List of upcoming activities on campus.

What: IBM Information Day
Where: Today 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Where: UU Chumash Auditorium
More Info: Call Teresa Morgan at 756-5980

What: Society of Automotive Engineers, Dr. Delagrammatikas will speak on hybrid vehicle design.
When: Today, 11 a.m.
Where: Bldg. 52, Room E27
More Info: Call Justin Jang at 459-1743 or email jang@calpoly.edu

What: Mathematics Colloquium Series
When: Friday, 4 p.m.
Where: Bldg. 38, Room 148
More Info: Call Francesca Fairbrother at 756-6535

What: "The Peace Process in the Middle East - From Oslo to Jenin."
Expert David Meir-Levi to speak on the situation in the Middle East.
Today, 11 a.m.
More Info: Call the box office at 756-2787

What: ASI Events.
First leisure trip to Getty Museum and Westwood
When: Sign up by Wednesday for event on Nov. 8 at 8 a.m.
Call Francesca Fairbrother at 756-2245

What: Students speak on campus issues
Why do you want to be on 'The Real World?'

"I want to be famous and get girls."
— Alden Orgain, math senior

"I don't know. I'm up for new kinds of stuff."
— Brandon Ocampo, business junior

College costs up 40 percent
By Steve Gigerich
ASSOCIATED PRESS

Steady increases in the cost of going to college have worsened in recent years as cash-strapped states have cut back on education funding, according to a new report that says tuition and fees at the nation's four-year colleges are up more than 40 percent from a decade ago.

The College Board's annual Trends in College Pricing study, released Tuesday, revealed that public two- and four-year schools, which rely more on government money, have been particularly hard hit.

David Ward, the president of the American Council on Education — which represents the nation's leading higher education institutions — called the findings troublesome.

"We are in the middle of a very difficult period in financing higher education,"

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He described his teaching method as visual.

"Try to paint word pictures in the hopes that students find it easier to learn," he said.

At least one student dropped the class because he found it more difficult to learn. Agricultural science senior Scott Stebner was excited to have Fantin for a professor.

"I was shocked when first saw him, but I’m a visual learner, and he whole class was verbal," Stebner said.

Stebner eventually dropped the class. Fantin has since incorporated visual aids for the students.

"I’ve been having the students write formulas up on the board," he said. "This is my first time teaching this class, and I think that next quarter I’ll see how they do with handouts to read along with." John Maxwell, department of chemistry and biochemistry chair, recommended Fantin for employment at Cal Poly.

"What better general education experience can there be than chemistry taught by a blind person?" Maxwell said. Fantin said his blindness afforded him a unique opportunity.

"Chemistry is chemistry," he said. "My responsibility as a blind scientist is to get the expert questioner." Fantin's unique situation also had a profound effect on his decisions to question the status quo outside the classroom.

"I was able to do most of the theoretical work, and had a graduate assistant actually place the laser," Fantin said. "I was intimately involved in every detail of the project." Fantin's unique situation also had a profound effect on his decisions to question the status quo outside the classroom. He worked with San Francisco State to help set up programs to accommodate students with varying disabilities. Fantin most recently spent time in satellite offices of the former Soviet Union helping their universities organize programs that enable students with disabilities.

"One student was brilliant," he said. "She was at the top of her class, but she was blind and completely dependent on someone to lead her around by the arm. We Americans take it for granted that blind people learn independent mobility, but that’s not the case."

In addition to his current duties, Fantin helps Cal Poly's student affairs department with grant writing and getting external funding. Perhaps it was this desire to help others that led Fantin to teach. "I did research for the majority of my career," he said. "But I think I reached a point where I was more down to teaching."

It all comes down to the chemistry of people in the end. "I enjoy being able to relate to my students," he said. "I help them cope with scientific material that I enjoy anyway."
NEW DELHI — India unveiled major proposals Wednesday to improve relations with Pakistan, expanding travel and reunions between families. Pakistan saw some positive elements but expressed disappoint- ment as the talks fail to include negotiations with Islamabad on Kashmir. Although formal talks between the leaders of the two South Asian nations are still off, the proposals cover human concerns such as allowing athletes to compete in India-Pakistan cricket matches and letting fishermen go about their trade without fear of arrest.

The pronouncements by Foreign Minister Yashwant Sinha were the most extensive efforts so far to heal the wounds from a December 2001 attack on India's parliament complex. New Delhi blamed Pakistan-based militants for the attack, which killed 14 people, and instead Islamabad's spy agency was behind the plot.

JERUSALEM — Israel rejected an overwhelming call by the United Nations to dismantle a massive barrier being built in the West Bank, with a top official dismissing the U.N.-General Assembly on Wednesday as hostile to the Jewish state.

Israel says the wall is needed to keep suicide bombers out of the country. The Palestinians say Israel is using the barrier as a pretext to take Palestinian land.

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq's ambush bombs struck Wednesday in the center of Baghdad and in the tense Sunni Muslim area west of the capital, rocking U.S. Army convoys with roadside bombs.

The attack in Baghdad inflicted only light casualties, a U.S. officer at the scene reported. Witnesses said four Americans were carried away on stretchers in an attack on a three-vehicle convoy on the western end of the flashpoint city of Fallujah, but there was no comment from U.S. officials. Local residents cheered and toasted one of the vehicles abandoned in the attack.

SYDNEY, Australia — A tadpole-shaped fossil, believed to be the oldest vertebrate ever found, has been uncovered by a farmer in a rugged range of hills in southern Australia, a museum paleontologist said Wednesday.

The fossil, of a 2.56-inch fishlike animal is believed to be at least 560 million years old _ 30 million years older than the previous record.

The latest fossil was discovered in sandstone in the Flinders Ranges in South Australia state, an area well known for its abundance of fossils. The exact location of the find is being kept secret.

— Associated Press

NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Thursday, October 23, 2003

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To us, imagination has always represented the most exciting frontier. At Northrop Grumman, we use the power of imagination to push our defense and aerospace capabilities years into the future. With projects ranging from the Firehawk VTOL unmanned surveillance craft to the C4ISR systems that will control the network-centric battlefields of the future, we think there are plenty of areas left to explore. Join us and discover a place where the adventures are just beginning. To view our current opportunities, please visit our website at: www.definingthefuture.com U.S. Citizenship required for most positions. An Equal Opportunity Employer M/F/D/V.

California Faculty Association salutes Cal Poly’s hard-working lecturers during Campus Equity Week.

- **Campus Equity Week** is an international event designed to increase awareness of the challenges which contingent faculty face.
- **Contingent faculty**, also known as lecturers, are denied the job security which tenure provides.
- **Since lecturers** are often hired on a part-time basis, many lecturers are forced to teach at several different institutions.
- **These “freeway flyers”** are often denied health and retirement benefits.

To learn more about these issues—and to find out what CFA is doing to improve the working conditions of lecturers—please join us for these Campus Equity Week events:

**Tuesday, October 28, 11:10 A.M., Bldg. 21, Room 238:** CFA will be showing “Degrees of Shame,” a documentary about part-time lecturers.

**Thursday, October 30, 11:10 A.M.-1:00 P.M., Vallarta’s Restaurant (corner of Grand and Monterey):** Fall Quarter Lecturers Lunch, with special guests Elizabeth Hoffman (CFA statewide Vice President for Lecturers) and John Hess (CFA Lecturers Council Field Staff).

**RSVP for lunch** by calling CFA at 756-2717, or e-mail cfa@calpoly.edu. Elizabeth Hoffman and John Hess will hold office hours at the CFA office (38-141) after lunch; please feel free to stop by.
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fall quarter, the advising center held 967 appointments, compared to 250 in the fall of 2001, according to the dean’s report. “The students now have a more timely service,” Cett said. “Now we have service on demand.”

The advising center had two academic advisers before the student fee increase. The college was also able to provide more lab support for its students. With the academic fees, 39 student workers were hired to work in the computing services labs and industrial technology labs.

Smart room technology was a major addition to the college last year. Three classrooms were updated and equipped with Internet and large-screen projectors. The college plans to spend an additional $77,000 on new equipment this year.

The OCOB student fee committee provided recommendations on how the money should be spent.

Bush film festival to reveal negative times in his life

By Samantha Yale
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

President Bush will be in the hot seat as spectators take a peek into his past, examine his family life and question his motives in office.

The Truth about Bush Film Festival is a series of short animated films and documentaries with a critical take on the president put forward by HopeDance, a local Democratic publisher.

The festival will take place Thursday and Friday at 7 p.m. and Saturday at 5:30 p.m. in the conference room adjacent to the San Luis Obispo Public Library. Tickets can be purchased through www.hopedance.org and cost $5 per film slot or $20 for the weekend.

The event is co-sponsored by the Cal Poly Progressive Student Alliance.

Each day includes different documentaries and cartoons, among them “God vs. Evil: The Theology of Bush,” and “The Carlyle Group,” which is “a shocking documentary that uncovers the subversion of America’s democracy,” according to the HopeDance Web site.

Another documentary, “Horns and Halos,” was a winner at a New York film festival.

“I wanted to show a lot of documentaries about who Bush is,” Bob Ranner, director of HopeDance, said.

Ranner said he found Bush documentaries on Dutch TV, and the BBC that interested him.

He said he was then inspired to hold a film festival, combining such documentaries with animated films. “They’re very creative, very powerful,” Ranner said. “Some are mixed with humor and terror.”

He said the films will demonstrate that censorship and book banning still happen in the United States.

Ranner said he knows that many of the people who come to the film festival will already agree with what he’s trying to prove.

“A lot of people criticize me for preaching to the choir,” he said.

But he said not everyone is fully informed as to the happenings of the Bush administration.

“There’s a lot of people who are critical of Bush who don’t know about the Carlyle group,” he said.

Ranner maintained that the films are not that controversial.

“People are already angry at me, and it’s not a big deal,” he said. “It’s basically just to educate people.”

Ranner said he thinks the films will especially interest students.

“I can inspire young people to be film makers, to get the truth out,” Kyle Richardson, agriculture business freshman, said he would not attend the film festival.

“I don’t like people bagging on our president. Take it to the poles,” he said.

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Parents talk to kids about dangers of Ecstasy

By Jennifer C. Kerr

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Parents must become "information junkies when it comes to knowing all that they can about the drugs that will cross the paths of their children," said Patton, who wore a button with a picture of her smiling daughter.

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The organization released a survey in which 92 percent of parents interviewed said they had heard about Ecstasy, and an overwhelming majority said they saw the drug as a great risk. But despite that finding, only one in four said they talked a lot with their children about Ecstasy.

Parents are far more likely to discuss cigarettes, alcohol, pot or drugs in general with their kids, the survey found.

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Ecstasy is a synthetic drug considered part hallucinogen and part amphetamine that has been linked to brain, heart and kidney damage. It became popular over the past decade at dance parties known as "raves."

The television ads will run nationwide and on cable channels such as MTV, or Comedy Central that are popular with kids. Cable provider Comcast is also providing $50 million worth of air time over three years.

For the partnership's study, 1,228 parents nationwide were surveyed in face-to-face interviews. The study, which was conducted by the New York-based RoperASW market research firm, had a margin of error of plus or minus 2.5 percentage points.

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The ocean’s tranquil blue immerses reflects in the creativity of local artists, many of whom will come together this Saturday for the San Luis Bay Surfrider Foundation’s Free-Fall Art Benefit.

"It brings artists together as a body of representatives in a non-intrusive way to give viewers a chance to see and appreciate the ocean’s beautiful natural landscape," Mike Larson, art and design graduate, said.

The show will feature the work of more than 40 Central Coast artists, a silent auction, art sales, live music and food and drink. Admission is free for the event, which takes place at the Cayucos Veterans Hall on the Cayucos Pier from 11 a.m. until 4 p.m.

The list of featured artists includes globally recognized artists like Christian Enns and Easter Island native tiki artist Luis Tepano. The artists featured use a variety of media, ranging from oil paintings, sculpture, photography and cinematography and jewelry.

The artwork will vary in price from $10 to $1,000, mainly featuring but not limited to ocean life, waves, surfing and coastal landscapes.

"This upcoming show is important for the local art scene as well as Surfrider," said art and design alumnus Mike Larson. "It brings artists together as a body of representatives in a non-intrusive way to give viewers a chance to see and appreciate the ocean’s beautiful natural landscape, to make you think and realize why it’s important to take care of its existing environment."

The Surfrider Foundation is a nationally and globally recognized non-profit environmental organization whose mission is directed to the protection and enjoyment of the world’s oceans, waves and beaches through conservation, activism, research and education.

The San Luis Bay chapter is putting on the event to get the organization and their environmental issues more widely known and raise funds to support ongoing projects such as water testing, storm drain stenciling and beach clean-ups.

"Free Fall is more than a fundraising event," said Matthew Fleming, president of the local chapter. "It’s a venue to highlight the artists’ works that capture the incredible beauty of the coastline."

The show will feature classic surf tunes by Cayucos band "The Wave Hogs" and ukulele players "Island Time" from Shell Beach.

The idea of putting together an art benefit show came last April when journalism senior Nikki Elder, a Surfrider intern, wanted to come up with a way to promote the organization to the community.

Fleming always envisioned putting together this type of event, and now the dream has come true.

"The most challenging part of the event is fitting it all together, because we had nothing to refer to on what works and what does not," Elder said. "But I am so passionate about the event, I love what I am doing, I love the ocean, I love surfing and I love art, and that makes all the work pay off."

Artists will donate a piece of artwork to the silent auction and 10 to 50 percent of the proceeds will go to the San Luis Bay Surfrider Foundation.

At this weekend’s Surfrider Foundation Free-Fall Art Benefit, the work of local artists — including Charlie Clingman, whose painting “Slash” is shown above — will be showcased and featured in a silent auction. Surf musicians will also perform at the event.
Does the mess (or lack thereof) you live in affect your mental well-being?

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CLEAN VS. DIRTY

Standards of living either refined or denied at college

College: The seven-letter culture shock that leaves you hangering for Mom's chicken casseroles, as well as her magical ability to outdo Mr. Clean. But reality has set in. Mom is not going to prepare your meals, wash your dirty dishes or launder your linens.

Whether you can sweep and mop with the best of them or are incapable of cleanliness, you are sure to encounter your evil opposite at one point in your student career. How you deal with the situation is up to you.

Neat freak Jessica Jacobson, a graphic communication junior who lives with three other women, immediately decided to devise a roommate cleaning schedule, which she said has worked well.

"Their rooms are disasters but they keep the rest of the house pretty clean," Jacobson said. "Their dishes tend to pile up in the sink during the week but when the weekend comes, they usually do them."

When the mess develops into a nuisance, sometimes she will ignore her irritation and clean up after her roommate if she feels the mess isn't outrageous.

"Now that I'm obsessed with cleanliness, I can't stand messiness," Jacobson said. "When I was younger I was called Messy J sess," she said. As a child she never cleaned up after herself until junior high, when her parents decided she needed more responsibility and assigned her chores. Her biggest pet peeve is when some­one uses the last of the toilet tissue and doesn't replace it. Besides a bathroom without toilet paper, she can't stand her former roommates' habits.

"My old roommate would finish her milk carton and leave it in the fridge for weeks," Jacobson said.

Dirty dishes are definitely No. 1 on Jessica Montgomery's pet peeve list.

"I do laundry only when I need clean underwear," Dowar said. He also procrustates washing his sheets because laundry is his most dreaded task when it comes to cleanliness.

"When I was at home my mom would always clean up after me," he said. Now he only cleans his room when he can no longer walk through it, he said.

"If I had to keep my room clean all the time, I wouldn't be happy," he said. Luckily his roommate is similar to him in this regard so there is little con­flict.

There is no set cleaning schedule for Dowar and his three roommates.

"When someone feels like cleaning, they just do it," he said.

"My old roommate would finish her milk carton and leave it in the fridge for weeks," Jacobson said. Dowar doesn’t get that urge very often, he said. His roommate will usually nag him about how bad their George Foreman grill smells because he neglected to clean it.

"I don’t do dishes often enough for it to bother me," Dowar said.

Usually one of his other roommates will do them all at the end of the day. The question is: is this disorganization and dirtiness related to personality? Child development professor Margaret Berrio said, who has studied how children function for 20 years.

"If there is too much in the room, it can over-stimulate the children," Berrio said. "If the toys are strewn around, they will not want to play with them."

She said this kind of training helps the children develop orderly behavior habits.

Personality definitely affects how people arrange things in a room, interior designer Francis Van De Venter of San Luis Obispo firm Harmony Design Interiors said.

"If there is an art of psychology that goes along with interior design," Van De Venter said. "I have one client whose personality is such that she loves everything. She could not narrow it down and make decisions.

"And then there are those that like to be involved in every step of the process. They require detailed progress reports at every stage, Van De Venter said. "Their personality affects how much they want to know about what I am doing," she said.

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After leaving the friendly confines of home for the jungle of college life, many students lose touch with their old friend Mr. Clean. Being away from home for the first time often is the defining period for a person to become a neat freak or a slob.

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Opinion

Senses speak universal language

By kiwi is never easy, and I’m not just talking about the tasteless vegetables, scary clothes, violent football games and other everyday childhood horrors. There’s one big thing that strikes fear into every pint-sized heart at some time or another: Kids often feel like they don’t fit in.

We were all young at some point, so I’m sure you know what I mean. Remember when you were playing on the jungle gym by yourself, while all your classmates were playing on the merry-go-round together? Yeah, that was tough too. You probably felt even more awkward at that time. What’s not to say that growing up bilingual is a bad thing, of course, on the contrary, once I got older, I saw how it gave me a lot of advantages in life. But when the school bully is picking on you just because you’re different, you don’t think about the long term; you just want to be accepted.

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That requirement was simply based on common sense and courtesy,” Reagan told the Omaha World Herald. “... how will she learn any of the Hispanic cultural values if explained in a language she is unable to speak?”

As we all know, there are a lot of people in Los Angeles speaking Spanish as a first language, so the case has a lot of relevance here. We also have a lot of Korean, Chinese and Japanese speakers. (For the record, I grew up speaking German and even though we German speakers are a tiny minority, there are more of us than you would think.)

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Letters to the editor

Thanks for the crossword puzzle

Editor,

I was pleasantly surprised to see that The New York Times crossword was included in the Oct. 20 edition of Mustang Daily. While I rarely, if ever, get half a newspaper puzzle done, I always enjoy the attempt. I hope the local JPEG crosses the line in more than one occasion.

Amanda Cohen is a mathematics junior.

CPCR has a history of insensitivity

Editor,

As Mustang Daily reported last Oct. 17, former Cal Poly College Republicans President Steve Hinkle is suing Cal Poly for an unspecified amount of money over the MCC (Multicultural Center) flier controversy that happened last spring. I was disappointed to see that Mustang Daily covered only one side of the issue and essentially repeated CPCR’s version of the events verbatim with no context given.

A little investigation into Mustang Daily’s own archive will reveal that CPCR has a history of belligerence and insensitivity when it comes to racial issues here on campus. In fact, they have crossed the line in more than one occasion in the past.

Last February, CPCR invited conservative African American speaker named Reginald Jones. The flyers that CPCR used to promote the event featured racially divisive language and were presented in such poor taste that Jones himself said he did not approve when it came time for him to speak at the event. One of the flyers said “in your face,” as if trying to mimic the response of Cal Poly minority students. Another was Jones was the “White Liberal’s Worst Nightmare.” CPCR’s president tried to deny that Jones ever spoke out against the club but the Mustang Daily reporter and numerous honest conservatives who attended the event could all point to the record straight to subtle negatives to Mustang Daily.

Shortly after Sept. 11, 2001, CPCR engaged in several other despicable acts that were officially denounced by the university. Flies glorifying the bombing of Afghans and making fun of Arabic attire popped up all over campus. CPCR put the names and pictures of several members of the Progressive Student Alliance on their Web site under the heading “Enemies of the United States.” Some of these flyers had a target drawn on them and were linked to personal information about the individuals. They even attempted to deport a member of the FSA who is studying at Cal Poly on a valid visa. See http://www.calpoly.edu/~akhosmood for the remainder of this letter.

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The J-Spot

by Jim Whitaker

Wednesday, October 23, 2003

Speaking of the relationship and answer section of the RC T is over and you have not yet managed to defeat your truth-seeking hook-up buddy, you will have

Johnny Osler is a writer for the Daily Trojan at University of Southern California.

The image of feces is cute/
Opinion

Affirmative action for conservatives

It seems bizarre, but some conservatives are now clamoring for affirmative action in higher education. They say they can't get a good education without it. But they don't want affirmative action for minorities, or for anyone else who wants it. They want it for themselves.

A group calling itself Students for Academic Freedom launched a campaign this summer to paint higher education as a place where conservatives are unfairly denied a voice. It's now almost impossible, the group says, for conservative thinkers to get jobs in academia. And evidently, beleaguered conservative students can hardly make it through a semester anymore without having to battle against the intellectual shackles of left-wing indoctrination.

Commentary

The group's founder, David Madsen, and his co-organizer, Ann Horowitz, has proposed an "Academic Bill of Rights" calling for university guidelines on ideological grounds. Horowitz hopes universities will adopt the guidelines voluntarily, but just in case, the group plans to "appeal to governors and state legislators to strike The Academic Bill of Rights into educational policy and law." This summer, Horowitz met with legislators in Colorado to promote just such a law.

In a similar vein, the Young Conservatives of Texas announced last week they are compiling a "watchlist" of professors at UT who are "more interested in indoctrination than education," or who write "questionable reading material." The watchlist is intended, YCT says, as a service to help students plan their degrees more efficiently. Theoretically, it will include both left-wing and right-wing professors.

YCT hasn't publicly drawn any connection between its watchlist and the Students for Academic Freedom campaign, but both are based on the same assumption: If you're not "right," you're wrong. The "academic freedom" movement certainly attempts to do that. But honestly, it's too hard to take seriously.

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More letters to the editor

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Put down your drinks ladies, you are inviting unwanted guests. Apparently, it is not thought that if men were not to drink in excess, there might be less rape occurrences. In both cases, alcohol blankets start the condom long before sex is even thought. Women also perpetuate the concept of excess and rationalizations for rape. I hope Murphy's comment is ignored, and it does not add to the already towering misconceptions of male and female social behavior.

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Jeremy Edwards is a writer for the Daily Texan at the University of Texas-Austin.

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News

States attempt to poach California's businesses

By Gillian Flaccus

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PORTLAND, Ore. — With California reeling from the recall campaign and struggling to right its foundering economy, Oregon and other states are stepping up to try to lure some of its businesses away.

Two days after the recall election, Oregon Democratic Gov. Ted Kulongoski mailed letters to 250 California businesses, urging them to consider moving to a state with a "clean, green and healthy reputation," lower workers' compensation taxes and less regulation.

"It's always terrible when you take advantage of a sister state in difficult times," Kulongoski said in an interview. "But the truth of it is, I've been talking to a number of people for some time about the advantages Oregon has as a place to do business."

At least half a dozen states have approached businesses in California, trying to capitalize on the political instability and the economic problems that led to Gov. Gray Davis' removal.

The most aggressive recruiters have been neighboring Oregon and Nevada, but states from Idaho to Texas have joined in. Howard Roth, chief economist for the California Finance Department, did not return repeated calls for comment on attempts to poach some of the state's businesses.

Arnold Schwarzenegger's election as governor has created optimism among the state's business leaders that California is going to turn things around. And the states trying to lure away businesses from California may find that many industries are more interested in moving jobs overseas than out of state.

California does not keep records on how many of its 1 million businesses leave for other states, but Nevada has attracted up to 35 this past year and Oregon up to 25.

During the recall campaign, Schwarzenegger repeatedly charged that California was losing businesses under Davis.

California's tax rate is 24 percent higher than the national average, and workers' compensation rates have increased fourfold since 1999. The state has an 88 billion deficit and the lowest credit rating in the nation. Also, Davis signed a bill two days before the recall that would require employers to offer health insurance to more than 1.1 million employees and their families.

"California has become one of the worst places to do business, not only in the United States but around the world," Chuck Mulloy, computer chip manufacturer spokesperson for months, said Wall Street downgraded Oregon's bond rating.

"You keep hearing about California and how bad things are," said Christopher Thornberg, a senior economist with UCLA Anderson Forecast. "But there's no evidence that California is doing any worse than anyone else."

In addition, an increasing number of companies that chose to expand do so in developing countries, where costs are lower. Many California high-tech companies are expanding in India, China, Russia and Southeast Asia. According to the research firm Gartner Inc., about one in 10 technology jobs will move overseas by the end of next year.

"We've said in the past five years that strategically we must invest in those markets that are growing," Mulloy said. "The U.S. work force will remain relatively flat, but we will invest overseas."

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Analysts point out that California's economy is no worse than the nation's. In many ways, California is stronger than some of the states staking its business. In his letter, Kulongoski also mentioned that Oregon has had the highest unemployment rate in the nation for nearly two years and its Legislature has struggled to plug a multi-million-dollar budget hole by cutting spending and proposing $800 million in new taxes.

Oregon's unemployment rate now stands at 5 percent, versus 6.6 percent in California. In recent


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By Rob Gloster
AP SPORTS WRITER

US Olympic and professional athletes have been invited to testify before a federal grand jury in San Francisco.

USATF, the national governing body for track and field in America, has scheduled a meeting in December to discuss its new anti-doping policy.

USA Track & Field proposed a new anti-doping plan Wednesday that would substantially increase penalties and fines for athletes who use banned drugs, including lifetime bans for first steroid offenses.

The "zero-tolerance" plan was uninvited and potential involving athletes using a previously undetectable steroid, and just days after the U.S. Olympic Committee gave USATF a month to deal with its doping and athlete conduct issues or face possibly being deactivated.

The USATF hopes to adopt the policy at its next scheduled meeting in December. Chief executive officer Craig Masback said the tougher new rules are "tightened with an admission on our part that we have not done everything we could have done in the past."

Masback said sent a letter to the leaders of major U.S. sports asking them to join in the growing battle against drugs, saying "the situation in which we find ourselves is not a track and field problem or a baseball problem, but an American problem."

The proposed USATF plan would significantly increase the current two-year suspension for a first steroid offense. Masback said such a plan would not be retroactive, which means athletes that tested positive for steroids before the new designer steroid, THG, will not face a lifetime ban.

A doctor associated with BALCO was the one who supplied White with the stimulant modafinil, which White said she took for the sleep disorder narcolepsy. White tested positive for modafinil during this summer's World Championships, putting her gold medals in the 100 and 200 meters at risk.

On Monday, NFL spokesman Greg Sullivan said the league might reject its samples for the presence of THG. Steroid use is banned by the NFL, but an American problem."
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Sports

Women's golf finishes 14th at Aztec

REBECCA NORRIS OVERCOMES POOR START TO CLOSE WITH SCHOOL-RECORD ROUND

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Even a record-setting performance could not help the Cal Poly women's golf team improve their standing at the Lady Aztec Invitational.

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VOLLEYBALL HITS THE ROAD

SPORTS INFORMATION REPORT

Volleyball team will conclude its four-match road trip with two matches this weekend.

Molly Duncan will lead the Cal Poly volleyball team as they hit the road for Big West Conference play.

FILE PHOTO/MUSTANG DAILY

A tight-knit running pack

By John Pierson

Head cross country coach Mark Conover has been coaching at Cal Poly since 1994. During that time, the team has won the Big West conference three years in a row. But that wasn’t enough for Conover; he was looking to do more.

Last year, Conover did just that, bringing in Ryan Mcxircroft, Sean Ricketts, Ben Bruce and from San Diego Mesa to state championships in 2000 and 2001.

“Mr. Bautista may have played a part in that. He really understands how to develop a runner, how to train us together but separately. We have nothing to prove to each other.”

Conover added.

Conover had no apprehensions about bringing four talented athletes from the same team to a new one.

“I was a time when the team needed a shot in the arm, and they provided that,” Conover said.

“They’re wonderful students of the sport; they take care of all the details they need to. They were taught well and coachable from the get-go,” he said.

“Bautista brought all in,” Conover said. “He really understood how to develop a runner, how to train us together but separately. We started running at a higher level because of it.”

Bautista also helped open the door to Cal Poly for the four runners through his friendship with Conover.

“I’ve known Mark since he beat me for the national championships my senior year in college,” Bautista said.

In summer 2001, Conover brought Mcxircroft, Ricketts, Swier and Bruce to Cal Poly for a recruiting trip.

“At that point, Cal Poly was turning around its track and field and cross-country programs, and I hoped the four guys could help them get over the hump,” Bautista said. “I’ve seen them run before, but those are the best four I’ve ever seen.”

There is little tension between the four and the rest of the team, despite their talent and their connection from a previous team.

“We’ve raced each other, though as a team, that’s not a problem,” Bruce said. “If you have an off day and the rest of the team runs well it makes your bad race not as bad.”

“Everybody understands each other,” Ricketts said. “We have nothing to prove to each other.”

“We prove it to the other teams,” Bruce said.

Confidence: Fact or fiction?

The $525,000 man was all smiles Tuesday at the athletics department’s weekly press conference.

Men’s basketball coach Kevin Bromley swung into room 201 of Mart Gym beaming as bright as a Broadway marquee. Whereas most coaches pace cautiously to the desk set up in front of media, Bromley shook the hand of every reporter around, introducing himself to those he didn’t know.

The man who steered Cal Poly to within inches of NCAA tournament投影 the infectious joy and optimism of a 16-year-old boy, new his $525,000 contract extension a freshly signed $15,000 contract extension a freshly signed $15,000 contract extension a freshly signed $15,000 contract extension.