ASI officers granted priority registration

By Ryan Becker
Daily Staff Writer

After lobbying for more than two years, ASI officers have been granted priority registration.

The benefit gave ASI six executive officers their pick of classes this spring by allowing them to register before the regular CAPTURE quarterly rotation.

"ASI was turned down for priority registration twice," said Wyatt Brown, chairman of the 17-member Registration and Scheduling Committee and assistant professor of crop science. "They finally presented the information that was needed. One of the things (the committee) wasn't clear on was how priority registration would help them."

Brown said any student group requesting priority registration must meet several guidelines before approval. First, the students must be the primary instructors in a class with academic credit. They are required to attend a content course connected with their activities and must have ongoing assignments for that course.

Although ASI officers don't enroll in a class connected to the position, the committee took other factors into consideration.

"ASI officers have many obligations that their jobs entail," Brown said. "The priority registration is meant to increase their efficiency, considering the services they perform to the university."

Brown said the Registration and Scheduling Committee unanimously approved the officers' request for priority registration in late January.

"ASI had to come back and request priority three times," Brown said. "We're not playing politics. We're just trying to protect the system, and we don't want to set ourselves up for criticism."

Brown said the committee has no plans to re-evaluate its decision. He said the privilege extends only to six specific ASI officer positions and is not transferable to other positions.

The president, chairman, executive vice president, vice chairman, vice president of finance and vice president of facilities and operations were granted priority registration.

Cindy Entzi, ASI president, said priority registration was necessary because the officers were unable to find a common meeting time.

"We were meeting at seven in the morning or at 7 p.m. after the board meetings," Entzi said. "We felt that if we had priority registration, we'd be able to coordinate better. We're the ones dealing with the day-to-day operations of ASI."

ASI said priority registration

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The passing of an era

Power Plant shuts doors to make way for Utilidor

By Shoshana Haski
Daily News Editor

Nearly breaking the sound barrier, a series of horns roared through Deister, perked up students' ears in the University window in the "Spider Building" and brought confused looks to faces in every corner of campus Friday. The noise announced a closing and celebration of one era and an entrance into a new one—the era of Utilidor technology.

The Utilidor project is coming to an end and has altered the way power surges through the university.

Cal Poly's Power Plant, which generated the campus' heating and cooling power for 44 years, made way for modern times Friday when it closed its doors to allow for a transition to more efficient energy production, machinery and processes.

The plant's high-pressure steam boilers, which produced all the hot water, are being replaced by high-tech electronic, computer-operated water boilers, in a new plant just next door.

The new plant also has a central chiller for conditioning and refrigeration. Before Utilidor, each building had its own chiller. The new central system runs water through the

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Student attendance up at second health fee-increase forum

By Ryan Becker
Daily Staff Writer

A proposal to raise health fees prompted concerns questions from a handful of students at a forum last Thursday.

"I'm still against the (increase) because the money should come from other places," political science freshman Eddie Drake said after the forum. "Students are footing the bill for too much."

Drake was one of about 20 students who attended the forum to hear details and ask questions about the proposal.

Students will vote March 11 and 12 to decide whether to increase their fees from $28 to $51 per quarter over a two-year period. This would be an 82-percent increase.

The fee increase would reduce the Health Center's drain on Cal Poly's general fund and its own trust fund. Because of a California State University executive order, one-third of the money generated by the fee increase must be allocated to student financial aid.

Martin Bragg, director of health and psychological services, said the turnout at the forum was lower than he had hoped. At the first health-fee forum, held Feb. 24, no students showed up.

Bragg said many students will see immediate benefits if the fee increase is implemented. Specifically, the Health Center would stay open an additional eight hours per week and provide an after-hours nurse consultation service all week long.

Bragg said the consultation service would allow students to call a number to find out if they should seek emergency care or wait until the Health Center is open.

The Health Center would contract out the service and pay $9 per call, but students would not pay on a per-call basis.

"This kind of service might save students money by helping (them) avoid going out in the community for emergency care when it is unnecessary," Bragg said at the forum.

Bragg said the Health Center would also expand its specialty services, such as dermatology and psychiatry.

"We do a significant amount of work dealing with depression, and it's very difficult to get to see a psychiatrist in this community on short notice," Bragg said. "We'd basically be putting a psychiatrist on retainer so students would have access."

Since the fee increase will reduce the Health Center's drain on the general fund, Bragg said more money will be freed up for academic programs.

Although the student vote is technically only advisory and President Warren Baker will make the final decision, Bragg expects Baker to follow the outcome of the student vote.

Bragg said the vote comes down to a decision between more services and fewer services.

"I'm always asked 'What if it doesn't pass?' be said at the forum. "If it doesn't pass, we're going to do everything we can to..."
Rain to blame for low turnout at Rib Cook-Off

By Mark Hart
Daily Staff Writer

Rain couldn't stop the meat, smoke, barbecue sauce, plenitude of napkins and competitive atmosphere from looming about Farmer's Market Thursday where local businesses and residents put their taste buds to work for the 13th Annual Rib Cook-Off.

The rain did stop the thousands of people expected to clog Higuera Street, to sample the ribs laid out by six local businesses. Only a small fraction of those expected participated in the contest.

F. McLintock's, Golden China, Mo's Smokehouse, Nothing But the Best Deli, Old Country Deli and SLO Brewing Company all tried their best to win bragging rights to the title of "Best Ribs."

This year, Mo's pork ribs won both the People's Choice and Judges' awards. McLintock's won the people's choice for beef ribs and Nothing But the Best won the judges' choice for beef ribs.

"It's awesome," said Larry Kowalski, owner of Mo's. "It was worth all the rain."

Many representatives for the businesses weren't happy with the turnout and the weather. "Tough's kind of ridiculous," said Ken Wong, owner of the Golden China, who had trouble getting his barbecue started in the rain. "They should cancel it and try next week."

"We're cooking enough ribs, then we're leaving," said Mike Hoffman, owner of SLO Brew who won a People's Choice award last year.

"I've been doing this for 14 years. This is the worst it's ever been. It's a joke this year. They should have postponed it. We'll only get about 20 percent of the customers we usually do," said Pete Eberle, Business Improvement Association's coordinator for Farmers' Market, said postponing the event wasn't an option. He said the restaurants started preparing their ribs at 9 a.m., and if they decided not to cook the ribs, they would have had a lot of leftover meat which would go to waste.

"The reduction of the crowd could give a more accurate gauge of the People's Choice award," Eberle said, adding that in past years many businesses ran out of ribs later in the event and weren't able to receive a vote.

The sponsors of the event were Mission Office Products, the Telegram-Tribune, San Luis Obispo City Council, KSBY-TV, K-JUG and Cellular One. Each judge was an employee of the sponsor.

"You have to pace yourself," said Dodie Williams from K-JUG. "But they were all really good. You always fear you're going to get one that's so bad (it disgusts you)."

"I had a $50 bill under one of my ribs," joked John Lex from Mission Office Products.

Brian Loomis and his wife ventured down from Porterville to sample some of the ribs.

"The rain couldn't stop us," he said. "We just bought some umbrellas and coats and decided to come out."

"We're going forward to next year," Hoffman said after the winners were announced. "We're going to talk to the cows and work it out. We're going right to the source."

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KSBY anchor Kimberly Maus gets a mouthful at the 13th Annual Rib Cook-Off.
It's been a home away from home for us for as long as everyone has been here. Most of the guys who work here have worked here for most or all of their careers, until they retire.

—Dennis Elliot
Chief engineer at the Power Plant

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Utilitor around campus just like the hot water system. A hewer lunchtime barbeque and shut-down ceremony in the plant's break room (with walls plastered with black and white photos of the plant being built in 1953 and 1954 and from its early days of operation) brought retired employees back to the plant for one last time, reminiscing with each other and other employees.

None of the 15 state employees and 10 student assistants who work at the Power Plant will lose their jobs, though their duties will change. The old boilers required 24-hour watch and maintenance. The new boilers don't need that amount of attention, so the engineers will no longer have to physically keep a watch on and operate the old steam machines.

Instead, they will be working in the field, using their skills to fix things around campus.

"I'm glad this thing is closing down," said Building Service Engineer Stan Smith. "I don't like being stuck in one place."

Smith, an employee of four years, said the plant's closure is very sentimental for many of the other employees who have worked there for much longer.

"It's kind of bittersweet. It's kind of the place we go," said Chief Engineer Dennis Elliot who began his Power Plant career years ago as a student assistant while majoring in engineering. "It's been a home away from home for us for as long as everyone has been here. Most of the guys who work here have worked here for most or all, of their careers, until they retire."

"It was a neat old plant and was very dependable. It has a terrib­le work record, performance-wise, over the years," he added.

But the system needed to be replaced and would have been no matter what, Elliot said, because it was beyond the end of its life expectancy.

"Many institutions and universities like this in recent years have been converting from steam to hot water, it's kind of a trend," he said.

Elliot supervises the entire department and said the small staff is facing a number of challenges with the Utility since it began running a few months ago.

"We're re-organizing, changing schedules and taking on new proj­ects that we didn't have the man­power to do before, but we're not losing any people," he said.

One of the biggest problems with the old system was under­ground. The old piping and distrib­ution system had deteriorated and began leaking steam.

"We had enormous expenses due to the steam leaks and the loss of insulation around the pipes in the ground. In wintertime when it's cold and rainy, a lot of the ener­gy we produce in the plant is going to heat the cold, wet ground rather than getting to the buildings," Elliot said.

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TOP OF THE EVENTS

For March 9-March 13

**MORGAN**

- **SLO Nightwriters** will feature esteemed poet and Los Osos resident Michael Hammond, whose work has appeared in prominent journals and anthologies. At 7 p.m., he will talk about his public life as a poet, read some of his work and show slides of artwork inspired by his poems. Meetings are free and open to anyone, at 990 Palo St. For more information, call 549-9656.

**TUESDAY**

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Melting pot cooks up some white, MTV culture

Someone mentioned in an article a few days ago that people who fit the “white” label were apparently absent at the veritable cornucopia of cultural events throughout February. It was implied that “whites” don’t care about the other cultures here in the United States. It is perhaps true.

The United States is a cultural melting pot where culture dissolves into consumerism and MTV-prescribed preferences. There is no dominant ethnic-based culture in the United States. It could be argued that Anglo-Saxon Christianity rules the country as that is where the country was spawned from, but over the last century it has evaporated like cheap cognac.

There appear to be a lot of people who come from other countries for a better life, and attempt to bring their cultural influences with them. It’s a nice thought, but don’t expect anyone to come out and play.

I’m not suggesting that everyone disinherit their cultural past into a homogeneous American culture where a Chevrolet is valued more than a pivotal past of our own. I just don’t want to hear about how “whites” don’t care about other cultures in the United States. It is probably true “whites” don’t care; there is a damn fine reason for it.

As a member of the “white” majority, I must admit I have very little cultural identity; let alone affiliaction. All I’ve permitted to have is if I want to go about and champion the heritage of my German roots, become a white supremacist, or a Nazi. I become the bad guy, because you know, it was me who colonized and exploited the world and I also killed the Jews.

Go ahead and have pride in your ethnicity. I’ll just sit here and chew on my crucifix.

What I’m talking about is the reverse discrimination that comes with some Affirmative Action policies and a style of thinking that blames current American citizens of Western European descent for the actions of the past. I, again, don’t have any say reparations for the injustices that my ancestors may or may not have been a part of.

So the moral of the story is: people are people and race is a bunch of crap. It has been used throughout the past as a barrier gaining chip in the proverbial game of world politics and continues to be used today as the roots for much strife. From the former Yugoslavia to the Middle East to Los Angeles, race-driven conflicts abound.

Perhaps there should be some “white” pride events coming this spring. I wonder how many other cultures would be represented.

Bryan S. Ridley is an architecture sophomore.

You can’t teach an old dog new tricks.

By Bob Roth

In fact, all the dogs at the Rice Center have found the ability to work as a team to improve every part of our program. Yes, we are dogs, old dogs, and those that have chosen to contribute an overwhelming majority of our time and effort to Recreational Sports. We are old dogs for all people who already enjoy the services we offer and for all of you out there who want to see us offer more.

It is with this dedication to the program that it suddenly me to see Mustang Daily rip a fellow dog out of its pen.

Nate-Dog, a candidate for ASAP President, while attending a conference to receive his Certified Padel License certificate, was stopped by Mustang Daily, unable to be reached for comment despite his best efforts.

Imagine that, Nate-Dog was out seeking a certification that will help him improve a campus-wide program, and Mustang Daily decides to take a stance that, through their desire to prevent a candidate running for a major political position at our university. Perhaps we should quote a number of other bitches here, but I believe I will leave those to the rest of you.

Mustang Daily receives enough grief from the populace, no need to add to this small matter. Sometimes we just need to remind them that they speak to the people of this university and they shape some opinions. It is not reality to expect a newspaper to be unbiased, but it is to expect them to be somewhat relevant reading. But this particular situation should be remembered as a learning experience for the hard-working members of the Daily team.

This old dog has had a few runs-ins with the Daily staff, but I continually applaud them for their efforts of improvement. I merely ask you, the reader, not to place Nate-Dog at the back of the pack because of his absence from Wednesday’s newspaper’s opportunity to meet the candidates. His accomplishments and goals are well worth consideration when you head to the polls and bark out your vote.

Bob Roth is a second-year M.B.A. student and the collegiate sport club student coordinator at Rice Sports.

A more modest proposal

The trouble with Alex L. Sterling’s idea to allow current students and their children to use the facilities up to the first birthday is that it just doesn’t go far enough. Alex realized this, but do the rest of you? I have been told by many parents that two-year-olds are terrible, so perhaps we should consider extending the “life” definition to the third birthday.

Come to think of it, most parents would probably like to reserve the right to end their children’s “life” until about the fifteen or sixteenth birthday, wouldn’t they?

And why should this right be restricted to parents? Shouldn’t brothers and sisters have something to say about it? Or maybe we could add an extension to the rule for grandparents, aunts and uncles? They all have to live with this “person,” so maybe their input should be considered as well.

And we all live in a global village, don’t we? So probably should allow our neighbors to have the right to decide whether our children should live or die. That still doesn’t go far enough.

Maybe mayors should have the right to get rid of undesirable teenagers, faculty unproductive students, university presidents, unyielding faculty, prison wardens, unwanted felons, governments, uncooperative citizens. The decisive, or different, or detrimental. I can see it now, Huskey’s “Brave New World” would pale in comparison to this “Brave New Definition of Life.” Who knows, maybe World War II could have been avoided if we had just realized that Hitler was only taking these ideas to a new level, one of his own choosing.

This new definition of “life” really has some possibilities...or then again, maybe that wasn’t what was intended.

Russell Cummings is an aeronautical engineering professor.

Write a column and get dates

All the fame, fortune and popularity that come along with writing a column for Mustang Daily must be yours this spring! Anyone interested in having their name and face splashed all over campus can contact me via e-mail at jborasiti@polymail.calpoly.edu. For more infor mation, all majors are welcome to apply.

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Santa Lucia Chapter Praises Capps' Positions on Environmental Issues

Recognizing the serious environmental threats facing the Central Coast region, both the Santa Lucia and Los Padres Chapters of the Sierra Club have endorsed Lois Capps in the special congressional election for the 22nd District. On Tuesday, March 10, voters will choose between Capps, wife of the late Rep. Walter Capps, and Tom Bordonaro, a conservative State Assemblyman from Paso Robles.

"Bordonaro voted 'NO' on the environment more than 4 out of 5 times" Pat Veesart Santa Lucia Chapter Chairman

The Sierra Club is also launching an independent campaign to educate voters about Bordonaro's abysmal environmental voting record. "We have researched Tom Bordonaro's voting record, and we have found that he is no friend of the environment," said Pat Veesart, Chairman of the Santa Lucia Chapter. "Bordonaro claims to oppose offshore oil drilling, but he supported Mobil Oil's Clearview Project to drill for oil in state waters off the Santa Barbara coast."

The California League of Conservation Voters, a non-partisan organization that tracks key environmental legislation and scores state lawmakers on their votes, gave Bordonaro a 12% rating in 1995, 8% in 1996, and a 35% in 1997. "Bordonaro voted 'NO' on the environment more than 4 out of 5 times", said Veesart. Bordonaro also voted against stronger drinking water standards, voted to weaken the California Clean Air Act, and opposed legislation that would have expanded civil and criminal penalties to cover oil spills in rivers and streams. "Mr. Bordonaro claims to be 'in the mainstream'," said Veesart. "But, from his voting record in the Assembly, it is clear that he does not represent a mainstream viewpoint on the environment."

By contrast, Lois Capps, like her late husband, Walter, has taken a strong stance on the environment and has voted to block attempts to weaken environmental standards or to open up our coast to offshore oil drilling. Walter Capps received a rating of 100% by the League of Conservation Voters in 1997, and Lois has promised to carry on his work in Congress.

The Sierra Club hopes to reach a mainstream Congress who is against offshore oil all of the time, not just when it is politically expedient."

Dr. Richard Kranzdorf Santa Lucia Chapter Political Chair

One has to wonder how Bordonaro can now claim to oppose offshore oil development. "Does he oppose it only as long as there is no money in it, or does he oppose it only at election time?", said Richard Kranzdorf, Political Chair for the Santa Lucia Chapter. "With the Minerals Management Service once again breathing down the necks of Central Coast Residents, we need a representative in Congress who is against offshore oil all of the time, not just when it's politically expedient."

"I'm proud of my stand on UCSB's premature rejection of the Clearview Project...", Bordonaro wrote in a 1995 Telegram-Tribune editorial. "Apparently not so proud as to include it in his campaign literature," said Kranzdorf, "Maybe he'd rather you didn't know."
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Keep the following year. Celeste Greenberg, president of the Student Health Advisory Council, acknowledged that the increase seemed high.

"We didn't want to have an increase every year and have students saying 'Why do they keep raising fees?'" Greenberg said. "That's why we have the third year (of the proposal) without an increase."

Business administration sophomore Kristine D'Ouzoa said she likes the Health Center because it is fast and convenient, but she doesn't think the increase is fair because many students already pay for outside health insurance.

"They shouldn't have to pay more (on campus) if they can go to their own doctor," she said.
Food Forum promotes permaculture and backyard gardens

By Adie Segal
Daily Star Writer

The simplicity and benefits of organic food production were the subjects of the Growing Food Forum held Saturday at the San Luis Obispo County Library.

Organic food growth is based on permaculture, the practice of designing gardens modeled on balanced ecosystems.

"Permaculture is a very holistic approach for healthy communities and a healthy food supply," said Akira Werbalowsky, who manages the Ecological Agriculture Program at Cal Poly. "It is a reliance on local resources instead of imported ones.

The goal behind permaculture is to get people growing food in their own backyards and neighborhoods.

"It is designed to be more conducive and produce fresher and tastier food compared to commercial food, which has to be transported a distance of 2,000 miles and refrigerated before it reaches consumers," Werbalowsky continued.

City regional planning junior Allison Pernell, who is involved at Cal Poly, said organic food growth is a different approach to living.

"It goes beyond agriculture," Pernell said. "It applies to whole systems like building houses and designing cities."

Larry Santoyo, a permaculture designer and teacher, is planning to help set up classes and give demonstrations on permaculture at Cal Poly.

"This type of gardening is applicable in all climates and is much more efficient and healthy than commercial farming practices," Santoyo said.

The Terra Foundation, whose mission is to research and implement ecologically-based management systems, gave a demonstration on how to begin growing organic food with a "square-foot garden."

Mark Skinner of the Terra Foundation explained that the common practice of growing produce in rows is inefficient.

"Half the space in the garden is used for walking, and it produces too much of one type of produce," Skinner said.

The square-foot garden eliminates those problems and adapts easily to the lifestyle of busy people, Skinner said. The first step is to choose what types of food you want to grow. Then a schedule of how much is produced each week needs to be devised, Skinner said.

The gardener begins by planting seeds in each hole of a recycled egg carton. The seeds must be kept at a temperature of 65 degrees until they sprout. Then they are ready for transplanting.

A good-size garden for a beginner is 3 by 3 feet. This allows a person to reach across the entire garden. It can be built with leftover wood scraps and pallets, said Carrie Yamashiro of the Terra Foundation. He recommends building 2-foot sides. The bottom should be covered with chicken wire. The gardener should add a little water and stir the pile occasionally.

Allison Nakasone of the Terra Foundation described a worm bucket, which is a method used to compost food waste. Red surface worms are added to speed up the decomposition process. They eat the bacteria and fungi that eat the garbage.

All that's needed is a bucket with the bottom missing and a lid with a hole cut in the top and covered with a fine screen to keep flies out. Six to eight inches of ordinary soil is added, and worms, food waste and straw or newspaper are layered on top until the bucket is full. Food waste must be added every week. After several months, the bucket is moved to another spot and filled with six inches of soil from the previous spot. This method will ensure that most of the red worms, which are essential to the process, are picked up. Nutrient-rich soil for the garden is provided through this method.

A book called "Worms Eat My Garbage" by Mary Applehof is recommended reading for those who would like more detail on this method of composting.

The Terra Foundation wants to establish a network of local growers to share information and produce. They also want to set up a web site so everyone in the county can communicate. Climate limits the type of produce grown in gardens, but the Internet connection would allow gardeners to exchange ideas.
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a failed S&L operator, McDougal seemed to relish in the national media spotlight after his joint real estate venture with the Clintons—a small vacation home settlement on an Arkansas' White river—first arose during Clinton's 1992 campaign.

By 1994, questions about the venture became so intense that a federal court named a special prosecutor to open a criminal investigation.

For much of the early days of the Whitewater controversy, McDougal was a sharp-tongued critic of the probe. He once showed up in Washington — sporting his trademark bald head, cane and a white suit — to sit front row for the start of congressional hearings into Whitewater, staring down his Republican accusers.

And he even tried to capitalize on his notoriety by running unsuccessfully for Congress, portraying himself and Clinton as innocent victims of a malicious prosecution.

But after an Arkansas jury convicted him, his former wife Susan and then-Arkansas Gov. Jim Guy Tucker of fraud and conspiracy, McDougal began to sound a different tune and alleged to prosecutors both the president and Mrs. Clinton were aware of some of the fraudulent land transactions he had.

When he began cooperating with Starr, McDougal changed his testimony and began corroborating the story of Whitehurst figure David Hale that the two men had met with Clinton in 1986 and planned a taxpayer-backed loan that was used in part to prop up the Clintons' Whitewater real estate development south of Little Rock on which Hillary Rodham Clinton conducted work as a partner in the Rose Law Firm.

And last spring, Whitewater prosecutors came across evidence that provided some support for an allegation by McDougal that Bill Clinton in the early 1980s took out a loan from McDougal's savings and loan to support Whitewater.

In his videotaped testimony in 1996 at McDougal's trial, the president denied ever having taken out a loan from the S&L.

In an interview last year, McDougal said that he and Clinton agreed to get the loan off the S&L's books by shifting the loan to an Arkansas businessman to pay off.

In a bizarre discovery, a canceled cashier's check for more than $27,000 from McDougal's S&L to Clinton was found in the trunk of an abandoned car in 1997 by a garage mechanic and turned over to Starr's office. The cashier's check was consistent with the story that McDougal had been selling prosecutors about a loan to Clinton, who denies knowing anything about it. The cashier's check was not endorsed.
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By Doug Tucker

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — While there was little doubt about the No. 1 seeds for the NCAA tournament — North Carolina, Duke, Kansas and Arizona — the field of 64 still offered some surprises.

The top seeds were considered the four best teams in the country for most of the season, but a few of the 34 at-large teams didn't know their fate until Sunday.

Among the surprise picks were Florida State, which lost seven of its last 10 games, including the play-in game of the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament; Western Michigan, which had an RPI ranking of 50, and Miami, which split its last 10 games and had an RPI ranking of 48.

"You have beauty marks and warts on all of those teams," Selection Committee chairman C.B. Newton said of the schools that were considered for the final at-large berths.

He cited the strength of sched­ule and quality wins for Florida State and Miami. Florida State beat Arizona and Connecticut, while Miami also beat Arizona.

The teams that certainly merited some attention from the nine-member selection committee but were not picked included Arizona State, Wake Forest, Hawaii and Vanderbilt.

Five conferences are sending five teams each to the tournament: Atlantic Coast Conference, Atlantic 10, Big East, Big Ten and Southeastern Conference — while three are sending four each: Big Ten, Pac-10 and Western Athletic Conference. The Midwestern Collegiate Conference and Conference USA each had three.

Four schools — Illinois-Chicago, Prairie View, Northern Arizona and Rhode Island — are making their first tournament appearance. Prairie View, which is 26th of 306 Division I schools according to the RPI ratings, has the lowest ranking of any team ever to make the NCAA tournament.

Miami hasn't been to the NCAA's since 1960, but the 38-year absence includes 15 years — 1971-85 — when the school didn't have a team.

North Carolina extended its own record with its 24th consecu­tive appearance, while Arizona tied Georgetown for the second-longest streak with its 14th con­secutive selection. Georgetown's run was from 1979-92.

North Carolina, which won its region with top-ranked Duke in Sunday's ACC champi­onship, was given the top seed in the East region. The Tar Heels would play the regional semifinals and finals in Greensboro, N.C., if they win their first two games. Duke was put at the top of the South region, while Kansas, the only one of the top four seeds not to be ranked No. 1 at some point this season, is the No. 1 seed in the Midwest and defending champion Arizona was placed No. 1 in the West region.

North Carolina (30-3) will open against Patriot League champion Navy on Thursday in Hartford, Conn. The other games at that site are: eighth-seeded North Carolina Charlotte against ninth-seeded Illinois-Chicago; fifth-seeded Princeton will play 12th-seeded UNILX, which won the Western Athletic Conference tournament.
Junior second baseman Matt Elam went 3-for-8 against Long Beach State this weekend adding two runs for the Mustangs.

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in only the second inning.

Next came Stan Acres who allowed eight hits for seven more runs, keeping Long Beach seven points ahead of the Mustangs.

Merritt, who put an end to the hitting spree the previous day, couldn’t get it done in the second meeting. In one inning of play, he struck out one batter, but let in four runs off four hits, along with one walk.

Pitcher Justin Linguist couldn’t do any better by combining six hits and two walks for eight runs.

Long Beach State catcher Bryan Kennedy wreaked havoc on the Mustangs connecting with the ball all four times at bat, scoring three runs and batting in five.

Attempting to answer the challenge for the Mustangs came third baseman Patrick Wood who went two for three and crossed home base twice.

In the end the 49ers had posted 20 hits to the Mustangs 12 and 26 runs to their eight.

Even with the pitching order reversed, Mike Zirelli couldn’t hold off the 49ers on Sunday dropping game three, 5-6.

Zirelli, Cal Poly’s top pitcher, threw all nine innings facing 37 batters. He gave up 12 hits, and only four earned runs. Zirelli also posted four strikeouts.

Four more errors by the Mustangs added five runs for the 49ers and saw their only chance at a victory this weekend fade away.

Brian Cassanego went one-for-four and scoring one run for the Mustangs.

Matt Brady, Matt Elam, Steve Wood and Michael Bland all had two hits for the Mustangs.

For the 49ers, Justin Hall single handedly contributed four errors on the day.

Pitcher Jason Marr got the win for the 49ers, pitching two innings and throwing two strikeouts.

The Mustangs dropped to 6-16 overall and 0-3 in Big West conference play.

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**SPORTS**

**Knipfer pitches perfect game**

Daily Staff Report

The sun shined brightly on the Cal Poly softball team Sunday. The Mustangs swept the University of Toledo in two games, 5-0, 2-0. Cal Poly improved to 10-6 on the season, while the Rockets dropped to 1-6.

No hits. No walks. No nothing.

Cal Poly All-American senior pitcher Desarie Knipfer shut out the Rockets. Knipfer pitched a perfect seven scoreless innings without allowing a single Texas BASE ball batter. She finished with a season-high 18 strikeouts out of a possible 21 in the game.

The Mustangs posted the first score on the board in the bottom of the first as rightfielder Ruby Pett scored on a wild pitch by Toledo starter Wendy Adams. After striking out the side in the first inning, Ruby Reina made contact for Toledo, but grounded out to Mustang shortstop Leilani Limay. Cal Poly added a pair of runs in the third on a two-out double to the right by Anna Bauer to score Kasey Pett. Bauer scored on the very next at bat as Limay doubled in right to score Bauer.

Knipfer pitched the win and improved to 7-3 on the season.

In game two, Kelly Smith pitched her first shutout of the year. Smith allowed only three Toledo hits in seven scoreless innings.

Kasey Pett went 2-3 on the day, scoring Cal Poly’s lone run in the bottom of the first after hitting a single up the middle. The Mustangs added another run in the bottom of the sixth after Anna Bauer led off the inning with a triple to right. She later scored on a grounder by Sarah Stockton. Smith improved to 3-3 on the season.

On Saturday, the Mustangs took on Big West Conference foe UC Santa Barbara in Santa Barbara. Each team managed to take one game of the doubleheader. In game one, pitching was the story again, as each starter threw a complete game. The Gauchos’ Jennifer Tolton scattered eight hits over seven innings before giving way to her relief, leftfielder Tanner Truesper. The Mustangs, 3-1 in conference, continued Big West play as they travel to take on New Mexico State Thursday, March 12.

**Cal Poly women’s track and field team stampeded to some impressive marks Saturday at Warmerdam Field in Fresno.**

The Cal Poly women finished third behind Fresno State and Stanford with 115 points. The men finished second, between Fresno State and Stanford, with 124 points.

The men’s and women’s four by 100 relay races were the climax of the day. The Mustang women grabbed first place by a nose, finishing second seconds ahead of Fresno State.

On the flip side, the Mustang men lost by a nose, placing second, coming in just two tenths of a second behind Fresno State.

Both Mustang teams boast times that could reach the national championships later this spring.

On the men’s side, Cal Poly’s Kaaren Conwright grabbed two victories. He swirled the line first in the men’s 100-meter dash and the 200-meter dash.

Darren Holman finished first in the 1500-meter run and came in fourth in the 5000-meter race.

Joe Koenig cleared 16 feet, 6 inches in the pole vault to place first.

Chip Lilienthal threw the javelin for 215 feet, 1 inch, leading the competition by almost seven feet.

Mitch Nahe placed first in the high jump and Jesse McDonald earned first in the discus.

On the women’s side, Cha’Ron Stewart crossed the line three seconds ahead of the pack in the 400-meter hurdles to place first.

Shannon Pernon placed second in the 100-meter hurdles behind Lori Himes of Fresno State.

Tamatha Jackson grabbed another first place victory in the 200-meter run at 24.50.

Sozzi Stanley placed third in the shot put, discus, and hammer.

Kristen Bryden placed fourth in the shot put, sixth in discus and hammer.

Paula Serrano cleared 11 feet 6 inches to finish second in the pole vault.

Cindy Pettitson also added another first place for the Mustangs in the triple jump.

Pettitson jumped 37 feet 2 inches to out-reach her opponent by eight inches.

-Kim Konye, Daily Sports Editor

**Baseball drops three Big West games**

-Mustangs exhibit individual strengths against top teams

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In game one, the Mustangs lost, 26-8 on Saturday.

**SPORTS TRIVIA**

Yesterday’s Answer:

Miguel Angel Gonzalez and Julio Cesar Chavez will box for the vacant WBC super lightweight title.

No one submitted the correct answer.

Today’s Question:

What team does former Athletic Kevin Kyeky, Daily Sports Editor

Submit your answer to kyeky@poly.edu.ca

**SCORES**

Men’s tennis

Oregon 6

Cal Poly 1

Women’s tennis

U.C. Santa Barbara 4

Cal Poly 5

Baseball

Cal Poly 1

Long Beach State 7

Cal Poly 8

Long Beach State 26

Cal Poly 5

Long Beach State 6

Softball

Cal Poly 1

U.C. Santa Barbara 0

Cal Poly 2

U.C. Santa Barbara 3

University of Toledo 0

Cal Poly 9

University of Toledo 0

Cal Poly 2

**Track and Field**

Women’s Three-End Relay

Stanford 147

Fresno State 140

Cal Poly 115

Men’s Three-End Relay

Fresno State 103

Stanford 97

Cal Poly 112

Stanford 110

Cal Poly 90

Men’s Triple Jump

Fresno State 160

Cal Poly 124

Stanford 115

Men’s Discus

Fresno State 120

Stanford 83

Cal Poly 113

Cal Poly 87

Cal Poly 101

Cal Poly 95

**Wanda, bam, she pitched the shutout ma’am. Senior All American pitcher Desarie Knipfer pitched a perfect game, striking out 18 out of 21 possible.**

**Baseball drops three Big West games**

After a scoreless six innings, Porto allowed six runs off eight hits and four walks in the seventh inning.

His replacement, Josh Morton, struckout one batter but allowed two hits bringing in the seventh run for the 49ers and securing the win.

Finally putting an end to Long Beach State’s hitting spree came pitcher Dan Merritt who kept all three of the batters he faced from getting a run.

In the top of the eighth inning, the Mustangs tried to come back. Left-fielder Tanner Truesper, scored the Mustangs’ only run off first baseman Steve Wood’s hit.

The 49ers were led by right fielder, Chuck Lopez, who hit three out of four for one run on the day.

Cal Poly’s woes continued into game two against the 4kers.

Luther Salinas’ fast balls didn’t stop Long Beach State as the Mustangs lost, 26-8 on Saturday.

The Mustangs took an early lead, 5-0, but couldn’t hold on after committing seven errors.

Salinas gave up two hits and five walks giving the Gauchos seven runs and putting them two ahead.