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By Michelle Bouchet

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Robots: a student substitute?  
by Steve Harmon

My robot clone now goes to school for me. It works out great, he does all my homework and really understands the important things in life — food, sleep, and entertainment.

I don't know why I didn't consider a robot clone earlier. It fits in perfectly with being just a number in the Cal Poly bureaucratic computer.

From time to time, he updates me on how well he's doing in my classes. He told me I'm doing a whole lot. I knew that. It's called 'learn-by-doing'.

He told me a typical scene involves a professor giving a monotonous, uncreative lecture that hasn't changed in 10 years to an equally uncreative and uninterested class. The only thing that gets me more interested with getting out of school rather than getting "in" to it.

I explained that professors are too busy with inter-departmental politics to really give a damn about teaching and after all, they only have to put in a stretch so why should they care if we learn anything?

The game here is numbers, I said. My robot clone smiled in agreement and headed off to class for me.

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KCPR is a SLO radio alternative

Editor — I wasn't quite sure whether to laugh or scream after reading Richard M. Miller's letter about KCPR.

KCPR is Cal Poly's radio station. Participation is open to all Cal Poly students, and I look forward to seeing Mr. Miller at our spring staff meeting. But when discussing format, Mr. Miller would do well to keep an important fact in mind. We are a radio station. We cannot and will not compete with KIOO, KCHO or other big market stations. We do offer an alternative to other offerings on KCPR. It just makes me sick to see people like Mr. Miller attack KCPR without knowing anything about it.

Colin Campbell

Program Director, KCPR

Isn't Rush over?  

Editor — Isn't Rush over? For those of you who are not aware of Rush, it is when fraternity and sorority members decide to invite more people to become part of them.

They advertise Rush with 'cute' signs informing the readers of the activities and rush and their image. Last year one of our signs said, "Rush until your face and dog unless you read the sign or rush!"

I imagine the image I had of that fraternity brothers loaded our classrooms with these posters back in February. And they are still here! Didn't anyone rush?

Come on, take them down. I, for one, am sick of seeing them.

Why not have those new pledges take them down as part of their initiation? P.S. Recycle those posters, if possible.

Diane Gifford

Natural Resources Management

More than 350,000 theft victims
DA cracking down on bad checks written in county

By Shanna Phillips

Anyone writing a bad check in this county may have to face the district attorney. And that’s no joke.

The DA’s Office has started The Bad Check Enforcement Program to assist merchants in San Luis Obispo County who lose hundreds of thousands of dollars a year due to bad checks, according to District Attorney Barry T. LaBarbera.

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According to the DA’s Office, the new partnership can reduce crime, secure businesses, and educate offenders.

Any business that receives a bad check is eligible to participate in the program under the following conditions: the victim submitted the check to the bank twice before calling the program; and that the bad check was written for more than $20.

Businesses may participate by obtaining a “Bad Check Report” form from the DA’s Office.

INTERNSHIP

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The psychology faculty is divided on the issue.

"They feel deans shouldn’t tell faculty how to teach and they don’t want the responsibility (of grading) out of their hands," said Ryan.

But some faculty do see credit/no credit grading as a fairer system, she added.

Randall Murray, journalism professor, said he would prefer credit/no credit grading of internships.

"I think it would be more satisfying for people who didn’t get an A," he said. Credit/no credit would be somewhat of a risk for people who didn’t work, he added, but it would be a fairer system because of the difficulties in differentiating an A from a B.

Internships in the political science department are currently graded credit/no credit.

"If we give grades for internships, we’re telling someone else to give a grade to our students and we have no control over that," said John Culver, political science department head.

"Some employers are conscientious and some aren’t. We can’t penalize students for that," he said.

Credit/no credit grading of internships does not conflict with the policy that major classes must be taken for a grade because the student is not choosing to take a class normally offered for a grade credit/no credit.

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W hatever his/her definition of hedonism as "the doctrine that pleasure or happiness is the principal good and the proper aim of life." Others call it Spring Break. Ah, yes — that time of year when the sun shines and the days are carefree. School seems a million miles away and textbooks gather much needed dust. For some, spring break conjures up images of nights filled with hormone and alcohol-induced revelry in exotic locales. For others, it's simply just a chance to exhale all the day-to-day bureaucracy of university life.

Every year, college students nationwide head for traditional spring break hotspots like Mexico and Hawaii. Those are the most popular, said Lee Taylor, travel agent at Cal Poly's Gulliver's Travel. Others like Palm Springs, Jamaica and the Grand Canyon also spell fun and freedom.

Each year for the past eight, Jill Hannemann, a social science senior, has hit the pseudo-Hawaiian hip college hot spot of Palm Springs. "I'm a total sun person," Hannemann said. "I go to Palm Springs because it's inexpensive and it's close." Even though Palm Springs has a reputation for being one big party scene, Hannemann prefers going there for good, old-fashioned 'R and R' — rest and relaxation. "I have a small party with my friends, but mainly I just go to relax and sit in the sun," Hannemann said.

Hannemann said part of her fun includes people-watching. "People from every walk of life go there," Hannemann said. Hannemann has noticed an increase in motel rates as the spot became more popular. "It used to be a small thing," Hannemann said. "Every year motel prices went up — $31, $41, $50 and now $85." When she goes, Hannemann said she stays with friends or family who meet her there for an Easter get-together.

Other Cal Poly students are finding relief from the monotony of textbooks and tests in Jamaica. Brian Fullerton, a Cal Poly business senior, organized a trip through the ASI Travel Center and Gulliver's Travel to Jamaica.

He said Jamaica was chosen after surveys taken around campus revealed that students didn't know where Cancun, Mexico (the original trip choice) was. They decided Jamaica was a better deal for the money and it sounded more exotic anyway with its roots reggae and beer bashes.

Cost for the trip is $679, which includes eight days and seven nights in a motel in Montego Bay as well as roundtrip airfare from Los Angeles. Fullerton said his group includes two professors and two students.

He said Jamaica is a popular tourist spot with its sun, surf and sand. But the real attractions for him are the culture and music. "I don't want to hang out at the tourist traps," said Fullerton, who has never been to Jamaica before, said. "The big thing for me is to get a real feel for what the culture is like. I'd like to go out and meet the people, go to the local restaurants rather than the big tourist kind of places to eat."

He said he's a fan of Bob and Ziggy Marley and plans to take in as much music as possible.

The typical spring break scene of getting drunk and waking up with a hangover doesn't appeal to Fullerton. "If I'm going to go to an expensive place like this, then I'm going to go for the culture and the whole thing," Fullerton said, "not just to sit in a bar and get blasted."

He added that he hopes Jamaican women are friendly. "But I don't know," Fullerton said, "I haven't met any yet."

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At night, the crystal clear desert air offers an unparalleled view of the night sky and campers feel like they can touch the very edge of the Milky Way with its billions of bright lights and falling stars. The group brings a lot of supplies with them for their week long stay, Varma said. A donkey "bus-ride" system operated by local Indians helps them carry in heavier supplies that they can't carry in their backpacks.

Varma said the local Indian community mainly exists off tourism, but she said Havasu is not really a "tourist" spot. "There were a lot of people there last year," Varma said. But, they were mostly Boy Scouts and families camping on the 40 or so campsites.

Varma said it takes about 14 hours to get to Havasu from Cal Poly in the ASI vans. It's a long trip but well worth it, she said. "When we get there we know we're going to be good and crazy," Varma said. "People kind of let loose out there."

And what about the majority of Cal Poly students (like myself) who just go home for the holiday? Just having a break and seeing old friends is enough for us.
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**FLIER**

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"I'm just wondering where we're going to put them all," he said.

Winners of the contest will receive cash prizes for their creations and will see their display in the University Union the next day. The deadline for the contest is 5 p.m. April 4 and entries should be submitted to the Peer Education Office of the bottom floor of the Health Center.

The two-day event revolves around a discussion on AIDS by Dr. Richard Keeling, President of the American College Health Association. He is scheduled to speak at 7 p.m. on April 4 in the Staff Dining Room.

According to Dr. Nash, Dr. Keeling has said that if an AIDS awareness program doesn't create a little controversy, "you're probably not doing your job."

"I guess we're doing our job," said Nash.

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