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A recent Cal Poly history graduate will examine a late 19th century mystical Mexican healing practice in a talk in the Campus Dining Room at 12:10 p.m. For more information, call 756-1252.

Royal Robbins, one of America’s premier rock climbers and white-water kayakers will present his life history from high school dropout to adventurer, teacher, businessman and environmentalist, at 7 p.m. in Osmouth Auditorium. Tickets are $5 and all proceeds go to charity. Tickets are available at the U.U. or by order to guarantee publication, an advertisement must be purchased. Agenda information will be included: open climbing, vertical twister, blindfolded climbing and raffles with over $3,000 in prizes.

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The group, nearly 100 strong, was mostly women but there were several men, both in couples and alone. They lighted their candles, formed a huge circle and decided where to march.

The vote was unanimous. "Baker — Baker — Baker," was the chant as the group descended from the U.U. toward Baker’s house, the chant soon turned into the most popular of the night. As the group stood in Baker’s driveway, "Women and men unite; take back the night," was repeated, along with "Two, four, six, eight, no more date rape" and many other chants.

"Well, he’s either not home or he’s not coming out," said Missy Stine, a biology senior and chair of the 1996 Take Back the Night Committee.

"He’s scared," Koestner said.

After three or four rounds of chants, the group then headed back up to rest in a circle in front of the Cal Poly Theatre. There, it decided to march around the residence halls, where it is believed most date rapes occur.

That was the easy decision; what could not be decided as readily, however, was whether to walk in silence or chant during the walk.

"No more silence," one woman said.

"But wouldn’t our voice be louder if silent?" a man suggested.

They decided to march silently, until a few dorm residents yelled out of their windows at the group. Then, the chants began again, drowning out blares of music and yells, and echoing into the night air.

After nearly an hour of marching, the group gathered on the steps of the U.U. Though everyone’s voice was hoarse, the chanting ended with a rousing cheer.

"This shows that Cal Poly does have a voice," Stine told the group before it dispersed.

According to Stine, past marches have always included visits to the red painted handprints around campus, which mark the sites of crimes ranging from attempted assault to sodomy and kidnapping. At least 16 handprints exist on the Poly campus, seven of which are located in the residence hall areas, she said.

Take Back the Night began in Germany in 1973 to protest a series of violent crimes against women, Stine said. The first American march was held in San Francisco in 1978.

Stine said she felt more people would come to the event if they stopped seeing it as a "woman’s thing." She also said community involvement in the event was essential.

"It’s about our mothers, our daughters and our sisters," Stine said. "It’s about recognizing that violence is wrong, and that we are the casualties.

Stine said attendance was up from last year’s event, which attracted 100 to 150 people.

"This year, our whole approach was different," Stine said. "We had lots of publicity."

Sixteen people served on the committee for Thursday’s Take Back the Night, the sixth annual event on Cal Poly’s campus.

Daily Copy Editor Justine Frederiksen and Daily Campus Editor Karen Spender contributed to this report.
Tests find new AIDS virus-transfer gel prevents sexual disease

By David G. Henry

BOSTON — A powerful virus-stopping gel intended to stop the sexual spread of AIDS in women appears to be highly effective in the first testing on monkeys, according to a preliminary study.

The substance, called PMPA, totally stopped transmission of HIV, the monkey version of the AIDS virus, when applied protectively to the animals’ vaginas.

“We don’t know how this will translate to human beings, but we see the results as very promising and worth pursuing,” said Dr. Robert Black of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, which financed the study.

If it works as researchers hope, the gel could be applied vaginally by women before intercourse — or even after — to prevent them from the AIDS virus.

Finding a vaginal anti-AIDS compound is an important research goal for use in circumstances when condoms are not available or not wanted, said Dr. Zeda Rosenberg of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases.

So far, scientists have studied PMPA only in macaque monkeys, which are susceptible to the simian immunodeficiency virus. The virus is a relative of HIV, the human AIDS virus, and as the spermicide nonoxynol-9, which also kills HIV.

“It’s a big step in the right direction,” said Dr. Bert Bischofberger of Gilead Sciences Inc. of Foster City, Calif.

Bischofberger presented the results Monday at the Ninth International Conference on Antiretroviral Research in Fukushima, Japan.

PMPA — short for (R)-9-(2-phosphonylmethoxypropyl)adenine — works by blocking reverse transcriptase, one of the enzymes the AIDS virus uses to make copies of itself. Its action is similar to AZT, the first AIDS drug, but it appears to be more potent and 100 times less toxic.

For example, scientists have studied PMPA only in lab animals but fail when tried on people. Among other things, its developers will have to show that PMPA does not cause irritation, which is a drawback of nonoxynol-9.

“The biggest issue is safety. This would obviously be used in healthy young people, and it has to be very safe,” said Dr. Norbert Renault of the Busak-Shamban Polymer Technologies Group, Inc. member of the Busak-Shamban Group of Companies located in Ventura County, Newberry Park, CA.

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Looking forward to the opportunity of talking with you.
What happened to her dream?

May 14, 1996

I'm worried about my friend Ann. Not worried about her so much as her梦见er Ann and I have known each other for a few years now. We were forced to meet during an introductory piano class at a J.C. where the instructor grouped the class according to ability scales.

At first I was apprehensive about the idea of working together in solitude but Ann was such a fun person and I honestly liked working with her. When the class concluded, Ann and I would spend days and nights working on projects together. While the obvious styles were starting to become estranged (like young kids who marry out of lust) and I began to enjoy working with Ann less and less. Which I found to be a strain, because I still wanted to be her friend. One day I found the backbone (with much rehearsing, pacing miles in my kitchen) to tell her I thought we would do ourselves better to go our own way. Basically Ann just laughed. She's a strange kid. "Tara! I'm shocked to hear you say this. I thought I'd beat you to it for sure!" Guess she felt the same way.

Now more and more with each month, Ann has been ignoring her music for, I can think of no better word, complaining. All matter © 1996 Mustang Daily.

Complaining. About the things she is powerless to change. Complaining that her music — her dreams — is suffering. I remember the days writing music and singing with her. Hearing Ann's passionate guitar compositions, hearing her silky voice delivering every word with precision. Most importantly, the look I saw in her eyes — Ann's decision to move on. I've seen uncommonly flying. I knew that look in her eyes. Made me wish I could love music (or anything) as much as she did. Or appeared a certain sense of doom — her dreams — her talent. It's wrong and I hate seeing her like this.

I'm not the most jubilant person in the world either and my music sometimes contradicts itself by being the thing I suppose the most of in the world, yet it often makes me miserable. All I'm saying is I wish Ann would loosen up. Hanging around with her is no fun anymore because I know she's going to start up on anything the sons of bitches in power are doing to piss her off that day. It's so much misplaced energy.

I'm not shying this journal to anyone. For once, it's time to discard the secrecy of these words. Since I wrote it, I want to feel it, I will give this page to Ann. Damn the consequences.

Dave Demers is an art and design senior.

Nineteen days till graduation. The other day I had a H-U-G-E life experience. I bought my cap and gown. Graduation hadn't really hit me until that point. After I finished paying my graduation fee, and being charged for my diploma, and learning that I couldn't bring my five beach balls to the ceremony, I realized that it was going to happen. I was going to be an adult. Cool thought, I can finally get that Cal Poly alumni license plate frame.

However, putting aside the feelings of joy, in all honesty this entire quarter I have had a serious case of senioritis. I've been plagued with this feeling of simply not giving a damn about anything any more. Maybe a little bit. I have a job. And at this point I have learned everything I need to learn in college. All that is left is the celebration of having finished this stage of my life.

All this contemplating got me thinking, which it often does. So after the big confession I saw Ann every now and then. We've talked. I have found the backbone (with much rehearsing, pacing miles in my kitchen) to tell her I thought we would do ourselves better to go our own way. I'm shocked to hear you say this. I thought I'd beat you to it for sure!" Guess she felt the same way.

On the other hand, I'm shocked to her you say this. I thought I'd beat you to it for sure!" Guess she felt the same way.

During the eight months I have lived on the central coast, I have been impressed time and again with the high level of respect that the local community shows the environment. Few of the hills are covered with houses or apartment complexes or anything but active little trash along the freeways and the with the exception of Oceano Dunes Beach very little destruction of natural resources. In truth, in the few months.

by Ben Rothstein

Save Pirate's Cove

When I take in the vast expanses of the Pismo dunes, the cliffs and grasslands of Montana de Oro and the jagged bluffs and gentle bays of Pirate's Cove, I can only wonder at what San Diego looked like even 50 years ago. I will never know because its natural habitat has been destroyed, replaced by hotels, shopping malls and freeways. This is an area that has been ravaged by the central coast will always remain pristine and untamed. In fact, one particular park has been so completely ignored by the county and treasured by visitors that it is already beginning to show signs of decline. This endangered area is known to locals as Pirate's Cove.

Pirate's Cove is a great place to spend a sunny afternoon and has something to offer everyone. Probably its greatest attraction is its nudist beach. In a conservative community like San Luis Obispo, it's nice to have a place where one can let loose a little, and many people take advantage of this luxury. On the other hand, it is uncommon to see more voyeuristic types sitting on the rocks above beavers in hand and binoculars around their necks.

But bathing in the buff and sightseeing are not all there is to do at Pirate's Cove. One can rock climb, kayak among otters and other marine life, or go fishing in the very rocky bays. Or, for the more lazy types, the view is so fantastic. That's even from the parking lot, one can see as far north as the Avila Beach jetty and as south as the Pismo dunes and Vandenberg.

Unfortunately, this potential Garden of Eden has taken a great fall. As a result of careless visitors and the fact the county has not placed a single trash can on the premises, the trails are littered with broken glass, fast food containers and countless other forms of junk. Not only that, but a quick hike through some of the caves will reveal the Santa Maria Gorge have also found this location a desirable haunt. I find it hard to believe it would cost the county a large sum of money to place cans at a few locations in the park and to empty these cans periodically. I don't think anyone would mind if this location be visited on a regular basis by game wardens and other law enforcement officers. In all the times I have visited Pirate's Cove, I have never seen a visitor of any kind. It is simply not enough for the city/county to post signs telling people not to litter or break the law; there needs to be physical forces such as trash receptacles and park officials before things will improve.

Although I am new here, I care about our coast and what is left of its natural beauty. Please join me in letting the proper officials know you will not tolerate this blatan neglect and abuse of the land we share. Perhaps then future generations will be able to enjoy the unspoiled wonder that once existed all along the Pacific coast.

Ben Rothstein is an English graduate student.

Rod's Thoughts

Senioritis and other senior staff stuff by Rodrigo Espinoza

learned in college. So, here is my variation on the popular book.

"All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten.

Pirates are a good thing. Cheating is easy to do, but still wrong. Professors are liberal, parents are not. Substance is more important than image, image wears after a while. Smiling helps. Lock your bike, car, and backpack. You will never balance your checkbook. The biggest word of all, THINK! Education is the only thing nobody can ever take away from you. Call mom often. You can live off of pasta for a week. Care enough to vote or shut up. Don't flake on your study groups. Forgiving is key, if not it will eat you up.

All of this is much bigger than one exam. Responsibility will happen, as will discipline. And it holds true, girl/boyfriends will come and go, parents will be fine without you, the sun will come up in the morning and back down at night, and yes, you must also move on. Roommates will teach you more than any lecture ever could.

The Greek system is a self fulfilling gossip machine that lives off of rumors. Weekends start on Wednesdays. Lying will get you in trouble. Be openminded, and accept people for who they are. This is a place where mistakes are made, that's the idea. Finally as we all go out into the real world remember, life is a journey not a destination, enjoy the ride. Facing graduation is not an easy time in one's life. All of a sudden everything you do is going to count, not as a grade, but as a real life lesson. Many of us are faced with tough decisions on jobs and relationships. Some feel more lost than others, but the one thing we will have in common is we're the class of 96, and we are the future.

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YOUNG: His family was touched by the memorial and students' comments

"The whole department has been so kind with Richard's memory," McQuary said. "It's nice to know he had such caring friends here."

Another special person in Young's life was Shari Ward, who knew him since 1951.

"He was touched by the memorial. "Richard would have really liked it."

Construction management students were also pleased with the results.

Although he didn't personally know Young, construction management senior David Reese said his reputation within the department was that of a demanding, but truly caring professor.

"This memorial not only represents how the department felt about Richard," Reese said, "it also shows that the learn-by-doing spirit is alive and well at Cal Poly."

The memorial consists of a seating area with brick tiles and a plaque honoring Young's memory.

A temporary aluminum plaque is being displayed at the site until a permanent bronze cast plaque is finished in about 10 weeks.

Donations for the permanent plaque — estimated at $700 — were accepted during the memorial. "Richard would have really liked it," Reese said.

Donations for the permanent plaque are $5. They can be purchased at the University Union, Escape Route, Granite Stairway and the Crux Climbing Gym.

According to Dunning, Robbins' presentation tonight is not for mountain climbers and outdoor enthusiasts.

"Even if people have no interest in mountain climbing," Royal said, "it really is motivational in being able to accomplish what you believe in." Dunning said. "He transcends all interests, careers and hobbies."

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AIDS: PMPA may prevent transmission of HIV virus through needles, cuts

AIDS researchers at the University of Washington reported that injections of PMPA, totally prevented infection when given up to 24 hours after monkeys were inoculated with SIV.

While no one knows if PMPA gel will work as well in people as in primates, Tsai noted that SIV and HIV are closely related, and monkey and human vaginas are anatomically similar.

"That convinces me this is a very promising result," he said.

Gilead licensed rights to PMPA from its creators at the Rega Stichting Research Institute in Belgium and the Institute of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry in the Czech Republic.

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Researchers at the University of California, Davis, tested PMPA gel on six monkeys. Four received the gel, while two did not, and all were exposed to high levels of SIV. The four receiving the gel stayed healthy, while the other two got infected.

PMPA also showed promise in pre-
POLO: Brings a person's competitive spirit out

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endurance and intensity, fights hard and is an extremly fast swimmer," Parrish said.

"She's good all-around," he added. "She has no weak points.

At the other end of the pool Stillman defended the goal with her life and Parrish said she was one of the team's best players.

"Christie was our best defend­er as well as being an offensive threat," he said.

Parrish also said other notable players were sophomores Kaira Cotter, who added speed to the team, and graduate student Beverly Wrench who brought experience to the team.

New and old players alike had to keep in shape to learn how to be at their best in the pool.

Successful water polo players must demonstrate excellent phys­

ty in the water is "completely dif­

ferent than on the pool deck.

"People can be totally polite on the dock," Braa said. "But in the water their competitive spirit comes out."

Although the team may be catty in the pool, out of the water the players all get along well.

"We're all good friends," Stillman said. "We have social events together and with the men's water polo team.

Tournaments are especially conducive to building friendships, Stillman said.

"Tournaments are a lot of fun," she added. "We bond while explor­
ing the city where our tournament is. We shop, eat out together and lay in the sun."

NBA DRAFT: Vancouver received the third pick

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after running it by Croce. The early frontrunners in this draft loaded with more than three dozen college underclassmen and high school players are Massachusetts forward Marcus Camby and points guards Allen Iverson of Georgetown and Stephen Marbury of George Tech.

"We're looking for a winning position," said Croce, the 76ers' president and a former team physical therapist. "Any player we get is going to be an impact player for the 76ers."

Vancouver, which had the worst record at 15-67, won the third pick. Picks 4 through 13 then were assigned according to records during the regular season.

Milwaukee got the fourth pick and was followed by Minnesota, Dallas, the Los Angeles Clippers, New Jersey, Boston, Denver, Golden State, Cleveland and Charlotte.

Cleveland, which made the playoffs, got into the lottery hav­
ing obtained Washington's pick in a trade for Mark Price.

Had Golden State gotten one of the top three picks, it would have been gone to Orlando under terms of the trade for Chris Webber.

Golden State was represented at the draft by forward Joe Smith, the No. 1 overall pick in last year's draft.

Croce, a former conditioning coach for the 76ers and Flyers, amassed his personal wealth by building up a thriving physical therapy business he would later sell for $40 million.

Croce invested some of his self­

made millions in the mogadual in which Comcast Corp. and Flyers owner Ed Snider took ownership of the Sixers, Flyers and the city's two arenas earlier this year.

Camby watched the lottery on television and saw everything go according to statistical form.

"Philadelphia or Toronto would be a great situation for myself," Camby said, referring to the chance to stay close to his family in Hartford, Conn. "But I really have no preference."
QUILT: "It's kind of depressing, kind of amazing."
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"It's kind of depressing and kind of amazing." Kibbels said. "It's a positive thing overall, though."

On hand to receive new panels was Edie Kahn, volunteer coordinator with ASN.

Kahn got involved with the Quilt in 1983 after looking up an old friend in New York and finding that he had died of AIDS.

"My first contact with the Quilt came in Los Angeles where I helped sew new panels together," Kahn said.

In addition to the display, an interfaith ceremony was held Saturday night followed by the 8th annual ASN AIDS Candlelight Memorial Walk.
**Women's H2O polo team has challenging season**

Cal Poly's women's water polo team had a tough season, but they finished with a 9-1 record. Coach Lara Bishop said, "We had a lot of new people to learn together as a team," said Bishop. "They played very well in the second half." The team won the entire tournament during the Pacific Coast Championships.

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**Track teams take second at AWC championships**

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