Zingg named CSU Chico head

By Emily Wong
Managing Editor

California State University Trustees named Cal Poly provost and vice president Paul Zingg president of California State University Chico on Monday.

Going from his top-ranking emphasis on collaboration, Zingg will prove that they are merely stereotypes. Zingg said he believes these are enough similarities between Cal Poly and CSU Chico to make it the only other CSU campus he would be interested in working for.

We are no more a super nerd school than they are a super party school," Zingg said. "These are extreme reputations, and, as is always the case, they are not a reality." After more than 10 years at Cal Poly, as provost since 1995 and dean of the College of Liberal Arts from 1993-95, Zingg will assume his new position Feb. 1.

"I will be arriving right at the start of their spring term," Zingg said. "There are plans and minutes to that but I think it's wise to put in their as quickly as possible." Zingg, a former history professor, was nominated for the position last June. He spent a day and a half at the CSU Chico campus two weeks ago, after the selection process was narrowed down to Zingg and a candidate from the University of Mississippi.

"My sense is that the place is very confident about who they are," Zingg said. "All of the campus constituencies work very hard at working together. Clearly, I look forward to helping strengthen what is already a solid academic program that can attract national search to fill the position."

"I love this university," Zingg said. "It has clear, strong values, and even in the challenging budget times it still has a bright future." Yet, Zingg's future will now be in Chico.

"everything became clear when I visited (Chico)," Zingg said. "For me, this is the realization of a dream." After more than 10 years at Cal Poly, as provost since 1995 and dean of the College of Liberal Arts from 1993-95, Zingg will assume his new position Feb. 1.

Hundreds of miles away, Poly students still affected by wildfires

By Kendra Hodges
Managing Editor

Outlookers outside KCPR 91.3's studios in building 26 Monday morning for the scheduled start live newscasts had to sit tight until 8:04 a.m. before journalists Ben Caban and Rosa Del Daca started the show.

It wasn't a matter of technical difficulties, pre-newscast jitters. Both students already had their briefs written and prepped to be read on-air. Instead, the first official live newscast in at least two years was delayed.

"I couldn't see my house not being there anymore," said Brett Carriere, both Cal Poly business administration students, found out Monday morning when they got their phone message from her parents last week telling her that they had to evacuate the house.

Their parents had 30 minutes to grab family photos and heirlooms before the fire closed in on them. "I didn't care what my parents grabbed, I was just concerned for their safety," Bret said. "If something happened to them, that would have been the worst thing ever."

Their mother described the area as an ashtray where someone snuffed a giant cigar out on top of their house.

"Our house is going to be fine," Jovan Carriere said. "When my parents called me Monday morning, to tell me our house burned down, I couldn't believe it. I couldn't see my house not being there anymore. I still can't."

Their parents told them to stay in San Luis Obispo and continue going to school.

"I remember my brother saying, 'I can't see it in our house, our house is going to be fine,'" Jovan said. "When my parents called me Monday morning, to tell me our house burned down, I couldn't believe it. I couldn't see my house not being there anymore. I still can't."

Their parents told them to stay in San Luis Obispo and continue going to their classes. In the meantime, the Carrières are planning for the future.

"I am going to take a gap year this year," Jovan said.

Unsung heroes: Felons fight wildfires

By Don Thompson
Managing Editor

LAKE ARROWHEAD — They've dug fire lines and cut trees. They've hustled families to safety and wielded garden hoses in hopes of saving homes.

They're the unsung heroes fighting Southern California's wildfires — and they're convicted felons.

"We save million-dollar homes for a dollar an hour," said Ricky Frank, 33, doing a 10-year stretch for theft. "You get to help people. It's better doing this than being locked up."

More than half of the state's 3,800 full-time wildland firefighters are prison inmates earning $1 an hour as they work off sentences for nonviolent crimes such as theft and drug possession. About 2,130 offenders — either minimum security wards of the California Youth Authority or adults sentenced to the California Department of Corrections — have been battling the flames.

The convicts usually are out of sight, laying more than a mile of hose, cutting fire lines and grabbing steelborn pockets of flame with shovels, rakes, pickaxes and hoses.

On the day the fire on the Cuesta Grade in San Luis Obispo flared up, people caught a glimpse of inmates in orange jumpsuits working on the hills.

The state began using inmates to do roadwork in 1915, and opened its first temporary inmate fire camps during World War II. The program now has 4,100 inmates in 38 conservation camps: 33 operated by the forestry department, five by Los Angeles County...
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... "Our dad will be able to design the house he always wanted now," Brett said.

Their father is a Cal Poly architecture alumnus.

"We are lucky not to have to be down there right now. If we were still living at home, I know it would be a lot more devastating for us," Brett said. The Cairriers were able to return to the area where their house once stood to sift through the rubble. Twenty of the 45 homes on their street were destroyed.

Another Cal Poly student from the Scripps Ranch neighborhood, Alyssa Felder, a graphic communication junior, found out that her house survived the blaze, although the entire landscaping of her parents' home was burned.

"I have no idea why our house didn't burn; the ashes are scattered around the house, all the way up to the windows," Brett said.

About 400 homes are confirmed destroyed in the Scripps Ranch area, one of the biggest communities scorched by the Southern California fires.

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Naiyarah Kolkailah, president of Cal Poly's Muslim Student Association.

"We have had lectures about Islam, but this year is the first to have an actual Islamic Awareness Week filled with events," she said.

"We chose to have Islamic Awareness Week during the month of Ramadan to give us a chance to explain one of the most important religions," said Naiyarah, who designed it, she said. "The knowledge people have about Muslims isn't much while the media's report is always inaccurate."

Naiyarah wears traditional Muslim attire, the hijab and jilbab, around Cal Poly campus. She says she is proud of her heritage and religion, although students often judge her unfairly. People often assume she's an immigrant or exchange student, while she is proud to have been born in San Luis Obispo.

She said her dress, which covers most of her body, is a statement that invites others to view the Islam woman as a spiritual and emotional character.

"Without respect and tolerance in today's society, peace can never be attained," she said.
BRIMENTINGHAM, Ala. — President Bush talked about the nation’s economy but it was his message about Iraq — a day after an Army helicopter was shot down — that brought a crowd to its feet Monday when he declared: “The enemy in Iraq believes America will run...America will never win.”

Bush’s remarks about the economy hardly stirred workers, who sat nearly motionless in a warm maintenance shop where a white crane that can lift 385 tons served as a backdrop for the president. But the crowd started applauding when he talked of how a free Iraq would allow children growing up without the burden of war.

The one, www.brimentingham.com, reported that Pabst was scheduled to have follow-up surgery on Monday. She was in stable condition at Walter Reed Medical Center.

SACRAMENTO — Friends and family of the 13-year-old victim of a train accident at a Natomas park were told Monday they would have to find a new home. The site, 679 Santa Rosa St., SLO, is the location of the new mosque.

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TUCSON, Ariz. — An aerial search resumed Monday in Mexico’s Gulf of California for four American fishermen missing more than a week. The body of the fifth member of the group was found Sunday.

“I think we have pretty much determined this is going to be a search and retrieval,” John Eckhoff, a family friend and spokesman for the families, said from Puerto Peñasco, Mexico, where the search was being conducted.

The search was concentrated southwest of Puerto Penasco, said Benjamin Osley, a U.S. consular spokesman who was there to offer assistance. Osley is based in Nogales, Mexico. — Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — Afghanistan unveiled a post-Taliban draft constitution Monday, a historic milestone on what has been a bloody, bumpy and often tragic path to recovery after decades of war.

The draft starts by declaring that “Afghanistan is an Islamic Republic,” then later creates the posts of president and vice president, as well as vesting two houses of congress.

The White House hailed the draft constitution, with press secretary Scott McClellan telling reporters aboard Air Force One en route from Washington, he was involved in an affair with a university employee, which was a contributing factor in his decision to come to Rutgers in late 2002.

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— University Wire

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Long Beach, Calif. — What disease affects more than 25 percent of women over the age of 12 in the United States? The answer is neither diabetes nor breast cancer, but herpes.

More than 25 percent of the U.S. population has genital herpes, possibly raising annual associated costs from $1.8 billion to $2.7 billion, according to the Washington Times.

California’s 13-Long Beach women ages 13 to 30 have the opportunity to participate in a research project to develop a vaccine against herpes, which most between the ages of 13 and 18 were not available to prevent sexually transmitted diseases.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. — In a press conference Sunday afternoon, Rutgers University President, Richard L. McCarroll said that while president of the University of Washington, he was involved in an affair with a university employee, which was a contributing factor in his decision to come to Rutgers in late 2002.

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Arts & Culture

By Angelique Tang
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Jay-Z, Z. 30 Cent, Outkast, Marilyn Manson.
These artists may jam the San Luis Obispo airwaves, but unless driv­
ing a few hours north or south sounds fun, the radio is as close as
any Cal Poly student is going to get to them.
"Cal Poly's ASI special event insurance specifically excludes
rap, hip-hop, and heavy metal
due to liability coverage," said
ASI director of business ser­vices Dwayne Brummett.
This doesn't mean these specific groups can't perform
on campus, but they must first
obtain extra insurance to
cover the special event, insur­ance that may be cost prohibi­
tive.
"We try to manage the risks
before it happens," Brummett
said.
Although hip-hop continues
to grow globally, live performances are rare in San Luis Obispo, and rap
artists are experiencing the same issue. The strict liability pushes pro­grams on campus to help diversify the
entertainment scene.
It's unfortunate our campus can't have rap performers," Multicultural
Center director Dwayne Brummett said. "And I've been addicted to it ever since."

Mark Fabionar said, "Hip-hop and rap commonly come from communities of
color, and these communities have a sense of culture within them."
MTV's Campus Invasion came to Cal Poly last May, and there were
rumors that rap artists like Fabionar and Talib Kweli were scheduled to perform outside the University Union Plaza.
Instead, the only performers who gutted it out on stage were Cal Poly students who exchanged creative lyrics in rounds of freestyle rap battles to win prizes.
Mechanical engineering junior Chris Szi competed in the fierce competition and made his way up to the final battle. Szi has been writing music since eighth grade and per­formed throughout high school.
The rawness and reality of hip-hop was what drew Szi to freestyle rapping.
"It became like a drug to me," Szi said, "and I've been addicted to it ever since."

Mark Fabionar, founder of Bla­coon Entertainment, said he performs whenever he can get the chance with his group, but the opportunities are limited in San Luis Obispo.
"It seems like it's harder for rap performers to get a gig here," Szi said.
He said that bringing in hip-hop could stimu­late the music scene on campus.
"If a major artist comes through town, a mass congregation will come through also," Szi said.
The stereotype that fights are more likely to break out at a hip-hop concert seems unfair to Szi.
"Hip-hop is everywhere now," Szi said.
Fabionar agreed.
"Today's youth resonates with hip-hop and rap, and it's part of a very powerful American culture," he said. "There will be a risk factor for problems to occur for all genres of music at any event."

Fabionar works with ASI events to bring diverse entertainment to campus. One event the Multicultural Center sponsors is Spoken Words, where poets come to show their expression through different styles.
"Some of these poets incorporate rap into their shows and the influence is amazing," Fabionar said.
ASI event staff and volunteers poll students at each event and take into consideration the input representa­tive of the student body, ASI program coordinator Amis Hammond said.
Hammond works with marketing student assistants to determine what kind of entertainment students want to see more of on campus through surveys and assessments.
The Epicenter, located in the UU, has three student committees who meet to contribute new ideas for concerts, special events and weekly entertainment.
All are invited and encour­aged to bring fresh ideas to the meetings.
Past performers at Cal Poly include Incubus,nelly Furtado,
Tom Morello, Bob Dylan, and Jason Mraz.
"Our goals have always been to bring more diverse entertainment to
campus," ASI assistant director for programs Dean Cozi said.
Cozi said the school needs specific insurance for each special event. The events team works with an outside promoter who must provide ASI with a certifi­cate of insurance for each group that comes on campus.

The group cannot even begin to
see someone performing downtown,
"They have easier access to the concert," Michelle Broom, ASI public relations and marketing coordinator said.

Other universities, such as San Diego State, (that) are situated in bigger cities have an advantage. If (students) wanted to see someone performing downtown, they have easier access to the concert.

Students have noticed a trend in the genre and variety of music cho­sen for concerts on campus and dur­ing UU hour.
"We're definitely limited to our choices of music on campus," electrical engineer senior Timothy Ahn said.
Ahn said he would like to see artists like Eminem and Linkin Park.
Ahn attended the Jimmy Eat World concert his second year on campus and said moshing was com­mon, like other concerts he had been to, but there were no fights.
Moshing usually consists of masses of 20-something people who flail their arms and slam into each other at concerts and clubs.
The concern for safety is the main reason why there are restrictions with certain types of music, Brummett said. Other excluded events mentioned in the insurance policy include the circus, aircraft shows and pro-wrestling events.
"Maybe we can hire more security for events," Ahn said as a solution to the problem. "But there has to be a way."

Coming Shows
North and South

Phi Alpha Trice - 11/9
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We've got issues
Maybe Republicans understand the economy after all

A few weeks ago, someone wrote a letter to Mustang Daily that stated Republicans were less educated than Democrats, and that by Republicans sabotaging public education we were ensuring a future crop of members for the AP. By the way, because I am an uneducated Republican who has no idea how to write a coherent article, I decided to throw in the following quotation—completely unrelated, it has absolutely no relevance to the letter writer's opinion and in no way intended to be my personal vindication to that statement of unfounded arrogance.

"Seven point two percent of GDP growth fastest in 19 years. Economists credit tax relief, shoppers."—USA Today.

The same old lies are repeated over and over at these debates. If the Democrats keep harping on these fallacies that tax cuts will somehow work their magical power over the economy, then y'all are going to get yourselves into a hole you won't be able to find your way out of. The tax cut of 2001 was under the Bush administration and resulted in an economic boom. Two years later the economy slowed down after Kennedy's tax cuts. Economists credit tax relief, shoppers.

The tax cut's only benefit the rich, most big corporations are like the latter. They're rich and they just keep getting richer. The tax cut hurtful than they will only share one thing in common with those of you still hung over from Halloween, let me explain it like this. For my fellow political science majors, 19 years ago was 1984. For you engineering majors, in 1984 Ronald Reagan had been president for three years and had passed a massive tax cut in 1981. Three years later the economy boomed. Bush passes a massive tax cut in 2001, and two short years later the economy took off again. For you people that I am trying to educate Republican accomplishments, the same thing also happened after Kennedy's tax cuts.

Now, as I previously said, I am just a stupid Republican so I couldn't pass a political science test and conclusions that data caused the economic rebuands, but I am sure my ivory tower liberal counterparts that argued against tax cuts could find some sneaky explanation proving the Bush's tax cut hurt the economy.

These people are so staunchly beholden to their socialist dogmas that they refuse to concede the fact that tax cuts actually increase tax revenue. I am aware that some people think that statement made as much sense as the Atkins diet claim that eating more fat will help you lose weight, but they are both true.

When you cut taxes, you stimulate the economy and spur economic growth, also when taxes are reasonable, people are more willing to pay them and less likely to risk cheating the system. For those of you still hung over from Halloween, let me explain it like this: When someone decreases the admission to a party from $20 to $5, they get more paying people to come and less people trying to get out of paying by saying they are berekHz's dumb buddy from four years ago; thus your beer budget increases. Hence, lower admission (taxes) equal more beer (revenue).

More beer is a virtual necessity if you were stupid like me and actually watched the Democratic debates. For those of you fortunate souls that were either smart enough to avoid them or have enough of a life to not even know they were going on (trust me, I am envious) let me catch you up.

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Most people are confused and unsure about what point a human fetus becomes a real and unique entity. Is there a point at which this fetus deserves life and a mother does not? Is it somewhere between the second and third trimester? Or right at conception? The truth is, they are both just mental excuses that we, the self-aware blobs, use in order to explain away this information. I know you can understand this as truth. These fetuses though, I can say truthfully, are not among the self-aware elite. They are not unique, and lack the ability to fornath... anything. They generally have the intelligence of insects, or at best a gold fish. No, I take that back, gold fish are a lot smarter.

What I'm getting at is that once you look at the situation through the cool, level headed mind of an atheist, you're really just dealing with an organic blob with potential. The coolest part is where you're conscious in, or your religion steps up, and tells you just how sacred and special the little blob is.

Well, I'm sorry, but I just don't think humans are so sacred any more. We are just the intelligent animal. Somehow the thought that just because a blob will potentially become a human makes it special enough to not be killed has crept deep into the psyche of humans (you can thank your evolutionary past for that notion). But now that there are enough of us in the world this notion need not exist any more. Humans are driven to breed, but our society has changed faster than this drive can adjust. So now there are un-wanted, un-needed and un-aware blobs popping up all over. We need not save them, there are so many more practical choices, and even uses. For instance, Lucy's Juice could use a new power boost flavor. Morgan Elam is a general engineering senior.
**News**

**Tuesday, November 4, 2003**

“Friends,” a new study found. Watching or discussing a show such as a TV series like *Friends*, researchers interviewed about 300 teenagers shortly after an episode of the hit NBC series that included pregnancy caused by condom failure. The study appeared in October 2003. In the episode, character Rachel (Jennifer Aniston) becomes pregnant after having sex with ex-boyfriend Ross (David Schwimmer). Ross expresses surprise, noting that he’s used a condom. Twice during the episode, characters say condoms are “only 97 percent effective.”

The episode was watched by 1.67 million 12- to 17-year-olds, the study said, citing Nielsen Media Research information.

Most of the teenagers surveyed remembered that the episode mentioned condom effectiveness, but fewer remembered condoms’ being described as more than 95 percent effective. Nearly twice as many as in a similar group of teenagers who did not discuss the show with an adult, the study found.

The research was part of Rand’s television and adolescent sexuality study to examine the role TV plays in influencing teenagers’ attitudes and behavior.

Among those who recalled watching the episode, 65 percent remembered that it involved a pregnancy.

Of those who discussed the episode with an adult, almost half remembered being described as more than 95 percent effective, nearly twice as many as in teenagers who did not discuss the show with an adult, the study found.

**PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION**

Democrat suggests a $3 billion preschool effort

**By Mike Glover**

DES MOINES, Iowa — Democratic presidential candidate John Edwards is suggesting a $3 billion package aimed at bolstering preschool programs. The alternative, he said Sunday, is far greater spending on youngsters who start school unprepared.

“The costs are enormous,” Edwards said. “Every dollar we invest in preschool saves 77.”

Features of the package Edwards introduced Sunday include bringing children younger than 4 years old into the preschool system, bolstering nutrition and parent education programs and expanding health care for youngsters in low-income families. When fully implemented, it would bring 1 million more children annually into preschool, said the senator from North Carolina.

In addition, Edwards wants tax credits of $2,500 for families with newborns, effectively doubling the existing child tax credit, that would even go to people whose income is too low to pay income tax.

“New families will be able to use this credit to lift time off from work to pay for child care or meet other needs,” Edwards said. More than 3 million families a year eventually would benefit from the tax credit, he said.

Earlier schooling combined with nutrition and health programs for preschoolers is essential, Edwards said. “Children who are hungry or sick cannot learn,” he said.

Edwards said it’s crucial to bolster preschool programs and important to begin early because of the brain development body of research about brain development in younger children. “We know that kids, by the time they enter kindergarten or first grade, a lot of the brain development has taken place,” Edwards said. “We would start much younger than that.”

The program would be financed through Edwards’ proposal to eliminate the portion of President Bush’s tax credits that go to taxpayers making $20,000 a year or more.

Most of the programs Edwards has spelled out in his campaign for Iowa’s January caucuses, the first event of the 2004 election season, would be financed by eliminating that portion of the tax cut. Edwards is a multimillionaire with a blind trust worth $3 million to $5 million; from next year, his salary as a senator will be $150,000.

Edwards is making a three-day swing through Iowa in preparation for the caucuses. Also on Sunday, Missouri Rep. Dick Gephardt issued his boldest prediction to date that he will be a Democratic contender competing in Iowa.

“I’m going to win Iowa. I really believe that,” he said on CBS’ “Face the Nation.” “I’m going to win Iowa. I believe that I have a bold, realistic set of ideas.”

Polls show Gephardt and former Vermont Gov. Howard Dean in a virtual tie atop the field of seven Democratic contenders competing in Iowa.
Soccer extinguishes Flames

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Swimming starts season

The Cal Poly men's and women's swimming and diving teams finished the second day of competition at the Big West Shootout on Saturday. Kristin Lumsden led the women's team with a second-place finish in the 200-meter freestyle. The women's team defeated Pacific and lost to Hawaii, BYU and Cal State Northridge. For the men's team, Ben Palmer took eighth place in the 200-meter individual medley. The men's team beat Pacific and lost to Hawaii, Denver and Cal State Northridge.

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