Women's energy forum attracts two students

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California's first energy forum head­ed by an all-female panel took place Monday; two Cal Poly students attended.

Empower Poly Coalition Vice President Tyler Harnick helped organize the event and electrical engineering sophomore Mark Cabal heard about the event from physics professor Peter Schwartz.

"I am shocked that not many stu­dents came out for the event," Cabal said. "I learned a lot of information about policies regarding climate change.

The panel discussed new legisla­tion affecting California's energy and climate fields, as well as how corporations affect consumer energy consumption.

After waiting 15 minutes for more students to arrive, Central Coast radio personality for KCBB-FM (National Public Radio) Marisa Waddell introduced the panel, which consisted of three female experts in California's energy and climate fields. Speakers included two doc­toral candidates in the Energy and Resources Group at the University of California, Berkeley and a utility consumer advocate attorney from The Utility Reform Network.

Schwartz, who helped organize the event, said the panel was com­prised only of women because all three speakers have thoroughly studied renewable energy. She added that women usually provide a perspective of what energy does for society.

"They are often focused on equity and environmental issues more than technology, which we are recognizing is increasingly im­portant, because the purpose of converting energy is to serve soci­ety optimally," Schwartz said.

The panel said what California does will affect climate change policy because the state is responsible for 7.5 percent of the total U.S. greenhouse gas emissions.

Speaker and doctoral candidate Carla Peterson said of all the emissions released by the state, electricity makes up 25 percent and transportation contributes 40 percent.

She said in finding clean burn­ing alternatives, one of the things we must do is weigh the cost and benefits of distributive and collective solar and wind plants.

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Cal Poly Dairy Team takes first place at national competition

The four members of Cal Poly's Dairy Team, (from left) Kate Rector, Brian Medeiros, A.J. Martin and Mike Wesselink, won first place at the North American Intercollegiate Dairy Challenge in April. It's Cal Poly's first victory in eight years.

The team prepared a mock dairy evaluation of one of four dairies in Kings and Tulare County along with teams from more than 30 uni­versities in the United States and Canada on April 9 and 10.

The Dairy Team took home first place and $200 scholarships to the North American Intercollegiate Dairy Challenge (NAIDC) in Visalia, California. The team prepared a mock dairy evaluation of one of four dairies in Kings and Tulare County along with teams from more than 30 uni­versities in the United States and Canada on April 9 and 10.

Next, each team presented plans to a panel of judges from today's dairy industry that detailed recommen­dations for the most efficient manage­ment of the dairy they toured.

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David Cameron takes over as British prime minister

U.K.'s new coalition

Conservative David Cameron, Britain's new prime minister, announced a coalition government with Liberal Democrat Nick Clegg.

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David Cameron
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2004 Head of party policy coordination
2005 Party and opposition leader

Key points of deal
• Liberal Democrats get five cabinet posts
• Cameron agrees to hold referendum on electoral reform

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LONDON — Conservative leader David Cameron became Britain's new prime minister Tuesday, ending 13 years of Labor Party rule and opening the door to an unprecedented coalition government with the third-party Liberal Democrats.

After three days of negotiations be­tween the parties, Cameron emerged from Buckingham Palace, where Queen Elizabeth II formally invited him to form a government. The Con­servatives fell just short of a majority in last week's election and sought the support of the Liberal Democrats to solidify their grip on power.

Cameron left the palace for the prime minister's official Downing Street residence, which had been vac­ated earlier by Gordon Brown. Early in the day, Brown stepped down as prime minister and Labor leader, hav­ing failed in his own attempt to strike a deal with the Liberal Democrats.

Announcing his resignation, Brown said he was making way for a new leader.

"It was a privilege to serve, and yes, I love the job, not for its prestige, its titles and its ceremony, which I do not love at all," Brown said, with his wife, Sarah, at his side. "No, I love the job for its potential to make this country I love fairer, more tolerant, more green, more democratic, more prosperous and more just, truly a greater Britain.

"I have always strived to serve, to do my best in the interest of Britain, its values and its people," he said.

His voice cracked as he thanked his wife and two sons.

He then climbed into his armored car to attend one final audience as Brit­ain's leader with Queen Elizabeth II, where he would tender his resignation and pave the way for Cameron to take over as the youngest prime minister in nearly two centuries.

Such a changeover in government would close the door on 13 years of "New Labour," the centrist experiment in party politics pioneered by Tony Blair. Brown, 59, served as Blair's for­midable No. 2 for a decade before fi­nally inheriting the top job three years ago.

Later Tuesday, Cameron, 43, is ex­pected to announce a power-sharing deal with the Liberal Democrats that will see the smaller, left-leaning party in government for the first time in de­cades. Cameron's Cabinet is likely to include senior figures from the Liberal Democrats such as Nick Clegg, the party's leader.

Clegg, who is the same age as Cameron, has been in the position of kingmaker since Thursday's general election, which produced the first di­vided Parliament without a single-party majority in 36 years. The Liberal Democrats came in third, but held the balance of power.

The expected coalition government is a marriage few would have foreseen only a few weeks ago and could yet prove unstable. The two parties diverge on many policy issues, but after five days of negotiation, they were on the verge Tuesday of striking a bargain ac­ceptable to both sides.

Part of any deal probably would be movements on the Liberal Democrats' key demand of reform to Britain's elec­toral system, which tends to produce
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Arizona governor signs law banning ethnic studies classes

Nicole Santa Cruz

A bill that aims to ban ethnic studies in Arizona schools was signed into law Tuesday by Gov. Jan Brewer, drawing criticism who called such classes divisive and alarming others who say it’s yet another law targeting Latinos in the state.

The move comes less than 20 days after Brewer signed a controversial immigration bill which has caused widespread protest against the state. Brewer’s press office did not return requests for comment Tuesday evening.

HB 2281 would bar schools from teaching classes that are designed for students of a particular ethnic group, promote resentment of or ethnic solidarity over treating pupils as individuals. The bill also bars classes that promote the overthrow of the U.S. government.

The bill was written to target the Chicano, or Mexican-American, studies program in the Tucson school system, said State Superintendent of Public Instruction Tom Horne.

School districts that don’t comply with the new law could have up to 10 percent of their state funds withheld each month. Districts have the right to appeal the mandate, which goes into effect Dec. 31.

Littren’s press office did not return requests for comment Tuesday evening.

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“Everyone really complemented each other’s strengths, and it showed.”

Cal Poly’s presentation was one of the first ones I saw, but in my opinion it blew everyone else out of the water.”

Jennifer Gisler

NADC, organizer

Cal Poly’s Dairy Team is small, but that only helped each member refine their particular skills to help the team as a whole. Dairy science senior Anthony Martin said the challenge brought them all much closer together.

“We divided the tasks and everyone really took everying seriously and adapted to their roles. We got really tight and got along really well,” Martin said.

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Modern Music Academy hosts benefit show for Guitars Not Guns at DTB

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The Modern Music Academy will showcase some of its finest talent Friday at Downtown Brewing Co. during its first “Big Benevolent Bash.”

Both a benefit concert for “Guitars Not Guns,” a national organization providing guitars and lessons for at-risk youth, as well as a final performance for the students in the Professional Music Certificate program, the concert will showcase some of San Luis Obispo’s up-and-coming rock stars.

Tucked away in an alley off Pacific Street, the 6-year-old academy is a music school that specializes in guitar training, production, songwriting and performance skills. It was co-founded by couple Jessie Clarke and Darren Clarke; the two wanted to take a practical approach to musicianship. Jessie Clarke said they wanted to emphasize putting artists in groups to give them a true “band” experience.

“It doesn’t come alive until you make music with other people, so that’s our sort of angle and our philosophy. That’s what we specialize in — the group approach and performance skills,” Clarke said.

The academy offers an array of guitar-heavy programs, from weekly lessons for all ages to more career-focused courses. The “Big Benevolent Bash” will be the graduation show for the 11 students in the 30-week Professional Music Certificate program — the academy’s most demanding course. The performance, in fact, is a part of their grade.

“We are actually going to be grading them and it counts for 25 percent of their final grade for their certificate. So it’s a big deal for them,” Clarke said.

Clarke said this performance will showcase some of San Luis Obispo’s up-and-coming rock stars.

The students in the program have been working endless hours, trying to prepare everything from demos, to press kits, to performance improvements. Cuesta student Jasmin Ponceter said she wasn’t prepared for the degree of seriousness.

“We were totally here to jam out, and then all of a sudden it became this huge big serious important thing that you must be perfect. But it’s great though. No one’s ever whipped me into shape like that. I would have never ever been where I am right now if it wasn’t for them,” Ponceter said.

Some participating students feel that the academy is a more practical educational alternative to a college degree in regards to the music industry. San Luis Obispo High School graduate Erik Swanson said he is pursuing his passion rather than sitting behind a desk.

“I’m going to keep all my education just around music, because you know they say, If you love your job, then you never have to work a day in your life. And I really believe in that, so that’s what I’m going for,” Swanson said.

Ponceter and Swanson will perform a few covers and original pieces together. Both were surprised at their newly-acquired knowledge.

“I’m also playing bass in a couple songs — which I never do. But the academy teaches you how to back up the other people — how to complement other instruments. We all learned how to complement each other’s styles, how to make each other sound good as well as ourselves,” Ponceter said.

Opening for the show will be the academy’s music program for the

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younger rock crowd — Rock Band Academy. Clarke said that she’s ex­
cited for the audience to witness the amount of talent from the 12 to 15-year-old aspiring musicians. "I think they’re going to be sur­prised by the talent in the Rock Band Academy," Clarke said. "I al­ways love to see kids get on stage and go, ‘Oh my gosh, they’re born to be up there.’ And some people re­ally have that. And we have some of those people in our program." All of the proceeds are benefiting
president of the San Luis Obispo chapter. Anderson, who started the local chapter in 2006, said it’s a re­warding feeling to build self-esteem through music. "It’s a great tool to instill the self­esteem and confidence in a kid. They learn discipline and self­empower­ment. It’s next to see them build that confidence," Anderson said.
Students are also excited to be playing for a cause. Swanson said he is grateful to be sharing his pas­sion with kids who might not have an outlet. "I really believe in giving youth music. Listening to music, playing music, it adds something to you. It’s not a tangible thing. I’m so excited to be doing this charity because we’re taking at­risk kids, and we’re giving them music. Even they might be in a bad place, at least they’re going to have music, and that might keep their head above water," Swanson said.
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Have you ever been down to that final $3 in the wallet or bank account and wondered what the hell you were go­ing to do? I know it’s a foreign concept to many Cal Poly students. Most of us are privileged enough to have parents provide rent and extra spending mon­ey so that we can get the true “college experience” (i.e. koozi­ing heavily and scoping the downtown scene for the next lovely lady). But there are also a lot of us out here who work part or full time while going to school full time just to get by.

The $3 in your pocket means a lot to you, whether it’s your last $3 or just what happens to be in your wallet. But just because that’s all the mon­ey you have doesn’t mean you can’t enjoy the finer things in life.

So I propose the next time you’re strapped for cash, don’t spend it on 12 packets of top ramen ($0.30 per pack if it’s on sale. Not that I’ve ever bought that... I, buy yourself a Franziskaner Hefe­Weiss.

Franziskaner is available at most of the major supermarkets in town and at Boo Boo for less than $3.

This particular hefe­weiss seems to be of the Bavarian style, which is to say it has a strong scent and flavor of cloves and bananas.

Franziskaner is brewed in Ger­many, in which Bavaria is a state, so the fact that the beer is Bavarian in style isn’t all that shocking. But it does have a little bit more flavor (and less of a limp) than the usual Bavarian sus­pects.

Kaiser Soze is on the other hand... oh wait, he was Turkish right? Sorry, hopefully you’ll all see “The Usual Suspects” or that joke was a waste of five seconds of your life.

If you compare Franziskaner to more popular Bavarians, you’ll be able to tell the difference. Trader Joe’s sells a decent Bavar­ian Hef, but it tastes stale compared to Franziskaner. However, it is a good alternative and cheap in its own right at less than $6 for a six pack.

I also recently tried Einhorn Beer Company’s Bavarian­inspired Wei­nerbock titled Der Kommissar. This was another beauty that costs less than $4 for 22 ounces of beer at a whopping 7.9 percent ABV.

While I don’t think Der Kommiss­ar quite matches up with the Franzis­kaner in the taste category, I was very impressed with the effort from a local brewery that doesn’t get much credit these days.

Der Kommissar had a lighter aro­ma of cloves and bananas, and a little less sting in the taste department, but it was very balanced and smooth.

And let me tell you, it packs a punch. At 7.9 percent, be ready to take a seat for a while after you finish that one or else you’re going to look pretty uncoordinated and stupid on the dance floor at Mother’s. So, we all look a little bit stupid on the dance floor there, but you get the gist.

I don’t know who put the frugal sense into all these Bavarian beer mak­ers, but it’s a blessing. Maybe everyone in Bavaria is poor and so they kept their beer reasonably priced.

All I know is that if you’re look­ing for a little bang for your buck, try to find a Bavarian­inspired brew and you’ll get what you’re looking for.

Scott Siley is the Mustang Daily beer columnist and a journalism senior. He spends most of his paychecks on beer and a lot of his time watching the Calif­ornia on WGN.

Bavarian is best bang for your buck

beer column

"Guitars Not Guns," Clarke said, after some discussion, he and the students decided it was the most ap­propriate choice.

"We wanted it to be meaningful and not just go into some big fund that you don’t have much of a rela­tionship with. So I think that’s why we chose ‘Guitars Not Guns’ — one, we already have a prior relationship with them, two, it’s local, and three, it’s music­related," Clarke said. "You’re helping people have access to music which is such an amazing gift.

"To make it happen, Clarke got in contact with Deputy Dale Anderson, a local school resource officer and

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It's official: Arizona has become the new target of the liberal bloc. The Obama Administration and several liberal activist groups have taken a break from mocking the tea party movement, and have focused their attention on the state of Arizona.

The state's newest illegal immigration law demands proper immigration documentation. It legalizes the transport of illegal immigrants and prohibits people from blocking traffic as they try to solicit work. So why are so many radicals boycotting Arizona?

Aside from questioning its constitutionality, liberal spin-doctors have twisted this immigration law into a racial controversy in hopes of fostering a stronger political following. After all, the race card has been effective in gaining Democratic support for other issues. Why not try it now? According to these folks, the new law steps on the toes of the federal government and encourages racial profiling.

This would be an excellent argument—that is, if it were actually valid.

The truth is, President Obama knows Arizona has not broken any federal laws. Although he has severely condemned the state for taking this recent action, he really can't do anything about it. Aside from the Amendment protection, Plyer v. Doe (1982) affirmed the states' ability to deter the influx of persons entering the United States against federal law.

If Arizona had done anything legally inappropriate, the Obama Administration would have immediately denounced it as unconstitutional. Instead, Attorney General Eric Holder claims that the Justice Department is still "considering all of our options." In other words, the Obama Administration is stalling for its federal immigration legislation to make its way through Congress.

Many argue that the local police should not be burdened with the responsibilities of federal law. However, the inactivity of the federal government has given the state the same choice but to take matters into their own hands. Several Arizona citizens have been brutally murdered by illegal immigrants, the kidnapping rate has skyrocketed and drug use has dramatically increased. Sorry, but I thought the purpose of local law enforcement was to maintain and enforce a safe environment for its citizens.

Opponents of this law neglect to understand the infeasibility of Arizona police using racial profiling to control immigration. With Hispanics making up over 30 percent of Arizona's population, it would be impossible to pull over every Hispanic driver. As a result, the bill would only target those that were acting blatantly suspicious.

Even Sen. Harry Reid admits that "the system is broken" when it comes to illegal immigration policy.

However, the liberal-supported policy of amnesty to illegal immigrants is no policy, and has no element of sustainability. In 1986, more than 2.7 million immigrants were granted amnesty. Statistics show this only encouraged more to cross the border. National illegal immigration policy has failed, and Arizona has stepped up to the plate.

Obama stated that Arizona's new legislation threatens to "undermine basic notions of fairness that we cherish as Americans." But tell me, is it fair that so many illegal immigrants reap the social benefit of our government? Or is it fair that many of our own citizens get rejected to our state universities year after year in favor of students from illegal immigrant families?

We often generalize that all illegal immigrants are taking on the unskilled jobs that Americans don't want. Yet Senator Patrick Leahy, chairman of the Senate Senate Immigration Policy Committee, insists that the backs of many jobs are filled with legal immigrants, the kidnapping rate has skyrocketed and drug use has dramatically increased. Sorry, but I thought the purpose of local law enforcement was to maintain and enforce a safe environment for its citizens.

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Even Sen. Harry Reid admits that "the system is broken" when it comes to illegal immigration policy.
Pride week is certainly an excellent collection of events to raise awareness and respect throughout the community. It is one of the only events on campus that celebrates diversity on a basis other than ethnicity. Of the dozen or so events associated with pride week, there is only one with which 1 take issue: the painting of the P.

The events of pride week are excellent ways for different students to be informed about the LGBTQ community on campus. I would have to guess that the vast majority of students and community members are at least tolerant (this runs the full range between apathy all the way up to being an ally of the community). The P, however, is a symbol that visibly represents all Cal Poly students, regardless of their own beliefs, and therefore, painting it to represent the LGBTQ community speaks on behalf of a minority, without consulting the feelings of the larger group which the symbol represents.

To be tolerant of someone else is to simply let them do as they will without harming anyone. Because the P serves as a visible representation of all Cal Poly, painting it any color other than white or some scheme of white, green, and gold makes a statement. In this case, the statement is often a point of contention, and moderation was not, in this case, adequately considered.

---Anonymous
In response to "Cal Poly's LGBTQ Pride Center hosts annual Pride Week"

The way I see it, the given permission to paint the P in rainbow colors this week shows that Cal Poly is tolerant (and perhaps even supportive) of the LGBTQ community. What I really don’t understand is what I perceive to be your concern, that such tolerance and support could be construed as a poor representation of the university as a whole. If you could please explain that further, I'd really appreciate it.

---Anonymous
In response to "Cal Poly's LGBTQ Pride Center hosts annual Pride Week"

If you turn around the argument just a bit and let the black groups on campus paint the P black for a week or let the women groups transform the P into the female symbol, in a bit easier to see where the other commenters are coming from.

The P to me, is a symbol that all of Cal Poly can get behind and feel represented. To paint it to call attention to any particular group only takes away from the campus as a whole.

—Brian Richter
In response to "Cal Poly's LGBTQ Pride Center hosts annual Pride Week"

I think it is important for everyone here to realize that the rainbow is not just a gay rights symbol but also a symbol that is representative of diversity.

I also think that it is important for people to realize that the standard color for the Cal Poly P is white, which does represent a certain group at Cal Poly. This group that is represented is also the universal standard at Cal Poly: white.

—Dante
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Dante, a few points you raise need to be addressed:
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MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Don’t call it a comeback.

The Mustangs may be out of playoff contention, but that doesn’t mean they are giving up hope for the remainder of the season. After keeping each game against UC Irvine last weekend close, Cal Poly has kept its momentum rolling, grabbing an 18-11 win against Loyola Marymount Tuesday afternoon.

With the win, the Mustangs—who have scored more than 10 runs in their past three contests—are victorious in five of their last seven games. That streak includes victories against teams like Long Beach State, UC Irvine and Fresno State.

That success carried over against the Lions, but at first, Loyola Marymount held the upper hand. Loyola Marymount came out with a four-run effort in the first inning highlighted by a two-RBI double to right center by Colton Plaia.

The Mustangs responded with a run in the second inning followed by a Luke Yoder home run and another RBI in third. But, with the Mustangs inching closer, the Loyola Marymount’s Matt Koch hit a two-run home run to left field. After adding two more runs in the fourth inning, the Mustangs let loose with a seven-run fifth inning.

Loyola Marymount relief pitcher Martin Viramontes came in for starter John Lally. Bobby Crocker tripled to right center and first baseman David Van Ostrand brought him home with a single to left center during the next at bat. Yoder knocked in two more runs with a triple to right center and outfielder Adam Melker capped the rally with a two-run bomb of his own.

Relief pitcher Tommy Erlin relieved starter Kyle Anderson with two outs in the bottom of the fifth inning to retire the final Lion batter of the frame on a fly ball to center. He pitched the rest of the game for his first collegiate victory. Erlin (1-0) retired the last 10 LMU batters of the game and finished the game with one walk and five strikeouts.

The Mustangs added four more runs in the ninth inning to seal the victory.

Yoder finished the game 4-for-6 with five RBIs and two home runs. He lifted his home run total for the season to 11 — 28 for his career — with his home run in the third inning and a two-run shot in the fourth. He was a double away from becoming the first Mustang to hit for the cycle since Cal Poly made its leap to a Division-I program.

He wasn’t the only Mustang to see success at the plate Tuesday.

Shortstop J.J. Thompson, who went 3-for-6, added two singles and a two-run double while right fielder Bobby Crocker, who went 3-for-4 tripled twice and singled once. Catcher Jordan Hadlock (2-for-6) contributed two singles and a solo homer, his first as a Mustang, and knocked in a total of three runs while Melker (2-for-5) contributed two singles for the cycle since Cal Poly made its leap to a Division-I program.

In total, the Mustangs pounded out 16 hits, producing double digits in hits for the seventh time in their last eight games.

Loyola Marymount tallied 13 hits that included a pair of two-run home runs by catcher Matt Koch.

Starting pitcher Kyle Anderson allowed 10 hits and eight earned runs in 4 2/3 innings of work. Erlin finished the game with 4 1/3 innings pitched while allowing one earned run. Erlin has allowed just one run in his last 10 1/3 innings over four appearances.

The loss went to Viramontes, who allowed seven runs and five hits, all in the fifth inning. In his previous outing against Saint Mary’s on May 2, Viramontes came within one strike of a no-hitter and settled for a two-hit shutout.

The Mustangs will return to the field when they travel to UC Davis for a three-game conference series this weekend.