AIDS and Mustang • It's not just a city in China, it's hard to walk downtown without seeing someone you know. What people don't realize is that it without seeing someone you know.

AIDS, HIV, Hep C: education goal of week

By Amy Hessick

In a small town like San Luis Obispo, it's hard to walk around downtown without seeing someone who has AIDS.

In an effort to raise public awareness about HIV, AIDS and hepatitis C in the community, the AIDS Support Network, SLO Hep C Project and other participants are putting on events for AIDS and Hepatitis C Awareness Week, starting on May 18. "Because we live in a small town, people tend to think it won't happen here," said Nicole Schroeder, an Americorps volunteer for the AIDS Support Network. "HIV and hepatitis C are on a renaissance across the country, and we want to remind people that they need to be careful."

But Cochran, head of medical services at Cal Poly Health Center, agrees that students need to think that AIDS won't happen to them. "Students are well-educated, they know what they need to do to protect themselves," Cochran said. "But there's also a kind of cavalier attitude; everybody thinks they're invulnerable."

San Luis Obispo's first AIDS and Hepatitis C Awareness Week kicks off Saturday from 3 to 4:30 p.m. with a living memorial in remembrance of those who died of AIDS at the AIDS Living Memorial Grove at El Chorro Regional Park across from Cuesta College on Highway 1. About 40,000 people are infected with HIV each year, according to ACSC. There are between 800,000 and 900,000 people living with HIV in the United States, with 523 reported cases of AIDS in San Luis Obispo County. Of those infected, 88 are under the age of 29.

These numbers seem lower than they are because for AIDS, not HIV, Schroeder explained. HIV is the virus that causes AIDS and there are more cases of HIV than AIDS. The statistics on the number of cases of HIV in the county were unavailable.

Although knowledge about HIV and AIDS is widespread, most people know little about the hepatitis C virus (HCV). HCV is transmitted without seeing someone you know.

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By Emily Fryendall

The Hispanic Business Student Association took to the road last week to speak with high school students from low-income families. The junior and senior students at South High School in Bakersfield received a presentation by HBSA about the opportunities that await Hispanic students after high school and the steps students can take to move toward those opportunities. Raymond Macareno, vice president of HBSA and the chair of the PRIED committee, which is a division of the association committed to community service, explained the motivation behind visiting the school.

"One of our goals is to target underrepresented and low-income communities to let them know that the option is there for them for pursuit of an education after high school," he said. "We initially wanted to start a program like this a while ago."

HBSA was inspired to start working on a presentation for high school students when Claudia Garcia Walsh, who teaches a Spanish class for Spanish speakers in South High, invited them to the school. She heard that the association was interested in venturing into classrooms from her cousin who is in the club. Garcia Walsh thought that her class would be the see HBSA, page 2

Affordable housing may be on the way

By Caitlin O'Farrell

Students are being put to work to create more reasonably priced housing as part of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund.

Urban planning and architectural engineering students have the opportunity to help experiment with new building methods and materials and inventing lower-cost ways to build housing.

Students will benefit in the short term from the experience, and in the long term all students will benefit from the low-cost and low-rent housing," said Allen Haile, director of community and government relations.

The neighborhood workforce, students, police, firefighters and service workers can't afford to live in town," Haile said. "They can't afford a median-priced home on their salaries."
Weather Watch

5-Day Forecast
SATURDAY
High: 66°/Low: 46°
SUNDAY
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MONDAY
High: 72°/Low: 50°
TUESDAY
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WEDNESDAY
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Today’s Sun
Rise: 6:05 a.m./Set: 7:55 p.m.
Today’s Moon
Rise: 2:21 a.m./Set: 1:47 p.m.

Today’s Tides
Low: 11:34 a.m./-1.5 feet
High: 3:39 a.m./4.3 feet
Low: 7:03 p.m./3.9 feet
High: 11:50 p.m./2.8 feet

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perfect setting for the speakers. “All of the students in my class are Hispanic, and they don’t all have support from their parents to continue with school after high school,” she said. “The presenters did a very good job of being role models and of letting them know that they’re not alone in the situation.” Antonio Marquez, HBSA president, was one of five people who made the trip to Bakersfield, and he explained the importance of connecting with their target audience. “Most Hispanic students, including myself, encounter resistance from their parents when wanting to go off to college,” Marquez said. “Generally, Hispanics are sentimental and have a hard time leaving their past or letting go ... and this translates into families discouraging college pursuit by their children.” The team of HBSA representatives tackled this discouragement by presenting examples of how they handled similar situations, talking about available scholarships, addressing the issue of loans and stressing the potential each student has to succeed in college and become a business leader. On top of finding a common ground with the students, Marquez and his team spoke Spanish and made fun of themselves to gain and keep the classes interest. They also gave statistics on the current job market. “Our main objective was to motivate and excite the kids on the prospect for college, and to supplement that with the viability of college for any of them, not just the ones with the highest GPAs or the most affluent families,” Marquez said. It would appear that they succeeded. “The team definitely surpassed my expectations,” Garcia Walsh said. “When people or students come to do presentations for high school kids, they’re not always prepared, but these guys blew us away.” Macareno said South High School wants them to return next year, and it’s probable they will do so. Marquez said that this visit is just the beginning of a series of visits that HBSA will make, the next of which will take place in the fall.

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pered primarily through blood, and about 25 percent of people who are infected with HIV also are infected with hepatitis C. HCV is one of the most significant causes of chronic liver disease in the United States and HCV infection progresses more rapidly to liver damage in HIV-infected persons, according to the CDC. The AIDS and Hepatitis C Awareness Week will continue with events on Cal Poly and Cuesta campuses, as well as in the community at large. Other events throughout the week include outreach education activities on May 15 on

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National Briefs

Regulators examine how to stop fraud and waste in program to help schools connect to Internet

WASHINGTON — A $2.25 billion program that helps connect schools and libraries to the Internet needs stricter enforcement and simpler rules to prevent fraud and waste, educators and communications industry officials told regulators Thursday.

Lawmakers and Federal Communications Commission investigators have warned there is not enough oversight of the “e-rate” program, which is supposed to give a government effort to underwrite communication services for rural areas and the poor.

The money comes from charges to phone companies, who usually recover the costs by billing customers for “universal service” on monthly phone bills. The FCC-approved changes last month made the fund more efficient and prevent people who abused the program or have criminal records from being involved in its operation.

Participants at an FCC forum on the subject said more needs to be done.

“Neither Congress nor the FCC could have understood all the complexities of the program they created,” said Margaret Greene, president of regulatory affairs for BellSouth. “That is pretty clear by the subject said more needs to be done.

School officials say the future University of California, Merced campus will incorporate environmentally sensitive buildings and the latest in sustainable architecture and technology — windows will open automatically as the climate changes and the winds shift; implanted trees will create a cooling canopy and natural light filtered through tinted windows will illuminate laboratories.

The Environmental Protection Agency estimates a typical American college lab uses five times as much energy and water per square-foot as an office building and consumes the equivalent of 15,000 100-watt light bulbs daily.

“Just think how many billions of dollars are being spent on building college campuses and all the students that will attend them...if we can show students what sustainable buildings are and how they work and have them leave college understanding that, then they’ll have the knowledge to make the right decisions in life,” Tomlinson-Keasy said.

UC Merced hopes to set model for sustainable campus building

MERCED — It’s been 15 years in the making — a vision of the 10th University of California campus, a revolutionary design plan where students will learn not only in classrooms, but from them.

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“The drinks look deceptively like gelatin snacks marketed to children, said the bill’s author, Assemblywoman Wilma Chan, D-Alhambra. Her bill would limit the sale of the alcoholic product to bars and clubs where patrons have to be 21 years old.

“The bill’s supporters said the alcoholic product, packaged in a plastic cup, resembled the nonalcoholic treat on purpose.

“They look like that for a reason. They’re meant to attract a younger consumer who shouldn’t have it,” said Assemblywoman Rebecca Cohn, D-Santa Rosa.

Opponents said the Legislature was overreaching its authority by focusing on the sale of one product. “Because it looks like a Jell-O product, we ought to ban it! This is the wrong way to go,” said Assemblyman Dennis Mountjoy, R-Santa Clarita.

Chan said the bill wouldn’t ban the product.

“If you really want to portake of it, you can buy it in a bar,” she said.

The bill was approved 48-17, sending it to the Senate.

International Briefs

U.S. pushing for U.N. action against Iran for alleged nuclear weapons program

VIENNA, Austria — Concerned that Iran may be running a nuclear weapons program, the United States is pushing for U.N. action against Tehran, diplomats said Thursday.

Washington is specifically seeking a declaration from the board of the International Atomic Energy Agency that Iran has violated the nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty, which it has signed, diplomats familiar with the agency said.

The United States has accused Iran of secretly embarking on a program to enrich uranium in southern Iran, which American officials fear could be used to make nuclear weapons.

The diplomats said U.S. requests for support have gone out to Russia, France, Britain, Germany and other members of the 35-nation board ahead of its meeting next month.

Mexican doubt prosecutors’ theory that Juarez women may have been killed for their organs

CIUDAD JUAREZ, Mexico — Over a decade in which they have seen dozens of their daughters turn up dead in the desert, residents of this rough city across the border from El Paso thought they had heard every bizarre theory about the killer’s motives.

But they were stunned last week when Mexican federal prosecutors finally took over the case, only to announce the strangest conspiracy theory yet: At least 14 of the 93 young women killed since 1993 may have been murdered for their organs.

Or, prosecutors later added, they may also have been killed by a crazed religious sect, or pornographers.

People in Ciudad Juarez simply aren’t sure what to think. The case is finally in the hands of federal investigators — more trusted than the Chihuahua state police, who allegedly tolerated scapeshots into confessing to the crimes — but the feds appear to be pursuing some very strange leads.

Brief compiled from The Associated Press wire service by Mustang Daily managing editor Mala Spencer.

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Dear Miss Mind Over Manners,

I am deeply allergic to cats. Unfortunately for me, my grandmother owns two. Every time I go to her house I start sneezing — a lot. This becomes an even bigger problem for me at the dinner table. Macaroni and meatloaf just don't mix. How should I handle this situation? Is it OK for me to sneeze at the table?

Sincerely,
Allergic to Love

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Dear Allergic to Love,

Does Grandma give you any special attention for being sneezing up a storm before the next time you visit, trying to inveigle allergy pills with your hands behind your back? I bet that would be pretty obvious. If you are sneezing at the table, the only way to handle it is to use tissues next to the stuffing can he unappetizing to fellow diners, but it's necessary for your health. Don't feel bad about sneezing, it's a natural thing to do to cover your mouth and nose with a handkerchief. Considering that many of us don't own this particular item, a napkin can be used instead. If you are without, both, use your hands. As for blowing your nose at the table, only do so if the job can be done in three little puffs. This should only be done following a sneeze. Use only a handkerchief of tissue, not a napkin to blow your nose. If three little puffs don't do it for you and you need to let it all out, excuse yourself from the table. Upon returning, make sure to wash your hands before you take your seat.

Basically, the occasional sneezer is forgivable, but the allergic one might find himself or herself banished to another table.

Sincerely,
A Little Tipsy

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Dear Miss Mind Over Manners,

I am so bad when it comes to tipping. I never seem to know how much I should give. After all is said and done, I find myself either being extremely generous or not giving them nearly enough to want what is considered a fair amount.

Any suggestions?

Sincerely,
A Little Tippie

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Do you prefer to give money in return for services? If not, you may be losing out on a fair amount of money. Depending on the service you receive, you should tip accordingly. For example, if you receive a manicure or pedicure, you should tip 15-20% of the service. If you receive a massage, a 20% tip is expected. If you receive a taxi ride, a $1-2 per item tip is recommended. If you receive a delivery person, a tip of $10 for the first 10 minutes, followed by $5 for every 15 minutes after that, is expected. But don't exceed more than $20 per person.

The word "tip" is actually short for "to insure promptness." So reward those who do a little something special for you, because they will do the same for you. This means prompt, quality service ... with a smile.

Clayton Whitt is a social science junior.

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Letters to the editor

Christian letter was overzealous

Editor,

Just when you think Mustang Daily couldn't get any worse, a new low arises. I'm referring to the letter "God calls us to repent our sins" (May 6, 1).

I am shocked that such an overzealous statement was printed. There was no opinion there, only a condemnation. For the Christian Right, which has enough brainwash minions yelling at us to change our ways and pray to their god or go to hell. It doesn't help when cards read from a passage that caused 2,000 years of death and strife. One must question how these letters are printed. Would the same letter written by a Muslim be printed, saying that we must all follow Allah or face damnation? If you're going to write a letter, speak your own thoughts and leave the Bible-banging for the Indiana South.

Christopher Omundson is a computer engineering major.

Rumsfelddefines corporate interests, not America

Editor,

I am so saddened when it comes to the American people and world security. It is hopeless to try. Please consider the following information.

As reported in Fortune Magazine on April 28, current Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld sat on the board of directors of a Swiss corporation called ABB from 1990 to 2001. This corporation signed a $220 million deal in 2000 to provide nuclear reactors to North Korea as part of a 1994 agreement between the United States and North Korea. That contract and that current defense secretary actually helped provide nuclear technology to North Korea. You may argue the provision of nuclear reactors to North Korea was part of a legal agreement reached under the Clinton administration, and this is true, but that does not absolve Rumsfeld of culpability for the project. Doesn't it make Rumsfeld's words about stopping proliferation of weapons of mass destruction ring hollow? Can we trust him when he allowed and certainly endorsed the corporations interests to supercede any concern for security in East Asia? Fortune Magazine reports that there is no record of Rumsfeld objecting to the deal as a member of the board.

Can we trust an administration stocked with corp. representatives from defense and construction firms to do what is best for world security and freedom? They have been operating under the profit motive their entire lives, and I do not understand why we suddenly expect them to act out of altruism for the American people or anyone else.

Clayton Whitt is a social science junior.

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Opinion

Ettiquette of living with allergies and tipping for the tipsy

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Because Christine and Kelly say so....
Downtown SLO nightlife has it all

By Valerie Angelo

The Grad 7:30 p.m. - 2:15 a.m.
1017 Monterey St.

Need a drink? Downtown San Luis Obispo has a variety of nightlife destinations at your beckon and call. Whether you need to relax and take the edge off or take part in an alcoholic escapade, the downtown bars can cover all the basic needs that any social drinker may require. As a result, one cannot be too careful when deciding exactly which bar to enter. Each has a unique persona that elevates it from the next. In order to guide the lost, below is a tour to help you through a night of social gathering.

First, walking down Higuera Street, you may come across a little sign that reads Frog and Peach. Do step in. This small, pub-like experience will allow you to explore the inner beer drinker in you. If you are a veteran of Frog and Peach, you will know to bring a pint glass on Tuesday nights. This night caters to beer drinkers on a budget. Once you have purchased a Frog and Peach mug, you can sit back and relax while your wallet takes a break and your stomach gains the extra weight.

In case the small bar scene is not quite your style, walk across the street and you will find yourself in a larger, city-like atmosphere where you can order your drink of choice while listening to the sounds of the fellow patrons of Mother’s Tavern. “Mother’s is a more appealing bar,” said bartender Rick Levy. “We like to strive on cleanliness here and speedy service.” This bar does provide top-notch service if you can squeeze your way through an ageless pastime of social gathering.

Second, walking down Pismo Street, you will know to bring a pint glass to Mother’s. “We try to be an old-time bar,” said bartender Rick Loya. “We like to strive on cleanliness here and speedy service.” This bar does provide top-notch service if you can squeeze your way through an ageless pastime of social gathering.

Third, walking down Higuera Street, you will know to bring a pint glass to Road Dogs. “Road Dogs is a more social bar,” said bartender Rick Levy. “We like to strive on cleanliness here and speedy service.” This bar does provide top-notch service if you can squeeze your way through an ageless pastime of social gathering.

Fourth, walking down Higuera Street, you will know to bring a pint glass to SLO Brew. “SLO Brew is a more social bar,” said bartender Rick Levy. “We like to strive on cleanliness here and speedy service.” This bar does provide top-notch service if you can squeeze your way through an ageless pastime of social gathering.

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'S2' debut sets tough act for 'Matrix' to follow

By David Germain

AP Movie Writer

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A PG-13 rating helped propel "X2: X-Men United" to an $85.6 million first weekend, a number next week's "The Matrix Reloaded" may have trouble matching because of a more restrictive R rating.

The sequel about mutants with superpowers easily outstripped the first "X-Men" movie, which debuted with $54.5 million three years ago. Factoring in today's higher ticket prices, "X2," drew about 14.1 million viewers, 4.2 million more than "X-Men" did in its first weekend.

"X2" had the fourth-biggest debut ever, behind the $114.8 million for "Spider-Man," $90.3 million for "Harry Potter and the Sorcerer's Stone" and $80.4 million for "Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets." "Like 'X2,' those movies all had a PG or PG-13 rating, allowing those younger than 17 to see them unaccompanied by an adult.

The sequel to 1999's "The Matrix" is expected to break the record for best R-rated opening ever, topping the current best movie of the year, yet the R rating is a factor," said Paul Dergarabedian, president of box-office tracker Exhibitor Relations.

"Conventional wisdom would say it would be very difficult see MATRIX, page 6

Johnson's laid-back tunes run 'On and On'

By Carrie McGourty

MUSTANG DAILY CONTRIBUTOR

With the scent of marijuana in the air, Jack Johnson played for an enthusiastic crowd at the Arlington Theatre in Santa Barbara Tuesday night to celebrate the release of his new album "On and On." With college buddies and family in attendance, Johnson delivered a comfortable performance in his hometown and revealed the highly anticipated contents of his new album.

Performing a number of songs from "On and On," which was released Tuesday, Johnson did not disappoint. With a slight hint of reggae and strong musical integration from the band members, the new album recreates a see JACK, page 6

Surfer turned songwriter Jack Johnson releases his second album, 'On and On.'
The San Luis Obispo bar scene offers college students a place to unwind and have fun everyday of the week.

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was up to the bartender. Don't worry though, while waiting for a nice cold beverage you can uncover the animal in you and take off to the sound of upbeat music or submerge yourself into a handy conversation. Either way, every night is one to remember, if you can, so get in line early and have your ID and money ready.

Fortunately, not every bar has an extensive line to wait in. If you get tired waiting for the bouncers at Aloha's to let you in the overcrowded yet highly-respected dancing palace, look no further than next door to get in. Although it is small and somewhat hidden, The Library offers customers a cozy place to drink without stumbling through chaotic crowds. However, if crowds are what you fancy, get off Higuera and go down Garden St. You will find SLO Brew. This bar has pool tables, two bars, and plenty of room to kick your heels up. So, in case you were wondering what else downtown had to offer, SLO Brew opens the door to dancers across the board and serves up to courteous drinkers.

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Unlike most of the bars, there is one that does not cater to the hectic college town crowds. If a more upscale bar suits you, take a walk up to Third Street and enter the new Blue Lounge. This restaurant/bar prides itself on its sophistication and modern style. Customers can enjoy a quieter, more relaxing ambiance while enjoying a drink and mingling with other guests.

Although a more elegant bar may be for the rich, the next day you are parading around the streets of downtown don't forget to stop at Tortilla Flats. This Mexican-style bar, restaurant and dancing arena offers customers a variety of music, along with a tealight setting that would knock the socks off of any serious drinker.

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Just over 18 percent of the student body voted in the elections, a total of 3,126 votes, which is comparable to the 18.5 percent of students who voted in last year’s ASI election.

The runoff election is scheduled for Wednesday. None of the candidates said that they had plans for the runoff election.

"Usually voter turnout for the runoff is a lot lower, so I just want to encourage people to go out there and vote," Ayers said.

The results for the Board of Directors were also announced last night.

Molly Frisbie took the highest number of votes for the College of Engineering, with 466. Amanda Carlson, Brian Cameron, Joe Vaccaro and Brett Schleicher were also elected.

For the College of Agriculture, Doug Pasch won with 505 votes. Also elected were Jill Rузани, Greg Van Dyke, Chris Donati and Jared Samarin.

The College of Business elected Gwen Streickland, with 182 votes. Garrett Perer, Blake Bolton, and Chandanti Patel also made the board.

In the College of Science and Math, Victoria Panzar took the highest number of votes, totaling 214. COSAM also voted Mary Regan and Kyle Paul to the board.

In the College of Architecture, Tyler Midlbrett and Jourdan Tomos were elected.

The College of Liberal Arts elected Rebeka Vasquez to the board with 266 votes. They also elected Stephen Harvey, Brittanny Clark, Izmael Arkin and Tracy Watte.

**Housing**

266,844 persons by the year 2005. This means that more than 14,500 additional households will call the county home in the next five years, according to San Luis Obispo County Consolidated Plan, 2000.

"It seems that every year this town is more and more crowded," said agribusiness senior Jordan Thomas. "There hasn't been one year since I have been here that my rent hasn't gone up.

In 2000, the Fair Market Rent Limit was $750 for a two-bedroom apartment, including utilities. The average two-bedroom apartment in San Luis Obispo rents for $950 a month, not including utilities, according to an article in New Times.

"It is about time that the city made an effort to alleviate (San Luis Obispo)'s housing crunch," said agribusiness senior Matthew Bethell. "Now that Cal Poly has started to do something about the problem (building more on-campus housing), it is the local government's turn to do the same.

The community won't see any projects from the fund until at least next year, when the organization will start to see solid dollars for development, Robinson said.

According to a brochure, the goal of the Affordable Housing Trust Fund is to bridge the gap between the cost to build or rehab housing that will still allow a reasonable profit to the developer/builder and a maximum payment a household can spend for affordable housing. They want to stretch incomes to meet rising rental costs and the lack of sufficient inventory.

"There is a tremendous imbalance between supply and demand for housing," Hale said. "Overall, the country's demand will continue to grow and slow pressure on housing costs."
Eyeing the pros

By Graham Womack
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The football season may have finished months ago, but three players are still in top shape and practicing daily.

Senior Vaughan Jarrett, Nvaid Niakan and Brett Nichols have signed with Bay Area-based agents and are trying out for various professional teams. While none were selected in April's NFL Draft in New York, all three are pursuing contracts as free agents.

Niakan, Cal Poly's kicker in 2001 and 2002, signed with San Francisco-located agent Sean Starkey in early January after finding his name on the NFL Players Association Web site.

Mike Vlaming of Professional Players Management Group in San Rafael has represented both linebacker Nichols and corner back Jarrett since December. Nichols was scouted by Vlaming and told his workout partner Jarrett about him after he signed.

Each agent has been doing a lot of promoting as of late. Niakan worked out April 13 in Santa Clara for the 49ers. Jarrett and Nichols participated recently in a 70-player on-campus combine attended by scouts from six CFL teams. Jarrett and Nichols also alerted NFL scouts with their play at the Paradise Bowl in January in St. George, Utah.

"They both have a chance," Cal Poly line coach David Brown said of Jarrett and Nichols. "Canadian League is probably more likely.''

Each of the three players faces adversity, though.

Nichols is considered too small by scouts at 275 pounds to play his Cal Poly position of offensive tackle in the pros, but has tremendous strength and quickness, Vlaming said. He is now working out at his junior college position of offensive tackle in the pros, but has tremendous strength and quickness, Vlaming said, but he could be a potential safety since he has close to the size needed at 194 pounds.


Connections also help kickers. Niakan probably performed best out of the three other kickers he worked out alongside the 49ers, Starkey said. But star tight end Jarrett, Nichols and Niakan have all signed with agents and worked for numerous NFL teams in the past two months. They hope to be signed by a pro team as free agents.

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None of the three players faced much suspense during the NFL Draft. Kickers rarely get drafted and Nichols and Jarrett came into Saturday charted as "A-list free-agents," Vlaming said.

"I knew my name wasn't going to be called," Niakan said. "I tried to do things to keep myself busy. I knew I was going to be a free-agent more than anything."

The three players' agent signings come at their

Three graduating seniors from the Cal Poly football team are hoping to catch on with an NFL team. Cornerback Vaughan Jarrett (above), Lineman Brett Nichols (below left) and kicker Navid Niakan have all signed with agents and worked for numerous NFL teams in the past two months. They hope to be signed by a pro team as free agents. Jarrett led the Mustang defense in 2002 with four interceptions, while Niakan finished second on the team with 61 points. Nichols has tremendous strength and quickness for a player his size, but at 270 pounds, he will have to make the adjustment from offensive line to defensive line to play in the NFL.