wildflower BEYOND THE TRIATHLON

More than 1,000 Cal Poly students flocked to Lake San Antonio for the annual Wildflower triathlon competition this past weekend. Club members and their guests volunteered to help mark trails and pass out water to competitors. Triathletes came from around the world to compete. Yet, the course for students over the weekend was just as rough; volunteers were woken up at 5 a.m. to loud music and strobe lights. Put the Antonio for the annual Wildflower triathlon competition this evening around a bonfire.

JAKE ASHLEY

MUSTANG DAILY

INSIDE

Coalition testifies before legislature

A newly organized statewide coalition has come together to better articulate the negative impacts current cuts to the CSU system. The Coalition to Save CSU, a group of alumni and members of the California business community, is the creation of the California Faculty Association, a union that represents CSU faculty.

On Monday, members of the coalition testified before the Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee in protest of the proposed 2004-05 state budget. During the hearing, they revealed a list of over 800 members.

The coalition’s primary concern is to convince the state legislature that Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger’s proposed $39 billion in budget cuts could be devastating not only to the CSU system but the state’s economy as well.

Alice Sunshine, communications director for the CPA, said that, while the CPA only represents faculty, the association decided to organize the Coalition to Save CSU in order to give voice to other members of the state community who are concerned about the recent cuts.

The proposed cuts, which led Cal Poly to eliminate many of its summer school classes, followed last year’s $300 million in CSU cuts, see Coalition, page 2

BRIAN KENT

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Bush signs bill to improve education of all Indians, Alaska native children

WASHINGTON (AP) — Tribal leaders were at the White House on Friday to watch President Bush sign an executive order aimed at improving the education of all American Indian and Alaska native children.

The executive order creates a federal working group, co-chaired by Interior Secretary Gale Norton and Education Secretary Rod Paige, which is charged with helping American Indian and Alaska Native children meet the standards set by the No Child Left Behind Act.

Bush quoted the late Sam Nunn, Sen. Sam Nunn (R-Ga.), who was in Washington competing in a science bowl; Republican Sens. Ted Stevens of Alaska and Craig Thomas of Wyoming, who is a member of the Senate Indian Affairs Committee; and Republican members of the House Resources Committee, Reps. Dennis Rehberg of Montana and Ken Calvert and Richard Pombo, both of California.

Leah Mori

MUSTANG DAILY

New visa process sought

WASHINGTON (AP) — A steep decline in graduate school applications from foreign students has university administrators pushing the federal government to reform the visa process. Their argument: The trends could cost U.S. schools much-needed revenue and research help, and make America seem isolated in the eyes of the world.

International graduate student applications for this fall are down 32 percent compared with a year ago, according to a recent survey, and schools are extending application deadlines so they don’t lose students still negotiating U.S. bureaucracy.

Meanwhile, in public comments and private lobbying, universities are urging federal officials to speed up visa applications, stressing that America’s role as a beacon to the world needs revenue and research help, and make America seem isolated in the eyes of the world.

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ASI presidential hopefuls

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world’s students could be in jeopardy. Officials from several California schools and the Department of Homeland Security discussed foreign student matters Tuesday at a gathering in San Diego.

And representatives from a handful of prominent schools, including the presidents of Yale and Princeton, met in New York recently to explore ways to use the influence of their trustees to help make their case. Universities acknowledged that the importance of foreign students is not obvious to the public, which has security concerns after one of the Sept. 11 hijackers entered the United States on a student visa. Some may wonder why foreign students take up 600,000 does in American universities in the first place.

But administrators insist those slots are as important now as ever. "This is one of America’s most effective forms of diplomacy," said Douglas Kinnard, vice president for international studies at Florida International University in Miami, where applications for student visas jumped 30 percent. "We’re educating people who will be in influential positions all over the world and government around the world.

More than 90 percent of graduate students reported their foreign applications for this fall declined, according to a survey of 113 universities last month by the California Coalition of Graduate Schools.

Undergraduate applications also are down, but not as much, likely because fewer undergraduates plan to work on sensitive technologies that require a more thorough background check. Both public universities and elite, private ones are feeling the effect. Harvard, whose president, Lawrence Summers, reported a sharp drop in international applications to each of Harvard’s schools in a recent letter to federal officials. Many schools count on foreign students to teach classes and fill labs.

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Homeland Security Department spokesman

"We don’t have domestic students to take their place, mostly in fields like science and technology," said Stephen Dunnett, vice president for international education at the University at Buffalo, part of New York’s state university system. The school has 3,600 foreign students, with applications down one-third this year. "He’s been found to carry higher tuition and soak up little financial aid because they must demonstrate financial self-sufficiency to get a visa. More than 75 percent of their funding comes from outside the country, according to the Institute of International Education.

Foreign students also contribute $12 billion to the U.S. economy, according to IIE. Experts cite several factors for the dip in applications, including diminished esteem for America abroad, rising tuition at U.S. schools and increasingly competitiveatter- mates in Europe and Asia.

But the difficulty, or perceived difficulty, of getting a student visa quickly appears to be the primary cause. "It’s really frustrating because when you get your visa, said Monu Xiao, a FIU computer engineering student whose application was able to get a visa so he would not be readmitted.

The State Department, which gives some students priority interview slots, issued 474,000 student visas last year, accepting 74 percent of applications. That’s down from 500 or 600 percent, in 2001. Secretary of State Colin Powell and Homeland Security Secretary Tom Ridge called last week for Congress to review visa restrictions, and Ridge discussed visas at a recent meeting with college presidents.

"We all want foreign students to continue to come here," said Russ Knocke, a spokesman for the Immigration and Customs Enforcement division of the Homeland Security Department. "We want the United States to continue to be the destination for education."

There continue to be more international applicants than ever here, with no evidence the total number of foreign students here has yet declined.

Still, schools say more help is needed for internationals, including an ombudsman to investigate cases that seem to disappear in the system.

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"We’d rather see them, instead of having questions about whether we have a good quality education, said former California Rep. Tom O’Keefe, professor of natural resources management and coalition member, said cuts and borrowing are not an option. O’Keefe was in Sacramento on Wednesday talking to legislators about the coalition.

"We’d rather see them, instead of making these cuts, have the legislature and the governor go ahead and raise taxes," O’Keefe said. "That would be a far better way, long term, for the state to solve the budget shortfall."

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Sunshine said the governor’s proposed budget contracts the master plan.

"The master plan is a blueprint for the state’s education system, including K-12 and post-secondary schools," Sunshine said. "And that’s been the plan for the last 40 years we’ve operated under, and it’s one of the reasons why California has been such a dynamic place in which to live."

Clara Peters-Fellow, a spokeswoman for the CSU system, said that the 5 percent cut over all CSU campuses would result in 3,000 fewer acceptances of qualified students into the system for the fall quarter.

Some will be diverted to winter quarter and some will be funnelled into the community college systems, Peters-Fellow said, though exact numbers have not been proposed.

The goal of the coalition now is that the proposed budget, which is currently in revision, will recognize the importance of preserving the CSU system, even if it means increasing tax revenue, an action Schwarzenegger has said would be a last resort.

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**State Briefs**

ATASCADERO — A small earthquake jolted San Luis Obispo County on Sunday morning, but caused no damage or injuries, authorities said.

The magnitude-3.7 temblor struck at 6:22 a.m. and was centered about 7 miles west of Atascadero, according to preliminary data from the U.S. Geological Survey.

There were no reports of damage or injuries, said sheriff’s Sgt. Robin Weckerly.

In December, the same area was rattled by a magnitude-6.5 quake that killed two people in nearby Paso Robles and caused nearly $100 million in damage.

**SACRAMENTO** — Teenagers who flock to tanning salons before prom or bathing suit season may have to get golden the old-fashioned way if a California assemblyman has his way.

Lawmaker Joe Nation has introduced a bill that would prevent anyone under 18 from using a tanning machine with ultraviolet rays unless they have a doctor’s prescription.

Nation said the bill would protect teenagers from skin damage caused by the sun’s rays and burning.

“We set limits for what kids can be exposed to,” Nation said. “We don’t let kids smoke until they’re 18. We don’t even let kids get body piercings until they’re 18. And yet, we have a law that allows a 14-year-old kid to go to a tanning salon and be exposed to what the federal government has concluded is a carcinogen.”

The bill was prompted by Nation’s own bout with skin cancer three years ago.

While getting dressed for a race, he spotted a new mole on his left leg. The mole turned out to be cancerous melanoma and had to be surgically removed.

**National Briefs**

WASHINGTON — A reprieve of 1994? That’s one question facing Federal Reserve policy-makers when they meet Tuesday and try to determine how an economy accustomed to super-low interest rates will react to rising rates.

A decade ago, shock waves from rate increases contributed to financial disasters in Mexico, Orange County and elsewhere.

Analysts do not expect that Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan and his colleagues will start raising rates this week. Many expect the central bank will start preparing the country for higher rates, in large part to avoid the mistakes of a decade ago.

**CHICAGO** — Symptomless ear inflammation that affects more than 2 million American children a year should be handled with “watchful waiting” and no treatment unless it remains for at least three months, new guidelines say.

While in some cases treatment is needed, at least 75 percent of cases clear up on their own within three months, according to the guidelines from the American Academy of Pediatrics. They were published Monday in the May edition of the academy’s journal, Pediatrics.

**CHICAGO** — Overweight adolescents are more likely than normal-weight children to be victims and perpetrators of bullying, a study found, bolstering evidence that being fat endangers emotional as well as physical health.

The results in a study of 5,749 Canadian youngsters echoed data from British research and follow a U.S. study published last year in which obese children rated their quality of life as low as young cancer patients’ because of teasing and weight-related health problems.

While not surprising given the stigma of being overweight, the new findings underscore the importance of enlisting teachers and schools in the fight to prevent and treat obesity in children, said lead author Ian Janssen, an obesity researcher at Queens University in Kingston, Ontario.

**World Briefs**

LONDON — Amnesty International said it has uncovered a “pattern of torture” of Iraqi prisoners by coalition troops, and called for an independent investigation into the claims of abuse.

The London-based human rights group said it had received “scores” of reports of ill-treatment of detainees by British and American troops.

But the top U.S. military officer said Sunday there was no widespread pattern of abuse and that the actions of “just a handful” of U.S. troops at a Baghdad prison have unfairly tainted all American forces.

KABUL, Afghanistan — U.S. airstrikes killed four alleged militants following an attack on a military convoy in eastern Afghanistan, but local officials said Sunday the victims were policemen killed in a case of mistaken identity.

The incident raised the number of reported deaths in violence across Afghanistan this year to more than 300, most of them in a Taliban-led insurgency threatening plans for landmark elections this September.

Meanwhile, the Afghan government said it had reached an agreement with U.S. commanders on a new militia force to fight militants.

BAGHDAD, Iraq — Six U.S. service members were killed in a mortar attack Sunday in western Iraq, the U.S. military said.

A military spokesman gave no further details and did not say whether the victims were Marines or Army soldiers.

The attack occurred in Anbar province, which includes such flashpoint cities as Fallujah and Ramadi in the Sunni Triangle, a hotbed of resistance.

The deaths raised the U.S. death toll to 151 since a wave of violence began on April 1.

At least 753 U.S. troops have died in Iraq since the war began in March 2003.

Associated Press

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**THIS WEEK IN ASI EVENTS**

**HIGHER GROUNDS ENTERTAINMENT SERIES**

Featuring SOUL SPEAK
Wednesday, May 5
11 a.m. in the UIU Epionenter FREE

Soul Speak, comprised of Cal Poly students, will be performing soul poetry. They have performed at various events including the We The People Tour featuring Jula Battleship and Alisa Silverstone. Their performance will move and inspire you.

**UH HOUR**

Featuring SHALLOW
Thursday, May 6
11 a.m. - noon in the UIU Plaza - FREE

These California boys have dazzled even the cruelest of critics with their extremely polished, modern sound and style. It’s easy to get lost in their timeless guitar melodies and crisp sound that radiates.

**TICKETS ON SALE NOW**

Country singer BLAKE SHELTON
Wednesday, May 12
Show at 7:30, Doors at 6:45 in the Cal Poly Rec Center.

Purchase tickets at Valletta locations, 1-888-VALL ET and valletta.com, or Cal Poly student discount at the Mustang Ticket Office only.

**SAVE THE DATE**

Second annual BMX AND BAND BLOWOUT
Saturday, May 22
12 - 5 p.m. in parking lot H-18 - FREE

This annual outdoor festival will include a BMX stunt show, music by three bands and a performance by the Headliner All. Cal Poly clubs and local businesses will sell food and offer activities. The event will also include sponsor giveaways and a craft fair.

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Saturday morning, a camper looks out at Lake San Antonio and several tents set up by Poly students at Beach City.

Wildflower

Photos by Brian Kent
Layout by Emily Wong

Left, more than 4,000 triathlete competitors came from around the world to Wildflower. Above, family and friends cheered the triathletes on and enjoyed the camping atmosphere.
Above, an exhausted athlete recuperates in the shade. Left, the Surf Avengers played on a stage for Wildflower participants. Right:
1. A triathlete dives into the water.
2. A student dives into the lake.
3. An athlete cools down with ice cubes.
4. A triathlete gets sprayed with a hose by a volunteer.
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Teen flick shows it pays to be 'Mean'

Lindsay Lohan proves star power as "Mean Girls" takes in $25 million; Denzel Washington and Jennifer Garner stay strong for a second week

Anthony Breznican

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who said the success of "13 Going on
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cast signals well above the allowable strength — as
much as 9,929 times the amount of
broadcast strength permitted for a
non-licensed low power transmitter,
according to an affidavit from FCC
field engineer David Doon.
When Doon and another agent
knocked on the Hatches door asking
for information about the First
Amendment right to broadcast with­
out a license from the FCC.
Sarah Window, the government's
lawyer, disagreed with Vermeulen's
meandering free speech arguments.
"What the plaintiffs are asking,
they have no right to," Window told
the judge. "There is no First
Amendment right to broadcast with­
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ties have a right to pre-seizure notice and a
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Like all wars, the conflict in Iraq is a visual conflict. Words and numbers are information, but pictures are much more emotional and influential. They convey the reality of war more clearly. The pictures in this photo essay are much more emotional and influential.

**Letter to the Editor**

**Other programs just as important and worthy**

By Andrea Svoboda

Students who support the athletic scholarship referendum seem to think that because student athletes participate in competitive sports and meet or exceed the requirements of their given majors, they should be given a special type of funding. Funding from all of us, for a few of us.

For the benefit of those who cannot see the arrogance of the referendum, let us consider what it would look like if we substituted architecture for athletics. The architecture department is regularly rated on par with such noted institutions as Harvard, Yale and Cornell. Cal Poly architecture is among the best. Students are expected to study architecture the world over, but must fund their own trips and study abroad. Countless limitations are placed on students and professors who simply do not have the financial ability to continue demonstrating the types of programs that make Cal Poly architecture among the best.

Rachel Musquiz is a journalism junior and Mustang Daily staff writer.

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ASI candidate endorsements

Commentary

In a few days, Cal Poly students will go to the polls to choose their new Associated Students Inc. president and executive vice president. This is a major decision for students, as Cal Poly will be faced with many challenges and uncertainties in the coming year.

We need leaders who will not only stand up to the challenges we face but offer real solutions. Garrett Peer and Alan Ellis are the only names that come to mind to fill these ever-important roles. Nobody can match their experience at all levels of the university; their ideas will have a positive impact on students.

During my tenure on the ASI executive staff, I have had the pleasure of working with both Garrett and Alan. Nobody has carried out their duties with more class and professionalism. Not only do they know issues affecting students, they have been successful garnering real results at the individual college level as a member of campus clubs, student ambassador teams and college for committees. At the university level, they have served campus wide committees, board of director resolutions and as chairman of ASI's behalf and policy reviews. Finally, they have been active at the statewide level lobbying the legislature for increased higher education funding, increasing financial aid and textbook prices.

Additionally, these are two of the finest and most eloquent gentlemen you will ever meet. They respect everyone's opinions and are always willing to offer a helping hand to fellow leaders, students or the community. I can recall countless occurrences this year when Garrett and Alan have given presentations on complex issues and have always been willing to go out of their ways to make sure everyone is on the same page.

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Commentary

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If this were a perfect world, Blake and Tylor would be just that team. I could go on and on about their experience and expertise in the Associated Students Inc. real world, but that won't mean as much as I am about to say. I have never met a man as upstanding and honorable as Blake Bolton. He is honest, bold and brave. His heart is pure, and his passion is contagious. His degree, Military Science, and his fellow students is not one of coca-cola filled water fountains but one of unity, diversity and advocacy. Blake will make sure everyone has a voice in ASI, and that people are not made to feel inferior. He weighs all options and makes them the best choice for Cal Poly's president and vice president. Blake and Tylor create an atmosphere of understanding, respect and healthy disagreement. Cal Poly will have their voices and opinions heard by their elected officials if this team is chosen.

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As his recent involvement in ASI, Rory has been dumbfounded by the events that have brought him to the front of the line. One by one, the people who are now leaders in the university have been downsizing and cutting programs. Instead of adopting and making to feel inferior or by the overbearing, unjust domain of the San Luis Obispo and University Police departments. Campus life lacks unity and collective support.

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Nomination Deadline: May 14, 2004

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Australian Chris McCormack and Swiss Natasclia Hadinann won the 2004 Wildflower Triathlon under 101-degree temperatures. McCormack, the course record-holder, has won the event the last three years he has entered (2001, 2002, 2004). Badmann won in her first appearance.

McCormack had to overcome cramps he suffered early in the bike portion of the race, going into "damage control" during that time. He was able to hang near the lead because of his training for Ironman events, which are twice as long. His finishing time was six minutes off his record-setting time. Belgian's Rutger Beke gained quickly on the champion, picking up nearly four minutes on McCormack during the run portion, but couldn't overtake his competitor.

Badmann rode to victory on a bike she named Seabiscuit, appropriate on the Saturday of the Kentucky Derby (even though the famed horse never ran in that event), because it gave her a rough first ride. She had to get a minute replacement after her own bike was broken when she ran over a pothole during training earlier in the week.

She said she was spurred on by the beautiful scenery of Lake San Antonio and the festive mood of the volunteers at the aid stations.

In all, 7,500 athletes competed in the multiple events over the weekend. See Mustang Daily later in the week for more complete results of the college division and the Cal Poly triathlon club's bid to repeat as champions.

On the Diamond

Another rough series for baseball

MUSTANG DAILY STAFF REPORT

Cal State Fullerton's Mike Martinez settled down after a rocky start, scattering eight hits over eight innings, and Kurt Suzuki continued his hot hitting with three singles as Cal State Fullerton completed a sweep of their three-game Big West Conference baseball series against Cal Poly with a 9-4 victory Sunday afternoon at Goodwin Field.

The Mustangs are 33-19-1 and 5-7 after the weekend sweep.

Jonathan Fleming, who had missed five of his last seven starts on the mound for Cal Poly, threw just 12 pitches Sunday, hitting three batters and giving up three runs and two hits.

Denis LeDuc relieved Fleming and pitched six innings. The junior right-hander allowed six runs and 11 hits with four strikeouts, taking the loss to fall to 4-2 on the year.

On Saturday, Cal State Fullerton pounded Cal Poly 27-2, in a Big West Conference baseball game at Goodwin Field.

Fullerton starter Ricky Romero improved to 9-3, allowing two Cal Poly runs on six hits in seven innings while striking out seven. Cal Poly's Garrett Olson took the loss to fall to 7-9.

Suzuki was 5-for-5, including his eighth home run. Ronnie Prettymyan, also connected for his first career home run and had a bases-clearing triple in the fourth to break open a 6-0 lead.

Cal Poly scored in runs on solo homers by Chalon Tierje and Bret Berglund.

In Friday's game, Suzuki singled to left field, driving in the winning run with two outs in the ninth inning as Cal State Fullerton edged Cal Poly 3-2 in the opener of a three-game Big West Conference baseball series Friday night at Goodwin Field.

Suzuki, who leads the Big West in hitting with a .411 average, drove in the winning run.

Cal Poly had two runs in the sixth, but that would not be enough for the Mustangs.

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