A bar may be in Cal Poly’s future

President Baker said he is not opposed to the sale of alcohol on campus. Cal Poly may soon revise the alcohol policy.

Natasha Toto

For decades, Cal Poly has battled with the question of whether or not to make alcohol available on campus to students of legal drinking age.

“We’ve always understood that just licensing beer at baseball games for the duration of the season. Baker agreed to a trial period, which does not change the university’s ‘dry campus’ policy.

Bolton said if beer is allowed to be sold at baseball games, it would be the first step in changing the university’s policy of prohibition.

Baker agreed that the aging student population raises the question of revising the university’s alcohol policy.

He urges underage students to obey the law and asks that students of legal age drink responsibly.

“Our university is an educational institution that has a responsibility to help students form healthy habits which includes the responsible use of alcohol,” Baker said.

“Underage drinking is still a serious problem, but in the past, most students who lived on campus were under 21, and that is just not the case anymore.”

SLO’s trail to the sea

The Bob Jones Bike Trail will eventually stretch from San Luis Obispo to Avila Beach along the San Luis Creek

Tonya Strickland

Several pieces of the Bob Jones Bike Trail, which will link San Luis Obispo to Avila Beach, are officially in the planning stages.

The three-mile portion of the trail that is accessible to the public is not limited to cyclists.

“My primary use of it is for walking and enjoying the birds,” Andrews said. “I’ve even seen people in wheelchairs taking advantage of it.”

Andrews also said it is recognized as a class-one bike trail which means it is completely separated from highways, streets and vehicles.

“For this reason, it’s great for kids and pets because there’s no danger of being hit by a car,” she said.

The existing trail represents only a small portion of the larger bikeway infrastructure that Jones envisioned in the 1970s. Completion of the trail is up to several jurisdictions including the City of San Luis Obispo, the County of San Luis Obispo and the Land Conservancy.

The City of San Luis Obispo is currently using two grants totaling $700,000 to construct an additional mile between Padrado Road and Los Osos Valley Road.

“The city is taking an infrastructure not made for bike paths and turning it into a very bike-friendly atmosphere,” said Brian Stark, executive director of the San Luis Obispo Land Conservancy.

Jan DiLeo, parks planner of the county parks department, said the existing part of the trail will one day connect to the country’s addition: a staging area starting at Octagon Barn, located off South Higgins Street which will add an additional five miles to the entire trail.

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In coming years, Cal Poly is look­
ing to more than double the number of students who live on campus.

Baker also said that the university administration has looked into the alcohol policies of other California campuses.

"There have been concerns about students drinking in the community and we have looked at some campuses where they have had social activities on the campus where alcohol was served," Baker said. "It seems to help students st.iy in a safe environment."

The new UL would be built on the northwest side of campus, near the new housing facilities.

"Universities across the state, that already serve alcohol, are numerous in their reports that providing students with a safe place to drink on campus have not erupted in alcohol-related incidents," Robert Palmer, vice president of student affairs at California State University Fullerton, said that the university's on-campus pub has great success.

"The pub serves a variety of beer in a controlled environment," Palmer said.

"We have not seen any significant alcohol-related incidents as a result of this setting."

CSU Fullerton, like many other campuses that serve beer, has a strict policy regarding when and where alcohol may be served on campus.

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the venture capitalist firm Enterprise Partners and a trustee of Chapman, a private university with 4,500 students. His wife serves on a committee that is raising funds for the film school’s Marion Knott Studios, a $40 million complex scheduled to open in 2006.

SAN FRANCISCO — The body of a seaman-surgeon facing charges that he molested a 16-year-old girl and sexually assaulted two hospital patients was found at the growing film school at Dodge College of Film and Media. Chuck Martin is a founder of New York, Washington and Newark, N.J. Security in those cities also was heightened.

WASHINGTON — President Bush’s nominee to be the nation’s first intelligence director promised fundamental changes at the 15 agencies that oversee and said he would give policy-makers the “unvarnished truth” about threats.

“Ours intelligence effort has to generate better results. That’s my mandate, plain and simple,” John Negroponte, a veteran diplomat and former Iraq ambassador, told the Senate Intelligence Committee at his confirmation hearing Tuesday.

LAS VEGAS — MGM Mirage Inc. has hired Cesar Pelli to design a 4,000-room hotel and casino on the Las Vegas Strip that will serve as the centerpiece for the company’s $4.7-billion Project CityCenter development. Early plans envision two soaring glass towers of 60 stories. The use of glass will give guests “extraordinary views” of the bustling Strip and the stark desert that lies in the distance, said Pelli, former dean of Yale University’s School of Architecture.

SACRAMENTO — A year later, he was charged with entering the hospital rooms of two patients and sexually assaulting them after rendering them helpless with anesthetics.

SAN FRANCISCO — San Francisco emerged Tuesday as the early front-runner to land California’s new $3 billion stem cell research center after innumerable bids scored the highest marks among the four cities named to a short list of contenders.

SACRAMENTO — Errol Robert Kolen, 34, as a possible candidate for the company’s centerpiece for the project. The boardwalk hotel-casino, a few scattered shops and mostly vacant space.
One state grapples with growing meth use among teens

Bettvlu, 18, a senior at Harmony Alternative Learning Center, dries her hands in Lake Elmo, Minn., Feb. 24. Bettvlu said she was scared into quitting methamphetamine after watching her older, meth-using sister become violent.

Martha Irvine
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EDITOR'S NOTE — Once a marginal issue in urban centers, the West and the Midwest, methamphetamine is now finding an epidemic that has broken out from the West through the heartland states, into cities, suburbs and hamlets nationwide. At least 12 million Americans have tried meth, one of the most addictive of all illegal drugs. This story is one in a series examining meth's toll.

LAKE ELSO M N — They sit at a conference table, gossiping and snacking during a school field trip.

"Have you seen him? Has he gained the weight back?" one girl asks. "Yeah, he looked so good," replies another from across the table.

"I just felt invincible. You feel like you're stronger than everybody," says Anthony, a 17-year-old recovering meth addict at Sobriety High School in St. Paul, who first tried meth at age 13 and has been in recovery since he overloaded last summer. He and other students from alternative learning programs were allowed to speak on the condition that their last names not be used.

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Claire Catenfeld

WATERVILLE, Maine — Josh Kahn swivels the ruby-red wine in his wineglass, puts it up to his nose and sniffs. He watches how the 2002 Fairview Shiraz from South Africa clings to the inside of the glass before he takes a sip. This isn’t the typical wine tasting at a local wine shop. Rather, Kahn is a senior at Colby College, a private liberal arts college where students 21 and older get together on select Friday nights in a school cafeteria to learn about and drink beer and wine. The get-togethers are intended to teach students how to imbibe in moderation and how to imbibe well. The emphasis is to savor, not swill. The Colby program may not be unique, but it is unusual. Cornell University has a for-credit course on wine and the University of California-Davis has a department that focuses on vineyards and wine-making. But the director of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators, said she isn’t aware of any other program like the one at Colby.

Seated next to Kahn on a recent night at a Colby cafeteria was Massachusetts General Hospitals, whose glass held a sauvignon blanc. The gatherings have taught her how to drink responsibly.

“...I always thought I hated wine. But now I realize that what I thought I hated were the underpriced wines...”

— MAUREEN SHERRY  
Colby student  

Students already have plenty of drinking opportunities at fraternity, sorority, on-campus pub, parties and at bars near campus that serve “unpresumptuous portions” of alcohol, he said. This free flow of alcohol is one of the problems addressed by the drinking.”"Weehaver said. “It’s ironic that giving more alcohol should solve the problem.”

Colby officials say the program is just one component of the college’s alcohol education efforts. “We’ve gotten overwhelmingly positive responses,” said Janice Kasman, dean of students. “There are some who say the college should take a just-say-no approach, but I don’t think that’s realistic.”

It was the notion that college life seemed to include just two types of alcohol consumption — too much or none at all — that prompted Catherine Welch, the student government president, to suggest the wine and beer get-togethers to Kassman.

Welch, a senior from Connecticut, said there should be a middle ground where students could enjoy a nice glass of wine or beer with a meal in a low-key setting. And so, with the OK from college administrators, the program launched.

In a room off a dining hall, an average of 30 to 50 students come and go from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. on select Fridays. It’s a tasteful affair, with white tablecloths and 81 drinks served by a bartender dressed in a tuxedo shirt and black pants. The students, who are limited to two drinks, can learn about the beer and wines by reading handouts or talking to wine distributors and brewery owners who may show up.

So far, featured wines have come from Argentina, Chile, California, Oregon, Australia, New Zealand, Sicily and South Africa. Beers have included ales, porters, stouts and Belgian-style ales from breweries in Maine, Vermont, New York and California.

One night, most of the students came simply to enjoy a glass of wine or beer with friends over dinner. Some joked about how a back for a back for a beer is a pretty good deal. Others said they now feel more informed about wine and beer and responsible drinking.

Katie Lucas, a junior from Milwaukee, said knowing chardonnay from a pinot grigio from a sauvignon blanc will help as business diners for her summer job at an investment firm.”

“It’s good to know your preferences so you can sound confident,” she said. Students laughed at the idea that the get-together will make them wine highbrows. These are mid-quality wines, not the fine stuff you might find in fancy French restaurants.

“I think it makes people more aware of what they’re drinking, but that doesn’t make us snobs,” said Heath Hanstman, a senior from Massachusetts.

It’s unknown whether Colby’s program will affect students’ drinking habits. Ralph Hingson, a Boston University professor who works at the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, said he isn’t aware of any scientific research on undertakings like Colby’s. “If they’re going to do this program, I hope they’ll try to do some kind of assessment of what kind of impact it has,” he said.

Kahn, a senior from St. Louis, said it’s no big deal having a drink with dinner. He drinks wine with meals with the family he lived with last year while studying in Chile, where it was viewed as a complement to a meal, not as a way to get drunk. When he returned to Colby, he was pleasantly surprised with the drinks-with-supper experience. “It was nice to come back and have an option,” he said.
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**COMMENTS**

**All in the family**

My dad is something of a superhero — elementary schoolteacher by day, rock star by night. Ever since I can remember, he's been hunched over an acoustic guitar, writing Springsteen-style pop songs and performing them for his adoring students. He taught me to play every instrument I know and, maybe more importantly/unfortunately, taught me to crave the spotlight. No one purses Baby — or an Anderson in the corner.

When I was in grade school, he spent much of his spare time recording a demo in Los Angeles. That was derailed by some serious health problems and seemingly one surgery after another. But in his recovery, he filled his hours with music. A happy ending seemed to surface in 2002, when he was signed to Fraternity Records, an established Midwestern independent label. After years of vertigo-inducing financial haggling, his first single was released successfully last year to adult-contemporary radio stations, mostly on the East Coast.

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I can't help it; I feel robbed. I know what his songs sound like; I've driven the 150 miles home on more than one occasion to help write the guitar parts. His songs had always been soulful bubbles of hope and sadness. They screamed with rock abandon, making it fairly sure my dad was the coolest on any block and now, they've been perverted.

Riddled with repetitive female choruses and unmotivated guitar, they aren't commercially appealing. I maintain, not just as a DJ but as someone with ears, that they would not be played on radio today, and this isn't what my dad intended. Cite all the bohemian clichés you want, but no one creates art to have it ignored.

So what do I tell my dad? My father has been the greatest role model of my life; the person who taught me to love music and embrace the differences that once isolated me. I have no doubt that I can't even listen to the album. Not because it's god-awful, but because it is a shabby representation of my dad's talent. This is a far cry from the best he can do, and despite the thousands of dollars my family sunk into this project, I want to take a flamethrower to the demo so I can start all over again, and make his art in a way that isn't cheesy, overproduced or suffocated in some incontinent dinosaurs' delayed recuperation, he filled his hours with music. A happy ending seemed to surface in 2002, when he was signed to Fraternity Records, an established Midwestern independent label. After years of vertigo-inducing financial haggling, his first single was released successfully last year to adult-contemporary radio stations, mostly on the East Coast.

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Poly photographer extends an invitation to India

Caitlin Donnell

Staff Report

If there's one thing America loves, it's watching characters flat on their faces. And boy, did Mariah Carey provide America with a lot of that. She had a flop movie and sounded like "Glitter," she posted quirky voice messages on her official Web site, she threw dishes in her apartment and hurt herself in the process, and she said that she was close.

But there's actually something America loves more than watching celebrities fail. It's watching them rise above their defeat and come back better than ever. With "The Emancipation of Mimi," which should restore her career.

When Mariah wants to get funky, she calls in the hip-hop producers and guest rappers. Her catchy lead single, "It's Like That," is a solid R&B song, with an old-school groove and some slick production. It's a song that could easily become a hit.

Together, this song finds Mariah embracing the party vibe of hip-hop while still sounding like herself. The lyrics are more fun and upbeat compared to her previous ballads.

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People in the News

NEW YORK — Foxy Brown says she didn't bet up two nail salon workers over a $20 pedicure. "A $20 pedicure? Are you serious?" she joked to reporters Monday outside the courthouse where she pleaded not guilty to assault over the August 2004 incident.

"I mean, look at me!" she said. Brown, whose real name is Inga Marchand, pleaded not guilty to using her cell phone and fist to attack the manicurist on Aug. 29.

The 25-year-old rapper said she had asked for a manicure and a pedicure just as the salon in the Chelsea neighborhood was about to close.

"I got the pedicure, but they didn't give me the manicure," she said outside court.

Prosecutors charge that Brown kicked and hit a manager, Sun Ji Song, causing "bruising and swelling to the face, as well as substantial pain." They said the salon's employees ran out to Brown's car and stood in front of it to block her. At one point, they said, the rapper slammed one of the workers with a cell phone.

She is charged with misdemeanor assault and attempted assault.
On today's SAT, 2400 is the new 1600

Justin Pope
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PALM DESERT — Austin Weiss is a pioneer in perfection, a charter member of an elite new club: students who scored a flawless 2400 on the SAT.

When the college entrance exam expanded from two sections to three this year, the mark required for perfection rose from 1600 to 2400. This week, as the 300,000 students who took the test in March received their scores, the College Board reported that 107 students scored a perfect 800 on each of the three sections — writing, critical reading and math.

Weiss, a 16-year-old junior at Palm Desert High School in California, learned he was one, after stumbling out of bed Monday morning. His mother had already retrieved his score online and posted it on the bathroom mirror.

"I put in my left contact lens and blinked a couple times and saw a little Post-it note, and it said just one thing: 2400," Weiss said Tuesday. "I just讓我 heard our and screamed at the top of my lungs and said, 'Are you serious? She was. Educators are curious whether student performance on the new test will, as the College Board has pledged, be comparable to the old.

David Benjamin Grumbach, owner of test-prep company Ahead of the Curve, said that 800 on each of the three sections — writing, critical reading and math — was a "huge surprise." Weiss prepared by taking a full-length practice test the weekend before the test and doing "extensive" practice problems.

On his score sheet, Weiss had a 780 on the writing section, a 800 on the critical reading section and a 800 on the math section.

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On today's SAT, 2400 is the new 1600

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PALM DESERT — Austin Weiss is a pioneer in perfection, a charter member of an elite new club: students who scored a flawless 2400 on the SAT.

When the college entrance exam expanded from two sections to three this year, the mark required for perfection rose from 1600 to 2400. This week, as the 300,000 students who took the test in March received their scores, the College Board reported that 107 students scored a perfect 800 on each of the three sections — writing, critical reading and math.

Weiss, a 16-year-old junior at Palm Desert High School in California, learned he was one, after stumbling out of bed Monday morning. His mother had already retrieved his score online and posted it on the bathroom mirror.

"I put in my left contact lens and blinked a couple times and saw a little Post-it note, and it said just one thing: 2400," Weiss said Tuesday. "I just heard my head out and screamed at the top of my lungs and said, 'Are you serious? She was. Educators are curious whether student performance on the new test will, as the College Board has pledged, be comparable to the old.

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President Bush's iPod might be the key to understanding his complexity. Maybe if we listen to country, however reluctantly, us liberals could unlock the mystery to his world.
Turn
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He looks, acts, walks, and talks like he is the best tennis player in the world, and he is.
Q. — Second best sport?
A. — Soccer. I played center midfield in high school.
Q. — Are you the best soccer player on the team?
A. — Yes.
Q. — What do you do for fun?
A. — Most of the players on the team have recently turned 21, so occasionally when we don’t have a match we will go out and have some fun on the weekends. During the week my friends and I play some pool and I also hang out with my girlfriend.
Q. — Who is she?
A. — She is mine.
The Mustangs have not faced the Aggies since 1993 and have won five out of the six games in the all-time series.

Baseball

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pitching last weekend for Davis. McKay pitched a two-hit shutout Friday with 12 strikeouts. On Saturday, three Aggie pitchers combined on another shutout. UC Davis completed the sweep Sunday as Michael Porter and Eddie Gamboa combined on a five-hitter.

Meanwhile, Cal Poly’s game against Pacific last Friday was rained out, forcing a Saturday doubleheader. The Mustangs won the opener 6-2 as Olson allowed two runs in six innings and Kyle Blumenthal drove in three runs.

Pacifica won the nightcap 7-3.

The next edition: Movies in Mind

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SPORTS
Back to Baggett on top of the Big West

Jimmy Shull has moved back into the second spot in the rotation, but that hasn't effected Gary Daley who continues to impress.

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Tied for first in the Big West Conference and winners of 12 of its last 16 games, the Cal Poly baseball team will host UC Davis this weekend.

The three-game, non-conference series opens Friday at 6 p.m., followed by single games Saturday at 6 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m. Cal Poly and UC Davis are meeting for the first time since 1993 and the Mustangs own a 5-1 advantage in the series.

Cal Poly (22-13, 3-1 Big West) won six straight, its longest winning streak of the season, before falling to Pacific in the second game of a Saturday doubleheader.

UC Davis (19-12), which officially begins Big West play in 2008, earned 3-0, 9-0 and 6-1 victories over UC Santa Barbara last weekend.

Best Bergland stretches for the putout. Bergland is second on the team with 24 RBIs and has hit three home runs on the season.

The Mustang pitching rotation for the series is expected to be senior right-hander Dave McKae (6-1, 1.98 ERA) on Friday, junior lefty Michael Potter (3-3, 4.85 ERA) on Saturday and senior southpaw Peter Soskin (3-1, 1.08 ERA) on Sunday. Vince DeCotto, normally the Saturday starter, is doubtful for the series.

The Aggies have won six of their last eight and 12 of their last 15 games. Top Aggie hitters are outfielder Dan Baldini (.353), shortstop Brandon Oliver (.341) and second baseman Daniel Descalso (.336). The Aggies are hitting .287 as a team with a 3.08 ERA.

However, it was all about see Baseball, page 11

MAKING A SPLASH

The Cal Poly water ski team finished in sixth place at its spring opener meet on April 3. Competing among 12 schools, the Mustangs took sixth in the slalom, ninth in tricks and eighth in jumping to score 2630 points total, less than half as many as top-finishing UC San Diego. The Mustangs are comprised of a men's team that finished sixth and a women's squad that was ninth. The top finisher for each Cal Poly squad was Paul Reynolds with 410 points and Amanda Wilson with 280.

Nelson earns Big West conference award

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Cal Poly sophomore Eva Nelson earned Big West Pitcher of the Week for her performance over the weekend against UC Davis.

The senior got the win in both games she pitched for the Mustangs, allowing no runs in a combined eleven innings and improving her record to 10-7. In the series opener against the Aggies, Nelson crafted a one-hitter with nine strikeouts, pitching all five innings before the mercy rule halted the Mustangs' 10-0 win.

When Nelson faced Davis again, in the series finale on Sunday, the Salinas native once more held the Aggies scoreless. She entered the game in relief in the second inning, shutting down the rallying Aggies. Nelson only allowed two hits and recorded four strikeouts as the Mustangs won 9-2.

This is Nelson's second Big West Pitcher of the Week award. She previously received the honor after hurling a perfect game two weeks ago against Utah State.

Previously, the Mustangs finished a weekend sweep as Chelsey Strawser had a three-run double in Cal Poly's six-run sixth inning on Sunday. The Mustangs broke open a close game on their way to a 9-2 victory over UC Davis in a nonconference softball game at La Rue Field.

Cal Poly, which swept the three-weekend series, improved to 26-11. Shorthstop Jackie Gehrie-Jones went 4-for-4 with two RBIs to lead the Mustangs.

Cal Poly, which outscored UC Davis 21-2 in two games on Saturday, was up just 3-2 entering the sixth inning on Sunday. But consecutive singles to left field by Amy Jo Nazarenus, Gehrie-Jones and Lisa Modigliani led off the frame scored the first run while Strawser's three-run double to left made it 7-2. A bases loaded walk scored another run when Strawser's single up the middle by Gehrie-Jones.