Students to vote on health fee increase

President Warren Baker approved a proposal Wednesday that could raise the mandatory health services fee by $82 and, in turn, offer more student health services.

After a student vote on March 11 and 12, Baker will consider the student opinion and then decide whether or not to approve the fee increase, according to Polly Harrigan, assistant to the vice president for student affairs.

The health services fee is included in tuition and the increase would raise the existing $28 fee to $42 beginning summer quarter and then up to $51, beginning summer 1999, with no additional fee increase for the 2000-01 academic year.

Under the proposal, the health center will provide expanded services to those students without health care, according to Martin Bragg, director of Health and Psychological Services, Student Affairs Division.

"We know that the students are very dependent on the health center," Bragg said. "We know that the vast majority don't have a family doctor outside the center." Slightly less than 70 percent of the student body takes advantage of the health center's services, averaging 2.32 visits per student per year.

Starting next fall, the health center will increase its staffing and remain open until 6:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday. Students will also be able to...
New electronic parking meters downtown, new rates

The City of San Luis Obispo began installing new electronic parking meters yesterday throughout the city. The state-of-the-art meters digital readouts, accept nickel, dime and quarter, and have a cash-key debit payment system that eliminates the need to lug around change.

The meters will be set at a new hourly rate of 75 cents per hour for downtown meters and 50 cents per hour for meters outside the central downtown area. The rate is 10 cents higher than the old rate.

Parking Manager Keith Opalewski said the cash key system will go into effect around mid-February. "The cash-key basically eliminates the need to have change," he said.

Parking meter cash-keys can be purchased at the parking operations office in $10 increments. Each time the key is inserted into the meter slot, it adds 25 cents toward the hourly rate. When the key expires, it can be re-credited at the parking office.

To answer the question of whether or not the new meters will meet the use, Opalewski said: "No. Absolutely not. That's a rumor. The time will stay on the meter after someone leaves, and people will still have the same courtesy of using the remaining time as they always have."

Because the $3 rate is part of the pre-approved, five-year intervals for parking meter rate changes, the next increase should occur until the next millennium.

For more information about the new parking meters and details of the cash key debit payment system program, contact the City of San Luis Obispo Parking Operations Office at 781-7230.

PAC serves alcohol with temporary permit while application is reviewed

While Cal Poly Foundation awaits a decision on its application for a license to serve alcohol, campus organizers at the Performing Arts Center are making do with one-day permits.

Regier and event organizers don't pay additional insurance fees to serve alcohol, but all requests for one-day permits are reviewed by Campus Safety, the President's office and Campus Catering, which obtains the permits and sets the rates.

If there are concerns about serving alcohol at an event, the request can be denied, said Regier. Request was part of the pre-approved, five-year cycle that relies on a double standard to boost minority enrollment.

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It took effect this past fall quarter. It was approved two years ago, after residents voted to dismantle California's affirmative action policies. The new policy resulting from Proposition 209 will affect undergraduate students next fall.

Cal Poly legal adviser Carlos Cordova does not know what kind of changes will be made to California laws that give preferences to women and minorities. There are around 50 such laws.

"The court has not sent out any mandates on a specific way to administer the new policy of admission, so it's hard to say how big of an impact it will really have on student demographics," Cordova said.

If Cal Poly follows the pattern of Texas A&M, where graduate and undergraduate programs were subject to new policy changes this fall, then its minority population will be virtually wiped out. There, nearly 400 fewer African American and Hispanic students have been offered admission this fall, a 20 percent decline from 1996.

However, critics of affirmative action called the decline a sign of how long they have relied on a double standard to boost minority enrollment.

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Highly educated Americans have less sex, survey shows

By Mike Robinson
Associated Press

CHICAGO — So maybe ignorance really is bliss. Americans with college degrees have less sex than those who finished only high school, and those who went to graduate school have even less, according to a study in February's American Demographics magazine.

The study is based on 10,000 interviews with Americans conducted over the past decade by the National Opinion Research Center at the University of Chicago.

Those with four-year degrees average 62 sexual contacts a year, compared to 85 for those who have attended graduate school.

Several factors could explain the findings, the authors said. "Anoericans who have attended college may have the active educational group."

The study also found that people who work at least 60 hours a week also report having more sex than those with more leisure time — an average of 65 contacts a year.

"People who report having the least free time are married, have children at home and work long hours," the authors said. "Each of these groups also reports having more sex."

Other findings:

- The rich do not have a lot more sex than others. Those in the top one-tenth of the income distribution report merely above-average sexual frequency.

- Some Americans are definitely sexier than others. About 25 percent of adults engage in half of all sexual activity, and 42 percent of adults engage in 85 percent of all sex.

- Jane fans, gun owners and those who lack confidence in the president are among the most sexually active Americans. Just why was unclear.

Slasher movies inspire teen son to allegedly stab his mother

Associated Press

LYNWOOD, Calif. — They couldn't afford to rent a Grim Reaper mask or voice distortion box, but a teen-ager told deputies that he and his cousin killed his mother anyway after seeing the "Scream" slasher movies, authorities said Wednesday.

Gina Castillo, 37, managed to dial 911 before she collapsed about 2:45 p.m. Tuesday inside her apartment.

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The study's authors, John Robinson of the University of Maryland and Geoffrey Godfrey of Pennsylvania State University, said people with two-year college degrees tend to be younger adults and would therefore naturally be more sexually active.

However, book smart may not be what's at work here, according to one researcher.

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Plans to expand psychiatric and dermatology services are included in the referendum as well. The center will expand other services according to student need.

"The goal of those changes in services is to reduce the need for students to go into town to get medical care," Bragg said.

Bragg said a survey conducted by the Student Health Advisory Council, an ASI group, in spring 1997 revealed that less than 10 percent of Cal Poly students have a primary care practitioner in the county, and roughly 40 to 45 percent were either uninsured or insured by HMOs that cover only emergency services.

The health center has a projected $200,000 deficit for next year, and the center requested the fee increase to help decrease this deficit. If implemented, one-third of the $14 fee raise would go to financial aid, as required by the state. The remaining revenue would go toward the health center's deficit and expanded services.

Cal Poly's health services fee ranks No. 14 out of 21 schools in terms of the size of its health services fee and No. 5 of 21 in terms of student utilization.

If the referendum doesn't pass, the health center will have to secure funding from other resources and may have to cut back on services.

"We run pretty lean," Bragg said.

He said that an approximate 4-percent annual average rise in expenses has caused the need for the referendum.

The increase is due in part to inflation, but Bragg said that more than 80 percent of the budget goes to staff salaries and increases that are out of his control.

Some students think that improved services could prove beneficial and would likely vote for the referendum.

Erik West, an architecture junior, said he hadn't heard about the referendum and he doesn't utilize the center's services, but doesn't necessarily oppose the fee increase.

"I think that's a good idea if it's needed," he said. "I don't visit the center much, but if there's a need for it, then it's a good idea."

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Responses to "Homosexuals don't make good role models" - Jan. 14

Editor,

After reading Nate Lawson's opinion on homosexuality, I am compelled to respond.

There is no scientific evidence to support the claim that "homosexuality is a chosen lifestyle." To be fair, there is no evidence to support that any sexuality, whether heterosexual or homosexual, is a chosen lifestyle. Whenever I hear the claim that "people choose to be gay," I always ask this question: "When did you choose your sexual orientation?" People will generally state it was "when they were in high school" or "sometimes during their adolescence."

So I say, "You were attracted to both the same AND the opposite sex equally, and you chose the opposite sex?" The answer is always "NO! I was only attracted to the opposite sex." To which I respond, "Making a choice involves having more than one option. If there wasn't a natural attraction to both sexes, then there was no choice involved in your attraction to the opposite sex."

This premise holds true for homosexuals as well. Perhaps the confusion comes with the perception of what "coming out" is. Coming out is not deciding you are gay, rather, it is accepting the fact that being attracted to the same sex is the natural truth of your life. End of story.

As far as not wanting homosexuals as role models, too late. Your children's doctors, law enforcement agents, store clerks, favorite authors and actors, friends' parents, college professors, priests, teachers, accountants, mechanics, brothers, sisters...any number could be gay, and most likely, several are. They just seem how mis-informed you are and choose not to discuss a very personal issue with you.

It's people who are role models, not their sexual orientation. If a person's sexuality can shape another's life, how are homosexuals raised in heterosexual environments?

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I'm not out to make your kid gay

Editor,

Quite frankly I'm appalled by Mr. Lawson's response yesterday to Mr. Bidly's column, "Shout's Home." What someone does behind closed doors, and on their own time, is nobody's business as long as he or she can meet the job's responsibilities and objectives.

Don't be so ignorant as to think that a homosexual can't be a good role model. I, Brad Davis, am a homosexual. I've been a successful camp counselor for two summers, and have put in three great years for the City of San Luis Obispo as an after school recreation leader. Among my credentials are several letters of compliment and recommendation for the excellent work I've done with children. I'm proud of who I am and what I stand for. Don't cry, I'm not out to make your son a fag or your daughter a dyke.

You imply in your "letter" that homosexuals are pernicious. That's a pretty general, stereotypical and uninformed statement. Do you know for a fact that ALL homosexuals sleep around and cheat on one another? Do you even know any homosexuals?

Listen, I don't by any means want to come off attacking you. I would just like to help raise your awareness on the subject at hand.

Look Nate, people are vastly different from one another. So you may not condone the homosexual lifestyle. That doesn't mean you're a bad person. However, I do say that someone should be denied the right to participate in a national organization because they're different and should not be a role model because they supposedly "chose" an alternative lifestyle is preposterous.

That type of narrow-minded thinking is what led to the Holocaust.

In your letter you also make a comparison between homosexuals and someone who's chemically dependent. In a vague reference to homosexuals you say that "if someone suffers from alcoholism, they should be considered no different than someone who never had the same problem." How 'bout this...like I said before, people are different. What is normal anyway? I mean normal for you would probably entail a white, upper-middle class society where everyone is happy and heterosexual. In case you haven't done your homework, which it appears you haven't, scientific studies find that it's a natural occurrence in all animal species on the planet Earth, and that includes human beings. Homosexuality has been around for millions millennia and it's not going away. Further more, the only problem I see with homosexuals is that we constantly have to deal with condemning attitudes from folks like you in a society where we spend a lot of time striving for acceptance as equals.

Lastly, if you really want to compare homosexuals to something, or say we aren't fit to be anyone's role model, why don't you just compare what one homosexual has done in his lifetime with what you've done in yours. Then at least you'd have some accurate information to go on.

Good luck.

Brad Davis is a gay journal-

ism senior and a Daily copy editor.

Is it safe to come out yet?

Editor,

I'd like to comment on Mr. Nate Lawson's article, "Homosexuals don't make good role models." First of all, he's got it wrong. No one is born gay. Everyone is born with a sexual orientation. Whether you're gay or not. This holds true for heterosexuals as well. Perhaps the confusion comes with the perception of what "coming out" is. Coming out is not deciding you are gay, rather, it is accepting the fact that being attracted to the same sex is the natural truth of your life. End of story.

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His sons to practice homosexuality. Does he think that they will show their sons how it's done? If that's the case, then I agree that they shouldn't be allowed to work this job. But would you approve if a homosexual scout leader was showing your 10-year-old boy how to have heterosexual sex? I think not. I don't think that sexuality is an issue. It doesn't matter. If you are a promiscuous person, you will be promiscuous whether you're gay or not.

Now I realize how homophobic, discrimination, racism, and all that crap have plagued our world for so long. Closed-mindedness and ego-driven arrogance. I don't get gay myself, and I am not a spokesperson for gay rights or any particular right. I am a supporter of universal love and acceptance. It's really not about world peace. It's about inner peace. Disregard your egos and open your hearts. Just love.

Alan Regula is a mecha-
nical engineering junior.
I have a DREAM...

We hold these truths to be self-evident: that all men are created equal

that my four children will one day live in a nation where they will not be judged by the color of their skin but by the content of their character

when all God's children...will be able to join

By Jeffrey Verner
Arts Weekly Writer

Martin Luther King, Jr, the century's most influential civil rights activist, will be honored with song, dance, poetry and tributes tonight at 6 p.m. in Cal Poly's Chumash Auditorium. On April 4, 1968, King was murdered, and the world was stripped of one of the most ingenious orators it had ever known. Now almost three decades later, King's legacy lives on in the spirit of people who still struggle for equality in today's society. Cal Poly students will attempt to convey certain aspects of King's vision to the Central Coast community through a celebration of singing, poetry, skits and dance performances tonight.

"The performances are designed to remind people about the many years racism, and discrimination that both minorities and women have struggled through," event coordinator Krystal Duncan said. "We still encounter many of the same forms of oppression that our ancestors went through, but the only difference is these forms have become more discrete. People need to be aware," she continued.

Other showcased talent includes keynote speaker Dr. Donald Cheek, a professor, community activist, humanitarian, renowned author and Presidential appointee.

"I am coming to speak about a man who had the courage to fight for everybody who lacked equal rights at a time when injustice in our society was common practice," Cheek said.

Cheek also believes that students and faculty need to be aware of the ultimate sacrifices that people like King made and take advantage of that sacrifice by contributing to society.

"King's life was taken in pursuit of better living conditions for future generations," Cheek said. "I want people to truly be aware of this sacrifice and then take a closer look at what they are doing with the opportunity that has been bestowed upon them by the efforts of men such as King."

Cheek, who also spoke at last year's celebration, hopes to

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Folk poetry tells a story of the common man.

Stories about depressions, or wars, or poverty or even good times give root to the poetry of urban life. Historically, music— all over the world, for hundreds of years, has drawn from these stories for inspiration.

When peasants were singing drinking songs about the potato famine, or church hymns about the farmer and his relationship with the man upstairs, music was telling the story of folk. Slaves in the fields sang hymns to carry them through their otherwise laborious days. Hippies and activists sang about freedom and equality. And Tupac Shakur sang about the thugs life.

So folks over at the University of California Berkeley and a Midwest university have added a class to their curriculum discussing Tupac Shakur, an urban poet, assuming that Tupac was the voice of the folk of our struggling urban class.

I have trouble considering Tupac a social leader the same way I would consider Bob Dylan the voice of the Sixties. I think of Bob Dylan as a poet because his words inspired change and direction. He nationalized the injustices done by white America when the Vietnam conflict escalated, when Medgar Evers was killed, when we were tired of being lied to by their governments.

I listen to Tupac and I understand that his issues are real issues: prostitution, murder, drugs and drinking 40’s. But when I weigh those issues for political significance, I don’t agree that he has the answers to life’s problems.

I don’t consider myself the kind of person that would oppose a Bob Dylan of my era. During the Sixties, radical beliefs were opposed by people who were comfortable with the state of America and didn’t want to see any change.

I am not comfortable with the state of America, but I would hate to see it go in any radical direction referred to in the lyrics of Tupac.

Is an urban poet who writes about killing and making money in the ghetto the same as a scholar like our poet laureate Robert Pinsky, who details the hardships in foreign sweat shops, or Jack Kerouac, who offers an alternative to consciousness?

Rap and hip hop music rhythms very well that aspect impresses me. Coming up with spontaneous words, verse after verse, is an art that I respect. But a major inspiration for the music comes from the entertainment industry, television and ignorance about the world and people’s social conditions.

The ghetto has its share of crime and injustice, and these are social conditions that derive from poverty and institutional suppression. But it is glorified rather than remedied.

The bottom line is Tupac Shakur’s poetry can be compared to a commercial jingle writer who is commissioned with a task to write about a grocery store or an oil lube shop. He is fed his inspiration—the glorification of guns, drugs and money—like the jingle writer is given a product to rhyme. Tupac is commissioned to sell his image because he is good at making words rhyme, and even though we know we are being sold a product, like a television commercial, we are fed by the presentation.

Poetry like this doesn’t change the way we look at things. It doesn’t open our mind to possibilities or introduce us to other places. It appeals to a greedy and lazy and unmotivated society that would rather take drugs and wreak havoc than take drugs and make a difference in the world.

That is the difference between Bob Dylan’s days and Tupac Shakur’s days. In the Sixties people took drugs and made a difference. They were serving themselves up, but they weren’t taking everyone down with them. Kids and musicans were the martyrs, committing horrid acts to make the lives of future generations more free.

They were not a part of our cultural fabric, but they brought it down.

Now I’ll tell you where to look for some real poetic inspiration. It’s more than a candy, it tells you jokes too. It’s the great American Luffy Tuffy. Inspired by the poetry of kids everywhere. A verse for the next Seinfeld Amy Worensworth who aspires to be published nationally, here’s your chance.

Q: What do you call a hot dog in a bun?
A: An in-between weenie.

Ricky D. from Hudson, Wis. Let me guess…did you make that one up?

Q: What do you call the small rivers that empty into the Nile?
A: Juvies.

Miss, Deanna C. from Westbury, N.Y. Impressive.

Q: How does a man on a moon get his hair cut?
A: Eclipse it.

Thanks for the laughs.

Christina L. Lawrence, Calif.

I’ve got a joke:
Q: What did the poet put in his coffee?
A: A tablespoon of cream and Tupac of Shakur.

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‘Burning the Days’ author captures memories of war times on paper

By Nicole Bell
Arts Weekly Writer

Lieutenant colonel, fighter pilot, screenplay writer and novelist are just a few of the titles James Salter has answered to in his diverse lifetime. The author will speak at Cal Poly’s Writerspeak tomorrow.

Salter will talk about the art of writing and read from his recent memoir “Burning the Days,” which recaptures an entire era of history through his eyes.

Salter, a New York native, graduated from West Point and Georgetown University and went on to become astronauts, including Buzz Aldrin who flew with several pilots who captured people on paper.

The novel has been described by critics as a “classic memoir alive with amazing, fabulous events, and extraordinary stories of war and love and the great wide world.”


Salter said it is difficult to write of someone thoroughly is to destroy them, use them up. I suppose this is true of experience as well—in describing a world you extinguish it—and in a book of recollection much is reduced to ruin,” he said.

“Things are captured and, at the same time, drained of life, never to shimmer or give back light again. There remains, though... a kind of silky pollen that clings to the fingertips and brings: back what was once... the lights dancing on dark water as in the old prints, the sound of voices, laughter, music, all faint, alluring, for off,” he continued.

Former fighter pilot and winner of the 1989 PEN/Faulkner award James Salter, winner of the 1995 James Salter said it is difficult to

Turtle Grove will bring its signature blend of ‘rootsy folk and tribal-groove-oriented rock’ to SLO Brewing Co. tonight.

At the 9:30 p.m. show, the six-man band will play songs off their recently released album “Tunnel” released in November.

“It’s tasty, feel-good music,” said Jon Salter. “It’s going to be a fun show. We’ll play some covers, too.”

“They’re very talented,” said Paul Smythe, Film’s general manager of SLO Brewing Company which has hosted the band several times before. “I wish more people would come and see them because they’re really good.”

“Tunnel” features 12-tracks that begin in a casual sort of way midway through. The music definitely has a tapping quality that gets a body moving in a laid-back kind of manner. “Bucket,” the fifth track stands out with its dramatic, twanginess comparable to that of the Black Crowes and Blues Traveler. Most tracks start off slow, slinky intro and haltingly-crooned lyrics. It has a mildly 70s sound reminiscent of CCR.

He said, “Drinking in a) Striped Shirt” and “Sweet Miranda” among his favorites—a arguably good call “Striped” is gospelish with an easy, friendly rhythm. “Miranda” is a bitter-sweet ballad which certainly benefits from the poignant accompaniment of a harmonica.

The star track, by the industry’s standards is “Smell the Roses,” as it will be Turtle Grove’s first single. The song will also be featured in an upcoming movie “Burn Hollywood Burn (An Alan Snythee Film).” The film soundtrack will be available on Priority Records in February.

Turtle Grove has made appearances on local radio stations including KROT 89.9 and KBRK 95.3. Before tonight’s show guests can purchase copies of Turtle Grove’s second album, "Burning the Days," which is out now.

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encourage minority students to unite despite their small numbers on campus.

"Just because the number of minority students on the campus is small doesn't mean that they can't be a strong force. The key element is unity," he said.

The celebration has been an annual tradition practiced at Cal Poly for more than 24 years. In past years, the celebration has taken place in the form of a march by students around the perimeter of Cal Poly's campus.

"Our theme for this year's celebration is, 'It's time for a change,'" said Dennis Johnson, a student performer in the event that directly affects them.

"It's a trip because we are all happy to get a day off of school next Monday, but half of the students don't even know why we get the day off, and a lot of the ones who do just don't realize what made King so great," he said.

Students also fear that their classmates are ignorant to repetitive. Celebrations like this made King so great," said Dennis Johnson, a student performer in the celebration.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

English department. It was partially funded by a grant given to Cal Poly by Poets & Writers, a nonprofit organization that helps fund poetry and fiction readings across the country.

Writerspeak has been in existence for about 10 years, and students, faculty and the public are invited to attend Salter's free presentation Friday at 7 p.m. in room 213 of the business building on campus. Many of his works will be on sale following the reading.

Change is just what students like architectural engineering senior Mike Carroll believe is needed for this campus.

"I've been here for four years and my GE history classes are all repetitive. Celebrations like this are needed to open people's eyes to a new perspective," Carroll said.

Some students also fear that their classmates are ignorant to an event that directly affects them.

"It's a trip because we are all happy to get a day off of school next Monday, but half of the students don't even know why we get the day off, and a lot of the ones who do just don't realize what made King so great," said Dennis Johnson, a student performer in the celebration.

English department. It was partially funded by a grant given to Cal Poly by Poets & Writers, a nonprofit organization that helps fund poetry and fiction readings across the country.

Writerspeak has been in existence for about 10 years, and students, faculty and the public are invited to attend Salter's free presentation Friday at 7 p.m. in room 213 of the business building on campus. Many of his works will be on sale following the reading.

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performance, the group will be featured on KQTR's weekly "Live at the Roadhouse" show at 6 p.m.

The band got together three years ago when bass guitarist-vocalist Jeff Cleveland and rhythm guitarist-vocalist Scott Stekoff met at a Widespread Panic concert.

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DEANS from page 1

Throughout January and early February, Sharp has been interim dean for three years and holds a permanent position in the speech communication department. He has not yet made plans in case he is not chosen as full-time dean. "I don’t cross bridges until I get to them," he said.

The selection of a new dean is a long process. When a vacancy arises, Cal Poly puts out an advertisement and a committee is set up by Zingg and President Warren Baker. The committee is chaired by another dean, and includes faculty and staff members, student representatives and alumni.

Candidates for the position are brought to campus for interviews, and the committee submits names to the president and provost, who then make an offer to the selected candidate.

"It takes a considerable amount of time," said Martin Harms, dean of the College of Architecture and Environmental Design.

Harms is familiar with the process of selecting a new dean. As the former dean of the College of Architecture at Texas Tech University, he went through the selection process just last April.

The qualifications needed to be a dean are a Ph.D. in one of the disciplines of the college, an outstanding record of teaching and scholarly activity, and successful administrative experience.

"Ability to work with people is No. 1," said Harms, adding that practical experience in the field goes a long way.

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The deans work closely with the administration and they meet weekly to discuss issues important to students.

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There will be a referendum to increase the Health Services Fee. A voter pamphlet will be made available to all students concerning the Health Services Fee Referendum. This pamphlet will include a "pro statement" and a "con statement." Students are encouraged to submit "pro" or "con" statements to A.S.I. for possible use in the pamphlet. To complete a statement, pick up information concerning the fee increase and the form for your "pro" or "con" statement at the A.S.I. Executive Office, UU 217.

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Duke student's Web page raises questions about ethics on the Internet

By Randall Chase
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — A Duke University student whose World Wide Web page offers advice for committing suicide says he is not to blame for the death of a California teen-age.

Michael Swailes, 14, of Corona, Calif., visited Chris Economakis' Web site before lying down in the path of a commuter train in Upland, about 40 miles east of Los Angeles on Saturday evening.

Among the suicide suggestions listed on Economakis' Web page are enrolling in the military, starting World War III and becoming president.

No. 14 on the list is jumping in front of a train.

Swailes died after being hit by a Metrolink train traveling to San Bernardino from Los Angeles.

The train conductor saw the boy lying down on the track but was unable to stop in time.

A notebook Swailes was carrying had the address for Economakis' Web page before lying down in the path of a commuter train in front of trains.

Economakis, a 22-year-old senior chemistry major, certainly, think reading the Suicide FAQ (frequently asked questions) led him to do it, and I don't think reading the Suicide FAQ pushed him over the edge. ... It was unfortunate that it was used in this way. I do feel somewhat bad, but not responsible.

Swailes reportedly had argued with his father Saturday.

Economakis emphasized that his Web page includes material other than the suicide list.

"It's not a suicide Web site," he said. "It's also not an homage to Tad Kaczynski because I have the library makes certain books available," Economakis noted. "Are they making a judgment call?"

Economakis briefly removed the suicide list from his Web page Monday after learning of the boy's death from a reporter, but he restored it Tuesday.

"When I got the call, of course it came as a great shock," he said. "... I thought it would be most prudent if I took it down and thought about it awhile."

"I came across a document I thought was interesting, and I put it online as a copy of the Unabomber manifest," Economakis noted. "I do feel somewhat bad, but not responsible."

Economakis did not write the list himself, but downloaded it from elsewhere on the Internet. His Web page includes an assortment of other material, including a copy of the Unabomber manifesto.

Pasadena, Calif. — For the television networks that went deep for the rights to broadcast NFL games, the prospect of losing viewers proved far greater than the prospect of losing money.

The NFL this week struck an astonishing $17 billion deal with Fox, CBS, and ESPN to carry football for the next eight years.

The deal doubles the NFL's television fees at a time when football ratings are slipping down.

Although industry analysts question whether the networks can possibly make money on the deal, football provides a dependable group of viewers at a time when cable is splintering the broadcast TV audience.

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By David Boder
Associated Press

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The first correct answer I receive will be printed along with your name in the paper the next day.

**SCHEDULE**

**THURSDAY**
- Men's basketball vs. Utah State in Mott Gym at 7 p.m.*

**FRIDAY**
- No scheduled games

**SATURDAY**
- Men's basketball vs. University of Nevada, Reno in Mott Gym at 2 p.m.*
- Men's volleyball vs. U.C. Santa Cruz in the Rec Center at 3:30 p.m.
- Wrestling vs. Brigham Young University in Mott Gym at 7 p.m.

**SUNDAY**
- Women's basketball vs. University of Nevada at Reno at 2 p.m.
- Wrestling vs. Oregon State in Mott Gym at 5 p.m.

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**FOOTBALL BRIEFS**

**Loud shouts Aloha from Hula Bowl in Hawaii**

*Daily Poly Report*

Wide receiver Kamil Loud expects to play a lot in the 52nd annual Hula Bowl this Sunday in Wailuku, Hawaii.

Ninety players from 60 different colleges comprise the two teams called the North and the South.

Loud is playing on the North team under the coaching expertise of Ohio State head football coach John Cooper.

Loud will share playing time with only three wide receivers from Penn State, Stanford and Virginia Tech on the North team.

They will take on the South team coached by Bruce Snyder from Arizona State.

"I've never been in a better place," Loud said. "I am totally enjoying myself."

Loud and his team are practicing about 90 minutes a day between seeing the sights of the islands of Hawaii. Yesterday Loud and the other players headed to the main island to visit Honolulu.

But Loud's main focus is on impressing the NFL scouts who are watching the game. There is at least one scout from each of the 30 professional teams.

This Sunday at 1 p.m. California time on ESPN, Cal Poly students can watch Loud shine.

**Cal Poly football team changes 1998 schedule**

*Daily Poly Report*

The Cal Poly football team has made an important change to its 1998 schedule. The Mustangs will face the University of Montana replacing a previously announced home game with Western Montana.

The Mustangs will now have only five home games next season.

The agreement with Montana is a two-year deal with an option for two additional years. Montana will travel to Mustang Stadium in 1999. "It was a great opportunity for us to further improve our schedule with a quality opponent," said Cal Poly Athletic Director John McCutcheon in a statement.

With the addition of Montana to the schedule, the Mustangs will now play eight Division I-AA schools and one Division I-A program in the University of Nevada.

Montana advanced to the NCAA I-AA playoffs for the fifth consecutive time this past season with an 8-3 regular season record, but fell to eventual runner-up McNeese State in the first round to conclude its season at 8-4. Montana defeated Marshall 22-20 in 1995 to capture the NCAA I-AA championship. The Grizzlies have qualified for the NCAA I-AA playoffs eight times since 1982 and have a string of 12 consecutive winning seasons dating back to 1986.

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**Mustangs return home**

*By Jeffrey Varner*

*Daily Poly Report*

Dr. Jackyl and Mr. Hyde: That's what many people are calling the Cal Poly men's basketball team which is undefeated at home, but has not won a single game on the road this season.

"It's like we're two different teams," said freshman guard Jabbar Washington. "We can't be beat at home and then it's just like we lose all our skills on the road."

The Mustangs, 7-7, are putting their perfect home record on the line with a series of tough opponents today and Saturday.

Barrying more injuries, coach Jeff Schneider plans to keep the regular starting players against the ferocious defense of Utah State Schneider expects Chris Bjorklund and Watende Favors—potential nominees for freshman of the year—to be ready for today's game. Bjorklund is recovering from the flu and Favors is returning from a slight foot injury.

Undefeated, 11-1 history is also undefeated at home but has only won one road game this season. The Mustangs will attempt to defend their home court against a Utah team that has beaten Minnesota and the University of the Pacific, the defending Big West conference champions.

"That doesn't mean anything to me. They are just men like we are," said guard Watende. "If we execute to our full potential then the game should be no problem for us."

Utah is led by Marcus Saxon, who is the leading scorer for the team averaging almost 18 points a game. Saxon also leads the league in steals, averaging more than four a game, about one more steal per game than Mustang Ben Larson. Larson is second in the league for steals.

Saxon's sidekick, Kevin Rice, is second on the team in scoring at just under 17 a game, and was nominated for league MVP last season.

"We should match up with them very well. Their players don't shoot three-balls and they like to drive to the basketball to the hole," Favors said. "That means that we will have a lot of opportunities to steal the ball and fast break on them."

Cal Poly's run-and-gun offensive mentality promises to be an exciting match versus the slash to the basketball alley-oop throwing offense of Utah.

"We are not looking past Utah but we are going to amassulate Nevada," said Mustang co-captain Steve Fleming. "They have some good athletes, but so do we. Coach has hyped us on everything that they run, so we are going to be well prepared. It's going to be a war out ther."

Nevada, 6-5, has potent scorer Paul Calubert, who has the deadliest three-point shot in the conference. He has a three-point field-goal percentage of 44 percent, currently the highest in conference play.

Nevada also has two twin towers in Derrick Morgan and Marvin Wilson, who have combined for 170 rebounds and 19 blocked shots in 11 games.

Mutt Mustangs are in for a special treat before Saturday's game. Fans will be able to listen to the riveting sounds of rock-'n-roll music said band member Mark Armstrong.

Along with the live entertainment, fans who attend will be able to enjoy barbeque fresh off the pit and will also have the chance to win all sorts of prizes including the heralded three-point shirt.

Tickets for the barbecue are now on sale for $46 at the Rec Center ticket office but they won't be available after Friday. Students with-on-campus dining cards can just use them to pay for a meal and bypass the $46 cover charge.

"It's going to be an exciting weekend for Mustang basketball. We are going to make the fans proud," Fleming said.

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**JONES SAYS HE'S STILL CONSIDERING SEIFERT**

*By Donna H. Freeman*

Associated Press

BIVINS, Texas (AP) — Put George Seifert's name back on the candidate list in the Dallas Cowboys coaching search.

Dallas interest in Seifert, the hottest name on the market, seemed minimal Sunday when Barry Switzer told an Oklahoma television station that the former San Francisco coach was n't a candidate to be his successor.

However, on Monday, a team source told The Associated Press, "Barry may not be as clued in as he thinks he is." That was confirmed Tuesday when team owner Jerry Jones told The Dallas Morning News and the Fort Worth Star-Telegram that Seifert is still an option.

"I certainly have not . . . ruled out George Seifert," Jones told The Star-Telegram in a telephone interview from New York, where he was part of the NFL's television negotiations.

Switzer resigned last week after the Cowboys went 6-10 to miss the playoffs for the first time in seven years. At the time, Jones said he would not discuss who would become the next coach, fourth in team history. He added that any information not coming from him must be considered speculation.