Board votes on more fee hikes

The mid-July decision may raise fees up to 30 percent, reduce more than 1,000 personnel

By Micah Paulson
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly students will experience the affects of California's financial condition if the California State University Board of Trustees decides on a fee increase up to 30 percent, and personnel reductions that could number more than 1,000.

The proposed increase would mean an additional $157 per quarter for undergraduate students and will be decided by the board July 15 and 16, said Larry Kelley, Cal Poly's vice president of administration and finance.

The 15-member board — consisting of Gov. Gray Davis, the speaker of assembly and various business and community leaders — will decide whether to eliminate up to 486 faculty and 83 non-faculty CSU employees, of which more than 70 percent, on top of the increased fees, said Clara Potes-Fellow, CSU manager of media relations.

With last year's fee increase and a summer schedule that includes fewer classes some students are wondering where their money is going.

"The fees were already raised and I haven't seen much of a difference," said Eyrin Biacho, business and construction management senior. "I see buildings getting improved rather than providing students with an adequate number of teachers."

If the extra fees are adopted it will mean an additional $69.5 million to the budget, page 2.

Avocado orchard takes root

By Cathy Ayers
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly's College of Agriculture is joining with Mission Produce to offer students another opportunity to learn by doing.

A new avocado orchard on campus will allow students to learn about avocado operation and marketing on a commercial level.

Landscape architecture professor Joseph Ragdale will move to Rome in the fall.

By Genevieve Fussell
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

The ancient streets and meandering green belt of Rome will provide a unique working environment for Joseph Ragdale, a member of Cal Poly's landscape architecture faculty and winner of the distinguished Rome Prize.

The award is given by the American Academy in Rome and signifies achievement in the arts and humanities. Ragdale is one of 11 winners of the 107th annual Rome Prize Competition. He will reside and work in the capital for an 11-month fellowship, which begins this fall.

His proposal, entitled "Surface and Sound," caught the attention of the academy. "I was blown away," Ragdale said. "It's amazing to me to think about being there and having this incredible opportunity. It's so humbling."

After submitting his proposal last fall, Ragdale flew to New York for a follow up interview, an invitation that truly "rubbed me the wrong way," he said. The subsequent announcement of the winners further shocked Ragdale, who is only now realizing the magnitude of his achievement.

The American Academy in Rome was established in 1894 to provide an opportunity for American scholars and artists to pursue independent study in a field of their choice. Previous winners have run the gamut from architects and writers to composers and environmental preservationists.

Ragdale, who has never been to Rome, will live in the city with fellow award winners of the American Academy's 11-month fellowship program. Ragdale's 11-month stay in Rome will be part of his process of "regenerating" the surface materials, including surrounding rock quarries. He anticipates studying how depleted landscapes can be regenerated by analyzing Rome and its surrounding landscape, which he will see RAGDALE, page 7.

Possible cuts could kill Poly's AmeriCorps

By Susan Malanche
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly's chapter of AmeriCorps, a national community service organization, may come to a halt next year after it takes a cut in funding and member enrollment.

The United States Congress made an allocation to the National Corporation of Service that runs a number of programs. Their internal budget limits AmeriCorps money due to over-enrollment, said Stephen Lamb, co-director of Cal Poly's AmeriCorps program.

"The money is not sufficient for all the programs that we have at this time," Lamb said. "If these trends continue, we can expect to have reductions in funding and in the amount of people that we can serve."

Lamb estimates that 50 percent of AmeriCorps volunteers will lose their grants if they continue to be non-competitive. "This would result in a significant cut in our services to the community," Lamb said.

Possible cuts could kill Poly's AmeriCorps in the county.

Although AmeriCorps members serve 17 agencies in the community, Lamb said they hoped to increase enrollment to 62 members to help form partnerships at 27 identified agencies for the upcoming year.

Last year, AmeriCorps members volunteered their time giving nutritional counseling, planning educational activities at the AISB Memorial Grove and intervening at non-profit organizations such as CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) /Voices for Children, an agency that works with neglected and abused children who are dependent of the court.

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"The established programs that are helping so many agencies will be wiped out."

By Cathy Ayers
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

Cal Poly will give the land and water for the orchard, while Mission Produce is providing orchard management and harvesting crews, as well as irrigation and orchard-care systems.

Chris Roads, a Cal Poly alumnus, sees ORCHARD, page 7.
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SATURDAY
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SUNDAY
High: 75°/Low: 52°

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TUESDAY
High: 71°/Low: 53°

Today's Sun
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Today's Moon
Rises: 3:29 a.m./Sets: 5:37 p.m.

Today's Tides
Low: 2:50 a.m./42 feet
High: 9:12 a.m./32 feet
Low: 1:28 p.m./23 feet
High: 7:57 p.m./54 feet

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$207.7 million reduction in the gove­rnor’s budget.
Reed also asked the CSU campus presidents to implement a continuity plan to close the remaining financial gap by lowering enrollment growth by two percent. Since Cal Poly has already enrolled students for the fall, the reductions would most likely take place in winter or spring of 2004.

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"AmeriCorps has been extremely helpful in the planning process with a large number of non-profits that need our assistance. They’ve helped us to serve more children that need our assistance. They will be greatly missed.”
Cal Poly AmeriCorps directors are currently taking the next step to see what they can do to maintain partner­ships with these agencies. Internship, student assistants and Student Community Services volunteers are some ways to continue helping the agencies, Lamb said.
"AmeriCorps has been able to help us a number of non-profits grow and sustain their programs and now that help is gone,” Lamb said. "Non-profits are struggling to figure out how to compen­sate for the resources we’ve been able to give them in the past.”
AmeriCorps members continue to maintain good relationships with the agencies in the county. If these cuts go through there is one positive thing that won’t change, AmeriCorps co-director Brady Radovich said.
“Students will continue to come into our office looking for volunteer opportu­nities,” he said.
Cal Poly’s AmeriCorps directors are currently setting up meetings with local agencies to work around the organiza­tion’s financial deficit.
"We’re going to keep our fingers crossed,” Lamb said. "If we can’t bring the program back this year, we will in the future."

CAMPUS PROJECTS
QUARTERLY UPDATE SUMMER 2003

Student Housing North

Construction on Cerro Vista, the new student housing complex is moving ahead as scheduled. The complex, located on the hill above the existing residence halls will house 800 students in 204 4-bedroom, apartment style suites. The new units have sweeping views of campus and Bishop’s Peak. Occupancy is expected in September, 2003. For more housing information, visit the Housing website: http://www.housing.calpoly.edu/. for details about the project.

Engineering III

Phase I of the 41,000 square foot building at the North West corner of the campus is complete. Phase II is expected to begin construction during fall quarter, 2003. Phase II will finish the interior work, exterior awnings, screens and landscaping and will add a new jet propulsion building. The facilities will house Aeronautical Engineering, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Material Engineering and Industrial and Manufacturing Engineering. The buildings, which stand next to the new Advanced Technology Lab, are expected to be fully complete and occupied for fall quarter classes, 2004.

Telecomm

Project Telecomm is well underway; the pilot phase is complete and Phase A is close to completion. Helix Electric is the General Contractor and has begun to upgrade telecommunications (voice, data and video) systems in all State owned buildings on campus. Phase A, beginning with the Alan A. Erhart Agriculture (#10) and Agricultural Engineering (#8 and #8A) buildings, began in April and is nearly complete. The pilot phase, which included Facilities and the new Crops Science building, was completed successfully and on schedule. The entire project is expected to be complete in less than two years. Bright orange and purple signs are being placed at building entries two to three weeks before the project is scheduled to arrive. The signs will alert the public of dates and times when the project will be active. For further information, latest building schedules, photos and other information, contact the Telecomm website at http://telecomm.calpoly.edu.

Summer Projects

During summer quarter, annual projects are scheduled to repair and maintain campus streets, parking lots and sidewalks. Facilities takes advantage of reduced pedestrian and vehicle traffic to perform these projects during the summer quarter.

For more information on campus projects go to the facilities’ website at: www.facilities.calpoly.edu
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**National Briefs**

Otis Elevator converts hundreds of dangerous elevator doors

PORTLAND, Maine — Otis Elevator Co. has converted hundreds of old-style elevator doors whose design has been linked to several child deaths and injuries.

The company launched a national campaign to retrofit the doors as part of a settlement reached in January with the family of an 8-year-old boy killed in 2001.

Otis Elevator officials said Wednesday the company has installed "space guards" on 300 elevator doors in 28 states.

They noted that more than 200 people have been killed in elevator accidents since 1950.

**International Briefs**

Hamas, Islamic Jihad and Fatah agree to three-month cease-fire, officials say

JERUSALEM — Islamic militants agreed to halt attacks on Israel for three months, but the truce deal was immediately undercut by an Israeli airstrike and Hamas threats of revenge.

Ending 33 months of violence is a "necessary prelude to the U.S.-backed road map" peace plan aimed at establishing a Palestinian state by 2005.

President Bush reacted coolly to reports of a cease-fire signed by Hamas, Islamic Jihad and Yasser Arafat’s Fatah. "I’ll believe it when I see it," he said at a Washington news conference.

Israeli officials said Wednesday they would judge the Palestinian Authority solely on results. Palestinian Prime Minister Mahmoud Abbas has ruled out force to disarm the militants, fearing it could lead to a civil war.

The emerging deal was derailed in some confusion, with Hamas leaders in the Palestinian areas stemmily denying that it has been finalized.

The military wings of all three groups have carried out scores of bombing and shooting attacks against Israelis, killing hundreds of people in cafes and in public places.

Hamas has been the deadliest and has set the tone.

Tattoos are a new escape route for draft-dodgers in South Korea

SEOUL, South Korea — Koreans have a curse — "You should be tattooed!" — that reflects the ancient practice of using tattoos to brand thieves and slaves.

But a nationwide police search launched this month for men with tattoos has rounded up a new breed of criminals — young men who use the body art to try to evade the country’s mandatory military service.

"Things are definitely going to improve," said Eun Giga, executive assistant manager of the Swissotel in Seoul. "He said after weeks of disruption to business travel, the WHO announcement was "just what the doctor ordered."".

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, however, still has a travel advisory in effect for Beijing and Taiwan that recommends all but essential travel be postponed.

Briefs compiled from The Associated Press wire service by Summer Mustang staff writer Jessica Hoffman.

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New art hits the streets of San Luis Obispo

By Whitney Kellogg
SUMMER MUSTANG STAFF WRITER

A wave of deep purples and greens sweeps past the University Union every hour. It is a work of art, a landscape of peaked mountains, azure skies and floating hot air balloons that stay still for only minutes.

Then the vibrant mix of colors and forms has moved on to its next destination. This is one of the newest additions to San Luis Obispo's fine arts collection, but don't expect to find it in a museum soon. Instead, look on the side of city buses.

This month, city officials held a dedication ceremony for the second of two buses wrapped in artwork by local artist Liz Maruska. She first proposed the Art on Bus Demonstration Program over three years ago. The first bus was dedicated November 2002 and the second started carrying passengers this month.

To create the 40-foot traveling murals, Maruska painted scenes of San Luis Obispo County's rural landscape on a Mylar canvas, which was applied to the bus using heat. The first bus depicted the green peaks surrounding San Luis Obispo in bright, iridescent color. The second bus is a rendition of the view of the city from Ferrini Open Space at Bishop Peak.

"It was the artist's idea to put the art on the bus," Austin O'Dell, city transit manager, said. "She's familiar with the open spaces in the area that some people don't know a lot about. It was a good opportunity to bring the open space to them."

The Art on Bus Program was part of Maruska's vision to make her art visible and innovative. "I've always wanted to have people standing in line for my art now they will at the bus stop," she wrote on her Web site. "I always like to be doing something new whether it is a different place to use my art or a way to have it out where everyone is living, playing and working."

O'Dell said this specific type of artwork, a paint mural applied directly to the bus, is the first of its kind in the world. However, other cities in California and other states, like Arizona, have also created artistic transit systems. Tempe, Ariz. has several bus shelters that are works of art. Murals and sculptures on bus shelters are common in San Diego and Mountain View, Calif.

The art-covered buses in San Luis Obispo were provided by the city, but the artist took responsibility for finding local businesses sponsors to cover artwork costs. Advertising placed on the artwork also offset the cost of the program.

At first, some officials wondered if placing advertising rather than art on the buses would be a better financial decision, O'Dell said. Once the project was underway, though, the city official and community response was, for the most part, positive.

"I noticed the buses right away," said recent microbiology graduate Yadi Sandoval. "I like painting and colors and the artwork makes the buses look nicer, more noticeable. Plus, it advertises whoever did it."

Bus operator Mark Van Valkenburg, a Paso Robles resident, agreed. "A lot of people like them," he said. "At just about every stop, someone says something about them."

Others, like bus operator Jon Loescher, an Arroyo Grande resident, consider the artwork a more vehicle for advertising and regard it as a safety hazard.

"I'd rather not have any wraps at all," he said. "It's almost like camouflage. Studies show what the safest color."

Corrie Dolman, an architecture senior, said the artwork has not integrated new forms of music and technology, while others claim that the sampled song conjures up the original's notoriety and record sales. SLY 96.1 FM DJ Tanya Manso free to reinvent songs. Some samplers argue that sampling another artist's song helps to integrate new forms of music and technology, while others claim that the sampled song conjures up the original work and increases the original author's notoriety and record sales.

Mustang Daily...

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Local garage sales and second-hand stores have proven to have something for everyone from waffle warmers to 50-cent romance novels. The time has come for students to re-establish residency in a house, apartment or dorm room. A little extra searching can help students save their cash and find everything they need to live comfortably in their new place. By turning someone else's trash into treasure, students are certain to save money at garage sales, Goodwill and other thrift stores.

Old Mission Thrift Store on Higuera Street is just one of many economical alternatives to Pier 1 Imports or Bed Bath and Beyond. Chairs, lamps and dish sets are some of the necessities of basic living available for less than $12. A TV stand in good condition was marked at only $15. Other useful items that can be found are vases, candlestick holders and a creaky pot for all those roommates dinners.

Unlike big retail stores, the chances of finding everything on the shopping list at one location dwindle in the second-hand market. One must be willing to grab what they can find and move on to the next hand-me-down destination like Goodwill.

The Goodwill Store on Higuera Street offers a wide variety of new, used and clearance items. The best finds at this store were a $40 futon and a 99 cent Wham! record album. For people who are trying a new sport and don't want to spend the money on expensive sporting goods equipment, Goodwill also has a collection of $5 golf clubs and tennis rackets. For anyone with travel plans, $5 luggage sets were also among the great deals at Goodwill.

While looking for great buys at local second-hand stores, it is important to distinguish between all the different types of stores. "Second-hand" and "thrift" are two words that imply low prices. "Antique" and "vintage" also suggest used items but at a higher price. Decades on Higuera Street sells vintage clothing and other collectables. Dishes, drinking glasses and lamps are items that could be useful to creating your home atmosphere. A $10 drinking glass with Daffy Duck on it and a $120 lamp proves that vintage isn't always a cheap route to take.

Each student's financial situation varies, so if these prices aren't low enough, one can try for her luck bargaining at weekend garage sales. Buying furniture can be very expensive but looking in the newspaper for moving and garage sales can save money. At one garage sale, I came across a coach, love seat and chair with ottoman for $150. The set was in good condition, but if you aren't so lucky to find one without beer or food stains, a slipcover will easily fix the problem. This is not a cheap and desperate measure; it might be surprising to find next sofa or mattress on the side of the road or in front of someone's house. Mattresses, coffee tables and sofas are desirable items that people try to give away but don't take the time to sell. When graduating seniors leave town and families updating living room ensembles, one is certain to find great deals around town to complete your home for the next few years.

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Honing the art of bargain shopping

By Susan Malanche

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Opinion

Gender-segregation doesn’t reflect the real world

We do not allow separating boys and girls ignores other factors that help students succeed and may make it harder for both genders to survive in a world that — surprise — is co-ed.

Still, completely separating boys and girls ignores other factors that help students succeed and may make it harder for both genders to survive in a world that — surprise — is co-ed.

dead and doesn’t account for other factors, like small classes and schools, good teaching skills, parent involvement and curriculum choices that contribute to achievement. Classmates don’t solely influence how well students do in school.

For example, elementary school teachers are more likely to call on boys and praise boys’ comments, according to a study in “Finding fairness: How America’s School cheat Girls.” Teachers may take note of comments to treat all students fairly. If they don’t succumb as often to outtimes from attention-needy youngsters, all students have more chances to participate.

Women and men live and work together. Unless children in single-sex education settings live outside society, they might be disadvantaged in college and beyond as they try to relate to the opposite sex. Male and female students do think and act differently, but the world functions best when the strengths of both genders are combined. Test scores may improve with separation, but the social consequences of academic excellence aren’t worth it in the long run.

What’s more, U.S. schools wouldn’t accept separating children based on ethnicity, though each culture has its own unique set of customs and may have an ideal learning setting. Racial segregation in public schools was abolished in 1954 with Brown v. Board of Education on the basis that separate is inherently unequal.

It seems that gender segregation would be illegal too, but that’s not the case. According to an exception to Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, single-sex educational facilities are open in public schools, as long as both sexes have comparable courses, services and facilities. Despite this, real gains, fairly sized classes and involving parents is a better way to teach students that doesn’t shatter them from the reality of a co-ed society.

Whitney Kellogg is a journalism senior and Summer Mustang staff writer.

Media steps over line in church scandals

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But if church officials were considered public figures before the controversy, they should have been aware of this. It’s not isolated, sensational incidents.

If the driver in a fatal hit and run made a comparable position, chances are, it would not be a national news story. A school principal or an executive of a company may have made the front page of a local paper, but not a national one.

To drive home the severity of the punishment, and the punishment that the bishop should endure, the bishop should be made to deal with Maricopa County just weeks before to avoid indictment on charges that he failed to report sexual misconduct by priests that the archdiocese has failed. Maybe this story deserves a little blurb in the summary section of a news story. After all, it is not news-worthy enough to gather the national attention it has. The bishop should not be considered a public figure, his media is just another man. Although he is an official in the Catholic church, the public would not have considered him a public figure until recently. Yes, it is shocking to see that a person who represents a religious group has committed such crimes. But what have we really learned from this story that we couldn’t live without knowing? Not a whole lot. The media needs to remember where news ends and entertainment begins.

Cathy Ayers is a journalism senior and Summer Mustang staff writer.

Letter to the editor

Bicyclists illiterate, don’t know English

To the editor,

In response to Professor Devore, (“Bikes must not be violated,” June 4) I am a cyclist who sometimes cycles in the no bike zone. Maybe I can enlighten you to our reasons for our careless reckless behavior. I could spend paragraphs explaining and analyzing each possible combination of why we would do something so incredibly bad, but because I’d rather not bore you with inconsequential details that won’t convince you anyway, I’ll just give one reason . . . we can’t read. We can’t even read the signs with the picture of the bike crossed out. Oh, and we don’t know English either so don’t waste your breath.

I am guilty of attempting to think for myself in the past. Since June 4, (when the article was printed) I am a believer. Mind you, because of the convincing arguments of Devore. I vow to never bike in the no bike zone and will now drive the 0.25 mile to school everyday because we hate cyclists and need someone to tell the parking lot.

Lindsay Koester is a biology senior.

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and Mission Produce employee, has been working on the development of the campus orchard. He said Mission Produce has already hired two student interns.

Mission Produce is a privately owned company, with annual sales of approximately $130 million per year. Cal Poly will receive proceeds from the avocado sales at the end of each season, Shelton said. However, the orchard will not be ready to harvest for at least three years, he said.

Mission Produce has been preparing the land for planting for almost a year, Roads said.

According to the Web site, Cal Poly’s agriculture program, the fourth largest in the nation, is an excellent showcase for the avocado orchard. In addition to a large agriculture program, the climate on the central coast is ideal for an orchard, as avocados thrive between Mexico and the Cuesta grade. “Since Cal Poly is unable to produce on the same scale as Mission, we could not provide students with this same experience through state funds,” Shelton said.

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dates back more than 2,500 years. Ragsdale said he hopes to use the award and his experience in Rome as a “spring board” for further studies. He plans to continue teaching at Cal Poly as a tenure track professor and is intent on integrating his experience into the classroom when he returns.

For Dale Sutliff, the department head of landscape architecture, Ragsdale is an invaluable member of the faculty, whose interests “ dovetail” with those of the department, noting Ragsdale’s current research focusing on the reconstruction of damaged sites. He anticipates Ragsdale’s return to Cal Poly, where he will assume a “lead role” in educating students who represent the future of landscape architecture.

“We hired him almost two years ago because we saw his great capabilities and potential and he’s proven the case since he’s been here,” he said. “He’s a very astute and knowledgeable person in terms of working with the students. He’s the kind of guy who steps in and goes to work.”

Sutliff views the Rome Prize as the most prestigious award in the arts and humanities. The award for supports both highly accomplished professionals, as well as those “on the upswing” in their respective fields, he said.

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Landscape architecture department head

“Over the years, the people that win are noted practitioners from lofty institutions like Harvard and Berkeley,” Sutliff said. “So, it’s a real coup for both him and the college, but I’m not surprised.”

Although Ragsdale admits he’s “stumbled into” his profession as an undergraduate at University of California at Berkeley, he is obviously passionate about what he does. He earned his master’s in landscape architecture from the University of Virginia, where he taught before returning to California and resuming his teaching career at Cal Poly in January 2002. His professional work has included involvement in the site landscape at the Getty Center in Los Angeles and San Francisco’s AT&T Park.

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Summer Mustang

College players get Blues over summer

By Jessica Hoffman

The Blues are back in San Luis Obispo. No, not the blues featuring lost loves and wailing guitars, but the summer baseball team. As a member of the California Coastal Collegiate League, the team includes college players from all over the country and some of Cal Poly and Cuesta’s best players. The six-team league also includes the Monterey Woffpack and Blues’s rivals, the Santa Barbara Barracudas.

Tim Golden, owner and general manager of the Blues, said the team gives college players the opportunity to play in a professional setting.

"The guys see the team to get better," Golden said. "It gives them the opportunity to play and show what they have to offer to college and professional coaches who watch the games."

Although the league gives collegiate athletes exposure to a professional atmosphere, it is drawn so nothing can be misconstrued as an incentive or bribe.

"It’s dangerous to use the term "semi-professional" because any abuse such as even us buying them dinner can jeopardize their amateur status with a college team," Golden said. "We give them hot dogs after the games, but maybe we shouldn’t even be doing that. We just want to take care of our boys."

While some players see the Blues as one more mile on the road to Major League Baseball, many players use the exposure of the team to be recruited from junior colleges to universities. First baseman Chris Webber has just finished his second year at Cuesta College and said he hopes to be noticed by a university while playing for the Blues.

"I’m moving onto a state college next year and the Blues are a great stepping stone for me," he said. "You’re hoping as a junior college player in the summer league to get exposure."

The summer season culminates to the World Series in Wichita, Kan.

"We finished third in the country last year in Wichita, this year I expect to go back to Wichita and do even better," Golden said. "The Coastal League is one of the best leagues in the United States."

The team has played more than 20 games so far this season and won over half of them.

"We have a really good team, but not everyone is playing their best right now, but we are going to pick up," Webber said. "The hitting is contagious, the better everyone plays, it catches on."

Jarek Krakow, assistant coach for the Blues, agrees.

"We’ve got a great core of guys and we’re just going to get better this summer," Krakow said.

Within the team, Golden adds, there are a few players that add a certain twist to the game.

Adam Moore, for instance, a catcher from Northeast Texas Community College, has been drafted in the 26th round by the Dodgers. He can throw a ball from home plate to second base in 1.9 seconds and hit a .380 this year.

"That kid throws the crap out of a ball," Krakow said.

Fellow Texan and teammate, Zach Duncan, is one of the Blues most promising pitchers.

"(Duncan) throws a fastball, curve, slider and a change-up," Krakow said. "He’s a typical Texas tough guy and isn’t afraid of hitting anybody.

The Blues play at the San Luis Obispo baseball Stadium in Sinsheimer Park off Southwood Drive in San Luis Obispo. For a game schedule, roster and contact information, visit www.bluesbaseball.com.

Poly cross country team gets new head coach

Former Olympic contender aims to bring team to NCAA top spot

By Nadea Mina

Cal Poly cross country assistant coach, Mark Conover, received some great news earlier this month when it was announced he will be the new head coach for both the men’s and women’s cross country teams.

Conover, a Cal Poly alumnus, is in his seventh year coaching for Cal Poly. He was on many triathlon teams and also on a team that competed for an Olympic spot.

"I believe this promotion is nice and it validates what I have been doing at Poly for the past seven years," Conover said.

Former head coach Terry Crawford said Conover’s promotion is a step in the right direction for the team.

"This change is the result of the hard work and impact that Mark has had with the cross country program. Crawford said in a press release, "It’s great to reward his efforts and know that the teams will continue to compete at a national level."

Crawford will still remain as the director for track and field, Conover said.

Rachel Lange, kinesiology senior, is a member of the cross country team.

"I think it is a good idea to have Mark as head coach because he has more experience with distance running," Lange said. "I mean he has tried out to be in the Olympics, he has what it takes."

Ryan Moorecroft, graphic communication senior, is one of the runners Conover has impacted. He said he respected anyone who devoted their time to cross country like Conover and that a long distance runner is the right one for the job.

"I think (Crawford’s) decision about stepping down was wise," Moorecroft said. "It gives her less stress and more time to worry about being a sprinting coach and working hard with the track team."

Conover said he hopes his team will bring more Big West titles to Cal Poly.

In 1988, Conover was the US Olympic Trials champion in the marathon, which he said lends him some extra credibility with the runners.

"On the guy’s side, we will continue with the momentum and by winning the conference and being in the top 25 of all NCAA teams—" Conover said. "I believe we have some potential."

To do this, the team has recruited Phillip Reed, a top high school runner, and top junior college runner Mario Macias, Conover said.

Moorecroft said it is up to the team to win meets.

"Our team has great guys who are awesome runners," Moorecroft said. "We have more experience now and we have lots of potential to compete nationally."

Mark Conover
new cross country head coach

Cal Poly cross country assistant coach Mark Conover was recently promoted to the team’s head coach. Conover is a Cal Poly alumnus.