



Announcements and Letters to the Editors

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Thank you, Pamela Nargie & Stu Goldenberg



I would like to take the time to give thanks to the San Luis Obispo Bicycle Club for their generous donation to the Cal Poly Wheelmen. My name is Ryan Tarver, and I am one of the recipients of a \$1,000 scholarship. I am a 5th year Graphic Communication major at Cal Poly and have been a resident of San Luis Obispo my entire life. I have been greatly involved in many aspects of the cycling community throughout this county and I am happy to see what SLOBC has done to preserve and expand cycling here in San Luis.

When I came to Cal Poly I had not been racing for very long. When I joined the Wheelmen I was very welcomed and there were many people happy and willing to teach me all about racing. After five years I am now a Semi-Pro downhill racer competing in national events. Just recently I was able to travel to North Carolina to represent the Cal Poly Wheelmen at the 2007 Mountain Bike Collegiate Nationals competition. The money from the SLOBC scholarship made this trip possible for me. Being able to race in North Carolina was

an amazing experience. It is completely different than any trail in San Luis Obispo, especially when it is raining! I placed 24th out of more than 50 riders from all around the country.

I will be at Cal Poly for 1 more year, and I hope to be able to help out many more riders that were in my place as freshmen. Again, thank you to the San Luis Obispo Bicycle Club for your donation to the Wheelmen.

Sincerely,
Ryan Tarver,



Hello,

My name is Patrick Edziak. I want to thank you for the scholarship I was awarded this school year. Money pays tuition and this helps a lot. I came to Cal Poly because of their excellent horticulture program in addition to the strong cycling team that is the wheelmen. I love to ride bikes because on the trail there are no speed limits. It's a chance for me to get some freedom back. The Wheelmen has become a sort of fraternity to me. I have met so many people through the club and grown as a result. Furthermore, if it weren't for the Wheelmen, I would not have found out about SLOBC and all of your volunteering opportunities. After Poly, I'm not too certain where I will go, but I want to eventually own my own nursery. As for bicycles, I was recently turned on to the idea of touring. This summer I would love to spend a couple of weeks doing a long ride, perhaps along highway 1.

Thank You,
Patrick Edziak
Environmental Horticulture Science

Thanks from the Toys-4-Tots program and from Larry Rutter, Bob Lindquist and myself who volunteer for that program, but most of all thanks from the 30-plus kids who will not be forgotten by Santa Claus this holiday season because of the generosity of our Club members. We are all most appreciative.

George Birk