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**Students win Paso Robles housing competition**

Rebecca Laman

Low-income housing in Paso Robles may soon be renovated, thanks to ideas presented by a group of Cal Poly students who won first prize in a competition held in San Francisco on May 13.

The competition was sponsored by the Bank of America to promote awareness and provide experience in a "real world" affordable housing development. Cal Poly competed against University of California Berkeley and Stanford.

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"It is a great honor for Cal Poly and for the department to be recognized by the state of Morelos and the Mexican government," said William Martinez, modern languages and literature department chair.

"I think for us the biggest impact is that they recognize that we bring quality students to them," Martinez said. "These students are not only serious about learning Spanish, but also learning about Mexico and Mexican culture."

For the past 12 years, Cal Poly has sent between 25 and 32 students each summer to Cuernavaca, Mexico. While there, students live for four weeks with non-English speaking host families and take eight units worth of classes at the Cuauhnahuac Spanish Language Institute.

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Tom Chorneau

SACRAMENTO — Thousands of teachers, nurses, firefighters and other unionized workers descended on the Capitol and downtown Los Angeles to protest Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's budget priorities and plans for a special election.

The rallies Wednesday were driven by discontent over a range of hot-button issues, from the governor's education spending plan to his call for a November election that unions view as an assault on them.

The crowd in Sacramento was estimated at close to 10,000 people and 9,000 people and wrapped around the Capitol's south side. The scene was dominated by a sea of protest signs and voices of protest.

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The application process for the Cal Poly Summer Spanish Language Immersion Program in Cuernavaca, begins in December. For more information, visit the Continuing Education Web site at www.continuing-ed.calpoly.edu/. Students from all majors are invited to apply. There is no language requirement.

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Doyle said that the project is self-funded, and if the Paso Robles Housing Authority proceeds with the City of Paso Robles' approval, the project will generate revenue from rent and sales to support the debt service necessary to build it.

The Oak Park Revitalization Plan applies innovative financing toward a $53 million project. Current federal policies have virtually eliminated funding for existing affordable housing.

The construction management students determined that it was not cost effective to rehabilitate the units, which needed to be completely rebuilt. The group proposed that the agency lease the land to a newly formed, non-profit entity to take advantage of tax credit financing.

"I think that we won because of the demonstrated heart of our project. We were told by the jury to choose an easier assignment, but we stuck with it because we all wanted our project to be of genuine service to the Oak Park Community in Paso Robles," said Nathan Gilbert, graduate student and project leader.

Gilbert said while working on the project, the group participated in community meetings, researched other pro-profit and non-profit developers and helped a service agency and community that needed help.

"It would have been hard put to do in so many hours if we looked at this as just another school assignment," Gilbert said. "We knew that we really had the opportunity to make a difference in our community and get this project built, and we did it."

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no findings for many kinds of untraditional families, gay or straight.

"It would be my hope that this initiative is opposed by troves, by hundreds, by thousands, and never gets off the ground," said the Rev. Cecil Williams, a veteran social activist who leads San Francisco's Glide Memorial Church.

Organizers of the alliance held simultaneous news conferences in Los Angeles, San Diego and San Francisco to denounce the amendment filed with the state attorney general last week by a group called VoteYesMarriage.com.

The language of the proposed Voters Right to Protest Marriage Initiative unambiguously states that if passed, lawyers would be presented from extending other marriage licenses or any of the rights and responsibilities that come with marriage to gay couples. That would mean revoking the nearly full spousal benefits the state has conferred on registered domestic partners, who can include not only same-sex couples but unmarried senior citizens.

"This measure is extreme, it's far-reaching and it's clearly unaccept-able," said Eddie Gutierrez, spokesman for the gay rights group Equality California. "It is the most hurtful and far-sweeping of anything seen of this nature."

Outside of Massachusetts and Vermont, California offers the strongest legal protections to same-sex couples in the nation. Massachusetts has allowed gay marriage since last May. Vermont has offered civil unions to gays since 2000; Connecticut will begin offering civil unions in October.

An expanded domestic partners law that took effect this year in California gave gay partners who register with the state automatic parental rights over children born during their relationship, access to divorce court and the guaranteed ability to make funeral arrangements and medical decisions for each other. But opponents of the measure say it would go even further, affecting the ability of gay couples and single men and women to adopt children, to take medical leave to care for an intimate companion or to decide whom may visit them in the hospital or inherit their estates.

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STATE NEWS
SAN LUIS OBISPO — The bill is in for keeping this year's Maidu Gra celebrations trouble-free — about $1 million.

A Police Department report said the city spent $885,296 preparing for the four-day weekend in February while more than 16 other law enforcement agencies, including the California Highway Patrol, racked up nearly $700,000 in salary and overtime.

The city will repay some of that money by sending its own officers to help those agencies cover other public events, the report said.

SANTA MARIA — Michael Jackson's probate judge has already allowed him to return to the start of their molestation case under a ruling Thursday that they may play a tape of the accuser's first police interview, but the judge refused their bid to show juries pictures of Jackson's genitalia.

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— Associated Press

NATIONAL NEWS
RENO — The FBI is not investigating the reported theft of two dozen used military jet engines from an outside storage yard in Reno, an agency spokesman said.

"We have been notified but we have not opened an investigation," FBI spokesman David Schrom told The Associated Press on Thursday.

Reno police Lt. Ron Donnelly said the 24 used engines are valued between $24 million and $35 million and were reportedly stolen sometime in the last month.

COEUR D'ALENE, Idaho — Preliminary DNA tests showed no traces of the blood of two missing children in the home where three other people were slain, raising hopes that Dylan and Shasta Groene are still alive, officials said Thursday.

Only the blood of the three murder victims — the missing children's mother and older brother and the mother's boyfriend — was found at the scene, according to initial analysis by the FBI.

BARRE, Vt. — Two young brothers and a friend were found dead in a river after they apparently lost their footing while playing in the fast-moving stream. Justin Nutbrown, 13, Joshua Nutbrown, 11, and Allison Hansen, also 11, were last seen Wednesday after school heading into the woods to play.

A search began later that night, and the bodies were found Thursday morning near where the children were last seen, authorities said.

GRANTS PASS, Ore. — The Bush administration plan for balancing salmon against hydroelectric dams in the Columbia Basin violates the Endangered Species Act.

U.S. District Judge James Redden in Portland ruled in favor of a challenge by environmentalists, Indians and fishermen.

— Associated Press

INTERNATIONAL NEWS
BAGHDAD, Iraq — Iraq announced plans Thursday to deploy 40,000 police and soldiers in the capital and ring the city with hundreds of checkpoints, the largest show of Iraqi force since the fall of Saddam Hussein.

Prime Minister Ibrahim al-Jaafari told a small group of Western reporters that next week the security threat, and it issued fresh warnings of possible terrorist attacks in the world's most populous Muslim country.

Police also said two of the country's most-wanted terror suspects may be planning more attacks.

ADDIS ABABA, Ethiopia — International donors pledged an additional $200 million Thursday to fund the African Union peacekeeping operation in Sudan's western Darfur region during a conference to discuss the ongoing violence.

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IN OTHER NEWS
DES MOINES, Iowa — A woman known as the "butter cow lady" for her life-size butter sculptures of dairy cows says she wants to do a likeness of golfer Tiger Woods at the Iowa State Fair.

"He's going to be sitting down with a club next to him and he's going to be scratching a live tiger, so to speak, on the head," said Norma Lyon on Wednesday.

Lyon, 75, lives on a dairy farm near Toledo. She carves a full-size dairy cow out of butter at the fair each year. Her cows have been a highlight for nearly five decades.

In recent years, she started adding other sculptures, including Elvi, Garth Brooks and John Wayne, and in 1999, she celebrated her 40th year at the fair with a life-size butter version of Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper."

Lyon said she doesn't play golf, but she enjoys watching it — especially when Tiger's playing.

"I've watched when he hasn't played, but it's not as fun," she said.

In an e-mail to The Associated Press, Tiger's agent, Mark Steinberg, said he wasn't aware of the butter sculpture and declined further comment.

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Mideast trip shows a new side of Laura Bush

More than any other time in her husband's presidency, the first lady shows her independence from White House policies

Nedra Pickler
Associated Press

SHANNON, Ireland — She's not the shy librarian that some might think she is. Normally reserved Laura Bush showed a new outspoken side on her trip to the Middle East.

In five days, she took a stand on another nation's election dispute, walked the heart of one of the world's most heated conflicts and contradicted the White House.

Mrs. Bush's trip was designed to promote freedom, education and the role of women, along with America's image in a part of the world where animosity is running high. But she said the overriding message she took home was that people want the United States to get involved in the peace process.

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DMB’s ‘Stand Up’
good, but not great

Emily Rancer
MUSTANG DAILY

Dave Matthews Band’s rich instrumental variety and commanding percussion, blended with the smooth vocals of Matthews, have allowed the band to sell out stadiums for years. But if you love classics, following that format, such as "Ann Madden," "Rapunzel," or "Everyday," you might be stunned with the relaxed and sometimes bland mood of "Stand Up," the band’s latest No. 1 disc.

In fact, the new album can be likened to a free Devils Food cookie, while his five previously studio-recorded albums would be like warm and deliciously-scented homemade treats. The aspect that makes "Stand Up" fall short of the band’s previous albums is its lack of forceful percussion. Instead of creative percussion, blended with the smooth mental variety and commanding percussion, the new album can be likened to a free Devils Food cookie, while his five previously studio-recorded albums would be like warm and deliciously-scented homemade treats.

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students at CSU campuses around the state are outraged at Sen. Abel Maldonado's proposed riot bill. The bill is so controversial among students; media organizations like MTV news have picked up the story. The Senate Bill 337 threatens to expel students who are found guilty of rioting or participating in riots. The bill was written in reaction to San Luis Obispo's Mardi Gras celebration in 2004, and its implications are huge.

This alarming legislation poses a serious threat to students' rights. Many of the bill's terms are broad and open to interpretation of the First Amendment. A number of the provisions are "frequently associated with expressive speech and protests for denial of access to higher education..." said spokesperson for the UC Office of the President, Ravi Poorsina, in a previous statement to UCLÃ's Daily Bruin.

As students, we value free speech and the right to assemble. While no one debates the problems created by Mardi Gras in 2004, this year's celebration was vastly different. Students might like to party, but we know when to quit. This bill is an insult to students.

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Night of the Mustang is Day's night

Brian J. Lambdin

Theophil "Theo" Dunn is simply known as one of the greatest Mustang basketball stars of all time, a man who came to Cal Poly highly publicized and did not fail to disappoint. Growing up in San Francisco, Dunn played football, basketball, and he ran track in high school. He was an All-City Basketball player.

"I had a lot of fun as a junior and senior playing all those sports," Dunn said. "As a kid there wasn't much else to do, so it was a lot of fun."

When he graduated from high school, Dunn planned to go into the Army, but instead attended San Francisco City College after the coach came to his high school and helped him enroll in classes and get a job at the library.

After attending City College for a few years, Dunn was ready to move on. "I had an offer to play at Oregon State and I went up there with him to check it out," Dunn said. "It rained every day I was there and I told myself that I couldn't walk around in wet shoes all day."

"I also got an offer from Arizona and when I went and checked it out, the gym was nice and they set me up with a Grant A scholarship."

Dunn arrived at Cal Poly in 1955. His 293 rebounds in the 1957-58 season is still a team record. In 1958, his deferm ent was over. "Instead of going to Korea, I went to Europe for two and a half years," Dunn said. "I played basketball and volleyball on USO tours while in Europe."

He would graduate in 1964 with a degree in printing and engineering, a major that later became graphic communications. Dunn went to work in San Francisco and passed on an opportunity to buy stock in the Oakland Raiders.

"If I had known that John Madden was going to end up as coach, I might have acted differently," Dunn said.

Eventually, Dunn came back to the Central Coast to be closer to his wife and kids. He took a job with PG&E where he worked for 26 years. He has since retired, though he works part-time.

"It was there when they broke ground on Diablo Canyon and I gave tours of it for 17 years," Dunn said. "I was even set to do a tour for the day after 9/11, but they called me and told me they weren't going to be able to do any tours." Dunn is still connected to Cal Poly. He has been involved with the Cal Poly Hall of Fame since its inception, a member of the committee that elected the first five Hall of Fame classes. The inductee became an inductee in 1996.

"It was quite an honor. You have some great athletes in there. My family enjoyed it and they still talk about it," Dunn said. "I really enjoyed coming to such a great academic university where they had a philosophy, the learn-by-doing philosophy, that actually worked."

Cal Poly baseball: Playoff bound?

How the Cal Poly baseball team fares this weekend could determine if it gets a playoff berth. The Mustangs (24-13, 12-6 Big West Conference) visit UC Irvine for the final series of the regular season. Then at 8:30 a.m. Monday, the Mustangs will learn if they did enough in 2005 for a bid for the Regionals.