**Cal Poly to take part in new research park**

By Matt Smart  
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Congresswoman Lois Capps came to Cal Poly Thursday to announce a $2.1 million government grant for the California Central Coast Research Partnership (CIRP). The federal funds, which she helped secure, will be used to build a research park in San Luis Obispo.

The goal of CIRP is to bring in businesses, specifically new ones, into San Luis Obispo County to further research. Take what's already on the ground, but could be as broad as housing issues funds, which she helped secure, will announce a $2.1 million grant to Cal Poly Thursday.

The research park will allow Cal Poly and various businesses to exchange knowledge. The park could be built on land near the airport or near the California Men's Colony.

**Students affected by earthquake**

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"The danger does not appear to be over," Rodriguez Orellana said.

Orellana is a second year MBA graduate student who was raised in El Salvador. He left El Salvador to come to the United States to receive an education. His entire family still lives in San Salvador, the capital of El Salvador.

"There have been aftershocks since Sunday," Orellana said. "It seems the worst part has passed."

On Jan. 13, an earthquake 7.6 in magnitude hit El Salvador, leveling many small villages and destroying more than 24,000 homes. It has been reported that 2,600 people were injured. Within the country, 688 people were killed, and six deaths were reported in Guatemala. More than 45,500 people have been evacuated. Although this disaster occurred in a foreign country, Cal Poly graduate student Orellana is trying to raise the awareness of the plight of his country. Rescue efforts are ending and resources are now focusing on the evacuation process. Thousands are now in need of water, food, clothing and medical supplies. The United States is among more than two dozen nations providing aid to El Salvador.

Amlo Melara is a second year Cal Poly graduate student in the MBA/SEM program. Melara came to the United States from El Salvador in 1995 to receive his undergraduate degree. He does not have any immediate family here in the United States. Santa Tecla, Melara's home town, suffered a large scale landslide following the initial earthquake on Saturday. When the landslide occurred, entire blocks of houses were covered with dirt and debris.

"I lived in the city, 10 minutes from where the mountain fell off," Melara said. "I know that about three blocks from my house they have relocated 6,000 people. It is the sense of being worried and not being able to do anything but pray. Prayer is one of the best things to do."

Orellana and Melara consider themselves blessed. Neither one has received any news of their families or friends being injured or dead. Darn Wright, public support director for the San Luis Obispo County chapter of the American Red Cross will accept donations that will go directly to the International Response Fund to support El Salvador. The fund appropriates monies that will be used for water purification supplies, medical supplies, as well as appropriate bedding and clothing. The Red Cross has a policy of purchasing the items that are needed within the affected country in an effort to help the country re-establish its financial structure.

Donations can be sent to the Red Cross at 225 Prado Road, Suite A, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401, or by calling 1-800-Help Now. Wright suggests that "El Salvador" be written on check donations.
Jesse Jackson admits to affair, illegitimate child

CHICAGO (AP) — The Rev. Jesse Jackson withdraws from public view at an important hour for the civil rights movement in the face of disclosures that he had an extramarital affair that resulted in the birth of a daughter a year and a half ago.

A steady stream of supporters — including Jackson's son, Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr. — vowed with him at his Chicago home, some carrying Bibles. But the only word from Jackson was a statement issued in the early morning hours revealing the affair.

"I firmly deny the charges and I am not sorry for my actions," he said.

Spokesman John Scanlon said Jackson and his wife are getting out of an assisted living facility in the city that has become the base of operations for Jackson's civil rights group, the Rainbow PUSH Coalition.

A long-time Jackson confidante, who spoke on condition of anonymity, confirmed to The Associated Press that the woman was Kerin Stanford, the 19-year-old former head of Rainbow PUSH's Washington bureau. Stanford taught political science and African American studies at the University of Georgia, and wrote a book about Jackson, "Beyond the Boundaries: The Life of Jesse Jackson and International Affairs."

In his statement, Jackson said he would temporarily step aside from public life to spend time with his family.

The statement came amid the Senate confirmation hearings for John Ashcroft, President-elect Bush's nominee for attorney general — a choice denounced by Jackson and other civil rights leaders. Jackson has demanded that Attorney General Dick Thornburgh resign as President Clinton's national security adviser.

Jackson, a Baptist minister and one-time aide to the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., said he provided "emotional and financial support" since the baby's birth. "Her mother does. I love this child very much," he said.

"I was born of these circumstances, and I know the importance of growing up in a nurturing, supportive and protected environment," said Jackson, 59. "So I am determined to give my daughter and her mother the privacy they both deserve."

He said he knows friends and supporters will be disappointed in him and asked for their understanding, "understanding and prayer."

The Rev. Joseph Lowery, who was a close colleague of King and co-founder of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, said he hopes Jackson participates in the Florida rallies, but would understand if he didn't.

"We can't get bogged down. We can't let this interfere with his continued public service," said the 79-year-old Lowery, who plans to help lead the rallies. "The Bible says let him who sin without cast the first stone. So instead of casting stones, he needs our prayers and our support..."

Jesse Jackson Jr. issued a statement appealing to the public to "understand and respect our privacy..."

"Over the course of nearly four decades of marriage, my father and our family have survived many dangers and endured many crises and, with God's help, we hope to endure this one as well," the younger Jackson said.

Chicago Mayor Richard Daley called it "a personal thing with his family and our support." Rodgers said the banquet was a good social event for the students.

It's really a good time for all of us to go out and socialize and get to know each other," she said.

Print Week concludes today with a job fair in the morning and job interviews scheduled in the afternoon.

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**Global Spin**

**Boarders to the extreme**

Snowboarder Gian Simmen rides down the face of Copper Mountain in Colorado. The extreme side of snowboarding will be showcased in the film Further shown by ASI and Poly Escapes on Tuesday.

By Sarah Doub

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Cardinal Thovez throws D-spin 720s over a 120-foot gap while others rip classic Alaskan faces at others rip classic Alaskan faces.

"Everyone who saw it really liked it," said Amy Lebauge, Poly Escapes president. "Even the people who are not into hard-core snow sports."

"Further is the best film in 10 years," according to Powder Magazine.

Teton Gravity Research produced the film. TGR is an adventure-sports production company that has produced four award-winning films.

Further will also be a chance to enter in a contest insane tricks, but they also do the tricks on some of the craziest locations around the world, including Alaska and Antarctica.

Although Poly Escapes doesn't offer adventures to experience these extreme snow activities, it does offer this movie for free, with complimentary popcorn. There will also be a chance to enter in a drawing sponsored by TGR for a helicopter ride to a prime ski venue.

Further will play in the Chamah Auditorium on Tuesday at 11:15 a.m., 7 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. Each showing will last approximately 45 minutes.

**Eco-friendly building is the first of its kind**

By Liz Bertko

THE DARTMOUTH

(U-WIRE) HANOVER, N.H. — Investment in "eco-friendly" building is a growing trend among college campuses across the country.

David Orr, president of environmental studies at Oberlin College, led the planning and implementation of the Adam Joseph Lewis Center, a new and highly conservationist environmental studies center at Oberlin College.

According to the Cleveland Plain Dealer, the Lewis Center is "a conservationist's dream ... No other campus building in the country incorporates so many environmental design ideas."

Three years ago, when plans were originally developed, scientists had in mind a building that would be powered by current sunlight, purify its own waste water and, theoretically, be constructed in a way that would not compromise human and environmental health somewhere else or at some later time," said Orr.

The Lewis Center is innovative in the philosophy involved and the strategies it created.

To maximize environmental efficiency and minimize fossil fuel usage, it was placed along an east-west axis, carefully aligned to correspond with solar rays and enhanced with solar absorbing glass that magnifies energy efficiency.

Closed loop geothermal wells and radiant coils under the concrete slab enhance heating and daylighting as well, and R-50 and R-40 two-assembly energy efficient lighting design help to reduce electrical expenditures.

The building was designed as a model for the city of Oberlin, Lorain County and Cleveland communities, as well as to serve Oberlin College itself.

Future goals of the program include the promotion of solar power as a main energy source, increased climate stabilization, waste disposal analysis and biological diversity and damaged ecosystem restoration.

Other colleges and universities across the country have been taking similar moves within the past few years to make their campuses more "environmentally friendly."

Whether those programs are indicative of a sustainable, long-term trend in environmental conservation at college campuses remains a question.

"I certainly think that this stuff has occurred mainly within this decade," Trimel said. "... You'll find there has been a very large construction boom in the 1990s ... I don't know if this is likely to continue."

**Cardboard boats showcased today**

The Cal Poly architecture department is sponsoring an academic activity, the "Cardboard Regatta."

This event is a water race that will showcase students' efforts at building a boat out of cardboard, tape and polyurethane waterproofing, according to a department press release.

The public is invited to an advance showing of the boats today from 2 to 3 p.m. on Dexter Lawn. The actual race for the "Cardboard Cup" will take place Feb. 3 at 10 a.m. at the Recreation Center pool.

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Today's issue: Gene experimentation on animals
Leave monkeys alone / Splice those genes up

The replication of human beings through technological means has long been a subject of popular science fiction movies and novels. Today, as in many instances, science has caught up with science fiction. Now I am told that science has the ability to improve the overall quality of life through genetic engineering.

Scientists have genetically modified a baby rhesus monkey with jellyfish DNA that actually causes it to glow green in the dark. Researchers plan to introduce other genes into the rhesus monkey in hopes of triggering diseases like Alzheimer's, diabetes, breast cancer and HIV. The idea is to study and use the monkeys in experiments aimed at blocking disease at the genetic level.

When I first heard about the monkey, my feelings were mixed. But as I started to read more about it, I began to realize what a good thing this could be. After all, this new technology will not just affect a few people. It will directly affect the whole world. Through science, we can control a large part of the way of life we know it. So, how could something that helps people be a negative thing? For one, don't think it is, but some people are up in arms.

Perhaps the thought of genetically modifying a monkey is a little too close to home. By that, I mean that maybe people are concerned that humans will be the next in line to be genetically modified. But I don't buy into it because I truly believe that science can make a difference to the people out there who are suffering because they are plagued by diseases that can't be cured.

And for the people out there who are concerned that this power could corrupt it's not clearly defined, they should know that there are many things that have been created by modern science that could be corrupted if not properly monitored. For instance, nuclear weapons, dynamite and even prescription drugs. But I feel's a chance we have to take if there is a possibility to help out the human race.

However, I must admit it does bother me that the monkey will be used for experimental purposes. In the same token, I certainly feel sorry for the people out there with diseases like AIDS or Alzheimer's, and so far scientists have made no big wave in helping people with these ailments. Researchers have performed experiments on genetically modified mice for 20 or 30 years with little to no advancements. Perhaps a monkey will be of better use because they are closer genetically to humans than mice.

I know this all sounds far-fetched, but if one of your loved ones had an incurable disease, wouldn't you want scientists to be able to cure them? There is hope out there for the millions of people dying because science has yet to find a cure for them.

The thought of having a world free of disease is very exciting to me. There are enough things wrong with our world today, and it would be nice if we had one less stress to deal with. If science has the ability to help people who are suffering, then it needs to be done. And if the genetically modified primate can help even one person, then I say I'm all for it.

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What made your first week of classes memorable?

Not having to crash any classes.

Not having an 8 o'clock class every day.

The freakin' rain, and I had to change my clothes.

There are cute guys in my classes, so it's worthwhile getting up every morning.

As president of Sierra Mada, I was embarrassed on my first day to slip on the driveway like a nerd, but no one saw.

Seeing everyone and getting back to the new year.

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News

Clinton gives advice to incoming administration

WASHINGTON (AP) — President Clinton called to a farewell from the Oval Office, told the nation Thursday night that "America has done well" during his presidency, with record-breaking prosperity and a cleaner environment. He said President-elect Bush will inherit a country "in a great position to meet the challenges of the future.

Offering advice to the incoming administration, Clinton urged that the United States stay on the course of civil discipline and continue to pay down the national debt. It seemed to be a pointed alternative to Bush’s proposal for sweeping tax cuts.

Clinton turns over the presidency to George W. Bush at noon Saturday.

In the speech, Clinton said that America must continue to lead in foreign affairs "and must not disengage itself from the world." He said that at home, the nation "must treat all our people with fairness and dignity, regardless of their race, gender, or sexual orientation and regardless of when they arrived in this country."

It was Clinton’s 15th Oval Office address over the course of his presidency. It was a turbulent eight years that brought unprecedented economic prosperity along with a humiliating sex scandal and bitter impeachment battle.

Blackouts affect gasoline pipeline, farmers

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Bill Greeshey CEO of Valero Energy

"California is getting to the point where they are going to have a crisis that is a helluva lot bigger than the one it already has on its hands," Greeshey said.

In addition to customers that went without power voluntarily in exchange for price breaks, the Independent System Operator imposed rolling outages of 60 to 90 minutes duration for homes and businesses across northern and central California.

The exact number of homes and businesses effected was difficult to determine. The ISO said the amount of megawatts taken out were enough to serve 1.5 million homes and businesses. PG&E, which accounts for about 85 percent of the blacked out customers, said it cut power to 675,000 residential and business customers.

Hospitals and airports were exempt from the outages. And home-care patients who rely on electrically powered medical equipment because of long disease or other ailments usually have batteries or backup generators.

Utilities refused to disclose which areas were blacked out, but the effects were obvious. Traffic lights went out for a second day across the San Francisco Bay area, causing fender-benders in Palo Alto. Computer systems went dark, barbecues and firewoks were silent and lights went out in classrooms.

With not enough power to meet the crisis in sight, Californians began stocking up on flashlights, candles and firewood.

The exact number of megawatts from megawatts from the Northwest, where hydroelectric dams are low on water.
The stadium to go with the team and the opportunity it will provide the Mustangs. I think the enthusiasm will be positive. "It's such a special day that I would have gone faster, but it's been pretty typical," she said. She added that the stadium will definitely meet its most important criteria. "I'm just happy the field will be playable for the players and safe for the audience," she said. Price said that opening the season in an unfinished stadium is a bit of a risk. "It's disappointing," he said of the condition. "It would have been nice to walk onto a finished field." Nevertheless, Price said that the atmosphere surrounding the opening could be positive. "It's such a special day that I think the enthusiasm will be beyond belief," he said. The festivities will kick off with an alumni exhibition game Sunday at 12:30 p.m. between the 1971 and 1989 Cal Poly baseball teams. The two were selected because they are the winningest teams in the history of Mustang baseball. Among those playing in the three-inning game will be Cal Poly head coach Ritch Price on Sunday, the Baggett Stadium dedication ceremony, featuring speeches by Cal Poly President Warren Baker and Athletic Director John McCutcheon, will begin at noon. At 1 p.m., the first pitch will be thrown out before the game against Stanford. As planned, Krukow will pitch to Baggett, who will throw down to former Mustang star Dave Oliver at second base. The opening of Baggett Stadium has brought excitement to both fans and players, who are looking forward to playing in front of larger home crowds. Kevin Tillman, senior second baseman for the Mustangs, is happy with the park and what it will provide for fans attending the games. "I think J.R. Rider, Kobe and the atmosphere, hills in the background," he said. "You just can't beat it.

"We wanted opening day to be absolutely special, so we brought in the best program in the nation," said Price.
Baggett Stadium: A new home for Cal Poly baseball

Some parts of the stadium aren’t finished

By Jon Hughes
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

A new stadium can mean a lot to both the team that plays in it and its fans. Just ask the San Francisco Giants, whose opening of Pac Bell Park last season brought excitement that helped the team to the second-best record in Major League Baseball and a playoff berth.

Cal Poly’s baseball team hopes to see the same effect from its new park, Baggett Stadium, which opens this weekend with a game against Stanford.

Stanford is first test

By Michelle Hatfield
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly’s baseball team hopes to celebrate two events Sunday — the first game in Baggett Stadium and a first win.

But before the team can celebrate, it will have to defeat recent College World Series participant Stanford.

Nineteen of the 42-man Mustang roster are freshmen, but head coach Ritchie Price is optimistic about the talent of the young group.

“These guys are the most talented ever,” Price said. “They are the best chance we have had in years of winning a WAC title.”

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Saturday

Baseball Alumni Game

at Baggett Stadium

at 10 a.m.

Baseball

at Wittern vs. UC Irvine

at 7 p.m.

Wrestling

at Oregon State

at Oregon State

at 7 p.m.

Swimming

at Bakersfield

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Young Shaq wasn’t able to do it with the Magic, when they got to the NBA Finals, and Kobe won’t either any time in the near future.

Kobe should leave the team leadership responsibilities to Shaq. Kobe will have his chance to lead a team in the near future.