Hillel celebrates Israel’s 58th Birthday

Liz Soteros-McNamara
MUSTANG DAILY

A bounce house, cake buttons and condoms marked Cal Poly’s celebration of Israel’s 58th birthday on Bauer Lawn Thursday in an event sponsored by Hillel, Cal Poly and San Luis Obispo (SLO) Jewish cultural club.

"It’s not just for Jews, it’s for everyone," Hillel President and Nutrition senior Brooke Horn said. Hillel members invited students to eat cake and play in a bounce house. They also passed out condoms, which had the slogan "Israel’s still safe to come" printed on them. Bracelets were passed out with the word "Shalom" written in Hebrew.

"Most people think of Israel and don’t know what they have given the UK," Horn said.

The group passed out information on Israel, including the many technological inventions, like Internet development, created in Israel that are in use in the United States.

Israel has one of the best high-tech industries in the world," said Yaakov Ben Him, a mechanical engineering junior. Ben Him was born in Israel and said that he would go back to the country and work if he got a job there.

The second annual birthday celebration marks one of Hillel’s many club activities. The club features monthly dinner dances and celebratations for Yom Kippur, Passover and Rosh Hashanah. Hillel also started having students travel to Israel with the group Birthright to have group members visit Israel. Five students participated last year.

Approximately thirty club members have made a trip to the country said Hillel’s Israel Advocate, business junior Ryan Evans.

Say No More’ rocks Battle of the Bands

Jennifer Hall
MUSTANG DAILY

Fans of friendly musical competition were out in full force Thursday afternoon to support the Battle of the Bands winner Say No More and other contestants.

The event took place from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the University Union and included Say No More and three local bands, Moonshine, Foreign Hand and Play It By.

The Industrial Technology Society sponsored the free event as well as a barbecue including hamburgers, chips and a drink and a raffle for students.

"It’s our first annual event to set ITS apart from everyone else," said Johnny Fisher, an industrial technology junior and public relations and fundraising officer for ITS.

The bands performed for 30 to 45 minutes and were judged by a panel of three students, including Chad Deuper, Dan Frigioni and Tejas Bhatta, all industrial technology students.

Say No More won a $250 cash prize as well as a $50 gift certificate to Absolute Autobody, San Luis Obispo. "They were good bands and all of them had different sounds," said Frigioni, a Cal Poly alumnus.

The raffle was for four $50 gift certificates donated by Absolute Autobody. The first place raffle ticket received a gift certificate and $50 in cash. Tickets cost $1.

Gay student expelled from U. the Cumberlands; school may lose funding

Parker Wishik
THE DAILY PRESS

BATON ROUGE, La. - The University of the Cumberlands in Williamsburg, Ky., has found itself amid a controversy after the school expelled a student because of his sexual orientation.

Theater arts sophomore Jason Johnson, 20, was dismissed from the university April 6 after school officials found his MySpace.com Web page, which contained a declaration of his homosexuality and comments mentioning his boyfriend, Eastern Kentucky University student Zac Dryer.

"I met with (the Vice President of Student Services) and the Dean of Student Life, who showed me a printout version of my MySpace page," Johnson said. "They asked if it was mine, I said it was and they read me [a] policy in the handbook.

President James Taylor said in an April 19th statement that Johnson violated the University’s code of conduct.

"Jason was suspended by the University for violating the University’s code of conduct, which clearly states that students should not engage in sex outside of marriage, including homosexual acts, and that students who engage in such conduct may be suspended," Taylor said in the statement.

The university’s Student Government declined to comment, referring all questions to Larry Cockrum, the university’s director of media relations. Cockrum provided only Taylor’s written statement as a response.

Taylor had also released an earlier statement to a local news station in Lexington, Ky., in which he made some controversial comments.

"University of the Cumberlands isn’t for everyone," Taylor said. "We tell prospective students about our high standards before they come. There are places students with pre-dispositions can go, such as San Francisco and the left coast or to many of the state schools."

Taylor later changed his statement, removed the San Francisco comment and included, “We are different by design and are non-apologetic about our Christian beliefs.”

Johnson called those statements ignorant and bigoted’s
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"It's ignorant to think students at school aren't gay, don't drink and don't have premarital sex. It's a college — a group of kids between 18 and 24 years old. To single out one student for one aspect of that policy is part of the injustice," he said.

Crawford Lezon, executive assistant to the Louisiana State University Student Government, said Johnson's expulsion is a "tacky situation."

"The most important thing to remember is that it's a private institution able to create its own student doctrines and policies, and therefore, there really is no legal problem with what they have done," he said.

"Though I would very much like to see a movement in the U.S. Congress to further those discrimination policies they already have to sex orientation."

Johnson said news of his dismissal caused mixed emotions around campus, from anger to panic. He said there are many other students on campus who are gay, drink and have premarital sex.

"A lot of people were very scared," he said. "People have things on their MySpace pages which (could be) incriminating. They were all in a scramble to get rid of all this stuff on the Internet that had a possibility of pointing back at them. They were afraid Cumberlands was going to go on a witch hunt and start kicking people out right and left."

The university itself had bad reason to worry. The Kentucky Legislature allocated $51 million to the University of the Cumberlands, a private institution, to establish a pharmacy school and complement rundown for its students.

After Johnson's expulsion, public backlash has raised a call to have the school receiving the funding.

"It becomes a situation where the school is putting in place a program that would only be available to heterosexuals," Scorsone said.

Scorsone, the only openly gay member of the Kentucky Legislature, said there are no Kentucky or federal statutes prohibiting discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation. But he said the Kentucky Farnes Alliance — a statewide group that fights for equal treatment of gay Kentuckyans — filed a lawsuit to block the school's funding.

"This goes back to the question, 'Is this a private school or not?'" Scorsone told The Daily Reveille. "Clearly, private enterprises can conduct themselves in a way that would never be acceptable for a public institution. That's why a lot of people objected, but the law doesn't prohibit it outright. But once they cross the line and start accepting state money, then they're bound by different standards."

The position of the university also conflicts with the discrimination policies of the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education, which has the final authority to accredit new and existing pharmacy schools in the United States.

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Sept. 11 memorial cost estimate rises to $1 billion

Amy Westfeldt
ASSOCIATED PRESS

NEW YORK — Construction costs for the World Trade Center memorial have risen to an estimated $1 billion — twice as much as officials had planned to spend.

Last year, rebuilding officials said it would cost $490 million to build the memorial and an adjacent museum, which is slated to take up eight acres of the 16-acre site when it opens in 2009.

Preliminary site work began in March. Contractors this week issued a revised estimate of $1 billion, a person familiar with the figures told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the number had not yet been publicly announced.

The new estimate includes $700 million for memorial and museum construction and $300 million to prepare the site, such as work shoring up a retaining wall and other infrastructure costs, the source said.

Steve Coleman, a spokesman for the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey, which owns the trade center site, said the agency hadn’t seen the latest construction estimates and couldn’t comment.

Mayor Michael Bloomberg said the costs of building the Sept. 11 memorial are skyrocketing and must be capped at $500 million.

“There’s just not an unlimited amount of money that we can spend on a memorial,” Bloomberg said. Any figure higher than $500 million to build the memorial to the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks would be “inappropriate,” even if the design has to be changed, he said.

A spokeswoman for Gov. George Pataki said the governor also supports a firm budget for the memorial.

The memorial would be the most expensive ever built in America. The World War II memorial in Washington cost $182 million, construction costs for Maya Lin’s Vietnam War Memorial wall, also in Washington, were $4.2 million.
Acclaimed violinist to dazzle Poly

Kelly Cope

This Saturday at 8 p.m., the Christopher Cohan Center will come alive with the sounds of David Kim, celebrated solo violinist, when he joins the San Luis Obispo Symphony in its final concert of the season.

Kim will perform Pyotr Ilyich Tchaikovsky’s “Violin Concerto in D Major” as part of an evening of classical music, also including Sergei Prokofiev’s “Romanze and Juliet Suite.”

Although he started his studies at age 3, he defied deeper into more serious study of the instrument at age 8 and studied under Dorothy Delay.

He further pursued his love of music later in life and enrolled at the University of Illinois, began his violin studies at age 3 and eventually worked his way up to the esteemed positions of artistic director and special guest artist for the festival.

The university showed its appreciation for his hard work in 2001, according to Kim’s biography released at the time:

“Kim’s efforts also extend to elementary schools. The annual Kingston Chamber Music Festival provides an opportunity each year for him to travel around speaking and performing at young children’s schools to instill and keep a love of music alive in their hearts.”

This program has reached over 10,000 students in Rhode Island alone. From 1991 to 1996, Kim was a part of the Dvorak Trio, which traveled to multiple continents in its performance heyday.

In a review on Feb. 5 by Kelly Jane Torrance from Brainwash Online Magazine of “Music From the Inside Out,” a documentary highlighting Kim’s own Philadelphia Orchestra, Torrance wrote of Kim: “It’s rare to see someone so well-adjusted; he must make a wonderfulconcertmaster.”

Tickets are on sale now at the Christopher Cohan Performance Center Box Office, with different prices for each section. Tickets for stage-side seats are $24, front orchestra seats are $47, rear orchestra seats are $40, dress circle seats are $37, balcony seats are $32 and gallery seats are $17 each. The gallery section, $25 will buy two tickets and entry to a wine reception.

Battle

"It's our first time ever doing it," said Nick Wilts, an industrial technology senior and promotions and marketing officer for ITT. "We're trying to raise some money.

"No More Played first during UH hour. The rock and indie group from Los Angeles recently won the Head Band on Campus competition and just signed with Drive Thr Thru Records.

"It was a very successful turnout," Fisher said. "We're going to do it again next year and maybe the next year as well.

"Moonshine, a San Luis Obispo band playing classic rock and reggae played second. The competition was one of the last shows for their drummer Jeff Sevadjian as he is leaving for graduate school.

"We are attempting to bring back the good rock which has slowly faded into manufactured pop music," said the band’s Web site on myspace.com. "If you’ve ever listened to rock, reggae, jazz, country, making music, bluegrass, funk and experimental rock all within two hours, you know it is good.

Foreign Head, also a local rock and indie band from San Luis Obispo, recently finished recording a CD and were accepted to play at XMCM International Music Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah later this month.

Play It By, also from San Luis Obispo played last with their combination of rock, indie and pop.

"It was beyond my expectations," Fisher said. "The audience was awesome and everyone had a great time."

Lions, lanterns liven up UU

Jennifer Boudaevin

Cal Poly’s University Union Plaza will be illuminated with the light of the 12th annual Lantern Festival on Saturday from 5 to 9 p.m.

The festival is celebrated traditionally in Chinese and Vietnamese cultures to honor the beauty of the moon, and has been coordinated by the Chi Delta Theta Sorority, the Omega Xi Delta Fraternity and Associated Students, Inc.

“The focus of this event is to spread awareness of Asian cultures and heritage throughout Cal Poly and the surrounding Central Coast communities,” said Chi Delta Theta member and alumna Holly Phan in a press release. “By sharing our cultural diversity, the sisters of Chi Delta Theta and the brothers of Omega Xi Delta hope to educate and entertain everyone who attends and participates.”

The festival features live performances, including a traditional Chinese lion dance, Polynesian dancing, Taiko Drumming, Filipino and Indian cultural dances, modern hip-hop and step dance routines as well as singing groups. Cal Poly clubs will also be on hand selling Asian food and drink.

This year’s event observes a “Legends of the Moon” theme.

“We chose the theme because many of the Asian cultures either have their own legend or myth about the moon and/or celebrate a moon festival,” said event co-chair and Chi Delta Theta member Michelle Masuda.

“I’m really excited that we have the biggest turn out of clubs to participate (this year),” she said. “Almost every Asian club is coming out and our performance schedule is non-stop.”

The event originated at Cal Poly in 1995, when the Omega Xi Delta Fraternity and Chi Delta Theta Sorority came together in recognizing a lack of cultural events and diversity in the San Luis Obispo community.

“The first annual Lantern Festival was held on April 1, 1995 as the keynote and kick-off for Cal Poly’s first observance of Asian Awareness Month,” Wong said.

“This was the first of its kind for the Cal Poly campus,” he said, “bringing together all the Asian organizations on campus to promote Asian awareness.”

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— Molly McInweth, Biology sophomore
Rumor Patrol: We had sex with Nicky Hilton

I was induced to hold a Mexican Awareness Week or a week which sought to elevate the culture of Mexico, Australia, Aborigines, I highly doubt that the event would generate too much consume or backlash. However, why is it that with the MSA attempting to host a Palestinian Awareness Week we have come under so much fire from opposing groups? I find it interesting that the PAW has raised some heated reactions during the coming events. The week, meant to educate Cal Poly on the culture of the Palestinian people, has apparently offended many with the very notion of raising awareness that such a group even exists. Why is this? In Thursday's edition of the Mustang Daily, Dean Goodman uses the topic of the week to let loose a tirade of Pro-Israel rhetoric, from Anti-Palestinian propaganda ("We should be aware of the Palestinian leaders and the terrorist...") to outright rights (such as the Islamic Brotherhood being eligible for the Assassination of Egyptian President Anwar Sadat.) Why is it that the issue of the Palestinian People can not be addressed without the religion of Islam or the Arab race coming under attack? Are the Palestinians to bare the brunt of the errors of every group connected in any way to them? I also understand that the issue is not one which can be divorced from politics. For any serious discussion of Palestine in the 20th century to take place, one can not help but enter into a world of issues and politics emboldened in controversy. However, at the heart of the upcoming week of events is the display of a vibrant and amazing culture. From a movie right which a film is the region to be shown, a night of festivities involving food, costumes and much more. However the attacking point from the opposition seems to be to the name of Anne Giapapas. Who in the past has mentioned opposition to the dividing wall in Israel used to keep out terror, Palestinians usually not mentioned is that Hillel last quarter brought a speaker, a journalist from the Jerusalem Post, who himself at his lecture openly opposed the barrier. Something tells me not one person had hearkened to him for anti-semitic... At the very center of the issue, something interesting is going on. Somehow the very idea that Palestinian people exist roots many Pro-Israeli pundits the wrong way. Golda Meier, widely revered today by most Israelis as one of the greatest prime ministers of Israel, once claimed openly "There is no such thing as a Palestinian People." The real irony, is this effort to erase from the face of the earth an entire ethnicity is mirrored earlier in the 20th century by another group of communal factions, but not with the Palestinians in the crosshairs but Jews themselves.

This is why we dedicate ourselves to the education and display of a dying culture currently under attack from the world of an entire people which lie in the balance. Whether they are delivered is forever lost, history depends on the success of the events such as the PAW, and when seen in this light there is little mystery left in why it is so vehemently opposed by groups who have much to gain from the eradication of this ethnicity.

Salam Alaad is an architect junior and Mustang Daily guest columnist.
Roquet

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Roquet looks to close out 49ers

Katie Hofstetter

Since his first year of high school, Rocky Roquet has attended six different schools — and has played baseball for all of them. Although he spent most of his younger years as an outfielder, the Cal Poly clos­

The last three outs of baseball games are usually the hardest because the other team is really trying to bear down and win

—Rocky Roquet

Roquet was one of 30 to be named to the mid-season Stopper of the Year watch list, which is compiled by the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association and encompasses 15 different conferences. At the end of May, the list will be narrowed to five finalists and on June 7 the winner will be announced.

Roquet appreciates the recogni­

Silvio Stoper of the Year watch list nominee Vinnie Pestano of Cal State Fullerton, Roquet was recruited by Florida State as an outfielder, but during the second semester of his freshman year he switched to pitcher. Still relatively new to the pitching scene, Roquet was expecting more focus on player development than he found at Florida, so he transferred to Santa Ana College. See Roquet, page 7

'Stangs aim for sixth championship

Amanda Retzer

The Cal Poly women’s lacrosse team is sweeping across the field and the nation as they go for their sixth national title next week in the USA Lacrosse Intercollegiate Association National Championship.

The Mustangs have won national for the past five years and are looking to win their sixth championship in a row. They dominated Colorado State University last year, with a 14-3 blowout in the final game. This year, Colorado State is back and has taken the No. 1 spot, leaving both teams hungry for the title. Because Cal Poly sits in the No. 2 spot, it has been placed in the bottom bracket, with its first game against No. 15 Oregon. The California State has consec­

There’s a really good feeling that we’ll see Colorado State in the championship game again, it’s definitely won’t be a repeat of last year. It’s going to be a fight, especially when everyone cheers against us, waiting for the year that we don’t make it, the year the legacy ends. Our attitude is that — it just makes us stronger and ready to take the title for a sixth time,” mid-fielder Jackie Pugh said.

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Cal Poly vs. Long Beach State

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Cal State Fullerton (31-21, 9-3 Big West) is in first place while Cal Poly (24-20, 8-4) is in third, just percentage points behind Long Beach State. To stay in the running for a conference championship, Cal Poly needs to take at least two-of-three games from the Titans. Here's a quick glance at what's to come:

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