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Quartet takes first regionally

By Kirsten Orsini-Meinhard
MUSTANG DAILY MANAGING EDITOR

There’s buzz in the air as soon as the stagehands notice that their performance will be next.

The energy level intensifies and suddenly it becomes extremely important for the group to harness that energy.

It not, it could be their downfall.

The 60 seconds behind the curtain as they wait for the master of ceremonies to announce them are perhaps the most nerve-racking.

The emcee either cramping for tests or putting off their work for another day in the sun. Some lucky students have been able to make time for leisure reading and soaking in the sun.

Meaghan Beaudoin, kinesiology freshman, relaxes while reading a book at Avila Beach Sunday. Today is the start of dead week, with finals coming up next week. Cal Poly students can be seen all over campus and San Luis Obispo either cramming for tests or putting off their work for another day in the sun. Some lucky students have been able to make time for leisure reading and soaking in the sun.

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Fire officials warn of fine for hazards

By Adam Jarman
MUSTANG DAILY EDITOR IN CHIEF

Even though she could be subject to a citation and fines, property owner Bea Jeonje isn’t worried that her properties will be deemed a fire hazard.

“Everything’s up to code,” she said. “I want to make sure I go by what the fire department tells me.”

The San Luis Obispo Fire Department issued a press release Friday warning property owners that their land must be clear of all fire hazards by June 15. The statement had the following list of guidelines for compliance:

— Mow overgrown lawns
— Remove dead pine trees
— Clear dead leaves, weeds and brush
— Remove trash, wood and other combustibles
— Stack lumber or wood 3 feet from neighbor’s fence and keep no more than 3 feet high

San Luis Obispo Fire Department Battalion Chief Warren Stephenson said although

Two students, five days and one truck

By Evann Castaido
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

For some students, it is dead week: a week of studying for finals, writing last-minute research papers and packing up for the summer, a week that is usually seen as stressful and difficult.

But for seniors Brent Kelley and Dan Ferster, it is Super Fun Live In Our Truck Week 2001, and it will be filled with playing music, surfing and relaxing.

“We are going about our daily routine, except we can’t go in our houses,” said Kelley, a business senior. “The point is, we can’t step foot in our apartments.”

The week, which debuted in October 2000, began Sunday night. Kelley and Ferster packed up their trucks with clothes, food, instruments, surfboards and sleeping bags and took off for Morro Bay, where they spent the night at the side of
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From left, Joe Stabilein, Will Lakow, Terry Spaulding and Eric James are Cal Poly’s Grand Avenue Barbershop Quartet. The group, which placed first regionally, will enter an international competition in Nashville on July 6.

"The program allows us to keep Cal Poly students on the cutting edge."

SawfM Moustafa
head of mechanical engineering

Moustafa said.

The program also allows for the exchange of faculty between the participating schools. This year was the first year the mechanical engineering department sent a faculty member abroad. Moustafa said sending faculty to these universities is about more than just teaching. "Teaching abroad allows professors to observe different practices that could better the way they teach at Cal Poly."

"This program is great because it allows for a two-way flow of faculty and students to each of these camps," Moustafa said. "It’s been a great success."

Stefani said he highly recommends the program to other mechanical engineering students. He also said it would be great for other departments to start similar programs.

"You grow a lot on an experience like this," Stefani said. "A lot of students don’t know what the rest of the world is like — at least I didn’t. You can’t get (this) in California."

Every year, the mechanical engineering department holds information sessions for students interested in attending the program. Students going for the first half of the next school year have already been chosen, Moustafa said. For those interested in the second half of next year, Moustafa said there will be another information session fall quarter, and students will leave for Europe after winter quarter.

Moustafa said he wants to keep the program small for now and keep sending students to Germany and Sweden universities. "We’re going to keep it at a limited scale and make sure we do it right," he said.

The University Police Department is soliciting comments and suggestions on the revised Event Parking Management Plan.

The revised plan can be viewed at:

www.afd.calpoly.edu/Police/

Forward comments and suggestions via e-mail to Cindy Campbell, Associate Director, University Police Department, ccampbel@calpoly.edu, by June 22, 2001.

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Competition in Santa Barbara on May 1.

"It’s definitely a different feeling because you see the judges sitting there in the pit," said Terry Spaulding, a music senior who sings bass.

While it may have been tense, the quartet managed to place first in the Far Western District, which encompasses Arizona, California, Hawaii and Nevada.

But it wasn’t a new experience for the foursome. Last year, they also took first place in the regional competitions.

"We sing together because we have fun and we win together because we have fun," said Spaulding in explanation of the group’s success.

Although they’ve only been together for a year and a half, the quartet has managed to come a long way.

After only five months together, the group went to its first international barbershop competition last summer in Kansas City, Mo., where they placed 10th in the world, according to Cal Poly press release.

This summer, the group will again enter the international competition in Nashville, Tenn., on July 6, where members will compete against international groups from the UK and New Zealand as well as groups from the Midwest and the East coast, Spaulding said.

"There’s a really rich tradition of barbershop there," he added.

Simply explained, barbershop quartets sing a capella, which means there’s no music accompanying them. It’s just four voices harmonizing together.

Named Grand Avenue, Cal Poly’s barbershop quartet typically sings older, classical barbershop music from the 1930s and 1940s, Spaulding said. At their upcoming international competition, the group will perform "Yes, Sir. That’s My Baby," and perhaps, "Sweet Adeline," a song they used at the regional competition last year, Spaulding said. They are also working on a new piece for the competition, he said.

In between competitions, the quartet holds numerous performances in San Luis Obispo for occasions such as birthday parties, weddings and most recently, a Mother’s Day concert.

industries.

Mechanical engineering senior Michael Stefani participated in the exchange program last year. He studied at Fachschule University in Munich, Germany, for six months and worked in a co-op at BMW in Munich for another six months. Stefani said he went to Europe for the experience he would gain.

"I got a very different experience than I could get at Cal Poly," he said. "I went for the educational opportunity over there. I got to see how other engineers are educated over there."

Students who choose to participate pay expenses themselves. Moustafa said traveling to Germany or Sweden is cheaper than staying in San Luis Obispo mostly because students studying with the exchange program stay in subsidized housing. The point at which staying abroad starts getting expensive is when students take time to travel, he said.

In its second year, the program sent around 25 students to Europe. Moustafa said. Last year, an estimated 13 mechanical engineering students studied abroad. The only requirement to go is that a student has junior standing. Moustafa said he has allowed two aeronautical engineering students to participate.

As Cal Poly sends mechanical engineering students to Germany and Sweden, both countries send students to Cal Poly so they can gain American culture and experience.

Moustafa said that Cal Poly is already making a name for itself in Europe. Chalmers University only sends its mechanical engineering students to Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Cal Poly, he said.

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Increase in minority students expected at UCs in fall 2001

By Eric Ostrem

DAILY CALIFORNIA

(U-WIRE) BERKELEY — Nine University of California campuses are expected to see a rise in the total number of underrepresented minority students in the fall of 2001, top university officials announced Thursday.

The new statistics show that while the total number of registration forms increased for all underrepresented minorities, only the Chicano population increased in total percentage of the incoming class. The percentage of black actually decreased, although those of Latino and Native Americans remained the same.

Brad Hayward, the sole student representative who sits on the UC Board of Regents, warns against lumping minorities together for statistical purposes. Underrepresented minorities, as classified by the Office of the President, include Native Americans, blacks, Chicanos and Latinos.

"The grouping together of different underrepresented minorities doesn't properly reflect the status of individual groups," Ford said.

"It really becomes a play on numbers," the Office of the President acknowledged the difference in statistics among minority groups, but stressed that the trend is one that continues for the overall campus.

"There are variations among the groups, but among all of them academic preparation is improving, which bodes well for their future in the university," Hayward said. "We believe the overall trend is a good one."

Hayward said the university credits the increase of underrepresented minorities to improved high school education and preparation. He also hailed the UC's outreach programs as responsible.

The office also released statistics indicating a 9.1 percent increase in overall transfer admissions from community colleges. This includes a 17.9 percent increase in underrepresented minority transfer students.

The transfer program has been deemed an essential part of the "partnership agreement" with Gov. Gray Davis, and is considered by UC President Richard Atkinson to be "one of the University's highest priorities." Despite the recent increases of underrepresented minority enrollment, the university system still falls short of the benchmarks set in 1997 — the final year affirmative action was applied in UC admissions processes.

The percentage of underrepresented minorities returning to UC campuses from the 2000-01 academic year to the 2001-02 academic year was 17 percent in fall 2001. This number, however, is still less than 17.7 percent.

Both Ford and Hayward said they agreed that the heart of the problem lies in "eligibility," which is determined by an index of SAT scores and students' GPAs.

The UC charter requires the university to admit the top 12.5 percent of high school graduates in California and to use the index for everyone who applies. But since there are few underrepresented minority high school students who meet these standards, Ford said the system should be adjusted.

Hayward asserted that the index was recently redefined to de-emphasize the SAT. Fong compared the increasing number of non-eligible minority high school students to the very low percentage considered eligible by the UC index.

"If we can redefine and restructure the eligibility index, we're going to see the problem fixed," Fong said.

Ford said he believes the SAT carries at least some racial bias, noting that even designers of the standardized test stress that it should not be used to determine eligibility to the UC system.

"It was a case of incredibly bad judgment ... We're taking all the steps necessary to determine who's been responsible ..." Susan Tick, UC spokesperson, said Monday.

Thus far, the university has indicated that it plans to look into the matter and make a decision soon.

"I don't want to talk about it," said Sony spokesman Susan Tick. "We're taking all the steps necessary to determine who's been responsible and will act appropriately."

In the ads, "David Mannone" was listed as a reviewer for The Ridgefield Press, a weekly newspaper in Connecticut. The newspaper was unaware that its name was being used in the ads. Newscripts reported.

Idaho children evade police, resist being taken into custody

GARFIELD BAY, Idaho (AP) — Five children relocated in their five-day impasse with authorities Saturday, leaving their isolated home after negotiators promised to help the family resolve their dispute.

Bonner County Sheriff Phil Jarvis said Saturday night the children will remain with "I have nothing to say about it." Sheriff's deputies had vowed to leave after negotiators promised to do whatever they could to keep the family together. Sheriff Phil Jarvis said.

Bill Walker, a spokesman for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare, said the children must be thoroughly evaluated before authorities decide what will happen to them. "We don't know yet if they are all physically or mentally ready to take the next step," he said.

The children were driven past sheriff's barricades in a large sport-utility vehicle at about 6 p.m. Saturday. They were taken to a hospital in nearby Sandpoint, where officials said they were in good condition and had only minor injuries.

There's very good shape," said Susan Montgomery, director of nursing.

The children had been speaking to three negotiators most of the day on Saturday. Rahn said. One was identified as their older sister Erin, 19, who left the house after an earlier falling out with her parents.

The children and a 15-year-old brother who surrendered to authorities Thursday withdrew to the house when their mother, JoAnn McCue, was arrested for child neglect Tuesday. Their father died

After the mother's arrest, sheriff's deputies returned to the home about 10 miles south of here to take the children into protective custody. But they withdrew after 15-year-old Benjamin McCue yelled "Get the guns!" and the children unlocked 27 dogs.

The family had become increasingly reclusive as financial hardships increased after father Michael McCue was diagnosed with multiple sclerosis. His death was attributed to dehydration and malnutrition, complicated by his illness.

Word that the family was suspicious of the government and had refused help from neighbors concerned about their living conditions. Walled off from the outside world by trees, the dogs, the children at the house were uncommunicative until Friday, when they spoke with their mother's court-appointed attorney and authorities.

The situation inside the home was described by JoAnn McCue's attorney, Bryce Powell, on Saturday as frightening and volatile. The children were believed to have several guns in the house.

The children who left the house Saturday evening were Kathryn, 16, Mary, 13, James, 11, Frederick, 9; and Jessica, 7.

Erika McCue's concerns formed the basis of the neglect charge against JoAnn McCue, who was charged Monday with neglect of 100,000 bad. Powell said JoAnn McCue is innocent.

Benjamin McCue, who named himself Thursday, was in temporary "shelter care" provided by the state. Bonner County Prosecutor Phil Rahn said.

By all accounts, the family had been relatively prosperous until their unusual behavior went bankrupt in the mid-1980s. The family has rejected offers of help.

The home was sold at auction last year to cover unpaid back taxes, but the McCuks stayed on under arrangements that remain unclear, officials said.
A Statement from President Warren Baker on

The Problem of Student Alcohol Use

At their May 2001 meeting, the CSU Board of Trustees reviewed the recommendations of the Alcohol Policies and Prevention Programs Committee, chaired by John Welty, President of CSU Fresno. The committee's very thorough and comprehensive report provides an important starting point for expanded attention by the California State University to the growing problem of alcohol abuse among students. It also invites us as a campus to reflect on the impact of alcohol abuse on the university community and to take stock of those policies, programs and initiatives already in place to address it. With this statement, I would like to initiate and invite a campus conversation about the problem of alcohol abuse among students.

At the outset, I would like to stress that I am very concerned about the impact of alcohol abuse on our students and our community. While the popular media often glamorizes alcohol use among young adults, members of Cal Poly's campus community have been injured and killed as a result of alcohol abuse. During the last year alone, one of our employees died after sustaining injuries in an automobile accident caused by a drunk driver. Furthermore, each year, we repeatedly witness the potential of gifted students diminished or lost due to alcohol abuse. While the level of alcohol usage at Cal Poly does not differ significantly from the national average, usage by college students across the nation is alarmingly high. I am especially concerned because the incidence of high-risk drinking (binge drinking and drunkenness) appears to be increasing.

During the Fall Quarter of 1999, Cal Poly completed its most recent Core Alcohol and Drug Survey. This survey used a large-scale, stratified sample of more than 750 students. The findings were distressing. Our 1999 numbers were higher across the board when compared to the figures from 1996. The results showed increases in the number of students who were drinking, the average number of drinks students had per week, and the number of students engaging in high-risk "binge drinking."

Through the use of the Core Survey and through information from community resources, here is what we know about alcohol abuse and its impact on the life of Cal Poly:

Alcohol and Academics
We have known for years that alcohol use has an adverse affect on academic performance. According to the 1997 College Alcohol Survey (Anderson and Gadaleta), college and university administrators estimate alcohol is involved with 29 percent of dropouts, 38 percent of academic failures, and 52 percent of academic failures. Our own findings from the Core Survey indicate that Cal Poly students with a grade point average of 2.5 or higher were almost 1.5 times less likely to binge drink than those who did not binge drink.

Alcohol and Health
A very strong case can be made that the single greatest threat to the health and well being of college students is the abuse of alcohol. The 1999-2000 academic year saw an alarming increase in the number of emergency room transfers from the Residence Halls for suspected alcohol poisoning. At least nine people returned to the hospital. Our campus was fortunate that none of these situations resulted in a student's death. The Core Survey found that an overwhelming majority of student victims of violence had been drinking or using drugs at the time. Students who reported frequent alcohol abuse reported a much higher incidence of accidents, sexual victimization, plus the physical manifestations of drunkenness, like hangovers and nausea.

Students who reported frequent binge drinking were over three times more likely to have driven under the influence of alcohol.

Alcohol and the Community
Unfortunately, many community residents are more aware of complaints about our students than of the many contributions our students make to the community. The most common complaints from the community are linked to excessive alcohol usage: public drunkenness, noise violations, vandalism, violent crime, and drunk driving. Students who reported frequent binge drinking were almost ten times more likely than those who did not binge drink to report having damaged property or having been in trouble with the police. The University Police tabulated 160 arrests of Cal Poly students for alcohol-related offenses in San Luis Obispo County during the first half of 2000, with 39 of those being for drunk driving.

Habitual Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism
I am especially troubled by the findings in the Core Survey sample that 5 percent of Cal Poly students are using alcohol almost daily, usually abusively. Some of these students have lost control over their drinking and the others run a substantial risk of losing control. We are familiar with the ravages of alcoholism. Alcoholism is related to liver disease, gastrointestinal problems, neurological disorders, cardiovascular disorders, cancer, and suicide. The personal losses are devastating to the alcoholic and to those in his/her life.

What is Cal Poly doing now?
Last year, the Presidential Substance Use and Abuse Advisory Committee underwent major retooling in order to better coordinate the Campus's educational, policy, and community efforts. With my strong support, and under the chairmanship of my Executive Assistant, Dan Howard-Greene, the Substance Use and Abuse Advisory Committee has developed three active subcommittees to help broaden the scope of our efforts.

The Programming Subcommittee, chaired by Dr. Marty Bragg, Director, Health and Counseling, has been working to coordinate alcohol messages from various groups on campus in order to promote the visibility of key messages. This subcommittee also conducted a campus scan to look at the impact of alcohol abuse on our campus and in the community.

The Community Subcommittee, chaired by Dr. Kent Barclay, Director, Student Life and Leadership, has joined together University officials and students with community leaders to develop new efforts to help promote responsible behavior off campus. Among initiatives implemented, the Vice President for Student Affairs is transmitting letters to students arrested for alcohol and drug-related infractions, indicating the university's concern and urging them to take advantage of campus services. This subcommittee also reviewed University policy, as it pertains to student behavior in the community.
Alcohol Abuse

- The Compliance Subcommittee, chaired by Dr. Vicki Stover, Associate Vice President for Administration, Administration and Finance, identified applicable CSU, state, and federal regulations and then reviewed written policies and structures for compliance with those standards. The subcommittee also reviewed the distribution of policies and reviewed disciplinary sanctions for violations of standards of conduct related to drug and alcohol abuse.

- This year funds were approved by the university to establish a new position in Counseling Services to help students with serious substance abuse problems. This new staff person, Mary Peracca, will create new programming for these students, develop self-help resources and assist in seeking resources to further enhance campus offerings and community partnerships. She is also developing information for faculty and staff to assist in identifying students with substance abuse problems.

What Can the University Do?
The University can continue to increase and refine its efforts to minimize the impact of alcohol abuse on our community.

- We can continue and expand educational efforts, including efforts to provide students with realistic information about the alcohol-related social norms observed by their peers and about the negative consequences of alcohol abuse for academic success.

- We must maintain a meaningful alcohol policy and be sure that it is communicated to and followed by all segments of the University.

- We need to be sure that we are creating campus connections among our University from Counseling Services staff if you have questions about student alcohol abuse. Faculty and staff inquiries may be directed to Counseling Services at 6-2511.

- When appropriate, address aspects of substance abuse in class. Make use of campus programs like Health Education to provide information to students.

What Can Students Do?
The single most important action a student can take is to act responsibly. Most of the serious problems related to alcohol are related to alcohol abuse/drunkenness.

- If you drink, do so in moderation.

- If you are planning parties, have safeguards to prevent underage drinking and drunkenness.

- Know your limits and stay within them.

- Recognize that when you go where alcohol is being served, the risks to your well being increase substantially. In those situations, take special measures to protect yourself.

- Avoid drinking punches or mixed drinks where you are not sure of the contents.

- Be mindful of fellow students. Watch over friends who have had too much to drink. Urge a friend who routinely abuses alcohol to reduce his/her usage.

Final Thoughts

Our Campus has had ongoing discussions concerning what presence alcohol should have on this campus. We must not allow ourselves to let these difficult considerations obscure the clear cut deleterious impact of alcohol abuse on the lives of our students, our campus, and the community. We need to reduce alcohol abuse, because it hinders our students' achievement of their maximum potential as individuals and as citizens in our community. We must work together to end the expectation that student life should include alcohol abuse. We must make clear to all students our policies regarding alcohol, and hold them accountable for following them. We must have resources available to students on campus and in the community to help them when alcohol becomes a problem that they cannot handle themselves.

We see encouraging signs from the Greek system as some of our fraternities are joining with the campus's sorority system by going to alcohol-free houses. We hope that these traditional leadership groups will serve as models for other student organizations.

Please join with me and the Substance Use and Abuse Advisory Committee in making efforts to reduce the abuse of alcohol by our students.


Catholic beliefs: We're not a cult; learn more below

My good friend took a trip through Campus Ministry for Christ last summer. France has long been called the Catholic Church's "elder daughter," so his group came across many cathedrals and churches. Upon entering a small country church and seeing devout Catholics in prayer, a girl whispered, "I feel so sorry for these people."

We Roman Catholics really don't need sympathy, but the thought is nice. You see, our faith is the most pure and perfect Christianity can possibly be. We are quite proud of our Church and aren't afraid of saying so (cf. 1 Peter 3:15).

Here's why. First and foremost, Catholics are monotheistic. One God, three persons. We worship only the one holy, eternal, immutable, omnipotent, omniscient and omnipresent, benevolent entity. We recognize God as the creator of "all that is seen and unseen" (Genesis 1:1; John 1:4-11).

Nothing commands the praise due only to He Who Is. Catholicism is not a cult.

Mike Deem Inherent in this organized structure is precisely the intention that Christ had. "We hold that He alone provides the true path to God (cf. John 14:6), and we confidently place our trust in the Church He built upon St. Peter, the Rock, in Matthew 16:18. Peter means "rock.""

The office of apostle is perpetual, as is passed on to men as needed (cf. Acts 13:15-26). This office exists today in the pope, who holds the "keys to the kingdom of heaven" as Peter's successor (Matthew 16:19), and all the bishops. It is only through the Church that the fullness of God's revelation is passed on into all the truths of the Holy Spirit (John 16:12-15). St. Paul called the Church the "pillar and foundation of truth" (1 Timothy 3:15). Christ promised that the Church would never be destroyed by the powers of Hell (Matthew 16:19) and that it should remain one of mind and faith (John 17). Only the Roman Catholic Church with Peter as its head benefits all the way back to the apostles and can lay claim to remaining as a body unlike other Christian bodies. Basically, if Catholicism is false, then Jesus lied.

Our dedication to Mary is not worship, but only praising God's most perfect creation as she magnifies the Lord (Luke 1:46). Just as one may see God's glory in a majestic mountain range or a gorgeous sunset, Catholics see God's work in Mary. We always call her "blessed" (Luke 1:48) as our spiritual mother since we are brothers and sisters with and in Christ. After all, He gave her to us while He hung on the cross (John 19:25-27). All who desire to follow Christ are Mary's children and need to honor her just as Christ did (Luke 2:51; John 2:1-11, Revelation 12:1, 17).

I could go on and on since every Catholic belief has overwhelming scriptural proof. I only gave a tiny taste. Some of my Catholic beliefs are listed below. Please read the Bible taken cover to cover is a Catholic book as it testifies to all things Catholic.

My goal here was not to use scripture as a weapon but only as a credible source of Catholic hope. In peace and love, I desire all Christians to fulfill Christ's prayer in John 17 and come together in the one holy and apostolic Roman Catholic Church that was built by Christ for the Father and in which He celebrates the Spirit until the end of time (Matthew 28:20; Amen).

Mike Deem is a philosophy junior.

With so many drivers receiving citations for driving under the influence, nationwide, Massachusetts may implement a law to put the letters "DOF" on the license plate of convicted drunken drivers.

Public embarrassment was a valid form of punishment in colonial times. Everyone remembers "The Scarlet Letter" and adultery.

But is it a viable way of punishment? I know that my cousin will not appreciate this, but his story is a perfect example for this argument. When he was younger, he was not the cleanest of kids, actually, he was grungy. It was always an event for my aunt to get him showered from that point on. She didn't change the fact that he switched to alcohol.

He did the crime, now let him do the time. A license plate is one thing, but how long would those being punished have to carry it? Could they take the plate off after a set number of years? The plates should be used with clear rules. There should be a minimum time that the plates are going to be on the car. We should also be options for people who have drinking problems. The states should not shame people, but try to help their citizens when they are in need.

Shame could only get people to realize they have a problem and since the state is producing this shame then they should also be part of removing it by helping these individuals.

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"Public embarrassment was a valid form of punishment in colonial times."

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My club has given me a family away from home

Editor's Note: When it rains it pours, and so it was with letters and e-mail, which continued to pour in through the months after the last issue. So much so, that we have decided to feature a new section on the first page of every issue, where we hope to publish Letters to the Editor, Opinion, and Letters to the editor.

Letters to the editor

Look beyond Earth to the red planet

Editor,

Let me put it as simply as possible: We must go to Mars. Wait. Let me put it another way: Why? Of course, there are many reasons, but I am convinced that the most important reason is that it is the right thing to do.

"Of course," you might say, "obviously." No one is seriously considering settling on Mars, right? Of course not. But what if we were to consider it seriously? What if we were to make a commitment to go to Mars, and to do so in a way that makes it a reality?

First and foremost, we need to recognize that the conditions on Mars are not ideal. The atmosphere is thin, the soil is not suitable for growing plants, and the temperature is extremely cold. But these are not insurmountable challenges. We have the technology to create a habitat on Mars, and we have the knowledge to modify the planet to make it more habitable.

Moreover, the benefits of sending humans to Mars are immense. We would gain a deeper understanding of the universe, and we would learn more about our own planet. We would also gain a greater sense of perspective, and we would be able to see the bigger picture.

But beyond these practical benefits, going to Mars is also about the human spirit. It is about our desire to explore, to push the boundaries of what we thought was possible, and to achieve something truly great.

In conclusion, Mars is not just a distant planet, but a symbol of our potential. It is a reminder that we are capable of great things, and that we have the power to shape our future.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Opinion

Monday, June 4, 2001

Illegal immigrants who pursue college careers should be granted full citizenship. On May 21, an LA Times article reported that U.S. Rep. Howard "Bennion" (D-CA) introduced a bill to give illegal immigrants a chance to earn college degrees. The bill would allow illegal immigrants to attend college and eventually become citizens.

The proposal is a great step towards solving the problem of illegal immigration. Illegal immigration is a complex issue, and it requires a balanced approach.

The bill would require that illegal immigrants meet certain academic and moral standards. This is important, as it would ensure that only those who are truly committed to making a better life for themselves and their families would be eligible for citizenship.

However, there are some concerns about the bill. One concern is that it could encourage more illegal immigration. It is true that illegal immigrants come to the United States to seek a better life, and that they are often driven by a desire for a better future for their children.

But it is also true that the current system of illegal immigration is broken. It is wasteful, inefficient, and unfair. It is time for us to find a better way.

The bill would also require that illegal immigrants pay a fine before they can become citizens. This is a fair requirement, as illegal immigrants have benefited from the United States without paying their fair share.

In conclusion, the bill proposed by Rep. Bennion is a good start. It would help to solve the problem of illegal immigration, and it would also give illegal immigrants a chance to earn a better life.

Sincerely,

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Unbelievable e-mail scams leave much to be desired

Since cool education has existed in American schools there has been gender bias in the classroom. Due to the different learning styles of boys and girls, discrimination arises when the two groups are thrown together. In American schools there has been the sex of the teacher may be a factor in determining the outcome of a student’s learning. We will explore this issue from both a male and female perspective.

A male perspective:

At the elementary level most teachers are teachers of whatever sex. This could cause a possible problem for the development of young boy’s minds. With more men in the profession they could serve as role models as well as teachers. According to “Gender Issues in Education” by Herbert Groisman, “The male teachers are more tolerant of males’ aggressive and disruptive behavior.” Materialism & dorms are more of an edge over females because they can understand a young boy’s mind and behavior.

Todd Griven, a student from San Luis Obispo High School, was asked about his experience with his male teacher, Mr. Simon. “Mr. Simon is a great teacher. He lets me minape and interact with other students. He is one of the best teachers I have ever had. Most of my teachers are female and they do not give me time to explain myself.”

In today’s society where single mother households are common than in the past, a male teacher could serve as an important role model for fatherless students. For boys who don’t have the support of someone, attention from men at home, school serves as more than a classroom to them. I think that maybe in this field we would bridge a communication gap between a boy and his teacher.

A female perspective:

When it comes to the girls, they tend to take a backseat to boys in the classroom. However, the majority of American schoolchildren consider themselves more suitable to female teaching, according to “Failing at Fairness” by David Sadliger, “From grade school through high school, female students are more likely to be invisible members of the classroom.” According to “Gender in the Classroom” by Susan Grahn, teachers tend to move toward boy groups in the classroom, thus leading more research. The teacher was also called on more frequently and receive more attention. Grison and this is partly attributed to a gender bias and partly due to more assertive characteristics in boys.

Research on same-sex teaching has proven that females use methods more appropriate to female learning styles. They involve themselves in discussions with the class and tend to ask more questions than male teachers. Although these are merely generalizations for all female teachers, in classrooms where teachers and students participate in more interaction and participation for female students.

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Israel recovers from suicide bombing

JERUSALEM (AP) — Israel buried the young victims of a suicide bombing and tested a Palestinian cease-fire on Sunday, hoping international diplomacy would pressure Yasir Arafat to rein in his troops and crack down on militants.

Aid continued Israel's embargo. German Foreign Minister Joschka Fischer held a second meeting with Arafat on Sunday night at Arafat's West Bank headquarters and urged the Palestinian leader to enforce a cease-fire.

"If indeed we want to avoid a tragic confrontation, a prerequisite is that the Palestinian side grasp and understand — and my impression is that it has grasped and understood — that there is no more room for maneuvering," Fischer told an evening press conference.

Secretary of State Colin Powell, who canceled a trip to Costa Rica to deal with the situation, issued a similar warning to Arafat on Sunday, telling CNN that "this is the time to bring the violence under control."

He wouldn't confirm Israeli radio and television reports that CIA Director George Tenet planned to visit the region, where the EU's special Middle East envoy, Miguel Barroso, visited the region, where the EU's special Middle East envoy, Miguel Barroso, visited the region.

"We really want to get to the perpetrators," said Shlomo Dor, a spokesman for Ben-Eliyar, when asked about radio reports that the army was targeting leaders of the militant group Hamas and Islamic Jihad.

On Sunday, the military wing of Hamas, Izdeine al-Qassam, claimed responsibility for the attack and identified the bomber as Hassan Hussein Hotari, from the West Bank town of Qalqilya. His family members said they weren't yet convinced Arafat was willing to call off the eight-month conflict, and said they have chosen the targets for a possible offensive.

"Even restraint is part of the solution," Israeli Prime Minister Ariel Sharon said at a hospital where many of the injured were being treated.

Senior Israeli officials, however, said they weren't yet convinced Arafat was willing to call off the eight-month conflict, and said they have chosen the targets for a possible offensive.

Arafat met Sunday night with his security officials, including the bomber. Ninety people were buried Sunday, most of them in a row in the same section of the Yarkon cemetery in Tel Aviv, where fresh dirt was piled up in mounds and tearful mourners moved under the swelling sun from one plot to another to lay flowers.

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Gallardo, which opened last year, is a 255-foot metal roller coaster. The ride opens Monday at the Valencia park, 25 miles northeast of Los Angeles. It was shut down at the Valencia park, 25 miles northeast of Los Angeles. It was shut down at the Valencia park, 25 miles northeast of Los Angeles. It was shut down at the Valencia park, 25 miles northeast of Los Angeles. It was shut down at the Valencia park, 25 miles northeast of Los Angeles. It was shut down at the Valencia park, 25 miles northeast of Los Angeles.
BUSINESSES try to avoid blackouts by predicting possible deaths

SACRAMENTO (AP) — In a last-ditch effort to keep their lights on during the energy crisis, some of California's 6,500 businesses — ranging from a tattoo parlor to a pet cemetery — have pleaded their cases on a state Web site hoping they won't be spared when power supplies are stretched thin.

"There's a lot of scared people," said Greg Pisano, operations division manager for Pacific Gas & Electric. "It's been fairly remarkable since January in the way in which the people have responded to the governor's calls for conservation," said Sacramento Director Steve Larson.

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When Wixxls hit the shot and then of the fairway and hit the shot that nestled gently near the flag. The two-shot lead still had a one-shot advantage when the leaders returned for an early afternoon time for the final round after finishing of a third-round 69. He promptly birdied No. 1 to make it a two-shot advantage and was still in the lead on the back nine at the close of the 5th hole.

Garcia, meanwhile, began his day by 3-putting the eagle hole he had on the suspended 15th hole and was never a factor.

It was the fourth win in the United States and fifth overall in 12 tournaments this year for Woods, who became the first player since Tom Watson won three straight Byron Nelson Classics from 1978-80 to win the same tournament for three years in a row.

A strong week would look good in the record book, but it pales to the four consecutive major tournaments that Woods has won beginning with last year's U.S. Open at Pebble Beach.

DOVER, Del. - Jeff Gordon re-established himself as a force at Dover Downs International Speedway and stopped Tony Stewart's bid for three straight wins on the track with an easy victory today in the MRNA Platinum 400.

"This is the best car I've ever had," Gordon said. "We could say one run in from even after the tires went away."

It was the second victory this season and the 54th overall for the three-time Winston Cup champion, tying him with Rusty Wallace for eighth-best in NASCAR history. It was also the fourth win for Gordon on one of NASCAR's most difficult tracks.

That ties him with Bill Elliott and Ricky Rudd as the most by Gordon, who started second, led five times for 341 of 400 laps, averaging 202.265 mph. The race was slowed for 31 laps by five caution flags. There were 16 lead changes among eight drivers.

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Park was looking for his third career victory, but after closing within a half-second late in the race was unable to catch Gordon.

"I was just driving the wheels off the thing, and so was trying to catch him," Park said. Dale Earnhardt Jr. made it a top-three sweep for Chevy in the $3.6 million race. Ricky Craven was fourth in a Ford. Gordon, who started second, led five times for 341 of 400 laps, averaging 202.265 mph. The race was slowed for 31 laps by five caution flags.

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Cal Poly has two new All-Americans

By Evann Galtaldo

Cal Poly were two student-athletes to the NCAA Track and Field Championships in Eugene, Ore. this weekend and that are coming back with All-American status.

Two-time Big West Conference champion triple jumper Andrew Badger finished seventh in the men's triple jump Saturday to earn the All-American title.

Mastin shorthand Stephanie Brown finished seventh on Thursday to also be named an All-American. Athletics are considered All-American if they finish within the top eight.

Brown's throw of 53-1/2 set a new Cal Poly record.

Louisiana State University junior Walter Davis took first in the triple jump event with a 54-feet 6-inch jump. Badger jumped 51-feet 9 1/4-inches.

Coming into the event, Badger was ranked No.18 after qualifying at a three-way meet with Cal State Northridge and Fresno State earlier this season.

The All-American mark was the first of both Badger and Brown's careers.

The meet was the first time Brown threw over 53 feet this season. Her previous high was 52-9 1/2.

Memorial run set to honor Poly alumna

By Evann Galtaldo

For many people, running and walking are activities that come naturally. A quickened heart beat, sweaty skin and achy joints are all part of these endurance pastimes.

For Marianne Talley, a Cal Poly alumna who died of heart problems, these activities ended all too soon.

On June 24, community members will have a chance to honor Talley at the eighth annual Marianne Talley Foundation Memorial 5K.

Organized by The Marianne Talley Foundation and the SLO Roadrunners Triathlon Club, the event includes a 5K run, a one-mile youth run and a one-mile walk.

Talley died suddenly in 1993 from complications associated with an irregular heartbeat. She was involved with the Roadrunners and owned and operated a local fitness consulting business.

The run is a fund-raiser for the foundation, which offers scholarships for college-bound female athletes from Arroyo Grande High School. The foundation was established in 1993 in memory of Talley.

"We just thought that this was really a neat thing to do to ... continue her legacy," said Brian Talcott, Marianne's brother.

The run takes place at Talley Vineyards, the family-owned winery in Arroyo Grande.

"A lot of people think that this is about the most beautiful run there is in this area," Brian said. He described the scenery along the dirt trail as grapevines, cactus, pomegranate trees, vegetable fields, vineyards and hills.

The one-mile youth run was introduced last year, when the Talley family noticed that children participating in the one-mile walk usually chose to run instead, Brian said.

"We wanted something special for the kids to participate in," he said. Everyone who finishes the 5K before "Vinner" Brian Talley receives a T-shirt that says, "I Beat the Vinner." The Talleys got the idea from a race at another winery, where everyone who beat the winemaker received a bottle of wine. "Vinner" refers to the winery owner.

Brian is the only member of his family who participates in the run. His wife and parents usually participate in the walk, along with an estimated 100 other people, he said.

In lieu of flowers after Talley's death, her family asked people to donate money to a memorial fund.

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Please submit sports trivia answer to: memortf@calpoly.edu.

Friday's Answer:

John Olerud is the only Blue Jays player to be an All-American.

Congratulations Ed Martinez!

Today's Question:

Who won a batting title with an average of .307?

Jordan may begin comeback at Boston camp

BOSTON (AP) - Michael Jordan's comeback - if there is one - could start at a summer league in Boston.

The Washington Wizards, which Jordan partly owns, are among 10 teams planning to send a squad to the eight-day work-out league that starts July 16 at the University of Massachusetts-Boston campus. The Boston Globe, citing sources it did not identify, said officials at the school have been alerted that Jordan could begin his comeback there.

Celtics spokesman Jeff Twiss said the team was hopeful that Jordan would play.

"From our vantage point, it would be wonderful," Twiss said. "There's nothing concrete to say that he was or he wasn't (planning to play). It would seem to be a likely starting point should he decide to come back next year." He added, "If he decides to come back, it's conceivable he could participate in the summer league. But at this point it's too early to speculate," Williams said.

Tiger tames tune-up for U.S. Open

DUBLIN, Ohio (AP) - Three straight Memoriands came easy enough for Tiger Woods. Next up is a streak that the golf prodigy said he once considered unbreakable - five straight majors.

Woods continued his almost mythical run of dominance in June, seizing control with a brilliant 2-under on the 5th hole on his way to a final round 6-under-par 66 and his third Memorial Tournament win in a row.

Woods' final tuneup before the U.S. Open at Southern Hills was all but over by the time the leaders headed for the back nine, making the final holes a play-ground for Woods as he romped to a seven-shot victory. It was the first Memorial Tournament win for Tiger and also the first for Sergio Garcia.

It came with such ease that Garcia apologized to Woods as they walked down the 18th hole that he hadn't made it a better game. His fellow competitors were left to wonder what chance they might have when the Open begins in Tulsa, Okla., a week from Thursday.

"I wouldn't say he's probably the most dominant athlete in the history of sports," Azinger said.

That is open debate, but there was little debate Sunday of Woods' greatness as he took the sentiment of a game he was expected to dominate.

The key to his 2-under was that he flew the 169 yards on land and water before dropping softly on the 5th green and leaving Woods only a 4-foot putt for eagle.

"It was a move shot," Azinger said. "I was just praying that it was enough, that we had enough club," Woods said.

But that key was the methodical and precise way with which Woods made his way around Muirfield Village Golf Club and his approach shots were sitting shot into the water, missing key putts and wiping chips.

Woods particularly dominated on the par-5s, where he was 14 under for the week and with his length to his advantage on the par-4s.

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Rockies beat Giants to take series

DENVER (AP) - Pedro Astacio didn't allow a hit until the seventh inning, and Todd Helton went 4-for-4 with a homer and three RBIs to lead the Colorado Rockies to an 11-2 win over the San Francisco Giants on Sunday.

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Jacob Cruz had a sacrifice fly and Brent Mayne an RBI double in the second.