He's back! Here we Perot again

Wanting to be America's 'servant,' Perot enters race

Associated Press Reports

DALLAS -- Ross Perot plans boldly into the presidential race on Thursday, setting the stage for a three-way struggle with President Bush and Bill Clinton over the final month of the campaign.

"The volunteers have asked me to run for president of the United States," he said. "Jim Stockdale and I are honored to accept their request."

Stockdale, a retired Navy admiral, is Perot's running mate.

Perot apologized for abruptly quitting the race in July, when he said he had concluded he couldn't win.

"I thought I was doing the right thing. I made a mistake. I take full responsibility for it," Perot said. "If you elect me, I go as your servant."

Perot once had support rivaling Bush's and Clinton's. But his late entry to the race has hurt him. Perot also is taking advantage of campus sign-up locations.

In fact, campus registration turnout is low, but expects it to increase.

"We have registered over 220 Poly Republicans, according to organizer Steve Miller. Miller said the current figure is low, but expects it to increase. "We are trying to register as many Republicans as possible," he said.

"We're trying to get students to vote. Students want to get involved and they want to be part of this community," Smith said.

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President Bush's campaign manager, Michael Huffington, calls Perot a "worrying first-time voter." He said he would believe both parties "would be willing to go other places.

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**Sarajevo residents' in fear of Serb 'cleansing' sweep**

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — President Bush's plan to provide public aid for private schools suffered defeat in the House, where Democrats approved a bill that more closely parallels a school-choice approach backed by their presidential nominee, Bill Clinton.

On a 254-169 vote Wednesday, House Democrats rejected a move by Rep. William Goodling, R-Pa., to force adoption of a provision aimed at helping parents send their children to private schools—a centerpiece of Bush's campaign-year-legislative initiatives.

Education Secretary Lamar Alexander immediately denounced the action.

Rep. Dale E. Kildee, D-Mich., said that "if President Bush vetoes this effort, our children will be the ones who suffer for it. This bill would start the process of genuine reform, and that's a process we badly need if we are to continue as an educated, skilled and competitive nation in the future."

The bill, which was passed by voice vote and sent to the Senate, calls for federal funding for schools that want to implement various new programs to boost student academic performance.

Bush favors giving vouchers to parents who could then use the funds for tuition at the school of their choice, including private or parochial institutions. Clinton wants public school choice only and opposes extending the choice to private and parochial schools.

Democrats repeatedly rejected Republican efforts to expand parental school choices to private and parochial institutions in earlier floor debates and during meetings of House and Senate negotiators.

"This bill represents a triumph of reason and a triumph of common sense," said Rep. Major Owens, D-N.Y. He said amendment's advocates have difficulty reaching "world-class standards when they attend Third World schools."

Although $800 million is authorized in the education bill for such reform activities as reducing classroom size, rescheduling days and regrouping students by academic programs rather than age, lawmakers acknowledged there is no money available for this year.

The money for school improvement plans would flow through states to local school districts and would be tied to the creation of goals, plans for changes in the curriculum and establishment of special panels of educators, parents and students to develop the reform plans.

Although the bill lacks Bush's key education initiative, it does establish, as he wanted, standards for key subjects, model tests and assessments, and increasing flexibility in government education programs.

**Wilson vetoes emergency service funds, 911 affected**

**WASHINGTON (AP)** — The $350,000 Californians expected to call the state's seven regional police control centers can expect busy signals and long waits for lifesaving advice because of budget cuts, center officials say.

"The chance of getting a busy signal . . . is going to be very great," said Tom Kearney, president of the California Association of Police Control Centers.

"And people who encounter busy signals when they call us are frantic — both the public and the health professional. They need the information, and there's no alternative," Kearney said.

Gov. Pete Wilson vetoed a bill Wednesday that would have provided state funds to keep the centers open.

State funding for the centers was cut $1.7 million. In addition, they are losing tens of thousands more in local funds because counties and public hospitals have their own budget cuts.

"The cutbacks are going to have a tremendous effect on emergency services because say a person now has to call 911. They're going to get an ambulance and a fire truck — and it could all be for a non-life-threatening emergency," said Michelle Rains of the California Emergency Medical Services Authority, which runs the police control network.

The UC Davis Medical Center's Regional Police Control Center in Sacramento has enough funds to continue to operate this year, said John Lamb, health educator at the center.

**Yosemite contract supplies utilities, closure of landfill**

**OGDEN, Utah (AP)** — A Utah company has won a $4.4 million building contract at California's Yosemite National Park.

Widman Corp. of Ogden will build an open yard storage area, bin refurbishing building, truck scale and several buildings as well as needed utilities and closure of a landfill, in the park's El Portal area, said James Ridenour, director of the National Park Service.

He said in a news release Wednesday that the job is part of the first phase of the park's 1980 general management plan, and is designed to move nonessential activities out of the Yosemite Valley. The $49 million, five-phase project is to be completed in 1998.

A $3.4 million contract went to A.T. Mechanical of Phoenix, Ariz., a minority contractor under the U.S. Small Business Administration, for electrical work.
Gatherers mourn professor

Friends, family and students hold memorial service for 'Miss Josy'

By Krystn Shrieve
Staff Writer

Children's singing filled the Cal Poly preschool lab on Wednesday evening, but instead of the usual carefree voices, there was a quiet note of sadness in their song.

Dr. Josephine Stearns, better known as "Miss Josy," died on Aug. 25, after a seven-year battle with breast cancer.

"Josy" received the distinguished Teaching Award in 1969 and was involved with the psychology and human development preschool lab for more than 20 years. She also taught courses in the department and was awarded Cal Poly's Distinguished Teaching Award in 1975.

Friends, students, faculty members and parents gathered for a memorial service for Miss Josy in her honor. Wednesday evening for a memorial service in her honor. A commemorative tree, affectionately called the "Miss Josy Tree," will not only provide shade in the children's playground, but will also be a reminder of Stearns' many years of hard work and dedication at Cal Poly.

Gatherers at the service joined together to sing a special version of Stearns' favorite song: "Twinkle, twinkle little star, now I know just what you are. Up above the clouds I see, my Miss Josy winking at me..."

While children played in the background, friends reminisced about happy times they shared with Stearns.

Winnie Reynolds, Stearns' housemate for more than 10 years, shared some of her fondest memories, often making the crowd laugh with funny recollections.

"She was a delightful person," Reynolds said. "She was so full of life and she absolutely loved to tease. After all these years, I still never knew when she was teasing or telling the honest-to-God truth."

Norma Pfitzner worked with Stearns for 12 years. She said Stearns' warmth and devotion to children was amazing.

"Miss Josy had complete devotion to the children and their welfare," she said. "There was nothing she wouldn't do for them. She was so kind and constantly giving of herself."

"Her love for children was truly the first thing she said to us," Johnson said, "and it was in her class my freshman year." Johnson added, "The first thing she said to us was, 'Children are children and don't ever call them kids.' I learned more from her that quarter than I've ever learned from anybody else," she added. "Her love for children was truly noble. I feel lucky to have known her."

Pfitzner said Stears had a special relationship with children and was a vital part of their growth.

"Josy realized the children's world was more complex and difficult than ever before," she said. "They wanted to know they were special and worked hard to make sure they would be ready for all life has to offer."

Human development professor Margaret Berrios worked with Stearns for five years.

"She cared so deeply about the children," Berrios said. "Sometimes we would joke with her that she liked children more than adults."

"She had no children of her own, but the way we see it, she had hundreds of children over the years," she added. "They were her whole life. She created a special world for children and was always letting them know they were loved."

Berrios said Stearns cared passionately about the lab and the children and students who were part of it.

"This isn't the first time Cal Poly has experienced a budget crisis," Berrios said. "Whenever money gets tight, people question the necessity of the children's lab, but Josy always defended it.

"She always did whatever it took to make sure it would be there for the children," she added.

Pfitzner said Stearns was one of the strongest women she ever knew.

"It seemed like her motto in life was to take what life offered and make the best of it," Pfitzner said. "That may sound trite, but that's the way she lived her life."

Berrios agreed that Stearns showed amazing strength in her fight against cancer.

"When she found out she had cancer, she never complained and was always willing to talk about it and share her experiences to help others," she said.

"She made the decision to treat her cancer as aggressively as possible," Berrios added. "She was willing to do whatever she could to fight it, because she truly loved life."

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Editor tells why to ask why
By Bryan Bailey

It seems to me that the dawn of a new school year brings with it that sleepy, neurotic feeling that is better known as senioritis. Millions of students converging on campuses across the nation like ants to...
Poly looks to avenge last year's loss to Sonoma

By John Cristofano
Staff Writer

If revenge plays a factor in football games, then it will play a key role in Saturday night's foot-
ball game between Sonoma State and Cal Poly.

Last year in Rhonert Park, the Cossacks defeated Cal Poly 27-7, but by Saturday, Sonoma avenged a 32-7 loss to Cal Poly in 1986.

Mustang head coach Lyle Setencich hopes his team can reverse last year's result tomorrow night at Mustang Stadium. Kickoff is set for 7:30 PM.

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ves as extra motivation," Setencich said. "We know we'd like to do a better job this time."

The Mustangs enter this weekend's contest on a two-game win streak (2-1 overall), includ-
ing a 35-3 win over Cal State Hayward last week.

They will have to contend with a Sonoma State team that upset then-sixth-ranked Portland 3-1 last week.

"They've been very good on defense," Setencich said. "They're a very physical team on that side.

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The Mustangs will rely on an offense which averages 405.3 yards per game. Nearly half of that total, 180 yards, comes from a rushing attack led by Chris Smith, Brian Fortenberry and Cory Bowen.

Smith leads the Mustang rushers with an average of 6.7 yards per carry. He ranks second in the WFC in rushing yards per game (68 yards).

Sonoma State's rushing defense has allowed an average of 179 yards in its last three games, an increase from 63 yards per game last year.

Cal Poly's defense, which is giving up 278.3 yards per game, will face a pretty balanced team on offense, with a lot of speed.

By Cam Imman
Sports Editor

Cal Poly's search for a new athletic conference suffered a setback Tuesday when West Coast Conference officials voted not to expand membership at this time.

The conference, which is scheduled to apply for NCAA Division I status in fall of 1994, was hoping to join the WCC last year if the move to Division I was approved.

Cal Poly and UC Davis had jointly approached the WCC with preliminary discussions about becoming part of the conference.

Cal Poly's Athletic Department was told Tuesday that WCC officials decided it was not in the best interest of the conference to explore membership expansion.

"We feel that an alignment with the West Coast Con-
ference would have been attrac-
tive in terms of competition and a lower-cost program, we have ample time to develop alternative conference affiliations," said Cal Poly Athletic Director John McCutcheon.

Because Cal Poly's Athletic Department was told that the WCC did not want to expand "at this time," McCutcheon feels that a possibility exists for Cal Poly to join the WCC in 1994.

"They didn't close the door altogether," McCutcheon said. "They didn't rule it out, but we're not going to sit back and wait on the conference to approach us." McCutcheon confirmed that Cal Poly was "directing most of our energies to the WCC." They showed encouraging signs that they wanted us in.

The eight-team WCC consists of Gonzaga, Loyola Marymount, Pepperdine, Portland, Santa Clara, the University of the Pacific, Santa Clara, St. Mary's, the University of San Francisco and Seattle.

Of Cal Poly's 17 athletic programs, two play at the NCAA Division I level. The exceptions, wrestling and vol-
leyball, compete at the Division I level as independents. Most of Cal Poly's athletic teams compete in the California Collegiate Athletic Asso-
ciation, although the football team is part of the Western Foot-
ball Conference.
Baseball season nears playoffs

American League

(AP) — George Brett made history. Frank Viola missed it.

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Scott Mauro
Civil and Environmental Engineering graduate student

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VOTERS

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"I think it is important to register," Chasey said. "If you don't, you don't get to complain about the results afterward."

Chasey chose to \"decline to state\" a political party on his application.

"I don't want to be excluded with one party," he said.

This is the first presidential election in which Ben Smedley, a mechanical engineering junior, will be eligible to vote.

"I've been looking forward to it," Smedley said. "The last presidential election was frustrating because I couldn't vote."

PolySCOPE, the Young Democrats, and the College Republicans plan to continue voter registration at several locations on campus through Monday.

PEROT

From page 1

All President Kristin Burnett showed no affection for Perot.

"Perot is a weasel," she said. "He is not a good public administrator."

Margaret Goguet, a local Republican party staffer said she wasn't worried about Perot.

"Democrats have a lot more to worry about than us Republicans," she said. "We feel very confident."

Not surprisingly, local Democratic officials disagreed.

"We don't feel the announcement will take many votes away from us," said Democratic party official Patti Rede.

Marcia Bagnall, a graduate business student, thinks Perot's chances are slim.

"There is no way he will be elected because he breached his promise to all his supporters," she said.

One student, however, seemed partially impressed with Perot.

"He continues to keep assistance or hope in people's minds," said food science senior Cammy Chabre. "By not playing by the rules, then maybe he can bring change. This upheals the statement that he wants change because he isn't running in the usual way. I don't know if I will change my vote, but I will consider it."

Locally, Perot's supporters may again have a candidate but won't have any furniture in their headquarters.

Democratic staffer Rede said that 11 weeks ago, when Perot unexpectedly ended his bid for candidacy, Perot supporters gave furniture from their headquarters to the Democrats.

But the Democrats aren't planning on returning it, Rede said.

Reported by Comerford on the Poly campus, Jones in downtown SLO, and written by Hubbell.

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