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Marc Brazil

Poly student announces Council bid Powerful locals support Brazil

By Shelly Karlson
Daily Staff Writer

Political science sophomore Marc Brazil admits he's a dreamer — a man who believes he can be the students' conduit to the city and the answer to local business leaders' prayers.

Brazil, 34, announced his candidacy for the November City Council election Wednesday night at the Madonna Ranch Sale Barn, perhaps becoming San Luis Obispo's first openly gay Council candidate.

Two council seats and the mayor's chair are up for grabs in the November elections.

Brazil is the second Council candidate this year to have close ties to Cal Poly.

Saro Rizzo, owner of Cafe Roma and a recent Cal Poly graduate, declared his candidacy earlier this month.

A purchasing agent for Alex Madonna, Brazil decided in 1981 to get firsthand experience in the political world by joining the Reagan Administration in Washington D.C.

He held a variety of deputy and staff assistant jobs which included working with officials from the Department of Interior and the National Security Council.

After acquiring six years of hands-on experience in Washington, he returned to California and managed a

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U.U. Hour selling power



Above, Malick Ndiaye sells West African jewelry in University Union Plaza during U.U. Hour on Thursday. Meanwhile, architecture senior Mike Campos works on a vase at the U.U. Craft Center during the hour of midday free time.

Harrigan tapped for ASI director

Nationwide 200-name search ends with local candidate

By Lisa M. Hansen
Daily Staff Writer

The ASI Board of Directors unanimously approved Polly Harrigan as the new ASI executive director in the midst of a flurry of other decisions Wednesday night.

ASI President Marquam Piros notified Harrigan — who has served as interim executive director since June — by telephone during a closed session of the board meeting.

Harrigan was chosen from a group of 200 applicants and four finalists from across the nation. The selection committee finished its interviews with finalists last Wednesday. It had narrowed the field to include: Harrigan; Byron Kamp, general manager of Sarachan Enterprises in Berkeley; Khaleelah Abdul-Kareem, residential director for the University of Massachusetts at Amherst; and Carl Gilmore, assistant vice president for Auxiliary Services at the State University of New York at Binghamton.

Student development and a comprehensive future vision of ASI were a few of the qualifications considered in the selection process. The executive director serves as students' direct link between ASI and university Administration.

Harrigan said she was "thrilled" and "honored" that the students chose her.

She said one of her main goals for the job — which officially begins July 1 — is to better train student leaders within ASI.

"I'm going to concentrate on the training and development of student leaders," she said. "I want them to make better decisions and understand their decisions and know

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ASI approves volleyball sand courts

By Lisa M. Hansen
Daily Staff Writer

As expected, the ASI Board of Directors approved \$55,000 to be spent on the building of sand volleyball courts behind the Rec Center.

Several board members debated for nearly 20 minutes before approving the courts slated to be built by the beginning of fall quarter.

On Monday, ASI adviser Bob Walters questioned the timeliness and cost of the project. But on Wednesday night, talk was centered more around specific details than whether or not ASI should fund the project.

ASI's Vice President for Operations Steve Steinhauer told the directors the money would come from a surplus in the Union Executive Committee's budget, and would not put additional strain on ASI.

Much of the directors' debate was over including large floodlights to illuminate the courts at night.

Some felt that installing lights would be OK only if they would not cause the project to exceed its allotted budget.

Others argued that the project should strive for cost savings and should proceed as planned without

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Cancer advances; Jacqueline Onassis near death

By Judie Glave
Associated Press

NEW YORK — A priest administered last rites Thursday to Jacqueline Kennedy Onassis, and relatives gathered around the former first lady, who was described as battling untreatable lymph cancer "with great fortitude."

Mrs. Onassis, 64, returned to her Fifth Avenue apartment Wednesday after doctors at New York Hospital-Cornell Medical Center said "there was nothing more to do for her," said her longtime friend, Nancy Tuckerman.

The former first lady is suffering from non-Hodgkin's lymphoma. "The disease has progressed,"

Tuckerman said. "She will not have any further treatment."

As a steady stream of Kennedy relatives filed in and out of her co-op building, Monsignor George Bardes of St. Thomas More's Roman Catholic church gave her communion, heard her confession and administered the sacrament of anointing of the sick, said church spokeswoman Margaret Peet.

"She is very, very sick and it's very sad," Rep. Joseph Kennedy II, son of the late Robert F. Kennedy, said after visiting his aunt. But he added, "There's a lot of love in her room and in her apartment."

Mrs. Onassis disclosed she was suffering from cancer of the lymph

nodes in February. The lymph system is responsible for processing white blood cells, which in turn bolster the body's immune system.

Tuckerman said doctors had no specific prognosis. "Everyone is different," Tuckerman said.

Mrs. Onassis was facing this latest phase of her illness "with great fortitude," she said.

President Clinton said he and his wife, Hillary Rodham Clinton, spoke with Mrs. Onassis over the last several days and were getting regular updates on her condition.

"She's been quite wonderful to my wife, to my daughter and to all of us," Clinton said. "We're thinking about her and praying for her."

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15 school days remaining in spring quarter.

TODAY'S WEATHER: Patchy morning fog; mostly sunny

TOMORROW'S WEATHER: Local drizzle; partly cloudy

Today's high/low: 70 / 46 **Tomorrow's high/low:** na / na

TODAY

Discussion • League of Women Voters on the June State Ballot, May 20, 944 San Adriano St., 9:30 a.m. / 543-2220

Women's Program Candidate Forum • Tina Bennefield, May 20, U.U. 219, 3:30 p.m.

WEEKEND

Bike Fest • "A Celebration of the Bicyclist in SLO County," Sat., Mission Plaza, noon-5 p.m. / 542-8383

Amnesty International • "Write-a-thon," Sat., Linnæa's Cafe, 1 p.m. / 543-7584

AIDS Support Network • Candlelight Memorial Walk, Sun., Mission Plaza, 7:45 p.m. / 781-3660

Auditions • "The Good Doctor," Sun., 1001 Kennedy Way, 7 p.m. / 466-1678

UPCOMING

YMCA • Child and Adult Hockey League sign-ups requested, season: July 5-August 7 / 543-8235

Slide Art Exhibit • Discussion of artistic influence, Ned Long, May 23, U.U. 220, 2 p.m.

Auditions • "The Good Doctor," May 23, 1001 Kennedy Way, 7 p.m. / 466-1678

Book Sale • Kennedy Library, May 23-25, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Slide Review • "Chicano Murals," May 24, U.U. 220, noon

Political Rally • United We Stand America, Inc., May 24, San Luis Obispo Library, 6:30 p.m. / 541-4515

AIDS Group • AIDS Educational Subcommittee meeting, May 25, Health Center Library, 11 a.m. / 756-1151

Workshop • Career planning, May 25, U.U. 202C, 1 p.m.

Seminar • "Investment Strategies for Singles," May 25, City/County Library, 7 p.m. / For reservations: 543-2364

Meeting • PFLAG, May 26, 1515 Fredericks St., 7 p.m. / 528-5770 ext.-22

Volunteers Needed • San Luis Obispo High School 24-hour Relay Challenge., May 28-29, / 544-5770

BRAZIL: Student looks to bridge a gap

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congressional campaign in Los Angeles for Mark Robbins.

Brazil refers to the political journey as the "best experience" in his life.

"I learned so much in such a short amount of time," he said. "The experience was truly invaluable."

Born and raised in San Luis Obispo, Brazil said he returned to the city to pursue his degree in political science at Cal Poly in 1993.

Within a year, Brazil decided he wanted to make some changes in San Luis Obispo which is why he said he became a candidate in the race for a seat on City Council.

Brazil said he wants to help restore the balance in the city's government by building a stronger bond between the students and the community.

One way he hopes to achieve this goal is through the revival of Polyscope.

Polyscope, which originated in the 1992 elections, was formed specifically for the purpose of promoting a student candidate for Council.

In the 1992 election, former political science senior Brent Petersen was Polyscope's official council nominee and nearly eclipsed an established local businessman. Of Brazil, political science professor Phil Fetzer said he's "not surprised to see this bright young man" in this year's elections.

"I'm glad to see another student getting involved in city politics," Fetzer said.

Agribusiness junior and Brazil's Co-Campaign Chair Rusty Lemon said he is involved in the campaign because he believes Brazil can effectively represent both students and nonstudents.

"I don't feel, as a student, I'm respected by some of the Council members," he said. "I feel like I've been pushed off in the corner, left to deal with my own problems."

Brazil said local business owners are aware that students play a large role in the prosperity of downtown businesses.

Fighting to increase student representation on the Council isn't the only reason Brazil is in the November race.

Branded by many in the community as "pro-growth," he said he wants to rebuild San Luis Obispo by creating more jobs for everyone. He said he is aware of the city's reputation for maintaining a high-level of environmental protection and upholds it.

"I want to maintain all of the lovely characteristics of our small community like everyone else," he said. "But I also want to create an environment for families to grow."

He said he believes current Council members have wrongly restrained growth and have showed a lack of faith in community members.

"Our current Council members do not have faith in any of us to take responsibility for our city," he said.

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why they're important."

Piros said Harrigan had the qualities the selection committee — made up of a variety of administration officials and ASI board officials — was looking for.

"She had the strengths and best qualities out of all the candidates," Piros said. "She had the right qualities for the advancement of our organization."

Harrigan — who set plans in motion despite not knowing whether she would receive the job — said she has begun training next year's Board of Directors.

Harrigan said she felt her best accomplishment so far as interim executive director has been "establishing trust and rapport with students, and building bridges between ASI and the university."

Before tackling the job of interim director when former director Roger Conway left ASI last June, Harrigan served as assistant director for housing. She held that position for six years.

COURTS: Project to cost \$55,000

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the lights.

College of Business representative Chris Nakaishi — who said he is an avid volleyball player — said the lights would be a definite attraction to the courts.

"I think we should leave the option open to be able to put in lights," he said. "Why build it if it's not up to specs?"

However, College of Business representative Michele Schiller argued that the lights should be installed at a later date — after the progress of the courts has been analyzed.

"The need for lights should be evaluated after everything is built," she said. "What if demand isn't that high for intramural nighttime volleyball? I feel we should be on the conservative side."

Steinhauer said approving the lights wouldn't be a "prudent move."

"Why can't we wait until next fall?" he said. "Don't buy it if you don't need it."

College of Engineering representative Rob Martin agreed.

"I'm not as confident as the rest of you that it'll be under \$55,000," he said. "I don't think we're going to make it. Don't make a provision for lights because we're trying not to look too bad as to how we spend money."

After the debate, the directors passed a motion which stated the "utmost effort" would be taken to ensure costs were cut by allowing the construction of the courts to be used as a senior project, and to include if possible, lighting for the courts.

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COMMENTARY



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Leaving home for a 'home'

My grandma doesn't live at her house any more — she's living in "a home." Not her home, and not my family's, but a place you and I will get to know.

One night three months ago, Vivian went to bed and awoke while having a stroke. An ambulance took her to the hospital. That was her last night at home.

Now, she lives at Montclair, a long-term care facility, as they call it. It's the fourth place she's been since her stroke, and it looks like she'll be staying there for a while.

Bubbi — Yiddish for "grandma" — doesn't like it. She calls my mom crying in the night — of rude nurses, stolen money and a yearning to just go home. She has come to realize — though not accept — that she won't live on her own again. At 77, she'll spend the rest of her life in an institutional "home."

I visited her newest place last week, brought her answering machine, the pink slip to her car. I helped her record a new message on the machine and she signed the pink so we could sell the car — to cover maybe two months of what her care costs her.

Can you remember the thrill of getting your driver's license? Of driving *yourself* to the movies, the joy of driving — even to the store?

Driving is a freedom we take for granted. Now, it's just one more thing for Bubbi to give up — another paper to sign that gives her less control of her life.

Her left side is sagging a bit, and an array of medications are playing tricks with her emotions. Still, her wits are sharp, and she's painfully aware of what's happening to her.

The food is OK, she explains, but they always want her to eat breakfast.

"For 40 years I haven't eaten breakfast," she told my mom.

But you're paying for them to help take care of you, mom explains, and sometimes that even means making sure you eat right.

My mom took a list: Let Vivian sleep in when she wants, ask about a new walker — and why is she on so many medications? What are they, anyway?

As a Kaiser patient for the past six years, I learned to look out for my own interests — no longer the sick child but the alert young adult. As a Kaiser doctor and family friend jokes about their slogan: "Good people, fast medicine."

I remember what seemed like one-stop, full-service medical care of my childhood — Dr. Newburger even came to my house when I was a sick 5-year-old. I was 12 when I realized doctors weren't sorcerers or gods — they had few miracle cures, and the finest in medicine came a hefty price.

My family is facing a situation most of us will eventually tackle, as the largest and longest-living generation of Americans grows old: The aging of the "Boomers."

Who will take care of these people? Where? How? Home health. Chronic care. Nursing homes. The language of convalescence grows as America gears up to take care of our parents.

It's a language more of us will come to know, as Americans are asked to take more responsibility for their health care. Whether relegated to a government bureaucracy or pushed back in our lap, modern health care will demand — and in fact is already demanding — each of us find our own way through the system.

I don't look forward to helping my parents through this process — of playing the advocate when my parents swap home for a "home."

More options, more choices, more cost and more patients — The institutionalization of "care," and the politics of the aged.

It's in my view now. There *is* life after leaving home. Now it's for Bubbi and my family to make better.

• Gabe Joynt is the Daily's Opinion Editor.

Petaluman meets Eas' Los; two worlds?

By Patricia Gonzalez

I met this guy, he calls himself Eddie. Who is he? What's he all about? Supposedly we're boyfriend and girlfriend — what does that mean anyway?

Eddie — he's from Eas' Los (East Los Angeles). I'm from Petaluma. They're in the same state, but they are two different worlds. I wish I could say they weren't, but unfortunately they are.

Weren't all kids raised the same way I was? I guess not. Eddie's told me all sorts of stories — they're unbelievable. How can someone my age have already witnessed so much? Was he ever a kid? Did he ever have a childhood? What is this Barrio that he claims?

Eddie took me down to Eas' Los this past weekend. I can't walk the walk or talk the talk. I'm Mexican just like him, and I make no claims.

I hoped nothing would happen to me on my trip, but don't forget: I'm with Eddie. Am I safe? Will I be safe? What if something happens to me while I'm down there?

Who are these people anyway — will they be able to tell that I'm not from around here? Is something going to happen? Is the food safe to eat? (My parents don't even know I'm down here.)

I took a trip down to Eas' Los this weekend, what about it? What is it? A community? And if it's a community, who is it that people outside that community think walks the streets of Eas' Los? Drug Dealers? Bums? Prostitutes? How about just plain human beings?

How did Eas' Los get such a bad rap? Why did I lock my door the minute we exited the freeway? And why was Eddie so excited to be home, and so relaxed when we left? What's really going on? Could it just be people are trying to survive and live a better life?

I met some of the kindest, most generous, hard-working people on my excursion this past weekend. The people Eddie introduced me to opened their homes to me, fed me, gave me blankets to sleep with. It was impossible for me not to be relaxed. The people I met are hard-working people in the purest sense.

"But isn't it time we opened our eyes and saw what Eas' Los really is, and the potential it has to be as a very culturally upstanding community? Recognize it. Visit it. Give it your business."

Eddie, he's from Eas' Los — a prime example of the selflessness that exists in his community. He's here at Cal Poly only so that he can go back and make a difference. His brother is here for the same reason.

We've had more than one discussion on why he doesn't just go for the big time in a different city.

I believe in him, and he believes in himself. How many people do you know that are out to do something for everyone else but themselves?

Eddie is pretty much broke all the time, because his money is community property. He loses a lot of his clothing too, because if a friend has nothing to wear and Eddie can lend it to them, they can have it.

I've yet to hear or see him ask for something back. I've yet to hear him say no. If they don't return it then the conclusion can be made that they need it more than

he does. When was the last time you could claim that? That's what Eas' Los produced in him. Is it really as bad as we think?

Sergio, Sammy, Alejandro, Pio, Joe. His best friends in the whole world — his family. They're people, they exist — they live and breathe the same air that we do, with the same wants and needs.

"How did Eas' Los get such a bad rap? Why did I lock my door the minute we exited the freeway? And why was Eddie so excited to be home?"

They are loyal to each other. Is it possible they survived only because of each other? I spent time with these people this weekend, and I've never felt so safe or comfortable outside my family.

Sammy plays baseball for Eas' Los Community College. He's going to the University of Wyoming on a baseball scholarship in August.

Is it possible that talent really can exist in Eas' Los? That the talent there is not limited to making that deal on the street without getting caught?

I'm not claiming to know anything about the way of life, the facts of life that exist in this community I've only visited.

But isn't it time we opened our eyes and saw what Eas' Los really is, and the potential it has to be as a very culturally upstanding community? Recognize it. Visit it. Give it your business.

The problems that exist there are not confined — other communities have the same problems. But if we don't recognize them and ignore them they will never go away.

Ayuda Eas' Los, because one thing I've learned about the people who live there is they never forget an act of kindness, and they'll never turn their back on you.

• Patricia Gonzalez is a business administration senior.

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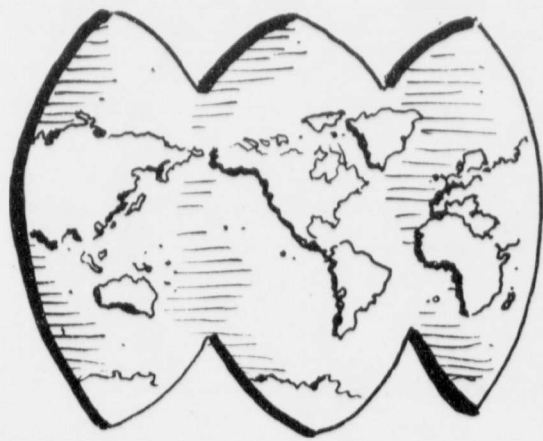
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A World of Sporting Variety

A look at some of the nations of the world and their major sports



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Yemen Arab Republic: Soccer, Chess, Table Tennis.
Japan: Sumo Wrestling, Baseball, Golf, Tennis, Volleyball, Horse Racing, Soccer.

Campus sports clubs offer students sliver of the world's ethnic games

By Patrick O'Brien
Senior Staff Writer

While many Cal Poly students are busy playing the standard sports fare, such as basketball or softball, other, less recognized international sports attract a variety of sport enthusiasts.

The world offers hundreds of sports variations, from Thai fish fighting and elephant soccer to Georgian Tskhenburti, which looks like a cross between horse polo and lacrosse.

Cal Poly offers 17 varsity sports and numerous club sports of American and European invention as well as a handful invented elsewhere.

Perhaps the most popular European sport on campus is soccer. Known as "football" in most countries, soccer holds the title as the most popular sport in the world.

Soccer also spawned two other sports years ago — rugby and football — that are offered on campus.

"Rugby was invented when someone in England picked up a soccer ball and ran with it," said Cal Poly's rugby club head coach Ian Mallard, a citizen and native of New Zealand.

Americans then developed football because they wanted a more organized game of rugby.

Other European sports on campus include tennis and polo.

East Asia contributes to Cal Poly sports with five different martial arts clubs and badminton.

Badminton originated in China over 3,000 years ago and spread throughout Asia. The British eventually adopted it from Indians and introduced it to the Western World.

Kodo Kai, a Japanese martial art, stresses culture as well as combat.

"We don't just teach how to beat people up and then go home for pizza and beer," said John Pearson, president of the Kodo Kai club. "We put a lot of emphasis on Japanese culture."

Pearson, an agricultural science senior, also said the club, officially called Daito Ryu Aiki Jujitsu Kodo Kai, has the top instructor in the nation — Hayawo Kyiama.

Lacrosse's existence at Cal Poly is due to Native American influence.

Carl Woodward, president of the Lacrosse club, said the game evolved from Native American war techniques.

"They used to play to the death in some cases," said Woodward, a mechanical engineering senior.

The world offers endless number of ways to pass a ball from one end of a field to the other. But for anyone not interested in getting cross-checked with a lacrosse stick or slamming a birdie onto a badminton court, an old-fashioned game of basketball, baseball or softball shouldn't be too hard to find.

Tennis star Capriati to undergo treatment for drug addiction

By Steve Wilstein
Associated Press

MIAMI — Tennis star Jennifer Capriati will undergo substance abuse treatment at a rehabilitation center, according to her lawyer, who also assailed allegations that she used heroin or crack.

The rehabilitation center on Biscayne Bay offers counseling, along with art, yoga and psychodrama courses.

"She's optimistic. She's very

cooperative with respect to the program she's in," Capriati's attorney, John Ross, told WPLG-TV.

He further challenged comments that the 18-year-old used heroin and crack during a two-day motel room party preceding her arrest Monday for misdemeanor marijuana possession.

"This is coming from a crackhead," Ross said. "Examine the source and make a responsible decision as to whether or not you think it's credible."

DIVERSITY: Coach says all benefit with even playing field

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development of academic and employment opportunities for everyone at the same level — a chance for the best person to win," Patterson said.

Role modeling is key to diversifying Cal Poly's Athletics Department and attracting the best people to the university, said former associate athletic director Marilyn McNeil. Students must feel comfortable in their surrounding atmosphere and coaches are those role models.

Patterson sees himself as an example of a successful minority who motivates fellow African-Americans and other minorities.

"The ethnic diversity of the football team is probably going to change," Patterson said shortly after his arrival to the program in January. "I'll draw more minorities to Poly. Only four of the 85 (actually 116 according to a 1994 Sports Almanac) Division I-AA universities have a black head coach, and there is not one black offensive or defensive coordinator working for a non-white coach.

"Athletes know this is an opportunity to work for someone unique," he added.

Patterson has a seven-man coaching staff underneath him in which two are African-Americans.

Cal Poly President Warren Baker and Athletics Director John McCutcheon

have bought into the role model philosophy and are aiming the entities they control at a target shining with diversity.

President Baker has adopted a plan to align the university's student enrollment with the number of minority graduates of California's high schools. McCutcheon said the Athletics Department has not hitched onto any quotas, but said his department is driving toward diversity nonetheless.

However, Cal Poly's Athletics Department has a distance to go in terms of diversity to meet the national average.

Student-athletes at the national level numbered 56,146. Whites made up 67.9 percent, African-Americans totaled 25.4 percent, Chicanos and Hispanics combined for 2.1 percent, Asians totaled 1 percent, Native Americans made up .3 percent and "others" composed 3.4 percent.

At Cal Poly, student athletes listed in media guides or identified by coaches numbered 382. Of these student-athletes, whites comprised 306 (80.1 percent), African-Americans made up 29 (7.6 percent), Chicano and Hispanics totaled 28

(7.3 percent) and Asians numbered nine (2.4 percent). Others included four Pacific Islanders (1.0 percent), three Native Americans (.8 percent) and two Filipinos (.5 percent).

Although Cal Poly might not have a great number of minorities on its courts and fields, the ones who are here are making an impact.

In one of the most spectacular sports feats this year at Cal Poly, Joanne Nakai tagged a two-out base hit just out of reach of a diving shortstop to hand her teammates their first California Collegiate Athletic Association title. The single proved to be a game winner as her teammate scored from second base in the bottom of the ninth inning.

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What mattered was her athletic ability, and such is the case for any athlete.

But Nakai is a Pacific Islander, so she offers her teammates and herself a unique chance to gain a better understanding of the different types of people she and her teammates will inevitably encounter in life.

And Johnson said interaction with different types of people assists student-athletes when they leave college in search of jobs.

"I think if you are going to work and function in a diversified culture, and if education's role is to prepare you for success or the ability to function in a diversified society, then the sooner you get into a diversified society the better," Johnson said.

Ryshiem Henderson plays on a differently-shaped field and on a team with men rather than women. But Cal Poly's only African-American soccer player offers the same kind of experience to his teammates as does Nakai. And he would agree the benefits of ethnic diversity certainly extend beyond the playing field, into the classroom.

"(Ethnic diversity) gives everybody a different look at education, themselves — who we are and who everyone else is," Henderson said. He added that it is not a good idea to graduate with no idea what others outside your own ethnic world are like.

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COACH: Cal Poly coaches are more ethnically diverse than the faculty

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 ber of alumni. And if an athletic director believes a university's alumni won't contribute funds, for whatever reason, to a program headed by an African-American, then an African-American is less likely to be hired.
 "(Cal Poly's Athletics Department) administrators must feel comfortable with my (fund-raising) capabilities," Patterson said.

Cal Poly employs 29 full-time and part-time coaches. Seven are minorities — two head coaches and five assistant coaches.
 The football program includes three African-American coaches, wrestling has an African-American, track and field and cross country have a Native American, track and field is coached by an African-American

and men's soccer has a Pacific Islander.
 Though only 24 percent of the coaches at Cal Poly are from a minority background, that number is much greater than the average for the university faculty.
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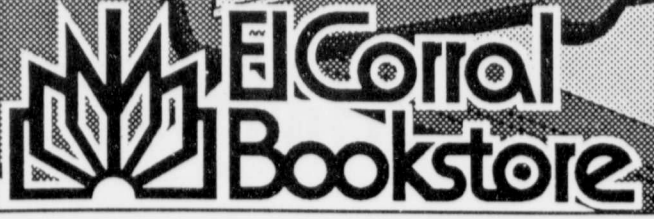
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Coaches chase rainbow to avoid a revolution

By Brad Hamilton
Daily Sports Editor

In the 1988 presidential campaign, Jesse Jackson spoke of an American society as one big colorful family. Since that time ethnic diversity has gradually gathered more attention.

In 1994 Cal Poly is driving towards that colorful rainbow Jackson spoke of. Some of the coaches have adopted different approaches — some more aggressive than others for some reasons which people might not expect.

Track and Field Head Coach Brooks Johnson said ethnic diversity must urgently and seriously be addressed before this country falls into revolution.

"The internal fiber of the country is getting eaten away," said Johnson, an African-American and role model for minorities who is expanding the scope of ethnic diversity beyond the playing fields. "By giving white males preferential

treatment, you weaken their ability to compete and function. That does not help white males in terms of developing real leadership qualities. They develop a 'good ole' boy' network and circulate around.

Johnson said a revolt could lie a matter of a few years ahead if economic conditions plummet.

"Anything could set it off — a long hot summer," he said. "The potential is clearly there, and the pressure is building."

Johnson said he experiences racial discrimination every day. He also said he doubts it will change.

"It is not so much whether it will change," he said, "but it is the level to which it is operative. I don't give a damn whether you like me or

not just as long as that doesn't enter your acting on it in a way that is going to unfairly harm me."

He said he doesn't believe minority athletes have equal opportunity at Cal Poly or in other universities' athletic departments because some of the "patrons" that support athletic departments with finances and other assistance are sometimes racist and sexist. He said these individuals' discrimination sometimes filters into the department through threats of withholding support.

But he said more positive stories in the media

would help change the misconceptions of minorities.

Johnson said he wants to see the media glorify African-Americans in academics and professional fields.

"You can always see black athletes in the media light, but you don't see black doctors and lawyers," Johnson said.

And even the media light shining on African-American athletes glares in misconception. Because of the numerous African-Americans who appear to be successful players saturating morning newspapers, people tend to think minorities are

making progress in their quest for equal opportunity, he said.

"You haven't made any progress unless you own equity in the business of sport," he said. "So unless you own or can own the plantation, then you don't progress to anything more than a 'house nigger.'"

"See, in the plantation society there are 'field niggers' and 'house niggers,' 'House niggers' think they are beyond the 'field niggers,' but they still don't own the mansion and are still at the whim ... of the master boss who owns the mansion.

"That was 300 years ago, and it's the same thing now," Johnson continued. "So no matter how high these 'house niggers' get, they are still 'niggers' in the final

analysis."

Basketball Head Coach Steve Beason said things have to change.

"In any situation we have to be more aware of the needs of all people," he said. "We have to be sensitive to other differences.

"Particularly in California — our population is changing," Beason added. "We are the melting pot of the giant melting pot — kind of like what New York City was the last turn of the century. Our society is changing; the many and diverse cultures are changing. And as human beings we have to change with the times."

And Football Head Coach Andre Patterson said ethnic diversity is going to remain an issue for a long time.

Patterson said diversifying is not a matter of lost opportunities for whites. It's simply a matter of equal opportunity for all.

"All I want to see is a

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Coach additions show interest in diversity

By Pamela Slaughter
Daily Staff Writer

When Cal Poly's Athletics Department hired Andre Patterson as the football coach in December, the university almost doubled its number of African-American coaches.

Actually two African-Americans coached for Cal Poly before Patterson was hired. Track and Field Co-Director Brooks Johnson and Wrestling Assistant Coach Joey Dansby both joined the Cal Poly staff before Patterson.

But the university became one of the few Division I-AA football programs to have an African-American running its gridiron sport. Only three other universities employ African-American head coaches.

But soon Cal Poly's number of African-American coaches increased to a total of five when Football Head Coach Andre Patterson named his seven assistant coaches — two of whom are African-Americans.

Cal Poly has hired two African-American head coaches the last three times it has added to its coaching staff — Patterson and Johnson, hired in spring 1992.

"I think the process is in place to address (equal opportunity for minorities)," Johnson said. "I think that (the two minority hires) is a clear signal that there is an effort

to address this problem."

According to Cal Poly's Athletic Director John McCutcheon, race was not an issue in the hiring of Patterson.

"We hired who we thought the best candidate for the position was," he said.

McCutcheon explained that Cal Poly makes sure to contact every good candidate, and that it is important to talk to minorities in order to attract them to Cal Poly.

"We try to talk to as many minorities as possible," McCutcheon said.

Patterson said he was a bit surprised by the job offer because of the ethnic makeup of students at Cal Poly, but he is honored to have the position.

"Being that I'm only one of four (African-American) head coaches in all Division I-AA, I feel a lot of pride," Patterson said.

Because there are so few African-American coaches, he said he feels he has a "tremendous" responsibility to perform well in order to open more doors for other minorities.

Patterson said he believes an important reason why a small number of African-Americans have ascended to the rank of football head coach has to do with money.

He said a college football coach is a high profile position that must attract money from a great num-

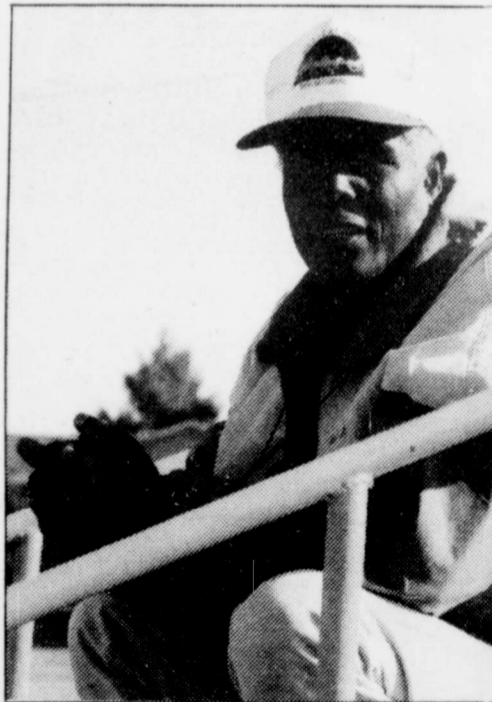
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Football Head Coach Andre Patterson stands tall as a role model to minority student-athletes. He and Athletics Department officials hope he and his two African-American assistant coaches will encourage more minority athletes to Cal Poly / Daily photo by Cari LaZansky



Football Head Coach Andre Patterson



Track and Field Co-Director Brooks Johnson

Team Colors:

A study of ethnic diversity in the Athletics Department

Today, Mustang Daily wraps up its three-day examination of ethnic diversity within Cal Poly's athletics programs.

Next week we'll tackle the move to Division I.

Today:

- Cal Poly's minority coaches: Football's Andre Patterson and Track and Field's Brooks Johnson
- Cal Poly's diverse sporting opportunities
- Brad Hamilton slams the door on the series



Thursday:

- Profile of a white athlete: Basketball's Scott Kjellesvig
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Wednesday:

- Brad Hamilton: An Introduction
- Numbers: Breaking down Cal Poly's on-the-field ethnicity
- Looking back at Jackie Robinson and his crusade to break down the color barriers