Sierra Madre resident arrested for possessing stolen property

By Geoff Seratti
Staff Writer

A Cal Poly freshman was arrested April 29 and charged with four crimes, including possession of a stolen cellular phone valued at $1,000. It's the main charge brought against Marutani was possession of stolen property, a $1,000 cellular phone, which was reported stolen in Sparks, Nevada. The charge is a felony, said Investigator Mike Kennedy of Cal Poly Public Safety. In terms of penalties, Marutani could receive anything from jail time (in state prison) to community service work to a fine," Kennedy said.

In the arrest, Marutani also was charged with three misdemeanor crimes - two counts of appropriation of lost property and one count of petty theft. Kennedy said the appropriation of lost property charge means that if a person finds a wallet or item with some form of identification in it they are bound by law to make an attempt to return it or they will be charged with a misdemeanor. Kennedy said Marutani's former roommate turned the cellular phone which he found in

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By Shea Roberts
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“Nothing out of the ordinary happened really. I just got worried,” Burke said. “It was one of those things where I’d had tried to explain it to anyone they wouldn’t believe me. It was just a feeling I had.”

In Hardeman's murder the accused was turned in by a former roommate who admitted in court to returning the phone.

Former director awarded for contributions to ag

By Tracy Condon
Staff Writer

A former Cal Poly director of Vocational Education was honored by the California Chapter of Agromony at the 1991 Plant and Soil Conference on Feb. 1, in San Luis Obispo. The late Edward A. Apodaca received the award, which is given to one or two people who have made lifelong contributions to California Agriculture. Apodaca came to Cal Poly in 1979 and became associate director of Vocational Education Productions until his death in 1989.

Apodaca was involved in the development of numerous vocational, agricultural and bilingual texts, videos, filmstrips and slide sets. The publications are in use in high schools, community colleges and universities throughout California, the United States and many parts of the world.

“He will have a lasting influence,” said Cal Poly Crop Science Professor Edgar Bayer. “The work he’s done will be used in the future for years.”

At the conference, former CAPCA colleagues, friends and family gave the late Apodaca a standing ovation.

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Sea creatures from PG&E invade Morro Bay museum

By Malei Jesse
Staff Writer

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cal Poly's ROTC must be banned

On April 16, Cal Poly's Academic Senate voted to amend the resolution, passed unanimously by the Academic Senate of the California State University, on CSU policy on nondiscrimination and ROTC programs. While leaving in place strongly condemnatory language regarding ROTC discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation, the amendment removed the only active clauses which would have called on Cal Poly to terminate all future contracts regarding the offering of ROTC programs at Cal Poly University, San Luis Obispo.

As passed, the resolution states "the policy of discrimination by the military on the basis of sexual orientation is...based on prejudice...It is a violation of CSU policy for the CSU system, or any part of it, to discriminate in employment or access on the basis of sexual orientation." While the Cal Poly Academic Senate overwhelmingly approved this language which clearly condemns ROTC policies towards homosexuals and bisexuals, on this campus, senators also voted to condemn the continuation of these very policies. We strongly object to the continued existence of such discrimination and its transformation into mere posturing rather than policy making.

As indicated by the Senate's overwhelming vote in favor of the above language, there has been little dispute that ROTC programs discriminate against students on nondiscriminatory grounds. This discrimination is felt through the withholding of financial support from students who admit to being homosexual or bisexual.

While it was argued that program discontinuation would hurt students who are now eligible for financial aid, it is clear the present program hurts many more students who are precluded from such aid.

The question before the Senate was whether we should continue such programs on our campus and accommodate such discrimination through the use of facilities and personnel funded by California tax payers. Clearly, the majority of senators felt comfortable condoning such prejudice but in fact condoning such discrimination. We do not. ROTC programs have no place on this campus until they are open to all students regardless of sexual orientation.

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Over the past two weeks you have been receiving open letters regarding various topics from the Vice President for Academic Affairs, Robert D. Koch. I believe it is time to clarify some of the issues he has raised and to ask some basic questions.

As Vice President Koch notes, "Anyone reading the newspaper must be aware by now that the financial outlook for next year is grim. The final outcome is still very uncertain because most of the significant legislative processes are yet to be completed." He then goes on to suggest that, "100-plus faculty positions plus an even larger number of administrative and staff positions... could be lost. Why is he presenting such a worst-case scenario? As I have already pointed out in other publications, using the Trustee's budget request and comparing it to the governor's budget proposal does not give a truly accurate picture of what the actual budget situation is...

Early on in the budget crisis reports from the CSU administration claimed the budget deficit would be $200 million to $280 million. At the same time the budget analysts for the California Faculty Association, Paul B. Worthman, estimated the real deficit to be $143 million. So who is right? Will the cuts include a regressive one and a quarter percent increase in tuition, or a comparison to the increased revenue received the past two weeks? The final outcome is still very uncertain because most of the significant legislative processes are yet to be completed.

This budget analyst for CFA projects that Cal Poly would lose about 77 faculty positions next year, if nothing is done to mitigate the existing budget shortfall, not quite the 100-plus faculty positions projected by Vice President Koch. Let's talk about real positions we have this year. The California Faculty Association has proposed alternatives to the Chancellor's figure of $10 million or to meet the $51.2 million shortfall, which is being discussed to be doled out to the campuses. These proposals include both mandatory and voluntary means of reducing expenditures and avoiding layoffs.

Unfortunately, the university is still clinging to the Trustee's budget proposal versus what the governor has allocated to the CSU system of comparison. Given the increased revenue projections of the governor, which include a regressive one and a quarter percent increase in the state sales tax, perhaps the deficit will be only $7 billion, the governor's original projection, instead of $12.5 billion, so no further cuts will have to be made in the CSU budget. The Trustee's budget proposal, however, still lacks the needed dose of reality to make it a reasonable document to plan from.

Another question that still goes unanswered, even when staff members are being told that their jobs may not exist next year, is why there has been no staff input in the budget reduction process, other than through their employee organizations, that represent them, or through individual contracts? Proposals are already being made and implemented without, to my knowledge, any staff input. The administration has also ignored our calls for making long-term temporary university employees permanent to save them from having their jobs cut out from under them.

Another question deals with the budget reduction planning process and its implementation. Reduction targets of 8 to 15 percent have been requested by the administration. The actual cuts needed may be 71/2 percent or less. If the reductions turn out to be less than expected, what will happen to programs and employees already placed on the "hit list"? What system will be used to restore funding and programs, and how will consolidation with the university community occur? Hopefully, the process will not be the "trickle down" theory of consolidation via the program administrators to department heads based on the school, to the students, a process which does not work on this campus.

There is concern that the administration is merely using the budget crisis to eliminate programs and employees it does not like, particularly to the nondiscriminatory program side of the university. Unfortunately, there may be some substance to this concern.

There is a discussion also taking place concerning campus "unmet needs" in this time of budget crisis. How is consultation occurring to come up with this priority list of "unmet needs" which is unclear at best. On the academic program side no consultation occurred beyond the dean's council. Should we be funding "unmet needs" when programs are being targeted for elimination?

We have requested accurate budget information concerning last year's actual budget and this year's actual budget. To date, we have not received the requested material. Every time we try to obtain sensible, comprehensible data, our quest is like trying to climb a mountain made of glass. At the top of that mountain is where the budget wizards reside. Every time we get a few steps closer to the information we need we keep slipping back down the mountain side, and even if we reach the top, the wizards would present information in such jargon and doubletalk that it would be unintelligible to the layperson. For if the information were intelligible, then there would be no need for the staff wizards with all their intricacies and chants.

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OPINION

AND THE REAL DEFICIT IS...

Administration doesn't include faculty in budget decisions

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COMMENTS
Envoy: Kurds go home faster than anticipated

AVAGUSI, Iraq (AP) — Iraqi Kurds are returning home from squalid border camps faster than expected, the U.N.'s envoy to the area told The Associated Press. "They are responding so enthusiastically."

De Mistura said more than 4,000 refugees a day are being tracked down the mountain from this open-air waiting area about 30 miles northeast of Zakho, the main staging site for the allies' relief effort.

He said initially he expected only 2,000 a day.

Soviet, U.S. officials discuss arms dispute

MOSCOW (AP) — President Mikhail S. Gorbachev and the U.S. ambassador today "agreed upon urgent measures" to end a conventional arms dispute that has blocked a long planned summit meeting, Tass reported.

Gorbachev and Ambassador Jack Matlock did not directly refer to a summit date, said a Kremlin spokesman. But the spokesman, Vitaly Ignatenko, later reiterated that it was still planned for the "first half of the year."

During the half-hour meeting, Gorbachev also asked Matlock to convey his congratulations to President Bush on bouncing back to reduce lead in drinking water after an "electrocardiogram test."

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APODACA

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USC football teams.

Cockerham was first retained as a consultant to the Coliseum in preparation for the 1984 Olympics. He is the immediate past president of the Sports Turf Managers Association, a national organization that includes managers of professional stadiums, little league fields, parks and university fields.

"Under the stress of heavy traffic by athletes, many of the accepted fundamentals of turfgrass culture seem to fail," Cockerham said. Much of the fundamentals are geared to the needs of the golf course manager, not the needs of an athlete, he said.

To get those hard facts about how well sports turf withstands wear and tear from high impact games, Cockerham invented a machine, replicating a high impact sport, that can be adjusted to mimic the wear and tear of professional or amateur football, baseball and soccer games.

Results from Cockerham's four-year study showed that the "elite" perennial ryegrass varieties available now, like Manhattan II, offer important safety features for athletes.

"If we really care about our players and their safety, then we need to pay more attention to the turf under their cleats. Our results may surprise the diehards for bermudagrass," he said.

Cockerham has a new study underway in collaboration with Maurizio Borghonova, visiting scholar from Italy, on the best sports turf performers.

The results will be important to athletes because the UCR research is measuring the impact absorption capability of these new turf varieties and their traction, a factor that estimates how hard the turf is on a player's knees. If the torque is too high, it can cause problems, he said.

Cockerham expects results from the new study by July. Last summer, Cockerham consulted in Milan, Italy where world Cup soccer was being played. The stadium has been reseeded with a partial dome, and a terrible shade problem ruined the turf in some spots, he said.

"That experience sparked my interest to find out how much light is really required by turf that gets subjected to heavy traffic from high impact sports. Nobody knows the answer yet," he said. We'll find out our new study LITE. It stands for light intensity turf evaluation, Cockerham said.

In the LITE study, four light intensities are being evaluated: 73, 55 and 40 percent shade, and full sunlight (0 percent shade). Cockerham chose these levels of shade because he said the nursery industry uses them as benchmark. He has set up light meters in the field linked up to UCRI computers that every hour measure the actual photynethically active radiation that penetrates to the turf.

Light requirements have become an increasingly important issue as newer stadiums are being designed with partial or full domes, he said. Cockerham's current study is testing these four light regimes on the best-performing sports turfgrasses as determined by his previous four-year study at UCR. He puts on four football games a week via the traffic simulator.

Relative humidity and temperature results are also being evaluated. UCRI research program on the management of sports turf is directed by Cockerham and Victor A. Gibbons, UC Cooperative Extension turfgrass specialist, with the collaboration of Mat­ thew L. Herr, a visiting scholar from Italy, and Richard Autio, UCR staff researchers.

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Poly succeeds where other Cal State campuses fail in finding a balance between academics and athletics.

By Peter Hartlaub


"Denise Gage" crosses the threshold of a stark white room with three pictures lining its walls. Two display yellow and green pastel prints of daffodils, and one holds emergency exit instructions in case a fire breaks out in this old Ramada Inn.

Denise is a biological sciences major at Cal Poly. It is a standout on the Cal Poly women's track team in the 100- and 200-meter sprints. Despite getting some decent study done in the van, she is happy that her coach put her in this quiet room with other women who need to study. She has a midterm next week in her zoology class, and to put it frankly, zoology is a bitch.

In addition to her three running events, Denise has more than 100 biology vocabulary words to learn this weekend, but one word has already been burned in her mind. Symbiosis.

The intimate living together of two dis-similar organisms in any of various mutually beneficial relationships.

Denise thinks about symbiosis as she pulls out a 4-pound book and a dog-eared lab manual and loses herself in the workings of the human lung.

A recent article in the San Jose Mercury News reported that among Cal State University athletics, graduation rates were shockingly low. The report stated that at San Jose State, San Diego State and Cal State Fullerton, only 14 to 18 percent of athletes are graduating in five years, and that academic performances in CSL schools have been generally "extremely poor" in the last year.

At Cal Poly, the case is different. While graduation figures were unavailable for Cal Poly athletes, other statistics compiled from the Cal Poly Evaluations Office and athletic department show that Cal Poly athletes, if nothing else, are doing even better than a team's athletic performance is usually zero to two percent. In CSL schools, athletic department has become an emphasis on academics in the athletic department have become catalysts for greater student achievement.

"In the past six years, since Dr. (Kendrick) Walker became athletic director, there has been an emphasis on academics in the whole athletic department," McNeil said. "He put it as a high priority to clean up things academically, and that has happened."

McNeil works with several student interns on the new Academic Support System, which sets up help for academically-troubled athletes. Both Fresno State and San Jose State have similar, yet larger programs with six or more paid advisers, and both continue to experience academic problems.

According to McNeil, Cal Poly's athletic support program started out with some positive surprises. "When we started this program to zero in on the few athletes having trouble, we came across the realization that there are a whole bunch of athletes out there who aren't having trouble, and no one is paying attention to them," she said.

Sheri Bates, assistant coach for Cal Poly women's basketball, feels that the credit for success begins with those who are bringing in the good marks. "Put the credit to the athletes," Bates said. "They are serious students, and they want to do well in class, and that's why they're here.

"There's not a lot that they can do with their athletic abilities after they graduate, but there is a tremendous amount they can do with their academic abilities, and they are aware of that." Bates said that coaches do everything they can to schedule games so that the time spent away from school is limited. Bates added that women's basketball usually spends only one school day on the road during fall quarter and that weekend road trips are generally accompanied by study time while on the bus or van in hotel rooms.

As the San Jose Mercury News reported, only 7 percent of San Jose State football recruits graduate in five years, and at Long Beach State, only 5 percent of basketball recruits graduate in five years. Both are competitive Division I programs. Fourteen of Cal Poly's 16 sports operate at the Division II level.

The report blamed both lack of five-year scholarships for athletes and a general lack of funds. Because Cal State schools are difficult to graduate from in four years, many athletes are finding themselves with 60 or 50 units to complete their degrees without athletic eligibility and financial help.

The NCAA generally allows a fifth year of scholarship to help athletes finish their graduation requirements. Because of a lack of funds, however, many Cal State schools are unable to offer those scholarships. State schools such as Cal State Polytechnic and San Jose State are competing against privately-funded schools like Notre Dame and the University of Southern California with only ticket sales and alumni support to pay for expensive scholarships. As a result, fifth-year scholarships are almost nonexistent in Cal State.
Denise Gage crosses the threshold of a stark white room with three pictures lining its walls. One frame holds a team picture of the 1991 Cal Poly women's track team. Denise finished third at Division II nationals in the 200 meter sprint and was an All-American in both the 100- and 200-meter sprints. A second picture holds the Bachelor of Science degree that she received from Cal Poly in 1992. She graduated with a 3.3 GPA in biological sciences and finished her Master of Science degree at the end of 1993.

The third picture holds a similar piece of paper from the University of San Francisco that gives her license to practice Podiatry in California.

There is something wonderfully symbolic about the three pictures on the wall. There's no doubt in Dr. Gage's mind that symbiote is what it's all about.

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Architecture students shelter design for homeless

By Tracey Adams Staff Writer

To house or not to house? That was the question for some Cal Poly architecture students in a recent "House the Homeless" competition.

With the formal awards ceremony scheduled May 19 for the winners of the competition, some students question whether or not the competition dealt with the real solution to the homeless problem.

The design competition involved designing a shelter that could be used by homeless people anywhere in the world. The competition criteria called for design plans for a structure that could be stacked, arranged in a variety of configurations and manufactured and transported easily.

The structure should have included food and sleeping areas as well as sanitation, said architecture professor Ken Kohlen. He said the criteria also called for the structure to be easily shipped by all modes of transportation.

Junior Marca, a second-year architecture student, took first place with a structure that provided basic sleeping, cooking and sanitation facilities. Her design also won high marks for being adaptable to different cultures and for creating a sense of private space.

Marca said she designed the structure for a design class and then entered it in the contest. She said the issue of housing homeless was first debated by the students in the class.

"Basically, it's a short-term solution to the problem," Marca said. Housing the homeless, she said, is a part of the solution.

The project was very controversial, Marca said. "Everyone was debating whether those types of shelters are really answering the problem." Two architectural engineering students, Leonard Avenda and Jason Garbutt, won a $100 special judges award for addressing the potential for realistic solutions. Their entry created a paper pointing out flaws in assumptions behind the competition. Avenda and Garbutt emphasized that the importance of education. Rather than imposing a Western solution, they wrote, the best solution to sheltering the homeless would be to help them find their own solutions.

Kohlen recognized the competition involved a large issue than just designing structures. "I know it's a debatable thing to get money to house the homeless or get them to house themselves," Kohlen said. "My personal opinion is that there are instances when we need to give a helping hand to the homeless...." "Our own homeless, I have second thoughts about," he said. "There are some who need a helping hand." On the other hand, Kohlen said there are some who are perpetually homeless and who do not try to help themselves. In these instances, he said, the homeless or the homeless is not a solution.

Kohlen said that the structure could be used by homeless but could be used for many other uses, including disaster shelters.

The awards ceremony will be held at the Embassy Suites hotel in San Luis Obispo.
HARDEMAN ARREST

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Mary Hardeman, was from Hayward, Ca. Memorial services have not yet been scheduled.

Burke and Hardeman were roommates for two years. Hardeman had recently been elected as marketing chairman for the Cal Poly Ski Club and planned to be a WOW counselor.

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