New CSDs on campus

Sara Wright
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Few students living on campus actually meet their CSDs, but these housing staff members actually have a huge impact on living experiences of Cal Poly residents.

"We're working on a plan to design a replacement for them," Fritz said. "We annually hire a certain percentage, and we're very selective in that. Normally we hire three to five (annually), but we're hiring more this year. We have to hire six new ones."

"We have a large turnover in Coordinators of Student Development (CSDs) this year, with six new hires and only three returners," said Steve Haskins of the Department of Motor Vehicles communicaitons division.

"Renovations such as this are usually in the planning stages for three to four years and are funded by DMV fee several years in advance as well," Haskins said.

While the office is closed, other services will still be available through the mail or the Internet, including license and registration renewal.

The University Union had a facelift this summer, as its concrete "eyebrows" were removed from the exterior of the building for safety reasons.

"They were part of the original design of the building meant to reduce solar heat gain, like sunscreens," said associate director of Residential Life and Education, Trinity Hall is grateful for the opportunity to work at Cal Poly.

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Jollette Duke and Tina Muller serve as Learning Community Coordinators who directly supervise the Coordinators of Student Development. Tina Muller took the position of Maht Irem, who also did not return this year.

Duke was responsible for coordinating the hiring process. "She did an outstanding job," Fritz said.

Hiring CSDs means attending national conferences put on by professional student affairs associations like the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) and the American College Personnel Association (ACPA).

Cal Poly Housing is also willing to hold interviews over the phone.

The organization receives 60 to 70 candidates and selects the top choices for interviews on campus.

"Not to say we haven't done this in the past, but we hired an outstanding group of people this year," Fritz said.

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Ashley Wendler
Freemont Hall — Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences
Hometown: Kansas City, Kan.
Education: Master's degree in higher education administration from the University of Kansas.

Why Cal Poly? “I wanted to work with high-achieving students and with a developed Living Learning program.”

Favorite part of the job: “I’m allowed a great amount of variety in what I do. I work with a good variety of students.”

Jeff Hill
Muir Hall — Science and Mathematics
Hometown: Seattle, Wash.
Education: Master’s degree in mathematics from Arizona State University.

Why Cal Poly? “I had a real good recruiting trip. It seemed like everyone in the department had a good head on their shoulders. Also, I heard of its reputation from colleagues who worked in similar programs as I do.”

Favorite part of the job: “So far I’ve loved getting to know the RA staff as a whole, I know all of them by name.”

Brian Green
Santa Lucia and North Mountain Halls (Dublin/PLAYER-PALM)
Nicki (Winney) — Engineering
Hometown: Ithaca, Penn.
Education: Master’s degree in higher education administration from Kent State University.

Why Cal Poly? “They have a very developed residential life program and Living Learning community. The students are holistic, and California is really nice.”

Favorite part of the job: “I like the caliber of students I work with and the many opportunities. There are tons of positive interactions. There are so many students that my Hall Council has 32 members!”

Arthur Atkinson
Nesquah Hall — Architecture and Environmental Design
Hometown: Oklahoma City, Okla.
Education: Master’s degree in higher education — student affairs from Arizona-Pacific University.

Why Cal Poly? “I had to get out of the rat race known as LA. It’s not healthy. I wanted to go somewhere where I could get around solely on bike and where I could breathe air. Cal Poly’s reputation preceded itself as one of the best. I feel lucky to be here.”

FYI: “I’m passionate about global issues, especially those concerning justice and peace. So many college students don’t know what’s happening in the world. Celebrities are overly discussed. Cal Poly encourages education about important issues and here I can have a position to influence students. I’m so excited about the opportunity.”

Amber Waters
Tulalip Hall — Business
Hometown: Columbus, Ohio
Education: Master’s degree in higher education — student affairs

Why Cal Poly? “When I was interviewed at the Large MIPA conference, I had a couple interviews with Cal Poly and I liked their housing and Living Learning programs. Then I came to San Luis Obispo and fell in love with the community.”

FYI: “I was a contestant on The Weakest Link” when I was 19. I made it to the last round. It was the syndicated version with the man, not the woman, so I was lucky never had to hear, ‘You are the weakest link.’ It was also great because I got a free trip to California.”

Dominic Allerio
Trinity Hall — Liberal Arts
Hometown: Rancho Cucamonga, Calif.
Education: Master’s degree in education — student affairs from Arizona-Pacific University.

Why Cal Poly? “The job description sounded well-rounded and it seemed like a great opportunity. When I actually came on campus and saw the people I’d work with I really enjoyed them. It’s important because you’re working on a team for this job.”

FYI: “I’m very passionate about social justice. I welcome any clubs and students that want to discuss pertinent issues to talk to me.”

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methods.

The closest offices to San Luis Obispo are located in Paso Robles, Santa Maria and Lompoc.

Employees of the San Luis Obispo office are temporarily being reassigned to the nearby locations. This affects 15 full-time employees and seven part-time employees. Those employees handle approximately 12,363 transactions each year, Haskins said.

“Employees of the San Luis Obispo office have not received any major repairs since its opening in 1986. It’s moved up that they are re-modeling for so long… It takes too long to get anything done,” said Dan Williams, a San Luis Obispo resident.

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seemingly unsaid, said director of faculty services Mark Hunter.

“We’ve had our buildings reviewed for seismic safety,” he said, adding that Crandall Gym was the only building closed for a repair.

A handful of buildings on campus such as the Clyde F. Fisher Science Building have sunscreens similar to those on the University Union building.

They are not the same type of shade and none project as far as the ones removed.

“The shade on the University Union were not part of the structural (necessity); they were just sunscreens failing over time,” French said.

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Oct. 13, 01:24 - While on patrol on Carpenter an officer encountered a subject appearing to require medical aid for possible alcohol poisoning. While providing first-responder medical aid, the officer determined the subject had been a potential victim of sexual assault.

Oct. 15, 16:40 - Officers responded to a complaint of a male subject urinating on a women’s restroom door in the Science North building. The subject was located nearby and arrested for public intoxication.

Oct. 15, 17:11 - Patrol officers were advised through a third-party informant that there has been recent transient activity in an upstairs bathroom in Dexter Hall.

Oct. 15, 22:55 - Officers investigated possible narcotics activities on the hillside east of the residence halls. Four subjects were contacted.

Oct. 16, 10:10 - Officer met with a victim of vandalism, who reported unknown suspect(s) had physically damaged the passenger side mirror of her vehicle parked upon the Cerro Vista loop.

Oct. 16, 10:41 - Officers assisted Cal Poly Corporation loss prevention staff with the arrest of a subject for shoplifting.

Oct. 17, 00:13 - The University Police Department received a misrouted cellular 911 call, reporting a fight among four males in the area of Morro and Church.

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WORD ON THE STREET

“Are you for or against the legalization of marijuana?”

Compiled and photographed by Jennifer Ingen

“I’m for it, but with age limitations like alcohol and cigarettes, but I’m not a smoker.”

— Jan LeMay, agricultural business junior

“Against it. Drugs are bad. Stay in school.”

— Greg Hurst, mechanical engineering senior

“Personally, I’d rather not have it legalized, but people are going to smoke it whether or not it’s legal, so maybe it should be.”

— Rachel Rivera, business sophomore

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Disney goes back to the drawing board to redo California Adventure

Gary Gentile
ASSOCIATED PRESS

The Walt Disney Co. will do a major overhaul of its disappointing California Adventure theme park to draw closer ties to Walt Disney.

They posted its growing attendance at Disneyland as proof that a similar approach would work at California Adventure.

"If you build it right, they will come," Iger said during a news conference. "Disneyland is telling us that and clear these ideas."

Even so, 26,000 of citizens sur¬
ing Disneyland on Wednesdays

With her husband and toddler son, she said she had found California Adventure to be "kind of boring" on previous visits.

The rides were fun, but it didn't have a lot of the excitement Disneyland had," Wills said.

Poor attendance forced Disney to

The oversold is designed to bol­

The overhaul is designed to boost attendance at the park over the years.

"They didn't invest as much as they should have at the time."

Since then, California Adventure has largely failed in its purpose of making the Anaheim parks a multi­

day destination.

The complex, being opened in

The Nokia Theatre, whose name­

The Nokia Theatre is part of a $2.5 billion project known as L.A.

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Parents falsely claim religious exemptions to avoid vaccinating young children

PORTLAND, Maine (AP) — A woman whose car got stuck on railroad tracks was rescued by a police officer moments before an Amtrak train carrying 180 passengers smashed into the vehicle.

"I am very, very grateful," said Tinna Klein, 33, told The Associated Press on Wednesday. "If it hadn't been for him, I wouldn't have been here right now . . ."

CHARLESTON, S.C. (AP) — The sister of a missing autistic police officer moments before an intersection was put up at busy thoroughfares and warnings were given.

Steve LeBlanc

Steve LeBlanc doesn’t practice any particular faith, but she had no problem signing a letter declaring that her brother won’t be able to respond if he hears searchers calling his name.

"I feel that the risk of the vaccine was worse than the risk of the actual disease," she said.

It says you have to state that vaccinations help. Others fear the vaccinations themselves may make your children sick and even cause autism.

Even though government-funded studies have found no link between vaccines and autism, loosely organized groups of parents and even popular cultural figures such as author Sarah Michelle Gellar have voiced concerns.

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BY: EMILIE SCHULTZ

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Bombs strike Baghdad and north Iraq

Kim Gamel

The Associated Press

An explosives-laden sewage truck blew up near a police station and a car bomb struck an Iraqi army checkpoint Tuesday — attacks that bore the hallmarks of al-Qaida in Iraq, officials said.

A U.S. military spokesman said the deadliest attack occurred when a suicide bomber in a sewage pump truck detonated his payload as he approached a police station recently rebuilt after four previous attacks, police said.

The blast collapsed most of the building, killing at least four police officers, including the station chief, and wounded 75 people, police said. A police spokesman, Brig. Gen. Mohamed al-Waiaja, said nearby shops and cars were damaged.

No one has claimed responsibility for the attacks, but both bombings bore the hallmarks of Sunni Arab insurgents, particularly al-Qaida in Iraq, the terror group that organized them.

Two previous car bombs exploded near the same police station.

Police Inspector Baha al-Bakr said the bomber was stopped as he approached the police station by a concrete barrier that recently was decorated with a picture of Saddam Hussein.

Police think the bomber was heading for a makeshift gas station which was the scene of a previous Car bomb.

The second attack occurred when a car blew up near a gas station across the street from an Iraqi army checkpoint, killing four civilians and wounding 25 others.

Flames shot out from a military vehicle in front of a damaged truck at the scene, driving past a long concrete barrier that recently was decorated with a picture of Saddam Hussein.

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A soldier secures the area in front of a damaged car at the scene where a car bomb exploded.

Baghdad. At least two Iraqi civilians died in the blast and two others were wounded, according to police.

U.S. commanders have said the increase in troops ordered by President Bush in January, and the increased operations that followed, have left al-Qaida in Iraq fractured and pushed militants into remote parts of the north and south. Additional operations have been going after those pockets of fighters.

Officials have cited a drop in suicide bombings, from more than 60 in January to some 30 a month since July, along with a decrease in the flow of foreign fighters across the borders. But they acknowledge they have been unable to stop the car bombings and suicide attacks usually blamed on al-Qaida in Iraq, which is sometimes referred to by the initials AQI.

"We are not ready to declare anything other than that we have done significant damage to AQI and it is on the run in many areas," said Col. Steven Boylan, a spokesman for the top U.S. commander, Gen. David Petraeus.

"We have certainly taken a great deal of the network down, a lot of leaders, facilitators, financiers," he said. "But it’s clear out here we’ve got an enemy that’s got a lot of fight left in him."

International Briefs

LONDON (AP) — Most British citizens could be obese by 2050, a new government report warns, and the nation’s health secretary called Wednesday for a fundamental shift in the way the nation tackles obesity.

Health Secretary Alan Johnson didn’t blame British eating habits, calling obesity “a consequence of abundance, convenience and under­ derlying biology.”

KARACHI, Pakistan (AP) — Legislators of supporters of former prime minister Benazir Bhutto converged on Karachi for her planned homecoming Thursday from eight years in self-imposed exile and return to the center stage of Pakistan’s volatile politics.

Bringing off a deal of an attack by Islamic militants, she vowed to restore democracy and to fight religious extremism.

But there is public skepticism she can turn the bold rhetoric into reality.

VATICAN CITY (AP) — Pope Benedict XVI named 23 new cardinals Wednesday, giving Texas its first “prince” of the Roman Catholic Church in a clear recognition of the growing Latino presence in the U.S. church.

The appointment of Archbishop Daniel N. DiNardo of Galveston-Houston brings the number of American cardinals to 17, second only to Italy, and increases the American contingent’s clout in any conclave to elect a future pontiff.

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A student chapter of the national organization, Engineers Without Borders Cal Poly partners with developing communities worldwide to implement sustainable engineering projects. Although the chapter is only four years old, EWB Cal Poly has successfully implemented projects in three countries, and has set the stage to continue building actively needed in the sustainable development of those communities for the next 5 to 10 years.

"As a club our first goal is to build better communities in the countries we're working in. Our second goal is to build better engineers here at Cal Poly," said club president and mechanical engineering senior Jesse Rond.

"The countries we work with need basic, simple engineering tasks that as students we can adequately provide," he said. EWB Cal Poly is working on team projects in Thailand, Nicaragua and Indonesia.

The Thailand project, which started three years ago in the chapter's first project, focuses on water purification and sanitation improvements in their selected rural community. The local community's name, Mae Nahin Koh, translates roughly to "muddy river" and serves as a fitting description of the engineering project that the Thailand team had to tackle.

Mae Nahin Koh's contaminated water source was resulting in widespread sickness in the community, so after two initial assessment trips in 2005, the EWB Cal Poly team spent six months planning and designing a slow sand filtration system to provide clean water to the region's primary school.

In 2006, the team traveled back to assess the newly installed filter's performance, and found that the project had been a huge success. David Markman, civil engineering senior and the Thailand team manager said that the project resulted in a 95 percent removal of coliforms (bacterial indicators of possible fecal contamination in water) and that after project completion, the local health center reported that half as many children were being admitted for gastrointestinal sicknesses.

"We don't want to come in and try to sell a community what they need," Markman said. "We just want to be able to provide them with our engineering skills."

EWB Cal Poly will also be hosting a workshop for the region to learn how to build and maintain their own slow sand filtration systems. "Our goal is to try and transfer the technical knowledge from us to them," Markman explained.

Team manager Markman said that the EWB club and his pursuit of a civil engineering degree are helping him fulfill his desire to better the world.

"I want to be helpful and civil engineering provided me with the most direct way to benefit people," he said. "The things I get out of Engineers Without Borders, like becoming a better skilled engineer, that's coincidental to the satisfaction of using my natural talents to the betterment of others," he said.

EWB Cal Poly's Nicaragua project works within the community of Nueva Vida, which, despite its hope-
A round of cheers and applause accompanied the opening credits of "Singin' in the Rain" at the Fremont Theatre Tuesday night. As the lights dimmed, the atmosphere was one of an old-fashioned movie premiere with the anticipation running high as the audience waited for the classic of the screen to unfold.

The film was shown as part of the classic movie series "Hollywood’s Great Musicals and Spectacles" and was met with great success among the audience. There was a wide range of people present, from those old enough to have seen the film’s original release in 1952 to young children with their parents.

The evening kicked off with a brief round of trivia put together by the staff of the Fremont. It was a fun and effective way to draw the crowd into the movie and gave the audience a chance to win prizes like a free dinner at a local restaurant. As each question was asked, dozens of hands went into the air, showing that the majority of the audience members were longtime fans of the film.

This comedic musical (directed by Stanley Donen and Gene Kelly) tells the story of several actors working in Hollywood during the transition from silent to talking films. It’s a fun and effective way to draw the crowd into the movie pre-show.

The "Hollywood’s Great Musicals and Spectacles" series will be continuing through May with a different film every month. The next film will be "The Sound of Music," which will be held on Tuesday, Nov. 13. The film starts at 7:30 p.m., but trivia and games will be held at 7 p.m.

The "Singin’ in the Rain" premiere in 1952, and an enjoyable experience for all. Seeing the film on a big screen, as it was meant to be seen, was an experience the audience would not soon forget.

Gene Kelly sings and dances in the falling rain, left, in the 1952 classic "Singin’ in the Rain."
Who has time for television anymore? With the pressure of midterms looming and the workload increasing, more? With the pressure of midterms, the fourth episode premieres today, and "Coastal Dreams," a new drama from NBC, seems to have this dilemma in mind.

"Coastal Dreams" is a soap opera that premiered not on NBC, but on a phone. This online-only television series is about an hour long, divided into 24 episodes lasting two to five minutes. The show's fourth episode premieres today, and new episodes are available online every Tuesday and Thursday. Its accessible format mixed with a beautiful California setting and the steamy relationships often seen in soap operas, makes this a show perfectly suited for college students.

Accessibility is key for "Coastal Dreams," according to the show's executive producer Robert Angelo. In a recent conference call, Angelo said, "We're going to give them quality programming, be it on a mobile phone, their iPod, online, or on the television channel." With episodes lasting only a few minutes, a Columbia student could watch a full episode on a cell phone in the short time it takes to walk from Pupin to Butler.

With such short episodes, it is valid to ask how the series can obtain enough dramatic momentum to keep viewers watching. Angelo promises that the series will be engaging, citing the show's use of cliffhangers and its interactive features. Angelo's enthusiasm for the cliffhangers at the end of each episode is apparent. "Yes, yes, yes, there are cliffhangers!" he exclaimed. "We're seeing the first six episodes and just saying... where's seven, eight, nine, 10, and 11? I want to watch more!"

The show is also a complete interactive experience. The Web site has message boards where fans can discuss story lines and speculate about future episodes. Danica Stewart, the star of "Coastal Dreams," keeps a blog written in the voice of her character, Zoe, so viewers can get more insight into the motivations of the characters. The creators encourage fans to explore the Web site and find a special butterfly image that is hidden somewhere inside the site. Clicking on the butterfly will unlock exclusive content and behind-the-scenes footage.

Both Angelo and Stewart are excited to take part in such an innovative series. "I feel so blessed with everything that's happening to me," said Stewart about her opportunity to work on "Coastal Dreams" and work on such a series. Angelo does not shy away from mentioning how this series is breaking new ground for the television medium. "I think we're pioneering the future and moving forward for NBC," he said.

Despite the pressure that rides on this show in popularizing online-only programming, Angelo remains optimistic — in fact, he has great ambitions for both "Coastal Dreams" and the future of online-only television series. Angelo thinks the Internet will be a launching pad for these new shows. "Once we start using (the Internet) as an outlet there might be possibilities that keep us forever sucked in at the monetary teat, keeping us both morally and culturally unable of social expansion.

As an American, I have a few more very important questions. What are we as a nation doomed to do with policy decisions based on when the money trail ends? Will we always choose to fight terrorism instead of world hunger because the latter decreases our GDP and fighting terrorism somehow increases funds in the national bank? I remain thoroughly and painstakingly disturbed.

In this mentality, this cornerstone of American socio-cultural expression, that keeps us forever suckling at the monetary teat, keeping us both morally and culturally unable of social expansion. As Americans, we value dollars over family dinner, popularity over practicality, but most of all — and for the life of me I can't tell you why — we value solidarity at the cost of individuality. What a load of horse droppings. The irony is, as we watch more. We're losing ourselves, but for what? We're losing ourselves, but for what?

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Downtown Centre 7 Cinema
3:10 to Yuma 1:50, 4:20, 6:50, 9:40
Elizabeth: The Golden Age 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:45
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We Own the Night 2:30, 5:00, 7:40, 10:30
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The Kingdom 4:15, 10:25
The Game Plan 3:45, 6:45, 9:45
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These are goddess times where the Virgin Mary is standard green and the fat lady doesn't sing until neoliberal capitalist blood flows red on the steps of Washington.

There's no such thing as free trade here; true equality is a bar i an idea whispered by the youth of yesterday, idealists long since retired, and maybe communists too. Because today we are living the consumer revolution complete with Nsync, Bl, Blackerbyz, and Brit.

Was I just saying something wrong? Something unsettling? Or did I just call a spade a spade? Either way, there's no need to go all Second Amendment on me, Charlton Heston, you can put the rifle away and call off your NRA dogs. This is America after all, and carte blanche dictates we act with a certain poetic justice.

It is this mentality, this cornerstone of American socio-cultural expression, that keeps us forever suckling at the monetary teat, keeping us both morally and culturally unable of social expansion. As Americans, we value dollars over family dinner, popularity over practicality, but most of all — and for the life of me I can't tell you why — we value solidarity at the cost of individuality.

What a load of horse droppings. The irony is, as we watch more. We're losing ourselves, but for what?

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St. Thomas defined an individual as being a single entity, undivided in itself, but separated from other beings: "Quod est in se indivisum, ab aliis uero divisum." We are all united in some way, but separate and distinct. If we as Americans can reclaim this concept of individuality as it was supposed to be, then we can overcome what we have become, because now we are slaves to the social machine.

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Who ya gonna call?

Mollie Helmuth
MUSTANG DAILY

The 2007-08 Cal Poly Wheelchair Foundation is getting an early start with fundraising this year, starting this evening with a "Halloween Movie Night." The classic '80s hit "Ghostbusters" will be showing tonight at the Fremont Theatre.

The Wheelchair Foundation is an international nonprofit organization that aims to create solutions for people who are immobile because they cannot afford a wheelchair. The organization raises money to buy wheelchairs and promotes public awareness of the need for wheelchairs in developing countries.

The Halloween Movie Night event will kick off the Cal Poly chapter's fundraising season and is geared toward students at only $5 per ticket.

"We thought "Ghostbusters" would be a fun throwback our generation remembers growing up with," said journalism senior and team member Jackie Pugh.

Cal Poly's Wheelchair Foundation is the first collegiate chapter, and the 25 students involved plan to raise $200,000 toward providing wheelchairs in Malawi, Africa. They will also travel to Malawi and participate in service projects within the community.

About 1 percent of Malawi's 13 million people are physically disabled, and malnutrition as well as HIV and AIDS are rampant in the area. Supported largely by local rotary clubs, this year's team will focus on financing education for Malawian children, buying wheelchairs and improving water wells in the community.

To clarify, the educational endowments are $100 donations that support a child's education for a year. The same amount of money can also buy a child a year's worth of food.

"Malawi is one of the most underdeveloped countries in the world," Pugh said. "It's estimated that of the 13 million Malawians, one million of them are orphans under 18."

The team has more student-friendly fundraisers in the works, including a photography exhibition in the PAC on Nov. 14, a benefit concert in February and the seventh annual "Gift of Mobility Gala" in April. They hope to achieve corporate sponsorship so that a large amount of proceeds can go toward helping Malawi.

If you are interested in helping the Wheelchair Foundation through donations or if you have questions, send e-mails to club president Josh Burroughs at jburroug@calpoly.edu. Any donation is appreciated, and $75 buys one wheelchair. Tickets for the 7:30 p.m. show are being sold by team members and will be available at the door.

"Ghostbusters," the 1984 classic is showing at 7:30 p.m. tonight at the Fremont Theatre. Proceeds from the $5 tickets will benefit the Wheelchair Foundation's Malawi Project.

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

In response to Taylor Scott's column:
Taylor, I couldn't agree with you more! What happened to this country? Democrat and their pro-pagandists are trying to take responsibility for our planet and future generation. They want a world of energy independence and a stable economy where we harness natural energy flows like wind, sun and rain. What happened to the good old days when we could understand earth's natural resources with no repercussions? And you know the worst part about it: even conservatives (including our President) are jumping on this whole climate change bandwagon. Democrats and Republicans are supposed to disagree on everything, none of this reaching across the aisle to tackle a global crisis holistically.

But seriously, Taylor, it's not like Gore discovered climate change last summer. Much of the industrial world began addressing this issue decades ago and are well on their way to a clean, energy-independent future. Let's be honest, there will never be 198 percent consensus among scientists on any issue ever. The question you need to ask yourself is it's worth rolling the dice today for your children's tomorrow.

Chad Worth
Industrial engineering senior

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Dear Mr. Chiappe,

I am a sophomore at Cal Poly and I am writing to you because I am concerned about the school's policies on LGBTQ+ inclusivity. My friend and I were invited to the weekly LGBTQ+ lunch at the student union, but when we arrived, we were asked to leave because the lunch is open to all students, not just LGBTQ+ individuals. This is concerning to me because it sends a message that the school does not value diversity and inclusion.

As a member of the LGBTQ+ community, I believe that all students should be able to feel safe and included on campus. I urge the administration to reconsider this policy and ensure that all students, regardless of their sexual orientation or gender identity, feel welcome at our school.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]

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METH 101

Lee: Hey Sean! You look terrible!
Sean: Aha, don't you? I have a headache that's pounaing me harder than Ron Jeremy; I haven't slept for three days. I did meth for the first time in my life on Monday night and I haven't been able to go to bed since. I've made a vow never to do that again.
Lee: Really? You have that bad of a reaction? I do that stuff all the time. Sometimes it actually helps me get to sleep.
Sean: Yeah, man, you're in deep. How do you keep such an unblemished complexion doing large amounts of meth?
Lee: Well, usually I do it indoors. That keeps me from getting sunburned. Although a lot of the other guys know who do have pretty bad bad back.
Sean: So you've established yourself in a community of users! How do you even maintain a friendship with your deteriorated brain?
Lee: Seriously, meth is probably the worst thing you can do for your body.

Lee: Well, I guess it is pretty demanding. I do so much I rarely find time to go to the gym. But really, my brain has only gotten stronger from it. I wouldn't have even gotten through grade school if I weren't good at it.
Sean: Hooked as an infant? Were you such an outcast that you would do anything to get the cool kids' attention? Let me see your teeth. Keep surprisingly healthy.
Lee: Actually, most of the cool kids didn't do it so much at all. I guess my habit kind of made me the outcast. But I'm fine with my decision.

As an engineer, I use it all the time to deal with the tough problems my major provides.

Sean: Now that I can understand. I see you working 38 hours a week outside of class just to get by. But all that hard work will be for nothing when you're wounded heart fails at age 25.
Lee: Oh, Sean. That's not an accurate view of my lifestyle. Most people have done it so much that they die also had terrible diets, large amounts of meth?

Lee: What kind of terrible school did you go to? They were trying to persuade you not to do it? Don't they know it will give you more options in life if you get familiar with it?
Sean: Options? You mean like whether to die in an alley with two needles in your arm or in a mobile home with a wife who looks like Skeleton?
Lee: What the hell are you talking about? You're talking about meth like it's some sort of drug?

Lee: Math? I've been talking about meth this whole time.
Sean: Meth? I've been talking about math this whole time. Oh yeah.
Meth is awful. Wait, you did that?
Sean: Yeah. But I've still never done math, though.

Lee: We're no longer friends.

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Global warming: fact or fiction?

WARM, Ryan Moriarty, I now feel dumber after reading your letter to the editor (Oct. 15). Thank you for casting my naive and everyone else with the statement "Taylor Scott is a big stupid dummy." I don’t like that, but that is some useful information you’ve got there! I’ll stone it away with the phone number of my ex-boyfriend, thank you.

Then the question hits me like an Iggy and the Stooges power chord. (Did you catch that subtle hint at my acute bandology?)

"No, like, what kind of music are you into?" There it is. The question to end all questions. It’s loaded with repressed judgment and threats to automatically give one couch-sitter all the power.

Oh, God! What kind of music am I into? Well, let’s see...

Global warming: fact or fiction?

Global warming is a scientific fact. It is the result of human activity, primarily the burning of fossil fuels, which release greenhouse gases into the atmosphere. These gases trap heat from the sun, leading to an increase in global temperatures.

The science behind global warming is well established and supported by overwhelming evidence from various fields, including meteorology, oceanography, and climatology. Most climate scientists agree that human activities are the primary cause of global warming.

However, there are a few who argue that global warming is not a significant problem or that it is caused by natural factors. These arguments are often based on selective interpretation of data or a lack of understanding of the complex nature of climate systems.

In conclusion, the scientific consensus is that global warming is real and caused primarily by human activities. It is important to continue researching and addressing this issue to mitigate its potential impacts on the environment and human societies.
Kobe expected to play in exhibition against Seattle

John Nadel

EL SEGUNDO, Calif. — Kobe Bryant returned to practice after sitting out the previous three days and coach Phil Jackson said he expects the disgruntled Los Angeles Lakers’ star to play in an exhibition game Thursday night.

"We'll probably play him, get him out there," Jackson said after practice Wednesday. "He seemed all right, sure did." Bryant asked to be traded more than four months ago, then avoided speaking about the Lakers until the beginning of training camp Oct. 1, when he talked more positively, saying he was looking forward to the season.

It seemed the parties had put negative feelings behind them before Bass made his comments to three beat writers last week. Jackson said it was essentially business as usual Wednesday, although Bryant wasn’t involved in scrimmaging at the end of practice.

"I'm extremely helpful with young players today, helping them with the offense," the coach said. "It was good — he was out there, smiling and looking good, helping guys," teammate Kwame Brown said. "He was out there working, hopefully that means he's going to play. We want him to play, we need him to play.

Brown said the Lakers haven't been distracted by the fact that Bryant asked to be traded more than three days and his apparent distinction with management.

"We didn't know what was going on. We thought it was his knees," Brown said. "Hopefully, they can handle that upstairs."

Derek Fisher, who returned to Los Angeles this season after nine years in Golden State and one in Utah, said he wasn't sure how Bryant felt at this point and where the team stood.

Fisher and Bryant began their careers with the Lakers in 1996.

"I don't know if I'd call it a distraction," Fisher said. "All we can really do is the guys we have right now, including him. Everyone aware of his presence, what he brings to the team. He's such a presence.

Regarding Thursday night’s game, Fisher said "Physically if he's capable of it, I expect him to play."

Fisher said he hadn't talked with Bryant about his situation with the Lakers, saying he was reluctant to ask certain questions because of the answers he might hear.

"I'm sure for him it's tough emotionally," Fisher said. "I'd love to play with him for the rest of my career. Hopefully, whatever happens, it's for the best for everyone involved."
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minute after he was awarded his second yellow card for a hard tackle. Midfielder Chris Ponnet also received a yellow card. After the incident, the Poly crowd began to chant "といった。

Poly knew going into the game that it would be physically tough. Holzheimer urged his team not to fall into the trap of playing the Gusties game:

"The best defense is a good offense" we had put them on their heels and we did," said Grillo.

Scott goalkeeper Eric Brugman-Franco saved a shot attempt with one moment left and sent his squad up the field to reach the match. Of the record-setting crowd, Holzheimer said, "I looked behind me and I looked in front of me and there wasn't an empty seat and they were the reason we could pull something like this." The Mustangs will try to keep their winning streak alive as they pack up their bags for a trip to UC Irvine on Oct. 25.

To respond to how the team will adjust to being on the road after their homestand, Zamora said, "We're going to play like we're at home."
Poly edges Gauchos 2-1

Mustangs rally from 1-1 tie at the half to upset No. 15 UC Santa Barbara and move alone into first place in the Big West.

Rachel Gellman

The Cal Poly men's soccer team (9-1-1, 4-0-1 Big West Conference) defeated defending national champion No. 15 UC Santa Barbara (9-2-4, 3-1-1 HWC) for the first time since Nov. 7, 2000 in a 2-1 victory Wednesday night as they pushed their winning streak to eight games.

Both teams were fighting to maintain their undefeated fell-place conference standings in the Big West.

The Mustangs had momentum coming into the match after blanking UC Davis 3-0 Oct. 14, upping their winning streak to seven. The Gauchos were coming off a 2-2 tie to UC Davis on Oct. 12. They lost their 2-1 lead with less than six minutes left in the match.

Big West Player of the Week freshman David Zamora had two early shot on goal in the first half to no avail. Fellow freshman, Kyle Montgomery also had a failed shot attempt in the ninth minute of the match. Although the three shots were unsuccessful, they all happened before UCSB had one attempt.

The record-setting crowd of 7,143 erupted in the 16th minute of play when an unassisted Zamora scored his fifth goal of the season on a free kick from the top of the box straight into the top-right side of the net to put the Mustangs up 1-0.

"I (kept) hitting the post and the same thing it went in. It was a great goal," Zamora said. He also commented on the crowd, saying, "We play for the crowd, we play for the school and we hope they come out and support us."

The previous record for a crowd was 2,694 on Nov. 7, 1986 against UC Santa Barbara.

The Gauchos upped their intensity level near the end of the half as they tried to hold Poly down but were unable to stop the Mustangs from getting into the left side of the net, putting Poly up 2-1. He was assisted by freshman forward Tim White.

Grillo, who usually plays defense, moved forward to play a different position in the second half of the game. He scored the game-winning goal. He also assisted freshman的喜爱.

Both squads ended the half with five shot attempts.

The Mustangs opened up the second half strong as they scored in the 90th minute. Grillo sliced the ball past the Gauchos defense into the left side of the net, putting Poly up 2-1. He was assisted by freshman forward Tim White.

Grillo, who usually plays defense for Poly, was put into the game as a right midfielder with eight minutes left in the first half. Head coach Paul Huolicker, who was testing Grillo out in different parts of the field due to the injury of forward Daniel Cumming, said, "I couldn't be happier that Grillo scored the game-winning goal." noon, added that Grillo has a great character and work ethic at practice and has improved tremendously.

In the 61st minute, O'Brien sent a scare through the 7,143 onlookers as he kicked a laser past Poly defenders only to watch the ball bounce off the right goal post and out of play.

Freshman Gauccho defender Mi- cheal Benold was awarded a yellow card in the 89th minute of play for his high level of physicality. The entire game was physical with a total of 45 fouls among both teams.

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(Top) Freshman David Zamora heads a ball toward the UC Santa Barbara goal in the first half. (Below) Cal Poly teammates celebrate following Zamora's goal in the first half. The win puts Cal Poly at 9-1-1 overall.

Nick Camacho Mustang Daily

Gerch starts first week in new position

Laura Kasavan Mustang Daily

Brett Gerch has only been on the job a few days as head strength and conditioning coach for Cal Poly Athletics, but he is already hard at work.

Gerch oversees the Cal Poly weight room and is responsible for conditioning the athletes in all 20 intercollegiate sports. His current challenge is learning the name of every athlete he works with.

"I love athletics and I love athletes," Gerch said. "It's fun to work with different personalities, many of which are entertaining or amusing."

He replaced former head coach John Kaupp, who moved on to a position as assistant strength and conditioning coach for Kansas State University.

He also assisted the football program's strength, speed and conditioning.

Gerch said his greatest challenge at Cal Poly will be the added responsibility of working with 20 teams as opposed to the seven he worked with at Delaware. He plans to deal with this by staying organized and communicating with coaches about scheduling.

Athletics director Alison Cone said that Gerch's emphasis on speed in his coaching will benefit athletes.

"I think he's going to do a wonderful job because of his experience, speed work and enthusiasm," Cone said.

Before his work at Delaware, Gerch worked for two years as assistant strength coach for the NFL's Baltimore Ravens and simultaneously worked as the head strength performance coach with Velocity Sport Performance in Balti-

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NICK CAMACHO MUSTANG DAILY

Poly teams respectable in 'football'

Well, I must say, my memo last week must have had a little something to do with that 63- 28 drubbing of UC Davis. Man, what a win. Way to embarrass your rival; kick them when they're down. It still feels sweet more than a week later. There's nothing like winning a game by 35 points on enemy soil, and I'm 1,800 miles away.

Beating your rival is always sweet; it means something extra. It's not really describable in words, but hearing Davis win is not just another win.

Let me bit you with a little story: UC Davis hasn't had a losing season in 37 years, the longest such streak in any division of NCAA football. Cal Poly not only ensured that UC Davis (2-5) probably won't continue that amazing streak, but enforced the issue. When Davis looked back, this will be the first game they forget.

Kudos to Cal Poly football for dominating this team as they opened their new stadium full of alumni (like my dad), and holding that homeshoe for another year.

Well, if you look back at my first article, it would be easy to call them a genius. If you remem- ber, I talked about a receiver who was pretty darn good. I told everyone to just watch and he wouldn't disappoint. Those were my exact words.

But I'm not here to talk about how right I was, and how I knew talent when I see it. No, I'll start by saying how much this team surprised me. I knew we had a solid offense, but nev- er knew it was 63-points solid. Poly has outscored its opponents 119-49 the past two games, but that's in the past. Now it's re- demption time.

The best part about college football is that every game means so much. Every week is life-or-death. Like it or not, that 0-2 start may come back to haunt this team. South Dakota State devastated our playoff chances last year. Key word here: "DEV- ASTATED," our playoff hopes.

With a 28-6 lead heading into the fourth quarter, the defense took over and American as they coasted late. The final score read 29- 28, leaving a shell-shocked team in the Box.

Johnny in the Box

John Middlekauff

Josh Ayers