. His style is very exciting and (he) is a true winner."

Ben Shapiro 157 lb.
San Leandro HS/ San Leandro
With league and sectional titles, Ben Shapiro has qualified for the state meet twice, recording a fourth-place finish during his career at San Leandro HS. He amassed a 136-5 record, 51-6 as a senior.

"Ben is an outstanding student-athlete," Cowell said. "Ben will give the middle weights the added quality and depth to be really outstanding. Ben is a hard worker on the mat and in the classroom to be the best he can."

Softball
Mustangs swept by No. 7 Fullerton
CALS Poly Sports Information Report

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More heartbreak

Reliever walks in winning run in the 13th inning as lowly Irvine takes three-game series from sinking Mustangs

IRVINE — The Mustangs started conference play with four wins in their first six games, right on the heels of first-place Cal State Fullerton.

They've been tumbling ever since. UC Irvine third baseman Brett Dalton drew a bases-loaded walk in the bottom of the 13th inning, giving the Anteaters a 6-5 win over Cal Poly Sunday at Anteater ballpark. UC Irvine, which won its second conference series, improved to 18-28 overall and 7-8 in the Big West. The Mustangs (23-23-1, 5-10) jumped on the board in the first inning, having given up five runs on seven hits while striking out seven.

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