Disney sponsors Team Tech

By Amanda Hippe
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Bright engineering students from all departments, along with the help of student graphic designers, are gearing up to participate once again in one of the most lucrative contests in the world: the Team Tech National Competition.

The Team Tech National Competition was created and sponsored by the Boeing Company in 1992. Since the 1998-99 academic season, Cal Poly has formed a team to compete among competitive schools like University of Illinois, Chico, the University of California Los Angeles, Cornell University and the University of Illinois.

In this competition, the top technology companies in the world partner with a student team. This year, Cal Poly is collaborating with Walt Disney Imagineering. Disney has asked prospective students and team members, led by veteran Team Tech members and this year's co-director Joanna Ignacio and Jackie Borum, to design a new restraint system prototype for a roller coaster ride possibly used in any of the worldwide theme parks Disney owns.

"As a co-director, I looked with Jackie for a sponsor that will give great resources to students," Ignacio, a computer engineering senior, said. "Working with Disney will be a wonderful opportunity for the team." Ignacio and Stephen, a general engineering senior, recently returned from a trip to Disneyland and California Adventure where they met with executives and designers to get a feel for the creativity and ingenuity necessary to win over Disney and competition judges.

The directors tested some of the ideas in pictures of other park rides on rides ranging from mellow to looping roller coasters, and video taped riders while moving across the tracks.

"Watching how all types of children and adults fit into a uniform restraint for each system helps in the visualization process of how we need to make a restraint system that will meet our objective: a basic restraint that can be altered to securely fasten any size and shape rider," Stephen said.

The directors are now finalizing who they will choose for the team of 12. The team needs a variety of engineering majors and students in other majors who have web design skills, which will be utilized for creating a Web site to communicate with Disney designers, engineers and executives.

We are ideally looking for a group of students with knowledge about each aspect of engineering we are going to need in this project...

Joanna Ignacio

Computer engineering senior and Team Tech co-director

Jeff Gideon practices anchoring for the Cal Poly Television program. CPTV began live-to-tape broadcasts this quarter; where they shoot the half-hour show in one continuous shot, CPTV may start broadcasting live everyday during Spring quarter if they receive a grant. Doing daily live broadcasts would improve the professionalism and attitude of the program, CPTV adviser John Soares said.

CPTV broadcasts live

By Meghan Reerslev
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Grains from a woman's stomach can be heard across the room. She fights hard to quiet her body in dire need of nourishment. Instead of eating, she saves the meager contents in her refrigerator for her children.

This scenario is more common in San Luis Obispo County than many students and faculty would presume. The prevalence of local hunger has prompted Cal Poly students to design the Need Week to educate students and faculty about hunger worldwide and to extinguish common misconceptions surrounding the issue.

Hunger has been addressed by Cal Poly's Student Community Services office in the past with Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week. The organization decided to break the issues into two different weeks this fall.

ASU officers educate students

By Graham Womack
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The "ASU Meet and Greet" barbecue yesterday attracted so many people that lines stretched around the University Union.

The event, in the works for three weeks, was designed by Associated Students Inc. to educate students about the executive staff and ASI. The goal was to offer a free hot dog or garden burger to students who could answer a question. Still, that plan went out the window quickly.

"We tried to do it a little bit, but we couldn't because we were kicking too hard trying to get the hot dogs out," executive staff member Alan Ellis said.

ASI officers educate students

By Meghan Reerslev
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Staff served more than 200 hot dogs and 50 garden burgers during the barbecue, which lasted from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Most of the students were served in the first hour before staff ran out of hot dog buns at 11:45 a.m. Although many who were served afterward created makeshift buns.

At the same time, staff considered the event a success.

"People were just impressed that ASU was out here doing something," executive staff member Dan Ficlaro said.

Students were also impressed by the way the event was run and how staff members responded to people who seemed interested in learning more.

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year to illustrate that there are hun-

gry people in the United States other than the homeless popu-

lation.

“A lot of people don’t under-

stand the hunger problem in San Luis Obispo, in California or any other place for that matter,” Ashley Wolf, student director and

coordinator for Student Community Service and journalism.

“They tend to think of starving people living in Somalia, for the pu-

osity of it,” Wolf explained.

Wolf and eight other students have organized educational activi-

ties for the week, which will occur Monday through Saturday. Events

include a hunger documentary, a hunger banquet that will educate

about food distribution among the social classes, a forum to address

the politics of poverty and their link to hunger, a hunger sit-in in the

university union, who Fidalgo said is a tool to drive to benefit local organizations.

“Planning is pretty much every-thing,” said Shingle, assistant director of Students for Social Change and

business student.

“It’s just a matter of getting to come to the events and educating them-

selves,” Wolf said.

Wolf said the main goal of the week is for people to be aware that

hunger is an issue in San Luis Obispo County.

“I think there is a hunger journey to facilitate this as an actual issue,”

Wolf said. “I would like to see peo-

ple participate in some of the events and stand up for the cause.

If they don’t feel like getting really

involved, I hope that at least they

should donate an item for the hun-

ger. There are several thousand

more hungry people in San Luis Obispo County, Jim Kemper, executive

director of the Food Bank Coalition of San Luis Obispo County. Kemper

said over half of this population is either children and the elderly who

consists of the working poor, people who are and the working poor.

tal needs with their current

income.

A study conducted by a Cal Poly political science course during the

spring 2003 term revealed that only a small percentage of those able to

receive food stamps in San Luis Obispo County take advantage of their

benefits.

Kemper said the lack of food

stamps participation has put a strain on the food bank and other local

organizations.

“Last year we were able to acquire 4 million pounds of food to

give to the needy,” Kemper said. “We could have gotten 6 million pounds

and that still wouldn’t have been enough.

Students and faculty will be able to

donate non-perishable food on

the second and fourth floors of the pool,

the local women’s shelter and Law.

Create a fish restaurant, the

only one we’ve ever heard," Shingle

said.

“Donations will be accepted on

campus Friday from 10 a.m. to 1

p.m. at the Avenue, Corner Market, the

Sandwich Factory. Off-campus donations will be accepted at the Homeless

non-perishable grocery stores in San

Luis Obispo.

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to determine whether this is some-

thing that I want to do.” But she

said, “I don’t have my bike. I don’t

have my bike, I don’t have my trip.”

On Wednesday, the community responded with a new bike after

reading about the theft in the News-Pacer. “The happiness today is super-

boring or to the sadness yesterday,” Dusilova said.

It was a local court interpreter, himself the victim of bike theft, who

made it possible for Bicycle Board’s shop to outfit Dusilova with a bike.

An anonymous donor kicked in some money as did the non- profit

Santana Barbara Bicycle Coalition.

Dusilova headed off toward San

Francisco on Wednesday, saying she

would enjoy her new bike and her

destination in about 10 days.

Commun

ity

provides new bike for cyclist

SANTA BARBARA (AP) — A Brazilian bicyclist on the Los Angeles-

San Francisco leg of his journey for peace was given a bike as a gift.

Frenchman Dusan Dusilova’s bike was stolen from the Central

Library.

“I came back to my bike and it is gone,” Dusilova, 34, said, adding,

“France is my bike, 1 don’t have my bike, I don’t have my trip.”

No, 6

A sexual battery that occurred in

San Luis Obisра Residence Hall on

Nov. 1 was reported to UPD at 4:35 p.m.

No 7

A sign at the Grand Avenue information booth was reported

damaged to UPD at 8:51 a.m.

No 8

Window screens from Cerrito Vista Apartments were reported

to UPD at 5:32 p.m.

No 9

It was reported to UPD at 7:23 p.m.

that an attempted burglary took

place at the research development

building. A hole was drilled in a lock

attempts to break-in to a room.

No 8

A city and regional planning

senior was arrested by UPD at Freshbell Boulevard at 1:38 a.m.

for public intoxication and a warrant

that was outstanding for the student’s arrest.

No 10

A grounds department golf cart

was reported stolen to UPD at 11:32

p.m. The cart was found but had

$1,300 worth of golf clubs and

Crimin

Roundup

Events from the week of Nov. 3

Nov. 5

A hit-and-run accident that occurred in the 2400 block of

Grand Avenue parking structure was reported to the University

Police Department at 4:47 p.m. An attempt to contact the responsible

party was not successful.

Nov. 5

Marijuana was found in the

Vista Grande kitchen and was reported to UPD at 4:45 p.m.

UPD responded to a report of

marijuana in Santa Lucia Residence Hall at 7:20 p.m.

No citations or arrests were made.

Study: Online job searches may violate privacy laws

By Ashley Dinges

ANN ARBOR, Mich. — Students and job seekers who post their

resumes on Internet databases may want to think twice before they

do this again, as a study said released Tuesday.

The study, conducted by the World Privacy Forum, states that

professional job search web sites are not the only ones violating privacy

laws — even some international and scholarship Web sites may be

breaking the rules in their collection of personal information.

The study raises questions regard-

ing how sites such as distribution of information to third parties — and specifically others, such as FastWeb.com and

Illinoy.

Pam Dixon, principle investigator in the study, originally worked for

the Privacy Foundation of the University of Denver but left to cre-

ate her own organization, the World

Privacy Forum. The forum was

launched Tuesday with the release of the study, which was completed in


The forum posted 25 resumes online, and

found that they were being

viewed by others.

They then received e-mails

requesting information.

Dixon thanked for the

submission of my resume to, when I hadn’t submitted it

in the first place,” Dixon said.

The main concerns of the study is whether these resumes and the privacy

issues, what Dixon said.

Because sites such as FastWeb.com and

take advantage of their opportunities. The study also raises questions because FastWeb is a divi-

sion of Monster.com Inc., an employment service.

“Even though FastWeb is owned by

Monster.com, our database of stu-

dent profiles is not shared with Mon-

ster. FastWeb has its own privacy

policy,” said Randol Johnson, vice

president and general manager of

FastWeb.

In response to the privacy of ques-

tion asked in the study, Johnson

said that is necessary because the

survey was only done in a few aspects such as sexual orientation.

“We have to ask those questions

so we can make certain students of this

orientation have th e opportunity to receive certain scholarships. We

don’t want to rule certain people out of the opportunity,” Johnson said.

Baird said that if the privacy policy is strictly followed,

FastWeb could conceivably allow

students to share personal information with anyone.

In addition, Baird said the forum this gives us too much confidence in

the company truly practiced

any of the techniques the study

implied.

The study is “implying things that

aren’t true,” said Baird. “A responsi-

ble organization would contact us

and give the chance to answer their ques-

tions.”

Baird also said “thousands” of

University of Michigan students use the service, as does a USA junior Rich

Everson.

“The only scholarships it found were completely general and would have been available to almost anyone,”

Baird said.

Some students were not con-

cerned about third parties contact-

ing them because of the detail of information they sent.

Baird said he was concerned because I avoided revealing really personal information such as my Social

Security number,” LSA sophomore

Frances Deering said.

The main concern of Dixon and

Everson was that technology is increasing more rapidly than the

government can control.
National Roundup

FORT SILL, Okla. — Seven soldiers, including six from Fort Sill, who were killed in Iraq when their helicopter was shot down were remembered Thursday as brave men who died while fighting for their country.

More than 1,000 soldiers, family members and friends packed the Sheridan Theater to pay tribute to the Fort Sill soldiers, who were killed Nov. 2 in Iraq during an attack.

“They were wonderful young men with a passion for life and who represent all that is great about our country,” said 21st Field Ambulance Brigade commander Col. Al Schneider.

Pictures of all six of the men lined the stage, which was bordered with artificial flowers, flags and U.S. flags. The camouflage boots, pants and hats of the men's names and stripes rested on standing M-16 rifles.

Dog tags hung from the gun sights.

LOS ANGELES — The recording industry, it seems, doesn't hate absolutely everything about illicit music downloading.

Despite their legal thickening to stop online song-swapping, many music labels are benefiting from — and profiting from — the intelligence behind the latest trends in Internet trading.

It's a rich digital mine from which recording executives are mining. By following the buzz online, they can determine which records are hot, which artists are new and which market-specific artists are making a maximum profit.

“The record industry has always been more about the hype and hype,” said Jeremy Wells, head of new media for Maxell Records in Los Angeles.

“For the first time we're thinking decisions based on what consumers are doing and saying as opposed to just looking at radio charts.”

One company, Beverly Hills-based Polygram, began mining such data from popular peer-to-peer networks in 2000 and has built a thriving business selling it to recording labels.

WASHINGTON — Republican congressional leaders struggled Thursday to shelter their emerging Medicare prescription drug legislation from the rising opposition of Senate Democrats and the recalcitrance of a powerful GOP committee chairman.

This program is a disaster. It's a disaster ... It's playing roulette with the lives of seniors,” said Sen. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., taking umbrage at a feature that would allow traditional Medicare in direct competition with new private insurance plans beginning in 2010.

While the numbers are difficult to gauge, anecdotal evidence suggests such incidents involving soldiers and journalists have risen sharply in the last two months, during a time that coalition forces have come under increasing guerrilla attacks.

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— Associated Press

World Roundup

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Japan put off a decision Thursday on sending troops to Iraq, a day after the deadliest attack on coalition forces since the war, and South Korea capped its contribution at 1,200 soldiers — new setbacks to U.S. hopes for easing the pressure on its forces.

U.S. troops pounded suspected guerrilla targets in the capital for a second straight night under a new "get-tough" campaign against the insurgents that President Bush launched Monday.

On the eve of a visit to Tokyo by Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld, Japan decided the time isn't right to send its forces to Iraq, indicating its deployment might be delayed until next year.

NEW DELHI, India — The virus that causes AIDS is being spread through intimate sex among married couples, a new survey showed Thursday.

About 610,000 Indians contracted HIV last year, increasing the overall number of infected Indians to about 4.5 million, said the study funded by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. That is the second-highest total in the world after South Africa.

In four of the six most affected states, the virus was contracted by businesswomen in the service sector and hotel employees, said the study, which used federal and state government data.

NEW DELHI, India — A 114-year-old Japanese woman who just weeks ago assumed the title of the world's oldest person died Thursday, a Guinness World Records official said.

Mizuno Kanei, who was born May 15, 1899, died of pneumonia, said Hiroshima city spokesman Misao Shima. London-based Guinness World Records recognized Kanei as the oldest person on Oct. 31, after Kamato Hongo, also from Japan, died at age 116.

The oldest person is now Charlotte Berkey, of North Lima, Ohio, born Nov. 16, 1889, the records organization said.

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College Roundup

BOSTON — The University of Massachusetts at Dartmouth and Harvard University officials urged female students to be on guard at parties after two women from each school were reportedly sexually assaulted in separate incidents and believed they had been given the drug Rohypnol, commonly known as the "date rape drug" or "rohypnol." 

Susan R. Mang, spokeswoman for Harvard's Office for Sexual Assault Prevention and Response, also issued the warning to Harvard students, saying the administration was "extremely concerned" (about Rohypnol).

According to the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration, it was concerned by Rohypnol's "low cost, easily hidden, $5-per-tablet, and its growing popularity among young adults."

STANFORD, Calif. — Stanford University is one of a group of rich, private universities that receive far more federal financial support than less prestigious schools, according to an article published this week in The New York Times.

During the 2000-01 academic year, Stanford received $211.80 for each student who applied for financial aid compared to four public universities who received $231.28.

There was a similar disparity in the money that colleges and universities receive to place students on financial aid in work-study jobs.

According to the article, those disparities leave smaller schools struggling to meet the financial needs of their students.

— University Wire

Study: High school smokers smoking less

By Mark Niesse

ATLANTA — Smoking among U.S. high school students has declined by nearly one-fifth since 2002 but has not budged among middle-schoolers, according to a study released Thursday.

Nearly one out of four high school students, 23 percent, said they had smoked tobacco in the preceding month — a drop from 28 percent the last time the survey was conducted, two years earlier.

About 13 percent of middle school students said they had smoked, about the same as in the previous survey.

The spring 2002 survey questioned 20,119 students at 246 schools. The survey is conducted every two years by the Washington-based American Legacy Foundation, which is funded by the nationwide tobacco settlement.

"The trend has gone down as a combination of factors, from the increase in cigarette prices to the passing of more smoke-free laws and policies," said Cheryl Healtan, president of the foundation. "Among middle-schoolers, they tend to be experimental smokers and not daily smokers yet."

Healtan also credited anti-tobacco advertising campaigns with discouraging teenagers from smoking. She said more effective efforts may be needed to reach students in grades six through eight.

"It makes me wonder if the declines we've been seeing are going to start to plateau," she said. Dr. cornette Huesten, a medical officer with the CDC's Office on Smoking and Health.

White students were more likely to use cigarettes than black, Hispanic or Asian students.

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remember the phrase, "One of these things is not like the other!" Distinguishing a triangle from a pile of squares was hard work in kindergarten. But we don't grade school anymore and we have more pressing questions to ponder. For instance, "One of these things is a clone of the other." What, has the world come to? I learn at your hamburger party and asked, "Hey, didn't I eat you yesterday?"

Interrogating your food may be a little unorthodox. But realizing that at future Thanksgiving dinners you may be served a cloned turkey is very realistic. On Oct. 31, the Food and Drug Administration released a 113-page drab document that, after two years of research, food products developed from animal clones and their offspring are likely to be safe for human consumption and that healthy adult animal clones do not pose a low level of safety concern. The US public may not share the excitement of the scientific community.

I don't want to play God, but I believe the human race will not stop cloning animals now that it has started. According to the FDA, the technology is still new, and eating cloned creatures is years away from becoming an everyday occurrence. Plus, the $220,000 price tag on a cloned animal would probably keep producers from selling the animals to packing plants for cheap prices.

The best possible present-day scenario is that cloning companies will address all the risks and benefits involved and make no decisions without consulting the public. This is the FDA's genuine goal for the future of cloned food, and I believe they have good intentions.

Once the public has reacted to the summary, the FDA intends to release any new data that comes along. Now it's up to the students in non-inferior schools to just give up and go home. When we start testing students on what they have learned, rather than what they're capable of learning, then we ought to release students in non-inferior schools to just give up and go home.

Atkinson delivered a speech in which he cited an instance of an "upscale private school" where 12-year-olds were studying a list of analogies in preparation for the SAT, a test that the students vowed to release for another form of Adamson was then and upstart that the students' time in class was not spent learning reading and writing skills but rather test-taking skills. Consequently, Adamson asked the US system to stop using the SAT as a factor in college entrance. The US system has 76,000 applicants yearly. It is the largest client of the College Board. Taking the SAT costs...

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Gay bishop goes against the word of God

Tony Moreno is an electrical engineering senior. 

I must admit that when I first heard that Bishop Gene Robinson consecrated the bishop of the Episcopal Church denomination in New Hampshire, I was confused. It didn’t make sense to me because I never thought the words “bishop” and “gay” could be put together. The lifestyle of a gay person should not be the same as the lifestyle of a bishop. It is like hiring a law-breaking criminal to be a judge, or an assault on someone who has chosen to be a firefighter. To do this would be pointless and against the purpose of the position, as well as what the position represents.

In the end, we are all individuals; while society does put certain expectations on us, it is up to us to choose what we wear, what we do and how we live our lives. We have the right to choose how we want to live our lives, and we should not be judged by others for our choices.

Clayton Whitt is a social science senior.

More letters to the editor

Cigarette butts are responsible for fires

Editor,

Now that the fires in Southern California are dying out, it is the American way to place the blame on someone. I decided to take my frustration from the liberal playbook and found my own unique scapegoat.

Since liberals believe that gun manufacturers are partially responsible for gun violence, why not blame cigarette manufacturers for brushing up? Burning cigarette butts are responsible for countless fires each year. It has to stop. Hey, it is the same as putting out a cigarette butt on a car seat.

A quick shout out to John Holbus, Great Column no. 4.

Tony Moreno is an electrical engineering senior.

Don’t complain about societal pressure

Editor,

What’s with all the complaining about women’s clothing styles? If you have “10 inches of cloth,” don’t wear tight clothes. That’s all there is to it. Society doesn’t care if you are allowed to wear a skirt or pants. It is up to you to decide how you want to wear clothes.

Women have a choice in clothing styles, and they should be allowed to choose how they want to dress. They should not be judged by others for their clothing choices.

Jesse Pereira is an architecture senior.

Women have a choice in clothing styles

Editor,

First off, women have a choice about what they wear. They don’t have to wear shirts that are two sizes too small. They can choose what to wear, and they don’t have to wear tight clothes. They can choose to wear shower caps, masks, or anything else they want.

They should not be judged by others for their clothing choices.

Jesse Pereira is an architecture senior.

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Clayton Whitt is a social science senior.

Letters to the editor
It is a night that will be planned for multiple weeks and talked about for even longer. It is an excuse to relive childhood memories of playing dress up. It is a mask, a pair of fishnet stockings and a fur pimp coat.

It is the ever-changing, ever-entertaining college theme party.

What started as the classic toga party has evolved into new and innovative ideas that range from creative to explicit. Whatever your motivation or inspiration, this theme is only doable if your guests are creative — Bill Clinton and Monica Lewinski costumes are not an option anymore.

Another creative idea came from social science senior Janay Ailes. The name of this party is red light, green light. The rules are simple — single partygoers dress in green and those who are attached dress in red. The people who are "seeing" someone but don't know it is serious yet dress in yellow. This makes approaching someone from the opposite sex a little easier — at least they won't give you the old "I have a boyfriend" excuse.

"It makes the dating game a little easier because you know who is single," Ailes said. "But when the whole room is wearing green, you have too much variety to choose from."

A popular and frequently used theme is the 80s party. Break out the neon spandex and leg warmers. Make Molly Ringwald jealous in an 80s prom dress — lots of ruffles and shoulder pads. Feel like to impress in a "rad" pastel blue tux.

What it really comes down to is simplicity. Just about everyone has some old leg warmers, a neon T-shirt or a hair crimper. What could be more fun than dressing like an early 80s Madonna or Michael Jackson? If all else fails, peg your jeans and rip your shirt. Then turn up the boom box and have a dance contest to 80s classics — Culture Club, anyone? Before the end of the night, the dance floor will be filled with people doing the Roger Rabbit and running man.

If you want to leave the past behind and find out what the future might hold, why not have a psychic party? Dust off the old Magic 8 Ball. To keep the mysterious atmosphere alive, guests should be warned not to talk louder than a whisper. For a more intimate and authentic party, consider hiring a clairvoyant.

Local psychic Berry Robin has been using her telekinetic abilities at parties for the last couple of years. Her services vary depending on the theme of the party. She does everything from reading palms and crystal balls to holding séances. Yet most of the time she is a fortuneteller for themed parties.

For large groups of people, Robin usually spends about five minutes reading each person's life line, heart line, head line, hand line, mound of Venus, Lunar mound and hand shape. Her psychic skills come in handy for a party for about $120 an hour. But since she is psychic, she probably knows that college students can't afford her services. You can always have a friend pretend to tell fortunes and read palms.

When the party ends, be sure to pass out fortune cookies to your guests as they walk out the door. A white trash bash has been gaining popularity, especially with the warm San Luis Obispo climate. This party usually takes place on one of those hot, dry, boring days of summer when you want nothing more than a kiddie pool, a plastic chaise lounge, a trash can full of Pabst Blue Ribbon and 20 of your closest friends.

Requirements for this theme party include cut-off shorts, Aerosmith, AC/DC, Cheese Whiz and cocktail wieners. Splug on a set of "hick's teeth" from a local costume store. At the James Bond party, you can always have a friend pretend to tell fortunes and read palms, especially with the warm San Luis Obispo climate. This party usually takes place on one of those hot, dry, boring days of summer when you want nothing more than a kiddie pool, a plastic chaise lounge, a trash can full of Pabst Blue Ribbon and 20 of your closest friends.

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Just call me Bond... James Bond. Dressing as secret agents is just one of numerous theme party possibilities. Above, agribusiness stirred "without being laughed at."

your chance to say "shaken not stirred" are from the Albertson's vodka — are the key beverage. Just remember the key to take down your Animal House, throw brave, he hold and prepare.

With every theme has probably been done at least once, a new one could be just around the corner. One person suggested putting on a Britney Spears and Justin Timberlake party, and another said they had been to a Woodstock party. Whether it is a pimp and ho party (the more politically correct term is financial advisers and escorts) or a Madal Gras special, the theme party is a must for all college students. And don't let the fraternities and sororities have all the fun.

Put on some Wranglers, call the psychic and throw the Grey Goose in the freezer. It's party time.

By Lauren Johnson

Your daily duty writer

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Frog & Peach
Fast Night: Fun Blumen Involvement & Vetnbind
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Medial & western with red light - SLO spanish 8 p.m.
Mother’s Tavern
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The Grod
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**Wednesday**

Frog & Peach
Band: Ted Nunez
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**Murder mystery over dinner**

**By Meghan Reerslev**

*MOSTLY DAILY STAFF WRITER*

Weaving that special someone with a night out can be a difficult in the small-town atmosphere of San Luis Obispo. After a while, dinner and a movie can get a little old. Yet the recent arrival of an interactive, murder mystery dinner theater company has introduced an out-of-the-ordinary dating venue.

"This is definitely something fun for college students to come to," said Kim Scruton, Cersei College business student and Murder in Mind Production actress. "It is a fun way to get to know people, especially if you just started dating, because the audience gets to work together to solve the mystery."

"The Addams Family Mystery," a spin-off of the TV show "The Addams Family," is open for the public every Thursday and Sunday night through Nov. 23 at the Sygsglaz Inn, 2283 Sygsglaz Drive, in Shell Beach. The show starts at 7 p.m. on Thursdays and 5 p.m. on Sundays and costs $44.95 per person.

The charge includes dinner, the show and a service fee. Salad, vegetables, an entrée, rolls, chocolate mouse and coffee are included in the dinner. Entrée choices are filet mignon, chicken marsala, char-broiled salmon, pasta primavera or eggplant parmigiana. The play revolves around the Addams family reunion. In attendance are Morticia, Gomez, Wednesday, Uncle Fester, Grandmama and FBI agent Marilyn Munster. Eddie Munster was previously murdered and during the show there is another murder. At the end of the night, guests have the chance to submit their guess of how and by whom the murders were committed. The person with the closest answer wins a prize. Getting the correct answer can be accomplished solely by listening to the clues in the scripted scenes.

"A lot of times it is the kids in the audience who come the closest," Kewish said. "The adults are busy talking with each other, while the kids are actually paying attention to the scenes."

Scruton said college students make the show fun because, "they are spunkier and talk-out more than the older, reserved adults."

Some Cal Poly students are intrigued by the concept of the dinner theater but are weary about the price of the show.

"If you did it with a big group of friends, it would be fun, but I don’t think most college students have $45 for stuff like that," nutrition freshman Jessica Azevedo said. "I would maybe go if someone I knew went to the show and told me that it was really good."

Scruton said the show is worth the money and costs the same as going out to a nice dinner and then watching a separate theater production.

"It’s no more than going to the two different places," Scruton said. "And by doing this, you don’t have to waste the time of driving and finding parking at the second place."

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Wheaton to hold first dance

WHEATON, Ill. (AP) — Andy Morgan can't dance, but he figured he was no danger of embarrassing himself.

After all, he went to a high school that did not permit dancing. And when it actually struck him, he settled on a Christian school that had not always allowed a dancing since the war. The Civil War.

'I've had a great excuse all my life,' Morgan said.

Not anymore.

Come Friday night, 21-year-old Morgan and as many as 1,200 fellow students at Wheaton College will gather in the gym for the first real dance in the school's 144-year history.

It was not until the 1960s that the school lifted the rule prohibiting students from going to movies. For generations, students were banned from dancing unless it was with members of the same sex or in a square dance. It was not until the 1990s that students and faculty were permitted to dance with spouses or relatives at family events such as weddings.

Nine months ago, Wheaton lifted the ban altogether, freeing students to cut the rug on campus or off at Chicago clubs or other places.

Under the new set of rules, called the Community Covenant, students are permitted to dance, but should avoid behavior which 'may be inimical, unflattering or harmful to others.'

Students say they have been amply rewarded by all the attention the dance has generated. News organizations have descended on the campus, and students have been swamped with calls and e-mails from friends and family.

'They want to know if Wheaton is going all liberal, falling apart,' Morgan said.

While some students say all the attention is ridiculous, others, like Jones, say it will still be positive for Wheaton, whose most famous graduate is probably the Rev. Billy Graham.

'It is really going to improve the outlook the rest of the world has of our students,' the 21-year-old said. 'It makes Wheaton into a place where people don't do so much thinking about what we aren't allowed to do.'

Graham Claybrook, a senior, agreed. 'It will be nice to be able to tell my friends that I go to a college that is fairly normal.'

Administration officials say that lifting the dance ban will help get students ready to deal with the real world after they graduate.

'Students need to learn how to make responsible choices,' said Sam Shellhammer, vice president for student development. 'We want to make students learn to reason critically, be discerning and learn how to make wise choices.'

Shellhammer said there has been concern among some alumni, but for the most part, the reaction has been positive.

Laurelyn Claybrook, Graham Claybrook's mother and a 1973 graduate, applauded the move. 'I was just happy to see the amount of energy spent fusing over whether dancing is OK or not OK,' she said.

Besides, she joked, there may not be all that much for parents to be concerned about. 'They MAY dance at Wheaton. Whether they CAN dance is another question.'

Dean proposes $7B college plan
• Democratic presidential hopeful to offer students more financial aid

By Ross Sneyd

HANOVER, N.H. — Democratic presidential hopeful Howard Dean on Thursday offered a plan to provide college students with $10,000 a year in federal financial aid as part of his $7.1 billion higher education program.

Arguing that President Bush's tax cuts have resulted in cuts in Pell grants and other financial aid, Dean proposed that students be entitled to $10,000 for post-secondary schooling, whether at a traditional college or university or in high-skills training.

Dean would finance his plan by repealing all of Bush's tax cuts.

When he signed the Higher Education Act of 1965, Lyndon Johnson said, 'A high school senior anywhere in this great land of ours can apply to any college or university in any one of the 50 states and not be turned away because their family is poor.' Put that vision is far from fulfilled," Dean said in a speech at Dartmouth College.

The former Vermont governor would guarantee that Americans would not have to pay more than 10 percent of their income toward loans after graduation. He would hold the debt obligation to 7 percent for students entering what he dubbed the "Public Service Corps" — professions such as nursing, teaching, social work, law enforcement, firefighting and emergency medical care.

To qualify, students in eighth grade would have to commit to attending college and their families would be provided advance calculations of the federal aid that they could qualify for. All debts would be considered paid in full 10 years after graduation.

"When students enter high school, they need to know that the door to college is open to them," Dean said.

Higher education costs have caught the attention of many of the Democrats seeking their party's presidential nomination. Sen. John Edwards of North Carolina has proposed revising the national college loan program by eliminating banks' role in student loans.

As Dean was introduced at the Ivy League college, about nine students each unfurled a Confederate flag. Last week, Dean touched off a storm of criticism when he said that he wanted to be "the candidate for guys with Confederate flags in their pickup trucks." He belatedly apologized for the remark.

The students, who stood with flags draped across their shoulders, did not disrupt the speech, and Dean did not acknowledge their presence.

Xi Huang said he and his fellow students wanted to make a statement about what they felt was Dean's inappropriate use of the Confederate flag image. "We felt his apology was insufficient," said Huang, 19, of Boston.

Posters on the campus about Dean's appearance also had the image of the Confederate flag, and the words "sponsored by Young Democrats." The president of Young Democrats at Dartmouth, Paul Henn of Cambridge, Mass., said his group had nothing to do with them.

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ADMISSION

Early decision rules altered

BOSTON (AP) — While applications for early admission were up this year at Yale and Stanford, Harvard's fell by half. The disparity suggests that the elite schools' shifting rules are causing applicants to focus on admissions strategies rather than focusing on the school that fits them best.

Many colleges conduct some kind of early application round, allowing students to learn more about their senior year of high school whether they've been accepted.

The most common practice is called "early decision," in which students may apply early to just one school. Then, if accepted, they must promise to attend.

This year, the most notable change was that Harvard, Stanford and Yale began letting early-admissions applicants opt out if accepted. They were still barred from applying early to other schools.
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A highlight to the team is red-shirt freshman Darrel Vasquez. Vasquez came to Poly after being the first four time state champion in the history of California high school wrestling.

"I am really excited about the team," said Vasquez, a 133-pound class sophomore. "Coach has put a lot of work into us making us really hard as a team and really pulling us together.

"He cares for us, watches over us, wants the best for us," Vasquez said. "He makes sure we are taking care of our bodies, looking out for our best interests as wrestlers."

Through fundraising events and added support from wrestling alumni, the team was able have three national champion assistant coaches. Pushing the team to the furthest reaches of their potential.

"There has been a resurgence of excitement from everyone—the team and alumni," Arvedo said. "Now we just have to win to keep the excitement.

The first home match for the 2003-2004 season is Thursday, Nov. 20 at 7:00 p.m. in Poly Gym.

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important addition to the team.

Freshman John Manley is 6 feet, 8 inches and 225 pounds from Colorado. Manley said he has tremendous size and strength going for him and, despite his age, has great maturity.

Tyler McClain is a 6-foot-5, 200-pound forward from Arizona.

"We have high expectations for the coming season and the newcomers," assistant coach Bob Lowe said. "We want to be able to contend for a conference championship."

The 2003-2004 team will play the most challenging schedule since Cal Poly made the move to Division I in 1994.

"There will be some of the best basketball Mont Gum has ever seen," Bruley said.

The season begins Nov. 21 with a battle against Cal on the Golden Bears' campus. There will also become games against Colorado and San Jose State and road games against Cal, Loyola Marymount, San Diego State and USC.

**SOCCER**

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looked like the better team, using the speed and agility of each of our players to put the pressure on the other team, I am ready to jump on the ball when the time comes."

It is this anticipation which has given the Mustangs an opportunity to make it to the playoffs. To move into the playoffs, the Mustangs (6-3-5) must win the next two games against Idaho State and Humboldt State.

To Richardson, the football field is a sacred place. When he is on it, he expects to do his best. "The football field is like a holy ground," said Richardson. "It means the world to me."

Richardson plans to continue making his daily pilgrimage to his holy land after his college career. Because he has always taken things to the next level, Richardson plans to take his football skills to new turf as well, inside a professional football stadium.

"It has always been a dream since I was a little kid to play in the NFL," he said. "It's harder to get recognized from a smaller school like Cal Poly, but if you're a good player and you work hard, the NFL will find you."

Richardson believes he has a 50 percent chance of making it to the professional level.

"I know that there is a lot of politics involved, but I think I have a chance," he said. "It's all about being in the right place at the right time."

If this does not work out, Richardson is also interested in playing in the Canadian Football League or NATO Europe.

Yet no matter what he does, he knows he will make football a part of his life for as long as he can. "I will keep on to be around football," he said. "I will play as long as my body will let me. I'd play forever if I could."

**POLYVISION**

Poly news from Poly students

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Tuesday, 5:30 p.m.
**Basketball bouncing back in ’03-’04**

**By Lauren Johnson**  
**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

Their goal is to make it into the NCAA Division I men’s basketball playoffs for the first time in Cal Poly history, and they are convinced they will not disappoint.

Bromley, Big West Conference. The Cal Poly men’s basketball team may become the new champion next March.

“I am seeing the best, most talented players I have seen in years,” head coach Kevin Bromley said. “This team is an improvement from last year, and last year’s team was really good.”

Although the team lost some key players after last year’s graduation, Bromley is convinced the mix of returning players and new players makes for a winning team.

Varnie Dennis will return for his senior year. Last year the 6-foot, 8-inch, 265-pound forward/center led the conference in scoring (17.5), and blocked shots (2.07), was second in rebounds (7.2) and eighth in field goals made for a winning team.

Varnie Dennis and the Mustangs will host an exhibition Monday. see BASKETBALL, page 11

**Soccer closes season on a low**

● Men cannot hold onto early lead against conference-leading Matadors

**By Graham Womack**  
**MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER**

For a brief second Wednesday night, it looked like Cal Poly men’s soccer coach Wolfgang Gartner had a lead and a plan to hold on against first-place Cal State Northridge.

With the score tied 2-2 just moments into the second half, Mustang forward Matt Trotter ripped a shot that came just inches from scoring, knocking off the crossbar and rebounding around the goal-line before being cleared.

Had the goal counted, Gartner intended to use the speed of his record holder for blocked shots and his goals for this season are equivalent to Bromley’s.

“We’re looking forward to competing against all the California teams and Colorado,” Dennis said. “I feel confident in winning both the tournament and conference.”

Bromley describes returning senior guard/forward Shane Schilling as “versatile.” Schilling was an honorable mention All-Big West selection last year. At 6 feet, 6 inches and 200 pounds, he averaged 15.6 points and 3.6 rebounds per game. Bromley said Schilling’s goal is to be more consistent in his shooting and overall performance on the court.

Eric Jackson is another returning senior starter. The 6-foot, 4-inch, 200-pound guard contributed 4.8 points and 3.2 rebounds as a junior. Bromley said he feels Jackson has “a good knack for the ball” and his senior status brings maturity to the team.

Jason Allen and Steve Geary were among the players that graduated last year. Kameron Gun, John Manley and Tyler McGinn join the team this year to fill in the voids.

Gray is a 6-foot, 1-inch, 170-pound sophomore who was listed by junior college scoring reports as one of the best point guards in California. Bromley said Gray’s speed and instinct for the game make him an ideal fit for the Mustangs.

As the Mustang football season comes to an end, most senior players will say goodbye to their football careers and move on with their lives. Cornerback David Richardson does not fit this category. He loves the game too much to let it go soon.

With two games remaining, Richardson is doing all he can to prolong his Cal Poly football career. see RICHARDSON, page 11