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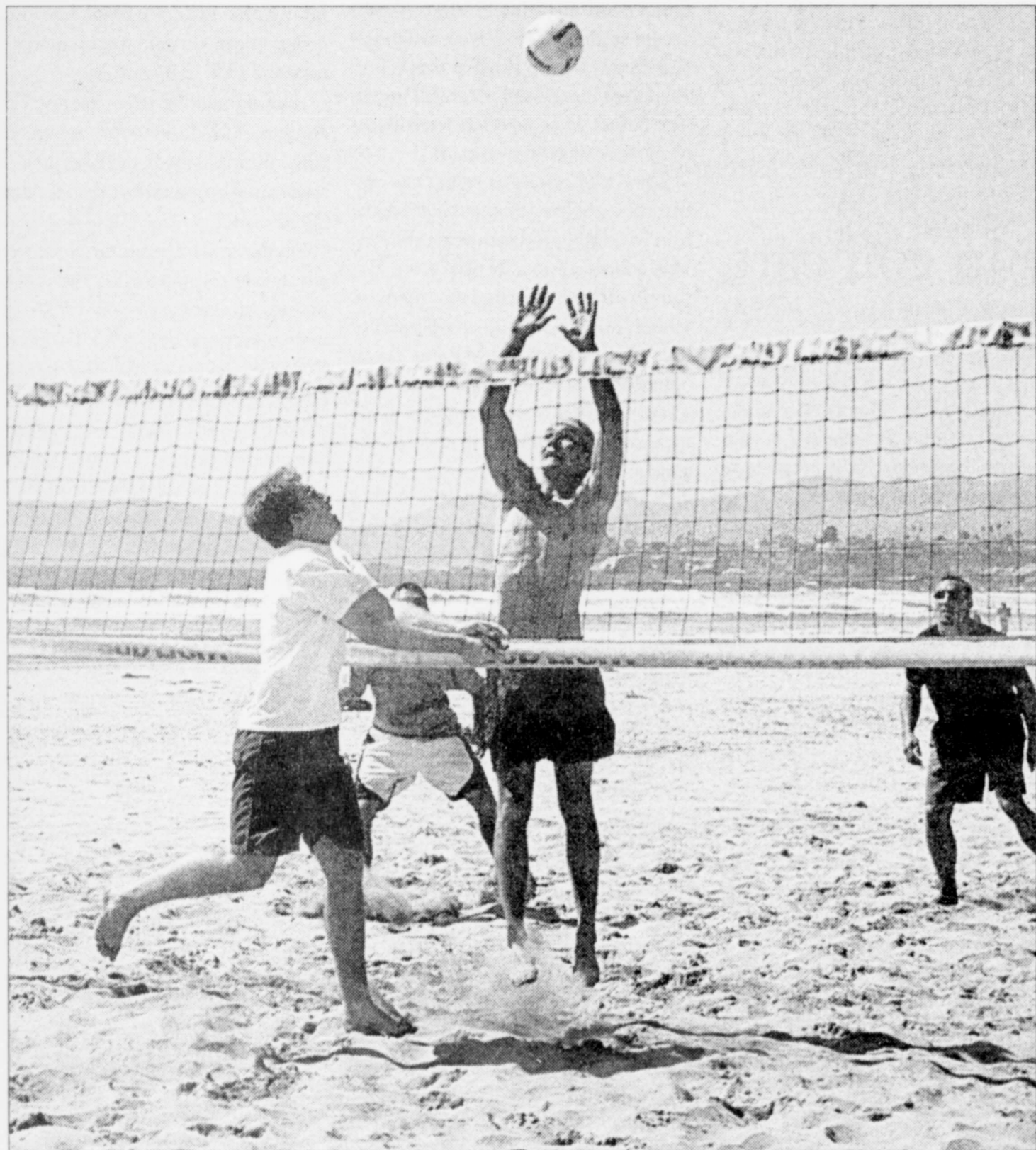


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Greeks take it to the beach



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Fraternity members kicked up some sand during the 23rd annual Greek Week volleyball competition. The event, held at Pismo Beach on Saturday, also included a tug-of-war match and chariot races. All proceeds from the week go to the Make-A-Wish foundation.

Clubs raise money for professor's dream school

By Shannon Akins

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Chi Epsilon, Alpha Phi Omega and the Society of Civil Engineers are coming together today to raise money to build a school in India, complete with seven classrooms, a library and a faculty building.

Fresh Choice restaurant in downtown San Luis Obispo is throwing the event that begins at 4:30 p.m. Twenty percent of whatever spent will go toward the project.

The three clubs are the hosts for the fund-raiser, which will help make civil and environmental engineering professor Harapanahalli Mallareddy's dream of building a school in his home village in India a reality.

"He's working so hard for this," said Dina Cadenazi, a civil engineer senior and member of the three clubs involved. "He's teaching this summer



HARAPANAHALLI MALLAREDDY

and putting whatever he earns toward the school." His personal experiences of growing up in poverty — where he had to walk two miles to a nearby village to attend school — inspired the cause. He said helping children in his homeland achieve a better education is his driving force.

"There are 165 students in seven different grades in this village who must walk miles to go to school," Mallareddy said.

He said he will name the school after his mother in remembrance of the woman who made sacrifices to

ensure her son would have a better life.

The school is still in the planning stage, and Mallareddy said he plans to start the foundation this summer. It's expected to be finished by the end of 2001. He estimates that the project will cost about \$40,000.

Because of Mallareddy's contributions, he has been included in the sixth edition of "Who's Who Among America's Teachers 2000."

A teacher must be nominated by former students who have previously made the National Dean's List or who have been cited for academic excellence. It's an honor approximately 2.5 percent of teachers in the United States achieve each year.

The Fresh Choice fliers, posted around campus, must be shown to the cashier in order for the donations to be made.

CSUs reach out to future students

Cal Poly boasts fewest number of students needing remedial education

By Carolyn Ficara
and Alexis Garbeff

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITERS

California State Universities and K-12 schools are building a partnership to improve mathematics and writing skills among entering freshmen, CSU Chancellor Charles Reed said.

"It's a long-term goal. We hope to decrease the need (for remedial education)," said Mary K. Harrington, coordinator for Cal Poly's English skills program.

CSU trustees began a program four years ago with a goal to reduce the number of students needing remedial education by 10 percent by 2007.

Harrington said Cal Poly has the lowest percentages of students who need to take remedial math or English. In fall 1999, only 15 percent

needed remedial math and 15 percent needed remedial English, in comparison to 87 percent and 77 percent, respectively, at CSU, Dominguez Hills.

One aspect of the program is to develop strong ties between high schools and community colleges.

"In the past, the universities have not made a very good case for what they expected of students entering college," Harrington said. "Partnerships with high schools help students be prepared to enter college."

To help schools better prepare students, CSUs plans to set clear standards for enrollment requirements and competence standards. They will also ensure that high schools, community colleges, students and parents

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Professors hit auction blocks for Liberal Arts

By Monica McHugh

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Imagine a professor volunteering to be your personal house cleaner or car washer. It sounds too good to be true. Good news — it's not. In an effort to raise money for the College of Liberal Arts, professors and their services are being auctioned.

"It's awesome that faculty are willing to embarrass themselves to raise money for the school," said Liberal Arts Student Council chair Sally Lord.

Some teachers are going as far as to let students throw pies in their faces. Other things that are being auctioned are dinners at teachers' homes and works of art.

"It's a good way for students and faculty to interact," Lord said.

The auction will be held today at BackStage Pizza from 11 a.m. to noon. Money raised will go toward the College of Liberal Arts. Since April 10 to 14 is Liberal Arts Week, the student council will be hosting a variety of events all week.

The festivities will begin on Monday with the Presidential Debate 2000 in Chumash Auditorium at 6 p.m. Two students will act as Gore and Bush.

On Tuesday bands will play at BackStage Pizza from noon to 6 p.m. Students and faculty, many of whom are from the music department, are scheduled to perform. English professor James Cushing and his band, the Jimm Cushing Paradox, will rock out from 4 to 5 p.m.

"We're going to make some noise!" Cushing said.

On Wednesday, Student, Teacher and Club of the Year awards will be presented at an awards ceremony held in Club 221 in the University Union from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

"Everyone is welcome, and refreshments will be served," Lord said.

During UU hour on Thursday, the student council will sell raffle tickets and T-shirts.

"This year we are hoping to make more money on the raffle because of the huge grand prize being offered," Lord said.

The grand prize is a \$240 gift certificate to Aida's University Book Exchange. Other prizes include gift certificates to Sycamore Hot Springs, New Frontiers and McClintocks. Raffle tickets are \$1. If a student buys five tickets, he or she will receive a free T-shirt.

Concluding the week's events, Liberal Arts clubs will line Higuera Street Thursday during Farmers Market. Smile and Nod, Cal Poly's improv comedy troupe, will perform at 6 p.m.

Seminar focuses on Internet gambling

LAS VEGAS (AP) — What is the future of gambling on the Internet?

Industry leaders will take a look at the subject Thursday in a special seminar focusing on issues such as the legality, benefits and drawbacks of Internet gambling.

The informational seminar is sponsored by the Nevada Gaming Commission.

Brian Sandoval, the commission's chairman, said discussing the Internet is timely.

"I'm enough of a realist to acknowledge Internet gaming is here to stay," Sandoval said. "We should know how it works."

The kickoff session will explain how the Internet works. Anthony Cabot, a Las Vegas gaming attorney

and Internet gaming law expert with Lionel Sawyer & Collins, will join Tony Fontaine of Station Casinos to describe the Internet and its technology.

Fernando DiCarlo of Gametronics will follow with a demonstration of Internet gaming. Eugene Christiansen of Christiansen Capital Advisors will discuss the Internet gambling industry and its future.

A fourth session will feature a panel discussion debating the pros and cons of Internet gaming. Frank Catania, former director of the New Jersey Division of Gaming Enforcement, and Sue Schneider, president of the International Gaming Council, will speak in favor of online wagering.

Alan Kesner, Wisconsin Deputy Attorney General, and Gerard Waldron, outside counsel for the National Football League, will speak against online gaming.

Following the debate, Cabot will discuss the status of federal legislation and on international approaches for dealing with online gaming worldwide.

Cabot said if governments start with the assumption they will not punish the better wagering on the Internet, and follow with the assumption that various roadblocks make it difficult to punish the operators of Internet wagering sites, the remaining realistic strategy would be to cut the connections between the bettors and the operators.

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get the message. The universities will report to schools about students' progress after their first year in college. This information will help schools evaluate programs they have created to prepare college-bound students.

"The whole system needs rethinking," Harrington said.

California's Master Plan for Higher Education mandates that CSUs accept students who have a B average and are in the top third of their class. A student can qualify to enroll in college but may not be ready for college-level work, Harrington said.

The CSU system is trying to combat the problem of remedial education by testing students when they are high school juniors. If they score low, they will be enrolled in summer school. Sheryl O'Neill, coordinator of Entry Level Math (ELM) and developmental math at Cal Poly, said that senior year math skills are absolutely imperative for students to excel at the college level.

"I didn't have the English skills I needed when I came to Cal Poly," said business sophomore Jason Roberts. "In high school, teachers need to give us more essay assignments. I didn't know anything about essay writing."

Prior to 1998, the number of college freshmen needing remedial education increased every year. According to the CSU report, 99 per-

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Jason Roberts
business sophomore

cent of students who are required to take the ELM and English Placement Test (EPT) are now doing so.

This wasn't always the case. Often students would slip through because they were allowed to enroll before taking the test. Students now must either meet certain requirements or take the EPT and/or ELM.

The test can be taken on any CSU campus. Cal Poly offers emergency tests during Week of Welcome for students who missed previous testing dates.

Students who want to work independently to prepare for the competency test can visit a CSU Web site, web1.essayeval.org, for a Diagnostic Writing Service (DWS). The DWS allows students to write an essay just as they would in an EPT test. A university EPT reader will use the scoring rubric of the EPT test to provide the student with a specific diagnosis of their writing skills.

According to the English skills office, most students raise their competency levels within two quarters. But if after a year a student hasn't passed the course, he or she will be required to return to a community college in order to improve basic skills needed for college.

California man crosses country in golf cart

(U-WIRE) CARBONDALE, Ill. — Two years ago, George Bombardier passed through Carbondale during a trip he made across the United States in his golf cart. Now he plans to make the cross-country adventure again.

Bombardier, 59, is a retired roofer and inventor from San Bernardino, Calif. In 1998, he made the trip from Bloomington, Calif. to Fairfield, Conn. in a 1993 Club Car golf cart to see his children for the Fourth of July.

He said the makers of the golf cart said it was impossible to make a trip across the nation in a golf cart, so he wanted to prove them wrong. However, this year, Bombardier said

he is doing it because he feels like it.

Bombardier is not sure if he will pass through Carbondale again. He said it depends on the weather. Weather is especially important to Bombardier because of problems he had last time including an incident where he woke up in Kansas to see a tornado.

"I heard a roar and lightning was all around me," Bombardier said. "I felt like I was going to be Superman."

Bombardier does not waste his money on motel rooms. He has all he needs right on his golf cart. Not only does he sleep in it, he also has a hand held television, a Citizen Band radio,

a cell phone, a radio and a small refrigerator.

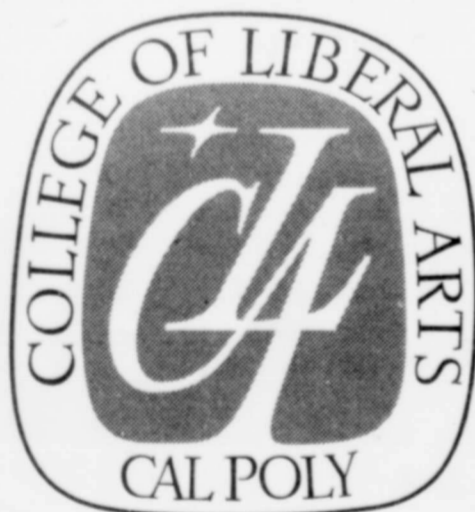
"The golf cart is the world's smallest mobile home," Bombardier said.

After Bombardier reached his destination, he decided to go ahead and drive the golf cart home after a quick stop in Augusta, Ga. to show the manufacturers of the cart his accomplishment. Bombardier said they gave him a tour of the plant, tuned up the cart, gave him a free meal, some clothes and a case of bottled water.

Bombardier said he pushed himself too hard on his last trip by not allowing himself enough sleep. This time he wants to take more breaks.

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The inside skinny on fad diets

By Shannon Akins
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

In a society obsessed with being thin, many people feel pressured to fit the model image set by our culture. The problem isn't so much that people want to be thin. The problem is that they try to lose weight without taking into account their body type and their individual body's needs. Nutritionists say fad diets that guarantee you'll lose weight quickly are the most dangerous and unhealthy. Unfortunately, people look to fad diets for a quick fix without considering the consequences.

Nutritionists say that when you go on a fad diet and you're losing weight quickly, you aren't actually losing fat, you're losing water and lean muscle mass.

"When people start these diets, they lose a lot of weight because they become dehydrated," said peer health counselor and nutritional science senior Kristy Long.

Fad diets are a \$50 billion industry, said nutritionist and professor Susan Swadener. Dr. Robert C. Atkins has sold \$7 million dollars worth of diet books, according to Swadener.

High-protein fad diets like "The Zone" and Dr. Atkins' diet of low-to-no carbohydrates and high protein actually starve the body. Such diets restrict daily consumption to fewer than 600 calories. If you consider that an average healthy female con-

sumes 2,200 calories and a healthy male needs about 2,900 calories, the dangers of these diets quickly become apparent, said Swadener. In order to function, the body begins to break down lean muscle tissue.

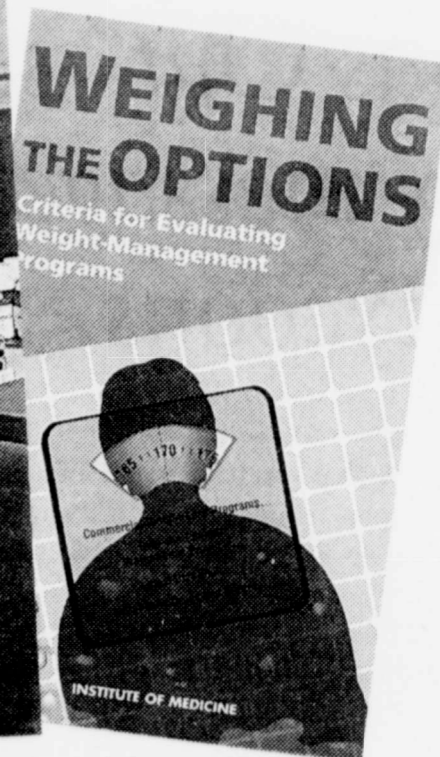
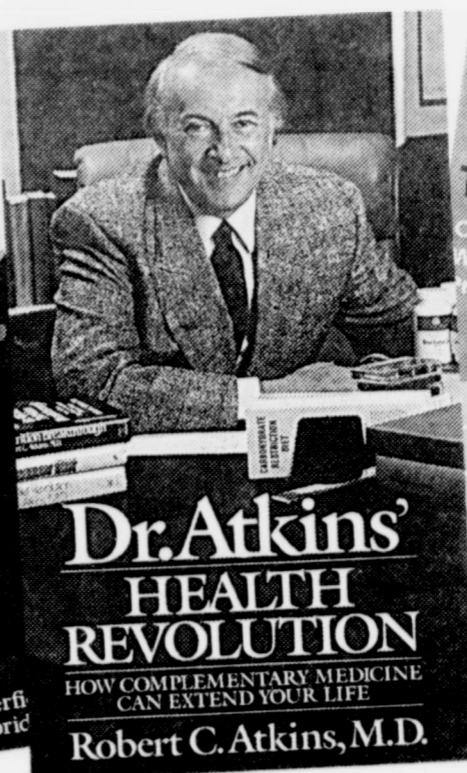
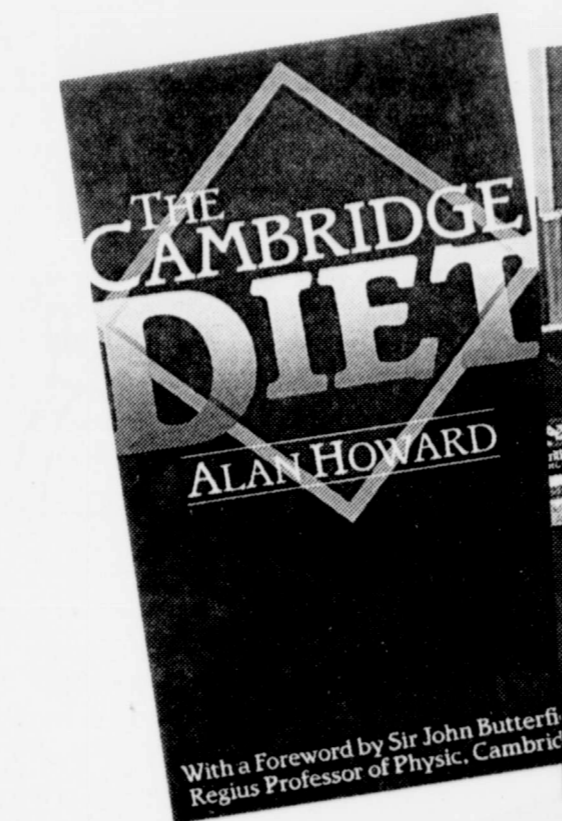
The cabbage soup diet is one of those fad diets that promises rapid weight loss. What it doesn't advertise is that the weight loss comes at the expense of losing important vitamins that your body needs to be healthy. The soup diet lets you eat as much cabbage soup as you want, plus an additional specified food, also in unlimited amounts. However, exclusively eating one type of food denies your body of many elements it needs.

"Even if you ate fruits and vegetables every single day, if they're the same fruits and vegetables, you're going to be missing out on certain vitamins and minerals," Long said.

"Don't go on any diet that excludes fat, protein, or carbohydrates; you need all of them in moderation."

The facts are that fad diets don't offer healthy or permanent weight-loss solutions. Eating a well-balanced diet and exercising is the healthiest way to lead a healthy lifestyle. People lose weight on a diet, then go back to their old eating habits and gain the weight back again, Swadener said.

"If you gain the weight back, you may feel like a failure," said Swadener. "But you're not the fail-



The Kennedy Library carries a handful of diet books. Nutritionists advise that you talk to a professional who can help you design an exercise and eating program tailored to meet your individual needs.

ure, the diet is."

Another aspect to keep in mind when considering fad diets are their effects on your mind as well as your body. Fad diets are not designed to be long-term solutions for weight loss, said Swadener. If you want the peace of mind of having a healthy body and mind, your first step should be to talk to a professional who can listen to your goals and advise you on how to improve your exercise and eating habits.

"They (fad diets) want you to fail so you'll come back," Swadener said. "It's a cycle."

If you have questions about fad diets or nutrition, ask a member of the Cal Poly nutrition team. They are located downstairs in the Health Center, and they're free. Personal trainers are also available for consultation in the Rec Center.

Shop smart: Buy organic products

If a food is organically grown or produced, that product is fresh and lacks synthetic fertilizers or pesticides used in growing it. Organic farmers do not use pesticides. They employ manure, compost and other organic wastes. Organic livestock and poultry are raised without antibiotics or hormones.

When farmers label their food as organic, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) must certify the product. The USDA requires that the food must have at least 50 percent of its ingredients produced organically. The food cannot contain any added preservatives, such as nitrates, nitrites or sulfites.

To find organic foods, shop at local grocery stores such as Trader Joe's and New Frontiers. Conventional supermarkets are also beginning to carry more organic foods. For the freshest organically grown produce, livestock and poultry, buy from the local farmers markets. There are farmers markets every day of the week somewhere in San Luis Obispo County. By shopping at a local farmers market, you actively support the local community of organic farmers and you're also buying food that's FRESH! But remember, when you buy organic produce, it may not last as long as super-

market fruits and vegetables because organic foods are not genetically engineered or otherwise altered to extend shelf life.

Organic food is a healthier and safer choice because of its pesticide-free nature, which could protect you from future diseases associated with pesticide. The organic market has exploded in the past decade, and

lower prices are beginning to reflect popular market demand. One other thing to remember: Organic fruits and vegetables may not always look as picture-perfect as their bio-engineered peers, but they taste just the same (or even better) and ensure clean fields and water supplies for a healthy future for all of us.

* To find a local listing of all the farmers markets, check out the directory in the New Times.

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Students get in shape with Rec Center training, events

Get going on your fitness goals. From now until April 15, students who sign up for a personal training package at the Cal Poly Rec Center will receive a 50 percent discount off the regular sessions' price. Sessions

are sold in multiples of five and must be used during spring quarter.

Two upcoming Rec Center events can motivate you to stay in shape and have fun doing it. The Cal Poly triathlon team presents its spring triathlon April 22. Participants can register the day of the event or April 13 in the University Union.

The Rec Center will hold its spring quarter triathlon from April 17 to May 7. Participants will have three weeks to finish a 2.5-mile swim, 112-mile bike ride and 26.2-mile run. Those who finish will receive a long-sleeved T-shirt. Both events charge entry fees; inquire at the Rec Center for more information.

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"Gas Out" sends silly message to oil tycoons

I drive a car that was built in the '60s. It has vinyl seats, chrome bumpers and a V-8 engine. In the '60s, there was no such thing as unleaded fuel, which means my car was intended to run on gas that was over 100-octane. Today, the best I can do to feed this 12-mile-per-gallon beast is put 92-octane in its cavernous gas tank.



Craig Weber

Maybe you haven't been in the gas station lately, or maybe you're one of those kids whose parents still pay for your gas, so you don't care, but gas is pretty gosh darned expensive these days. Regular fuel is over \$1.80. For Craig's finicky relic on wheels, 92-octane is over \$2. For those of you who haven't yet taken economics, that's what is often referred to as "expensive."

One of the solutions to this economic phenomenon (which we will call "really damn expensive gas") was the much-talked-about Gas Out. This was that really sneaky ploy where Americans were urged not to buy gas in order to tell the mean oil companies that we are fed up with their evil ways. This was attempted last year for a single day, but was not successful — would I be paying 30 bones for a half a tank if it was?! So this time we were urged not to buy gas for three whole days. The idea was that all of the big oil tycoons, sitting in some smoke-filled chamber in their big leather chairs, would be threatened by our solidarity and our ability to go 72 hours without forking our money over to them, and would lower gas prices back to an acceptable level.

I like the idea of letting the oil companies know that I think they stink, and I am somehow allured by the thought of millions of Americans actually coming together in agreement on something (OK, maybe thousands — I'm not sure how universal this thing was, anyway). Really, though, our not buying gas for three days wasn't the answer. Why? Because it's pretty darned unlikely that anyone didn't use their cars during the three-day period. It was a Gas Out, not a "stay at home and don't go to school or work or shopping-out." This means that people bought extra gas before and probably right after the protest to allow them to still drive. The only message that this sent to oil companies was that we are silly.

It seems to me that if we really want to send a clear message to oil companies, we should make a deliberate effort to buy less of their product. This could mean anything from condensing the number of car trips that we take each day to using alternative modes of transportation. So many of us Americans have been brought up under the unfortunate assumption that it is our right to be able to drive wherever we want, and at no cost to ourselves or others. The gas station on the corner is telling us otherwise. Let's wean ourselves off of our dependence upon both our cars and the big mean oil companies.

Craig Weber is a city and regional planning senior.



Good parents come in many forms

What makes a good parent?

Throughout time, society has claimed that there must be a husband and a wife to make good parents. In today's society, there are new options in parenting: single motherhood and fatherhood or adoption. But what about the society of gays? They don't have the option of being a husband or wife, but they're capable of raising a family just as well as any straight person. They deserve the chance to be parents, to feel the love of a child and hear someone call them "mommy" or "daddy." Gays should have the right to adopt.

Commentary

Yet in one adoption situation, a man, because of his sexual orientation, lost a child to a molesting foster father. Simply because he is a homosexual, one person felt that he wouldn't make a good father and "it would be unjust to place (the child) in an immoral household." How in the world did this foster father decide that it would be OK to molest the child, but not OK to place her in the care of a gay man?

Adoption issues should include stability, maturity and the possession of the necessary resources and support system needed to raise a child, not sexual orientation.

How does anyone know that heterosexuality is the correct lifestyle? That's just what society deemed correct ages ago, and it's not like society hasn't ever made mistakes before (i.e., minorities,

women, gays).

This particular case took place in Indiana where Republican state representatives actually had the nerve to sponsor a bill banning adoptions by homosexuals. Luckily, it was defeated in the Senate last year. Can you imagine what would've happened if it had passed? That bill would have erased all progress that any group ever prejudiced against ever made. Just last month, Californians shot down Proposition 22, an act designed to recognize gay marriages.

Why is society so scared to accept these people into our lives? What about them is so threatening? Why is the idea of giving them a child such a horrible thought?

One person is gay, the other molests children. Who is the better parent? Who is the better person?

If we start segregating homosexuals from heterosexuals, what is to stop us from segregating blacks from whites, Jews from Christians, Asians from Hispanics?

If we use someone's sexual preference to prevent them from adopting a child, then we've stolen the opportunity of a lifetime from a child — the opportunity to live. No one should prevent anyone from adopting a child simply because of

"If we use someone's sexual preference to prevent them from adopting a child, then we've stolen the opportunity of a lifetime from a child — the opportunity to live."

their sexual orientation, especially when they so eagerly want to and have the skills and power to do it.

Society must reinvent itself once again. We did it for slavery in the Civil War; we did it for women in the women's suffrage movement; and we did it for minorities in the civil rights movement. Perhaps now is the time for a gays' movement.

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"There's a piano in the bathroom, too, Liberate."

Letters to the editor

Re-examine boycotts Editor,

I can understand the outrage surrounding the recent jump in gas prices, but we need to realize that gas stations — just like consumers — are at the mercy of the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries. Owners don't enjoy rising prices, but they have to keep a profit margin to stay in business. Just keep that in mind.

"Gas Outs" don't work! The whole concept behind the Gas Out is nonsense. The gas stations couldn't be more apathetic about when you fill up your tank, so long as you don't change your amount of consumption. Fill up on Sunday or

Monday — the bottom line is, just keep filling up. Boycotting for one day or three is futile, and everybody knows it. Ultimately, Gas Outs only change the flow of money, not the amount, going to gas stations.

There's no message sent, no harm done, only a bunch of consumers looking foolish.

To appease my opponents, I'll admit that gas prices did drop 19 cents per gallon a month after the previous Gas Out, but that does more to show the danger and prevalence of the post hoc, propter hoc fallacy than it does to prove the effectiveness of Gas Outs.

What you need to do, if you are serious in your endeavors, is voice your disgust through capitalistic means. You need to coerce gas sta-

tions into lowering prices. You need to force competition. You need a selective boycott.

The theory behind selective boycotts is simple: Abstain from a particular brand of gas station, and the said brand will have no choice but to lower its prices in order to entice "lost" consumers back. Consequently, all consumers, conscious of the boycott or not, would then flock to the cheaper, boycotted gas stations, and the remaining gas stations would be dragged into competition. The intent is to incite price wars and bring about lower overall gas prices. The beauty of selective boycotts is you can boycott for weeks on end since there isn't any need to change when or how much gas you consume; you

need only change where you consume. Additionally, stringent boycott dates are superfluous; people can begin boycotting once informed.

A few suggestions: Focus efforts on a single brand for the boycott's entirety. I suspect the majority of participants won't make the effort to learn of new boycotts. While there's a good argument to the contrary, don't set a timeline for the boycott; it would only stifle efficacy. Finally, a word-of-mouth campaign and a flurry of e-mails to inform consumers seems most pragmatic.

Though tempted, I cannot take credit for this solution, nor do I know to whom credit should go. Also, I want reiterate that I am leery of intentionally hurting businesses that don't have significant control over the price of their product, such as gas stations. But if you have the inclination and perseverance, then, by all means, implement a selective boycott.

Chris Ray is a Cuesta College sophomore whose major is undecided.

Swallows didn't have to be sacrificed Editor,

Any student who has had a spring class in the Fisher science building has probably seen the cliff swallows nesting there. Each spring, the swallows return en masse to build nests from mud beneath an overhang in the roof where they may be viewed up close, thanks to a wall of windows. As long as many faculty members can remember, this spring ritual has occurred with the same regularity as daylight-saving time. It was with great sorrow, then, that I saw the "enclosure" that had been installed across the nesting area this fall. According to Facility Services employee Doug Underhill, the enclosure was installed at the repeated requests of custodial staff who had to clean the droppings from a catwalk and windows. The windows must be cleaned using a lift to reach the second and third stories. Underhill said the net was seen as a less damaging alternative to the past practice of hosing the nests down. He also added that permission was

obtained from the department chairman, and there are other colonies that are left undisturbed in such places as Mott Gym.

What has really been lost then? For starters, the colony was highly visible and easily observable. Ornithology classes began their observations right in the building they met in. The aerial feats of the birds were a source of joy to many students and faculty. The cliff swallow is believed to return to its birthplace to nest, so this population will be eliminated unless it is adaptable enough to find new nesting territory. The birds had made a home from a building that had undoubtedly displaced other plants and animals.

Perhaps what disturbs me most is not any of the aforementioned losses, but the line of reasoning used to make the decision. The birds were displaced as a convenience to those responsible for maintaining the facilities. However, this is their job and they are compensated for it. It seems like a small price to pay for so many benefits to both the swallows and humans alike.

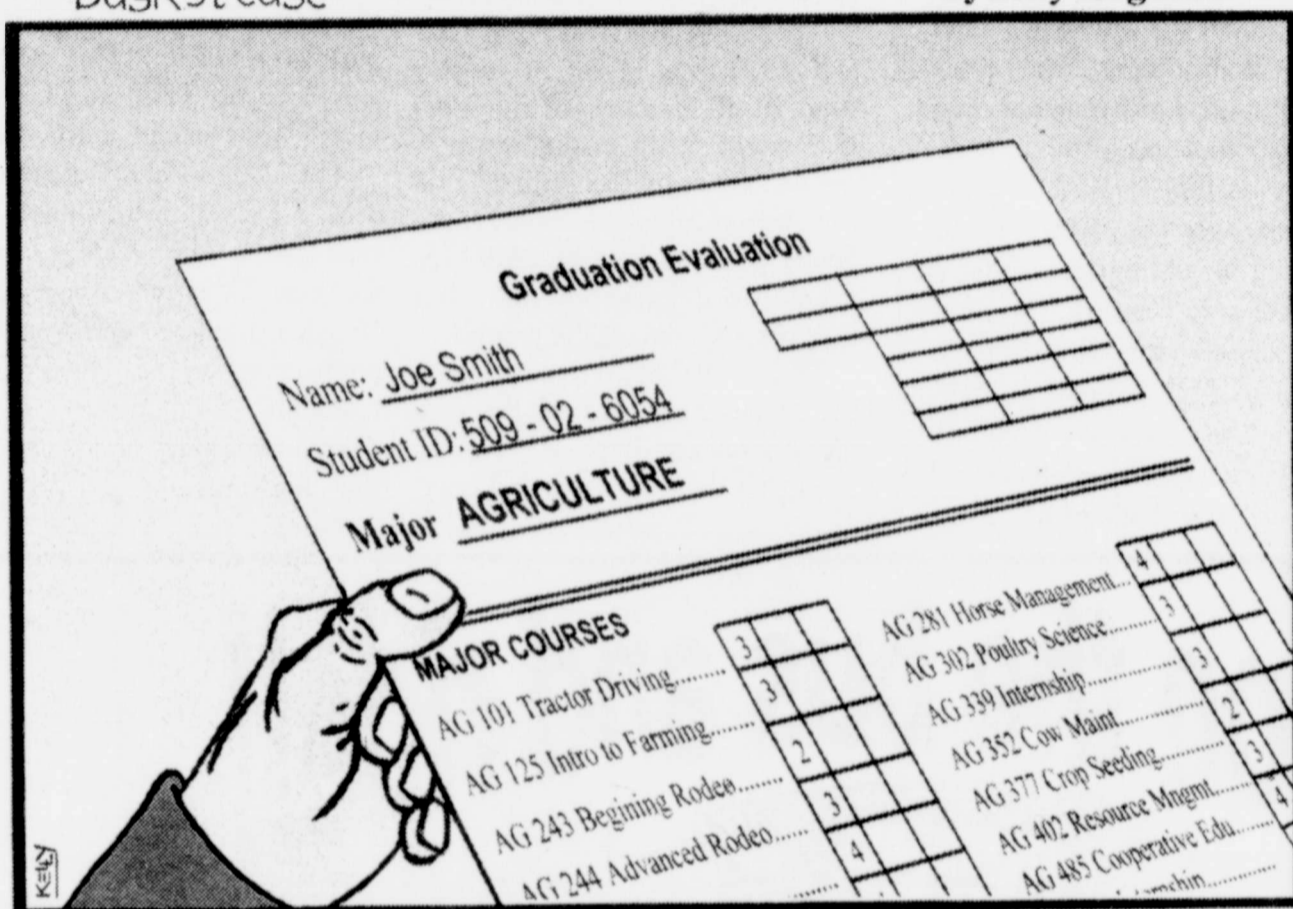
According to Underhill, no attempt was made to solicit alternative designs (other than the total enclosure) that would allow the swallows to continue the colony while reducing maintenance costs. Imagine if we applied this reasoning to the trees on campus. I am sure that far more money is spent on cleaning up after leaves or watering the endless expanses of lawn than is spent on cleaning Fisher Hall's windows. Following Facilities Services' reasoning would have us conclude that we should rip out all landscaping and pave the entire campus. Then we would have a truly easy-to-maintain, sterile campus.

I challenge campus administrators to remember what was displaced to build this campus. I challenge them to make compromises to allow contact and coexistence between the organisms that live here, and those that just go to school here.

Erik Frenzel is an ecology and systematic biology junior.

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Giants open new park tonight

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — With its view of San Francisco Bay beyond the outfield wall, the Giants' new Pacific Bell Park is being compared to the Sydney Opera House in Australia.

"No other team has the site that we've got. The views from the upper deck are spectacular," says team owner Peter Magowan, whose \$319 million stadium makes its official debut Tuesday when the Giants play host to the Los Angeles Dodgers.

The park affords many fans a spectacular glimpse of the San Francisco Bay Bridge and the Oakland hills in the distance. But one Giant great is much more interested in what he'll be able to see on the field.

"Who cares about the view? Let's play ball," Willie Mays says. "This isn't a condo, it's a ballpark."

The 40,800-seat park, the first privately financed major league baseball stadium in 38 years, has plenty of curiosities for everyone to see. There's a 9-foot bronze sculpture of Mays at the stadium's main entrance, a 26-foot mitt above the left-field bleachers and an asymmetrical outfield wall that may drive fielders crazy.

The 20,000-pound mitt, built of fiberglass over a steel frame, is 36 times the size of the actual glove — a 1927 Rawlings — from which it was modeled. It sits 518 feet from home plate, reachable by some of today's power hitters.

The four-fingered mitt was designed by Gerard Howland, who grew up playing cricket in London. But he quickly learned about the love

affair between little kids and their baseball gloves, and turned that into the centerpiece of the stadium.

"I like all the icons of baseball, and I thought of the glove. I don't know if anyone ever throws their glove away," Howland says. "I think it added a lot of warmth to the stadium."

The new park has touches of



Wrigley Field, such as the hand-operated scoreboard in right-center and the cozy playing surface — it has very little foul territory, and front-row seats are just 48 feet from home plate.

There's a 25-foot-high brick wall in right field, which should lead to wacky bounces, and five portholes in that wall for passersby to watch the game for free. The right-field foul pole is just 309 feet from home plate. Balls hit high enough over the right-field wall will land in a channel off San Francisco Bay.

Begun in December 1997, it was designed by HOK Sport and resembles the three major league parks that

architectural firm designed in the 1990s — Camden Yards in Baltimore, Jacobs Field in Cleveland and Coors Field in Denver.

The one thing that has always set San Francisco apart from other major league cities is its weather, which often is frosty on summer nights. At Candlestick Park, players and fans dreaded the cold winds that swirled throughout the stadium.

It will probably take a while for fans to feel comfortable leaving their parkas at home, but the forecast for Tuesday's opener is downright balmy — sunny and warm, with a high of 72 degrees.

More than 29,000 season tickets have been sold, compared to a peak of 12,000 at Candlestick Park, and most games this season are sellouts.

"You went out to Candlestick and I think the environment, the people got caught up in it and that was their personality. People are going to be in a better mood here," says New York Yankees manager Joe Torre, whose team played an exhibition game at Pac Bell earlier this month.

"It has a personality, the ballpark. When you go from ballpark to ballpark now, at least you know what city you're in. For a while, they all seemed to be cookie-cutter ballparks."

San Francisco, San Diego slated to get teams in new soccer league

NEW YORK — Parlaying deep-pocketed investors, a strong television presence and the popularity of the World Cup champions, a women's professional soccer league plans to begin play next spring.

The Women's United Soccer Association said Monday it approved teams for eight cities: Atlanta, Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Orlando-Tampa, San Diego, San Francisco and Washington.

Listed as alternates were: Chicago, Columbus, Detroit, Los Angeles, Miami, Portland, Raleigh-Durham and St. Louis. Any of those cities might be selected if one of the original eight drops out. Also under consideration are Milwaukee, Denver and Houston.

The league begins in April 2001 and has letters of intent to play from all 20 members of the 1999 U.S. world championship team.

"We want the focus entirely on the women's game," said Julie Foudy, co-captain of the 1999 U.S. team. "We all know how difficult it is to get a league off the ground."

"With all the resources these companies have and all the promotion you can have, we feel you need that directed focus and ener-

gy that is solely behind the women's game. We are totally committed to playing for just the WUSA and hoping that is the league that gets sanctioned."

WUSA envisions stadiums with capacities of 6,500 to 10,000 for an 80-game schedule, far smaller than Major League Soccer sites. It might not find those venues immediately, and could temporarily emulate the MLS, which has many teams playing in NFL stadiums.

"We need to get one season behind us so we know our exact venue needs," said John Hendricks, chairman and CEO of Discovery Communications and WUSA's board chairman.

The keys to success are signing the best players and hooking up with television. TV coverage would be on TNT and CNN/SI, mostly on weekend afternoons.

The U.S. Soccer Federation set a May 1 deadline to submit business plans. The WUSA, with a four-year TV contract with Turner Broadcasting and such heavy corporate backers as Time-Warner, Comcast and Cox Communications, already has met that deadline.

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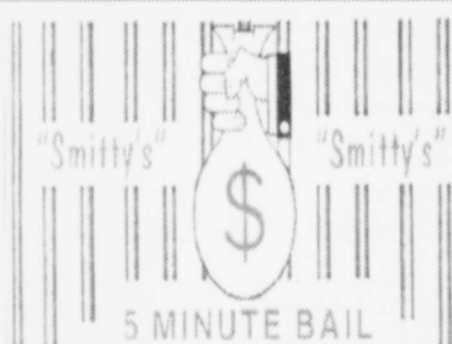
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WATER POLO

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winner.

Head coach Jon Walker has been very successful in his first year on the job. Walker guided the men's water polo team to a national title earlier this season and has now led the women's team to a spot at the national finals.

"(Walker) is great," Gritzke said. "I'd say he's the best coach I've ever

had. He really cares about the team and he puts a tremendous amount of time and effort into the program."

Walker had his team well prepared for the important matches.

"We had a really intense week of practice," said Gritzky. "We were trying to do anything we could to stay focused on the game."

The Mustangs split their other two games over the weekend, beating Sonoma 6-2 Saturday, after dropping a game to Cal Baptist 9-5.

After the game, the players could-

n't contain their excitement.

"After the game, once we shook hands with the other team, we all collapsed and shoved all three of our coaches in the pool," Gritzky said. "We were all just laughing and cheering. We took some pictures and were basically just treading water on top of each other."

For now, the team continues to tread water as it awaits the nationals. Cal Poly will only play once, an exhibition game vs. Viola April 19, before the finals.

NOLAN

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women's soccer team won the Big West title last year and won an NCAA game."

Obviously, these impressions are more favorable than disparaging about the run-down track or the tiny, isolated softball field. Another benefit is, it should create a stronger Cal Poly fan base by reaching the students early.

So next year, softball and baseball must have home games during Open House (a.k.a. Poly Royal) weekend.

While it is nearly impossible to change the schedule now to have home games for this year's Open House, it shouldn't pose a problem next year.

The word in the athletic department is, Athletic Director John McCutcheon is already making phone calls to ensure the schedule puts Cal Poly at home for the baseball and softball teams' season openers in the sports complex.

If this can't inspire interest, nothing will.

ing will.

There will be a football scrimmage, and that should be hyped up all week-end. But it is only a scrimmage, and not a true representation of what Cal Poly athletics is all about. It would be great if there was a ceremony to honor the women's soccer team for winning the Big West — maybe by putting up a plaque in Mustang Stadium (although it will get a trophy later to be put in the Mott Gym display case).

The point is, athletics is going in the right direction; it's just not that obvious right now. But when students come in the fall and see the teams winning and a great new facility in place, they'll get a true idea of where Cal Poly sports is heading.

So when that curious high school senior asks you this weekend, "Do they play softball at Cal Poly?" I suggest you answer, "Not this year, but let me tell you about the brand-new state-of-the-art facility they'll be playing in next year." I know I will.

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More legal troubles for NFL player

HARTLAND, Wis. (AP) — NFL star Mark Chmura was arrested Monday after his 17-year-old baby sitter accused him of sexually assaulting her in a bathroom during a party at which they played a drinking game together.

Robert Gessert, a friend of the Green Bay Packers tight end, also was arrested. An 18-year-old woman accused him of sexually assaulting her in a hot tub at Gessert's home at the party after a prom, according to court records.

Chmura appeared in court in an orange jumpsuit with his hands bound in chains. Chmura and Gessert were released on \$5,000 bail and are due in court May 15.

Chmura, 31, and Gessert, 42, have not been formally charged, Waukesha County District Attorney Paul Bucher said.

"We'll continue reviewing the case. We'll need to gather more information," Bucher said.

Police are recommending a charge of third-degree sexual assault, a felony punishable by up to 10 years in prison and a \$10,000 fine.

A search warrant filed in Waukesha County Circuit Court said the 17-year-old girl told police Chmura led her into a bathroom at Gessert's house early Sunday, locked the door, removed her jeans and underwear and had sexual intercourse with her. The girl knew Chmura because she had baby-sat his children, the warrant said.

The 18-year-old girl accused Gessert of indecently touching her

while in the hot tub.

Police Chief Morton Hetznecker said 15 to 20 people were at Gessert's home, many of them juveniles. The 17-year-old girl told police they were playing a drinking game and Gessert gave



her a drink with vodka. She told police she became drunk, the warrant said.

She said Chmura was wearing white boxer shorts and a dark towel. Four pairs of underwear were confiscated when authorities searched Chmura's home Monday, including white boxers, the warrant said.

Investigators also recovered six towels when they searched Gessert's home, the warrant said, including a dark-colored towel. Authorities also confiscated vacuum cleaner filters containing hair and other debris from the bathroom floor. Chmura also gave hair and blood samples to authorities, the warrant said.

Chmura was arrested and handcuffed early Monday at his home, where his wife was present, Hetznecker said. Later in the day, Chmura friend John Drana answered the door at the player's home and said Chmura would

have no comment.

Chmura, the married father of two children, joined the Packers in 1992 out of Boston College. He built a home in this stylish community less than an hour's drive from Milwaukee about a year ago.

An avid supporter of family charities and conservative politics, Chmura refused to meet with President Clinton after the Packers' 1997 Super Bowl victory and made disparaging comments about the president's moral character.

Chmura's lawyer, Gerald Boyle, said his client is cooperating with the investigation. "We will wait and see what the facts show," he said.

Third-degree sexual assault involves sexual intercourse with someone without their consent, according to Wisconsin law. First- and second-degree sexual assault include having sexual intercourse with someone without their consent and using or threatening to use force.

The 17-year-old girl and her mother contacted police Sunday. The teen was examined at a hospital, Hetznecker said.

Packers spokesman Lee Rummel issued a statement Monday from Green Bay.

"As an organization, we are disappointed that Mark Chmura is involved in the type of situation that has been reported," the statement said.

The team will monitor the case and had no further comment, the statement said.

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Women's water polo going to nationals

Team is headed to Arizona May 6-7

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

The mission: The Cal Poly women's water polo team entered this weekend's tournament needing two wins vs. Chico State to receive a berth at the national finals in Arizona.

Mission accomplished.

The Mustangs, after beating Chico State 6-4 in their first meeting Saturday, still needed another win over the Wildcats Sunday.

Cal Poly delivered, and in dramatic fashion. The Mustangs rallied from two goals down heading into the final period to tie the game and force overtime.

"Our best quarters are the third and fourth," junior setter Chrissy Gritzke said. "We start off a little slow sometimes, but then we kick it into gear in the third and fourth."

The Mustangs did just that, getting the game to overtime and then putting away two quick goals to outlast the Wildcats 8-7. Water polo overtime consists of two three-minute periods to decide a



COURTESY PHOTO

see WATER POLO, page 7 Cal Poly's Diana Willis fires the ball past opponents in a game earlier this season.

Nobody's home for Open House?

Would-be freshmen will invade our campus this weekend for Open House, and their first impression of Cal Poly sports will be ... nothing.

While other clubs and campus organizations will have booths and activities for incoming students, all of Cal Poly's spring sports will be out of town.

The purpose of Open House is to give would-be students some idea of what Cal Poly is all about. The agriculture department will have products its students have made, and the general idea is to show off what talented Cal Poly students can do.

The athletic department will not have that opportunity. Baseball, softball, track and tennis are all on the road this weekend. (Technically, men's tennis is at home, but it plays in Avila Beach.)

The funny thing is, this may not be a bad thing. Please read on before you think this is a knock on Poly athletics.

Let's face it. Right now, Cal Poly athletics doesn't have much to offer.



Joe Nolan

Other than baseball, which has used timely hitting and strong starting pitching to play terrifically lately, the rest of the sports aren't that enticing. The softball team is the loser of 19 of its last 21 games, and plays on a tiny little field in the middle of all the ag land. The track team is always strong, but competes on what is comparable to a bad high-school track. Thanks to the parking structure, the men's and women's tennis teams have been ousted from campus and really aren't playing that well, anyway.

So when soon-to-be freshmen walk by the track and tennis courts, maybe they will think those are practice fields. Heck, that's what I'm going to tell them.

Because the truth is, after this Open House, every other new student's first impression of Cal Poly athletics is going to be, "Have you seen that beautiful baseball stadium and that great softball field in the new sports complex?" and "I heard the

see NOLAN, page 7

Banged-up Dodgers lose Brown for two weeks

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — Kevin Brown is expected to miss two weeks with a broken pinkie on his pitching hand, reliever Gregg Olson has an irritated nerve in his forearm and the Los Angeles Dodgers are feeling banged up just a week into the season.

Brown and Olson were in Los Angeles for medical exams Monday as the Dodgers worked out in new Pacific Bell Park before they face the San Francisco Giants in the stadium's debut on Tuesday.

Left fielder Gary Sheffield, who was carted in a wheelchair through the airport when the Dodgers left New York on Sunday, said his

sprained right ankle was better — but he was uncertain for Tuesday's game.

First baseman Eric Karros did not take batting practice Monday because of a stiff back. Reliever Mike Fetters, who felt a pull in his left quadriceps Saturday in New York, was feeling fine Monday.

Brown, who has a \$105 million contract and is the ace of the Dodgers' pitching staff, broke the finger

on his right hand while attempting to bunt Saturday. He said over the weekend he'd try to play through the injury, but Dodgers manager Davey Johnson said that was unlikely.

Brown met with hand specialist Dr. Norman Zemel on Monday in Los Angeles and was told not to pitch in a game for about two weeks.

"I will talk to Brownie before I make any determination of what we will do," Johnson said. "Brownie still thinks he can pitch in a week, but that's not what our medical people think."

Dodgers trainer Stan Johnston said Brown will be allowed to work out with the team and throw a ball on the side. The main reason to keep him out of games is so he doesn't aggravate the fracture while hitting or fielding.

"He will be wearing a splint, but he will be allowed to take it off to play catch to keep his arm in shape," Johnston said. "You don't use that finger to hold the ball."

Johnson said Olson, who needs rest and possibly an injection for his forearm, "is definitely going to need some down time" and probably will be placed on the disabled list Tuesday.

Reliever Jeff Williams was with the team at Monday's workout, ready to take Olson's place on the roster. Also at the workout was Carlos Perez, who was optioned to the minors last Friday but has not yet reported. If Brown goes on the disabled list, Perez could take his place on the staff.

Sheffield spent Sunday on crutches after hurting himself while tumbling on the warning track in Saturday's game against the Mets. He said he reluctantly accepted the wheelchair ride at the airport.



Sports Trivia

Yesterday's Answer:

Casey Stengel was the New York Mets' first manager.

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Briefs

Griffey youngest to hit 400 homers

DENVER (AP) — Ken Griffey Jr. became the youngest player to hit 400 major league home runs, connecting Monday in the fourth inning of Cincinnati's game against Colorado at Coors Field.

Griffey sent a 2-0 pitch from Rolando Arrojo into the left-field seats, a 378-foot blow. It was his second homer of the season and second in as many days.

He was cheered by the Coors Field crowd and hugged by teammates in the dugout.

At 30 years, 141 days, Griffey beat the previous mark, set by Jimmie Foxx, who was 30 years, 248 days old.

Griffey's historic homer came on the 50th birthday of his father, Ken Griffey Sr. It was the fourth time he has homered on his father's birthday.

Over the weekend, Griffey was rumored to have stormed into the clubhouse, demanding he get to wear his old No. 24 that he wore the past decade with Seattle.

The Reds have already told Griffey that the number is being retired in honor of recent Hall of Fame selection Tony Perez.

Schedule

FRIDAY

- Baseball vs. UC Santa Barbara
- at Santa Barbara • 2 p.m.

SATURDAY

- Baseball vs. UC Santa Barbara
- at Santa Barbara • 1 p.m.
- Men's tennis vs. Pacific
- at Cal Poly • 1 p.m.
- Softball vs. Utah State
- at Utah State • 1 and 3 p.m.
- Track and field at Long Beach Invitational
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