Apple looks to open downtown SLO store

The new Apple store would replace the Men's Express located on the corner of Morro and Higuera streets.

Animal science department adds four new buildings

Cal Poly's animal science department is undergoing big changes with the construction of four new buildings. The newly built hay barn and beef center is located across from Cuesta Community College off Education Boulevard in the hills, was part of Escuela Ranch. The other two buildings, the meat processing center and feed mill, will be built by Cal Poly's environmental factors was moved to the building set in Coronado Park, but due to a senior project that initially held them up, the construction has been big changes with the construction of four new buildings.

The project has been in the planning stages for six years and those involved since the beginning can't believe the progress.

"I think, man, this is my design being put together," said professor Mike Hall, a beef cattle specialist.

Hall said the project is a great experience and he is proud of the students working so hard to build structures that will last long enough to bring their children to see one day.

So far, the project has cost nearly $4 million, but could easily reach $14 million. Hall said. But thanks to $8 million from the Cal Poly Housing Project, a methionine settlement and generous donations, the new facilities are becoming a reality.

Seven students are working 12-hour days to finish setting up corral fences.

Cocoa connoisseur creates organic chocolate factory

The chocolate charm over and over again until just the right temperature.

Immediately upon entrance to the second floor of Splash Cafe on Monterey Boulevard, the smell of peppermint consumes the room. This is Tom Neuhaus' own organic chocolate factory. The workers here aren't little blue people, but rather students, volunteers and paid workers.

Lesya King, 20, from Boston, is living with Neuhaus and his family for the summer, wrapping chocolate bars to save money for school. King brushes fingerprints from the bars before wrapping them in the golden ticket-colored wrapping.

"It's handmade. I'm trying to make it look pretty, right Tom?" King calls to Neuhaus as she walks by.

"And not let it melt in your hand," Neuhaus jokes.

Neuhaus and his sister, Joanne Currie, owner of the two Splash Cafe locations, co-owned Sweet Earth Organic Chocolates. For every item purchased, a portion of the profits supports cocoa farmers and their Fair Trade Certified cooperatives in the Ivory Coast, Ghana and Cameroon.

When Neuhaus, a Cal Poly food science professor, looked to start his chocolate business more than a year ago, he realized the awful condition in which many African cocoa farmers find themselves. The more he learned about their plight, the more he wanted to help.

As a result, Neuhaus and San Luis Obispo local Dale Lands will travel to the Ivory Coast and Ghana on Aug. 22 to deliver materials to villages of cocoa farmers.

Neuhaus became involved with chocolate while going to school at Cornell University in Ithaca, NY. Back then, it was a hobby — just something he did in his spare time. But his love for chocolate led to the creation of his non-profit organization Project Hope and Fairness.

Neuhaus founded the company to assist cocoa farmers in West Africa; however, he has spent much of his time educating the local community about the situation there.

"(Ivorians) don't even know what chocolate tastes like; they can't afford it," Neuhaus said, stressing the importance of fair trade.

Having a product be fair trade is important, to ensure that farmers receive what they deserve. When a food product is fair trade certified, it will bear a label, verifying that farmers in the country are receiving the fair market price for their harvest.
Neuhaus wraps a chocolate bar made from organic cocoa. He will travel to cocoa farms in Africa on Aug. 22.

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continue account for their product.

Over half of the cocoa in the world comes from Africa. Even though a large percentage is from Africa, few cocoa farmers are struggling to make a living. We have to get a good price.

Neuhaus has much worldly knowledge about food and culture making him a great fit to teach French cooking, food and culture as well as food fundamentals. In addition to those courses, Neuhaus is in charge of running Cal Poly's Chocolate Enterprise.

The lot of places Neuhaus has lived over the years is as extensive as the many types of chocolates he crafts.

He has lived in Iceland, Texas, France, Austria and New York to name a few. In France, he worked in a restaurant with chocolate and desserts. At one time he even owned a restaurant in Texas. He even wrote a food column in the Washington Post.

"I like to get something done and leave a mark that stands the test of time," Neuhaus says.

For Neuhaus, his biggest mark is making a sustainable life growing cocoa. His trip later this month will be his fourth to West Africa.

"You can't just throw money at stuff. I'm trying to help out at the village level," Neuhaus said.

Neuhaus first visited farmers in Ghana in 2001 and found out most were lacking basic farming equipment. Unlike the United States, farmers receive no subsidies for their crops. There are no government programs to help families who have trouble making a sustainable living growing cocoa.

The Ivory Coast gained its independence from France in 1960, and in 1967, leader Felix Houphouet-Boigny issued a law stating that the "land belongs to the person who cultivates it." This created a great influx of people from all around, seeking out land to start their own cocoa farms and become rich. People burned hundreds of miles of forest. For a while this worked and the Ivory Coast had one of the wealthiest economies in West Africa, but now the cocoa market has become saturated, and a civil war is on the break.

The problem with the cocoa industry is that too many people sell cocoa beans, meaning farmers mainly receive just one fifth of the original profit.

One way villages are working here is to form cooperatives to ensure farmers a better price per kilo of cocoa beans.

"More and more people should get involved in the together to build up their communities, is with the construction of cocoa cooperatives to ensure farmers a better price per kilo of cocoa beans," Neuhaus said.

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SANTA BARBARA, Calif. - Strons said.

For Williams, who started selling iMacs roughly eight years ago out of a small office, the news is puzzling.

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However, both Strons and Williams said that they can stay profitable even if Apple goes ahead with the projected store by providing the same quality customer service that they have in years past.

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Apple's San Luis Obispo question why the iPod juggernaut feels the need to open another retailer in the area, and why Apple has in large part left them out of the loop.

When I first heard the news that Apple was going to open a corporate store downtown, I thought it was a joke," said Preston Strons, computer division manager of El Corral Bookstore.

For Strons, whose department in the Cal Poly bookstore deals strictly in Apple hardware, and Shane Williams, owner of the Mac Superstore located on South Higuera Street, Apple's decision to open a corporate retail chain downtown has come as a surprise. Furthermore, Apple had given neither Strons nor Williams any prior notification or justifications for the decision to open downtown, especially since San Luis Obispo is a considerably small city and already has two Apple retailers.

"When I found out (Apple) was talking with the city, I was shocked because I couldn't understand why they would want to come here and not place some much larger like

for all our projects and students." The beef center will hold classes on breeding, research embryo immunizations and instruct watershed courses in conjunction with local fish and game.

The only drawback to the new buildings is the distance from campus.

However, a residence will be built to house five students to live on site. Ground has been broken on a feed stall that will be designated for poultry, swine and equine feed and on the other dairy and beef cattle. It will supply campus livestock and specialty diets for animal research.

Students will be exposed to the food processing industry with workshops and training seminars.

In order to begin construction on the new processing center, more funding is needed. John Lau of Modesto made a $1 million gift donation and the center will be named after him and his family.

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Neuhaus met Kiper Margarita on a recent visit to African cocoa farms.

The organic cocoa Neuhaus uses in Sweet Earth Organic chocolates is fair trade certified. However, Neuhaus doesn't get his cocoa from West Africa because there are no cooperatives at this point that raise their cocoa organically. The majority of organic fair trade cocoa comes from the Caribbean.

Eventually Neuhaus wants to organize trips to Africa for Cal Poly students. Until then, however, students can still help out with raising money for Project Hope and Fairness. Once there is more money, more villages and schools can be assisted.

"More and more people should get involved in the planet or we're doomed as a species," Neuhaus said.

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"Think it's really valuable that people who will be working the center are also building it," said agricultural system manager Billy Freeman.

The first delivery of bulls arrived July 28. There are normally 300 bulls to care for, but this year there will be half that number due to delays in construction because of rain.

The new equipment at the center's site will feature the latest technology to assist in low-stress bull raising.

Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) will be inserted into the bulls to allow for less contact.

Fraymond, who will be managing the bull sale this year, explained that the beef center will be a "Good base

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State

HANFORD, Calif. (AP) — Two alleged white supremacists were arrested for plotting to kill a California Highway Patrol officer in order to keep him from testifying against one of them in an auto theft case, Kings County officials said.

Michael Cotter, 29, and Michael McGee, 36, were accused of planning to kill the officer before he could testify against McGee, said Sgt. David Robinson with the Kings County Gang Task Force.

The two men were arrested in Southern California. McGee was already in custody at Ironwood State Prison in Riverside County and Cotter was arrested in San Bernardino County.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The son of a 76-year-old woman hit by a car while crossing the street said his family filed a claim already in custody at Ironwood State Prison in Riverside County and Cotter was arrested in San Bernardino County.

Briefs

National

HARTFORD, Conn. (AP) — Sen. Joe Lieberman, undaunted by his loss to an anti-war challenger in the Democratic primary, filed petitions Wednesday to get on the November ballot as an independent, while national Democrats threw their support to Ned Lamont, who beat him. Lamont said he "fully supports the Democratic nominee."

JUNEAU, Alaska (AP) — Gov. Frank Murkowski on Wednesday instituted a state hiring freeze, and said he would direct the attorney general to investigate the state's right to hold BP fully accountable for losses to the state. Murkowski made the announcement three days after BP announced it would shut down a Prudhoe Bay oil field after a small leak was found.

DETROIT (AP) — Japan's Toyota Motor Corp. won top honors in eight categories of a closely watched vehicle dependability study, more than any other company, while mainstream brands closed in on luxury nameplates, J.D. Power and Associates said Wednesday. Lexus, Toyota's luxury brand, was the top-ranked nameplate for the 12th consecutive year.

International

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israeli Security Cabinet overwhelmingly decided Wednesday to send troops deeper into Lebanon in a major expansion of the ground war, an attempt to further damage Hezbollah and score quick battlefield victories before a cease-fire is imposed. The move came a day before fighting was reported overnight with Hezbollah militants, and Arab broadcast stations reporting 11 Israeli soldiers had been killed in what would be the deadliest day for Israeli troops in Lebanon in four weeks of fighting.

BAGHDAD, Iraq (AP) — U.S. troops have arrested four Iraqi men in the kidnaping of American journalist Jill Carroll, who was freed in March after 82 days in captivity, a U.S. spokesman said Wednesday.

Mag. Gen. William Caldwell said the four, who were not identified, were arrested in Anbar province west of Baghdad but he did not say when. Another U.S. official, Lt. Col. Barry Johnson, said the arrests were made about a month ago.

The military also said a U.S. Army helicopter crashed in Iraq's western Anbar province Tuesday, leaving two crew members missing and four injured. It did not appear the helicopter was shot down, the military said.

CINCINNATI — Cincinnati Bengals fans annoyed by bad behavior in the stands can now report it by cell phone. The hot line number should be easy to remember — (513) 381-JERK.

Fans using too much foul language will get a warning from stadium security. Those who continue could be ejected and have their season tickets and personal seat licenses taken away. More serious offenses could lead to arrest.

The team doesn't want to become "the curse police," but expects fans to behave themselves, said Bob Bedinghaus, the Bengals' director of development for Paul Brown Stadium.

"You need to understand you're coming to an NFL football game," Bedinghaus said. "On the other hand, we want to make sure that we're paying attention to those folks who are going over the line."

When callers report problems such as threats, fights or drunkenness, security officials will use the stadium's video cameras to focus on the offenders and then respond.

Fans have complained to team officials that beer is increasing the problem of bad behavior in the stands. "They were complaints (of) excessive drunkenness. People that were kind of falling down drunk."

Bedinghaus said, "And there were some fights last year. Whenever you put 65,000 people together, you're always going to have some fights. But there were a few more than normal."

Junior Dietrick of West Chester, a season ticket holder, said she was offended by drunken fans when she took her 12-year-old son, Austin, to a playoff game against the Pittsburgh Steelers. A woman kept spilling beer on her, and a man next to her son was wearing and helped start a fight.

"We told him beforehand, 'You might see some drunk people, you might hear some ... swearing. But at the game, I thought, 'Oh, my god. I'm going to mar my son for the rest of his life by having him come to this game,'" she said.

Season ticket holders will be notified about the hot line this week, as well as the consequences of bad behavior. The team will show a video promoting the hot line at home games.

Bedinghaus said the Bengals do expect some prank calls.

"If you get 6,000 people calling this line — "Hey, Steelers quarterback? Ben Roethlisberger is a jerk" — then it becomes less effective," he said.

"The thing to remember is we have caller ID on this line."

THE BIZARRE

Annoyed Bengal fans can call 'jerk' hotline

You need to understand your're coming to an NFL football game..."
Steynberg Gallery serves up great cup o' joe

Kevin Cuno

Some people scour the globe in search of exotic teas, original artwork and authentic music. For those keeping one of San Luis Obispo's best kept secrets, these things are no closer than a walk downtown.

In a world of pre-fabricated, quick-stop coffee shops where the art and the atmosphere is as freeze dried as the coffee grounds, artist Peter J. Steynberg offers a little more authenticity at his Steynberg Gallery Tea and Coffee house.

For seven years, Steynberg has displayed a variety of pieces by several international artists in the 1932 art deco building located at 1531 Monterey St. Now with the recent addition of a coffee and tea house Steynberg Gallery is a quiet place perfect for taking time to refresh your mind and body.

"I really enjoy the quiet and pleasant atmosphere and it's nice to be able to walk around and enjoy the art or just sit and read," said art business senior Dodge Williams.

Steynberg currently displays original and limited edition pieces by several African artists, as well as some of the best emerging artists in California, including himself. His aim is to share the pieces with whoever might be sparked by curiosity.

"We want to be inclusive, not exclusive. That is our goal," Steynberg said.

Steynberg's eclectic collections ensure that even the most casual of art enthusiasts or just those looking for a coffee fix will find something that they enjoy.

In addition to adding the coffee and tea house, Steynberg has also began to line up musicians for evening shows throughout the year. "I want to have the top tea and coffee, the top music, and the top art of course," said Steynberg who encourages all Cal Poly art students to use his space to study and discuss art.

Primarily, Steynberg began showing pieces from around his home country in Africa. But because of recent trouble with bringing pieces out of Zimbabwe, he has had the opportunity to showcase several artists from the United States.

From Aug. 1 to 27, Steynberg will be showing a collection by Central Coast artist and former Cal Poly architecture student Mark Bryan. Bryan's work is satirical, at times dark, and comments on modern day society.

"Sometimes while I'm sketching, I often feel like I'm taking notes at a dark comedy, but the play never ends and I can't go home," Bryan said on his Web site.

Although many of Bryan's pieces further an anti-war agenda, Steynberg does not use his gallery to advance any particular point of view.

"With all the trouble in the world, people don't take the time to think anymore," Steynberg said. "I just want to get people to think."

For more information, contact Steynberg Gallery at 547-0278 or go to www.steynberggallery.com.
Vice’ up your life this summer at the movies

Devan McClaine

If you’re expecting to see alligator-baiting suits and loafer-wearing,-no-socks, check out Spike TV at 3 a.m. If you want to see a Ferrari F430, no bathing suits and loafers with no socks, check out "Miami Vice."

Michael Mann, who was the executive producer for the TV show "Miami Vice" (1984-1989), provides an update to the show that enables Don Johnson to survive the likes of an undated singing career and Amen Graff. This is Vice circa 2006 — edgy, raw and explosive. Mann wrote and directed the update, and his fingerprints are everywhere. The shots in the movie are amazing. The movie follows detective James "Sunny" Crockett (Colin Farrell) and Ricardo Tubbs (Jamie Foxx) of the Miami Police Department. Right away, Mann pushes you into a Miami nightclub, no credits, no intro, you are there. Your only greeting is a Lay-Z Linkin Park song, and the feeling that something bad is about to happen is real.

Be prepared — Mann does not direct to the lowest common denominator. There will be big name stars, including an underrated singing career and "Miami Vice" (TIK4-19H9), provides executive producer for the TV show "Miami Vice." The two-day event beginning on August 10 and 16, 2006, will also amuse the guys with a Bresident of the Grover Beach Commerce has arranged for a special appearance by the Country Gentleman, the viewing experience, in an event that most call high school. It shows that dating and fitting in are still the hardest part of all.

John Tucker filled with laughs and teen angst

Jandy Jones

"John Tucker Must Die" is the perfect combination of romance and comedy. The tale of three high school girls seeking revenge on a popular jock will be sure to make everyone laugh.

The tale begins with basketball captain John Tucker (Jesse Metcalfe) who is dating three girls, all from different social groups. When the girls realize that they are dating the same guy, they vow to get him back.

The girls try everything, including getting Tucker to wear thong underwear, which backfires and the basketball team ends up wearing them and putting up a Web site declaring Tucker utterly "undatable."

The trio finds that even after these attempts to undermine him, Tucker still remains as popular as ever and the girls are going to have to step up the game. After several more unsuccessful attempts, the girls: Carrie (Arielle kobel), Heather (Ashanti), and Beth (Sophie Bush) decided to enlist the help of the new girl, Kate (Brittany Snow). The plan is to get Tucker to fall for Kate and then Kate will break up with him like he has done to all the other girls. Kate, wanting to make new friends and be popular, decides to play along.

The girls groom Kate into the ideal girlfriend for Tucker but problems start arising when Kate becomes attracted to Tucker, which is of course complicated by Kate's loyalty to her new friends. Familiar faces like Tyra, Mccary and Ashanti blend in with those lesser known making a great cast for the movie. The comedy highlights a common "high school" movie theme: the world of dating. However, it will keep audiences on the edge of their seats and laughing hysterically. This movie isn't just for the girls but will also amuse the guys with a little girl on action.

"John Tucker Must Die" provides a comical look at the troubled times that most call high school. It shows that dating and fitting in are still the hardest part of all.

Sandfest takes over Grover Beach

Kevin Cuneo

Off-Highway vehicle (OHV) enthusiasts will congregate on the Grover Beach dunes this weekend to celebrate their love for deep tread, 4-wheel drive, and of course, miles and miles of sand.

With 10,0000 people likely to converge on West Grand Avenida and U.S. Highway 1 for two days of off-road exhibitions, vehicle part vendors, and the people's choice "Shine and Show," this year's Grover Beach Sandfest is expected to be the Central Coast summer event for all things off-road. "We are going for big, bigger, and bigger," said Sue Cox who helped chair the Sandfest committee with her daughter and husband. Sandfest is open and free to the public, who can enter their own vehicles in the "Shine and Show" to be judged by their peers. The show is open to all makes and models of OHVs. The winner will be announced Sunday at 2 p.m. after a live performance by Resination. "It's not so much about the competition as it's more just to get together to see what everyone else is doing with their vehicles," said Michael Johnson who attended the past two Sandfests and plans to enter his custom Toyota 4x4 in this year's show.

The two-day event, beginning on August 12 at 10 a.m., will also include a jeep tooter-totter, several live music performances and a demonstration by the U.S. Army. To put some icing on the high-octane, sand-dusted, ram-cake, the Grover Beach Chamber of Commerce has arranged for a special appearance by the Country Gentleman, the viewing experience, in an event that most call high school. It shows that dating and fitting in are still the hardest part of all.
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STAFF COMMENTARY
FARMER’S MARKET
Farmer’s Market is one of my favorite events in San Luis Obispo. It’s definitely the best place in town to get fresh produce, and the local music and barbeque food are amazing. But best of all, it’s the one night a week when all of San Luis Obispo shuts down at an actually reasonable hour.

However, there is a downside to Farmer’s Market. Amid all the colorful booths, pungent aromas and smiling children, a frightening trend can be seen peeking out from behind the shiny, glass windows of downtown businesses. It’s called the chain store. But what does a small-town tradition like Farmer’s Market have to do with the sudden onslaught of new chain clothing stores like Urban Outfitters or Banana Republic? The truth is — it’s during traditional community events, like Farmer’s Market, that the giant chain stores become most noticeable.

For example, some friends and I were strolling through Farmer’s Market a couple weeks ago, enjoying the cool night air and dining on tasty pulled-pork sandwiches, when we decided to head to downtown Farmer’s Market; amid all the color­fullness in which I was reared.

I’m a proud San Diegan, but I chose to attend Cal Poly because the surrounding towns was different from the over-populated land of mass-con­sumerism in which I was reared.

Yes, it’s true that now people are anticipating the next handful-yearly sale at Abercrombie and Fitch don’t have to waste gallons and gallons of precious, over-priced gas to make the devoted-shopper’s pilgrimage downtown to Santa Barbara. But after the initial giddy hysteria of being able to buy over-priced clothing (while ogling at really hot, naked A&F models) subsides, one might start to wonder about the effect these new stores are having on the less popular mom n’ pop shops that originally gave the downtown area its charm.

Once, while walking through the heart of downtown, I quickly tallied up the number of new businesses I saw that hadn’t been there the year before. It added up to an astounding 15, half of which were recognizable chains. Compare that to the usual one or two new stores that tend to pop up each year, and it starts to make one wonder what the heck is going on down there? Is it just me, or is Southern California following in my migratory footsteps? Maybe there’s something in the water. That something, unfortunately, is called profit.

It must be difficult for stores like Lucky Lu’s and Fancy Wrappers to compete with commercial power­houses like Express and Victoria’s Secret. The store name pull probably takes in a large annual profit from both tourists and locals alike. Plus, these chain stores are all run by their respective national headquar­ters, which provide unlimited access to marketing campaigns and 24-hour customer service hotlines.

However, these extra bonuses have been paid for by the mom n’ pop stores with the cost of down­town might not be as impressive as the larger chain stores — and maybe their goods don’t come in as many shades or sizes — but it’s the smaller stores that give this town its character and its individuality; because without them, San Luis Obispo would be just another Southern California city.

Amy Arman is a journalism senior. Spotlight editor and Mustang Daily staff writer

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AMTRAK
Amtrak has been in business for almost 40 years, providing the fast track to slow service.

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When my mom left me standing at the corner of my new dorm at Cal Poly, she bid farewell with the knowl­edge that I would soon be home to visit via the “comfortable and dependable” Amtrak service. Though slow and uncomfortable, Amtrak service runs from San Luis Obispo to Orange County.

I soon learned that “comfortable and dependable” to the people at Amtrak is more of a guideline sim­ilar to the “pirates’ code” in Pirates of the Caribbean.

High gas prices, Los Angeles traffic and the lack of an automobile have continued to excite me to ride the train for the past two years, so I now consider myself somewhat of a veteran.

On my most recent train trip (seven hours instead of the scheduled six), I began to wonder what the real prob­lem with the train system was. A little Internet research proved that the problem is that Amtrak services are way behind modern technology.

High-speed trains have been oper­ating in Europe and Japan since the 1980s and provide considerably better service to the customer. To qualify as 225 mph and Germany’s ICE trains could reach speeds of 206 mph. Germany also has definite plans for magnetic levitation (maglev) trains that run on a magnetic field and have speeds of 150 mph. However, the trains have been shut down due to brake problems and have yet to be put back into circulation.

I’m still holding out for the California High-Speed Rail Authority’s proposed bullet train that would run from San Francisco to San Diego in less than two and half hours at speeds up to 225 mph.

The 2006-2007 state budget includes $443 million to start the project as well as an additional $10 billion high-speed rail bond measure still awaits a “yes” vote on the November 2008 ballot.

Until then I suppose I am des­tined to ride at mind-numbingly slow speeds in anxious anticipation of the day I could make the trip from home to San Luis Obispo in less than an hour. Or maybe I’ll just move to France.

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Mustang checks the top 3 hockey movies

Cory Harris

While hockey usually doesn’t hit the big screen often, there have been a handful that tap the essence of the game on the screen. Right now, Disney has spawned an NHL franchise based in Anaheim, Calif.

Disney’s Mighty Duck movie trilogy was so popular that it actually became a must see! The trilogy is quite possibly the greatest thing to ever happen to hockey. That said, the first movie is filled with sophomoric humor with kids playing pranks on more kids. Oh and they play hockey in that same city at all. The storyline is so classic that Disney has recycled it maybe a million times over. If you don’t believe me, go rent The Big Green and tell me that movie isn’t the Mighty Ducks on a soccer field.

My top pick out of the trilogy would be the second one. They play the dreaded country of Ireland in the Junior Goodness Games. The film was also the introduction for Julie “The Cat” Gaffney, the hottest girl you have ever seen when I was 14.

Honorable mention: Miracle

The story of the 1980 U.S. Olympic hockey team which shocked the world. Kurt Russell is excellent as head coach Herb Brooks. The U.S. squad, led by college-aged mutfis accomplish the unthinkable, defeating the Russians in the 1980 Winter Olympics.

Youngblood

Quite possibly the cheesiest movie ever made. This one stars Rob Lowe and Patrick Swayze of Roadhouse fame. Low rent 80’s hockey star Dean Youngblood. Youngblood joins a minor league Canadian hockey team, for what else? To win games. The hockey action is pretty good, but the fights are terrible.

Random fact: according to imdb.com Swayze was trained as a figure skater and Reactor II was an MVP goal.

Madden

Madden was honored along with Tony Atwater, Warren Moon, Rayfield Wright, Harry Carson and the late Reggie White.

At Davis, the Raiders, managing general partners inducted Madden long before his induction into the Football Hall of Fame. Madden became a member of the Cal Poly Athletics Hall of Fame in 1987.

Cal Poly football coach Rich Ellerson said, “We’re proud of our relationship with him and he’s always been concerned about what’s going on at Cal Poly and that’s important to us.”

Incoming

Poly because of the "good area, and good people.” During high school, Anderson was named First Team All-League three years, and for two years was an All-County selection. He said his goal for the team next year is to advance to the NCAA tournament, a feat the most rockin’ basketball team has not managed since the 1981-82 season, as a Division II team.

Carrie Andrews — Women’s Soccer

As a high school senior, Carrie Andrews was named the Contra Costa Times Girls Soccer Player of the Year for her part in the team reaching the NorCal Section 3 championship game three consecutive years. The 18-year-old outside/center defender/forward, who comes to Cal Poly from Pleasanton, Calif., was also named First Team All-League her senior year.

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Incoming! Poly freshmen look to get the drop on the competition

Katie Hofstetter
MUSTANG DAILY

Here it is; the third and final edition of the incoming Poly players preview, which highlights freshman athletes in each sport. Watch for this talented group of athletes to make their mark in Mustangs in the coming year and thereafter.

Kevin Jones — Track and Field

Jones, 17, began pole vaulting his freshman year of high school because he heard it was the “easiest” sport and he wanted a way out of physical education. In his first year, he vaulted a mere seven feet. Then, in the summer between his freshman and sophomore years he grew a foot, and his second year of the sport vaulted 12.6 feet and won the league in his native San Diego. The following two years, Jones repeated his league win and continued to heighten his vaults, with a personal record of 16.4 feet. He comes to Cal Poly with the hope of qualifying for NCAA regions and improving his vault to over 17 feet.

Les Wallace — Track and Field

The 17-year-old Napa native became interested in Cal Poly through her summer track coach, a Cal Poly alumna. Wallace said her hopes for next year “would be to improve my times and hold my own in college competition.” Her best times entering Cal Poly are a 57.2 in the 400-meter and a 5:00.0 in the 1,600-meter. Wallace was twice named Most Valuable Player in both her high school cross country and track teams and was named to the Napa Valley Register Athlete of the Year.

Rebecca Tratter — Women’s Basketball

Pole vaulter Kevin Jones jumps during a competition. Jones, who has vaulted over 16 feet, will be a welcome edition to the Cal Poly track team.

Tratter’s high school basketball career came to a disappointing end when her CCS-bound Sunnyside team had to forfeit because a player had not turned in the correct paper. Despite the circumstances, Tratter, 18, a power forward, was recognized and placed on First Team All-League, and honor she received all four years of high school. She said she will be happy with any playing time she gets in her first year on the Cal Poly women’s basketball team and has hopes that the team will place first in Big West and continue on to the NCAA tournament.

Poly alum John Madden inducted into Hall of Fame

Nicole Small
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Cal Poly alumnus John Madden touched down into the Pro Football Hall of Fame on Aug. 5 in a ceremony that took place in Canton, Ohio. The legendary coach actually got on a plane for the first time since 1979. His fear of flying is thought to have stemmed from an October 1969 plane crash that killed members of the Cal Poly football team.

Madden made a name for himself as a football coach and one of the most beloved television commentators in football history. Madden’s coaching career was surrounded by some of the most memorable plays in football history, including the “Immaculate Reception” and the “Holy Roller.” The Raiders were 10-3-2-7 during Madden’s tenure as head coach. He also captured a title in Super Bowl XII in 1976, a 32-14 win over the Minnesota Vikings.

In addition, Madden received six Emmys for sport broadcasting. Any football fan who didn’t care for video games in the 1980s, took them up with the creation of John Madden Football for Nintendo in 1990. The franchise is still one of the best-selling video games of all time.

Let’s not forget the many commercials he has been a part of, like Miller Lite and Ace hardware. Madden’s iconic status has even led to a MuafTV show.

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Former Oakland Raiders head coach and Cal Poly alum John Madden smiles after being inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.