Riders happy with local busing; upset to lose free service

By Kimberly Kacey
Daily Staff Writer

Many students like the service of the San Luis Obispo Transit bus system, but said they won’t use it when they have to pay.

"I’ll walk or ride my bike if they charge for the bus," said business junior Sean Fatouh.

City Bus Manager Tim Watson has already predicted how the bus system will be affected when Cal Poly students have to pay to ride.

"It will be disastrous to ridership... I don’t know where they are going to park that many cars."

City buses move an estimated 600,000 Cal Poly trips per year. If Watson’s predictions are correct, the end of the free service would reduce Cal Poly trips by one third, according to Watson. He said the city doesn’t want to discontinue the free bus system.

According to Watson, universities across the nation have asked something that so many others are trying to emulate," Watson said. So far the city has helped about a dozen other schools start their own systems.

For the one million trips in the entire city bus system per year, the city bus manager receives about 78 complaints. Eighty percent of the complaints deal with the bus not being on time.

"Most complaints are from students (that say) I didn’t get to class on time," Watson said. "If you look at the entire system the complaint numbers are pretty good, especially when you consider that many times, more people are at the curb than there is room on the bus. It takes time for people to move back and make room for others.

The second factor on the Cal Poly campus is construction. The Utility project has made many changes to the bus routes and changed times at certain stops.

The third factor is wheelchairs. Each wheelchair takes about four minutes to load a bus a board."

By Megan Long
Daily Staff Writer

Opinion

Gil hates Valentine’s Don’t you?

You’d never think death would have anything to do with the origins of Valentine’s Day. But the executions of two Christian martyrs, both named Valentine, on Feb. 14 may be the reason for today’s romantic holiday.

According to “Valentine’s Day,” a book by Fern G. Brown, during the third century most Romans worshiped many different gods and did not accept the Christian religion. Christians were persecuted under Roman Emperor Claudius II Gothicus, and many were killed.

Two men, a Roman priest and a bishop in Terni (a city about 50 miles from Rome) were both executed on Feb. 14, according to an account by Lawrence Cunningham, Ph.D., at the University of Notre Dame, Ind.

However, according to the 1995 edition of The New Encyclopedia Britannica, there may be only one Valentine who was taken from Rome to Terni for execution.

While the history of the true St. Valentine is uncertain, there are various stories of Valentine, the Christian priest.

An account by Rev. Alex Stevenson of the Latimer Memorial United Methodist Church states that Valentine was arrested for helping Christians escape prison or performing Christian marriages. According to Brown, Emperor Claudius II was in need of an army and thought that married men would not be good soldiers if they had to leave their wives and children. So, Claudius outlawed young men to marry and declared that any priest performing a marriage ceremony would be put to death.

While in prison, Valentine continued to minister to the guards. One of the guards had adopted a blind girl and Valentine prayed for God to give the girl back her sight. When the miracle occurred, the guard and his family became Christians. Claudius heard about this and ordered Valentine to be beheaded for continuing to convert people.

Before he died, Valentine wrote the girl a farewell message and signed it “From your Valentine.”

According to Fern, some people believe this is how contemporary traditions of sending flowers or love notes started — tokens in memory of his death on Feb. 14.

Another legend, recorded in Elizabeth Guilfoyle’s “Valentine’s Day” book, tells why messages are sent on Feb. 14. The priest Valentine raised flowers in his garden and gave them to children. When he was imprisoned for refusing to worship Roman gods, the children picked flowers and made bouquets. They tied notes to the bouquets and tossed them through Valentine’s prison window.

U.U. hour concentrates on Black History Month

Despite unattentive crowd

By Steve Lieberman
Daily Staff Writer

Human spirit, human rights, not to be denied. That was the theme of yesterday’s University Union hour focusing on the celebration of Black History Month.

The event gave members of the student body, faculty, and community the chance to speak on the subject. There was an open forum that followed, allowing anyone the opportunity to ask questions or share their experiences.

Lance Dewayne Shaw, a graphic communication senior, spoke first. He shared his thoughts on the sacrifice black people like Carter G. Woodson, the founding father of Black History Month, and countless others have made to forward the advancement of people of color. Shaw also emphasized that the spirit of the celebration is the spirit of all people, regardless of race, color or creed.

The next speaker was Victor Harris, Cal Poly associate director of admissions. He encouraged the audience to increase its awareness and knowledge of various cultures.

Ecclesiastical professor Martinez gets results

Languages professor William Martinez calls his teaching methods “chaotic”

By Megan Long
Daily Staff Writer

He pushes desks over, stands on tables and dances to salsa music to teach Cal Poly students Spanish and Hispanic culture.

William Martinez, a professor in the foreign language department, described his teaching method as “chaotic.”

“I used to try to be as eclectic as possible with the material,” said Martinez with a smile.

Martinez, in his fourth year at Cal Poly, teaches intermediate and advanced Spanish, Hispanic literature, and Mexican culture classes.

Students appreciate the various methods of presentation in Martinez’s classes.

“His heart is creative ways of presenting material,” said Jennifer Davlin, an architectural engineering sophomore.

Martinez said that the most effective way for students to study Spanish is by being exposed to many different things. For example, in his intermediate Spanish class, Martinez uses music, slides, articles, poems and short stories as teaching aids.

One of the reasons why Martinez, who was raised in Mexico, originally had different plans for his career. He was an engineer for three years before returning to school for his Spanish and literature degrees.

ECOLOGICAL FUND: William Martinez has been known to do crazy things in the classroom.

“Realized engineering was not a subject that was passionate for me,” Martinez said.

He cited reading as his real
Hundreds of people have scoured the coastline the past few weeks from Montana de Oro to as far south as Newsom Ridge in the rural Arroyo Grande area, and there's still no sign of missing paraglider Peter Rejlek.

The search now continues into week three. Rejlek's friends, who organized an extensive grass-roots volunteer search, hope to find him and are searching more than ever for a sense of closure. Many, like search volunteer Marina Chang hope they will find Rejlek, missing since Jan. 28.

"You just don't leave a lost friend," Chang said. "To know this man — you know he has the will to live. That's what survival is all about."

Chang, a Cal Poly journalism graduate, said she is working on a story about the spirit of humanity after being so touched by the amount of support Rejlek and their search efforts have received.

"It's really beautiful," Chang said. "If nothing else, this has brought a lot of people together and made a lot of people think."

Community members and people from outside the Central Coast area have searched in droves to search for Rejlek, some one many never knew.

A U.S. Navy battalion from Wisconsin, consisting approximately 30 men, has joined to help find Rejlek after having seen the story on the Sunday night news. "Most people feel if it was their friend they would want people to be looking for him too," Chang said.

She said adding to the list of people joining the search were an elderly couple from Atascadero. "They're out for the past four days now," Chang said. "They go out and drive to the highest lookout points in the areas where we've had sightings and scan the area with binoculars."

There are hundreds of stories like that," she added. "We keep getting calls from people wanting to help. It's just amazing."

Extensive sightings have given searchers hope of finding Rejlek. Chang said that's what is driving the search at this point.

"This has been a goal of the Smart family for a long time to focus attention on the potential danger to college coeds," Murphy said, referring to the investigation of the police on campus and why it took a month for the local police to get involved in the case. "We welcome the legislature's inquiry into safety on campus. "It has not added to the concern but it's not too late for a lot of other coeds," Murphy said.

She added that just because a person is on the Cal Poly campus, he or she has a tendency to feel safe.

The furniture has arrived. The computers are on-line. But most importantly, the phones are now working.

The San Luis Obispo district office of Congressman Walter Capps (D-Santa Barbara) finally opened Monday. Since its opening, constituents have been dropping by and the phones have been ringing off the hook.

"We've been working since last week," said Barbara Haile, a caseworker to Capps' office. "But in this business, you don't operate without a phone. So we officially opened the office Monday. That's when the phones started working."

Capps is an idealist who really wants the constituency to feel safe.

"It's been interesting," she said. "When you have a problem people always say 'Call your congressman.' I'm realizing that people really do call."

"We're part of the congression al district," said district representative Bety Umhofer. "Walter Capps is an idealist who really wants to represent all the people in his district to the best of his ability."

Capps opens new office

Local residents will hit the pavement to remember lost loved ones this Saturday. At the first annual "Hospice for the Heart" Valentine Fun Run/Walk, participants can move with others in mind.

"A lot of people use exercise as a way to deal with grief," said Program Coordinator Doug Bing. "Sometimes by running for someone, you get this extra energy and connect with the person you do it for." For this reason, Hospice of San Luis Obispo created a special group of participants to the event held at Mitchell Park. While the run/walk will serve primarily as a fund raiser, it also allows Hospice to take its services outside the office.

Among other services, Hospice operates support groups that help people deal with grief. "A lot of people don't contact Hospice because they aren't ready to deal with death," Bing said. "But Hospice in fact represents 'quality of life' — actually getting the most out of life."

According to Bing, money raised through the event will go to train volunteers that provide support to individuals or groups for free. Some of the support groups visit the Cal Poly campus regularly. There are currently more than 120 volunteers involved in the program. The $15 event registration fee includes a T-shirt and brunch after the event. Personal trainers Haile will be available at the event assisting participants with proper stretching techniques before race time.

Participants who raise additional funds are eligible for gifts and prizes, including a one-year membership to Kennedy Nautique Health Club.

"Most people think they have to go out and get donations," Hospice intern Shawn Ramsey said. "But you don't, the $15 registration is a donation itself."

As a student in the masters' program for counseling at Cal Poly, Ramsey became interested in the program after a guest speaker from Hospice talked to her class.

Ramsey is in charge of recruiting volunteers and securing donations for the event. The registration begins at 7:30 a.m. and the race starts at 8:30 a.m. Before the day of the event, registration is $5, but on race day it jumps to $20.
Women's speaker talks of global feminism

An intimate crowd of about 16 people were shocked by the fact that the United States hasn't ratified a United Nations Convention on the Elimination of Discrimination Against Women (CEDAW) on Wednesday at another Women's Week speech.

This international U.N. treaty, created in 1979, defines discrimination against women as "any distinction, exclusion or restriction made on the basis of sex," which impairs or nullifies the recognition and happiness of women. Ratified states are to eliminate discrimination against women in employment, education and politics.

This message was part of psychology and human development Professor Shawn Megan Burn's message. She explained the idea that women's rights are actually human rights, which are protected under international law and monitored and enforced by the United Nations. But in her speech, Burn stressed that women's rights violations often occur in the private sphere of the family, and some are confined by religious and cultural practices and are not able to be enforced.

"The bottom line is that gender equality and cultural diversity may sometimes clash and that respecting cultural diversity need not require unquestioned acceptance of all cultural practices," Burn said. There are some universal values, such as gender and racial equality, that should lead us to be critical of some cultural practices and to promote equality without international measures.

Burn added that the human rights perspective views the unequal status of women as a violation of their human rights. She concluded: "We have opportunities in the future. We want you to consider the message."

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Fine lines

"Nate Pontoons"

A week ago, it was a 3 a.m. Sunday in San Francisco's South Beach — and I was nowhere near where I thought I'd be by that afternoon. The cafe my roommate and I were in was a far cry from Linnaea's in downtown San Luis Obispo, and even further from the safe, policed streets of our city.

I stood behind a couple who were speaking in a language I couldn't understand. I thought they were moaning. The guys behind the counter all looked like family and sang along to the Black Sabbath song while they served us up though they were having the time of their lives. As I washed my hands in the bathroom, someone very importanly happened; he'd used my handle as if his life depended on it. I shudder to think of what might have happened if it hadn't been locked.

It was a little difficult task as the cafe was incredibly crowded for a 3 a.m. and settled into looking outside at the picturesque streets of the city. I saw a few hums milling around and what I'd like to think was a big rat crossing the street — but I'm not sure.

If I were at Linnaea's I would have given 90 cents to a guy behind the counter, said "Thank you," sat down at the counter and thought this thing would be the impetuous patrons of SLO Brewing Co. Their dry time threat is not walking in a straight line. A little bit different.

And I definitely wouldn't have been afraid to go and wipe the wreckage of the world in the main part; nighttime was friendly in San Francisco, and for the most part I felt safe. Yet a street away the rats wait, their only real threat is not walking in a straight line.

This is paralleled everywhere in our lives. We drive cars and can't even walk properly. The ratiopan a measly yellow line a few inches thick, and we think nothing of it. At a pedestrian crosswalk, we have a death wish. We rush a button to ask for permission to create an intersection, putting all our trust in a little green hand name. That's to say, we challenge that flashing "testimonials" on how one must cross the street with dominance that I guess can only be found in the heart of the U.U. Galerie and Collections Curator for the past 12 years, I thought I might respond to journalism freshman Jennifer Cornelius, whose self-portraits are displayed on the main floor of the U.U. walls. The only Valentine's day cookie to, who would send flowers if only you had someone to send them to. The only Valentine's Day card I got last year was from my friend, I've got to go, I promised Heartbreak Hotel, I'd check in before 10 a.m. I'm a nice guy. Really I am. I'm fun-loving, having a sense of humor, caring, kind, generous, you know, all the good stuff. So why am I still single? Nigh.

While you're busy wine and dining someone, why not think of just one, think of all the Valentine-less people who don't have anyone to send a card to, who don't have time to send a huge Valentine's day cookie to, who would(Date of your dreams.)

"I hate Valentine's Day"

Editor
This past Saturday, after months of planning, MEXA brought together hundreds of high school students for the fifth annual Xicano Youth Conference. For one day, high school students were able to share an atmosphere of unity and camaraderie. They learned about their history, culture and gained a better sense of awareness about themselves. In some cases, high school students put off put, away their gang signs and saw each other as equals. However, some of us are actually so bold to deny the green man, that is to say, we challenge that flashing "testimonials" on how one must cross the street with dominance that I guess can only be found in the heart of L.A. Funny, she didn't mention the rats.

My point is not pedestrian safety tips. It's just to note other thin the lines separating us from the dangerous are becoming, and how we're putting so much more of our faith in them. People send credit card numbers via the "information superhighway," the only thing keeping planes from crashing into each other are little numbers called coordinates (the plane leaves from a terminal) for crying out loud. people leave their expensive automobiles with complete strangers who saw in front of restaurants, we live only miles from a nuclear power plant built near a nuclear fault. Why, it's only an orange fence that keeps me from planning a "sandwich party." So please, when living, color inside the lines that are constantly being created for our safety. And mind the rats.

Letter to the Editor

"The artwork presently adorning the U.U. walls resemble the students at Cal Poly." Nonetheless, I had to smile a bit when I wondered how the students whose self-portraits are displayed on the main Chamus hall entrance wall of the U.U. lobby, along with other pieces from the ASI permanent collection of works by student artists, might respond to Ms. Jamison's seemingly authoritative comment that, "Furthermore, in no way does the artwork presently adorning the U.U. walls resemble the students at Cal Poly." Nonetheleless, I hadn't have a smile at a hint when I wondered how the students whose self-portraits are displayed on the main Chamus hall entrance wall of the U.U. lobby, along with other pieces from the ASI permanent collection of works by student artists, might respond to Ms. Jamison's seemingly authoritative comment that, "Furthermore, in no way does the artwork presently adorning the U.U. walls resemble the students at Cal Poly." Nonetheleless, I hadn't have a smile at a hint when I wondered how the students whose self-portraits are displayed on the main Chamus hall entrance wall of the U.U. lobby, along with other pieces from the ASI permanent collection of works by student artists, might respond to Ms. Jamison's seemingly authoritative comment that, "Furthermore, in no way does the artwork presently adorning the U.U. walls resemble the students at Cal Poly." Nonetheleless, I hadn't have a smile at a hint when I wondered how the students whose self-portraits are displayed on the main Chamus hall entrance wall of the U.U. lobby, along with other pieces from the ASI permanent collection of works by student artists, might respond to Ms. Jamison's seemingly authoritative comment that, "Furthermore, in no way does the artwork presently adorning the U.U. walls resemble the students at Cal Poly." Nontheleless, I hadn't have a smile at a hint when I wondered how the students whose self-portraits are displayed on the main Chamus hall entrance wall of the U.U. lobby, along with other pieces from the ASI permanent collection of works by student artists, might respond to Ms. Jamison's seemingly authoritative comment that, "Furthermore, in no way does the artwork presently adorning the U.U. walls resemble the students at Cal Poly." Nontheleless, I hadn't have a smile at a hint when I wondered how the students whose self-portraits are displayed on the main Chamus hall entrance wall of the U.U. lobby, along with other pieces from the ASI permanent collection of works by student artists, might respond to Ms. Jamison's seemingly authoritative comment that, "Furthermore, in no way does the artwork presently adorning the U.U. walls resemble the students at Cal Poly."
By Michelle Guarney
Kauai (of Hawaii)

(U-WIRE) - HONOLULU, Hawaii - The "secret" is out. A report naming 51 disciplined Honolulu police officers was finally pried out of the police union's grasp two weeks ago.

The release was prompted by a Hawai'i Supreme Court ruling that ended a three-and-a-half year battle between the State of Hawai'i's Police Organization of Police Officers and the UH student chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists, local television stations and newspapers.

The officers' names have been guarded by SHOPO since 1993, when a group of UH student journalists asked police chief Michael Nakamura to release the names in accordance with Hawai'i public records laws.

Gerald Kato, SPJ adviser, said the '93 legislature was considering Hawai'i's freedom of information laws in an effort to balance the unions' rights to privacy and the public's right to know. In light of the possible changes to accessing information, Kato said he approached Lowell Prazier, journalism department chair, with an outline of the information he wanted access to and his plan to get it.

"Kato got the go ahead from Prazier. "I told Kato to do what they think they need to do," Prazier said.

But when Kato and the student chapter of SPJ requested the reports from HPD, they hit a wall.

"They asked us for $2,000 to gather the information to compile the report," Kato said. In addition to the fee, they faced another hurdle - the police union.

Before the police chief could release the information, SHOPO intercepted by filing a confidentiality suit against the SPJ student group.

Kato got attorney Jeff Portnoy to represent the SPJ in the case. Portnoy said the police department responded with a "knockout" reaction, sending a letter to the university requesting information such as grade point averages and some detailed financial reports about editorial staff at Ka Leo.

The information HPD requested was not released, according to Tom Brislin, professor of journalism, because some of the information is protected under federal law and some of what the department wanted to know was public record.

"Their point was to turn the tables, but it wasn't Ka Leo that brought the suit, it was SPJ," Brislin said. "Grade point averages and violence in police departments are not cases on the same level."

As the hearings proceeded, the 1995 Legislature passed a bill that excluded the names of disciplined police officers from public record, effective July 1, 1995, except when they are terminated from the force.

In addition to preventing the public from accessing information about how officers are being disciplined, whether officers are repeating offenses and whether punishments are appropriate, the '95 exclusion law also set a precedent for other government unions to ask through confidentiality suits about rights of the judiciary in government, Brislin said.

This could have far-reaching implications at the university, Brislin added.

"Why wouldn't the university ask for the same protection?" he added.

"Students have a right to know who may have violated sexual harassment policy, who doesn't go to meetings regularly, students want to know that they are paying for a quality education," Brislin said.

Ekual rights activism and opposition to the police exemption law went into a Supreme Court ruling in favor of public access to the records.

According to attorney Jeffery Portnoy, the suit ruling gave the students the reports they had originally requested by ordering HPD to release the names of officers who have died in the line of duty.

"We're sorry this has happened."
In addition to having land available for field use, students should also have easy access to that land, said College of Agriculture representative Adriene Stanley. We would hate if they said, "Hey, we're moving the sheep unit to Santa Cruz," Stanley said. "Some universities have to have their facilities miles and miles away. We don't want to have one of them." Both Kinnon-Frink and Stanley said it's important that the board of directors support the resolution. Approving the resolution, Kinnon-Frink said, would send the message that agricultural land is very valuable.

"All over the world, when expansion takes place, it takes place in agricultural land," she said. "This land is valuable and should be valued by developers. This is where our food (and) our clothing comes from."

Cal Poly has a history of using agricultural land to expand the campus, Stanley said. She said she understands, however, because the College of Agriculture is a major component of land. So logical the university would take land from it, she said.

Students from all colleges are urged to attend the next board of directors meeting Feb. 26. There will be no ASI meeting Wednesday due to the President's Day holiday.

"We want everyone in the College of Agriculture to be here when we vote in two weeks," Kinnon-Frink said. "It makes a big difference when you have student support."

Board of directors and executive staff members were also encouraged to attend a Leadership Institute, which will be held at Cal Poly Feb. 22.

The board approved a resolution stating ASI extends its support by sponsoring no more than 25 students outside of the ASI committees to attend the Leadership Institute.

"The board is showing support by strongly advising members to attend," said Chris Makalintal, sponsor of the resolution and College of Engineering representative. "I believe that it goes hand in hand with ASI's mission to promote student interest through advocacy and representation."
San Jose State slapped with another discrimination suit

By Jane Seboldt
Spartan Daily (San Jose State University)

(U-Wire) SAN JOSE, Calif. — Four female workers from the JSU Facilities Development and Operations office filed a discrimination lawsuit against the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and with the department.

They charged the manager, claiming that he was discriminatory in his hiring and treatment of women employees.

Dawn Moses, a custodian who had been withSJU for five years, claimed that she was denied a promotion.

Barbara Hallman, a retired Cal Poly history professor currently filling in for a colleague, said that the modern customs of Feb. 14 are strange since the holiday is tied to the celebration of unmarried love.

According to Shaw, when the Romans became Christians, the Christian priests moved the festival to Feb. 14 to honor the martyred St. Valentine, making it a religious holiday. However, the customs of the era persisted, like the drawing of the slips with the girl’s names, which came to be called valentines.

"Today Valentine’s Day is extraordinarily secular," said Barbara Hallman, a retired Cal Poly history professor currently filling in for a colleague. "It certainly seems pagan."

Hallman said that the modern customs of Feb. 14 are strange because the holiday is tied to Christianity and St. Valentine's Day — a 40-day period of penitential prayer and fasting for Christians.

Hallman said that for Christians, St. Valentine was supposed to be a time to contemplate religion, but Valentine’s Day falls during that period, bringing mixed commercialism and, contrarily, to the fundamentals of Christianity, the celebration of unarranged love.

The commercialism of the holiday can be seen by the sales gift items like chocolate, flowers, and especially valentine cards.

According to Shaw, the oldest paper valentine believed to exist was written in 1415 by a Frenchman, Charles, the Duke of Orleans, who was captured by the English in the Battle of Agincourt. While he was in prison in the Tower of London, he wrote sonnet poems to his wife, including some that mentioned St. Valentine.

In “Mrs. Sharp’s Traditions,” Sara Ban Breathnach writes that until the early nineteenth century valentines were primarily hand-written and bore messages that would be written, sometimes in colored ink, in poem form on colored paper with ornamental edges.

In the early 1800s factories in England began to print valentines. According to Guiffaid, the first factory-made valentines were black and white pictures printed on decorative paper, which people bought and painted. Some of these early valentines had verses printed on them, while others left room for the sender to write his/hers own message. Later the factory-produced valentines were trimmed with satin ribbons and lace borders.

Breathnach writes that the "Mother of the American Valentine" was Father Howland who, in 1847, received an English valentine from a friend and was inspired to make similar valentines of her own.

Howland persuaded her father, a stationer, to order valentine cards from England. She made sample valentines and her brother, a traveling salesman, took her cards on trips. When he returned with 5,000 orders, Howland set up a shop in a spare room of her house and was downgraded, first assembly-line production of American commercial valentines with the help of women friends.

The valentines were very elaborate and became very popular, even though they cost between $5 and $10. In 1880 Howland sold her business, which was earning over $100,000 a year to another American valentine competitor.

A symbol that has appeared on valentines throughout history is the cupid, Cupid, in Roman mythology, was the son of the goddess Venus and never grew up. Venus gave him a bow and a set of two types of arrows: some that produced undying love in the person they struck, others that produced undying indifference. Cupid would amuse himself by aiming the love arrow and the indifferent arrow at another. He would arrange for the two people to meet, causing the "love-struck" person to spend his/hers life in pursuit of the indifferent one.

"It’s a way of understanding ourselves," Martinez said, explaining that understanding the language of Cupid was California at one time was influenced by Mexico or Spain.

"It is a secular culture," Martinez said. He feels students must not only learn a language, but understand it as a whole since the context of words are just as important as the vocabulary.

Martinez said he hopes that his students leave his classes with a better appreciation for the language and culture of Hispanic people.

"I want them to come away with the idea that they don’t live in a vacuum," Martinez said. Martinez is involved in many projects and activities at Cal Poly and is currently working on several community service, is active in the Academic Senate, Chicano Commemoration, the Spanish Club, Spectrum (an alternative newspaper) and Counsel for International Programs.

Martinez is currently working on three books.

He is working on a book that will include a second-year Spanish textbook, and a play, which will compare the lives of Mexican families.

"We好吗 do the program and made it what it is," said Professor William Little, department head of foreign languages.

Martinez said he most rewarding part of the program is being able to teach with real, live visual languages. See MARTINEZ page 11

W A N T E D

"On God I Hope They Bring Back Elvis"

Do you have video on tape or from a video camera? How about video from a camcorder?

If you have a story, or want to produce your own video, you might be interested in "On God I Hope They Bring Back Elvis," a student-produced video on Elvis Presley. The video was produced by Jennifer Meehan and is now being sought by the Public Broadcasting Service.

"On God I Hope They Bring Back Elvis" features clips from the movie "Elvis," along with interviews with fans and others who knew Elvis.

"On God I Hope They Bring Back Elvis" is available on VHS or Beta and is distributed by Sony Video.

For information or to buy a copy of the video, call 1-800-345-4678.

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Celebrate Valentine's at Dexter

2 for 1 Valentine’s Day Special

Buy any two of the same item at Lucy’s Juice, Too or Tapango’s and the second is free. Valid only at the Dexter locations Feb. 14, 1997.
There is Love
Happy Valentine’s Day

Kathleen Little - Remind me to thank Amy & Heather again OK!

Carmel Treat Females & Felines! Just a little Love from the Sis! Thanks for being R.

Kathy Goo Goo
Happy Valentine’s Day Roomie!
Love, Rachel

Jen B.
My Heart & Soul
Air & Water
Love, Brian B.

Happy V-DAY
Janelle Stacy
Have Fun
Luv & Rem

Sister Below
Thanks for being R.

Kathy
Happy Valentine’s Day Roomie!

Love,
Rachel

Kinsley, I love you very much.
Your sweetie, Heather

Special Six!
Jan, Ari, Trisha, Amy, JR, Brynley
Happy Valentine’s Day! Love, Ari

Dear Erika
I'm so glad we can be together.
Will you be my Valentine?
Love, Ryan

Mustang Daily
Happy V-Day
We Love U All
The Bobbsey Twins
Rem and Rach

Isabelle
After 5.5 yrs, you still get all my love. Looking forward to going to PAC w/ U 2-night.
I Love You, Bo

My darling Chibi, You are my world, my life, and my love.
Here’s to eternity. Love, Rick

Ryan,
Forever Yours!
Love, Andi

Melanie
My Valentine’s Day needs a Valentine.
Will you be Mine?
I Love You!
Lindsey

A.B.K.
We’re due for some play time. See you soon.
Love, E&K

To My Lil’ Mermaid:
We came but for friendship
And took away love.
I Love You and Always Will!
Love, A.L.

Dino Says...
Happy Valentine’s Day to:
Peach Street
& Price Street Girls!

Congratulations!

And the Winner is...
Ryan Flagg
Your prize is brunch from Rhythm Creckside Cafe

Love,

 Mustang Band!
Happy Valentine's Day Melissa
Bishop, with love from San Diego

HAPPY VALENTINE LOC
LOVE ALWAYS
MIKEY

REMII
I LOVE YA KIDDOS!
LOVE,
YOUR B-TWIN

Jen
You're the best!
Love, Brian

Your
Surprise is almost here!
Happy Valentine's Day
Deana

DON, my special pumpkin bee.
I Love You. Will you marry me?

Dearest Belle
I love you more than any other,
it means so much to me
that you are my lover,
look deep into my eyes
and you will soon discover,
you are the best, and I mean it.

Stephen-Can you feel the love
tonight? It is where we are.
It's enough for this wide eyed
wonderer that we got this far.
I love you more than you'll
ever know-Christy

Devin, I LOVE you more than all
I know. Be mine forever. Let me
care for you and take you
around the world. I will belong
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and two to three minutes to get off. To load, he keeps the wheelchair, steps lower and lift the chair up into the bus. The bus driver then secures the wheelchair with two belts and a third seat belt is placed around the rider. Unloading the passenger entails these steps in reverse. This process can put the bus seven minutes behind schedule, Watson said.

"It's really tough but we need to serve them," Watson said. City buses serve more than 600 wheelchair customers per month. People have suggested a separate transport for the wheelchairs but the law requires equal conditions for everyone, Watson said. City transit officials are always looking for ways to improve the bus system. Watson has a proposal to increase service sitting on his desk, but the city needs more operating money before they can implement these plans.

Forestry senior Neva Jarvis also said the bus being late was a problem.

"I didn't have a car for the first four years and I didn't know how I made it without one," Jarvis said. "The only way the bus bestes my car is the cost, I don't have to pay for gas or parking permits.

Watson said he feels the service is superior.

"Except for the first round in the morning, I have got a competitive advantage to parking cars," Watson said. According to an informal study of Routes 4 and 5 on the afternoon of Feb. 11 and the morning of Feb. 13, the city buses were on time at the majority of their stops, with the exception of the 8 a.m. rush.

Watson said the system's goal was to be reaching stops every 15 minutes on the Cal Poly campus. This would mean all other stops throughout the city would be reached every 30 minutes. He said they are far from this because most city stops only get service once an hour now.

Currently, nine city buses run at one time. Seven of these buses feed into Cal Poly. Two buses run on both routes 4 and 5, which travel by the University Union.

Two additional tandems for shuttle buses support those routes and one bus services Route 1, which feeds into Cal Poly by Kennedy Library.

Each bus route in the city costs close to $100,000 a year to operate and will increase to $100,000 when the city's new contract takes effect, according to Watson. However, two routes that service Cal Poly, Routes 4 and 5, are the least expensive.

The most important thing about each route to the riders is the schedule. Students who ride the bus must plan their day around it.

"Teachers get pretty mad if you are late every morning," said Kate Henry, an animal science senior. She gets up an hour earlier than normal to take the bus that gets her to school on time.

Bus schedules are designed by a committee which takes into account the needs of the university and the community. According to Watson, the committee looks at the Cal Poly schedule and the needs of people who work downtown and tries to meet everyone's needs the best they can.

"On one hand we have a 500 pound gorilla (students) and on the other we have a 300 pound gorilla (downtown employees). We do the best we can to balance them out," Watson said about scheduling conflicts.

Jarvis said the schedule needs to be changed. She likes driving because she can control when she comes to school and when she can leave.

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The Daily Texan (U of Texos)
(U-WIRE) AUSTIN, Texas —
To protest censorship of all stu­dent publications, the editor of a student newspaper at the University of Texas-Pan American resigned Monday.

David Waltz, editor of The Pan American, said he resigned after the weekly newspaper’s faculty adviser replaced a wire story from the Feb. 6 issue with an advertisement without Waltz’s approval.

Robert Rollins, the newspaper’s adviser, said he made the decision because Waltz had left the office before the paper went to press that night.

Rollins added the story was “meaningless” and not contro­versial. Waltz knew of the advertisement beforehand, Rollins said.

But Waltz said Rollins violated the newspaper’s First Amendment rights to free speech and free press.

“As far as maintaining student control of the paper, I felt I was fighting a losing battle,” Waltz said Wednesday.

Mark Goodman, executive director of the Student Press Law Center in Virginia, said Rollins was wrong in his actions and had undermined Waltz’s editorial control.

“This is a result of an ongoing battle to maintain freedom of speech and upheld First Amendment rights in student publications,” Goodman said.

Jack R. Stanley, chairman of the UT-Pan American American Communications Department, said he supports Rollins and feels he is only trying to improve the paper.

Waltz disagreed with Stanley in his letter of resignation, stat­ting Rollins also used unconst­ructive criticism toward student reporters.

“Instructors, for the most part Mr. Rollins, when talking to students do not use constructive criticism, but use such words as ‘crap.’ Therefore students are discouraged to participate by the newspaper’s adviser,” Waltz said.

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Bush to speak at Oklahoma graduation

The Oklahoman Daily (Oklahoma City)

(U-WIRE) NORMAN, Okla. - Former U.S. President George Bush will deliver the commencement address to OU's graduating class May 10 at OU President David Boren's request. Bush will also receive an honorary degree at a dinner before the commencement exercises.

"It is a special honor for the university that our president has accepted our invitation to participate in our commencement exercises," Boren said.

"It is a tribute to our university that President Bush accepted OU's invitation from among the large number of such invitations he receives." Boren said.

Bush briefly visited the campus in October when he gave a speech at Rep. J.C. Watts, R-Norman, fundraiser at Lloyd Noble Center.

When (Bush) briefly visited our campus last fall, he expressed his appreciation for the ingenuity of our students and he had a chance to meet," Boren said.

Boren asked Bush to speak at the Foundation for Excellence ceremony in Tulsa several years ago. Bush and Boren worked together while Boren was in the U.S. Senate.

"They've had a lot of common relationships," Johnson said.

The only sign of age appeared to be a groove in a dish antenna, caused by a micrometeorite. The healthy Hubble was a welcome sight; a badly warped or wobbly telescope would have forced NASA to call off the spacewalks.

Weiler considered the first spacewalk, by Mark Lee and Steven Smith, to be "the Super Bowl" of the series. Their job: to replace 1970's science instruments with start-of-the-art devices.

"If that goes well, I think it will really put Hubble into a position of having world-class scientific capability well into the 21st century," Weiler said.

An astronomer by training, Hawley was perhaps the most reverent of the crew upon seeing Hubble. He last glimpsed the telescope in 1989 when he used the mechanical arm on the same shuttle to launch it on its 15-year voyage. His touch was gentle and respectful.

"Gee, I wish you could see the expression on Dr. Stevie's face," Discovery commander Ken Bowersox told Mission Control.

"Looks like he just shook hands with an old friend." The shuttle's mechanical arm, Hawley said, was "the size of a telephone booth.

Other high-priority items to be looked at include: the telescope is turned laser next week: a refurbishment and two data recorders. Altogether, 11 major parts are to be installed.

Hubble Space Telescope aboard Discovery, looking very beautiful

By Marcie Daves
Associated Press

SPACE CENTER, Houston - Discovery's astronauts hauled the Hubble Space Telescope aboard the shuttle early Thursday for a 1-billion-mile tuneup that will allow it to peer even deeper into the far reaches of the universe.

Spacewalking astronauts planned to spend four straight nights beginning Thursday installing new science instruments and other up-to-date equipment in NASA's second Hubble service call since 1990.

Like repairmen on Earth, Discovery's seven-man crew kept the customer waiting. The shuttle pulled up a little late alongside the 12-ton, 43-foot observatory.

Several more minutes passed before Steven Hawley, operating the shuttle's mechanical arm, latched onto the telescope as the two spacecraft soared 370 miles over Mexico's southwestern coast.

"Seeing that beautiful spacecraft for the first time in three years was like seeing your best friend when you haven't seen for three years," NASA chief Hubble scientist Ed Weiler, said on Earth. "Not only that, but the friend doesn't seem to have aged at all."
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degree in Circuit Court.

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mileage record book.

"That sends a message that

officers won't get more than a slap

weather they are violent or they

show up late for a meeting.

"That (punishment) and the

message is important and the

public should be able to review

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Waltz said he has contacted

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Jay Jacobson, executive direc­

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to terminate an article. Rollins is an

instructor and state employee.

Clearly, an editor should be free

from the government as to what

goes in a student publication," he

said.

But Waltz may not be able to

file a lawsuit since he has

resigned, Jacobson said. "In order
to have a case we would have to

try and reinstate Waltz from his

own resignation," he said.

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Commercial rose growers blue over sluggish sales

By Jerry Nachtrigal
Associated Press

LITCHFIELD PARK, Ariz. - OK, so maybe a dozen red roses and baby's breath in a tissue-lined box are more romantic than, say, a thorny bundle with roots wrapped in plastic from the garden shop at Wal-Mart.

If Henry Conklin and his fellow wholesale rose growers in the West had their way, husbands and boyfriends would be lugging home rose bushes for their Valentines.

"Those cut flowers will be dead in a few days," said Conklin, who harvests more than 2 million rose bushes a year in his fields west of Phoenix. "Everybody likes cut flowers, but buy a rose bush and you can grow those beautiful flowers yourself."

You can’t blame Conklin and the Garden Rose Council, a trade group representing 90 percent of the nation’s commercial rose growers, for trying.

Though Americans are busier in their gardens than ever - lawn and garden sales have grown about 10 percent annually over the past 20 years - sales of rose bushes have been virtually unchanged in the past decade.

That’s why Conklin and 18 other growers in Arizona, California and Oregon have joined in a $600,000 marketing campaign by the Garden Rose Council to promote the pleasures of tending roses.

One reason sales of rose bushes have been flat, said Conklin, the council’s chairman, is the perception that a rose by any other name is fussy, difficult to grow and labor-intensive.

Dave Fox of Tempe recently tore out all eight rose bushes in his back yard even though they were thriving. "Roses are great the first year. After that you are continually pruning, fertilizing and spraying for aphids. They are a lot of work," he said.

Conklin conceded that growing roses takes a little more work.

On a stem-by-stem basis, there’s no denying that rose bushes - at $2 and $3 at a Wal-Mart - are a better bargain than fresh-cut roses, which can cost a few dollars each this time of year.

"Look at the final results - all the beautiful flowers," he said.

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As far North Texas, Baker said a big strength is their ability to make a quick transition. They also have a solid offense led by their top shooter — sophomore Ashley Norris, who leads the team with 12.8 points per game.

Overall, the Mustangs are trying, game by game, to squeeze into the postseason tournament, a feat they will have to accomplish without the help of Baker on the bench.

"It is a big goal for us to enter the tournament, but we're confident in getting it done," Booker said. "It all begins with North Texas Friday night, and we'll go from there."

Booker added that co-captain Bauer, the only senior on the squad, is pumped up about the goal. She said that getting into the tournament will help end Baker's career on a high note.

Bauer agreed, adding that even though the team has put a lot of pressure on itself to accomplish the goal, the players see it as a reason­able focus.

"We're gearing up for the remaining games," Bauer said. "If we come together as a team, I think we can do it."
Big game No. 2 for men's hoops Saturday

The last time Cal Poly met the University of the Pacific, Michael Olowokandi sat on the bench. The 7-foot center from London, England sprained his knee on Jan. 11 against Cal State Fullerton and missed the opportunity to play against Cal Poly. The game came down to the wire, but Pacific pulled ahead, 68-64, behind senior guard Mark Bohler's 17 points.

Saturday's afternoon game. Cal Poly won't be so fortunate.

For Saturday's afternoon game, Cal Poly was previously ranked 128 out of the top 150 teams in the country, according to conference rankings. The Mustangs said they will need to capitalize on their strengths, especially as the team tries to build its weaker areas.

The men's team has a more seasoned potential, though, especially in their sprinters Shannon Flett and Heidi Nolte. The men's team has a more seasoned sprinters Shannon Flett and Heidi Nolte.

Another strength for the Mustangs said they will need to capitalize on their strengths, especially as the team tries to build its weaker areas. Would you like to know about the men's team's potential and strengths in the upcoming game against Cal Poly? Would you like to know about the men's team's potential and strengths in the upcoming game against Cal Poly?