**Veggie diet is more efficient**

by Michelle Finn

Staff Writer

The average American cat eats 90 pounds of meat per year, almost twice as much as the average person. "That's how we spend our money: feeding livestock," said Kelly Hardesty, a group attendant at the "Vegetarianism, A Worldwide Issue" workshop on Friday.

Sixty percent of the protein in the diet of the developed nations comes from animals, but in poorer countries, only 23 percent comes from animal sources. "Essentially, most of the world is vegetarian," she said.

The workshop, sponsored by the Campus Hunger Coalition, presented vegetarianism as a step "we can take to get us thinking about world hunger," said Cythia Hulton. "The United States meat-based diet has repercussions on lesser developed countries that can be seen in the status quo, trade, and hunger." "Twenty-four percent of the wheat produced and 90 percent of corn and oats goes to feeding livestock. When we eat animals, it is like we are eating them plus all the food we have grown over the years."

Raising animals for food is a big investment. Each cow requires a small return—each represents land, food, water, and manpower, said Hardesty. A steer consumes 10 pounds of grain for only one pound of meat for human consumption.

"We feel vegetarianism is a way of consuming less produce without eating less. Beef does not provide better protein: cereals, legumes, milk, and eggs do. We get twice the protein of beef and legumes 10 times the iron per hectare of land," said Hardesty.

Mark Schecter checks out the organically-grown produce at Foods For the Family.

"Our diet affects world hunger because we import a lot of our beef from South and Central America," explained Hardesty. "Ninety percent of Central America's beef exports go to the United States."

"When we import meat from lesser developed countries, we are helping to destroy those countries. We are not benefiting from these transactions," said Hulton. In Latin America, only seven percent of the people own 30 percent of the land. As a result, rural farmers don't have the land to feed themselves, and don't benefit from the exports to the developed nations because the profits don't reach the general economy she explained.

Hulton said that instead of eating fancy food, the hungry of third world countries will be hungry for the future.

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**Costly equipment is stolen from engineering building**

by Mark Brown

A frequency spectrum analyzer worth $38,000 has been stolen from an electronics room in Engineering East.

Investigators believe two people were involved in the theft, and they have clear fingerprints and other "excellent physical evidence" that should help apprehend the thieves, Hulton said.

"The machine is so large and so heavy that it would have taken two people to carry it out," he said. "And two people makes it more likely that they'll be caught."

Hall and Investigator Wayne Carmack plan to question all students who had access to the machine, mostly seniors.

"We're not 100 percent sure, but I think it was human error," said Dave Yang, a student attending the workshop.

"It appears to be human error. It could have been software, or it could have been a virus," Yang said. "We're not 100 percent sure, but I think it was human error."
Thursday, April 28 is the last chance for students who sold books through Poly Phase to get their money or unsold books. Come by the Engineering East Building, Room 104, between 11 a.m. and 12 noon.

A B M  C lub
An ABM Club meeting will be held in the Science Building, Room B-6 today at 7:30 to discuss Poly Royal. It is important for everyone to attend. Also, strawberry cleaning for Poly Royal will go on at 323 Grand Ave. today and tomorrow. Bring a cutting utensil. For more information, call Matt Reiken at 549-0231.

B ic y c le  reg istration
Free bicycle registration is available until Thursday as part of Bicycle Safety Week. The city has agreed to waive the usual $6 fee at this time. Come by the University Union Plaza today and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Home Ec Department
The Home Economics Department has scheduled a Poly Royal workday for Thursday, April 21, from 12 noon to 8 p.m. All HE majors are needed to drop by the Home Ec Building and set it up for Poly Royal.

AEP meeting
The bimonthly AEP meeting will be held Thursday, April 21 at 11 a.m. in the Agriculture Building, Room 111. There will be a guest speaker and Poly Royal will be discussed. AEP is a statewide association open to all students with an interest in natural resource management.

Baptist Student Union
The Baptist Student Union will hold a meeting Thursday, April 21 at 11 a.m. in the Agriculture Building, Room 111. The topic will be "Essentials of Witnessing to Those of Different Faiths."

Concert held
The Musashino Academia Musicae Wind Ensemble is one of Japan's finest bands. They will be performing April 27 at 8 p.m. in Chumash Auditorium. Tickets are $1.75 for students, $4 for the general public.

Design Competition
Judging for a design competition to beautify the Architecture Building during Poly Royal will take place Friday, April 22. The contest is open to all interested students. Over $120 in prizes will be awarded. No idea is too crazy. Call Randy Hamerly, 546-2487 or 644-7825, for details.

National Astronomy Day
Saturday, April 23 is National Astronomy Day. The Central Coast Astronomical Society will host a public Star Party with 15 high-power telescopes. It will be held at the Meadow Park Recreation Hall from 7 to 11 p.m. Admission is free.
Aviation club catches flying fever; it's in the air

Since the beginning of time, as humans walked on the earth they looked to the sky with an abundance of questions. Can humans fly? Where is the final destiny? Well, we've come a long way in our travels through the sky, from the Kitty Hawk to Voyager. In addition, the Cal Poly Aviation Club has also endured unsteady travels in and out of active existence.

According to club president Dan Hoffman, the club was first established in the late 1940's. Since that time, the organization has been on campus "in one capacity or another," he said. When Hoffman entered the university in 1962, the club was dormant. After two quarters and some organizing, the club took off again.

Dedicated to supporting and learning about aviation-related issues and events, the club now consists of 20 people. Hoffman, a physics major, said that the club is not limited to a particular major, and members do not have to be pilots. "Anyone interested in aviation is welcome," he said.

Subjects such as radio-controlled aircrafts, hang gliding, space travels and research are discussed at meetings and highlighted at events.

Recently, the club members travelled to Edwards Airforce Base to watch the space shuttle land. Other activities include field trips, movies and speakers.

On the horizon, the Aviation Club plans to attend the Blue Angels Air Show scheduled for April in Paso Robles, and sponsored by the Paso Robles airport management, Hoffman said. Hoffman was the pilot for the flight during which the shots on this page were taken. Flying at a speed of 120 m.p.h. at an altitude of 2,000 ft., the view from the two seata Cessna 152 allows for a different perspective on some familiar scenes.
Robbery hurts EE students

Hall said. If the serial numbers are altered, it's a good indication that the property is stolen, he said, so the thieves will have a tough time selling the analyser.

In another campus break-in, two students were found in an instructor's office in the Engineering West Building on April 15. Carmack said. The instructor's officemate found the students in the office at approximately 10:15 p.m. and didn't believe their story about why they were there and how they got in, according to the investigator. One of the students later allegedly admitted to using a credit card to trip the lock and gain access to the room. No arrests were made at the time, Carmack said.

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Warren Baker, as recommended by the Public Safety Advisory Committee and the Disaster Preparedness Task Force, Approval of the plan, however, comes with the condition that seven sense of the document be adjusted by President

"pretty badly banged up," said Miller.

When contacted about the accident, Nicolaidis denied there was an accident, and said it was all a misunderstanding. He explained that the plane's was made of cloth which someone saw fall up and then reported as an accident.

Nicolaidis, now retired, claimed it was standard procedure on Cal Poly to land the off the runway like he did Friday. However, a member of the Aeronautical Engineering Department, denied this procedure, saying that all the land inside Cal Poly's runway is agricultural. The source, who wished to remain anonymous, said, "The sheep and the cows would get very upset if we landed our planes off the runway."
Kickers host Fresno for game

For its exhibition game Saturday night, the men’s soccer team doesn’t plan on exhibiting ease and grace.

The 7:30 matchup in Mustang Stadium is against Division I power Fresno State. It’s a western region playoff team Poly has beaten two consecutive seasons, but it’s not a team Cal poly has beaten easily.

According to Assistant Coach Tory Mott, the game will be a showcase of the team’s talent for the fall season. All-America candidates Alex Crozier and Curtis Asey will lead the team next season, along with Tom Gleason and goalie Randy Smith.

A mixture of Division I and II teams next season, Mott hopes, will toughen the team up to win the CCAA title, a title for which the Mustangs fell short this season, taking second place, with a 11-7-2 record.

Even though the Poly Royal concert has been cancelled, it shouldn’t be a weekend without music. The soccer team will have a Ventura-Los Angeles based band, “Narata,” offer a pre-game performance.

This will be the last game for Mott as assistant coach. Mott leaves to start his career.

Tickets for the game and the concert are $1 for students, $2.50 for general admission, 50 cents for children and $2 for an adult with a child.

Tired women netters let win streak snap

The women’s tennis team lost to Loyola Marymount Friday in a match which ended the team’s 11 game winning streak.

The final score was Loyola 6, Cal Poly 3. The loss will not hurt the team’s chances of qualifying for nationals; Loyola is not in Cal Poly’s conference.

The team played without number four singles player Jennifer Stockman and the number two doubles team of Stockman and Nancy Allison.

Winning points were scored by Lisa Ergoht (now on a personal 5 game winning streak), number six singles player Kathleen Kerwin, and doubles team Kerwin and Mimi McAffee—who are still undefeated in doubles play.

Coach Orion Yeast attributed the loss to the fact that Loyola’s team was strong and the Cal Poly women were tired from their battle with Bakersfield.

“The team was a little mentally tired after our last four matches,” he said. “The Bakersfield match took a lot to win and drained the girls.”

Need or want a: ROOMMATE?
check the classified section today.
by Shawn Tomer

Sports Editor

Thomas Switzer squished the toe of his Brooks number over the toe of his shoe. "I'm not going to camp out in the cold," he said. "If it's going to rain, I'm going to wait until the last minute to decide." But he didn't wait long. The rain started pouring down, and Switzer and the rest of the Poly Royal rodeo team had to make a quick decision about whether or not to camp out in the cold.

The men's volleyball team also had to decide whether or not to continue playing. They had just won the first set, but the rain was coming down harder and harder. "I don't want to quit," said captain Mark Johnson. "We have to keep playing."

The decision was made, and the team continued playing. Despite the rain, the game was exciting. The Poly Royal players were determined to win, and the other team was just as determined to beat them. The game went into overtime, and the Poly Royal team emerged victorious with a score of 25-23.

The rain continued to pour down throughout the rest of the day, but the Poly Royal rodeo team didn't let it deter them from their practice. They were determined to be ready for the next competition.

As to the game, coach Mike Petri said, "When we finally started passing the ball better, our setter, Eddie Pettit, ran our offense perfectly. Eddie set a great match. It feels good to win in Nor- thrich, since they have beaten us down there in the past.

Feastured for the Poly Royal matches will be Bob Petri, Tom Mitchel, Scott Terry, Warren Stan, Jeff Barter and Eric Benson.
Opinion

Represent yourself

For the first time in California, utility consumers have the chance to effectively represent themselves in utility battles. Last week the Public Utilities Commission approved of the San Diego Utility Consumer Action Network, whose goal is to hold down rising utility rates and actively represent the public. This is the first time utility consumers group has been formed in California, and the Mustang Daily Editorial Board hopes the trend will spread statewide.

An anti-utility group such as UCAN is essential in holding down rising utility rates. Its purpose is not to oppose utilities, but to advocate the consumer's need to represent themselves in utility companies.

Municipal utilities contend that their customers already have adequate representation because their rate decisions are made either by an elected city council or an elected board of directors. However, members of the public have a right to limit rising rates and represent themselves.

Currently, the odds are stacked against consumers when they deal with the PUC. Utilities spend millions of dollars researching and litigating their cases, but no other group has the power, staff or money to intervene. With the formation of a consumer group, a staff of expert representatives can research and gain evidence to intervene with the utilities and litigate their cases. By approving UCAN, the commission is proving it's interest in public representation.

A well-planned consumers group has much more force and is more effective in using evidence and arguments to intervene in rate increases than small, scattered groups of self-proclaimed advocates.

Because utility bills do not often weigh the full ounce paid for by a first class postage stamp, the San Diego-based group has received permission from the PUC to put its material in utility bill envelopes mailed to San Diego Gas and Electric Co. customers. UCAN will obtain membership and contributions through these inserts.

The extra weight in utility bill envelopes belongs to consumers, and using it is a beneficial way of providing information to consumers.

The state legislature is also currently considering several measures that would create a statewide consumer utility board to represent homeowners before public utilities.

If the San Diego group has begun a statewide trend, utility consumers will have the opportunity to help set their own utility rates by representing themselves. Who can be a part of such representation? UCAN.

The Last Word:

'Don't' addict

Something is wrong with me. No. I don't have ome 'flu, or pig's feet, or any other physical abnormality besides a big head. I am a 'don't' addict.

You're probably saying to yourself that you've known I was crazy all along and that it's about time this wash said it. Okay, you're right — in a way.

To set the record straight, I don't roam the streets of San Diego looking for stray puppies to torture. I'm not a fiend in a romance. I'm not a dirty old man. I haven't seen tangerine trees or marmalade skies, or a girl with kankakee eyes.

Besides, I've learned to live with my affliction. When I'm bored, I go into department stores and leave my fingerprints on all the glass counters. If I want to do something exciting, I take some sleep-inducing drugs and find some heavy machinery to operate.

I don't always want to stick a screwdriver in an electrical outlet or grab a TV antenna during a lightning storm. I have. I've always wanted to blow-dry my hair while I'm sitting in the bathtub. I think it would be an exhilarating experience.

I really can't help myself. I throw away my mother's copy of "Please Don't Eat The Daisies." I broke our television during a Batman rerun, when the announcer said, "Don't touch that dial!" The word don't means the same to me as "Simon says" does to everyone else.

I've learned to live with my affliction. Besides, you haven't experienced all of life until you've run through newly-seeded grass or wet cement. Why not bolt out a few choruses of "God Bless America" at the top of your lungs next time you're in the library? When you are playing Monopoly and get sent to jail, pass GO instead and collect $200. Remember, Count your chickens before they hatch. I sincerely hope you don't take my ad­vice.

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