Students start search for rental housing

By Larissa Van Beurden

Although it's only winter quarter, many students are already looking for a place to call home next year. There is a major housing crunch in San Luis Obispo, with more students than available affordable housing. With an even greater number of incoming freshmen next year, combined with a limited number of on-campus dorms, students are starting early to find affordable housing, preferably close to campus.

Julia Americh, an art and design freshman, lives in the dorms this year, but hopes to move off campus next year. She hasn't started looking for a place yet, but has an idea about where she wants to live next year. "We're hoping to lease at Mustang (Village) next year," she said.

Mustang Village is a popular location for students because of its proximity to campus. Since houses close to campus fill up fast, some people will live almost anywhere, as long as they have a roof over their head.

Ellie Malykont, a property manager at California-West, Inc., said students have already started calling for lists of next year's housing. "The list comes out May 1," she said. "But we have actually started receiving calls from students for about the past month."

Malykont said the craziest time for her office is from May 1 until mid-September, but she gets calls year around from students needing a place to live. About 90 percent of Malykont's business is from students; she said, but she will rent to anyone. There are numerous places students can go to look for rental lists besides a property management company. The Web - sites such as Slorrentals.net lists numerous helpful sites for housing. It gives every- thing from property management lists to help finding a roommate. Many of the rental lists are updated daily throughout the year.

The classified ads in any newspaper will list apartments, condos, houses and rentals to share. Downstairs in the University Union, there is a large housing bill-board that lists houses for rent, rooms for rent and roommates wanted. Currently, there are 12 listings for housing. The most important thing to remember when trying to rent a house is the application.

One of the main problems Malykont has is that students' rental applications aren't complete. The most important thing to remember when trying to rent a house is the application.

"Make sure you have your prior tenant's phone number listed," she said. "We do call references, and we notice that lacking most of all."

Malykont said the main problem is that everybody wants a house, and there just aren't that many. She sus- pects that if students are seriously looking, they should find a house they like and stay with it.

"Be tenacious," she said. "Once you start tracking a list, stay on it. Have your application filled out and ready."

Tournament aims to raise mental health awareness

By Erica Tower

An important Cal Poly tradition continues Friday at noon at the Rec Center with the third annual Mark Reuliny Memorial Volleyball Challenge to benefit Health and Counseling Services. This year all campus clubs, students and faculty, will honor the memory of Mark Reuliny, a former Cal Poly student who took his own life. It will also raise money for an endowment aimed to increase awareness about depression and bi-polar disorder, also known as manic depression.

"It's a fun event for a good cause," said Bob Nagant, counseling services administrator. "All of the money we raise goes directly back to the students."

Reuliny, a 1989 Cal Poly construction management graduate, committed suicide in 1996 after struggling with both depression and bi-polar disorder. Reuliny's twin brother also suffered from both conditions but received treatment. For Reuliny, however, help came too late.

After Reuliny's death, his parents created an endowment in his honor to fund mental health education, and initiated the idea for an annual fund-raiser. The benefits eventually assumed the shape of the annual Volleyball Challenge, because Reuliny was an avid volleyball player while he attended Cal Poly.

The memorial tournament will be held in conjunction with a presenta- tion on mental health this Friday from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Albert B. Smith Alumni and Conference Center. Anne Goshen, Ph.D., Cal Poly professor and counselor, will speak about the types and causes of mood disorders, how to recognize depres- sion in yourself or someone you know, and the variety of treatments currently available.

"This disease is much more common than people think. The symptoms usually first appear in the college-age years."

Anne Goshen, Cal Poly counselor
National study shows college crimes are up

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Teen-ager recovering from burns after attempting 'Jackass' copycat stunt

TARRINGTON, Conn. (AP) — A 13-year-old boy was hospitalized Saturday and charged with reckless endangerment after mimicking an MTV personality who set himself on fire during a stunt show.

Jason Lind was severely burned Friday night when he and a friend poured gasoline on his feet and legs and lit him on fire while imitating a stunt on MTV's high-rated show "Jackass," police said. The fire grew out of control and burned the boy's legs and hands before it was extinguished, officials said.

Jason remained hospitalized Monday in critical condition in the burn unit of Shriners Hospital for Children in Boston.

Jason's 14-year-old friend was arrested Saturday and charged with reckless endangerment. Police would not identify the suspect because he is a juvenile. Another teen who looked on was not charged.

"Jackass" features an array of pranks and stunts. In Friday's episode, the show creator Johnny Knoxville devised a fire-resistant suit hung with steaks. He then lay across a makeshift barbecue while his cast mates shot lighter fluid onto the grill to tan the flames.

One of the teens said Jason volunteered to re-enact the stunt, which took place in one boy's back yard.

A woman who identified herself as an MTV spokeswoman but would not give her name had no immediate comment on the incident.

Many American universities struggle with binge drinking — the excessive consumption of alcohol by students. The implications go beyond drinking. Carter added.

"Alcohol and violence have a direct correlation," he said.

The report cites 108,046 incidents of alcohol-related referrals for disciplinary action in addition to the 25,935 alcohol-related arrests in 1999. Drug abuse increased 6 percent nationally.

The number of homicides dropped dramatically from 24 in 1998 to 11 in 1999, a 54 percent decrease. Hate crimes increased from 1,374 in 1998 to 2,287 in 1999. The report attributes these increases to the increase in two-year for-profit institutions that "generally do not have police or security officers."

"It is important to collect these data at an institutional level because violence with binge drinking — motivated by hate or bias seriously threatens the values of the school and the larger community," the report said.

Despite increases in certain crimes, the report said students are safer on campus. Only 19 percent of the crimes reported occurred on campuses, while 72 percent occurred off or nearby institutional grounds.

The report is a result of two congressional acts requiring such data to be reported. The 1990 Student Right to Know and Campus Security Act is now known as the Clery Act in memory of Jeanne Clery, a student at Lehigh University, who was sexually assaulted and murdered by a classmate in 1986.

The Higher Education Amendments of 1998 also required a compilation of the data.

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Poly profs study new monorail

By Ryan Ballard

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Long recognized as offering one of the top engineering programs in the country, Cal Poly has attracted the attention of the Fresno Area Skytrain Committee.

The committee, led by Daryl Bear, owner of Hungry Bear Cookies in Fresno, has asked several Cal Poly professors to conduct a six-month study to determine the viability of a monorail system in Fresno.

Alexis Chatrianou, a professor of transportation engineering, is the principal investigator in the study. Also working on the project are Walter Rice, associate dean of the College of Business and professor Ed Sullivan of the civil engineering department.

The Cal Poly group is excited about the opportunity to conduct the study.

"I think it is a good projection of the Cal Poly image in many ways," Chatrianou said. "We want to support, in general, public transportation. It also shows that Cal Poly's name is respected within the state and nationally." The idea of a monorail system is not a new concept in Fresno.

The committee, lead by Bear, is working on the project. The group studies will be conducted to determine if there is a need for such a system in Fresno. Several focus group studies will be done to determine if the citizens of Fresno like the idea and if they think it is the best option for their town.

This study will be conducted in the spring.

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The proposed central station of the monorail system would be placed at the location of the current Amtrak station in Fresno. The system would then run north and south through the downtown area, with the main station built where the Amtrak station currently stands. From there, a series of shuttle buses will run on several streets east and west.

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Gore makes ties with UCLA

By Michael Falcone

(UWIRE LOS ANGELES — Former Vice President Al Gore announced Friday he would begin an academic relationship with the University of California at Los Angeles, but the details of the nature and duration of Gore’s involvement with the university are still tentative, Barbara J. Nelson, dean of the School of Public Policy and Social Research, said Gore will have a teaching presence at the school, making regular interaction with faculty and possibly with students.

Gore will visit UCLA Wednesday to participate in meetings and a faculty symposium with Chancellor Albert Camarillo and Pediatrics and Public Health Dean Peter Salovey, among others.

In conjunction with Salovey, who chairs the School of Public Health, UCLA will launch a Healthier Children, Families and Communities, Gore’s work at UCLA will be in the area of academic disciplines of time-centered community building.

The new approach to the study of communities integrates various areas of study: health, education, social sciences and even technology.

“Tipping” and “haves” could make a difference in people’s ability to support and strengthen the family at a time of personal social and economic upheaval,” Gore said in an interview last week with The New York Times. Nelson said Gore would be working extensively with students locally involved with this new interdisciplinary approach to community development. Al Gore and Martin Salovey, dean of the School of Public Health, and Nelson met with Gore to discuss the substance of his work.

UCLA has on its own faculty probably the strongest concentration of experts in the combination of these fields of any major university in the country,” Nelson said. “That’s the reason that Vice President Gore chose to create this affiliation with UCLA.”

The former vice president has had a long-standing relationship with Halbes and other members of UCLA’s faculty. Nelson said that when Gore founded the Institute in 1990, it could not immediately be reached for comment.

According to its website, the Institute is a program of the UCLA School of Medicine’s Department of Surgery and the School of Public Health, with faculty participation from School of Public Policy and Social Research, the School of Law and the College of Letters and Science.

Gore’s new Institute’s goal is to improve “society’s ability to provide children with the best opportunities for health and well-being and the chance to assume productive roles in family, community and society,” according to its Web site.

The addition of Gore to the campus community will not only make him the second former Democratic nominee to join the ranks of UCLA scholars but also the second man who lost the presidency to a member of the Bush clan.

The first, visiting professor and former Massachusetts Governor Michael Dukakis currently teaches one undergraduate class on California public policy issues and a graduate level class on bureaucracy and public management.

Dukakis said Gore and his wife, Tipper, have long been interested in family and community issues. "(Gore) is committed as I am to encouraging young people to go into public service, and the more campuses he can touch the better," Dukakis said.

Several major newspapers reported last week that Gore already accepted teaching posts at three campuses — Columbia University in New York, Middle Tennessee State University and Fair University — both located in Nashville.

In the Jan. 25 New York Times, Gore did not say whether or not he would make another venture into politics anytime in the future but did sound enthusiastic about his new academic involvement.

"I’ve always wanted to teach my children," Dukakis said. "I’ve particularly enjoyed teaching those courses on community building because it’s something new to them and very exciting." Gore said.

The hope of finding more survivors in a dwindling hour by hour, as long as there is hope, we won’t give up," said Joashine Abhinya, who represents a Swiss rescue team in Bhuj.

In the first estimate of damage, the Federation of Indian Chamber of Commerce and Industry Secretary General Anil Motwani said quake losses may be as high as 300,000 people and as many as 20,000 — or more. Damage was estimated at up to $5.5 billion. Indian Prime Minister Atal Behari Vajpayee, who toured Gujarat on Monday, said he was forming a national disaster agency to ensure immediate response to emergencies.

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Virginity is all it's cracked up to be, isn't it?

Virgins have become somewhat of a myth, like unicorns or honest politicians. They do exist, but getting harder to make generalizations about them. The word "virgin" calls to mind a young, blushing maiden, unfamiliar with the ways of love and life in the world, therefore not an informed and responsible, but naive. Society as a whole is obsessed with sex. Big surprise. Yet recently, we focus on those who go without it. Books are written about virgins. There's even a show on NBC that details the beautiful mystery that is chastity.

Even celebrities like to see that they too aren't "made of stone." I have seen very few things more ridiculous than Jessica Simpson, perhaps except perhaps her questionable devotion to virginity. But she also prances, tarring and flagging.

Shallon Lester

Ah yes, if these aren't the mark of a true lady, then I don't know what is! She can love to tart but not get freaky. Personally, I'd rather get it on then let one go. But that's just me. Then the tan and bedazzled Britney Spears also claims chastity until marriage. Is it all part of her meticulously crafted image of the ultimate virgin whore? Shoved more Brit, because most girls know that not giving it up wins men tighter than a nun at a prison rodeo.

"I think it's a sense of immortality," said my friend Zack about the virgin mystery. "They're going to remember me for the rest of their life, no matter how bad the sex was."

Reach for the stars. Zack. But his statement gets to the heart of the obsession: that you are guaranteed not only sex, love, but also the true beauty of love, that it springs eternal! Men can't always indulge their way into a woman's heart, so some sort of wiggle into her pants.

But let's not shame men for their craftsmanship and pride. Even we women must admit that being the one to define a virgin gives us a thrilling sense of role reversal. To claim something that has been in 15 to 20 years in the making is fabulous. And it is just as exciting to give it away. So when is it magical, moment, when you are relieved of your virginity and say hello to womanhood? Oh, I'll find you! Baby, here I come... (wink, wink!)

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Earlier this month, the FBI reported that the number of cyber-crimes under investigation has tripled since 1998. Due to the increase, officials have launched a nationwide program to fight cyber-vandalism.

"Do ing the opposite is Argus, a company that wants to be attacked. The company is going to put $50,000 to the first hacker to get through its software. Argus and many other companies are smart for this."

Commentary

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"The first hackers in the '80s have become the CEOs of the large computer and software companies."

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Don't punish party hosts for wrongs of underage drinkers

Imagine being cited for hosting a party that included alcohol and random people, mostly underage drinkers, who showed up uninvited. Like most parties, it got out of control and the cops showed up.

Being the host for a party isn't always an easy task. Not only does the host have to be aware of who's doing what at the party, but there's always fear of the police showing up. It's not the host's job to check identification cards for every person that enters through their door. Not only is that the homeowner's job, but the people who crash these parties usually bring the alcohol without the host knowing about it. It shouldn't be the host's responsibility for alcohol that is brought into the party and, therefore, the host shouldn't be cited for it.

The City of San Luis Obispo is proposing to cite homeowners who have anyone under the age of 21 drinking alcohol at their location. The Alcohol Ordinance states that it is unlawful for any person to permit or host an event in his or her place where five or more people under the age of 21 are present and alcoholic beverages are being consumed by three or more people. So much for fraternity and sorority parties, which consist of nothing but under-21-year-olds drinking and trying to look cool. Does this mean that every fraternity or sorority can be cited for having a party? Some fraternity members that I know have guest lists, but they still consist of nonors drinkers.

The police need to take action against underage drinking. They may be doing their best to develop a solution to this problem, but citing homeowners is not the answer. The police have always been there to break up parties, but this time it will be different. The officers who were either called by neighbors or happen to be driving by the party, will check for underage drinking and cite the host $100 for the first offense, $300 for the second and $500 for the third.

This ordinance needs to address the real problem of underage drinking. Police shouldn't cite those homeowners who are over 21 and can drink. The police department needs to do something about those who just show up at the party with their own alcohol. The officers need to not only cite those who are under 21 and drinking but need to come to the realization that the homeowner is not a police officer and will not do their job for them. If I host a party, I will not stand by the door and check every single person's ID card to make sure that they are over 21. I am not a bouncer at a bar and don't know for sure if an ID card is fake or not. It seems outrageous to let such an ordinance pass. If this does go through it will mean the end of parties. Who's going to host a party knowing that anyone can show up as well as the police and get cited for it.

I'm sure many students oppose this Alcohol Ordinance, and do not want the host to be fined for underage drinking. There will be an ASI meeting tomorrow evening regarding this resolution in the University Union, room 220, at 9:00 p.m. Come to the meeting and state your opinions to the Board of Directors. You have a voice in this school and by coming to it will be heard and taken into account.

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Opinion

Letters to the editor

Don't misunderstand evangelism Editor,

Evangelists. Not another one of those freakin' evangelists. TESTIFY.

There are a lot of words that have bad connotations. Let's see, hermaphrodite, root canal, midsomer. The word evangelism has a bad connotation.

As you read this, you have to admit that you have visions of Steve Martin in Leap of Faith in your yard, or perhaps 11 p.m. Sunday programs with pastors running around alters flailing their arms. The term evangelist refers to "one who proclaims good news." Do you remember those guys in the University Union with the 20-foot signs screaming at the top of their lungs, telling us that we are going to burn? "Sinner, repent! Homosexuals, adulterers, weak-necked cowardly men, repent or die!" Well, let me tell you those men are NOT evangelists, misguided at best. They didn't spread the good news.

What is good news? Well, the good news is that God sent his son Jesus Christ down to earth to die for our sins, and those who believe in Him will have eternal life with God. Not only is that choice, but it is a life of freedom.

Finally, electing a president is good news, too. Hey, it's good news when the copy machine actually works upstairs in the U.U. But the good news about Christ that evangelists proclaim is the best news I've ever heard. It changed my life. Ask me about it. You know that feeling you get when you see the GREATEST movie you've ever seen in years in the theater and you want to take all your friends to watch it so they can experience it, too? That's what sharing the good news is like. You want them to experience the joy and excitement that the movie brings.

That is what evangelists do. We might cross a fine line of "pushing out beliefs on others," but it's all for the love, folks. I would use the word "offering" rather than "pushing." It's been said, "Sometimes people don't care what we know until they know that we care." Andre Neesing is an architecture senior.

An American journalist in Paris Editor,

After studying in France for five months now, the one thing I've gotten used to besides countless hours of chatting over cafés - is to continually make a fool of myself. I suppose it's a given when learning a new language, but when conversations with aspiring French law students begin with "Je parle" and I swear I'm not making this up - "How do you believe the recent election of your president will affect the foreign relations with Europe?" it is almost impossible to struggle through the conversation without admitting, sadly, that I have no idea.

Even more than the mystery surrounding California's beaches and glamorous culture, the French - all Europeans actually - love to discuss American politics. I've been warned about this, of course, but never gave it a second thought until I decided to study in France during an election year and through the months that followed the results (or lack of them). For about two weeks, my professors would begin class by sarcastically inquiring whether the Americans had chosen a leader yet. And when the "comédie Floride" was finally finished, the same instructors made no secret of their disappointment in the outcome.

They are just waiting for Monsieur Bush to make a mistake, and I know he does not stand a chance against that beleaguered Clinton, who they say attached strong foreign relations with Europe, despite the breakdown that clouded the second half of his presidency.

Fortunately, the French differentiate between politicians' political views and their private lives - but my point is not to say that Europeans dislike the American culture. They run.awaying Eastpack backpacks and shop at the local Gap just like I do. And, although a few would hate to admit it, they would love to visit the United States and find the American dream for themselves. Ludy, a French friend of mine from Marseille, just purchased a plane ticket to San Diego to fulfill that purpose. It will be his first time in California, and I like to let him believe that the state is just a 1,200 mile-long beach where we all drive our Boxsters down Sunset Boulevard, clad in bathing suits with our surfboards sticking out of the sunroof, year-round. He need not be in for a surprise, but as it's been learned here, "C'est la vie!"

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Cleveland Browns, a university hack to national title contention, spokesman said.

hired as tdiris Palmer's successor, who brought Miami to the Orange Bowl last season. "We're in serious discussions. It's pretty close."

Davis leaves Miami for Browns

The Browns' coach search is over. Miami's defensive coordinator Marvin Lewis has agreed to a five-year contract at Cleveland. The Browns said Tuesday they will introduce Lewis as their new coach at a news conference Tuesday afternoon.

Davis has coached the Hurricanes since 1995. He turned around Miami's troubled program after it was last season. This season, he led the Hurricanes to an 11-1 record and 57-20 rout of Florida in the Sugar Bowl on Jan. 2.

Davis, 49, was in the fourth year of a seven-year contract at Miami and had nearly agreed to a five-year extension at the university. Davis met with Paul Dee, Miami's athletic director, last weekend and said the sides only had to work out a few details on the contract.

Davis, who interviewed for the expansion Houston Texans' head coaching job last week, said he was interested in pursuing a job with the Browns because he would not have full control of football operations in Cleveland.

Davis has coached the Hurricanes since 1995. He turned around Miami's troubled program after it was...
Students get a chance to learn golf from pros

By Nicholas Carter
MUSTANG DAILY CONTRIBUTOR

Students who think their golf skills are not up to par will now be able to improve their game, with a little help from the pros.

Associated Students Inc. and Rec Sports will offer instructional sessions at Dairy Creek golf course for non-golfers interested in learning the sport.

Financing for the program comes from a $50,000 grant from the Professional Golfer’s Association of America. The PGA distributed $2.6 million to a number of charities and universities throughout the nation on behalf of American participants in the 1999 Ryder Cup matches. Each player on the U.S. team designated $100,000 to charities of his choice. Another $100,000 per player was donated to the university of his choice in support of a PGA of America Growth of the Game initiative. Ryder Cup team member Tom Lehman donated half the money to the alma mater, the University of Minnesota. Cal Poly, of which his wife is an alumna, received the other half.

The program, according to the PGA, is designed to acquaint students with the opportunities that golf provides as a business tool and as a sport for life.

Local PGA professional Jim Collins, who is the director of instruction at Dairy Creek and Morro Bay golf courses, will teach the golf lessons. Students will learn to play at a Diary Creek golf course.

Another local PGA professional, Rudy Duran, has worked with the university and ASI to coordinate the program. Duran, who owns and operates Chalk Mountain Golf Course in Atascadero and The Links Course in Paso Robles, said the program will be a good experience for students, regardless of playing ability.

"It's going to be a lot of fun and the students will learn a lot of life skills," he said.

Nancy Clark, fitness program coordinator for Rec Sports, hopes to run the program as long as possible.

"We're planning on running it each quarter until the money runs out," Clark said. "I anticipate that we should be able to do this three quarters a year for the next four years."

The program is divided into two seven-week sessions. Class size is limited to 20 students and costs $20 per session. Fees include professional instruction, green fees and a course manual. Golf clubs are available for class members to check out at the see GOLF, page 11

Wrestling tops No. 12 Oregon

By Ryan Ballard
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Led by a comeback victory from David Schenk, the Mustang wrestling team knocked off No. 12 Oregon Sunday night by a score of 23-20.

In the first match of the evening at 197 pounds, sixth-ranked Chad Sonnen of Oregon was on his way to an easy victory, with an 11-0 lead, when Schenk quickly scored an escape and took Sonnen down to his back, recording the pin at 2:31.

Eleventh-ranked Cedric Haymon recorded his team-leading 23rd win with an 8-0 major decision over Oregon’s Tony Overstake at 149 pounds. Freshman sensation Brody Barnos continued to be impressive for the Mustangs at 165 pounds, winning 8-1 over Luke Lawin.

Steve Strange dominated Leif Williams from the start at 174 pounds, scoring a major decision, 11-2. Jaime Garza won by forfeit at 125 pounds.

Head coach Dennis Cowell was pleased with his team’s performance.

"We're happy with the whole team effort, but obviously for any one there, David Schenk had the see WRESTLING, page 10

Sports get a chance to learn golf from pros

Scores

WRESTLING

Oregon 20
Cal Poly 23
BASEBALL

Utah 5
Cal Poly 6

Scores

MEN’S VOLLEYBALL

USC 3
Men’s Basketball 2

WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

Idaho 6
Cal Poly 3

WRESTLING

Boise State 5
Cal Poly 9
Women’s Tennis 125 pounds

UC Irvine 75
Cal Poly 53

MEN’S BASKETBALL

Northern Arizona 2
Cal Poly 59

MEN’S SWIMMING

UCSB 107
Cal Poly 98

WRESTLING

Oregon 20
Cal Poly 23
BASEBALL

Utah 5
Cal Poly 6

Yesterday’s Answer:

Morten Anderson kicked three field goals of 50 yards or more in one game.

Congrats Brett Holt!

Today’s Question:

Who made the most free throws in a single NBA season?

See answer at Mustang Daily, page 10.