Student starts Central Coast
support group for disease

**Joe Sargent**
*MUSTANG DAILY*

The first support group meeting on the Central Coast for people suffering with Alopecia Areata, a disease that causes baldness, will be held Sunday at 2 p.m. at Sierra Vista Hospital's auditorium.

Nearly 4.7 million Americans have Alopecia Areata, according to the National Alopecia Areata Foundation. Civil engineering senior Bonnie Lowry felt locals with the disease could use some support.

Lowry, 23, has had Alopecia since she was nine.

"It took three months for all of my hair to fall out," Lowry said. "For some people it only takes one week."

Alopecia Areata, pronounced al-oh-pee-ah-air-ee-ah, can strike a person at any age and has no known cure. It is an autoimmune disorder in which affected hair follicles are incorrectly attacked by a person's own immune system.

Although a physical ailment, it is the emotional side of the disease that has the strongest effect.

"We're not going to die. There is a treatment," Lowry said. "It's not a death sentence. It's a quality of life issue, and that person wrote another story."
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center meets the criteria," Iverson said.

Meeting the comprehensive
criteria was a demanding job for
the workers, but Iverson said they
had been striving toward it for years.
"Our center decided a couple of years ago that we wanted to
become world famous," she said.

Not world famous in the
Hollywood sense, she said, but the
feeling that the interactions with
the children and the parents create
a world famous impression.
"If you think of yourself as
world famous, it changes your
interactions," Iverson said.
"(Workers) come to the center to
give their very best every day and
we hold ourselves accountable for
that," Laura Callahan, a parent who
has been sending her son to the
Children’s Center for years, said.
It is exemplary in many ways and
is not unexpected that it has
received the honor of accredita-
tion.

The Children’s Center here
has a unique approach to disci-
pline and child care — more so
than any other center that I’ve
ever heard of," she said. "They’re
more child development orient-
ed.

Callahan also commented that
the center has great programs for
parents as well as children.
"I really appreciate that they
offer a lot of parent education and
parents are always welcome in the
classroom," she said.

The NAEYC Web site notes
that there are 10,000 NAEYC-
accredited programs in the coun-
try.
The program began in 1985 to
help improve the quality of chil-
dren’s programs for families and
professionals.

When centers are accredited,
the workers vow to work to
strengthen the program and
commit to ongoing evaluation and
improvement.

The accreditation will last for
five years.

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nothing really wrong with us," Lowry
said. "It is the emotional impact that
hurts."

Looking at Lowry, you cannot tell
she is bald. She wears a $4,000 human
prosthesis, which was custom made
and looks completely natural, but not
knowing who has the disease is part of
the emotional problem.

"There are people out there with
the disease who are severely depressed
because they think they are the only
one," Lowry said. "You can’t tell I have
the disease. You don’t know who has
the disease."

The support group will be a place
for people with the disease to meet
and talk about their experiences with
Alopecia. Since Lowry first
announced the group, she has received
calls from families as far away as
Bakersfield saying they are coming.

The support group is open to all
ages but is only for people suffering
the disease.

More information about the disease,
from Alopecia and their families. For

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Gambling potentially dangerous for college students

Chase Mitchell

AUBURN, Ala. — Like a grow¬ning number of college students, Auburn University sophomore Nathan Krauss loves nothing more than sitting down with a few of his closest friends to play the hottest card game in the nation, Texas Hold Em poker.

The pre-dentistry major said he usually plays low-stakes games with his buddies, but sometimes they organize tournaments, where as many as 20 people show up to play for pots as high as $300.

"25 years ago, drunk driving was a major problem," he said. "But over the summer we played every day."

"I don't let it," he said. "We've all experienced the downside of it."

"Don't appreciate the long-term consequences," Krauss said. "It's been a little rough, just thinking that, 'If I keep playing, then I'll be able to dig my way out of it.'"

"That's when they really get in trouble. They're inexperienced," he said. "They have not been beaten over the head and shoulders by life, so they don't appreciate the long-term consequences." Krauss and his friends play Hold 'Em and push it into the pop-culture spotlight.

Barry Burkhardt, professor and chair of the psychology department, said he thinks the game's constant glorification is partly responsible for getting college students hooked.

"There's no doubt that media exposure enhances the attractiveness of it and increases the risk," Burkhardt said.

Eric Cleveland, a senior in build¬ing science and a Texas Hold 'Em player, said he can understand why the game has gotten so popular.

"You share so many cards with everybody else," Cleveland said. "Your hand is not going to differ a whole lot, so you have to play the other person a lot more."

He added that the barrage of poker programming on cable can sometimes fail to convey the skill involved in the game.

"The way it's on TV right now, it looks like anybody can win," he said. "Most people don't see the downside of it." Krauss said students don't see the downside for different reasons.

"They're inexperienced," he said. "They have not been beaten over the head and shoulders by life, so they don't appreciate the long-term consequences." Krauss said students lack of experience may get them in over their heads before they even know it.

"We are extremely disappointed with the governor's decision by denying us marriage equality he has turned a back to our community."

-- EDIE GUTIERREZ

spokeswoman for Equality California

"College students don't have as much appreciation for negative consequences, not being able to find professional real good planners, so they tend to be slightly more impulsive."

Another thing that can contribute to recklessly gambling, Burkhardt said, is that many students are playing with cash they didn't earn.

"They are often using money they transferred between domestic part­ners, and would oppose efforts to make it a solution," he said.

Above all else, Krauss wants students to remember the funda­mental role of gambling.

"The statistical probability is that you're going to lose," he said. "[Students] very often engage in the thinking that, 'IF I keep playing, then I'll be able to dig my way out of this. But what happens is they just dig the hole deeper.'

Krauss said he often hears from students who have amassed moun­tains of gambling debts for these rea­sons.

"The most important thing," he said, "is to use the problem to try to make it a solution," he said. "That's when they really get in trouble."

Although Krauss said he hadn't any problems with money or slipping grades yet, he doesn't think gambling can be a problem for stu­dents who take it too far.

"I know some people," he said. "They bet on NFL, they bet on college football. Hold 'Em might be a gateway for that, but as long as you keep it under control, it's not going to be a problem."

Krauss said he usually just sticks to friendly poker, adding that he prefers to steer clear of the Texas Hold 'Em tournaments that have been ubiquitous in some of Auburn's local bars lately.

"I don't let it," he said. "There are a lot of people that are not really good at it, and you don't really get a real prize or anything." For Krauss, it's all about the thrill. He said he just likes putting his money on the line and compet­ing with his friends. That's not to say they don't take the game seri­ously.

"It's just something I do for fun," Krauss said. "I might throw a chair or something."
Federal judge orders release of Abu Ghrab prison photos

Larry Neumeister
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK (AP) — Pictures of detainee abuse at Iraq’s Abu Ghraib prison must be released despite government claims that they could damage America’s image, a federal judge ruled Thursday.

Senior U.S. District Judge Alvin K. Hellerstein said terrorists in Iraq and Afghanistan have proven they “do not need pretexts for their barbarism.”

The American Civil Liberties Union sought the release of 87 photographs and four videotapes as part of an October 2003 lawsuit demanding information on the treatment of detainees in U.S. custody and the transfer of prisoners to countries known to use torture.

The ruling was expected to be appealed, which could delay a release for months.

ACLU Executive Director Rainier H. elderly, a past president of the National Organization for Women, said the lawsuit is “an important step in the battle for transparency and accountability in government.”

Some have questioned whether the organization can go forward with the lawsuit because it was filed before a federal appeals court ruled in 1983 that torture is unconstitutional.

With a $3 million annual budget, MADD is a nonprofit funded by individual contributions, government grants and corporate sponsors.

“Without the media, we wouldn’t be able to do the things we do,” she said.

MADD is demanding a mirror image of the attention given to Abu Ghraib and any similar incidents in other countries.

For the government, did not immediately comment.


gotten, the number of drunken drivers has made little downward movement in recent years. About 45 people are killed and nearly 700,000 Americans are injured daily because of drunken drivers.

They’re seeking more and more to remain relevant to the debate and I think they are finding it more difficult,” said John Doyle, executive director of the American Beverage Institute.

When Congress worked on a new federal transportation bill this year, MADD sought ways to encourage states to pass laws targeting repeat offenders and drivers with blood-alcohol levels of 0.15 percent, or about twice the legal limit.

“Torture that’s happened on their territory was ‘confirmation of what is for me a bedrock principle, that judging is different from politics,’” he said.

The 50-year-old Roberts was sworn in a little more than three hours after he was confirmed by the Senate on a vote of 78-22. The oath was delivered by Justice John Paul Stevens, the court’s senior member and acting chief justice since Rehnquist’s death early this month.

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Bush said it was “a very meaningful event in the life of our nation” as almost 18 years to the day since the bipartisan vote for his nomination, and more than seven years to the day since he was confirmed as solicitor general.

Bush also took a separate oath during a private White House ceremony attended by the other justices and the chief justice’s family.

A formal Supreme Court confirmation was scheduled for Monday morning, before the opening of the term.
The San Luis Obispo Symphony will hold its 18th annual Autumn Apex concert at 3 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 2, at the Christopher Cohan Center.

The San Luis Obispo Symphony Guild will hold its annual fund raiser on Saturday to benefit local music programs.

The San Luis Obispo Symphony will continue Peterson's 18-year tradition with its Autumn Apex concert, a fund raising event dedicated to supporting organizations such as San Luis Obispo Symphony, San Luis Obispo Youth Symphony, Central Coast Children's Choir and numerous after-school music education programs.

People often view music as entertainment, talent or a distraction, but Peggy Peterson saw music as an opportunity to change individual lives. Whether she provided a children with their first violin or an elderly woman a concert for her 102nd birthday, Peterson, chairwoman of the Autumn Apex, changed the lives of the old, the young and the young at heart in San Luis Obispo County.

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"There is no music education in schools anymore, so we are here to fill the gap, and Autumn Apex helps put out in that way," said Patty Thayer, marketing and public relations director of the San Luis Obispo Symphony. "Through ticket sales we are in a position to raise funds and showcase talent from around the world."

The San Luis Obispo Symphony has strived to present world-class musicians as previous guest Edgar Meyer, a world famous double-bassist and composer, and other up and coming musicians from across the nation.

This year the concert will showcase well-known artists James Welch and Russell Hancock, as organ and piano duo, and Edward Kness Ziegler, a University of Southern California trumpet student and San Luis Obispo Youth Symphony alumni. The performance will take place Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Christopher Cohan Center.

"We get a lot of rising stars and world-class talent, but it is always juxtaposed with local talent," Thayer said.

Autumn Apex, however, has been more than a stamping ground for local and nationally known musicians, Thayer said. The concert's sole purpose has been to support musical youth groups, local schools lacking funds for music education and other fine arts organizations.

The guild funds after-school music education, private lessons, music scholarships and instrument rentals throughout the county. Thayer said, in addition to co-hosting the San Luis Obispo Youth Symphony and the Central Coast Children's Choir.

"In all the states in the United States, California is dead last in how much money per capita is given to the fine arts programs," Thayer said. "And we are suppose to be the creative state."

Along with providing arts education to San Luis Obispo's youth, Peterson has also brought fine arts to local retirement home Garden Creek at The Villages of San Luis Obispo, scheduling monthly concerts for all residents.

"Kids aren't the only ones that need music in their lives," Peterson said.

The guild has also continued their youth and music education theme through hosting such events as the free children's concert, which will be held at 11 a.m. Monday in the Christopher Cohan Center. Eight hundred children are expected to join the sold out concert.

Peterson said that all participation and support from the guild was completely voluntary and "from the bottom of each person's heart." She has dedicated this year's concert to her husband Gerry Peterson and said she looks forward to the final standing ovation that both the musicians and her husband deserve.

"We just want people to go away thinking, today we experienced something beautiful." — PEGGY PETERSON

chairwoman of the autumn apex

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Mastro Carrillo Martinez

One of the consequences of the global warming is the increase in sea level. Researchers say that by the end of the 21st century, the sea level has increased by one inch and is expected to continue rising in the future. This is causing concern for those communities living in low-lying areas, as the protection of a country not caring for the environment is damaging its own economy and the entire planet. The global warming issue boils down to how we choose to live and not live on this planet.

Global warming could be the facet of the environmental crisis that becomes the brick wall. The complex global warming issue should lead us to see where we are going in a safer direction. The complex global warming involves the intensity of hurricanes, which can be related to a Category 4 hurricane as a whole. Bush decided not to sign the Kyoto Protocol because it would be detrimental to the U.S. economy, but the detriment of the environment is damaging our country and the entire planet. In a recent anti-war rally, Harry said to truly know ourselves is to realize how we are connected to each other. I know myself enough to know that President Bush's idea of how human beings should live on this earth. I do hope that this planet with him, as with everything else, and I hope we start taking a different path.

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Don't let indifference be America's downfall

Consuela Headrick

THE DAILY AZTEC (SAN DIEGO STATE U.)

SAN DIEGO — In recent months, I've noticed more people are compelled to trade in gas-guzzling vehicles for fuel-efficient ones. But now, in the aftermath of the catastrophic duo of hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the oil industry is left like an elephant hanging on a wire, and people may be forced to trade their vehicles for ones in Venus.

Sadly, it's improbable that America will turn into a motorbike-loving nation like Italy. To Americans, bigger is always better. It's this warped mentality that parallels our glutinous consumption of energy, which will have an even more pronounced impact when winter arrives.

On Monday, President Bush urged Americans to use public transportation in light of the country's current energy challenges. In 1978, President Jimmy Carter, who begged Americans to conserve while putting up with high gas prices and gas shortages, made similar pleas. Following his requests, Carter received malicious criticism and his approval ratings dropped lower than those of Nixon during the Watergate scandal.

It took one final speech by Carter to turn America's fate around. During the speech on July 15, 1979, President Carter didn't deny any wrongdoing on his part. He admitted it wholeheartedly. Furthermore, he tried to wake up America's rampant materialists by saying, "Too many of us now tend to worship self-indulgence and consumption. Human identity is not to define what we do, but by what one owns." Even after his eloquent speech, few Americans sought to change their habits, but at least national policy concerning energy conservation were implemented.

I doubt Bush will ever admit his complicity in America's energy wasting, nor is he likely to view America's rampant materialism as a problem, but it would be interesting to see what would happen if he did. However, even if Bush was a compassionate and thoughtful as Carter, it doesn't mean the majority of Americans would pay him any heed.

To this day, public transportation is viewed at low-class instead of economi­

ical. Also, a false sense of urgency is the norm, and, as a conseque­

nce, people prefer speeding on the streets rather than taking a bus. Americans are neck-deep in indifference and there's no way spirits can be revitalized by any speech.

I hope, one day soon, America will embrace conservation and com­

bat high energy prices before they skyrocket. Because if we use up too much of our Strategic Petroleum Reserves, which Bush is presently tapping into to help lower gas prices, we could be headed toward an ener­

gy disaster. Take caution America: Speed bumps ahead.

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Gauchos player passed to Bercera, who then kicked short-range shot on goal. However, Coupe came up with save and went on to

Eldon's stellar offensive play by senior forward Ivan Bercera during the 64th and 67th minutes, the Gauchos were able to break the game open. UCSB took the lead 2-1 after Bercera scored on an unassisted goal on a breakaway. Within 90 seconds, freshman midfielder Evan Lockwood scored Bercera's second goal of the season after hitting Bercera down the field. Bercera struck through the entire Cal Poly defense to score an open-net shot. The goals were Bercera's fifth and sixth goals of the season.

"We found our forwards in the second half and created some chances," UCSB coach Tim Vom Stein said.

Cal Poly got a chance to realign off a free kick during the 85th minute, but came up short when Venegas rifled his shot off the post. Senior midfielder/defender Justin Woodward got the rebound, but his path was cut wide. Venegas and Woodward led the Gauchos in shots with three and two respectively.

"It doesn't matter when you play (Cal Poly), it's always like this," Vom Stein said. "It's a hard team to play against. They're very physical and competitive.

The Gauchos, last season's NCAA championship runners-up, have consistently proven to be fierce competitors for the Mustangs, who are now 8-13 against UCSB.

"This is a tough team," Garmer said. "They're notorious for being the most physical team in America. They dished it out and we didn't answer that."

The Gauchos outshot Cal Poly 12-18. Coupe collected six saves for the Mustangs, while Gauchos goalie Kyle Reymond had one.

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and is able to contribute still to our team."

Bruce said he is interested in possibly coaching later on. He graduated in June with a bachelor's degree in kinesiology with an emphasis in physical education.

"I'm kind of taking a look at the behind the scenes with the coaches," Bruce said. "It helps me because I have a group to train with and it helps the team because it's one more person to help the team work out."

According to Crawford, Vessey has moved to Santa Monica where she is trying to start a career in advertising while still fulfilling with her passion for running.

Vessey was a two-time All-American athlete while running for Cal Poly. She placed seventh in the 800-meter at the 2005 U.S. Track and Field Championships in June. She earned second in the same race at the NCAA Championships.

Vessey finished second in the 800-meter at the 2005 NCAA Championships.

Bruce was also a two-time All-American athlete. He finished sixth in the 3,000-meter steeple chase at the 2005 NCAA Championships.

He was also named Big West Male Track Athlete of 2005. In addition, Bruce competed in the U.S. Olympic trials in 2004.

Weekend sports report

Women's Soccer
The Mustangs (6-1-3) will host the Santa Mary's Gaels (7-3-1) at Mustang Stadium on Friday at 7 p.m. After last weekend's loss to Santa Clara, 1-0, to lead it and to Canadian West, the Mustangs topped the No. 23 spot in the NCAA/ADISA poll. However, they remained in the No. 24 position in the SoccerBuzz ranking. On Sunday, the Mustangs host the UC Davis Aggies (3-4-2) at Mustang Stadium at 1 p.m. "I think our team is starting to come around and find its groove," coach Alex Cruzier said.

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**Men's soccer falls short of upset bid**

James Mellor  
**SUN-DAY SPORTS**

The Cal Poly men's soccer team fell to No. 10 UC Santa Barbara 3-1 in its Big West opener at Mustang Stadium. The Mustangs (4-5-0, 0-1) came out strong and battled against the Gauchos for the majority of the match. However, during a short stint in the second half, UCSB (5-2-1, 2-0) capitalized on some Cal Poly mishaps and broke the match open.

"We played outstanding, but we fell behind on a mistake," Cal Poly coach Wolfgang Gartner said. "We had our chances too... They got their opportunities, they took them, and they won... That's the difference between the teams.'

The Gauchos scored first during the 12th minute. Senior forward Ivan Bencic intercepted a short pass, dribbled through the Cal Poly defense and found senior forward Jonathan Davis streaking towards the goal. Davis slipped by Mustang goalie Jeremy Coupe, who was outside the box, and netted his fourth goal of the season.

Cal Poly responded just over two minutes later when a UCSB foul led to a Mustang free kick. Sophomore midfielder Nikhil Erlebach chipped a short pass off the mark to senior Mone Venegas, who drilled in his third goal of the season to tie the game 1-1.

Combat between the teams continued for the remainder of the half, but the match was still tied at the 45-minute mark. UCSB threatened to score early in the second half when a

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**Bruce and Vessey sign contract with ASICS**

Emily Rancer  
**SUN-DAY SPORTS**

Recent graduates Ben Bruce and Maggie Vessey, both track stars, have decided to take their running to the next level and make it a career. Bruce and Vessey are both sponsored by ASICS and have begun running professionally.

"It's like turning pro for any athlete," said Brian Thurmond, Cal Poly's media relations director. "It gives you an opportunity to continue something you love while getting paid for it."

Bruce competed in Rhode Island earlier this month, where he placed 10th out of 32 runners in the U.S. 5k National Championships. He will be running next in Alabama in November.

"With running, you don't hear about it as much because with the NBA or NFL, you hear about people getting drafted," Bruce said. "With running, after your last collegiate race, you just want to hear from companies."

According to Bruce, many restrictions are placed on athletes when they compete in college. But by turning pro, many new opportunities become available.

"Once you're pro, you can take stuff if you win prize money from races," Bruce said. "Running for ASICS, they give you all the equipment and shoes and apparel as well as they pay you."

Bruce's agent, Bob Wood, used to represent Bruce because, "He's got a good range of distance." But bring a good runner wasn't enough for the Wood.

"He's a good kid," he said. "You don't want jerks and he's a good person. That was a factor for me."

Professional runners like Bruce and Vessey usually run between 10 and 30 races annually. ASICS asks them to participate in certain competitions while still giving the runners some freedom to choose where and when to run.

"It's a combination of what that company would like them to do and that athlete putting together their own schedule," said Terry Crawford, Cal Poly's track and field coach.

In addition to running professionally, Bruce is studying at Cal Poly to earn his teaching credential. He has also become a graduate assistant to the cross country team.

"These track athletes, while running professionally, can work in their chosen specialty," Crawford said. "Ben is getting a teaching credential..." see Runners, page 7

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**Student-assistant coach Ben Bruce works out with his former teammates Tuesday at the sports complex,**

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**Promotional serving contest**

**MUSTANG DIARIES**

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Jon Stevenson is the men’s volleyball coach. The team is off to an 8-3 start, 1-1 in Big West Play. Here is what Stevenson had to say this week.

I will never forget this special time in my life... way back in 1985, before many of you were born, when Men's Gym rocked, when the women's volleyball team took the floor.

At that time I was in my prime as a professional volleyball player, and I was invited to be part of a promotional serving contest between games two and three of the Cal Poly versus UCLA match. They were the top two ranked teams in the nation. Believe it, Cal Poly was No. 1 and UCLA No. 2! The promotion was called "ACE THE WIZ." I was the Wiz, which was the name of a one-hour photo developing business downtown (that has gone the way of the dinosaur). People were picked from a raffle to try to serve a ball that I could not touch. If that happened, they would win a VR. Most of the serves went into the net, but one guy nearly aced me when I learned the wrong way and he hit the ball straight. The winner was a young man who served out the right side line by a few inches. Suffice it to say, the owner of the WIZ was shocked that he did not have to pay out to a lucky winner.

Anyway, the point is that volleyball matches were a major social/entertainment/sporting event back then and some of the all-time greats who are still around SLO—Sandy Aughinbaugh, Marie Sather, Claudia Hemmensbach Tradue were bringing national acclaim to Poly. Fast forward twenty years to my interview last February and I told the hiring committee that I believe we can get that energy and pride back here with a great volleyball program. Last Saturday, against Santa Barbara confirmed that it is happening. I am so grateful to all of those who showed up and I am equally excited about the future of the program.

So, as the new women's volleyball coach at Cal Poly, I want to express my genuine appreciation for the support of our student body, our administrators, fellow coaches, and the band who were among the near 1,200 people who showed up to see our girls beat on the dreaded Gauchos. It was so much fun and I can tell you all that it was a major personal goal that I did not expect to happen so fast.

We are just starting to get this going, and by no means do we think we can compare to those great teams who have worn the Green and Gold for Poly over the years. But we work hand every day to be a source of pride for all of you. It is hard to understand how much all the student-athletes at Poly invest into their preparation to compete. I can tell you that it means a ton to see you people come out to represent Poly. We need you again! As we go into this important weekend of conference play against UC Irvine (Friday at 7:00 p.m.) and Long Beach State (Saturday at 7:00 p.m.), I urge the student body to come support our volleyball team. You people make a huge difference! A raucous and