Homesteading Events

List of this week's events.

Monday
When: Banner Contest. Clubs will have an opportunity to design a banner to be judged. The banners will be moved to the stadium on Saturday.
When: Judging begins at 7 a.m.
Where: UU Plaza

Tuesday
When: Judging begins at 7 a.m.
Where: Mott Lawn

Wednesday
When: what: Blood Drive. Donate blood to Tri-County Blood Bank
Where: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Where: Mott Lawn

Where: 7 p.m.
Where: UU Chumash Auditorium

Thursday
When: Spirit Hour: "Battle of the Scion" game. Rock Roll, pumpkin carving, Homecoming Court nominees, football players and school spirit.
When: 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Where: Mott Lawn

Where: 4 p.m.
Where: Sports Complex

Saturday
When: What: Homecoming Parade. Student floats, bands and honored alumni lead procession in downtown San Luis Obispo
When: 10 a.m.
Where: Main grandstand on the corner of Garden and Higuera streets

What: Mustang Corral Tailgate Barbecue. Enjoy a pre-game feast with Santa Maria style barbecue, unlimited drinks and live entertainment. Cost is $15 for Cal Poly Alumni Association members.
When: 1 p.m.
Where: Bldg. 3 Lawn, Rose Garden

What: Homecoming Football Game. Cal Poly vs. Southern Utah
When: 4 p.m.
Where: Mustang Stadium

What: Choir Fall Concert. PolyPhonics, The University Singers, Cal Poly Vocal Jazz and Cal Poly Barbershop Quartets perform selections in a variety of styles.
When: 1 p.m.
Where: Performing Arts Center

For more information on Homecoming activities go to www.mustangdaily.calpoly.edu or call Nicole McCollum 756-2586.

Protesters fill streets of San Francisco
By Mielikki Org

SAN FRANCISCO — Thousands of anti-war protesters from around the state took to the sun-drenched streets of San Francisco Saturday, snarling traffic to protest the U.S. occupation of Iraq and the ouster of President Bush to bring the troops back home.

Some protesters took a midnight bus from Barabank to make it to San Francisco in time for the morning gathering. Bill Nelson, 30, made that trip with his mother, Anna May Nelson, 67.

"We feel it's very important to keep our voices heard because we want our troops home," said Bill Nelson.

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Student events kick off today
By Kendra Hodges

It is time for Mustangs to show off their school pride this year during Cal Poly Homecoming Week, which begins today and continues throughout the week.

Events conclude when the Mustangs take on the Southern Utah Thunderbirds in the Homecoming football game Saturday.

This year's theme, "The Spirit of Cal Poly," rings true as coordinators for the event anticipate bringing together traditional student activities such as the annual downtown Homecoming Parade and new activities that tie with the Halloween weekend.

"All student clubs and organizations are encouraged to participate in as many of the activities as possible," said Stephanie Ikel, homecoming committee chair.

Friday is First Friday at the Performing Arts Center.

Living Post for discussing life
By Michael Cervantez

Cal Poly's Interfaith Campus Council is offering students a chance to speak about their troubles by means of a listening post situated in the University Union Plaza.

Sponsored by 19 of the campus' ministries, the Listening Post provides students a place to express their anxieties over life, school, dilemmas or religion without fear of being converted to any particular religion.

"None of the representatives are allowed to talk about their religion," Ken Barclay, director of Student Life and Leadership and Interfaith Campus Council, said. "They cannot doctrine their theology."

With the issues of separation of church and state, the Interfaith Campus Council and the Listening Post receive no funding from Cal Poly. They exist as clubs formed by students.

Other universities around the nation have also had listening posts. "It's been really effective and helpful for students at other schools to just be able to talk about things going on in their life, in their minds and hearts, and struggles academically," said Jana Schofield, pastor of Mount Carmel Lutheran Church and co­ordinator of the Listening Post.

This is not the first time the Listening Post has been at Cal Poly. Last year, it was run on Dexter Lawn but a short turnout of students cancelled the project.

Having it out in the UU Plaza, Schofield said, has definitely been more effective because people see it.

Each week, one of the campus' ministries takes the Listening Post and supplies a person to sit and listen to student concerns.

The program is run quarterly with seven ministries in charge of the post this quarter.

"We have these 19 campus ministries and we do so very different things and even have different theo­logies that we come with," Schofield said. "But this is something that we all really could agree on."

The ministries involved in the post and Interfaith Campus Council include Christian, Jewish and Islamic organizations.

Although the Listening Post does offer confidentiality, students should be aware that the Listening Post is in a public setting. Confidentiality does not extend to cases of suicide, potential harm to others or in cases of abuse. Any student showing signs of these nature will be recommended to Health and Counseling Services.

The Listening Post is set up Monday through Friday, excluding Thursdays, at the UU Plaza from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
**News**

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Nelson, a Burbank bookstore owner. "We want the money here for health care and jobs, not a mil­
tary industrial complex."

Nelson's mother said her mes­sage to the Bush administration was "stop supporting Halliburton and Bechtel, two companies that figure prominently in the rebuild­ing effort in Iraq. She agreed to come to the demonstration after a college political science course pro­vided her interest in world polit­ics.

Five groups, International A.N.S.W.E.R. (Act Now to Stop War and End Racism), Bay Area United Against War, Not in Our Name, United for Peace and, and the Vanguard Foundation, helped arrange trans­portation so that protesters from Arizona, Nevada, Oregon, Washington and 27 California cities could attend.

Many in attendance at Civic Center Plaza waved large signs, some of which read "Register to vote for peace" and "Support our

**People survive wreck**

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AsI Student Directory

Each year, Associated Students, Inc., produces a Student Directory that is made available to all students, faculty and staff at Cal Poly.

The AsI Student Directory provides a listing of all students attending Cal Poly. This listing includes name, phone, e-mail address and major for each student. To list personal information, do so no later than November 14, 2003.

**Goodwill Info**

Go to "Your Student Information" Login

Look for "Student Records" Go to "Student Directory Information Restrictions" Check "PROTECTED" for your "Locater Information" status to prevent inclusion in the AsI Student Directory.

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Camarillo, Calif. — Retail gasoline prices have fallen two cents in the past two weeks, contributing to a price decrease of more than 16 cents since Sept. 12, according to a national industry report Sunday.

The Lundberg Survey of gas prices for the two weeks ending Oct. 24 found the weighted average retail gasoline price for all grades fell to $1.59, down from $1.61 in Lundberg's Oct. 10 survey.

The drop reflects a continuing decrease since prices peaked in August due to supply problems and a fall in crude oil prices in the past two weeks. 

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KNOX, North Korea's official news agency, reported that the congressional delegation had notified Kim Jong Il's government Friday that the trip was canceled "due to the opposition of the White House."

— Associated Press

BoGOTA, Colombia — After a bloody campaign period in which dozens of candidates were killed, Colombians elected state and municipal leaders Sunday, with a former communist union leader winning the race for mayor of Bogota.

The election was held a day after voters rejected most points of a refer- endum championed by hard-line President Alvaro Uribe, according to results released Sunday. Uribe said the referendum would give him the neces­ sary tools to fight terrorism and corruption and boost the faltering econ­ omy.

The referendum was the greatest defeat to hit Uribe since he was elec­ ted to office by a landslide last year on pledges to put this violence-wracked country on the path to recovery.

Paul Wolfowitz, a Pentagon deputy, said the strike against the Al Rasheed Hotel, from nearly point-blank range, "will not deter us from com­ pleting our mission." 

The assault was likely planned over at least the past two months, a top U.S. commander said, as the insurgents put together the improvised rocket launcher and figured out how to wheel it into the park just across the street from the hotel.

CAIRO, Egypt — A children's choir and a military band greeted the return Sunday of a what scholars believe is a royal mummy — possibly Ramses I — that was found from a tomb and smuggled out of Egypt by a Canadian doctor nearly 150 years ago.

The Michael Carlos Museum at Emory University in Atlanta, which bought the mummy three years ago from a museum in Ontario, returned the reli­ gious leader after determining it may be the founder of the 19th Dynasty and grandfather of Rameses II.

— Associated Press

S T A N F O R D, Calif. — In the last 10 years, Stanford University has seen a dramatic rise in the number of students seeking psy­ chological counseling and using psychotropic drugs such as Zoloft, Prozac and Wellbutrin, reflecting an increasing trend among college stu­ dents nationwide, experts say.

Stanford Counseling and Psychological Services counsels 10 percent of the student body each year. In addition, the medical center had a con­ fidential peer counseling service with a 24-hour hotline and night­ time response, but received an average of one to two calls a day.

STORRS, Conn. — University of Connecticut Police are investi­ gating The early Thursday morn­ ing death of a student who lived in a nearby apartment complex.

Police said that a luggage was found in a nearby apartment complex.

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Flying the funny skies

We’re probably going to be viewed as a threat to national security for this week’s column, but we’re willing to take that risk.

With that said, going to the airport is always a bitch. Waiting in line, having your bag searched, nearly getting knocked over by little short-nosed kids who are excited to go on their first flight and get their wings. Really, there are no more redeeming qualities about traveling by plane.

But last week, someone changed that.

Nathaniel Heaslip, a junior at Guilford College in North Carolina, made flying fun again last week. Instead of going through the airport motions of metal detectors, annoying luggage tags and that dentist from Anytown, USA springing to you talking about how much he enjoys performing root canal surgery, Heaslip said “— the system” and had some fun.

He smuggled boxes cutters and other illegal paraphernalia onto a plane and left it there, later e-mailing the Federal Aviation Administration to let them know that the joke was on them. Sticklers.

OK, so maybe not everyone reading this sees the humor in the aviation system as fun. But we do. This kid is going to get some serious jail time for making a political statement, so we have decided to make his message live on.

Our heads. Pretty sick, we’ll become the community would be a blow up doll. Sounds perverted, right? Wrong! We wouldn’t be able to pull anything past the guards at the airport. And really, that is what the whole spiral.

It was unseasonably hot Halloween night in Morro Bay. I like them for no other reason than the fact they are sticking up for a cause and be a better person for it.

Letters to the editor

Respecting women is a key concern

Editor

I want to commend the Mustang Daily for its Oct. 22 edition highlighting the problem of sexual assault and its relationship to alcohol abuse. Your coverage of these problems was complete and informative and in general, the articles appeared in our community, and we each must take individual and collective responsibility for addressing them. When alcohol is clearly a contributing factor in most of the sexual assaults reported we must not allow ourselves to use the excuse of drinking to reduce the personal responsibility of those who commit these acts. Sexual assault is wrong. The use of alcohol to diminish a woman’s ability to consent is illegal and is despicable behavior. I ask you to take a stand against it.

There is a larger issue at work, and that is respect for women. One of the great accomplishments of the 20th Century was the nation’s strides in the promotion of equal­

Right.

It’s like the time my landlord raised the rent by $30 a month and justified it by saying he had to pay for the roof. As renters, we entered into a contract that said he would handle all those things with the pre-decided percentage of rent. Why the heck wouldn’t I give him more money than that, when I didn’t steer my miniature sleigh pulled by eight tiny reindeer onto the roof? Some facts for you who couldn’t even fit down my chimney did.

The point is, Vons was trying to renegotiate on its initial commitment to its employees. They didn’t cause business to get tougher. They didn’t open competitive mar­

ets elsewhere. They didn’t even hit each other with heavy vegetables after closing time in order to get work­

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Three years worth of the wait — Zebrahead’s back

By Steve Hill
Mustang Daily Arts & Culture Editor

Zebrahead may be the best band you have never heard of. Seriously. I may sound a bit biased in saying this — I’ve been listening to the band for about five years. But their latest effort, “MFZB,” will back up all of this talk.

On the off chance that you have heard of Zebrahead, it was probably back in 1998, when their single “Get Back” (off of their major label debut “Waste of Mind”) was a moderate hit. After relentless touring and a band member’s bout with Hodgkin’s Disease, “Playmate of the Year” was released in 2000 to little fanfare in the United States.

In Japan, however, the band is bigger than Anime. Their latest effort, “MFZB,” was included on the Japanese equivalent of “Now That’s What I Call Music,” CDs, right up there with Destiny’s Child and Black Eyed Peas.

That is pretty much where the band’s mainstream success has stayed. Corporate radio has never caught on to Zebrahead stateside and instead chooses to shove yet another Limp Bizkit album down our throats.

That should all change with “MFZB.”

The band’s third release on Columbia Records, “MFZB” further expands on the band’s rock/punk/hip-hop/unclassifiable sound, packing in 13 potent tracks. But instead of keeping to their traditional singing-chorus, rapping-verse style that they have relied on before, the band pushes to the next musical level, mixing up their arrangements and stringing further fromrap and plowing ahead as a full-fledged rock band.

“The opening track, ‘Rescue Me,’ is a perfect example of the band’s level, mixing traditional singing-chorus, rapping-verse style that they have relied on before, the band pushes to the next musical level, mixing up their arrangements and stringing further from rap and plowing ahead as a full-fledged rock band.

“Over the Edge” lightens things up a little bit, with Mauriello telling the story of a girl- friend who won’t get off his back about drinking. The catchy off to start the track and a slower, sing-along breakdown, this song is radio-ready and shows Zebrahead in true form — infectious, energetic rock.

A couple more tracks in, though, and the band changes gears, flexing its punk chops with “This S e t - U p p.” Tabatabaee’s rap on this track are telling of his transition throughout the course of the band’s career.

Instead of being focused on flow, his words hit the listener with aggression and urgency. The punk assault in the pre-chorus is worthy of any Bad Religion or Pennywise mob hit, and the message of betrayal perfectly fits the intensity that carries the track.

But the band does not overdose on rock. As to give the untrained listener a needed break, the band jumps “Blur”— complete with Smiths-like guitar effect on the intro — and “House is Not My Home” back to back as a chance to breathe. Both of these tracks solidify the diversity that Zebrahead brings to the table and make the album feel more complete.

Speaking of diversity, “Alone” may be one of the most interesting, yet well-composed tracks the band has produced. Taking a journey back to the “Waste of Mind” days, the song starts with a funky, wah-wah pedal-driven guitar, then transitions into a melodic chorus. The solo in the middle of the song is ripped from the pages of 1980s hair metal, and Tabatabaee’s frenetic vocals give the song a two-for-the-price-of-one feel — the band’s funk and metal should not work, but somehow the band pulls it off.

Another track that allows Tabatabaee to show off is “Type A,” the heaviest song the band has ever written. Displaying the direct influence that England’s Motörhead has on the band, the two minute and 14 second jam is replete with power chords, hard drumming and Tabatabaee screaming “Shut up I’m not like you/Back off don’t-smother me— this I see through you/Suffer me through.”

His exhausted breathing in between verse and chorus accentuates his frustration, fueling the fire that keeps him going without fail for the whole song. The band makes some departures with the final two songs, “Runaway” and “Dear You (Far Away).” Ozanuran’s bass intro on the former track nicely accenuates the vocal work by Mauriello, who has one of the most unique, immediate vocal tones in music. The latter track closes the album on a bit of a somber note, with acoustic guitar work exploding into a dir­ stolted story of a relationship gone sour.

When Mauriello sings “Pull up a chair and grab a drink/I need something not to make me think,” he opens his heart to the listener in a way that is uncom­ nontional for the band solely by the despair in his tone. It stands out as one of the most compelling tracks on the album.

What is most intriguing about “MFZB,” beyond the music itself, is how the band juxtaposes conflicting messages throughout the course of the record. By placing “Let It Ride” — a song about releasing with the knowledge that tomorrow will be better than today — next to “Type A” in the track listing, the band implores the internal battle of everyday life in its song arrangement. Zebrahead does it again by placing “Into You,” a summy love song, next to “Alone.” It is this constant battle of love and hate, happiness and frustrated fury that drives the pace of the album and shows that the band is not afraid to take a chance and challenge the listener.

And challenge the listener they should. After waiting for three years and numerous delays by Columbia to release the record, Zebrahead has paid in full. Now it is time for everyone else to pay up and give Zebrahead the respect they deserve.

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California homes burn as winds drive fires

**Wildfire News**

**By Laura Wides**

SOUTH LAKE TAHOE, Calif. — Rain began the Monday after the size of the California wildfires was cut in half, as thousands of homes were destroyed by the blazes. The fires were fueled by strong winds and dry conditions, causing at least 8 people to die. The fires were burning across multiple states, including California, Oregon, and Washington. The fires have burned over 300,000 acres, forcing thousands of people to evacuate their homes.

**Evacuees recall final moments in fire escape**

LAKESIDE, Calif. (AP) — A neighbor's house burned in the hills surrounding his home. Like many who live in Lakeside, a community in the rural mountain east of San Diego, Mumford had seen wildfires burn close over the years and thought he was prepared. He picked up a hose. A few minutes convinced him he couldn't save the 5,000-square-foot home he had built himself.

"We were literally running through the night at their grandmother's home. "It's going to be hard to tell them that they have no clothes or toys," he said. "But at least they didn't feel the pain." The last of flames woke Lisza Pontes and her family at 3:45 a.m. She, her husband Ross and their daughter ran from their home.

Lisza Pontes, 43, said the smell of smoke awoke her at 4:30 a.m. Fire was at our feet. It was burning everywhere."

**California wildfires at a glance**

**CEDAR FIRE:**
- Size: 100,000 acres.
- Homes: 120 in Ramona alone.
- Deaths: Eight.
- Containment: 0 percent.

**DURAZO FIRE:**
- Size: 15,000 acres.
- Homes: None.
- Deaths: None.
- Containment: 0 percent.

**PARADISE FIRE:**
- Size: 100,000 acres.
- Homes: 36.
- Deaths: One.
- Containment: 0 percent.

**GRAND PRIX FIRE:**
- Size: 15,000 acres.
- Homes: 66 destroyed.
- Deaths: None.
- Containment: 23 percent.

**SIMI VALLEY:**
- Size: 80,000 acres.
- Homes: Six, eight damaged.
- Deaths: None.
- Containment: 0 percent.

**CAMP PENDLETON:**
- Size: 4,965 acres.
- Homes: None.
- Deaths: None.
- Containment: 55 percent.

"We were tallest ever and staying there to support the firefighting effort," said Davis, adding he had ordered state firefighting agencies to use all available personnel and equipment in battling the blazes. He said he planned to visit the San Bernardino fire scene Sunday afternoon.

"Our priority of the moment right now is structure protection, not containment," said Los Angeles County fire inspector Edward Davis, discussing the Grand Prix Fire’s advance into Los Angeles County.

In another San Diego County fire, 20 homes were destroyed by a blue near Valley Center that broke out Sunday morning and blackened about 1,000 acres, said Lora Lowes of the California Department of Forestry. Its cause is under investigation.

And in Ventura County, a fire in the hills above Simi Valley, about 35 miles northwest of downtown Los Angeles, burned across 47,000 acres, destroying eight homes, damaging six others and threatening as many as 2,000, said Joe Luna of the Ventura County Fire Department.

The fire, which was completely uncontrolled, also shut down Highway 118, the main route connecting Los Angeles with Simi Valley. Gov. Gray Davis declared a state of emergency for San Bernardino and Ventura counties and called on President Bush to issue a disaster declaration for the area, which would free up federal loan money for people who lost their homes.

"We are taking every possible step to help those who lost their homes," Davis said, adding he had ordered state firefighting agencies to use all available personnel and equipment in battling the blazes. He said he planned to visit the San Bernardino fire scene Sunday afternoon.

"It was like a big bomb hit," she said. "I was grabbing wet towels. Fire was at our feet. It was blazing over our heads and burning everywhere."

"A garden hose and a shovel wasn't going to work," Pontes said.

"It's going to be hard to tell them that they have no clothes or toys," he said. "But at least they didn't feel the pain."

"We were literally running through the valley. The fire was at our feet. It was blazing over our heads and burning everywhere."

"As they sped off in their car, they saw a neighbor’s trailer home explode. "I have no idea if they got out alive," Pontes said.

Dianne Hendricks, 48, said the smell of smoke awoke her at 4:30 a.m. She looked outside and saw the sky glowing red.

She helped move seven horses from a neighbor’s home and then drove to safety.

"I drove through the flames. I couldn’t even tell if I was on the road or not," she said.

Hendricks said trees on her front lawn were on fire as she left. She didn’t know whether her home had survived.

"It was like a big bomb hit," she said. "Every place the wind blew caught fire."

"I was jumping into a swimming hole to save my children, ages 5 and 8, had spent the night at their grandmother's home.

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SPORTS

WATER POLO CHAMPIONSHIPS

From three-peat to Texas

By Graham Womack
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The men's water polo team led UCLA to a convincing victory in Sunday's championship match-up that few people complained over the time clock freezing for several seconds near the game's end. After Matt Knabke scored to make it 9-4 with less than four minutes remaining in the final of the California Water Polo Association Pacific Coast Division Championship, scorekeepers forgot to restart the ticker, leaving it displaying "3:23" for nearly 10 seconds before officials were alerted.

Even if they had acted sooner, little could have been done to change the tide of the game. Goalie Paulo Bakhshandehpour said the team couldn't heat us." Thirty-five seconds near the game's end.

The Mustangs, against UCLA. The score could've been a lot worse," Marsh said. At the same time, UCLA presented the biggest challenge that Cal Poly faced over the course of the weekend. The Mustangs beat Cal Maritime and Saint Mary's on Saturday by a combined score of 28-6 to advance to the championship. "The first two games, it's just the lack of the bench they had," Bost said. "We had such a deep bench that it helped us out so much. They got so tired so fast." Vidal also said the Mustangs still have much to do before National Championships, though. The roster will have to be pared down. Vidal said the team needs to get in a championship frame of mind. The Mustangs' biggest challenges are expected to come from No. 2 University of Arizona and No. 4 Michigan State.

Even so, Vidal had a few choice words of advice, a mantra echoed by many. "We're excited," he said. "Get us a pool!"

The Mustangs got it done at both ends of the pool. Although each team got off 18 shots, nine of the Bruins' shots came from Nick Nolan, who also had three goals. The majority of the Bruins were shut down by an intense Cal Poly defense, led by Avila.

The Mustang defense routinely clamped down on UCLA offensive players for the bulk of the 35-second shot clock. "The Cal Poly defense does not stop," UCLA coach Sam Bormand said. "Thirty-five seconds, they're in your face the whole time.

There is no "Cal Poly," he said. "Get us a pool!"

The Cal Poly men's water polo team defeated UCLA 8-4 on Sunday.

Tennis teams open season

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Soccer dominates

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The No. 22 Mustangs went to 13-1-2 overall, 4-0-2 in Big West Conference play with the win.

Three different Mustangs scored to give the Mustangs a 4-0 win over Northridge. Kate Collins led the Mustangs with two second-half goals for the Mustangs. The Mustangs received first-half goals from Erin Martin and Heidi McQuary.

Martin started the scoring in the 21st minute by connecting on a header from a cross from Sharon Dan.

McQuary gave Cal Poly a two-goal lead at the 31st minute with another successful header. Megan Gumerly sent a corner kick into the box that McQuary's headed into the back of the net.

Cal Poly outshot the Matadors 25-7, including 19-3 in the first half. Mustang goalkeeper Liz Hill collected three saves in picking up her seventh shutout, giving her a record of 8-1-0.

Who was the last pitcher to throw a no-hitter in a "Catching" MLB playoff game?

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What kind of vehicle hit the sports and news editors on Thursday?

Greyhound bus

Congratulations to Sean Martin and Emily Wong for surviving! Also, Brian's daughter, Liz "Turd" Ferguson and Amanda Clements

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