No more room for transfers

By Kristy Charles
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

A large room with a kitchenette, a bathroom, a maid that comes twice a week, and lots of parking: not a bad setup for a dorm room.

Sixty transfer students who came to Cal Poly at the beginning of the school year found themselves living in luxury — at the Days Inn, San Luis Obispo. Because of an unusually large amount of incoming freshmen last year, Cal Poly's housing could no longer accommodate transfer students hoping to live on campus, said Preston Allen, director of Housing and Residential Life at Cal Poly. In order to deal with this housing issue, campus officials made an arrangement with the Days Inn.

Unfortunately, next year there will be no university-supported housing for transfer students at all. The Days Inn program will be canceled after this summer, and transfer students will not be allowed to apply for a room in the residence halls on campus, said June Serjeant, coordinator of Housing Administration at Cal Poly.

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Donation allows student versatility

By Christen Wegner
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Every Monday at 5 p.m., graduate student Wendy Hill walks into her Education 480 class, sits down and places her Palm personal digital assistant (PDA) in the cradle. After three short beeps, her PDA is uploaded with the days reading assignment and work.

Hill is one of many aspiring teachers who are benefiting from the recent donation of 30 Palm handheld computers to Cal Poly's University Center for Teaching Education (UCTE). The PDAs have given me an interest in technology that didn't exist before, and an added interest in the classroom, Hill said.

Each PDA was donated by Palm Portable Handhelds and Sunburst Software, who lives at the Days Inn. “A lot of people, because they were nervous that we wouldn’t be able to come to the university, would live here again, but uncertainty of whether they would get on-campus housing forced people to look at alternative housing.”

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‘Spider-Man’ inspired climbing

By Bridgette Vanherweg
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Ever felt like dangling from a two-story, four-rock wall, with only colorful hand — and footholds and a thin nylon rope to keep you from hitting the concrete below?

“Spider-Man” came out this weekend, and now students can fulfill childhood dreams of scaling vertical walls. Spider-Man-style today through Thursday at Poly Escapes' Climb-a-thon.

The 60-hour event today begins at 10 a.m. and continues non-stop until Thursday. Free food from campus and local vendors, free climbing, competitions and games will be available to students and faculty at the Escape Route on the north side of the University Union.

Usually students are charged a $5 orientation fee to climb, but throughout the climb-a-thon, climbing is free day and night.

“There are always people hanging out,” said Poly Escapes cashier Bryan Stewart. “We’re expecting at least several hundred people in and out over the (next) three days.”

see CLIMB, page 7

Event recognizes value of teachers

By Sarah E. Thien
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Teachers used to seeing students behind desks will get a new perspective today when student volunteers will be cooking behind pancake grills instead.

The event is in honor of Teacher Appreciation Day — Cal Poly’s way of saying thank you to faculty members.

Breakfast is open and free to faculty members this morning from 8 to 11 a.m. in the Dexter patio. Student volunteers will be cooking pancakes provided by Campus Dining and eggs donated by the Cal Poly Poultry Club. There will also be a drawing of gift certificates from local merchants such as Sycamore Mineral Springs, E. McLintock’s and see APPRECIATION, page 4
What makes a teacher a good teacher?

► The ones that accept bribes, especially bedroom favors — they’re my favorite.

Josh Molle
engineering senior

► Someone who doesn’t think they’re high and mighty. Someone who can relate to students on a peer level.

Nicole Angeloni
journalism freshman

► A teacher that’s energetic and passionate about what they’re teaching, so it makes it more interesting for students.

Emi Uenaka
kinesiology freshman

► Current experience in the industry they’re teaching.

Dean Schumacher
engineering grad student

► One that’s willing to spend time with their students, including answering questions accurately and making sure the student knows what the teacher is talking about.

Lindsey Hatheway
animal science senior

Correction:
"Freshman precariously jumps into housing market" in Monday’s issue misspelled the name of a property supervisor with California-West. Her name is Ellie Malykont, not Emmie.

YOUR REASONS for obtaining a fake ID may be as noble as wanting to improve your musical education at a downtown nightclub, but the consequences are the same as if you were after an early supply of 24-ouncers. Consider the following. Using an older sibling or friend’s ID can:

• Get you arrested.
• Get you fined.
• Get your real driver’s license taken away for a year.
• Cause you to answer “yes” to the question on your summer job application “Have you ever been arrested?”

Your 21st birthday … it’s worth the wait.

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National Briefs
Convicted congressman to seek re-election
WASHINGTON — Raj. James Traficant, D-Ohio, is planning on running for re-election, despite being convicted of bribe-taking, racketeering and tax evasion charges last month. He is expected to file petitions to run for a 15th term that fall as an independent.
This action triggers a call for Traficant’s immediate expulsion from Congress and could have long-term implications for the Democratic effort to regain control of the House.
Despite the convictions, Traficant, 61, remains popular in his district, even though he was found guilty of “shaking down” constituents for favors and forcing staff members to contribute portions of their salaries. Traficant plans to appeal the conviction.
— USA TODAY

Three more nations added to ‘Axis of Evil’
WASHINGTON — Three more nations Libya, Syria and Cuba, have been added to the “Axis of Evil,” which are countries the United States has identified as pursuing weapons of mass destruction, including biological, nuclear and chemical weapons.
Previous countries identified as pursuing such weapons are Iraq, Iran and North Korea.
Undersecretary of State John Bolton said, “States that pursue WMD (weapons of mass destruction) must stop. States that renounce terror and abandon WMD can become part of our effort. But those that do not can expect to become our targets.”
He also said that the United States would take action against “proliferators, mullahs and weapons by breaking them down, sanctioning their behavior and working with other countries to prosecute them or otherwise bring a halt to their activities.”
Bolton also said that Cuba’s threat to U.S. security has been “underplayed” in the past.
— Reuters

International Briefs
Middle East
KABUL, Afghanistan — A severe outbreak of leishmaniasis has hit Kabul, Afghanistan, the World Health Organization said. The WHO made an international emergency appeal to doctors for funds to fight the disease. So far, no donor has stepped forward.
Leishmaniasis can leave its victims severely scarred and stigmatized for life. Although the disease is not life threatening, it has other devastating effects. It not treated quickly, the disease can spread across the body, leaving large, open sores on the face, hands and other areas that may have been bitten by the sandfly, the insect that spreads the disease.
Treatment is a 28-day series of shots of one of two medicines — both of which are in short supply in the area.
Single women and girls who are affected by the disease rarely marry, and those who are married are usually shunned by their husbands, a WHO spokeswoman said. Boys and men with severe cases are often ostracized. At least 100,000 of Kabul’s 1.8 million people have contracted the disease, but up to 400,000 could be infected.
The infection rate is expected to rise soon as the weather gets warmer and the sandflies begin to multiply.
— USA TODAY

Europe
PARIS — Jacques Chirac was re-elected Monday as president of France with a crushing majority. France, the poorest and most violent state in Colombia. Officials said that the rebels and paramilitaries are fighting for control of the area because it is strategic for drug trafficking routes. There is no telephone communication in the area, and only limited radio communications with the village, which is 235 miles northwest of Bogota.

Central America
BOGOTA, Colombia — Battle between rebels and paramilitaries in an isolated village caused the deaths of 110 people, including 40 children and infants, while troops moved into the area, the Colombian government. At least 80 people have been reported as missing.
Officials of the United Nations said they warned Colombian officials that the incident would happen before the fighting began.
Authorities said that members of the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia (FARC) fired homemade mortars that hit a church and killed dozens of people who were taking refuge there.
The village of Bojaya, which is reachable only by air or water, is in Choco, the poorest and most violent state in Colombia. Officials said that the rebels and paramilitaries are fighting for control of the area because it is strategic for drug trafficking routes. There is no telephone communication in the area, and only limited radio communications with the village, which is 235 miles northwest of Bogota.

The small hospital in the area was overwhelmed with victims. Eighteen seriously injured were airlifted to another hospital that is expected to be reach capacity soon.
— Associated Press

South East Asia
PHNOM PENH, Cambodia — A Cambodian provincial court freed two men who accused of eating human body parts were freed Saturday because there was no law against cannibalism, a public prosecutor said.
The men are employees of a restaurant and were arrested last week for eating fingers and toes of a body that they were cremating.
Citizens of the village the men worked in accused the men of eating parts of their relatives after they had deceased and washed them down with wine. The villagers told military police that they were afraid the men would try to kill their children to eat if they ever ran out of bodies that were to be cremated.
Fighting inhuman body parts was a common practice in Cambodia during the 1975-79 Khmer Rouge rule, when an estimated 1.7 million people died from torture, disease, execution and widespread famine.
— Reuters

Briefs compiled from various news services by Mustang Daily contributor Anne Guilford.
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In an effort to accommodate the shortage of on-campus housing for transfer and returning students, Cal Poly is in the process of constructing an 800-bed apartment complex, called Cerro Vista, near Poly Canyon, Allen said. Yet, the facility will not be finished until next winter at the far­est.

The housing office has been re­commending that transfer and return­ing students look at open rooms in Stenner Glen or Mustang Village, Allen said. If they do not want to live there, then they will have to find other off-campus housing.

However, Stenner Glen's available housing for fall is expected to be full by this Friday. Mustang Village is expected to be full by the middle of May, said Mike Nowlin, a leasing manager at Mustang Village.

And as for the students living at the Days Inn, Allen is recommending they also start searching for off-cam­pus housing.

“All the students (living in the hotel) are aware of the new apart­ment complex,” said Lisa Tuggle, coordinator of student development at Cal Poly. “But, because it’s not opening in fall, they’ll need housing for all year and will most likely already have signed leases and so they won’t be able to move back on cam­pus.”

The Days Inn program was an emergency measure, Tuggle said. It was created at the last minute to accommodate transfers because the large influx of freshmen was un­expected. It was essentially the only university-supported housing for transfer students last year, but will be canceled this summer.

One reason for not offering this kind of housing again is cost, Allen said. Students are paying the same amount to live in the hotel rooms as they would for the dorms, and the university can no longer afford to subsidize the program.

Also, Cal Poly needed to commit to having students in the hotel for a specific time period next year in order to sign another contract with Days Inn. Because it is unsure when the Cerro Vista apartments will be fin­ished, the university was unable to make that commitment, Allen said.

“We would like for the Days Inn program to continue, but there is no need for it to continue,” Allen said. “They can get the same thing off campus, and there are spaces available (off campus).”

As soon as Cerro Vista is complet­ed, the apartments will most likely be available to any Cal Poly students, with the exception of first-year stu­dents, Allen said. There is a possibil­ity that transfers or students already living on campus will be able to apply first, but it has not been decided.

Even if all Cal Poly students are able to apply, there shouldn’t be a problem finding a room in the new complex, Allen said. This is mainly because most students already living off-campus normally do not want to move back on campus. Also, most returning students who apply for housing use the option as a back up plan. The majority do not actually return.

However, because Cerro Vista will house brand-new apartments, more students may opt to live on campus, he said.

“I would assume that more stu­dents would want to stay (on campus) and be done with their housing searches in March and April,” Allen said.

If there is another wave of fresh­men requesting spaces in the resi­dence halls, it is uncertain whether or not the new apartments will be used to accommodate them, even though the building was designed for older students, Allen said.

But, even with the new facilities being built, some students are upset at the way Cal Poly has dealt with transfer students seeking housing.

“In a little disappointed they’re not making any provisions for transfer students,” Cronquist said. “We’d like the opportunity to live on campus like freshmen do.”

Cronquist, who will be moving out of the Days Inn, had to find an

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the Apple Farm for the teacher who is having an especially lucky day.

The breakfast was organized by the Associated Students Inc. stu­dent government projects and events team and is the first event of its kind at Cal Poly.

Jennifer Wiersma, a business freshman and ASI volunteer, was in charge of planning the event. She said that they have to plan for 500 teachers come and eat during the three hours that breakfast will be served. To let the teachers know about the event, ASI sent out e­mails to faculty and visited Academic Senate.

“Most of the things we do are geared toward students, so this new and innovative for us,” Wiersma said.

Greg Szalay, a business senior and the vice president of projects and events for ASI, said that teacher recognition is long overdue.

“I think faculty at Cal Poly have a pretty personal relationship with students, and we should have a real big celebration for them” he said. “And that’s what we’re doing.”

Professor Del Dingus is a member of Academic Senate and said that teachers need recognition like this every once in a while.

“It’s not often that teachers get a good compliment,” he said, “I think I, like other teachers, can get by a whole week on a good compli­ment.”

The first national Teacher Appreciation Day was recognized by Congress on March 7, 1980. The National PTA and the National Education Association have kept the holiday alive ever since, celebrating it every year on Tuesday of the first week of May.
Poly Profiles

The pleasure of the 'P':
Super-spirited student spends his days perfecting Poly landmark

By Steve Hill

If you were at this weekend's Wildflower Triathlon, there's no doubt that you saw him, probably riding his bike to lead some of the athletes, or shuttling people to and from the campsites in his black Suburban. Even if you weren't there, it's highly likely that you've seen him around campus, waving the Cal Poly flag at a football or basketball game. Maybe he has even graced you with his presence in the form of Musty the Mustang. Face it: he's everywhere.

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With all of the energy Barton puts into school and campus pride, you might think that it would be hard to keep going. But he does all of this for unslesh reasons.

"Getting the students involved is a great way to get a smile out of someone, and it also puts a smile on my face," he said.

And his effect has been felt: Ask around for people who have seen the joy that waves the flag at the games, and they know who you're talking about.

"I completely love and appreciate his energy and enthusiasm, and his positive attitude," said Andrene Kaiwi-Lenting, assistant director for orientation programs who has encountered Barton in his endeavors as a WOW leader.

But what is it that drives this superhuman energy? Special powers gained from a freak accident? An overactive adrenal gland? Red Bull?

"1 wish to see more people at sporting events, especially with the new stadium coming," Barton said. "1 study at odd hours."

"Sometimes I struggle all the way through, but I get it done," he said. "I love seeing that there are still people that love what they do and do it well."

And even if the fans aren't going to show up or he has too much on his plate, Barton will be there, dressed in green and gold. That is, if he isn't busy up at the P. "I'm not there to push, but I'm there to make (the fans) have a good time," he said.
By this time, we have heard these lines num­bered a thousand times in commercials. "In rare cases sexual side effects may occur," and "common side effects may include nau­sea, vomiting, diarrhea, headache, cloudy vision, bloodshot eyes, and dry mouth." These side effects, thrown at us when we are con­vinced that the effects will never happen and that we know the dangers, can lead to the health risks that could occur while taking the drug.

These warnings, and those on prescription labels, are used to warn us that if a reaction does occur, we will know to stop taking the drug.

In this new age of paid prescription adver­tising, we never hear that the drug may affect the health of the person he is.

Then Mr. Kelly said that the Bible was the ulti­mate reason for most of his life. A skeptic to the core. Mr. Kelly has misunderstood the word "faith.

"I believe the Bible provides truthful insight into the New Testament," said Mr. Kelly. "The Bible is direct communication from God, who is infallible, affirming entire truthfulness of the Bible, specifically the first five books of the Old Testament."

None of the alleged Gospel writers actually wrote the gospels. The gospels were derived from communities of early Christians who preserved the story of Jesus through oral tradition. Eventually, some of Jesus' sayings were collected and written in Greek. Then they were translated in the Latin Vulgate, a document called "Q" or "quell(e) meaning "source" in German) during back to about 50 C.E. Meanwhile, the oral tra­ditions still circulated among the communities, and in the period around the destruction of the Jerusalem (70 C.E.) an anonymous Christian wrote some of the sayings down in the style of a historical narrative, the result being the Gospel of Mark. Later, the gospels of Luke and Matthew were derived from Mark and "Q," which explain why these three synoptic gospels are extremely similar. The Greek version of the gospels dates back to the second century, nearly 70 years after Jesus' death, making it highly unlikely that the Apocalypse was the actual author.

The reason that the authorship was attrib­uted with famous biblical characters like "John" and "Mark" was to establish authority in what they wrote—they were a common practice during the ancient Palestinian era. The canonical gospels were used by the church, including the Gospel of Thomas, Philippi, Mary, etc., that weren't removed by the Catholic Church in the late second century.

Whether or not one criticises to accept the evidence presented (i.e., Mark's version of the gospels), the issue lies in getting the FDA to require sex-different information on labels and in commercials. This is what we can do about skateboards. I think enough is enough. The opinion page in a place where we call Poly students, can whine about our silly objections. The problem lately is that the skateboarding issue is taking up too much space on the opinion page. Quit it! You have turned professor Jevon Dye's whining about skateboards on campus into daily non-sense. I'm sure there are a lot more people here in Poly who want to give. Give them a chance! Poly is not all about skateboards!

Gary Yuen is a computer science junior.

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Opinion

Mustang Daily

Mustang Daily is an industrial engineering freshman.

Bible can be used for lessons

In a previous letter ("Faith and reason are stronger than just faith," April 11) I stated that I believe the Bible provides truthful insight into important issues like ethics and faith in objec­tive truth. This issue appears to have sparked some debate regarding Christian truth. If the Bible is direct communication from God, who is infallible, then the Bible must logically be infallible, affirming entire truthfulness of the scripture. That being said, there is strong evi­dence that raises considerable doubt in the complete truthfulness of the Bible, specifically the health risks of women. That is why those women who have had about it. At that point, if the woman decides to take the medication and a reaction occurs, it is a call to the doctor could eas­ily identify the problem.

This is all that can be done from the public at this point. The real concern lies in getting the FDA to require sex-different information on labels and in commercials. They need to do this for the sake of women's health and put to it this good use. Taking such precautions will help us all.

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Delays running out for wireless firms to meet mandates

By Jube Shiver Jr.
LOS ANGELES TIMES

(WIRE) WASHINGTON —

After years of delays, federal regulators are digging into their heads and pushing initiatives that will require the wireless industry to spend billions of dollars to expand its capacity and offer new services.

The government mandates, which include a controversial air-wave sale and a $1 billion telephone number conservation plan — are designed to double the 17 million monthly bills and keep up with the national demand for new wireless phones and 135 million cellular subscribers. Subscribers also are likely to see a red ink in a high-tech wireless industry in which six national carriers are waging a war amid slowing customer demand.

Nevertheless, the check writing will start next month when the Federal Communications Commission, over the objections of the big wireless carriers, plans to begin auctioning $2.6 billion of wireless airwaves. The sale has been delayed five times.

Carriers desperately need the spectrum. But they say the auction should be postponed until the airwaves' current users — several dozen TV stations — relocate at their own expense. Many station owners — such as Paxson Communications Corp. of West Palm Beach, Fla. — are demanding hundreds of millions of dollars in compensation from wireless providers to finance their move.

Another big bill may come due by July 24. That is when the FCC must determine whether it will grant the industry an exemption from a 1996 FCC rule that requires wireless telephone companies to reserve the allocation of new phone numbers, in part by allowing existing customers to keep their numbers if they switch carriers.

FCC officials are divided over whether to slightly extend the deadline to implement the technology, which is estimated to cost $900 million. But the industry is unlikely to receive a significant delay, since the FCC already has extended the so-called number portability deadline for nearly three years.

"The industry has known for years that that requirement is there," FCC Commissioner Michael J. Copps said. "I think it is doable and it's time to get it done."

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Mustangs finish year with Wildflower win

By Carla Haslehuhm

Cal Poly coach Rick Ellison said that enduring factors such as heat are what make triathlons unique and difficult.

"The heat is the main thing we can't replicate (in practice)," he said, noting that triathletes have to balance three sports as well as deal with the elements.

The team came in 10th at Tennessee, and Lucero claimed 10th overall as the team's leading male athlete, with Jill Tarver coming in eighth.

While athletes strove for their personal best, teamwork plays into every competition, including triathlons.

"It was motivating to see the guys on the way back from the turn around in the swim course," said Tarver, a nutritional science junior who finished first among Cal Poly women at WildFlower.

Brandon Drew, triathlon president and an industrial technology senior, agreed that teamwork is key to succeeding in any race.

"When you're on the course, everyone's rooting for everyone else," he said. "It's a community and team effort."

Everyone were full force on the Olympic course, despite any overuse injuries or recovering sicknesses.

"The hill in the back is killer," said Lucero who finished fourth overall. "You're climbing the whole way (on the bike trail)."

By a week-round training schedule, Cal Poly is a team of truly dedicated triathletes.

There are nine practices a week, including sprints, long swim, bike and run sessions. These are also coupled with "double days" and "hrs. workouts," which are more focused and intense.

"Training is time-consuming — a whole lifestyle," Thompson said. "It truly never ends.

But in practice, Lucero added, it's quality versus quantity, and obviously that paid off in the end.

Cal Poly triathlete Dewey Lucero cruises to a fourth-place finish in the Wildflower Olympic Course, helping the team secure a win.

Next year's team looks promising as individual energy is unquestioned coming into next season.

"There are a lot of new people, and they're all in it," Tarver said. "We think we're going to have a really good team.

Wildflower presented a tough course with a competitive field, but personal and team goals seemed to be met with success.

"My goal for the team is as well as each individual is to achieve and perform as best as they can," Ellison said. "Without a doubt, it was a very successful day."

Cal Poly takes series from nationally ranked Long Beach

By Christen Wegner

With the playoffs looming just around the corner for the Cal Poly mens' baseball team, 7-8 at the Big West this far (26-24 overall), the Mustangs know this home stretch against Long Beach State is critical.

Kevin Correia took this into account and he did.

Kevin Correia won his 10th game of the season, improving to 10-3 on the year.

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